

## Peter Vidmar's Speech Introduction

Our guest speaker, Peter Vidmar is the winner of 2 gold medals and one silver medal at the 1984 Olympic games in Los Angeles. As the USA men's gymnastics team captain, he led his teammates to this country's first team gold medal with their stunning upset victory over the defending world champions from the People's Republic of China. He went on to win the silver medal in the individual all-around competition and, with a perfect score of 10, he captured the gold medal on the pommel horse.

Peter is a leader in the Olympic movement today. He is Chairman of the Board of USA Gymnastics, the national governing body for gymnastics in the United States. He has served on the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sport and is currently the Vice Chair of the California Governor's Council on Physical Fitness & Sports for the state of California. In 2005, Peter received the CPAE Speaker Hall of Fame award, which is a lifetime award for speaking excellence and professionalism, awarded by National Speakers Association. He is also a member of the United States Olympic Hall of Fame. He is the author of the book, Risk Originality, and Virtuosity: The Keys to a Perfect 10.

Peter has worked for many years as the gymnastics commentator for CBS Sports and ESPN. He also spends much of his time presenting his inspiring message of Risk, Originality, and Virtuosity to Fortune 500 companies across the nation. Peter lives in Southern California with his wife, Donna, a former UCLA gymnast, and their 5 children.

**But before we hear from Peter, let's take a look at him in action. (Play Video)**