

**Tim Gard, CSP, CPAE:
Introduction
Human Services**



Our speaker today is someone who can find humor in almost anything - even in Human Services! While he doesn't think of himself as a comedian, he certainly employs the use of humor to look at life just a little differently... He calls this his Comic Vision[®].

Over a decade ago, Tim answered the tremendous calling from his peers to share his Comic Vision[®]. They, too, wanted to understand and enjoy the benefits of laughter and good humor in their lives.

Today, Tim is a recognized and leading authority in stress reduction through humor. Traveling over 150,000 miles annually, he speaks at over 100 events each year, from Texas to Tasmania. Having authored and co-authored several books, Tim is a frequently invited guest on TV and radio talk shows to discuss his keynote speeches, facilitation and consulting experience, as well as his own line of stress buster reminders called Tim's Tools (*which you'll see more of within moments!*).

Tim has extensive experience in and around the government, having worked for 16 years in City and State government as a welfare fraud investigator, and then with USDA Food and Nutrition Service. Because of this "in the trenches" experience, he fully understands the challenges you must face and overcome each day.

In addition to being a Certified Speaking Professional, Tim was given the CPAE designation in 2006 and inducted into the Speaker Hall of Fame!

He promises there will be *no* group hugs! Should you talk with him when he requests audience participation, you'll be rewarded with any one of the spectacularly unique gifts he has brought - gifts that cannot be found in the finer stores!!

Please join me in giving Tim Gard a warm welcome.....