

Gary Kunath

Founder and Former CEO of The Summit Group

Gary M. Kunath is the Founder of the Summit Group. He grew it to a multi-million dollar global enterprise that is recognized as one of the top sales training companies in the world by Selling Power magazine. His value creation approach received the "Innovative Practice of the Year Award" by 3M worldwide. He was named Businessman of the Year for the United States and was formally recognized for this achievement at a dinner hosted by the President of the United States.

He has lectured in the Executive Education and MBA Programs of Duke University's Fuqua School, Miami University's Farmer Business School, Emory University, Cornell University's Johnson Graduate School, and he is currently an adjunct professor at The Citadel in their Sports Marketing Graduate program. He also serves on the board of Trustees for Utica College.

He is an equity partner in Bite Tech; exclusive makers of the Under Armour's high performance mouth wear which was named by Fast Company magazine as one of the top ten most innovative companies in sports in the last 100 years, just behind ESPN and Turner Sports.

He is a founding member and sits on the advisory board of The G2G Collection, a global luxury vacation club whose goal is to raise \$1 billion for charities over the next ten years while providing members with five star luxury vacation homes and experiences.

He is an owner of several professional minor league baseball teams. His partners include Bill Murray, Jimmy Buffet and Mike Veeck. They are famous for managing their teams around the "Fun is Good" approach. They are ranked as one of the top ten best service companies in North America.

His book, entitled *Life... Don't Miss it*, shares how to achieve a high "Life Worth" and maximize joy and contentment in your life both personally and professionally. Gary's personal story has appeared in news venues such as ABC news, NBC news, Fox, Yahoo Finance, The Tribune, to a total circulation of over 70 million people.