



“I had the pleasure of having Mr. Dale Spencer speak at a group that I host and moderate which averages 50 high level attendees in transition every Friday in Naperville. The focus of Mr. Spencer’s speech was to inspire the attendees to overcome their anxieties and to learn to take on the various challenges we face in life head on.

In summary, Wow! Mr. Spencer delivered on all accounts. He told us in detail what caused his spinal cord injury that has left him in a wheelchair with intense details of what happened the night of the accident, the following days, and then the immediate challenges of the next weeks and months. He does this to let everyone know how challenging it was to learn how to do everything again including many things we take for granted like getting dressed every day. He then jumps ahead to the steps he took to go back to college and live in the same fraternity house he was at before the accident and what it was like to live at home post-college and ponder what he should do next while getting pushed with some tough-love from his mother.

Mr. Spencer then catered his speech to the audience jumping ahead 20+ years to current day where he has become a very successful businessman. Like most successful businessmen he talks about learning to let go some of some of his work to others in his office so he can continue to grow his practice which is full of demanding clients who expect him to execute and deliver satisfaction just like everyone else in the industry. At this point in his life and career his handicap only limits him some as he is very independent and even downhill snow skis and rides horses. However he makes it clear that none of this would have been possible if he had not pushed himself to conquer his handicap early on by learning to adapt patience and perseverance while overcoming the many fears and early limitations immediately after the accident.

Finally it should be noted I like how Mr. Spencer jotted down notes of various comments/questions the group sprouted prior to his speech and then crafted his speech to incorporate some of these comments that he realized were important to them. I found this to be very impressive and illustrates that he is able to customize his speeches for most impact depending on the assignment and the group.

To summarize Mr. Spencer would be an asset to any group looking to utilize his services as a keynote speaker. He is charismatic, personable (stayed 45 minutes after taking on all one-on-one questions from individuals), observant, a great networker, insightful and a great inspiration. I highly recommend him.”

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