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## Ed Hearn

*Travels from:* Kansas

*Fee Range:* \$5,001 - \$7,500

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In 1986, Ed Hearn fulfilled his childhood dream as a member of the World Series Champion New York Mets. The following year with the Kansas City Royals, he was set to make those big "million dollar bank deposits" today's professional athletes are accustomed to, when suddenly, a serious shoulder injury brought a premature end to a very promising and brilliant career.

Less than six months after his baseball career ended, he was diagnosed with three potentially life threatening health conditions. Once a strong, vibrant professional athlete, he was reduced to a man who could barely care for himself. Ed hung on, though, and used these physical challenges to make the most incredible comeback of his life.

Today, after 3 life-saving kidney transplants, months of dialysis, a successful bout with cancer, the aid of a breathing machine each night, a costly IV treatment once a month, and up to 50 pills per day, Ed has come back to live a life that is truly an inspiration.

While battling these very challenging health issues the past ten years, Ed Hearn has become one of this nation's most highly sought after motivational speakers. His courage, faith and determination speak volumes as we face life's challenges.

Recently, Ed was awarded the prestigious Certified Speaking Profession (CSP) designation from the National Speakers Association. He is the first and only, current or former professional athlete from our country's major league sports to receive this designation (fewer than 10% of all speakers throughout the world have received this coveted distinguished honor).

As the author of *Conquering Life's Curves – Baseball, Battles & Beyond*, Ed has appeared on numerous national television programs including The Oprah Winfrey Show, The 700 Club and MSNBC. He is founder of The Bottom of the Ninth Foundation, a Kansas non-for-profit corporation dedicated to the mission of rebuilding the spirit and character of this nation.

Ed is very active in various community activities and spends countless hours of his time with the youth of Kansas City. In his spare time, Ed enjoys hunting, fishing, and golf.

### *Most Requested Programs...*

- *Conquering Life's Curves (General Keynote)*
- *The Winning Edge (Business Keynote)*
- *Touching All the Bases (Youth Program)*

