HEUMANNLY CAPABLE

On Becoming Heumannly Capable

"It's true that 10 percent of life is what happens, and 90 percent is how you handle it. Life presented me with an impossible situation that made all kinds of things possible."

\- Danny Heumann

The Danny Heumann Story

Sometimes life forces you to dig deep within yourself to seize the inner determination and passion that will save you. Not everyone can do it. Danny Heumann did.

Just two weeks before he was to start college at Syracuse University in 1985, a devastating car accident left Danny paralyzed from the chest down. Anger? Yes. Depression? Absolutely. But slowly, Danny dug down and discovered the gritty willpower that today enables him to look into the eyes of his audiences and ask, "Who's Really in the Wheelchair?"

He entered Syracuse a year later after the accident and graduated in 1991 from the famed Newhouse School of Communications. Danny went on to receive his J.D. from the Washington College of Law at American University in 1998.

In 2003, along with his wife, Lynn, Danny created Heumannly Capable, a motivational speaking company focused on helping people to break free of their limitations and realize their greater potential. By sharing his life-changing experiences, peppered with personal stories and humor, Danny inspires others with his own engaging style.

A member of the Board of Directors of the Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation, Danny is a passionate advocate, in both the public and private sectors, for the 50 million Americans who suffer.

A native of Riverdale, NY, Danny is a wheelchair tennis player and competes in USTA tournaments throughout the country. He is also a long-distance hand-cycle rider, water skier, snow skier and sailor. He most enjoys and appreciates his role as husband and father - his daughter, Katie, is 4. He and his family reside in Ann Arbor, MI.

> *"When Danny speaks, people listen. In a packed auditorium you could hear a pin drop. Danny gave a riveting account of his own young life interrupted by a devastating car accident that left his back broken, but not his spirit."*
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> \- **Bernie Siegel**, Executive Director, Genetics Policy Institute

Daniel Heumann Young Scientist Fund

Over the past twenty-five years, Danny has raised over $5 million for research to cure spinal cord injury, previously through a separate organization named the Daniel Heumann Fund for Spinal Cord Research and more recently through the Daniel Heumann Young Scientists Fund of the Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation (DHYSF), where he serves on the Board of Directors. This initiative, within the Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation's Individual Research Grants Program, helps ensure that the next generation of spinal cord researchers is being trained in the best environment by the best people and raises critically needed support and awareness to attract the best and brightest young scientists to the field of spinal cord injury research. Learn more about the Fund and how to donate at: bit.ly/dannyheumannysfund

Why Book Danny?

Unique Message: Danny doesn't just motivate his audience; he gets into their heads with his story of inspiration and hope.

Experienced Speaker: Danny has spoken before a wide range of audiences, from senior level executives to sales and service groups, students, sports teams and medical professionals. He is reliable, personable, professional and always able to "roll" with the punches.

Easy to Work With:
Danny tries hard to be a low maintenance speaker by providing you with all the information you need up front.

Humorous: As a former student of TV and Radio Management, Danny is keenly aware of the entertainment value of his presentations. He does a masterful job of weaving humorous tales, many based on his own experiences, into his messages.

Customization: Through discussion with you, backed up by his pre-event questionnaire, Danny is thoroughly prepared with a presentation tailored to your specific needs by the time he enters the stage.

Learn more about Danny at www.HeumannlyCapable.com
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