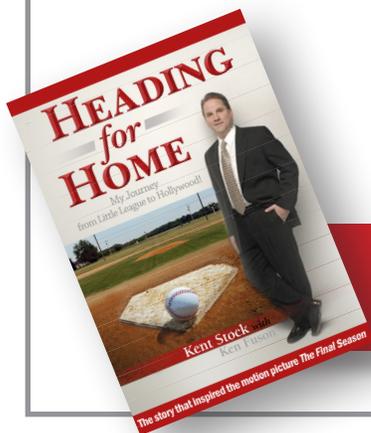


Kent Stock

How Do You Want to be Remembered?

A teacher, coach, middle school principal and powerful speaker, Kent Stock is also the man who coached the Norway baseball team during their now-famous final season. As depicted in the 2007 film, *The Final Season*, the nationally recognized Norway baseball team came together under then first-year head baseball coach Stock to defy the odds and win Norway's 20th state title in what would become the team's final season before merging with a bigger, neighboring school district. This experience and the motivation he used to guide Norway in their final season, has given him the insight to develop leaders in organizations across the country.



Ask for a copy of Kent's book,
"Heading For Home"

More about Kent

Growing up in central Iowa, Kent excelled at baseball with the support of his close-knit family. To begin his college career, Kent selected Waldorf College, whose baseball program was then ranked 13th nationally. He played second base for Waldorf and then transferred to Luther College his junior year. There he continued to pursue his love of the sport while earning his undergraduate degree in business management with a minor in education.

Kent began his career in Belle Plaine, Iowa where he became well known and respected as both a teacher and coach. While scouting a game he met the head coach of nearby Norway, Iowa's famous baseball team, Jim Van Scoyoc, who agreed to interview Kent for an assistant coach position that had just opened up in Norway. Over the years, Norway, a tiny community of less than 600, defied statistical probability by producing 16 professional baseball players and countless college players. Baseball was pivotal in this small Iowa town.

After a year as Van Scoyoc's assistant, Kent became the head coach just as Norway was notified that the school would be merging with a neighboring school in the fall, making the summer of 1991 the last baseball season as Norway High School. The team, led by 30-year-old Kent, had only one goal in mind as they started their final season – to win Norway's 20th State Title. In 2006, that memorable summer of 1991 was brought to life again by film-maker David Mickey Evans and the star-studded cast of the 2007-released film, *The Final Season*.

While a long-time inspirational force for the many students he has taught and coached over the years, their families and countless educational providers, Kent launched his inspirational speaking career in 2007. His messages of motivation and relationship building have a powerful impact on young and old alike. His stories transcend the baseball field, classroom and office.

Testimonials

"You could have heard a pin drop during Kent's session. It's a rare occasion when that many students sit quietly and listen so intently to a speaker. He commanded the respect and interest of everyone in the room! I can't say enough about Kent Stock. He is a man of integrity, strong moral character, and a passion for sharing the good fortune he has experienced in his life. He delivers his compelling story in a way that I believe would have an effect on audiences of any age."

Rita Gilbertson,
Director of Alumni Relations,
Waldorf College

"Thank you for speaking at the Iowa Association of Business & Industry Convention at Lake Okoboji. Thank you for the outstanding example that you set for all of us. Your presentation was great and I really enjoyed visiting with you."

Charles E. Sukup P.E.
President, Sukup Manufacturing Co.
Chair, Iowa Association of Business and Industry (ABI)



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