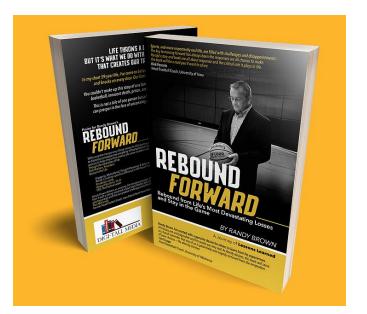
# **Networking's Biggest Lie** EXPLODE Your NETWORK With the Truth



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# Today's Presentation

- Do you know anyone with a Truck?
- What is networking?
- Misconceptions
- Networking's Biggest Lie
- The Truth of Networking, 4 Parts
- RESULTS of Truth Networking-My mentoring group
- TEN Tools for you to grow your network exponentially!

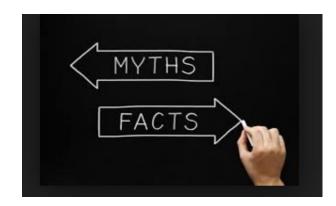
### Do You Know Anyone with a Truck?



- What is Networking?
- The exchange of information or services among individuals, groups, or institutions. The cultivation of productive relationships for employment or business.
- Merriam-Webster
- Reach your career goal faster and secure better jobs through relationships, leverage, creativeness, and working degrees of connection.
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## **Misconceptions of Networking**

- Hand out business cards
- The two minute conversation
- One and done mentality
- It's easy
- Building network size
- I'll contact him IF I need him
- I'm a good interviewer
- I'm sure she'll remember me



### **Networking's Biggest Lie**

# It's not <u>WHAT</u> you know, it's <u>WHO</u> you know



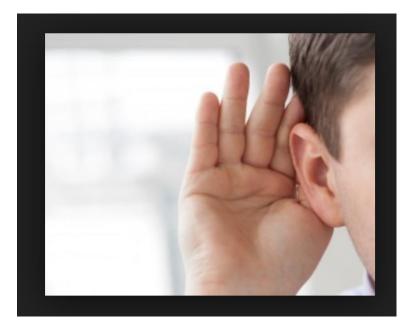
### Now do this.....



### The Truth - #1

### It's not WHAT you know It's not WHO you know

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# WHO KNOWS YOU



- **"Who Knows You" Exercise:** LIST the influential people <u>you know</u>
- 1.
  2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
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- What is your TOTAL?\_

- LIST the influential people who know YOU
- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.....

• What is your TOTAL?\_

- **RESULTS**
- TOTAL # YOU know:\_\_\_\_
- TOTAL # know YOU\_\_\_\_\_
- RATIO:\_\_\_\_\_
- GOAL: 20%

- The Truth #2
- Drive depth in your network as you build volume.
  - DEPTH is the golden key!
  - Less is MORE
  - Focus on the Quality of the Relationship





- All relationships start on the surface—<u>Your challenge</u> is to nurture them into strong, supportive, caring relationships. Those are the people who will help you the most.
- Players/Employees don't care how much you know (respect) until they know how much you care!

### The Truth - #3



- The Goal.....is Babe Ruth
  - Secure one Babe Ruth and you have what almost no one else has!
  - "The Called Shot"-Babe Ruth pointed to right field bleachers and hit a home run in the exact spot.
  - He can get it done for YOU!

### The Truth - #4

#### People don't get jobs...<u>People get people jobs</u>



### Young Coaches at the Final Four



### "The Card Shake"





What's Did You Accomplished at Final Four?

# Nothing or.... <u>SEED</u> Planting





#### • Plant the seed

- Handshake, meeting, phone call, hand written note, people keep hearing your name......repeat, repeat, repeat.
- Be open & creative with antennas up: Meet people at farmer's market, concert, bar, restaurant, game, opera, bingo, grocery store, walking down street
- Be proactive—if you know a person of influence will be at conference, set up in advance a time to say hello or FIND THEM.

#### Cultivate the seed

- Water
- Weed
- Sunshine
- Fertilizer
- Pray



• Harvest the crop----year after year after year!

• Which NETWORK will enhance career success?



### Networking is like shaving..... If you don't do it EVERY DAY you look like a BUM!



### Awesome Power of Networking





Division 2- Junior College

NBA

Division 1

NBA--Chicago Bulls, Dallas Mavericks, Phoenix Suns, Milwaukee Bucks, Sacramento Kings

- Peter Crawford, Augustana University, SD to Dallas Mavericks
- Peter Herman, Winona State to University of Nevada
- Brian Koller, Indiana State GA to Asst at Centenary University
- Ryan McIntyre, West Virginia GA to Video Coor, South Carolina, Austin Peay
- Khristopher Williams, Fast Track, DOBO Longwood Univ.
- Nate Loenser, Windy City Bulls, NBDL
- Janet Butler, University of Nevada
- Ryan Glenney, Assistant Coach, Dallas Baptist University
- Marcus Smith, Mansfield University, OH, Akron University

- DaMon Perry, GA, University of Washington
- Tyler Erwin, University of Nebraska-Omaha
- Brooks McKowen, Head Coach, Upper Iowa University
- Brandon Rosenthal, St. Edwards, TX, UC-Santa Barbara, Houston Rockets
  - Phoenix Suns G-League assistant coach
- Vic Sfera, University of Virginia
- Jimmie Oakmann, Boston University
- Joey Puleo, Sunrise Academy, KS
- Blake Peterson, Bemidji State, MN
- Julia Allender, Women's BB, Sacramento Community College, CA
- Franklin Featherstone Emory & Henry College, VA
- Joel Machota, University of Detroit Mercy, DOBO
- Jon Mason, Howard University Women's Basketball, Asst Coach
- Brian Osterman, Associate Head Coach, Kansas State University
- HEROLD EXCELLENT, Durham College, Ottawa, CA
- Lucas Shapiro, GA, DePaul University
- Max Pendery, Cincinnati Christian College, OH
- Ryan Flack, Marshalltown Comm. College, IA
- Dustin Johnson, Quakerdale Prep, IA
- Ido Singer, Fisher College, MA
- Grant Peterson, UNI Manager, Assistant Coach, Truman State
- Nate Philippe, Head Coach, University of Quebec, Canada, Regis
- Colin Schneider, UWGB to Sacramento Kings
- Dominique Wilford, Commissioner, WMLBA
- Mitch Smucker, DOBO, Dartmouth College

## Taylor Harris, Denver, CO

#### **BEFORE**

#### Love Me Destroyer

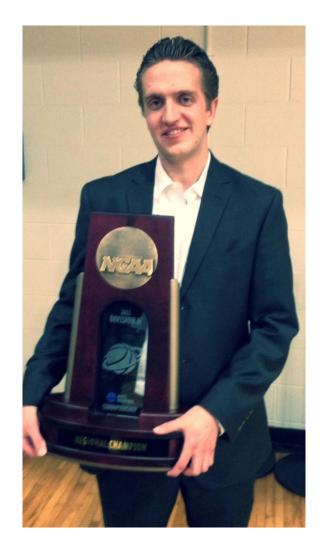
**Rock Star** 



#### <u>AFTER</u>

5<sup>th</sup> gr AAU, student assistant, Metro State, MSU Assistant.

Current Asst. Regis College Women's Basketball Coach, Denver, CO



### Ryan McIntyre, Austin Peay Univ.

**BEFORE**—18 yr old high school senior in West Virginia

<u>AFTER</u>—24 yr old Full time assistant, Austin Peay University, Clarksdale, TN







#### SUCCESS STORY ELITE COACH MENTORING W/ RANDY BROWN

### BRIAN HAGEN, ASST. GENERAL MANAGER, CHICAGO BULLS



- A product of Joyce, Iowa, Brian attended Iowa State University and served as senior manager for Tim Floyd and Larry Eustachy.
- His relationship with Floyd allowed him to become the Director of Camps for the Chicago Bulls while Floyd was the Bulls head coach. He was an assistant at Texas-Corpus Christi for two years before joining Floyd with the New Orleans Hornets as a scout.
- Brian's relationship with Bulls GM Gar Forman, former ISU assistant coach under Tim Floyd, paved the way to return to the Bulls as a scout, and was later named as the Assistant General Manager.
- "As a young guy just getting into the profession, I wanted to get to the Final Four but couldn't afford it. RB calls me the day before he was leaving and said he had enough miles to buy me a ticket and put my in his hotel room. That story sums up his commitment to helping others in the coaching world and is something I'll never forget. I 100% encourage you to join Elite Coach Mentoring."

#### • Tools to Grow your Network Exponentially with Depth

- Adopt the Truth, Dump the Lie
- Learn to be a "Master Hand Writer"
- Creativity is a must—One HW note = 5 impressions
- Creativity—sending a handwritten note in a refrigerator box
- Remove "naysayers" from your life
- Every person is a potential contact or Babe Ruth.
  - "Mailroom to Board Room—Where will THEY be in 3, 5, 10 years?
- <u>The fortune is in the follow up</u>– 49 cent Career Changer!
- Quality of person is first, the rest will follow
- Every day is an opportunity to build your network in size, depth, and get closer to your Babe Ruth

#### Every handshake is worth 1,000 people!

You don't know who they know, but they do

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