



Online Marketing Academy

### Session 2: Optimizing your Presence to Showcase Your Business



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### Our Mission With This Course:

Guide you to Write Your Own Marketing Plan and increase your Online Marketing Skills



- Each month you will receive a PDF copy of the presentation & Homework assignment
- You will get out of it what you put in
- If you have questions: let me know!



# **Homework Review**

- Inventory your assets - what did you find?
- Create your marketing plan framework - what did you learn?
- Did you create your brand promise?





# YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED!

### How did it Go?





# What We'll Cover Today

#### **Optimizing Your Online Presence**

- Your Website
- Google My Business
- Social Media Channels
- Review Sites
- Commerce Sites
- Other Profiles
- Do offline and online support each other?

**Creating your Dream 100 List** 

For Inspiration: Resources

**Your Homework** 









# Your Presence: Are You Ready?

# **Optimize Your Online Presence**

- Website: Mobile friendly? Searchable? Can it grow with you? Need an audit?
- Social Media: Strong branding on channels, links to your website and contact info, hours
- Google My Business: Claim and optimize, post content
- **SEO**: Can you be found?
- Email: Strong branding & easy to use, mobile friendly
- Do they all tell work together to tell your story?



# **Optimize for Mobile**

54%

of all digital orders came from a mobile device

70%

of all digital traffic came from a mobile device





# **Optimize for Mobile**

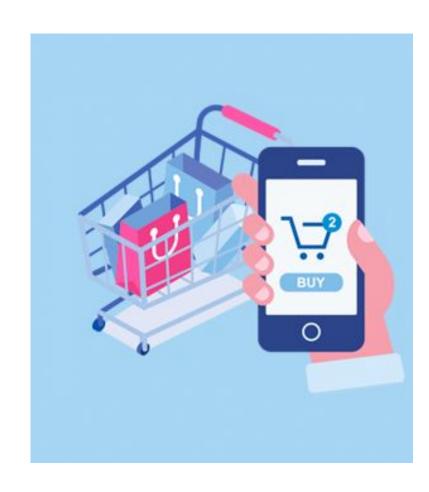
- You must assume that when people visit your website, send you a Facebook message or comment on your latest Instagram post, they are using a mobile device
- That means that every marketing effort you undertake this holiday season must be examined through the lens of a mobile user
- Is text legible? Are links easy to click? Is it easy to swipe through product photos? How do your social media ads look on a small screen?





# Add a Shopping Cart to your Site

- If your site is in WordPress, simply add plug in, we recommend Shopify, WooCommerce, Big Commerce
- Add your products in with complete descriptions
- Make sure your fulfillment is tight and shipping is clear
- As few clicks as possible





# For E-Commerce: Make it *Easy*!

- Good, high-definition photos: You should have several, with some showing your product from different angles and some showing the product in use
- Recommendations for cross-sells or up-sells:
   How about a home-brewing kit so you have a few growlers of beer to put in that cooler?
- The nitty-gritty: Easy-to-read pricing, tax information, shipping options, refund policy, size guide



# **Google My Business**





93% of local searches now feature Google My Business listings.

[Source: STAT Analytics]



# Optimize Your Google My Business Listing











- Claim Your listing
- Unique Listing for EACH Location
- Accurate Business Name Don't Keyword Stuff
- URL of Your Website
- Categories that Best Suit Your Business

- Complete Physical Address
- Service-Area Businesses: Google Will Display Area in Miles
- Local Phone Number. Not Toll-Free or Tracking Numbers
- Add Photos of the Interior and Exterior of Your Business.



# **Google My Business**

Carl's Electric

Directions Save

\$\$ - Electrician in Smalltown, MA

Address: 123 Easy St, Smalltown, MA 02483

Phone: (781) 555-3837

Suggest an edit - Own this business?

Add missing information

Ask a question

Add business hours Add website

Be the first to review

Questions & answers

Be the first to ask a question

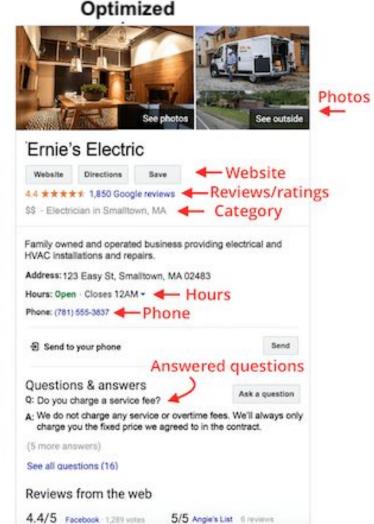
Reviews from the web

Bare and unattractive

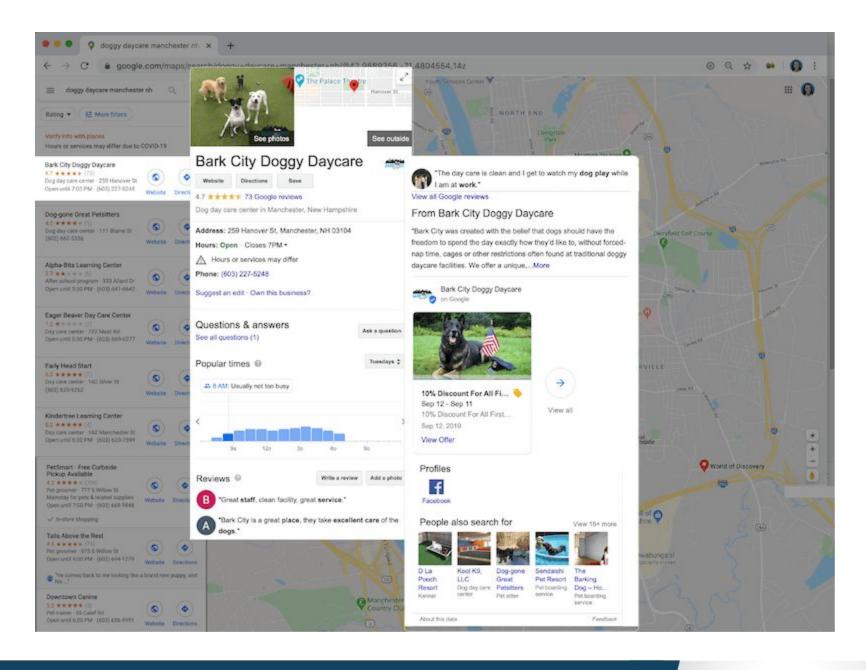
· Does not signal to consumers that

Does not invite engagement

this is a trustworthy/active business









# Where Do You Find Your Target Customers Online?





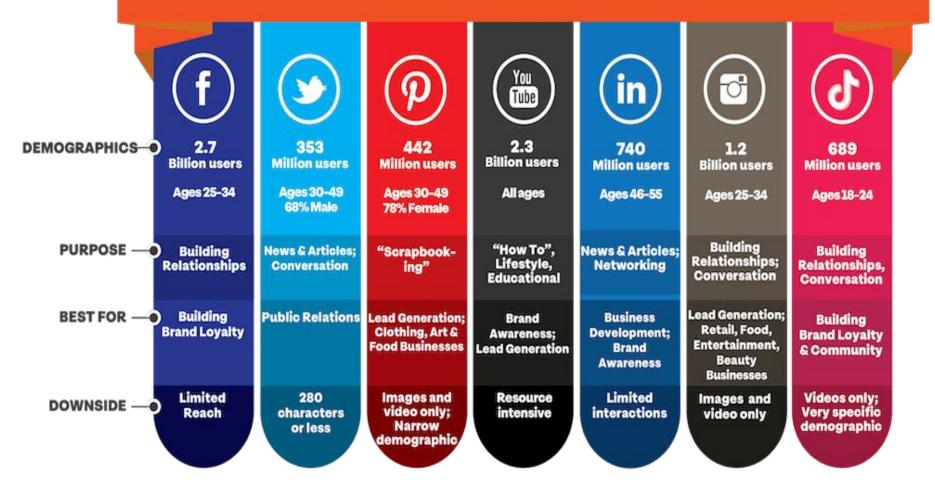
# Choosing the *RIGHT* Social Channels



- Go where your audience is
- Speak in their language
- Tailor your message per channel
- Where can you effectively maintain the channel?



#### CHOOSING THE RIGHT SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORM





- **2.6 BILLION** Monthly active users
- Average age of users is 40.5 and 338 friends
- Average user spends 58.5 minutes per day on site
- 80+ Million SMBs worldwide use FB Pages



- 1 Billion Monthly active users
- 4.2 Billion Likes & 100+ Million Photos shared every day
- Over 90% of its users are under age 35



- 330 Million Monthly active users
- Powerful for social listening
- Great for customer service be responsive





- LinkedIn is the #1 platform for B2B content distribution, 92% prefer it over other social platforms
- **675 million users,** 2 new members added each second



- YouTube is the world's 2nd largest search engine
- 10,113 videos generated over 1 billion views
- Almost 5 billion hours of video watched each day



- 85% of users are MOBILE
- 320 Million monthly active users
- 83% of weekly Pinterest users have purchased something on the platform or because of the platform – HIGH driver of retail sales





- 1.5 Billion downloads, 466 million in India alone
- Merged Musical.ly in 2017
- 800 million active users, 14.3 million in US, 30% are daily users
- 41% are 16-24
- 52 minutes a day
- Early days of advertising options, a long way to go before ROI for the average business

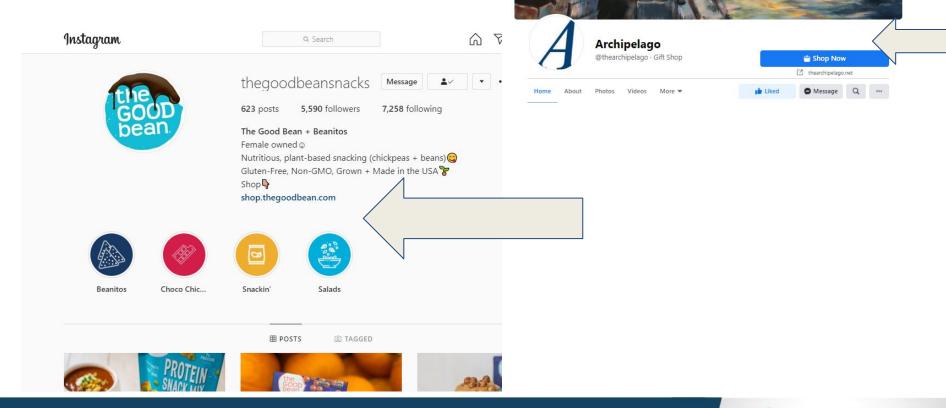


- Key Demographics are 13 to 29-year olds with 69% of 13 to 17-year-olds using the app and 62% of 18 to 29-year-olds using it
- 314 Million monthly active users, 101 million in US
- Advertiser ROI still elusive for most SMBs

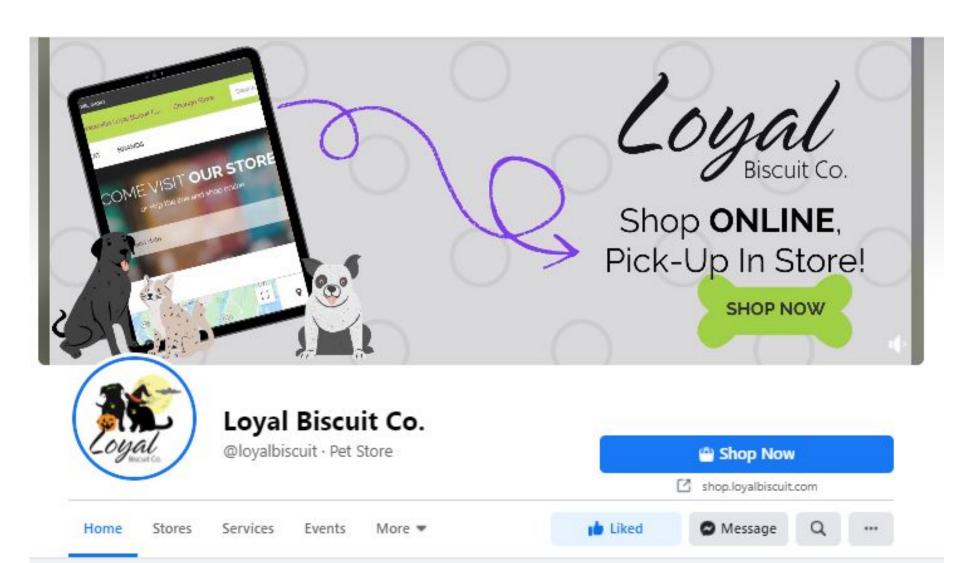


## **Sell on Social**

- Links to your shopping on profile
- Product promotions in posts
- Advertising





















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Follow



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1,801 posts

5,431 followers

1,320 following

#### Maine Crafts Association

Marketing • Retail Sales • Education • Supporting Maine's Craft community for 37 years!

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Followed by archipelagomaine, thisrickhardman, shellatreille +17 more















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#### Chilton Furniture

90 subscribers



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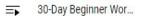
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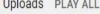
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43 views • 2 years ago



Chilton Furniture - Warmth of Wood, 30 sec

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Chilton Furniture - Serenity Now, 30 sec

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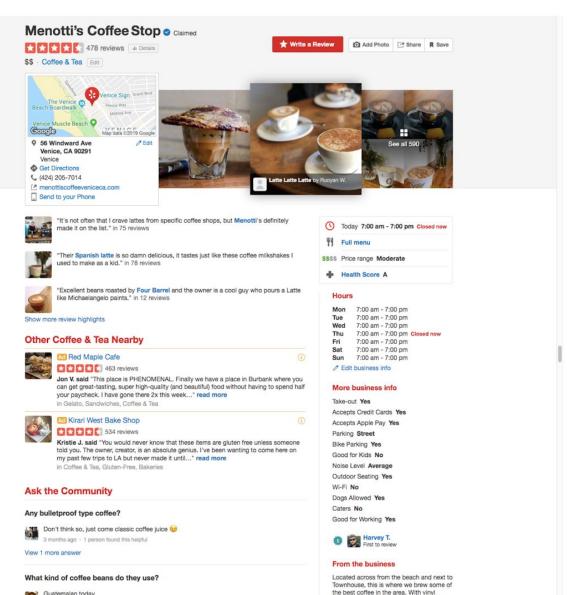


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Don't see your question? Ask away!

#### Recommended Reviews for Menotti's Coffee Stop



Your trust is our top concern, so businesses can't pay to alter or remove their reviews. Learn more.



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Learn more about Menotti's Coffee Stop



### Other Channels to Consider

#### **Online**

- Blogs: Yours and others
- Email marketing: Your templates AND your list
- Distribution sites:
  - Chamber, Trade Groups
  - Google, Etsy, Amazon, etc
  - Zillow, Realtor.com
  - Review Sites: Angie's List,Yelp, TripAdvisor
  - Anywhere you have a profile page
  - Your own personal LinkedIn

#### Offline

- What Advertising do you do?
- In-store signage
- Location signage (or job signs)
- Any events you host or sponsor
- Community involvement
- Ask Customers for online reviews



### Measure Results

### Set goals and measure progress

- 1. Website traffic (by source)
- 2. Conversions
- 3. **Social Media** reach and engagement, audience growth
- 4. **Search Ranking** on key terms
- 5. **Email**: open rates, list health, bounce rate
- 6. Overall **ROI** of time and money invested







### Identify and create your **Dream 100 Traffic /**

**Referral list:** Where do your customers hang out? Who else sells to your customers and/or speaks their language?

- Sites where your dream customers hang out
- Facebook groups
- Other stores, community sites, individual influencers in your niche or community
- What magazines do they read?
- Make a list and start following these groups, comment on content, share information, become known.





Identify and create your **Dream 100 Target Customer list**: Are you able to list potential customers you would like?

- Make a list and begin outreach to introduce yourself
- Make it a point to contact them via emails, calls, visits, sending a sample, on a regular basis for six months - one year





# FOr Inspiration

### Resources

### Building your Dream 100:

- https://www.imnights.com/russell-brunson-dream-100/
- https://predictableprofits.com/the-dream-100-strategy/
- Books: DotCom Secrets and Traffic Secrets

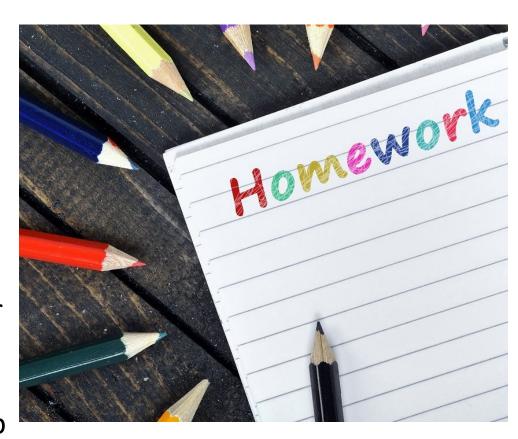
### Optimizing your presence:

- https://www.wordstream.com/blog/ws/2021/05/17/increase-o nline-presence
- https://digitalmarketinginstitute.com/blog/10-ways-small-busin esses-can-improve-their-social-media-presence
- https://www.leadwithprimitive.com/blog/why-updating-yourwebsite-enhances-your-online-presence



### Your Homework

- Assess your online presence: how is it stacking up? Where do you need work?
- Review the Marketing Audit I will email you, and determine if there are action steps needed
- Make your Dream 100 list
- Choose one social channel or email and begin creating content
- Next month: How to show up in search engines!





# **Have Questions?**



# We Can Help!

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