## Information and Communication How Social Media Trumps Marketing

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### Agenda

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# Nice little gathering – the cocktail crowd, many smiles. Marketing 2.0: social media, multi-point engagement



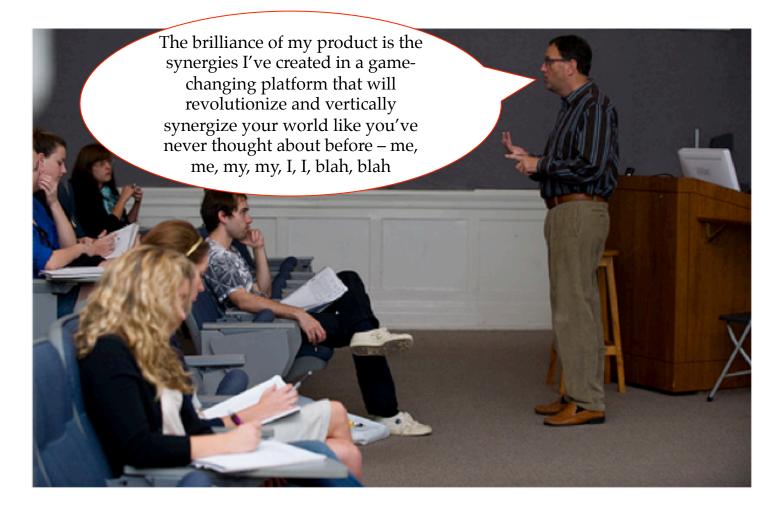
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Not a terribly exciting place to be, but wait ... he's about to talk ...



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## What? He lost me at "The brilliance of **my** ... Marketing 1.0 – one-way, outbound, speaker-centric



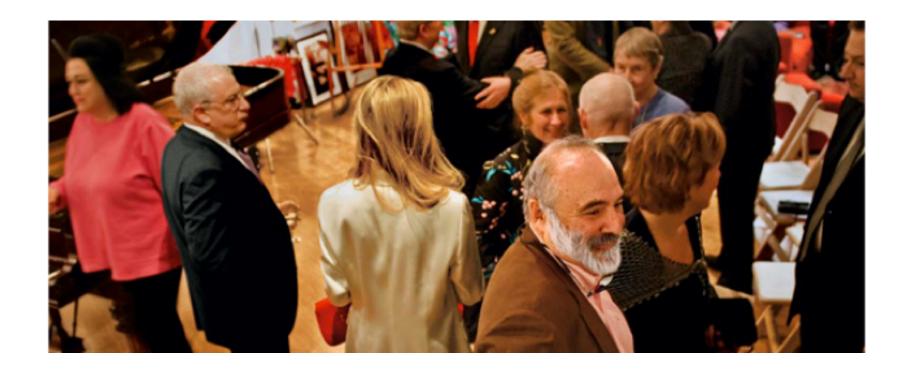
### Communication saturation and the filters we built

Marketing 1.0 – one-way - outbound



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### Marketing 2.0 – two-way, inbound



### Marketing 2.0 (inbound) and the tools

Aggregators
TechCrunch

You Tube

Technorati™











Social Media











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### From: command/control To: contribute/collaborate

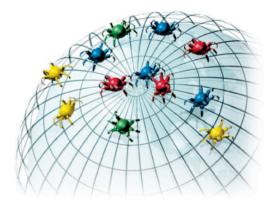
#### Marketing 1.0 the distribution is the value; command and control

- + Community
- + Transparency
  - only 14% of people trust advertisements
  - 78% trust the recommendations of other customers

#### Marketing 2.0 the content is the value; contribute and collaborate

- + Get found
- + Be sticky
- + Call to action

#### 1 - Get found





### 2 – Be sticky 3 – Call to action



### Which would you rather be?



### What is Web 2.0

- Visitors can contribute content or comments.
- Visitors can subscribe to your content.
- Visitors can share your content easily with others.
- Visitors can rate your content.
- Visitors can form communities and collaborate with each other.
- Visitors can influence the opinions of others positively or negatively.
- Visitors can get engaged in productive ways before they are ready to buy your widget.
- Visitors are not limited to your company website but can also link to other destinations on the web that interest them.

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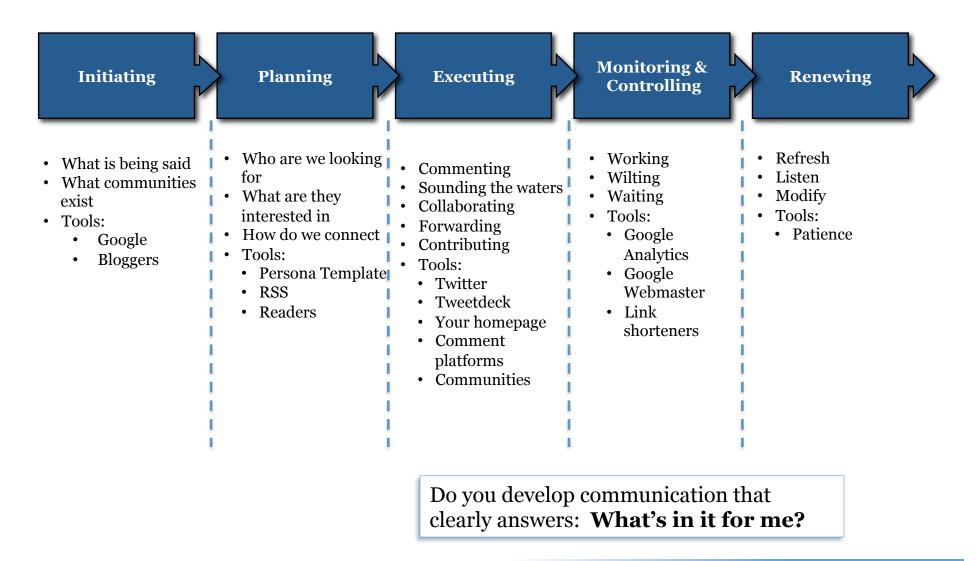
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### Social media ROI plan – Return on Involvement



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### Your social media managed phases

| Monitor   | Create  | Launch                                    | Measure   |  |
|---|---|---|---|--|
| bloggers, Linkedin groups, industry leaders   | blog,<br>comment,<br>article,<br>eBook,<br>presentation   | RSS:<br>Feedburner<br>Twitter             | Google<br>Analytics<br>bit.ly   |  |
| <ul> <li>Track topics</li> <li>Develop a list of keywords/topi cs</li> <li>Move the conversation along</li> <li>Provide value</li> <li>Recommend solutions</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Answer a need</li> <li>Don't sell</li> <li>Provide solutions</li> <li>Engage your community</li> </ul> | Integrate services     One click delivery | <ul> <li>Track topics</li> <li>Identify     keywords</li> <li>Experiment</li> <li>Modify</li> </ul> |  |

### The grand rule of communication: know your audience

Always filtered through WIIFM? (What's in it for me!)

**Information versus Communication** 

- Information is one-way (display)
- Communication is two-way (feedback, adjust)

#### WIIFM solution: Offer something

- Show off your expertise
- Link content to the place where action occurs
- Think like a publisher
- Go to GoogleKeywordTool.com\*:
  - 1. Enter a keyword you want to be ranking for.
  - 2. Find out synonymous keyword combinations.
  - 3. Choose one low on competition & with decent monthly traffic.
  - 4. Write a blog post around it.

### Q: Where to start? A: By listening



## The best social media strategy starts with ~3 to 6 months of listening:

- + Start on other sites and seeing what they are talking about- then comment
- + COMMENT on influential blogs in your community, industry, complementary industries, and prospective client's markets
- + When you COMMENT, post informative, quality info to position yourself as an expert this is not a sales pitch
- + Develop a community allow COMMENT and respond to them
- + Incorporate subscription and user tracking tools

### What Can You Say? Keywords and Phrases

- Search by keyword on Technorati, BlogSearch.Google.com
- Read learn the language, read daily (aggregators)
- Subscribe via RSS feed, READ DAILY
- Choose and commit build a top 10 list
- Comments add useful/informative comments, link backs
- Write start your own blog
- Blogrolls
- Guest Blog

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## >70% of Marketing Strategy is Offsite



### Persona (Non) Grata

### **Community Persona**

- Identity
- Who are you talking to
- What interests them
- Think like a publisher

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### The community persona design strategy

- Who is your community? Prospects?
- What are they interested in?
- What do you want to hear from them?
- What do you want to talk to them about?
- Segmentation
- What value can you offer?
- What are your goals?

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# Focus on the Keywords and Phrases That Your Community Use

- What are their problems?
- What keeps them awake at night?
- What do they want to know?
- What words and phrases do they use to describe these problems?

Your buyer is faced with problems, develop topics that appeal to them:

"Turn strangers into friends,

Turn friends into customers,

Turn customers into salespeople..." Seth Godin

### To get found, find out about persona

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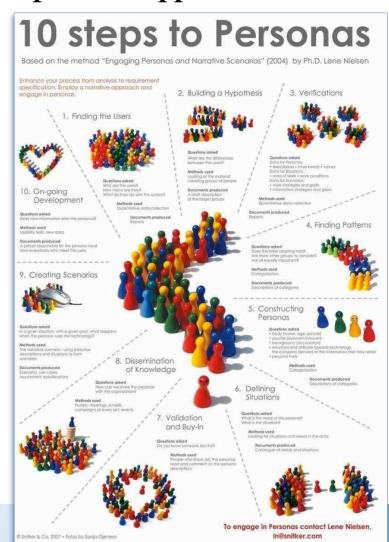
- Measurable ROI (Return on Involvement)
- What's in it for Me? What's in it for Them? WIIFT?

#### **Answer WIIFM? with WIIFT?**

- Create an archetype of your buyer persona with all the details you can provide:
  - what the user does,
  - is motivated professionally by,
  - reads, works, is interested in

The goal is to understand this person's motivation and need.

 What's in it for them now provides answers to What's in it for me



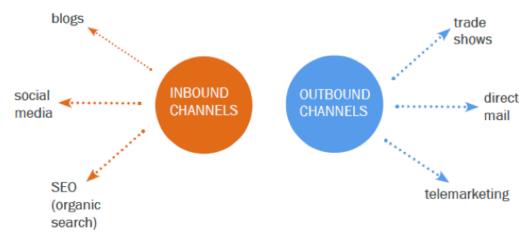
The engagement strategy - People search for answers to their questions, not your content

#### Persona design

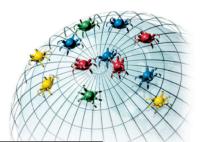
- 1. What answers can you provide for what they search for
- 2. Keywords
- 3. Keyphrases
- 4. Think like a publisher compelling content, unique to them

5. Think like a publisher – compelling content, unique to their

community







| Persona matrix worksheet |  |   |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| The Person               | Who are they?  | Why are they interested?  |  |  |  |  |
| Hypothesis               | +Work conditions<br>+Work strategies and<br>goals?                 | Information strategies and needs  |  |  |  |  |
| Verification             | +Likes/Dislikes<br>+Inner Needs<br>+Values                         | +Area of Work<br>+Work Conditions   |  |  |  |  |
| Defining                 | <b>Defining</b> What is the need of this person                    |   |  |  |  |  |
| Validation               | +Goals<br>+What engages this<br>persona<br>+Feeling about industry | <ul><li>+ Feeling about networking</li><li>+ Feeling about learning</li><li>+ What are the differences</li><li>between personas</li></ul> |  |  |  |  |

### Persona design template 1 of 3

I have modified this effort from the following source: Ten Steps to User Persona By Dr. Lene Nielsen <a href="http://bit.ly/66kjTa">http://bit.ly/66kjTa</a>
Instructions:

- · The idea is to create an archetype of an PMI-interested Persona with all the details you can provide: what the user does, is motivated professionally by, reads, works, is interested in, etc...

  Help us understand this person's community motivation to value PMI.

  Note: You will have multiple community personas, add as you go.

|   | Quality           | Questions                        | Description |
|---|-------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|
|   | ,                 | Who are they?                    |             |
|   | The Person        | Why are they interested?         |             |
|   |                   | Work conditions                  |             |
|   |                   | Work conditions                  |             |
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|   |                   | Work strategies and<br>goals     |             |
|   | The<br>Hypothesis |                                  |             |
|   |                   | Information strategies and needs |             |
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|   |                   | Likes/Dislikes                   |             |
|   |                   |                                  |             |
|   |                   | Inner Needs                      |             |
| 1 | Verification      |                                  |             |
|   |                   | Values                           |             |
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### Persona design template 2 of 3

| Quanty     | Questions                   | Description |               |                           |             |                   |    |
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|            | What engages this           |             |               |                           |             |                   |    |
|            | persona                     |             |               |                           |             |                   |    |
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|            | Feeling about the industry  |             | _             |                           |             |                   |    |
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### Persona design template 3 of 3

Modified from Dr. Lene Nielsen's work on usability and buy-in. Suggested for social media by author David Meerman Scott

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### Persona – think like a publisher





### From leading to contributing

- 1. Identify the persona(s) of who needs your solution?
- 2. Investigate words and phrases they use to describe problems?
  - Search engines answer questions
  - 3 and 7
- 3. Develop content that describes issues and problems they have faced and then provides details on how to solve these problems
  - What are their problems?
  - What keeps them awake at night?
- $\odot$  9/22/12 What do they want to know?

### Onsite Tactics – Action

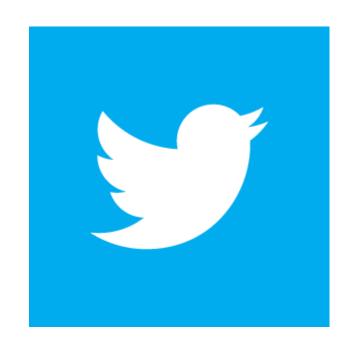
- 1. Create multiple places for others to share
- 2. Create integration (with tools like Feedburner and your RSS feed) to your social media when you update your blog will automatically post to social media sites and communities



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### Offsite Tactics - Twitter

- A relationship building tool
- A way to increase your brand awareness
- To create a lead funnel of prospects to your business
- An un-ending resource for you and your company
- A way to meet others across the world in similar industries, likes and interests



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### Twitter – Manage the 140, manage thousands

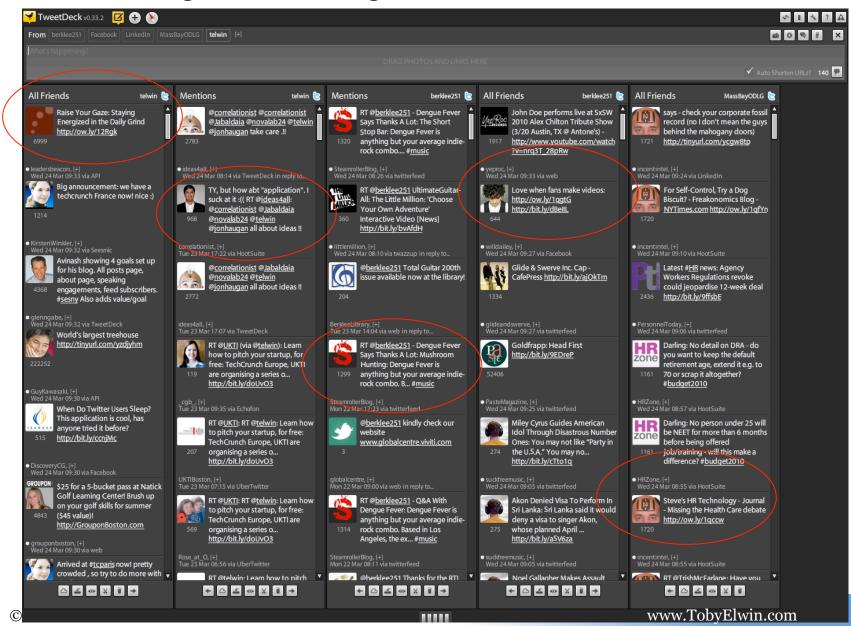


### Twitter - Lists



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#### Twitter – Manage all the Tweeting: TweetDeck



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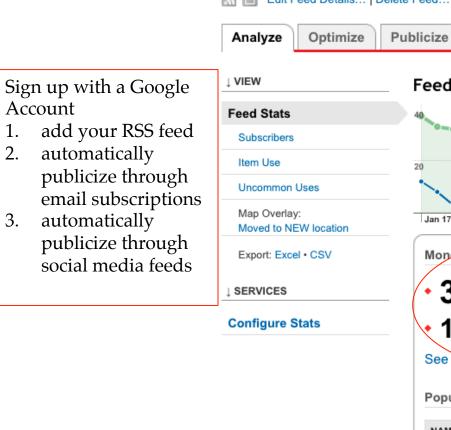
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### **Toby Elwin blog**



My Feeds





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| Jan 17, 2011         | Jan 24, 2011 | Jan 31, 2011                           | Feb 7, 2011  |                |

Troubleshootize

• 32 subscribers (on average) • 14 reach (on average) •

Monday, January 17 - Tuesday, February 15

See more about your subscribers

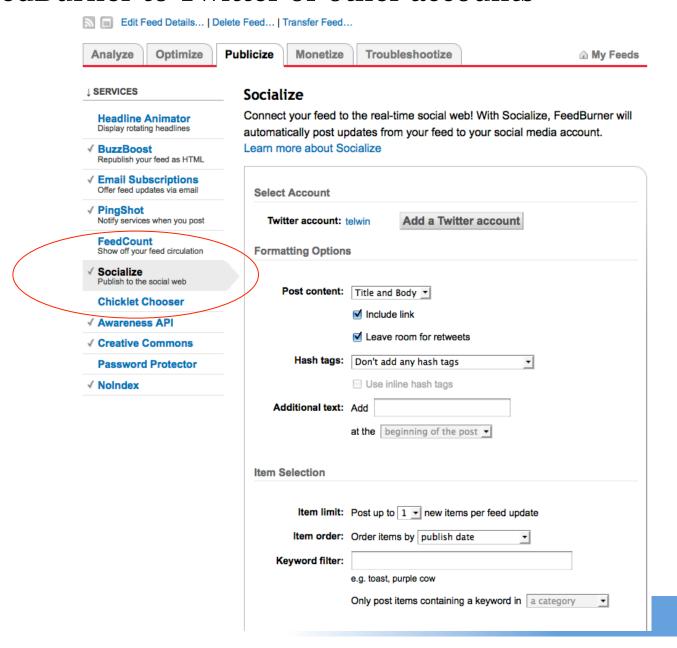
Monetize

#### Popular Feed Items

| NAME   | VIEWS | CLICKS |
|--|-------|--------|
| Total  | 1,158 | 400    |
| Fistful of beans 01/26/2011                    | 31    | 32     |
| Technical ability does little to mitigate risk | 46    | 15     |
| Fistful of beans 02/02/2011                    | 20    | 32     |

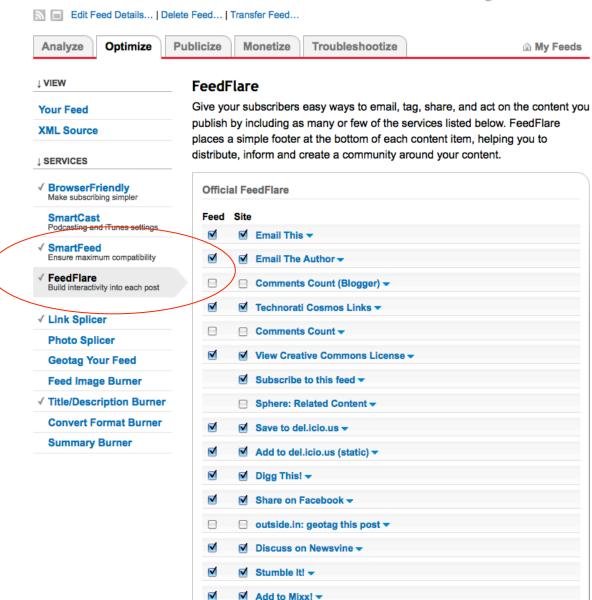
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### Connect FeedBurner to Twitter or other accounts



### Add other announcements for FeedBurner to coordinate



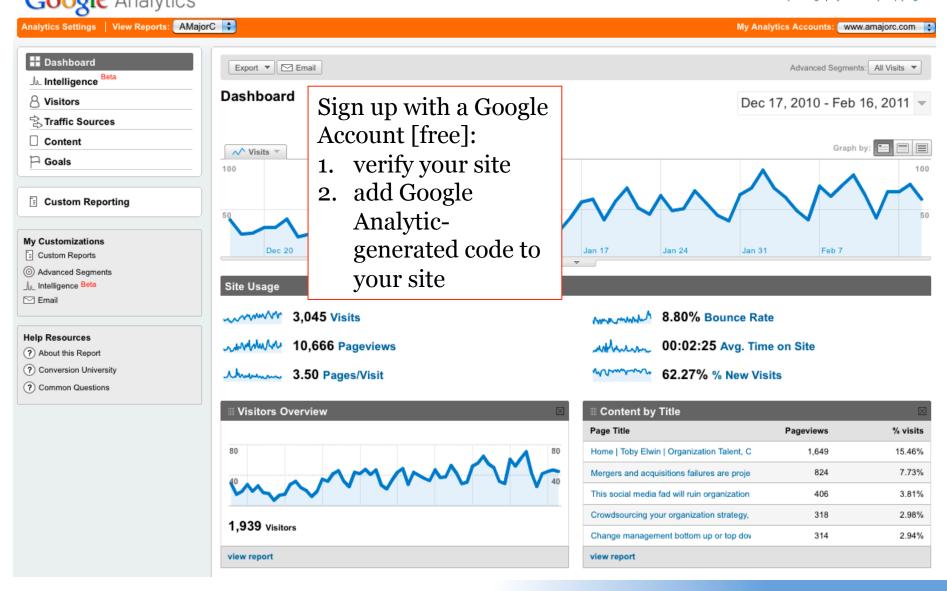


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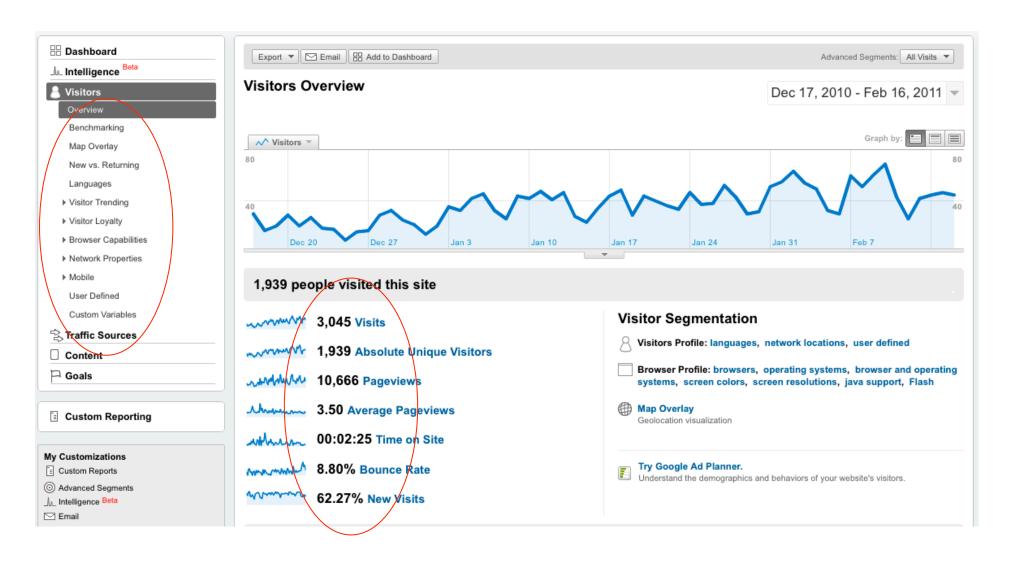
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# Monitor, measure, and improve engagement Google Analytics

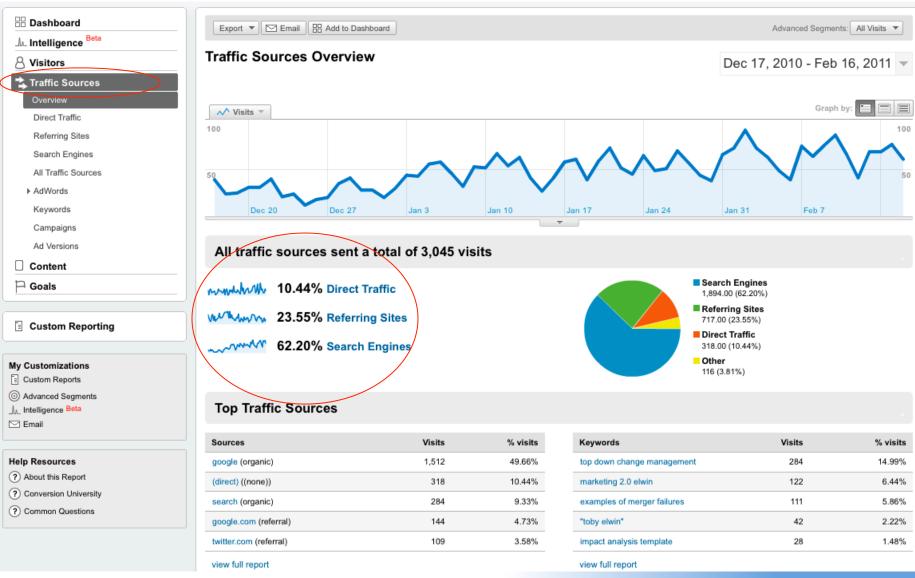
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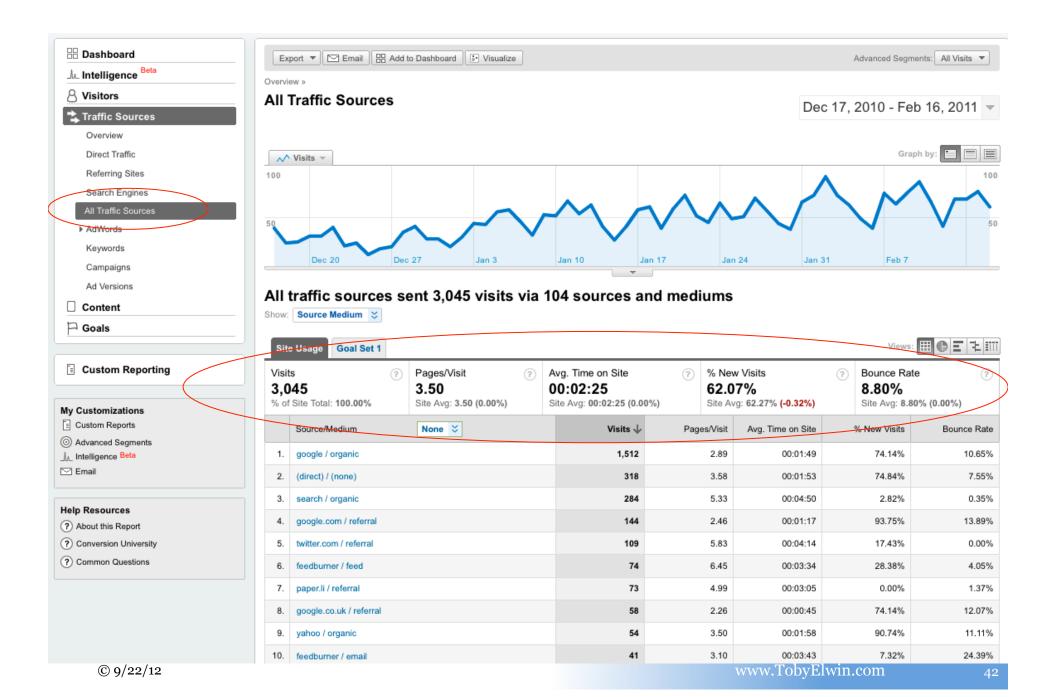


### Find out your traffic sources and how they found you



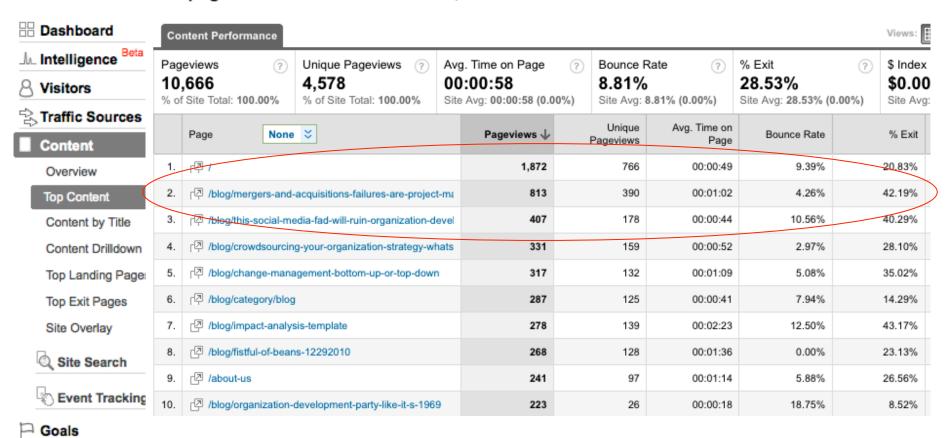
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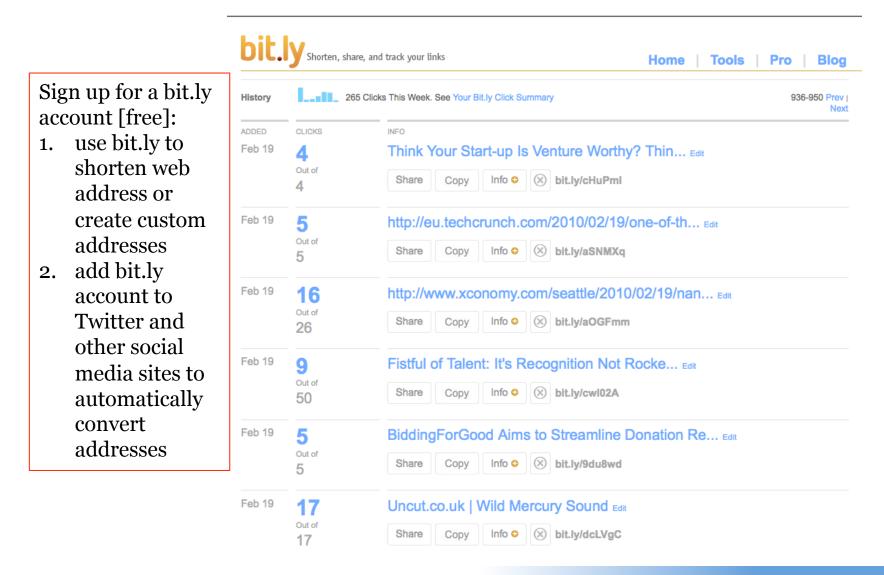


## 2 – Google Analytics

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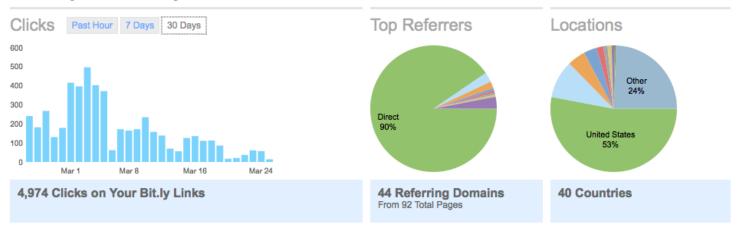


# Shorten links to make them easier, of better benefit: track time, day, and activity





#### **Your Bit.ly Click Summary**



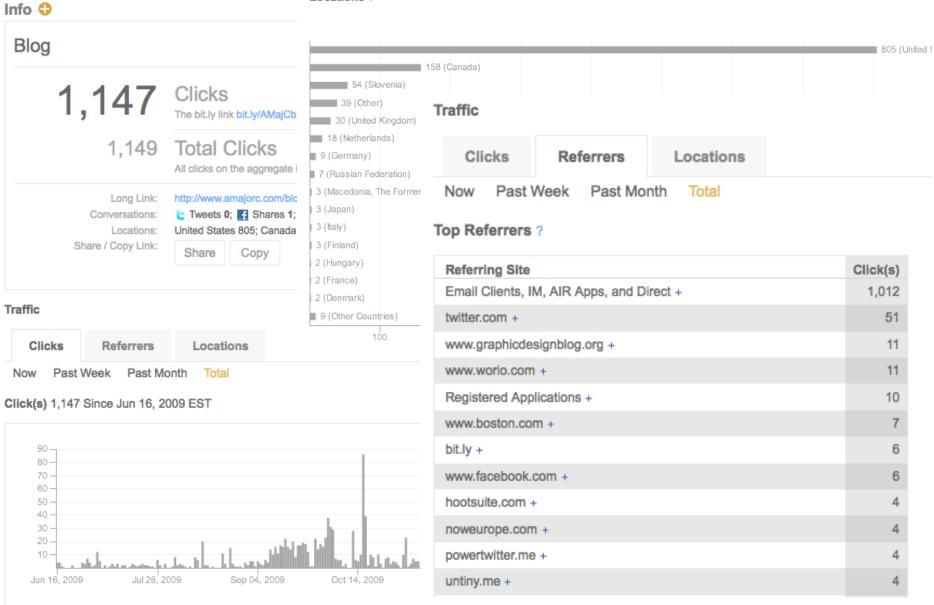
#### **Referrers Detail**

| Referring Site                            | Click(s) |
|---|----------|
| Email Clients, IM, AIR Apps, and Direct + | 4,500    |
| twitter.com +                             | 124      |
| 99designs.com +                           | 87       |
| real-url.org +                            | 33       |
| Registered Applications +                 | 27       |
| bit.ly +                                  | 26       |
| untiny.me +                               | 26       |
| www.amajorc.com +                         | 18       |
| www.facebook.com +                        | 15       |
| search.twitter.com +                      | 15       |
| www.linkedin.com +                        | 13       |
| TrendAl.com +                             | 13       |
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| www.blogcatalog.com +                     | 7        |
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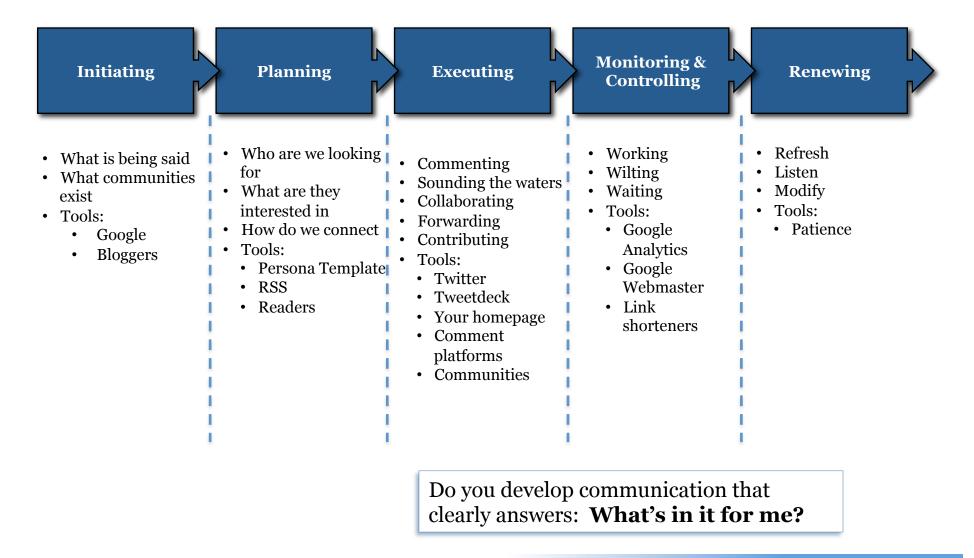
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| Other              | 1,088    |
| Russian Federation | 481      |
| France             | 231      |
| Korea, Republic of | 167      |
| Switzerland        | 84       |
| Germany            | 54       |
| United Kingdom     | 52       |
| Japan              | 41       |
| India              | 18       |
| Canada             | 15       |
| Portugal           | 13       |
| Poland             | 11       |
| Ireland            | 9        |
| Netherlands        | 8        |
| Indonesia          | 8        |
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### Social media ROI plan – Return on Involvement



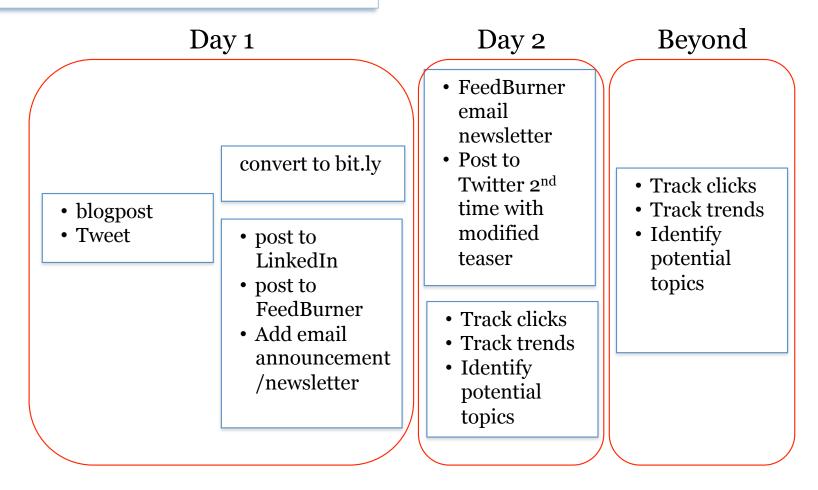
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|---|---|---|---|--|
| bloggers, Linkedin groups, industry leaders   | blog,<br>comment,<br>article,<br>eBook,<br>presentation   | RSS:<br>Feedburner<br>Twitter             | Google<br>Analytics<br>bit.ly   |  |
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# Example event triggers communication, tracking, trending, and tweaking

New event to announce and socialize



### People don't care what you say until you care about what they say

Create content worth linking to



Content is remarkable when someone defines it as remarkable, not when your marketing or product manager define it as remarkable. This is the greatest challenge in today's world of marketing.

- You really have no control over your product's value, however, you do have control about hosting and socializing with people who will advocate, refer, and recommend your service or product.
- Your strategy relies on enabling others.

# **Start Monitoring**

# Appendix

- Case Study
- · Data and detail
- Other tips
- Resources

### Massachusetts Bay Organization Development Learning Group

Strategic Intent Business Case

### Situation

- Leadership transition
- Annual membership decline
- Highly cumbersome administration of events
- Event attendance decline
- Lack of involvement
- Out-dated web presence
  - Getting found
- Community disconnect

# Alignment

- Stabilize
- Shared vision of what works and does not
- Community persona
- Planning, not reacting
- Invite participation

## Roadmap

Strategic *Community Persona Goals* to drive end of '10 paid membership goals of **400** and community participation of **2000**:

#### 1. College Degree in OD, recent Graduate:

- Looking to learn and develop OD competencies. Ability to list and define theories, but lacking experience and application. This person has an education (BA/BS MA/MS in OD related field) and may have 2-3 years experience in OD/HR work.
- Looking to develop relationships and gain recognition with OD professionals in the greater Boston area. Searching for role models and mentors. Desire to find opportunities to work with OD professionals across various industries and sectors. Preference for networking through social media.

#### Mid-level Career in OD:

- Confident, hard-working individuals who have steadily climbed the ladder internally or started their own business external. Forward looking, new to OD career.
- Possibilities for new challenges (more education; teaching; collaborating; exciting projects) that will bring
  opportunities for using what knowledge and experience has been acquired into a new context and/or reenergizing the work.
- 3. C-Level, Executive, Senior-level, Advanced Career in OD
- 4. Professional unaware of OD
- 5. Transition or 2nd Career in OD

#### Immediate Operational Goals:

- Go live with Hubspot May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010
- Announce June event with Constant Contact May 20th, 2010
- Develop keyword strategy
- Develop 2-3 blogs for May event
- Develop 2-3 blogs on June event (Positive Deviance) by May 20
- Begin creating calendar for newsletters and pieces that should be included in each newsletter
- Update and post program request form
- Export database
- Update and post community "rules of engagement"

### **Transition**

#### HOME:

- 1-2 paragraph blurb overview paragraph, containing links to different areas
- Twitter feed/newsfeed
- Spotlight blog post

#### WHO WE ARE:

- Blurb on community
- A bit about members industries (companies?), crosslevel etc.
- Forum for discussion, learning, networking
- Mission, Vision & Values:
- Take content from old site

#### FAQ:

• Take content from old site

#### WHAT WE DO:

- Blurb on events (round tables, speaker series, etc)
- Hot topics
- Upcoming Events
- · Calendar of events
- What's New
- Pictures, summary of recent events
- Thought leadership new whitepapers etc

#### BLOG:

- Penned by one person? Member-driven?
- Feed from several member blogs?

#### JOIN US:

- Short paragraph on joining (can join anytime, year membership, access to resources, events etc)
- Link to more comprehensive membership benefits page
- Membership Benefits
- Membership Benefits broken down by category:
- Events, Networking, Resources
- Sign up page online form

#### **MEMBERS:**

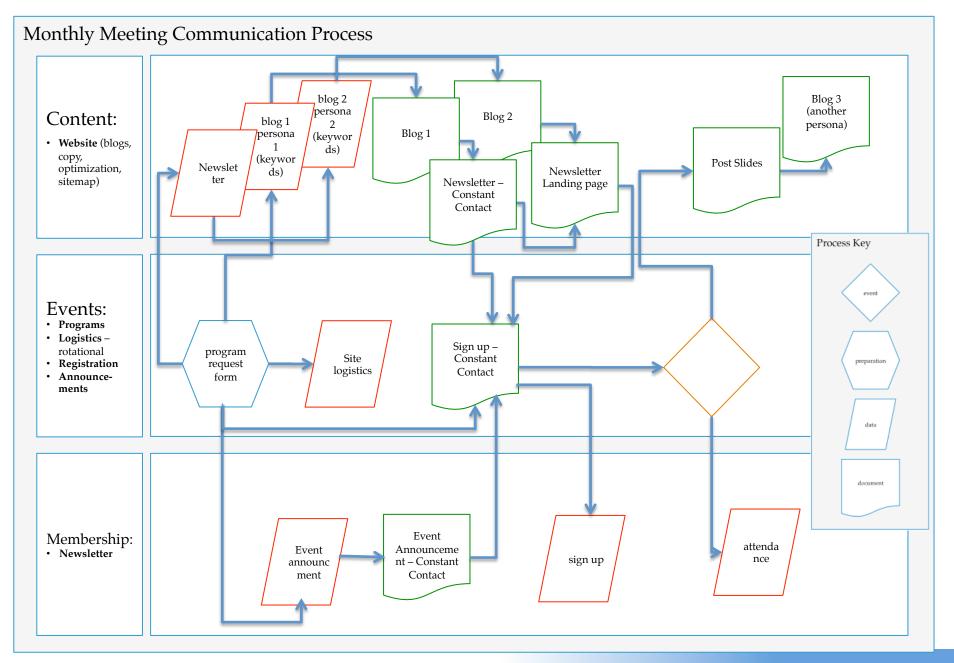
- Login page for Members
- Member Directory:
  - User-created individual profiles, similar to LinkedIn profile
  - Join industry-specific or career-stage-specific groups
- Forum:
  - 1 main forum, plus industry-specific & career-stagespecific forums
- Professional Development:
  - Certifications and programs, listed and linked
  - Capability for members to review / comment on all
- Project & Proposal Connections:
  - Use content from old site
  - Form for users to add proposals/projects
  - Worcester Local Group:
  - Use content from old site

#### LINKS:

- Link to other sites of interests, grouped
- News (Talent Management mag, HR executive magazine etc)
- Social Media (LinkedIn MBODLG group, MBODLG Twitter, Slideshare etc)

# **Coordinating Swimlanes**

| Programs - Name  |  |  |
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| Communicat ion – Name Site (blogs, copy, optimization, sitemap)            |  |  |
| Events - Name Programs Logistics - rotational Registration Announce- ments |  |  |
| Membership  - Name  • Newsletter  • Renewals                               |  |  |



- South Bay OD Network (SBODN) contact Rossella Dericson, rossella@SBODN.com sends affiliate link that tracks all clicks from MassBayODLG
  - example: http://www.eventbrite.com/affiliatereg? eid=644008246&affid=1028193
- 2. Open MassBay ODLG link shortening site bit.ly to shorten the affiliate link and allow us to track clicks
  - a) http://bit.ly
  - b) User name: MassBayOLDG
  - c) Password: MassBayOLDG09
  - d) paste affiliate link
  - e) copy new link
- 3. Save new link for newsletters, LinkedIn, Twitter, and calendar announcements
- 4. Review SBODN invitation for copy to use in our newsletters/announcements:
  - a) Who
  - b) What
  - c) When
  - d) Where
  - e) Why (compelling reason webinar is of interest)
- 5. Modify or cut and paste webinar copy into our weekly Constant Contact newsletter
- 6. Modify copy to make it interesting to persona
- 7. Create webinar newsletter mailed 2 times per month
- 8. Announce on LinkedIn, 2 weeks ahead and again 1 week ahead
- 9. Announce on Twitter 2 weeks ahead, 1 week ahead, then every day including day of event schedule Tweets using Tweet Deck, a program you can download to manage Twitter accounts
  - a) MassBayODLD Twitter user name: MassBayODLG
  - b) Password: MassBayODLG09

Note: We usually co-sponsor one webinar per month, but if we create a webinar calendar we could benefit with a more reliable communication channel to our community.

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You are invited to attend ...

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Speaker: Andi Lothian, Founder, Insights Learning & Development

Leading from Within - Helping Leaders Discover Their Full Potential

Thursday, June 3 - 8 am PT, 9 am MT,10 am CT, 11 am ET and 4-5 p.m. in Scotland

Registration includes a complimentary insights Discovery Preferences Evaluator (valued at \$200). To register, click the attend event button at the bottom of this page.

"As we experience the defining moments in our life, sometimes it appears that we have seemingly successfully scaled the ladder of success, only to find ourselves on an inappropriate root, often desperately needing to find another?"

Description: To seek to become all one is destined to be is the task of the mature, integrated, leader. Inspired by the work of Carl G Jung, Andi Lothian, Scotish founder of Insights Learning & Development and Creator of the Insights Discovery System, will share his grounding-breaking advances in analytical typology – the energy of archetype and attitudinal function—offering leaders an opportunity to journey towards still we are able tus leading the the tive your profile, teractions; how you ver \$200, the bid tip unlock our profile tour profile.

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### Blogging – What's all the Hub-bub Bub?

In the **2008** Technorati Report: State of the Blogosphere, Technorati surveyed 1.2 million bloggers around the world who had registered with its service. Here are some summary statistics:

- 133 million blogs are registered with Technorati
- These blogs are from sixty-six countries in eighty-one languages
- Blogs have representation in top 10 website lists in all key categories Blogs are now a part of mainstream media
- Bloggers are savvy and sophisticated in driving traffic to their blog
- Bloggers are meticulous about tracking statistics about their blog
- Bloggers are successful—they are achieving career enhancement opportunities including speaking engagements
- The majority of bloggers are advertising on their blog, producing an income stream for themselves
- 90 percent of bloggers say they write about the products and services they love or hate (take note of this!)

Source: Technorati: The State of the Blogosphere: http://technorati.com/blogging/ state-of-the-blogosphere/

# Onsite Tactics – Host the Party

### Blogs

- Achieve expert status in your field
- Promote your name, brand, service
- Deliver traffic to your website
- Increase your SEO rankings
- Develop a community of prospects and brand ambassadors

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# Onsite Tactics – Host the Party

### Blogs

- SEO Title tags
- SEO Headings
- SEO 1<sup>st</sup> Paragraph
- SEO Keywords in body
- SEO Anchor text in links

Focus on the keywords and phrases that your buyers use

What are their problems? What keeps them awake at night? What do they want to know? What words and phrases do they use to describe these problems?

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### Onsite Tactics – Link

- Links build traffic
- Links can provide meaning based on the text used in the link
- Internal links are important
- Links from relevant, authoritative web sites show other sources and alternatives to state your case
- Create links using keywords in anchor text
  - □ trend in turnover (yes)
  - □ click here (no)
- Creating compelling content will lead others to link to you

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# Onsite/Offsite Tactics – Keep the Party Going

- The best social media strategy starts with ~3 to 6 months of *listening*:
  - Go to other sites and seeing what they are talking about then
     comment
- **COMMENT** on influential blogs in your community, industry, complementary industries, and prospective client's markets
- When you **COMMENT**, post informative, quality info to position yourself as an expert this is not a sales pitch
- Develop a community allow **COMMENT** and respond to them
- Incorporate subscription and user tracking tools

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#### **Blogs**

- + Seth Godin sethgodin.typepad.com
- + Mike Volpe <u>mikevolpe.com</u>
- + Corvida Raven shegeeks.net
- + Chris Brogan chrisbrogan.com

# Introduction: Search Engine, Web Strategy, and Technology

- + HubSpot.com
- + InboundMarketing.com
- + <u>NewSiteMediaGroup.com</u>
- + HubSpot.tv
- + <u>SEOmoz.org</u>
- + SearchEngineWatch.com
- + TopRankMarketing.com

#### **User Interface**

+ User Interface Engineering - <u>uie.com/brainsparks</u> (*brilliant OD angle*)

#### **Marketing**

- + <u>DavidMeermanScott.com</u>
- + BrianSolis.com

#### **Human Resources**

- + FistfulofTalent.com
- + HRCapitalist.com

#### **Twitter:**

- @HubSpot
- @incentintel
- @socialmedia247
- @socialmedia630
- @BrianSolis
- @cydtetro
- @SocialMediaClub
- @KarenRubin
- @SteinarKnutsen
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