

FREEMASONRY & SOCIAL MEDIA

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AGENDA

- 1. Introductions
- 2. Social Media: What is it?
- 3. What's in it for Me?
- 4. The Big Hitters
- 5. A Lodge Website: Do's and Don'ts
- 6. How do you do this?
- 7. Final thought



INTRODUCTIONS

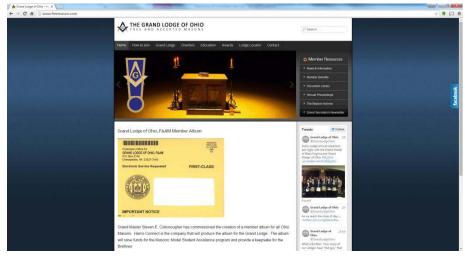
WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

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SOCIAL MEDIA: WHAT IS IT?

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so·cial me·di·a



noun

websites and applications that enable users to create and share content or to participate in social networking.

SOCIAL MEDIA: AT A GLANCE





280,000,000





... of the United States is online.

Pew Research Center, 2014



Pew Research Center, 2014



Use at least one Social Media site

Pew Research Center, 2014



The average time that internet users spend each day using the internet through a desktop, tablet, or laptop.

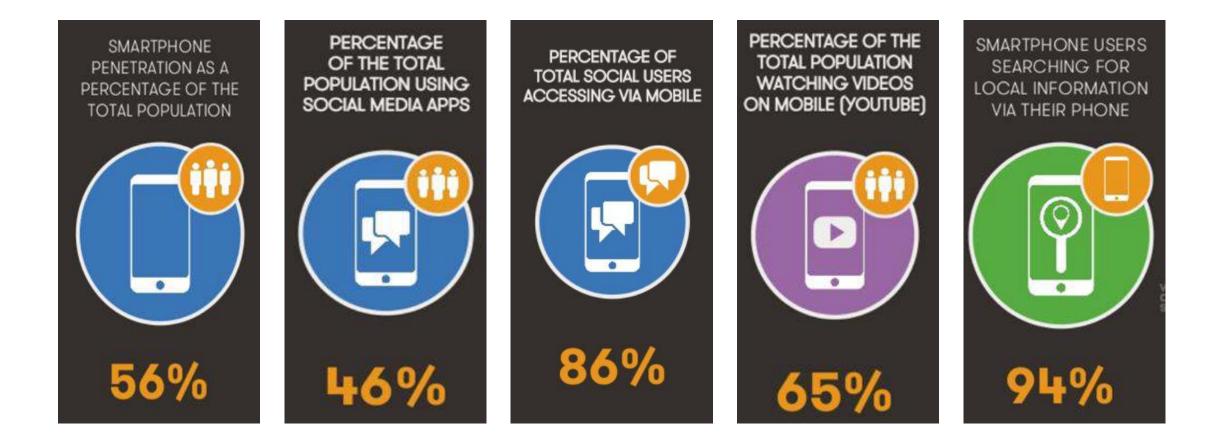


The average time that mobile internet users spend each day using mobile internet.

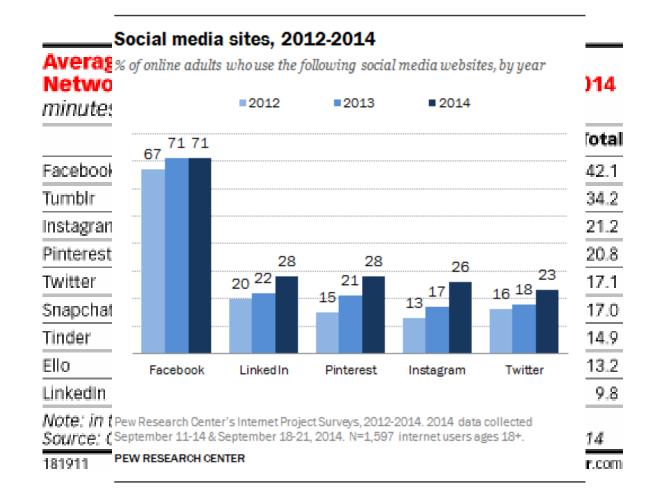


The average time that social media users spend each day using social media.

MOBILE SOCIAL MEDIA



SOCIAL MEDIA USAGE



https://vimeo.com/89307127



WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME?

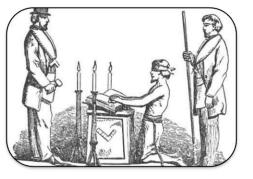
WHAT CAN I GAIN?



Exposure



Insight



Petitions



Loyal Followers



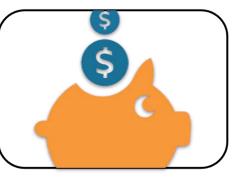
Search!



Improved Membership



Grow Partnerships



Reduced Costs

BENEFITS OF SOCIAL MEDIA

- 1. It's inexpensive
- 2. It's easy to use
- 3. Your "customers" use social media
- 4. It doesn't take a lot of time.



SOCIAL MEDIA: THE BIG HITTERS

FACEBOOK

1.2 Billion Users World Wide

169 Million in the United States

- 190 Average Friends
- 43% Male, 57%, Female
- #1 downloaded app for smartphones (today and all-time)
- 18 Minutes is the average time spent PER VISIT



TWITTER

Twitter is an online social networking service

- 1. Enables users to send and read short 140-character messages called "tweets".
- 2. Anyone can read tweets (unless private)
- 3. 135,000 New Twitter Users Every Day
- 4. 2.1 Billion Search Engine Queries Every Day
- 5. 43% use their phones to tweet
- 6. 60% of their tweets come from 3rd Party Programs
- 7. 40% twitters don't tweet!
- 8. 9,100 tweets per second



WHAT'S A HASHTAG (#) ?

hash•tag

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noun

(on social media sites such as Twitter and Facebook) a word or phrase preceded by a hash or pound sign (#) and used to identify messages on a specific topic.

A hashtag is a type of label or metadata tag used on social network and microblogging services which makes it easier for users to find messages with a specific theme or content.

Users create and use hashtags by placing the hash character (or number sign) # in front of a word or UNSPACED phrase, either in the main text of a message or at the end.

Searching for that hashtag will then present each message that has been tagged with it.

VINE



Short form video service

Designed to allow you to film short, separate instances so they can be linked together

Six seconds

Each video plays in a loop

Viewable in Twitter or separate webpage

5 Vine's Tweeted every second

INSTAGRAM

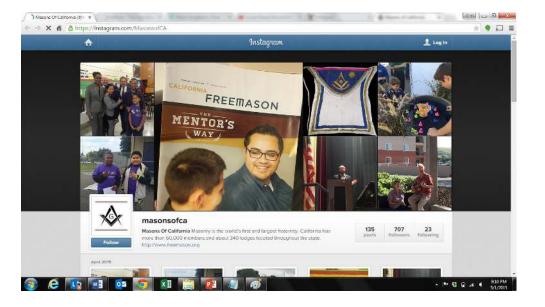
40 Million Photos per Day

1,000 Comments Per Second

Often linked from Instagram to Facebook / Twitter

100 Million Monthly Active Users





YOUTUBE

Second Largest Search Engine

Estimated 17% of Internet Traffic

100 Hours of Video Uploaded Every Minute

Excellent source for both internal and external possibilities

What's your image?

Grand Lodge of England: What's It All About? 88K in 10 Months



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wWv_q9fTLe4



YOUR LODGE WEBSITE

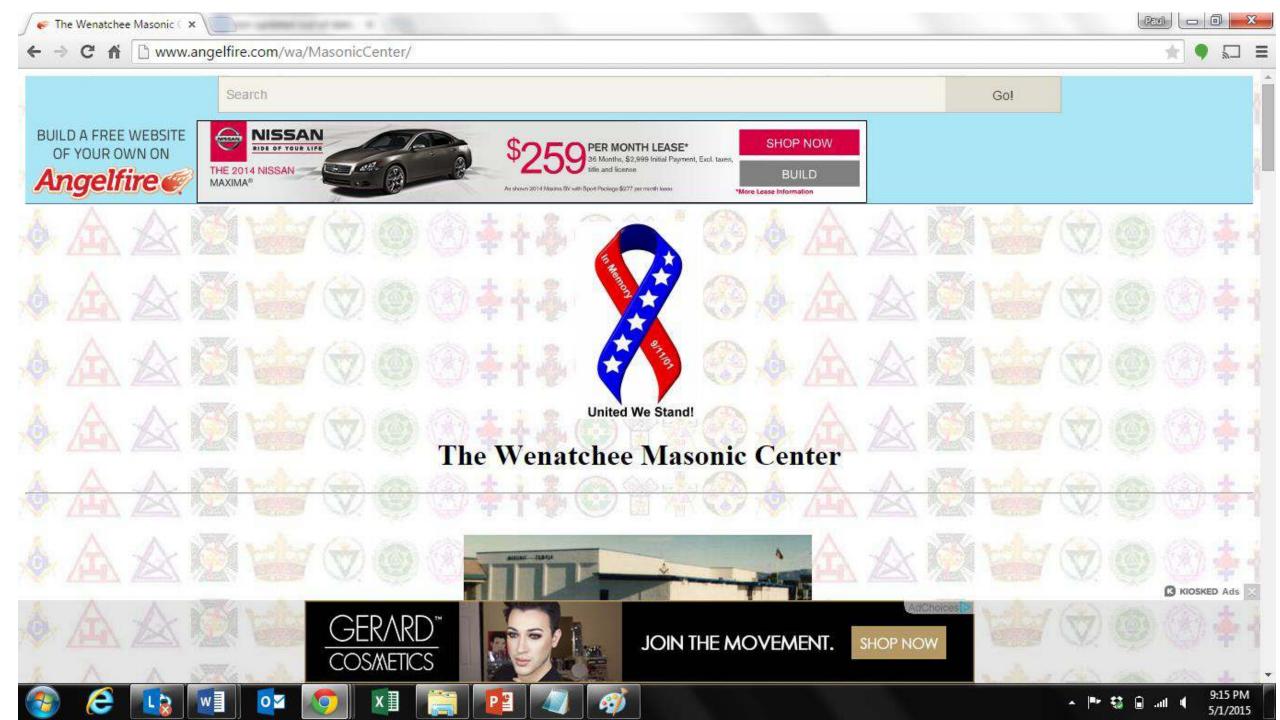
YOUR WEBSITE

Do you have one?

When was the last time it was updated?

Does it contain:

- Address
- When you meet?
- Phone number?
- Email contact?
- Basic information?
- Links to twitter/facebook/other?
- Basic: Photos, History, About Freemasonry, Link to Grand Lodge
- Abide by the Code?



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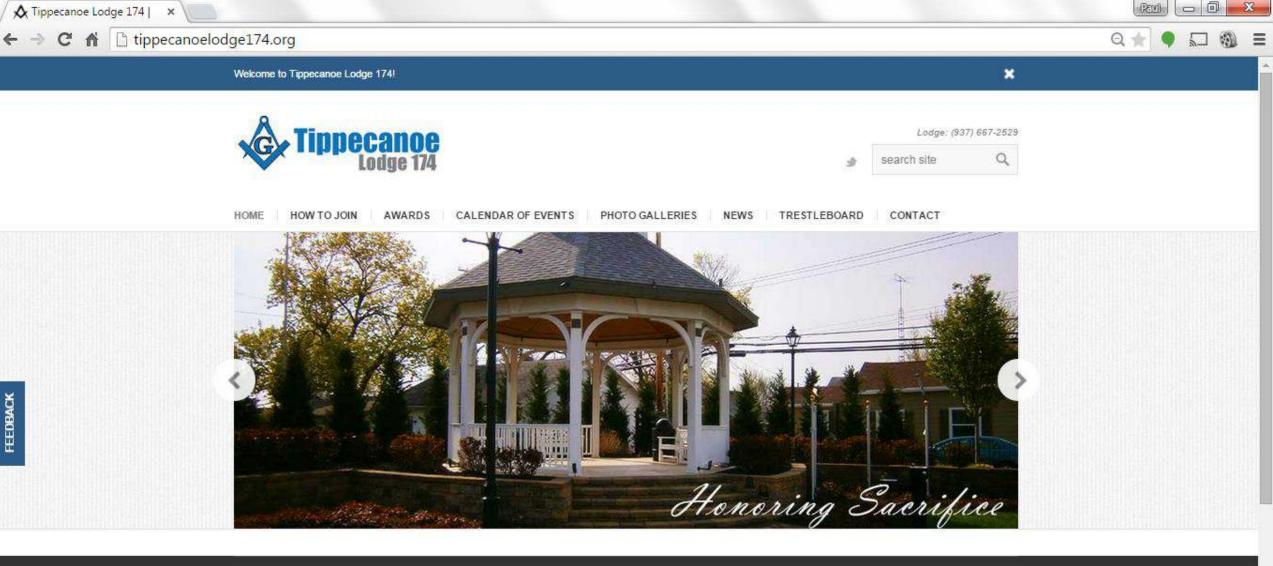
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INTERESTING LINKS

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We appreciate you visiting, and hope you enjoy your stay! Grand Lodge of Ohio

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STATED MEETINGS

1st and 3rd Thursdays at 7:30PM 108 1/2 E Main St.

JOIN US FOR LODGE!







HOW DO I DO THIS?

SOCIAL MEDIA: HOW DOES A LODGE DO THIS??

- 1. Assigned a committee
- 2. Share the responsibilities
- 3. Adopt a Social Media policy
- 4. Be patient
- 5. Make the 1st Move
- 6. Brand It
- 7. Know Your Audience
- 8. Do Not Post Sensitive Info!

BEST PRACTICES FOR SOCIAL MEDIA

- 1. Completely fill out the profile information.
- 2. Don't ignore social media insights.
- 3. Focus on engagement, not be a "like" hunter.
- 4. Moderate spam & negative comments
- 5. Don't oversell
- 6. ALWAYS write back.
- 7. Pin the best posts.
- 8. Keep it short.
- 9. Don't post too much, don't post too little.
- 10. Don't waste time and money on page apps.
- 11. Be personable! No one likes a robot.
- 12. Always ask: "Does this post help my fans?"
- 13. Always stay up to date with Facebook updates.
- 14. Vary the type of posts.
- 15. Experiment
- 16. Branding!



FINAL THOUGHT



