# DIGITAL MARKETING IN 2019 AND BEYOND

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# HI! MY NAME IS MIKE.

THANKS FOR COMING TODAY!



DO GOOD WORK.

# SO A LITTLE ABOUT ME...

- Born and raised in Erie
- McDowell High School Alum
- Duquesne University Grad
- I ran a website called ErieBlogs.com

# **BONA FIDES**

- Traditional and digital marketing for higher ed, B2B, non-profits
  - Duquesne University, Allegheny College, John Carroll University
  - Ignatian Solidarity Network, Lutheran
     Metropolitan Ministries and many more

# I DON'T KNOW WHAT I WANT TO DO WHEN I GROW UP, SO I STARTED A DIGITAL MARKETING AGENCY





# YOU GOTTA HAVE A MISSION STATEMENT

# WE DO GOOD WORK FOR NON-PROFITS, HIGHER ED, AND SMALL BUSINESSES IN THE UNITED STATES AND THE UNITED KINGDOM.

# DO GOOD WORK THAT MATTERS

#### WHAT ARE WE GOING TO TALK ABOUT?

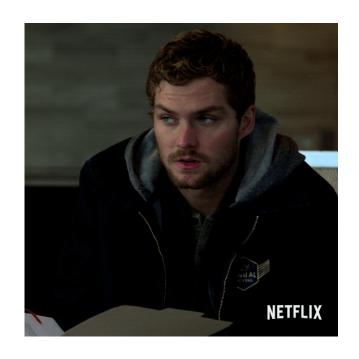
- What's new in digital marketing
- Foundational
  - Website, Social
- Next Level
  - Live video, bots & Al & texting





# MARKETING IN 2018

- Lead Generation
- Sales Funnels
- KPIs
- Content Strategy
- Social Media



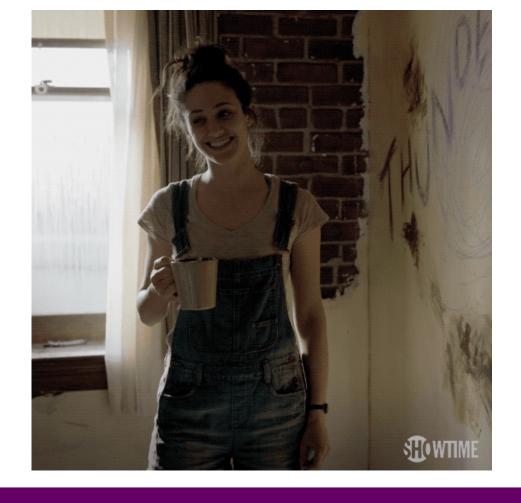
### MARKETING IN 2019

- Building relationships with your customers, clients and donors
- Building your brand and awareness
- Sharing knowledge, skills and expertise
- Basically: Do good work

# MEET PEOPLE WHERE THEY ARE



# BUT MIKE, WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING IS WORKING FINE.



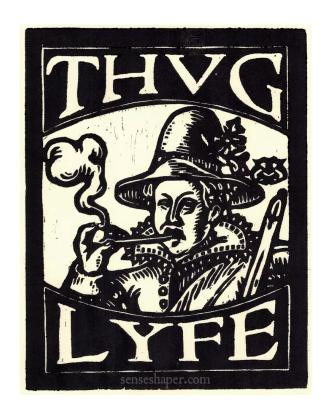
# **OUR MEDIA MIX**

- We print and mail our annual report
- We updated our brochure!
- We send out quarterly "email blasts"
- We have a website/Facebook/Instachat

# ARE YOU REACHING YOUR AUDIENCE? ARE YOU MEASURING IT? ARE YOU READY FOR THE FUTURE NOW?

# I BET MIKE HATES PRINT

# PRINTIS DEAD



# PRINT IS DEAD

NO, NOT BY A LONG SHOT.

I LOVE PRINT.

IT'S A GREAT METHOD TO REACH CERTAIN AUDIENCES. BUT...

#### ONE SWALLOW DOESN'T A SUMMER MAKE

- Digital Marketing lets us reach audiences in a very targeted way with targeted messaging
- It lets us track the effectiveness of our outreach efforts and get better data back than ever before

# **QUICK EXAMPLE**

#### BILLBOARD ON UPPER PEACH

- Great exposure. 40,000 impressions/wk of 18+
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- Can't measure effectiveness very easily

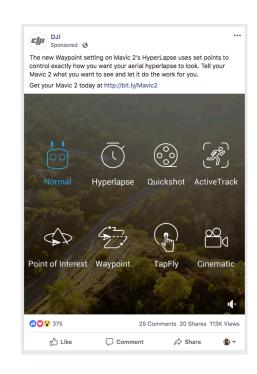


# SPRAY & PRAY

# SPRAY & PRAY BIG AUDIENCE LOW ROI

#### FACEBOOK AD

- Very targeted outreach. I can reach 35-45 year old Women in the 16506 ZIP code who went to college and like craft beer
- Can tell how many clicked, visited site, converted to sales



# ATTRACT & ENGAGE

# ATTRACT & ENGAGE SMALLER AUDIENCE HIGHER ROI





# IN 2019, YOU MUST BE DOING THE FOLLOWING

- Optimizing all your website assets for speed
- Serving your website over HTTPS
- Be aware of structured data

# OPTIMIZE ALL THE THINGS

- Images
- Site assets like CSS and Javascript
- Users won't wait for your slow site
- Use a Content Delivery Network
  - We use Amazon



### SERVE OVER HTTPS

- Increased protection for the data you send and collect
- Increase in trust of your users
- This is much easier than it used to be, and free!
  - Not Secure | yournpp.org

# SERVE OVER HTTPS

- If your website host doesn't offer this, switch web hosts.
   Seriously.
- If you need a good webhost, email me. Or as the kids say, HMU.



#### IS YOUR DATA STRUCTRED?

- If you format the data on your website,
   Google and others will know exactly what your data is and how they can better use it.
- Structured data for events, recipes, news, people directories, store products and more.
- Learn more: https://schema.org/

### John Carroll University

sites.jcu.edu/ ▼

**John Carroll University** is a private, coeducational, Jesuit Catholic university located in University Heights, Ohio.

### Admission

Join us at John Carroll. A place where your curiosity is nurtured ...

### **Athletics**

Athletics News. Up to date news and information. JCUSports ...

### Academics

Undergraduate Programs - Graduate - Calendar - ...

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### Employment

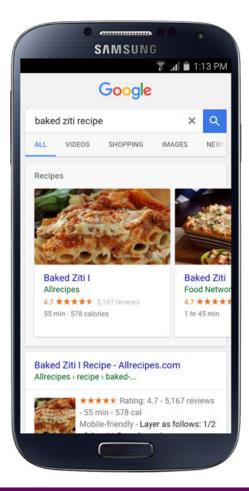
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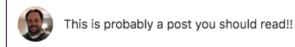
### **Getting to Campus**

John Carroll University is located 10 miles east of downtown ...

### **Undergraduate Admission**

Connect With Us - Apply - Admission Requirements - Visit





### 5 SIMPLE WAYS TO IMPROVE YOUR VIDEOS RIGHT NOW

HIGHEDWEBTECH.COM

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5 Simple Ways to Improve Your Videos Right Now - HighEdWebTech

### **SOCIAL SHARING**



Mlke's Snapchat has gone global. Here's some lessons after half a million views. Read:



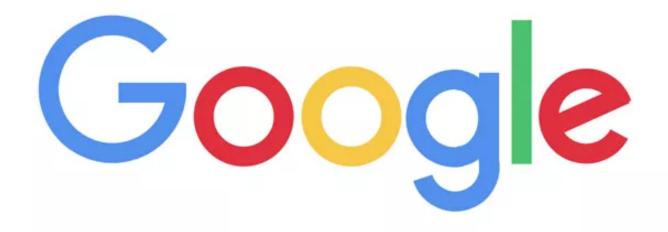
What I've Learned From 500k Public Story Views - HighEdW...

My public story views on Snapchat eclipsed 500,000 this weekend. Here are some thoughts and ideas after reaching that incredible milestone.

highedwebtech.com



### WHY ARE THESE THINGS IMPORTANT?





## **GET YOUR WEBSITE READY FOR 2019**

- When was the last time you did a content audit of your website?
- Are your services, offerings, and other key info up to date?
- How does your site perform on phones?

### BE A CONTENT EXPERT. DO A BLOG.

- Record and preserve institutional knowledge
- Share your expertise and experience with the world
- Source for social media content
- Set a consistent schedule, and measure the results!

### ARE YOU THINKING ABOUT SEO?

- Are you regularly reviewing your organic terms? How are users finding you?
- Do you have site and content specific meta tags setup on your site?
- Use WordPress? Check out Yoast SEO.

# LET'S TALK ABOUT ANALYTICS FOR A SECOND

PHOTO BY NIKOLAY TARASHCHENKO ON UNSPLASH

# IF YOU AREN'T MEASURING IT, DOES IT EXIST?

- It's good to know how many people are coming
   & how many pages they're looking at
- But there's so much other data in there you can unpack
- Bounce rates, time spent on site, what social network are they coming from, and more

### AN INTEGRATED MARKETING CAMPAIGN

### We can track:

- Medium (CPC, Email, Web)
- Source (email, Facebook, website)
- Keyword (if doing paid keywords)
- Segment



## TAG EVERYTHING TO TRACK IT

Secondary dimension: Select So	rt Type: Default +				Q advanc
Source/Medium	Visits	4	Goal Conversion Rate	Per Visit Goal Value	Mailing List (Goal1 Conversion Rate)
1. kikolani / 150banner		23	34.78%	\$1.30	0.00%
2. kikolani / aboutpage		16	0.00%	\$0.00	0.00%
3. kikolani / blogmarketingcat		9	44.44%	\$1.78	11.11%
4. kikolani / probloggerreviewba	nner	4	0.00%	\$0.00	0.00%

POSTS, EMAIL CAMPAIGNS, SOCIAL POSTS, QR CODES, LINKS ON WEBSITE

# GOOGLE'S LINK BUILDER

hewt.in/a8



# TAGGING LINKS MAKES THEM SUPER LONG



# LONG URL W/ TONS OF GOOD DATA

https://gasmark8.com/? utm source=NonProfitDayPresentat ion&utm medium=PPT&utm campaign= Erie%20Nonprofit%20Day%202018%20 Presentation&utm content=PPT%20L Ink

# SHORT URL FOR SOCIAL, EMAIL, WEB

https://hewt.in/a7

### THIS IS EASY STUFF

- People are more apt to click or type a shorter URL, and you can add in all your tracking variables
- Great for social, so you don't use up valuable characters

### HOW DID YOU DO THAT?

- Many options for URL shorteners
- Roll your own (what we do)
- Use a service like Bitly
- HMU for info



### WE DON'T USE BITLY. WHY NOT?

- Difficult to create custom URLs
  - Ex: bit.ly/marketingslides
- Stuck with bit.ly URL (at free plan)
- Anyone can see your stats
  - Throw a + at the end of a Bit.ly URL



## SOCIAL MEDIA FOUNDATION WORK FOR 2019

- What is the right platform for you to be on?
- Who & Where is your audience?
  - Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Snapchat, WeChat?
- Are you posting content on a regular schedule?
- Are you measuring your social media efforts?

# WHAT PLATFORM IS RIGHT FOR YOU?



"Instagram is perfect for JCU because it's not only where our current and prospective students 'live' on social media, but it also allows us to showcase our beautiful campus and the amazing people that make up our community."

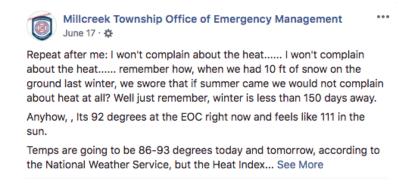
Meredith Tayek, Assistant Director of Enrollment Marketing John Carroll University





## BUILDING YOUR SOCIAL VOICE

- Don't put the same content on all your platforms, all the time
- Find the appropriate voice for your audience





# DO YOU HAVE TO BE FUNNY AND CLEVER?

- Memes and GIFs are a fun way to get your point across, but aren't for everyone
- Maybe don't go full Wendy's or Denny's



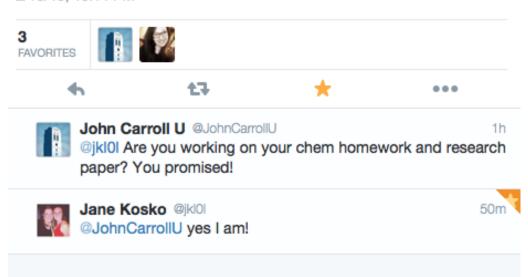






If classes are cancelled tomorrow I promise to do my chemistry homework and research paper @JohnCarrollU

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# SOCIAL IS ABOUT CONNECTING. PEOPLE WANT TO FEEL A PART OF SOMETHING. NOT READ YOUR PRESS RELEASES. NO OFFENSE.



### ENGAGE ON SOCIAL IN NEW AND DIFFERENT WAYS

- Paid Outreach
- Stories
- Lenses and Geofilters
- Live Video

### SOCIAL CAN BE PAY TO PLAY

- Facebook and Instagram ads are amazing ways to target new and existing users
  - Pixel, Similar Audience, Uploaded Lists
- Google gives out grants to Nonprofits for text ads
  - Keyword searching, CPC, Retargeting
  - https://www.google.com/grants/

### **STORIES**

- Quick, ephemeral updates that last just 24 hours
- Can be video or photos
- Can use filters and GIFs
- Instagram wins here with great engagement options



# DO STORIES ENGAGE?





### DO USERS ENGAGE WITH STORIES?

A third of users in the US are actually more interested in brands after seeing their Stories according to a survey (n=2400) conducted by Sentient Decision Science for Facebook in October 2017.

https://business.instagram.com/blog/how-do-people-perceive-and-use-instagram-stories-and-feed

### DRIVE ENGAGEMENT WITH STORIES

- Add engagement driving elements
- Share others' stories on your story
- On IG, add your stories to collections for future viewing







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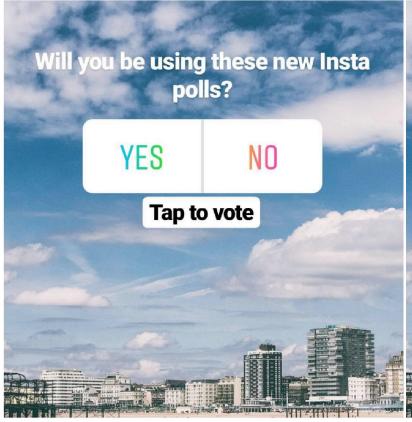
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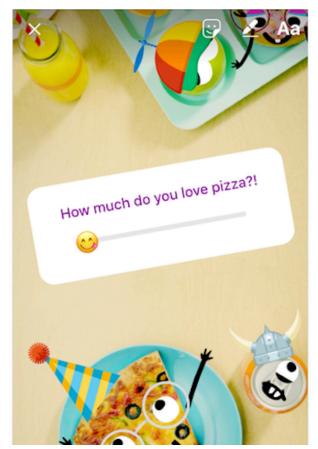


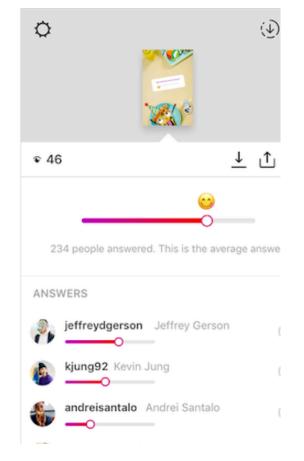
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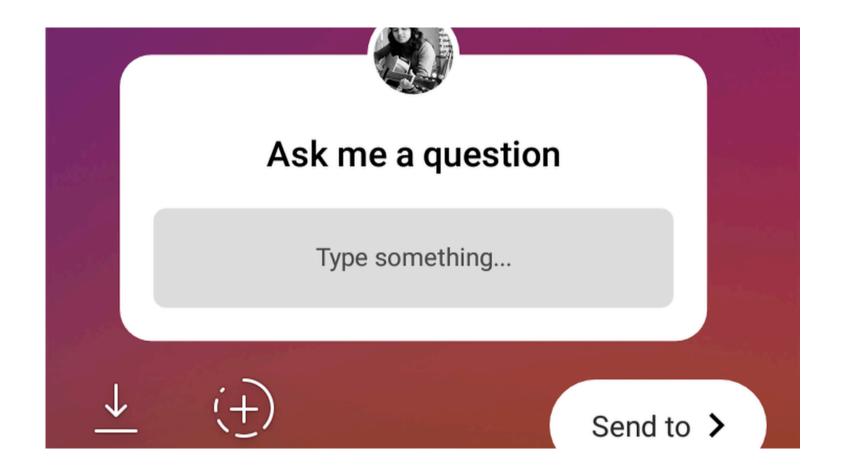


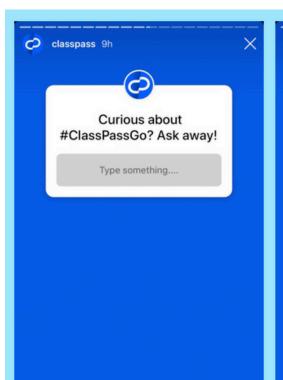


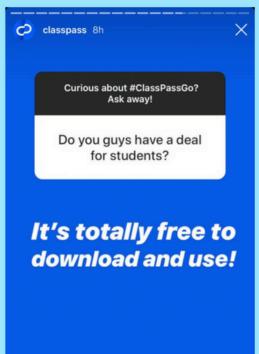


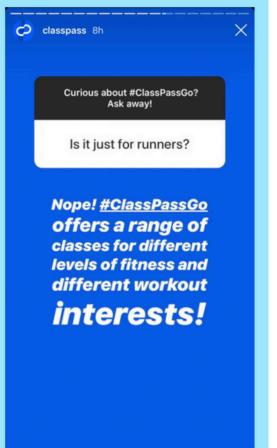


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#### BUILDING ENGAGEMENT WITH STORIES

- Use to collect questions for a live video with your CEO, President, Board, Volunteers, Etc.
- Answers are not anonymous
  - You can block if needed, or act if needed

# PEOPLE WILL PARTICIPATE MORE WHEN THEY FEEL THEY ARE PART OF THE PROCESS AND THAT THEY ARE BEING HEARD.





#### SNAPCHAT FILTERS

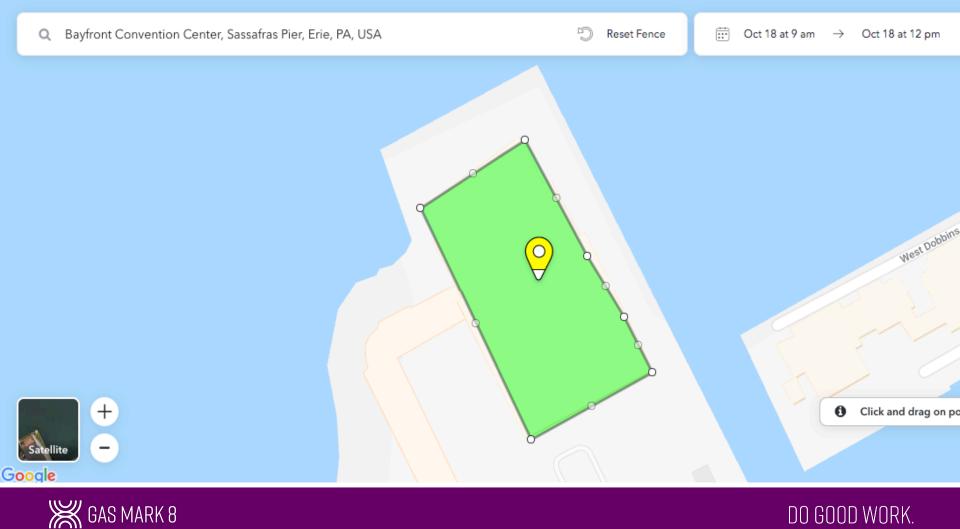
- Snapchat allows you to create and submit a "geofilter" for a given location on a given date and time
- Promote an event, activity or general brand awareness



#### SNAPCHAT FILTERS

- Download a template at <a href="https://hewt.in/8w">https://hewt.in/8w</a>
- Select your geographical area, date, time

- See the price as you adjust and change parameters
- Wait for approval (mine was approved in minutes this week)





# OPEN SNAPCHAT NOW TO SEE OUR GEOFILTER

#### SNAPCHAT FILTERS

- To get all of the Bayfront Convention Center today from 9 a.m. to noon, we had to cover 96,000 sq. ft.
- Total cost: \$20.70



#### SNAPCHAT FILTERS

- After your filter is available, you can view stats on usage, views and swipes
- The more area you cover and the longer its available, the more it costs





#### IS VIDEO IN YOUR MIX?

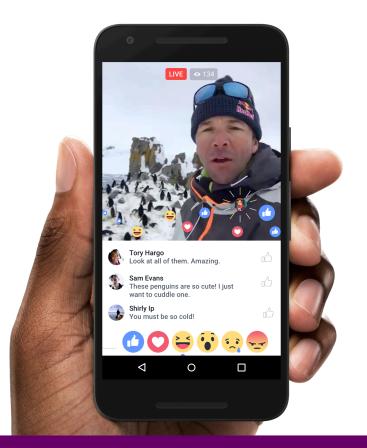
- More ways than ever to consume video
- More video content then ever
  - Netflix is spending \$8B on content in 2018
  - 400 hours of video are uploaded to YouTube every minute
  - People watch 1,000,000,000 hours per day of video on YouTube

### LET'S *TIE* THIS BACK TO SOCIAL



#### LIVE VIDEO

- Many video platforms now allow users to stream live video to their audiences
- Great for sharing live events, but also for scheduled activities



#### WHERE CAN YOU STREAM LIVE VIDEO?









#### VIDEO PROCESS

- Promote your live video ahead of time
  - Users can get notification that you're live!
- Have a good Internet connection
- Have a plan for what you want to show and talk about

#### HOW TO DO IT

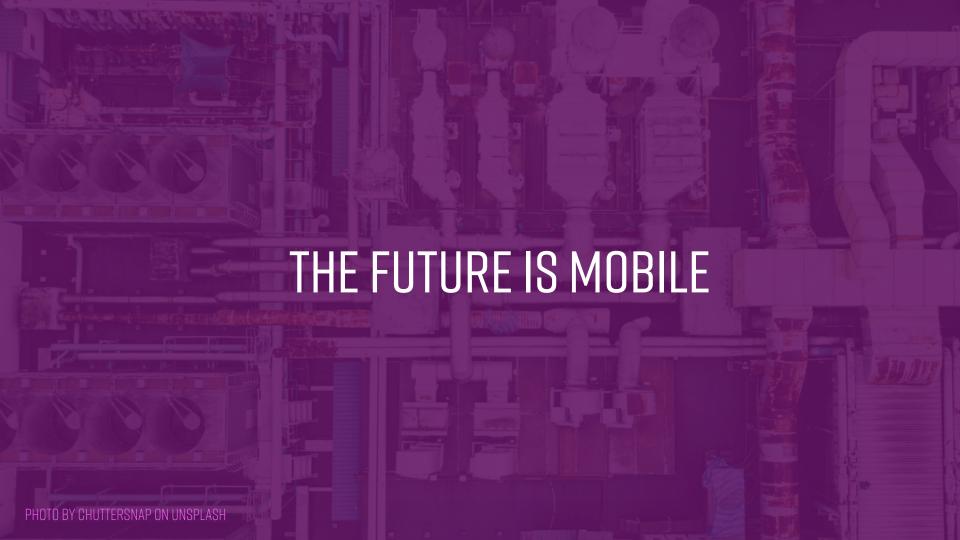
- You can stream with your phone all the way up to a complicated A/V setup
- Have good audio
- Respond to user questions and feedback during the stream
- Optional: Connect to a Facebook fundraising program

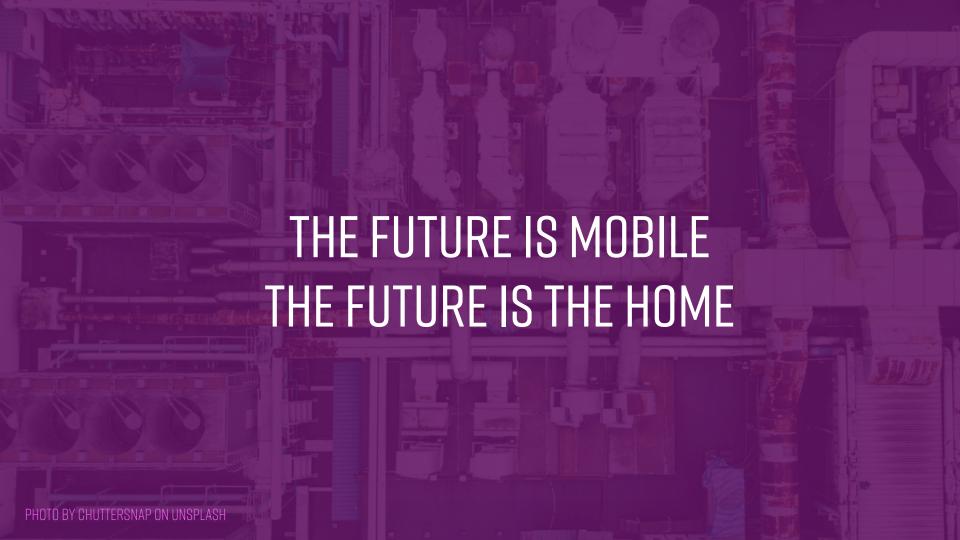
#### LET'S GO LIVE!

- Follow me on Instagram
   @mikerichwalsky
- You'll see my live video in the stories area.
- Here we go!!









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Messages

Mike

Details

#### AI WILL CHANGE HOW WE COMMUNICATE

You've probably interacted with chatbots and text message Al without really knowing it.

Really?

Yeah, esp. on big platforms like Facebook!

#### **CHAT BOTS**

- Bots can help 24/7, especially with most common questions
- They can range from very basic to very complex.
- Cost: Development time and upkeep



Great choice! What's the recipient's first name?





Recipient's last name?

Zuckerberg

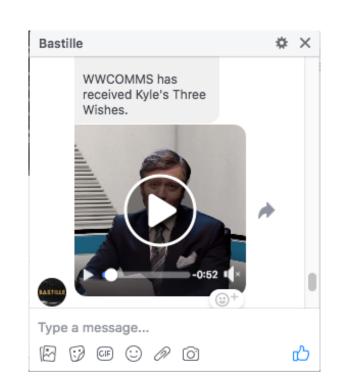


What's the recipient's phone number in case the florist needs to contact them about delivery?



#### **BOT EXAMPLES**

- WSJ: Their Facebook bot will send you the current stock quote if you message it with \$SYMBOL
- Bastille: Band sent ringtones and videos when they released their last album



PREVIOUSLY ON DIGITAL MARKETING IN 2019...

## MEET PEOPLE WHERE THEY ARE



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 You can also easily provide services via texting.

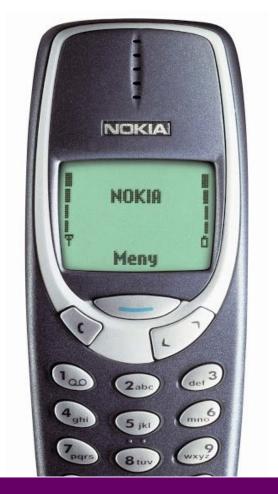
 Easy to program basic logic and responses Sending texts is easy!

And most people have unlimited texting so no worries

It's a great way to capture user's info and save it for later use

#### **GET YOUR PHONES OUT!!**

Text the word doctor to 814-240-1695



#### **TEXTING**

 Provide service information, hours, locations, programming, event info and more

#### Cost:

- \$1/mo for reg. phone number, \$2/mo for toll-free
- \$0.0075 per message

#### WHY DO BOTS AND TEXTING?



























#### ALL THESE HAVE ALEXA IN THEM







#### SPEAKING OF WHICH...

- Stop by our table during the breaks to enter to win an Amazon Echo Dot + 2 free hours of marketing consulting/auditing
- Stop up and grab a card and a button.
- Send me any questions you have!



#### THANK YOU!

Text SLIDES to 814-240-1695 for a link to get today's slides.

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