Social Media Topics

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• What is Social Media?

- A way for people to connect and share information quickly online
- Social Media is media designed to be disseminated through social interaction, using highly accessible and scalable publishing techniques

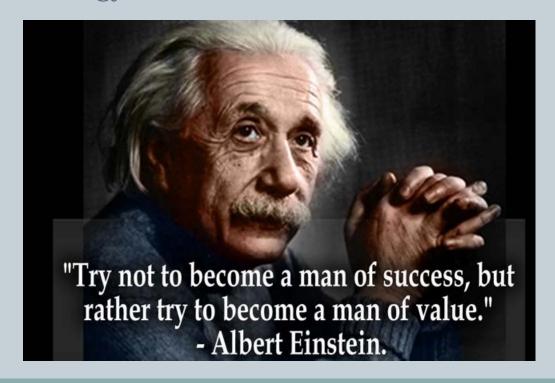
What is Web 2.0?

- Websites that incorporate content distribution and user generated content in their approach to engage and connect with their visitors
- Web applications that facilitate interactive information sharing, interoperability, user-centered design, and collaboration on the World Wide Web

- How do we profit from Social Media?
 - Connect with colleagues to cultivate cross promotions
 - Free exposure turn your followers and fans into an extension of your marketing department
 - A way to engage with your customers, respond to criticism and feedback
 - Offer contests to drive interest and generate exposure
- Dell
- Best Buy
- Team San Jose



- I'll be a super star tomorrow
 - No, you probably won't
 - You need a strategy



The Big Guys

- Facebook #1 overall users
- LinkedIn #1 for "Business Professionals"
- Twitter #1 easiest tool
- MySpace becoming a niche for clubs, nightlife and musicians
- Bebo, Hi5, Orkut going out
- Ning newish kid on the block
- What about Buzz?
- What about Foursquare?



- Who is your target audience?
- Demographics April 2010 Quantcast.com
 - o Linkedin −38% of users make over \$100,000 a year
 - Facebook 55% of users female
 - o Twitter − 48% have no college degree



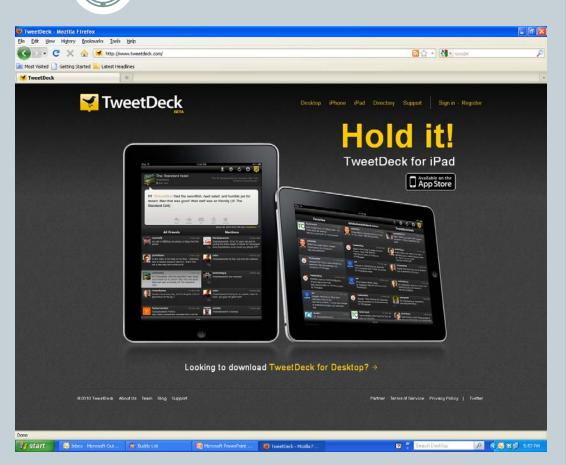
Top Social Media Tools

- Social Oomph automation and statistics
- TwitterFeed publish RSS feeds
- FriendFeed view all your feeds
- Ping.FM post to anywhere all at once
- HootSuite new kid to watch all of the above



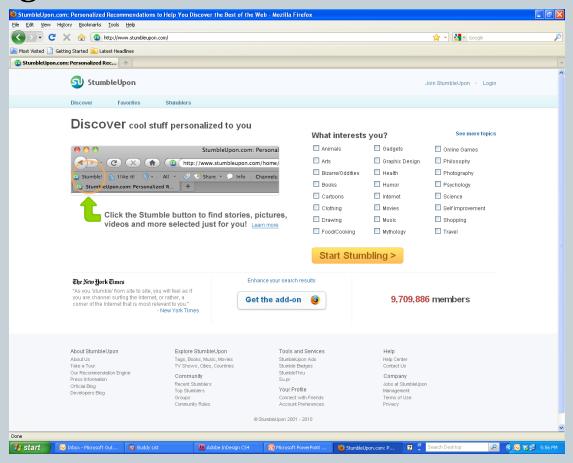
Twitter Specific

- Twibes Directory
- Twellow Directory
- WeFollow Directory
- TweetDeck Java
- Nambu OS X

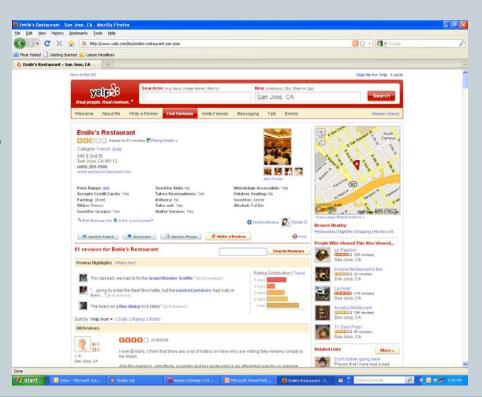


Social Bookmarking

- The Big Guys
 - **Delicious**
 - **x** StumbleUpon
 - × Digg
- Will it be relevant?

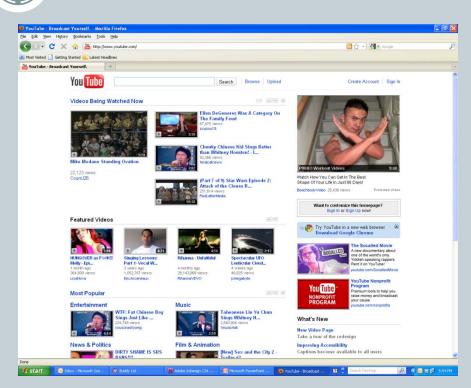


- Listen to customers & respond in constructive ways
 - o Yelp
 - eCompliments
 - Google Reviews
- What people say matters



Additional Resources

- Flickr & YouTube
 - Important, but integrate it with your website
- Squidoo
 - Easy way to increase link backs and easily monetized
- Wikipedia AboutUs.org
 - Top ranks in search engines, provides a link even with nofollow tags
 - AboutUs.org removes nofollow tags for active users



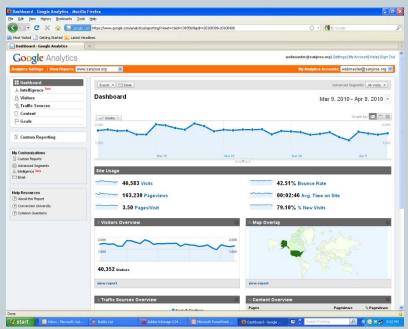
- Additional Resources Continued
 - Google Alerts
 - ▼ Track daily or weekly when people post about your business or topics you're interested in
 - Vflyers

Easily create e-flyers you can post and update on Craigslist,

Backpage, and others



- Metrics for ROI
 - Facebook Insights
 - Twitalyzer
 - Google Analytics everyone should be using this



• Q & A

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