

Using Social Media Effectively



Grand Chapter of New Mexico Mid-Year Conference

02:00 – 02:45 pm Breakout Session V

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Using Social Media Effectively

- Social media are ways in which people interact to create, share, and/or exchange information and ideas in virtual communities and networks
- Popular in US include



Facebook
Boomers
Gen X
Millennials
29+
Text, images, videos, stories



Instagram
Millennials
Gen Z
11-43
Photos, videos, stories



YouTube
Millennials
Gen Z
11-43
Video-based



Twitter
Gen X
Millennials
29-58
Real-time info



TikTok
Gen Z
11-28
Video-based
China-owned



Snapchat
Millennials
Gen Z
11-43
Photos & Videos



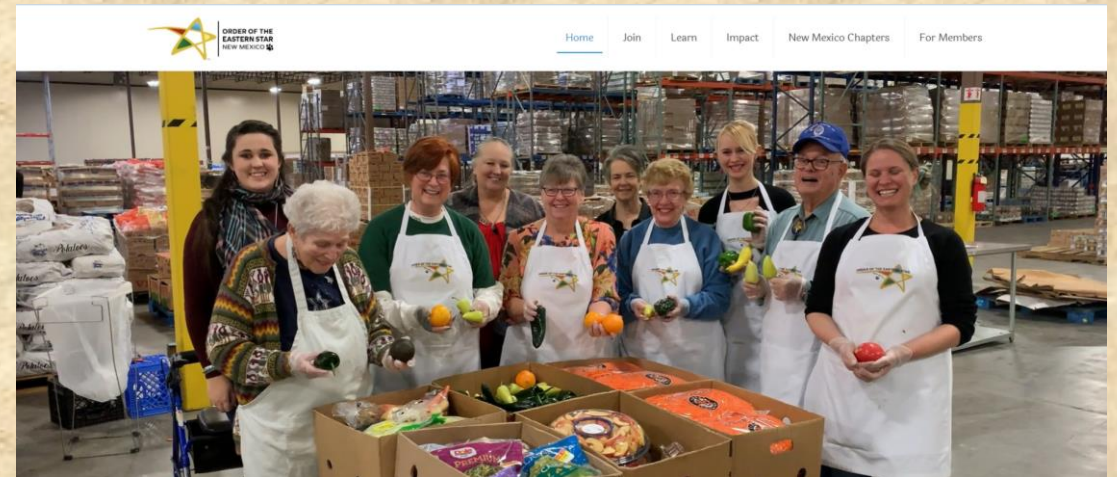
Using Social Media Effectively

➤ Today's focus will be:



Facebook

- Broadest usage (age groups and users)
- Most extensive features
- Public and private options
- Multi-platform design (desktop and mobile)



Grand Chapter of New Mexico Website

- General pages
- Chapter-specific pages



Using Social Media Effectively

- On Facebook, should you have page or group or both?
 - Pages are public with “followers”; Groups can be public, but are more commonly private with “members”
 - For public awareness, create a page
 - For community, create a private group
 - Page content may not show up in follower’s timeline; notifications received with private group posts
 - Member / youth privacy better protected with private group
 - Content for private group may not be relevant to page (e.g., events open only to OES members)



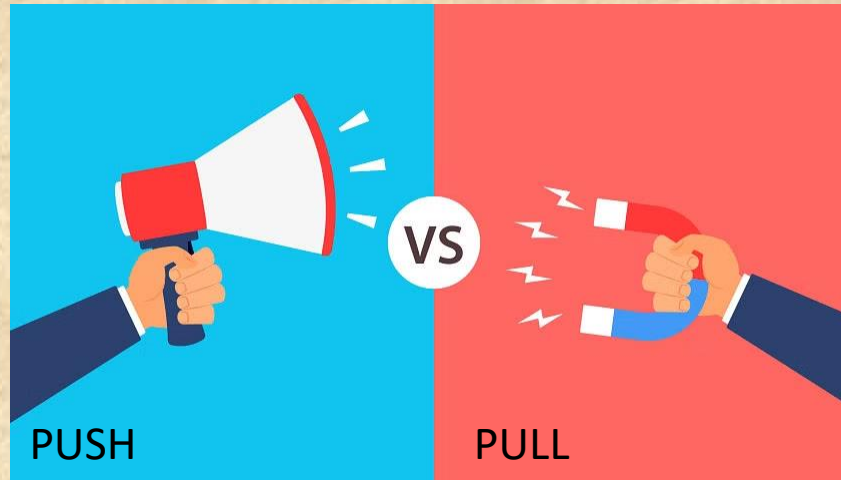
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- Which chapters have a Facebook group and/or page?

Chapter	Public or Private	Page or Group	Followers/Members
Adah #5	Public	Page	215
Adah #5	Public	Group	18
Alamo #11	Public	Page	52
Artesia #18	Public	Page	100
Santa Fe #19	Public	Page	148
Santa Fe #19	Private	Group	13
Las Cruces #20	Private	Group	46
Jessamine #45	Public	Page	111
Bethany #56	Public	Page	104
Los Alamos #63	Private	Group	37
New Mexico Order of the Eastern Star	Public	Business Page	849
New Mexico OES – Members Only	Private	Group	295



Using Social Media Effectively



- With Facebook private group, notifications push content out to followers / members, like receiving an email
- With website, followers / members must visit site to pull content; awareness of new / updated content is a challenge
- Use Facebook posts to direct followers / members to website content



Using Social Media Effectively

- Tell your stories with

Engaging Content



Quality Visuals



&

Use images / photos to make content more engaging

- Be the “go to” place for information



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➤ Other considerations

- Administrators needed to manage website, pages, and groups
- Use Facebook group / page rules to set boundaries for participation
- Be timely with content
- Create awareness of events / activities with Facebook events, website invitations, and Facebook posts with invitations / reminders
- Facebook posts disappear in timeline; events remain visible, like a calendar
- Use as a complement to other forms of communication, such as meetings, emails, phone calls, newsletters
- Don't forget to share to Grand Chapter's website and Facebook pages



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- What information would your followers / members want to see?




Topic addressed further in Breakout Session II Effectively Telling Your Chapter Story



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➤ What information would your followers / members want to see?

- Meetings
- Charitable activities
- Fundraising activities
- Social activities
- Scholarships
- Travels
- Celebrations / recognitions / milestones
- Introductions
- Invitations
- Announcements
- Happiness & sadness
- What is OES?
- What does it mean to be an OES member?

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- Chapter
 - District
 - Grand Chapter
 - General Grand Chapter
 - Masonic Family



Using Social Media Effectively

- What information should be kept private?



Using Social Media Effectively

- What information should be kept private?
 - Personal information, such as address, phone number, email, birthdate (unless approved)
 - Personal news, such as sadness and happiness (unless approved)
 - Names and photos of children
 - Photos of individuals, where there is a “reasonable expectation of privacy”
 - Travel plans



Using Social Media Effectively

- Handouts
 - Social Media Submission Guidelines
 - Members Only Group Facebook Rules

