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Guest Focused Communications

Executive Summary

Insights

- Consumers are bombarded with messages and advertisements. They have the ability to choose how and when they interact with brands, constantly switching from device to device.
- In order to build engagement and brand advocacy, delivering the right content, at the right time, through the right channel, is critical.
- Therefore, Cleveland Metroparks Marketing Department is constantly evaluating and enhancing our communications strategy.

• **Prioritize digital communication tools**, including social media, website and e-mail.

Actions

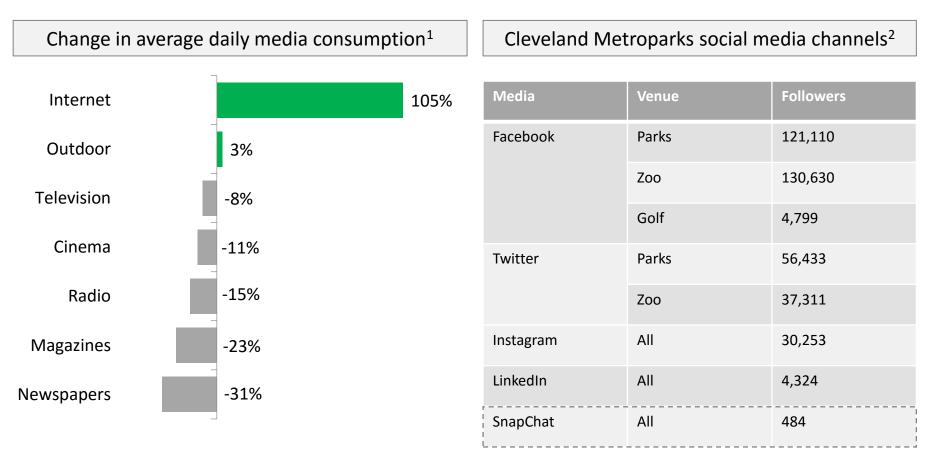
- Launch online preference center to learn more about Cleveland Metroparks guests (name, zip code, activities, interests, etc.).
- **Refine and enhance print media**, focusing on Emerald Necklace publication.

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Action #1: Prioritize digital communication tools

- Since 2010, internet media consumption has increased over 100%, while print media has declined.
- New social mediums continue to emerge.
 - 57MM Americans now use SnapChat (50% of new users are >25 years old)

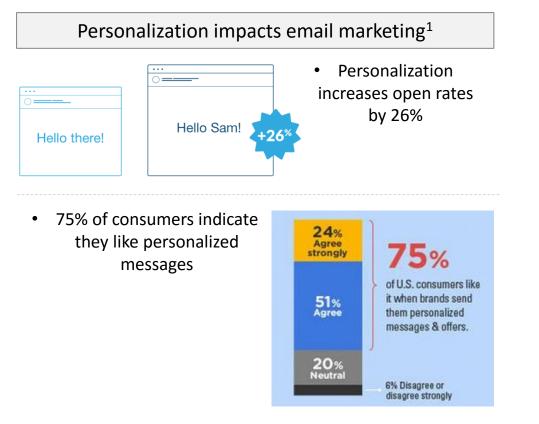


¹2010 vs. 2005; Source: ZenithOptimedia reported on Fortune.com

²Social Media followers as of 9/23/16

Action #2: Launch online preference center

- The new website, planned to launch January 2017, will include an online preference center.
- Guests will have the ability to create a "user profile," with options to receive customized e-newsletters and personalized e-mails. Additionally, event and program registration information will be auto-filled to expedite the process.

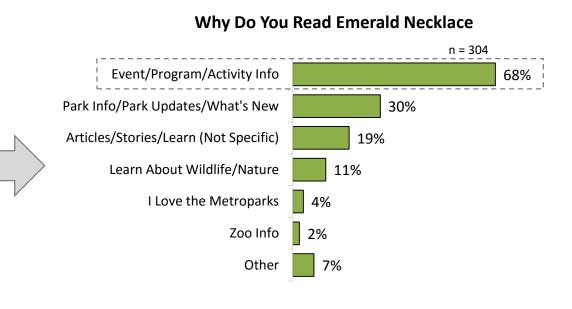


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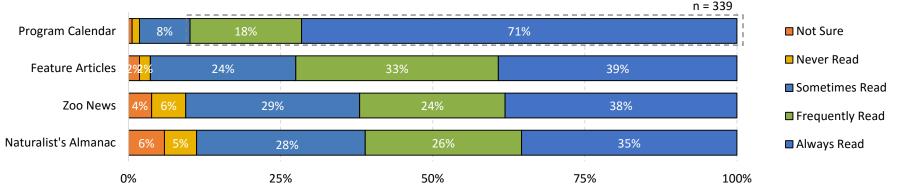


Action #3: Refine and enhance print media

- Currently, 27k households receive the Emerald Necklace publication, monthly; an additional 13k are distributed to Nature Centers and Community Centers.
- 68% of readers are most interested in the event/program/activity info.
- 89% of respondents always or frequently read this section.



Frequency of Reading Each Section





Why do you read the Emerald Necklace? (Open-ended)

How often do you read the following the Emerald Necklace features/sections? 5

Next Steps and Timing

Task	Estimated Timing
Refine Emerald Necklace	Now – 11/30; re-issue: Jan 2017
Thunder:Tech/CM develop website	Now – 11/25
Website Internal Testing	11/28 – 12/16
Website External Testing	12/5 – 12/16
Launch New Website	Jan 2017
Optimization of Website	Ongoing

