Achieving Irresistible Results in an "Unsexy" Industry

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I DRIVE A MINIVAN (totally unsexy)

INDUSTRIES WE SERVE

- INSURANCE
- MANUFACTURING
- ASPHALT PAVING

(Great Companies. "Unsexy" Industries.)

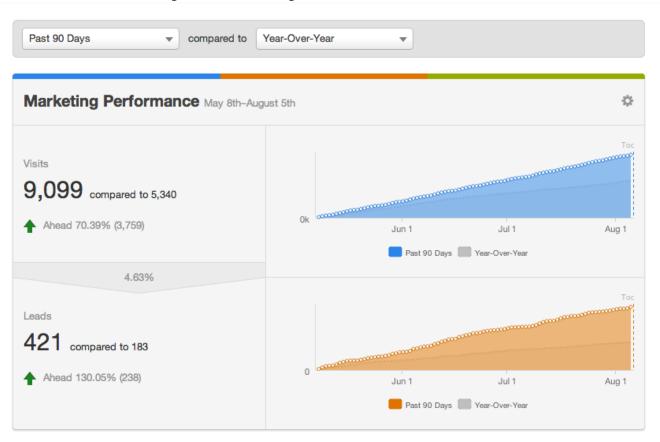
RESULTS ARE SEXY

Overall Sales - 2012 vs. 2013

- April +34%
- May +42%
- June +57%
- July +61%

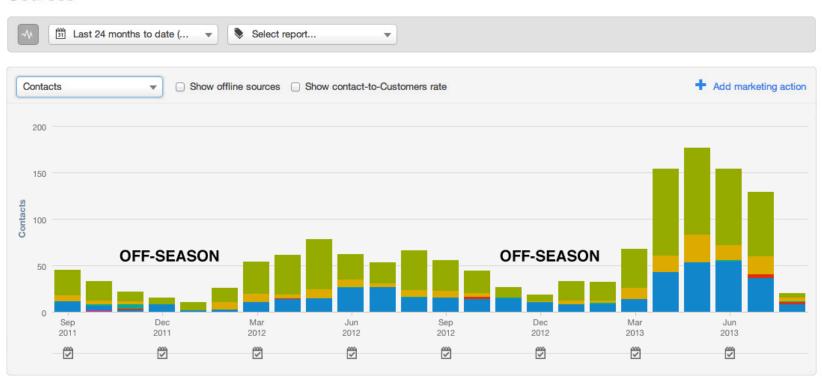


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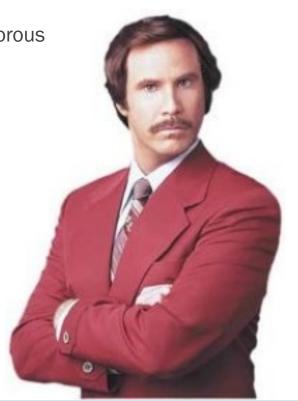


YOU CAN BECOME INBOUND SEXY

The Anatomy of Being S.E.X.Y

Let's define "sexy"

- **Sex y [sek-see]:** Attractive, Interesting, Exciting, Trendy, Glamorous
- What makes someone or something sexy/attractive?
- Good looking
- Powerful/Strong
- Smart/Influential
- Mysterious/Intriguing
- Trustworthy





WHO'S SEXIER? (whoa, is it getting hot in here?)

Beauty is in the eye of the beholder

Start by defining "the eye of the beholder"

- AKA: Buyer Persona or Ideal Customer Profile
- What do they find attractive? Interests?
- How do you become trustworthy, interesting, memorable to them?
- BE FOCUSED: YOU ONLY NEED TO BE SEXY TO THEM!
- Solving problems is attractive

Being attractive is relative

- Do a competitor analysis (online and offline)
- Where do you rank?
- Define your plan to become attractive?
- It can be content and/or format
- It just takes some creativity and personality





WHAT MADE THEM "SEXY?" (so, we meet again)

What made them sexy?

1. TALENT

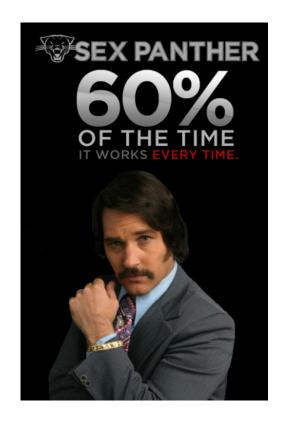
Showcase the talent within your own walls

2. "IMAGE"

Clearly define your company image

3. EXPOSURE

Increase awareness thru content marketing





STORY TIME – Social Experiment

BECOME INBOUND S.E.X.Y

INBOUND S.E.X.Y.

S = Signals

E = Exposure

X = X-factor

Y = "Why"



S= Signals

Define the "signals of success" for your industry

- Certifications / Honors & Awards
- Case Studies / Industry Reports
- Media Coverage / Trade Publications

E= Exposure

How can you increase awareness?

- Blogging, Social Media, Webinars
- PR and Paid Media (Google Adwords, Social Ads)
- Co-Sponsorship Opportunities

X= X-factor

How are you different? How will you be memorable?

- Showcase your personality. Be creative.
- The importance of storytelling.
- Industries may be boring, but the people are not.

Y= "Why"

Why should anyone care about your product/service?

- Answer the question "What's in it for me?"
- How do you solve their problem?
- How do you keep them entertained?

REAL WORLD EXAMPLES

Charmin

Sit or Squat App

- Creative/Memorable
- Impressive Delivery
- Power of Utility
- Attractive Visuals



Old Spice

Branding Campaign

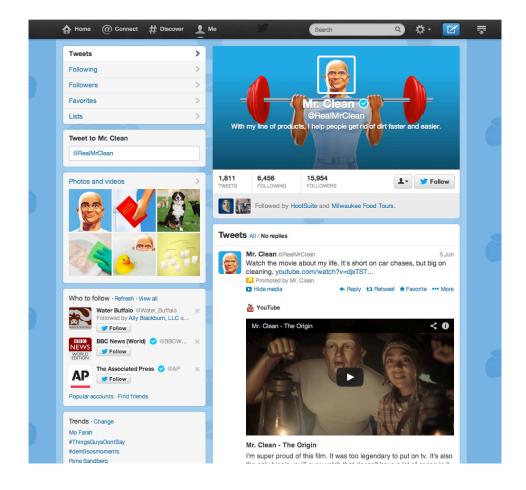
- Don't take yourself so seriously
- Be social Go where your audience is
- Be consistent across channels
- Don't be afraid to try something new



Mr. Clean

Twitter Profile

- Photos/Videos
- Bring your product/service to life
- Don't underestimate social media
- Communicate quickly to increase frequency



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"52 in 52" Series

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Posted by Tom Boudreau on Tue, Aug 14, 2012











Attorney Chuck Palmer from Michael Best and Friedrich offers my clients one-hour of free consultation time regarding OSHA issues. Chuck is a wealth of knowledge on all aspects of OSHA and in this installment of "52 in 52", he shares exactly how employers should prepare for and react to an OSHA visit.

In this video, Chuck will discuss:

- · OSHA's current behavior and changes to fine structures
- · How WI Companies are targeted
- . How to plan ahead with a Standard Operating Procedure
- . What to do when OSHA arrives at your door

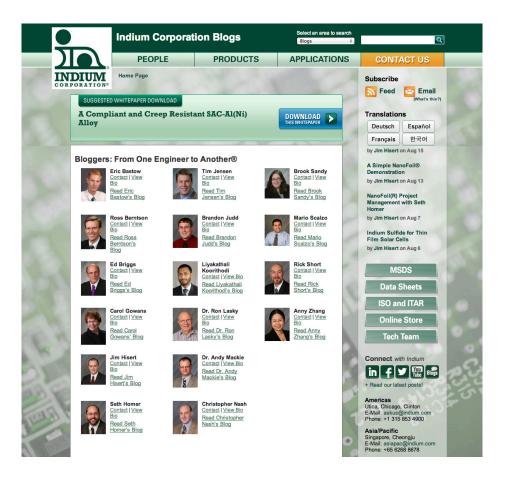




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From One Engineer to Another

- Create attractive content
- Leverage internal experts to become thought leaders
- Be attractive to humans and search engines thru blogging
- Give employees a voice



ACTION STEPS

Action steps for your business

- Do a branding audit content, visuals, media channels, format
- Benchmark your competitors and industry
- Look at your brand/company from a NEW perspective
- Identify key personalities/thought leaders within your company
- Create. Measure. Iterate.

BE IRRESISTIBLE BY BEING YOU. (authenticity is attractive)





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Fun Facts:

I have a twin brother

My kids don't have big eyebrows ©