

#### Breakout Session 2B PTN & Storytelling: Tips from the Pros

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## **PTN& Storytelling** TIPS FROM THE PROS

### PTN & STORYTELLING: TIPS FROM THE PROS DEANNA, BRIANNA & JIM

- 20 YEARS IN TV, SPEAKS FLUENT SPANISH, GREW UP GOING TO LAKE WALLENPAUPACK

PTN CORRESPONDENT

- 10 YEARS IN TV INCLUDING LOCAL NEWS, GREW UP IN MONROE COUNTY

SENIOR PTN CORRESPONDENT & PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER - 20 YEARS IN TV INCLUDING LOCAL NEWS, GREW UP IN WAYNE COUNTY

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24/7/365 NETWORK ON STREAMING, BROADCAST AND CABLE 1-HOUR MONTHLY SHOW (PREMIERES 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY 8PM) LIVE BROADCASTS ON LOCATION ACROSS POCONOS



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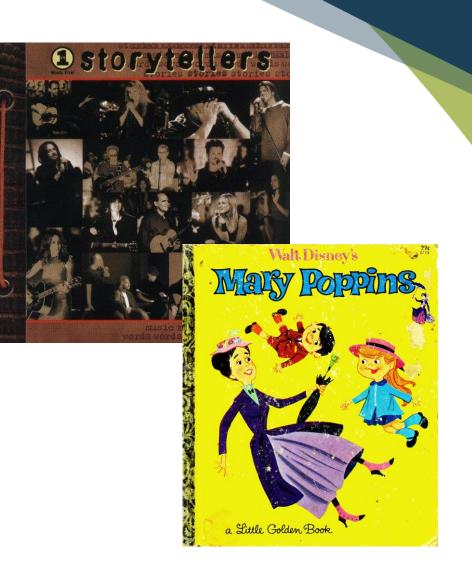




### WE ARE ALL STORYTELLERS

The most powerful person in the world is the story teller. The storyteller sets the vision, values and agenda of an entire generation that is to come.

- Steve Jobs







- ELEMENTS OF A GOOD STORY
- HOW TO PUT A STORY TOGETHER
- WHERE TO TELL YOUR STORY

REVIEW QUESTIONS





### ELEMENTS OF A GOOD STORY

- TIMELINESS
- WHAT'S THE HOOK? THE ANGLE?
- BEST CONTENT FIRST
- DON'T BURY THE LEDE
- CLEAR & CONCISE
- KNOW YOUR AUDIENCE
- GOOD CONTENT (IMAGES/VIDEO)





### TIMELINESS



- FIND THE RIGHT TIME TO TELL
  YOUR STORY
- SEASONALITY/CURRENT EVENTS





### WHAT'S THE HOOK?



TELL THE LISTENER/VIEWER/READER \*WHY\* THIS STORY MATTERS





### **BEST CONTENT FIRST**



- CATCH THE ATTENTION OF THE
  VIEWER/READER/LISTENER
- THINK: GOLDFISH 9 SECONDS





### HOW TO PUT A STORY TOGETHER

- PRE-PLANNING & RESEARCH
- GO IN WITH A VISION, BUT ABILITY TO PIVOT
- OVERSHOOT VS. UNDERSHOOT
- PROMPT FOR LONGER, MEANINGFUL ANSWERS
- WRITE/SPEAK CONVERSATIONALLY
- HAVE FUN & BE CREATIVE!





# PRE-PLANNING & RESEARCH



- FACT CHECK
- SCHEDULING, CHECK WEATHER
- BATCH CONTENT, WORK SMARTER NOT HARDER!
- EXTEND YOUR CONTENT, MULTIPLE VIDEOS/POSTS FROM ONE SHOOT?





#### PROMPT FOR LONGER, MEANINGFUL ANSWERS

YOU: THE PARK IS OPEN YEAR-ROUND, DAWN TO DUSK THEM: WE LOVE SEEING THE SMILES ON KIDS FACES WHEN THEY VISIT THE PARK

- VS. YES/NO QUESTIONS
- LISTEN FOR 'SOUND BITES'
- YOU CAN SAY THE FACTS, GET THEIR HEARTFELT REACTIONS





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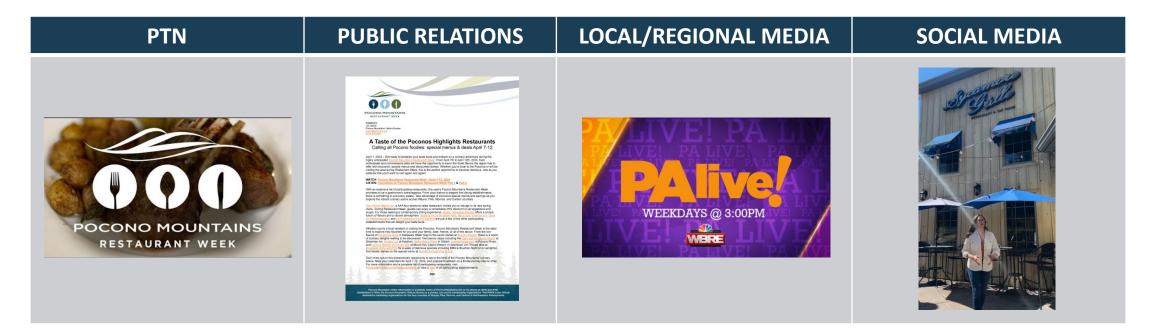


- INTERACTIVE, VISUAL
- WRITE TO YOUR VIDEO, NATURAL SOUND
- DON'T FORGET TO SMILE, IF WARRANTED





### STRATEGIC STORY PLACEMENT FINDING THE RIGHT OUTLETS FOR YOUR CONTENT





#### FIND THE RIGHT AUDIENCE FOR YOUR STORY

#### WATCH/LISTEN/READ:

- TELEVISION
- STREAMING
- YOUTUBE
- SOCIAL MEDIA
- PODCAST

#### ALSO CONSIDER:

- AGE
- GENDER
- DEMOGRAPHIC
- LOCATION





# HAVING A GOOD STORY DOES NO GOOD IF NO ONE SEES IT!







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