# **Arizona Association of REALTORS®**

Communications Update

Professional Business Development Meeting | March 20, 2014

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Arizona Association of REALTORS® 2014-2015 purpose and strategic objectives:

Purpose: AAR communicates the right message to the right people in methods that reach out, inform and engage the membership.

**Strategic Objective 4.A:** AAR creates and maintains a consistent system of communication management (including methods of communication and options for communication delivery)

**Strategic Objective 4.B:** AAR disseminates pertinent relevant, timely industry information

**Strategic Objective 4.C:** AAR investigates and implements communication methods to increase the effectiveness of AAR's efforts to reach out to members

This report will give an update of AAR's 2014 communications results to-date, in its key communications vehicles:

- Website: <u>www.AARonline.com</u>
- Publications:
  - o Arizona REALTOR® Monthly (digital)
  - o Arizona Broker/Manager Quarterly New in 2014 (digital)
- Social Media Channels:
  - o Blog, Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, LinkedIn, Google+

#### Q1 2014 Update | January, February

#### Mission:Connect

- In December 2013, AAR was notified that it had received a grant from NAR to work with nSight Marketing to launch a year-long communications audit and help with creating a cohesive communications plan between the state and local associations.
- On February 28, 2014 AAR and key staff from WEMAR, Prescott and SEVRAR participated in our first workshop to kick-off the project.
- AAR held its first focus group on Wednesday, March 19 and will be assisting Prescott with its focus group on Monday, March 31.
- Next steps: evaluating the communications audit from nSight marketing and discussion of the outcomes of the focus groups.

#### Arizona REALTOR® Magazine

- AAR's monthly eMagazine, *Arizona REALTOR*® *Magazine*, saw marked increases in open and click through rates in the first two months of 2014.
- In 2013, the average open rate was 23.91 %/ average click-through rate was 4.70 %.
- In January, AAR saw an open rate of 33.59 %/ click through rate of 9.63%. In February, AAR saw an open rate of 30.78 % and a click-through rate of 8.77%.
- The only change was the headline.

#### **Spring Convention 2014:**

Promotions are well underway for the 2014 Spring Convention. To date, AAR has:

- Launched an updated webpage: <a href="www.aaronline.com/SpringConvetnion">www.aaronline.com/SpringConvetnion</a>
- Provided content (graphics, flyer, custom text) for the following local associations:
  - o Central Arizona
  - o Northern Arizona
  - o Prescott
  - Scottsdale
  - o Sedona/Verde Valley
  - o WEMAR
- Sent out four e-blasts
- Posted three blogs regarding the upcoming speakers
- Held one registration giveaway & posted new one

#### **Opt-ins:**

- AAR is currently testing our opt-in functionality on the AAR website. This will allow users to subscribe to email updates on topics such as: the AAR Buyer Advisory, Updates to the Residential Lease Agreement, zipForm® updates, eSign updates, etc.
- Launch is TBD, after considering input from the testing group.

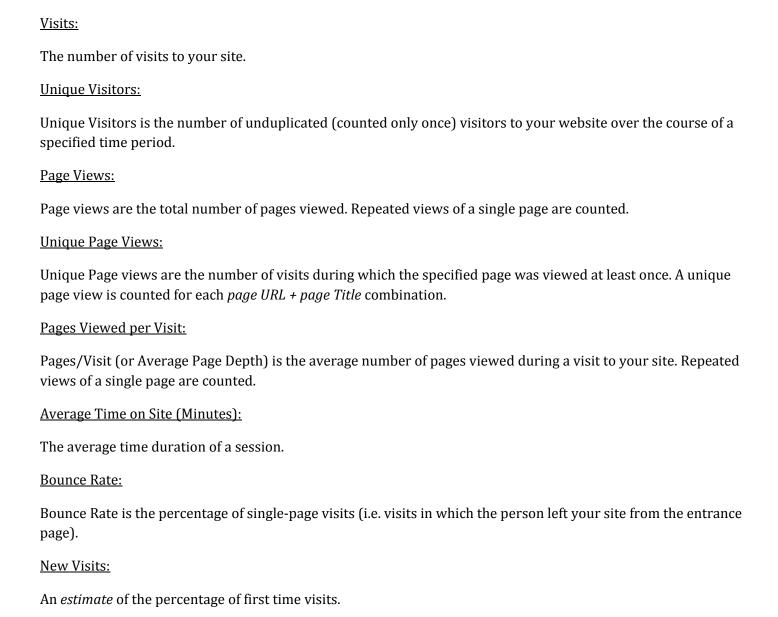
#### Merged Publications:

- In 2013, AAR announced that it would no longer be printing and mailing the *Arizona REALTOR® Quarterly* magazine to brokers and designated REALTORS® (A cost savings of \$32k).
- On Monday, AAR launched the first issue of the *Arizona Broker/Manger Quarterly*. This digital publication will be distributed to AAR's broker/manager community along with AEs, members of the Risk Management Committee and AAR's Executive Committee and Board of Directors.

- It encompasses the information previously in the *Arizona RELATOR® Quarterly* and the Broker/Manager Risk Management Update (sent from the Risk Management committee). The two are now combined into this one publication.
- This publication eliminates duplications and also uses Uberflip technology that is smartphone- and tablet-friendly, allows for analytics and makes easy for brokers/managers to save or share information from AAR.

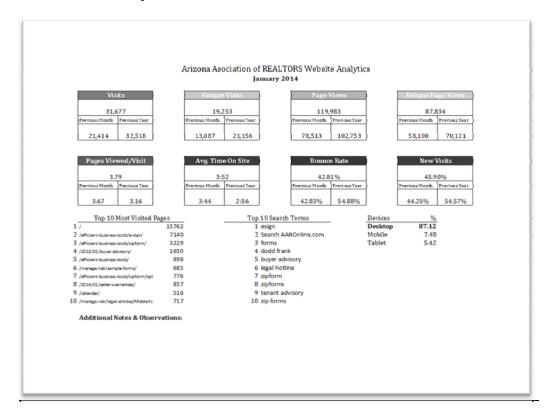
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A quick refresher...

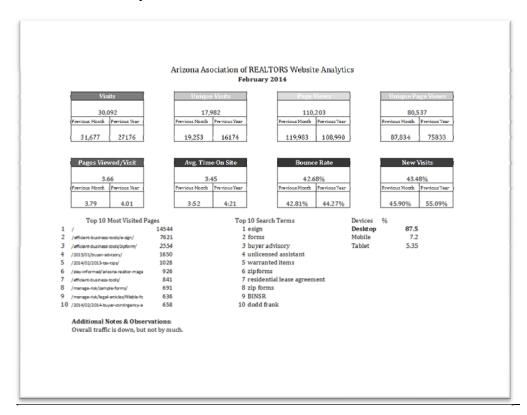


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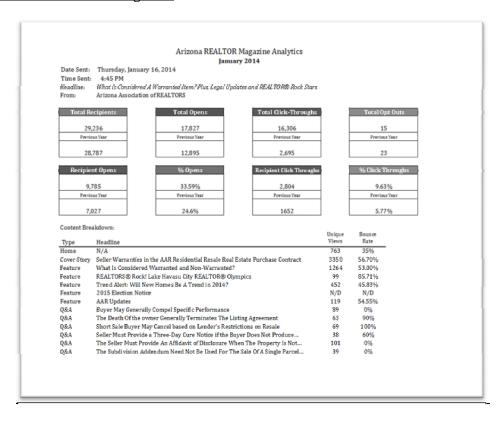


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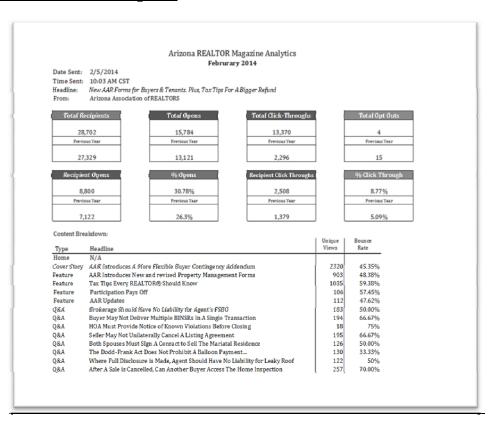


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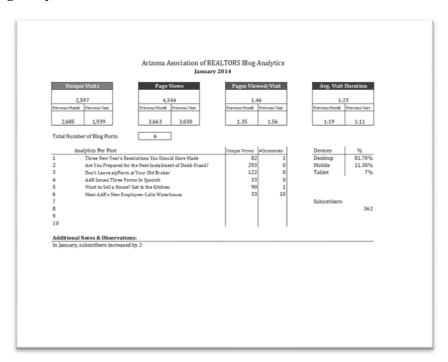


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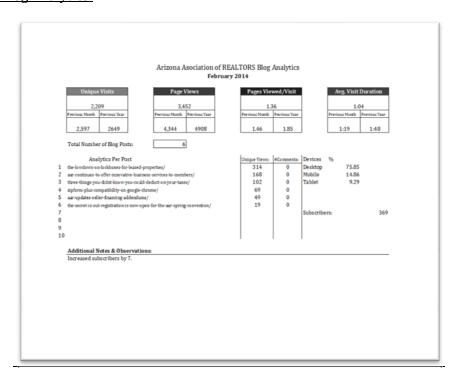


# AAR Blog Statistics | blog.aaronline.com

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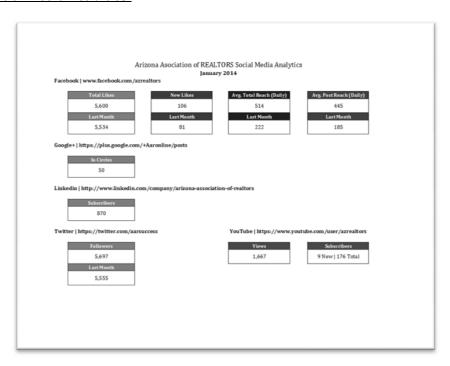


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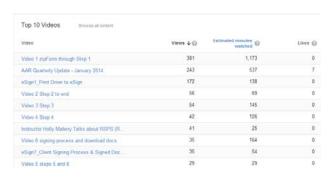


## **Social Media Statistics**

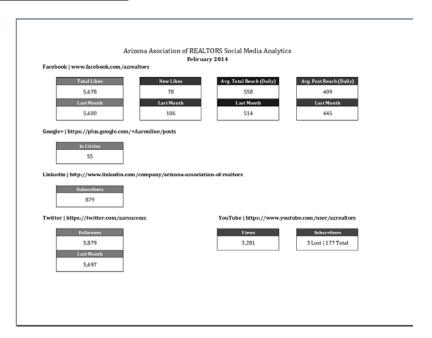
## **January 2014: AAR Social Media Activities:**



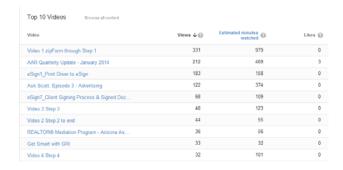
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## February 2014: AAR Social Media Activities:



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# Q: How long have you been a REALTOR? 0 -5 years: 22 6-10 years: 23 11-15 years: 27 16-20 years: 10 More than 21 years: 27 Total responses: 111 Q: What is the most important quality you look for in an instructor? Experience as a practitioner on the topic: 22 Delivery style/energy level at the podium: 12 Name recognition in the industry: 0 Doesn't matter as long as the class is free: 3 Total responses: 37 Q: What is most important to you when choosing a C/E class? 5 Class Date: **Class Location:** 8 Type of C/E: 12 Instructor: 5 Price of the Class: 7 Offered Online: 5 Total responses: 43

**Aaronine.com Poll Results:**