

#### With 15 reporting, EAOC members had \$51,473,000 in total sales in 2018.

This week Katie Quinn hosted an Instagram workshop for members and their staff, teaching how to most effectively optimize each Instagram post for your business. Katie took us through the process of posting, showing us how to use hashtags to make content discoverable by an audience that might not normally have found your profile.

Katie explained that Instagram allows up to 30 hashtags per post, which should be chosen by finding the most relevant keywords to your post, that have a large reach. BUT, you don't want to use the hashtags that have the LARGEST reach, with so many posts under them that your image gets buried in the search results never to be seen again. You also don't want to select hashtags that have too small of a reach, or they will rarely be searched for at all. The happy medium is somewhere in the middle, With a number of hashtags that will be regularly searched for, but will not produce overwhelming search results.

For regional businesses, it's important to use hashtags that include regional keywords with the business description. For example, if you are a florist in Orange County, you will definitely want to use #OCFlorist as one of TO SUCCEED IN BUSINESS IT'S NOT WHAT YOU KNOW BUT WHO YOU KNOW THAT COUNTS MOST!



your hashtags. This will ensure that leads searching Instagram for florists in Orange County will see your posts, and from there can decide if your business is for them.

It's also smart to use hashtags that leads might be searching for, but are relevant to your business only "by association," as a reminder that they should consider ordering flowers, too. For example, a florist in Orange County would use hashtags relevant to flower-giving situations, such as #OCdatenight, #OCweddingplanning, #OCbabyshower, etc. Think of it like running an ad for a product in a magazine with a similar demographic as your business.

Hashtags are permanent folders within Instagram, and once a photo is posted with a tagged keyword, that photo will remain in that folder and continue popping up in search results indefinitely. It's simply wasteful not to use hashtags with each Instagram post for your business, and if you aren't already doing so, you should start with your next post!

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# <u>Katie's Corner</u>

*If you have questions on your Instagram account email them to Katie at* 



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*She will schedule a fifteen minute tutorial with you after an EAOC Wednesday meeting.* 



## OCTOBER CELEBRATIONS



## HAPPY EAOC

#### ANNIVERSARY

17 Yrs. Lydia Pooler

#### Jub Jub Interactive

29 Yrs. Al Gapik

#### AJ Alarm Systems

47 Yrs. Gayle Stewart

#### **Gayle Stewart Enterprises**

47Yrs. Jim Mahoney

**Emeritus Member** 

### **BIRTHDAY BONANZA**

10/9 Al Gapik

#### AJ Alarm Systems

10/23 William Cecil

#### **Merrill Lynch**

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

10/10 Sammy & Maria Montoya

#### La Chiquita Restaurant

- 10/13 Tracy & Brian Roberts Law Office Tracy J. Roberts
- 10/16 Javier & Jillian Gonzalez

#### **Confetti Events & Catering**

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