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THE ONLY NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR CATALOGERS & ETAILERS



# LISTEN, LEARN, FROM TOP MARKETING MINDS.

Kenneth Harris, CEO, KLH Associates Your New Economic Model

It's not easy changing your business model into that of a true multi-channel marketer, but this session will show you how to avoid pitfalls, make Amazon your friend, and not only survive, but thrive.

Mary Hennen, CMO/VP of e-Commerce, The Tile Shop Sometimes, Even Well-Established Companies Lose Their Way

What do you do when your sales slump and your shareholders grump? You modernize your marketing approach and transform your digital experience. Hear how The Tile Shop celebrated 30 years in business by changing it up.

Anne Kelly, Founder/President, Junoactive.com & Jason Gray, Head of Marketing - North America, Charles Tyrwhitt Driving Sales from Clicks to Bricks...to Clicks!

Make your retail locations work harder for you! Find out how your brick-and-mortars can not only bring new customers into the fold, but generate insightful customer data as well.









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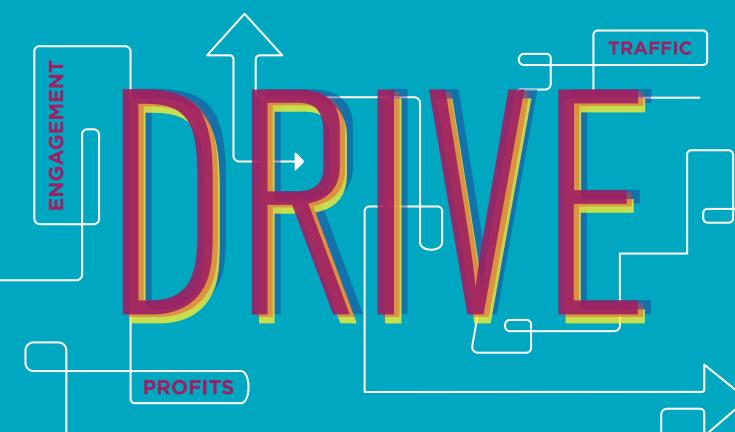


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THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR **CATALOGERS & ETAILERS** 



**SEPTEMBER 12-14, 2017** ITASCA, IL

# **SCHEDULE HIGHLIGHTS**

# **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12**

Registration Desk and Xchange Café Open 3:00-6:00 p.m.

4:30-5:30 p.m. **3 Concurrent Breakout Sessions** 6:30-7:30 p.m. Opening Welcome Reception

## **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13**

7:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Registration Desk and Xchange Café Open

7:30-9:30 a.m. Breakfast & Networking C-Level Breakfast Session 7:45-9:15 a.m. 8:15-9:15 a.m. First Timer Welcome Briefing

9:45-10:45 a.m. Opening Session

11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Four Concurrent Breakout Sessions

12:15 p.m. Lunch & Networking 12:45 p.m. Rising Star Awards 1:15-2:15 p.m. **General Session** 

Repeat of Morning Breakout Sessions 2:45-3:45 p.m.

4:00-4:30 p.m. **General Session** 

Sponsor-Facilitated Roundtables 4:30-6:00 p.m.

6:30-9:30 p.m. 70th Anniversary Luau

## **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14**

Registration Desk and Xchange Café Open 7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

7:00-9:00 a.m. Breakfast & Networking

7:15-8:15 a.m. Three Concurrent Breakfast Club

Conversations

8:30-9:30 a.m. Opening Session

9:45-10:45 a.m. Four Concurrent Breakout Sessions (new

topics)

11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Closing Panel Session



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Focusing on delivering industryleading knowledge and best practices from people you want to know.



#### **ACTIONABLE IDEAS**

Our conference will generate actionable, profit-boosting ideas that more than cover the cost of attending. or your next conference registration is free.



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Improve your direct marketing results through presentations and professional relationships and connections.

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Join members. attendees and presenters from across the country at their most important professional event.

#### FRIENDS OF NEMOA:

Autumn is on the way! Once again, we're headed to Chicagoland for our Fall 2017 directXchange conference, and this time we're all about the DRIVE for results. Our fantastic lineup of speakers is ready to highlight information you need to know, from attracting customers and allocating marketing dollars to where the latest trends in the industry are leading us. As you join your fellow NEMOA members, you'll share important ideas, learn from experts and case studies, and connect with others who are also reimagining the way forward.

As always, I'd like to sincerely thank our sponsors, whose continued support year after year helps us keep directXchange affordable. As the only conference that serves direct marketing with a focus on catalogs, directXchange plays a vital role in our industry, and your ongoing patronage is very much appreciated.

I look forward to seeing old friends and making new ones in Illinois this September.



Brad Bishop, NEMOA President

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# WEDNESDAY

# DAY ONE SCHEDULE

3:00-6:00 p.m. . . . . . . Registration Desk and Xchange Café Open

4:30-5:30 p.m.

# **3 CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

Choose one session to attend.

# **BRFAKOUT #1**

#### ALTER THE LIFE OF YOUR CATALOG



**Hamilton Davison.** ACMA Anita Pursley, LSC **Communications** 

Huge postage increases largely remained in check since the industry mobilized ten years ago yet some important challenges remain. More, there are still opportunities to take advantage of discounts you didn't know existed, make

profitable prospecting a reality, and mail more catalogs on the cheap. Explore what the future holds, what officials are saying, and what you can do about it!

## BRFAKOUT #2

#### KNOWLEDGE VS DATA: THE WHY AND HOW OF TESTING



John Miglautsch, Miglautsch Marketing, Inc. Dr. John Wirth. Woodworker's Supply

Yes, we all test.

but are we truly thinking about the process and how it gives meaning and context to the data? In this session. vou'll learn more about the process and value of a

testing "philosophy" through evaluation of case studies and testing that completely changed the direction of Woodworker's Supply.

#### **BRFAKOUT #3**

#### PRINTING AT THE SPEED OF DATA

**ACTIONABLE IDEAS** 



In today's dynamic market, responding to a customer's needs quickly is not

in engaging your customers and prospects to buy from you. The key is to reach them quickly with a meaningful message. We will demonstrate how to use print in conjunction with other channels to convert more sales, increase brand loyalty and meet your customer expectations. Case studies will highlight the various touch points where print still drives your business.



Garv Sierzchulski. Arandell

only essential it is a matter of survival.

Print more than ever plays a significant role

# DAY TWO SCHEDULE

7:30 a.m-6 p.m...... Registration Desk and Xchange Café Open 7:30-9:30 a.m. Breakfast and Networking Sponsored by KBM Group 8:15-9:15 a.m. ..... First Timer Welcome Briefing Sponsored by Arandell

#### GREAT NETWORKING OPPORTUNITY!



9:30-9:45 a.m.....Opening Remarks - NEMOA President



9:45-10:45 a.m.

# **OPENING SESSION** YOUR NEW ECONOMIC MODEL

#### **Kenneth Harris.** KLH Associates

Making the transformation from a traditional cataloger to a true multichannel marketer in the disruptive Amazon retail economy is a daunting task. It involves changing the "catalog first" culture, adopting a new economic model, changing out staff,



and looking at the business and key metrics differently. Learn about the changes a company must make, how to identify and avoid pitfalls, and how to make Amazon your friend instead of your enemy. Harris will share his transformation results at Swanson Health Products and Universal Screen Arts and discuss becoming a robust survivor instead of a victim and creating significant enterprise value in the process.

**Kenneth Harris** has spent his career in the restaurant and direct response businesses in various CEO and CFO roles for WR Grace Restaurant Group, House of Blues, TAM Restaurant Group, Mrs. Beasley's, Swanson Health Products, and Universal Screen Arts. He currently heads KLH Associates, which provides advisory services to clients in the direct response and restaurant industries. He has both an MBA and BS in **Engineering from Columbia University.** 

#### GREAT NETWORKING OPPORTUNITY!

10:45-11:15 a.m. **30-MINUTE XCHANGE BREAK** 

6:30-7:30 p.m. **OPENING WELCOME RECEPTION** Sponsored by Quad/Graphics



-Shervl Melendez. California Car Cover Company

## 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

# **4 CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

Choose two sessions to attend. Each session runs from 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. and repeats at 2:45-3:45 p.m.

## **BREAKOUT #1**

#### PROFITABLE CUSTOMER ACQUISITION AT DYLAN'S CANDY BAR: A CASE STUDY



Michael Ferranti, Endai Kevin Cohen, Dylan's Candy Bar

With retail struggling today, Dylan's Candy Bar is transforming their business by leveraging transaction & CRM data to acquire new, highly profitable customers. They are succeeding where others are not by combining the power of

cloud computing, machine learning, and innovative marketing programs. Mike Ferranti of Endai & the Director of E-Commerce for Dylan's Candy Bar will share how Dylan's automated customer intelligence platform is acquiring new customers and optimizing multi-channel advertising initiatives.

## **BREAKOUT #2**

# DRIVING SALES FROM CLICKS TO BRICKS ... TO CLICKS!



Anne Kelly,
Junoactive.com
Jason Gray,
Charles Tyrwhitt

As retail stores

continue to struggle, some specialty brands are generating incremental revenue by adding stores. Join these two brands as they share how the retail environment can be used as an acquisition tool and

how they've identified distinct customer behavior, which allows for improved customer intel.

## **BREAKOUT #3**

# YOU'RE NOT TOO BUSY TO MAKE GREAT CONTENT



Sarah Mann, SmartPak John Zimmerman, Sporty's Pilot Shop



Consumers' expectations are changing and relationships with brands are evolving, but spinning up a content generation team is a daunting task. Or is it?! Get the "what," "why," and "how" from two busy e-tailers

in vastly different industries who've seen content go from a distraction to an irreplaceable part of their brand strategy.

#### **BREAKOUT #4**

# READY TO ACCELERATE YOUR BUSINESS? GET IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT WITH THE RIGHT BUSINESS INTELLIGENCE



Dave Brown, *Wiland* Kerem Ozkay, *Z Gallerie* 

Discover how rapidly growing home décor retailer Z Gallerie is putting the pedal to the metal in the highly competitive retail market by leveraging insights from powerful and actionable business intelligence. You'll fuel up with

real-world, practical takeaways on how to drive critical success metrics by using data-rich analytics to build an action roadmap, see around the next curve, and get in the fast lane. 1:15-2:15 p.m.

# LUNCHEON PRESENTATION NEMOA JEOPARDY TAKES CENTER STAGE!

Be a contestant (or cheer from the audience) as three teams face off to show what they know and play for real prizes! If you think you're on the top of your game, enter to play by emailing admin@nemoa.org!

#### GREAT NETWORKING OPPORTUNITY!

2:15-2:45 p.m.

30-MINUTE XCHANGE BREAK

# VISIT THE XCHANGE CAFÉ

A dedicated space where you can meet a colleague, browse collateral tables, or catch up on emails between sessions.



# WEDNESDAY

#### GREAT NETWORKING OPPORTUNITY!

3:45-4:00 p.m. 15-MINUTE XCHANGE BREAK

4:00-4:30 p.m.

# **GENERAL SESSION** ARE YOUR PLANS ALIGNED WITH THE **FUTURE OF MARKETING?**

#### Joseph Dressler, LiveIntent

This session will highlight selfinflicted marketing hurdles that are also reliant on technological improvements. If we don't evolve along with our customers, we'll look back and wonder where our business disappeared to, so we'll focus on actionable next steps we can take back to our companies.



**Joseph Dressler** During his 19 years in the digital advertising industry, Joseph has worked with Fortune 500 brands to develop solution-based ideas that drive new customer acquisition and retention of current clients. Since November 2013, Joseph has been running sales at LiveIntent, evangelizing the brand while building a scalable and repeatable business.

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actionable, profit-boosting ideas that more than cover the cost of attending, or your next conference registration is free. **GUARANTEED**. 4:30-6:00 p.m.

# SPONSOR-HOSTED ROUNDTABLES

SHARE, LEARN AND CONNECT IN **SMALL DISCUSSION GROUPS.** 

Round 1: 4:30-5:10 p.m. Break/Switch: 5:10-5:20 p.m. Round 2: 5:20-6:00 p.m.

6:30-9:30 p.m.

# 70TH ANNIVERSARY LUAU

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Why a luau? Because in 1947, all things tropical were all the rage! Don (Ho) your best island apparel—flowery sundresses, Hawaiian shirts, even your

favorite grass skirt if you're so inclined—and join us as we celebrate 70 years of NEMOA's own spin on the aloha spirit!



# DAY THREE SCHEDULE

7:00 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. . . . . Registration Desk and Xchange Café Open 7:00-9:00 a.m..... Breakfast & Networking Sponsored by Dataline

**Breakfast Club #1: Whats Your Social Strategy?** Facilitator: Sue Landay, Trainers Warehouse & Office Oxygen

Breakfast Club #2: What's Your Data Strategy? Facilitator: Pam Higgins. Oracle Data Cloud

Breakfast Club #3: What's Your Amazon Strategy? Facilitator: Brent Eskew. Management Consultant

#### GREAT NETWORKING OPPORTUNITY!

8:15-8:30 a.m. 15-MINUTE XCHANGE BREAK



8:30-9:30 a.m.

# **GENERAL SESSION**

**SOMETIMES, EVEN WELL-ESTABLISHED COMPANIES LOSE THEIR WAY** 

#### Mary Hennen. The Tile Shop

Approaching its 30th anniversary in 2015, and 2 vears after its IPO. The Tile Shop saw sales and profits slump and fell short of shareholder expectations. Among other challenges, its marketing strategies failed to connect with its key customers, so modernizing



its marketing approach became a top strategic priority. Learn how their marketing team approached the challenge: what capabilities they added; and how they elevated their content, personalized their customer experience, and developed new advertising models based on consumer insights.

Mary Hennen leads Consumer and Pro marketing, digital commerce and oversees all media, PR, events, and showroom experiences for The Tile Shop (NASDAQ:TTS), the leading specialty retailer of manufactured and natural stone tiles. She leveraged consumer insights to overhaul the creative and brand positioning, refocused the media and customer acquisition strategies, and led the digital experience transformation of a 30-year-old brick and mortar retailer. Hennen's career includes senior retail management roles at Experian Marketing Solutions. Conversant Media (an Epsilon Company), and Digital River.

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#### GREAT NETWORKING OPPORTUNITY!

9:30-9:45 a.m. 15-MINUTE XCHANGE BREAK

# THURSDAY

9:45-10:45 a.m.

# 4 CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS (NEW TOPICS)

Choose one session to attend.

I enjoyed the full schedule. Things kept moving, I kept learning. Took lots of notes, and now implementing them into my department. The food was marvelous—snacks and meals.

—Sarah Hollingshead, Franklin Planner

## **BREAKOUT #1**

# DIGITAL DATA: IT'S NOT JUST FOR DIGITAL MARKETING



David Cesaro, Valassis

According to Google's ZMOT study, a consumer engages with 18.2 pieces of information on

average before making a final purchase decision. Connecting with the consumer using a succinct message across their path to purchase—using connected touch points—is critical. Hear how other retailers are using this information to improve return on marketing spend for print campaigns.

# **BREAKOUT #2**

#### EMBRACING DISRUPTION: THE OPPORTUNITY OF SELLING ON AMAZON



Timothy Burns, formerly of Scientifics Direct Inc.

Liz Buderus, Epsilon

What does the Amazon buyer look like and how are they different from traditional customers? Large online merchants need to understand the key tactics so they can keep up, and small sellers

need to create and execute an effective strategy for selling their wares on these fast-growing channels.

## **BREAKOUT #3**

# OPTIMIZING EMAIL ROI IN TODAY'S ME-COMMERCE WORLD



Jack Sturn, 4Cite Marketing James Power, Boden

Being creepy is on

the way out. Your customer expects you to know who they are but also requires you to sell them something of interest to them. Learn how to improve the ROI of your email program and drive significant revenue

gains by understanding identification, personalization, and marketing to your customer when they're in the right frame of mind.

### **BREAKOUT #4**

#### MOBILE OPTIMIZATION TIPS AND TRICKS



Blake Ellis, CommerceV3 Kerri Phillips, Lou Malnati's Beth Gerage, Lou Malnati's

Find out how to establish a strong operational foundation on which to build revenue, grow visits to your site, turn visitors into shoppers (and buyers), and increase engagement. You'll learn what to analyze to ensure optimal engagement and how to optimize both the shopping experience on your mobile site and mobile content to increase conversion.



11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

# CLOSING SESSION CATALOG LEADERS LOOK TO THE FUTURE

#### Moderator - Brad Bishop, NEMOA President

This lively panel discussion will focus on the challenges keeping leading Direct Marketers awake at night as they look out over the next 12-18 months. Our panelists share their insights on the future and how their companies plan on evolving and responding to preserve their competitive advantage.

Moderated by NEMOA's President.

12:00 p.m..... Closing Remarks and Farewell







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