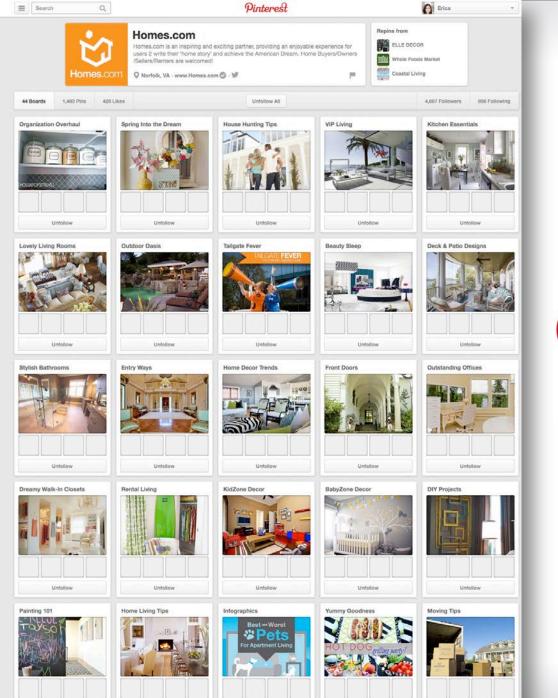
### Pin for Success: How to Engage Your Audience with Pinterest

### Erica Campbell Byrum Director of Social Media

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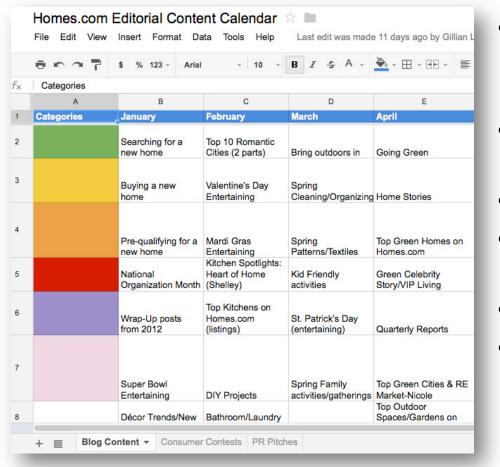
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**Pinterest** It's like Fantasy Football for girls





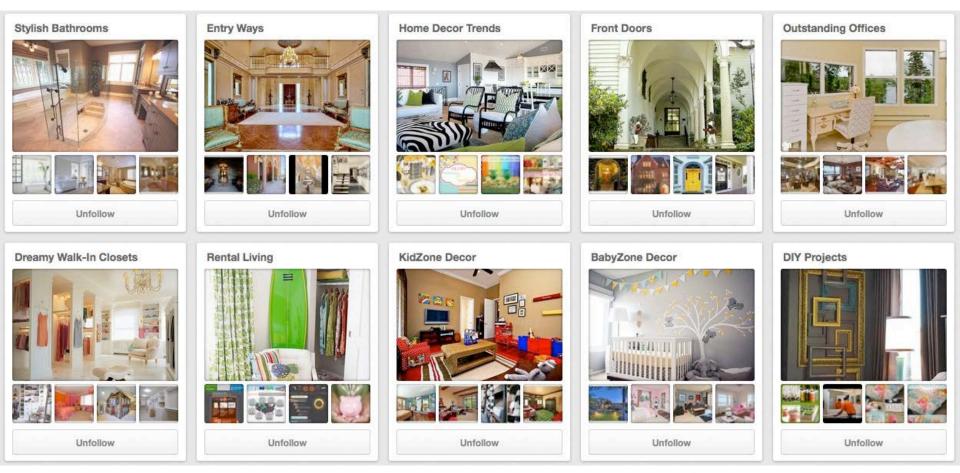
## Editorial Calendar



- Share the calendar where everyone can see it, touch it and live it
- Place accountability on the team
- Align directly with PR Pitches
- Provide big picture and hourly details
- Map out topic themes
- Tie into trends and seasonality



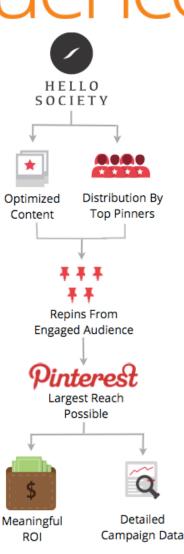
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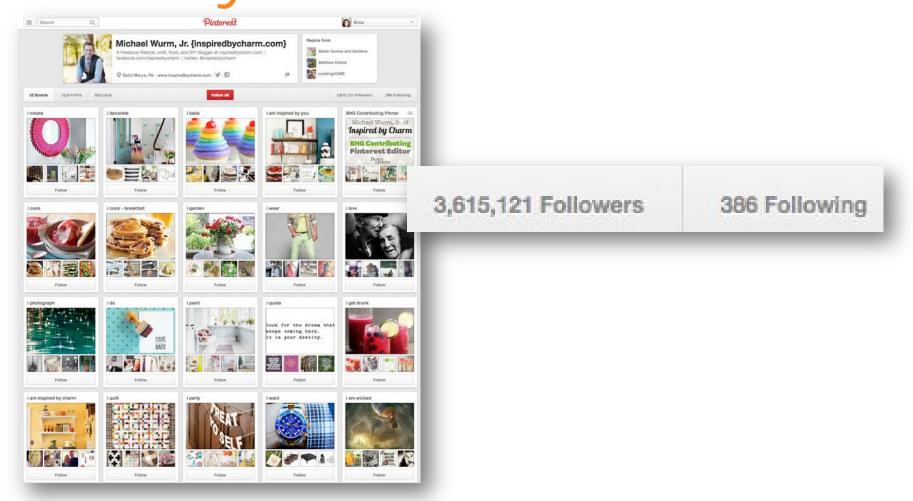
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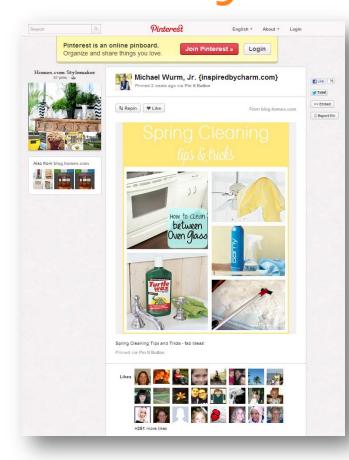


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## **Repin From Like Brands**



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Learn How to Cook a Frittata! You can make for breakfast for the week or for a **#Spring** brunch! **#recipe #food** 3 repins 1 like

Pinned from wholefoodsmarket.com



Bright Girl's Room 3 repins

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"Cookies & Milk" theme is for birthday parties? Sign me up. #birthday #party #food #recipes #themes 7 repins 1 like

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Lemon-Coconut Angel Food Cake would be perfect for a #Spring brunch! #recipes #entertaining #food #party 3 repins

Pinned from coastalliving.com



### **Content Curation**

### Contest

- Homes.com launched the first real estate industry Pinterest contest in Feb '12
- The 'Pin It If You Love It' contest was responsible for:
  - Almost **4,000** pins and repins
  - 300+ entries
  - Increased Homes.com's
     Pinterest followers by 420
  - 420% increase in page views,
    782% in site searches and
    500% increase in leads





## Crowdsource

### • 'Spring Into The Dream'

- Partnered with top industry bloggers
- Bloggers asked to show us what 'Spring Into The Dream' meant to them
- Created a blog post and Pinterest Board detailing the 'Spring Into The Dream' ideas to their readers
- Winner received \$500 and an additional \$500 to award their readers who participated

### How to Enter

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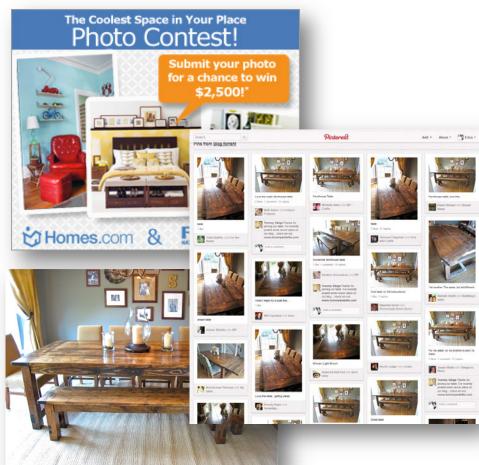


## Crowdsource

- 'Coolest Space in Your Place' Facebook Photo Contest led to Pinterest success
  - Runner-ups guest blogged
  - Farmhouse table pinned to Pinterest

### • Blog Results:

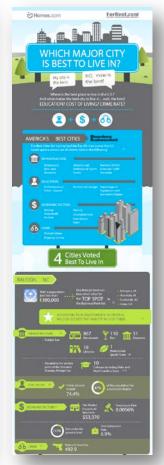
- Blog traffic **increased 4x** in Sept '11
- 255,000+ pageviews,
- **214,000+** daily unique visitors
- 100+ comments
- Nearly 60% of blog traffic came from post in Dec '12





# Infographic









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Homes.com Entertainment Guide Red, White & BBQ





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#### THE BIG GAME DAY FOOTBALL PARTY

What's more exciting than gathering your thirads and tamily to observe on your twortle team? No next to well for Supor Bow, hors an exciting locital party in your home now. Adding that low of these laces will make your party the talk of the servero.





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#### Add fosting to choosiate cookies that replicates a toobait's stillcring for edible toobaits.

Source: Wents & Webes

#### Grilled Watermelon with Feta and Mint

- 1 thick slice of watermelon
- 2 Tosp olive oil Sea Salt
  - Sea Salt
- 2 tsp feta cheese per slice, crumbled 1 tsp fresh mint per slice

Preheat grill on high. Cut watermelon silce into 5-6 equal staed trangle pieces, brush with olive oil. Place watermelon on heated grill, cook 3 minutes per side or until grill anriss show and sightly carametized. Remove from heat. Place watermelon silces on serving pitet, top with feta cheses and mint. This can be served warm or coild and can be made up to 2 hours in advance if covered and infigerated.

Source: Whet's Conking with Ruthin





#### Picnic Perfect Potato Salad

lemon

- 5-6 sprigs fresh parsley, plus 2 Tbsp chopped leaves 2-3 sprigs fresh thyme
- 1 bay leaf
- 3 doves garlic, peeled and smashed
- 2 lbs small red potatoes, scrubbed and cut into ½ inch slices
- Sea Salt
- medium carrots, scrubbed and cut into 1/, inch coins
- ½
   Cup plain low fat Greek yogurt

   ½
   Cup low fat mayonnaise
- 1 Thep plus 1 top Dijon mustard
- 3 scallions, minced, whites and greens separated
- % tsp freshly ground pepper
- 2 stalks celery, cut into 1/2 inch slices
- 1 small cucumber, cut into 1/ inch slices

In a large stock por add 8 curps water, 2 tableponers sa salt, bring to boll. Peel a 2 inch long strip of test from theirmon; the into bundle with parsidy, thyme, and bay leaf using lictchen twine. Add potatoes, gariti, and herb bundle. Bring to boll, and then reduce to simmer and cook 8 minutes. Add carrots and cook another 4.5 minutes und potatoes and carrots are tender crep. Reserve 1/2 uap of the cooking water, drain the vegetables, discard herb bundle. Let cool. Meanwhile, finely gare 2 tap iemon set; squees 3 tap lemon juic im a large book. Whick In Greek yegurt, mayonnate, mustard, scallon whites, high speeper, Add potatoes, carrots, celery, and cusumber to dressing and toss. Onli about A hours. Top with scallon greens and serve.

Source: Mitot's Coolding with Ruthle



Homes.com

# Whitepaper

- In March '12, Homes.com launched the 'Learn Effective Strategies on Pinterest' Whitepaper for brands looking to participate on this social networking site
  - Downloaded more than 350 times
  - Positions Homes.com as the authority for businesses interested in using Pinterest for marketing





## Media Interest

- Homes.com was interviewed by Ragan.com & GetPinterested.com in April '12
- Pinterest Whitepaper received pick-up on
  - Social Media Examiner August '12 as an example business using Pinterest
  - The Huffington Post listed
     Homes.com among the top 3
     Pinterest accounts to follow



THE HUFFINGTON POST



# Industry Attention

 Recognized by PR News as a Finalist in the Social Media Icon Awards for 'Pin It If You Love It'





Engagement

# Leverage Platforms

#### Spring Dream Closet Makeover' Engaged users across Twitter, Pinterest, Facebook, Instagram, the Homes.com blog and on email

- Goal of driving website referral traffic and growth across social platforms
- Supported with Search and Respond outreach for targeted terms on Twitter, Instagram and Pinterest

### • How to Enter:

- Tune into Homes.com Facebook page for daily theme.
- Visit the Homes.com blog and search for your favorite tip or trick in that theme.
- Pin your favorite, using #SpringDream in the pin description to enter.





# Leverage Platforms

#### **Facebook Posts**



The new season is the perfect time to clean out your closets! To inspire you to get started, today's theme for the \$5,000 Closet Makeover Giveaway is closet organization. Find your favorite tip or trick on blog.homes.com & pin it using #SpringDream in the pin description. http://social.homes.com/2AG



Peaceful Home Decor Can't wait to start spring cleaning /organizing around my house! Love these! March 28 at 8:35am - Like



Today is the last day of our \$5,000 Closet Makeover Giveaway and the theme is pantry organization. Find a pantry organizing tip on the Homes.com blog and pin it using #SpringDream in the description. Thank You & Good Luck to everyone who has participated! http://goo.gl /HShnb



#### Facebook Media Buy



#### Tweets



Homes.com @HomesDotCom 24 Mar What would you do w/a \$5,000 closet makeover? bit.ly/XWTbvt #homeimprovement #remodeling #SpringDream Expand

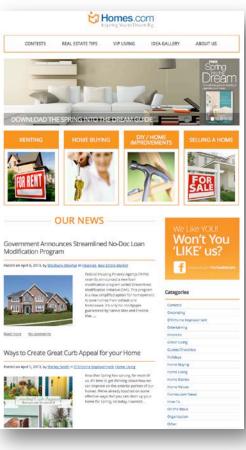


Homes.com @HomesDotCom 19 Mar Need more closet space for your shoes? bit.ly/XWTbvt Our \$5,000 #closetmakeover #contest could take care of that! #SpringDream Expand



# Leverage Platforms

#### Blog



#### eBlast



At <u>Homes com</u> we love to inspire you to dream big! Whether it's purchasing a new home or improving the one you currently live in, we take pride in being a part of you achieving your dream home. Spring is right around the corner and what better way to celebrate the new season than with a \$5,000 closet makeover!

Every day until March 27m we're giving you the chance to enter to <u>win a \$5,000 Closet</u> <u>Makeover</u> by providing you a theme on Facebook. Once you know that day's theme head over to our blog and pin your favorite image of a tip or idea in that theme that you love using #SpringDream.

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#### Newsletter

#### Homes.com \$5,000 Closet Makeover Giveaway



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Read the full post >>



# Engage Fans

### Pinterest Engagement

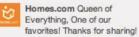


Day 7: bookshelf organization. If you're low on wall or floor space in your child's room, add book shelves to an existing dresser. #SpringDream

1 like 2 comments



Queen of Everything onto Homes.com \$5000 Closet Makeover Giveaway



Queen of Everything @Homes.com | love this

full of fabulous ideas!

space-saving idea! Your blog is



Day 13: Entryway Organization |House of Smiths Home Tour - Entryway |Love everything about this entryway. #SpringDream

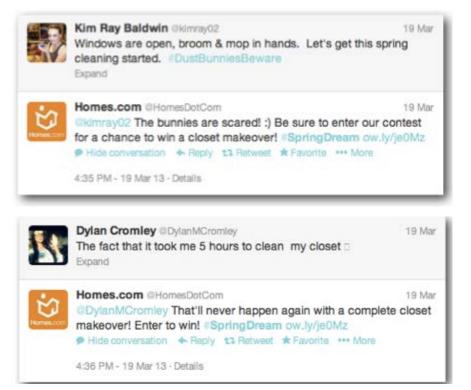
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Homes.com Sovanna, One of our favorite entryways! Thanks for the pin!

#### Sovanna Chhith @Homes.com, Thanks for the fun contest!

#### **Twitter Engagement**





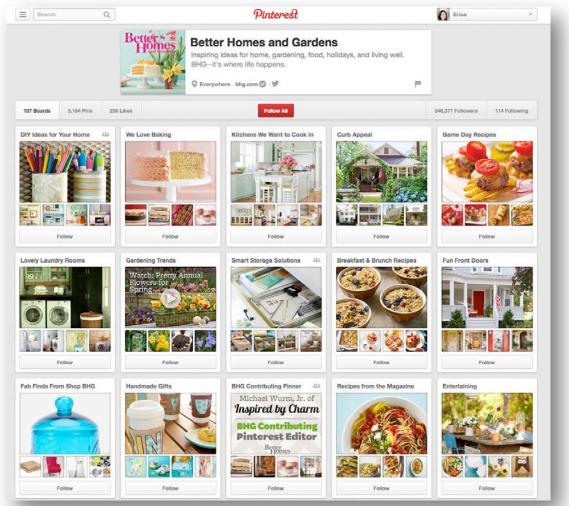
# #SpringDream Results

- Metrics:
  - 207 Pins (16.5% increase)
  - 177 Pinterest entries
  - 78 Pinterest engagements
  - 8,701 (6%) Facebook growth
  - 854 (7.3%) Twitter growth
  - 94 #SpringDream mentions
  - 535,870 impressions
- Overall Website Traffic: Nearly 28,000 unique visitors to Homes.com in March
  - 62% month over month increase
- Pinterest Traffic: Nearly 30,000 visits in March
  - 61% month over month increase
- Pinterest Page Views: 54,000+ page views in March
  - 37% month over month increase

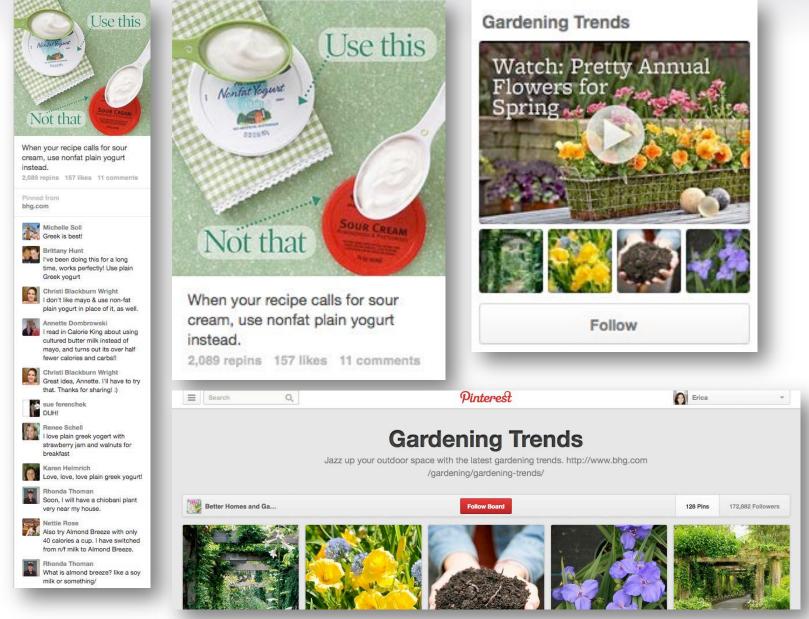
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Brands to Follow

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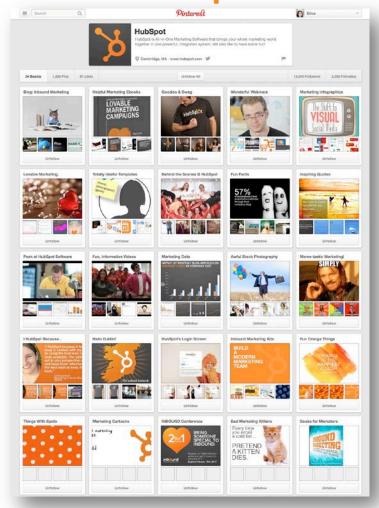




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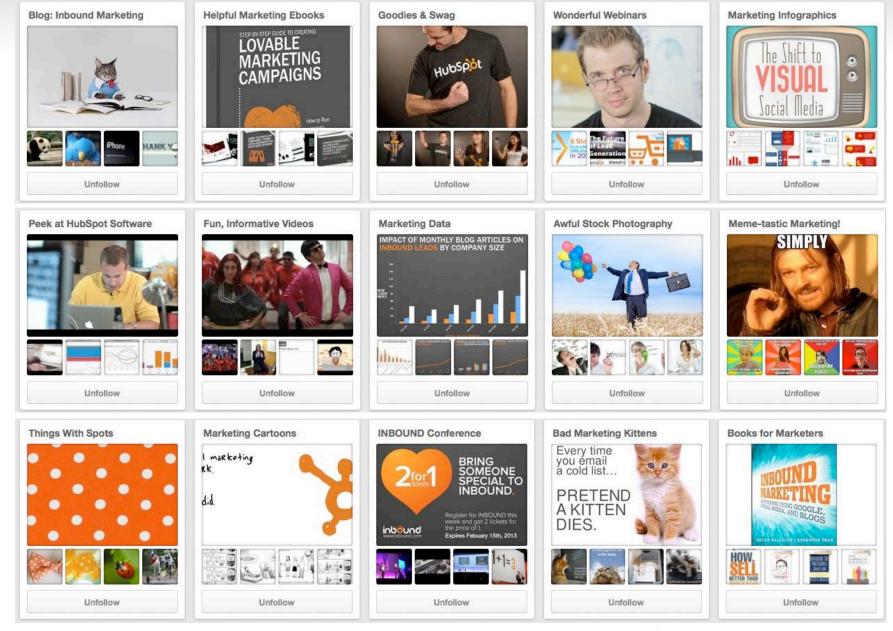
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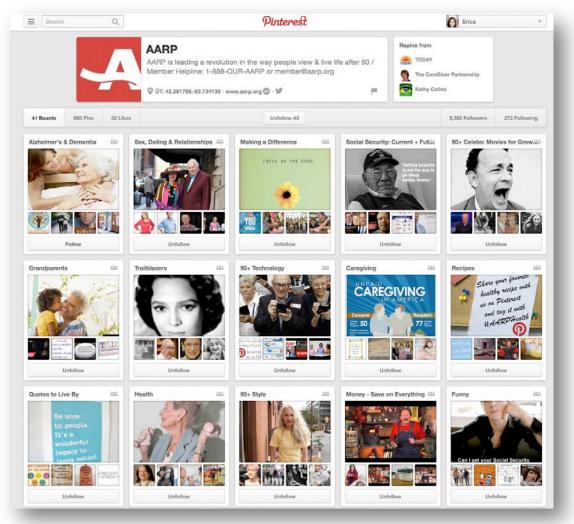




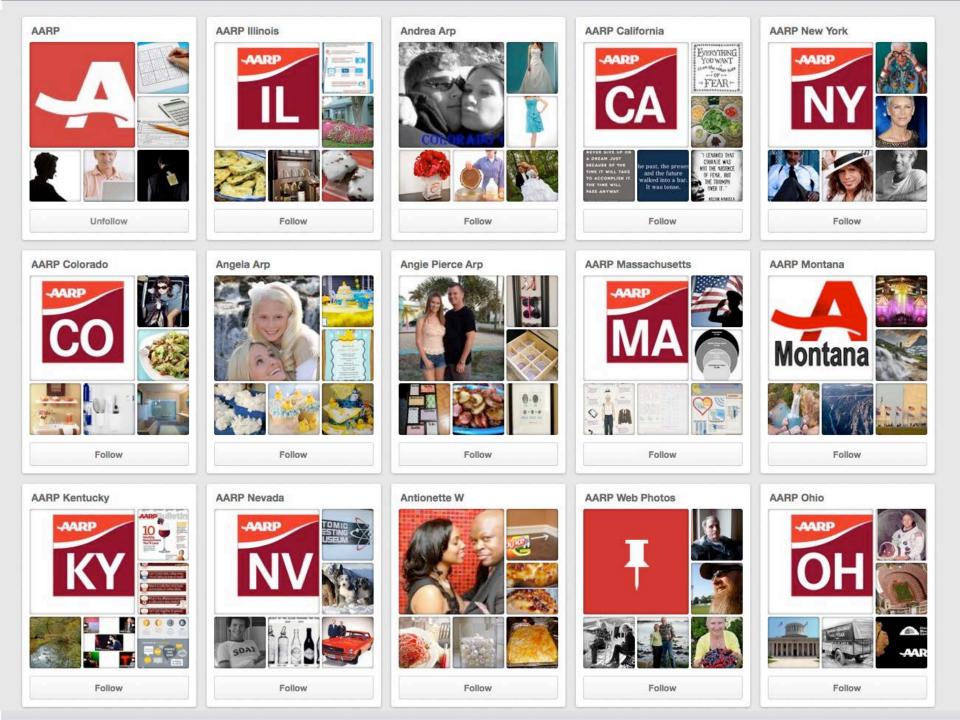




### AARP









### Resources

- Whitepaper: <u>http://bit.ly/HomesPinterestWhitepaper</u>
- Analytics:
  - Pinterest Web Analytics: See what people are pinning from your website
  - Pinterest.com/Source/YourDomain: See what people are pinning from your website
  - **PinAlerts:** Receive email notifications
  - Pinerly: Suite of tools to post and measure while suggesting content to pin
  - Curalate: Finds and consolidates comments and conversations, aids discovery of fans and advocates
  - Pinfluence & Pinpuff: Measures your popularity on Pinterest
  - Repinly: Finds the most popular pinners, boards and pins on Pinterest
  - PinReach: Understand engagement (repins, followers, pins, likes, comments, trends)



# Key Takeaways

- Verify Pinterest page to allow you to deep dive into more analytics
- Grow your influencer network and develop an ambassador program
- Engage with your super fans
- Develop an integrated digital strategy to increase website visits and engagement
- Host contests to further engagement and provide clear instructions
- Document highlights, lessons learned and challenges
- Understand that Pinterest is a referral powerhouse

