# RESTAURANT TECHNOLOGIES® CONTROL THE KITCHEN CHAOS

# Q2 Marketing Update

# **Agenda**

- PR/Trade Pubs
- Tradeshow
- ABM/SNAR
- Digital/Email
- Other Segments



# PR/Trade Pubs



# Public Relations - Q2 Analytics



695 Total Mentions



550M Total Reach



5.09M Advertising Value Equivalency



37 Total Social Echo



30.4K Total Social Reach



**Brand Sentiment** 



**Share of Voice** 

20.4% Positive

79.3% Neutral

0.3% Negative

Oil: 89.3%

Hood & Flue: 43.6%

\*Hood & Flue skewed due to major

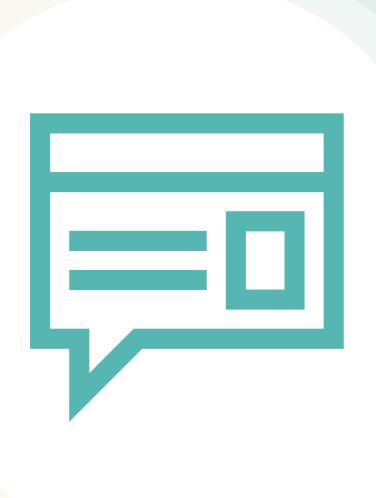
<u>Greenheck</u>

Foundation News in Q2 - organization not associated with

competitor but software cannot







# **Top Headlines – Traditional/Digital Media**

- How Automating Oil Management Saves Time and Money - QSR Magazine
- RT, Sheetz, Chevron REG Partnership
  - News page, social media posts, and virtual roundtable discussion between 3 representatives from each organization aligned strategy by all 3 orgs to sync publication together
- Restaurant Technologies Breaks Another Sustainability Record
- Jeffrey Kiesel Named EY Entrepreneur of the Year Finalist
- RT & South Chicago Packing Partnership
- Forbes Nurturing Remote Talent, Jeff Kiesel

# Top Headlines – Traditional/Digital Media (cont.)

- The Business Journal's full list of Best Places to Work
- PENN Entertainment Upgrades Casino
   Kitchens with Automated Cooking Oil

   Management from Restaurant Technologies
- Restaurant Technologies checks multiple boxes for grocery stores – Grocery Dive
- Sustainable Industry Efforts Remain Steady
- Retail & Restaurant Facility Business (Sustainability)
- The Tech Advocate (Sustainability)



# **Podcasts**

### Modern Hotelier

International Hospitality Institute Top 5 Hospitality Podcasts

### **QSR Uncut**

QSR Magazine Podcast

Fell Into Food

Restaurant Technology Guys

Remarkable Academic Foods





### Awards!!!

- Newsweek
  - Best Places to Work
  - Most Diverse Workplace
  - Best Workplace for Mental Health
- MSP Business Journal
  - Best Places to Work
- Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year Finalist
  - Jeff Kiesel
- Twin Cities Business Notable General Counsel
  - Diana Geseking
- MN Orbie Award Finalist
  - Andy Dulka







# Recap and Coming Attractions

Restaurant Dive Playbook generated over 200 leads

August Retail & Restaurant Facility Business Annual Edition

August Kitchen Solutions Annual Edition (2023 Edition)

Restaurant Innovator Podcast (FSR Magazine) – Chris Hellman

Restaurant Rockstars – Ryan Bowlds

# PR/Trade Pub Communication

- Podcasts and articles are typically shared with digital marketing team to post on social media and on our news page, as appropriate.
- Sales team should be updated (at least) once a month. Options:
  - PR update sent to sales leaders (and SET) to cascade down to their teams
  - News updates section within Jeff's emails. Should be much lighter than past updates if it's sent weekly.
  - Intranet page that Jeff can link to in his weekly emails and employees can bookmark to check when needed



# Tradeshow



# 2024 Tradeshow Approach

	<b>Big "Brand" Events (4-5)</b> RFMA, NRA, Bar and Restaurant, NAFEM (2025)	Customer and Regional Events (~70) BK, KFC, LRA
Primary Objective	Industry Brand Awareness and Customer Networking	Lead Generation and Customer Networking
Secondary Objective	Lead Generation	Brand Awareness
Goals	100-150 Leads	30-40 Leads





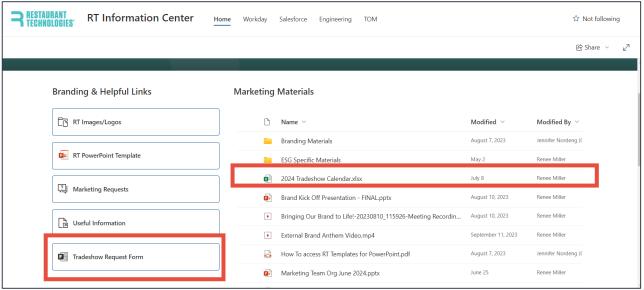


Annual Leads: ~5800

2024 Inks YTD: 448

# **Tradeshow Process Improvements**





Located on Marketing/Brand page on the RT Info Center



### **2024 Shows**

#### Confirmed ~ 80 shows for 2024

2024 Tradeshow Calendar.xlsx (sharepoint.com)

#### **Tradeshow Process**

RTI EventTradeshow Process.docx (sharepoint.com)

### **Looking forward - 2025**

- Look at having a larger booth presence for our Brand Shows.
- VR capabilities/Video capabilities added to enhance customer interaction
- Select Events for Dedicated Happy Hours
- Adding more Sales tools to our inventory



# **Sales Support**







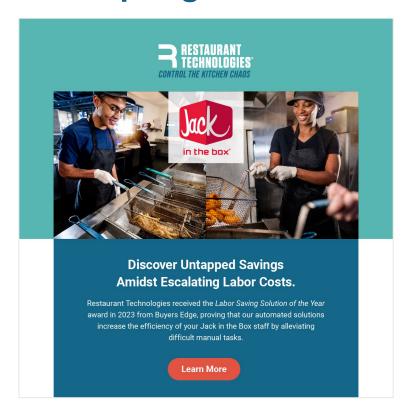




# ABM/Strategic Accounts



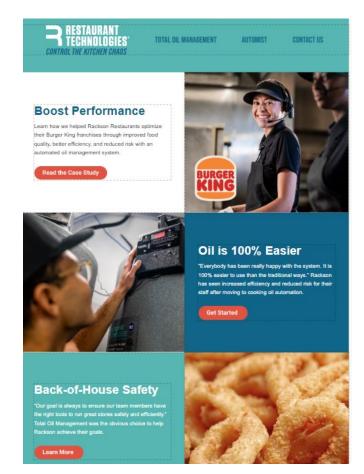
### **ABM Spring Activities – Emails**



Labor savings blog branded to JIB (could use for any brand)

 125 sent, 29 opens (14.75%), 0 clicks





NEW BK Case Study highlighting oil cost savings & improved employee SOPs

• 5219 sent, 431 opens (6%), 10 clicks

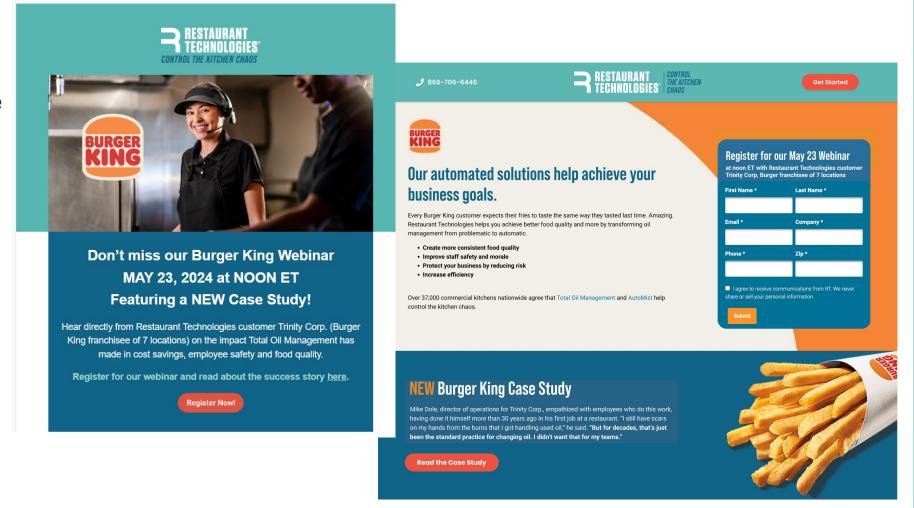


Multi-brand case study for all cuisines to mid-market

• 8k+ sent, 631 opens, 390 clicks

### BK Customer Webinar – Email & Landing Page Form

- BK Customer Webinar on May 23<sup>rd</sup> highlighting new case study on value of RT (25 min)
- While we had limited attendance, recording is available to download and can be emailed as a sales tool
- Takeaways more personal invites from sales needed to improve attendance
- 1854 sent, 320 opens (13%), 20 clicks





### **New BK Case Study Page & Video Testimonial**







24/7 CUSTOMER CARE 2 888-796-4997

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#### **COOKING OIL CASE STUDY**

Burger King is one of the most iconic fast-food chains in America-and one of the largest. Today, the burger giant has more than 6,000 restaurants operating across all 50 states.

Almost all of these restaurants are owned and operated by independent franchisees like Trinity Corp., which runs seven Burger King locations across southeastern Kentucky. Recently, Trinity Corp. switched from manual to automated oil management at most of its restaurants. Making the move didn't just improve food quality - it was a boon for the bottom line and workplace safety.

#### **Addressing a Royal Pain**

To prepare menu items like fries, onion rings and crispy chicken patties, the restaurant chain uses a custom blend of cooking oil. And proper management of this oil, including filtering and disposing of it according to standard operating procedures (SOPs), is essential to delivering food with the taste and quality that customers expect.

Even when employees followed procedures, there was no guarantee that Dole was optimizing cooking oil usage. That's because oil changeouts were only being dictated using a schedule rather than the quality or frequency of usage of the oil.

Another issue was that disposing of used, hot cooking oil is a strenuous and hazardous task. Employees had to drain used oil from fryers into large buckets and then drag those heavy buckets outside to dispose of the oil in large bins. This manual work could lead to hot oil spilling and splashing onto employees or the floor, creating slip and fall hazards.

Dole empathized with employees who do this work, having done it himself more than 30 years ago in his first job at a restaurant. "I still have scars on my hands from the burns that I got handling used oil," he said. "But for decades, that's just been the standard practice for changing oil. I didn't want that for my teams."

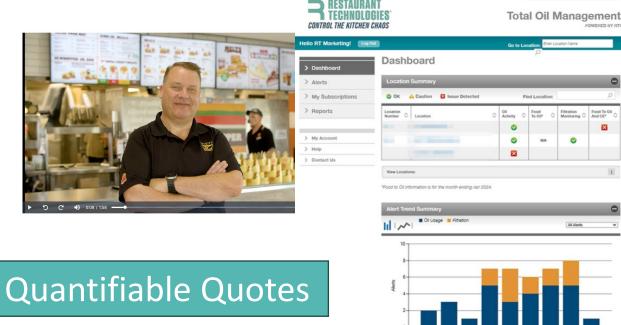


"The only way I knew if oil was being correctly filtered and changed out was by visiting one of our restaurants to see the fryers in person," said Mike Dole, director of operations for Trinity Corp. "But routinely visiting restaurants just wasn't practical given how many restaurants we have and because some of them are hours apart."



"At all of our Burger King restaurants, we pride ourselves on delivering a good customer experience," Dole said. "A lot goes into that, from food. There's no question that these automated systems have helped us improve the quality of our food, and that's helped bring in both repeat quests

### **Video Testimonial – Bang for our Buck**



"We save about \$300/month on oil per location."

"Since installing Total Oil Management, I've had zero worker's comp claims."

"We've gone from taking almost two hours to change the oil to under 30 minutes."

"With the TOM portal, I'm able to see when the filtration machine is being run and how much oil they use. Every night I get a report."

- Top looping video on BK landing page
- Social organic and possibly paid
- BK RedBook brief w/link to landing page
- October BK Conference feature at the booth, highlight in BK digital newsletter and website
- Sales email with link to landing page script for sales to personalize and highlight "hear it direct from a customer"
- Use quantifiable quotes as call-out-quotes on landing page, ads and sales sheets; create infographics





Mike Dole, Director of Operations for Trinity Corp.

Read the Case Study

### JIB NFA – Whistler BC

- Bronze Sponsorship
  - Hotel key cards
  - Bronze sponsor award stage pic
- 35 prospect touch-points from QR code & badges for Yeti giveaway
- Key Franchise Themes:
  - Labor Savings (CA minimum wage increase)
  - Emphasis on technology (digital platform)
  - Store renovations
- Takeaways
  - More messaging on labor savings
  - Family oriented themes





# Digital/Email

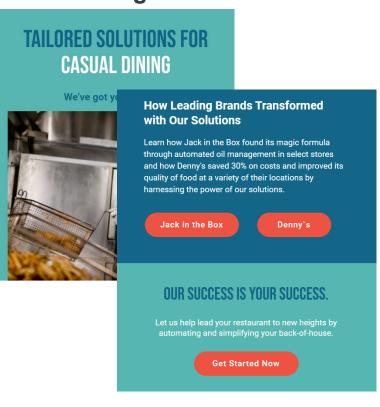


### **Emails**

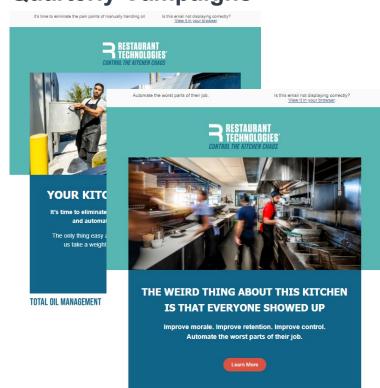
### **List Emails**



### **Nurture Programs**



### **Quarterly Campaigns**





# 2024 Quarterly Email Campaigns

### Control The Kitchen Chaos – Q1

- Emails Sent: 322,148
- Emails Delivered: 312,794
- Delivery Rate: 98.9% (0.9% higher than industry standard)
- Email Opens: 32,801
  - Open Rate: 36.6% (9.4% higher than industry standard)
- Unique Clicks: 2,264
  - Click-through-rate: 1.5% (0.8% lower than industry standard)
- Hard/Soft Bounce Rate: Less than 0.1%
- Opt Out Rate: 0.8% (0.4% higher than industry standard)
- Inks influenced by Campaign: 106
  - Value of Ink Influence: \$1.1m

### **Employee Engagement – Q3 (In Progress)**

- Emails Sent: 191,915
- Emails Delivered: 184,194
- Delivery Rate: 99.5% (1.5% higher than industry standard)
- Email Opens: 12,842
  - Open Rate: 29.7% (2.7% higher than industry standard)
- Unique Clicks: 506
  - Click-through-rate: 1.1% (1.2% lower than industry standard)
- Hard/Soft Bounce Rate: Less than 0.1%
- Opt Out Rate: 0.4% (Industry Standard Rate)
- Inks influenced by Campaign: 11
  - Value of Ink Influence: \$65K



### **2024 List Email Metrics**

### **Highlights**

- 29,878 Emails were sent across 11 campaigns
  - Over 4000 unique opens with an open rate of 18.7%
  - 1,300 Unique clicks with an above-average CTR of 6.5%
  - Zero spam complaints across all emails sent
  - Only 82 email opt outs for an opt out rate of 0.2%
  - List emails influenced 125 lnks worth \$1.5m
- 2024 NRA Emails were the best performing
  - Opens and Open Rate: 986 and 21.4%
  - Clicks and CTR: 364 and 8.5%
  - NRA Emails contributed to 106 lnks with a value of \$1.4m





# WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT THE 2024 NRA SHOW

MAY 18-21 CHICAGO, IL BOOTH #7445

Find us at **booth 7445** to discuss how Total Oil Management and AutoMist help improve staff safety, kitchen efficiency and food quality. We're look forward to sharing:

- · One-on-one discussions with you
- · More details on our automated solutions
  - NEW virtual reality product demos



### **Email Nurture Sequences**

#### **Get Started Nurture**

 Get started program is also a series of 3 emails spread out over the course of five days. It is for leads with the IdentifyLead status.

### **Welcome Nurture**

 Enrolls prospects who have selected to opt-in on our forms. When a lead/contact opts in to marketing communications will send a series of three emails.

#### **Cross-Sell to Automist**

• If an Account has recently installed Automist but not Total Oil Management, it will kick off a series of emails promoting our Oil offerings.

### **Cross-Sell to Oil**

• If an Account has recently installed Oil but not Automist, it will kick off a series of emails promoting our Automist offerings.

### Re-engagement

• This series of 3 emails re-engages with leads who were retired 2-3 months ago. It excludes prospects who were retired for the non-responsive reason.

#### Win Back

Tailored to closed deals vs. lost customers in an effort to win them back. The program sends helpful resources, simple instructions for getting back on track, and an avenue to connect with customer service for any specific questions. It has multiple branching paths and different emails.



# Other Segments



### Other segment activities

### Retail

- C-Store and Grocery collateral and Web sites are live
- Finalizing KwikTrip case study activating in Q4

### Independent

- Mandarin translation of the Tri-Fold
- Expanded direct mail test in market last week; Made generic postcard available to the field sales team

### **GPO**

- Updated all Buyer's Edge Collateral, working on stand alone email campaign (call next week)
- Identifying hospitality case study
- Avendra portial updates in progress

### **OpEx**

- Supporting customer onboarding pilot with new email communications and collateral
- New "Get Started" and "Welcome" pages available on the Learning Center

