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Why People See Your Ad But Don’t Act

By Anesa K. Chastain Jones - Advertising Insights with Anesa
Oklahoma’s *Choice* Weekly

Getting noticed is only the first step. The right message gives readers a reason to take the next one.

When a business advertises with Oklahoma’s Choice Weekly, one of the best things we can hear is, “I saw your ad in OCW.”

There is, however, an even better version of that sentence: “I saw your ad in OCW, so I called.”

Or visited the business. Went to the website. Scanned the QR code. Attended the event. Registered for the sale. Placed a bid.

Getting noticed is an important part of advertising, but it is only the beginning. Once an advertisement has someone’s attention, it needs to give that person a clear reason and an easy way to take the next step.

At Oklahoma’s Choice Weekly, we work with advertising from many different types of businesses. In any given edition, readers may find auctions, real estate, agricultural businesses, construction companies, retailers, professional services and community events. The businesses may be very different, but effective advertisements tend to have something in common: the reader knows what to do next.

Consider an auction advertisement. Great photographs of tractors, trucks, equipment or real estate may get someone’s attention, but interested bidders also need to quickly find the auction date, closing time and bidding information.

The same applies to a contractor advertising a new building package. A photograph may make someone stop and look, but if the goal is to generate estimates, the phone number and offer need to be easy to find.

A retailer promoting a weekend sale needs the dates, location and offer to stand out. An advertiser promoting an event needs to make the when and where obvious.

In each case, the advertisement has a job beyond simply announcing that the business exists.

Before an advertisement is created, one of the most useful questions an advertiser can ask is: What do I want an OCW reader to do after seeing this ad?

The answer might be to call, visit a store, request an estimate, attend an event, bid online, visit a website or scan a QR code. Once that goal is identified, the rest of the advertisement can be designed around helping the reader get there.

That can be harder than it sounds.

Businesses naturally want to tell customers everything they do. When they purchase advertising space, there can be a temptation to fill every available inch with products, services, photographs, phone numbers, web addresses, social media information and as much copy as will possibly fit.

But more information does not automatically create a more effective advertisement.

Sometimes the opposite happens. When everything is emphasized, nothing is emphasized. The most important message becomes buried among all the other information competing for the reader’s attention.

White space isn’t wasted advertising space. Used correctly, it helps direct the eye toward the information that matters most.

The way people interact with advertising has also changed, and that is especially important for Oklahoma’s Choice Weekly.

OCW is now a digital weekly publication, which means an advertisement can do things traditional print advertising could not. A reader can see a web address and immediately visit it. A QR code can lead directly to an auction, product page, registration form or special offer. An advertisement can become a doorway to much more information than could ever fit inside the original ad space.

And the weekly edition is no longer the only place OCW can connect businesses with readers.

As Oklahoma’s Choice Weekly continues expanding its website, social media presence and other digital features, advertisers have additional opportunities to reach audiences beyond the pages of a single edition. That makes it even more important to think of an advertisement not simply as a box on a page, but as one part of a larger marketing presence.

There is another ingredient that can make a strong call to action even more effective: a reason to act now.

“Visit our website” tells the reader what to do.

“Online bidding closes Sunday at 8 p.m.” tells the reader what to do and gives them a deadline.

“Call for an estimate” is useful.

“Call now to get your project scheduled for fall” gives a potential customer a reason not to put it off.

Sales, deadlines, events, seasonal services and limited availability can all create legitimate urgency. That matters because interested customers are still busy people. They may fully intend to visit a website later, make a phone call after dinner or look up an auction when they get home.

Then life happens.

The phone rings. Dinner needs to be made. Another notification appears. Tomorrow gets busy.

“Later” has a bad habit of becoming “never.”

Of course, none of this means design is unimportant. Quite the opposite. A well-designed advertisement can help a reader understand the message faster by creating a clear visual hierarchy and directing attention to the most important information.

But a beautiful advertisement that leaves the reader wondering what it is actually advertising, or what to do next, still has a problem.

One simple way to evaluate an advertisement is what we like to call the five-second test.

Look at the ad for about five seconds and then look away.

What do you remember?

Can you name the business? Do you know what it was advertising? Did you notice the sale, event, product or service? Did you know what you were supposed to do next?

If the important information survived those five seconds, the advertisement is probably headed in the right direction.

If it didn’t, the answer may not be adding more.

It may be deciding what matters most and giving that message room to do its job.

At Oklahoma’s Choice Weekly, our goal isn’t simply to place an advertiser’s artwork into the next digital edition and consider the job finished. We want the businesses that advertise with OCW to get value from the space they purchase. That means thinking about the message, the design, the call to action and how advertising can work alongside OCW’s growing digital presence.

Because hearing someone say, “I saw your ad in Oklahoma’s Choice Weekly,” is good.

Hearing them say, “I saw your ad in Oklahoma’s Choice Weekly, so I called,” is even better.

And ultimately, that’s the point of advertising.

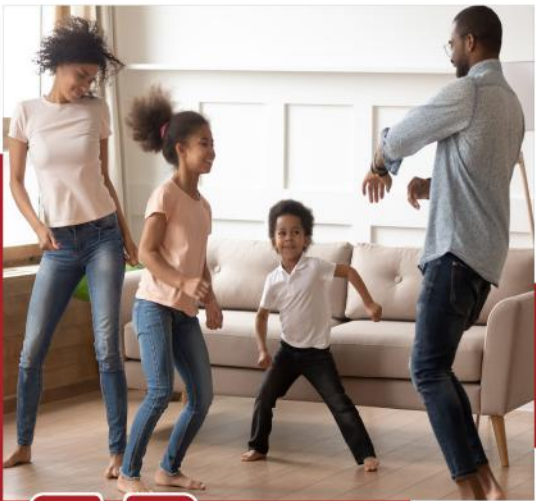
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Directions: From Hulbert, OK Take Hwy 51 West approx. 4 mi to N. Clear Creek Rd. Turn Rt. Go 1 1/2 mi. Auction on Rt. OR - From Wagoner, OK Take Hwy 51 East approx. 10 mi to N. Clear Creek Rd. Turn L (N). Go 1 1/2 mi. Auction on Right. Street & Pasture Parking

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Spreader Truck - Bulk Grain Bins Overhead
Fuel Tanks - F600 Flatbed Truck with Lift (late 60s - early 70s) - various Trailers (Including Stock & Utility) - Tractor - JD Rotary Mower
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Banana-Filled Breakfast For School Days

When a new school year is on the horizon, that means families once again must adjust to getting out of the house to the school bus or carpool on time. It is important to begin busy days with a breakfast that will facilitate learning, but parents know convenience is important as well. Parents may want to incorporate some new breakfast options into the mix, particularly ones kids will enjoy.

This tasty recipe for "Banana and Pecan Granola Bowl with Caramelized Bananas" from "Rainbow Bowls" (Sourcebooks) by Niki Webster relies on bananas in two different ways to impart a sweet taste that is hard to beat. The granola makes about four to six portions, so there will be leftovers to enjoy as a snack later in the day or stored away for another time.

Banana and Pecan Granola Bowl with Caramelized Bananas

Serves 2

2 tablespoons coconut oil
4 tablespoons maple syrup
2 very ripe medium bananas
1 teaspoon almond extract
100 grams (3.5 ounces) oats of your choice
3 tablespoons unsweetened shredded coconut
2 tablespoons ground almonds
3 tablespoons sunflower seeds
3 tablespoons chopped nuts, such as hazelnuts or almonds
40 grams (1.4 ounces) pecans
Pinch of sea salt

For the caramelized bananas
2 unpeeled bananas
1 tablespoon coconut oil

To serve
Coconut yogurt
1 teaspoon maple syrup (optional)
Pinch of thyme (optional)

Preheat the oven to 180 C (350 F).
Blend the coconut oil, maple syrup, bananas, and almond extract in a blender until smooth.
Add all the dry ingredients to a large bowl and mix well. Add the wet mixture to the bowl and stir well to combine.
Line a large baking tray with baking paper and then tip the granola mix on to the tray and flatten out. Bake for 25 minutes, until starting to brown. Carefully flip over on the tray, then return to the oven and bake for a further 15 minutes (until you get a nice brown color).
Leave to cool before breaking into smaller chunks, then store in an airtight container for up to 1 week (if not eating straight away).
To make the caramelized bananas, chop off the top end of each of the bananas, then carefully slice through the middle lengthways. Now, peel the bananas.
Melt the coconut oil in a pan on medium heat. Add the banana slices and fry in the oil on one side for 1 to 2 minutes until browned, then flip over to caramelize the other side for another 1 to 2 minutes.
Serve the granola with yogurt, caramelized bananas, a drizzle of maple syrup, and a pinch of thyme if you fancy.



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• **Respiratory protection:** Grain bins and silos can pose significant risks on a farm. This includes toxic air exposure as well as the risk for engulfment. High-profile incidents in 2023 illustrated the threat that oxygen-limiting silos can pose after deadly carbon dioxide

- **Chemicals and biological hazards:** High-potency pesticides and fertilizers create their own hazards on the farm. Personal protective equipment (PPE) is a must when working with chemicals. Most modern standards require proper ventilation, chemical-resistant gloves and dedicated eye protection to prevent acute poisoning and long-term health issues.

- **Fatigue and mental health:** Mental and physical fatigue of farm workers can result in injury as well. A critical trend uncovered in recent agricultural safety research ultimately led researchers to conclude that ‘fatigue management’ needs to be prioritized, according to the United States Department of Agriculture. Tired operators can be vulnerable to lapse-of-attention errors, so farmers are encouraged to implement scheduled breaks. The Rural Health Information Hub says that stress also is a big factor for farmers. Environmental factors such as drought, floods, wildfires, pests, and diseases, as well as long hours and financial concerns, can result in feelings of isolation and frustration. Stress is a known precursor to physical accidents on the farm.

These are just some of the risk factors on farms that can lead to accident or injury. Falls from ladders, injuries from livestock, exposure to UV rays, and exposure to high levels of dust, mold and bacteria also can affect modern farmers. Agricultural safety needs to evolve as quickly as the changing operations on farms.

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Small Steps To Extend A Car's Life Expectancy

Vehicles continue to get more expensive. The automotive experts at Kelley Blue Book indicate the average American car buyer paid \$50,080 for a new vehicle in September 2025, which was the first time the average price for a new car ever topped \$50,000. More drivers are looking for ways to push their current vehicles past the 200,000-mile mark to save money.

According to S&P Global Mobility, the average age of a vehicle on the road hit a record high of 12.8 years in 2025. Although major mechanical failures concern drivers of older vehicles, it's actually much smaller things that can affect vehicle longevity. There

- **Drive smoothly on roads.** Aggressive driving will not just burn more gas; such driving also creates heat, which can impact longevity. According to Kia, hard braking generates immense heat that can warp rotors and stress suspension bushings. Likewise, it's key to ease into acceleration. Rapid acceleration forces the transmission to downshift abruptly, increasing wear. Reports from The Zebra, an insurance shopping company, indicate that mindful driving can reduce mechanical strain by up to 30 percent.

- **Fight corrosion.** Rust can kill a car before the engine actually fails. People who live in areas where



are small actions anyone can take to significantly extend a car's life.

- **Use caution on cold starts.** When a vehicle sits, oil settles at the bottom of the engine. To help combat damage that can occur, drivers can wait about 30 seconds before shifting into gear, as this will allow the oil pump to circulate the lubricant to the upper valve train and help prevent extra wear on the engine. Modern fuel-injected engines warm up faster and more safely by being driven gently rather than sitting still, so it's not necessary to idle for a long while with the vehicle in the driveway, says Smart Motors Toyota. In fact, long idles actually can strip away oil.

roads are treated with salt in the winter should use a winter car wash that includes an undercarriage spray. Auto Recycling World says road salt can eat through brake lines and fuel lines. In addition, applying a coat of wax twice a year can prevent UV rays and other damage to the clear coat, which protects the metal body from the elements.

- **Address engine lights promptly.** CarMD says addressing a 'check engine' light immediately is 20 percent cheaper than waiting until the vehicle has a driveability issue. For example, ignoring a \$150 oxygen sensor can eventually destroy a \$1,500 catalytic converter.

Small habits can help prolong the longevity of vehicles and help people save money.

- **Treat fluids wisely.** According to EngineeringCivil.org, checking and replacing fluids is cheaper than replacing hardware. Recent data suggests that consistent oil changes can add between 50,000 and 100,000 miles to an engine's lifespan. It's important to follow a vehicle's manual for time-based intervals for fluid replacement, rather than just going by mileage.

- **Drive faster on occasion.** Oil will never get hot enough to evaporate internal condensation for those who primarily drive short distances under 10 miles. Once every few weeks, it's important for drivers to drive at least 20 minutes at highway speeds to help get rid of contaminants.

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