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## Monthly Done-For-You Email Program

### FULLY MANAGED EMAIL MARKETING

Monthly Done-For-You Email is a simple, professional way for agents to stay consistently visible in inboxes — without creating or managing email themselves.

**House to Home**  
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Here are some smart steps to focus on this season:

- **Declutter & Organize:** Before the holiday cheer gets up, clear away excess items to create a clean, open feel.
- **Deep Clean:** In addition to thorough floor, bathroom, and kitchen cleanings, make sure to deep clean and polish your windows and exterior to make a great first impression.
- **Make Minor Repairs:** Fix those small items—the loose handles or chipped paint—before guests (or buyers) arrive.
- **Boost Curb Appeal:** Simple touches like a wreath, trimmed shrubs, or twinkling lights can create a festive feel.
- **Keep it Neutral:** Stick with subtle, classic decor and neutral tones as buyers can picture the room in their own mind.

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**Planning Ahead Pays Off**

Don't let car loans or credit cards quietly affect your buying power. By paying down balances or holding off on new debt before applying for a mortgage, you'll give yourself more room to qualify for the home you really want.

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A delicious favorite, hot pepper jelly is the perfect blend of sweet and spicy. Pair it with your favorite crackers or cheese for a festive appetizer everyone will love at your next holiday gathering.

**Ingredients:**

- 8 ounce Cream Cheese softened
- 1/2 cup Hot Pepper Jelly
- Pinch of Red Pepper Flakes optional
- 1 1/2 cups Best Cheddar Cheese
- 2 cups Monterey Jack Cheese optional

**Directions:**

1. Place the softened block of cream cheese on a serving plate or platter.
2. Add the hot pepper jelly to a microwave safe bowl and microwave on high for 30 seconds.
3. Stir the warmed jelly then spoon over the top of the cream cheese.
4. Carefully mix in a pinch of red pepper flakes and rosemary sprigs, if desired.
5. Serve with crackers.

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November 11, 2024

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From: John Smith <[john@hometown.com](mailto:john@hometown.com)>  
Subject: Veterans Day - A Message of Gratitude  
Sent: October 14, 2024, 11:02 AM  
To: Richard Johnson <[john@hometown.com](mailto:john@hometown.com)>

Hi Richard,

Fall is a season of change, and it's a great time to reflect on home and family. I hope you're finding time to enjoy everything the season has to offer.

If you or someone you know is considering a move, I'd be happy to help. Whether you're curious about the current market or are simply looking for a new home, feel free to [reach out anytime](#). Your trust and referrals mean so much, and I'm grateful for the opportunity to be of service.

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- A monthly, done-for-you email marketing service—professionally written, designed, and automatically sent to your database. No content, setup, or management required.

### Who It's For

- Agents, team leads, and brokerages who want consistent, compliant email marketing without the work.

### What It Does

- Sends a branded email each month
- Keeps you top-of-mind without being salesy
- Builds credibility and long-term relationships

### Done-For-You

- Fully written and designed
- Automatically scheduled and sent
- Uses your RealEstateHalo contacts

### Built-In Responses

- Includes a simple response form
- Naturally encourages referrals
- Replies go directly to you

### The Result

- More referrals, stronger relationships, and consistent visibility.

Learn how agents are getting more leads from their database.

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### Spring Market Kickoff

March often marks the start of the spring real estate market, bringing more listings, motivated buyers, and renewed activity. Locally, we're already seeing early momentum as people begin planning their next move. Preparing early makes a difference—buyers who line up financing, review their budget, and narrow down their must-haves are ready to act, while sellers who handle small repairs, declutter, improve curb appeal, and understand their pricing are better positioned to stand out.

Getting ahead of the rush can offer a real advantage before competition peaks. Buyers who start watching the market now are better prepared to move quickly, and sellers who plan early can launch with confidence and less stress. If you're considering a move this year—just want to explore your options—I'm always happy to provide a no-pressure market check or a quick home value update.



### Getting Your Finances Ready for a Smooth Move

Being financially prepared can make the buying or selling process smoother and far less stressful. For buyers, preparation starts with understanding your budget and speaking with a lender early. Getting pre-approved, reviewing your credit, and setting aside funds for down payment and closing costs helps you shop with confidence and move quickly when the right home comes along. It's also smart to plan for future expenses like utilities, maintenance, and moving costs.

For sellers, financial readiness means knowing your numbers ahead of time. This includes understanding your current mortgage payoff, estimated closing costs, and how much equity you can expect from the sale. Planning for potential repairs, staging, or improvements ahead of time can help avoid last-minute expenses and allow you to price your home strategically from the start.

Whether buying or selling, having a clear financial picture puts you in control and helps prevent surprises along the way. If you'd like help reviewing your options, estimating costs, or planning your next steps, I'm always happy to offer guidance and resources to help you move forward with confidence.



### Taco Pinwheels

These taco pinwheels are a simple, make-ahead appetizer that's guaranteed to disappear first at your next gathering.

- Ingredients:**
- 4 ounces cream cheese, softened
  - 3/4 cup Seasoned Taco Meat
  - 1/4 cup finely shredded cheddar cheese
  - 1/4 cup salsa
  - 2 tablespoons mayonnaise
  - 2 tablespoons chopped ripe olives
  - 2 tablespoons finely chopped onion
  - 5 flour tortillas (8 inches), room temperature
  - 1/2 cup shredded lettuce
  - Additional salsa

- Directions:**
- In a small bowl, beat the cream cheese until smooth. Stir in the taco meat, cheese, salsa, mayonnaise, olives and onion. Spread over tortillas. Sprinkle with lettuce, roll up tightly. Wrap securely and refrigerate for at least 1 hour.
  - Unwrap and cut into 1-in. pieces. Serve with additional salsa.



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Hello Richard,

With February in full swing, it's a great time to check in on your goals for the year and your progress so far. If homeownership or real estate is part of yours, I'd love to help.

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Subject: Happy National Gardening Day  
Date: April 13, 2025 11:50 AM  
To: Richard Johnson <[rjohnson@gmail.com](mailto:rjohnson@gmail.com)>

Hi Richard,

Today is National Gardening Day, a perfect reminder to get your hands in the soil and celebrate the joy of growing something new. As part of Earth Month, it's also a great opportunity to make eco-friendly choices and give back to our planet.

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Subject: Starting the Year with National Soup Month  
Date: January 13, 2025 11:02 AM  
To: Richard Johnson <[rjohnson@gmail.com](mailto:rjohnson@gmail.com)>

Hi Richard,

Happy New Year! January is National Soup Month, and we're excited to start the year by celebrating comfort, flavor, and cozy favorites.

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