Best Practices for a Healthy & Clean Database



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- 1. Identify and merge duplicate data
- 2. Identify incomplete and/or inaccurate data
- 3. Stop collecting data you don't use
- 4. Review invalid emails
- 5. Review Membership Status





1. Identify & Merge Duplicates

- How did duplicates get into your database in the first place?
 - No standardized procedure for how information is added to database
 - Staff not verifying records already exist before entering information
 - <u>Membership Application</u> submitted when Prospect already exists in database
 - Event Registrations not appropriately matched to existing contacts
- TIP! Establish specific guidelines for how data is entered into database





1. Identify & Merge Duplicates

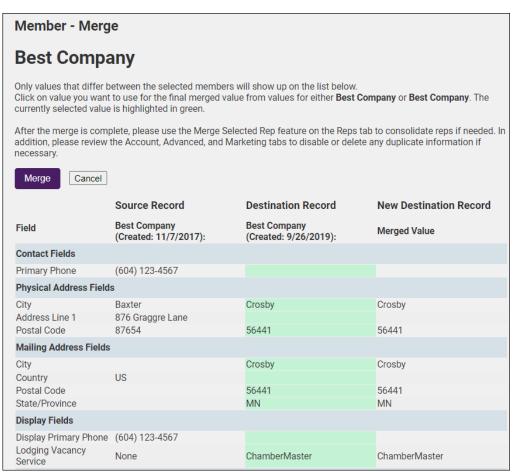
- Custom Member Report
 - Use to identify duplicate records in your database
 - Use several pieces of identifying information in report
 - Export to Excel
 - Use the Excel Functionality to identify duplicates
 - Search by Company Name, Email Address, etc.

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19	Big Foot Shoe Shop	11/3/2022	11/3/2022	shoes@mailinator.com	5678 Portage	Big Foot		1
0	Black Diamond Advertising	3/22/2018	3/22/2018	blackdiamond@mailinator.com	128 w 8th st	Colette Walters	Colette Walte	r
1	Bobber Gifts	5/28/2019	5/28/2019	bobber@mailinator.com	P.O. Box 234	Jill Jones	Jill Jones	
22	Cakes by Katie	9/1/2022	11/3/2022	katiescakes@mailinator.com	657 First Street	Katie Cakes	Katie Cakes	1
23	Car Dealership	11/11/2023	11/16/2023				Abi Normal	1
4	Casino		1/24/2024	jack@mailinator.com			Jack Pott	1
25	Clearview Window Repair		11/3/2022	windowrepair@mailinator.com				
26	Crystal Clear Window Washing	12/19/2023	12/19/2023	crystal@mailinator.com			Crystal Glass	
7	Custom Cabinets	5/18/2012	9/15/2017	customcabinets@mailinator.com	65874 Cty Road 2	Shane Koglin	Shane Koglin	
8	Dana's Fashion Boutique	9/9/2022	9/9/2022	dana@mailinator.com	202 N Rose Street		Dana Jones	
9	Diephouse Realty	9/1/2022	12/5/2023	mwest@mailinator.com	1903 W. Michigan	Sarah Samuels	Sarah Samuels	5
80	Dietrich Farms	1/2/2012	9/15/2017	dietrichfarms@mailinator.com	PO Box 46	Lloyd Caine	Lloyd Caine	
1	Dinah's Fireworks		5/30/2023	dmite@mailinator.com			Dinah Mite	
32	Discover Kalamazoo	9/1/2022	2/14/2023	discoverkalamazoo@mailinator.com			Lenny West	
3	Elizabeth's Creations		9/8/2022					1
4	Emma's Kitchen	5/5/2022	3/21/2018	emmas@mailinator.com				1
5	Emma's Kitchen		9/8/2022					1
36	Furniture Store	5/5/2023	5/5/2023	furniture@mailinator.com			Patty O' Furnit	
37	Gabby's Dry Cleaning	10/4/2022	10/4/2022	gabbysdrycleaning@mailinator.com	9393 W. Michigan	Gabby Thomas	Gabby Thomas	5
8	Gary's Guitars		4/3/2018	garysguitars@mailinator.com	143 Farmers Alley	Gary Johnson	Gary Johnson	1
9	Happy Days Child Care	3/22/2018	3/22/2018	hdcc@mailinator.com	101 Main		Jane Smith	1
10	Jane's Coffee Shop		2/24/2023				Jane Jameson	1
1	Jane's Juice Joint		3/28/2023				Jane Smith	1
12	Jannie Wille		3/22/2018					1
3	Joe's Crab Shack		4/4/2018	joescrabshack@mailinator.com			Joe Shack	1
4	Joel's Voice Lessons	5/5/2022	5/21/2018	joelsvoicelessons@mailinator.com			Joel Full	1
5	Josef's Bakery	2/10/2023	2/10/2023	-	70978 East Street	Josef Cakes	Josef Cakes	1
6	Juice Joint		11/30/2022				Amy McKibbo	r
7	Kalamazoo Animal Shelter		11/3/2022	kalamazooanimalshelter@mailinator.co	on			1
8	Kalamazoo Aquarium		12/18/2023	maureen@mailinator.com			Maureen Biolo	9
9	Kalamazoo Brewery Tours		9/29/2022	kzoobrewtours@mailinator.com			Alexander Sm	i
	Kalamazoo Candy Store	11/2/2022	11/2/2022	kzoocandy@mailinator.com	3456 W Main	Kalamazoo Candy		1
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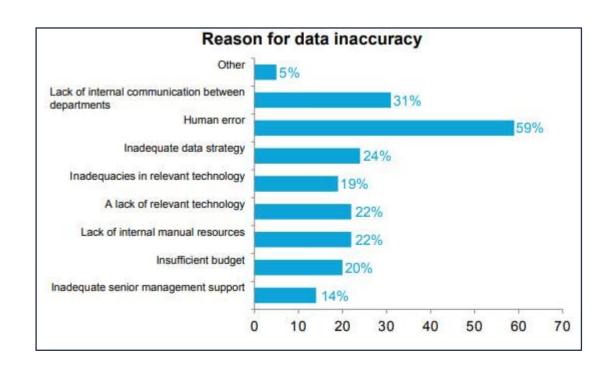
1. Identify & Merge Duplicates

- Merge Duplicates
 - Best Practice: merge older record into newer record
 - Newer record usually has the most current data
 - Select data to retain for each field within record
- Administrator <u>permission level</u> required
- Merge cannot be undone
 - Ensure accuracy before merging



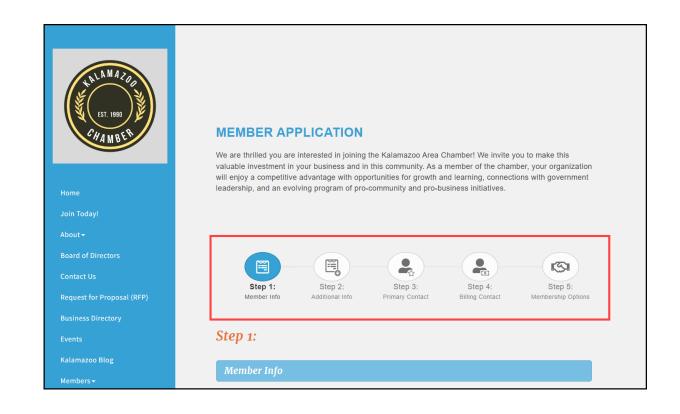


- Use your reports to find missing data in your database
 - Information needed to interact with members
 - Information important to providing great member experience
 - Information needed for board reports
 - Information needed for event invitations





- Follow procedure for adding a new member record
- If using the Membership Application, ensure you're gathering the minimum information needed for a complete record
 - Use <u>Custom Fields</u> to gather pertinent information



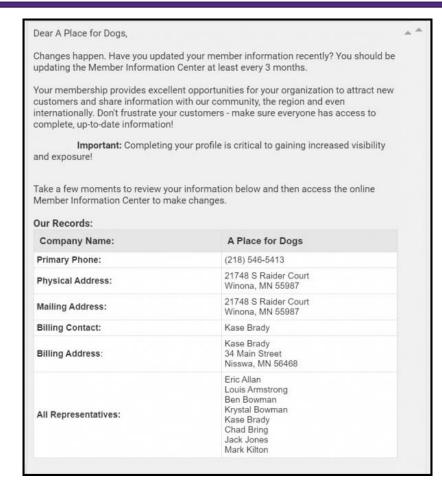


- Use <u>Custom Member Report</u>
 - Helps identify missing data
- Create Custom Member Report with necessary fields and save to use for regular database cleanup
 - Run on regular basis (monthly, quarterly, etc.)

CP Billing Contact Info							
Company Name	Billing Contact	Billing Email					
A & T Baseball	Skinny Harold	skinny@mailinator.com					
A Place for Dogs	Shannon Jones	cheri.petterson@growthzone.com					
abcd							
Acorns	Wally Main						
Addams and Sons	Mark Addams						
Alex Race Track Events LLC							
Beautiful Home Remodeling	Peter Mays	cheri.petterson@growthzone.com					
Best Company	Joan Larsen						
Cakes by Stefani		stefan@mailinator.com					
Cheri's Dog Boarding	Cheri Test						
Chewy Chewy	Lance Chewy	chewchew@mailinator.com					
Danico's	Tony Danico						
Dogs R' Us		loisl@mailinator.com					
Fanron Realty Group							
Fayette Store	Jane Breyer	breyer@mailinator.com					
Floydd's Windows							
Flutists	Jerry Flute	jerryf@mailinator.com					
Frank's Pitstop	Greg Hales	marks@mailinator.com					
Gabriela's Designs and Styling	Gabriela Chavez-Lope	Z					
Golf Tournament Non-Member	John Jacobs						
Grant's	Grant Lance						
Green Building Builders							
Henry's	Henry LeMarc	cheri.petterson@micronetonline.com					
Herb's Herb House							
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Horses are Us							
House of Cards	Joe House						
I Like it Shiny		diamondsareagirlsbestfriend@gmail.co					



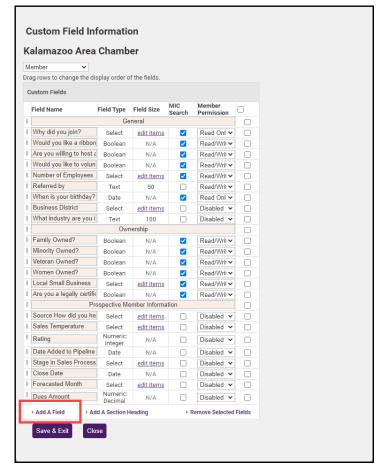
- Set a regular cadence to remind your members to update their profile information
 - How Do I Get Chamber Members to Update Their Information?
- Use the <u>Update your Membership</u> <u>Listing</u> email template
 - Quickly determine if information is accurate
 - Link to MIC to change anything that needs updating





3. Stop Collecting Data You Don't Use

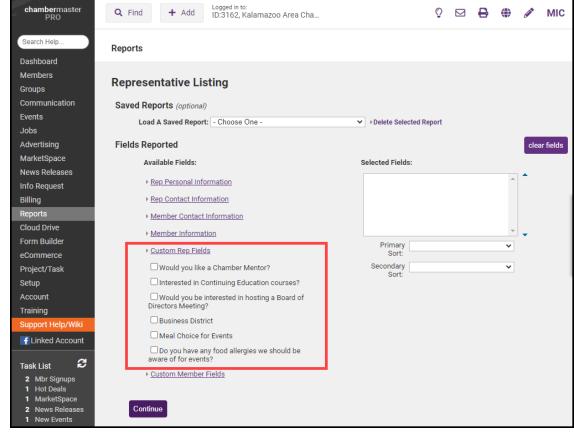
- You never want to collect <u>data</u> you don't use
 - Do you use all the <u>demographic data</u> you collect?
 - Custom Fields for <u>Members</u>, <u>Reps</u>, <u>Events</u>, <u>Groups</u>, etc.
- Disable Custom Field
 - Maintain data collected without further clogging up your database
 - Keep custom field for use in the future





Custom Field Report

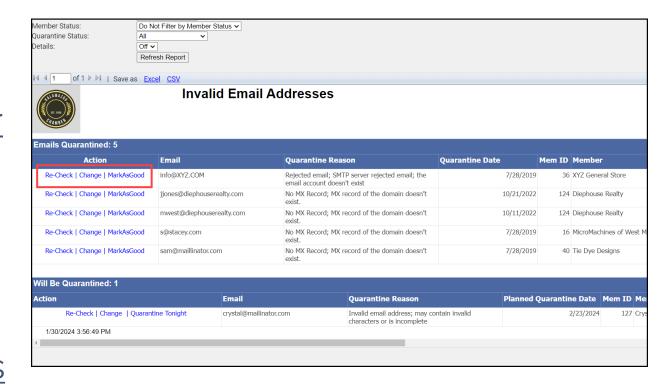
- Not Recommended: Remove Custom Field
 - Deletes responses and data
 - Run <u>Custom Member</u>
 <u>Report</u> or Custom Rep
 Report before deleting
 - Save report to keep historical data





4. Review Invalid Email Addresses & Update

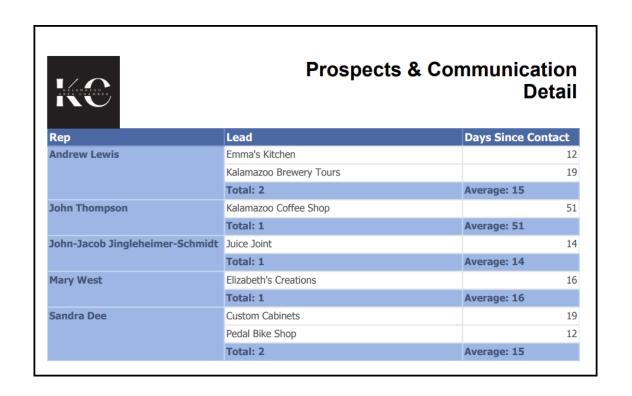
- Invalid emails prevent you from communicating with members
 - Also impacts your <u>sender</u> reputation
 - Maintain <u>clean email lists</u>
- Quarantined Invalid Email Addresses Report
 - Use to view emails marked as invalid
 - View Quarantine Reasons





5. Ensure Members Are Accurately Organized

- Do members have the appropriate <u>Membership Status</u>?
 - Active
 - <u>Dropped/Inactive</u>
 - Courtesy
 - Non-Member
 - Prospect
- Ensures true representation of Prospective Members
 - Focus your <u>efforts</u>
- Prospects and Communication by Rep: Detail Report
- Custom Member Report





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IDENTIFY DATA REQUIRING THE MOST ATTENTION



CREATE A PLAN



CLEANSE YOUR DATA



INSTITUTE BUSINESS RULES



SCHEDULE REGULAR DATA CLEANUP

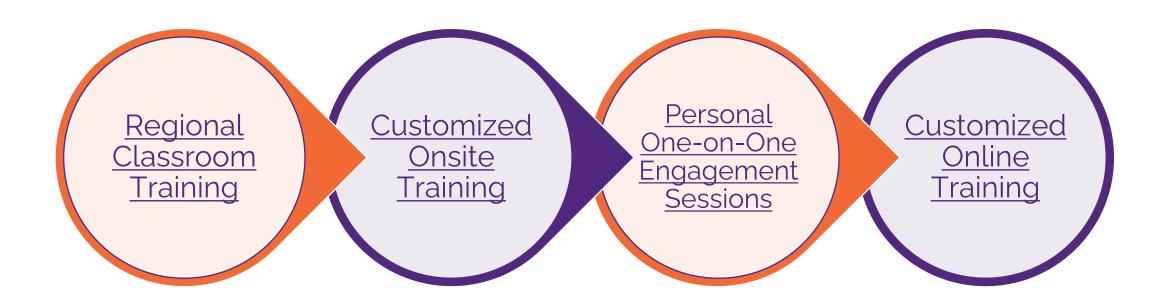


Training Resources





Expanded Training Offerings





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