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Firestone Complete Auto Care was the market leader but wasn't hitting growth targets because the in-store CX was more aligned with car enthusiasts than their actual target, married women with children at home. As the Manager of Brand Strategy, I partnered with the COO to develop the research-based positioning/tagline – "The experience you want" – that addressed the need for a more engaging CX supported by expertise, provided guidance to colleagues to infuse the thinking in their store of the future design, and drove revenue by elevating the presence of maintenance and repair to the same level as tires. We also streamlined the complex brand architecture by eliminating the redundant Mastercare service brand, introduced a new name, and worked with an agency to develop the messaging hierarchy, personality, and standards. to ensure buy-in, I presented to the Board and store employee meetings. The program rolled out nationally and drove same-store sales by 3-7%.

### Skills

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# DEVELOPED BRAND STRATEGY TOOLS, SERVICES, AND TRAINING THAT EMPOWERED COLLEAGUES TO DRIVE ORGANIC GROWTH

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#### Background

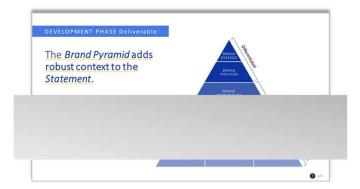
Falls & Co., a mid-size public relations and communications agency, wanted to grow topline revenue by expanding into adjacencies.

#### **Role and Results**

Hired to start the Brand Strategy Practice, I built the foundation for selling, collaborating, and delivering projects.

Brand Education Sessions	The Falls Brand Toolbox	Falls Thought Leadership	The Solve™ Development Labs	The Pulse™ Brand Health Report
Seminars That Provided Colleagues an Overview of Branding Best Practices and the Proprietary Ways Falls Creates Value	"Living Document" That Was Regularly Updated So Proprietary Methodologies and Deliverables Could Be Consistently Delivered	Series of Long-Form Blog Posts That Aligned with The Falls Brand Toolbox and Positioned Agency as a Thought Leader	Workshops That Partnered Senior Clients and Agency Managers to Address Discrete Business Challenges	Holistic View Across Myriad of Internal and External Drivers for Smaller Clients Without Internal Analytic Functions





"Very informative, presenter was understanding of content and the explanation helped so that in client work we feel empowered to pitch the service (and speak about it if service is being implemented)." -Falls manager who attended seminar "J.B. presented at agency-wide Lunch & Learns on "branding 101" and on the tools and services he developed as the Practice leader. Quantitative and qualitative survey results from those presentations were outstanding and...helped Falls accomplish its objectives." -Falls Chief People Officer

# MANAGED INNOVATION LAB THAT IDENTIFIED SOCIAL IMPACT OPPORTUNITIES

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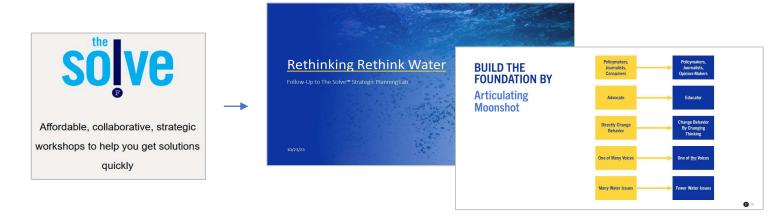
Falls & Co., a mid-size agency with a 33-year track record in public relations and communications, wanted to grow topline revenue by expanding into adjacencies. I identified two opportunities, the first of which was The Solve™ Development Labs. The Labs are workshops that partner senior clients and agencies to address discrete business challenges.

#### **Role and Results**

Falls employed The Solve<sup>™</sup> Development Labs for Plumbing Manufacturing International (PMI), a trade association representing companies that produce 90% of the United States' plumbing products and face the market with 150 brands. PMI's primary social impact initiative, Rethink Water, had been strongly supported by members since its inception but faced significant challenges being heard in environmental conversations dominated by significantly larger non-profits. I managed The Solve<sup>™</sup> Development Labs, which conducted pre-workshop stakeholder interviews and competitive analyses, featured a half day workshop with PMI Board members from across the U.S., and resulted in an overall framework and specific recommendations to "rethink Rethink Water." Metrics included 100% Client Satisfaction Rating and 2 Strategic Recommendations developed.

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MANAGED CO-CREATION INITIATIVE THAT ENSURED MESSAGING SUPPORTED MANUFACTURER'S \$88 MERGER

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Parker Aerospace's merger with Meggitt would expand its market leadership and increase shareholder value. But the two companies had very different cultures, and the marriage would only work if it articulated a "1+1=3" proposition.

As the leader of The Solve<sup>™</sup> Development Labs (an offering I had developed for Falls), I led a 3-co-creation engagement. We conducted pre-workshop interviews with senior managers from both companies to frame market dynamics and identify areas of potential alignment. Next, I facilitated workshop conversations that guided them toward a unified post-merger positioning. And after the workshop, we conducted customer interviews that informed the final brand messaging.

The initiative positioned the company for the critical Paris Air Show because it was based on a "1+1=3" proposition, reduced marketing costs, and drove incremental revenue for the agency.

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Affordable, collaborative, strategic workshops to help you get solutions quickly



The challenge

Providing a breadth of products to meet the needs of today and tomorrow

At Parker Aerospace, our passion is helping our partners thrive with the right products, the right systems and the right solutions across the entire aircraft. We're not only here to help your bottom line, we'll help you achieve the extraordinary. And together, there's no telling how far we can go.



ENGINEERING YOUR SUCCESS.

# LED TEAM THAT HELPED GLOBAL HEALTHCARE ORGANIZATION BETTER ALIGN ITS BRAND WITH ITS MISSION

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The mission of The Menopause Society is to be *the* global resource for providers. But at the beginning of a website engagement, I identified a critical challenge: They had been engaging in broader consumer conversations but didn't have the resources to establish an authoritative voice. This diluted the strong brand that had been supporting its mission. As the Director of Brand Strategy, I helped my co-worker design research to generate relevant branding input, developed insights-based positioning, evolved their name, and partnered with colleagues to infuse the strategy into the new logo, tag, content, UX, design, and marketing. The positioning – "Leading the Conversation" – refocused The Menopause Society toward empowering professionals who, in turn, improved women's health. The strategy unanimously passed the board and helped the client drive social engagement, more efficiently deploy staff resources, and better support the brand's critical trust attribute.

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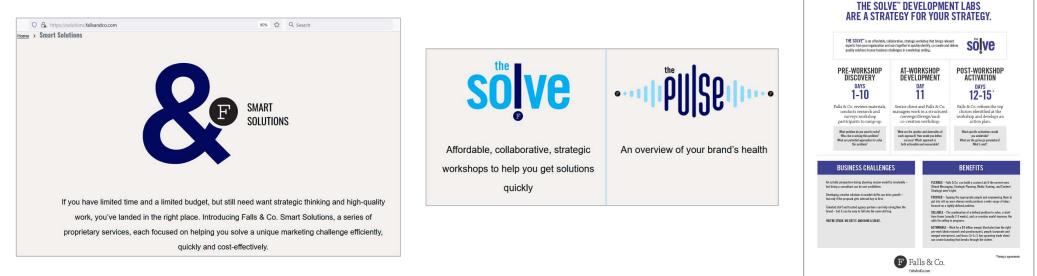
# The Menopause Society™

Leading the Conversation

# SUPPORTED LEGACY BRAND'S GROWTH BY BRINGING TO MARKET UNIQUE OFFERING IN ADJACENT CATEGORY

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Identified two market opportunities to grow Falls & Co.'s topline revenue. Developed and brought to market *The Solve™ Development Labs*, workshops that partner senior clients and agencies to address discrete business challenges. Developed and brought to market *The Pulse Brand Health Report*, holistic view across myriad metrics. Successfully managed multiple engagements.



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#### **BUSINESS CHALLENGES**

An outside perspective during planning season would be invaluable – but hiring a consultant can be cost prohibitive.

Developing creative solutions to market shifts can drive growth - but only if the proposal gets internal buy-in first.

Talented staff and trusted agency partners can help strengthen the brand - but it can be easy to fall into the same old trap.

YOU'RE STUCK. WE GET IT. AND HAVE A SOLVE.

#### BENEFITS

FLEXIBLE – Falls & Co. can build a custom Lab if the current ones (Brand Messaging, Strategic Planning, Media Training, and Content Strategy) aren't right.

FOCUSED - Tapping the appropriate people and empowering them to get into roll-up-your-sleeves mode produces a wide-range of ideas focused on a tightly defined problem.

SELLABLE — The combination of a defined problem to solve, a short time-frame (usually 2-3 weeks), and co-creation model improves the odds for selling in programs.

ACTIONABLE — Work for a \$4 billion merger illustrates how the right pre-work (desk research and questionnaire), people (corporate and merged enterprises), and focus (1+1=3, key upcoming trade show) can create branding that breaks through the clutter.

# LED DEVELOPMENT OF GLOBAL EMPLOYMENT BRAND THAT PROVIDED A COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE AND REDUCED MARKETING COSTS

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A top five pharma brand had a critical need to retain and attract talent at scale, but their efforts were hampered by decentralized messaging and design.

As a senior member of a consulting team, I led the development of a global employment brand that provided a competitive advantage and reduced marketing costs. I conducted global c-level interviews, analyzed the competition, and incorporated client input. By synthesizing primary research with colleagues' findings, I uncovered a key insight: Regardless of country, vocation, or seniority, applicants shared a common desire to make a difference. The positioning/tagline I crafted – "Many paths. One goal." – was a succinct and powerful message that provided direction for content development and design.

By creating a unified story and executing it more consistently, the initiative drove down attraction and retention costs.

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# CRAFTED BRAND-DRIVEN MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS TO ENGAGE MEMBERS AND PROSPECTS DURING COVID

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A Reform synagogue had been established in the community for 75 years. But it faced the same challenges confronting almost all U.S. houses of worship: Americans' affiliation had been declining for a generation – and COVID amplified the trend.

As the Director of Engagement and Marketing on a two-year foundation grant, I created new ways to connect. One example is that recognizing the need to replace lost physical connectivity, we transformed the temple's poorly read weekly newsletter into an engaging daily publication. The UX and content overhaul drove a 28% increase in engagement and was part of a movement toward integrated marketing. A second example is that observing that programming was created top-down by clergy and staff rather than rising organically from members' needs, I identified a model to foster member-to-member connectivity: small groups who would gather around shared interests. I developed the program with the board and lay leaders. It's in its third year.

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# Addressed Retention Challenge By Fostering Member-to-Member Engagement

#### Background

- Over the last generation, many U.S. houses of worship have faced flat or declining membership driven by new alternatives to joining congregations, such as apps and online programming – "flat is the new growth" is the mantra for clergy and lay leaders
- COVID which overlapped 19 of my 24-month grant as the Director of Engagement and Marketing at a Reform temple amplified these challenges

#### Objective

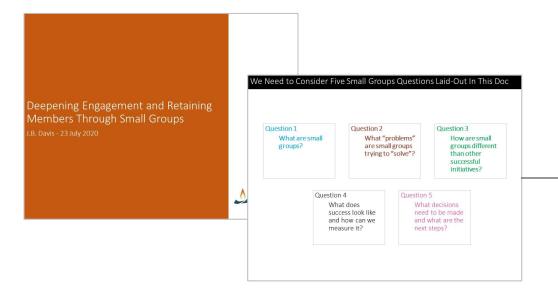
In this context, it was critical to retain members by deepening their connection to the temple

#### Role

- Interviewed Reform lay leaders across U.S. on retention best practices
- Identified that the framework of traditional initiatives a "do-it-for-me" (DIFM) model where clergy, lay leaders, and staff created programs they believed would be of interest to members – wasn't always addressing congregants' needs, a key dynamic for successful retention efforts
- Made business case to clergy, lay leaders, and board to launch a pilot program based on a member-centric "do-it-yourself" (DIY) model
- Partnered with lay leaders to develop, launch, and scale pilot

#### Impacts

Launch was successful, and the program is now in its third year <u>https://www.suburbantemple.org/gatherings.html</u>





# **Reimagined Essential Touchpoint**



Online touches (Temple Times weekly newsletter, bulletin, site, Facebook, YouTube) not anchored in strategy = untapped advantage in declining "category"

Brand positioning undifferentiated = category's dynamics exacerbated

Content not linked to narratives and not prioritized = potential storytelling, helping target process information, underused

Inconsistent design across touchpoints = missed opportunities for visual cues, support brand identity

Long text blocks = user experience challenging, particularly on mobile

New graphics regularly created = production traffic jams

Links to off-nav pages = seamless experience missed



## Twelve Months. Five Views. Reflections on a year like no other.





### **IMPORTANT. FUNNY. TONIGHT.** Shabbat With Comedian/Advocate Pamela Schuller

# **RABBI SHANA'S BAKING!**

TODAY, Monday, March 15 | 7 PM



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New tag line ("always welcome") fostered relevant differentiation and expansion via "always learning" etc.

Moved from weekly to daily

Subject line of TT previewed new way to engage members with relevant content

Customer-centric redesign of TT – 95% of newly scannable content drives traffic to site, consistent look and feel, new messaging hierarchy transformed it into the source

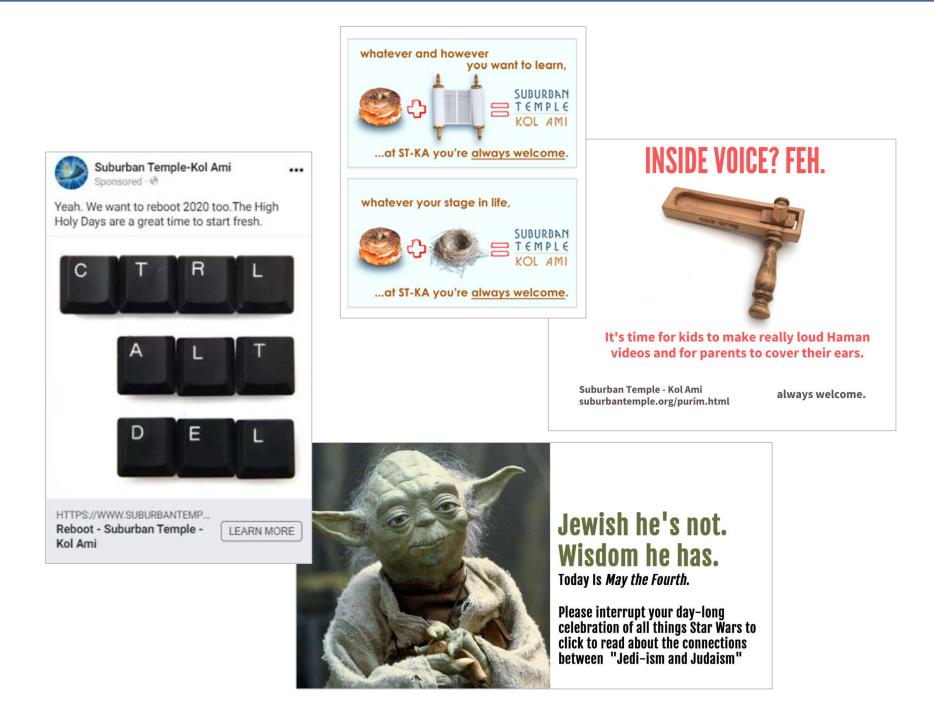
Newsletter's new tile systems improved UX, reinforced consistency, improved production efficiencies, created opportunities to easily extend messaging to home page, interior pages, and Facebook

Brand voice used humor to cut through category sameness

New strategically grounded content calendar supported both 30,000' storytelling and program messaging

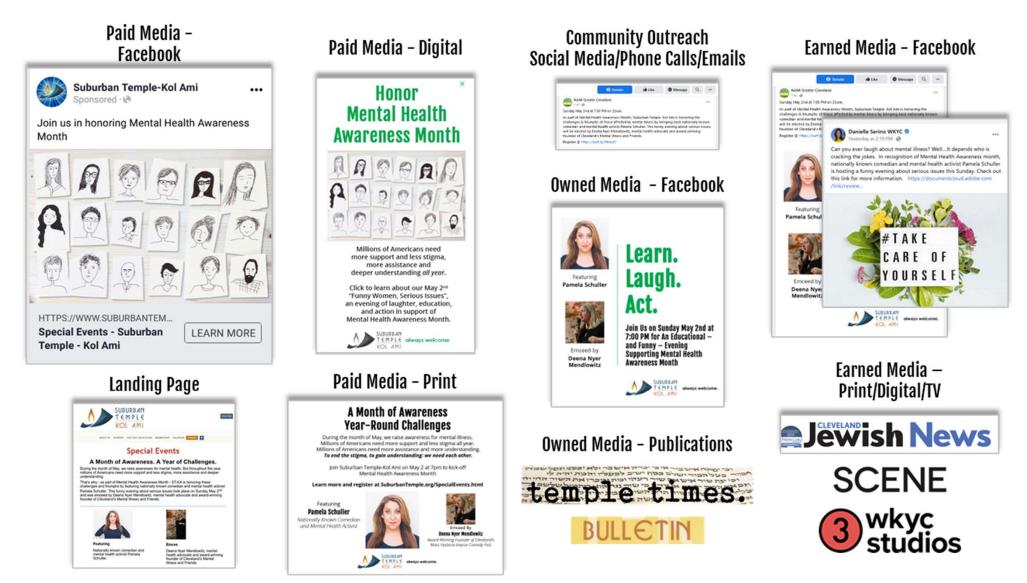
Site redesign (consistent look and feel, no off-navigation URLs, top programs given dedicated pages, content topics clustered) created powerful and scalable destination from online and offline touches

# **Created Consistent Brand Voice**



# **Developed Integrated Marketing Campaigns**

- Integrated campaign with multiple objectives publicize mental health awareness month, support "always welcome" positioning, build awareness and drive member engagement resulted in 20% attendance increase over similar event and 4% ad recall for Facebook ad with small budget
- as director of engagement and marketing for Suburban Temple-Kol Ami, crafted strategy, wrote copy, art directed look & feel, developed targeting, liaised with press



LED WEB SITE DEVELOPMENT ROOTED IN MORE COHESIVE NARRATIVE, CONTEMPORARY LOOK, AND MOBILE-FIRST UX

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**Developed Strategy Crafted Narrative Edited Content Created UX** Managed Team



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