



## Five Ways To Better Share With Friends Online

(NAPS)—Sometimes you want to share photos and updates with just a few of your friends rather than your entire list of social network friends. Facebook Groups are the perfect way to do just that. Start a Facebook Group for your family or friends who share a common interest or hobby and get the most out of your experience by following these five easy tips:

### Add Any Friend

You can start up a group on Facebook quickly by adding any of your friends instantly. Have a book club? Planning a family reunion? Want to keep up with your five best friends you've known your whole life but who live far away? Create a group for them to post photos and links, ask questions, whatever you want to use that space for. And if you're not friends with someone you want to be in it, don't worry. Since members can add their friends, you can rely on other people in the group to add them to it.

### Add An Icon and a Picture

Once you've created a group, you should add an icon or picture to help organize your group among the several you may be part of. You can pick from the icons beside the group name to choose something that characterizes the group. For instance, if you've made a group for your flag football team, you may want to pick the icon of a football. You can also upload a picture for the group. Maybe you have a great picture of the entire team or the trophy you won that can represent your group's identity.

### Set Up an E-mail Address

You don't have to always have access to Facebook if you want to stay in touch with your group. You can create a group e-mail address by going to "Edit Group" in the top right-hand side of your group's



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page. You can choose any name you like and it will be attached to @groups.facebook.com. Now you can e-mail an update to your group at any time.

### Use Your Docs

You may have updates and information that require input from the entire group. For instance, if you are on the planning committee for your high school reunion and want to provide updates on the bands you've checked out to perform, Facebook Groups' Doc is a word processing document that anyone in the group can update at any time so someone can chime in and provide his or her feedback on the bands you suggested. You can also see what has changed and who made the change.

### Edit Your Settings/ Notifications

If you want to stay on top of what is happening in your favorite groups, you can make sure they always appear on your home page by going to the "Edit Settings" link in the top right-hand corner of the Group page. From there, you can also edit your notification settings for specific updates you receive when content is posted to the group.