



FIX YOUR FACEBOOK SHARE IMAGE

FACEBOOK NOT SHOWING THE
CORRECT IMAGE WHEN YOU SHARE
BLOG LINKS? LET'S FIX THAT.

HELLO NEW FRIEND, IT'S SO NICE TO MEET YOU!

I WROTE AN AWESOME BLOG POST, SO NATURALLY THE FIRST THING I DID WAS SHARE TO FACEBOOK...BUT I WAS SO DISAPPOINTED!

WHY?

IT WAS PULLING IN AN IMAGE FROM MY SIDEBAR AND NOT THE IMAGE THAT WAS IN MY POST OR SET AS MY FEATURED IMAGE.

HHMMMMMMM....

I COULDN'T REST UNTIL I FIGURED IT OUT, LUCKILY THAT DIDN'T TAKE LONG AT ALL BECAUSE I HAVE A SHORT ATTENTION SPAN AND IF YOU ARE LIKE ME, YOU JUST WANT TO SHARE AND MOVE ON BECAUSE THERE IS MORE SHARING AND CONNECTING AND IT MAKES FOR A LONG DAY.

CHECK OUT HOW TO FIX YOUR PROBLEM, HOW TO CHECK THE IMAGE FIRST BEFORE YOU POST AND HOW TO FIX IT WHEN IT MAKES YOU CRAZY.

READY?

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WHY CAN'T IT JUST BE EASY?

THERE ARE PLUGINS YOU CAN USE, BUT I RECOMMEND ONLY INSTALLING PLUGINGS YOU NEED. ALL OF THAT CODE WILL SLOW YOUR SITE DOWN - WAAAAYYY DOWN.

SO YOU JUST COPY THE LINK AND JUST WANT TO PASTE IT INTO FACEBOOK, HAVE THE IMAGE THAT YOU WORKED ON OR PICKED OUT JUST SHOW UP AND MOVE ON TO YOUR NEXT TASK.

WHY DOES IT HAVE TO BE SO HARD, ANYWAY?

WE ALL KNOW THAT IMAGES OR VIDEO ARE A MUST IF WE WANT TO GET OUR INFO OUT THERE, BUT SOMETIMES IT JUST FEELS LIKE FACEBOOK MAKES IT SO DIFFICULT.

EVEN IF YOU CATCH IT, YOU HAVE TO GO BACK AND EDIT AND UPLOAD THE IMAGE MANUALLY - WHO NEEDS THE HASSEL? LET'S CHECK OUT WHY THIS IS HAPPENING, FIX IT WHEN IT DOES AND LEARN HOW TO TEST BEFORE WE POST THE FIRST TIME AND AVOID THE WHOLE EDIT OR DELETE AND RE-POST OR OH MY GOODNESS! IT NEVER STOPS!

LET'S GET STARTED!

A FEW NOTES TO KEEP IN MIND

THE LINK WE WILL BE USING IS:

<https://developers.facebook.com/tools/debug/sharing>

THIS IS THE SHARING DEBUG TOOL IN FACEBOOK. THERE ARE OTHER TOOLS, BUT THIS IS THE ONLY ONE WE WILL NEED TODAY.

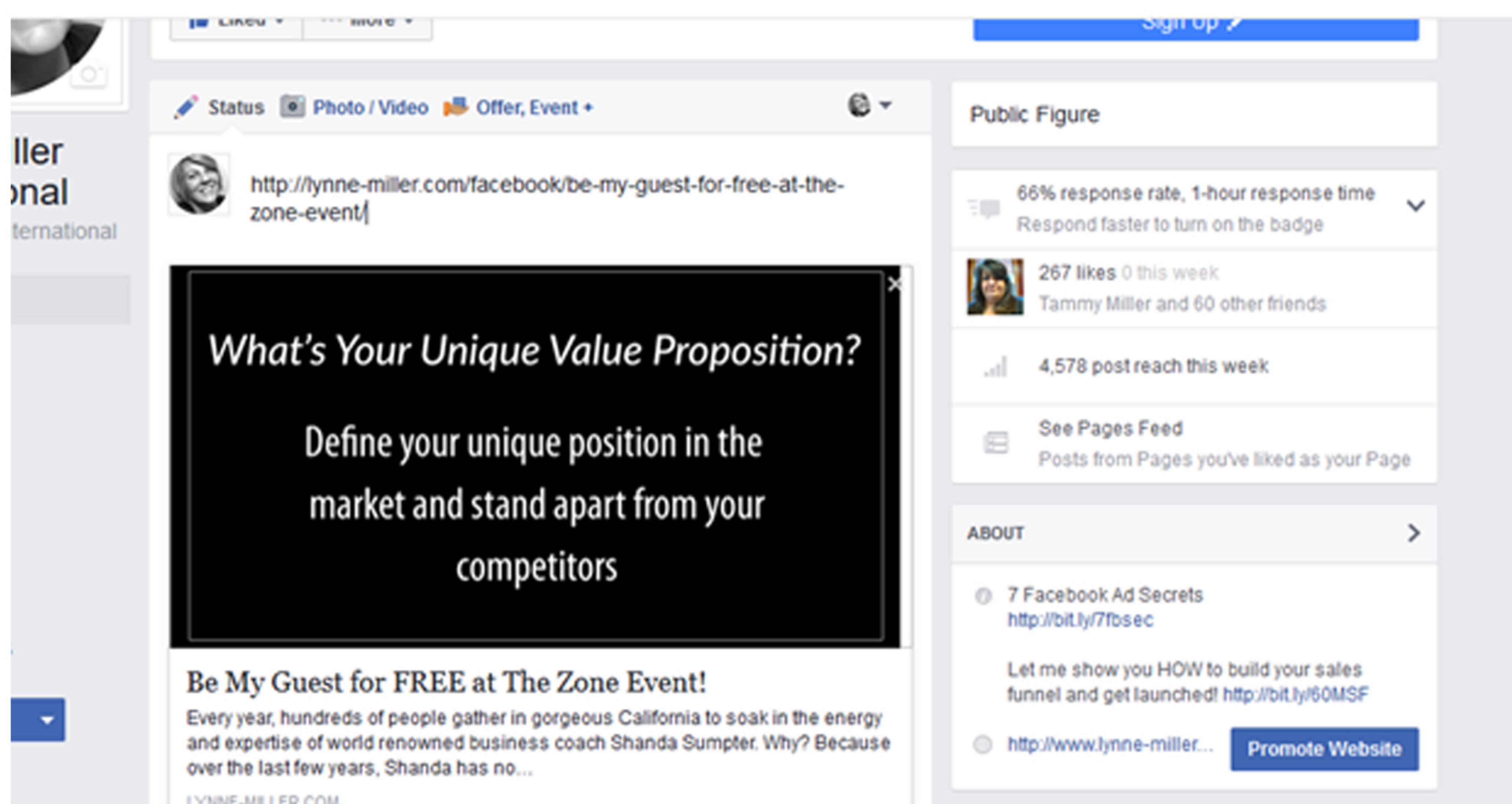
YOU WILL, OF COURSE, NEED THE LINK TO YOUR BLOG POST.

THE RECIPE

I'M GOING TO WALK YOU THROUGH EXACTLY WHAT HAPPENED TO ME AND HOW I FIXED IT.

I CREATED A BLOG POST AND SHARE IT TO FACEBOOK BY JUST GOING INTO THE POST EDITOR AND PASTING MY LINK. THE WRONG IMAGE CAME UP AND THERE WEREN'T ANY OTHERS LISTED IN THE LITTLE SLIDES THAT SHOW UP AT THE BOTTOM. I HAD TO REMOVE THE IMAGE THAT FACEBOOK WAS TRYING TO SHARE AND REPLACE IT WITH THE IMAGE THAT WORDPRESS WAS TRYING TO SHARE.

I SHOULD NOTE THAT I AM RUNNING THE DIVI THEME, BUT THIS IS A FACEBOOK ISSUE AND WILL FIX YOUR PROBLEM NO MATTER WHAT THEME YOU ARE USING. THIS ONE'S TOTALLY ON FACEBOOK. THE IMAGE SHOWN BELOW IS FROM MY SIDEBAR AND NOT THE IMAGE FROM MY POST:

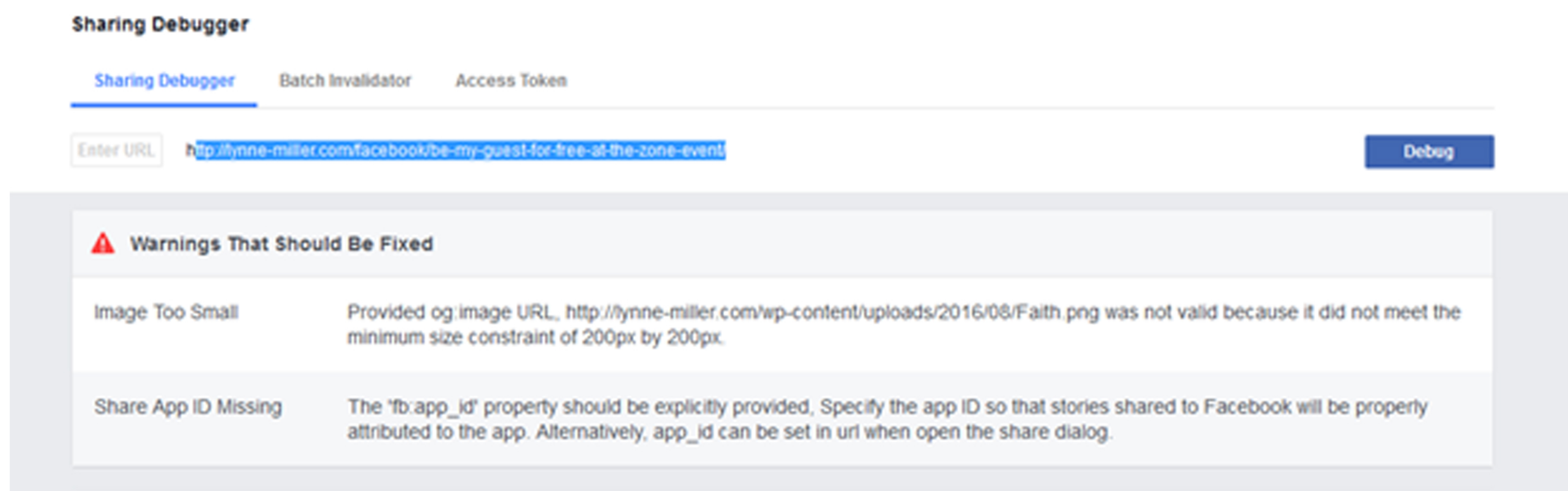


WHY WOULD FACEBOOK PULL THE IMAGE (A RANDOM ONE AT THAT) FROM MY SIDEBAR AND IGNORE BOTH THE IMAGE FROM MY POST AND MY FEATURED IMAGE? I'LL TELL YOU WHY: WRONG IMAGE SIZE.

WHAAA?????

YEAH. TO SHARE YOUR BLOG POST AND HAVE YOUR IMAGE SHOW UP IT HAS TO BE THE MINIMUM SIZE OF 200X200. HOW DO I KNOW?

I WENT TO THE SHARE DEBUGGER, PUT IN MY URL AND THERE IT WAS!



SO THIS IS HOW YOU FIX IT:

1. REPLACE YOUR IMAGE WITH ONE THAT IS AT LEAST 200X200
2. UPLOAD TO YOUR BLOG AND PUBLISH THE CHANGES
3. GO BACK INTO THE SHARE DEBUGGER AND TELL IT TO SCRAPE AGAIN

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Reminder: Graph API v2.0 is no longer available as of August 7, 2016. For more details see the [changelog](#). x

Sharing Debugger

Sharing Debugger Batch Invalidator Access Token

Enter URL <http://lynne-miller.com/facebook/be-my-guest-for-free-at-the-zone-event/> X Debug

Warnings That Should Be Fixed

Share App ID Missing The 'fb:app_id' property should be explicitly provided. Specify the app ID so that stories shared to Facebook will be properly attributed to the app. Alternatively, app_id can be set in url when open the share dialog.

When and how we last scraped the URL

Time Scraped	4 seconds ago	Scrape Again
Response Code	206	
Fetched URL	http://lynne-miller.com/facebook/be-my-guest-for-free-at-the-zone-event/	
Canonical URL	http://lynne-miller.com/facebook/be-my-guest-for-free-at-the-zone-event/	
	8 likes, shares and comments (More Info)	
Link Preview		

IF YOU ARE USING YOAST SEO - THERE IS A PLACE FOR YOU TO SPECIFY THE IMAGE YOU WANT TO USE WHEN YOU SHARE THE POST. IF NOT, USE THIS METHOD AND POST AFTER YOU UPLOAD NEW PHOTO. CHECK YOUR PHOTOS SIZE BEFORE POSTING.

GIVE IT A TRY AND SEE FOR YOURSELF. THANKS FOR READING!