

### TURNING GENERATIONAL **CHALLENGES INTO** GENERATIONAL **STRENGTHS!**

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### WHAT THIS PRESENTATION IS ABOUT:

### "Phantom rules" about generations

Challenges different generations face How to get the most out of your multi generational team

### **BABY BOOMERS VS MILLENNIALS**



# CHALLENGES ENCOUNTERED WITH A MULTI-GENERATIONAL TEAM

**Power Walk Time!** 



### AS LEADERS WE...

- Set goals
- Hit benchmarks
- Increase revenue
- Manage & motivate staff
- Increase productivity
- Climb career ladder
- Manage personal lives







## **CHALLENGES** THE DIFFERENT **GENERATIONS** FACE IN THE **WORKPLACE**



## **GENERATION Z**

Born 2000-TBD Employees in entry positions



### GENERATION Z CHALLENGES



### MILLENNIALS

Born 1977-1999 Employees now in their mid 20's to early 40's

- Young Invincibles
- First generation of children with schedules
- Came of age in a period of economic expansion







# MILLENNIALS CHALLENGES

## **GENERATION X**

#### Born 1965-1976

Employees now in their mid 40's to mid 50's

- First generation to grow up with computers
- Grew up taking care of themselves
- The 'middle child" of generations
- Over 60% attended college



### GENERATION X CHALLENGES





# BABY BOOMERS

Born 1946-1964 Employees now in their mid 50's to early 70's.

- Post War babies
- "The American Dream" was promised to them and they went after it!
- Expressed their identity by listening to Rock n Roll



# BABY BOOMERS CHALLENGES



# TRADITIONALISTS

#### Born Pre 1946

Employees now in their 70's.

- Strongly influenced by the Great Depression and WWII
- Experienced hard times growing up followed by times of prosperity



### T R A D I T I O N A L I S T S C H A L L E N G E S







### **NEGATIVE STEREOTYPES**

Baby boomers are fossilized and narcissistic

Gen Xers are slackers

Millennials are more narcissistic than Boomers



### MANAGING ACROSS GENERATIONS GROUP "a-ha" TIME!

### HOW TO OVERCOME GENERATIONAL DIFFERENCES AT WORK

#I Awareness and Appreciation

#2 Be Respectful

#3 Find Common Ground

#4 Slay your Assumptions

**#5** Pursue Cross-Generational Interactions

Source: Ryan Jenkins Internationally Recognized Keynote Speaker & Author

### ADAPT TO COMMUNICATION STYLES



### ULTIMATELY, WE ALL WANT THE SAME THING, TO BE VALUED AND APPRECIATED.



### **BENEFITS OF EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT**

# Employees

- Lower stress
- Higher job satisfaction
- Greater satisfaction with personal lives

# Employers

- Reduced healthcare costs
- Fewer sick days
- Increased productivity
- Longer tenure
- Stronger customer relationships

**Psychological Safety** 



### TURNING CHALLENGES INTO STRENGTHS

- Encourage feedback
- Create opportunities
- Build trust
- Share skills

### WHAT NOW?



" A positive, enthusiastic and affective connection with work that motivates an employee to invest in getting the job done, not just "well" but "with excellence" because the work energizes the person. "

### Employee Engagement



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