# Managing Across Generations Barb Miller: IEEE







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# Seeking Common Ground





## Disclaimers

- This Presentation was developed by Boomer!
- · Generalizations are not meant to offend.
- You may be a 'cusper' or you may have different experiences from your cohort.
- The generation lens is only one way to understand people and their behavior.



# Agenda and Outcome

- Generational background information
- How to manage across the generations

You will leave with CONCRETE strategies and techniques to implement tomorrow!



# Generational Population

• Seniors: 30 million - 1900-1945

• Boomers: 80 million - 1946-1964

• Gen X: 69 million - 1965-1981

• Millennials: 96 million - 1981-2000

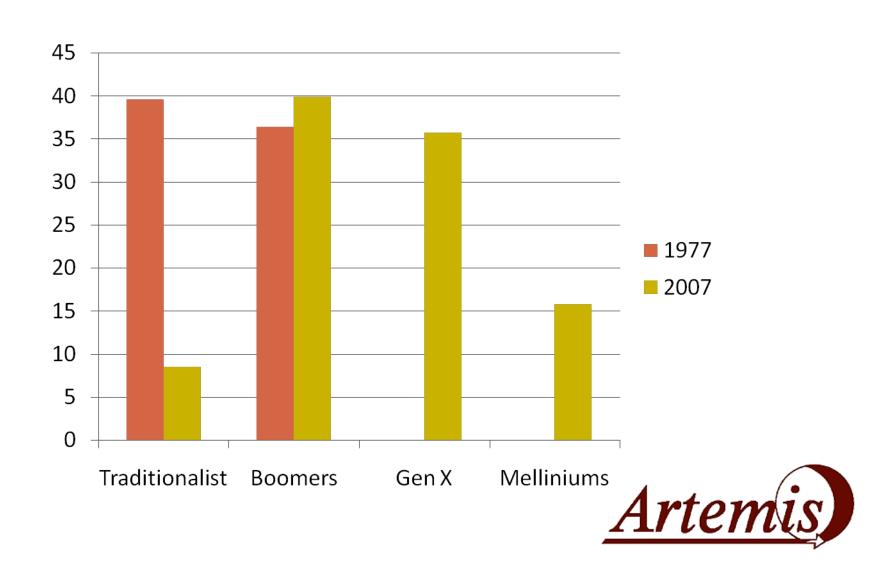


# Workplace Mix in 2006

- Traditionalists: 7%
- Boomers: 41.5%- by 2012,
   10,000 Americans will turn 65 each day
- X'ers: 29.5%
- Millenniums: 22%



## Generation Mix



## **Stories**

"I have a woman who is bringing her group to Madison to learn about attracting and retaining young talent. To set everything up, we've communicated purely by phone calls despite my attempts otherwise. I can't tell you how irritating I found it. I wanted to scream, "Use email! Text me! Stop calling me!"

Manager wants to take Gen X on business trip...

Manager convinces boss to give her employee a bonus...

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Other stories:

## Traditionalist/Seniors

1909-1945 - Age: 99-63

- · 2 World Wars
- Depression
- · New Deal Social Security
- · Victory Gardens Self-Sacrifice
- · Women in the workplace







## Traditionalist/Seniors

1909-1945 - Age: 99-63

## Still Working

- Sumner Redstone 85- Viacom
- Kirk Kerkorian 91 Tracinda
- · Hugh Hefner 82- Playboy Enterprises
- · Warren Buffet 78 Berkshire Hathaway
- · T. Boone Pickens 80 Mesa Power
- · Tom Perkins 76 Kleiner, Perkins, Caufield
- · Muriel Siebert 75 Wall Street firm
- · Rupert Murdoch 77- News Corp.



#### Boomers

1946-1964 - Age: 62-44

- · Consumerism
- · Ozzie and Harriet
- Sexual Revolution
- Civil Rights
- · Divorce rates rise
- Corporate Downsizing Begins









#### Gen X

1965-1980 - Age: 43-28

- · Inflation
- · Dual Career Families/Single Parent
- · Downsizing in full Bloom
- ·Latchkey Kids
- ·AIDS
- Drugs
- · Sense of Hopelessness, Cynicism
- Lennon killed; Regan shot; Watergate; Child
   Molesters, milk carton kids







## Millennial Generation

1981-2000 - Age: 27-8

- Internet Age Multi-task -
- · Interactive Web 2.0
- · Global Economy Global friends
- Individual in control
- Helicopter parents-Overscheduled
- · Everyone given a trophy
- · Raised with laws to protect them: bike helmets
- · Have a team: parents, therapists, tutors
- · Women and men work collaboratively
- .com bust, no social security, corp. benefits eroding
- · Columbine, 9/11







## Heroes

Seniors
<ul> <li>Jackie Robinson</li> <li>Jimmy Stewart</li> <li>FDR</li> <li>Dr. Spock</li> <li>John Wayne</li> <li>Betty Crocker</li> <li>Lindberg</li> <li>Cronkite</li> <li>Rosie the Riveter</li> <li>Babe Ruth</li> <li>Frank Sinatra</li> </ul>

### Music

<ul> <li>Shirley Temple</li> <li>Crosby</li> <li>Sinatra</li> <li>Beatles</li> <li>Ricky Nelson</li> <li>Beach Boys</li> <li>Mamas and Papas</li> <li>Rolling Stones</li> <li>Punk Bands</li> <li>Madonna</li> <li>Live</li> <li>Back Street</li> <li>Boys</li> <li>American Idol</li> <li>50 Cent</li> <li>The Fray</li> <li>Eminem</li> <li>Smash Mouth</li> <li>OutKast</li> </ul>

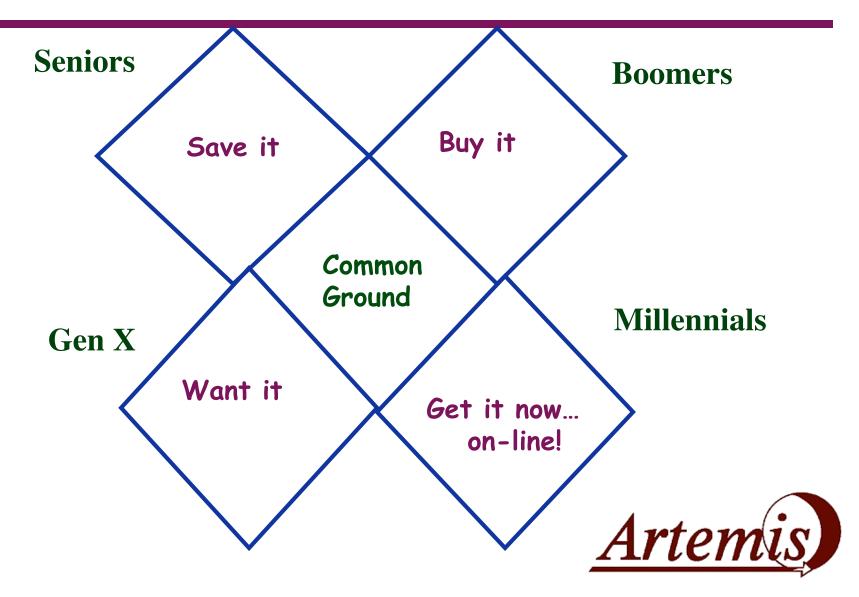
## Movies

Seniors	Boomer	Gen X	Gen Y
<ul> <li>Robin Hood</li> <li>Scarlet Letter</li> <li>Dr. Jekyll</li> <li>All Quiet on the Western</li> <li>Front</li> <li>Alice in Wonderland</li> <li>Little Women</li> <li>Gone with the Wind</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>A Streetcar Named Desire</li> <li>High Noon</li> <li>Gentlemen Prefer Blonds</li> <li>Gigi</li> <li>South Pacific</li> <li>King and I</li> <li>My Fair Lady</li> <li>Sound of Music</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ordinary People</li> <li>Empire Strikes Back</li> <li>On Golden Pond</li> <li>ET</li> <li>The Color Purple</li> <li>Driving Miss Daisy</li> <li>Tootsie</li> <li>Return of the Jedi</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pretty Woman</li> <li>Silence of the Lambs</li> <li>Pulp Fiction</li> <li>Toy Story</li> <li>Titanic</li> <li>Armageddon</li> <li>Schindler's List</li> <li>The Lion King</li> <li>101</li> <li>Dalmatians</li> <li>Star Wars</li> </ul>

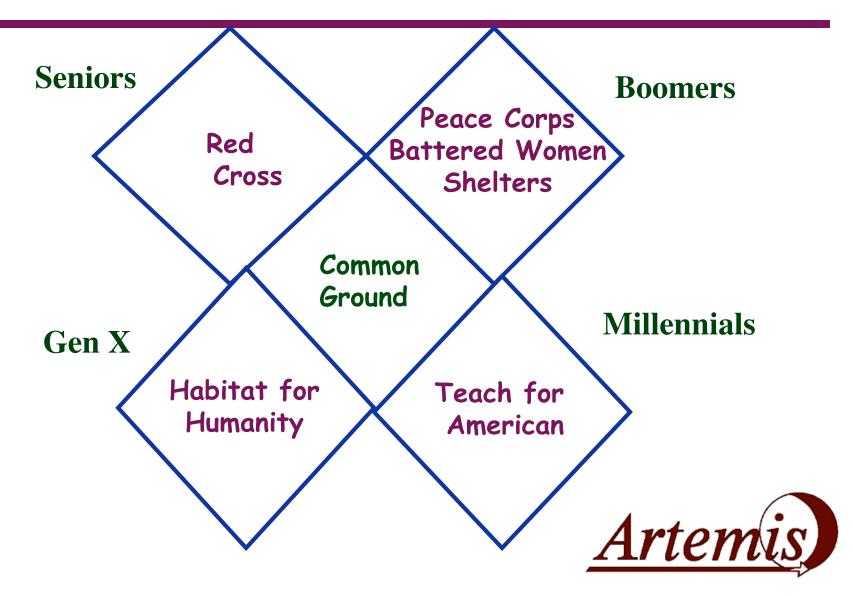
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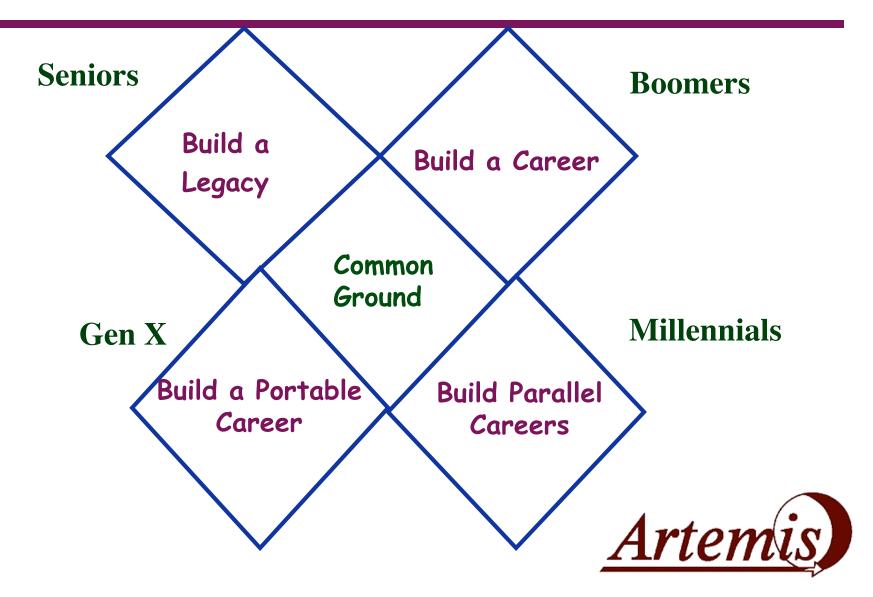
# Attitude Toward Money Across the Generations



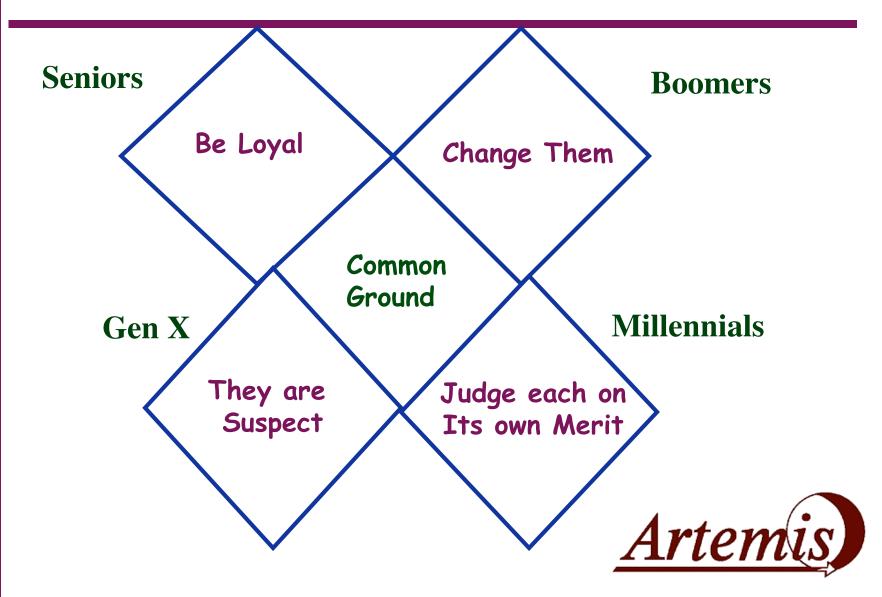
# Social Responsibility Across the Generations



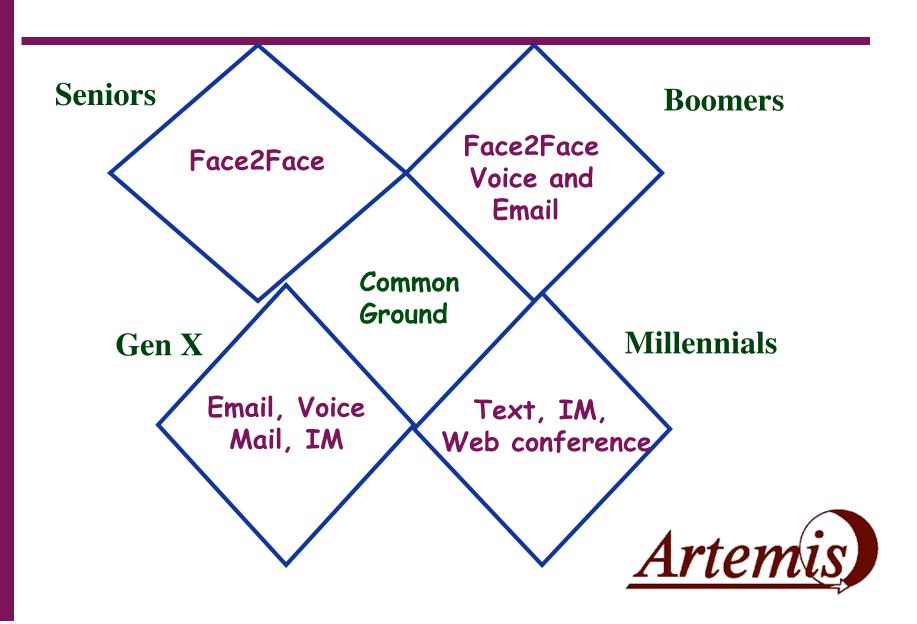
# Attitude Toward Careers Across the Generations



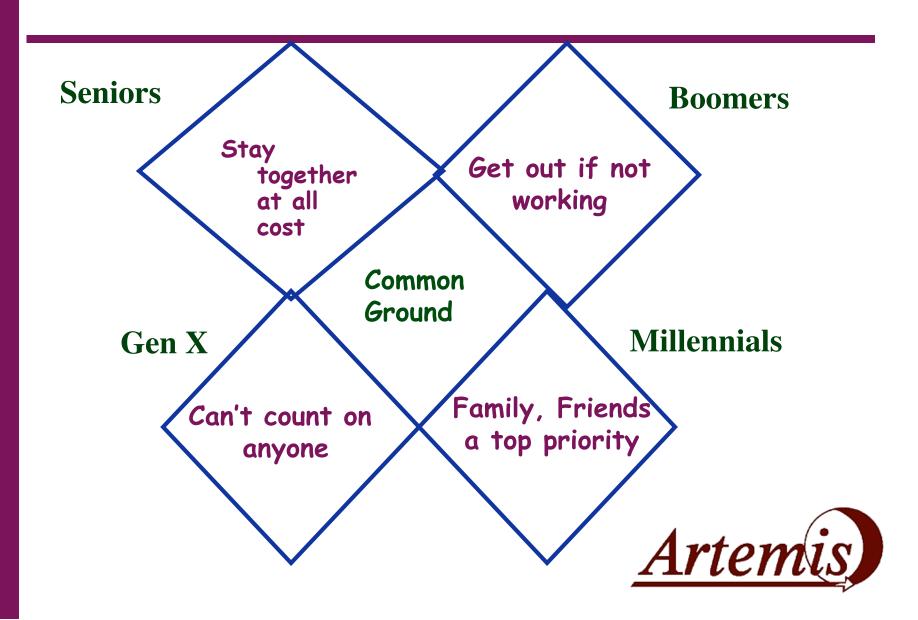
# Attitude Toward Organizations Across the Generations



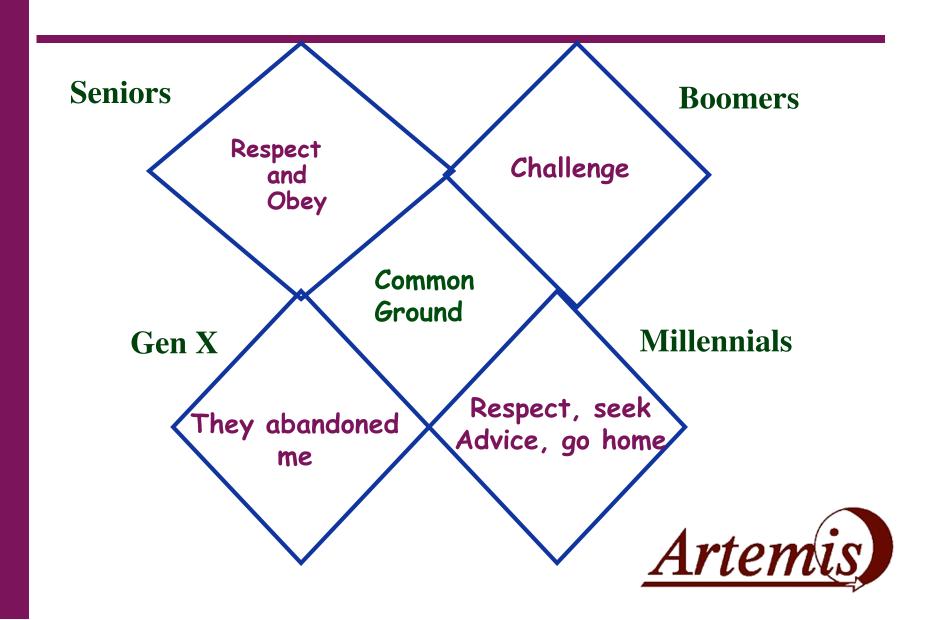
# Communication Styles



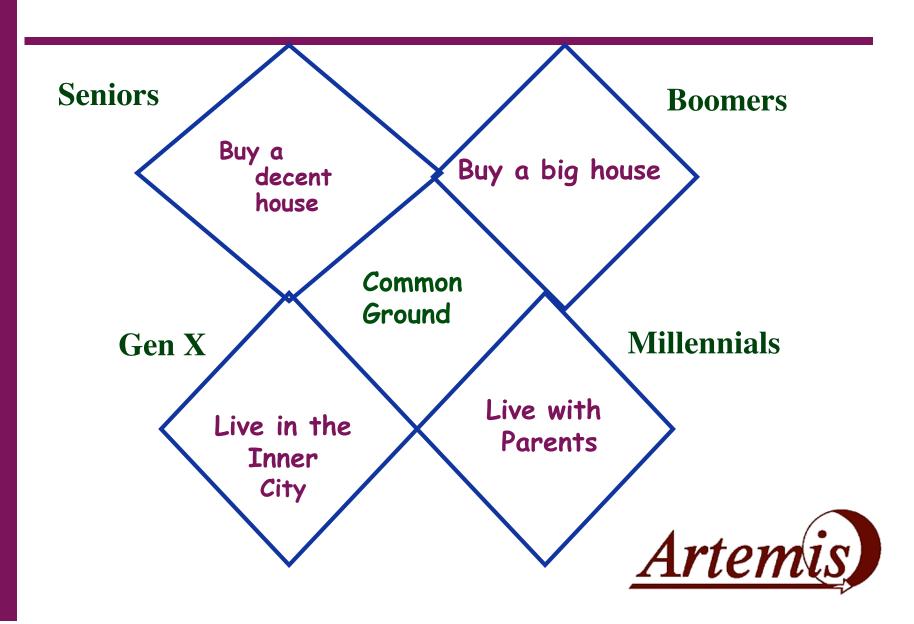
# Attitude Toward Family



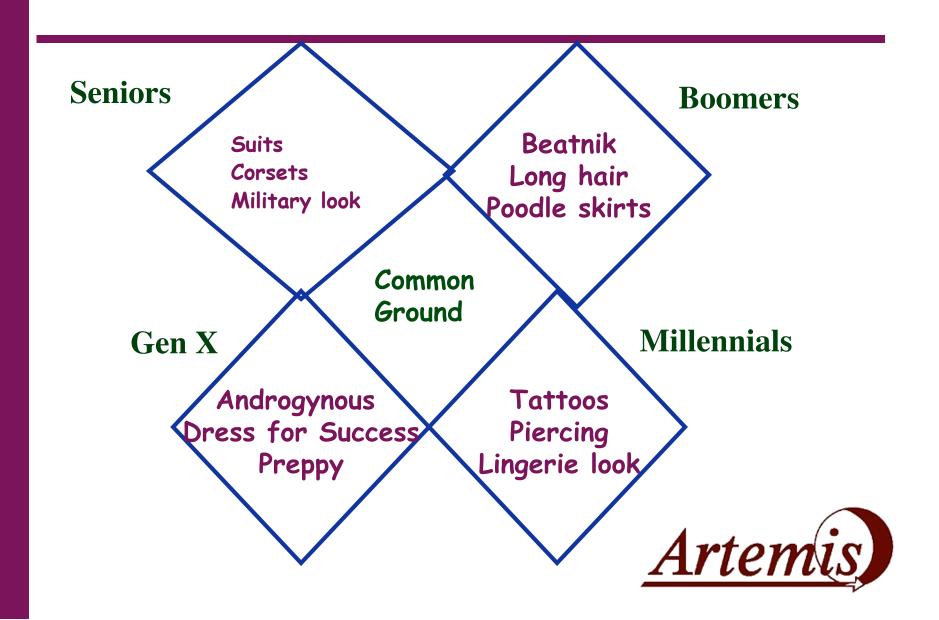
### Attitude Toward Parents



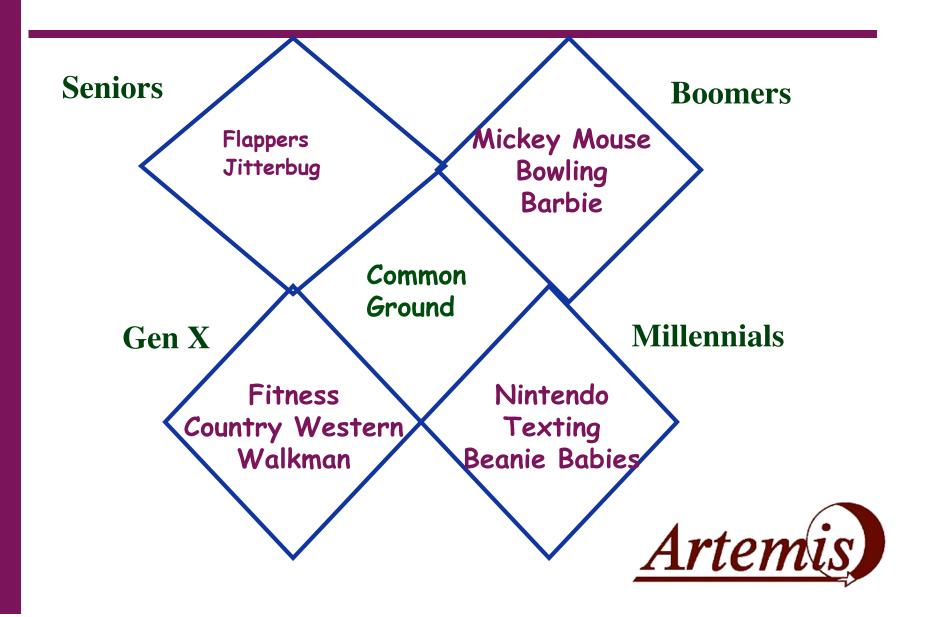
# Attitude Toward Housing



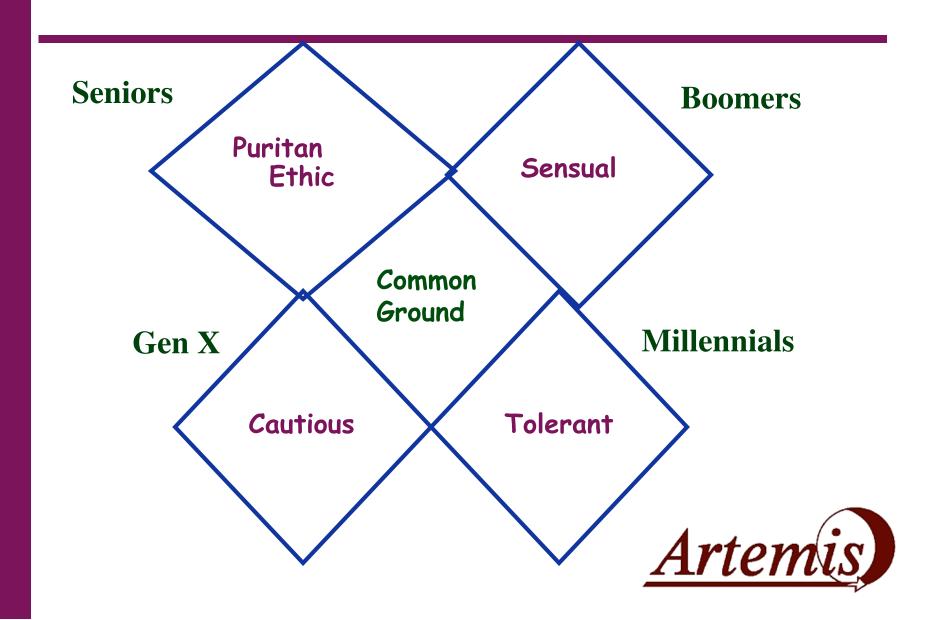
#### Attitude Toward Fashion



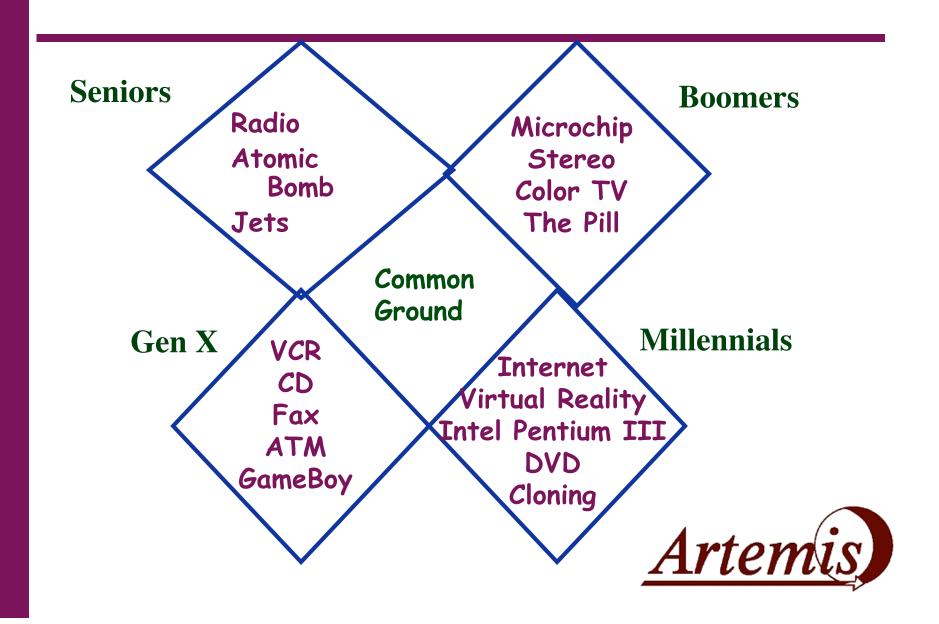
## Fads



### Morals



#### Inventions



# Benefits of a Multi-Generational Workforce

- Flexibility
- Broad insight into customers
- Increased creativity
- Decisions can be stronger
- · Meet the needs of a diverse public
- Survivability need to replace aging workforce



# Generational Adaptation

"It is not the strongest species that survives, nor the most intelligent.

It is the one that is the most adaptable to change."



**Charles Darwin** 



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