

Navigating the Digital Landscape *to Succeed*

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• The World has **Changed!**

- **GENERATION Y – Ages 18 – 32**

The next generation of serious online customers

“The Net Generation” Also called Millennials

- **GENERATION X – Ages 33 - 44**

- Lowest Hanging Fruit

- **CURRENT** Generation of serious **ACTIVE** online customers****



Have You Changed?

FOCUS:

GENERATION X – Ages 33 – 44
Referred to as “Online Grownups”

67% Bank **online**

80% Shop **online**

82% Look for health information **online**

Gen Y internet use mostly for fun. vs. Gen X internet use is for core information.

**Baby Boomers (ages 46 - 83) Buy, Bank, Visit Govt. Sites, and Research Health and Religious Information online*





- **The Question Becomes...**
- What Do We **Do** to Stay in front of **Online Grownups?**



- The Answer = **Online Brand Equity!**
- **Building Trust**
- **Establishing Your Expertise Online**
- **Name Recognition Online**
- **Differentiation in your Online Campaigns**



Brand Equity?
Building Trust? Recognition?
Differentiation?
Online??

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Your **Competition** will have the
Last Laugh...*all the way to the
bank!*



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BLOGGING

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BLOGGING

The Good Blog vs. the Bad Blog

- **Name Recognition:**

ONLINE CAMPAIGNS

What, When, Where, How

- **Differentiation in your Campaigns:**

CREATIVE & STRATEGIC APPROACH

- Does Your Message **resonate** with target group?
- How will you grab and hold their attention?
- What are you offering that is **different/better?**



Online Brand Equity places you
"TOP OF MIND"

as the go-to brand in your industry.

Diagnosis of Your Business

AWARENESS: Does Gen Y and Gen X know you are there?

PROOF POINTS: Have you proven yourself trustworthy?

MOTIVATION: Are they willing to become YOUR clients?

PROXIMITY: Are you reaching your local market?

Your Diagnosis Determines Your

ONLINE BRAND EQUITY

Brand Equity!
Building Trust! Recognition!
Differentiation!

Online to meet
GENERATION X

PATCH

<http://www.patch.com/>

- We are **PATCH.COM**
Reaching Gen X – Online Grown-ups
DAILY, WEEKLY, MONTHLY, HYPER-LOCAL
- What We Do:
CONTENT
CONVERSATION
COMMERCE

PATCH delivers the opportunity for Local businesses to speak to the community that gets their news and information online.

FACT: 87% of your business is local. Most of the customers that support your company are based in your local area.

PATCH = LOCAL

PATCH = GENERATION X

***One-on-One
Q & A Sessions***

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- Important Link
- <http://pewresearch.org/databank/dailynumber/?NumberID=717>
- Important Quote

“The smart business owner will swim with the tide -- or be swept away by it.”

- Author, Karin E. Klein (Small business and Marketing)