

ANDREW PITCAIRN

Advisory Board Member, Initiative for Family Business and Entrepreneurship



Andrew Pitcairn, John Pitcairn's great grandson, is a fourth generation member of the Harold Pitcairn Family line and is the current Pitcairn Family Council Chair. The Pitcairn Family Council was one of the first in the nation, established in 1982 as a platform for identifying family talent, educating Family members about the operating business, identifying and implementing solutions for family connectedness and interfacing directors, management and owners, among other duties.

John Pitcairn, Jr. (January 10, 1841 - July 22, 1916) was a Scottish-born American industrialist. With just an elementary school education, Pitcairn rose through the ranks of the Pennsylvania railroad industry, and played a significant role in the creation of the modern oil and natural gas industries.

He went on to found the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company (now PPG Industries), an early industry innovator which quickly grew into the largest manufacturer of plate glass in the United States, and amassed one of the largest fortunes in the United States at the time.

Growing up in the small suburban town of Bryn Athyn and attending the community Swedenborg faith based school gave Andrew a spiritual sense that we are all here for a greater purpose and that to live life helping others was the highest calling one could achieve.

After studying psychology at Temple University, Mr. Pitcairn entered the world as a small business owner and from 1999-2008 owned and operated 2 small businesses in the Philadelphia area. This proved to be invaluable in gathering real world experience and setting the path for the next chapter in his life.

As a Pitcairn Family member Andrew has spoken at events such as: Transitions East and West, South Eastern Family Office forum, Hamptons Family Office , New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants, Purposeful Planning Institute, Opal Financial, Delaware Family Business Center, Private Asset Management Group and Financial Research Associates.

In 2009, Andrew moved from a Family Council member to the Co-Chair position, and after 1 year he took over as Chair of the Board. In 2010 he became a committee advisory member of Pitcairn's Capital Committee, a member of the Governance Committee as well as Chair of the Nominating Committee. Recently Mr. Pitcairn completed a course from Cannon Financial for qualification to sit as Co-Trustee with Pitcairn Trust Company on Family trusts. Andrew sits on the Board of Directors for Pitcairn as well as Chairman of the Board for LighTouch Medical.

