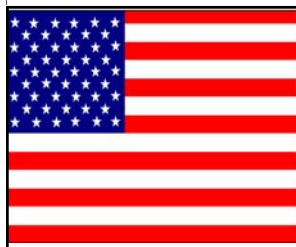


Dates For Your Calendar

- ♦ May 19th: Annual Meeting & Luncheon
- ♦ May 25th: Mixer @ Clemente Museum
- ♦ June 18th: Power-Breakfast with Allen Kukovich, Power of 32
- ♦ June 22nd: Mixer @ Manchester Bidwell
- ♦ Welcome New Members



MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the African American Chamber of Commerce of Western Pennsylvania is to continuously improve business opportunities for African American businesses and professionals throughout the region. Guided by the core values of equity in opportunity, economic advancement, self-sufficiency and entrepreneurial excellence, we will seek to advance economic parity by ensuring full participation.

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This monthly newsletter is prepared solely for members, supporters, & sponsors of the African American Chamber of Commerce of W. Pa.

May 18th is Election Day
Don't forget to vote!
Rob Stephany, Executive Director of the URA, gave an informative overview of various economic development projects at last month's PowerBreakfast Meeting.

Thanks to Attorneys Joel Dennison, Reed Smith; Donald Kortlandt, K&L Gates, and Homer Walton Tucker Arensberg for a superb "Ask The Experts" Legal Panel Workshop. The evaluations indicated another workshop should be held; stay tuned.

Thanks to Members Frank Polito for serving as our sponsor for the Chamber's Candidate Forum, Frank Hamschin for the refreshments, & Member Rod Doss who served as Moderator for the full house of members & guests. Hopefully, you saw it on PCN, or read it in the Post-Gazette or the Tribune Review. Fielding questions on education & business issues were candidates Tom Corbett, Joe Hoeffel, Dan Onorato, Robert Mansfield, Jack Wagner, Anthony Williams.

Annual Meeting & Luncheon

May 19th
Annual Meeting 11:00 AM
Luncheon 12 Noon
Sponsor PNC Bank
Presidential Roundtable Member Mark Nordenberg-Chancellor, University of Pittsburgh, will be our luncheon speaker. Please plan to attend the Annual Meeting @ 11:00 AM.

Members Mixer
May 25th, 5 PM - 7 PM
Roberto Clemente Museum
3339 Penn Ave.
Lawrenceville
Sponsored by Prudential
The museum will also be open to view the world's largest collection of sports memorabilia on Clemente. Valet parking available. RSVP by May 21st @ 412-392-0610: Join us!

PowerBreakfast Meeting
June 18th, 7:30 AM
Rivers Club, Oxford Centre
Power of 32 Initiative
Executive Director Allen Kukovich will present this regional visioning project where 32 counties in MD, PA, OH, W.VA come together as one, & the value it will bring.

Members Mixer
June 22, 2010
Manchester Bidwell Corp.
1850 Metropolitan Street

It will be a special treat to network around the fountain inspired by the design of the famous Architect Frank Lloyd Wright (watch the mail). Your announcement is forthcoming.

Gloria Gaynor & The Pittsburgh Symphony
June 24th - 7:30 PM
Heinz Hall

Your Chamber is again a Community Partner & will benefit from your ticket purchases. Call 412-392-4900 & use code **18184**.

Chamber Cuff Links
Chamber logo cuff links are still available for just \$25. Call 412-392-0610.

Members Events

NAACP 56th Annual Human Rights Dinner

May 6th, 6 PM
Omni William Penn Hotel
Join member M. Gayle Moss as the NAACP welcomes NBC News Correspondent Rehema Ellis as guest speaker. Call 412-471-1024.

Pittsburgh Community Services Annual Meeting & Luncheon

May 7th 11:30 AM
Marriott City Center
Join Member Cecelia Jenkins for highlights of the past year. Call 412-392-4430.

Great Outdoors Week
Join Member

Sustainable Pittsburgh
May 14th-23rd;
part of the United Nations
World Environment Day
2010 Pittsburgh. Call
412-255-0564.

**Potential Capital!
Matchmaking Event
May 20th, 9 AM - 4 PM
SBA - 1 Smithfield St.**

Member Carl Knoblock,
SBA, invites you to this
matchmaking event. Bring
your lunch; Limited seating.
YOU MUST REGISTER.
No fee. Call 412-395-6560.

Diversity, It's Not Just

Black & White

May 20th & 21st

Holiday Inn-Monroeville

Join member Jacqueline
Wilson, Three Rivers
Adoption Council for this
2 day diversity conference.
Call 412-471-8722.

**Highmark Walk for a
Healthy Community**

**May 22nd - 9AM
Schenley Park**

Register online @:
wfahcpgh@highmark.com

**Pittsburgh Promise
Inaugural Luncheon**

May 24th-12 Noon

Rivers Club-Oxford Centre
Hosted by

Parents for the Promise
Call 412-281-7605

SMC Golf Outing

**May 24, 1 PM - Shotgun
South Hills Country Club**
Join member Tom

Henschke for this outing
sponsored by SMC
Insurance Agency. Register
@ 412-342-1622.

**SBA Certification &
Contracting Workshop**

**May 26th, 9AM - 12Noon
700 River Ave., Northside**
Call 412-395-6560

**Leadership Pittsburgh
Public Agenda Series**

**May 28th, 7:30 AM
Rivers Club
Oxford Centre**

Join Member Aradhna
Dhanda as our region's

transportation issues are
discussed. RSVP by May
22nd @ 412-392-4505.

**Western Pennsylvania
Small Business Network
& the SBA Present
The 2010 Luncheon
& Trade Show, May 28th**

Sheridan Station Square
10:30 AM -Trade Show
12 Noon - Luncheon
Call 412-281-4783

**Race In America
Restructuring Inequality
June 3rd - 6th**

University of Pittsburgh

Join Member Larry Davis,
University of Pittsburgh
School of Social Work, for
this national conference.
Call 412-624-7382.

**Business Owners
TV Advertising Opportunity**

Member Chris Thorpe,
CMG Media Ventures invites
you to be a part of
Western PA's newest TV
Show, "Pittsburgh's What
Do You Do?" Call 412-235-
4090.

Raise Your Spirits

Member Max Miller is
offering a discount to
Chamber Members. Go to:
www.raiseyourspirits.net.
authorities.aspx.

Have a Greater Voice

Become a Power of 32
facilitator of community
conversations on how to
make our region a better
place. Call 412-648-9301.

Technology Positions

Search Innovation Works
career opportunities @
www.innovationworks.org.
Click on *careers*.

Did You Know

Your Chamber's website
has had more than 7,000
hits this year!

FY\$!

Find money to pay for
energy efficient upgrades
to your business at:

[www.business.gov/
manage/green-business/](http://www.business.gov/manage/green-business/)

[grants-and-loans](#)

[Green News](#)

An Emerging Giant:

Prospects & Economic
Impacts of Developing
The Marcellus Shale
Natural Gas Play
Download the full report
@ www.pamarcellus.com
& check out the video on
the actual drilling process.

Congratulations

Members Bill Strickland,
Manchester Bidwell on the
2010 International Bridge
Award in Community &
Culture; Sylvester Pace
on NEED's *Leading The
Way* Annual Benefit
Dinner; Lucille Dabney
on PACE's Inclusive
Voices Luncheon;
Magdeline Jensen,
YWCA on the Y's Center
for Race & Gender Equal-
ity new Director Dina
Clark; Greg Spencer,
Randall Industries,
Dwight Mayo, Transport-
ation Solutions, & Victor
Roque, Interim CEO, Hill
House among purchase-
rs of the Crawford Grill
Building; New Pittsburgh
Courier staff honored by
City Council on the
paper's 100th Anniver-
sary; Every Child, Inc.
featured in the Heinz
Endowments Website
Spotlight.

IN THE NEWS

New Pittsburgh Courier

Members Dawn Webb
Turner, Our House Dev-
elopment & Sylvester
Pace at NEED's *Leading
The Way* Annual Dinner;
David Allen, Allstate
Insurance & Greg
Spencer, Randall
Industries attending the
Black History Banquet
@ Park Place AME
Church; Greg Spencer,
Bob Agbede & your
Chamber President @

PACE's Inclusive Voices
Luncheon; URA Executive
Director Rob Stephany @
the Power-Breakfast
Meeting.

**Pittsburgh
Tribune Review**

Member Peggy Harris &
Three Rivers Youth's 130th
Anniversary Celebration.

Pittsburgh Business Times

Member Dr. Alex
Johnson, CCAC, elected
to the Board of Directors
of the American Assoc. of
Community & recipient of
the Diamond Award.

Whirl Magazine

Members Lois Mufuka
Martin @ Bethlehem
Haven's fundraiser; Jerry
Cozewith, Entrepreneur-
ing Youth & Ralph Papa,
Citizens Bank @ the
Champions for Children
Benefit; Rod Doss @ the
Courier's Fab 40 recep-
tion; Toni Silva, UPMC @
the Pittsburgh Business
Times reception; Phyllis
Comer, Comer Education-
al Consulting, Oscar
Worthy, Oscar's LTD;
Glenn Mahone, Reed
Smith; Sheila Washington,
Washington Consulting;
Kevin Cooper, HHCD &
your Chamber President
in the 100 Anniversary
Issue's photo gallery.

Pittsburgh Magazine

Member Sandy Burkett,
Vital Signs, Spotlight on
Women in Business.

Pittsburgh Urban Media

Member Jacqueline
Wilson, CEO, Three Rivers
Adoption in the Spotlight.

Welcome New Members

Chairman's Circle

James Rice
Rice Enterprises
(former Associate Member)
**See you at the Annual
Meeting & Luncheon!**