

Dates for your Calendar

- ◆ June 15th Power-Breakfast Meeting: Steve Bland
- ◆ June 22nd Members Mixer
- ◆ June 26th Members' Orientation
- ◆ July 13th Special Breakfast Meeting: Auditor General Jack Wagner
- ◆ New Members
- ◆ Members Events



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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June 2012
This monthly newsletter is prepared solely for members, supporters, & sponsors of the African American Chamber of Commerce of W. Pa.

What a productive Annual Meeting we had: we saluted Member Mulu Birru, the founding father of the Chamber, thanked our two outgoing Board Members Jim Rice & Julius LaRosa, & voted in new Board Members Kaye Bealer & Phyllis Comer. A special thanks to Dollar Bank's President & CEO Robert Oeler who was the guest speaker at our Annual Meeting & Luncheon: what an interesting history about the bank!

Dr. Diane Johnson, DPM gave a great presentation & Ask The Doctor session at the Chamber's Diabetes Workshop. **Mark your calendars for the next workshop September 26th.**

Everyone enjoyed the Networking Mixer in "The Vue" suite @ the newly remodeled DoubleTree By Hilton Hotel & Suites. Thanks to Manager Tim Zugger & staff for hosting.

PowerBreakfast Meeting
June 15th - 7:30 AM
Rivers Club
One Oxford Center
 Join us as we welcome Steven Bland, CEO, Port Authority Transit. Hear

about proposed service cuts & the new TPlus.

Members' Orientation
June 26th
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM
 Regional Enterprise Tower 425 Sixth Ave-23rd Flr. Downtown
 Learn more about the value of being part of our organized body & the programs offered. Your RSVP is required.

Networking Mixer
June 22nd 5 PM-7 PM
The Children's Home
5324 Penn Ave.
Friendship
 Connie Bach will host us for a relaxing time @ this indoor/outdoor mixer. RSVP @ 412-392-0610.

Special Breakfast Meeting
State Auditor General Jack Wagner
July 13th
8:00 AM Rivers club.
 The Auditor General will update us on the state's financial health & new budget. *Don't miss*

Members Events
June 7th
6 PM - 9 PM
Behind theScenes Tour of the Gates-Hillman Complex
 This Green Building

Alliance event is for GBA members only. For more information call 412-431-0709.

Attention Hockey Fans
5,000 Free Tickets
 The NHL draft is coming to Pittsburgh & free tickets are available to the general public. **You must go online @:** pittsburghpenguins.com/draft on Tuesday June 5th @ 10 AM.

June 7th
Center on Race & Social Problems
Univ. of Pittsburgh
4227 5th Ave., Oakland
 Join member Larry Davis for this free & open event. RSVP @: crsp@pitt.edu

June 8th
Pittsburgh Pirates African American Heritage Day Sports Luncheon
 Keynote Speaker Pittsburgh Steelers Coach Mike Tomlin. Call Member Chaz Kellum @ 412-325-4731 for details.

June 22nd
7:05 PM
2012 Kidney Disease Awareness Night
Pirates vs. Tigers
Free T-Shirt Friday
PNC Park
 For ticket information call 412-325-4731.
Fridays In June
At Noon

Join the Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation for walking tours of Market Square. Learn more about PHLF tours @ phlf.org

**Now thru June 30th
Strength in the
Struggle: Civil Rights
August Wilson Center**

The exhibit features the Women's Movement in Pittsburgh from 1967 - 1987. Learn more @: augustwilsoncenter.org.

**June 30th
11 AM - 3 PM**

**Tribute To
Female Trailblazers
Awards Brunch
August Wilson Center**

Sponsored by the National Organization of Black Women in Law Enforcement.

July 12th - 6 PM

**Big Brothers
Big Sisters
Putt For Kids' Sake
Red Carpet Golf &
Recreation Center
Washington, PA**

For more information or & to RSVP, email: sthas@bbbspgh.org

July 21st

**Epilepsy Foundation's
5k Run/2mi Walk
Fun - Run - Walk**

Join Supporting Member Judith Painter & stay for the Tailgate Party @ PNC Park. Call 412-322-5880 for details.

August 24th

**Save The Date
Bartko Foundation's
Annual Golf Classic**

Call Member Carl Ellis Perkins for details @ 412-371-1142.

**Quicksilver Golf Course
SPUR INITIATIVE
Free Career Training
The Hill House, in partnership with CCAC is**

offering the training. Call 412-392-4448 for details.

Positions

PNC Bank is looking for talent at the Teller level & above as they continue developing our downtown corridor. If you know people who are interested in full time or part time positions, email Michael Sahayda for details at: michael.sahayda@pnc.com

WQED is seeking an Accounting Assistant responsible for handling all administrative duties of the Finance office. Apply @: careers@wqed.org

Did You Know

The Pittsburgh Regional Alliance has been named one of the nation's top 10 economic development groups for 2011 by Site Selection Magazine!

National Geographic Traveler Magazine has named Pittsburgh among the world's 20 *must see* places to visit in 2012!

Congratulations

Chairman's Circle Member Keith Key/KBK Enterprises as co-developer for Addison Terrace redevelopment in the Hill District. *Members* Peggy Harris/Three Rivers Youth on a successful *Moroccan Experience*; Gayle Moss/NAACP on the Human Rights Dinner; Marcia Perry/Donate Life PA & Evan Frazier/Highmark appointed to the Governor's Advisory Commission on African American Affairs; Esther Bush/Urban League & Rex Crawley/Robert Morris Univ. on the Black Male Leadership Development Institute's Rights of Passage & Graduation; Richard Piacentini/Phipps

Conservatory & Botanical Gardens on the opening of the Center for Sustain-able Landscapes, Sherri Stitt/American Heart Association on the *Go Red For Women* Luncheon; Jan Glick/Big Brothers Big Sisters on the Gold Standard Award; Constance Horton/F.A.M.E. on their graduating Scholars; & Small Business Awards Recipients Elizabeth Bowers/Pennsylvania DGS; Stephen Cohen/SCORE & Rebecca Harris/Chatham's Univ.

In the News

New Pittsburgh

Courier

Members Rod Doss/New Pittsburgh Courier; Frederick Douglass Cosmos Technologies, Charles Powell/URA, & Herman Reid/NEED among those honored as *Architects of Today & Tomorrow*; K. Chase Patterson @ Three Rivers Youth's Moroccan Experience; Chairman Sam Stephenson Member Mulu Birru/McCormick Barron Salazar, & Bob Oeler/Dollar Bank @ the Annual Meeting & Luncheon; Maurita Bryant/NOBLE at the officers' blessing ceremony; Associate Member Cheryl Hall-Russell attended the ceremony; YWCA rally against racism; & Dr. Alex Johnson/CCAC named City of Pittsburgh Community Champion of Inclusion;

Soul Pitt Quarterly

Member Cecelia Jenkins/Pittsburgh Community Services

featured in *Think Green*: Dr. Rhonda Johnson/Highmark on *Patient Safety*; Neil Holmes/Designing Love on *Sustaining The Love The Eco-Friendly Way*;

**Volunteers of America
Voice**

Mary Ellen Sullivan/PNC featured in All of Us Care, teaching youth lessons on budgeting & money responsibility.

Whirl Magazine

Corporate Sponsors Bill Strickland/Manchester Bidwell Corp. & Members Evan Frazier/Highmark & Sis. Candace Introcaso @ the La Roche College Founders Gala; Frank Coonelly/Pirates in Cover Story *A Winning Combination*; Associate Member Barbara McNees/Greater Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce @ the American Ireland Gala; & Supporting Member Jay Ferguson/Fifth Third Bank @ the Shake Your Booties event;

Welcome New Members

Regular Members

Daniel Collier

Farmer's Insurance Group

Liz Lamping

Pittsburgh Human Resources Association

Corporate Supporter

Vincent Bennett

McCormack Baron Salazar, Inc.

&

Shawn Fox

Oxford Development Company

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