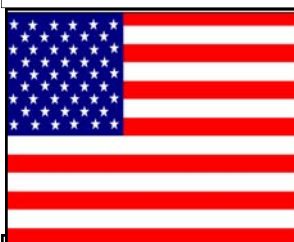


Dates for your Calendar

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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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DORIS CARSON WILLIAMS, PRESIDENT AND CEO

July 2013

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

Your Chamber is now the **10th** largest Chamber of Commerce in the region - up from 11th!

Corporate Sponsor Darrell Smalley & Scott Miller from Ernst & Young gave such a powerful presentation on the Affordable Care Act at our June PowerBreakfast; we will expand this into a workshop September 12th; stay tuned.

Thank you to Corporate Sponsor Frank Coonelly & Chaz Kellem of the Pittsburgh Pirates for hosting a fun Mixer with the Pirate Parrot in the beautiful Rivertowne Brewing Hall of Fame Club.

We enjoyed meeting our new members & existing members at our June Members Orientation.

Special Breakfast Meeting

July 19th 8:00 AM

Rivers Club

Daniel Fitzpatrick, Pres. Citizens Bank

Come meet the bank's new President & learn about the bank's plans for small business. Be there.

Affordable Care Act Workshop

**September 12th
8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Koppers Building
Conference Center
436 - Seventh Avenue**

Member Darrell Smalley & Scott Miller/Ernst & Young, & Joseph Vater Esq./Meyer, Unkovic & Scott will present the financial & legal issues with the Affordable Care Act. There are implications for each & every business owner. An invitation will be sent.

Members Mixer **September 24th Consol Energy Center**

We will be hosted in their luxury suite by our Corporate Sponsor, the Pittsburgh Penguins. Wear your logo pin & bring lots of business cards.

Members Events **Fridays In July 10 AM - 11:30 AM Downtown's Best A New Walking Tour**

Pittsburgh Historical Landmarks Foundation invites you to join their docents on a tour of Pittsburgh's historic financial district. Come on the tour & hear the story. RSVP @ 412-471-

5808.

***August 3rd - 7th* N.O.B.L.E. National Training Conference & Exhibition**

**David L. Lawrence
Convention Center**

Join Member Maurita Bryant/National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives as they host this annual event. For info, or to volunteer, go to: noblepittsburgh.org .

August 8th The Josh Gibson Foundation Negro League G.I.B.S.O.N. Awards Gala Wyndham Grand Pittsburgh

For time & tickets call 412-589-1906.

August 24th Save The Date Manchester Academic Charter School 15 Year Anniversary Celebration Manchester Craftsmen's Guild Stay tuned for details.

September 25th Pittsburgh Community Services, Inc. 30th Anniversary & Awards Celebration 5 PM - 8 PM

**Wyndham Hotel
Oakland**

100 Lytton Avenue
For more info, call
Member Cecelia Jenkins
@ call 412-904-4700.

**October 29th
PA Conference for
Women**

**Pennsylvania
Convention Center
Philadelphia, PA**
Featuring Keynote
Speakers Madeleine
Albright & Judge Glenda
Hatchett. See all of the
conference events at:
info@paconference_for_women.org

**Allegheny County
Economic
Development
Has A New Address**
**One Chatham Center
Suite 900**

**112 Washington Place
Pittsburgh, PA 15219**
Associate Member
Dennis Davin will keep
the same phone number
412-350-1082; & fax
number 412-350-1032.

FY\$!

**Highmark
Health Services**
The state's largest
health insurer, will soon
offer self-insurance
plans for small business-
es that will allow them to
cover the full cost of
employees' health care.

**Association for
Enterprise Opportunity**

The Community
Lending & Small
Business Jobs Act will
open new avenues to
access capitol & more.
Learn more @:
www.aeworks.org

Did You Know

Presidential Round-
table Member and
Chancellor Mark

Nordenberg/University of
Pittsburgh has announced
he will retire August 2014.

**October 16th -18th
Remaking Cities
Congress**

First held in 1998, this
conference is returning to
Pittsburgh, the focus will
be to share best practices
worldwide & to craft a new
agenda for urban revital-
ization. Prince Charles,
Honorary Chairman, will
deliver the keynote
address. **Volunteer
facilitators** with experi-
ence in urban planning
are needed. Email
ocwells@andrew.cmu.edu
for details & to sign up.

Congratulations

Members Bill Generett,
Jr./Urban Innovation 21,
Pete Cooper/Cooper
Trading, & Carol Philp/CPI
Creative named E&Y
Entrepreneurs of the Year;
Chuck Sanders/Savoy
Restaurant celebrating
Savoy's 2 year Anniver-
sary; Peggy Harris/Three
Rivers Youth awarded the
YWCA Tribute to Women
Leadership Award &
Maggie Jensen/YWCA on
a successful awards lunch-
eon; Associate Member
Lisa Schroeder/Riverlife
on "River Lights at The
Point" dedication cere-
mony for the reconstructed
fountain; Member Alberto
Benzaquen/Pittsburgh
Hispanic Development
Corporation on his new
U.S. Citizenship; Member
Aradhna Oliphant/
Leadership Pittsburgh
honored at the 2013
Women of Distinction
Awards Luncheon;
Corporate Sponsor Robert
Oehler/Dollar Bank on the
Three Rivers Arts Festival;

and Associate Member
William Bodine/Frick Art
& Historical Center on
the groundbreaking,
which marks the start of
the Frick's Orientation
& Education Center.

**Congratulations
New Pittsburgh Courier
50 Women of
Excellence**

Members Mary Coffey/
All Purpose Cleaning
Service; Stephanie
Durrett/SD Transit; Carol
Neyland/Dollar Bank;
Arletta Scott Williams/
ALCOSAN & Dr.
Erroline Williams/
Duquesne University.

**In the News
New Pittsburgh
Courier**

Members Peggy Harris/
Three Rivers Youth;
Esther Bush/Urban
League & Chauncey
Smith @ the Three
Rivers Youth "Grand
Tour of Italy"; Alexander
Nichols/Western
Pennsylvania Minority
Supplier Development
Council at the WPMSCD
Business Fair.

**Pittsburgh
Business Times**

Keith Key/KBK Enter-
prises as the first African
American member of
your Chamber's
Presidential Roundtable;
Member Dotti Bechtol/
Fragasso Financial
Advisors named by The
Financial Times as one
of the nation's Top 400
Financial Advisers;
Associate Member
Richard Piacentini/
Phipps Conservatory
and Botanical Gardens
on being named to the
board of directors of the
International Living

Future Institute.

Whirl Magazine

Members Robert Hill/
University of Pittsburgh &
Greg Spencer/Randall
Industries at your
Chamber's Mixer at Dollar
Bank; Member Esther
Bush/Urban League &
Presidential Roundtable
Chairman David Shapira/
Giant Eagle honored at
the History Makers Award
Dinner, the annual event
has raised more than \$6M
for our Associate Member
Senator John Heinz
History Center (Betty
Arenth); Presidential
Roundtable Member Mark
Nordenberg at the Art
Rooney Dinner; Member
Evan Frazier/Highmark &
Associate Member
Barbara McNees/Greater
Pittsburgh Chamber of
Commerce @ the Positive
High School Athlete
Awards. Associate
Member Sheila Weiner/
Event Group at the
"Forces of Nature" event;
Trib LIVE Lifestyles
Corporate Sponsor Lara
Washington/AHRCO @
the "Full Bloom Summer"
Dance Party.

**New Members
Regular Members**

Robin Martin
Wine & Canvas

Rosemary Crawford
Crawford McDonald LLC

***A schedule of all
programs & events is
emailed to members
each Monday &
Thursday. Check your
emails & follow your
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Twitter @ aaccwp.com***

