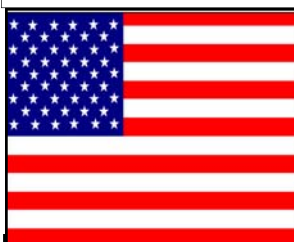


#### Dates for your Calendar

- ◆ January 9th Members Mixer @ The Frick
- ◆ January 17th PowerBreakfast
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- ◆ January 28th Members' Orientation
- ◆ February 21st PowerBreakfast
- ◆ 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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**DORIS CARSON WILLIAMS, CCE PRESIDENT AND CEO**

#### **January 2014**

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

#### ***Happy New Year!***

We finished 2013 with a spectacular Seasonal Celebration at the Savoy Restaurant. Kudos to our sponsor Member Chuck Sanders for the great food & the staff was excellent! Our Annual Business Luncheon. Thank you to sponsors Point Park University and the Omni William Penn Hotel.

#### **Members Mixer**

**January 9th  
5 PM - 7 PM**

**Frick Art & Historical Center**

**7227 Reynolds St.**

**Point Breeze - East End**

**We will be hosted by**

Associate Member William Bodine. Join us as we view the fascinating exhibition of more than 100 Civil War era drawings from the Becker collection.

RSVP @ 412-392-0610.

#### **PowerBreakfast Meeting**

**January 17th  
7:30 AM**

**Rivers Club  
Oxford Center**

Join us as we welcome Allegheny County Chief Executive Rich Fitzgerald.

RSVP @ 412-392-0610.

#### **Urban Power to Prosper Strategic Planning Workshop Getting Your Business in Order for 2014**

**January 21st  
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM**

**Koppers Building  
436 7th Ave., 9th Floor**

Join Ray Vargo and Rhonda Carson Leach from the University of Pittsburgh Center for Entrepreneurial Excellence in partnership with our Business Institute for this dynamic 2 part workshop series. Boxed lunch included. RSVP @ 412-392-0610.

#### **Members' Orientation**

**January 28th  
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM**

**African American Chamber of Commerce  
Koppers Building  
436 Seventh Ave.  
Suite 2220**

This program is for new & existing members to learn the benefits, opportunities, & the value of being part of an organized body; A boxed lunch is included. RSVP @ 412-392-0610.

#### **PowerBreakfast Meeting**

**February 21st  
7:30 AM**

**Rivers Club  
Oxford Center**

Join us as we celebrate Black History Month & welcome guest speaker Paul Harper, PhD, Clinical Assistant Professor of Business Administration, Organizations & Entrepreneurship at the Pitt's Katz Graduate School of Business. RSVP @ 412-392-0610.

#### **Members Events**

**January 16th  
2014 Spirit of King Award Ceremony  
10:00 AM**

**Kingsley Center**

The late Rev. LeRoy Patrick & August Wilson are the honorees for this year's annual event. Call 412-476-4006 to RSVP your attending.

**Now thru January 12th  
CLO presents  
"Plaid Tidings"**

Enjoy the best of Forever Plaid. For ticket info, call 412-281-3973.

**January 22nd  
World Affairs Council  
America's Energy  
Choice Public Policy  
Discussion**

The guest speaker will be Jack Gerard, President and CEO, American Petroleum Institute. For more information call 412-281-7970.

**January 23rd  
Pittsburgh Impact  
Initiative Presents  
"Impact Lunch"**

**11:30 AM—1:30 PM  
Hilton Garden Inn  
Southpointe  
1000 Corporate Drive  
Canonsburg**

This event is to connect regional businesses to resources needed to leverage private equity for growth. For more information go to: [www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/event/103431](http://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/event/103431).

**January 30th & 31st  
Catalyst Connection  
Video Marketing  
Boot Camp**

**2000 Technology Drive  
Uptown Pittsburgh**

This hands-on training will walk you through the steps required for successful video marketing. For times & more information call 412-918-4300.

**Teenie Tuesday  
on Facebook**

Don't miss this Carnegie Museum of Art series - The Charles Teenie Harris archive of nearly 80 thousand images. Go to: [www.facebook.com/teenietuesday](http://www.facebook.com/teenietuesday)

**Greater Pittsburgh  
Community Food Bank**

Help feed the hungry by visiting the Food

Bank Store. Purchase great gifts online for any occasion, all while giving to the food bank. Go to: [pittsburghfoodbank.org](http://pittsburghfoodbank.org)

**January 15th through  
February 9th  
Wicked**

**Benedum Center**

This performance is returning by popular demand, and has been billed as a cultural phenomenon - don't miss it! For more info, call 412-456-4800.

**Employment**

**Manager  
August Wilson  
Education Projects**

This position implements the educational outreach around the new national production from WQED & American Masters entitled 'August Wilson: The Ground On Which I Stand'. Go to [www.wqed.org](http://www.wqed.org). Click on Careers.

**Attention Members**

Hold on to your 2013-2014 Legislative Directory. The advancement of technology has diminished the need for a paper listing. The Legislative Directory may now be purchased online. Go to: [www.pachamber.org](http://www.pachamber.org)

**FY\$**

If you are located in the Allegheny County Central Tax Collection district and have one or more employees, and withhold 2011 Earned Income Tax to the city, you must register with Jordan Tax Service. Learn more at: [www.jordantax.com/Act32](http://www.jordantax.com/Act32) or call 412-345-7966.

Allegheny County has a

suppliers guide available at no charge, with information on bidders' lists, procurement methods, bid openings & more. Go to:

[www.alleghenycounty.us/purchasing/guide.aspx](http://www.alleghenycounty.us/purchasing/guide.aspx).

**Did You Know**

Carnegie Museums of Art and Natural History will now be open every Monday in 2014 - Closed Tuesdays.

**Congratulations**

Associate Member Esther Bush/Urban League on a great Ronald H. Brown Leadership Awards Gala; Corporate Sponsor MSA (Mine Safety Appliance) was named Pittsburgh Business Times Manufacturer of the Year; Associate Member Dennis Yablonsky/Allegheny Conference named Washington & Jefferson College Entrepreneur of the Year, The Allegheny Conference has named Morgan O'Brien new Chairman. Richard Harshman will succeed O'Brien as chairman of the Greater Pittsburgh Chamber; Supporting Member Court Gould/Sustainable Pittsburgh on a successful Sustainability EXPOSED; & your Chamber President was recently honored by the Peace Islands Institute & Turkish Cultural Center for 'Building Bridges for Small Business' & Amen Corner's David L. Lawrence Award for Public Service &

Excellence.

**In the News**

**New  
Pittsburgh Courier**

Members Kevin Carter/Adonai Center for Black Males "Fellows" event; Ron Scott/RS Supply; Philip Greene/Expanding Minds Creative, & Kier Wells/Homecare Sustainability Solutions featured in Business, along with our Business Luncheon.

**Pittsburgh  
Business Times**

Member Veronica Toran/Sci-Tek named among CFOs of the year

**New Members**

**Regular Members**

**Tracey Carter**  
SHEAR Delight Salon

**Naomi Johnson**  
Something Borrowed  
Boutique

**Kenneth Ross**  
Artistry Greenscapes Inc.

**Keir Wells**  
Homecare Sustainability  
Solutions, Inc.

**Associate Members**

**Andrew Wimbish**  
Greater Allegheny &  
Monongahela Housing  
Corporation

**A schedule of all programs & events are emailed each Monday & Thursday. Check your emails & follow your Chamber on Facebook & Twitter @aaccwp.com.**

