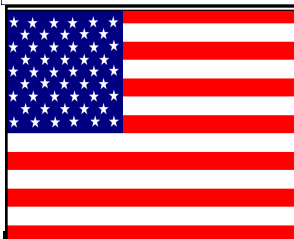


Dates for your Calendar

- ◆ **Members Mixer**
October 16th
- ◆ **PowerBreakfast Meeting**
October 17th
- ◆ **How You Do What You Do Successfully**
October 22nd
- ◆ **Members' Seasonal Celebration**
December 2nd
- ◆ **Annual Business Luncheon**
December 11th



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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October 2014

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The fountain at US Steel Tower is **PINK** in observance of National Breast Cancer Month.

The Business Institute Workshop featuring Greg Kozera on Opportunities in the Marcellus Shale and Beyond discussed how to access shale decision makers. Everyone received a copy of his book on Fracking.

Last month's PowerBreakfast Meeting featured Robert DeMichiei, UPMC's Executive Vice President & CFO who gave an enlightening presentation on UPMC's Supplier Diversity program.

Thanks to Member Cecelia Jenkins/Pittsburgh Community Services for a wonderful Members Mixer at their Environment & Energy Community Outreach Center: we enjoyed live jazz, delicious dining under tents & a tour of their sustainable building-launched by our Member-Senator Jim Ferlo.

A Discussion on Legal Issues

**October 15th
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM
Koppers Building**

436 Seventh Avenue 9th Floor Penn Room

Your burning legal questions will be addressed by our panel of legal experts: Attorneys-Members Susan Yohe/Buchanan Ingersoll Roon-ey, Jeff Letwin/Schnader, & Homer Walton/Tucker Arensberg. Your questions must be written to be presented!

Member's Mixer

**October 16th
5 PM - 7 PM**

Carnegie Museum of Natural History

4400 Forbes Ave.

Founders Room

At Carriage Drive

Join us for a reception

& welcome from The Carnegie's new President Jo Ellen Parker & hear from the curator before viewing the exhibit '**Race, Are We So Different?**' Please: RSVP by the 14th

PowerBreakfast Meeting October 17th - 7:30 AM

We invite you to join us & welcome CCAC's new President Dr. Quintin Bullock, & learn about their plans & initiatives for the college.

How You Do What You Do Successfully **October 21st**

**11:30 AM - 1:30 PM
Koppers Building
436 Seventh Avenue
9th Floor - Penn Room**
Join Member Howard Russell/Opus Acquisitions & your Chamber President as they share strategies & techniques for successful business meetings & sales calls.

Members Only

Update on the former Civic Arena

Site Development

November 5th

4 PM—5 PM

**Consol Energy Center
1001 Fifth Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15219**

CAL U Conf. Room

Member Kimberly Slater has scheduled a general overview of Preliminary Land Development Plan and Special Planning District Zoning. RSVP to our office; 412-392-0610

Save the Date

December 2nd

Seasonal Celebration

Carnegie Science Center

Omnimax Theater

5 PM - 8 PM

Bring a guest for this reception & performance. Sponsored by Peoples Natural Gas. A special invitation will be sent.

December 11th Annual Business Luncheon

Our Presidential Roundtable Member David Porges, Executive Chairman-EQT will be our guest speaker. The

luncheon is sponsored by EQT.

Members Events
Thru November 9th
Allegheny Regional
Asset District Presents
"20 RADical Days"

Enjoy free admissions, performances & special programming. For details: radworkshere.org.

Save the Date
October 6th
Community Meeting
Hillman Auditorium
6 PM - 8 PM

The Pittsburgh Penguins encourage you to join them for a public discussion on the Draft Land Development Plan for the former Civic Arena site.

October 7th
Vibrant Pittsburgh
Pittsburgh Region
Diversity Online Open
House Career Fair

Member Melanie Harrington will lead a live one-on-one interview with some of the region's top employers. For details go to: vibrantpittsburgh.org.

October 8th
The Art of Leadership
with Bill Strickland
President and CEO
Manchester Bidwell
Corporation
7:30 PM
University Club
123 University Place
Oakland

This lecture is free & open to the public, sponsored by the American Experience Distinguished Lecture Series of the Dick Thornburgh Forum for Law & Public Policy & the University Honors College. Register at: thornburghforum.pitt.edu

October 8th
Inclusion Best Practice
Series Featuring Mark
King, Kellogg Company
Head of Diversity
And Inclusion
7:30 AM - 9:30 AM
Point Park University
Lawrence Hall
Downtown

For more information, call Vibrant Pittsburgh at: 412-281-8600.

October 10th - 12th
Spanish Strings
Heinz Hall

Experience the sounds of Spain as the Pittsburgh Symphony hosts guitarist Pable Sainz Villegas. For more information, and tickets go to: pittsburghsymphony.org

Employment
The Senator John Heinz
History Center is seeking
a full time Development
Associate. Learn more at:
hr@heinzhistorycenter.org

FY\$!
Transportation Related
Contracts

The U.S. Department of Transportation has a Short Term Lending Program (STLP) that enables small businesses to gain access to funding needed to participate in transportation related contracts. Apply for a line of credit up to \$750K. Learn more at: www.dot.gov/osdbu/financial-assistance/short-term-lending-program.

Did You Know

Following up on his hosting of the Africa Summit, President Obama has announced the formation of the new

"President's Council on Africa" which will report to him on opportunities for business activity relative to the infrastructure, energy & other areas on the African Continent.

Voters

Don't forget the last
day to register to vote
is Monday October 6th.

Would Your Company
Like To Host a Mixer?

If your company would like to host a Chamber Members Mixer, call us @ 412-392-0610.

Congratulations
Member Chaz Kellem/
Pittsburgh Pirates
honored with the Small
Seeds Development
Inclusion & Diversity
Award; Member Inez
Colon/Port Authority is
now adjunct Professor
at DeVry University;
Chairman's Circle
Member Chuck
Sanders/Urban Lending
Solutions has been
chosen as the
introduction writer for the
Inaugural Edition of
Who's Who in Black
Pittsburgh, and Member
Rod Doss/New
Pittsburgh Courier has
been named Associate
Publisher; Presidential
Roundtable Member
Keith Key/KBK Enter-
prises on moving
forward on the Larimer
Project (6 Chamber
Members have been
awarded contracts on
the first phase of the
development); Support-
ing Member VisitPITT-
SBURGH was recently
awarded the Meetings &
Conventions 2014 Gold
Service Award by M&C
subscribers; Member

WQED received 23 nominations for the Mid Atlantic Emmys; they were awarded 4 Emmys! Member PNC has named David Serafini as the new Development Advisor for Pittsburgh, Erie and Morgantown Markets; Associate Member Lisa Schroder for her leadership with RiverLife: the American Planning Association named Point State Park as one of the top 10 Public Places in the U.S.

In the News
New Pittsburgh Courier

Member Frederick Douglas at the MWDBE event; & your Chamber's Chairman & President @ the PowerBreakfast Meeting.

Heinz Endowments
Member Riverlife
featured in *Spotlight*.

New Members
Regular Members

Nicola Henry Taylor
Law Office of Nicola
Henry Taylor

John Norman
Ex Properties, Inc.

Associate Members
Darryl Robinson
Propel Schools

Gerrod Winston
Desmone Architects

A schedule of all
programs & events is
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