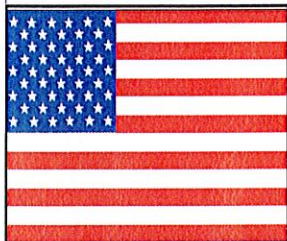


Important Dates to Record

- ◆ PowerBreakfast
March 18th
- ◆ Networking Mixer
March 22nd
- ◆ Credit Workshop
March 30th
- ◆ Candidates' Forum
April 7
- ◆ Film industry needs
firms
- ◆ Members' Events
- ◆ 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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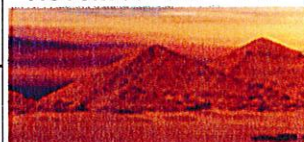
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Ancient Civilizations
November 9th - 17th



You have until April 29th to take advantage of the discount on this special 'bucket list' program. Be part of this special once in a lifetime trip: three exciting days in Cairo, a four day Nile River Cruise, then off to visit the Pyramids! Included are visits with a private Egyptologist to Luxor, Aswan, & the Valley of the Kings! For more info & reservations, email us: information@aaccwp.com.

Attention all firms interested in working with the film company who will produce the August Wilson Films here in Pittsburgh: you were sent an email listing all the commodities & the form to complete for this 10 film series. Email Sala Udin for details at: sala@salaudin.com.

Your Company or Organization Like to Host a Mixer?

If you would like to host a Chamber Members' Mixer, call us at 412-392-0610.

Thanks to Secretary Dennis Davin/PA Department of Community & Economic Development for a great presentation at our PowerBreakfast Meeting.

Bridgeway Capital's Royce Woods provided insight into the services they provide at our Business Institute workshop.

Thanks to Millard Humphreys University of Pittsburgh Institute for Entrepreneurial Excellence for a great workshop on the value of supply chain management.

PowerBreakfast Meeting

March 18th

8:00 AM

Rivers Club

Bill Peduto, Mayor

City of Pittsburgh

The Mayor will share his plans on his activity to ensure minority & small businesses are included in the city's economic development plans & activities.

Networking Mixer

March 22nd

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Energy Innovation Center

1435 Bedford Avenue

Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Our Corporate Spon-

sor Chevron will host the Chamber & the American Association of Blacks in Energy. RSVP.

Understanding your Credit Report/Score and Ways to Improve It Workshop

March 30th

11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Koppers Building

436 Seventh Avenue

9th Floor - Board Room

Downtown

Your Chamber will partner with Pitt's Small Business Development Center for this important workshop, presented by Advantage Credit Counseling Service.

Candidates' Forum

April 7th

4:30 PM Reception

5 PM Forum

Omni William Penn

Hotel

Lawrence Welk Room

Mezzanine Level

Downtown

Join us as we welcome candidates running for state representatives' seats in the 19th & 24th districts. We will hear their views & platforms. Free & open to the public.

A Trip to the Land of the Pharaohs

Members Events

Now through May 15th
Citizens Bank
2015-2016
Family Series

Enjoy 6 live performances full of creativity and fun for the entire family. Go to:

trustarts.org/events/series/childrens_theater

March 3rd
The Pension
Time Bomb
Is Your Business
Prepared

Pittsburgh Marriott
North
Cranberry Township
Join Member Steve Shivak/SMC Business Council to welcome PA Auditor General Eugene DePasquale for this presentation with State Representative John McGinnis. For more info, call 412-371-1500.

March 4th
Pittsburgh Cultural
Trust
presents
The Blues Music of
Shemekia Copeland
8PM
August Wilson Center
Downtown
For tickets go to:
TrustArts.org or call 412-456-6666.

March 8th
April 19th & April 26th
Duquesne University
Small Business
Development Center
QuickBooks Series
Basic & Advanced
Call 412-396-1633 for more info & locations on this & other workshops, or email the center at:
duqsbdc@duq.edu

March 9th
University of
Pittsburgh
Institute for
Entrepreneurial

Excellence Community Power to Prosper

8 AM - 10 AM
Hosanna House
807 Wallace Avenue
Wilkinsburg

This program is designed for business owners interested in managing their long term growth. For an application & more information email Rhonda Carson Leach at:
rleach@innovation.pitt.edu

March 15th
Pittsburgh Downtown
Partnership
Annual Meeting
4 PM

August Wilson Center
Downtown
For more information & to register go to:
downtownpittsburgh.com

March 3rd 8 am -2 pm
15th Annual
MWDBE Conference
"Making Your Business
Everyone's Business"
Rivers Casino Ballroom
Join the MWDBE Governmental Committee for face time with governmental, educational & industry contracting representatives who will be sharing contracting opportunities as they seek to develop new relationships with M/WDBE contractors and service providers. Please register online @: www.mwdbegovtcomm.org or call 412-488-0605: email: mwdbegovpgh@gmail.com. Parking & Attendance is Free!

March 22nd
Visit Pittsburgh
Annual Meeting &
Luncheon
David L. Lawrence
Convention Center
Join Member Craig Davis for this annual event. Registration deadline: March 15th. Call 412-

281-7711. to register.

March 24th
Women Business
Owners
Win City Contracts
The City of Pittsburgh
Equal Opportunity
Review Commission

8 AM - 11 AM
Elsie Hillman
Auditorium
1835 Centre Avenue
This session will show how to position your firm to win city contracts. Call 412-255-8804.

June 3rd & June 4th
Volunteers Needed
for
MOM 'N PA
David L. Lawrence
Convention Center
Downtown
Mission of Mercy is seeking volunteers to assist nearly 2 thousand underserved dental patients. Register at:
www.mom-n-pa.com

Employment / Training
Doubletree by
Hilton has several positions open. Call Jordan Rose at 412-281-5800.

FY\$!
If you do business in PA & pay corporate taxes, you are eligible to receive a PA Educational Improvement Tax Credit for Charitable contributions made to YWCA Greater Pittsburgh. Visit:
ywcapgh.help-give

Did You Know
The URA Board authorized \$50K as part of a grant application to fund a study to produce recommendations on restructuring the URA's Division of Community & Diversity Affairs.

Congratulations

Member Dr. Quintin Bullock/CCAC on their 50th Anniversary; Member Jason Flowers/Boy Scouts of America on a successful Whitney M. Young Annual Service Awards Dinner. Congratulations to Member Greg Spencer Dinner Chair & Honoree Scott Lammie. Member Kevin McMahon & the Cultural Trust team on having 10,000 members in 2015; Member Petra Mitchell & the Catalyst Connection team on a successful Annual Reception which highlighted the New Manufacturing Student Video Contest;

In The News
New Pittsburgh Courier
PA Secretary of Community & Economic Development Dennis Davin, guest speaker at your Chamber's Power-Breakfast Meeting;

The Pittsburgh
Post-Gazette
Member Anna Hollis/Amachi Pittsburgh, editorial *Let's Not Victimize The Children of Incarcerated Parents*; Member Cheryl Hall-Russell/Hill House attending "Voices of the Hill"

New Members
Regular Members
Michael Austin, Sr.
Pure Green Energy, LLC

Supporting Members
Barry Nathan, Ph.D.
Leader Business Coaching

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

