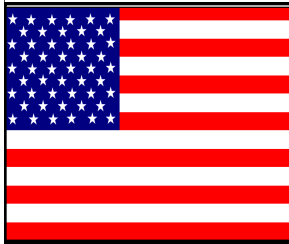


#### Important Dates to Record

- ◆ November 16th - How to do Business
- ◆ Special Breakfast - November 20th
- ◆ Seasonal Celebration - November 30th
- ◆ Business Luncheon - December 3rd
- ◆ 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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**DORIS CARSON WILLIAMS, CCE PRESIDENT AND CEO**

#### **November 2015**

**This monthly newsletter is prepared solely for members, supporters & sponsors of the African American Chamber of Commerce of Western PA**

#### ***November is National Diabetes Month!***

Our special thanks to Dr. Diana Burley from George Washington University for the excellent symposium on Cyber Security. She graciously autographed the book, 'Enterprise Software Security; A Confluence of Disciplines'. If you would like to purchase a copy, call the office. Cost : \$45.

Kudos to Supporting Member Jeremy Waldrup for sharing the many exciting initiatives in place to revitalize Downtown Pittsburgh. at our October PowerBreakfast Meeting.

Associate Member Jason Flowers was a great host & gave us a wonderful tour at our Members' Mixer at Laurel Highlands Council Boy Scouts of America.

#### **How To Do Business with Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh**

**November 16th**

**3:00PM - 5:00PM**

**Carnegie Museums  
4400 Forbes Ave.**

**Oakland**

Associate Member JoEllen Parker has

planned a full meeting to engage Chamber Members on doing business at their four locations.

**Special Breakfast Meeting  
November 20th  
Christina Cassotis, CEO  
Allegheny County  
Airport Authority  
8:00 AM  
Rivers Club**

Our new Corporate Sponsor will update us on increasing activity at the airport & her efforts to increase procurement.

**Seasonal Celebration  
November 30th  
Savoy Restaurant**

Your Chamber is preparing for our annual Seasonal Celebration - watch for your invitation in the mail!

**A Trip to the Land of the Pharaohs**



**November 9-17, 2016**

Please note the change in the dates. You want to be part of this special once in a lifetime

trip for 3 wonderful days in Cairo, 4 fabulous days Cruising along the Nile River, a visit to the Pyramids, Luxor, Aswan, & Valley of the Kings. Sign up now & receive a discount. Call 412-392-0610 or email: [information@aaccwp.com](mailto:information@aaccwp.com) for reservations

#### **Members Events**

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

Enjoy 6 live performances full of creativity and fun. Learn more @: [trustarts.org/events/series/childrens\\_theater](http://trustarts.org/events/series/childrens_theater)

**November 6th  
CCAC Labor & Management Institute  
presents**

**The Elliott Group & United Steelworkers -  
Our Journey Together**

**'A Discussion'**

**2 PM - 4 PM**

**CCAC Allegheny  
Campus**

**808 Ridge Avenue  
This event is free & open to the public. For more information call 412-237-4412.**

**November 10th  
The August Wilson Center Presents**

**Ailey II: The Next Generation of Dance**

**&**

**November 12-14 &**

Nov. 19- 21  
August Wilson's  
"The Piano Lesson"  
**Don't miss these**  
dynamic productions.  
For more info, call 412 -  
456-6666.

**November 14th**  
**The American Diabetes**  
**Association presents**  
**'A Bridge to Wellness'**

**Expo**  
**David L. Lawrence**  
**Convention Center**  
**Downtown**  
**9 AM - 3 PM**  
**Plan to attend this**  
annual free event &  
learn about new ways to  
be healthy, active and  
live well with Diabetes.  
Retail vendors will be on  
site. Diabetes causes  
more deaths a year than  
breast cancer and AIDS  
combined. Give a gift to  
the American Diabetes  
Association and make a  
difference!

**December 2nd**  
**Sustainable**  
**Pittsburgh's**  
**Green Workplace**  
**Challenge Awards**  
**Ceremony**  
**5:30 PM**  
**Andy Warhol Museum**  
**117 Sandusky Street**  
**North Shore**  
Celebrate with Support-  
ing Member Court Gould  
the many achievements  
of 87 organizations who  
competed to save energy,  
water & waste. Call  
412-258-6642 for details.

**Customer Service**  
**Representatives**  
**Peoples Gas is**  
seeking Customer  
Service reps for the  
North Shore Call Center.  
Applicants must register  
online @: [peoples-gas-  
jobs.itsmycareer.com](http://peoples-gas-jobs.itsmycareer.com)

**FY\$!**  
**Penn State Materials**  
Research Institute has  
matching funds for  
companies interested in a  
research relationship with  
the University Email David  
Fecko [dlf5023@psu.edu](mailto:dlf5023@psu.edu).  
Or call 814-865-6691.

**CODE FOR AMERICA**  
Pittsburgh has a  
partnership with a non-  
profit called 'Code for  
America', one of several  
digital services the City is  
building. The goal is to  
make it easier for Pitts-  
burgh businesses to do  
business with the city. To  
learn more, go to: [www.  
buildpgh.com/beacon](http://www.buildpgh.com/beacon)

**Did You Know**  
**Making mobile payments**  
for street parking in the  
city has arrived. Check  
your parking area for 'Go  
Mobile Pittsburgh' & pay  
from your phone!

**Would Your Company**  
**Like to Host a Mixer?**  
**If your company is**  
interested in hosting a  
Chamber Mixer for  
Members, call us @:  
412-392-0610.

**Congratulations**  
**Member Rod Doss/New**  
Pittsburgh Courier coming  
out big with 7 awards from  
the Pennsylvania News  
Media Association Foun-  
dation & for receiving the  
2015 Newspaper of the  
Year Awards; The Eastern  
Minority Supplier Develop-  
ment Council Gala  
honored several Chamber  
Members: **Members Paula**  
**Castleberry/Pittsburgh**  
**Public Schools, & Toni**  
**Silva/UPMC received the**  
**Harold T. Bushey Award;**  
**Member Lance Hyde/EQT**  
was named the Corporate  
Advocate of the Year,

**Member Suresh**  
Ramanathan/Koryak  
was named MBE  
Advocate of the Year,  
and EQT Corp. was  
named the Corporation  
of the Year, and our  
Chamber President  
served as the Honorary  
Chair for the evening;  
**Member Dr. Rhonda**  
**Moore Johnson/High-**  
**mark was honored as**  
one of two Physicians of  
the Year at the Gate-  
way Medical Society  
Annual Gala; **Member**  
**Evan Frazier/Highmark**  
presented the Scholar-  
ships: 2015 ATHENA  
Awards Finalists  
**Member Dr. Rhonda**  
**Johnson/ Highmark &**  
your Chamber President;

**Associate Member**  
Bridgeway Capital on a  
record breaking year with  
a 26% increase in  
closing loans over 2014;  
**Supporting Members**  
**Ron Baillie and Ann**  
**Metzger/Carnegie**  
Science Center, are the  
recipients of Chevron  
Center for STEM  
Education and Career  
Development grant in  
the amount of \$900k  
over 3 years;

**Supporting Member**  
RiverLife on new  
President & CEO Vivien  
Li; **Associate Member**  
**American Heart Assoc-**  
**iation's successful**  
**'Power of Laughter'**  
event: **Member Evan**  
**Frazier served as the**  
**honorary Chair; Assoc-**  
**iate Members William**  
**Generett/Urban Innova-**  
**tion21 & Rebecca Harris/**  
**Chatham University for**  
supporting the City of  
Pittsburgh's "Pittsburgh  
Roadmap for Inclusive  
Innovation".

**In The News**  
**New Pittsburgh Courier**

**Member Andrew**  
Cheeseboro/Small Seeds  
on celebrating 16th  
Anniversary & Member  
Donna Baxter/Soul Pitt  
Media attending; **Member**  
**Kimberly Slater-Wood**  
presenting the awards at  
the Thelma Lovette YMCA  
8th Hill of Hope Gala  
Your Chamber's Power-  
Breakfast Meeting  
featuring **Member Jeremy**  
**Waldrup/Pittsburgh**  
Downtown Partnership;  
**Member Peggy Harris/**  
**Three Rivers Youth on a**  
successful Community  
Day; & URA on creating  
an Affordable Housing  
Fund to help low-income  
elderly & minority residents  
continue living in East  
Liberty.

**Regular Members**  
**Dr. Lawrence Gibson**  
Neo Vision Spectacle  
Shop  
**Presidential Roundtable**  
**Membership**  
**Dana Yealy**  
Federal Home Loan Bank  
of Pittsburgh

**Have a wonderful**  
**Thanksgiving.**  
**A schedule of all programs**  
**& events is emailed each**  
**Monday & Thursday.**  
**Check your emails & follow**  
**your Chamber on**  
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