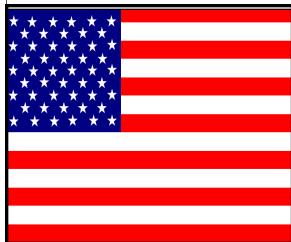


**Important Dates to Record**

- ♦ November 30th Annual Business Luncheon
- ♦ December 6th Seasonal Celebration
- ♦ Members' Event
- ♦ 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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**November 2016**

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opera and their plans for the upcoming production *The Summer King: the life of Josh Gibson*.

**BRING THE DAY HOME  
SHOP SMALL  
November 26th**

Neighborhood Champions across the country will rally their communities to Shop Small. Parking will be free in all Pittsburgh Parking Authority owned-neighborhood lots & meters.

**Chamber's Annual Business Luncheon  
November 30th 12 Noon  
Omni William Penn Hotel**

Join us to welcome our guest speaker Dr. Loretta Mester, President and CEO, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland. You may still RSVP @ 412-392-0610.

**Chamber's Annual Seasonal Celebration  
December 6th  
5:00PM—7:00 PM  
Federal Home Loan Bank  
601 Grant Street**

You are invited to bring a guest and join us for what will be a spectacular evening. Presidential Roundtable Member Dana Yealy looks forward to hosting you in their beautifully decorated building.

**Members Mixer**

**January 19th  
5:00 PM—7:00 PM  
Citizens Bank  
Our Corporate**

Sponsor Scott Brown will host our first Mixer for the new year: plan to be there!

**PowerBreakfast Meeting  
January 20th**

**7:30 AM Rivers Club Allegheny County  
Chief Executive Rich Fitzgerald**

Start the year learning about the health of our County & the County Exec's plans for 2017.

**PowerBreakfast Meeting  
February 17th  
7:30 AM Rivers Club  
Dr. Anthony Hamlet  
Superintendent  
Pittsburgh Public Schools**

Member Samantha Stedford & the Allegheny County Airport Authority's procurement team truly engaged our members as they presented their information & next steps on Doing Business with Corporate Sponsor Allegheny County Airport Authority.

Associate Member Christopher Hahn/Pittsburgh Opera gave a complete history of the

Member Deb Sadowski & her team at the Holy Family Institute gave an insightful presentation @ their Youth Development Workshop with presentations from five of their students: well done!

Member Chris Kush/Director of Operations for the Executive MBA Program & The Center for Executive Education at the University of Pitt, was an excellent host for our Members' Mixer; it was great networking!

Kudos to Member Renee Galloway & her team for the well done Matchmaking Event for Chamber Members & our partner, Eastern Minority Supplier Development Council. The workshop was designed for members in the construction industry & minority suppliers.

Thank you to everyone who responded or sent in a testimonial on the look of your Chamber's updated Website. We appreciate your feedback; See for yourself: visit your Chamber website: [www.aaccwp.com](http://www.aaccwp.com) & enjoy the new

features!

### **Like to Host a Mixer?**

If your company or organization would like to host a Chamber Members' Mixer, call us at 412-392-0610.

### **November - January The Pittsburgh Creche US Steel Plaza 600 Grant Street Downtown**

If you can't make it to Rome during the holidays, you can find a larger-than-life replica of the Vatican's Christmas Creche right here in Pittsburgh on Grant Street.

### **November 9th The John Heinz History Center & Homewood Library present From Slavery to Freedom "A. Philip Randolph: For Jobs & Freedom" 5:30 PM to 8 PM**

This documentary film traces Randolph's early years as an activist & founder of the magazine, The Messenger.

### **December 14th "A Woman's Journey" presented by Highmark Foundation 6 PM - 7:30 PM August Wilson Center**

The forum is scheduled from 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM at the August Wilson Center. To preview the video & learn more about health today & the health care forum series, go to: [www.post-gazette.com/healthtoday](http://www.post-gazette.com/healthtoday).

### **December 15th, 16th & 17th**

### **Visit the White House for Christmas**

The Urban League invites you to be a part of this trip to Washington, D.C. to visit the White House, the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial & the new National Museum of African American History & Culture. For more info call 412-613-2045.

### **Free Parking for the Holidays**

The Pittsburgh Parking Authority has authorized free parking at all Parking Authority garages on Friday, November 25th, & for 5 Saturdays: November 26th, December 3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th.

### **Employment DoubleTree by Hilton Downtown**

Several career opportunities are open. Learn more @: [careers@doubletreepgh.com](mailto:careers@doubletreepgh.com)

### **Highmark Senior Business Technical Analyst**

### **PNC Financial Services IT Security Risk Consultant**

For info on these & other jobs in Western Pennsylvania go to: [imaginepittsburgh.com](http://imaginepittsburgh.com)

If your company is interested in becoming an ImaginePittsburgh.com featured employer, go to: [imaginepghinfo@allegHENYconference.org](mailto:imaginepghinfo@allegHENYconference.org) or call 412-281-4783.

### **FY\$! Attention New Businesses in Pittsburgh**

You must register a

new business entity & eliminate delays or the assessment of penalties. For assistance, change of status or to request forms; call 412-255-2543 or go to:

[pittsburghpa.gov/finance/2012-new-business-registration](http://pittsburghpa.gov/finance/2012-new-business-registration)

### **December 1st Deadline**

The Department of Labor's final rule updating the overtime regulations that will extend overtime pay protections will take effect January 2017. To learn more about how it may impact your firm & the **December 1st deadline** at: [www.dol.gov/whd/overtime/final2016/](http://www.dol.gov/whd/overtime/final2016/)

### **Did You Know**

**Small Business Saturday** was first observed in Roslindale Village, Massachusetts on November 27, 2010. It is a counterpart to Black Friday & Cyber Monday, which feature big box retail and e-commerce stores. By contrast, **Small Business Saturday** encourages holiday shoppers to patronize brick & mortar businesses that are small and local.

### **Congratulations**

**Members** Dr. Rhonda Moore Johnson/Highmark & Arletta Scott Williams / ALCOSAN on the 2016 YWCA Racial Justice Awards; **Member** Dr. Christopher Howard / Robert Morris on the Inauguration; **Member** The Wilson Group was named #1 among Pittsburgh's Fastest Growing Companies by the Pittsburgh Business Times, & **Member**

Solutions4Networks, Inc. was # 3; Jared Cohon/ Institute for Energy Innovation at CMU received the Pittsburgh Business Times Energy Leadership Lifetime Award, & **Member** Court Gould/Sustainable Pittsburgh received the Business Times Energy Leadership Award; **Member** Christopher Hahn/Pittsburgh Opera on the first world premiere in Pittsburgh Opera's 78 year history, *The Summer King*; **Member** Pittsburgh Pirates received the Stand Up for Standing Firm Employer Award.

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

**Member** Esther Bush/ Urban League featured in Take Charge of Your Health Today; **Member** Christopher Hahn/ Pittsburgh Opera & your president at October's PowerBreakfast Meeting

**We** are deeply saddened by the loss of Charter Member, Corporate Sponsor and Friend Milton Washington

### **New Members Regular Members Associate Member**

Gregg Broujos  
Colliers International

### **Have a wonderful Thanksgiving**

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