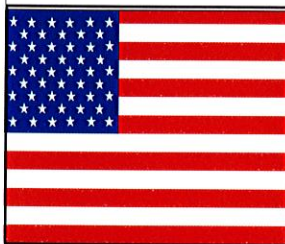


#### Important Dates to Record

- ♦ September 2nd - Ozone Symposium
- ♦ September 18th - PowerBreakfast
- ♦ September 29th - Members' Mixer
- ♦ October 7th - Cyber Security Workshop
- ♦ October 16th - PowerBreakfast
- ♦ 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**

#### September 2015

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

#### 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.

#### The Impact of Ozone Regulations on Jobs in the Pittsburgh Region

**September 2nd  
12 Noon**

#### **Koppers Building**

our Chamber partnered with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce & the National Black Chamber of Commerce for a symposium to raise our region's awareness of the potential employment & economic impacts under the proposed changes. Over 80 members & guest filled the Monongahela Room at the Omni William Penn. State Representative Jake Wheatley gave greetings before Harry Alford presented the issue & the NBCC's position. The panel discussion was led by William Kovacs, S.V.P. from the U.S. Chamber. The panelist were Members Robert Agbede/Chester Engi-neers, Mark Kempic/Columbia Gas,

Morgan O'Brien/Peoples Gas, & Howard Feldman/The American Petroleum Institute. According to the NBCC, this was the best symposium of all held in 4 cities!

#### Powerbreakfast Meeting

**September 18th  
Frank Coonelly,  
President  
Pittsburgh Pirates  
7:30 AM - 9:00 AM  
Rivers Club**

Join us as we welcome our Corporate Sponsor who will update us on the 'Bucs' & business opportunities within the organization.

#### Members' Mixer **September 29th 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM**

**Children's Museum of Pittsburgh**

**Sponsored by:  
Prudential**

Join us as we visit our Associate Member & have a little child's play, & lot's of fun. Bring your business cards!

#### Save the Date

**October 7th  
Cyber Security  
Workshop  
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM**

#### **Manchester Bidwell Sponsored by:**

**Huntington Bank**

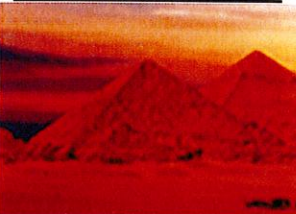
October is Cyber Security Month! Dr. Diana Burley/Professor George Washington University will lead this special session on how to guard against security breaks. Don't miss this important event.

#### PowerBreakfast Meeting

**October 16th  
Jeremy Waldrup  
President & CEO  
Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership  
7:30 AM - 9:00 AM  
Rivers Club**

Come hear from our Supporting Member who will update us on some of the exciting things developing in the downtown area.

#### A Trip to the Land of the Pharaohs



**November 12th - 20th**

You want to be part of this special once in a lifetime trip to Cairo for 3 wonderful days, a fabulous 4 day Nile River Cruise, then to visit the Pyramids,



Luxor, Aswan, & Valley of the Kings. Sign up now and receive a discount. For more info & reservations call 412-392-0610 or email: [info-  
mation@aaccwp.com](mailto:information@aaccwp.com).

#### **Members Events**

**September 14th**

**CCAC**

**25th Annual**

**Educational**

**Foundation**

**Tournament**

**Treesdale Golf and**

**Country Club**

**Gibsonia, PA**

For their schedule,  
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**September 16th**

**Duquesne University**

**Small Business**

**Development Center**

**presents**

**Finding The Right  
Business Opportunity**

Join this no cost  
workshop designed to  
help you choose the  
most logical business  
idea to begin your entre-  
preneurial career. Sign  
up for this workshop and  
learn about others at:

[www.sbdc.duq.edu](http://www.sbdc.duq.edu)

**Pittsburgh Cultural Trust**

**Presents**

**Citizens Bank**

**2015-2016**

**Family Series**

**October 18th-May 15th**

Enjoy 6 live perform-  
ances full of Creativity  
and fun. Learn more @:

[trustarts.org/events/  
series/childrens\\_theater](http://trustarts.org/events/<br/>series/childrens_theater)

**PA**

**Conference for Women**

**November 19th**

**Philadelphia**

**Convention Center**

Don't miss this one  
day personal & pro-  
fessional development  
event for women  
featuring dozens of

renowned speakers. More  
info @:

[paconferenceforwomen.org](http://paconferenceforwomen.org)

#### **New Location**

Forbes Fund has

moved to:

**1 PPG Place, 23rd Floor**

**Pittsburgh, PA 15222**

**412-394-4271**

[www.forbesfunds.org](http://www.forbesfunds.org)

#### **Did You Know**

According to  
Pittsburgh Today, the  
Pittsburgh region  
experienced steady job  
growth between July 2014  
and July 2015!

Livability.com has  
ranked Pittsburgh #3  
among the "10 Best  
Foodie Cities".

#### **Congratulations**

**Presidential**

Roundtable Member Keith  
Key/KBK Enterprises for  
the ribbon cutting and  
completion of Phase 1 of  
Larimer Pointe; **Chairman**  
Circle Member Charles  
Sanders/Urban Lending  
Solutions on being one of  
the sponsors for the  
Who's Who unveiling;  
**Associate Member**  
Esther Bush/Urban  
League of Greater  
Pittsburgh on a successful  
Financial Education  
Symposium. **Member** Dina  
Clark formerly with the  
YWCA now with Bayer  
MaterialScience; **Member**  
Suresh Ramanathan on  
being selected as a  
panelist for the Prime  
Contractor's Meeting;  
**Members** Lance Hyde,  
Valerie Cofield and your  
Chamber President on  
being selected as  
community partners for  
EQT's Matchmaking  
Event.

#### **In The News**

**New Pittsburgh Courier**

The Urban

Redevelopment  
Authority of Pittsburgh  
approves initiatives  
aimed at improving  
economic and housing  
conditions in Larimer,  
Homewood &  
Manchester; **Member**  
Constance Parker talks  
about the passing of  
Julian Bond, Chairman  
of the NAACP;  
**Associate Member**  
Esther Bush featured in  
the **Take Charge of Your  
Health**; & your Chamber  
President's reflections  
on the life of Elsie  
Hillman.

#### **Pittsburgh Magazine**

**Members** Jeffrey

Romoff/UPMC, William  
Demchak/PNC Financial  
Services, , Patrick  
Gallagher/University of  
Pittsburgh, J. Kevin  
McMahon, Christina  
Cassotis, Morgan  
O'Brien, Aradhna  
Oliphant/Leadership  
Pittsburgh, William  
Generett, Jr. /  
Innovation21, Bill  
Strickland, Jr./  
Manchester Bidwell  
Corporation, David  
Holmberg/Highmark  
Health; Dennis  
Yablonsky/Allegheny  
Conference on Commu-  
nity Development, Paul  
Hennigan/Point Park  
University, and Audrey  
Russo/Pittsburgh  
Technology Council  
recognized among the  
50 most powerful people  
in Pittsburgh; and  
Marimba Millions/ Hill  
Community Develop-  
ment Corporation  
recognized as a Future  
Power Broker in  
Pittsburgh.

**Pittsburgh**

**Business Times**

**Members** Charles  
Toran/Sci-Tek  
Consultants named the  
90th Fastest Growing  
company, Desmone  
Architects named the 94th  
Fastest Growing  
company, & The Wilson  
Group named the #1  
Fastest Growing company  
by the Pittsburgh  
Business Times.

**Supporting Member**  
Ann Metzger/Carnegie  
Science Center selected  
as a panelist for a STEM  
Workshop; **Presidential**  
Roundtable Member  
Mario Lohghi/U.S. Steel  
Corporation unveils cost  
saving plans aimed at  
getting back to  
profitability;

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*We are all deeply sadden-  
ed by the passing of our  
friend & our region's  
First Lady, Elsie Hillman.*  
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#### **New Members**

#### **Regular Members**

**Emma Coleman**

Premier Touch  
Cleaning Company

**Christopher Daniels**

Elite Salon Concepts

**Ronell Guy**

Northside Coalition for  
Fair Housing

#### **Supporting Member**

**Connie Shroyer**

Center for Serving  
Leadership

**A schedule of all programs  
& events is emailed each  
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Facebook & Twitter @  
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