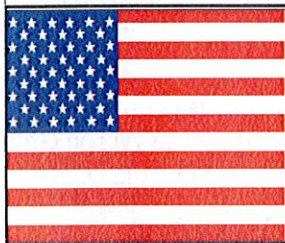


Important Dates

- ♦ June 7th - How To Do Business—ALCOSAN
- ♦ June 14th - Capital Workshop
- ♦ June 22nd - Mixer
- ♦ June 23rd - PowerBreakfast
- ♦ June 29th - Members Orientation
- ♦ Members' Events
- ♦ 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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This monthly newsletter is prepared solely for members, supporters & sponsors of the African American Chamber of Commerce of Western PA

Thank you to all Members who attended the Members Meeting & the Annual Meeting Luncheon. Your feedback was appreciated: those who attended the meeting received a glass coaster in honor of PPG with the Chamber name & logo etched inside. Over 350 people attended the luncheon & heard from Michael McGarry, Chairman & CEO of PPG who shared his vision for our region & his intent to reach out to our members to help strengthen the growth of PPG. The gifts (earbobs) from our sponsor Highmark Foundation & the beautiful orchids from The Drew Mathieson Center were well received:

Your Chamber's Financial Workshop was very beneficial to our non-profits, small business owners & individuals. Kudos to Associate Member Betsy Krisher/Maher Duessel for a job well done!

The joint Networking Mixer with the Greater Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce & the Pittsburgh Metropolitan Area Hispanic Chamber

of Commerce was a big success. We had a great turnout at the Highmark Stadium. Everyone enjoyed the venue & the exchange of business cards.

How To Do Business with

ALCOSAN

June 7th

11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

**Koppers Building
436 Seventh Avenue
9th Floor Board Room
Downtown**

Chairman Circle Member Arletta Scott Williams & ALCOSAN's procurement & construction team will present how to engage on their massive project: a must attend.

Accessing Capital Workshop

June 14th

11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

**Koppers Building
436 Seventh Avenue
9th Floor Board Room**

Come meet Neal Shipley, CEO/Capital Foundry LLC who will discuss working capital management, non-dilutive capital, & other capital options that could benefit your venture!

Members' Mixer

**June 22nd
Manchester Bidwell Corporation
1815 Metropolitan St.
Northside**

Our hosts will be Corporate Sponsor Bill Strickland & Kevin Jenkins. Bring your business cards, wear your logo pin & prepare to enjoy a fun networking mixer around the fountain.

PowerBreakfast Meeting

June 23rd

7:30 AM

**Rivers Club
Oxford Centre
Downtown**

Join us as we welcome Dollar Bank's President, Corporate Sponsor Member James McQuade & learn about procurement opportunities.

Members' Orientation

June 29th

11:30 AM-1:30 PM

**Koppers Building
9th Floor Board Room**

Your Chamber hosts this luncheon meeting for new & existing members to learn & be refreshed on the benefits of being part of an organized body. We will go through how your Chamber works & advocates on your behalf!

Like to Host a Mixer

If your company or organization would like

to host a Chamber Mixer, we would like to hear from you. Call us at 412-392-0610.

Members Events

Now thru June 30th
The August Wilson
Center for African
American Culture
presents
'Instill and Inspire'
The John & Vivian
Hewett Collection of
African American Art
980 Liberty Avenue
Admission is Free
It is truly a beautiful exhibit & worth seeing.

Now thru June 4th
"Ironbound"
City Theatre
1300 Bingham Street
South Side
For more information on plays & tickets go to:
citytheatrecompany.org

June 6th
The Forbes Funds
presents
Budget Friendly Risk
Management
How to Navigate the
Risk and Necessary
Choices to Protect
Your Organization
9:00 AM to 11:00 AM
5 PPG Place, 2nd
Floor, Board Room
Downtown
For more info, visit:
www.forbesfunds.org or
call 412-394-4271

June 16th
Standing Firm
Presents
The 3rd Annual
Father's Day Pledge
Southwest PA Says
No More
Allegheny County
Courthouse Court Yard
436 Grant Street
Downtown
Join this public signing event to end gender violence. Learn more at:

swpasaysnomore.org/fathers-day-pledge

June 19th
Fifth Annual
Corporate Equity and
Inclusion Conference
7 AM - 12 Noon
Duquesne University
Power Center
1015 Forbes Avenue
Join business,
government, university,
and non-profit leaders
from Southwestern
Pennsylvania to learn
about initiatives targeted
toward increasing diversity
in employment & supplier
opportunities for African
Americans and people of
color. CEIR is an initiative
of B-PEP, the Black
Political Empowerment
Project. For tickets and
more information go to:
www.eventbrite.com/e/5th-annual-ceir-conference

June 26th
The Jewish Healthcare
Foundation
Presents
WHAM
Women's Health Activist
Movement
5 PM - 8 PM
August Wilson Center
for African American
Culture
960 Liberty Avenue
Downtown
Join the celebration of big ideas around women's health. Visit whamglobal.org/bigidearsvp

Employment
The Allegheny Conference is hiring. An Investor Relations Mgr. is needed who will provide important managerial and tactical support to our Investor Relations and Corporate Relations teams. For more information on this and other positions go to:
alleghenyconference.org
WQED is seeking a

Content Producer. For information on this position & others go to:
WQED.org

FY\$!

For the convenience of our Members, your Chamber accepts Debit Card Payments online at our website,
www.aaccwp.com

Congratulations
To Member Connie
Parker/NAACP on another successful Human Rights Dinner; **Member Peggy Harris/** Three Rivers Youth on the Nellie Leadership Award; **Members Greg & Janet Spencer/Randall Industries** were honored. **Chairman Circle** Member Bob Agbede on his Announcement Reception for the merger of Hatch/Chester Engineers. **Associate Member Christopher Hahn/Pittsburgh Opera** on 'The Summer King'. The premier was a first for the Pittsburgh Opera on the life of Baseball Great Josh Gibson. A big thanks to **Presidential Roundtable Member** David Porges/EQT for sponsoring the students. Best Wishes on the retirement of Dr. Gail Edwards/Urban Academy of Greater Pittsburgh: Angelique Drakeford is the new Principal & Chief Academic Officer; Kudos to **Associate Member** Meg Cheever on the PNC Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy Spring Hat Luncheon; **Member Kathleen K. McKenzie/Highmark**, has been named Community Relations Vice President at Highmark in Camp Hill, **Associate Member** Kevin McMahon/Pitts-

burgh Cultural Trust on announcing 'Hamilton' will come to Pittsburgh in the Spring, 2018: your Chamber President was Maecenas honoree by the Pittsburgh Opera.

In The News

Member Marcia Martin/ Gateway Health in Whirl Magazine

New Pittsburgh Courier

Member Dr. Anthony Hamlet/Pittsburgh Public Schools attending the NAACP Human Rights Dinner; your Chamber's Candidates' Forum, front page; **Member Derrick Wilson/The Wilson Group,** Business 'The Wilson Group Operates on Golden Rule';

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Member Guhan Venkatu/Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland Pittsburgh Branch selected as a panelist on the **Pittsburgh Post-Gazette Today's Economy in the World of Brexit;** **Member Stephanie Turman/ABC Consulting** congratulating Mayor Peduto.

New Members

Regular
Shantel Johnson
Sweep Her Lots

Supporting
Kimberly Loszewski
The Savvy Group

Ron Alvarado
Novus Group, LLC

Presidential Roundtable Members

Patricia Darnley
Gateway Health

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