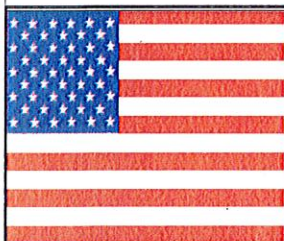


Important Dates

- ◆ Members Mixer 9/13
- ◆ Media Workshop 9/14
- ◆ PowerBreakfast 9/15
ALCOSAN
- ◆ Vibrant Pittsburgh
Regional Economic
Inclusion Summit
- ◆ 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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September 2017

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

Members' Mixer

September 13th
Supporting Member
Don Kortlandt/
Pittsburgh History &
Landmarks Foundation
will once again host the
Chamber & guests at his
home on Mount
Washington, overlooking
the three rivers. Come
network, bring your
business cards & enjoy
the spectacular view.

"Using The Media Effectively"

September 14th
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM
Koppers Building
436 Seventh Avenue
New Conference Room
Center - Lower Level
H. White Room #4

Our panel of media
experts will explain the
impact of using TV and
newspaper to promote
your business.

PowerBreakfast Meeting

September 15th
7:30 AM
Rivers Club
Oxford Centre
Downtown

Join us as we welcome
Chairman Circle Member
Arletta Scott Williams,
Executive Director,
ALCOSAN. She will dis-

cuss the many
opportunities available
for businesses of all
sizes & specialties at
ALCOSAN. Come learn
about current & future
projects.

"Using LinkedIn to Increase your Marketing & Sales Effort"

October 12th
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM
Koppers Building
436 Seventh Avenue
Lower Level - H. White
Room #4

Member Joel Burstein
will present on the 10
secrets that show small
business owners how to
leverage the World's
Largest Professional
Network.

"Navigating the Business Insurance Landscape"

October 18th
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM
Koppers Building
436 Seventh Avenue
Lower Level - H. White
Room #4

Member Emmit Santello
will educate you on the
different types of
insurance, & their entre-
preneurial opportunities.

"Cybersecurity

Workshop"

October 19th
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM
Koppers Building
436 Seventh Avenue
Lower Level - H. White
Room #4

Omar Khawaja
Vice President &
Chief Information
Security Officer
Highmark

This workshop will
inform you on
safeguarding your back
office while staying
"connected" in the front
office, and reduce the
risks of cyberattacks.

PowerBreakfast Meeting

October 20th
7:30 AM
Rivers Club
Oxford Centre
Downtown

Commissioner
Richard Jewell of the
PA Gaming Control
Board will discuss the
status of legalized
gambling, and the ability
to do business with
casinos.

Members' Mixer

October 26th
Member Anna Hollis
invites you to meet her
team and learn about
Amachi Pittsburgh's
work with Children.

*If you haven't visited
your Chamber's archive
collection take a
moment to look back.*

The collection has been successfully migrated to the new Digital Library platform at the University of Pittsburgh, providing enhanced capabilities to review our historical information. You can access the archives thru our website, or go to: <http://digital2library.pitt.edu/collection/african-american-chamber-commerce-western-pennsylvania>. Enjoy!

Save the Date!
December 18, 2017
Annual Business Luncheon

We are pleased to announce Tim Ryan, US Chairman & Sr. Partner PricewaterhouseCoopers will be our guest speaker.

Like to Host a Mixer

If your company or organization would like to host a mixer, please call us at 412-392-0610.

Members Events

Thru October 15th
The Frick Pittsburgh
Respiration Paintings

This exhibit shows the works of nationally recognized artist Elise Adibi, who transformed the Frick Greenhouse into a living environment of plants & paintings. This exhibit is open to the public!

Thru December 31st
Carnegie Museum of Art
Presents

20/20: The Studio
Museum in Harlem &
Carnegie Museum of Art

This special exhibit represents an institutional collaboration that highlights 40 artists; 20 from each collection spanning 100 years of Contemporary Art &

Black Culture. Learn more at: cmoa.org.

September 11th & 12th
Vibrant Pittsburgh
presents

The Inaugural
Regional Economic
Inclusion Summit
'Inspiring, Attracting
and Retaining Talent'
David L. Lawrence
Convention Center
Downtown

Join Associate Member Melanie Harrington & the region's CEOs, executives, and high-potential professionals of color for this two-day event. For more information contact Lora McKnight @ 412-281-8600. Learn more at vibrantpittsburgh.org.

Women
Business Owners

Chatham University has opened a 3,000 sq. ft. Entrepreneurship Hub for women business owners & makers at Chatham's East Side (Penn Ave.) Campus. See what else is new at the East Side. Go to: chatham.edu.

Congratulations

Corporate Sponsor Quintin Bullock/CCAC was recently awarded a \$10 million grant toward the expansion of the Northside Campus by Governor Tom Wolfe. This will require him to raise another \$10 million to complete the project.

Member Valarie Cofield & the Eastern Minority Supplier Development Council (EMSDC) on a damp yet successful Young Entrepreneur Scholarship

Golf Outing; **Member** Lance Hyde on EQT's successful Supplier Diversity Matchmaking Event; **Member** Danielle Davis/Davis Consulting on a successful Pittsburgh Collective Community Impact Forum. Melinda Emerson/Keynote Speaker, and **Members** Rhonda Carson Leach/University of Pittsburgh; Gerrod Winston/Desmone Architects & **Member** Donna Baxter/Soul Pitt Media was the workshop presenter; Celebrate & Share on the Spirit of the 19th Amendment annual event; **Member** Craig Davis on VisitPittsburgh being named by the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette as one of 90 Top Workplaces in the greater Pittsburgh Region; Greater Pittsburgh International Airport named #6 among the Best Domestic Airports by Travel and Leisure Magazine;

The African American Heritage Day Parade was a great success, thanks to the partnership of the Housing Authority City of Pittsburgh, Urban League, Highmark, Gateway, and Shawn Hicks at your Chamber; *great job!*

Kudos to EQT Foundation on awarding grants and scholarships totally nearly \$4M to nearly 44 non-profits.

New Pittsburgh Courier

Member Kathi Elliott/Gwen's Girls honored at the Black Nurses Day Evelyn

Paige Parker Scholarship Brunch; **Member** Maurita Bryant/Pittsburgh Chapter of National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives speaking at "A Day of Remembrance" honoring Pittsburgh's first black Police Chief William "Mugsy" Moore.

Pittsburgh
Post-Gazette

Member Riverlife in SEEN celebrating the "War of the Roses" Party at the Pier.

Pittsburgh Business
Times

Member Dr. Quintin Bullock/CCAC featured in How CCAC's Bullock helped to increase enrollment, & improve communication in his first 1,000 days as president; **Member** Derrick Wilson/The Wilson Group featured in the Business Times' 2017 Fastest Growing Companies. Rated #10 (up a notch from last year), **Member** Desmond Architects came in at #21, and PJ Dick-Trumbull-Lindy Paying at #96.

New Members
Regular Members

Lee Rattigan
Astyra Corporation

Jerrell Smith
Edward Jones

Associate Members

Katina Lee
The Pittsburgh Promise
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