

Important Dates

- ♦ Mar. 16 PowerBreak-fast Mayor Peduto
- ♦ Mar. 20 Beacon System
- ♦ Mar. 27 Members Mixer
- ♦ Apr. 10th HTDB/PWSA
- ♦ April 20th PowerBreak-fast with Riverlife
- ♦ April 24th HTDB with P. J. Dick
- ♦ May 25th Golf Clinic
- ♦ 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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'Celebrating 20 Years of Service'

March 2018

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

Celebrating 20 Years of Service

Kudos to Stefani Pashman for a very informative & candid presentation @ the February PowerBreak-fast on diversity & inclusion & the vision for Allegheny Conference.

Members were greeted by Member Joel Gray/Pittsburgh Pirates for a fun mixer at PNC Park; great presentation on the Negro Baseball League & its contributions to the MLB.

CPA Members Joan Ellenbogen & Victor Dozzi Partners of Crawford Ellenbogen LLC, & John Stillwaggon/Stillwaggon & McGill for an excellent workshop with first hand information & examples on how the recent tax changes can impact small business & individuals.

PowerBreakfast Meeting

March 16th

8:00 AM

**Honorable Bill Peduto
Rivers Club
One Oxford Center
Downtown**

Join us as we welcome the newly re-elected Mayor who will share his

plans on the city's future development.

March 20th

**8:00 AM—10:00 AM
How to do Business
'Beacon System'
City-County Building
6th Floor Grant St.**

This hands-on workshop will introduce you to the interactive bid solicitation site & walk you through the process.

Members' Mixer (date change)

****March 27th****

5 PM - 7 PM

**Koppers Building
2nd Floor Balcony**

Join your Chamber as we host new members & exchange business cards in the glamour of this historic Art Deco building.

How To Do Business:

**Pittsburgh Water &
Sewer Authority**

April 10th

9 AM - 11 AM

**Koppers Building
Conference Level**

Member George Robinson & the PWSA procurement team will present opportunities to compete for their contracts \$\$\$.

Members' Mixer

April 17th

5:00 PM—7:00 PM

NET Xperts LLC

hosted @ the

Roman Bistro

2104 Ardmore Blvd

Forest Hills

Get ready to take your evening of networking to an Xpert level!

PowerBreakfast Meeting

April 20th

7:30 AM

Riverlife

Rivers Club

One Oxford Center

Join us as we welcome Supporting Member & Riverlife CEO Vivien Li who will share the vision for life on Pittsburgh's waterways.

How To Do Business:

P.J. Dick

April 24th

11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

**225 North Shore Drive
Pittsburgh, PA 15212**

The Chamber will welcome the team from P.J. Dick for an updated session on their procurement process.

SAVE THE DATE

May 17th

Richard Riazzi

President & CEO

Duquesne Light

The Annual Business Meeting and Luncheon is just around the corner. Your invitation will soon be mailed.

May 25th

**African American
Chamber of Commerce**

Golf Clinic 2018**8:30 AM – Noon****Bob O'Connor****Golf Course @****Schenley Park****5370 Schenley Drive****Squirrel Hill**

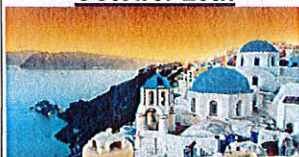
Now in our **20th Year of Service**, we are beginning this celebration with Anthony Stepney, PGA Professional from Orlando, FL. He will conduct a special Golf Clinic on the 3 major techniques: putting, chipping, & full swing. Excellent event for beginners ready to do business on the course, or a nice way for you to brush up on your skills.

Cost: \$175 includes:

- Continental Breakfast, workshop, golf booklet, practice sessions, certificate of participation, gifts, lunch & more!

Bring your clubs & join us! Sponsorship opportunities are available. Invitations will be mailed in late March!

Your Chamber and Friends are Heading To Greece October 20th



Athens, Kinetta, ancient sites & mountain-side villages are just some of the stops we'll be making during this 9 day tour on this splendid cultural journey. Discount available until March 30th! Call our office for more info.

Sponsor a Chamber Event

Interested in having your company/organization sponsor a Chamber Mixer or one of our 20th

Anniversary Events? Call us.

Members' Events**April 19th****2:00—7:00 PM****SHARE Conference****Rivers Casino****Guest Speaker:**

Geovette Washington,
Senior Vice Chancellor
& Chief Legal Officer
University of Pittsburgh

This annual supplier diversity event brings together our region's top corporations, institutions, & MWDBE suppliers to expand opportunities and increase growth among area MWDBEs. Visit:

www.sharepgh.com.

Now thru May 28th**Teenie Harris****Photographs****"Service & Sacrifice"****Carnegie Museum of Art****in Oakland**

During World War II, Charles "Teenie" Harris documented thousands of African American soldiers who fought for a nation that didn't always fight for them. For more info, call 412-622-3131.

March 9th – 18th**Prime Stage Theatre****I Know Why the Caged****Bird Sings****Hazlett Theatre****6 Allegheny Square East**

Join Member Prime Stage Theatre as they welcome Author Maya Angelou's family on opening night to celebrate Angelou's 90th birthday. For tickets & other information, go to: www.primestage.com.

March 22nd**8:00 AM - 5:30 PM****Transforming****Women's Health****Adagio Health****Symposium**

Omni William Penn

Keynote Speaker:**Senator Barbara Boxer**

Join Member B.J.

Leber. Register @ www.adagiohealth.org/symposium.

Celebrating Women's**History Month****March 22nd****5:30- 7:30 PM****Dollar Bank****340 Fourth Avenue**

Come enjoy an evening of stories about Dollar Bank's early women depositors & the profound impact they had on Pittsburgh. RSVP by the 14th to: singhram408@dollarbank.com.

March 27th - April 1**Broadway's "Rent"****Presented by PNC**

This is the 20th

Anniversary Tour of this Tony Award winning production. For tickets visit: culturaldistrict.org

City of Pittsburgh

Need a building permit, a license, or need to check the status of your permit? Get answers to these questions and more at: pittsburghpa.gov/pli.

Did You Know

Highmark, recently made moves to reduce opioid abuse with restrictions on initial prescriptions.

Congratulations

Members Toni Silva/UPMC/Pensiamo & Court Gould/Sustainable Pittsburgh on a very informative Supply Chain Sustainability program. Your Chamber President served as Moderator of the panel that included Member Valarie Cofield/EMSDC; Member PWSA

awarded Supporting Member NETXperts a multi-year IT Services contract; Corporate Sponsor Paul Hennigan/Point Park University on raising \$50,000 for their Heart Point Park campaign.

New Pittsburgh Courier

Your Chamber's PowerBreakfast with Allegheny Conference CEO Stefani Pashman.

Pittsburgh Business Times

Member Christopher Howard/Robert Morris University @ *After Hours* with VisionPittsburgh.

New Members**Regular Members****Nadine Leach**

Handled with Care
Childcare Facility LLC

Michael Matthews

Childrens' Sickle Cell
Foundation Inc.

Supporting Members**Connie Brinda**

Prime Stage Media

Associate Members**Geraldine Jones**

California University of
Pennsylvania

George Robinson II

Pittsburgh Water & Sewer
Authority

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Don't forget to turn your clocks FORWARD one hour March 11th to Welcome Spring!

