#### **Important Dates**

- Apr. 10th HTDB/with **PWSA**
- April 20th PowerBreakfast with Riverlife
- April 24th HTDB with P. J. Dick
- May 17th Annual Meeting & Luncheon
- 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, selfsufficiency and entrepreneurial excellence, we will seek to advance economic parity by ensuring full participation.



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Email: information@aaccwp.com Website: www.aaccwp.com Twitter: https://twitter.com/aaccwp Facebook: www.facebook.com/aaccwp DORIS CARSON WILLIAMS, CCE PRESIDENT AND CEO 'Celebrating 20 Years of Service'

#### **April 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

Thanks to Pittsburgh Mayor Bill Peduto for another great Power-Breakfast Presentation. Members & guests were pleased with his targeted message about his vision for our City.

Thanks to the City of Pittsburgh for a great hands-on How To do Business Workshop that introduced our Members to the 'Beacon System'.

Our Members enjoyed a great mixer hosted by the Chamber in the beautiful art deco mezzanine in the Koppers Buildina.

# **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, PA

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

#### **PowerBreakfast Meeting** April 20th 7:30 AM Riverlife **Rivers Club**

**One Oxford Centre** 

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.

# **How To Do Business** With Duquesne Light May 11th

8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Koppers Building **Conference Center** Lower Level 4—H White Room

This workshop will introduce you to the produres on doing business with DLC. You will meet their procurement, information technology, construction, and corporate service teams to start the process of building relationships with DLC's key decision makers. You will be hosted for break-fast: this meeting is for Chamber Members Only.

# May 17th Annual Meeting and Luncheon Richard Riazzi **President & CEO Duquesne Light**

Our Annual Meeting & Luncheon is quickly approaching. Your invitation is in the mail.

May 25th African American **Chamber of Commerce Golf Clinic 2018** 8:30 AM - 1:00 PM

**Bob O'Connor** Golf Course @ Schenley Park 5370 Schenley Drive Squirrel Hill Sponsored by:

**PNC Financial Services** Now in our 20th Year of Service, we are beginning this celebration with Anthony Stepney, PGA Professional from Orlando coming to conduct a special Golf Clinic on 3 major techniques: putting, chipping, and full swing.

The clinic will also focus on how business is conducted on the course. Its also a nice way to brush up on your golf skills.

Cost: \$175 includes:

•Continental Breakfast, workshop, golf booklet, practice sessions, certificate of participation, gift, lunch & more!
Bring your clubs (if you have them) & join us for a morning of sharing!

Your Chamber & Friends are Heading To Greece October 20th



from centuries ago and mountain-side villages are just some of the stops we'll be making during a 9 day tour on this splendid cultural journey. Call our office for more information.

Sponsor a Chamber Event

Interested in having your company/organization sponsor a Chamber Mixer or one of our 20th Anniversary Events? Call us @: 412-392-0610.

#### **Members' Events**

April 19th
2:00 PM—7:00 PM
SHARE Conference
Rivers Casino
Guest Speaker:
Geovette Washington,
Senior Vice Chancellor
& Chief Legal Officer
University of
Pittsburgh

Join us for this annual supplier diversity event that 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

**D**uring 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.

**Employment** 

Member EQT is seeking a Security Administrator. H.S. Diploma and security experience required. For more info, go to: careers @EQT.com (use Job ID 1093).

**K**udos to **M**ember Housing Authority City of Pittsburgh on the Clean Slate E3 Scholarship program offering \$20k in scholarships; University of Pittsburgh opening an innovation lab & markerspace in Pittsburgh's Homewood neighborhood, featuring small business development courses, and located in Member Bridgeway Capital's building on Susquehanna Street.

**Did You Know** 

Member URA has given approval for a lease of the Strip District's product terminal building to Chicago-based McCaffery Interests;

Member Allegheny Health Network has broken ground for the new Cancer Institute Academic Center at Allegheny General Hospital, part of AHN's \$225M investment in cancer centers.

**Congratulations** 

**M**ember Meg Cheever/Founder/ President and CEO Pittsburgh Parks and Conservancy on announcing her retirement after 21 years; Jayne Miller-from Minneapolis, Wisconsin is the new President. Carnegie Mellon University has named interim president Farnam Jahanian as CMU's new President: Carlow University has named Sibdas Ghosh Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs.

# New Pittsburgh Courier

Your Chamber's PowerBreakfast with Allegheny Conference CEO Stefani Pashman; and Pittsburgh Mayor Bill Peduto on sharing their vision as guest speakers at the Chamber's two PowerBreakfast Meetings.

## Pittsburgh Business Times

Members Christina
Cassotis/CEO,
Allegheny County
Airport Authority &
Aradhna Oliphant both
featured in Personalities
of Pittsburgh; Frank
Coonelly/Pittsburgh
Pirates featured in FirstPerson Perspective;
Members among the
2018 Women of

Influence are Deborah Acklin/WQED Multimedia, BJ Leber/Adagio Health, Ann Metzger/Co-director, Carnegie Science Center, and Stefani Pashman/ Allegheny Conference; Susie Shipley and husband Neal are featured in the Fish Sandwich Chronicles: Tony Thompson/Meyer Unkovic & Scott at the ABA Homer S. Brown Division Awards: your Chamber president attending the Pittsburgh Opera's "A Song of Thrones" fashion show.

### **New Members**

#### Regular Members Al Dodson

**Proactive Safety Solutions** 

Eric Dykes

Dykes Consulting

Derrick Hemby Galaxy Lounge and Entertainment

James Kropf Naked Geometry

**Kevin Lee**Kevin Lee Maintenance

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