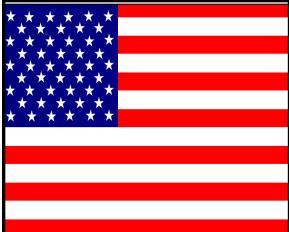


<p><b>Important Dates</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ May 11th HTDB with Duquesne Light</li> <li>♦ May 17th Annual Meeting &amp; Luncheon</li> <li>♦ May 25th Golf Clinic</li> <li>♦ May 31st Members' Mixer</li> <li>♦ Members Events</li> <li>♦ Welcome New Members</li> </ul>	<p><b>AFRICAN AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE</b> OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA</p> <p><b>Koppers Building Suite 2220 436 Seventh Avenue Pittsburgh, PA</b> (412) 392-0610 FAX: (412) 392-0612 Email: <a href="mailto:information@aaccwp.com">information@aaccwp.com</a> Website: <a href="http://www.aaccwp.com">www.aaccwp.com</a> Twitter: <a href="https://twitter.com/aaccwp">https://twitter.com/aaccwp</a> Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/aaccwp">www.facebook.com/aaccwp</a></p> <p><b>DORIS CARSON WILLIAMS, CCE PRESIDENT AND CEO</b> <b>'Celebrating 20 Years of Service'</b></p>
	<p><b>May 2018</b> This monthly newsletter is prepared solely for members, supporters &amp; sponsors of the African American Chamber of Commerce of Western PA</p>
<p><b>MISSION STATEMENT</b></p> <p><i>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.</i></p> <p><i>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.</i></p>	<p><b>Celebrating 20 Years of Service</b></p> <p>Members from the PWSA, procurement team for conducting a very well done workshop on how to do business with PWSA. Now for the members follow up.</p> <p>Great Members Mixer hosted by Member Net Xperts at the Roman Bistro. Everyone enjoyed the networking and great refreshments. <i>Make sure to follow-up with your connections!</i></p> <p>Supporting Member Vivien Li/Riverlife gave an amazing historical perspective and visual pictures of the many accomplishments and exciting things to come for Pittsburgh's riverfronts. She served as our guest speaker at April's Power-Breakfast, as she announced her departure from Riverlife to return to Boston. We wish her well.</p> <p>The PJ Dick, Trumbull Corporation, Lindy Paving workshop was very informative and the procurement team gave a detailed explanation on doing business with the three firms. Kudos to Jennifer Howe on preparing for us. We suggest following up with them if you haven't already.</p> <p><b>May 11th How To Do Business with Duquesne Light Company</b> 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Koppers Building Conference Center Lower Level 4 - H White Room</p> <p>This workshop will introduce you to the procedures on doing business with DLC. You will meet DLC's procurement team on information technology, construction, &amp; corporate services to enable you to start the process of building relationships with DLC's key decision-makers. You will be hosted for breakfast.</p> <p><b>This meeting is for Chamber Members Only.</b></p> <p><b>May 17th Annual Meeting and Luncheon</b> Richard Riazzi President &amp; CEO Duquesne Light Company</p> <p><b>Members Meeting 11:00 AM Luncheon at 12:00 PM</b></p> <p>Plan to attend the Members Meeting for a review of Chamber business and several new announcements. The reservations for the luncheon are quickly filling up, so please RSVP.</p> <p><b>May 25th African American Chamber of Commerce Golf Clinic 2018</b></p> <p><b>FYI: THE GOLF CLINIC IS SOLD OUT!</b></p> <p>The Chamber is hosting its 1/2 day golf clinic with the theme around the game and business of golf. We look forward to seeing all who registered &amp; are participating.</p> <p><b>Thanks to our Corporate Level Sponsors:</b></p> <p><b>PNC Bank</b> 'Anniversary' Sponsor</p> <p><b>Highmark Health</b> 'Advocacy' Sponsor</p> <p><b>PJ Dick</b> 'Access' Sponsor</p> <p><b>Pensiamo-UPMC</b> 'Hole-in-One' Sponsor</p> <p><b>May 31st Members' Mixer</b> <b>Hosted by Citizens Bank</b> <b>5PM—7PM</b></p> <p>Corporate Sponsor Scott Brown looks forward to hosting us. Come with your business cards to ensure you maximize this unique opportunity.</p> <p><b>Your Chamber &amp; Friends are Heading To Greece October 20th</b></p> <p>Athens, Kinetta, sites from centuries ago and mountain-side villages are just some of the stops we'll</p>



tour on this splendid cultural journey. Call our office for more information.

The Chamber was proud to be a partner/sponsor for the S.H.A.R.E Supplier Diversity event on April 19th. Congratulations to Event Chair Member Toni Silva of Pensiamo-UPMC and Member Dr. Rahmon Hart who hosted us at Rivers Casino.

#### 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

##### May 23 **Chatham University** 11:30AM—12:00 PM

**Build A Website For Your Business: Information Webinar**  
For more info, go to: [www.chatham.edu/wbc](http://www.chatham.edu/wbc)

##### Now thru May 28th

**Teenie Harris Photographs**  
**“Service & Sacrifice”**  
**Caregie 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.

#### Mon May 7th 7-9:00 PM **Carnegie Science Café Scientifique** **The Secret Lives of Mole Salamanders**

Explore the ecology of the aquatic and terrestrial life stages of mole salamanders. These amphibians are commonly found living in underground burrows and tunnels. **Doors open at 6 pm for networking and refreshments**  
Admission is FREE  
Parking is \$5. Call 412-237-3400 for details.

#### Sharpen Your STEM July 3—July 6, 2018

**Carnegie Science**  
Center is presenting a program designed to improve STEM education for adults. For information on this 4-day program call Toni Stith at 412-237-1616, or visit: [www.carnegiesciencecenter.org/educators/international-institute-for-stem-edu/](http://www.carnegiesciencecenter.org/educators/international-institute-for-stem-edu/).

#### Employment

Metropolitan Pittsburgh's seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate decreased 0.7% from 5.2% in March 2017 to 4.5% in March 2018. What is important is the Black unemployment rate.

#### Did You Know

Once the final mile of concrete is poured this Spring to complete the Allegheny Trail, you will be able to cycle from the Point to Washington DC.

#### **The City of**

Pittsburgh is close to a final agreement and design plan for Smallman Street at the Pennsylvania Railroad Fruit Auction & Sales Terminal. The Strip District property may be redeveloped into a public market and other commercial uses.

Cohen & Grigsby, P.C.

announced that Kate R. Dewey joined the firm's Nonprofit & Tax-Exempt Organizations practice.

In an effort to broaden brand recognition, Presidential Roundtable **Member PNC** is now the sponsor of the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, and NASCAR.

#### Congratulations

**Member Emmai Alaquiva**, president and CEO of Ya Momz House, Inc. was recently named a 2018 top CEO by Fox Rothschild!

After 20 years of dedicated leadership and service to the University of Pittsburgh, Larry Davis is retiring as Dean of the Graduate School of Social Work.

**Members** Donna Baxter / Soul Pitt Media and Maurita Bryant / Allegheny County Police Department served as panelists at the Annual Linda A. Cobb Scholarship Breakfast, sponsored by the Greater Pittsburgh & Professional Women, Inc.

**Kudos to Supporting Member** Vivien Li / Riverlife, on a job well done at Riverlife. Li will be heading back to Boston after 3 great years in Pittsburgh.

#### New Pittsburgh Courier

**Member Kathi Elliott/ Gwen's Girls** at the Annual Mamie Garland Scholarship Event; **Members** Derrick Wilson/The Wilson Group; Horace Britton/CDI Printing, and Chamber **Board**

**Member Blaire Britton/ CDI Printing** featured at the S.H.A.R.E 2018 **Business: Supporting Member** and guest speaker Vivien Li/ Riverlife and your

Chamber's President at the PowerBreakfast Meeting.

#### **Pittsburgh Business Times**

**Member Dina Clark/ Covestro** at the Connect with Covestro event at the Heinz History Center; **Member Eric Dykes** at the Wakunda and Omega Forever event.

#### New Members

#### Regular Members

**Tina Black**  
Black Diamond Fabrication, LLC

**P. Nathaniel Boe, Esq.**  
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**Chef Claudy Pierre**  
Eminent Hospitality Solutions Company

**Sonya Tilghman**  
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