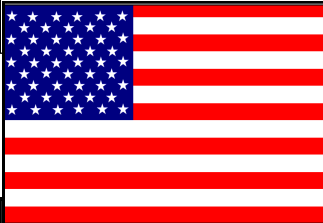


Important Dates

Mark Your Calendars

- **May 10th** - Webinar:
How To Do Business
with ALCOSAN
- **May 12th** -
Cybersecurity & Cyber
Threat Impacts on
Today's Businesses
- **May 19th** -
PowerBreakfast: PGH
Fire Chief Darryl Jones
- **May 30th** - Webinar:
How To Do Business
with PGH Penguins
- **Members' News &
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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May 2023

**This monthly newsletter is prepared solely for
Members, Supporters & Sponsors of the African
American Chamber of Commerce of Western PA**

*The African American
Chamber of Commerce of
Western Pennsylvania
has welcomed
**20 New Members
in 2023.***

Thanks to our members
& friends for the great turn-
out for our Chamber's An-
nual Meeting & Luncheon.
Lloyd Yates/President and
CEO NiSource addressed
over 90 members at the
meeting: & were joined by
270 guests at the luncheon.
Thank you to our sponsors
UPMC & UPMC Health
Plan, PJ Dick/Trumbull, &
Lindy Group, PA American
Water for making it a win!

How To Do Business with the ALCOSAN Webinar

**Wednesday, May 10th
11 a.m. – 12 p.m.**

Join us for ALCOSAN's
procurement team who
will present their process
for doing business with
small businesses. If you
plan on doing business
with the ALCOSAN - don't
miss it! RSVP by May 8th
at 412-392-0610 or
information@aaccwp.com

Cybersecurity & Cyber Threat Impacts on Today's Businesses

**Friday, May 12th
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Koppers Building
E.P. Mellon Room
436 Seventh Ave.**

Join us as we share this

special presentation with our
partner University of
Pittsburgh Institute for
Entrepreneurial Excellence.
We will jointly welcome
David Hickton/IEE who will
share his background,
experience and scholarship
in the field, and discuss
cybersecurity and how cyber
threats and attacks can
impact businesses of all
types. RSVP by May 11th at
412-392-0610.

PowerBreakfast Meeting

**Friday, May 19th
7:30 a.m.**

**Rivers Club
One Oxford Center
Downtown**

**Guest Speaker
Pittsburgh Bureau of Fire
Chief Darryl Jones**

Join us as we welcome
Pittsburgh's first black Fire
Chief. He will discuss the
Bureau's efforts to recruit
more minorities and women,
and explain the process for
managing disasters. RSVP
by May 17th at 412-392-
0610 or email
information@aaccwp.com

How To Do Business with The Pittsburgh Penguins Webinar

**Tuesday, May 30th
2 p.m. – 3 p.m.**

Join us for this informative
presentation by the
Pittsburgh Penguins
procurement team who will
discuss the Pen's process
for doing business with small

businesses. If you plan on
doing business with the
Pittsburgh Penguins - don't
miss it! RSVP by May 26th
at 412-392-0610 or
information@aaccwp.com

PowerBreakfast Meeting

**Friday, June 16th
7:30 a.m.**

**Rivers Club
One Oxford Center
Downtown**

**Guest Speaker
Jason Brown**

**Henry Buhl, Jr. Director
Carnegie Science Center**

Join us as we welcome
Jason Brown who will
discuss his leadership on the
expansion of the Carnegie
STEM Excellence Pathway
program from a pilot phase
with three schools to more
than 700 schools in 30
states and internationally. In
addition, we'll learn about
what led to the creation of
the Science Center's digital
fabrication laboratory – BNY
Mellon Fab Lab, which now
serves more than 8,000
students annually.
RSVP by June 14th at 412-
392-0610 or email
information@aaccwp.com

Tee Up & Network!

Friday, July 28th

Your Chamber is getting
ready for our 6th Annual Golf
Clinic at Bob O'Conner Golf
Course in Schenley Park.
We will once again welcome
PGA Master Professional
Anthony Stepney, and
welcome our new Chair,
Pittsburgh First Lady
Michelle Gainey. Our lead
sponsor is PNC; Breakfast
Sponsor - Elise Yanders,
Luncheon Sponsors - Rivers
Casino and Erie Insurance,

and Gift Sponsor - Pennsylvania American Water. We're looking forward to seeing you!

Sponsorship Opportunities

Sponsorships are available for our Members interested in sponsoring a Chamber Business Institute program or series of programs. Learn more about this opportunity at 412-392-0610 or email your Chamber office at: information@aaccwp.com
Members' News & Events

Westmoreland Museum of American Art Action/Abstraction Redefined: Modern Native Art 1945-1975

Now On View
221 North Main St. Greensburg, PA 15601
The Comprising 52 works by 32 artists, this is the first major traveling exhibition to explore the innovation and experimentation of modern Native American art. These artists explored new forms of artistic expression by challenging stereotypical expectations of American Indians. Learn more at: thewestmoreland.org/exhibitions/action-abstraction-redefined-modern-native-art-1945-1975/

More Bounce with Clara Kent WYEP 91.3 FM

Fridays 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Pittsburgh's non-profit community AAA music station announces its newest radio show - take a listen! benedum.center-pittsburgh.org

Thursday, May 18th The Purple Party A POWER Celebration 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Energy Innovation Center 1501 Bedford Ave. Hill District

The Pennsylvania Organization for Women in Early Recovery is presenting Pittsburgh's first Sober Celebration, *The Purple Party*. Entertainment, mocktails, food, auction, and

more. The Purple Party welcomes the sober curious, the sober celebrating, and everyone who supports the recovery community. For tickets, donations, and sponsor information visit <https://power-recovery.com/thepurpleparty>

Saturday, May 20th Heinz History Center From Slavery to Freedom Film Series presents "Mary Lou Williams: The Lady Who Swings The Band"

Join the African American Program for a free, virtual screening. The documentary explores the life and music of Mary Lou Williams, renowned jazz pianist, composer, and arranger from Pittsburgh. Learn more at: heinzhistorycenter.org

Wednesday May 31st Careers at CCAC Spring Job Fair CCAC Allegheny Campus Student Services Center Register at: ccac.edu/ccac-events

Allegheny Conference on Community Development Belong. Become. Be
This project is an expansion of the Conference's ongoing efforts to attract and retain young talent in the region. Learn more at: alleghenyconference.org

FYI
The U.S. Census Bureau reports that Southwestern Pennsylvania lost more than 20,000 in population in 2 years.

Small Businesses Stay In Compliance!
The Department of Labor Wage and Hour Division is committed to providing employers with the tools they need to operate in compliance with the variety of labor laws enforced by the Division. WHD offers a number of useful compliance resources intended to provide employers with readily accessible, easy-to-understand information relevant to both their rights and to their responsibilities under the law. Check out the Resources for Employers at: dol.gov

Did You Know

Last month's unanimous vote by the URA opens the way for Salem's Market and Grill to purchase the former Shop 'n Save market on Center Avenue in the Hill District for a reported \$1.9M.

Highmark is giving up 5 floors of office space in another blow to the Downtown Pittsburgh market.

Member Bethel AME Church has an agreement with Member Pittsburgh Penguins; the team is working to assign the development rights to a 1.5-acre parcel at the corner of Bedford Avenue and Crawford Street to the Church.

New UPMC Mercy Pavilion
Member UPMC's new 10 story, 410,000 sq. ft., \$510M pavilion is the new home of the UPMC Vision Institute and UPMC Rehabilitation Institute.

A new study from Member Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland finds businesses started by Black entrepreneurs tend to have a higher percentage of return on investment than their white and Hispanic counterparts.

A Vision of Vitality for Pittsburgh
Next Is Now: A 10-Year Vision of Vitality for the Pittsburgh Region. This report from Member Allegheny Conference details the aim to improve the region by focusing on thriving people, quality of place and a strong, inclusive economy. Read the full report at: alleghenyconference.org

CONGRATULATIONS
2023 Pittsburgh Business Times Women of Influence - Members Luci Dabney/ Program to Aid Citizen Enterprise; Carol MacPhail/ Robert Morris University; Member Warner Macklin/ FoxChase Advisors appointed by the PA Supreme Court as one of the newest members to the court system's Investment Advisory Board.

KUDOS
Amera Gilchrist has been sworn in as the first Black

The Pittsburgh Pirates donated metal detectors valued at more than \$250,000 to Pittsburgh Public Schools to support safety measures.

CAREERS
Member UPMC is seeking a Senior Systems Analyst, and Systems Analyst. These are full time, work-from-home positions. Learn more about career opportunities at: careers.upmc.com.

Member CMU is seeking an Executive Director, Expanded Pathways to Entrepreneurship-Robotics Institute. Learn about this and other career opportunities at: cmu.wd5.myworkdayjobs.com

Member Pitt Ohio is seeking a Customer Service Representative. Visit careers at Pitt Ohio. Go to: pittohio.com/mypittohio/corporate/careers

Become a Red Cross Volunteer
Your time and talent can make a real difference in people's lives. Go to: redcross.org/volunteer

In The News
Pittsburgh Business Times
Member CMU Presents Plan for Robotics Center.

Welcome New Members
Regular Members
Jerome D. Foy
Worldwide Services LLC
Terina Hicks
CobblerWorld Baked Goods
Marie-Louise Rectenwald
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By MOA

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