Important Dates

Mark Your Calendars

- June 4th How To Use NASA Technology Transfer For Your Business
- June 14th -PowerBreakfast
- July 26th Annual Golf Clinic
- Members' News & Events
- Welcome New
 Members

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the African American Chamber of Commerce of Western Pennsvlvania 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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June 2024 This monthly newsletter is prepared solely for Members, Supporters & Sponsors of the African American Chamber of Commerce of Western PA

Your Chamber has welcomed 20 new members this year!

CHAMBER INQUIRIES

Your Chamber's President Barãta Bey welcomes your inquiries regarding programming, membership, and general inquiries for the Chamber. Please direct your emails to: <u>barata@aaccwp.com</u>

Many thanks to Brit Peterson and Stephanie Wilusz, Penn State Law staff attorneys for a candid discussion on legal services and requirements for small business.

Chamber Members and guests enjoyed another successful Annual Meeting and Luncheon. Joan T.A. Gabel, Chancellor of the University of Pittsburgh gave an excellent presentation as guest speaker for your Chamber's Annual Meeting and Luncheon. We welcomed nearly 300 Members and quests. Thanks to sponsor Highmark Wholecare, Housing Authority City of Pittsburgh and PA American Water. It was wonderful seeing everyone!

PowerBreakfast Meeting Friday, June 14th 7:30 AM Rivers Club Oxford Center Guest Speaker Dr. Quintin B. Bullock Come and welcome our Corporate Sponsor and President of CCAC who will present an overview of the College and opportunities to partner with business. RSVP by June 12th at 412-392-0610 or at information@aaccwp.com

African American Chamber Annual Golf Clinic Friday, July 26th Bob O'Connor Golf Course Schenley Park

Your Chamber will once again welcome PGA Master Professional Anthony Stepney for another memorable golf clinic featuring a silent auction and group instruction. RSVP at information@aaccwp.com

April 5 - 13, 2025 Your Chamber goes to <u>"ITALY"</u>

9-Day Excursion to Rome, Vatican, Florence, Siena, Pisa, Venice, and Milan Join us for this exciting trip with Citslinc International. Package Rate at Just \$3.299. Includes Roundtrip international airfare & tax. 4 & 5-star hotel accommodation, breakfast & lunch, deluxe bus transportation, Fluent English-speaking tour guides and entrance fees to attractions. Email us for the flver and registration form @ information@aaccwp.com

Consider Sponsoring a

<u>Chamber Program in 2024</u> <u>Members interested in</u> sponsoring a Chamber Business Institute program or series of programs can learn more about this opportunity to showcase your business. For more information call us at 412-392-0610 or email your Chamber office at: information@aaccwp.com

Good News

Your Chamber wants to share your 'Good News'. Has there been a major development at your company, are your sales up, are you expanding? We'd like to share your good news. Email your 'Good News' to

barata@aaccwp.com or: information@aaccwp.com .

Members' News & Events

June 7th - June 9th <u>Pittsburgh Downtown</u> <u>Partnership</u> <u>Presents</u> <u>World Square</u> Market Square, Downtown Come and enjoy music, dancing, food, and artisan crafts. Learn more at downtownpittsburgh.com

Now through June 9th <u>Dollar Bank</u> <u>Three Rivers Arts Festival</u> 12PM - 8PM Daily Pittsburgh's Cultural District *P*ittsburgh's biggest summer arts festival is underway! Enjoy free music and art at the 65th annual Dollar Bank Three Rivers Arts Festival. Get to know the layout, performing artists, visual artists and creative activities. A production of the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust.

> June 21st The Pittsburgh Zoo & Aquarium presents Summer Safari: In Black & White

Culminate the 125th anniversary, celebrate the past, present, and future of the Pittsburgh Zoo at the social event of the summer season! Make like a zebra and sport your best basic black and white and get ready for an evening of food, drinks, music, and animals! Guests must be age 21 or older. For tickets go to: www.pittsburghzoo.org

Extended through August Liberty Magic Presents Mr. Messado's **School of Magic** Sundays 12 Noon Now through August 25th 811 Liberty Ave. **Downtown**

*T*his 60-minute show is full of stunning magic and hilarious comedy for the entire family, and every member of your party can actively participate in the show. Book your tickets now @: TrustArts.org/magic or call 412-456-6666.

September 11th - 29th "Hamilton" **Coming Back to Pittsburgh Benedum Center**

The Pittsburgh Cultural Trust has announced the return of the Broadway Hit as part of its 2024-2025 PNC Broadway in Pittsburgh season. If you missed it last time around, you won't want to miss it again. For more information go to: www.trustarts.org

The Pop District Is Up and Running

A new district for the people of Pittsburgh! Multiblock public art initiative, youth-focused, creative economy workforce program, flagship live event & performance venue. Treat yourself and the family to a transformation of Pittsburgh's

eastern North Shore through the power of arts, creativity, and economic development ---led by The Andy Warhol Museum. Learn all about it at: thepopdistrict.org and follow the Executive Innamorato's Warhol: @warholmuseum

Pittsburgh Public Theater "Summer Sessions" **O'Reilly Theater** Pittsburgh Cultural District 621 Penn Avenue

Register now for fun for ages 5 through 105. Pittsburgh Public Theater is a project of the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust. Learn more at www.ppt.org

July 27th **Black Men's Wellness Day** Westinghouse Park 7051 Thomas Blvd. Pittsburgh 15208 Wellness Screening 7AM 5K Walk & Run 9AM Join Ambassador Leon Ford for this special event presented by the African American Male Wellness Agency.

> 'Get In The Game' at the Heinz History Center Sports Museum Daily 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. **Heinz History Center** 1212 Smallman St.

The Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum tells the stories of Pittsburghers who became champions and champions who became Pittsburghers. Take a look at what's happening at the History Center. Go to: heinzhistorycenter.org

DID YOU KNOW

The PA Department of Aging has released a 10-year strategic plan on aging; Aging Our Way, PA designed to meet the needs of PA's senior population. Learn more at aging.pa.gov

The deadline to apply for property tax/rent rebates has been extended to December 2024. Nearly 445,000 rebate applications have already been filed. Learn more at: pa.gov

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA), passed in 2017, created the largest overhaul of tax code that the U.S. has seen in decades, several provisions

are set to expire. Learn more @ us.tax.gov.

FYI

Allegheny County Transition Team has published the results of the "All In Survey"; respondents represented all 130 municipalities in Allegheny County, and included representation from every race, age and household income level. See the full survey results of All In Alleghenv Action Plan @alleghenycounty.us/ government

CONGRATULATIONS

The Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland has named Beth M. Hammack as its next President and Chief Executive Officer, effective August 21, 2024. She will represent the Fourth Federal Reserve District in making US monetary policy and will lead the 1,100 employees of the Cleveland Fed; Your Chamber's New President, Barãta Bey, one of 24 top executives recognized by the Pittsburgh Business Times' Newly Minted.

KUDOS

Member Sean Gibson, **Executive Director/Josh** Gibson Foundation on your efforts and the news of the MLB association integrating the Negro Baseball League statistics into the records of Major League Baseball.

Member Allegheny Conference and the Greater Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce for co-hosting a great Harrisburg Reception. Your Chamber's Chief Executive Officer, Doris Carson Williams and President Barãta Bey attended the reception to honor members of the Pennsylvania General Assembly and executive branch of the Pennsylvania state government. It was great seeing everyone!

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Member University of Pitt is seeking a Research Security Program Manager. This position will oversee the development and implementation of a compliant research security program. Learn more at www.hr.pitt.edu

Member Urban League of Greater Pittsburgh is recruiting Urban Seniors, 55+, previous work experience. Get paid while expanding your skills, Job Readiness, Computer Skills and Career Exploration, Call 412-325-3925 or email: jthomas@ulpgh.org.

In The News

New Pittsburgh Courier 2026 NFL Draft is Coming to Pittsburgh.

We are saddened to learn of the passing of our beloved colleague Mr. Kim Detrick, Senior Director of Procurement at the Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh. Mr. Detrick was the heartbeat of the agency's contract and procurement operations and will truly be missed.

Welcome New Members

Regular Members

Charlotte Heyward The Heyward House

Heddy M. Richard CSI Construction Company, Inc.

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