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UPMC, PNC make diversity pledge

by Rebecca Nuttall

Courier Staff Writer

At a press conference on May 23, Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald joined community and corporate leaders to announce a new initiative to increase economic opportunities for minorities in Pittsburgh. The initiative will specifically target the African-American population, which exhibits the greatest disparities in employment and wealth in the Pittsburgh region.

"We know that this is an important issue to make sure everyone is included in those great things that are happening across Western Pa," Fitzgerald said.

The press conference was the result of the Corporate Equity and Inclusion Roundtable on May 13, where corporations gathered to determine how best to increase diversity.

"It was not about defining quotas. It was not about hard and fast rules," Fitzgerald said. "We understand one size doesn't fit all."

At the press conference, Robert DeMichiei, senior vice president and chief financial officer of UPMC, announced how his organization plans to respond to the region's disparities. He said UPMC plans to share their list of diverse suppliers with other companies, release statistics such as their diversity spending, and consider implementing a variation of the Rooney Rule, which require entities to interview one African-American applicant when hiring.

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While only UPMC has publicly announced their commitments, partner PNC Bank stated that it has a long history of embracing diversity in the workplace and helping minority children and youth.

"We already have the Rooney Rule in place. We've had it for many years," said Marsha Jones, chief diversity officer at UPMC. "We also have a commitment to (underserved children) called 'Grow Up Great', which is a \$350 million commitment."

The initiative's collabora-

tors think the business case for diversity will make other corporations want to jump on board. They point to predictions, such as one made by the United States Census Bureau, that Whites will be the minority by 2043, as indicators of the importance of embracing diversity in the sustainability of a business.

"It will become more of an expectation for corporate industries to take this on," said Tim Stevens, chairman of the Black Political Empowerment Project, who is the driving force behind the initiative. "This is no longer a conversation of maybe we should do it; we must do it. That's the difference with where we are today and where we used to be."

Other participants in the initiative include the Chester Engineers, Jones Day, the Allegheny Conference on Community Development, Vibrant Pittsburgh, Three Rivers Workforce Investment Board, Sustainable Pittsburgh, the Urban League of Greater Pittsburgh, the African American Chamber of Commerce of Greater Pittsburgh, the Jewish Federation of Pittsburgh, Community College of Allegheny County, Highmark Inc., and the Pittsburgh Penguins.

Fitzgerald said another Corporate Equity and Inclusion Roundtable event will be scheduled for next year. In the meantime one of the initiative's action teams plans to meet again on June 17 to look at the data and best practices of companies who have strong diversity programs.



The Grand Tour of Italy

by Debbie Norrell

Courier Staff Writer

On May 10, Three Rivers Youth (TRY) took more than 300 on "The Grand Tour of Italy." Each year TRY selects a unique theme for their Nellie Leadership Awards Gala. On this beautiful evening, at the Carnegie Museum in the music hall and foyer, guests enjoyed a red carpet welcome with paparazzi extraordinaire Ahmad Sandidge. At the conclusion of the evening each person was able to take a beautiful photo home as a souvenir.

Guests dined on Italian meats and cheeses, fettuccine alla carbonara, shots of minestrone soup with roasted garlic croustade and roasted asparagus. Domodimonti Wineries hosted a wine tasting while Dr. Margaret and Dr. Chenits Pettigrew served as honorary co-chairs. Many came to support TRY however, a few commented they like to attend these grand events to see what president and CEO Peggy Harris will wear.

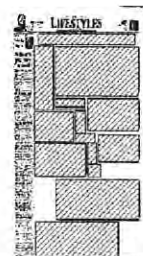
The centerpiece of the evening was "Dancing Under the Italian Stars," where three contestants competed for votes. The Urban Ballroom Dancers, The Pittsburgh Soul Steppers and Marlon & Camille's Salsa burned up the stage.

UBD took first place. TRY also honored community leaders: Esther Bush, Urban

League of Greater Pittsburgh (Education); Dr. Karen Wolk Feinstein, Jewish Healthcare Foundation (Healthcare); BNY Mellon (Community Engagement); and Mt. Lebanon High School (Advocacy). Each was presented with a beautiful piece of art by Saihou Njie.

Duquesne Light Scholarships were presented to Ashley Bowens, Jamil Hopkins and Kahaiya Richards. The newly created Charles and Nancy Adreon Scholarship was presented to Kalil Thomas.

Charles "Chuck" Adreon is TRY's board chair. The evening concluded with a beautiful dessert reception and everyone dancing in the foyer.





ON THE GRAND TOUR—Karen Wolk Feinstein, Peggy Harris, Margaret Pettigrew, Chenits Pettigrew, Esther Bush, Bernice Smith and Chauncey Smith (Photos by Debbie Norrell)



MAKING THE PRESENTATION—Peggy Harris, Brian McFeeley and Chuck Adreon

PEOPLE and AWARDS

the Allegheny County Bar Association.



Joseph Williams

Nicholas Bell, an associate at Meyer, Unkovic & Scott, joined the Allegheny County Bar Association Council of the Young Lawyers Division as a member.



Ronald Hicks Jr.

Ronald Hicks Jr. of Meyer, Unkovic & Scott joined the Allegheny County Bar Association Judiciary Committee as a member.

Amy Tardiff has been named an associate at Tucker Arensberg PC.



Rebecca Livingston Lando

Rebecca Livingston Lando has been named to the board of directors of Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney as a member.



Wendolynne Hewton

Wendolynne Hewton has been named to the board of directors of Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney as executive shareholder.

Craig Bell has been named an associate

at Robb Leonard Mulvihill LLP.



Craig Bell



Nicholas Fiske

Nicholas Fiske has been named an associate at Robb Leonard Mulvihill LLP.

MANUFACTURING



Suzanne Love

Suzanne Love has been named human resource administrator at Seegrid.

Adams Manufacturing received the National Hardware Show All-American Award for Best Marketing.



Emil Mellow

Emil Mellow has been named vice president of marketing for the United States at Karndean Designflooring.

MEDIA & MARKETING



Kaitlin Roth

Kaitlin Roth has been named an intern at WordWrite Communications.

WTAE has extended the No. 1 ratings streak with Channel 4 Action News at 11 p.m. In the May 2013 Nielsen rating period, WTAE again claimed the No. 1 spot at 11 p.m. with more viewers in the highly coveted 25-54 demographic.

Chris Currier has been named a member of the account management team at Mullen. Currier works on Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield.

Lindsey Melnyk has been named senior media planner/buyer at Mullen.

Mike Smylie has been named assistant media planner/buyer at Mullen.



Lauren Pavlakovich

Lauren Pavlakovich has been named senior digital program manager at Gatesman+Dave.



Lauren Hushen

Lauren Hushen has been named an account executive at Gatesman+Dave.

Paul DiClaudio has been named brand strategist/designer at BD&E.

Brandi Smith has been named senior social-digital strategist at Smith Brothers Agency.

Kurt Emch has been named designer and front-end developer at Smith Brothers Agency.

Greta Edgar has been named assistant writer/summer intern

on the creative team at A to Z Communications Inc.



Greta Edgar



Julie Pinter

Julie Pinter has been named director of media and research at LarsonO'Brien Marketing Group.

NONPROFITS

Jewish Family & Children's Service won The Forbes Funds' Alfred W. Wishart Jr. Award for Excellence in Non-profit Management.



Renee Schwerdt

Renee Schwerdt, an associate at Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney, has been named to the Pressley Ridge Junior Board as a member.



Christopher Amar

Christopher Amar, an associate at Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney, has been named to the Pressley Ridge Junior Board as a board member.

Ray Carson, executive vice president & chief human resources officer of Highmark Inc., has been named to the board of direc-

tors of Make-A-Wish Greater Pennsylvania & Southern West Virginia as a board member.

Dr. Kim Ritchey, podiatric hematologist/oncologist at Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh of UPMC, has been named to the board of directors of Make-A-Wish Greater Pennsylvania & Southern West Virginia as a board member.

Cynthia Troup has been named to the board of directors of Blind and Vision Rehabilitation Services of Pittsburgh as a member.

Patricia Orringer has been named to the board of directors of Blind and Vision Rehabilitation Services of Pittsburgh as a member.

Stephanac McCoy has been named to the board of directors of Blind and Vision Rehabilitation Services of Pittsburgh as a member.

Bert Maier has been named to the board of directors of Blind and Vision Rehabilitation Services of Pittsburgh as a member.

Richard Piacentini, executive director of Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens, has been named to the board of directors of the International Living Future Institute.

Denise Letcher, EVP and director of risk information at PNC, has been named to the board of directors of South Hills Interfaith Ministries as a board member.

Charles Kenrick of Charles W. Kenrick Law Offices has been named to the board of directors of South Hills Interfaith Ministries as a board member.

Rev. Natalie Gessert of Bethany Lutheran Church has been named to the board of directors of South Hills Interfaith Ministries as a board member.

Rev. Kristian Opat of St. Paul's Episcopal Church has been named to the board of directors of South Hills Interfaith Ministries as a board member.

Alli McMutrie and Jamie McMutrie, founders and co-presidents of Haitian Families First, were awarded the 2012 Norman Borlaug Humanitarian Award by MedAssets Inc.



Julie DeSeyn

Julie DeSeyn has been promoted to director of community impact at United Way of Allegheny County.

David Shapira, executive chairman of Giant Eagle, was one of five Pittsburghers recognized for their exceptional contributions to the history of western Pennsylvania, the nation and the world as part of the Sen. John Heinz History Center's 21st Annual History Makers Award Dinner. He was honored in the business and industry category.

George Greer, philanthropist and former H.J. Heinz Co., was one of five Pittsburghers recognized for their exceptional contributions to the history of western Pennsylvania, the nation and the world as part of the Sen. John Heinz History Center's 21st Annual History Makers Award Dinner. He was honored in the philanthropy category.

UPMC Senior Services honored Paul Winkler, president and CEO of Presbyterian SeniorCare, as its 2013 Grand Champion for his efforts to improve the lives of seniors in western Pennsylvania and beyond.

Sigo Falk, chairman of the Falk Foundation, was one of five Pittsburghers recognized for their exceptional contributions to the history of western Pennsylvania, the nation and the world as part of the Sen. John Heinz History Center's 21st Annual History Makers Award Dinner. He was honored in the heritage category.

Tony Dorsett, Pro Football Hall of Fame running back and Heisman Trophy winner at the University of Pittsburgh, was one of five Pittsburghers recognized for their exceptional contributions to the history of western Pennsylvania, the nation and the world as part of the Sen. John Heinz History Center's 21st Annual History Makers Award Dinner. He was honored in the sports category.

Esther Bush, president and CEO of Urban League of Greater Pittsburgh, was one of five Pittsburghers recognized for their exceptional contributions to the history of western Pennsylvania, the nation and the world as part of the Sen. John Heinz History Center's 21st Annual History Makers Award Dinner. She was honored for community leadership.

Harry Henninger has been named to the Frick Art & Historical Center Board of Trustees as a trustee.

UPMC Senior Services honored Paul Winkler, president and CEO of Presbyterian SeniorCare, as its 2013 Grand Champion for his efforts to improve the lives of seniors in western Pennsylvania and beyond.



Andrea Kline Glickman has been named executive director at the National Council of Jewish Women, Pittsburgh Section.

OIL & GAS

FTS International has been honored by The Challenge Program Inc. with the organization's Crystal Owl Award for business partner of the year. The Crystal Owl event annually honors a business, an educator and a student who each highlight the mission of TCP and/or contribute in a meaningful way to the program.

ORGANIZATIONS & ASSOCIATIONS

Keith Key, president and CEO of KBK Enterprises, joined the African American Chamber of Commerce's Presidential Roundtable.

TECHNOLOGY



Danielle Fisher

Danielle Fisher has been named channel sales manager at MindMatrix.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Black Box Corp. was named Day & Zimmerman 2012 Supplier of the Year. Black Box was recognized for delivering outstanding service.

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Event focus: elder abuse

Elder abuse will be the focus tomorrow at a special event to raise awareness of the issue.

Lawrence County Link to Aging and Disability Resources and Challenges, Options in Aging will host a free Elder Abuse Awareness Day Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the gym of St. Camillus Church, 314 W. Englewood Ave. The day is designed to educate seniors and their family members about the physical, emotional and financial abuse elders often face.

It is being held in conjunction with World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, which is Saturday.

Event registration and welcome will take place from 10 to 10:15 a.m. At 10:30 a.m., Dave Etzi from the Bureau of Consumer Protection of the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Office will make the initial presentation.

Other morning presentations will be made by Lawrence County District Attorney Joshua Lamancusa at 11:05 a.m., and ombudsman Jerri Wilson of Challenges: Options in Aging at 11:25 a.m.

Following lunch and table visits at 11:45 a.m., afternoon sessions will begin with a self-defense demonstration by Tauni Caylor of the Pennsylvania Martial Arts Academy, North Mercer Street.

April Hayden and Gregory Pacelli, both from Challenges, will talk, respectively, on protective services at 1:10 p.m. and

Medicare fraud at 1:25 p.m.

Closing remarks will begin at 1:40, and table visits will resume at 1:45.

Other participants in elder abuse awareness fair include U.S. Sen. Pat Toomey, state Sen. Elder Vogel Jr., Avalon Nursing Center, Cambridge Home Health Care, Coordination Care Inc., Crisis Shelter of Lawrence County, Disability Options Network, Heartland Hospice, Greater Pittsburgh Food Bank, LIFE Lawrence County, Meals on Wheels, Northview Estates, Overlook Health and Rehabilitation Center, Right at Home, Rhodes Estates, Silver Oaks Health and Rehabilitation Center, Southern Care Hospice, Southpoint at Jameson, Twilight Wish Foundation New Castle Chapter, SWPA Food Security Partnership, Urban League of Greater Pittsburgh, and Visiting Nurses Association of Western Pennsylvania.

For more information about the day or to register, call Challenges' Heather Presnar at (724) 658-3729 or email linklawcounty@gmail.com.



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Take a stand against **ELDER ABUSE**.



Film, panel focus on hurdles faced by black students

By Antoine Allen
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Stacy Summers doesn't feel comfortable around "white folks," but she expects more of her son.

This is just one of the reasons she enrolled her son, Seun, in The Dalton School, a predominately white, independent school in Manhattan's Upper East Side.

In "American Promise," film producers Joe Brewster and Michele Stephenson document the life of their son, Idris, and his friend, Seun, as the Brooklyn boys attend Dalton. It will be broadcast nationwide on PBS early next year.

On Thursday, the Heinz Endowments hosted a screening of the film and a panel at the August Wilson Center, Downtown, where the two families and local educators discussed the issues highlighted in the documentary and their potential solutions before an audience of roughly 500.

The screening was delayed as Heinz Endowments facilitators awaited the arrival of two school buses filled with college mentors and their high school charges. The students were a part of the Black Male

Leadership Development Institute, a group co-sponsored by the Urban League of Greater Pittsburgh and Robert Morris University, that challenges students to "strive for academic excellence, civic responsibility and integrity."

"In my mind they're the reason why we're here," said Carmen Anderson, chair of the Heinz Endowments' African American Men and Boys Task Force, as she explained the brief delay to the audience.

The screening began with Mrs. Stephenson's introduction of the film that she said she and her family has dedicated 14 years of their lives.

The audience watched as Idris and Seun struggled to co-exist with the mostly white students of the Dalton School. Issues of identity, equality and education created a tension in the audience that was only broken by the periods of laughter prompted by scenes that comically captured the boys' daily lives.

"Wow," responded a woman as the ending credits rolled.

"I think there are many things that we would do differently," Mrs. Stephenson said during the panel discussion that followed. "I'm very proud of my son and where he

is today. I've grown, and I think that's what's important."

Moderator Chris Moore, a local TV and radio host, asked the panel: "[Do] you feel that this film provides an accurate assessment of the challenges that are faced by African-American students in the educational system?"

Panelist William Generett Jr., who is black and a graduate of the mostly white Shady Side Academy, said he could relate to the challenges that the boys faced.

"This brought back a lot of memories," he said, noting the feeling of isolation he felt at times. "I remember the pain."

In 1989, the school held its prom at a country club that didn't allow blacks. While he was granted an exception, he decided not to attend.

After graduation, Mr. Generett attended Morehouse College, a historically black college in Atlanta.

"That's what I needed, in many ways, to heal," he recalled. An attorney, he is now president and CEO of Urban Innovation21.

In one scene in the movie, Idris and his black friends were repeatedly refused cab service in Manhattan. "Did you ever try to catch a cab in Fox Chapel?" Mr. Moore joked afterward.

The audience broke out in laughter.

"It's more than just a film," said Mrs. Stephenson. "Our goal is to empower educators, parents and youth in their own work toward equity in education."

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Keystone Region Organizations Receive \$305,000 From Comcast Foundation

Grants to Support Programs Focused on Community Service, Digital Literacy and Empowering Tomorrow's Leaders

EXTON, Pa., June 25, 2013 /PRNewswire/ — Seventeen nonprofit organizations in Comcast's Keystone Region have been awarded \$305,000 in grants from the Comcast Foundation to support programs focused on community service, digital literacy and empowering tomorrow's leaders. Comcast's Keystone Region includes portions of northeastern, central and western Pennsylvania, the Maryland panhandle, eastern Ohio and northern West Virginia.

"Most of the young people we serve are from low income families, with little or no access to computers, and just as important, no one to help them navigate their use of the technology. The Comcast Foundation grant has provided us the resources for those kids to be connected to the high technology society in which we all live," said James T. Barry, Jr., director of Larosa Boys and Girls Club in McKeesport.

James Smith, executive director for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Berks County, noted that the Comcast Foundation grant was critical in expanding the agency's SMART (Students & Mentors Achieving Results Together) mentoring program from three schools in two school districts to six schools in four districts. "We more than doubled the number of youth served by a one-on-one mentor in our school-based program, and we could not have done so without the Comcast Foundation as a partner in our efforts," he said.

The organizations receiving Comcast Foundation grants include:

- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Berks County (\$10,000)
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Jefferson County, OH (\$10,000)
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Pittsburgh (\$35,000)
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of York & Adams Counties (\$10,000)
- Boys & Girls Club of Central Pennsylvania (\$15,000)
- Boys & Girls Club of Chambersburg (\$15,000)
- Boys & Girls Club of Lancaster (\$20,000)
- Boys & Girls Club of Northeastern Pennsylvania (\$15,000)
- Boys & Girls Club of Somerset (\$15,000)
- Boys & Girls Club of Western Pennsylvania (\$15,000)
- Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh (\$5,000)
- Hope Station Opportunity Area, Carlisle (\$8,000)
- I-Lead Charter School, Reading (\$20,000)
- Mountaineer Boys & Girls Club, Morgantown (\$25,000)
- Spanish American Civic Association, Lancaster (\$25,000)
- Urban League of Greater Pittsburgh (\$50,000)
- YWCA Greater Pittsburgh (\$12,000)

Jim Samaha, Comcast regional senior vice president, said: "These outstanding organizations are making a difference in their communities every day, taking an active role in improving the lives of their residents. We are proud to help them achieve their goals and create brighter futures across the region."

About the Comcast Foundation

The Comcast Foundation was founded by Comcast Corporation in June 1999 to provide charitable support to qualified non-profit organizations. The Foundation primarily invests in programs intended to have a positive, sustainable impact on their communities. The Foundation has three community investment priorities—promoting service, expanding digital literacy, and building tomorrow's leaders. Since its inception, the Comcast Foundation has donated more than \$123 million to organizations in the communities nationwide that Comcast serves. More information about the Foundation and its programs is available at www.comcast.com/community.

Violence prevention group moves in new direction

by Rebecca Nuttall

Courier Staff Writer

In 2008, Larry Chisholm, an ex-offender from the Hill District, opened Future Champs Boxing Gym in Wilksburg with the help of Randy Castriota, owner of Castriota Metals & Recycling.

The two men met after Chisholm was released from prison and Castriota gave him a job and a place to live. Shortly after, Castriota asked Chisholm, who once had a promising career in boxing, what his dream was.

"Crime, it confines you. A lot of the time, you don't get out of a four block radius when you're involved in the crime," said Chisholm.

"After I got out of prison, I said what I wanted to do is get involved with youth to get the gun out of their hand and the gloves in their hands."

Designed as a means to curb violence, the organization used boxing to provide youth with a positive outlet. But after a few years in operation, Future Champs struggled with funding and couldn't afford to pay trainers or mentors to work with the youth they served.

But now Future Champs is being reinvented. On

June 19, the nonprofit's administrators hosted the First Annual Launch Event and Fundraiser at LeMont Restaurant to share their new vision for the organization.

"We're going to focus on boxing still, but also education and workforce development," Castriota said. "Our mission has changed a little because we are more focused on education, but it's all about guiding youth."

Looking to take Future Champs in a new direction, Castriota and Chisholm brought on Kenneth Huston to serve as executive director and CEO. With experience in workforce development through his own organization Huston Trust Inc. and the Urban League of Greater Pittsburgh, Huston has seen the impact economic empowerment can have in violence prevention and intervention.

"If we're going to have an impact on violence we have to provide a positive vehicle and economics is that positive vehicle," Huston said.

The Future Champs Resource Center's programs include violence prevention and intervention, workforce development and management, re-entry assistance, and youth

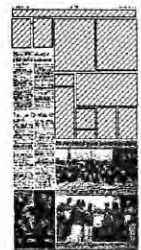
pathways and career development. Huston believes you have to give those living in poverty an alternative to drug culture and violence.

"Drug dealers are not drug dealers because they want to be. They see that as an economic opportunity to get out of the ghetto," Huston said. "I say to them, your business acumen can be turned to something positive to benefit the community."

Participants will undergo 12 weeks of aggressive training through nine modules created by Huston. They will be taught in areas ranging from literacy to life skills to prepare them for a career.

"Future Champs is an economic empowerment organization that will challenge individuals to be career oriented," Huston said. "We will challenge every individual that walks in the door at Future Champs that, 'you can do better.'"

Future Champs is supported by the Pittsburgh Steelers, Pittsburgh Penguins, Pittsburgh Pirates, PNC Charitable Trust, PNC Bank, Enterprise Inc., Community Education Partners, Branded Solutions, and Specialized Education Services Inc.



Dispute with city officer discussed at meeting

By Lexi Belcufine
 Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Five days after a teacher was arrested in Homewood — eliciting concern from activists and politicians that the Pittsburgh officer's behavior would exacerbate tensions between police and residents — those involved met behind closed doors Monday to discuss the incident.

An argument between Zone 5 Officer Jonathan Gromek and Dennis Henderson, 38, of the North Side and freelance photographer Rossano Stewart about how fast the officer was driving Wednesday, quickly escalated into a situation that at least 11 officers responded to and ended with Mr. Henderson in the county jail.

City Councilman Ricky Burgess said before Monday evening's meeting that the gathering was intended to foster conversation between the people who were "directly involved." The meeting was closed to the public and media. After people shared their accounts of the incident and their concerns, Mr. Burgess said police officials would be able to respond.

The meeting was attended by acting police Chief Regina McDonald; Assistant Chief Maurita Bryant; Officer Mike Gay, representing city police Zone 5; city council members Theresa Kail-Smith and Mr. Burgess; Councilman Bill Peduto, who won the Democratic mayoral primary; Urban League president Esther Bush; Rashad Byrdson, president and CEO of the Community Empowerment Association; Elizabeth Pittinger, executive director of the Citizen Police Review Board; and a represen-

tative from the U.S. attorney's office, among others.

Mr. Henderson and Mr. Stewart were at the meeting. Officer Gromek was not present. Others in attendance had witnessed their interaction.

Among those witnesses, there was a general sense of "bewilderment" and of disrespect, Ms. Pittinger said.

"[Police and residents] don't respect each other, and that's the SEE **DISPUTE**, PAGE B-5

crux of the matter. Both sides have dehumanized the other, and as a result, we have a volatile situation and it blew up last week," she said.

"It was an important opportunity to have a needed discussion," Mr. Burgess said.

Chief McDonald also said it was "important to hear from the community" at the fact-finding meeting.

The group developed an action plan: moving forward, Mr. Burgess said, the training of officers and community response need to be evaluated and a working group would be established.

He said the collaboration of those involved was "extraordinary."

"Police affirmed that that was the community belief and experience, and that's a great first step," he said.

Ms. Pittinger said Chief McDonald and Assistant Chief Bryant did a great job listening to the concerns of the community.

"Usually you have a defensive police brass, ready to defend anything the police said or did, and that was a very important message for the community to hear," Ms. Pittinger said.

She said the plan coming out of Homewood could help create change across the city.

Mr. Burgess thanked those who attended the meeting.

"The people here are advocates for change," he said.

At 6 tonight, the broader community will be welcomed at the Community Empowerment Association, 7210 Kelly St., to discuss their interactions with police.

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Invalidates voting rights formula

by Christian Morrow

Courier Staff Writer

Following the Supreme Court's June 25 Ruling that Section 4 of the Voting Rights Act is unconstitutional, local African-Americans echoed national leaders from the NAACP, the Urban League, and others organizations to condemn the narrow 5-4 ruling, saying it destroyed more than 40 years of anti-voter discrimination work.

"This is a slap in the face to many, many people," said NAACP Pittsburgh Unit President Connie Parker. "Now we have to fight as if we didn't have the right to vote before."

The court held that using Section 4's nearly 50-year-old data on voter discrimination and abuses could not be used to penalize the covered jurisdictions today.

Section 4 contained the formula by which Section 5—requiring, originally, southern states and some other counties to obtain pre-clearance from the federal government before making any changes to voting laws—determined coverage.

The formula looked at whether states imposed unfair devices such as literacy tests in the most recent federal election (Nov. 1964), whether less than 50 percent of the voting age population was registered to vote as of that date, or if less than 50 percent of eligible voters voted in that election.

In 1975, the formula was expanded to nine states and parts of seven others, to include jurisdictions as varied as Alaska and New Hampshire that printed voting materials in English only yet had language minorities comprising 5 percent of the voting age population.

Writing for the majority, Chief Justice John Roberts said, "Our country has changed, and while any racial discrimination in voting is too much, Congress must ensure that the legis-

lation it passes to remedy that problem speaks to current conditions."

Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg, in the minority dissent said the ruling was akin to "throwing away your umbrella in a rain-storm because you are not getting wet."

Venerable Pittsburgh civil rights attorney Wendell Freeland called the ruling "an amazing display of arrogance by the court in directing the congress to amend the law."

"It is devastating because this was a keystone of the Civil Rights Movement," said Freeland. "What has been overlooked and forgotten by commentators is that there is a provision that allows covered districts to opt out. If a district has no violations for 10 years, they can ask the U.S. Justice Department to opt out. Those are not 50-year-old numbers. I know of no district that has not been allowed to do so."

Freeland said the ruling was calculating in that, even under ideal circumstances, it would take some time for congress to create a new formula.

"First a case has to be made for new districts and states to be included and a record (of violations) established," he said. "But the court knows full well that with the bunch in office today that it will be almost impossible for Section 4 to be effectively amended."

Nonetheless, local activists from the Black Political Empowerment Project, the Western PA Black Political Assembly, the Thomas Merton Center and others announced during a July 1 press conference with Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald that they would continue to fight voter suppression efforts.

Celeste Taylor said she has already begun planning for a new march on Washington.

On Saturday, Aug. 24 participants will board buses to Washington DC to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the March on Washington and to renew their collective commitment to voting rights, to human rights, to equality of education, to quality housing for everyone, to access to jobs with a living wage and equality in the application of justice. Those who wish to join them should contact B-PEP at b-pepinfo@b-pep.net or call Celeste Taylor at 412-661-1246 or B-PEP at 412-758-7898.

But not all in congress are waiting for that. On June 28, U.S. Sen. Bob Casey, D-Pa., sent a letter to Majority Leader Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nevada, and Judiciary Committee Chair Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vermont, calling for immediate action.

"We should not allow the successes of the VRA to be used to justify stripping the very provisions that allow for effective protection of the rights it guarantees," he wrote. "It is now the responsibility of Congress to pass legislation that will enable enforcement through Section 5 and continue to secure the right to vote to all of our citizens, regardless of race, national origin or language."

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LEGALLY BOUND—Urban League member and Duquesne University Law Professor Tracey McCants Lewis says the Urban League is committed to restoring the Voting Rights Act.



CUFFED—Pittsburgh school teacher Dennis Henderson, and New Pittsburgh Courier photographer Rossano Stewart, front, sit in handcuffs after being harassed by a Pittsburgh police officer for, what many are saying, is "Talking While Black." (Photo by Elwin Green/Facebook)

Leaders meet with city officials

Upset over teacher arrest, Courier photographer handcuffing by police

by Ashley Johnson
 Courier Staff Writer

Community members and leaders met with Pittsburgh police administrators and public officials on July 1, just days after a Pittsburgh school teacher was arrested and a New Pittsburgh Courier photographer was handcuffed outside of a community meeting, to discuss the incident and better relations between the police and the community.

"I think (the incident) may be a blessing in disguise, because this

problem (of police harassment) is constant in the urban community," said Rossano Stewart, the Courier photographer who was handcuffed. "Now that it's been brought to the forefront, I think something will be done and better relations will ensue between the community and the police."

On June 26, Dennis Henderson, a teacher at the Manchester Academy Charter School, and Stewart were leaving a Community Empowerment Associ-

ation Inc. meeting held at the organization's Kelly Street building when they were allegedly almost hit by, then harassed and handcuffed, by Pittsburgh Bureau of Police Officer Jonathan Gromek.

Stewart said he and Henderson were standing alongside Henderson's vehicle on Kelly Street after the meeting, talking and exchanging business cards, when the officer traveled towards them at a rapid



speed, almost hitting them. It is unsure if the officer heard a comment or saw their expressions, but Stewart said when the officer got to the corner, he made a U-turn, drove up to them and asked, "Do you have a problem with the way I'm driving?" Then said, "If you have a problem, you can file a report."

Stewart said when Henderson began asking the officer for his name and badge number, the officer threatened them with a citation for obstructing traffic and then placed them under arrest and handcuffed them. He said the officer was verbally aggressive and even swept Henderson's legs from under him to get him on the ground.

While the men were on the ground, a crowd started to form, Gromek reportedly called for back up and 10 to 15 police cars, along with dogs arrived at the scene. Stewart was later let go, but Henderson was arrested for disorderly conduct and released the next day. He has a court date scheduled for July 10.

"I admire the community coming out and stepping up," said Stewart. He said that although he is thankful that acting Pittsburgh Police Chief Regina McDonald and Assistant Chief Maurita Bryant, who were at the meeting, apologized, he will "not quite be satisfied" until charges against Henderson are dropped. He doesn't think he will ever receive a formal apology from Gromek.

The meeting, which was closed to media, was not only attended by McDonald and Bryant, but also Pittsburgh Councilmen Rev. Ricky Burgess, Bill Peduto, Theresa Kail-Smith, along with Rashad Byrdson, Esther Bush and some of the

other residents who witnessed the event.

Stewart said the investigation into the incident is ongoing and that the meeting was to get his, Henderson's, and the witnesses' accounts of what happened. He said Chief McDonald also discussed what an officer is legally able to do and said she was going to work on methods of training for new recruits so that these types of problems do not occur again.

Burgess, at an impromptu press conference addressing the communities' questions at the Zone 5 police station on the night of the incident, said he was pleased with the way the meeting went and that it gave the community an opportunity to share their concerns directly with the police chief. He said they were able to discuss some needed changes, such as a structured change in training so that officers receive a more accurate understanding of the Black community and the need for a more coordinated response from the community that says there is a zero tolerance for violence and crime, and that the police's involvement is wanted.

Burgess said he plans to form a working group to try and strategize some solutions.

NAACP President Constance Parker said, "I find this (incident) unbelievable. Here you have two upstanding gentlemen, coming from a community meeting, and then this happens. There's a grave injustice that's been done to both of these men. It's unacceptable and cannot be swept under the rug."

Parker said that although no one has as of yet reached out to the NAACP, they are there and ready to use their resources to help.

"What happened will continue to happen until we get society on the right page," she said.

Although the July 1 meeting was only for certain individuals, the Community Empowerment Association scheduled an open forum on July 2 for members of the community to voice their opinions.

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**We're All in This
Together**

We're All in this Together was the message of UPMC's Partnership Appreciation Event honoring Inclusion Champions from UPMC and the community in 13 categories. The fifth annual event was held Tuesday in the Herberman Conference Center at the UPMC Cancer Pavilion, Shadyside, and attended by about 200 guests. A cocktail reception and buffet dinner began the evening, which celebrated the Center for Inclusion's mission to promote inclusion and a foundation of dignity and respect in the workplace and cultural competency in patient care.

Guests were welcomed by Center for Inclusion director Jamie Scarano, Urban League president Esther Bush, UPMC chief inclusion and diversity officer Candi Castleberry-Singleton and Greg Peaslee, UPMC's chief of human resources. Charlie Batch served as emcee and accepted the Community Partner of the Year award on behalf of his Best of the Batch Foundation. Also honored were Lucy Spruill, Life's Work, Professional Mechanical Sales and Services Inc., Trish Wood, Bidwell Training Center, Bernadette Turner, School 2 Career, John Krolicki, Marla Pryor, Bernadette Bryant, Dr. William Simmons, the Donald D. Wolff Jr. Center, Sharon Czyzewski and UPMC Hamot.

Cheering them on were UPMC board chair Nick Beckwith Hilda Fu, Latasha Wilson-Batch, Dr. Loren and Ellen Roth, Chuck Bogosta, Scott Lammie, Margaret Washington, Wilma McNeese, Mary Beth Jenkins, Will Cook and Tami Minnier.





Bill Wade/Post-Gazette photos

UPMC board chair Nick Beckwith and Esther Bush



Everett McElveen, Bernadette Turner and Marla Pryor

MT. LEBANON SCHOOLS

Leader for capital campaign hired

Alyssa DeLuca of Baldwin Borough has been hired as director of the school district's capital campaign.

The school board approved the hiring Monday. She will be executive director of the Mt. Lebanon Foundation for Education, which has been set up to provide financial support for the district.

Ms. DeLuca will be paid \$82,500 a year.

The district's goal is to raise \$6 million in capital and endowment funds.

Ms. DeLuca will support a volunteer campaign committee and help the foundation identify and cultivate individual donors and establish a long-term develop-

ment program for the district.

"She has a strong background in development and fundraising, and will be a capable, enthusiastic leader for our capital campaign," said superintendent Timothy Steinhauer.

Ms. DeLuca, a Duquesne University graduate, has been director of development at the Carnegie Museum of Natural History for the past four years. Prior to that, she served as a senior communications and marketing consultant for Deloitte Services LP and director of development and communications for Urban League of Greater Pittsburgh.

She is expected to join the district Aug. 30.



100,000 expected on Saturday;
president to speak on Wednesday

Washington march lures area residents

By Mackenzie Carpenter
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

When Dorcas Lee Dillard, 52, of Orlando, Fla., and her 16-year-old daughter, Christiana, first heard about Saturday's rally on the National Mall for the 50th anniversary of the 1963 March on Washington, "we looked at each other and said, 'Let's go,'" Ms. Dillard said.

What they didn't realize was that Ms. Dillard's 72-year-old mother, Joyce Moorman Lee of West Mifflin, had the very same thought — after all, she had attended the first march with her two sisters and wasn't going to miss out on this one.

"It was amazing to think that although we hadn't talked about it beforehand, we all knew we needed to go — that many of the changes being made in laws throughout the country are going to have a direct effect on each and every person in the United States," said Ms. Dillard, who plans to meet her mother and aunt at the march.

"I'm proud that we're three generations of a socially conscious family."

They'll be part of an estimated 100,000 people expected to travel to the nation's capital for the march and a rally sponsored by the Rev. Al Sharpton's National Action Network and the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Non-violent Social Change.

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It will be perhaps the largest gathering in a weeklong series of events to commemorate the march — and King's pivotal "I Have a Dream" speech.

President Barack Obama is expected to speak at a ceremony Wednesday, the actual anniversary, on the same spot at the Lin-

coln Memorial where King mesmerized tens of thousands in attendance. Former Presidents Bill Clinton and Jimmy Carter also will attend.

Locally, 10 buses, seating 55 people each, have been chartered and will depart early Saturday starting just after midnight.

Sponsors of the buses include the NAACP, the A. Philip Randolph Institute and the Pittsburgh Black Political Convention, the Urban League of Greater Pittsburgh, the Black Political Empowerment Project and the United Steelworkers.

Unlike last time, when a special "Freedom Train" from Pittsburgh was the first to pull into Washington's Union Station in 1963, no special train will be taking people to the nation's capital this year, but hundreds more are expected to drive, said B-PEP's Celeste Taylor, who has been organizing transportation and is working with the National Action Network on logistics, participating in national conference calls every day.

The event on the mall had been scheduled for 8 a.m. with a march from the Lincoln Memorial to the Martin Luther King Memorial by the Tidal Basin — about a 20-minute walk — but it has been moved to 12:30 p.m.

Those planning to attend include Sala Udin, Tim Stevens, Molly Rush, Vincent Eirene and other longtime Pittsburgh civil and human rights activists. No public officials have signed up to be part of the bus brigade, although supporters of Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald donated some money to pay for bus seats, Ms. Taylor said.

It is too late to charter more buses, because the deadline for registering and obtaining parking permits at Robert F. Kennedy

Memorial Stadium in Washington has passed, although there have been increased phone calls from people wanting seats, according to Ms. Taylor.

Volunteers were to meet Thursday evening at the Thomas Merton Center in Garfield to assemble lunches, make signs and other preparations, while Ms. Taylor managed last-minute requests for transportation. There have been some cancellations — people are donating money instead, so Ms. Taylor was still working to fill those seats, which were selling for \$45 — with a \$25 discount for students, although some free "scholarship" seats were available for student groups thanks to donations by the Steelworkers and other groups.

The upper lot across from Consol Energy Center has been donated so that people going to the march can park there for free on Saturday, she added.

Mr. Stevens, head of B-PEP, wasn't at the last march, but he will be at this one, which also will be peaceful, he predicted, but by necessity focused on immediate issues that have surfaced this summer — the Trayvon Martin verdict and the Supreme Court ruling dismantling a key part of the Voting Rights Act — and the perennial problems of poverty and unemployment.

"We need to refocus on the historic issues that gathered black people together 50 years ago," he said. "Not just because of Trayvon Martin. The sad part is we're fighting battles again that we thought were done."

Rev. Sharpton has invited members of Martin's family to attend the rally, which also will protest racial profiling, stand your ground laws, gun violence, immigration and gay rights.

A second march on the mall will take place Wednesday, organized by a civil rights lawyer from Rochester, N.Y. Besides Mr. Obama's speech at the "Let Freedom Ring" event, there will be an interfaith religious service and a bell-ringing ceremony sponsored by the King Center at 3 p.m., the very moment King began his historic address.



Van White, founder of the Center for the Study of Civil and Human Rights Laws in Rochester, has been planning the Aug. 28 march — and a conference on civil rights the day before — for more than a year and sounded a bit chagrined about Rev. Sharp-ton's event on Saturday.

"I think people are determined to make this about Trayvon Martin, and if they do, they will lose a big opportunity to talk about deeper, broader questions," Mr. White said. "This 50th anniversary exists because of the most memorable speech in the history of this country, but it also exists because of the hundreds of thousands of faceless, nameless people who made history that day in 1963."

One of those people was Ms. Lee, who just returned home to Florida after attending the Frank Bolden Journalism Workshop sponsored by the Pittsburgh Black Media Foundation. Christiana says she has listened to her grandmother's stories about times "she was treated without respect, simply because of her race and gender. It's really disheartening for me to hear about her previous struggles, especially because I know how intelligent, strong-willed and independent she happens to be."

Her own mother also had to find her footing in the years after the march, she added. "She's the bridge between my grandmother's generation and my own and grew up when the country

was just making the transition from habitual implementation of stereotypes, to the democratic nation that it claimed to be."

Although she didn't have the same experiences as her mother and grandmother, "I still know how it feels to be unjustly treated on the basis of traits that I cannot change," Christiana said. "Racism and sexism are much more subtle than 50 years ago, but it's purely ignorant idealism to believe they've disappeared, which is why I think it's imperative for me to be at the march."

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Young professionals commit to helping Pittsburgh's youths

Members of the Urban League Young Professionals of Greater Pittsburgh combined fun and a desire to help the region's young people. The Commit to Care Soiree was held to raise awareness of the importance of service to youth and challenges attendees to dedicate time to a child. The Commit to Care Soiree was held June 14, at the August Wilson Center for African American Culture to encourage attendees to give at least one hour to a child within 30 days of the soiree. Through this event, they hoped to collect a minimum of 500 hours of commitments to Pittsburgh youth. Proceeds from the event will benefit ULYP's "Bridging the Gap" mentoring program. ULYP-GP President Marisa Bartley states, "We wanted to ensure our fundraiser this year had a direct correlation to our collective efforts focused on our children. They need our time and they need to see our talents, because they are our treasure! Let's continue to 'be the change' in our children's world."

The Commit to Care Soiree is a collaborative effort of the Urban League affiliate and the young pro-

fessionals. Urban League President **Esther Bush** has put an emphasis on increasing mentorship opportunities for Pittsburgh's African-American youth through the African American Achievement Trust initiative. In response, the Young Professionals created the "Bridging the Gap" program focused on developing soft skills in the 9th and 10th

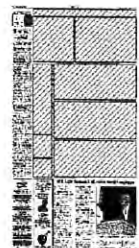
grade students who participate in Urban League activities.

Sponsors of the soiree included Comcast, Citizen's Bank, Yamean Studios and Enterprise.

(For more details on the Commit to Care Soiree, please contact Marisa Bartley by email at president@ulyppgh.org or by phone at 724-307-8597.)



GIVING THEIR SUPPORT—Allegra Johnson, from Munhall, and Jameel Bennett, from Greenfield, supported the Urban League's event for mentoring.





OFFICERS—Urban League Young Professional officers Eugene Williams, Allyce Pinchback, Marisia Bartley and Cassandra Tyree all committed to care.



THE COMMITTEE from left: Rebeckah Sharpe, Mecca Gamble, Marisia Bartley, Cassandra Tyree and Tremaine Wills.



CMU SHOWS SUPPORT—Students from CMU, who are part of the program "Remaking the Institute," showed up to support the Urban League Young Professionals' Commit to Care mentoring for children event.



WHERE ARE THE FELLOWS? Ladies on the dance floor having fun as the Urban League raises money and awareness to help mentor children. (Photos by J.L. Martello)

Human Resources

ALLEGRA WAKEFIELD **Guild President**

Urban League of Greater Pittsburgh

As president of the Urban League Guild of Greater Pittsburgh, Allegra Wakefield has helped to shine a national spotlight on the local branch. During her 10 years as a guild member, Wakefield has served as chair of the fundraising committee and vice president. She has been president for the past three years. Wakefield has organized and volunteered for events such as Urban League Sunday, Urban League Thanksgiving Distribution and other special projects. She was the first president of the Pittsburgh Guild to receive two consecutive national service awards and has encouraged other guild officers to take higher positions. She is part of the African American Achievement Trust Collective Focus as a graduation coach and is a mentor to a Westinghouse High School senior. She will be volunteer coordinator for UMOJA African Arts in the Park 2013. Professionally, Wakefield has worked in social services for 17 years and has held positions with the Urban League of Greater Pittsburgh, Urban Youth Empowerment and with Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic. She currently works with Resolve Crisis Network as a crisis serviced coordinator. Wakefield, a Westinghouse High School graduate, holds an associates in science as a Mental Health and Mental



Retardation specialist from Community College of Allegheny County and a Bachelor of Arts in sociology from Carlow University. She is also involved with Coro Pittsburgh Women in Leadership XV, the National Council of Negro Women and the African American Leadership Association. Wakefield, a Hill District resident, is the mother of three.



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Vaccinations

We are excited to be starting our third year of the "Take Charge of Your Health" pages. These pages focus on health disparities in the Pittsburgh region. They give important health information, as well as information about research opportunities and community resources. In the past two years, the pages have covered health topics like diabetes, asthma, heart disease and cancer. Those pages can all be accessed online at the New Pittsburgh Courier Web site.

The monthly series is a partnership of the New Pittsburgh Courier, Community PARTners (a core service of the University of Pittsburgh's Clinical and Translational Science Institute—CTSI) and the Urban League of Greater Pittsburgh. This year we are excited to welcome the UPMC Center for Inclusion as a new partner.

Because many children go back to school this month, Elizabeth Miller, MD, PhD, chief of adolescent medicine at Chil-

dren's Hospital of Pittsburgh of UPMC, sat down with Esther L. Bush, president and CEO of the Urban League, to talk about immunizations.

EM: Ms. Bush, it's so great to be starting these health pages again this year! I know you have a strong interest in the health of children in the Pittsburgh area. What are your thoughts about the topic this month?

EB: I'm thrilled that we are continuing these health pages again. I know I learn a lot each month. Children truly are our future, and as a community we need to do the best we can to protect them. One important way to do this is by vaccinating them against diseases that are harmful to children and their families.

EM: The topic of immunizations has been covered a lot by the media. What are your thoughts about vaccinations?

EB: I strongly believe everyone has a right to voice his or her opinions about vaccines. However, it's essential that people know the facts about vaccines. As Drs. Zimmerman and Burke point out, a lot of research has been done with regard to vaccine safety. Research shows us that vaccines not only keep individuals free of disease but also those around them. We don't want to see a rise in deadly diseases in Pittsburgh that can be prevented.

EM: Thank you so much for your time, Ms. Bush. Is there anything else you would like to add?

EB: We all agree we want a strong, healthy community here in Pittsburgh. I want to encourage people to learn more,

ask questions and get involved in their health. Talk to your doctors. Read accurate Web sites. People can call the Community PARTners Core for more information about community resources or participating in research at 412-624-8139.

