SOUTH SIDE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

2018 Year in Review

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south side welcome center

The Welcome Center is the headquarters for the Chamber. It is an official information center for VisitPITTSBURGH, with an abundance of information about the South Side, Pittsburgh, and beyond. In 2017, we welcomed 3967 visitors from around the world.

south side soup contest

This year's 1300 tickets sold out again in a few minutes! Loyal soupers diligently tasted and voted for their favorite delicious soups from 24 generous South Side restaurants. On a snowy day, the contest raised funds for The Brashear Association and the Welcome Center.

south side magazine

Our South Side Magazine features a collection of local businesses with a comprehensive and colorful foldout map. Produced annually with the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, over 40,000 magazines are distributed on the South Side, throughout Pittsburgh, and beyond.

openstreetspgh south side

In May, over 36,000 visitors biked, walked, skated, and danced up and down East Carson Street and across the 10th Street and Birmingham Bridges from downtown and uptown. Our second OpenStreetsPGH was an incredible day of family-friendly activities!

pittsburgh marathon

Thousands of marathoners again raced through, and many fans came to cheer them on! The welcome center was the official South Side marathon spectator zone and festival site. Marathoners were greeted with the lively music of the Occasionals. Our cupcakes were a hit!

mittens & mingles

Our great 2017 holiday fundraiser benefitted the Welcome Center, and our guests donated $1300 to The Brashear Association. Fabulous signature drinks, food pairings, and more from 22 local businesss were featured. Our 175 guests mingled and enjoyed a festive evening!

east carson street holiday snowflakes

In 2017, South Side Bar and Restaurant Association, South Side Community Council, South Side Slopes Neighborhood Association, and the Chamber raised funds to showcase our beautiful holiday snowflake lights. Again, they illuminated the South Side for the holidays!

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chamber happy hours

Our popular happy hours are a great way to network with local business leaders, officials, Chamber members, and friends. Guests enjoy the hospitality of South Side establishments, promote their businesses, and catch up with friends.

digital chamber

Our chamber website brings membership and event management online! It features our South Side businesses in an interactive mobile directory. Visitors to the South Side are able to connect directly to local businesses at southsidechamber.org/directory.

summer golf classic

Together with the South Side Bar and Restaurant Association, the Chamber hosts an annual summer golf tournament to promote business in the South Side and raise funds to support the South Side Welcome Center operations and the volunteer Chamber Clean Team.

phillips student of the month

Each school month, the Chamber and a local business sponsor recognize a "Student of the Month" for academic achievements at South Side's Phillips Elementary School. The student receives an award certificate, a $50 gift card, and a feature photo in the South Side Reporter.

chamber clean team

In 2017, 363 clean team volunteers donated 2684 hours of community service, mostly cleaning East Carson Street sidewalks, curbsides, parklets and adjacent streets. We acknowledge and thank our many volunteers for their time and work for the South Side.

south side planning forum

Since the 1980's, the South Side Planning Forum has monitored community developments and articulated the collective vision of the community through its South Side Neighborhood Plan. The Chamber is a Planning Forum organizational board member.

brown bag workshops

At the Welcome Center, we feature selected facilitators and shared experiences in our 8 a.m. morning workshop sessions. Presenters focus on key issues of interest to small and growing businesses such as financial literacy, online reputation, mobile presence, and branding.