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March: Priming for Spring Activity

Good Morning Pittsburgh,

Welcome to March. Can you believe we're into the 3rd month of 2018 already? What have you been able to achieve so far? What progress have you made on your goals for the entire year?

As usual, a new month translates into another month full of events, activities, and programming. When rounding out your own personal schedule, be sure to cross reference [our community calendar](#) to make sure you don't miss out.

More news below.

John Quayle & Joe Esposito

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Community Updates



The application cycle for the **UpPrize Great Ideas Competition: Impactful Technology** is now open! They are looking for innovative ideas that leverage technology to support nonprofit operations and/or better meet the needs of marginalized populations. In this competition you don't need to have a team in place to build the tool. What you do need is an idea that with the proper team in place could be developed within 18 months. 3 winners will each receive \$5,000 in grants and support to apply to accelerators/incubators. [Learn more this week...](#)



the law firm Metz Lewis Brodman Must O'Keefe for **ASPIRE 2018** on

Thursday, March 8th @ the Wyndham Grand. This event will bring together the region's entrepreneurial, dealmaking and investor communities for a daylong event filled with dynamic keynote speakers, engaging panel discussions and power networking opportunities. The breakout sessions will focus in on four key areas: Buying a Business, Selling a Business, Raising Capital, and Liquidity Events. Single tickets for the event cost \$195. [Learn more today...](#)



Join **Alloy 26** this Thursday, March 8th, as they celebrate *International Women's Day*. International Women's Day (celebrated every year on March 8th) is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. The day also marks a call to action for accelerating gender parity. This year, Alloy 26 is celebrating IWD 2018 with the women who are working to make Pittsburgh great. During the day there will be four different events to attend - with all the festivities beginning at 8:30AM. The event(s) will be free to attend. Learn more [& register today...](#)



Think angel investing might be in your future, but you're not sure how or when to start? Join the **Next Act Fund** with their *Angels in the A.M.* educational series for Rising Women Professionals. Get ahead of the game and prep yourself now, so you're ready to hit the ground running when it's time. This series will span across three different sessions (in March, June, and September) and will cover a variety of topics. You can join for one session or all three! [Learn more & register this week...](#)



Save the date! On Tuesday, April 17, 2018, Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, in partnership with the University of Pittsburgh and LifeX™, will present the **WSGR Healthcare Investment Pop-Up**. During this event, early-stage biotech companies and entrepreneurs located in the tri-state region (PA, WV, OH) focused on developing therapeutics will have the opportunity to pitch their ideas for investment. The event is part of Life Sciences Week at the University of Pittsburgh. Sound interesting? Learn more by [visiting the event's website](#).

News & Other Items

- Pittsburgh Postscript: Surprises, gripes, memorable characters and epic experiences from GeekWire's [month in the Steel City](#) [GeekWire]
- Here's the download from GeekWire HQ2's [wrap-up event](#) [NextPGH]

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Sat	Sun			

Tuesday, Mar 06

PVCA: Its Second Decade: Trends and Opportunities in Impact Investing

learned and where do we see new opportunities - in Pittsburgh and beyond? Join us...

Chatham's Women's Business Center (CWBC) Open House

6:00 PM -- Millvale Community Library

Come meet Anne Flynn Schlicht, the Director of CWBC and learn about the training programs available for women business owners, including free business counseling and technical assistance. This event is FREE, registration required at...

Wednesday, Mar 07

Pgh Dev UX: Transmedia Storytelling: How to Cross the UX Divide

5:30 PM -- Code and Supply Workspace

Join us March 7th at Code and Supply (3610, 5648 Friendship Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15206) for a presentation by Frank Dreyer. We will be providing food and drinks! Frank's presentation is titled "Transmedia Storytelling: How to Cross the UX Divide." Frank...

Tech Happy Hour: Good Food & Drink Deals!

7:00 PM -- Mario's East Side Saloon

Mario's East Side Saloon on Walnut Street! This will be a great opportunity to meet fellow members, talk about projects and socialize :)

Thursday, Mar 08

ASPIRE Pittsburgh 2018 Conference

7:00 AM -- Wyndham Grand Pittsburgh Downtown

Please join us for ASPIRE 2018, presented by Metz Lewis Brodman Must O'Keefe LLC, which bring together the region's entrepreneurial, dealmaking and investor communities for a daylong event filled with dynamic keynote speakers, engaging panel discussions and...

Microsoft US Tech Summit

8:30 AM -- Pittsburgh Marriott City Center

Build your cloud skills at a free technical learning event for IT decision makers, IT professionals and developers. Connect with experts from Microsoft and the community, and learn how to get the most from the cloud. Ask your toughest questions, learn...

Problem Solvers: Real Solutions for Small Businesses

8:30 AM -- Bella Sera

Managing the growth of a business is not easy... Get your concerns & problems resolved now! A no-cost seminar series for small business owners How to better manage and measure outcomes Improve accountability & performance Identify revenue & financial...

International Women's Day Events

8:30 AM -- Alloy 26

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Steel City Information Security: March social

6:00 PM -- Bakersfield

Eat, drink, and talk infosec

LaunchPad Business Pitch Competition

6:00 PM -- Leech Tishman Office

On Thursday, March 8, Leech Tishman and the Launchpad Legal Team will host a business pitch competition. Leech Tishman and the Launchpad Legal Team are seeking entrepreneurs to pitch their business idea in front of a panel of judges. The panel of judges...

Saturday, Mar 10

Intro to Programming for Absolute Beginners

11:00 AM -- CoLab18

Join us for an Hour of Code, facilitated by David Wintrich, co-founder and Chief Academic Officer at Tech Elevator. Participants will work through a series of exercises that provide a gentle introduction to programming using Javascript that they can use...

Tech Elevator Open House

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1:00 PM -- CoLab18

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