



# Bulletin

## East Memphis Rotary Club

Cliff Williams, President

April 27, 2022

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2021-2022

Our 33rd Year

[www.rotaryclubofmemphiseast.org](http://www.rotaryclubofmemphiseast.org)

Meeting 12:00 Noon

Shady Grove Event Center, 5530 Shady Grove, Memphis, TN 38120

### Upcoming Meetings

May 4, 2022

Andy Nix  
MyCityRides

May 11, 2022

Richard Myers  
Whitehaven HS/STEM

May 18, 2022

Otis Sanford  
Journalism Chair, U of M

June 1, 2022

Newcomers Reception  
Home of  
Mark Griffiee

June 8, 2022

Ursula Madden  
Office of the Mayor

June 15, 2022

Richard Shadyac  
St. Jude Children's Hospital



### Speaker Sponsor

### Guests



Rachel Haaga,  
sister-in-law of  
Matt Haaga



Trey Moore  
Guest of  
Bob Chance.  
Great News!  
Trey took  
an  
application

### May 4, 2022 Andy Nix, My City Rides



Andy Nix has built a career helping individuals utilize their strengths and organizations mobilize change. Now he's combining these principles to mobilize people and shift how communities think about transportation. He is tackling Memphis' transportation challenges with a liberating, affordable, self-sustaining solution. His background includes leadership positions at FedEx, ServiceMaster, and as a founding Principal of PeopleCap. Andy leverages his Bachelor's in Psychology from Rhodes College and an MBA from the University of Memphis to thoughtfully tackle tough social issues with business acumen.

Andy accepted the challenge to lead an initiative, unlike any this country has seen, to provide reliable and affordable workforce transportation. He climbed aboard as Executive Director of MyCityRides and set out to prove that the way much of the world gets to work could be the answer the US has been needing. Now with a team of rockstars and a fleet of scooters on the road, MyCityRides is establishing Memphis as a thought-leader in implementing multi-model transportation solutions.

### April 20, 2022 Autumn Chastin



Autumn Chastain, Attorney and CEO of Thistle & Bee, shared the story of this two-year residency program designed to meet the needs of women wanting out of the sex trafficking, prostitution and addiction cycle. Autumn said that those reaching out for help takes courage and the women are asked a few questions to determine if they are a good fit for the program. If accepted they live in a home setting where they have the chance to experience community living as they begin the healing process from histories of physical, emotional, and sexual abuse. The staff and volunteers believe that every woman who comes to Thistle & Bee is worthy of love and respect as they go through the journey to regain control of their life.

The women work in Thistle & Bee Enterprise, making products and/or learning how to care for the bees that produce the honey for sale at their home office or at many retailers throughout the city. The organization also makes other items such as candles, soap and candies.

Thistle & Bee can always use volunteers and financial support. Check out the website to find the many items to purchase as a way to support this organization whose mission is "to offer women hope and healing through a holistic residential and therapeutic clinical program and employment in our social enterprise."

