



# Bulletin

## Rotary Club of Memphis East

Bob Chance, President

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Our 30th Year

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### Upcoming Programs

**January 30, 2019**  
Fireside Chats

**February 6, 2019**  
Craig Unger  
Pres/CEO/Co-Owner  
Memphis Redbirds &  
Memphis 901 Soccer Team

**February 13, 2019**  
Mayor Jim Strickland  
City of Memphis Update

**February 20, 2019**  
Sandy Bradford  
LifeSigns  
Health & Wellness

**February 27, 2019**  
Herbie Krisle  
Page Robbins Adult Center

**March 6, 2019**  
Murray Lace  
Celtic Crossing  
Scotch Tasting

**March 13, 2019**  
Donna Lemm  
EVP, IMC Companies

**March 27, 2019**  
Eric Barnes  
The Daily Memphisian



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### January 30, 2019 Fireside Chats



We will not meet at the Racquet Club next week as 8 of our members will be hosting a meeting at their office. Thanks to Willie Towler, Mark Beutelschies and Bob Kirk, Nina Gourley, Richard Marsh, Rob Sievers, Wendy VanCleve and John Seabold for opening their office for a Fireside Chats meeting where members have the opportunity to discuss topics of interest in a less formal setting. The only way each meeting can be successful is for you to contact your assigned host to let him/her know whether or not you will be attending as they need to adequately prepare for lunch. It only takes a minute to call or email your host.

### January 23rd Jacob Widerschein Memphis Express



2019.

Football season does not end after the Super Bowl - that is, not since the Alliance of American Football League came to Memphis. Beginning February 9th, the Alliance will play a 12-week season with the first game on February 9th, televised by CBS, and culminating with the championship game the weekend of April 26-28,

The league is a planned professional American football league made up of four teams in the east and four teams from the west (Arizona Hotshots, Atlanta Legends, Birmingham Iron, Memphis Express, Orlando Apollos, Salt Lake Stallions, San Antonio Commanders and San Diego Fleet).

Led by some of the most respected football minds in the game, the Alliance is high-quality professional football fueled by a dynamic Alliance between players, fans and the game. The League founded by TV and film producer Charlie Ebersol and Hall of Famer Bill Polian, promise a great spring season.



### Grant presented by RCME Foundation

RCME Foundation Chairman John Ueleke presented \$3,000 grant to the Chickasaw Council of the Boy Scouts, where leaders are developed through the programs of the Boy Scouts. On hand to receive the gift was Richard Fisher.



## 2019 Dunvant Award

*A message from President-elect and 2019 Dunavant Chairman, Richard Marsh.*

Fellow Rotarians,

We are very excited to be hosting the Dunavant Public Service Awards in 2019 with a new format, honoring the Lifetime Achievements of Mr. William "Bill" Morris. As most of you know, Bill has served our community honorably in many different capacities over the last 50+ years in both elected and appointed positions of civil service. He has had a huge positive impact on the Memphis region and beyond.

This is also one of the most visible and impactful opportunities that our Rotary Club has in Memphis. We need volunteers to make a short term commitment (the next 10 weeks) to help plan and coordinate the program. This is a great opportunity for those of you who are not able to commit to a leadership or board position, but are looking for a way to contribute for a limited time / one time project basis. This is your opportunity!! We need 8-10 people to divide the load so that no one is has too much.

Please contact Lee Hughes, or Richard Marsh by email at [rmarsh@trustmark.com](mailto:rmarsh@trustmark.com) or by phone at 901-482-4429 if you think you may be able to help.

Thanks in advance for your enthusiastic response!!!

Richard

### Press Release Announcing this Year's Dunavant/Rotary Lifetime Achievement Award

Fifteen years ago the Rotary Club of Memphis East instituted an annual Public Servants recognition program and named it in honor of the late Bobby Dunavant, a long time and well-respected Probate Court clerk. One elected and one non-elected local public servant were chosen from public nominations and saluted at each of the well-attended awards luncheons.

This year the East Memphis Rotary Club has decided to call attention to an outstanding individual, former County Mayor William N. Morris, by naming him as the first recipient of the **Dunavant/Rotary Lifetime Achievement Award**. Morris will be saluted during an April 3, 2019 luncheon event at the Holiday Inn–University on Central Avenue.

East Rotary President Bob Chance said, "Bill Morris served Shelby County brilliantly, first as a multi-term Sheriff (1964-1970) and subsequently as our county Mayor (1978-1994). Following his distinguished public service career, Bill remains integrally involved with the University of Memphis, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and other worthy causes. He represents the finest qualities of servant leadership."

Richard Marsh, president-elect of East Memphis Rotary will chair the awards program. Tables and individual tickets can be reserved by contacting Lee Hughes at [lmhughes@costconsulting.net](mailto:lmhughes@costconsulting.net) or by phone at (901) 754-1615.



Former County Mayor William N. Morris