



Bulletin

East Memphis Rotary Club

Cliff Williams, President

June 15, 2022

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2021-2022

Our 33rd Year

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Meeting 12:00 Noon

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

June 22, 2022

Michael Phillips, Su Casa Ministries

Our schedule speaker, Anthony Macri of the Memphis Grizzlies had to cancel due to family emergency. We are working to reschedule Anthony late summer or early fall.



Program Chair Matthew Gant has invited Michael Phillips, executive director of Su Casa Ministries, to share with us the story of this organization that is a place of safety and connection for both the Latino immigrant community and the broader Memphis community. Through their adult english and early childhood programs, combined with their extensive referral network, Su Casa seeks to partner with families in our community to improve their economic, health, and general wellbeing. Both programs are ways for families, parents, children and neighbors to connect organically with the broader community. Su Casa works to create a place where our Latino immigrant neighbors can learn, grow, and pursue their self-determined goals. Our theory of change is that when whole families from across our city connect, that is when neighborhoods are lifted, communities are strengthened, and our city becomes its best.

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Richard Shadyac, Jr.



Richard C. Shadyac Jr. shared the inspiring story of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. The hospital was the dream of entertainer Danny Thomas, who in hard times, asked St. Jude Thaddeus to show him his way in life. He became a legend in the entertainment business and began

raising money in 1955 to build a shrine to St. Jude, which became St. Jude Children's Research Hospital that opened in 1962.

Today St. Jude strives to advance the research and treatment of childhood cancers. When the hospital opened, the survival rate for children with leukemia was 4%. Today the rate is 94%, and the hospital continues its plan to build on this momentum to create a bright future for children with cancer. St. Jude shares its research all over the world. Today the hospital has 8 children from Ukraine here in Memphis. With St. Jude resources they moved over 1,000 children from Ukraine to areas of the EU so they could continue their treatment.

The hospital is recognized as one of the best pediatric cancer treatment facilities in the US. It is the leading hospital in the world to treat and defeat childhood cancer and other life-threatening diseases.

President Cliff presented Richard Shadyac with a \$3,000 grant from RCME Foundation to help in their continued fight for the lives of children.



Upcoming Meetings

June 22, 2022

Anthony Macri
Memphis Grizzlies

June 29, 2022

Pass the Gavel

July 6, 2022

No Meeting
Holiday Week

July 13, 2022

Club Assembly

July 20, 2022

Dr. Antoine Gnintedem
Middle College High School
at CBU

July 27, 2022

Annual Visit by
District Governor
Nathan Lubin

August 3, 2022

Ted Townsend
Greater Memphis
Chamber of Commerce



Speaker Sponsor

Whitehaven STEM Project

On June 8th, we presented a grant for \$3,000 to Richard Myers, our second gift, toward the Whitehaven STEM project.

We have received a most gracious thank you note from Richard Myers who is actively raising funds to complete this \$7M project.



Meet Kim Weaver. Kim is with Pinnacle Financial Partners and will join the group under their corporate membership. Kim is known to many of our members and all agree Kim will be a great member.

Welcome, Kim, we are glad to call you an East Memphis Rotarian.

We are sorry to learn that Laura Strang who joined us during the pandemic is moving to Minneapolis at the end of this month. She did introduce Lisa Hargrove who will become the administrator at South Breeze Assisting Living and Memory Care. Lisa took an application and will be joining us. Lisa, we look forward to your participation in Rotary.



Mark Griffie introduced his guest, Erim Sarinoglu who is running for a Shelby County Judgeship in the November 4th election.

Visiting today was Ike Anand, also with ALSAC.

