



Bulletin

East Memphis Rotary Club

Cliff Williams, President

November 17, 2021
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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

Upcoming Meetings

November 24th
No Meeting
Thanksgiving Week

December 1, 2021
Jessica Van Dyke
Innocence Project

December 8, 2021
WSE Christmas Luncheon
at the school



December 15, 2021
Holiday Party
Home of
Paula & Bob Chance

December 22, 2021
No Meeting
Christmas Week



December 29, 2021
No Meeting
New Year's Week

Wednesday, November 24, 2021
No Meeting at Shady Grove
Happy Thanksgiving



We return to Shady Grove on Wednesday, December 1st, when Jessica Van Dyke with the Innocence Project will be our guest. Jessica graduated from the University of Tennessee Law School, where, as a law student, she cut her teeth on post-conviction work in the university's Wrongful Convictions Clinic. She has remained passionate about wrongful convictions and after eight years at Parker Lawrence Cantrell & Smith, left the firm in January 2019 to help launch the Tennessee Innocence Project. Jessica is a proud graduate of Knox College in Galesburg, Illinois and received her

Master's from Vanderbilt University. Jessica has served on the Tennessee Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers Board of Directors and served for several years as the organization's Indigent Defense Chair. She has been the recipient of TACDL's Workhouse Award and the Robert W. Ritchie Service Award. She is a member of the Nashville Bar Association, Tennessee Bar Association, and the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers.

The Tennessee Innocence Project (TIP) is a 501(C)3 non-profit law firm seeking to free the wrongfully convicted. Today, we know there is a demonstrated need for an innocence organization in Tennessee. According to the National Registry of Exonerations, there have been more than 2,800 exonerations in the United States since 1989. Tennessee has seen only 24 exonerations despite ranking 18th in the United States for prison population by state. Jessica will be speaking about the phenomenon of wrongful convictions, why they happen, and how the work of the Tennessee Innocence Project addresses the root causes of innocence claims.

Proposed New Member

Laura Strang
Administrator
South Breeze
Assisted Living &
Memory Care

Classification:
Healthcare: Administration

Classification Committee and Board of Directors recommend the named individuals for membership in our club. Any comments concerning the prospective members should be made in writing to Nina Gourley at 1661 Aaron Benner, Suite 300, Memphis, TN 38120. Email: ngourley@wucpas.com with a copy to Lee Hughes, 504 Sanga Circle West, Cordova, TN 38018, Email: lmhughes@costconsulting.net

RCME Foundation Support

by John Seabold

Many thanks to those who have turned in a pledge for contribution for our East Memphis Rotary Foundation. The goal is for 100% of the club members to help. Gifts can be made until December 31, 2021 for a cash or appreciated stock donation. John Ueleke gave us a great report on the many donees the Foundation has helped over the years.

Please let Lee Hughes have your pledge and help the Foundation continue its history of service.

November 17th Program



Bob Schreiber had the pleasure of introducing his wife, Leslie Shankman-Cohn Schreiber, as our speaker.



Leslie is an expert at making living independently a reality for those who find themselves limited in various ways as they age. She is not only an award-winning designer, she helps the aging population with great ideas on ways to make living in their home safe and comfortable.

She said that one needs to fall-proof their home, keep a flashlight and batteries available, have a phone charger in several rooms, make sure contact list is updated, be sure fire alarms work and set up regular check-ins with a family member and/or friends. Leslie had pictures of bathroom and kitchen modifications that one can make the

home safer. She also provided good information on ways to make the home safer if renovations are to costly for some.

While most want to remain in their home surrounded by friends and familiar surroundings, even small modifications can make aging in place possible. There are many options, both temporary as well as permanent, to help one stay in their home well past retirement.



Our Guests



Anna Hoose, guest of our speaker.



Susan Yount, guest of Nina Gourley.

Announcements

Watch the mail for your invitation to the Holiday Party at the home of Paula and Bob Chance.

We will have the t-shirts available at our next meeting on the 1st of December. They are \$10 each and we want you to wear them often as you never know when someone might ask you, "what is Rotary?"