



# Bulletin

## East Memphis Rotary Club

Nina Gourley, President

November 2, 2022  
Photographer: Bill Pickens  
2022-2023  
Our 34th Year

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Meeting 12:00 Noon

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

### Upcoming Meetings

November 9, 2022  
Veterans Day Program

November 16, 2022  
Gina Sweat  
Memphis Fire Chief

November 23, 2022  
No Meeting  
Thanksgiving Week

November 30, 2022  
Brian McCurry  
Athletic Ministries

December 7, 2022  
Christmas Luncheon at  
White Station Elementary



December 15, 2022  
Christmas Party  
Home of  
Debra & Doug Owings

December 21, 2022  
No Meeting  
Christmas Week

December 28, 2022  
No Meeting  
New Year's Week



### Speaker Sponsor

### November 9, 2022

#### Diane Hight Forever Young Veterans



Diane Hight founded Forever Young Veterans in 2006. Her organization grants wishes for military veterans, 65 years and older, which includes WWII, Korea, and Vietnam veterans. She has honored more than 2500 veterans by taking them on military "Trips of Honor" to places like Washington DC, Pearl Harbor, Normandy, Italy, England, and Belgium. She's honored more than 700 WWII veterans with a USO-type show celebrating their service.

In 2021, Diane was named one of Huck's Heroes on TBN's Mike Huckabee Show. She was awarded the Points of Light by President George H.W. Bush in 2018. Diane is a Jefferson Award Winner, which is the Nobel Peace Prize for volunteerism at a local level. She was named by the Commercial Appeal as one of twelve who made a difference in Memphis in 2010. Diane is an Honorary Marine, and received the National Patriotism Award from the Daughters of the Revolution in 2012. She also received "The Legion of Honor Award" in 2013, from The Chapel of Four Chaplains for her outstanding, sacrificial service to the community.

Diane is originally from Morrilton, Arkansas, but currently lives in Rossville, TN with her husband, Greg, a retired pilot for FedEx Express. She has three grown children and seven grandchildren.

### November 2, 2022

#### Greater Memphis Chamber of Commerce

by Beth Dowdie



It was such a treat to have Beverly Cato Robertson, President & CEO of Greater Memphis Chamber of Commerce, join us today. Beverly graciously filled in at the last minute to speak to our club, and we couldn't have been happier to have her. The time that Beverly has been at the Chamber has been action-packed. The huge Ford project has generated even more interest in Memphis from other companies. Getting a workforce trained up and ready is a top priority. Beverly talked about the chamber's main areas of focus: PEW - Public Policy, Economic development, and Workforce Development. Her enthusiasm for our city was quite contagious! Memphis still has momentum, for sure!



### Happy Dollars

Sandra Roberts had a Happy Dollar for her guest, Henry Yang from Korea, who was her student to learn English as his second language.

Alisa Farmer had a Happy Dollar for having her son, Elliott Farmer, visit Rotary today as guest of Richard Marsh.

Phil Gray had an \$8 dollar Happy Dollar for his twins that celebrated their fourth birthday.

## Guests are always Welcome and add Greatly to our Weekly Meetings



*Frank Bailey  
guest of  
Jack O'Keefe*



*Courtney Blanchard  
Chamber of Commerce  
Guest of our Speaker*



*Elliott Farmer  
guest of  
Richard Marsh*



*Henry Yang  
guest of  
Sandy Roberts*

## Girls in Pearls

Wendy Smith reports at the last meeting of Girls in Pearls, they were taught how to make introductions, how to shake hands, and how to write thank you notes. At the end of the lesson, the girls wrote a thank you note to their teachers. The next day four of the girls read the thank you notes at a school assembly. These young ladies are so smart. They wrote thank you notes to their Science, Math, and English teachers!

