



# Bulletin

## East Memphis Rotary Club

Nina Gourley, President

October 19, 2022  
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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 2, 2022  
Ted Townsend  
Greater Memphis  
Chamber of Commerce

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



Joining us today was  
Charles Eatherly  
guest of John Seabold



Also Mary Weatherwax joined  
us today and submitted her  
application. She is a long-time  
Rotarian and is transferring from  
the Oxford-Ole Miss Club.

### October 26, 2022 Susan Deason, Youth Villages



Susan Deason has worked at Youth Villages for 26 years and is now the executive director of our Memphis Allies initiative. She received her bachelor's degree in psychology from Rhodes College and her master's in counseling from The University of Memphis. She has led the development of several new programs at Youth Villages during her tenure, including a Juvenile Court-funded prevention program and the Transitional Living program now known as LifeSet™. Susan also led the development of the Anaya Partnership, a privately funded community-based program that provides Intercept, LifeSet and Outpatient Mental Health Services in urban Memphis. She developed community partnerships for Anaya and provided training and support to other organizations, schools and ministries. She brings that experience to her new role.

### October 19, 2022 Driven By with Sam Coates



Our scheduled speaker Kontji Anthony came down with COVID on Tuesday and could not be with us. Program Chair Phil Gray was scrambling at the last minute to come up with a speaker. He could not have found a more interesting and engaging speaker than Sam Coates. *Driven By with Sam Coates* produces Podcasts of interesting and thought-provoking individuals. Through his Podcasts individuals share experiences, insights and the drivers behind what many guests have built and how it applies to what drives them.

Sam interviews people from across the country on business strategies, personal challenges, personal triumphs and people who want to tell their story for future generations. People are drawn to Sam because of his ability to ask the right questions and get people to open up. His Podcasts offer local residents and those who have moved away the opportunity to stay connected to those they know.

Many of his Podcasts are on his website and he has interviewed some interesting people and businesses. Check them out, and kudos to Phil Gray for introducing us to Sam Coates.



### Welcome