



Our Guest Speaker

Evon Smith,
President & CEO,
OneWest

Zoom Meeting -
Register [HERE](#)

November 19, 2020

11:30 am-Networking

11:45 am-Pre-meeting

12:00 pm-Meeting

Amy Shir, President
& CEO, LHOME

Presentation Title:

Investing in West
Louisville Business



About the presentation:

Evon Smith, OneWest, and Amy Shir, LHOME, will discuss investments being made in West Louisville to help support entrepreneurs and create jobs.

About our guest speakers:

Evon J. Smith, a real estate developer from North Carolina with more than 20 years of experience, joined OneWest, as President and CEO in January 2018. The 501 (c)(3) community development corporation, focuses on commercial development growth in west Louisville. Smith was the founding president of Sustainable Community Resources, previously a real estate development firm with offices in Winston-Salem and Greensboro, NC that specialized in rural and urban real estate development in low-to-moderate resource communities. Smith earned a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Shaw University in Raleigh, NC, and completed executive leadership programs at Duke and Harvard Universities.

To read Evon Smith's entire bio, click [HERE](#).

Amy Shir, LHOME's President and CEO, has been a national leader in financial empowerment efforts for twenty years. Prior to running LHOME, Ms. Shir consulted for the Assets For Independence "AFT" Program for the Office of Community Services, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services. Ms. Shir also founded the Kentucky Asset Building Coalition and chaired the Kentucky Coalition for Responsible Lending. She serves on the Executive Committee for Banks in Louisville and Metro Louisville's Resilience Steering Committee. Ms Shir holds an MPA in State and Local Finance from Syracuse University's Maxwell School and a BA in Psychology from Wesleyan University.

To read Amy Shir's entire bio, click [HERE](#).

Pre-meeting conversation - 11:45 am:

Please join us for conversation and updates hosted by fellow Rotarian **Marianne Butler**, Community Initiatives Manager, Louisville Gas and Electric (LG&E).



November 9th Meeting Recap:

The November 9th Rotary Club of Louisville meeting featured **Peggy Noe Stevens**, Author, Master Bourbon Taster and Global Speaker. The title of her presentation was "Bourbonomics." Rotarians and guests were given the opportunity to follow Peggy's Bourbon journey and gain insights into some of the behind the scenes trends that have built the road map for our Kentucky economy. Peggy also discussed how the Bourbon industry continues to provide economic support today.

To watch Peggy's presentation, click [HERE](#).



Upcoming Speakers

November 25th - **Happy Thanksgiving!** (No meeting)
December 3rd - **David Osborne**, Kentucky Speaker of the House
December 10th - **Kevin Nolan**, President and CEO, GE Appliances a Haier Company
December 17th - **Holiday Meeting - Kentucky Opera performs**
December 24th - **Happy Holidays!** (No meeting)
December 31st - **Happy New Year!** (No meeting)

Service Project Update - St. Benedict's Natural Playground

The infants and toddlers at St. Benedict Center for Early Childhood Education in West Louisville have a beautiful new play space thanks to an \$11,500 grant from our club's Rotary Fund and a \$3,000 match from The District. This service project replaced outdated equipment with a natural playground with all-natural materials, which child development experts recommend because it encourages imaginative, self-directed, collaborative play and helps children develop an appreciation for the environment.

A special thanks to all Rotarians who volunteered to construct the infant and toddler play area as well as Trees Louisville, the non-profit created by Rotarian Henry Heuser Jr, which donated 15 trees, and to Matt Riggle for orchestrating the delivery of river rocks courtesy of Bluegrass Paving.

To read more about this important project, visit the Rotary Club of Louisville's website at www.louisvillerotary.org.



Upcoming Business Synergy Virtual Events - Register now!

Rotarians here are some great opportunities to fellowship, network, have fun and invite a friend!

***Nov 17th - Ocearch:** A Lifelong Study of the White Shark - Watch the Oearch video [HERE!](#)

***Dec 15th - Doug Naselroad**, Master Instructor at Appalachian School of Luthiery:
"Music, Art and the Impact on the Appalachians"

***Jan 26th - Cissy Hamilton** - an impressionist artist from Lexington will be talking about her love of horses, her art, and will be sharing a few techniques for us with her paint brush.

***Feb 9th - Richard Shu** - chef/restaurateur will be showing us how anyone can prepare a world class dinner. He will provide recipes/ingredients list just in time for you to prepare this fabulous meal for your valentine.

Each virtual experience is on a Tuesday from 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm. Admission is free and Rotarians are encouraged to bring a guest. To register, click on the event you would like to attend in the Event and Opportunities section below or contact the Rotary office at 502-589-1800 or rotary@rotary45.org.

Shout Out - Gary Dryden

Congratulations to Gary Dryden, Vice President of Administration and CFO, JCTC for being appointed to the TARC Board of Directors!



Community Impact Committee - Call to Action

Earlier this year, the RCL Community Impact Committee (CIC) began engaging on issues of racism, equity and justice, following the tragic Breonna Taylor shootings and the onset of civil unrest here in Louisville. Following a fact-finding journey through the CIC Community Issues Forum, the committee is now ready to move forward with more detailed planning. The extensive Executive Summary of the forum presentations, findings and list of potential projects can be found [HERE](#). To learn more and if you have interest in joining the committee, contact Luke Schmidt, Chair, CIC at lbschmidt@lbschmidt.com

What is a Rotary Foundation Bequest Society Member?

Those who have made commitments for the future gifts of \$10,000 or more to The Rotary Foundation are invited to join the Bequest Society. Donors may elect to receive various benefits and recognition pieces commemorating their commitment at each new recognition level, including pins, crystals, named funds and special seating at the Rotary International Convention.

A bequest gift of at least \$10,000 in your name to The Rotary Foundation creates a legacy of your generosity and compassion as you are helping many people live better lives around the world. Today there are over 18,000 Bequest Society Members worldwide. **Will you join them by leaving a gift to Rotary in your estate? For more information, contact Betty Russo at bsrusso@ius.edu.**

Membership Dues Renewal - Automatic Billing

We appreciate receiving your dues. In order to keep administrative costs down, please make sure the Rotary office has your up-to date credit card information for Automatic Recurring Billing. As always, if you have any questions, please contact the Rotary office at rotary@rotary45.org or 502-589-1800.

Upcoming Meetings

November 19th

[Rotary Club Zoom Meeting - Evon Smith and Amy Shir](#)

December 3rd

[Rotary Club Zoom Meeting - House Speaker David Osborne](#)

December 17th

[Rotary Club Zoom Meeting - KY Opera/Holiday Meeting](#)

December 31st

[Happy New Year! \(No meeting\)](#)

November 25th

[NO MEETING - Happy Thanksgiving!](#)

December 10th

[Rotary Club Zoom Meeting- Kevin Nolan, President & CEO GE](#)

December 24th

[Happy Holidays! \(No meeting\)](#)

Events & Opportunities

November 16th

[Rotary University of Louisville - Session 5 - New Members](#)

November 17th

[Virtual Business Synergy Experience](#)

December 5th

[Bell Ringing benefiting Salvation Army-Day 1 \(Dec 5th\)](#)

December 12th

[Bell Ringing benefiting Salvation Army-Day 2 \(Dec 12th\)](#)

December 14th

[Rotary University of Louisville - Session 6 - New Members](#)

December 15th

[Virtual Business Synergy Experience](#)

December 19th

[Bell Ringing benefiting Salvation Army-Day 3 \(Dec 19th\)](#)

January 26th

[Virtual Business Synergy Experience](#)

February 9th

[Virtual Business Synergy Experience](#)

HEY ROTARIANS...

Birthdays



[Robert B. Nesmith](#)
November 16th



[Glenn Metten](#)
November 18th



[Vincent Cameron](#)
November 18th



[Mary Anne Thornton](#)
November 20th



[William J. Receveur III](#)
November 22nd



[Walter L. Kunau Jr.](#)
November 24th



[Charles W. Brockwell Jr.](#)
November 24th



[Kent Weyland](#)
November 25th



[Jay Mallory](#)
November 29th

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