

➤ **Daniel Bird, Owner, and President of The Dan Company**

- Benefits for our employees and how our business model is different from other companies. We focus on renovations only.
- Our business model also includes work of various scopes from handyman jobs to full home remodels. We pride ourselves in delivering high quality work and helping out members of our community with whatever is needed to improve their homes.
- Dan is an active volunteer for 4:13 Strong - guest speaker once a month and brings dinner once a month to the guys in the program. It's an awesome program which benefits men who are at-risk.

Learn more:

Facebook: @thedancompany

Twitter: @dancompanyllc

Website: dancompany.net

Other: LinkedIn - The Dan Company

➤ **Cindy Siler, CEO – Mercy Community Healthcare**

➤ **Dr. Don Gibson, Chief Medical Officer – Mercy Community Healthcare**

- Mission. Mercy exists to reflect the love and compassion of Jesus Christ by providing excellent healthcare to ALL and support to their families.
- Mercy's Integrated Care Model = Body + Mind + Spirit with mental health being a key focus. How this model works at Mercy.
- Patients served at Mercy. Regardless of insurance status, every person is welcome at Mercy. We care for the needs of the community and welcome TennCare (Medicaid), CoverKids, Medicare and most commercial insurance plans. Mercy has a sliding scale self-pay program for under and uninsured.
- Mercy is a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) – Details about being a Community Health Center and what that means.
- New building project
- Upcoming Events: Franklin Classic is September 5 and Fall Dinner is November 11.

Learn more:

Facebook: Mercy Community Healthcare

Instagram: [mercycommunityhealthcare](https://www.instagram.com/mercycommunityhealthcare)

Twitter: @MercyInFranklin

MercyTN.Org

➤ **Allen Clark on photography, the lost art of doing one thing well, and The Photo Untaken Podcast**

Host Andrew Bartolotta talks with **Allen Clark**, commercial and advertising **photographer** based in Nashville, Tennessee. Allen is consistently rated one of the best photographers in the country. His work can be seen on music packaging, magazines, and countless celebrity and Fortune 500 company websites. With over 25 years of experience in photography, Allen has traveled the world doing what he has described as his dream job.

Over his career, Allen has photographed several celebrities including two US presidents, two knights, a host of famous musicians, producers, writers, actors, politicians, and what he likes to call, "everyday hardworking people"

During the interview, Allen talks about the lost art of doing one thing well, his podcast "The Photo Untaken", and fun stories about photographing celebrities and Presidents.

Learn more about Allen here: <https://www.allenclarkphotography.com/>

➤ **Kelly Meyers, President – cityCURRENT Nashville**

Learn more:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/cityCURRENT/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/citycurrent>

Website: <https://citycurrent.news/>

➤ **Joe Tomek, Executive Director - FedEx St. Jude Championship**

Ultimately, I'd like to talk about all things related to the FESJC in 2022, particularly it's elevation to a FedExCup Playoffs event. Specifically, the changes to the event, how that benefits the sponsors/fans, and why it makes sense for companies across the Mid-South to get involved.

Learn more:

Website: www.fedexchampionship.com

Facebook: @FedExChamp

Instagram: @FedExChamp

Twitter: @FedExChamp

➤ **Shannon Briggs, the creative mind behind Campfire Collective**

Host **Andrew Bartolotta** sits down with **Shannon Briggs**, the creative mind behind **Campfire Collective** as she talks about their brand launch, working with some of the biggest Memphis brands, and how her and her team offers vision, leadership, and insight to each and every social media, public relations, and marketing initiative.

Learn more about Campfire Collective here: <https://www.buildacampfire.com/>

➤ **Eric Evans, Program Director – 4:13 Strong**

81% OF FORMER INMATES END UP BACK BEHIND BARS. TOGETHER, WE CAN BREAK THE CYCLE.

4:13 Strong provides training, skills and job placement for at-risk men. Our intensive, residential program gives men a lifeline to make lasting change, because every man deserves a chance to reach their potential and do great things.

We provide a 6–8 month residential program that equips men to succeed personally and professionally. Our hands-on approach sets us apart from other programs. We are involved in our guys’ daily lives and create a supportive environment for them to live and learn. We know change happens through empowerment.

- Community Involvement. We want to grow our community awareness about who we are and who our guys are? Expand our job partner base.

Learn more:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/413Strong>

Website: <https://413strong.org/>

Twitter: @4:13Strong

Instagram: @4:13Strong

➤ **Lorneth Peters, Director of Marketing and Communications – BBB Middle TN & Southern KY**

- Why we exist? Mission and focus of what we do? Here I would insert the recent study you shared we me about BBB being the #1 trusted source in the marketplace.
- How can a business become BBB accredited?
- What are the 8 standards of Trust?
- What scams should we be aware of during travel season?
- What are the 10 top scams for small businesses?
- What initiatives are BBB currently focusing on to assist businesses and consumers? (Apprenticeship TN & WKRN News Segments)

Learn more:

Web www.bbb.org

Facebook: @bbbMidtnSouthky

Twitter: @BBBMidTN

LinkedIn: @BBB serving Middle Tennessee and Southern Kentucky

Instagram: @bbbmidsouthky

➤ **Dr. Darrell C. Ray, Chief Equity Strategist - Systematic Equity Solutions**

Host Jeremy C. Park talks with **Dr. Darrell C. Ray**, Chief Equity Strategist with **Systematic Equity Solutions, LLC**, who shares some of his background in higher education and how it prepared him to help organizations create more just and equitable workspaces, shift organizational culture, increase productivity, and reduce liability. Systematic Equity Solutions, LLC analyzes government, business, philanthropic, and educational institutions’ strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats in processes, policies, and procedures from an equity-focused perspective. With over 75 years of combined staff experience, the company offers custom-designed solutions, diversity education, and tailored training to ensure organizations meet the needs of their diverse workforce, aligning mission and values. During the conversation, Darrell shares perspective on the importance and benefits of focusing on DEI, as well as some helpful tips around communication and alignment, evaluating processes, and how and where to start.

Visit www.systematics.com to learn more.

➤ **Justin Harvey, Co-Founder of abrasiveMedia | Director of Project Awake**

- Founded in 2004, abrasiveMedia is a 501(c)(3) non-profit that helps Nashville artists grow, connect, produce, and give back to the community
- Project Awake is our new touring theatrical program created for Mid-TN high schools that helps students prevent bullying, violence, and sexual assault.
- National averages for 2022: 1 in 4 students will be bullied, 1 in 5 students will commit self-harm, 1 in 10 students will be sexually assaulted, 1 in 12 will consider ending their own life
- Our program is an experience unlike any students had in their schools. The show blends dance, acrobatics, martial arts, and acting to depict common challenges students face and the impact their choices can have on others. We use that as a catalyst for honest and open discussion among students, encouraging them to make positive social change in their schools.
- There are many organizations and programs that offer incredible opportunities to young people, as well as critical support services. That is not our role. We use Project Awake as a bridge to connect our audiences to existing resources. Our program can be used as an outreach tool for partners that serve young people.
- abrasiveMedia's mission includes supporting artists. Our cast is incredibly skilled, and we pay them for their hard work. While Project Awake's overhead is significantly less than a typical touring program, it can exceed some school's budget for an assembly program. Sponsorships by local businesses, PTA groups, and partner organizations are critical for these schools.
- Project Awake will be performing exclusively in Mid TN high schools for the entire 2022-2023 school year.

Learn more:

Website: <https://www.abrasivemedia.org/> and <https://projectawake.org/>

➤ **Sacred Walker, Founding CEO of Kuumba Health International Coaching Institute**

Mental Health Therapist, Mind Body Health Coach, Stress Relief To Success Strategist, and Personal Empowerment & Transformation Coach

- June: In honor of great outdoors month.
- 3 Creative Health Solutions to Identify Burnout & Invite In Joy in the great outdoors this summer
- How to know when your body has had enough?
- Fun ways to spend time with loved ones, balancing making power moves and things that bring pleasure
- Ways mindfulness outdoors can recharge your mind and improve your life
- How nature can teach us to honor our authentic self, and in turn shining positively impacts our bottom line

Learn more:

Facebook: www.facebook.com/asksacred

Instagram: www.instagram.com/asksacred

Website: www.sacredwalker.net

LinkedIn: www.linkedin.com/in/sacredwalker

Jeremy – she had this in the body of her email but below all the above information. So, I'm not sure if was meant for you. I'm including just in case....

Potential talking guiding points & questions

- What is a common misconception about {topic submitted}
- Both- Thank you. So, give us a summary of 3 ways that people can apply these tools, in simple steps today re: {topic submitted: Here is where you will be asked to share 3 tangible takeaways for listeners}
- Both- How can people continue the healing or creating DIY strategies or shifts re: {topic submitted}
- Both- How do they get in contact with you for next steps re: {topic submitted}
- Sacred- Closing

➤ **Dr. Michele Blackledge-Polk, Director of Oral Health with Neighborhood Health**

Host Jeremy C. Park talks with **Dr. Michele Blackledge-Polk**, Director of Oral Health with **Neighborhood Health**, who highlights the nonprofit's mission and efforts to improve the health and well-being for all in the Middle Tennessee community. For more than four decades, Neighborhood Health has provided convenient, affordable, comprehensive and high-quality healthcare to the Nashville area. Their multiple locations serve the entire family, offering medical, dental, and behavioral healthcare. During the interview, Michele talks about Neighborhood Health's efforts, the families and individuals served and the challenges they face, the importance of oral health, and why dental care is so important to fulfilling their organizational mission. Michele also talks about the power of partnerships and why the support of [Delta Dental of Tennessee](#) and the [Smile180 Foundation](#) is critical to their success and ability to serve the community. She wraps up with ways the [community can get involved](#) and support their efforts.

Visit www.neighborhoodhealthtn.org.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/NeighborhoodHealthTN/?ref=hl>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/neighborhealth>

➤ **Dr. Max Moss, Board Certified Radiologist, Medical Director – ScanPro, inc.**

- ScanPro inc. is a handheld point of care ultrasound device distributor based in Brentwood, TN who is working with Asian manufacturers to supply high quality affordable point of care ultrasound devices to healthcare providers. ScanPro offers handheld devices that work in all healthcare environments including by the bedside, in the clinic and in the field.
- It is ScanPro's belief that handheld point of care ultrasound will soon become the next stethoscope. Our devices are designed for use by physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, nurses, medical technologists as well as EMT's. Our devices work with most smartphones, tablets, and PC's.
- ScanPro's devices can be purchased and used without a monthly subscription unlike many of the other devices currently available on the market. We also offer high resolution displays that are ready to connect to the probes for immediate use. ScanPro can provide links to free POCUS education and can set-up workshops for groups who wish to improve their POCUS skills.
- It has been shown that POCUS when used appropriately reduces medical costs, expedites the diagnosis and improves patient care as well as patient satisfaction. It reduces specialist referrals and costlier imaging exams. Because of its affordability POCUS has potential to greatly improve patient care in the indigent and underserved communities where in the past access to imaging has been limited.

Website: <https://handheldscan.com/>

Dr. Moss Phone: 615-405-1358 - cell

➤ **Lauren Morris, Founder & Executive Director of MOVE Inclusive Dance, a nonprofit dance studio for people of all abilities**

We offer weekly in-person and virtual dance classes designed for people with disabilities, but those without disabilities are welcome to join, too! I can talk about the different styles of dance we offer or anything else you guys are interested in. In late August, the upcoming events we will have on deck are the "A Mighty Voice" BBQ Competition Fundraiser & our 2nd Annual "Recital at the Zoo" (both taking place in October). We are always looking for sponsors and volunteers so I can also talk about opportunities for people to get involved in that way, too!

Website: <https://www.moveinclusivedance.com/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/moveinclusivedance>

Instagram: <https://instagram.com/moveinclusivedance>

Lauren's Phone: 615-823-0036 - cell

➤ **Rachael Hille, Partnership Development Manager – Hope for Justice**

- What is Human Trafficking—what does it look like, where does it happen
- Issue globally, US, Tennessee
- Who is Hope for Justice
- Four pillars- Prevent Exploitation, Rescue Victims, Restore Lives, Reform Society
- How to get involved?
- We can see an end to modern-day slavery

Website: <https://hopeforjustice.org/>

LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/hope-for-justice/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/hopeforjustice/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/Hopeforjustice>

Rachael's Phone: 615-483-0190 - cell

➤ **Becky Sharpe, CEO of International Scholarship and Tuition Services, and President of the Nashville chapter of The Private Directors' Association.**

- Why is it important to have a board if you are a private company?
- What it means to have an effective board with proven governance expertise
- Why what got you here will not get you there – it's all about DEI
- How to prepare yourself for a private board position
- Top 5 mistakes for board members to avoid

Learn more:

LinkedIn: [\(99+\) Private Directors Association®-Nashville: Overview | LinkedIn](#)

Website: <https://www.privatedirectorsassociation.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/privatedirectorsassociation/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/privdirassoc?>

➤ **Dr. Julie Gray, Associate Dean for Community Based Collaboration with Meharry Medical College**

Host Jeremy C. Park talks with **Dr. Julie Gray**, Associate Dean for Community Based Collaboration with **Meharry Medical College**, who spotlights the School of Dentistry and their collaboration with the **Community Clinic of Shelbyville & Bedford County**. Located in Nashville, Tennessee, Meharry Medical College is one of the nation's oldest and largest historically black academic health science centers dedicated to educating physicians, dentists, researchers, and health policy experts. During the interview, Dr. Gray talks about the importance of training and equipping dentists to support and impact rural and underserved communities, and why their collaboration is so important with The Community Clinic of Shelbyville & Bedford County, a free dental and medical clinic providing limited health care for the working, uninsured, low-income adults of Bedford County, Tennessee. She also spotlights support from Delta Dental of Tennessee and the Smile180 Foundation, and discusses how the equipment and resources provided have impacted the school, students, and individuals and families served, as well. She wraps up sharing helpful tips for oral health care and ways the community can support their efforts.

Visit www.home.mmc.edu to learn more about Meharry Medical College. Visit www.shelbyvilleclinic.org to learn more about The Community Clinic of Shelbyville & Bedford County.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/shelbyvilleclinic203/>

➤ **William Brown, Managing Partner – The Benefits Group**

- Why should my business offer benefits (if I don't currently)? Isn't it a hassle?
- Is there anything you can do differently than other Brokers at renewal. Shouldn't I just stay where I'm at even if the renewals are high? Isn't that just the market right now?
- What is transparency in coverage legislation and how can insureds save money?

Website: <https://www.thebenefits.group/>

LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/the-benefits-group/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/thebestbenefits>

➤ **Anita Teague, Executive Director of the Community Development Center, also known as the Child Development Center**

Mission: Providing supports and services to children, families, and individuals with disabilities while addressing the health and well-being of all persons in the communities in which we serve.

- Programs: Early Intervention (Child Development Center), Children's Center for Autism, Family Support, Employment Services, Independent Support Coordination, Senior Equipment Loan
- Counties we serve: Bedford, Marshall, Lincoln, Giles, Coffee, Franklin, Moore, Maury, Lawrence, Wayne, Lewis, and some programs also serve Rutherford, Williamson, Davidson, Dickson, Hickman, and Perry
- The Community can play a part by serving on our numerous boards and/or committees and by referring those with disabilities to our agency for supports
- The 31st Annual Pencil Country Classic Golf Tournament, held at RiverBend Country Club, benefitting the Bedford County Child Development Center and Children's Center for Autism, is coming up on Monday, September 19, 2022. There are still team spots available in the morning flight.

Website: <https://cdctn.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/CommunityDevelopmentCenter>

Anita's Phone: 615-618-1705

➤ **Lindsay Holloway - Founder & Executive Director of This is Living Ministries**

- Lived a life of addiction/ incarceration. Given a 2nd chance 12 years ago. Started working in recovery and ministry. Moved back to my hometown 2015. I got married in 2016. I became a jail minister and a Criminal Justice advocate for Prison Fellowship & Beacon Center of TN. Founded TILM in 2016. Became nonprofit 2018. Opened house 2019
- TILM is a 12-month program to house, disciple, & train women who have dealt with addiction issues, incarceration & trauma. 6 months of training with no cost to the students. Then at 6 months the ladies begin working and paying off debts. Save up money to get their own place, parenting plans to return their children to their custody.. We serve the whole state of TN. TDOC parole approved. Recovery program approved.
- We just started our capital campaign "The Jabez Fund" in order to build more homes to help more women in TN. We envision 30 acres, another home for mothers to be able to get help with their child still in their custody, a home for women on parole. We also wish to do permanent housing apartments for those in recovery.

We are seeking partners for our Love 360 program which is a monthly donation of \$30.

Our annual event, "Ride For Recovery Festival" is October 8th at Putnam County Fairgrounds 10am- 5pm. We are seeking corporate event sponsors, musicians, vendors, advertising, volunteers.

Facebook: www.facebook.com/ThisIsLivingMinistries

Twitter: @ThisIsLivingOrg

Website: www.thisislivingministries.org

Instagram: @thisislivingministries

YouTube: <https://youtube.com/channel/UCQeAhSzwbutwrNinFRcM51g>

LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/this-is-living-ministries/>

Lindsay' Phone:

➤ Alma McLemore, Acting Director and President - African American Heritage Society

The African-American Heritage Society is a non-profit organization whose mission is to collect, preserve, and interpret artifacts pertaining to Williamson County African American culture and increase understanding and appreciation of our heritage for future generations.

Alma McLemore, a native of Franklin, is the President of the board of directors of the African American Heritage Society and serves as Executive Director. Ms. McLemore, or Alma Lee, as she is known to her close friends and classmates is a graduate of Franklin High School's first integrated class. She has deep roots in the community and a servant's heart. Alma serves on the City of Franklin's Planning Commission and Battlefield Preservation Commission. During her tenure at the AAHS, Ms. McLemore has overseen the restoration of The McLemore House while it has been closed for COVID. In 2021, the AAHS was also able to purchase a second property, the Merrill-Williams home located on Natchez Street. The home will eventually be used for educational and interpretive purposes for the Natchez neighborhood and for Black history. McLemore never says "no" when asked to serve!

Alma has served on many boards including Habitat for Humanity, WAVES, Franklin Tomorrow, New Hope Academy, Williamson County Chamber of Commerce Affordable Housing Taskforce, Mercy's Children Clinic, United Community Resource Foundation, Franklin Tomorrow's Housing Task Force, and United Way of Williamson County Task Force. Alma is a graduate of the City of Franklin Citizens Police Academy and a graduate of the Leadership Franklin Class of 2000. Alma is a member of the City of Franklin Housing Commission, the City of Franklin Civil War Commission, Battle of Franklin Trust, Williamson Co. Convention and Visitors Bureau, recent past members of Columbia State Community College Foundation Board and the 21st Recovery Court Board of Directors, where she still volunteers with the board's annual fundraisers.

- I will introduce myself, tell a little about myself- that I was born and raised here. Etc., not much about me we won't have time
- Origin of AAHS & our Mission & programs- sharing how AAHS got started, our mission and what we are currently doing- our programs and activities and annual [events](#).
- I will share how the community can [get involved](#)

Website: <https://aahswc.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/AAHSofWilliamsonCounty/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/McLemoreHouse>

Alma's Phone: 615-305-0904

➤ **Amy Braley Franck, Founder and President of Never Alone Advocacy**

- We advocate for military victims of Sexual Violence, Domestic Violence and Families that have lost a loved one due to injustices in the process of reporting crimes.
- We have identified a pattern of murder by suicide that is amplified by a toxic culture that has failed to hold perpetrators accountable and be transparent with crime victims. This assessment is supported by the Secretary of Defense's March 2022 Memo citing the military has the highest rate of suicide that they have ever seen and Ft. Campbell in our backyard is listed as one of the installations with the largest problems. Why this matters to our community is that service members and veterans that are not receiving appropriate intervention for behavioral health issues are being discharged into our community and criminals that are not being held accountable go on to perpetrate in the communities that they reside in. Many don't know that one of the most famous serial killers in America began his crimes while serving in the US Army in Germany and was discharged for a substance abuse issue as documented in a New York times article in 2022.
- We are partnering with other veteran organizations in this community and across the nation to support efforts and legislation to ensure that service members have access to proper behavioral health care as a primary prevention effort and that crime victims within the military can utilize military and community-based programs to heal and seek justice. We must understand that justice comes in all forms and the most basic step in giving a crime victim justice is believing them and giving the access to healing resources.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Never-Alone-109589954010605>

Amy's Phone: 630.819.1639

➤ **Sandy Gennaro, known as “The Rock and Roll Thought Leader,” who is a world-class speaker and drummer**

Host Jeremy C. Park talks with **Sandy Gennaro**, known as “**The Rock and Roll Thought Leader**,” who is a world-class speaker and drummer who has recorded and toured with several globally known artists, including three members of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, during a career that spans more than 50 years and continues to this day. During the interview, Sandy highlights his new book, ***BEAT THE ODDS in Business & Life***, which is now [available on Amazon and through his website, http://www.sandygennaro.com](#). He discusses some of the important themes and takeaways and shares some stories, including how he was introduced to and started working with Cyndi Lauper, and how he met his wife. He also talks about the power of positive energy and gratitude, and how they can lead you to new opportunities in your life and career. Signed copies of his book, along with BEAT THE ODDS drumsticks are available on his website, as well.

Visit www.sandygennaro.com to learn more.

LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/sandygennaro/>

➤ **Women talking Sports**
Need this from Andrew

➤ **Sara Aronson, Program & Volunteer Manager – PENCIL 615**

- PENCIL (Public Education Needs Community Involvement and Leadership) is a nonprofit that was created by the community 40 years ago to support the needs of Metro Nashville Public Schools
- PENCIL's mission is to link community resources to Metro Nashville Schools to help young people achieve academic success and prepare for life
- PENCIL partners with businesses, community groups, and other organizations to bridge the resource gaps in Metro Nashville Public Schools (MNPS) that directly impact day-to-day learning.
- Ways PENCIL supports
 - PENCIL recruits PENCIL Partners, community groups who invest time and talent into a Metro school, providing teacher appreciation, caring adult mentors, exposure to workforce opportunities, and more.
 - PENCIL runs a free teacher supply store known as the DG PENCIL Box, where MNPS teachers can shop for the tools, they need to run an effective classroom, at no cost to them.
 - Alongside MNPS, PENCIL recruits, trains, and places community volunteers with students who need a little extra help and personalized support in reading or math through the Accelerating Scholars Program.
- The way you can make the greatest impact this fall is by becoming an Accelerating Scholars Tutor.
- Accelerating Scholars
 - Partnership between Metro Nashville Public Schools, PENCIL and other community organizations
 - Provided high impact tutoring to over 2000 students last year in literacy and math
 - Accelerating Scholars tutoring leads to substantial learning gains for students by supplementing (but not replacing) students' classroom experiences.
 - Accelerating Scholars tutoring responds to individual needs and complements students' existing curriculum.
 - PENCIL is recruiting 3500 tutors for students in grades 1-3 this school year
 - Sign ups are open now and tutoring begins September 19th
 - 12 week volunteer commitment
 - No teaching experience required, PENCIL provides training
 - Virtual and in person opportunities available
- Learn more: [PENCILforSchools.org](https://pencilforschools.org)
- Upcoming events where you can learn more about PENCIL's work (both in October):
 - PENCIL Summit – October 7
 - Principal for a Day – October 27

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/PENCIL4Schools/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/pencil4schools>

Website: <https://pencilforschools.org/>

LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/pencil4schools>

Sara's Phone: 615-494-5377

Sandra's Phone: 615-496-5679

➤ **Kendall Smith, Author of *Rookie Father: A Playbook for Men Experiencing Fatherhood for the First Time***

Host Andrew Bartolotta sits down with Kendall Smith, Author of *Rookie Father: A Playbook for Men Experiencing Fatherhood for the First Time*, to discuss the pivot to fatherhood, tips from his new book, how adoption changed his life, and more.

This playbook for fathers who, like Smith, did not have a regular and dependable father figure is packed with short lessons to answer questions new dads will face, from choosing your parenting style to what it means to really be the "man of the house" (spoiler alert: it's not the 1950s) to managing your expectations as your child grows into a unique person. *Rookie Father* is the mentor-in-a-book every new father needs to be the dad you want to be.

Learn more here: therookiefather.com

➤ Gray Holden, Managing Director and Specialty Practice Leader with Higginbotham

Host Jeremy C. Park talks with Gray Holden, Managing Director and Specialty Practice Leader with Higginbotham, who provides some background on the company, which is among the nation's largest independent insurance and financial services brokers, along with his area of specialization with cyber risk insurance.

During the interview, Gray highlights the importance of cyber risk insurance, why it is a necessity for every type of business, and how you can put yourself in the best position for success before going to market and afterwards to safeguard your business. He provides a market update, talks about new capacity entering the market and some of the risk management tools provided by the insurers and Higginbotham, as well.

Visit www.higginbotham.com or email gholden@higginbotham.net for more information.

➤ **Kailey Cornett, CEO – Hope Clinic for Women**

Kailey Cornett is the Executive Director and CEO of Hope Clinic for Women. She has been serving at Hope Clinic for nearly 4 years and moved into this leadership role last fall. She has been working with women facing unplanned pregnancy for over 10 years.

- Resources available in Nashville to women and families facing an unplanned pregnancy – we are just one of them!
 - TennCare
 - Nurture the Next
 - Vanderbilt Birthing Center
 - Nurses for Newborns
 - Homeland Heart Doulas
- Hope Clinic’s preventative women’s healthcare resources – reduced cost annual exams, STI testing, problem visits, and birth control. No insurance required.
- 40th anniversary next March – planning to have our biggest fundraiser ever! 400 people with a goal of raising \$400,000

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/HopeClinicforWomenTN>

Website: <https://www.hopeclinicforwomen.org/>

Kailey’s Phone: 480-528-5840

➤ **Dr. Peter Buckley, Chancellor of the University of Tennessee Health Science Center**

Host Jeremy C. Park talks with Dr. Peter Buckley, Chancellor of the University of Tennessee Health Science Center, and welcomes him to Memphis, Tennessee, after being named the 11th Chancellor and stepping into the role on February 1, 2022. During the interview, Dr. Buckley shares some of his background growing up in Ireland and becoming a psychiatrist who specializes in schizophrenia, moving to the USA and becoming a citizen, and why he is excited to step into the role as Chancellor of the University of Tennessee Health Science Center. He provides an overview for UTHSC, talks about the significance of their different programs and their role in not only training medical professionals but ensuring our citizens across the state and nation have access to medical professionals and care, as well. He talks about some of the different initiatives they are working on, like with dentists, to increase the number of graduates and also increase access in rural areas, identified as dental deserts. He also talks about the importance of increasing diversity and collaboration in the community, and much more.

Visit www.uthsc.edu to learn more.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/uthsc>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/uthsc>

LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/school/university-of-tennessee-health-science-center/>

➤ **David Steele Ewing, CEO of Nashville History on Tour**

Host Andrew Bartolotta sits down with Historian and ninth-generation Nashville native, David Steele Ewing, CEO of Nashville History on Tour, where he shares the rich history of Nashville and the importance of knowing where our city has come from in order to embrace where it’s going.

During the interview, David talks about how visitors and locals alike can join him in over 50 private tours from a Civil Rights and African American History in Nashville Tour, Step on Guide Bus Tour, various music tours, Half Day and All-Day tours, and more. David also talks about his historical finding for Rep. John Lewis as well as being a part of several nonprofit boards like the Nashville Symphony and the importance of honoring the past and celebrating the future of Middle Tennessee through historical consulting.

Learn more about Nashville History on Tour here: <https://nashvillehistoryontour.com/>

Follow his Instagram here: <https://www.instagram.com/thenashvilleiwishiknew/>

➤ **Dave Castro, CEO/Founder – IceBrekr Inc.**

- The experience of networking at events
 - The way folks feel like they have to vacillate between being polite and making sure they get the value out of the event and whatever investment they made in it (money/time)
 - The odd double-edged sword of name tags... cuts both ways... helpful unless it is hard to see or worn in a location that makes it awkward to view
 - The triple threat of fate at a networking event...
 - Lack of awareness
 - Lack of time
 - Lack of access – (inconvenience, etc.)
 - The Event hosts
 - They are more aware than ever that people want to be out and about and networking
 - They are competing now for priority and top relevance... Content isn't going to necessarily be the priority
 - It's the places that have the best experience and most relevant connections that will get the budget
- The experience of networking online/virtual events
 - There is one person at a time talking – great focused attention for that one person, not necessarily great for everyone else
 - Getting to the individuals that are going to be ideal connections for you is harder in virtual events, you can't walk up
 - Everyone sharing a the Web meeting Chat Box to share their business and contact information is a bit chaotic
 - I think we'll see more Virtual Background sharing information, often w/ QR Code
 - Tips: QR Code for info and your name, and use the Name field as your tagline or offer
 - You have to hope your host puts you in the right chat group or you may spend an hour talking with really nice people that aren't good connections and don't have a network that includes your ideal connections.
 - Your time is managed by someone else, your access also, your awareness of your peers mostly as well... more restrictive than in-person networking
 - IceBrekr allows you to take a lot of control of all of these things
- my vision for icebrekr when it started
- event spotlight tn women connect in Oct
- looking to connect with the large conference planners putting on events.
- currently looking to raise funds while getting some additional event planners on board..

Learn more:

<https://icebrekr.com/>

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➤ **Thomas Sheffield, Director, Nashville Opportunity Fund – Pathway Lending**

Thomas joined Pathway Lending in May this year in a new role for the organization leading the Nashville Small Business Recovery Fund Pathway Lending is administering on behalf of Metro. Aimed at helping area small businesses refuel following the last few years, the Fund was established by Mayor John Cooper's office and Metro Council with federal dollars from the American Rescue Plan Act.

- **About Pathway Lending:** Pathway Lending is a nonprofit lender known as a community development financial institution (CDFI). That means it approaches lending differently so it can reach all corners of our community.

- **Pathway Lending's mission and programs:** Pathway Lending is more than a lender. Whether our small business clients need capital to grow their businesses or education to get capital-ready, we offer a range of lending products and learning programs delivered by an expert team of lenders, instructors, and advisors to help our clients take that next step.
- **The Nashville Small Business Recovery Fund loan program:** what makes it different, who is eligible to apply and what you need to know to apply.

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- **Kristen McBee, Executive Director & Birth Mom Advocate – Destiny Adoption services and Consulting**
- **Courtine Mizer , Adoptive Family Advocate**

DESTINY ADOPTION SERVICES

- Summary of BM Advocacy (Kristen)
- Summary of AP Advocacy (Courtneie)
- What sets us apart from other agencies?
 - 1.) The way we love, support, and walk with our Birth Mothers for life. (Kristen)
 - 2.) Our acceptance of all adoptive family types and structures, which stems from our passionate belief that family looks different for everyone. (Courtneie)

DESTINY COMMUNITY CARE

- Why we created this program (Kristen & Courtneie)
- Description of services (Kristen & Courtneie)
- Babies 'N' Buns (diaper giveaway events)
- Events Calendar on our website and following us on our social media platforms to find out dates and locations for our services

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➤ **Dietz Osborne, President/CEO – Miriam's Promise**

- The history and mission of Miriam's Promise
- How we meet that mission. Focusing specifically on crisis pregnancy counseling and why we're different from other crisis pregnancy counseling centers
- Adoption can cause trauma, grief, and joy to all members of the adoption constellation. We are equipped to handle all three situations and more.

Learn more: <http://www.miriampromise.org/>

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➤ **Cathy Mullins, President of the Brandon Scott Mullins Memorial Foundation**

Board member Woody Williams Foundation
National Anthem Singer for the Nashville Predators
Both a Gold Star and Blue Star Mother

Kentucky Remembers is the Signature Project Title for the Brandon Scott Mullins Memorial Foundation and provides meaningful ways for the community to come together in support of our active-duty military and veterans and their families. SPC Brandon Scott Mullins was killed in Afghanistan on August 25, 2011. In 2016, the Mullins family established the Brandon Scott Mullins Memorial Foundation to honor the life and legacy of their son through leadership scholarships at Apollo High School and the Owensboro Hockey League.

The Woody Williams Foundation is a charitable 501c(3) nonprofit organization that pursues specific endeavors and goals through the vision of Medal of Honor recipient Hershel "Woody" Williams. The Foundation encourages, with the assistance of the American public and community leaders, establishing permanent Gold Star Families Memorial Monuments in communities throughout the United States, conducting Gold Star Families Outreach across the country, providing Living Legacy scholarships to eligible Gold Star Children, and advocating for educational benefits for all Gold Star Family members.

- History and mission of the organization
- Scholarships - Apollo high school and Owensboro nobody league
- Education initiatives
- Upcoming events

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➤ **Eden Murrie, CEO of Operation Stand Down Tennessee and retired Brigadier General, USAF**

- Overall discussion of our mission and the Veteran space
- Expansion of services across Middle Tennessee
- Ways the community can engage with us to assist Veterans

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➤ **Mary Spencer Veazey, Community Outreach and Events Coordinator - The Next Door**

I go by Mary Spencer (one of those Southern double names!)

- How The Next Door began, the history and how we've evolved
 - Began in 2004 by the Wild Praying Women of First Baptist Church of Nashville
 - Started as re-entry services for women coming out of prison
 - Moved that branch to Chattanooga and began addiction treatment in Nashville as the
- needs changed
- Who we serve and the limitations for treatment because of lack of insurance reimbursements
 - Women over the age of 18 whether or not they have insurance
 - Having to evolve with what insurance dictates, more outpatient treatment
- Partnerships with other nonprofits / client story of success
 - Thistle Farms
 - NAHT
 - End Slavery
 - Sober living houses
- What can we do?
- Visit an AA/NA meeting, volunteer with nonprofits, watch for warning signs around you with friends and
- family, come to our Beyond the Doors event! Become a monthly partner through our CORE program,
- donating just \$18 a month to empower women for lifetime recovery.

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➤ **Robyn Householder, President & CEO – Better Business Bureau of Middle TN**

- What is the BBB Integrity Foundation?
- Why did you start the Small Business Grant Program?
- Who is B.J. Howard?
- What has been the response from small businesses that received the grants?
- How long have you been hosting Songwriters' Night?
- Tell us more about the Songwriter who will be there that night.
- What are some of your auction items?
- Why do you think it is essential for the community to come out and support Songwriter's Night?

More information about Songwriters' Night -

Please join us for Better Business Bureau's Integrity Foundation 4th Annual Songwriter's Night which raises money to support the small business community in Middle Tennessee and Southern Kentucky.

This year's event will be held on September 30, 2022, at The Factory at Franklin at 5:30 pm. You will enjoy great food, spirits, a live & silent auction and performances from award-winning songwriters: [Mackenzie Carpenter](#), [Wyatt McCubbin](#), and [Tony Lane](#), and special guest host Danielle Breezy, Channel 2's Chief Meteorologist. Premier sponsors include Asurion, Capstar Bank, Earl Swensson & Associates, and Lipscomb & Pitts Insurance and Media Partner WKRN Channel 2.

In 2020, BBB's Integrity Foundation launched the [Small Business Grant program In Honor of B.J. Howard](#) to offer financial support to small businesses throughout Middle TN and Southern KY. We awarded 11 businesses that had been negatively impacted by tornadoes, flooding, and COVID with grants totaling over \$16,000. There is no doubt that small businesses are the heart of our community and being able to give back in a time of crucial need is an honor.

Stay up to date by following us on social media

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➤ **John Mickner – The Tennessee American Chinese Chamber**

- What is TAC3, what is your role, and what is their mission?
- When was TAC3 founded?
- How does TAC3 facilitate business relationships between American and Chinese Business owners here in Middle TN and other states?
- Would you please explain how TAC3 connects American businesses with businesses in China?
- Describe the EDC(Economic Development Council) that is part of TAC3?
- Based on what you just said about the EDC, how does it benefit your members?
- How are you and TAC3 handling all the press and chatter regarding Chinese and American relations?

Learn more:

<https://tac3.org/>

John Mickner phone: