

# Gratitude

20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON: AUGUST 26, 2020



*Featuring*

**CHRIS GARDNER**

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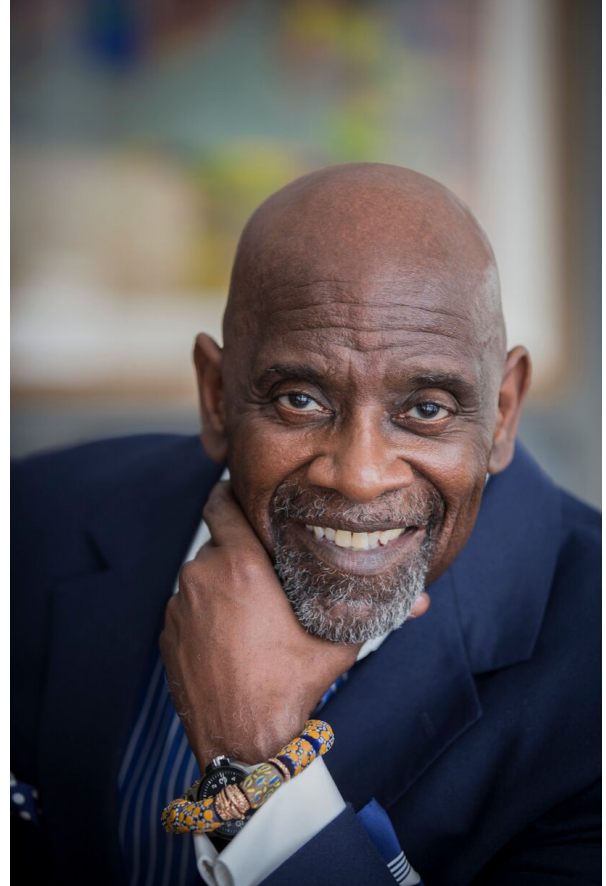
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# 2020 ANNUAL LUNCHEON

## CHRIS GARDNER

Chris Gardner is an entrepreneur, international best-selling author, and award winning film producer. Gardner's autobiography, *The Pursuit of Happyness*, became a New York Times #1 best seller, has been translated into over forty languages, including six dialects of Chinese and recently translated into Arabic. Gardner is also the inspiration for the critically acclaimed film *The Pursuit of Happyness* for which Will Smith received the Golden Globe, Screen Actors Guild, and Academy Award nominations for his performance.

Gardner's second book, *Start Where You Are*, also a best seller, was published in 2009. Chris is currently finishing his newest book *Happyness 2.0 The Blueprint* which could be available this year.



Gardner has recently won a Peabody Award for producing *And Still I Rise*, a documentary about the life of his dear friend and mentor Dr. Maya Angelou.

Gardner has, as he says, re-enlisted in the United States Navy. In 2018, he was honored to receive The Lone Sailor Award from the United States Navy Memorial Foundation. Some of the previous winners of this award include: Arnold Palmer, Senator and Astronaut John Glenn, and President John F. Kennedy.

Chris Gardner's sole goal of his media projects and speaking engagements is to help others achieve their fullest potential.



# VIRTUAL SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

This year the ACE Scholarships Annual Luncheon will be an all-virtual event. Our goal is to make this Annual Luncheon the biggest 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration possible - a challenge we are extending to all sponsors. We ask those who are comfortable to host a virtual watch party from your home or office, in addition to sharing the exclusive link and access code with your network. The virtual event will include a brief ACE program, followed by a 25 minute keynote address from outstanding speaker, Chris Gardner. We look forward to engaging with you and your guests in this new way. Thank you for serving as a champion for ACE at a time when our students need us more than ever.

## PLATINUM SPONSOR | \$25,000

- Virtual access to the Annual Luncheon with an exclusive code for sponsor and guests
- Logo featured on ACE website, a blog post, and LinkedIn post
  - Recognized as a Platinum Sponsor during luncheon
    - Full page advertisement in luncheon program
      - Printed luncheon program for 10 guests
        - Invitation materials provided
    - Student note or drawing for 10 guests
      - 20th Anniversary thank you notes
        - One ACE centerpiece
          - Dessert provided

## GOLD SPONSOR | \$15,000

- Virtual access to the Annual Luncheon with an exclusive code for sponsor and guests
- Logo featured on ACE website and a LinkedIn post
  - Recognized as a Gold Sponsor during luncheon
  - Half page advertisement in luncheon program
    - Printed luncheon program for 10 guests
      - Invitation materials provided
    - 20th Anniversary thank you notes
      - One ACE centerpiece
        - Dessert provided

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## **SILVER SPONSOR | \$10,000**

- Virtual access to the Annual Luncheon with an exclusive code for sponsor and guests
  - Name featured on ACE's website
- Recognized as Silver Sponsor during luncheon
  - Logo displayed in luncheon program
- Virtual luncheon program for 10 guests
  - Invitation materials provided
- ACE 20th Anniversary thank you notes
  - One ACE centerpiece

## **BRONZE SPONSOR | \$6,000**

- Virtual access to the Annual Luncheon with an exclusive code for sponsor and guests
  - Name featured on ACE's website
- Recognized as Bronze Sponsor during luncheon
  - Name displayed in luncheon program
- Virtual luncheon program for 10 guests
  - Invitation materials provided
- ACE 20th Anniversary thank you notes