



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

**CLUB MEETING December 2, 2021
MINUTES by Mike Louis**

President Steve opened the meeting.

Invocation was by the Reverend Jeff Richards on how blessed we all are and about opening our tangible and intangible assets to others.

Visiting Rotarians-John Saling is up for a month from Florida.

Guests - Jeff Cantwell was a guest of **Sue Casso Rogers** and Steve Devine was a guest of **Bob Frame** and Dave Silvester is our speaker.

President Steve's "This day in history" – December 2, 1884 NAPOLEON declared himself emperor and Pope Pius gave him the crown to put on his own head.

Ford opened its first assembly line which continues to this day. In 2001, Enron filed bankruptcy in the largest accounting fraud case in history.

Announcements:

Gary Hess showed a pep talk video for the foundation fund raiser.

President Steve reminded everyone that on December 16, there's a vote on the new slate of officers.

Next Saturday we ring the bell at the Amish Market and no meeting next week because of the anniversary celebration.

Birthdays - **Derek Chandler** is having a happy day.

Happy Bucks –

Deb Sparre was happy for **Bill Ronayne**.

Katie Martin was happy she got a splinter out of her thumb that had been there for 1 and a half years and also thankful for **Bill Ronayne** and all he does.

Bill Friedmann was thankful that he was going to be Santa Claus at the West Whiteland Tree Lighting Ceremony.

Paul Woodruff is thankful for his granddaughter

ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester, District 7450
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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

December 9, 2021

**100th Anniversary Celebration at
Penn Oaks Country Club
(no noon meeting)**

December 16, 2021

**Classification Talks by
Mike Larimer and Nick Voight**

visiting from Richmond.

John Saling is thankful that he is having a granddaughter born this weekend.

Yolanda Van De Krol is happy that she got re-elected.

The 50/50 winner was Jeff Cantwell, the guest of **Sue Casso Rogers**.

Ponderables - "We recite in plays and we play in recitals." Why is that?

SPEAKERS REVIEW by Derek Chandler

Doug Meis introduced our speaker David Hale Sylvester.

Founder and creator of "Hug's & High-5's", David has hugged over half a million people across the world. What started in respect to his friend who was lost from the terrorist attacks on September 11th, a domino effect of good acts began.

His first bike trip was a simple outing from Oregon to Pennsylvania. His second, Cairo to Cape Town, was completed in just under five months. These journeys resulted in David coming back as a different person.

Giving became addicting. David would continue to receive letters of inspiration to maintain his cause of kindness. His travels led him to ride again, this time Istanbul to China.

After writing an article for ESPN-

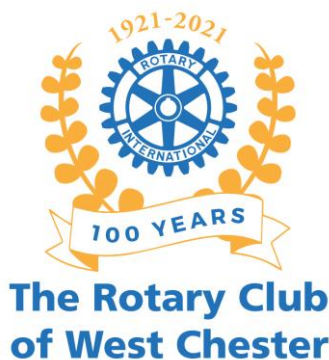
1. David decided to continue his travel across the United States but now taking a day break at each location. During this "break", he would volunteer to experience the uniqueness of each city and towns specific needs. The stories and encounters from the locals energized David to write his first book, "Traveling at the Speed of Light"

2. Mr. Sylvester continues his spread of kindness daily as he added another continent bike ride to his resume, Australia (as if three were not enough). His incentive; kindness in the face of conflict.

Each of us can do something, anything, to create a smile in someone else. Create a moment that something special can happen; it doesn't take much.

DavidHaleSylvester.com

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/national-hug-high5-day>



ROTARY CLUB 100TH ANNIVERSARY

The Invitations are in the mail so Save This Date & Don't Miss Out - December 9!!! Thursday December 9 is our club's 100th Anniversary Celebration. Penn Oaks Country Club, 5:30 pm. Mark your calendars and all the details including an invitation with sponsorship opportunities and special guests will be coming soon. 100 Years of Service - truly a cause for celebration. This event will take the place of our

VOTARY COPIES

Thank you, **Randy Lindel**, for printing copies of the Votary this month.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Dec 9	100 th Anniversary Celebration
Dec 11	Salvation Army Bell Ringing
Dec 18	Community Warehouse Day

COMMUNITY WAREHOUSE DONATION DAY

Mark Your Calendar! Saturday, December 18 from 9a-1p is our next Community Warehouse donation day.

The Warehouse is always open for donations the 3rd Saturday of each month. Or by appointment any other time. Remember to get your furniture donations cleared first. Thank you Rotarians.

For complete information go to:

communitywarehouseproject.com. Call us for ways to get donations over to the warehouse too.

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