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Future Programs:

December 6th

No Meeting
Annual Christmas Party
Terre Haute Brewing Co.
5-7 p.m.

December 13th

Dr. Tracy Richardson
Director and Professor of
Music Therapy
Saint Mary-of-the-Woods
College
Will discuss the music
therapy industry

December 20th

Dr. Christine Toews
Chief Trauma Surgeon
Regional Hospital
Level 2 Trauma Center

December 27th

No Meeting

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Planning for Our Club's Future

What will be the status of the Rotary Club of Terre Haute in five years? Shouldn't we plan for the future, rather than simply hope for the best? Our Board of Directors has taken the first step to plan for an even better Rotary club in the years ahead. The Board, at its November meeting, voted to participate in Rotary International's Club Visioning Process to create a strategic plan for the Rotary Club of Terre Haute. The visioning process will be facilitated by Rotarians from other clubs in the district who have completed Rotary International training for their

roles. A one-time, four-hour, evening session will be conducted early next year. Fifteen to 20 members will be needed to participate which should include new and experienced Rotarians, representatives from the board of directors and current officers. The outcomes from this planning session should include: What the club stands for in our community, membership goals for the next five years, identification of our club's attributes, identifying three objectives for each Avenue of Service, and creating a club leadership development plan.



Member Profile: Judi Buckalew

Judi Buckalew has a unique history with Rotary. She is the only member of our club who has been bestowed with recognition as an honorary Rotarian before she was inducted as a regular member. Judi received honorary status in Rotary from a club in upstate New York because of her contributions as a nurse at a Rotary-sponsored summer camp for children with disabilities. "After several years working as a registered nurse at the camp, I became its assistant director. In that capacity, I became a member of the ONSEYAWA Camp Board of Directors and, though women were not allowed to become Rotarians, the board of directors voted to make me an honorary Rotarian," according to Judi. The camp's name is created from the first two letters of each of the four counties represented by Rotary Clubs who support the camp. Judi's commitment to the children continued for 27 summers.



Judi Buckalew

cated in a baccalaureate program at that time. About six months following graduation from UB I decided to return to school for a master of nursing degree, completing it at New York University," she recalled.

Judi's career and family responsibilities kept her from joining Rotary until she retired. She joined the Wolcott, N.Y. Rotary Club twelve years ago. Wolcott is a town of 4,450 residents in upstate New York. Our club has something in common with the Wolcott Rotarians because both clubs distribute dictionaries to elementary students. Judi and husband, James, spent their entire lives in the Wolcott area until they decided to move to Terre Haute to be closer to their two children who live near St. Louis and Chicago. Their son, Lee, a sound design engineer, lives with his wife Mary and their four children in Festus, Missouri. Courtney lives in Skokie, Illinois, with her husband Seth and their two children.

"I really enjoyed the fellowship, participation in service projects and learning opportunities during my involvement with the Wolcott Rotary Club. Participating more in the same volunteer activities as well as learning about my new community and its residents was the reason for wishing to become a member of the Rotary Club of Terre Haute," Judi says. "So far, my expectations have been more than met. Thanks for welcoming me."

Judi became the first member from either of her parent's families to attend college when she earned a degree from the University of Buffalo as a basic nursing student. "It was quite unusual for nurses to be edu-



36 Rotarians Volunteer for Goodwill Drive & “Rudy” Fundraiser

Thanks to support from Rotarians, local businesses, and other football fans, the showing of “Rudy” raised \$2,500 to support Rotary programs locally and worldwide. A week before the fundraiser, 22 Rotarians volunteered during the 69th annual Rotary/Goodwill Drive.

Volunteers handling ticket sales at the movie were Stephanie Welsh, Holden Davis, Aimee Jacobs, and Andrea Gwyn. Greeter/Ushers: Ray Rickert, Jim Tanoos, Polly Jeffers, and Kim LaGrange. Sellers of 50/50 tickets: Chuck Shutt, David Piker, Tom Jukes, and Steve Songer. Special thanks to the planning committee for the event: Past President Troy Fears, Treasurer Mike Collins, and President Brian Ross.

The following Rotary-related and other businesses are thanked for their support: B and S Plumbing, Dever Distrib-

uting, Forrest Sherer, Goodwill Industries, Indiana State University, Ivy Tech, Jolnk, Northwestern Mutual, Pfister and Co., Ross Optometry, Saint Mary of-the-Woods College, Terre Haute Chamber of Commerce, Tribune-Star Publishing, Wiemuth and Sons, Wright, Shagley and Lowery, and WTHI-TV.

The Goodwill/Rotary Drive collected 575 bags/boxes of clothing, 320 bags/boxes of various wares and 28 pieces of furniture. Rotary volunteers were drive organizer Bill Albin and Bill Tennis; Charlie Welker, Thom Foster. Lynn Hughes, Brian Ross, Polly Jeffers, Barry Powell, Stephanie Welsh, Mike Collins, Beth Tevlin, Josh Zuerner, Chad Cates, Tom Jukes, Aaron Loudermilk, Mary Caye Pfister, Gary Behan, Ray Rickert, Dave Piker, Nick Mahurin, Aimee Jacobs and Rod Heefner.



Fans enjoy pre-movie reception at the Indiana Theatre



Craig McKee gives a thoughtful look to Rudy’s screenwriter Angelo Pizzo during Q and A before the showing of the movie.



Rudy volunteers - Chuck Shutt, his granddaughter Libby Shearer and Steve Songer raising money for Rotary selling 50/50 tickets

President's Column: Emphasizing the Positives



As the start of another year approaches, it gives us an opportunity to reflect on a year that goes by all too quickly. I read a quote recently from W. Jack Davis's 1977-78 Rotary International Presidential Address which said:

"Much of the trouble in the world today is not so much the noise of the bad as it is the silence of the good."

Simply by opening a newspaper, or scrolling through the news on a smartphone, it would be easy for one to view the world in a negative light. However, there is much more that is right with the world than there is wrong. As Rotarians, we have a great deal to be proud of in 2016. The year kicked off with one of the most successful Rotary events in recent memory. We had over 1,000 community members come out in March to celebrate the movie "Hoosiers" at the Indiana Theater. Close to \$10,000 was raised for our local and international Rotary foundations, while increasing Rotary's profile in the community. Next, we had a very successful Dictionary Project this year, labeling thousands of dictionaries and delivering them to third graders at over 22 schools

in our area. This was truly a group effort and the fellowship at labeling day was fun to witness.

Also, we worked with Goodwill to complete the 69th annual Rotary/Goodwill Drive. When reflecting on the Goodwill Drive, it is humbling to think that 69 years ago, a group of Rotarians sharing similar ideals as us wanted to make the world a better place. Next, we came together for another great night of fellowship and fundraising for our foundations with the screening of "Rudy". Lastly, we kick December off with "ringing the bell" for the Salvation Army campaign. That is quite a list, which does not include the great work our club members do throughout the year with many other community collaborations, including Women Who Care, Guys Who Give, the United Way, and the Boys and Girls Club to name a few. Our club's strength is in its people, who consistently act with the Four Way Test in their heart and minds. So as 2016 ends, and we gather with our family and friends, be proud of the role you played in making our community a better place. Share the good that you've seen and heard. I am confident that with your continued commitment to service above self, our world's good news will begin to silence the bad. Yours in Rotary service, Brian Ross.

Congratulations to the ISU Rotaract Club for the success of its fund-raising dinner that resulted in donations of \$5,000 to help Syrian Refugees.

Rotary Club Foundation Value Hits New High

On October 1, the total assets in the Rotary Club of Terre Haute Foundation increased to a value of \$100,651, according to Treasurer Mike Collins. As a comparison, ten

years ago, the foundation's value was \$60,712. The total will increase further with the donation from the recent "Rudy" movie fundraiser.

Rotary Christmas Party – Tuesday, Dec. 6 at Terre Haute Brewing Company, 5-7 p.m.
Bring an unwrapped toy to support Toys for Tots program. RSVP to Sally Stewart.

Increasing Our Support for Worldwide Rotary Impact

As the result of the success this year of the two movie-related fundraisers, our club has increased its involvement in Rotary's global impact. Our club will donate approximately \$6,000 to the Rotary International Foundation which will be the largest one-year total in ten years (see next story). As a Rotarian, we are part of something much bigger than our own club and its volunteerism. The RI Foundation's impact worldwide is nothing short of incredi-

ble. Consider these figures for RI grants in 2014-15: \$123 million to eradicate polio, \$20 million for clean water projects, \$19.8 million to fight disease, \$11.2 million to grow local economies, \$8 million for education, \$5.7 million to help mothers and children and \$4 million to promote peace. We should be proud that we are helping support these efforts as the RI Foundation celebrates its 100th anniversary.

Club History – 10 Years Ago

Eleven members visited Rotary International headquarters in Evanston, Ill., and had the opportunity to meet the president and president-elect of RI. It was a rare opportunity to meet the RI President at headquarters because the person in that position is usually out of the office traveling around the world representing Rotary. President Tom Dever coordi-

nated a campaign to increase the club's support to the Rotary International Foundation which resulted in donations totaling \$10,000. Yearly attendance at the end of 2006 was 74 percent.

Encouraging Students to Put Service Above Self

Congratulations to Nancy Rogers, the club's 2016 Vocational Service Award recipient. Nancy is vice president for university engagement at Indiana State University. She was selected for the award because of her leadership that has resulted in ISU being honored for its development of one of the nation's best community engagement and service learning programs. For the past two years, ISU has been ranked number one, among 277 national universities, by Washington Monthly magazine for the amount of hours its student devoted to community service. The university most recently reported more than 1.1 million hours of service by nearly 11,500 students with more than 150 community partners.



Nancy Rogers receives the 2016 Vocation Service Award from Jim Tanoos and Brian Ross.

ISU defines service learning as a teaching and learning strategy that integrates meaningful community service with instruction and reflection to enrich the learning experience, teach civic responsibility, and strengthen communities. Nancy is a past president of the Rotary Club of Terre Haute

and has served on its board of directors. She joined the ISU faculty in 1995. Rogers was named vice president for university engagement and professor of kinesiology, recreation and sport in 2009. She previously served as an associate vice president and associate professor. Rogers oversees the university's Business Engagement Center, career services, student employment, Hulman Center and the Offices of Conferences and Special Events. She earned a bachelor of science degree in recreation and park administration from Western Illinois University, the master of science in recreation and park administration and a PhD in human performance with an emphasis in leisure behavior from Indiana University.

She has been active as a board member and volunteer in other community organizations including the United Way of the Wabash Valley, Wabash Valley Community Foundation, and the Wabash River Development and Beautification, Inc.

Happy Birthday & Club Membership Anniversary!



Birthdays

Day	Member
1	Cieciura, Libby
10	Schomer, Gary
12	Banks, Willie
18	Kunkler, Arnold
20	Moore, Bobby
23	Koszewski, Chris
27	Gmelich, Daniel
27	Reynolds, Erma
28	Pittelkow, Richard

Anniversaries

Years	Member (Day)
2	Nichols, Jane (3 rd)
7	Reynolds, Erma (3 rd)
25	Pfister, Mary Caye (12 th)
31	Siefert, Thomas (12 th)
31	McKee, Craig (26 th)
33	Jones, Gayland (8 th)
51	McKee, Dale (30 th)