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Future Programs:

August 25

Barbara Morrow, Author "Hardwood Glory, The Life of John Wooden"

September 1

Lauren Lay, Alzheimer's Association

September 8

TBD

September 15

TBD

September 22

Mike Licari
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Volunteers Needed for Important Club Posts

Our club is still in need of coordinators for international service, membership development, sergeant-at-arms, and a Rotarian to organize the Salvation Army bell ringing volunteers. In the past, the International Service Chair has invited students from the local higher education institutions to be our guests and briefly tell us about their home country. Our club has also partnered with other U.S. or international Rotary clubs to sponsor an international project. The last such project resulted in a remote village in Bolivia receiving a water line for the first time. The activity to help the Salvation Army is usually the first Saturday in December. Contact President Fears, if you would like to volunteer for one of these positions.

Improve Your Attendance

Members' attendance in June and July was 53 and 55 percent, respectively. It is easy to get credit for a meeting make up online at Rotary3clubone.org. You can receive a make up by attending the Terre Haute South Rotary Club meetings Thursdays at 7 a.m. at the Holiday Inn. Make ups can also be earned by attending our club's monthly Board of Directors meeting the first Monday of the month at noon at Goodwill Industries or by participating in a club-sponsored service project.

New Club VP Selected

Brien Smith was approved by the club's Board of Directors at its Aug. 3 meeting to become the club's new vice president and program chairman. Brien is in his fourth year as Dean of the Scott College of Business at ISU. As club vice president, Brien is on the leadership path to become president of our club in 2017-18. He also becomes the newest member of the club's Board of Directors. "I joined Rotary a number of years ago when I lived in Muncie," said Brien, who was Associate Dean of the School of Business at Ball State University before accepting his current position at ISU. "When I moved to Terre Haute, one of the early members of the community that reached out to me was David Mitchell. David insisted that I join the Rotary Club of Terre Haute. At first



Brien Smith

there was some confusion on finding my ID number and moving my records over. Paul Stanley really went beyond the call and got everything straightened out. Paul has really done a great thing with his work on Rotary record keeping and database management. ing of the great potential of the Rotary club database and I think there is great potential to improve club organization and communication. Obviously a majority of our community's leaders belong to our club and there is great opportunity to tap into that influence. However, the greatest asset is our spirit of service. Among other clubs of which I am aware, there is a greater "service above self" attitude in Terre Haute than anywhere I've seen," he emphasized. Brien is a graduate of Auburn University where he earned the Bachelor of Arts, Masters of Science and Ph.D. degrees. His academic focus is in the areas of industrial organizational psychology, management and human resources.

Learn Leadership Skills at Rotary Institute

The benefits of being a Rotarian are many, and one of them is the opportunity to improve our leadership skills. Our Rotary district is offering a Rotary Leadership Institute Saturday, Nov. 21 in Nashville, Indiana. Club member and past District Governor Paul Stanley is Institute coordinator. The

Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) was founded to assist in improving the Rotary knowledge and leadership skills of future leaders of Rotary clubs. The leadership skills you will obtain at the RLI event will help you not only in your Rotary service, the skills will apply to your leadership efforts professionally as well.

The November program is the first of three Institute sessions. Participants are not required to complete all sessions, but it is recommended. The district is paying for half of the cost of attending, reducing the expense to \$35 per person. To register for the Institute go to: HOA-RLI.ORG

In Honor of David Mitchell – Recommit to Rotary's Ideals

For those who were not at the August 11 meeting when Craig McKee delivered the following eulogy for David Mitchell:

Five months ago we honored David Mitchell for 60 years as a Rotarian—acknowledging that since 1955 he had been a faithful Rotarian whose journey in Rotary, much like his corporate and business career, had given him a genuine appreciation for Rotary's international service. Ponder again moving 23 times in the course of a career—all working for the same company—and finding home in Detroit, Cincinnati, Pittsburgh, and then (famously) off to Bolivia, El Salvador, Mexico, Venezuela, Canada, and Guyana. He was a Rotarian in most of those places—a Rotarian in at least three languages, English, Spanish, and French.

David Mitchell was a memorable character in many ways. Staunchly conservative, his outlook reflected the era in which he grew up—frugal, loyal to school and community, obedient to authority, valuing education, serving in the military in a time of war, and pursuing opportunity by hard work and diligence. Dave would tell us again that those qualities are worth cherishing, even if he perceived an erosion over time and found change hard to grasp or champion. If some of us found Dave's perspective a bit old-fashioned sometimes—and he would confess that, I think—that didn't mean it was not a valuable and worthwhile outlook. There was a lot all of us

could learn from his life and experience.

Dave was the kind of Rotarian who read the Rotarian magazine. How many of you do that? Dave was a Rotarian who had experienced Rotary's power of service in places with limited resources and abject poverty nearby. Do we really identify with that here? Dave was a Rotarian who respected the power of Ro-



Past-President Richard Shagley leads our club in celebration of David's 60-years as a Rotarian.

tary, its history, its reach, and its potential—subjects on which we devote too little time and energy. Even in our club, he championed and worked through projects to provide support for underdeveloped places in South America where access to sanitation and drinkable water was filled with obstacles. He never stopped having his heart in both places—knowing full well that the bounty and spirit of Rotary in this country could offer much to the work of Rotary in less affluent places.

Many of us here are concerned about the future of Rotary these days—and we

wonder whether the worthwhile purposes that bring us together, the spirit of the Four-Way Test, and the legacy of Rotary for more than a century will continue to grow, here and elsewhere. I propose that we consider Dave Mitchell's loyalty to Rotary over most of his life as something to think about. There is such potential here—and I know Dave believed that—that rethinking and rekindling the role, the future, and the growth of Rotary should continue to be our primary work. We are more than a luncheon and a program, as old-timers Jim Rentschler and Dale Baughman used to say, but I wonder whether that is true. Pondering the long, successful, and good life of Dave Mitchell and his affiliation with Rotary as an important part of it should give us pause. We would do him great honor by redoubling our efforts to strengthen our club in every way.

We remember Dave Mitchell—husband of Jerry for 67 years, loyal Garfield Purple Eagle, a Rose alumnus, supporter of the arts, teacher of entrepreneurs, advocate for Bolivia—who, like so many of his generation, set an example worthy of respect and, more importantly, emulation. We honor of David C. Mitchell, a Rotarian for 60 years, who died August 5th at age 89.

Boy Scouts Honor Rotarian for Leadership



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The award is given annually to a person who exhibits outstanding leadership in our local community. Presenting the award is fellow Rotarian Steve Williams.

***Grants Requests to Our Foundation are due Sept. 1.
Requests should be submitted via a form
on the club's web site at throtary.org.***

Four North Vigo Interact Members to Attend RYLA



We will again sponsor four North Vigo High School Interact members to attend the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards program

Oct. 30-Nov. 1 at Bradford Woods in Morgan County. Each year more than 9,000 young people are sponsored to attend RYLA programs by Rotary clubs

in over 25 countries. Rotarians provide the RYLA program free to all participating students. Daily activities are a part of the Bradford Woods Outdoor Challenge Education Program. All require the participants to take a risk, give 100 percent and be a supportive member of a team. All RYLA students grow in self-confidence, gain insights into positive group behaviors and interactions, and develop leadership skills. The four Inter-

act members selected to attend RYLA will be announced soon.

Bradford Woods – Challenge Education

RYLA participants sleep in modern cabins and spend most of their day in the outdoor setting. Daily activities are a part of the Bradford Woods Outdoor Challenge Education Program. Some of the activities are only inches from the ground while others are a bit more daring. All require the participants to take a risk, give 100% and be a supportive member of a team. All RYLA students grow in self-confidence, gain insights into positive group behaviors and interactions, develop leadership skills and have a lot of fun in the process.

Objectives of the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards Program:

- To demonstrate Rotary's respect and concern for youth.
- To encourage and assist selected youth leaders and potential leaders in methods of responsible and effective voluntary leadership by providing them with a unique training experience.
- To encourage continued and strengthened leadership for youth by youth.
- To recognize the high qualities of many young people who are rendering service to their communities as youth leaders.

Responsibilities of participating teens:

Local Rotary Clubs will make all arrangements and pay all conference fees, so it is imperative that registered students commit to attend the RYLA Conference for the entire weekend. Therefore, potential RYLA students should check the dates carefully before committing. The only other requirement is to come with an open mind and a desire to learn and have fun.

Who Will Receive 2015 Rotary Vocational Service Award?

You can provide the answer to the question by nominating a member of our club for the honor. The nominee must be recognized as a leader in their profession; they should have pro-

vided noteworthy services to our community and exhibited leadership as a volunteer. Nominations should be submitted to Jim Tanoos by Sept. 30. Past Vocational Service Award recipients

have been Rob Coons, Earl Elliott, Beth Tevlin, Steve Arnold, Dr. Roland Kohr, Tom Mason, Dan DeBard, Susi Willis, Craig McKee, Gary Morris, Brian Miller, Sam Hulbert and Mike Dinkel.

Club History: The Showalter Gavel

We see it once a year when our new president receives it from the outgoing president. It is the Showalter Gavel. So, what is the story behind the large gavel? It was made by the late John

Showalter, a long-time Rotarian and well known doctor in Terre Haute. Showalter presented it for the first time in 1957 to new President John Hunter during the club's changing of the guard meeting at

the Terre Haute House Hotel located at Seventh Street and Wabash Avenue. Thanks to veteran Rotarian Dale Hudson for this club history lesson.

Support Needed to Continue Indiana BMV Rotary License Plate

The special Rotary license plate sold by the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles is in danger of being discontinued unless 500 plates are purchased by

the end of the year. To order a plate go to <http://www.in.gov/bmv/> or visit your local BMV branch. For more info, contact Kim Showalter of Columbus Sunrise

at eckrote@fairoaksmall.net or at 812-372-3831.

Happy Birthday & Club Membership Anniversary!

Birthdays

Day	Member
2	Kauffman, Bill
5	Kapellusch, Brent
9	Olah, William
11	Nasser, Karrum
14	Williams, Scott
31	Butler, Jennifer

Anniversaries

Years	Member (Day)
4	Jeffers, Polly (23rd)
7	Bush, Brad (17th)
7	Etling, John C (19th)
11	Bertoli, Jim (3rd)
13	Woods, Martha (19th)
27	Finch, Alfred (30th)
32	Callahan, David (30th)
37	Powell, Barry (2nd)

Don't keep Rotary a secret! Who do you know who would be an excellent new Rotarian?