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**Mary Jo Hagedorn awarded
Rotary's Ambassadorial Scholarship**

Tell City resident Mary Jo Hagedorn, a senior at the University of Southern Indiana, has received the Rotary Foundation's Academic Year Ambassadorial Scholarship to study in Europe for a full academic year. She will leave in the fall of next year. Hagedorn plans to graduate from USI in December with a Bachelor of Arts degree. She is majoring in Foreign Language and Social Science teaching and hopes to teach at the high school level. Hagedorn, a consistent USI dean's list honor student with a perfect 4.0 grade point average, was named a Top Ten Student Leader in 1998. She received the German Academic Achievement award in 1998 and the U.S. History Academic Achievement award this year.

The Ambassadorial Scholarship program, which celebrated its 50th anniversary in the 1997-98 academic year, furthers international understanding and friendly relations among people of different countries. The scholarship provides funding to help cover round trip transportation, tuition fees, room and board, and books and supplies up to \$23,000. The scholarship will send Hagedorn to a university in Germany, Austria, or Switzerland, depending on the assignment made by Rotary Foundation trustees. Hagedorn specified an interest in the University of Tuebingen in Tuebingen, Germany.

Sponsored by the Evansville Morning Rotary Club, Hagedorn will serve as a goodwill ambassador to the people of her host country and will make formal and informal appearances at Rotary clubs, school and civic organizations, and other public forums.

Hagedorn is the daughter of Joseph L. and Marilyn F. Hagedorn, H.C. 64 Box 160, Tell City, Indiana, and a graduate of Perry Central High School.