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### LAST MEETING: 2/29/12



*By John Chamberlin*

It's all about ETHICS!!!! And over 280 students from more than 30 area high schools learned a lot, from medical ethics to business ethics, marketing and "dirty" politics. Ben Luffey and Jim Wood executed another great annual Ethics Symposium. Congrats to them.

The main room of the Student Union building of Duquesne University was full of young energy, ready to absorb and learn. And what a day they had.

Before the fantastic lunch, students were treated to a few hours of breakout sessions from area content experts including, Jon Delano, Political Analyst and Reporter for KDKA-TV; Patty DeMarco, Director of The Rachel Carson Center at Chatham University; Dr. Virginia Gerde, Director of Business ethics at Duquesne University; Saleem Ghubril Executive director of the Pittsburgh Promise; Dr. Frank Lieberman, Associate Professor of Neurology, Medical Oncology Director at the UPMC Cancer Center, Dr. James Weber, Chair of Management and Professor of Business Ethics, Duquesne University, and Mark Yochum, JD, Professor of Law at Duquesne University and Amanda Laichak, Director of Education at Junior Achievement of Western PA.

Many of the students talked about how the "real life" presentations of ethical questions were very helpful.

But the big hit was yet to come. Most would say that you could not top a full lunch, finished off with an ice-cream sundae bar. Endless chocolate syrup, strawberries, bananas, nuts, oreos and, well, you get the idea.

But there was a way to top that! The lunch time keynote was a debate on personal, business and political ethics between former Allegheny County Coroner, Cyril Wecht and the man who beat him in the race for Allegheny County's first County Executive, James Roddey.

The gentlemen bantered back and forth from separate podiums on the main stage. Some humorous quips about each other's age but many poignant and significantly important concepts on how to remain ethical were part of the repertoire.

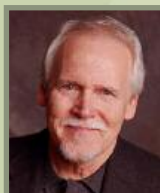
Additionally, they encouraged the students to get involved politically. They talked to the students about many things wrong with the current life-time political system, where politicians remain in office for too many years.

They discussed the fact that 62% of people over 55 years old vote and less than 20% of those under the age of 25 vote. In the meantime, in foreign countries, some people wait in line for days just to have the opportunity to vote!

Oddly enough, there wasn't a sound to be heard from the audience while these two gentlemen patiently took their turns speaking. The students seemed to realize the level of experience and authority with which the speakers delivered their presentations.

After the presentation, Mr. Roddey and Dr. Wecht were inundated with photo requests and requests for autographs.

Once again, thanks to Jim Wood, Ben Luffey and to all of those who volunteered their services to support them at the Ethics Symposium. Have a great Rotary Week!



### NEXT MEETING

**Date:** March 7, 2012  
**Speaker:** Jay Speyerer  
**Title:** Owner  
**Organization:** Legacy Road Communications  
**Topic:** "You Don't Sat/Body Language"





# It's a Great Day for Rotary!

## UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS

Event: Caring Habits  
 Date: March 13th  
 Time: 9:00 am  
 Location: South Hills Middle School

Event: Board of Directors Meeting  
 Date: March 14th  
 Time: 1:30 pm  
 Location: Third Floor Conference Room

Event: New Citizens Reception  
 Date: March 16th  
 Time: 10:30 – 11:30 am  
 Location: Lawrence Welk Room

## FUTURE PROGRAMS

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 14TH**  
 Steve Irwin  
 Attorney - PA Securities Commissioner

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 21ST**  
 Georgia Berner  
 President and CEO - Berner International

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 28TH**  
 John Chamberlin  
 President - Rock, Paper, Scissors, Chute

### 2012 Ethics Symposium



*Some of the 300 Ethics Symposium attendees enjoying lunch at Duquesne University*



*Club President Andy Dlinn (c) thanks Dr. Cyril Wecht (l) and Mr. James Roddey (r) for their Ethics Symposium presentation*


## BIRTHDAYS

Jack Kerr..... March 6th  
 Don Arnheim..... March 7th

## ANNIVERSARIES

Harry Corbett..... 31 years  
 Lisa Blaney-Stewart ..... 2 years

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