



## Rotary Ethics Symposium Application Form

**The Rotary Club of Madison is offering Madison High School students the opportunity to attend a one-day symposium.** Over 100 students participated in the 2003 symposium. The mission of the symposium is to engage students in a personal decision-making process designed to foster a lifelong reflection on the ethical dimensions of their living.

**The Rotary Ethics Symposium will be held on Friday, February 6, 2004, at The Sheraton Madison Hotel** (located at 706 John Nolen Dr. in Madison), with registration starting at 8:00 a.m. and the symposium ending at 2:30 p.m. The symposium will start with a breakfast and an opening presenter, followed by breakout sessions, lunch and keynote speaker First Lady Jessica Doyle.

***If you are interested in participating in the Rotary Ethics Symposium please complete the form below along with the Parental Permission form and return it to your high school contact by Friday, January 16, 2004. Return your form early - due to space limitations, we are inviting only twenty students per High School.***

Please print

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

**Eight breakout sessions will be offered at the Symposium and each student will be able to attend three of the eight. Please indicate your choices below (1-3, with 1 being of highest interest to you).**

\_\_\_\_\_ **“Let’s Cut the Chit Chat: All Talk, No Action on Diversity”, Professor Moses Altsech**

\_\_\_\_\_ **“Ethical Issues at Work”, Professor Denis Collins**

\_\_\_\_\_ **“Ethics in Foreign Affairs”, Lamont Colucci**

\_\_\_\_\_ **“Ethics and Street Culture”, Det. Dan Roman**

\_\_\_\_\_ **“It’s Only Cheating if You Get Caught”, UW-Rotaract Members**

\_\_\_\_\_ **“Ethics in Relationships”, Mary Kay Baum**

\_\_\_\_\_ **“Medical Ethics”, Linda Hogle**

\_\_\_\_\_ **“Ethics, Schmethics”, Mark Thomas**

*(See back side for a description of each breakout session)*

\*\* For meal planning purposes - Do you request a vegetarian meal? \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please note: To receive the greatest benefits from the program and the designation of a Rotary Ethics Scholar, you should allow time to attend the entire symposium. If you find that you are not able to attend the full event (from 8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.), please contact your high school representative as soon as possible so that a replacement may be found to take your place.

## **Ethics Symposium Breakout Sessions - February 6, 2004**

**1) *Professor Moses Altsech, Edgewood College: Let's Cut the Chit Chat: All Talk, No Action on Diversity***

You'll run into people who believe we've only started exploring the issue of diversity and tolerance, and others who are sick of hearing about it already. Why the divide? What is diversity about, what have we done to promote it (or not promote it), and what's the next step you can take to make sure the message gets across? This is a no-nonsense session that will make you think twice about the issue. Wanna find out more about diversity, look at how to separate the hype from the real issues, and how to move from all talk to action? Moses knows.

**2) *Professor Denis Collins, Edgewood College: "Ethical Issues at Work"***

Think about a situation at work where your conscience bothered you, or where you or another employee did something unethical, such as not treating a customer, owner, or an employee in an honest and respectful manner. Workshop participants will discuss these and other examples.

**3) *Lamont Colucci, history professor and social studies teacher, West High School and former U.S. diplomat: "Ethics in Foreign Affairs"***

Discussion will center around the 9/11 terrorist attack from a U.S. foreign policy and international affairs perspective. When did the attacks against America begin and what was our reaction? Did the previous foreign policy apparatus create the conditions that led to the success of the attack? How have the events of September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001 changed the geo-strategic formula?

**4) *Det. Dan Roman: "Ethics and Street Culture"***

Discussion will focus on issues that may affect young adults on a daily basis as they interact with their peers – experimentation, being accepted, drugs/alcohol, self-esteem and peer pressure.

**5) *UW-Madison students and members of Rotaract: "It's Only Cheating If You Get Caught"***

UW-Madison students will lead a thought provoking session about situations where cheating, in its various forms, can lead to an ethical dilemma. Is cheating really only cheating if you get caught? What are our responsibilities to ourselves and others when the only judge of whether a decision is ethical or not is you? Real life scenarios will play out as students role-play in small groups and discuss the ramifications of their decisions.

**6) *Mary Kay Baum: "Ethics in Relationships"***

What is the role of ethics in the ways we relate to each other – girlfriends, boyfriends, parents, teachers, administrators, siblings? Let's explore together ways we affect each other ethically in our daily lives.

**7) *Linda Hogle: "Medical Ethics"***

Linda Hogle is a social scientist who studies social, cultural and ethical issues in medicine and biomedical technologies. She has conducted research on organ transplantation in the U.S. and Europe, tissue engineering and stem cell research, medical devices and implants, as well as ethical concerns related to direct-to-consumer advertising of prescription drugs and diagnostic services. She holds a B.S. in Medical Technology, and MBA with emphasis on health care management, and a Ph.D. in Medical Anthropology, and worked in the medical industry and health care administration before returning to university research and teaching.

**8) *Mark Thomas: "Ethics, Schmethics"***

Mark Thomas, a faculty member at Madison Area Technical College, asks: "Why is it hard to talk ethics in America?"