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**THE THIRD RICHARD L. HORWITZ LECTURE**

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**LEADERSHIP: THE ROLE OF PERSONAL VALUES  
IN HEALTH CARE ETHICS**

Featuring Dr. Laurel Burton

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*Thank you, Laurel*

Good evening.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, and the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy staff, I would like to welcome you to the third annual Richard L. Horwitz Lecture.

I would also like to extend a very warm and special welcome to the family and friends of Richard Horwitz, to our senior class ~~members~~ and alumni, and to our other guests who are sharing this evening.

In 1985, Rich Horwitz was appointed the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy's first legal counsel. From that time until his death from cancer in 1990, he not only proved to be an outstanding attorney, but he also was a very special friend of IMSA.

Throughout his intense involvement with the Academy in drafting and promoting enabling legislation, developing policy, and providing solicited and unsolicited counsel, he modeled the ideals he most valued—duty, honor, country—ideals that are written on the plaque that honors him in a room dedicated to the integrity and courage of his life—the Horwitz Conference Room. Rich was present during the dedication, and it was a night we will long remember.

*of the Academy*

*How can he  
was able to be  
present to be  
with us  
just after  
then*

Following his untimely death in August, 1990, an endowment was established in his memory through the many gifts of friends and family. This fund supports an annual lecture on ethical leadership, and we have decided to make it a special annual event to honor and celebrate our senior class.

In recognition of Rich's unparalleled commitment, wise and bold counsel, uncompromising integrity, sincere friendship and lasting contributions, the Academy is honored to present the third Richard L. Horwitz Ethics Lecture.

We invited Dr. Burton to be with us tonight because of his diverse background, and because of his unique perspective on the connections between ethics, medicine, and technology..

*- a perfect way to start the lecture*

Dr. Laurel A. Burton, Associate Vice President for Values and Human Resources at Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center in Chicago, is responsible for the human resource management of 7,000 employees. In addition, to supervising the chaplaincy program, ethics consultation service and program in healthcare and humanities.

At Rush University in Chicago, Dr. Burton serves as Chairman of the Department of Religion, Health and Human Values, and is the Bishop Anderson Professor of Religion and Medicine.

In addition to teaching marriage and family therapy, medical ethics and business ethics, he is a practicing pastoral counselor and marriage and family therapist.

Dr. Burton has authored numerous articles and books on subjects such as marriage customs and rites, pastoral counseling, bioethics, and medical law.

Ordained in the Methodist Church, he has <sup>pastored</sup> ~~pastored~~ in Indiana, Colorado, and Massachusetts, and has taught at Milikin University, Boston University, and Harvard University.

Webster defines ethics as “the discipline dealing with what is good and bad, and with moral duty and obligation,” ~~and “a set of moral principles or values.”~~ The book, *A Companion To Ethics*, says that “no one can avoid an involvement in ethics. Everything that we do, or don’t do, is a possible subject of ethical evaluation.”

Part of the Academy’s mission is to develop ethical leaders.

Rich Horwitz was such a leader and we are proud to honor his memory through this annual lecture.

Would you please join me in welcoming Dr. Laurel Burton—who will address the topic **Leadership: The Role of Personal Values in Health Care Ethics**.