## Changing Role of the Public Relations Practitioner and Its Impact on Marketing and Branding M. Larry Litwin, APR • 2006 Rowan University

## Or... The *credibility* that helps cut through the *clutter*!

## **Ivy Ledbetter Lee**

First PR counselor, convinced major corporations and railroads to:

- Tell the truth
- Provide accurate facts
- Give the public relations director access to top management so that he/she can influence decisions

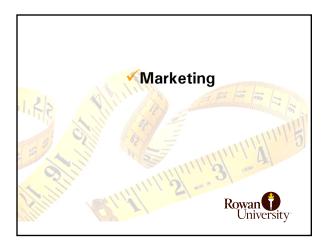


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## **Key Thoughts**

- Great ideas can come from any discipline
- Keep your brand hat on while working with the media
- The brand lives in real time society, and PR can adjust and respond swiftly
- Don't fall into the PR silo; know how all the disciplines work together
- Brand ideas are the fuel for integration













## Marketing

- Business activities that direct the exchange of goods and services between producers and consumers
- Stresses differences rather than similarities



So, what is...

Branding?

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## **Branding**

- The promise you make to your customers
- The process of establishing the elements of a brand (name, sign, symbol, etc. used to identify a product or differentiate it from a competitor's)



## You are the Brand

- Brand
- Brand Equity
- Brand Familiarity
- Brand Favorability
- Brand Identity
- Brand Image
- Brand Insistence
- Brand Loyalty
- Brand Power



# So, what is... Advertising? Rowan University

## **Advertising**

- Paid
- Non-personal communication
- From identified sponsor
- Using mass media
- To persuade or influence
- Audience

(Paid - Controlled)



## So, what is...

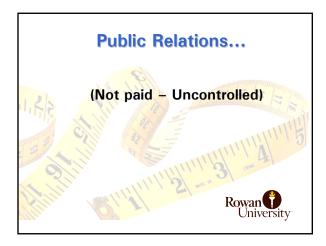
### **Public Relations?**



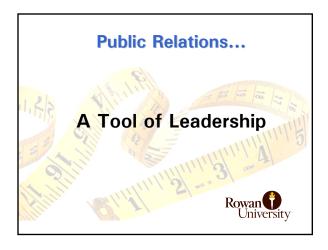
### **Public Relations**

- Management and counseling function
- Enables organizations to build and maintain relationships
- Through an understanding of audience opinions, attitudes and values
- Planned, deliberate, and two-way
- Conscience of organization
- Overseer of brand/reputation
- Relationship management





## PR is... "This is who we are; What we think about ourselves; What we want to do; and Why we deserve your support."







# Managing Public Opinion Public relations practitioners... - Assess public opinion - Influence public opinion It is our responsibility to MANAGE public opinion!

### **PR Practitioners/Counselors**

think strategically...

- Systematically
- Methodically
- Logistically
- Calculatingly (Measured Tones)



## **ABCs of Strategic Communication**

- Anticipate
- Be Prepared
- Communicate Clearly, Concisely, Consistently and Completely (Specifically and Simply)

Open, Honest, Thorough, Valid



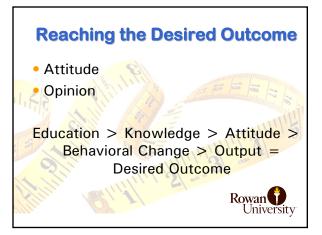
## Another "A" = Accountability

- Answerable
- Responsible
- Being a source or cause
- Able to be trusted or depended upon
- Reliable









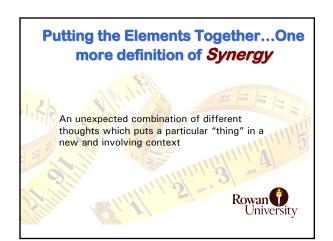
# IMC = Integrated Marketing Communication Why public relations plays a vital role today's marketing and branding Rowan University

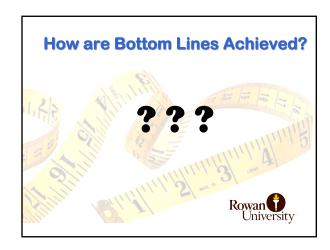
# PR-Pie Purpose Research Planning Implementation Evaluation Rowan University

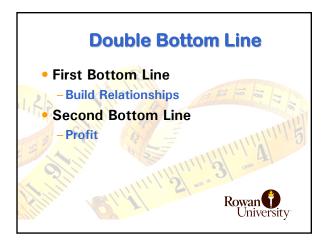
## And we should add this thought...(Some from Ogllvy Public Relations Worldwide) Branding, marketing and public relations is – expressing a cultural "nerve" in the context of a product Rowan University

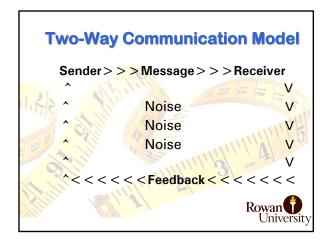
# Synergy The whole is greater than the sum of its parts. Rowan University

### **Synergy's Parts** Advertising Price\* Product itself\* (Sales) Promotion\* Packaging\* Public Relations\* Policy\* Direct Marketing Politics\* Cause Marketing Mind Share Sponsorship (Partnering) (Brainstorming) Marketing Brand Identity Positioning (Place)\* Interactive Personal Selling\* \* Litwin's 9 Ps of Marketing Rowan University

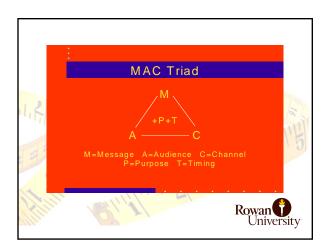


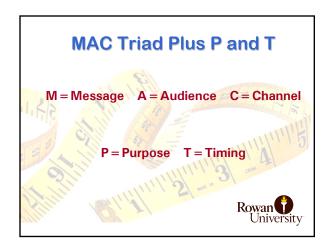




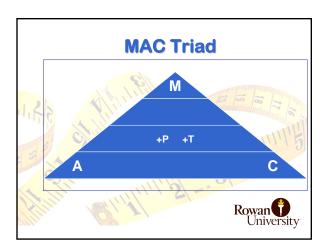


# You Talk – We Listen Hearing vs. Listening There is a reason why we have two ears and one mouth - we must listen twice as much as we speak. Rowan University





# MAC Triad cont. Informization Disseminating information (message) to target audience through the proper channel at the best possible time.



# Alternative Media Radio Television Internet (and Interactive – Blogs) Ipod® (Podcasts, etc.) Vcasts® Cell Phone Digital Signage Aroma Marketing WOMM Silent Publicity Rowan University



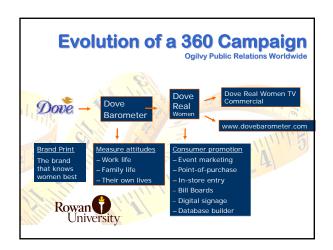




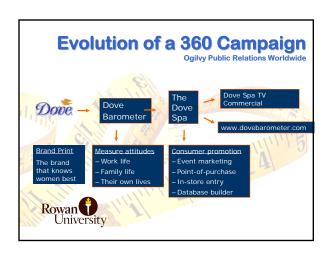












### **Features and Benefits**

### Features ?

Important characteristics of a product or service.

Stress features to active audiences.

### **Benefits**

 The quality of product or service that supplies satisfaction or need fulfillment to the consumer or audience member.

Stress benefits to passive audiences.



## Summary – 7 Cs of Communication

- Credibility
- Context
- Content
- Clarity
- Continuity and Consistency
- Channels
- Capability



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