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ST. THOMAS TO BESTOW AQUINAS MEDALS AND FOUNDERS AWARDS AT ANNUAL TRIBUTE DINNER!

(Sparkill, NY, September 17, 2008) –St. Thomas Aquinas College will bestow the Aquinas Medal upon Br. David Carroll, and the Founders Awards upon the Dominican Sisters of Sparkill, at the College's Annual Tribute Dinner at the Hilton Pearl River on Friday, October 10, 2008. Tickets for this event are \$300 per person. Proceeds from the dinner will benefit the Carroll Family Scholarship and Dominican Sisters of Sparkill Scholarship Funds. For more information, contact the Office of Institutional Advancement at 845-398-4020.

Brother David is Under Secretary General at the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) and an Advisor to the Holy See Permanent Observer Mission to the United Nations on Middle Eastern Issues. Brother David has been a member of the College's Board of Trustees since 1998, and has served as Chairman since 2006. He serves on the board of several educational and religious institutions and foundations and has made countless presentations and written articles on Middle East issues, religion, and the use of computer technology in education.

"Brother David has been an exemplary role model at every level in his career and the College is pleased to recognize our founders, the Dominican Sisters of Sparkill," commented Dr. Margaret M. Fitzpatrick, S.C., College President.

It is the golden anniversary of the College's first graduating class, the Class of 1958, and the College is commemorating the dedication and vigor of the Dominican Sisters whose vision, courage and faith are the cornerstone of everything that St. Thomas is today.

The College has established more than 80 commemorative scholarships to benefit its students. For more information on the College, its scholarship program, or to contribute to the one of the 80 Scholarship Funds, please contact the Office of Advancement at 845-398-4020.

MORE ABOUT ST. THOMAS

The College's 2,700 full and part time students can choose from over 60 different majors, minors, specializations, and dual degree programs across five divisions: The Humanities; Business Administration; Social Sciences; Natural Sciences & Mathematics; and Teacher Education or are enrolled in one of our graduate programs. St. Thomas has expanded its offerings to include: a Master of Science in Education with specializations in Literacy, Special Education, and Educational Leadership, a Post Masters Certificate program in Education, a Master of Science in Teaching, a Master of Business Administration program, a Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Science in Education, and an Associate of Arts and an Associate of Science degree, the latter two offered at the West Point Military Academy. For more information on the College visit www.stac.edu.