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JOANNE CONLON, DIRECTOR OF STUDENT ACADEMIC SUPPORT AT ROSEMONT COLLEGE, NAMED 2008 ACPA EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP FOUNDATION DIAMOND HONOREE

Rosemont, PA- Joanne C. Conlon, Ed. D. (King of Prussia, PA), Director of Student Academic Support at Rosemont College, was named a 2008 American College Education Personnel Association (ACPA) Educational Leadership Foundation Diamond Honoree.

With over 30 years of experience in higher education, Dr. Conlon has continually worked to serve students in meeting their educational goals. While working in a variety of settings – public, private, 2 year/4 year, small, and large – with diverse student populations, she has sought to consistently improve the quality of the educational experience for students. She has also been active in professional associations by serving on regional boards and national committees. She has also presented regionally and nationally. In 1995, she earned an Outstanding Service award from College Student Educators International.

As Director of Student Academic Support at Rosemont College, Conlon has created and managed the Title III funded Student Academic Support Services Center for the Undergraduate Women’s College. She has provided leadership and supervision to: academic advising, experiential learning (internships, service learning, study abroad), and testing and tutorials.

Conlon earned her bachelor of arts degree at St. Lawrence University in English, her master’s in Higher Education at Syracuse University, and Ed.D, M.Ed. in Higher and Adult Education Administration from Teachers College, Columbia University. Since 2005, Dr. Conlon has taught the First Year Connections Seminar, a credit-bearing course, specifically designed for transfer students, at Rosemont College. Prior to joining Rosemont’s staff in 2003, she held positions at Peirce College, Harcum College, West Chester University, SUNY at Stony Brook, and Syracuse University. She is a member of the American Association of Higher Education, the American College Personnel Association, the National Academic Advising Association, and Phi Delta Kappa.

The Educational Leadership Foundation of ACPA established the Diamond Honoree program in 1999 as a way of recognizing higher education professionals who, throughout their careers, have made outstanding contributions to higher education and to student affairs in particular.

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Rosemont College's Student Academic Support Center is supported in part by federal grant funds awarded through Title III, Part A of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended.

Founded in 1921 by the Society of the Holy Child Jesus, Rosemont College is an independent liberal arts institution in the Catholic tradition located on the Main Line, 11 miles west of Philadelphia, on the border of Montgomery and Delaware Counties. The nationally-acclaimed, traditional Undergraduate Women's College confers B.A., B.S. and B.F.A. degrees in twenty-three majors. Rosemont College also includes the Schools of Graduate and Professional Studies, which are open to both women and men. For more information, visit www.rosemont.edu.