COMMONWEALTH SPEAKER THOMAS BALDINO, PH.D. TO CELEBRATE CONSTITUTION AND CITIZENSHIP DAY AT ROSEMONT COLLEGE

Rosemont, PA- When it comes to debates on public policy many assume that the positions taken are republican versus democrat, however commonwealth speaker Thomas Baldino, Ph.D., professor of Political Science at Wilkes University, will explain how these everyday arguments are rooted in the competition between liberalism and democracy, not the competition between political parties at Rosemont College on Monday, September 17, 2007 in honor of national Constitution and Citizenship Day. Sponsored by Rosemont College’s Department of History and the Pennsylvania Humanities Council, Dr. Baldino’s lecture “The Colors of the American Political Spectrum,” will begin at 7:00 p.m. in McShain Auditorium. This event is free and open to the public.

A native Pennsylvanian, Dr. Baldino was born, raised, and received most of his education in Philadelphia, and since he began full-time teaching in 1978, he has lived, worked, or visited every region of the state. His teaching and research interests focus on American government and politics, especially legislatures, parties and elections. In his courses, he balances an appreciation for American democratic theory with practical politics, and urges his students to participate in public life. By way of example, Dr. Baldino has served on various boards and commissions wherever he has lived, notably the Bedford-Fulton-Huntingdon Solid Waste Authority, the Commission on Primaries, the Luzerne County Government Study Commission, and currently holds the position of Visiting Scholar with the Legislative Office of Research Liaison of the Pennsylvania General Assembly.

For more information on this event contact Alexis Kropp, College Relations Coordinator at 610.526.2967 or visit www.rosemont.edu.

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