CONVOCATION

The Seminary Convocation, opening the academic year, will be held on Thursday, September 10 beginning at 10:00 A.M. in the McCausland Memorial Chapel. The speaker will be the Rt. Rev. Jesus-Manuel Huertes who serves as Chaplaincy Administrator of the Mid-Atlantic Office of the U.S. Department of Justice in Annapolis Junction, MD. Bishop Huertes has been received onto the clergy roll of the Diocese of the Northeast & Mid-Atlantic and attends the Reformed Episcopal Christ the King parish in Pasadena, MD. Student orientation will follow the Service.

BANQUET HONORING RETIREES

On Thursday, September 24, beginning at 6:30 P.M., the Seminary will host a banquet honoring retired President, the Rev. Dr. Wayne A. Headman and Registrar, Mrs. Danae L. Smith. Dr. Headman served as President of RES from 1998 to 2009. He continues to serve as a Faculty member. Mrs. Smith served on the Seminary staff since 1987. She retired the end of this past academic year as Registrar and Library Assistant. The banquet will be held at the Penn Oaks Golf Club, 150 Penn Oaks Dr., West Chester, PA 19382-8217. A reservation form will be mailed separately. Please call the Seminary office at 610-292-9852 to make your reservation by September 15, 2009.

STAFF UPDATE

On March 12, 2009 the RES Board of Directors elected the Rt. Rev. David L. Hicks to serve as President of the Seminary effective June 1, 2009. Bishop Hicks also serves as Chancellor of RES. The Rev. Dr. Wayne A. Headman resigned as President on May 31, 2009 after having faithfully served in that office for the past eleven years.

The Rev. Dr. Jonathan S. Riches was appointed Registrar by the Board of Directors, effective June 1, 2009 following the retirement of Mrs. Danae L. Smith at the close of the last academic year. Mrs. Smith also served as Library Assistant. Dr. Jeffrey Brodick, President of SEPTLA and senior student, Mr. Russell Buchanan, currently assist the Rev. Dr. Riches in the library.

NEW PROGRAM

RES now offers a Licentiate in Diaconal Ministry approved by the Examining Chaplains of the Diocese of the Northeast & Mid-Atlantic. The courses are conducted in an at-a-distance format by the Seminary faculty. Students are required to attend residency days at the Blue Bell, PA campus. Classes are held four times per year during the Saturday of the Ember Days. It is expected that the typical student will complete the program in two years. For more information, please contact the Seminary office or visit the website.

ADDITIONAL NEWS

• Save the Date: The annual Founders’ Day Kuehner Lecture will be held on Tuesday, December 1, 2009 at St. Paul’s Reformed Episcopal Church in Oreland, PA. The Rev. Edward Rix of All Saints Church in Wynnewood, PA and the Prayer Book Society will be the lecturer. The Seminary Auxiliary will meet at 11:00 A.M. and assist in hosting the luncheon.

• Visit the RES Facebook page. A link can be found on the website.