

## Friends of the Seminary Gala Set for February 25th

The seminary will hold its annual “Friends of the Seminary” fundraiser on February 25, 2011. The evening will begin with Solemn Vespers at 7:00 p.m., in St. Vincent de Paul Chapel on seminary grounds. A cocktail reception, silent auction and formal dinner will follow. Archbishop Thomas G. Wenski, of Miami, is Chairman of the Board and Chancellor for the Board of Trustees.

The Honorary Chairs for this year’s event are Annabelle and Denis Coleman, Jr. Natives of New York City, the Colemans have made Palm Beach their home for many years. When asked why he chose to serve and support the seminary as Honorary Chair, he said, *“I am a great believer in supporting the formation of priests, and want to do whatever I can to help the seminary achieve that goal.”*

Diane Simowitz, of Jupiter, a longtime leader, supporter and pioneer volunteer for the seminary, is Chair of the event. Simowitz has led the seminary’s Development Council since its inception in 2004. When asked about her devotion to the seminary, Diane said, *“I would challenge every practicing Catholic to look at the seminary as a very special institution, and one worthy of their support and prayers. Everything begins with priests in our parishes.”*

Mrs. Catherine “Sis” Murphy, a long-time benefactor of the seminary and wife of Thomas A. Murphy, a former member of the seminary’s Board of Trustees, is once again, a sustaining sponsor of the event.

Tickets are \$175 per person. For more information or to purchase tickets, call Sharon Melancon 561-732-4424 x163.