

SEMINARY ACCOUNTANT SUSAN O'CONNOR RETIRES



July 31 marked the retirement of seminary accountant Susan O'Connor. A member of the St. Vincent family since October 22, 1992, Susan will miss the "kind and caring people she worked with for nearly 16 years."

Married to David and the mother of Lori and Chip, Susan would like to spend half of her retirement years in Georgia with her daughter and the balance of the year near her son and his wife Robin and grandchildren Matthew and Emie, who reside in Jupiter.

Time will tell, however, since husband David has yet to retire.

Susan began her association with the seminary as a bookkeeper under then rector Father Bendixon. When Monsignor Pablo Navarro became rector-president he gave Susan additional duties and promoted her to accountant, a post she held continuously under Rector Stephen Bosso and current Rector Keith Brennan.

In addition to the "caring and warm" co-workers, administrators and clergy at the seminary, Susan enjoyed working with a number of seminarians who helped in the accounting office while completing their studies. "It was always nice to see them after ordination and when they returned to St. Vincent for a visit," she said. Recent helpers include just ordained Rev. Tim Cummings and Rev. David Zirilli.

Another aspect of working at the seminary that was pleasing to Susan was the longevity of its employees. "Turnover was very low and many worked into their 70's before retiring," she said. "That contributed to the family-type atmosphere we enjoy at St. Vincent's."

During Susan's years at the seminary she saw the construction of the new administration-library structure. "My original office was Room 116 on the main campus," said Susan. "It was wonderful to watch the growth of the beautiful new building and then to be office there with those pleasing views of the lake."

Our thanks to Susan for her service to St. Vincent's and our best wishes for her retirement.

Susan and her husband David shown above at a luncheon held in her honor.