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RAMAPO COLLEGE PRESENTS THE SECOND ANNUAL SEBASTIAN J. RACITI MEMORIAL LECTURE AND DINNER

(Mahwah) – Dr. Thomas E. Woods Jr., author of *How the Catholic Church Built Western Civilization*, will be the guest lecturer at The Second Annual Sebastian J. Raciti Memorial Lecture and Dinner on Tuesday, October 18 from 6 - 8 p.m. in Friends Hall on the campus of Ramapo College of New Jersey. The public is invited to attend the lecture and dinner, sponsored by the Center for Business and Public Policy of Ramapo College and the Ramapo College Foundation Business Network. Friends Hall is located in the College's Student Center.

Woods' topic will be "Where the Religious Right Went Wrong." He is the author of the *New York Times* bestseller, *The Politically Incorrect Guide to American History*, as well as *The Church Confronts Modernity: Catholic Intellectuals and the Progressive Era* and *The Church and the Market: A Catholic Defense of the Free Economy*.

The author holds four degrees, including an A.B. from Harvard and a Ph.D. from Columbia. He teaches courses in Western civilization, is the associate editor of *The Latin Mass* magazine and is an essayist on historical subjects.

The event was established to honor the memory of Sebastian J. Raciti (1934-2003), who, for 31 years, served in various roles that were instrumental in the development of Ramapo College. Known as Sib, he was a member of the founding faculty, arriving in the College's second year.

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Raciti held various posts during his tenure including director of the School of Metropolitan and Community Studies, dean of the School of Administration and Business, vice president for Academic Affairs, vice president of Institutional Advancement and professor of economics. He also was the director of the Governor's School for International Studies, a summer program for gifted high school students. In his administrative roles, he helped design new academic programs, raised funds to support new initiatives and scholarships and recruited new faculty.

Tickets are \$25 per person. To reserve a seat, call 201.684.7373 or e-mail cbpp@ramapo.edu.

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