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Notre Dame journalism professor to discuss the changing role of modern media at Palm Beach State College

(Palm Beach Gardens, Fla. – Jan. 15, 2010) Author and journalism professor at the University of Notre Dame Dr. Robert Schmuhl will review the role of contemporary journalism at a lecture at Palm Beach State College in Palm Beach Gardens, Thursday, Feb. 18.

Sponsored by Palm Beach State College and the University of Notre Dame Alumni Club, the 11th annual lecture event, titled “Understanding News: The Messages, the Media and their Malaise,” will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Meldon Lecture Hall, 3160 PGA Blvd. The event is free and open to the public.

Schmuhl is the Walter Annenberg-Edmund P. Joyce Professor of American Studies and Journalism and also directs the J.W. Gallivan Program in Journalism, Ethics and Democracy at Notre Dame. He is the author and editor of 10 books on the media. “Indecent Liberties” (2000) was selected by the *Chicago Tribune* books section as one of the 40 noteworthy nonfiction titles for 2000. His edited volume, “The Responsibilities of Journalism,” has been published in four foreign editions since appearing in 1984.

Dr. Schmuhl’s articles have appeared in the *Chicago Tribune*, USA TODAY, The *Washington Post* and others. Television and radio appearances include CNN, PBS, NPR, BBC and the Voice of America.

Professor Schmuhl earned his bachelor’s degree from Notre Dame in 1970 and his doctorate from Indiana University in 1978. He joined the faculty at Notre Dame in 1980.

For more information about this event, contact Professor Thomas Magill at (561) 842-3019.

Serving more than 49,000 students annually, Palm Beach State College is the largest institution of higher education in Palm Beach County, providing the bachelor’s degree, associate degrees, professional certificates, career training and lifelong learning. Established in 1933 as Florida’s first public community college, it offers more than 100 programs of study at locations in Lake Worth, Boca Raton, Palm Beach Gardens and Belle Glade.

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