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### **DEDICATION OF NEW EDUCATIONAL WING A GREAT SUCCESS**

**Sept. 25, 2007, St. Louis, Mo.**—The Marianist Province of the United States and the St. John Vianney High School Board of Directors welcomed students, alumni and their families and other supporters Saturday, Sept. 22, from 5 to 7 p.m. to the dedication of the school's new \$3.5 million educational wing. The educational wing, which features a media center/library, state-of-the-art classrooms, administrative offices and a gear store, adjoins another recent addition to the school, a \$5 million field house with commons area.

Donald Eggleston, vice president of mission at SSM Health Care and chair of the school's board of directors, acted as master of ceremonies. His two sons, Andy and Tim, recently graduated from the school; they were the first brothers in school history to earn the Marianist award (for exceptional performance) at the same time. After Eggleston opened the ceremony with an inspiring reflection about helping youth cross rivers, Vianney President Michael Loyet expanded on that theme by recognizing those who had, like the early pioneers, forded rivers in wagons amidst obstacles to finally reach lofty goals. Loyet commended three Vianney supporters, in particular, for helping make the most recent addition possible: Vianney Alum Paul Wuennenberg, '81, of Mackey Mitchell Associates, who designed the new wing, Father Robert Osborne, S.M., the former school president who initiated the building project a few years ago and Judy Green, mother of a few Vianney alums, Troy Green, '86, and Trent Green, '88 (Trent is well known as the quarterback for the Miami Dolphins Football Team). The Green brothers donated funds to the project in honor of their parents, Judy and the late Jim Green. The Media Center, in fact, will be named after Jim Green. The Greens represented all the generous donors to the project, Loyet said.

Others commended by Loyet were Board Member and Facilities Committee Chair Donna Gibson, whose son Andrew Gibson graduated from Vianney in '05, Board Member and Former Board Chair Rick Bumb, Board Member and Finance Committee Chair David Woods, Bill Bommarito, former director of development, Business Manager Wendell DePhillips, who acted as project manager for the addition, Bob Dilg, a groundskeeper and Larry Keller, Vianney's principal and last year's interim president, among others. Brother John Habjan, S.M., and Father Tim Kenney, S.M., spoke about the new wing as evidence of the school's commitment to excellence. Habjan is the school's mission director; Kenney is the chaplain. Both are Marianists (members of the Society of Mary), the order that sponsors St. John Vianney, along with two other schools in the area, Chaminade College Preparatory and St. Mary's.

After the dedication speeches, Father Kenney led a team to bless all areas of the new wing. A light reception was provided by Vianney Alum and Local Chef Ivy Magruder, '96.

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