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**Mount Mary College Receives Grants from Pettit Foundation and
Greater Milwaukee Foundation**

MILWAUKEE (July 7, 2010) – Mount Mary College has received two new grants. The Jane Bradley Pettit Foundation awarded the College a \$500,000 grant to support construction of a Student Success Center in the College’s Haggerty Library. The new Center will provide welcoming gathering spaces and collaborative work stations for students as well as promote academic engagement through integrated resources and services.

The Greater Milwaukee Foundation awarded a \$25,000 grant to Mount Mary to design and implement *Students Building Bridges*, a new program for college students from diverse backgrounds. The initiative will pilot during the 2010-11 academic year and will provide 50-75 college women the opportunity to develop relationships across ethnic and racial identities. With over 85% of Mount Mary graduates remaining in the Milwaukee area, the skills and experiences they gain during the program will later assist the community in reaching its full economic and social potential.

“We are grateful for the generosity of these organizations,” stated Dr. Eileen Schwalbach, President of Mount Mary College. “Their support makes it possible for us to continue our mission of academic excellence and leadership development,” she added.

More information on the grants can be obtained by contacting Dr. Suzanne Wilson-Davis, Director of Development, at 414-443-1639 or at dev@mtmary.edu.

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Mount Mary College, founded in 1913 by the School Sisters of Notre Dame, was Wisconsin’s first four-year, degree-granting Catholic college for women. Located on an 80-acre campus in Milwaukee, the College offers more than 60 undergraduate areas of study for women and seven graduate programs for women and men. Mount Mary also emphasizes study abroad, service learning, and social justice initiatives. Its more than 1900 students enjoy small class sizes (average 14) and 95 percent of full-time students receive financial aid or scholarships. Through classroom instruction and community service, Mount Mary develops women to be leaders in their professions and their communities, serving as role models to inspire achievement in others. Visit Mount Mary at www.mtmary.edu.