Press Release

BROPHY COLLEGE PREPARATORY

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Brophy College Prep Dedicates Athletic Complex

Phoenix, Ariz. – January 4, 2017 – Father Harry T. "Dutch" Olivier, S.J., spent almost three decades teaching at Brophy College Preparatory, but his most enduring – and endearing – legacy is that of his love and stewardship of Brophy's sports teams. On January 4, Brophy dedicated the Father Harry T. "Dutch" Olivier, S.J. Athletic Complex, a 47,400-square-foot facility that will serve Brophy students far into the future.

The Dutch, as it will be called, includes a gymnasium, indoor running track, wrestling gym, a 10,000-square-foot weight room, a fitness area with state-of-the-art exercise equipment, two golf simulators, locker rooms, classrooms, and student lounges. It connects to Brophy's Robson Gymnasium, creating a mammoth sports complex that will serve both the serious and casual athlete, as well as students working on their own fitness goals or simply looking for a place to connect with friends.

The completion of *The Dutch* wraps up almost two decades of campus additions and improvements that include Harper Great Hall, Virginia Piper Center for Math & Science, Innovation Commons, Eller Fine Arts Center, the Father Edward A. Reese Aquatic Center, the Brophy Sports Campus, and Opus Baseball Field.

Father Reese, Brophy President from 1996 to 2016, was on hand for the dedication and blessing, along with Adria Renke, Brophy President, Bob Kohnen, who served as the owner's representative, the Board of Trustees, and the Board of Regents. Father Reese commented "The Dutch represents a part of the Jesuit philosophy of education that includes educating the whole person – mind, body, and spirit. It would make Father Olivier so happy to see students engaged in physical activity and healthy competition." Ms. Renke added, "We have thousands of donors to thank for their support – gifts from \$2.00 and up. We are so grateful for all of it. It's a great day to be a Bronco."

Brophy's basketball and wrestling teams competed the same evening as the dedication, putting the facility into action immediately. Always in the hearts and memories of the Brophy community, with *The Dutch*, Father Olivier's legacy takes physical form and will always remind us of his love, service, and dedication to Brophy and its sports programs.

About Brophy College Preparatory

Brophy College Preparatory is a Catholic, Jesuit high school for young men established in 1928 that seeks to instill competence, conscience, and compassion and to educate *men for others*.