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**Malone Construction Completes Addition at Cancer Treatment Center  
Project had Unique Requirements in order to House Innovative Scanner**

July 26, 2005: O'Fallon, IL— According to the American Cancer Society, the survival rate for all types of cancer has risen nearly 30 percent from the mid-1970s to the new millennium. The increased survival rate is partially due to technological advances in scanners, which must be housed in state-of-the-art facilities in order to effectively detect cancer.

Malone Construction, a design & construction firm, recently completed a cutting-edge addition at the Cancer Treatment Center in Swansea, IL to house the Gemini GXL by Philips, the only standalone PET/CT scanner in Southwestern Illinois. Since the scanner can only work in an optimal environment, Malone Construction had to meet many technical and structural specifications while constructing the addition on a tight schedule.

“We at Malone Construction used special materials and processes to shield the new equipment to allow for a safe and effective operating environment,” Marty Malone, Vice President at Malone Construction.

Aside from the technological requirements, Malone Construction seamlessly blended the new and existing facilities' exterior architecture and created an inviting atmosphere inside the new addition. The facility looks like a freestanding structure, but it is actually connected to the treatment center to facilitate the exchange of computerized data. This allows the Cancer Treatment Center to diagnose and treat its patients at one site.

The Cancer Treatment Center hired Malone Construction based on the excellent design and construction project work the firm did with the center's first P.E.T. Imaging Center.

“We at the Cancer Treatment Center are very impressed with both buildings that Malone Construction built for us,” said Jeff Skjerseth, Administrator at the Cancer Treatment Center. “The new addition allows our staff to use the PET/CT scanner to provide early detection of cancer as well as to pinpoint its exact location.”

Owned and operated by Memorial and St. Elizabeth's hospitals, the Cancer Treatment Center is Southwestern Illinois' premier outpatient cancer center. Its licensed professionals assist patients with the most current cancer treatments.

Malone Construction, founded in 1976, is an innovative company that specializes in both the design and building aspects of commercial construction. The full-service firm provides a “Concept to Completion” approach that ensures seamless project delivery. For more information on Malone Construction, please visit [www.maloneco.com](http://www.maloneco.com).

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Editor's note: for American Cancer Society statistics, visit:  
[http://www.cancer.org/downloads/STT/Cancer\\_Statistics\\_2005\\_Presentation.ppt#291,21,Relative Survival\\* \(%\) during Three Time Periods, By Cancer Site](http://www.cancer.org/downloads/STT/Cancer_Statistics_2005_Presentation.ppt#291,21,Relative%20Survival%20(%20) during Three Time Periods, By Cancer Site)