

RENWEB Message:

A Special Message from your St. Anthony Board of Trustees:

Our Groundbreaking Ceremony and Welcoming Reception for Principal Esther Miranda, PhD, on Saturday, June 12th was a huge success! The event was attended by over 200 parents, students, faculty, staff, our Monte Vista neighbors, and State, County, and City Officials.

A dedication mass was held at St. Anthony High School Chapel followed by a Mariachi procession to the expansion site of our new building.

There was “magical electricity” in the air as the afternoon was filled with festive excitement, surprise announcements and presentations, Mariachi music, and a delicious buffet with aguas frescas and lemonade. A team of dignitaries, including a couple of Our Sisters of Divine Providence, put on their bright yellow hard hats, got their silver shovels adorned with blue & gold ribbon bows, and broke ground, while our students showered the crowd with confetti.....and everyone celebrated this first step in expanding the 2nd oldest Catholic School in the State of Texas.

Special Proclamations to mark this special day were presented on behalf of Texas State Senator Leticia Van De Putte; Bexar County Commissioners Court; and the City of San Antonio.

What followed helped make what was already a perfect day, even greater!

Larry Benson, Honorary Chair of the Capital Campaign made a presentation of a \$100,000 gift from the Benson Family Foundation to our Principal Esther Miranda and Chairman of the Board, Raymond Welder.

This was followed by Jim Cullum, of The Jim Cullum Happy Jazz Band with a surprise announcement that the Texas A&M Concert Band, 100 strong, will join his Jazz Band in a special concert on February 9, 2011, with all proceeds going to St. Anthony Capital Campaign. We will look to all of our St. Anthony Family and Friends to help in making this a big success!

On behalf of the St. Anthony Board of Trustees we want to thank all of our parents, faculty, staff, and guests who were able to join us for this very big event. For those St. Anthony families who were not able to be with us, we can share with you there will be many more opportunities for you to be involved. This event was only the beginning of still a lot of work and fundraising activity ahead to reach the remainder of our goal.

We urge you that if you have not had yet made your gift to the Capital Campaign, please consider doing so, at whatever level you can afford, that we may be able to achieve 100% participation from all of our St. Anthony families.

And lastly, a BIG thank you to everyone who participated in making this event a success!

