

ST. SIMON'S SAYS Newsletter 2011



St. Simon's provides free after school care for low-income children and their families. We serve kindergarten through third grade kids who qualify for assisted lunch, whose parents work, and who have no one at home to care for them after school. Saving these children from a latchkey existence and helping them get a good start with their education is a worthy goal for each of us.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As I transition into the role of President of the St. Simon's Board of Directors, I am humbled, honored, and bring a great deal of respect for all those who have volunteered, provided financial support, and led this organization over its 50 plus year history. At this point in time, we are stronger in many respects than we have ever been.

Thanks to the generous support of our donors we will be providing safe, nurturing, no-cost after school care to almost 600 disadvantaged children in 14 DISD elementary schools for the upcoming 2011-12 school year. This is an increase of about 200 additional children served over what we were providing just 3 years ago.

But the need is even greater. Literally thousands of DISD students go without adequate after-school care every day. At St. Simon's we have set a goal to add another 200 children to our after school care programs within the next 3 years. With your help, I am sure we will make it.

I look forward to meeting and working with each of you in the coming years as we work together to build an even stronger after school care program to help meet the needs of our community.

Bob McLendon
President, St. Simon's After-School



MAKING A DIFFERENCE

St. Simon's continues to grow. With your help, we have added three additional programs. This brings us to a total of 23 programs at 14 schools in Dallas County. As we grow, our need for volunteers increases. All of us have a strength, something to share and the power to create positive change. Volunteering a few hours a month and making a difference in the lives of the students we support is a rewarding experience. If you would be interested in volunteering please, email us at volunteers@stsimonsafterschool.com



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St. Simon's Mission Statement

To support elementary school children and their families who are challenged by economic and family situations by providing

- a safe, familiar, nurturing place for children to be after school
- encouragement and assistance with academic and social development.
- a mid-afternoon nutritional snack
- support for the student's families

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SCHOLARSHIP STUDENTS EXCELLING



It has been such a joy to watch The St. Simon's Scholarship students succeed at Episcopal School of Dallas. We are fortunate to have three students chosen from the Dallas Independent School as scholarship awardees. They are Lizbeth Perez, Letia Flores and Jiaying Fu.

Lizbeth Perez has proven herself successful in the 6th grade. Her report card comments include "Lizbeth is a reading teacher's dream. She cares so much about her work, tries her best on each assignment and follows instructions carefully. In History, Lizbeth did a wonderful job reciting the Inaugural Address making a perfect 100."

Letia Flores has made a good start in the fifth grade this year. She is involved in the middle school musical and is not afraid to contribute in class discussions. She asks for help as needed and is off to a fine start at ESD.

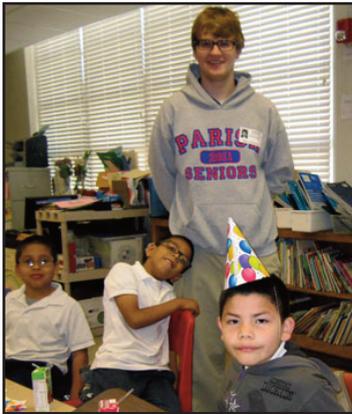
Jiaying Fu is in the 2nd grade at the Lower School and has proven to be an excellent student. The knowledge she shares enriches her class discussions and it is a joy to see her complete numerous novels of literary quality. She has enjoyed attending Math Class Challenges and on April 30, 2011 was awarded First Place in the annual Poetry Society of Texas competition.

We are so richly blessed by these students and the opportunity that the St. Simon's McAuley Scholarship has provided. With your continued generous gifts to the Scholarship program, more St. Simon's students will follow in the steps of these students.

IN THE CLASSROOM



During their time in the program, students receive help with their homework, reading, playing games, crafts and more.



The kids enjoy visits from student volunteers at Parish Episcopal School and Episcopal School of Dallas



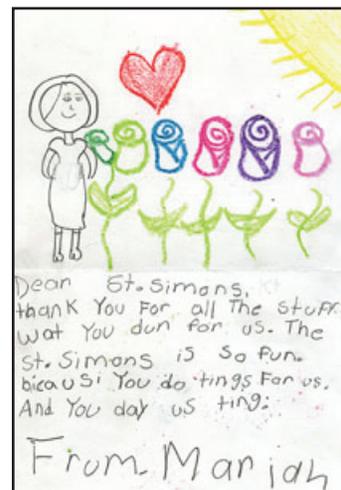
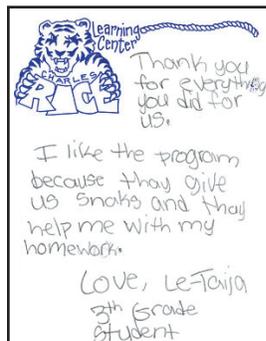
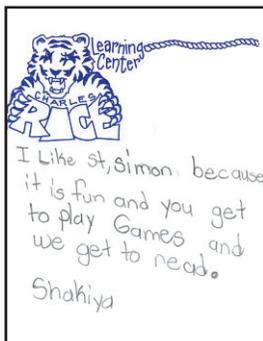
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- Women of St. Michael and All Angels
- Outreach of St. Michael and All Angels
- St. Matthias Church

St. Simon's Thanks its Partners,
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FROM THE KIDS

St. Simon's students recently created Thank You cards as an end of year project. We thought we would share a few with you, to thank you for your continued support.



THANK YOU