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Ricardo Romo is Recipient of the '2012 Colonel W.T. Bondurant, Sr. Distinguished Humanitarian Award'

"Education changed my life and opened doors to opportunity. The preparation provided by San Antonio Academy enables students to succeed in higher education and beyond."

Dr. Ricardo Romo, 2012 Award Recipient

SAN ANTONIO, TX – The Alumni Council of San Antonio Academy of Texas honors Dr. Ricardo Romo with the 2012 *Colonel W.T. Bondurant, Sr. Distinguished Humanitarian Award* during a luncheon held on Wednesday, February 1 at 11:30 a.m. at the Witte Museum, Prassel Auditorium (3801 Broadway). **Proceeds of the Award luncheon benefit the Col. W.T. Bondurant, Jr. Scholarship Fund.**

Dr. Ricardo Romo became the fifth president of The University of Texas at San Antonio in May 1999. As president, he leads one of the fastest-growing institutions of higher education in Texas and the nation. Under his leadership, UTSA is poised to become the state's premier research university.

"The Alumni Council of San Antonio Academy is honored to award the 32nd Colonel W.T. Bondurant, Sr. Distinguished Humanitarian Award to Dr. Ricardo Romo. As the president of The University of Texas at San Antonio, Dr. Romo exemplifies the Bondurant family's commitment to knowledge creation, service to society and to the enrichment of this Central and South Texas Community," notes Brian C. Steward, SAA Class of 1979.

EVENT DETAILS:

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 1
11:30 A.M. LUNCH &
PROGRAM
WITTE MUSEUM,
PRASSEL AUDITORIUM

\$75 SEAT
\$750 TABLE OF TEN
RESERVATIONS
REQUIRED

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Dr. Romo has received many honors during his academic career. In November 2007, he was recognized with the Isabel la Católica award, the highest recognition given to non-Spanish subjects, which was bestowed upon him by King Juan Carlos of Spain. In October 2008, Romo received the Distinguished Alumnus Award from the Texas Exes Alumni Association.

In September 2010, Dr. Romo received the San Antonio North Chamber Dolph Briscoe Salute to Excellence Award. In 2011, he was presented the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) Chief Executive Leadership Award. In May 2011, Romo was appointed to the President's Advisory Commission on Educational Excellence for Hispanics.

As the 32nd recipient, Dr. Romo follows three decades of Col. W.T. Bondurant, Sr. Distinguished Humanitarian Award honorees including Dr. Ronald K. Calgaard, Dela White, B.J. McCombs, Tom C. Frost '41, and Congressman Lamar Smith '61.

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The Col. W.T. Bondurant, Sr. Distinguished Humanitarian Award is presented each year to a community leader who exemplifies the school's most cherished values: honesty, respect, pride in achievement and service to others. This award recognizes an individual whose accomplishments embody these humanitarian traits that everyone admired in Colonel W. T. Bondurant Sr., who served as The Academy's Head of School from 1927 to 1943.

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