
Press Release

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Alumni are Literally the Tie that Binds for Bethel Park High School

On Thursday, September 2, 2010, iron workers, general contractors, prime contractors, school board members, students, residents, and former alumni gathered outside of Bethel Park High School for the topping off ceremony of what is to be the new high school expected to be complete in March 2012. With the help of Century Steel Erectors and iron workers from Local Union No. 3, the steel structure received its final beam amidst the cheering crowd. The beam, covered with signatures from those in attendance, was situated above what will soon be music classrooms/practice space beside the auditorium. The school will feature: 94 classrooms, a 1,300-seat auditorium, a 2,350-seat gymnasium, an 8-lane swimming pool, a large group instruction room/small theater, television studio, band room and cafeteria with a connecting outdoor courtyard.

For some of the men and women on the jobsite as well as for the family behind Century Steel Erectors, the ceremony was bittersweet. Many are Bethel Park graduates and now have the opportunity to give back as alumni; not only as community members but with their skill and talent to actually construct the new high school. Foreman and Iron Worker, Bill Tritschler - a 1978 Bethel Park graduate was fortunate enough to share the moment with his son, Dylan Tritschler, a current Bethel Park student.

As noted by the many speakers of the day, the stats for this jobsite are incredible:

- Broke ground on September 19, 2009
- Days Worked: 250
- Man Hours: 109,000
- Man Power: 225-325 Men on Job per Day
- **No** Lost Time Due to Accidents
- Days Lost to Weather: 52 (**All** Caught Up)
- Tons of Steel: 1,700
- Tons of Reinforced Steel: 1,200
- Two OSHA Compliance Inspections that Passed

At the conclusion of the ceremony, the beam, adorned with an evergreen tree, an American Flag, a broom, and banners from Bethel Park, Century Steel Erectors and Iron Workers Local Union No. 3, sat proudly in the sun as a representation for all those who had a part in the new construction, especially the alumni.

For more information about the Topping off Ceremony or Bethel Park High School, visit www.bpsd.org or call Century Steel Erectors at 1-888-601-8801.

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