September 11th Families' Association

Tribute



WE REMEMBER

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Anniversary Ceremonies

WORLD TRADE CENTER - NEW YORK, NY

Siblings who lost loved ones will begin reading of names at 8:46 AM. Approximately 100 pairs of readers will continue until all names are read. Moments of silence will be observed at 8:46 AM, 9:03 AM, 9:59 AM and 10:29 AM. Families may begin to descend to the ramp to the WTC Tower footprints at 8:46 AM.

An all-agency honor guard made up of individuals representing city, state, federal and non-profit agencies including NYC Fire Department (FDNY), NYC Police Department (NYPD), Port Authority Police Department (PAPD) and families will participate in the ceremony.

ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY - WASHINGTON, DC

Ceremonies begin at 9:30 AM at Arlington National Cemetery to honor all those lost at the Pentagon. A formal wreath laying ceremony will be held followed by the Patriot Day Observance Ceremony.

FLIGHT 93 MEMORIAL - SHANKSVILLE, PA

9:30am at the Flight 93 Memorial Site, Somerset County, PA

The family house and family room will be open at the World Trade Center site for all 9/11 families. — Please bring Memorial Park ID card. The family house is located at Washington & Liberty Streets. The family room overlooking the World Trade Center site is located at One Liberty Plaza, 20th Floor.

Memorial Park at the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner will also be open for families, located at 520 East 30 St., at 1st Ave, New York, NY. Call (212) 447-7884 for available times.

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Tribute Center Groundbreaking

On June 16th, New York State Governor George Pataki publicly announced the groundbreaking for the Tribute Center at a press conference in the World Trade Center PATH station. "Right now, millions of people are coming to Lower Manhattan, looking for information about what happened here," Governor Pataki told the gathered families, rescue workers, survivors, local employees, and residents. "We want people to come here and be told the right story by the right people. What better source of history than those who experienced it?" Governor Pataki expressed the conviction that the center will be a tribute in remembrance, and a place for visitors to understand history.



Tribute Center president Sally Yerkovich also addressed the crowd, sharing the plans to build an informative space. "Tribute will be built on the stories that we will someday call our history. It will provide opportunities for the September 11th community to share their stories with the thousands of people who come each day from around the country and around the world to the World Trade Center site."

Tribute's volunteer docent program will begin September 9th. Docents from the 9/11 community will share their own experiences with visitors while orienting them to the WTC site. For more information, email tributevolunteers@911families.org.

Community Resource Web Page The Association has added a new 9/11 community resource page at

The Association has added a new 9/11 community resource page at www.911Families.org. The new page includes general 9/11 resources and support services for families, Lower Manhattan residents, WTC and Pentagon survivors, recovery workers, children and businesses.

September 11th Assistance Guide

To find resources, visit www.sept11help.org where a search engine will allow you to specify your needs.

The 9/11 Mental Health and Substance Abuse Program

Call 1-800-LIFENET for immediate help (1-800- 543- 3638).

www.9-11mentalhealth.org The 9/11 Mental Health and Substance Abuse Program offers financial assistance with the cost of mental health and substance abuse treatment to those directly affected by the attacks, regardless of insurance or immigration status. Coverage is retroactive to 9/11/01.

The September 11th Families Association supports victims of terrorism through communication, representation and peer support.

Our mission is to unite the September 11th community, present evolving issues, and share resources for long-term recovery.

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9/11 RESOURCE CORNER

September 11th Assistance Guide www.sept11help.org

9/11 Mental Health and Substance Abuse Program 1-800-I JEENET

www.9-11mentalhealth.org

Safe Horizon

September 11th Support Hotline 1-866-689-HELP (4357) Free counseling for individuals, couples, families and support groups. Ellen Fader (212) 729-5516

Hispanic Children and Families Vanessa Ramos

Vanessa Ramos (212) 206-1090 x348 www.chcfinc.org Case management & mental health support

Faithful Response

1294 Bellmore Ave North Bellmore, NY 11710 (516) 679-0080 www.LDRNY.org Free counseling services for individuals, families, children and adolescent. Support Groups.

Financial Planning Assoc. Claude Collins

(800) 322-4237 ext. 7138 www.fpanet.org/public Workshops & education

TARGET - Center for Trauma Response, Recovery & Preparedness www.ctrp.org www.ptsdfreedom.org Community and self-support, training and consultation

The Resiliency Program

Columbia University, Dr. Paula A. Madrid - (212) 781-1046 or Pam2109@columbia.edu Counseling for adults & children and support groups. Drama therapy, art therapy with specialization in PTSD. English and Spanish available.

WTC Bereavement Support Group
Jewish Health & Healing Network
850 Seventh Ave, Suite 1201

850 Seventh Ave, Suite 1201 New York, NY 10019 (212) 399-2685 or info@jhhrn.org

The World Trade Center Permanency Project (212) 473-0222

(212) 473-0222 jamesb@coac.org Counseling in English, Spanish, French and Creole

Freedom Debate at WTC

In June 2004, four cultural institutions were selected for the WTC site: the Joyce International Dance Center, the International Freedom Center, the Signature Theatre, and the Drawing Center. The Joyce Dance Center and Signature Theatre will be located in the Performing Arts Center Complex which is located north of Fulton Street. Fulton street will extend through the site. The second cultural building, the Cultural Complex will be located within the memorial quadrant and will house a visitors center, the International Freedom Center (IFC) and formerly, the Drawing Center. (See site map Page 3).

In a press release on June 20, 2005, LMDC Chairman John C Whitehead said: "In addition to the Memorial and its museum, the cultural complex is the third element of our collective responsibility. The cultural complex will serve as a buffer between the Memorial and commercial activities beyond, ensuring both the commemoration of loss and the celebration of life. Culture in no way replaces the Memorial, but rather serves as a fitting companion to it."

On August 11th the Drawing Center announced their decision not to occupy space in the cultural center. Recognizing a conflict between the mission of free artistic expression and the LMDC's obligation to create a respectful memorial which honors the victims of September 11, 2001, the Drawing Center has elected to find a more suitable location in Lower Manhattan.

Debra Burlingame, who lost her brother Charles F. Burlingame III, pilot of American Airlines flight 77, highlighted the controversy that the International Freedom Center (IFC) may bring to the WTC site. Should the cultural facilities surrounding the memorial depict the events of 9/11/01 through exhibits and symposiums about internationalism and global policy? Debra states, "The public will have come to see 9/11 but will be given a high-tech, multimedia tutorial about man's inhumanity to man, from Native American genocide to the lynchings and cross-burnings of the Jim Crow South, from the Third Reich's Final Solution to the Soviet gulags and beyond. This is a history all should know and learn, but dispensing it over the ashes of Ground Zero is like creating a Museum of Tolerance over the sunken graves of the USS Arizona. These are important subjects, but for somewhere anywhere - else, not the site of the worst attack on American soil in the history of the republic." 9/11 families and Americans are asking "is the World Trade Center site the right place for this depiction and debate of history?"

In response, Richard Tofel, president of the IFC, states, "It will host debates and note points of view with which you – and I – will disagree. But that is the point, the proof of our society's enduring self-confidence and humanity." Mr. Tofel continues by saying, "Ground Zero is precisely the right place to make this stand and leave a legacy for our children and generations to come. No less than Abraham Lincoln told us so, and at no less a place than Gettysburg. One hundred and forty-two years later, many Americans remember what was done there, but nearly all know what was said there."

What is the International Freedom Center? Planners of the IFC state that it will serve as the complement, and its building as the gateway, to the WTC Memorial. Their mission states, "Visitors will come to the Center to understand and appreciate the story of freedom as an ongoing world movement, and to learn how the lives of the victims of September 11th were deeply connected to freedom's evolution. In this way, the heroes of September 11 will be seen alongside the freedom heroes of history, and the poignant tragedy of the day will be portrayed in the light of other great sacrifices that have been made on behalf of free and open societies." Their vision for the IFC includes three major components: 1) Museum exhibition spaces: will tell personal stories and explore crucial themes in the history of freedom, detailing the contributions of countless individual women and men around the world who have made a difference to its cause. 2) An educational and cultural center will sponsor an extensive array of lectures, symposia, discussions, films, and other events in its theaters and public halls that will nurture a 3) A service and civic global conversation on freedom. engagement network will offer visitors opportunities to act in freedom's service in their own communities and around the world.

What will the IFC actually contain? In addition to the freedom exhibition, there will be a 400-seat auditorium and 300 seats of multi-purpose space, used for a visitor orientation experience. The orientation of the Center's public spaces within its building

Association Stays Focused on Building Tribute Center

We are pleased to see so many families getting involved in the memorial process and applaud the effort to have a unified focus for the WTC memorial. Now more than ever, it is vital that the memorial to our loved ones be focused solely on those who died on September 11, 2001 and February 26, 1993.

With this mission in mind, our organization has been tirelessly working on Tribute, a visitor center that will serve as a temporary place for families, survivors, residents and recovery workers to volunteer and share our stories with visitors about our loved ones, the events of 9/11 and the aftermath. Located directly across the street from the WTC site at 120 Liberty Street, the mission of Tribute is simple: to educate the public about September 11, 2001 and February 26, 1993 and serve as an interim place for millions of visitors to come until the World Trade Center memorial is built. We are excited about this endeavor and look forward to your input. We are confident that we will finally create a reverent and beautiful place for all to go and learn about the tragic events that changed all of our lives forever. To find out more about the Tribute Center, visit www.tributenyc.org.

will be toward the south and west, i.e., toward the World Trade Center Memorial. The main exhibition areas will be a series of interlocking rooms connected by ramps. The ramps, located at the edges of the building and including the Center's signature "Freedom Walk," are also provided with views outward to the Memorial and the Memorial Plaza.

According to the IFC, "The Memorial Center will relate the individual stories of the victims of the attacks of February 26, 1993 and September 11, 2001... The IFC, on the other hand, will deal with the international impact of September 11, with broader, more transcendent questions. The Memorial and the Memorial Center necessarily focus on tragedy; the exploration of freedom can provide a counterpoint to this, as the story of freedom is, in the words of scholar Timothy Garton Ash, a "narrative of hope."

"It is sad that the founders of the IFC find no inspiration in the unity of a nation around the tragedy of September 11, 2001. We vowed to remember. Burying September 11th in a series of historical events is designed to make us forget. Martin Luther King should be honored and remembered, but not at the site where 20,000 body parts were found and 2,749 innocent people lost their lives," said Edie Lutnick, whose brother, Gary Lutnick, was a managing director for Cantor Fitzgerald on the 104th floor of the north tower

The Freedom Center lists a collection of freedom documents as a resource of freedom movements. Documents included are The Magna Carta (1215), The Mayflower Compact (1620), The Emancipation Proclamation (1863), John F. Kennedy's speech at the Berlin Wall (1963), Martin Luther King, Jr's, "I Have a Dream" speech (1963), Lyndon B. Johnson's, "We Shall Overcome" speech (1965), Nelson Mandela, Inaugural Address (1994), Preamble to the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa (1996), A Terrorist Faces Justice (2003) and George W. Bush's, Second Inaugural Address (2005).

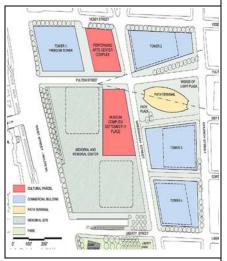
The Uniformed Firefighters Association, representing over 22,000 active and retired New York City Firefighters has announced it has withdrawn its support for the World Trade Center Memorial Foundation, Inc. In a letter dated July 27, 2005, the union cited its objection to the foundation's support for the IFC and the Drawing Center to be located at the final resting place of many of the rescue workers and victims of the attacks. Steve Cassidy, UFA President, stated, "Just as the Pearl Harbor Memorial serves as a remembrance to our American soldiers who died on December 7, 1941 at the hands of an unprovoked attack on our nation, the World Trade Center Memorial must be focused on reflecting what happened on September 11, 2001."

Families from September 11th organizations have joined together to protest the IFC at the WTC site. For more information visit: www.takebackthememorial.org. A rally focused on removal of the IFC has been planned for 9:30 AM September 10 at the WTC site.

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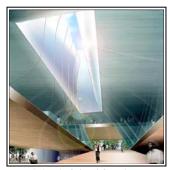
WTC Memorial Aerial Rendering by DBOX courtesy of LMDC.



WTC Master Site Plan - LMDC.



View from inside the International Freedom Center of the WTC Memorial.



Atrium in Cultural Complex.

One Day's Pay

One Day's Pay was founded in 2002 to honor the victims, family members, and survivors of the attacks on America, as well as the rescue and recovery workers and the thousands of volunteers. One Day's Pay looks to create a tribute to them by working to establish September 11th as a National Day of Voluntary Service, Charity and Compassion, and by encouraging individuals, employers and groups to permanently set aside time during the week of September 11th each year to help others in need through service or other giving activities.

"We hope to annually rekindle the spirit of unity that existed in the city following 9/11, and provide people with a constructive and positive way to remember 9/11 that pays appropriate tribute to the incredible sacrifices made by victims, rescue and recovery workers, and volunteers of 9/11," said David Paine, president of One Day's Pay.

Over the past two years, the One Day's Pay organization has documented more than two million pledges of service. "September 11th is a personal and difficult subject for many people, most of all family members and those directly affected by the tragedy," said Jay S. Winuk, a 9/11 family member and vice president of One Day's Pay. "Even for those who didn't lose someone, few can escape the deep sense of loss we experienced as a city and nation." For more information and to read inspiring stories of participation from around the country, log on to www.onedayspay.org

Feel the Music!

Feel the Music! is an interactive music program offering music workshops in songwriting, percussion, singing, jazz and a variety of concerts. The workshops are designed to be fun and inspiring and are taught by renowned professional musicians who love teaching. Created for children and teens who lost a parent or close family member on September 11th, Feel the Music! is a project of The World Foundation for Music and Healing and Friendship Ambassadors Foundation.

Feel the Music! workshops are:

- Free of charge & for 9/11 family members only.
- No prior musical knowledge is needed Feel the Music! will inspire all levels.
- Workshops are age appropriate: 4-6, 7-9, 10-13, 14-18, plus monthly parent-child workshops
- · Workshops are after school & on Saturdays.
- Workshops are centrally located in Manhattan.
- The 2005-2006 schedule offers workshops in the fall, winter and spring.
- Workshops and wellness groups are available for parents & adult caregivers.
- Registration opens August 31, 2005.

For information email:

Valerie Ghent at valerie@musicandhealing.org www.musicandhealing.org

Please note: space is limited, so please contact us as soon as possible to ensure a place for your child or teen.

Tribute Volunteer Program

The Tribute Center's unique volunteer program is beginning this summer! We are seeking volunteers among both family members and members of the larger September 11th community including survivors, residents of Lower Manhattan and recovery workers. Volunteers may help in one of two ways. They might become a docent, someone who will share his or her story with the public in walking tours of the World Trade Center site. Or they might assist in the operation of Tribute itself – greeting the public, assisting with visitors' services, or providing administrative support in the Center's offices.

We are especially pleased to announce that our first training sessions for docents will be held in mid-August and mid-September and that our inaugural tours of the World Trade Center site will occur on the weekend of September 9th. These tours will be led by our "Charter" docents, people who have volunteered with the Association in the past and who will be the pioneers of the docent program. Initially, we will have tours on weekends only and will eventually offer them seven days a week.

Rachael Grygorcewicz has recently come on board with the Association as the Tribute Center Volunteer Coordinator. She has taken on the challenge of bringing the long months of planning for the program to fruition with great energy and enthusiasm. In Rachael's own words, "I am both honored and excited to begin my work as the Tribute Center Volunteer Coordinator. This program will educate the general public and assist in the healing process of the entire September 11th community. I have enjoyed meeting with many of the family members and current volunteers and want to thank you for being so welcoming. I look forward to working and getting to know more of you as we further develop the volunteer program."

Additional training programs are being scheduled for October and November, with the goal of having at least one session per month. The training provides both historical facts about the events surrounding September 11th and helps volunteers define their personal stories in relation to these events. Because we have already received many applications, we have not yet had a chance to respond to everyone. But we can assure you that Rachael will reply and schedule interviews with everyone who is interested in being a docent. Rachael can be reached directly Monday-Friday at (212) 669-6122 or by email at Rachael@tributenyc.org.

FDNY Audio Recordings

Families may request a copy of the recordings which will be sent to the next of kin at no charge. Please include the P or T number from the medical examiner. Other family members may request a copy for a fee of \$27.00. Include a check or Money Order made payable to the New York City Fire Department. Requests should be made by mail, and should be addressed to:

Alexandra Fisher, Special Assistant Counsel New York City Fire Department 9 Metrotech Center Room 8N-5, Brooklyn, NY 11201

Complete audio of the dispatch recordings and interviews may also be accessed from the NY Times web site. Following is a link to the recordings:

www.nytimes.com/pages/nyregion/nyregionspecial3/?8dpc

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SEPTEMBER 11TH CEREMONIES NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY, CONNECTICUT, MASSACHUSETTS

World Trade Center Memorial Ceremony – 8:00 AM
Siblings who lost loved ones will read the names in pairs. Four
moments of silence at 8:46 AM, 9:03 AM, 9:59 AM and 10:29 AM
respectively. Families will be able to descend the ramp to the WTC
Tower footprints at 8:46 AM.

Where-to-turn.org providing shuttle service from Staten Island, NY to WTC site for 9/11 families. RSVP before 9/1/05 by emailing dennis.mckeon@where-to-turn.org.

St Paul's Chapel Services & Dedication 8:00 AM Church Service; 8:45 AM Bell Ringing 12:30 PM 9/11 Memorial Service & Anointing 211 Broadway, New York, NY

Commemoration & Madeline Amy Sweeney Ceremony 8:30 AM
The Massachusetts 9/11 Fund
At the State House - David Hastings, (617) 482-8215 or
david.hastings@massfund.org

Greenwich 9/11 Memorial Event at 9:00 AM
Town Hall, Greenwich, CT - Brook Urban (203) 869-8444 ext 111
Urbanbro@usa.redcross.org

Voices of September 11th Luncheon 12:00 - 3:00PM* For information, visit www.voicesofsept11.org

Trinity Church Dedication 2:00 PM Steve Toban Sculpture Dedication of Bronze Tree 79 Broadway, New York, NY @ Wall Street

Dedication of 9/11 Memorial 2:00 PM
Green Brook Township, Somerset County, NJ
Top of the World Park
walshmeister@optonline.net

2nd Annual Healing Concert & Art Exposition 5:00 – 8:00 PM
 St. Vincent's WTC Healing Services NY - (212) 346-2582
 St. Andrew's Church 20 Cardinal Hayes Place @ Police Plaza

The NY Jewish Center Interfaith Memorial Service 7:00 - 8:30 PM Stephen Wise Free Synagogue 30 West 68th St, New York, NY For information call Rabbi Weintraub 212-399-2320, ext 215

TRIBUTE IN LIGHT

At sundown, the "Tribute in Light" will return for one night on September 11th, in memory of those lost and as a symbol of the spirit of our community.

SEPTEMBER 11TH CEREMONIES AROUND THE COUNTRY

America Supports You Freedom Walk

Defense Department's First Annual Freedom Walk honoring the victims of Sept 11th and America's military personnel.

7:00 AM Registration* Washington, DC

Family ceremony prior to Freedom Walk at 9:30 AM*

Freedom Walk begins at 10 AM*

Registration required by Sept 9th www.AmericaSupportsYou.mil

Annual Run to Remember Mark Bingham & Tom Burnett Run begins at 8:00 AM San Francisco, CA email joe@teambingham.org

Freedom Park in Leesburg, VA Dedication at 12:30 PM
Dedication ceremony of three trees: a flowering dogwood, an
Eastern hemlock, and a sugar maple, the state trees of VA, PA
and NY. Trees will be marked with plaques and yellow ribbons.
A memorial flame will be lit during the ceremony which will
continue to burn until the park closes at 10pm.

Monmouth County, NJ 9/11 Memorial Dedication 2:00PM Mt Mitchill, in Atlantic Highlands, NJ www.monmouthcounty911memorial.com

> September 11th Family Picnic 5:00 – 7:00 PM Sponsored by the Richard M. Keane Foundation Wethersfield, CT at Broad Street Green

Memorial Motorcyle Ride Medina, Ohio to the Pentagon Friday Sept 9th at 8:00 AM to Sunday Sept 11th John Kikol (440) 327-6966 or kiksharley@aol.com

Spirit of America 400 Blood Drive 8:30 AM- 6:30 PM*
Register by calling the American Red Cross at 1-800-GIVE-LIFE
or online at www.givelife.org

Pledge a day of service to remember September 11th with One Day's Pay www.onedayspay.org

Calendar of Events

September 4th at 9:30 AM* 4th Annual September 11th Father Mychal F. Judge WALK OF REMEMBRANCE Meet at Firehouse Engine 1 & Ladder 24 142 West 31st St. NY, NY 10001

September 9th at 11:00 AM*

Tribute Center Inaugural Docent Walk 120 Liberty Street, NY, NY www.tributenyc.org

September 9th -13th

Flag Remembrance Tribute in Buffalo, NY Email kalmrm@adelphia.net to participate

September 10th at 9:30-10:30 AM
Take Back the Memorial Rally
World Trade Center site Church & Liberty Streets

September 10th at 10:00- 4:00 AM* Voices of September 11th Information Forum For information visit www.voicesofsept11.org

September 10th at 7:00 PM* Arlington Police/Fire/Sheriff 5K Race Register at www.arlington911race.com

September 16th at 5:00 PM* 2005 Rosenthal Lecture Hale Auditorium at University of Michigan fsppevents@umich.edu

September 17th at 10:00 AM*
Fourth Annual NYPD Memorial Run
Registration 8 – 9:30 AM
Public School 89 West & Chambers Streets NYC
www.NYPDRunningClub.org

September 25th at 12 - 4:00 PM*
Feel the Music! Kick-Off
Concerts! Fun! Meet the Musicians!
Tinker Auditorium 55 East 59 St. NYC
RSVP (212) 669-6126
Valerie@musicandhealing.org

* RSVP or Registration Required
Submit an event, e-mail info@911families.org

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