## September 11th Families' Association

# Tribute



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## Recovery Continues at Trade Center Site

Efforts by the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner to recover remains at the WTC site have been expanded to include two additional search areas in the vicinity where WTC material was recently discovered.

The first area in front of the World Financial Center extends from Vesey to Liberty Street and the second area is South of the WTC site on Cedar Street from Washington Street to West Street. Following the destruction of the Deutsche Bank, a portion of Washington Street, at 130 Liberty, may also be searched.

The OCME will determine if other areas near the WFC need to be searched. Any excavated material will be sifted for potential human remains. Although there is no evidence that additional sections of the World Trade Center site contain human remains, the OCME is working closely with the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey and will observe any excavations undertaken as part of the rebuilding process. The OCME will also maintain an ongoing presence at the site to consult with the Port Authority.

Due to the additional material that needs to be excavated and sifted, the city has announced that the oneyear goal for completing this operation is no longer attainable. In a press release dated July 3, 2007, Deputy Mayor Ed Skyler stated "The search will continue into the foreseeable future. We will add additional areas to the search plan as necessary, and the OCME will likely have a presence at the WTC site for some time to come. We are working with the affected agencies to make sure that budgetary, equipment personnel needs continue to be met so this effort can be undertaken carefully thoroughly."

## **New Exhibit Explores Children's Feelings**

exhibits in Gallery 5. Created in conjunction with the New York University Child Study Center, Coming Together: Our Children Respond to September 11th with Hope for the Future will explore children's feelings and responses.

The new exhibit will children's convey feelings of fear, compassion and hope expressed through paintings, quilts, collages, videos and quotes. Meriam Lobel, curator of Coming Together, hopes that the new exhibit will create a dialogue between children and their parents.

"Many families and schools from around the world visit Tribute," she explains. "We want young people to be able express their feelings. One of the primary goals of the Tribute Center is education." Adults will

On July 18, the Tribute Center also find many of the predominant the depths of emotions that we all their own. "I think people will be encouraged by the hopefulness that Exhibits and Education, says the children express for a more peaceful world," Lobel says, adding, "Visitors will see once again how honest children are in their artistic reacted. As artworks came in for the expressions, and how they get to



will open the first of many changing feelings that children express to be feel and bring them to the surface."

Wendy Aibel-weiss, Director of exhibit took on new meaning as it was being developed. The initial intent was to show how children project, they were surprised and

touched to find that the grief and confusion that they had expected to find was tempered by many other emotions in a large number of works.

"We noticed a common thread of hope for the future. There was very little expression of hatred or punishment; there was, in fact, an enormous amount of compassion," Aibel-weiss said. 11-year-old, Lucas Berstein, created a unique collage in honor of his uncle, killed in the attacks. It is made entirely of postage stamps, with one stamp for every soul lost. A quilt, donated to a firehouse by kindergarteners,

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## **Volunteering in Tribute**

The Tribute Center motto community that existed prior

training about each gallery a and how to answer common photographs and who share their stories.

Gallery guides schedule and choose which reflection, Galleries to be stationed. In Gallery 1, guides explain the original WTC complex and

is "Person-to-Person History", to September 11th. Many dedicated to remembering the gallery guides who lived and courage and spirit that people worked in the Towers and showed on September 11, Lower Manhattan enjoy orienting visitors here. Gallery Volunteer Gallery Guides 2 relates visitors to the events greet people from around the of the day, while Gallery 3 world inside the Tribute connects visitors with the Guides receive sacred recovery. Gallery 4 has "Tribute" wall with visitor questions. Currently mementos. Here, guides talk there are 50 Gallery Guides about their friends and loved ones with visitors. Gallery 5, on the lower level, "Voices of volunteer on their own Promise," is a place of hope education. Guides encourage visitors to write down their own

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## RESOURCE

## Mental Health and **Substance Abuse**

1-800-LIFENET

Free & Mulitlingual. Available 24/7. Mental health professionals help find mental health and substance abuse services.

http://www.mhaofnyc.org (click on LifeNet)

### 9/11 Service Guide

List of non-profit agencies with services for those affected by September 11th. www.redcross.org/september11/help (under Resources click 9/11 quide)

### Safe Horizon

1-866-689-HELP (4357) TDD 1-800-810-7444 Ellen Fader 212-747-8581 Counseling for those affected by September 11th and referrals. www.safehorizon.org (click on Get Help)

#### Committee for Hispanic **Children and Families**

Vanessa Ramos 212-206-1090 x303 Case management & mental health support. www.chcfinc.org (click on Family Health Education)

## Faithful Response

516-679-0080 Free, faith-based mental health programs for Long Island residents. www.faithfulresponse.org

#### St. Vincent's Health Center 212-346-2582

Free, mental health counseling, healing services and stress management.

#### The World Trade Center **Permanency Project**

Joann Buttaro 212-475-0222 x212 Social, supportive and clinical services in English, Spanish, French and Creole www.coac.org/programs/wtc.shtml

#### **Mount Sinai Medical Center**

1-888-702-0630 Free, confidential medical monitoring examinations for workers and volunteers. www.wtcexams.org

## **World Trade Center Development**

Towers 2, 3, 4 & 5

Construction at the WTC site has position. taken on a rapid progress, as the Port Authority works to complete the foundations by January 2008, when Silverstein Properties will begin building Towers 2. 3 & 4. In an interview on June 25 Dara McQuillan, spokesman for Silverstein Properties said: "Once the Port Authority delivers the site to us to begin building, we expect Towers 2, 3 & 4 to rise as fast as 7 WTC."

200 Greenwich Street, Tower 2, will be 78 stories high. It will be located between Greenwich Street to the west. Church Street to the east. Vesey Street to the north and Fulton Street to the south. Tower 2 is scheduled to be completed in 2012.

The building will have 143,000 sq. ft. of retail space; 60 office floors, including a sky-lobby; and a 65-ft.high office lobby.

The tower will be divided into interconnected "notches," or blocks. The glass facades will be slanted and point to the Memorial Park from any

175 Greenwich Street, Tower 3, will be located between Greenwich and Church Streets, with Dey Street to



the north and Cortlandt Street to the south. Opposite the WTC Memorial and Cultural Center, it will be a 71story tower, rising to 1,155 ft. above materials; improve air quality and street level. With 54 office floors, it reduce solid waste.

will include 2.1 million sq. ft. of office space. Tower 3 will have five retail levels. The lobby will have three levels and a view of the WTC Memorial

150 Greenwich Street. Tower 4. will be located between Greenwich and Church Streets, with Cortlandt Street to the north and Liberty Street to the south. It will be a 61-story Tower, rising to 947 ft, from street level. The building will include 53 office floors, which will equal 1.8 million sq. ft. The office lobby, has a 47-ft. ceiling height.

130 Liberty Street, WTC Tower 5. will be built on the former Deutsche Bank property and be owned by JP Morgan Chase.

All Towers will seek the gold standard from the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) from the U.S. Green Building Council. The buildings will help conserve energy, water and raw

Authority opened a new be fully operational by temporary entrance to the PATH station, the serve more than 80,000 next stage in what will eventually become "the gateway" to the future to the transportation World Trade Center strategy is the Fulton complex.

the original entrance, construction continues Manhattan for the new station. The temporary entrance will early 2008, when a new temporary entrance will open on Vesev Street.

Designed open-air design to link ferries, the trains. subway lines. A glass freestanding grand pavilion features ribbed open plaza, restaurants. and mechanical walkways. next.

In June, the Port The hub is expected to 2009 and will eventually daily PATH riders.

Another integral part Street Transit Center, The new Church which will be in the Street entrance, south of general vicinity of Fulton Street and Broadway was created to facilitate and will incorporate six existing Lower subway stations.

The goal is to remain in place until reintegrate transportation back into the WTC complex, providing access between the Winter Garden, PATH Santiago Calatrava, the station and the new MTA transportation hub an Fulton Street Transit Center.

"We have different commuter trains, and communities that all connect right here, from roof above the hub's Tribeca to the Financial District," said Janno WTC Project Lieber, arches that evoke a Director for Silverstein cathedral. The station Properties, adding that also will have a large the Transit hub station shops, will help people flow from one community to the

## Freedom Tower

eye, the Freedom Tower consideration. resembles, one half of the original World Trade Center towers: a solid, seemingly square mass of steel and glass reaching into the heavens.

"When you look at it straight on, it looks very similar to the Twin Towers," Dara McQuillan, Communications Director for Silverstein Properties, Inc., pointing to a model of the Freedom Tower. "If you look at it from an angle, it's more of an obelisk, like the Washington Monument. Architect David Childs wanted something that evoked the original World Trade Center, but at the same time was a monument to what happened and the lives that were lost."

The Freedom Tower's design embodies the spirit behind planning for the entire 16-acre WTC site: carefully juggling architectural realities and spiritual meaning. The Freedom Tower will be a bold simple icon that acknowledges the Memorial

With light cascading off below-something at certain angles and developers and designers shadows playing tricks on the have taken into serious

> "We're actually really excited about how we've developed the partnership with the Memorial design and Memorial team foundation," said Janno Lieber, Silverstein Properties' WTC Project Director, referring to collaborative efforts on the Freedom Tower, as well as buildings 2, 3 & 4. While the Memorial will be embedded in the earth, symbolizing remembrance, the Freedom Tower will rise out of the ground and into the sky as a symbol of hope for the future.

> When finished, the tower will rise from a simple cubic base the same size as one of the original Tower footprints and will house 2.6 million square feet of office space, 69 office floors (plus13 nonoffice floors), and access to below-grade shopping and PATH/subway stations. Restaurants, the Manhattan Television Alliance (MTVA) broadcast facilities and an observation deck will occupy the top floors of the building.

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WTC Tower 2 from Broadway and Fulton Street.



View from the Hudson River.



Front: Reflecting Absence Memorial. Back from left: Tower 2, Transit hub, Tower 3 & Tower 4.

## **Pentagon Memorial**

Four years removed from the birth of the Pentagon Memorial Fund, many family members of those who perished on American Airlines Flight 77 and at the Pentagon on September 11, 2001, had their first chance to see construction activity at the two-acre site.

On May 25, 2007, a year since the ceremonial groundbreaking last June, families surveyed the fruits of their emotional fundraising labor, discovering a Memorial Park in the midst of significant progress. Foundations for the perimeter benches, the age lines and the Memorial Units are being put in place.

"I have said on numerous occasions that the Pentagon Memorial will not only be a place of remembrance and reflection, but a gift for future generations," said Jim Laychak, the fund's president.

Intended to honor the 184 victims - 59 aboard Flight AA #77 and 125 civilians and government workers inside the western part of the Pentagon - the Memorial Park will consist of 184 "Memorial Units." Each unit will be a metal bench, rising from the ground and hovering over a lighted, circulating pool of water.

The Memorial Units will be arranged as a timeline, spanning from the youngest victim, three-yearold Dana Falkenberg, to the oldest victim, 71-year-old John Yamnicky.

The Memorial Units representing Flight #77 will be positioned so that visitors reading the names of victims will stand at the area of the Memorial Park facing the sky; and the Memorial Units dedicated to victims who were inside the Pentagon will be positioned so that visitors reading their names will face the Pentagon.

The Memorial Foundation hopes to raise \$32 million. So far, it has collected \$14 million, and in April received a \$20,000 check from an elementary school in Virginia, which raised the money during its third annual service walk-a-thon.

The entire Memorial Site is scheduled to be completed in September 2008. "Our vision of creating a great Memorial is becoming clearer every day," said Laychak. "Every day we make a little more progress towards construction and fundraising goals. I know we will be successful. We will complete this great Memorial."

## **New Exhibit**

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bears messages and compassion Quotes throughout the exhibit express the simple eloquence of youth. A student from P.S. 22, Staten Island, Miguel, conveys one of the most heal and grow. powerful messages, saying, "What the terrorists wanted is us to be scared, to go in our house and never come out. But we didn't do that. We didn't hide in the shadows. 2008. Worksheets and other We went in the sun."

Throughout the exhibit, there is a strong presence from parents and teachers; many of the projects selected were guided by adults in order to help the children heal Teachers Gregg Breinberg, Leslie Johnson, and Jeanne Burns, from PS 22, had this very goal in mind when they created a video presentation that is featured in the exhibit.

"We were forced to put our fears and grief on hold. We knew our obligation was to safeguard the children from the overwhelming fright associated with the day." explains Breinberg. "We were compelled to seek out a way to instill in them the focus and

of drive that it will take to make a hope. better tomorrow." The video features poignantly direct interviews with the students. To teachers and students, the video represents a way to

> Coming Together: Our Children Respond September 11th with Hope for the Future will run from July 18, 2007 through January 18, helpful materials for children. parents, and teachers are available at the exhibit and on the Tribute Center website. www.tributewtc.org, to open a dialogue about September 11th between generations.

In addition, a series of family-oriented programs will run at the Tribute Center from August to December, centered around the same idea as the exhibit: children's need to understand, come to terms with, and grow through the irrevocable changes that occurred in their world.

Schools and groups of 10 or more who wish to visit the exhibit may contact Visitor Services 1-866-737-1184.

## **Volunteering in Tribute**

continued from page 1 personal thoughts.

Gallery Guides ensure that everyone who comes into Tribute not only see the artifacts. videos and pictures, but that they understand the personal meaning behind them.

On her experience as a gallery guide, Nancy Cimei said: "My initial reason for volunteering was because I had this feeling people would forget who my son Michael was and what 9/11 was all about. Since volunteering as a quide I've meet people from all over the world and have come to learn, that this will not happen. Being a gallery guide is a way for me to see how people care and want to remember."

Margaret Arce, who lost her son David Arce, a firefighter from Engine 33, says it's her duty to let

people know September 11th. As Mrs. Arce simply says, "The people who died can't speak, so I speak for them." On David's birthday, Mrs. Arce was in Gallery 4. A crowd of people gathered around her, as she told the visitors about the people whose pictures hang on the wall.

Although Mrs. Arce says that the "wound never heals," she knows that this is something she has to do. "Sharing my story with hundreds of visitors is the most effective way I can do that," said Mrs. Arce.

If you are interested in volunteering as a Gallery Guide, please email: volunteer@tributenyc.org or call: 212-422-3520 ext.118

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#### Camps Summer 2007

#### America's Camp

Camp Danbee, Hinsdale, MA Wed., Aug. 1 – Wed., Aug. 22 www.americascamp.org 1-800-548-6295

## Camp Haze honors World Trade Center victim Scott Hazelcorn

Camp Kennybrook, Monticello, NY Sat., Aug. 18 -- Sat., Aug. 25 www.camphaze.org 908-665-9092

## New Ground Day Camp -- Koinonia

Faith-based day camps
Various NYC & NJ locations and
several July and August dates
Filling up fast – call today
www.koinoniany.org/nyc.htm
212-669-6130

## Comfort Zone Camp Reunion – for repeat campers only.

Camp Hanover, Virginia Tues., Aug. 21 -- Sun., Aug. 26 Ages 7-11 www.comfortzonecamp.org

866-488-5679

#### Comfort Zone Camp Fall NY/NJ

Open to new and repeat campers YMCA Camp Mason, Blairstown, NJ Fri., Oct. 26 -- Sun., Oct. 28 Ages 7-17 www.comfortzonecamp.org 866-488-5679

## Tuesday's Children Basketball Camps

Various locations; in July and August www.tuesdayschildren.org/events/ index.php 516-562-900

## CITYarts Baruch Park Mural -A Tribute to New York & New Yorkers

Baruch PI. (Stanton & Margin Streets)
Mural painting every day in July
from 11 a.m.- 6 p.m.
info@cityarts.org
212.966.0377





## Selection of Tribute Center items available, Mid-August, for purchase through our website: www.tributewtc.org



Products sold by the Tribute Center were selected by the Tribute Center Retail Conscience Committee for educational purposes in relation to elements within the exhibit and to enhance the visitor experience.

All proceeds support the operations of the Tribute Center and September 11th Families' Association, a 501c3 non-profit organization.

## Did you participate in RESCUE, RECOVERY or CLEANUP after the World Trade Center collapse?

9/11 Workers and Volunteers! Register Now to Protect Your Right to Workers' Compensation Benefits

Go to WWW.NYCOSH.ORG

If you did paid or unpaid rescue, recovery or cleanup work in Lower Manhattan during the year after 9/11, you may be eligible for medical and wage replacement benefits — but only if you register first with the New York State Workers' Compensation Board!

## Registering now

will preserve your right to file a workers' compensation claim for a 9/11-related disorder - no matter when it develops in the future. Act soon!
Registration closes
August 14, 2007.

If you miss this deadline, you will not be eligible for lost wage benefits or free medical care provided by worker's compensation for 9/11 illnesses or conditions you may develop in the future!

For complete information, eligibility requirements and to obtain all the necessary forms for registration,

www.nycosh.org 1-866-WTC-2556



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