

ANNIVERSARY CEREMONIES



9/11 Memorial

In honor of the eleventh anniversary of September 11, 2001, the commemoration will be held at the 9/11 Memorial at the World Trade Center. This year, the reading of the names by family members will be the exclusive focus of the program. There will be six moments of silence during the observance, representing the moments each tower was struck and fell, and the moments of the attacks on the Pentagon and Flight 93. The first moment of silence will be at 8:46 AM, and houses of worship are encouraged to toll their bells at that time.

The commemoration will conclude at approximately 12:00 PM, and the 9/11 Memorial will remain open to family members until 8:00 PM. The ceremony is limited to 9/11 family members. The "Tribute in Light" will return at sundown. Any questions regarding family credentials for the ceremonies should be directed to (212) 442-8953.

9/11 Tribute Center

The 9/11 Tribute Center will be open to welcome all family members from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM. If your loved one is not yet remembered in the Tribute Gallery, and you would like to bring a photo (up to 8" x 10"), submission forms will be available and staff will be present to accept photos.

Adjacent to the Tribute Gallery is a new area highlighting the wonderful work of 9/11 family foundations. If you have a 9/11 family foundation in memory of a loved one, please share with us, email kgrieger@911families.org. We welcome all families to see the new exhibition in the lower level highlighting four incredible schools that created projects in remembrance of 9/11. Restrooms are also available at the Tribute Center.

Pentagon Memorial

The Pentagon anniversary ceremony is scheduled to take place at 9:30 AM on September 11, 2012 for family members, and Pentagon survivors. Brief remarks will be made by Department of Defense leaders. Due to security issues, please plan to arrive at least one hour early. For more information, call (703) 692-7194.

Flight 93 Memorial

This year's commemoration at the Flight 93 Memorial is expected to be on a much smaller scale than in past years. The names of passengers and crew will be read and the bells will toll in the traditional way. Families should expect some new traditions. Several events are planned to take place over the weekend of September 8-9, 2012, leading up to the anniversary commemoration.

The speakers are still to be announced. "We want to create an event that we can sustain for years to come," said Jeff Reinbold, superintendent of the Flight 93 National Memorial. For further details, visit www.nps.gov/flni.

AIR FORCE WEEK



Pictured are General Rice, Commander, Air Education & Training Command, back center, and Lt. General Kowalski, Commander, Global Strike Command, and five U.S. Air Force Portraits in Courage recipients.

In honor of Air Force Week, on August 20, 2012, US Air Force General Edward Rice and Lt. General James Kowalski visited the Tribute Center accompanied by more than 50 Airmen from Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst. They attended a ceremony with speakers Jennifer Adams and Lee Ielpi, co-founders of the 9/11 Tribute Center.

General Rice is a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy and has held numerous positions, including White House Fellow, staff member for the Commission on Roles and Missions of the Armed Forces, and Deputy Executive Secretary for the National Security Council. He also served as Chief of Staff of the Office of the Representative and Executive Director for the Coalition Provisional Authority, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Washington, D.C.

These exceptional U.S.A.F. personnel persisted through extraordinary combat experiences, confronted unforeseen dangers, and surmounted seemingly impossible challenges, all to accomplish their missions and save lives, in the process earning commendations such as the Air Force Cross, Silver and Bronze Stars and the Purple Heart.

FAMILY FOUNDATIONS



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RESOURCES

Mental Health & Substance Abuse 1-800-LIFENET

Free & multilingual.
Available 24/7. Mental
health professionals help
find mental health and
substance abuse services.
<http://www.mhaofnyc.org>
(click on LifeNet)

American Psychological Association 1-800-374-2723

Referrals on everything from
managing traumatic stress
to coping with terrorism
<http://locator.apa.org>

Faithful Response 516-679-0080

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

Columbia University & NY State Psychiatric Institute 212-543-5367

Does the grief over the death of a
loved one on 9/11 still interfere
with your life? Free treatment for
those eligible.

Mount Sinai Consortium 1-888-702-0630

Medical monitoring for workers
and volunteers.
www.wtcexams.org

FDNY

212-570-1693

Service for all active and retired
NYC firefighters and
EMS workers.

**WTC Centers
of Excellence**
<http://www.nyc.gov>

**WTC Environmental
Health Center**
877-982-0107

HOW DO WE TEACH 9/11?



Throughout this summer the 9/11 Tribute Center staff have been working to inspire teachers with the many lessons that 9/11 offers their students. In July, 36 classroom teachers attended a two-day workshop that was in part funded by a 9/11 family foundation, the Matthew C. Sellitto Foundation.

The workshop (co-produced by Tribute and Facing History), provided teachers insight into the teaching resources that Tribute offers and methods to conduct and utilize oral histories in their classrooms. Classroom teachers were invited to lead sessions and explore topics such as: when do "current events" become history? Teachers analyzed the 9/11 images currently in their textbooks – and reflected upon the interpretation by students and how iconic images are used. Teachers also shared strategies for sensitively exploring this material in their multi-cultural classes.

This spring the 9/11 Tribute Center welcomed over 15,000 students. Students are led through the exhibits by staff knowledgeable about the events and the needs of students at each grade level. Students then meet with a trained volunteer docent who is a family member, survivor, resident or recovery worker. The volunteers share their personal stories, enabling students to connect emotionally. In the school year ahead, we are expanding to accommodate an increase in school group visits. More volunteers will be trained to work with school groups and we are seeking funding sources in order to serve school groups at no cost. If you have an interest in supporting this program or joining our volunteer program, please contact volunteer@tributewtc.org.

NEW WWW.911FAMILIES.ORG

This autumn, when you visit www.911families.org you will be surprised. The September 11th Families' Association has created a dynamic, new, content-rich website. In the spirit of a beloved family album, you can peruse our archive of every newsletter since early 2002. These earlier newsletters provide the context for appreciating the accomplishments that have taken place.

In the events and news section, you will find daily listings of 9/11 events around the nation and many 9/11 family foundation events. The support services section offers links to resources for families, survivors, responders, and residents. You can now update your contact information on the website. Let us know what else you would like to see on our new website in the Contact Us section.



"I feel more informed about how to discuss 9/11 with my students, and I was inspired by the people who used this traumatic experience to work harder to bring greater understanding to the world."

"The focus on oral histories makes me understand how I can help my students build an emotional connection to this content."

"I have not only gained understanding, I have also gained ideas and examples for action in the community... I will teach this content beyond just the date of September 11."



Welcome to the newly designed website of the September 11th Families' Association. Learn more about us, our accomplishments and the resources available to the September 11th community.

ONE WORLD TRADE CENTER

The Port Authority and the Durst Organization issued 13 new renderings of One World Trade Center on August 7, 2012. The Port Authority owns and manages the 16-acre World Trade Center. The Durst Organization is recognized as a world leader in the development of high-performance and environmentally advanced commercial and residential property. Together they are constructing the state-of-the-art 1WTC, which will be more environmentally friendly than any other building of its kind.

The new renderings reveal changes made to the plans since 2006. One World Trade Center will rise 1,776 feet to the top of its spire, making it the tallest building in the Western Hemisphere once it is completed in 2014.

The building will serve as the headquarters of world-class publisher Condé Nast, which has leased nearly 1.2 million square feet on 25 floors. An additional 190,000 square feet has been leased by Vantone China Center and another 270,000 square feet by the federal General Services Administration—making One World Trade Center 55% leased two years prior to its completion.

One World Trade Center will be one of the most environmentally friendly office buildings in existence. Its high-efficiency plumbing systems will consume ~40 percent less water than used in a typical building of its size. Rainwater will be collected and used for fire protection and cooling. 1 WTC's floor-to-ceiling windows are made from 20% recycled glass with a coating that reflects UV radiation, repelling the sun's heat while allowing light to enter so that more than 90% of the tower will be lit by natural light. The building will employ "daylighting"—on days with lots of natural sunlight, dimmers will lower interior lights. These standards will result in lower energy and operating expenses.



NAVY SALUTE



USS ARLINGTON & USS SOMERSET PROGRESS

The USS ARLINGTON (LPD-24), a San Antonio-class amphibious transport dock, shown above, is the second September 11th-related ship. Like her sister ships, USS NEW YORK and USS SOMERSET, she is named in commemoration of the September 11, 2001 attacks. Steel taken from the Pentagon after the September 11 attacks is welded aboard.

USS ARLINGTON was christened on March 26, 2011 in Pascagoula, Mississippi. Please note that the commissioning date has not yet been set. USS ARLINGTON will be commissioned some time in the autumn of 2012. NOTE: Due to security requirements, a visitor pass is required to attend the commissioning ceremony. To request a pass, or to follow the progress of the commissioning process, please visit <http://ussarlingtonlpd24.org>.

The USS SOMERSET (LPD 25) is the last of the three Navy ships named for 9/11 attack sites to be built, and honors the courage and sacrifice of the 40 passengers and crew members of United Flight 93. USS SOMERSET was christened on July 28, 2012. Twenty-two tons of steel from one of the draglines at the Flight 93 crash site became the stemhold of the USS SOMERSET.

Mary Jo Myers, wife of retired former Joint Chief of Staff Gen. Richard Myers, is the ship's sponsor and was honored to break the champagne bottle across the bow during her christening ceremony in Avondale, LA.

CHANGE OF COMMAND AT SEA FOR USS NEW YORK

The USS NEW YORK held a change of command ceremony at sea during her first deployment. Commander William Herrmann was relieved as commanding officer by Captain Jon C. Kreitz. Captain Kreitz will be NEW YORK's third commanding officer. He joined the Navy in 1982, receiving his commission at the Georgia Institute of Technology. Kreitz has most recently served as the executive assistant to the Chief of Navy Reserve and Commander, Navy Reserve Force.

"It is an incredible, humbling honor to assume command of this amazing warship and her crew who so profoundly memorialize the courage and strength of the heroes of 9/11. I pledge to everyone who sails on New York that I will always give you and your families my fullest support and that I will ensure that together we accomplish our mission and return home safely," Kreitz told his new crew.

USS NEW YORK is halfway through her first deployment and has had many adventures, including rescuing a stranded Kuwaiti jet skier, painting and landscaping a secondary school in the Republic of Seychelles, and landing her first US Army AH64D Apache Longbow helicopter in a joint training exercise to improve the Army and Navy's efficiency in working together.

Commander William Herrmann (left) was relieved by Captain Jon C. Kreitz (right).





9/11 Tribute Center Volunteer Guide Training

Fri-Sat, October 5 & 6, 2012
9/11 Tribute Center, New York NY
Register volunteer@tributewtc.org

Red Bandanna Golf Classic for Welles Remy Crowther

Monday, October 1, 2012
Patriot Hills Golf Club, Stony Point, NY
www.crowthertrust.org

Thomas H. Bowden Memorial Golf Outing

Friday, September 21, 2012, 7:30am
Crystal Springs Golf Club, Hamburg, NJ
www.golfdigestplanner.com

Captain (USN) Gerald F. DeConto Memorial Scholarship 5-K

Sunday, September 23, 2012, 9:00am
Russell's Corner, Sandwich, MA
www.geralddeconto5k.com

Matthew C. Sellitto Memorial Golf Outing

Thursday, September 27, 2012
Ballyowen Golf Club, Hamburg, NJ
www.mcsfoundation.com

Captain James Corrigan Memorial Foundation Fundraiser

Saturday, September 29, 2012
Bungalow Bar, Far Rockaway, NY
captcorriganfoundation@gmail.com

EVENTS



DONATIONS IN MEMORIAM

Paul A. Acquaviva

Peter C. Alderman

FF David Arce

FF Michael Boyle

Lt. Michael Esposito

FF Terry Farrell

FF Thomas J. Foley

Morton H. Frank

Terence Gazzani

First Officer LeRoy W. Homer

FF Jonathan Ielpi

Brooke Jackman

Jeanette LaFond-Menichino

Shelley A. Marshall

FF Michael D. Mullan

Matthew C. Sellitto

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