



# **NEWS RESOURCES EVENTS**

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# **SEPTEMBER 11th ANNIVERSARY CEREMONIES**



#### 9/11 Memorial Ceremony | New York, NY

The 9/11 Memorial will open for family members to check in at 7:30am, for the ceremony beginning at 8:30 am. All names of 9/11 victims will be read. The ceremony will conclude at 1:00pm, at which point the Memorial will remain open until 8:00 pm. Ceremony is open only for 9/11 family members. 9/11 Memorial, Greenwich Street, New York, NY 10006.

The State of New Jersey, at the direction of Governor Christie, is pleased to offer ferry service to New Jersey's 9/11 families, free of charge, to New York City's Commemorative Ceremony on Wednesday, September 11, 2013. You must be registered for ferry service in advance. The ferry will take place one time only, at 6:45 am. Arrive by 6:00 am for security purposes. The ferry departs from Liberty State Park in NJ.

#### 9/11 Tribute Center | New York, NY

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, submission forms will be available and staff will be present to accept photos. 9/11 Tribute Center, 120 Liberty Street, New York, NY 10006

#### Pentagon Observance Ceremony | Arlington, VA

The annual Pentagon Observance Ceremony, a private ceremony for family members of victims and survivors of the attack, will be held at the Pentagon Memorial on Wednesday, September 11, 2013 beginning at 9:30 am. The commemoration is by invitation only. Guests are asked to arrive between 8:00 am and 8:45 am for security purposes. Pentagon Memorial, 1400 Defense Pentagon, Arlington, VA 22201

#### **Arlington County Ceremony | Arlington VA**

The ceremony begins at 9:30 am, open to the public with a moment of silence at 9:37 am, followed by playing of Taps and flag-lowering to half staff. Courthouse Plaza, 2100 Clarendon Blvd., Arlington, VA 22201

#### Flight 93 Memorial Ceremony | Stoystown, PA

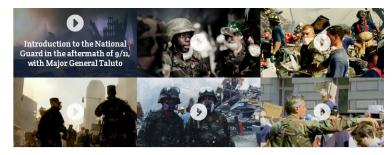
Observance begins at 9:45 am, followed by reading of the names beginning at 10:03 am, and Ringing of the Bells of Remembrance. Special interpretive programming will start in the afternoon. Flight 93 National Memorial, 6424 Lincoln Highway, Stoystown, PA 15563.

## **Boston Anniversary Ceremonies | Boston MA**

Wreath-laying ceremony begins at 8:30 am, at the 9/11 Contemplative Garden at the Boston Public Garden, then moves to the State House. 9/11 Contemplative Garden, Boston Public Garden, 69 Beacon Street, Boston, MA 02108.

## **ONLINE EXHIBITS OF 9/11 STORY ALBUMS**

Over the years, the 9/11 Tribute Center has been dedicated to collecting "The stories of 9/11, told by those who were there." At the heart of the 9/11 Tribute Center are the hundreds of oral histories that we have recorded and collected. This fall, we announce a new initiative of a series of compelling, thematic "exhibits" that bring the personal stories of 9/11 into every home.



Tribute staff curated these first-person accounts into a series of interactive video web exhibits. The first of these new online exhibits, launched for the 12th anniversary "The National Guard: Stories of September 11th told by those who were there." This interactive web exhibit, (www.tributewtc.org) documents the National Guard's response on September 11th. Viewers, educators and students across the country can experience individual video stories from five National Guard soldiers who responded. Major General Taluto, who commanded the National Guard troops brought into New York City, is featured in the introductory overview video. On 9/11, National Guardsmen "citizen soldiers" left their jobs and responded. By the afternoon of 9/11, thousands of troops were in position throughout the city. This online exhibit reflects the scope of service of America's National Guard. Viewers will see and hear stories from soldiers who searched through the smoldering debris field for survivors, a soldier who secured the perimeter of the site, a soldier who conducted biological testing of the area, soldiers who protected our nuclear



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# RESOURCES

# Mental Health and Substance Abuse Call 1-800-LIFENET

Free & multilingual. Available 24/7. Mental health professionals help find mental health and substance abuse services. Visit their website for details, clicking on LifeNet, http://www.mhaofnyc.org.

# American Psychological Association Call 1-800-374-2723

Referrals on everything from managing traumatic stress to coping with terrorism. Visit their website for details, http://locator.apa.org.

## Faithful Response Call 516-679-0080

Free, faith-based mental health programs for Long Island residents. Visit their website for details, http://www.faithfulresponse.org.

# Columbia University & NY State Psychiatric Institute Call 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 Call 1-888-702-0630

Medical monitoring for workers and volunteers. Visit their website for details, http://www.wtcexams.org.

#### FDNY

#### Call 212-570-1693

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

#### **WTC Centers of Excellence**

Visit their website for details, http://www.nyc.gov.

WTC Environmental Health Center Call 877-982-0107

#### 9/11 FAMILY FOUNDATIONS

As visitors to the 9/11 Tribute Center exit the families gallery, composed of photos of our loved ones, they can learn about the meaningful work of many 9/11 family foundations. The Tribute staff has created a changing exhibit area in which we share the charitable work of so many 9/11 families. Our visitors are moved by the beautiful work of families impacted by the attacks of September 11, 2001.

Currently, we are featuring the accomplishments of seven 9/11 family foundations. Rick's Place, Inc provides free programs for grieving children in the Boston area and their families, through support groups, educational programs, and outreach to area schools.

The Peter Alderman Foundation has a global focus as one-sixth of the world's population has experienced terrorism, civil war or genocide. This foundation aims to heal their emotional wounds by training local, indigenous healthcare workers and establishing trauma treatment centers around the world, serving many countries including Rwanda, Cambodia, Haiti, and the Sudan.

The LeRoy W. Homer, Jr. Foundation has provided thirteen scholarships granted in aeronautical engineering and science, aviation and flight technology. The Brooke Jackman Foundation has donated nearly 100,000 books and almost 15,000 Brooke Packs, backpacks filled with books and school supplies, to children in need. The Foundation has established four libraries and a number of afterschool literacy programs at sites across all five boroughs.

The Todd Ouida Children's Foundation promotes the mental health of children and awareness of childhood anxiety, promoting children's mental health and reduction of the stigma of anxiety and depression. The Foundation supports a mental health curriculum for kindergartners and holds a national conference annually to bring the latest resources to children's mental health workers.

The Kenneth F. Tietjen Memorial Foundation provides assistance to New Jersey children by "adopting" a family every Christmas and providing essentials to make their Christmas happy. The Foundation now provides necessities and educational assistance to many families and also runs Aspire, a school program helping children achieve academically.

The Matthew C. Sellitto Foundation was created to provide assistance to deserving students pursuing high school, college and summer program studies. To date, the Foundation has awarded more than 70 scholarships and grants. The foundation also provides assistance for 9/11 curriculum training programs and for student volunteer projects developed as part of the National Day of Service and Remembrance.

Please share the work of your 9/11 Foundation on on the enclosed insert.



# The Brooke Jackman Foundation

Building a legacy of literacy and learning for children in need

Since 2001, the Brooke Jackman Foundation has donated nearly 100,000 books and almost 15,000 Brooke Packs, backpacks filled with books and school supplies, to children in need. The foundation has established four libraries and a number of after school literacy programs at sites across all five boroughs.



## The Peter C. Alderman Foundation

Healing the psychological scars of terrorism

One-sixth of the world's population has experienced terrorism, civil war or genocide. This foundation aims to heal their emotional wounds by training local, indigenous healthcare workers and establishing trauma treatment centers around the world. Many countries, including Rwanda, Cambodia, Haliti, and the Sudan have been separed.



# The LeRoy W. Homer, Jr. Foundation

Supporting students and disadvantaged youth who wish to pursue careers in aviation

Thirteen scholarships have been granted in aeronautical engineering and science, aviation, and flight technology. Here scholarship recipient Mike Scott makes a solo landing on a carrier.



# Rick's Place, Inc.

Providing support to grieving children and their families

Rick's Place was founded by his hometown friends in Wilbraham, MA. The free programs at Rick's Place serve grieving children ages 5-18 years, and their families, through support groups, educational programs, a suicide survivors' groups and outreach to area schools.



# The Kenneth F. Tietjen Memorial Foundation

Providing assistance to New Jersey children

Before September 11th, the Tietjens "adopted" a family every Christmas and provided essentials to make their Christmas happy. The Foundation branched out from that initiative and now provides necessities and educational assistance to many families and also runs Aspire, a school program helping children achieve academically.





# 9/11 NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE & REMEMBRANCE

The September 11th National Day of Service and Remembrance (http://911day.org), also called 9/11 Day, has grown to become the nation's single largest annual day of charitable service. 9/11 Day is the culmination of efforts originally launched in 2002 by the 9/11 nonprofit MyGoodDeed, started by two friends, David Paine and Jay Winuk, with wide support from the 9/11 community. This effort first established the inspiring tradition of charitable service on 9/11 as an annual tribute to the 9/11 victims, survivors, and rescue and recovery workers. What started out to be an organization called One Day's Pay, in honor of Jay's brother, Glenn Winuk, and all others who died at the World Trade Center on 9/11, was later renamed MyGoodDeed.

In 2009, the U.S. Congress and President Barack Obama formally designated September 11th as a National Day of Service and Remembrance under bipartisan federal law. Today, more than 35 million Americans participate by dedicating time on or around 9/11, to perform good deeds and other acts of charitable service.

On the 12th anniversary of 9/11 and throughout the month of September, Americans will again unite in service in the same remarkable way that so many came together in the aftermath of 9/11. As in years past, service and remembrance activities will be held in all 50 states and in many other countries. Hundreds of thousands of volunteers will paint and refurbish homes, run food drives, spruce up schools, reclaim neighborhoods, assist and honor veterans, and most importantly, remember the 9/11 victims and the many who rose in service in response to the attacks.

9/11 Tribute Center is joining with the USO for another Day of Service & Remembrance building bikes for children of active U.S. military and veterans. Volunteers from corporations who were in the Towers and surrounding vicinity are proud to honor their colleagues lost on 9/11 and support active military families. More than 500 employees from companies affected on 9/11 took part to mark the 2012 National Day of Service and Remembrance along with the NYPD, FDNY and PAPD.

We encourage all citizens in the U.S. and abroad during the month of September to unite in service to remember 9/11. You can make your pledge to perform a good deed, volunteer or support your community in other ways at www.911day.org.

## ONLINE EXHIBITS OF 9/11 STORY ALBUMS (cont'd)

power plants, bridges and roads, and soldiers who went on to serve in Iraq and Afghanistan. The complexity of each task is shared, from recovery in lower Manhattan to long-term security for the nation and ultimately international service. Each person shares the personal impact that the terrorist attacks of 9/11 has had on their lives.

The second online exhibit, which will launch in mid-September, will feature several Tribute volunteers. The exhibit begins with sharing four unique stories, as told on Tribute Center tours. The exhibit then explores the profound effect that sharing these personal stories has, both on the visitor as well as on the volunteer that is sharing their experience. Each volunteer represents a different constituent group and perspective from a family member, survivor, first responder and lower Manhattan resident. Their reflections on the meaning of sharing their stories at the 9/11 Memorial and the value of being an active volunteer of the 9/11 community at the Tribute Center are examined. Additionally, excerpts from a formal, academic study, (conducted by a former Tribute volunteer) is highlighted, showing how the outcomes of this program parallels much of the latest research on post traumatic growth, detailing that as volunteers share and learn, they are also growing and healing; as they are sharing their stories, they are also benefiting from volunteering.



#### TRIBUTE SUPPORTS THE 75th RANGER REGIMENT



As part of the 9/11 Tribute Center's continuing support of the US military, Lee Ielpi and Jennifer Adams attended the Army Ranger Rendevous ceremonies in Fort Benning, GA. The 75th Ranger Regiment, composed of four Ranger battalions, is the premier light-infantry unit of the United

States Army. Headquartered at Fort Benning, Ga., the 75th Ranger Regiment's mission is to plan and conduct special missions in support of U.S. policy and objectives. At a dinner with over 2,500 Army Rangers and their families, Lee Ielpi extended appreciation for their service and dedication, giving each Ranger battalion commander an American flag flown over the World Trade Center on September 11, 2011.

The 75th Ranger Regiment conducts many complex, joint special operations missions. All Rangers volunteer to become members of the 75th Ranger Regiment and complete the rigorous Ranger Assessment and Selection Program, known as RASP, to join the ranks of this elite U.S. Army Special Operations Command unit. Ranger School at Fort Benning is one of the toughest training courses for which a Soldier can volunteer.

Each of the four geographically dispersed Ranger battalions have been consistently deployed on active duty rotations since 2002. The FDNY and Lee lelpi have worked together to create memorials in honor of 9/11 and their fallen comrades with steel from the World Trade Center at each of the four battalions.

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# **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Visit www.911families.org and select "Events" for a full list of upcoming events.

#### Bronx Day of Service & Remembrance

Friday, September 13, 2013 Lou Gehrig Plaza, Bronx, NY Email Iroldan@bronxbp.nyc.gov to RSVP

#### Heroes & Hope Bike Ride

Saturday, September 14, 2013 Harvest of Hope Farm, Boswell, PA http://www.harvestofhopefarm.org

#### FF Carl Capobianco & Lt. Martin Fullam **Golf Outing**

Monday, September 16, 2013 La Tourette Golf Course, Staten Island, NY http://firefamilytransport.org

## 102 Minutes: Authors Jim Dwyer and Kevin Flynn Speak

Monday, September 30, 2013 9/11 Tribute Center, New York, NY Email rsvp@tributewtc.org to RSVP

#### Danielle Kousolis Cup Golf Outing

Tuesday, October 1, 2013 Williamstown, NJ Call 610.668.1320 for details

#### Brooke Jackman Foundation Annual Gala

Thursday, October 24, 2013 The Mandarin Oriental, New York, NY https://brookejackman.ejoinme.org

9/11 TRIBUTE CENTER VOLUNTEER TRAINING PROGRAM October 4th & 5th :: November 22nd & 23rd



