

Events held in remembrance of Sept. 11

Portland will honor the one-year anniversary of the September 11 terrorist attacks with an all-day community gathering in Pioneer Courthouse Square. The anniversary will be marked by observances throughout the Portland metropolitan area, leading into four days of volunteer opportunities organized by local groups. The effort is called Celebrate Our Community, and will bring together non-profit, government, faith, and education organizations.

Celebrate Our Community will begin with morning services at 6:00am on Wednesday, Sept. 11 (near the local time of the attacks) at Pioneer Courthouse Square in downtown Portland, as well as at other locations in Clackamas, Clark, and Washington counties. Portland Mayor Vera Katz will speak at the Pioneer Courthouse Square service, which will also feature a bagpipe honor guard.

Volunteer registration booths for projects in the four-county area will be open from 8:00am to 5:00pm at Pioneer Courthouse Square. People are encouraged to come to the square for a sense of community, to learn more about what local individuals and organizations have done to respond to the events of 9/11, to discover volunteer opportunities, and to find support materials for children and families working through the

challenges of this difficult time.

An evening program of remembrance begins on the square at 6:00pm, with singers, musicians, spiritual leaders, and speakers including Mayor Katz. An interfaith service will be held from 7:00 to 8:00pm.

"Celebrate Our Community is a wonderful opportunity for community spirit to grow, and for all of us to recognize the importance of family, friends, and neighbors," says Mayor Katz. "As a nation and community, we have turned tragedy into hope for a better tomorrow."

Celebrate Our Community dovetails with a national call to volunteerism, called Unity in the Spirit of America, which is sponsored by the Points of Light Foundation. VolunteerWorks in Portland, Volunteer Connection in Clackamas County, SOLV in Washington County, and the Volunteer Center in Clark County will serve as the local contacts for Points of Light Foundation and Unity in the Spirit of America. All four volunteer organizations are involved in planning local efforts for Celebrate Our Community.

A detailed list of the day's events is available at <www.celebrateourcommunity.org>. Corporations and organizations wishing to sponsor the event should contact the United Way's Chad Coffelt at (503) 226-9361.

SEPTEMBER 11 EVENTS

"Heroes Among Us"

Through Sept. 22, Lloyd Center Mall (2201 Lloyd Center, Portland). View artifacts from ground zero and participate in an interactive computer exhibit at the "Heroes Among Us" exhibit at Lloyd Mall. The exhibit is a free public service event offered by Portland Fire & Rescue, although donations are welcome. Funds will benefit fire and life safety efforts in the Portland area, and provide help for the families of injured (or killed) local emergency responders. A beam from the World Trade Center will be delivered to the exhibit site on Sept. 11. For information, call Sarah Lerner at (503) 823-3862.

Tree planting, free day at WFC

Sept. 10-11, World Forestry Center (4033 SW Canyon Road, Portland). Bring a donation for Raphael House and gain free admission to the World Forestry Center (WFC) Museum on Sept. 11. Raphael House of Portland is a shelter for women and children escaping domestic violence; suggested donations include non-perishable food, women's and children's clothing, non-violent toys, books, kitchen utensils and supplies, linens, and gift certificates to local restaurants, shops, and attractions. Visitors who bring items for Raphael House from Sept. 12-15 will receive \$1.00 off admission. On Sept. 10, WFC and Friends of Trees will plant a sugar maple, New York's state tree, in honor of those who lost their lives in last year's terrorist attacks. The ceremony will take place at 10:00am on the World Forestry Center campus, and the public is invited to attend. For information, call (503) 228-1367 or visit <www.worldforestry.org>.

We Hold These Truths

Sept. 10-12, 10:00am & 1:00pm, Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center (5430 N Interstate Avenue, Portland). Experience the Lumiere Player's patriotic presentation, *We Hold These Truths*, at six matinees at the Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center (IFCC). The presentation features a grandfather who takes his two young grandchildren on an odyssey through American history to show that the events of 9/11 are not a reason to be fearful or lose faith in their way of life. The show includes 14 songs for audience participation and runs one hour, 15 minutes. Lumiere Players Theatre of the Imagination is a unique and inclusive form of live stage production that reflects the special needs of the vision impaired while changing nothing to lessen the enjoyment for the sighted. For information, or to buy tickets, call (503) 823-4322. For general information, visit <www.ifcc-arts.org>.

Benton Co. 9/11 commemoration

Sept. 11, 5:45-7:30am, Benton County Courthouse (Monroe Street between 3rd and 4th,

Corvallis, Ore.). The Benton County Courthouse bell will toll three times at the moments (Pacific Daylight Time) of each of the seven events in which lives were lost as a result of the 9/11 attacks. After the final tolling and a brief pause, at 7:29am, "Taps" will be played. There will be no program, speakers, or music other than the bell tolling and "Taps," and no other organized activity.

Unfurling of the American flag

Sept. 11, 6:45am, Portland World Trade Center (SW First and Salmon, Portland). In honor of the first anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks, a 20x30 foot U.S. flag will be unfurled at 6:45am and left in place until approximately 9:00am.

Free admission to museums

Area museums are joining other museums nationwide in offering free admission on Sept. 11 in memory of the events of one year ago.

Gorge Discovery Center

Sept. 11, 10:00am-6:00pm, Columbia Gorge Discovery Center (off I-84 at exit 82, The Dalles, Ore.). For information, call (541) 296-8600 or visit <www.gorgediscovery.org>.

Seattle Asian Art Museum

Sept. 11, 10:00am-8:00pm, Seattle Asian Art Museum (1400 East Prospect Street, in Volunteer Park, Seattle). For information, call (206) 654-3100 or visit <www.seattleartmuseum.org>.

Wing Luke Asian Museum

Sept. 11, 11:00am-6:00pm, Wing Luke Asian Museum (407 Seventh Avenue South, Seattle). For information, call (206) 623-5124 or visit <www.wingluke.org>.

Peace poles dedication

Sept. 11, 11:45am, Portland State University, Graduate School of Education (corner of SW Montgomery Street and Broadway, Portland). Witness the dedication of three Peace Poles on the campus of Portland State University. The poles bear the phrase "May There Be Peace on Earth" in 24 languages including Chinese, Persian, Hmong, Arabic, and Vietnamese. Following the dedication, Koinonia House (633 SW Montgomery St, Portland) will hold an interfaith service and panel discussion with short statements from diverse faith communities. For information on the interfaith service, call (503) 226-7807.

Physicians for Social Responsibility

Sept. 11, 4:00-9:00pm, Shemanski Park (SW Salmon & Park Avenue in the South Park Blocks, Portland). Join Physicians for Social Responsibility-Oregon, and Portland Peaceful Response Coalition for "Building Global Community," a program of inspiration and memorial to all of the victims of violence of the past year. The Shemanski

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Arnold Arboleda Lim

December 24, 1972 - September 11, 2001



Promises

Arnold Lim perished on this day, leaving memories of so many kind things he'd done, so easily;
a thousand sincere things he'd said, so simply;
the ringing way he laughed, so frequently, among us.

Little Brother Arnold passed away this day, away from a life promised as

his mother's protective son,
his fiancé's precious husband,
a proud father for the sweet-faced children they surely should've made.

Arn went away on this day, an awful and sudden morning, that emptied forever a kitchen-table chair, a sunlit room, a hollow heart chamber,
for those who knew him, who love him and long for him, still.
Arnold left life on a day that altered our America.

Asian Reporter editors and writers, our artists and photographers, and readers offer our deepest sorrow and our sincerest prayers

to Arnold's parents, Ernesto and Amparo Lim, who're asked to accept the unimaginable passing of a son who was always there, always there waiting, so Mom wouldn't drive home, alone, in the dark;

to Arnold's beloved Michele, who struggles fiercely, reconciling this unthinkable moment's collision with their joyous plans to marry four days from today;

to Arnold's brothers, his cousins, niece and nephew, to his friends, who calculate endlessly the imponderables of Arnold's new job at Fiduciary Trust International, in their prestigious 97th floor World Trade Center Tower offices —

May we offer each of you, as little comfort as our promises bring.

We'll remember Arnold's silent passing and your quiet suffering, on every anniversary of this sudden, this awful morning.

- September 11, 2002

Websites in memory of lives lost on Sept. 11:

www.legacy.com/LegacyTribute/Tribute.asp
www.cnn.com/SPECIALS/2001/memorial/
www.nytimes.com/specials/national/portraits/