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Orange County to host September 11th Patriot Day Remembrance Ceremony

Event honors the memory of the 44 Orange County residents who lost their lives during the 9/11 terrorist attacks

Goshen, N.Y. - Orange County Executive Steven M. Neuhaus invites the community to attend the September 11th Patriot Day ceremony, which will be held at the Orange County Arboretum at Thomas Bull Memorial Park on Monday, September 11th at 6 p.m.

“Patriot Day provides an opportunity for us to join together to remember those we lost, reflect upon our blessings and recommit ourselves to the principle that freedom is not free,” Neuhaus said. “As we honor those Orange County residents who tragically died on 9/11, let us promise ourselves that on this and every Patriots Day we will pay tribute to those who perished and keep in our thoughts and prayers those who continue to fight for our freedoms every day.”

The ceremony, which is open to the public, will honor the memory of the 44 Orange County residents who lost their lives during the 9/11 terrorist attacks and will also honor the brave military personnel who serve our nation. Families and survivors of 9/11, families of local military personnel, and veterans are invited to participate in the remembrance ceremony and join the procession by assembling at the Arboretum’s Ottaway Education Center at 5:30 p.m. The procession will begin at 5:55 p.m. followed promptly by the ceremony.

WHAT: Patriot Day September 11th Remembrance Ceremony

WHO: County Executive Steven M. Neuhaus

Orange County Veterans Service Agency Director Christian Farrell (Master of Ceremonies)

Deputy Commissioner Alan Mack, Orange County Department of Emergency Management, United States Army CW5, Retired (Guest speaker)

Orange County Sheriff Carl E. DuBois (Family & Survivors' Procession)

Orange County District Attorney David Hoovler (Honored Guest)

Orange County Clerk Annie Rabbitt (Honored Guest)

Commissioner Brendan Casey, Orange County Department of Emergency Services (Bell Toll)

Deputy Commissioner Vini Tankasali, Orange County Department of Fire Services (Bell Toll)

Senator William J. Larkin, Jr.

Senator John J. Bonacic

Army Master Sergeant MaryKay Messenger, vocalist, United States Military Academy Band ("The National Anthem", "God Bless America")

Rev. Peter Rustico, Pastor, St. John's Lutheran Church Middletown and Chaplain, United States Navy (Ret.) (Invocation)

Chaplain, Lt. Col. John L. Torres, Jr. USAF-NYANG, Stewart Air National Guard Base (Benediction)

James W. Taylor, Jr. Memorial Benefactor (Reading of Names)

William J. Bratton, Jr., Families of September 11th (Reading of Names)

WHEN: Monday, September 11th at 6 p.m.

WHERE: Orange County Arboretum Thomas Bull Memorial Park 41 Grove Street, Hamptonburgh.

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