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Brevard students remember 9/11

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September 11, 2001 is a day that will live in our memories as the day when 2,752 Americans lost their lives in a terrorist attack on our country. Much in the same way that our grandparents' generation remembers the attacks made on Pearl Harbor, I'm sure that almost all of us can remember what we were doing when we learned about the attacks in New York, Pennsylvania and Washington, D.C.

As we mark the 8th anniversary of these at-

tacks, the World Trade Center site is in the process of filling in what was leftover of the building to erect a memorial and several new, smaller trade centers on the old site. It seems that the visible scars on our soil from that day are finally starting to heal, but the legacy of 9/11 still lingers in the American psyche. Several Brevard College students



Student Affairs at SUNY-Albany, as well as a doctoral student at that time. Dean Holland had been in Manhattan the night of September 10 for a meeting. He usually stayed in Manhattan following the meetings but had caught the last train back to Albany that night, and was in his office during the attacks. 2/3 of the student body came from the metropolitan area, and the situation on campus was "chaotic." His duty following the attacks was to counsel students as best he could, set up TVs so that students could stay informed, and to give them close, personal comfort. The attacks made Dean Holland more aware of discrimination which Middle-Eastern students had to face after seeing kids of middle Eastern descent beaten up for no reason other than their ethnicity.

Monica Sees was in 7th grade in Canfield, Ohio when her teachers were told to turn on the TVs to inform them of the situation. She remembered feeling shocked, and said she wasn't really able to comprehend the magnitude of the situation but that eventually it sunk in. Following the attacks, she said she developed a greater appreciation for everything and everyone that she has.

Marc Newton, a junior from East Northport, New York, located 45 minutes outside of Manhattan remembers being in 8th grade gym class when students were sent to the auditorium and told about the attack. He, along with the rest of the student body was picked up and taken home. He remembers watching the news the rest of the day and his dad calling his uncle who worked in New Jersey right across from the towers ensuring he was alright. The three days following the attack, his entire town was under a curfew every night at 9 and kids were unable to go outside during the day because of the debris from the collapsed towers.

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and faculty were in and around New York at the time of these attacks

Joe McGarry, a Brevard College junior, was 13 at the time of the attacks and lived in Wall, New Jersey, two hours outside of New York City. Most schools chose to inform their students about the disaster, however his experience differed in that respect. Teachers at his school even took away Am and Fm radios from students so that they wouldn't know what had happened. However, because students kept getting called out of class and taken home, it was obvious something was wrong. Rumors bounced around his school, with friends speculating that maybe something had happened in New York, but no one knew for sure. He finally found out the real story after school let out and he got home. Regarding the attacks, Joe said, "My bubble of security was broken."

Dean of Students Chris Holland was 28 and the assistant Vice-President of