

SCHOOLS

Reflections

The students at The Barbara and Jerry Levin Middle School expressed their feelings on the anniversary of the 9/11 tragedies

through poetry. In addition, all of the students have committed to earning money by doing extra chores, babysitting, washing cars, etc. so that they can give tzedakah in memory of those who lost their

lives. Following is a sample of the students' reflections.

America By Rochel Weiss

Americans
Memories
Extremely changed
Ripped away from us
In a moment
Can't be forgotten
Always Remember
United
United we stand
Never to be forgotten
In our minds
The year has gone by
Everlasting memories
Dedicated to our loved ones
Life Cycle
A life is precious
Brings joy when arrives
Sorrow when leaves.
Leaving memories forever
In our hearts they live
We will remember.

Not Only By Rachel Spangenthal

Remember not only,
3,043 deaths.
Remember not only,
Their families.
Remember not only,
Their feelings.
Remember not only,
Just as an observer
My tears.
Remember not only,
Our terror.
Remember not only,
The world's terror.

Remember not only,
The important things in life.
Just-
Never forget.

It's Been A Year By Zachary Gorelick

It's been a year
Since the day
Of chaos and terror
Alike.
It's been a year
Since the shrieks and screams
pierced
Our streets.
It's been a year
Since courage saved a multitude
And killed 3,043.
It's been a year
Of unity and fear
Of valor, bravery, love and hope
The same as on that day.
It's been a year.

A Part In Our Heart By Sharon Eshet

One plane crashing in,
Killing many.
Friends, family, loved ones.
Children, Babies, Adults.
Lives being killed for no reason.
Families ripped apart.
Innocent lives are gone.
Families are left sobbing.
Sobbing for help, to be loved,
Part of them has been ripped
away.
Nothing can help,
They cannot be replaced.
A part in their heart
Was torn in half.
For their loved ones,
And other's loved ones,
Who no longer can play
A part in their life.
We stand together as one,
We will help each other
In our friends' need.
More aware,
More protective.
Time with our friends
Talking in feelings.
Courage will stand with us.
Helping with each other.

Two Towers By Alexander Shporer

Two identical towers
Lost.
Down they came
They are lost.
People were:
Killed,
Hurt,
Lost.
Sadness enters hearts.
Joy leaves as they know
Their loved ones are
Lost.
Freedom stays with us
Forever and will never be
Lost.
As I reflect back
Things have changed,
For bad and.
For good.
The towers are gone
But united
We are standing together.

American and Proud By Matthew J. Laxer

No one imagined
It could have happened
Two twins coming down
A tear in the eagle's eye
This was the day our country

cried.
They hijacked our planes
What will they do?
We didn't know anyone can do
this
Kill themselves...
To kill hundreds of others.
Some wouldn't take it
They stood up brave and tall
Defending others
Not caring about themselves
Too proud to just sit by.
2002, we still remember
September 11, 2001
We recover by remembering,
Giving charity.
Visiting families who lost people
They tried to take away our pride
But I'm still American,
And proud.

Lost Diamonds By Sara Massachi

Remember September 11th
Remember New York
Remember Washington
Remember the planes
The people
The lost lives
The families
The fires
The lost dreams
The disastrous memories
Remember September 11th
Remember New York
Remember Washington
Remember the planes
The smiles
The loving memories
The good thoughts
The hopes
The laughs
The precious times together
Remember 9-11th

Remember By Andrew Tavin

Remembrance of that day
Endurance through hardships
Memories of victims and heroes
Enjoying what we still have
Memory of who we lost
Bringing awareness
Editing our mistakes
Recovering but never forgetting

Remember By Rachel Slotkin

Recruiting soldiers,
Everyone praying.
Memories of the loss,
Emotions hurt inside me.
Memorials for the unfortunate
Being kind to each other,
Extraordinary help from our citizens,
Ready for a new start.

A Word From The President By Kevin Raus

A nation with patriotism beyond
my expectations.
Memories of our recent history
give us sorrow.
Every day we think about how
lucky we are to be Americans.
Rescue workers at the World
Trade Center lifted our spirits
tremendously.
I will protect my country without
a doubt.
Coast to coast everybody has the
same thoughts.
Al Quaida members don't stand a
chance against us because we are
The United States of America!



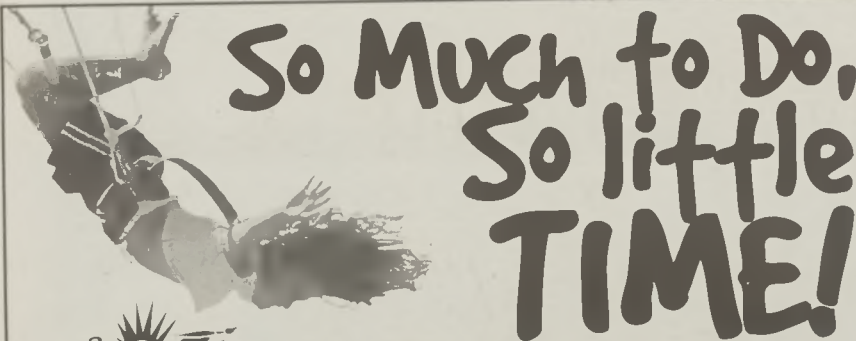
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