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About the photo

Sept. 11, 2001 – the end of the world as we knew it.

But in the chaos and rubble where the World Trade Center no longer stood, Bergen County (New Jersey) Record photographer Thomas E. Franklin captured an unforgettable image of hope – three firefighters raising the American flag.

Standing defiantly against the gray and white landscape of devastation, these dust-covered men and the vivid red, white, and blue of Old Glory instantly became a symbol of American patriotism. Franklin's photo of these three heroic rescuers – Brooklyn-based firefighters Dan McWilliams of Long Island, George Johnson of Rockaway Beach (both from Ladder 157), and Billy Eisengrein of Staten Island (Rescue 2) – also became a global message that life, and America, would go on.

The photo, which appeared Sept. 12 in The Record, has since graced the pages of many other newspapers as well as national newsmagazines. Network television has repeatedly displayed the photo during its round-the-clock disaster coverage, comparing it to the famous image of Marines raising the flag on Iwo Jima during World War II.

Franklin, an eight-year veteran of The Record, took the photo late in the afternoon of Sept. 11, after spending hours at the scene. He was walking toward the debris of the World Trade Center when he spotted the firefighters.

“The shot immediately felt important to me,” Franklin said. “It said something to me about the strength of the American people and about the courage of all the firefighters who, in the face of this horrible disaster, had a job to do in battling the unimaginable.”

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J. J. PEARCE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION'S TRIBUTE TO 9-11-2001

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The world as we knew it changed that clear September Tuesday morning one year ago. And we all know that it will never, never be the same again. We, in America have never known the terrorism that so much of the rest of the world has dealt with for centuries, until 9-11-01.

As well, we in America have seen the best of our country in the heroes who worked tirelessly for so long. The unwavering commitment, the gentleness with which they handled the debris, fearful of desecrating someone's loved one, their respect for all those they found – or did not find.

We will recover, we will go on, but we will never forget, and we must be forever vigilant. With a resurgence of patriotism, we became one country – flying our flags, being a little kinder to one another, and caring a little more about our fellow Americans and our Country.

On the following pages we have gathered together poetry, pictures, letters and thoughts from many people. These have brought solace and comfort to those who took the pictures and who wrote the poems and letters.

We hope that, in a small way, we have brought you comfort as well, as we look back and remember and move on from here.

One

*As the soot and dirt and ash rained down,
We became one color.*

*As we carried each other down the
stairs of the burning building,
We became one class.*

*As we lit candles of waiting and hope,
We became one generation.*

*As the firefighters and police officers
fought their way into the inferno,
We became one gender.*

*As we fell to our knees
in prayer for strength,
We became one faith.*

*As we whispered or shouted
words of encouragement,
We spoke one language.*

*As we gave our blood in lines a mile long,
We became one body.*

*As we mourned together the great loss,
We became one family.*

*As we cried tears of grief and loss,
We became one soul.*

*As we retell with pride of
the sacrifice of heroes,
We become one people.*

*We are:
One color
One class
One generation
One gender
One faith
One language
One body
One family
One soul
One people
We are The Power of One.*



*We are United.
We are America.
Unknown Author*

A Local Soldier's Prayer Answered

The following letter was received by the Richardson Police Department. The author prefers to be left unnamed, but you will recall that the RPD has three Officers who were called up from reserve status to active duty at the outset of the war against terror. Here is the unedited letter:

About two weeks ago I got the opportunity to go with our Special Forces team on a six-day reconnaissance mission. All we were going to do was look for weapons caches or enemy action and report back to command our findings. Easy and safe enough, right?

We geared up and loaded the hummers. My position was on the machine gun (SAW) facing the rear in the lead vehicle. We had a 50 caliber in the turret facing the front and the driver, three men in our vehicle, and two in the other two vehicles, seven Americans total.

About four hours into the drive we stopped in a small village that looked exactly like something out of Tombstone. We were to have a meeting with the warlord who was trying to overtake the region we were securing. Not a good thing. As we first rolled through, we were told that the town was a "free fire zone." That means anything goes and anyone can shoot. We were seven armed Americans rolling through a town of about 150+ armed soldiers (We soon found out they were Taliban).

They had us covered on every possible angle for the perfect ambush situation. There were RPG's (I counted 12) on the mountaintops. PK's (7.62mm machine guns) on the rooftops and along the roadway, and everyone walking or in doorways had AK47s. To say we were out-gunned is an understatement!

As the overwhelming threat came into view and I began to realize the gravity of the situation. It dawned on me that I was just minutes away from my last breath. I was going to die out here in this God-forsaken country and never get the opportunity to hold my children or wife again. I felt my breathing become labored and my thoughts couldn't get off my kids. All I wanted to do was hold my kids one last time and let them know I loved them. I thought of all the times I took a part time job or chose to sleep late instead of spending time with my family, and now I was never going to be able to make it up to them.

As a police officer, I have gone through the pain of thinking I was going to die or knowing I was stepping into something that I might not walk out of. But through all of those type of calls, from patrol or SWAT, I was never so confident that I was about to be riddled with bullets from every possible angle with no way out. To say I was scared is an under-statement, but I knew from SWAT and patrol that a poker face is all you have until show time.

We stopped on the other side of town, and the leaders got out to have their meeting. For three hours we posted guard in our vehicles in this Mexican standoff trying to figure who would start the blood bath. If anyone so much as sneezed it would have been all over for all us.

I decided that I was going to shoot over my left shoulder and sweep across and high until I was out of bullets or blood and hope that I got as many as I could until I was dead. There were about a dozen soldiers within 10-15 feet of me and others scattered at miscellaneous distances from them.

My children were so heavily on my mind that I was forced to literally pray out loud to God, asking Him to be with my wife and the kids. I asked Him to make the rest of their lives as blessed as mine has been. I prayed and prayed telling God I wasn't ready to die, that I wanted to see my children again, and there was so much more for me to do. I was beginning to get mad at that point as I began to wonder who would father my children and take care of my wife.

I always said that when it was your time to go, there isn't anything you could do about it. Then, all of a sudden, I remembered Psalm 91!!!! The passage struck me so hard that I started praying it out loud. (When I was in Fort Bragg, I had torn the passage out of my Bible and stuck it in my helmet so I could read it whenever I got in a sticky situation.)

After three hours of talks, we were told by the leader that if we tried to leave we would be shot. We decided to leave. We called the Air Force for support and braced for the worse. We started the engines and loaded into the vehicles.

I said my last prayer, making peace with God, and gripped the machine gun tight into my armpit. I slipped the safety off and waited to die. In God's awesome answered prayer we rolled out of there and not a single shot was fired!

I cannot tell you what went through my mind and heart as the town got farther and farther away. I realized God had answered my prayers to allow me to be with my family again! I realized the relationship He has with His children is the same as the relationship I have with my children.

To this day, none of us can understand how we made it out of there alive. Everything there pointed to a perfect ambush and we were going to be on the losing side.

Here's proof to me that it was God's work... Six days later, when we returned from our mission, we discovered that two other teams went out to the same area and both were ambushed. One soldier was killed and several others wounded.

We went through two separate towns where ambushes were set for us but not a single scratch came to us.

Secondly, I prayed that I could hold my children one more time. Two days after we returned from our mission, I received a Red Cross letter stating my grandmother had passed away, and they were offering me the option to come home on emergency leave to be with my family. I jumped on that. I am home now with my children and am not leaving their side until I have to return to Afghanistan next week.

Tell me God didn't answer my prayers! Tell me God didn't help us roll through two separate ambushes without a single shot being fired! Tell me God didn't give me the chance to leave this war zone and come home briefly to hold my wife and kids! Tell me God isn't present and doesn't answer prayers!

I wish I could tell the world about this experience, but I know people have to experience God their own way.

My prayer is that each person who reads this will open their lives to God and the blessings He has to offer.

(Contributed by Lynn Sanders, Board member)

IF I KNEW

If I knew it would be the last time
That I'd see you fall asleep,
I would tuck you in more tightly
and pray the Lord, your soul to keep.

If I knew it would be the last time
that I see you walk out the door,
I would give you a hug and kiss
and call you back for one more.

If I knew it would be the last time
I'd hear your voice lifted up in praise,
I would video tape each action and word,
so I could play them back day after day.

If I knew it would be the last time,
I could spare an extra minute
to stop and say "I love you,"
instead of assuming you would KNOW I do.

If I knew it would be the last time
I would be there to share your day,
Well I'm sure you'll have so many more,
so I can let just this one slip away.

For surely there's always tomorrow
to make up for an oversight,
and we always get a second chance
to make everything just right.

There will always be another day
to say "I love you,"
And certainly there's another chance
to say our "Anything I can do?"

But just in case I might be wrong,
and today is all I get,
I'd like to say how much I love you
and I hope we never forget.

Tomorrow is not promised to anyone,
young or old alike,
And today may be the last chance
you get to hold your loved one tight.

So if you're waiting for tomorrow,
why not do it today?
For if tomorrow never comes,
you'll surely regret the day,

That you didn't take that extra time
for a smile, a hug, or a kiss
and you were too busy to grant someone,
what turned out to be their one last wish.

So hold your loved ones close today,
and whisper in their ear,
Tell them how much you love them
and that you'll always hold them dear

Take time to say "I'm sorry,"
"Please forgive me," "Thank you," or "It's okay."
And if tomorrow never comes,
you'll have no regrets about today.

Sent in by member Ed Murray

Dear fellow residents,

One of our members, Ed Murray, sent this powerful site to me <http://www.politicsandprotest.org> and I wanted to share it with all of you, on his behalf. It takes a long time to load, but it is worth seeing.

It is a shocking, stirring reminder to us all that what happened to our Country on 9-11-01 should never, ever be forgotten. Not ever! Because if we do forget and get lax or think it could never happen again – we'd be wrong!

The Editor

THE LADY

I wonder what she thought
As she stood there, strong and tall.
She couldn't turn away,
She was forced to watch it all.

Did she long to offer comfort
As her country bled?
With her arm forever frozen
High above her head.

She could not shield her eyes
She could not hide her face
She just stared across the water
Keeping Freedom's place.

The smell of smoke and terror
Somehow reduced her size
So small within the harbor
But still we recognized...

How dignified and beautiful
On a day so many died

I wonder what she thought,
And I know she must have cried.

Unknown Author



<http://makeashorterlink.com?M40C34FA1>

We Must Never Forget

I Am the Officer

I have been where you fear to be.
I have seen what you fear to see.
I have done what you fear to do.
All these things I have done for you.
I am the person you lean upon.
The one you cast your scorn upon.
The one you bring your troubles to.
All these things I've been for you.
The one you ask to stand apart.
The one you feel should have no heart.
The one you call the officers in blue.
But I'm just a person, just like you.
And through the years I've come to see
That I am not always what you ask of me.
So take this badge, take this gun.
Will you take it? . . . Will anyone?
And when you watch a person die,
And hear a battered baby cry,
Then do you think that you can be
All of these things you ask of me?

(Contributed by Bernie Mayoff, President of JPHOA)

Police Officers Prayer

Oh Almighty God, whose great power and eternal
wisdom embraces the universe.
Watch over all policemen and law enforcement officers.
Father in Heaven, please give them the strength, courage
and perseverance to endure the unjust condemnation,
danger, and physical abuse to which they are
at times subjected.
We recommend them to your loving care because their
duty is dangerous.
Dear God, grant these brave men and women your
almighty protection,
Unite them safely with their families after duty has ended.
Amen

Author unknown

(Submitted by Lynn Sanders, Board Member)

Last Inspection

The policeman stood and faced his God,
Which must always come to pass.
He hoped his shoes were shining.
Just as brightly as his brass.
"Step forward now, policeman.
How shall I deal with you?
Have you always turned the other cheek?
To My Church have you been true?"
The Policeman squared his shoulders and said,
"No, Lord, I guess I ain't,
Because those of us who carry badges
can't always be a Saint.
I've had to work most Sundays,
and at times my talk was rough,
and sometimes I've been violent,
Because the streets are awfully tough.
But I never took a penny,
That wasn't mine to keep.
Though I worked a lot of overtime
when the bills got just too steep.
And I never passed a cry for help,
Though at times I shook with fear.
And sometimes, God forgive me,
I've wept unmanly tears.
I know I don't deserve a place
Among the people here.
They never wanted me around
except to calm their fear.
If you've a place for me here, Lord,
It needn't be so grand.
I never expected or had too much,
but if you don't...I'll understand
There was silence all around the throne
Where the Saints had often trod
As the policeman waited quietly,
For the judgment of his God.
"Step forward now, policeman,
You've borne your burdens well
Come walk a beat on Heaven's streets,
You've done your time in Hell."

Author unknown

(Sent in by Lynn Sanders, Board Member)

Rest in Peace

I am a World Trade Center tower, standing tall in the clear blue sky, feeling a violent blow in my side, and I am a towering inferno of pain and suffering imploding upon myself and collapsing to the ground.
May I rest in peace.

I am a terrified passenger on a hijacked airplane not knowing where we are going or that I am riding on fuel tanks that will be instruments of death, and I am a worker arriving at my office not knowing that in just a moment my future will be obliterated.
May I rest in peace.

I am a pigeon in the plaza between the two towers eating crumbs from someone's breakfast when fire rains down on me from the skies, and I am a bed of flowers admired daily by thousands of tourists now buried under five stories of rubble.
May I rest in peace.

I am a firefighter sent into dark corridors of smoke and debris on a mission of mercy only to have it collapse around me, and I am a rescue worker risking my life to save lives who is very aware that I may not make it out alive.
May I rest in peace.

I am a survivor who has fled down the stairs and out of the building to safety who knows that nothing will ever be the same in my soul again, and I am a doctor in a hospital treating patients burned from head to toe who knows that these horrible images will remain in my mind forever.
May I know peace.

I am a tourist in Times Square looking up at the giant TV screens thinking I'm seeing a disaster movie as I watch the Twin Towers crash to the ground, and I am a New York woman sending e-mails to friends and family letting them know that I am safe.
May I know peace.

I am a piece of paper that was on someone's desk this morning and now I'm debris scattered by the wind across lower Manhattan, and I am a stone in the graveyard at Trinity Church covered with soot from the buildings that once stood proudly above me, death meeting death.
May I rest in peace.

I am a dog sniffing in the rubble for signs of life, doing my best to be of service, and I am a blood donor waiting in line to make a simple but very needed contribution for the victims.
May I know peace.

I am a resident in an apartment in downtown New York who has been forced to evacuate my home, and I am a resident in an apartment uptown who has walked 100 blocks home in a stream of other refugees.
May I know peace.

I am a family member who has just learned that someone I love has died, and I am a pastor who must comfort someone who has suffered a heart-breaking loss.
May I know peace.

I am a loyal American who feels violated and vows to stand behind any military action it takes to wipe terrorists off the face of the earth, and I am a loyal American who feels violated and worries that people who look and sound like me are all going to be blamed for this tragedy.
May I know peace.

I am a frightened city dweller who wonders whether I'll ever feel safe in a skyscraper again, and I am a pilot who wonders whether there will ever be a way to make the skies truly safe.
May I know peace.

I am the owner of a small store with five employees that has been put out of business by this tragedy, and I am an executive in a multinational corporation who is concerned about the cost of doing business in a terrorized world.
May I know peace.

I am a visitor to New York City who purchases postcards of the World Trade Center Twin Towers that are no more, and I am a television reporter trying to put into words the terrible things I have seen.
May I know peace.

I am a boy in New Jersey waiting for a father who will never come home, and I am a boy in a faraway country rejoicing in the streets of my village because someone has hurt the hated Americans.
May I know peace.

I am a general talking into the microphones about how we must stop the terrorist cowards who have perpetrated this heinous crime, and I am an intelligence officer trying to discern how such a thing could have happened on American soil, and I am a city official trying to find ways to alleviate the suffering of my people.
May I know peace.

I am a terrorist whose hatred for America knows no limit
and I am willing to die to prove it,
and
I am a terrorist sympathizer standing with all the enemies
of American capitalism and imperialism,
and
I am a master strategist for a terrorist group who planned
this abomination.
My heart is not yet capable of openness, tolerance, and
loving.
May I know peace.

I am a citizen of the world glued to my television set,
fighting back my rage and despair at these horrible events,
and I am a person of faith struggling to forgive
the unforgivable, praying for the consolation of those who
have lost loved ones, calling upon the merciful benefi-
cence of God/Lord/Allah/Spirit/Higher Power.
May I know peace.

I am a child of God who believes that we are all children
of God and we are all part of one another.
May we all know peace.

by Frederic and Mary Ann Brussat
<http://september11.natca.org/Poems/911.htm>

The Day The Towers Fell

A sad day for America
as rejoicing rang from hell
awakening a mighty giant
the day the towers fell.
Our hearts were saddened
as we watched this vicious act unfold
as innocence met a fiery death
and seeds of war were sowed.
Shouts rang out from the middle east
that Allah has done his good
but no God joys in faultless deaths
though certain cowards could.
America just sort of glides along
but don't step on her toes
for her belief in right and justice
will stomp out freedoms foes.

Author Unknown

Two Thousand One, Nine Eleven

Two thousand one, Nine Eleven
Six thousand plus arrive in heaven
As they pass through the gate,
Thousands more appear in wait

A bearded man with stovepipe hat
Steps forward saying,
"Lets sit, lets chat"

They settle down in seats of clouds
A man named Martin shouts out proud
"I have a dream!" and once he did
The newcomer said, "You died not in vain."

Groups of soldiers in blue and gray
Others in khaki, and green they say
"We're from Bull Run, Yorktown, the Maine"
The Newcomers said, "You died not in vain."

From a man on sticks one could hear
"The only thing we have to fear.
The Newcomer said, "We know the rest,
trust us sir, we've passed that test."

"Courage doesn't hide in caves
You can't bury freedom, in a grave,"
The Newcomers had heard this voice before
A distinct Yankees twang from Hyannisport shores

A silence fell within the mist
Somehow the Newcomer knew that this
Meant time had come for her to say
What was in the hearts
of the five thousand plus that day

Back on Earth, we wrote reports,
Watched our children play in sports

Worked our gardens, sang our songs
Went to church and clipped coupons
We smiled, we laughed, we cried, we fought
Unlike you, great we're not"

The tall man in the stovepipe hat
Stood and said, "don't talk like that!
Look at your country, look and see
You died for freedom, just like me"

Then, before them all appeared a scene
Of rubbled streets and twisted beams

Death, destruction, smoke and dust
And people working just 'cause they must
Hauling ash, lifting stones,

Knee deep in hell
But not alone

"Look! Blackman, Whiteman, Brownman, Yellowman
Side by side helping their fellow man!"
So said Martin, as he watched the scene
"Even from nightmares, can be born a dream."

Down below three fireman raise
The colors high into ashen haze

The soldiers above had seen it before
On Iwo Jima back in '44

The man on sticks studied everything closely
Then shared his perceptions on what he saw mostly
"I see pain, I see tears,
I see sorrow - but I don't see fear,"

You left behind husbands and wives
Daughters and sons and so many lives
are suffering now because of this wrong
But look very closely. You're not really gone.

All of those people, even those who've never met you
All of their lives, they'll never forget you
Don't you see what has happened?
Don't you see what you've done?
You've brought them together, together as one.

With that the man in the stovepipe hat said
"Take my hand," and from there he led
Six thousand plus heroes, Newcomers to heaven
On this day, two thousand one, nine eleven

Written by Paul Spreadbury, York Beach, ME
www.geocities.com/rettalen/911.html

**"I can forgive you for killing my sons,
but I cannot forgive you for forcing me to kill your sons." Golda Meir.**

**"The world is too dangerous to live in - not because of the people who do evil,
but because of the people who sit and let it happen." - Albert Einstein**



The Great Seal of the United States of America



This candle burns for every victim that died so tragically and for their families who will mourn forever.

Candle Of Hope

by Mysteria

As destruction's dust settled on today's horrific tragedy,
 It blanketed not only one nation
 But all of humanity in a black, dusty, mourning shroud.
 Hearts break worldwide over losses,
 But fill with a new found love of family.
 Sad that it takes a catastrophe to make us
 Value the treasures we already have.
 Life, and our love of family
 Become our most valued treasures.
 Please join us as we light a candle in the window.
 We will stand as one family, united and strong,
 Illuminating our wish for peace and healing for all.
 A light of hope from our hearts for a safe world.
 Our little candle burning brightly,
 Added to millions, will hopefully send healing energy
 to today's victims, and a message
 That we stand united as one in hopes of peace.
 God Bless You All In America And Keep You Safe
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About The Poem

September 11th, 2001 was a shocking day of sadness for the entire world, not just the United States of America, who is the epitome of freedom! In Vancouver, as in other places in Canada, a candle vigil is ongoing to send our love and healing energy to those Americans and foreign visitors that so senselessly lost lives or were injured through horrific, cowardly terrorist attacks. We hope that it will send our message of love and healing to those family members who are grieving, and also to those yet to grieve in the countries of the perpetrators, and those that harbor them. Let us remember these people who died and through this, grow stronger as a world, by joining hands as one, and lighting a candle of hope.

<http://www.netpoets.com/poems/america/1589001.htm>

We Will Never Forget

We'll grieve, we'll NEVER FORGET,
 we'll cry and hurt terribly sometimes.

The Star Spangled Banner will never seem the same again. And I don't know when I'll be able to sing Lee Greenwood's "Proud to be an American" or God Bless the U.S.A. without crying.

But America needs to show the "Strength" that has become synonymous with the Pride of Being an American. Our economy needs it, our Country needs it, our People need it. The world needs to look at America as the Home of the Free, the Strong and the Brave.

Anonymous

Along with the World Trade Center victims, we remember also the Pentagon and the Flight 93 victims.



We pray for all our Service men and women who are putting their lives at risk.

The Heroes of 9-11

Firemen's Prayer

When I am called to duty, God,
Whenever Flames may rage,
give me strength to save some life
whatever be its age.
Help me embrace a little child
before it is to late,
or save an old person
from the horror of that fate.
Enable me to be alert
and hear the weakest shout.
to quickly and efficiently
put the fire out.
I want to fill my calling
and to give the best in me,
to guard my every neighbor
and protect his property.
And if according to my fate
I am to lose my life,
please bless with your protecting hand
my children and my wife.

Author Unknown

<http://fvfd.homestead.com/Prayer.html>



EMT's Prayer

GOD ... Grant me the ability to give emergency care.
With skillful hands, knowledgeable mind, and tender lov-
ing care.
Help me deal with everything, when lives are on the line.
To see the worst, administer aid, and ease a worried mind.
So help me as I go today, accept what fate may be.
Touch these hands, use this mind, help this E.M.T.
Amen

Author Unknown

<http://www.swvfd.org/EMT.htm>



"Policeman's Prayer"

When I start my tour of duty God,
Wherever crime may be,
as I walk the darkened streets alone,
Let me be close to thee.
Please give me understanding with both
the young and old.
Let me listen with attention until their story's told.
Let me never make a judgment in a rash or callous way,
but let me hold my patience let each man have his say.
Lord if some dark and dreary night,
I must give my life,
Lord, with your everlasting love
protect my children and my wife.

(Author Unknown)

<http://www.sover.net/~tmartin/Prayer.htm>



New York, NY, September 24, 2001 -- Rescue workers work with dogs to search for victims of the World Trade Center attacks. Photo by Andrea Booher/ FEMA News Photo

<http://www.photolibrary.fema.gov/photolibrary/index.jsp>

"I hear you, the world hears you, and the people who knocked these buildings down, will hear all of us soon."

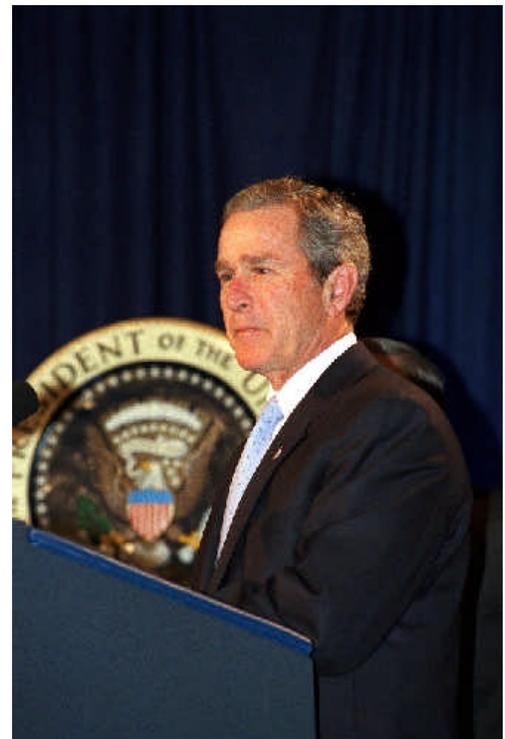
Standing upon the ashes of the worst terrorist attack on American soil Sept. 14, President Bush pledges that the voices calling for justice from across the country will be heard.



White House photo by Paul Morse



White House photo by Paul Morse



**"We will not waver, we will not tire,
we will not falter and we will not fail."**

White House Photo

<http://makeashorterlink.com/?P29D11EA1>

". . . Make no mistake about it, my resolve is steady and strong about winning this war that has been declared on America."
<http://www.whitehouse.gov/president/attack-response/14.html>

America: The Good Neighbor

Widespread but only partial news coverage was given recently to a remarkable editorial broadcast from Toronto by Gordon Sinclair, a Canadian television commentator. What follows is the full text of his trenchant remarks as printed in the Congressional Record:

"This Canadian thinks it is time to speak up for the Americans as the most generous and possibly the least appreciated people on all the earth. Germany, Japan and, to a lesser extent, Britain and Italy were lifted out of the debris of war by the Americans who poured in billions of dollars and forgave other billions in debts. None of these countries is today paying even the interest on its remaining debts to the United States.

When France was in danger of collapsing in 1956, it was the Americans who propped it up, and their reward was to be insulted and swindled on the streets of Paris. I was there. I saw it.

When earthquakes hit distant cities, it is the United States that hurries in to help. This spring, 59 American communities were flattened by tornadoes. Nobody helped.

The Marshall Plan and the Truman Policy pumped billions of dollars into discouraged countries. Now newspapers in those countries are writing about the decadent, warmongering Americans. I'd like to see just one of those countries that is gloating over the erosion of the United States dollar build its own airplane. Does any other country in the world have a plane to equal the Boeing Jumbo Jet, the Lockheed Tri-Star, or the Douglas DC10? If so, why don't they fly them? Why do all the International lines except Russia fly American Planes?

Why does no other land on earth even consider putting a man or woman on the moon? You talk about Japanese technocracy, and you get radios. You talk about German technocracy, and you get automobiles. You talk about American technocracy, and you find men on the moon - not once, but several times and safely home again. You talk about scandals, and the Americans put theirs right in the store window for everybody to look at. Even their draft-dodgers are not pursued and hounded. They are here on our streets, and most of them, unless they are breaking Canadian laws, are getting American dollars from ma and pa at home to spend here.

When the railways of France, Germany and India were breaking down through age, it was the Americans who rebuilt them. When the Pennsylvania Railroad and the New York Central went broke, nobody loaned them an old caboose. Both are still broke.

I can name you 5000 times when the Americans raced to the help of other people in trouble. Can you name me even one time when someone else raced to the Americans in trouble? I don't think there was outside help even during the San Francisco earthquake.

Our neighbors have faced it alone, and I'm one Canadian who is damned tired of hearing them get kicked around. They will come out of this thing with their flag high. And when they do, they are entitled to thumb their nose at the lands that are gloating over their present troubles. I hope Canada is not one of those."

Stand proud, America!

(Received in an e-mail shortly after 9-11. Dee Russum)

Dear Joe and Dee,

World Trade Centre Tragedy

We are so sorry that we have not been in touch before, but we have been away on holiday, without access to a computer and e-mail addresses. We have just got back today and wanted to get in touch with you immediately.

We have been so distressed and shocked over the terrible plane attacks in New York and Washington.

The scenes on TV cannot hope to encompass the full horror of the suffering of the innocent victims and the self-sacrifice of the emergency services personnel who braved the inferno and the later building collapses.

Here in the UK, there has been a marked expression of condolence and sympathy for the victims and their loved ones, the citizens of New York and Washington and the whole USA.

We wanted to tell you that our thoughts are with you and that we care.

God bless you all.

God bless America.

Pam and Rod

(Received from friends in England shortly after 9-11. Dee Russum)

Letters to the President

Children's Questions

Date: 09/21/2001 02:32 AM EDT
From: A Michigan Family
To: President George W. Bush
Subject: Children's Questions

Dear Mr. President,

Thank you for your very eloquent speech to the Congress. As my two nine-year-old sons sat with their mother and I listening and watching your speech, my one son asked, "Is all of this because of what happened last week to the people in New York and Washington?" I said, "Yes it is." He said, "Daddy, this must be pretty important, isn't it?" I said, "Yes it is."

He said, "Couldn't we just close all of the tunnels and bridges and airports to the rest of the world so that no one could get in?" I answered to him that doing that would not let Americans be free. We would be defeating our selves instead of defeating the terrorists.

He said, "Is The President going to make sure that we will be free?" I said that The President, our neighbors, our soldiers, and our family will make sure that America will always be free.

"Good", he said, "This is important. Its good to be free. We should always be free."

My heart swelled with the pride that a father can only feel for his son, knowing that even at nine years old, a boy in America understands what the terrorists will never know.

God Bless us all.

A Michigan Family
Michigan



I Am An American

Date: 09/20/2001 01:54 PM EDT
From: John
To: President George W. Bush
Subject: I Am An American



White House photo by Paul Morse

Dear Mr. President,

I am an American. I am not of one color, but of many. My forefathers are not from one country, but from all countries. I have brothers and sisters from Washington state to Washington D.C., from California to the Carolinas, from Hawaii to New Hampshire, from Alaska to Alabama, and from Minnesota to Mississippi.

I am an American. I believe in the importance of sharing Thanksgiving Dinner with your family, and Fourth of July parades with your community. I enjoy the peace of Christmas Day, and the excitement of New Year's Eve.

I am an American. I believe in a kind and benevolent God, Who does not condone the taking of innocent life. I believe our worth is measured not by what we have, but by what we do.

I am an American. I believe in Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness, The Constitution and the Bill of Rights. And I believe in the Pledge of Allegiance to Our Flag.

**I AM AN AMERICAN,
AND I WILL NOT ALLOW
OUR FREEDOM TO BE DEFEATED!**

John
Rome, New York

This page from:
<http://www.whitehouse.gov/march11/message2.html>



Photograph of Dallas Sunrise with American Flag - ABC Dallas

<http://www.radiocares.org/listings1129.asp>

"Shortly after the 9/11/01 tragedy, driving to work, I saw a beautiful Texas sunrise. I stopped and got a picture of it, then superimposed the American Flag over it and we offered it for download as a "wallpaper" for listeners with computers. No logos...no commercialization at all. To date, we've had about 7,000 downloads. You can view it or download it at www.abctexas.com/desktop.html." – Robert Shiflet, ABC Radio Group, Dallas/Fort Worth 10/2/01



Last night I had the strangest dream

Last night I had the strangest dream
I'd ever dreamed before
I dreamed the world had all agreed
To put an end to war

I dreamed I saw a mighty room
Filled with women and men
And the paper they were signing said
They'd never fight again

And when the paper was all signed
And a million copies made
They all joined hands and bowed their heads
And grateful pray'rs were prayed

And the people in the streets below
Were dancing 'round and 'round
While swords and guns and uniforms
Were scattered on the ground

Last night I had the strangest dream
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To put an end to war.

words to a song by
Ed McCurdy (1919 - 2000)

Submitted by Bernie Mayoff, Board President

J. J. PEARCE NEWSLETTER

Website: www.jjphoa.org

September 2002

Come to the Annual Meeting

Our Annual Meeting will be Tuesday, September 24, at 7:30 PM at Mohawk. This has been a very good year for our Homeowners Association. Membership has reached record levels. With no major crises in the neighborhood the Homeowners Association has been able to focus on sharing information and maintaining the quality of life that brought us all to the J. J. Pearce Addition in the first place. Your Board of Directors has worked hard throughout the year and we hope you've been pleased with the results. The Annual Meeting is the culmination of our membership year and the beginning of the next. We hope you'll be able to join your neighbors at this meeting and help us prepare for the coming year. The agenda for the meeting includes:

- Business
 - What's been happening
 - Treasurer's Report – what do we have and what have we done with it
 - Membership – how are we doing
 - Development – what's been going on around here
 - Beautification – picking the best of the best
 - Safety – this is a great place to live
 - Editor – all the news that's fit to print
 - Webmaster – news and more
 - Voting
 - Election of officers
- Fun
 - That man with the badge is our local Marshal. Fire Marshall that is. Actually be a hero and extinguish a fire yourself at the end of our meeting.
 - Door prizes

Save a stamp

You can renew your membership for the coming year at the Annual Meeting. Dues remain only \$15 and there will be renewal forms available. If you turn in a renewal form and your check at the meeting you'll save a stamp and an envelope, and you'll know your renewal has been taken care of.

It's a New Membership Year

All residents of the J. J. Pearce Addition are invited and encouraged to join the Homeowners Association this year, regardless of who owns your home. We've included a membership form attached to the back of this newsletter. We are distributing the September newsletter to every home to be sure that everyone has the opportunity to join and receive the benefits of membership. We will also

distribute the October and November newsletters to every home. But after that we will only be able to provide newsletters to members of the Association. The new Directory will be published and delivered to members in December.

Communicating

One of the fundamental purposes of our Association is communication. The city and other entities look to us as a focal point for communication to and from our residents. Our primary communication vehicle is the newsletter, but sometimes we need to make special announcements or communicate quickly. We can use our Alert signs and the telephone hotline for that, but the easiest way to communicate quickly and accurately is via our e-mail distribution list. We've received numerous compliments about this system and 260 of our members are already using it.

Each of our Crime Watch coordinators receive updates from the Crime Prevention Unit of the police department which they can forward to you. We also have a master list that we use when appropriate. *If you have access to e-mail, if you aren't already on our members e-group please consider signing up.* You won't have to call the telephone hotline because you'll receive the information by e-mail. You won't receive any junk e-mail if you participate. When we do sparingly use the master e-mail system you will notice a small ad included in the message. This saves us having to pay for this valuable service. To have your name added just check the e-mail communication box on your membership form. If you have any question send a note to Bernie@mayoff.com.

Introducing the new Police Chief

Larry Zacharias is the new Richardson Chief of Police. Zach is a 25 year resident of Richardson, and a 25 year member of the Richardson police department. He started his police career in Richardson upon graduation from college. He has served as a patrol officer, has worked in almost every department within the police department, and as he worked his way through the ranks has managed many of them as well. His most recent position within the department was Deputy Chief. He has already instituted a number of changes that should have a positive affect on morale within the department.

The Chief has told us that residential burglaries have dropped in areas where the police department has taken a "preventive" approach and alerted residents to open garage doors and other exposures. Expect to see more of those kinds of activities over time as the department is able to refill positions that have been frozen due to the budget crunch. The department will be hiring, but it is

very challenging to find people that meet the high professional standards that we expect. Of 120 individuals that signed up to take a recent police department exam, only about half actually showed up or passed the exam. Of those several did not pass the physical agility or other screening processes. Of the original list of 120 only three became final candidates. More tests will be scheduled if you or anyone you know is interested in a career in an excellent police department.

Red Light Means Stop

Incredible as it may seem, red light running has become such a big threat to your safety that the U.S. Federal Highway Administration is promoting National Stop on Red Week from September 7-13, 2002. The city of Richardson will be an active participant. The objective is simply to remind everyone of something we all learned in kindergarten or before.

- In the year 2000 there were approximately 89,000 injuries and 1,036 deaths attributed to running a red light in the United States.
- From 1992 to 1998 Texas experienced 800 deaths resulting from red light running, ranking us 4th in the nation, in addition to 16,500 accidents and 11,800 injuries.
- Red light running costs the American public an estimated \$7 billion per year in lost wages, medical bills and damages.
- Deaths caused by red light running are increasing three times faster than any other cause of roadway fatalities.



Photographic Red Light Enforcement

Photographic red light enforcement has been a proven technique for over forty years to address traffic signal disregard. Cities in fifteen states utilize this type of enforcement and received positive results. Red light running violations have decreased at intersections with cameras by as much as 60%. Many cities have also seen decreases by as much as 43% in accidents resulting from red light violations at intersections with cameras.

A red light enforcement camera system automatically photographs vehicles whose drivers run red lights. The red light camera is connected to the traffic signal and to sensors buried at the crosswalk or stop line of the intersection. The system continuously monitors the traffic

signal, and the camera is triggered by any vehicle passing over the sensor above a pre-set speed after the signal has turned red.

Legislation will be introduced in the 2003 Texas Legislative Session to give cities the ability to use this effective enforcement technique. Please support this issue by contacting your Texas legislator.



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News from the city

The City Council is finalizing the 2002-2003 budget. Here are some facts and factors being considered:

- The 2001-2002 budget was revised downward four times during the year in response to dwindling revenue.
- By year end 2002 city headcount will have been reduced by over 7%, equivalent to 61 positions. By comparison, Dallas has 12 times the number of employees but has reduced their headcount by about 200.
- In 2001-2002 expenses were reduced 7%.
- The new budget is expected to be 1% more than the actual 2001-2002 year-end expenses.
- The city is projecting a 1% drop in sales tax receipts. Sales tax revenue accounts for about 1/3 of the city's income. This lower revenue projection is about the same as the sales tax revenue was seven years ago.
- Overall value of property in the tax rolls will remain about the same as last year after all of the protests are resolved and reported to the city. This is the smallest increase in taxable property value of any of the local cities. Although many homes increased in value, business property tax values fell significantly. The result is expected to be an increase in property tax rates.
- Approximately 25% of homes in Richardson had no increase in taxable value; approximately 70% had an increase and many of those increases in value were more than 10%; approximately 5% went down in taxable value.
- The cost of city provided services will remain as the lowest or second lowest in the area.
- The police department is the largest department in the city and represents about 25% of the staff and 25% of the expense.

- Richardson normally maintains a cash reserve of approximately 90 days operating expenses. Although it was necessary to dip into these reserves, the new budget will restore the reserves to cover crises and to maintain the city's excellent bond rating. Having a favorable bond rating saves us a lot of money on capital projects.

Other items of interest include:

- Local unemployment fell from 5.8% to 5.6% last month. This was the second month in a row to see the local unemployment rate drop.
- Bombardier aircraft rental is relocating their headquarters, and approximately 200 jobs, to Richardson.
- Travelers is returning their regional headquarters to Richardson.
- Walmart had temporarily suspended all of their construction projects, but their grocery store at Promenade shopping center is now under construction again.
- The Hills of Breckenridge will be the site of the Parade of Homes this Fall, from October 23 to November 10.
- The City is working with the county to add double left turn lanes, in all four directions at the Coit/Campbell intersection. There is no schedule at this time.



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Revitalization Award Nominees wanted

The City of Richardson's Revitalization Awards Program was developed to recognize property owners who have completed significant redevelopment efforts or exterior enhancements and improvements having a positive influence on the community. Improvements might include façade updates, landscaping enhancements, etc. Both commercial and residential property owners are eligible for consideration. The program is now in its eight-year and more than 75 properties throughout the city have been recognized.

Nominations should be submitted no later than 5:00 pm, Friday, September 20. Only the property address is required, but any additional information regarding the nature and/or extent of improvements is helpful. Before and after photos are particularly useful (although not required)

and can be returned on request.

To submit nominations or for questions please contact: Stephen Roberts, Planner; City of Richardson; 411 W. Arapaho Road, Suite 207; Richardson, TX 75080; 972-744-4240; fax 972-744-5804.



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Membership & Directory Update Art Middlebrook, VP Membership

It is never too late in the year to join or renew your membership in our HOA! For example, I am very happy to report that our long time friends who live on Eton recently renewed. And, at the same time, she also went ahead and joined for 2003.

NOTE: Please add our renewed neighbor in your directory:

Marian Collins and Diana Collins Hart, 1205 Eton Drive
Phone - 972-235-0856.

Membership = **361** for the year 2002
Membership: 361/464 Total (**77.8%**)

Slate for 2002 – 2003

President	Bernie Mayoff
V P Beautification	Bill Little
V P Development	Greg Immel
V P Membership	Marc Perlstein
V P Safety	Lynn Sanders
Secretary	Suzanne Clark
Treasurer	Helen Simon

There will, of course, be a call for nominations from the membership at the annual meeting prior to the election.

Respectfully submitted,
Allan Journey, Chairman
Al Nix, member
Kristin Kuhne, member



Board Minutes, August 11, 2002

The meeting was called to order by Bernie at 7:15 p.m. The minutes of the last meeting were approved as read. The treasurers' report was discussed and is included.

Old Business:

The nominating committee met and submitted the following slate of officers for the 2002-2003 year:

President	Bernie Mayoff
VP Beautification	Bill Little
VP Development	Greg Immel
VP Membership	Marc Perlstein
VP Safety	Lynn Sanders
Secretary	Suzanne Clark
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There will be a call for nominations from the floor at the annual meeting of the JJPHOA prior to the election.

There was a discussion about the Fire Department September recognition. Bernie has met with the captains of all 3 shifts. We will take dinner to them at 6:00 p.m. on the following dates: 9/11, 9/12 and 9/13.

JJPHOA will run an ad in *The Richardson News* for the 9/11 tribute issue. Bill Little moved that we spend up to \$150.00 for the ad. The motion was seconded and passed.

New Business:

There will be a CPAAA buffet for all the Police Department employees in remembrance of 9/11. Donations are needed to cover the food. John Sadowski moved that we donate \$100.00 to this cause. The motion received a second and was approved.

Committee Reports:

Membership: There are 361 families (which is 77.8% of the homes in our area)

Development: Several new restaurants are coming to the Campbell / Coit intersection.

Beautification: Several new homes have been involved.

Newsletter: We have two new ads – Prestonwood Upscale Resale for 3 months and Nu-Fence for 2 months.

Safety: Lynn is still trying to get attendance sheets from NNO. Lynn will pass on the receipts to Helen.

Internet: Pictures from NNO are in the newsletter.

The next Homeowners Association Presidents meeting is 8/20 at 7:00 a.m.

The next JJPHOA Board meetings will be as follows:

- 9/4 7:00 p.m., Greg Immel's home; newsletter deadline 9/2
 - 9/24 7:30 p.m., Annual meeting at Mohawk
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Suzanne Clark, secretary

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Greetings from Bill Little, VP Beautification

The winners for August are as follows:

1101 Chesterton	Paul & Jenny Rosendahl
1101 Huntington	Scott & Margaret Bell
1206 Stratford	Carl & Carol Benson
1606 Cheyenne	Bob & Naomi Levinson
1129 Edith Circle	Stanley & Dorcus Helms

Tips for better landscapes.

- ◆ There are too many St. Augustine yards with yellowing blades of grass. Try to determine if your grass has gray leaf spot. It can be controlled with a fungicide called Daconil. Also there seem to be a few dead spots in some yards that may be caused by chinch bugs. These areas are usually in full sun or next to driveways or sidewalks. Diazinon or most general purpose insecticides will control.
- ◆ Brown Patch will be starting to affect some lawns after about September 15. A general purpose fungicide will be able to control it.
- ◆ Vary the pattern you mow each time. After making a couple trips around the edge of each section, mow it diagonally from corner to corner. This will keep your yards from getting ruts in the grass from continued mowing the same pattern each week.
- ◆ Early September is the last time to fertilize your lawns for this season.
- ◆ For those of you that have used Image to control nut-sedge, September 15 is the last time to apply the second application.
- ◆ Late August and early September are the best times to plant mums for fall color in your landscapes.
- ◆ Late September is a better time to plant pansies when the weather is a little cooler.

Crime Talk by Lynn Sanders, VP Safety

There are only two crime incidents to report for our JJ Pearce area since my last column was written; both burglaries. Both of them have indications of being done by the same perpetrator. Sometime during the day August 8, someone entered a home in the 1100 block of Stratford. Forced entry was not evident. An accumulation of change (coins) and two golf clubs were taken. Around noon on August 14, while the homeowner was away very briefly, someone entered the home in the 1100 block of Eton by removing a windowpane. Two containers of coins were taken. Please be watchful for someone in the alleys or between houses who may be watching for people leaving their homes. Report any suspicious person to the RPD immediately with as much descriptive information as possible. Keep windows/doors/gates locked, garage doors down, and alarm systems set.

As your young adults, particularly females, head off to college, be sure that they are aware of the dangers of sexual assault drugs such as GHB and Rohypnol. They are occasionally dropped into a victim's drink to incapacitate them in preparation for sexual assault. They also pose danger of deadly overdose. These drugs are easily obtained, and are very inexpensive. Young people need to be very careful at parties; going with others that are trusted and who promise to watch out for each other, maintaining visual control of drinks, and taking notice of symptoms of feeling "out of it".

Scammers are always out there looking for victims. One current scam is a message left on an answering machine that the IRS needs to talk to you about your refund, and asks for you to call a certain number and leave your name and SSN for a call back. Don't do it! Never give out your SSN without having complete confidence that the requester is legitimate AND has a need to know it. Another one involves subscribers to AOL Internet services. The subscriber receives a very official looking email "from AOL" stating that they need your name, DOB, SSN, and a credit card number to resolve a problem in your AOL billing. AOL says they never do business this way. Unfortunately we all need to be very suspicious of any attempt to gain our personal identifiers.

Finally, just a reminder that a sex offender database is available. Parents may desire such information in assuring the safety of their children. Go to www.cor.net, then to City Departments, then to Police, then to Crime Data, then to Local Sex Offenders, then to Zip Code. When you get the zip code listings, you will have to click and hold directly on the little blue arrow to the left of the zip code. When you have the offenders listed, you can get detail about that offender by clicking on that person's line.

Elderly Reservation Resident Found Safe

An elderly lady who wandered off from her residence in

the 1200 block of Chippewa a little before noon on August 28 was found in good shape after more than 10 hours and an extensive search. The 80 year old lady, a borderline diabetic and in the very early stage of developing Alzheimers, was identified by the Dallas Police Department in far-west Dallas around 9:30 PM. The DPD then contacted her residence and family by phone before returning her home around 10:15 PM; tired and sunburned, but otherwise in good shape. Waiting Richardson Police Department Officers and family members were relieved to have her home safe and sound.

She had gotten to Central and Forest Lane, apparently on foot, when a man noticed she needed help. She said she needed to get to Chippewa. The man only knew of a Chippewa Street that is in far-west Dallas, and took her there. When she could not locate the house, the man called the DPD who were able to establish her identity and Richardson address.

The RPD got involved around 1 PM and had been conducting a very thorough search of west central Richardson for over 9 hours when she was reported found. The RPD had employed many Officers, a helicopter, and search dogs in the search. Several residents from The Reservation and JJ Pearce areas had also been involved in the search. The RPD was very appreciative of the responsiveness and help from concerned citizens.



Gene Autry Festival

Gene Autry Festival Ball and Auction

Friday, September 20
6:00 PM - 12 Midnight

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Charles W. EISEMANN CENTER

For Performing Arts and Corporate Presentations

The center is named for Charles W. Eisemann in recognition of a generous \$2-million gift from the Eisemann Foundation Fund of The Communities Foundation of Texas. A long-time resident of Richardson, Mr. Eisemann has been an active participant and supporter of Richardson's cultural and business communities, having served on numerous boards including the Richardson Symphony, Richardson Chamber of Commerce and STARTech Corp. He was chairman of the board of Chaparral Bancshares, Inc., and Canyon Creek National Bank until its merger with Bank of Texas. He also was founder, president and chairman of Industrial Relations International, a Richardson-based management-consulting firm.

The Eisemann Center will feature three venues, a 1,500-seat performance hall, a 350-seat adaptable theatre and a 3,150-square-foot meeting and banquet hall. The 1,500-seat performance hall is large in capacity, but intimate, warm and inviting by design. With audience seating on two levels, its interior architectural treatment with natural wood-clad walls sculpted to meet acoustical requirements is an exceptional environment for symphonic music, dance, musical theatre, opera, corporate meetings and awards programs. The stage area consisting of 4,815 square feet of production space will be the largest of the primary performing arts facilities surveyed in the Dallas/Fort Worth market with the exception of Fort Worth's Bass Hall. The 350-seat theatre is a flexible space featuring a more contemporary design. This exciting space is more versatile as the stage may be extended out over the lower floor seating area of the audience chamber. Its exposed catwalk system, free-floating acoustical diffusers and overall architectural treatment reinforce the notion of flexibility and dynamism of the performance space. Whether configured for traditional or thrust-stage performances, it is an ideal setting for theatre, dance, recitals and cabaret-style programs. The meeting and banquet hall is a multi-use space featuring a barrel vault ceiling, cove lighting, wood floor and state-of-the-art audio-visual production equipment.

Owned and operated by the City of Richardson, the Eisemann Center will be accessed easily from Central Expressway, the President George Bush Turnpike and DART light rail.

Schedule of Events

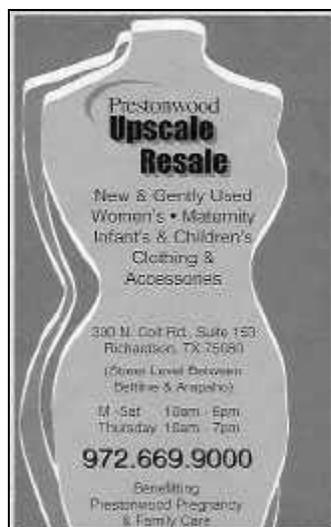
On September 15, the Gala Opening Night at the Charles W. Eisemann Center will feature a special evening with Patti Lupone and Mandy Patinkin. (Black-Tie) Please call 972-744-4650 for ticket information.

Richardson Arts Showcase at the Charles W. Eisemann Center, 1-7 pm. This showcasing of Richardson's diverse performing arts and visual arts organizations is free to the public, but tickets are required. A Classical Celebration featuring the Richardson Symphony under the direction of Anshel Brusilow, with pianist Jon Nakamatsu in an all Rachmaninoff program at the Eisemann Center. September 15.

The Richardson Theatre Centre presents *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown*, a delightful and charming musical that appeals to the child in all of us! 8 pm at the Richardson Theatre Centre. September 20-21

Mission Im-prov-ible featuring The Second City National Touring Company at the Eisemann Center. ("Fun" Black-Tie) 7 and 10:30 pm performances. September 20 - 21

For more information, and ticket information, call 972-744-4650 or go to www.eisemanncenter.com.



Local Events September-October include:

Date	Event/Location	
September		
6	JV Football vs Spruce	5:00pm at Pearce
	Volleyball vs Frisco	5:30pm at Pearce
10	North Football 7 th /8 th vs West	5:15/7:00pm at Pearce
11	North Football 7 th vs Forest Meadows	7:00pm at Pearce
12	North Football 9 th vs Creek View	5:15pm at Pearce
13	Volleyball vs Mesquite Poteet	5:30/6:30pm at Pearce
	Football vs Creekview	7:30pm at RHS
15	Eisemann Center Arts Showcase	1:00pm-7:00pm
	Community Band Concert	1:30 pm at Eisemann Center
18	North Volleyball 9 th West	5:00pm at Pearce
19	North Football 9 th vs North Garland	5:15pm at RHS
	JV Football vs North Garland	7:00pm at Pearce
20	Volleyball vs Wylie	5:30/6:30 at Pearce
22	Eisemann Center Open House	1:00pm-6:00pm
24	Homeowners Association Annual Meeting	7:30pm at Mohawk
26	JV Football vs Highland Park	7:00pm at Pearce
October		
1	Volleyball vs Mesquite	6:00/7:00 at Pearce
3	North Football 9 th vs West	5:15pm at RHS
4	Homecoming	
	Volleyball vs Highland Park	5:30/6:30 at Pearce
	Football vs Mesquite-Poteet	7:30pm at RHS
8	North Football 7 th /8 th vs Lake Highlands	5:15/7:00pm at Pearce
9	North Football 9 th vs Parkhill	7:00pm at Pearce
10	JV Football vs Richardson	7:00pm at Pearce
11	Volleyball vs Richardson	5:30/6:30 at Pearce
	Football vs Richardson	7:30pm at RHS
14	State Fair holiday	



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JJ PEARCE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION
Statement of Cash Receipts and Expenses
For the Period September 1, 2001 to August 31, 2002

	1 Month	12 Months	Year To Date Budget
Cash Receipts			
Membership Dues	30.00	5,100.00	5,000.00
Dividends	21.16	317.80	372.63
Interest		1.48	0.77
Newsletter	50.00	1,100.00	780.00
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Total Receipts	101.16	6,519.28	6,153.40
Expenses			
Crime Watch			
Metrocall	23.24	255.83	253.08
Decals		158.99	158.99
National Night Out	164.07	164.07	950.00
Membership			
Annual Meeting			70.00
Binders			100.00
Printing		199.45	400.00
Delivery		30.00	75.00
Social Events			
Easter		98.86	150.00
July 4th		136.95	500.00
December Decorations		114.66	157.33
Volunteer Party		218.09	350.00
Newsletter			
Printing, etc.	161.70	2,647.95	3,043.02
Mailing Labels		41.85	
Delivery	60.00	765.00	765.00
Other Expenses			
Contributions	100.00	100.00	
Federal Income Tax		150.00	150.00
Special Ad for 9/11	100.00	100.00	
Miscellaneous		5.28	100.00
Total Expenses	609.01	5,186.98	7,222.42
Net Income (Loss)	-507.85	1,332.30	-1,069.02

	Checking	Savings	Vanguard	Totals
Beginning Balances - 9/01/01	\$447.99	\$124.41	\$14,200.02	\$14,772.42
Add receipts	6,200.71	0.77	317.80	6,519.28
Account Transfers	-874.82	-125.18	1,000.00	
Less Disbursements	5,186.98			5,186.98
Ending Balances - 8/31/02	\$586.90		\$15,517.82	\$16,104.72

Respectfully Submitted Helen Simon, Treasurer

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1/4 page	\$20.00
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SEPTEMBER 11, 2002

(Sent in by Sue Caldwell, member)

September 11, 2002 is soon approaching.

On that day, please wear red, white and blue to work or school to show your support for those who lost their lives on 9-11-01 and to honor the heroes who worked to save them and the families left behind. At noon on September 11, 2002, no matter where you are or what you are doing, stop, put your hand on your heart, and say the Pledge of Allegiance out loud or to yourself and say a prayer for our nation.

Fly your flag on this day!



In addition, for those of us who drive to work please drive with your headlights on to also give honor and remembrance to those who perished on September 11th.

If all of us do this together in every time zone around the world, we will have a powerful chain of thoughts surrounding us.

By September 11, 2002 hopefully enough people will have read this and will join together in unity.

God Bless the U.S.A

Area schedule of Events for 9-11

- Our Board is preparing dinners for all shifts of our Fire Station #2 on September 11, 12 and 13.
- Other homeowner associations are also doing this in their areas.
- Our Association is making a donation toward a catered meal for all shifts on September 11 for all employees of the Police Department, sponsored by the Richardson Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association.
- A brief program is tentatively scheduled for 8:30 – 9:30 AM at the Civic Center Fountain for all City Employees.
- A special prayer service for “Patriot’s Day”, led by Dr. Brian Harbour of the First Baptist Church will be held on Wednesday, September 11 from 6:30 – 7:30 PM. The community is invited.
- Arapaho Methodist Church will hold special services of remembrance at 8:30 AM and 11AM on September 8 and a candlelight service of healing and hope at 7:30 PM on the 11th.
- Area schools will observe 9-11, “Patriot’s Day” in various ways. Check with your child’s school.

The JJPHOA Yard Sale will be scheduled for October 19, 2002, from 9 AM until 2PM. We would like as many homes as possible to participate. This would be a great time to clean out those garages, attics, and closets.

General Meeting -- September 24 at Mohawk, 7:30PM

Please fill out membership form and bring it with your check for \$15.00 to the meeting

or mail it to Art Middlebrook, 1701 Mimosa, Richardson, TX 75080

The complete color version of the newsletter can be viewed on our website: www.jjphoa.org



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- Monthly newsletter
- Telephone alert line
- Alert signs
- E-mail alerts
- Annual meeting speaker
- Holiday decorations
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Neighborhood Crime Watch
- National Night Out.
- Neighborhood yard sale
- Yard of the Month
- Monitor development activities that will impact the neighborhood and coordinate responses
- Website with local information, links to other sites, and our newsletter
- Annual Directory of members by street and by name
- 4th of July Parade and Party
- Crime Update Alerts

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Address: _____

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May we list your telephone number in the directory? YES: ___ NO: ___

Do you want to be on our e-mail alert list? YES: _____ NO: _____
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Signature of member: _____

Interested in taking a CPR course? Yes ___ No ___

Interested in having a blood drive? Yes ___ No ___

Interested in a Member Cookbook? Yes ___ No ___

Willing to work on it? Yes ___ No ___

Is it useful for the cover of the newsletter to be blue every month? Yes ___ No ___

What type of articles would you like to see in the

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Any other suggestions? _____

Please bring completed form and your \$15.00 check to the Annual Meeting

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***** Membership is open to ALL residents *****