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SUSSEX COUNTY 9/11 MEMORIAL

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9/11 Remembrance Ceremony to Be Held at SCCC on Sept. 11th

Mr. Fred Martens, assigned to Ground Zero on behalf of the Department of Investigations for the City of New York, to be Keynote Speaker

A ceremony remembering the 15th anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attacks will be held at Sussex County Community (SCCC) in Newton on Sunday September 11th at 4 pm at the College's 9/11 Memorial on Connor Green.

Residents and college students are invited to attend the annual ceremony where each year we join with hundreds of other communities across America in remembrance and prayer. We will gather and reflect upon the innocent lives of those that were killed; we will pay solemn tribute to those that heroically sacrificed their own lives to save thousands of others; and, we'll remember all those that helped in the rescue-recovery efforts that followed at Ground Zero.

Mr. Fred Martens is a retired Detective/Lieutenant of the New Jersey State Police. He also served as the Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Crime Commission. After 9/11, Mr. Martens was assigned to Ground Zero on behalf of the Department of Investigations for the City of New York. His role was to mitigate fraud, waste and abuse and prevent organized crime elements and their surrogates from profiting from this catastrophic event. Mr. Martens will address what he and the other "monitors" assigned to Ground Zero confronted and the long-term effects on both the families of those victimized by this brutal act of terrorism and the rescue and recovery workers who worked there in its aftermath.

The Sheriff's Honor Guard as well as area Police and Fire Departments will be in attendance in addition to members of the Police Explorers. Local vocalists and bagpipers will also bring their talents to the remembrance ceremony.

The 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony is an annual event organized at SCCC by members of the Sussex County PBA Local #138. For more information on the ceremony, please contact Det. Steve VanNieuwland or Ptl. Mahir Kaylani at the Newton Police Dept. (973)383-2525.