



THE GREAT AMERICAN BARBEQUE!!!

Come celebrate the summer with friends, food and fun! BBQ entrees include grilled chicken, Cajun-teriyaki-BBQ Style, Top Sirloin burgers and cheeseburgers, veggie burgers, hot dogs and more.

Don't forget corn on the cob, watermelon and Kimball's Legendary Ice Cream Buffet!!!

Kimball Farm comes complete with a driving range, 9-hole par three Pitch & Putt, miniature golf, bumper boats as well as several other activities.

WHEN?

Saturday, June 24

WHERE?

Kimball Farm
400 Littleton Road
Westford, MA 01886

TIME?

5:00 pm – 8:00 pm

HOW MUCH?

\$15 per adult, \$10 per child
Or
\$40 per family of 4 or more

Please RSVP to Erica Cabag at (617) 482-8153 or erica.cabag@massfund.org by June 16

MA 9/11 Fund Evening Hours for June

In direct response to the concerns articulated in the 2006 Needs Survey, the MA 9/11 Fund will provide "Walk-In" hours each week for family members to drop by the offices of the Fund to ask questions, receive support and share concerns. Diane Nealon will post these hours for the coming months on our new web that you can find using the following link:

<http://www.massfund.org/mentalhealthservices.html>

For the month of June, 2006, the Walk-In Hours will be:

- Tuesday, June 6th, 4:00pm - 7:00 pm
- Tuesday, June 20th 4:00pm - 7:00 pm

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Also In this issue: Health Care Support Program Extension; Moussaoui Defense Team Meeting, Future Plans for the MA 9/11 Fund

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Upcoming Events*Strategic Planning  
Community Forums**Monday, June 12, 2006**10:00 AM - 12:00 noon**Marlborough Public Library  
Marlborough, Ma**Tuesday, June 13, 2006**10:00 Am - 12:00 noon**Boys and Girls Club of  
Plymouth  
Plymouth, MA**Wednesday, June 14, 2006**Memorial Hall Library,  
Andover, MA*

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*Moussaoui Trial – Follow Up  
Meeting with Defense Team**June 14, 2006**MA 9/11 Fund Offices  
Chinatown, Boston*

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*The Great American  
Barbeque!!!**Saturday, June 24, 2006**Kimball Farm  
Westford, MA*

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*Mind-Body Stress  
Connection Workshop**Wednesday, June 28,  
2006**Children's Charter  
Waltham, MA*

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*Board of Directors Meeting**July 17, 2006**Dinner at 5:30 PM**Meeting 6:00 - 9:00 PM**Sheraton Newton Hotel  
Newton, MA*

## 2006 Needs Survey Drawing Winners - Contact the Fund

We still need to hear from the rest of our winners!

Everyone who responded to the 2006 Needs Assessment Survey was entered into a drawing for the first ten commemorative Massachusetts 9/11 Fund pins currently being designed. In the survey envelope, you received a card with a number on it. If you have one of the numbers below, please send that card to the Fund, marking your name and address on it clearly.

WINNING NUMBERS: 31, 59, 82, 88, 116, 143, 162, 281, 291, 368

## Moussaoui Trial – Follow Up Meeting with Defense Team

Two members of Mr. Moussaoui's legal team are making themselves available to answer any questions from MA 9/11 Fund family members about the recent sentencing trial. Federal Defender Gerald Zerkin and Victim Outreach Specialist Mickell Branham will be at the offices of the MA 9/11 Fund on **Wednesday, June 14th from 6:30p-8:30p**. To attend this event, please RSVP as soon as possible to Diane Nealon by calling her at 617-482-8156 or by sending her an email at [diane.nealon@massfund.org](mailto:diane.nealon@massfund.org). If you have questions for Mr. Zerkin or Ms. Branham but cannot attend the meeting on this date, please be sure to let Diane know and she will assist you in getting these answered at a different time.

Again, be sure to note that this is a meeting with Mr. Moussaoui's DEFENSE team, not the U.S. Attorney's Office. It is our understanding that the U.S. Attorney's Office will hold their follow up meeting for MA 9/11 Fund family members in the fall.

## Mind-Body Stress Connection Workshop

In direct response to the 2006 Needs Survey, the Fund is pleased to offer another in its series of workshops with Children's Charter entitled "**Mind-Body Stress Connection**". Presenter Norah Hass will address the concerns of family members feeling physically different since 9/11, such as those experiencing fatigue, back pain, high blood pressure, ulcers, migraines, etc. The workshop is scheduled for **Wednesday, June 28th, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm**, at Children's Charter on 77 Rumford Avenue in Waltham, MA. A light dinner will be served. To RSVP for this event, please contact Diane Nealon before June 16th.

## What Next for the Massachusetts 9/11 Fund ...

We would like your input into developing the blueprint of the future for the MA 9/11 Fund.

As you may remember reading in last month's newsletter, a Strategic Planning Committee of the Board of Directors was formed in March 2006 and began its work to prepare alternative plans for the future of the Massachusetts 9/11 Fund, Inc. The Fund's Board is committed to providing the support necessary to assist families in ways that will help them progress towards their individual futures, plan and achieve their goals, to honor the memories of those lost, and to ensure that the public remembers the lives lost not as an aggregate, but as individuals - who were violently deprived of their potential, their plans and their goals.

The strategic planning process also involves the Family Advisory Committee. The FAC, comprised of twelve family members (listed on the cover of this newsletter) has been meeting with the staff of the Fund to evaluate the work of the Strategic Planning Committee and to offer their comments and counsel. This process will continue, with an end date of July 17. On that evening, the Board of Directors is preparing to make a final set of decisions which will map the coming years and future plans of the Fund.

There are going to be two rounds of community forums as noted below. We will present the progress of the strategic plan work at these forums. Your input will be taken into consideration in developing the final plan.

- What are the possible outcomes of this plan?

You are encouraged to read the full plan which is available on our website and is being included as a separate mailing with this newsletter. However, this is a very brief summary of the three visions of the future as proposed for consideration:

- Option A - the Fund would eventually close its physical office, discharge its staff, and remain as an all-volunteer group that supervises several partnership agreements with entities that agree to continue performing specific tasks on behalf of the Massachusetts 9/11 Fund, Inc. The organization would remain on paper as a legal entity, and could be renewed to a more active status at any time.
- Option B, Version 1. With the unifying principle being *individuals and families affected by the events connected to 9/11/01*, the Board would seek to identify other populations who could benefit from the similar type of services provided to the current constituency of 9/11 families. *Funds would be raised for these other populations*, but a single core staff and core board would be shared by all such programs of service. The 9/11 service cluster for families would remain.
- Option B, Version 2. With the broader unifying principle being *families who could benefit from support in dealing with the unexpected loss of a loved one due to violence*, this organizational structure would be otherwise the same as Option B. Version 1 above.

## Strategic Planning Community Forums - Dates, Times, Locations

▪ **Monday, June 12**

10:00 AM - 12:00 noon

Marlboro, MA

Marlborough Public Library

35 West Main St.

Marlborough, MA 01752

508-624-6900

Directions: From 495 North or South, Exit 24A (Route 20 East). Go through two traffic lights, take your next left onto Winthrop Street (approximately one mile from 495). Take your first right onto Witherbee Street. The library is on the right.

From Mass Pike, Exit 11A to 495 N. Follow directions above.

From 290, take exit for 495 S. Follow directions above.

▪ **Tuesday, June 13**

10:00 AM - 12:00 noon

Boys and Girls Club of Plymouth

9 Resnik Road

Plymouth, MA 02360

508-746-6070

Directions: From Route 3: Points North and South:

\* Merge onto US-44 W via exit number 7 toward RT-80/ COMMERCE WAY.

\* Take the COMMERCE WAY exit toward RT-80/ CHERRY ST/ N. PLYMOUTH.

\* Keep RIGHT at the fork in the ramp.

\* Turn SLIGHT RIGHT onto COMMERCE WAY.

\* Turn LEFT onto CHRISTA MCAULIFFE BLVD.

\* Turn RIGHT onto RESNIK RD.

From Route 3A: Points North and South:

\* Follow RT 3A to North Plymouth.

\* Turn onto CHERRY ST.

\* CHERRY ST becomes NICKS ROCK RD.

\* Turn LEFT onto W CHERRY ST.  
\* Stay straight to go onto INDUSTRIAL PARK RD.

\* INDUSTRIAL PARK RD becomes CHRISTA MCAULIFFE BLVD.

\* Turn LEFT onto RESNIK RD.

From Route 44: From the West:

\* Follow US-44 E to Plymouth.

\* Turn LEFT onto PLYMPTON RD/ MA-80.

\* Turn LEFT onto COMMERCE WAY.

\* Turn RIGHT onto COMMERCE WAY.

\* Turn RIGHT onto CHRISTA MCAULIFFE BLVD.

\* Turn RIGHT onto RESNIK RD.

▪ **Wednesday, June 14**

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Andover, MA

Memorial Hall Library

Elm Square

Andover, MA 01810

Ground Floor Meeting Room - Opposite the

Children's Room

978-623-8400

Metered parking is available in the rear of the library

From 93 North

\* Take Exit 41, Andover -- Route 125

\* Turn right at the end of the ramp

\* Proceed on Route 125 approximately 2.5 miles to Route 28

\* Follow signs reading Route 28, Andover/Lawrence

\* Travel on Route 28 (Main St.) 4 miles into Andover Center

\* The Library is on the far left side of the busy intersection at Elm Square where Central St. and Elm St. meet

\* Turn left onto Central St.; then turn immediately right onto Essex Street

\* Turn right into the Library parking lot

## From 495 North &amp; South

- \* Take Exit 41A, Andover or Exit 41, Andover
- \* Both exits bring you onto Route 28, Main Street\* As you go up the hill you will see the Fire Station on your right

- \* Turn right after the Fire Station onto Pearson Street
- \* Turn left into the Library parking lot
- \* Go approximately 2 miles to Andover Center.

## Research Study

Researchers at *The City College of New York* are conducting a study to investigate coping, grieving, religious beliefs, and advocacy work among families bereaved by the tragedy of the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001. Participants will be asked to answer several short questionnaires and will be provided with information on the study and with resources to deal with their grief and loss, if desired. Participation is voluntary and can be terminated at any time during the study. The questionnaires are paper and pencil format that should take less than 30 minutes to answer. If you are interested in participating or for more information, please contact **Melissa Brady, (845) 624-3816** or [mbrady00@ccny.cuny.edu](mailto:mbrady00@ccny.cuny.edu).

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Trailer for Oliver Stone's Movie "*World Trade Center*" Shows in Theaters

Oliver Stone is directing the movie, *World Trade Center*, about two Port Authority Police Officers, Sergeant John McLoughlin and Officer Will Jimeno, who survived the collapse of the towers on September 11th. The release is anticipated either in the late summer or fall of this year.

Recently, dozens of members of the PAPD, FDNY, and NYPD traveled to the set of *World Trade Center* in California to film scenes of the officers' heroic rescue and to provide technical support to ensure that the movie is as authentic and accurate as possible. Many of those who visited the set responded to the *World Trade Center* attacks and some were directly involved in the rescue of Sergeant McLoughlin and Officer Jimeno and will appear as extras in the film.

The preview for *World Trade Center* will be shown at theaters around the country along with the following films - 'The Break Up', 'An Inconvenient Truth', and 'The DaVinci Code'. Television ads are expected to begin in early July.

For questions about the film, we encourage you to contact Jennifer Brown via email or phone: [jbrown@a2blc.com](mailto:jbrown@a2blc.com) ; (917) 885-3672. The trailer can be viewed, if you wish, at <http://www.wtcmovie.com/>.

Contact the theater manager at any theater you will be visiting, if you want to know if the trailer will be shown as a coming attraction during the previews of any film you are going to see.

For more information about how to cope with this trailer and other 9/11 media reactions, please feel free to contact Diane Nealon.



## Health Care Support Program - Sign up extended to June 30, 2006

**What does the program cover?** - Eligible individuals or families can choose from **one** of the following alternatives

- OPTION 1 - receive reimbursement for 50% of health and/or dental insurance premiums for a maximum of two years.
- OPTION 2 - receive reimbursement for up to \$2,500 per year for each of two years for out-of pocket deductibles, co-payments, or payments for professional health care services where your benefits have been exhausted. Costs submitted for reimbursement are not eligible for submittal to any other reimbursement program including LifeNet and all other 9/11-related funds and grants. If in doubt, contact Diane Nealon for any questions about eligibility for other health care support programs.

### **Program Length** - Two Years

- The program will run for 24 consecutive months and can be started any time from 1/1/2006 through and including 5/31/2006. You may select the start date when you request consideration for eligibility.
- Each year you will select an option which will stay in force for twelve months once it is selected. You may change options only once thereafter - to affect the second year. Near the conclusion of month twelve, you can request a different option, which will go into effect on the first day of month 13 of the 24 month program.

**Who is eligible?** The program's current requirement is that you satisfy all of the following criteria. These criteria are subject to change given appropriate federal and state regulation and legislation:

- Relationship - You were impacted by the attacks of 9/11/01. "Impacted" is defined by one of the two following definitions:
  - You are related to an individual killed or injured in the September 11th terrorist attacks (relationship must be either as parent, spouse, child, sibling or domestic partner. This relationship does not had to have been one in which you were financially dependent upon the loved one who was killed or injured) **or**
  - You suffered personal injury or trauma as a direct result of being at the World Trade Center area (whether as a victim or a rescue worker)
- Residency - your legal primary residence for the past twelve months
  - You can provide documentation that your primary residence has been Massachusetts, New Hampshire or Rhode Island, and you have lived there for at least the past twelve months
- Income:
  - The annual taxable income for an individual (documented by a copy of your federal tax return) can not exceed \$94,200. For families, the annual taxable income cannot exceed \$188,400. Please note - this is a change from the original program design, necessary to comply with appropriate Internal Revenue Service advisories and regulations.

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**How do I request an eligibility determination?** - Families requesting eligibility need to send the following documents. These can be provided by mail, or by email using scanned documents in PDF format.

- a cover letter indicating
  - for persons related to a lost loved one(s)
    - the name(s) of the individual(s) requesting eligibility, their relationship to the loved one(s), and the name of the loved one(s).
  - for people who were directly injured or traumatized as a result of being at the World Trade Center site on 9/11/01
    - your name
  - a statement choosing which option you would like
    - Option 1 - insurance premium reimbursement **or**
    - Option 2 - out-of-pocket reimbursement
  - the start date you choose for your eligibility
    - any date from 1/1/2006 through and including 5/31/2006) to begin.
- a completed copy of your 2005 tax return (covering 1/1/05-12/31/05). Please only send the 1040, 1040A or 1040EZ. We do not need any attachments or supplementary schedules. This will also serve as documentation of your current residency.
- a copy of documentation establishing the state of your residency for the past twelve months.
- for those persons related to a lost loved one, a copy of documentation supporting your relationship to your deceased loved one(s)

*If you believe any of the above documentation is already on file at the Fund, please let us know. Duplicates are NOT necessary. We will respond promptly to all families requesting a decision on their eligibility for this program.*

Please direct your email correspondence to [david.hastings@massfund.org](mailto:david.hastings@massfund.org)

The mailing address is:

The Massachusetts 9/11 Fund, Inc.  
Health Care Support Program  
75 Kneeland Street - Sixth Floor  
Boston, MA 02111-1901

**What is the process for submitting paid bills for reimbursement once I am told I am eligible for this program?**

Eligible families submit copies of paid bills (no more frequently than once per month, please) for reimbursement consideration. The mailing address to use is the same as immediately above.

## Remembrance Book - Additional Layouts

Families who have not yet worked on a layout for their loved one are welcome to contact the fund and develop a lasting, custom-designed remembrance for inclusion in the "we remember" book.

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## Why did my June Newsletter Come in an Envelope?

Following the successful delivery of 100% of the May Newsletters, we are continuing the practice of mailing your newsletter in an envelope. In previous months, we tried to keep the cost of mailing down by folding the newsletter and making the back page a "mailer". However, numerous copies had been returned, shredded by the automatic mail-handling machines in the post office, so we have had to place the newsletters in an outer envelope. It costs a bit more, but you get a copy that has not been dog-eared by an electronic handling machine. It is still ready for mailing if you do wish to forward it on to a family member in another part of the country. You can also tell them about the website, where they can read the full copy in Adobe PDF format.

**Register with Scholarship America** - Register eligible dependents in one of the following ways: phone toll-free 1-877-862-0136, email to [scholarships911@scholarshipamerica.org](mailto:scholarships911@scholarshipamerica.org) or visit their website [www.scholarships911.org](http://www.scholarships911.org). If you experience any difficulty at all with the registration process, or have questions after contacting Scholarship America - please get in touch with us as soon as you can.

**\$5,000 in Uninsured Health Costs Assistance from Twin Towers Orphans Fund** – Twin Towers Orphans Fund provides up to \$5,000/year for uninsured physical health costs and uninsured mental health costs incurred by children who lost one or both parents on September 11th. Contact the Twin Towers Orphan Fund at (661) 633-9076 or at <http://www.ttof.org/>.

## **Red Cross Reimbursement for Mental Health Care Scheduled for Closeout**

The Red Cross has announced that it intends to close out its 9/11 Mental Health and Substance Abuse Program (known to many as "LIFENET") in 2007. A complete description of program is available at [www.9-11MentalHealth.org](http://www.9-11MentalHealth.org) or by telephone at 1-800-LIFENET (1-800-543-3638). The deadline to **enroll** in this program is **January 2, 2007** (enrollment is completed by calling the 1-800-LIFENET number). The last date of service which will be reimbursed by this program is **December 31, 2007** and the last date to file a claim for reimbursable services is **March 31, 2008**.

Please note – this program does allow you to claim eligible uninsured mental health treatment costs retroactively back to 9/11/01. If you or anyone in your family is or was incurring out of pocket costs for mental health treatment since 9/11, we strongly encourage you to take advantage of this program before it ends. Family members will not be allowed to "carry" any unused portion of the benefit.



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