



September 11th, 2011
Patriot Day Program
Hopewell Township, Cumberland Valve

On December 18th, 2001 Congress authorized and requested the President to designate September 11th of each year as Patriot day. The US flag is to be flown at half staff and a moment of silence is to be observed at 8:46AM marking the first plane crash.

Hopewell Township and the Patriot Day Committee will be hosting a 9-11 Remembrance for residents of Bridgeton and all of the townships on the Western side of Cumberland County.

Taking place at Cumberland Valve, 746 Shiloh Pike

1. Sunday, September 11th Patriot Day Program:

- a. 7:30AM to 8:00AM **Woodruff School band and choir** will perform patriot songs.
- b. 8:00AM Honor guard presenting our nations colors. **Bridgeton High School ROTC**. Each branch of the service will be represented.
- c. The singing of the Star Spangled Banner by **Linda Hunter Feeney**
- d. Pledge of Allegiance led by **Jim Woodside VFW Post Commander**
2. **Dave Strope** West Park United Methodist Church
3. **Time line** of Sept 11, 2001 read by the sons and daughters of the Remembrance committee and local students.
4. Children born of September 11, 2001 or children that are 10 years of age to place a flag around memorial.
5. **Honoring of our first responders. Mayor Bruce Hankins of Hopewell Township**, will read a proclamation honoring the Hopewell Stow Creek Fire Department. The presentation of proclamations honoring those who fall within their jurisdiction will then follow but not be read by the Townships, City of Bridgeton, Cumberland County and State of NJ officials.
6. **Honorees** (Firefighters, Policemen, Fire Police, Sherriff's Dept, Cumberland County 911, EMT's etc)

7. Woodruff School Band & Choir-God Bless the USA
8. County Freeholder Director Bill Whelan
9. NJ State Senator Jeff VanDrew
10. **At approximately 8:46 AM United flight #11 hit the North Tower.**
 - a. Moment of Silence
 - b. VFW Post Commander James Woodside will provide a 21 gun salute from his Post which will also include a Bridgeton Fireman and Police officer.
 - c. Playing of Taps, Bill McLean
9. Closing of 9-11 Remembrance program.
 - a. Thanking volunteers & Patriot Day Committee Members
 - b. Closing Prayer, Mayor Albert Kelly
 - c. Woodruff School Band & Choir- God Bless America