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Our continuing gratitude to the many individuals, businesses and community entities for their participation and support in the construction of Montana’s 9/11 Memorial at City College leading to the dedication on September 11, 2011.

September 11, 2013

City College
at Montana State University Billings

Leadership & Service:
9/11 Remembrance Ceremony
Montana’s 9/11 Memorial

The development of Montana’s 9/11 Memorial at City College has been a true community effort. Born from an idea of two faculty members from City College at Montana State University Billings, work on the memorial began in December 2010 when the University sought approval for the award of a piece of the destroyed World Trade Center. That 612-pound piece of steel I-beam now serves as the centerpiece of the memorial.

The piece arrived in Billings in May 2011 and ground was officially broken on July 15. Over the course of the summer, work was completed. Along with Drafting and Design Program and Welding Program faculty and the University Facilities Services, volunteers from across the community worked to make the project a reality. Set on a 40-foot diameter concrete pad, the 4,150 square-foot memorial features benches for personal reflection. At the center is a 12-foot diameter raised platform on which the I-beam rests. Rising above the I-beam are two 16-foot tube steel towers, a scaled-down replica of the World Trade Center towers that fell on 9/11.

The memorial now stands as a steadfast witness to the memory of those who lost their lives on that landmark day 12 years ago. Visitors to the memorial can reflect not only on the historical significance of 9/11 but also on the sacrifices made by true heroes—the firefighters, first responders and service-oriented professionals—who work in our communities on a daily basis. It also provides a place of reflection and honor for those who serve others in any other capacity from military service to volunteering in the community.

These are the lessons that Montana State University Billings and our community partners wish to preserve and impart to the next generation of Montanans: Remember that 9/11 changed America and the course of our history forever and made us more aware of our responsibilities as citizens. Reflect on how communities can come together in time of need and how everyday heroes emerge when called upon. Educate by providing venues for making sense of complex questions and current issues. Be reminded that such events unify us and help us transcend differences of race, religion, social status and political affiliation. Dedicate by inspiring others to value citizenship and civic engagement. Memories can be honored through service to others.

Scholarships and Awards

9/11 Research & Creative Works Awards
Mr. Wom Trabias Smith, Construction Technology

9/11 Service Scholarships
Mr. Nickalas Bucinuman, Criminal Justice
Mr. Austin Van Dyken, Fire Science

Exchange Clubs of Billings Healing Field Endowed Scholarship
Mr. Tyrel Flammang, Fire Science

Other Student Events

Sat., Sept. 7: Service Saturday
Service Sites: Family Service Inc., Salvation Army, Zoo Montana

Mon., Sept. 9 Welcome Volunteers
Big Sky Honor Flight
Billings International Airport

Wed., Sept 11: Ribbon-Cutting
Veteran Students Lounge, Room B11
Tech Building, City College

For more information about Montana’s 9/11 Memorial, go to http://www.msubillings.edu/911memorial/
A Gift to City College

Signed by the artist and four pilots whose missions are depicted on these two historical prints, “Ground Zero, Eagles on Station” and “First Pass, Defenders over Washington” capture the arrival of Air National Guard fighters over New York’s World Trade Center and the Pentagon on Sept. 11, 2001. The first print catches the moment when Colonel Timothy Duffy’s F-15 from the 102nd Fighter Wing, Massachusetts National Guard, arrived over the World Trade Center in New York. The other portrays an F-16 from the 119th Fighter Wing, North Dakota National Guard, as it screamed over a burning Pentagon. The prints are a gift from Billings community veterans and will be installed in the Great Room (Rooms 117 and 119) of the Health Science Building at City College. The original paintings by aviation artist Rick Herter are part of the Air Force Art Collection and are displayed on Corridor 9 of the Pentagon.

Program

Wreath Laying & Retreat Ceremony
MSUB ROTC Ushers & Color Guard

Welcome
Ms. Brianna Kaftan, Paramedic Program

Montana’s 9/11 Memorial & Unveiling of 9/11 Prints
Dr. Marsha Riley, Dean
City College at Montana State University Billings

Educate & Dedicate
Dr. Rolf Groseth, Chancellor
Montana State University Billings

Leadership & Service
Colonel Timothy Duffy
Keynote Speaker

Open Forum
Mr. Aaron Clingingsmith, Director
University Relations & Marketing
Colonel Timothy Duffy

A native of Rockland, Massachusetts, Colonel Duffy graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy with the class of 1983 and was commissioned as a second lieutenant. Upon completion of Undergraduate Pilot Training, his first assignment was as a T-33 pilot at McChord AFB Washington. His follow-on assignment was flying F-15 Eagles with the 53rd Tactical Fighter Squadron at Bitburg AB Germany. During this three-year tour, Colonel Duffy upgraded to Instructor Pilot and Mission Commander and Flight Commander prior to deploying to Al Kharj AB Saudi Arabia in support of Operation Desert Storm. During Desert Storm, Colonel Duffy was the flight lead for a Mig shoot-down and amassed over 300 combat hours along with seven air medals.

Colonel Duffy left active duty after Desert Storm and became a member of the 101st Fighter Squadron, 102nd Fighter Wing, Massachusetts Air National Guard where he served as a Flight Commander, Operations Officer and Chief of Wing Standards/Evaluation. During his nearly 13 years as a Guardsman, he deployed in support of Operation Northern Watch out of Incirlik AB, Turkey, and many other squadron deployments. On September 11, 2001, Colonel Duffy was the first aircraft scrambled in pursuit of the hijacked aircraft that crashed into the World Trade Center towers. For the next several years, he flew numerous sorties in support of Operation Noble Eagle protecting the airspace over populated areas.

In his final tour of duty, Colonel Duffy served as the Regional Reserve Director to the Federal Emergency Management Agency Region 1 and as the Department of Defense representative to Federal Emergency Management Agency at the National Response Coordination Center in Washington, DC.

During this tour, he supported disaster operations and relief for numerous disasters consisting of earthquakes, tsunamis, hurricanes, ice storms, floods and wild fires.

Colonel Duffy’s military awards include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal (8), Aerial Achievement Medal (2), Air Force Commendation Medal (4), Air Force Achievement Medal (2), AF Outstanding Unit Award (6), Combat Readiness Medal (6), National Defense Service Medal (2), Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal (2), Global War on Terrorism Medal, AF Overseas Ribbon Long, AF Longevity Service (5), Kuwait Liberation Medal Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, and Kuwait Liberation Medal Government of Kuwait.

In his civilian profession, he is currently a Vice President for Atos IT Solutions and the Chief Executive Officer of TD Enterprises. Tim, his wife Kim and their five children Timothy, Bridget, Erin, Colleen and Brendan live in Duxbury, Massachusetts.