

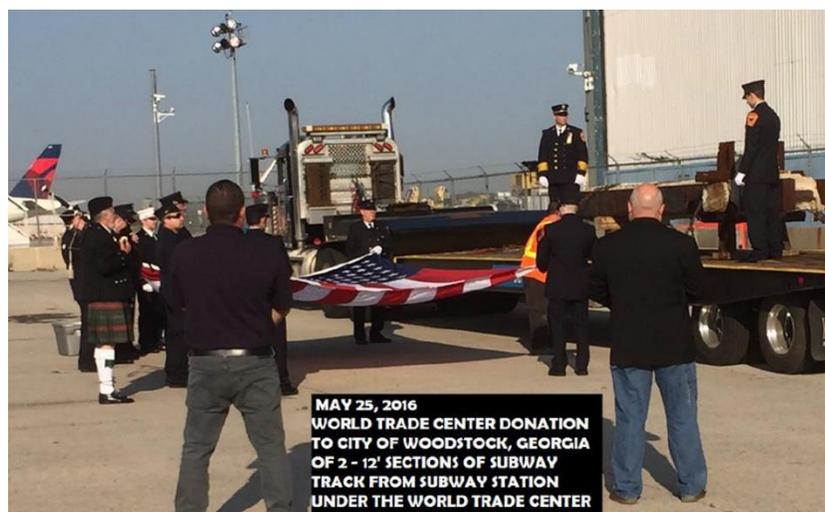
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Since September 11, 2006, the City has partnered with the Woodstock Jaycees to host the 9-11 Day of Remembrance Ceremony in the Park at City Center. The purpose of the ceremony is to commemorate the lives lost in the tragic events that occurred on September 11, 2001. This annual ceremony stands as a solemn reminder that we should not take our freedoms for granted. This year's upcoming ceremony promises to be even more special.

Several months ago, a resident of Woodstock made me aware of a newspaper article concerning the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey distributing artifacts salvaged from Ground Zero after the September 11th attacks on the World Trade Center. Distribution of these artifacts was being offered as a way to remind future generations of the events that occurred on September 11, 2001. The Mayor immediately sent a letter to the Port Authority requesting that the City of Woodstock be considered for an artifact. Several months went by before we received notification that we had been selected to receive two twelve foot sections of subway track that were from the subway station located beneath the World Trade Center.

On May 25th, 2016, two Woodstock Public Works employees attended a ceremony at JFK International Airport in New York and retrieved the sections of track from a storage facility to return to Woodstock. The design of the permanent memorial, to be located in the Park at City Center in Downtown Woodstock, is currently being finalized. The memorial will be dedicated this year at the 9-11 Day of Remembrance Ceremony. It will serve as a reminder to generations of Woodstock residents of that fateful day when some 3,000 people lost their lives in the largest terrorist attack on our nation's soil in our history. We hope that you will be able to join us for what will prove to be an emotional and historical event.



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