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Never Forget

CACI Remembers 9-11

Dear Team

With this issue of the *CACI Times*, we revisit some of the CACI people who were on the scene on September 11, 2001 and who were profiled in *CACI Times* print and online editions last year. Adding to their stories are selections gathered from our 9-11 Bulletin Board on CACI*net*.

Our cover features CACI's commemorative pin, sent to all employees. And the centerfold is a poster we hope you will proudly display as a symbol of CACI's remembrance — and our continuing commitment to the technology that supports America's defense.



September 11, 2001 was a milestone for all of us. As we watched unforgettable images of flames billowing out of the Twin Towers, smoke pouring from the Pentagon, and the airline wreckage in Pennsylvania, our view of the world changed forever. One of the casualties was our sense of security. The United States — a nation that had never been attacked on our home soil — was viciously assaulted in a surprise strike.

The past year has taught us much. Certainly, the terrorist attacks have given new meaning to the work we do at CACI. Our efforts directly support the safety and effectiveness of those who are on the front lines in the fight against terrorism. We contribute to America's security with our work for the intelligence community, our ability to safeguard networks, and the wide range of technology support we provide that helps federal agencies carry out their missions and keeps our servicemen and women supplied, informed, and ready.

Our sense of security is bolstered by the ethical business practices established in our Credo and Business Values — “honesty and integrity in all we do.” These principles start at the top, apply to everybody, and are the same for everybody. All our employees are fully accountable: we forgive and correct mistakes — and we do not tolerate wrongdoing.

We are also accountable for living up to the highest standards in our internal business practices. CACI always has and will continue to observe accounting practices that provide a fair and realistic representation of the company's financial performance. Our stockholders can be confident in the strength of our company.

These are the values that make our company strong and our nation great. Our nation is rebuilding after September 11 — our national security is stronger than ever — and CACI is proud to be part of this vital mission.

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From the Pentagon ...

Tom Petrick, Ron Schexnayder, Jim Sharkey, and Dee Rushforth were featured in our September 2001 *CACI Times* and were at the Pentagon on 9-11 supporting the Army Training Directorate. All four worked on the west side of the Pentagon where the hijacked plane hit.

Also featured in the September 2001 issue were **Tawana**

Ross, Joe Lewis, Rich Stankavage, and Paul Ferrante, who were on duty that day supporting the Army's Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics.

In the following stories, they share their thoughts on how 9-11 affected their lives and how they see themselves and their mission today.

A Child's Concern

I was actually only in my first week on the job when it happened. So the first thing I did after 9-11 was reassure my family that my new job was OK. My five-year-old son, Malik, thought every time I left my house, I was going to die.

When we got back to the Pentagon after being offsite for a while, I took him in on "bring your child to work day" to let him know things were all right. He saw some of our memorials and the notes kids had sent in from all across the country, and it made him feel better. It's good to be at the Pentagon again. It was important for everyone to get back to what they were called to do. It sends a great signal to the world that America is still strong.

— **Tawana Ross**



A Sense of Difference

There are details that stay with you. I can still hear the explosion. We had heard about what happened in New York, but my first thought was "truck bomb." I just couldn't imagine it would be another plane.

Throughout the Pentagon, there are pictures and biographies of the people who died on September 11. You can't forget that something very serious happened to this building — to America. Our work hasn't changed; we have to continue with our missions, but there is a sense of difference.

— **Tom Petrick**





Action and Awareness

We're trained in the Army to act quickly and move on, and with 30 years' experience as an infantry soldier, focusing on my job is not an issue. It's what I've been trained to do.

I've always been very aware of my surroundings and anyone around me, but the events of September 11 have made me even more cautious. On a train recently, some people grew concerned about a bag that seemed abandoned in the middle of the aisle. A year ago, it wouldn't have made a difference, but now you can't take it for granted. I walked over and asked whose bag it was. Someone claimed it immediately and apologized for leaving it. It's unfortunate, but we do have to be more aware — and act if necessary.

— Ron Schexnayder

A Reminder of What's Important

Since 9-11, I think family and friends have become more important. I try to spend more time with them. As for CACI, it's always been there for me and been good — no change there. But I see our role in national defense a little more clearly now, and I know better than ever how truly important our work is.

We were relocated outside the Pentagon after the attack, and I admit I was a little uneasy about coming back. Sometimes, there'll be military flights over Arlington Cemetery, the kind where the Air Force does the "missing man" formation, coming in very low. That does startle people! But we're back now and going full steam.

— Jim Sharkey



From CACI.net's 9-11 Bulletin Board

"Dad, Look at All the Big Flags"

This is the first of several excerpts from CACI.net's 9-11 Bulletin Board reprinted for this special edition of the CACI Times. Please visit http://www.hq.caci.com/bb9/ebb_classifieds.asp to see the complete selections.



One morning, we were innocents on protected soil. The next, we were international targets, amazed at our vulnerability, unsettled by an enemy with no face, no country, and a heart full of hatred ...

"Dad, look at all the big flags," says my 10-year-old daughter. As for our family, we've kept a red, white, and blue wreath on our door since a week or two after the attacks ...

Then my younger daughter asks — as usual, heading straight for the heart of the issue — "Dad, when is it all going to be over?" And, as many a parent has said, many times to many questions since 9-11, I answered, "I don't know, honey. I wish I did."

— Wayne Ross
Millington, Tennessee

From CACInet's 9-11 Bulletin Board From the World Trade Center ...

As I walked out of my peaceful New Jersey home on the 12th of September, the smell of burning concrete in the air brought tears to my eyes. I was overwhelmed with helplessness, anger, fear, and sorrow. I put my briefcase in my car and went back in to hug my wife again.

— Joe Zirilli
Eatontown, New Jersey

We lost a cousin at the World Trade Center, but we actually feel lucky because we had a body to identify and bury, and we know he was killed instantly. He was on his way into the building for a meeting, and was killed by falling debris. Funny how your idea of good luck can change.

— Carrie Cassidy
Cambridge, Maryland



The Pentagon Doesn't Shake ...

When the plane hit, the whole place shook. Now, I've been at the Pentagon for many years, and generally speaking, the Pentagon doesn't shake ...

The next thing I knew, they were yelling to evacuate and we were running out of the building. We came out right next to where the plane hit. It was eerie — like something out of a Steven Spielberg movie.

Ironically, a few days later, I was seriously injured when I went to retrieve my belongings at the Pentagon. Since then, I've had several surgeries and seen more doctors than I care to remember. But I remain hopeful, personally and in our nation's war against terror. Good always prevails!

— Joe Lewis

Open for Business

The filing cabinet in the picture is our classified safe, and as you can see it's open — and so are we, open for business in the same area of the Pentagon again.

We weren't out of business for very long, and that's directly attributable to CACI, who housed us and our clients in the Chantilly, Virginia office until new quarters could be found. It was immediate action on the part of the company to take care of our customer's people and the CACI family that kept everyone operational. That's our mission, and that hasn't changed.

But an experience like this — like the combat I saw in Vietnam — lives with you forever. It's a reminder that you have to look to what's important in your personal, as well as your business life.

— Dee Rushforth



Freedom From Terror





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Technology That Supports America's Defense

As we remember 9-11 — the lives we lost and the heroes whose courage we celebrate — we urge everyone at CACI to remain committed to our clients and our mission. Create solutions that assure America's safety and freedom. Support defense initiatives that protect our liberties. Continue to conduct yourselves and your business with honesty and integrity above all.

We stand proudly beside you as one team, steadfast in defense of our nation's freedom in the fight against terror.





I Still Look Up ...

I still look up when I see an airplane flying near the Pentagon. It's a natural thing when you've been through something like 9-11. It just runs through your head for a second or so and then you go on with your life.

I had just started a new position as a network administrator and did a lot of on-the-job learning trying to restore the network connectivity after the attack. Now I feel like my job has more importance than ever before. I am supporting people who are helping defend the nation. It makes me take things a little more seriously.

— Richard Stankavage

From CACI.net's 9-11 Bulletin Board

New Empathy for Others, New Life for a Marriage

I feel great empathy for some of my coworkers from countries like India and Pakistan. Some have told me post-9-11 stories of their detention at airport security stations. One person relayed to me how it felt when he was on a flight and got out of his seat for a moment. The stares from other passengers were unbearable ...

This reminds me of the tension we felt after Pearl Harbor and the suspicion that Asian-Americans were forced to live under. As a minority myself, I know how it feels to be judged by the color of one's skin without regard for the person that you truly are. I feel deeply for all those affected by 9-11 — those that have been killed or injured by bigotry and hate and those that still might be.

— Ed Green
San Diego, California

Marriage is a seed which many couples plant, not knowing what or how it will grow ... Right before the attacks on 9-11, my marriage was in need of more than just water. My wife and I had planned to separate at the beginning of the year, but since we were so moved by the events in New York, we decided to see Ground Zero during the Christmas holiday ...

We conceived our child that Christmas weekend. When we decided to name our little girl, I thought "Trinity" sounded really nice ... With my marriage two became one, and with our child's impending birth three will become one.

Looking back, 9-11 changed me forever.

— Jon Mays
Washington, D.C.

What Really Matters

After 9-11, there was an outpouring of support for those of us at the Pentagon. My managers were very helpful, and my immediate supervisor, Roger Schleiden, was on the phone with me at home as soon as he could get in touch that night.

Personally, life is getting back to normal. Like many others, I'm more aware of planes flying overhead and sometimes jump at loud noises — but not as badly as I used to! I also appreciate my work more now. Sometimes, I think the computer support I provide isn't that significant, but then I remember it's all part of the bigger picture of our government and our defense of freedom. And that really does matter.

— Paul Ferrante



From the State Department ...

Ralph Steen, Rich McCauley, Buck Cowan, and Lee Benny were at the Department of State the day of the terrorist attacks. Their story was first told in CACInet's *CACI Times Online* in October 2001.



Total Focus on Support

I don't think life will ever quite be the same for any of us after 9-11. Thoughts of it are always there ... being evacuated, sonic booms that we thought were more explosions, false reports of car bombs in our area, trying to get out of the city. It was one of those life-changing events like the Kennedy assassination, the kind where people ask, "Where were you then?"

It was dedicated CACI personnel who went back into Washington that day to provide critical communications support for State Department leadership. They did so willingly, without hesitation, and with total focus on the required mission. I'm proud to be part of a company with employees like that.

— Ralph Steen

I Had a Job to Do

I reported to State the afternoon of 9-11. I was a little edgy at first. But I had a job to do, and I did it. We were there to keep the State Department networks and communications up and running.

I guess I'm kind of low-key about it, possibly because I spent time in the military in Germany during the Cold War. Over there, and with my clearances, I learned not to make yourself known. I may still have that attitude — but the job we do is still important.

— Rich McCauley



From CACInet's 9-11 Bulletin Board Of Generosity ... and Patriots

My children donated all their money from chores and birthday presents to the Pentagon Children's Fund ... My client's employees and contractors teamed together to make the Pentagon functional again in less than a week. Neither cost nor corporate loyalties got in the way of making those repairs ...

I've never been more proud to be an American, to work with the patriots who help keep America strong, and to be counted among those who help make America the land of the free, home of the brave.

— Raul Zevallos
Washington, D.C.

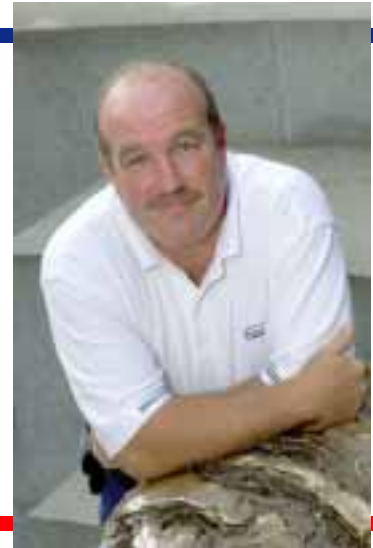


A Better Understanding

I've lived and worked on five continents, worked on contracts for the CIA, DIA, Army, and Navy, and was active-duty Air Force for four years. I've been with the State Department on and off for almost 16 years, and I think my job's always been important. People understand the threat better now, but I've always been aware of it.

My wife, Beth, is active-duty Navy, and she was stationed at the Pentagon. She lost a few friends and had some anxious moments. I don't have any advice for anybody. You can't be afraid of your own shadow, and you can't let the terrorists rule your life. You've just got to go on doing your job to the best of your ability.

— Michael "Buck" Cowan



Security Is What We Do

Since 9-11, our workload here at the State Department has increased, but not much else is different. I've done this work for 20 years. Some groups want to turn up the heat on security, but that's the way it has always been for me. There's not much more you can add to the level that we're at.

We also travel a little bit, so the airport security issues have added to my time there. It's harder just to catch a short flight to Chicago and do a little work, but we can handle it. Security is what we do.

— Lee Benny

From CACI.net's 9-11 Bulletin Board

The Other Side of the Tragedy

My wife, Pat, and I are linked to the other side of the tragedy of 9-11.

Pat was an American Airlines flight attendant who worked fairly regularly on AA Flight 77 [which crashed into the Pentagon]. She knew the pilot and three of the flight attendants. During her younger days, she routinely flew Flight 11 [which hit the World Trade Center] ... About a third of the folks who live in our community currently work for or are retired from AA or United, so between us, we knew just about every member of those flight crews ...

For a long time, my wife experienced tremendous feelings of guilt. She remains very upset about the lack of attention paid to the safety of flight attendants in the aftermath of the tragedy. Defending yourself with a plastic fork is not a pleasant option.

Several of our airline friends and neighbors lost their positions and are trying to pick up the pieces in a lousy job market. Most returned, though some took early retirement or demotions. We are able to laugh now, but the initial going was pretty rough — particularly when you are a 40- or 50-year-old pilot with no job prospects and mortgage and college bills coming due. It was hard ...

We know those airline crews were not at the controls when the planes impacted. We are positive that our friends and acquaintances had already been killed or were disabled by the terrorists. And we are convinced that they did everything they could to resist those mindless madmen.

— Andy Mesterhazy
Dahlgren, Virginia

From CACInet's 9-11 Bulletin Board So Proudly We Serve ...

My husband is an Air Force reservist. Right after 9-11, he was ordered to Texas for a two-year assignment filling in for those who went to Afghanistan. I stayed in the Washington, D.C. area.

I've had to struggle, now, with being a single parent. But the hardest part was always wishing him back home and praying that nothing happens to him on his journey to protect our country ... My heart goes out to all the military families, especially those who are separated from their loved ones or who may have even lost a loved one on 9-11. I have learned and I teach my kids how to give each day their best. Never push your dreams away for another day, because that day is not promised to us.

— Tina Myrick
Ballston, Virginia

My stepson enlisted in the Army just four months before September 11. I take more seriously his role and his mission in the 82nd Airborne at Fort Bragg than I previously did, especially knowing he is on a rotational list to deploy to Afghanistan in January ...

My daughter is on the verge of a new career in the intelligence community. I worry about her physical safety in her new environment.

I know we are in for a long, difficult period of time thwarting terrorism ... I know life in the United States has changed and is bound to change even more in the future. There is nothing we can do except to never let terrorism win.

— Keith Brown
Chantilly, Virginia

Prior to 9-11, I was a visibly beaten-up, handicapped veteran, as a result of a catastrophic accident that cut short a promising Navy career. Since 9-11, people no longer look at me with pity. They now see me as a beaten-up but PROUD Navy veteran — someone who was a hero *before* 9-11.

A few months ago, a woman thanked me for letting her son and daughter grow up not knowing what war was. That's why we continue to serve ... As long as you sleep at night and wake in the morning, then we in the military have done our jobs.

Here's what 9-11 taught me: "Pride and Professionalism, Dedication to God and Country" are beliefs that NEVER grow old. We just need to be reminded every now and then.

— Christian Elliott
Hartwell, Georgia



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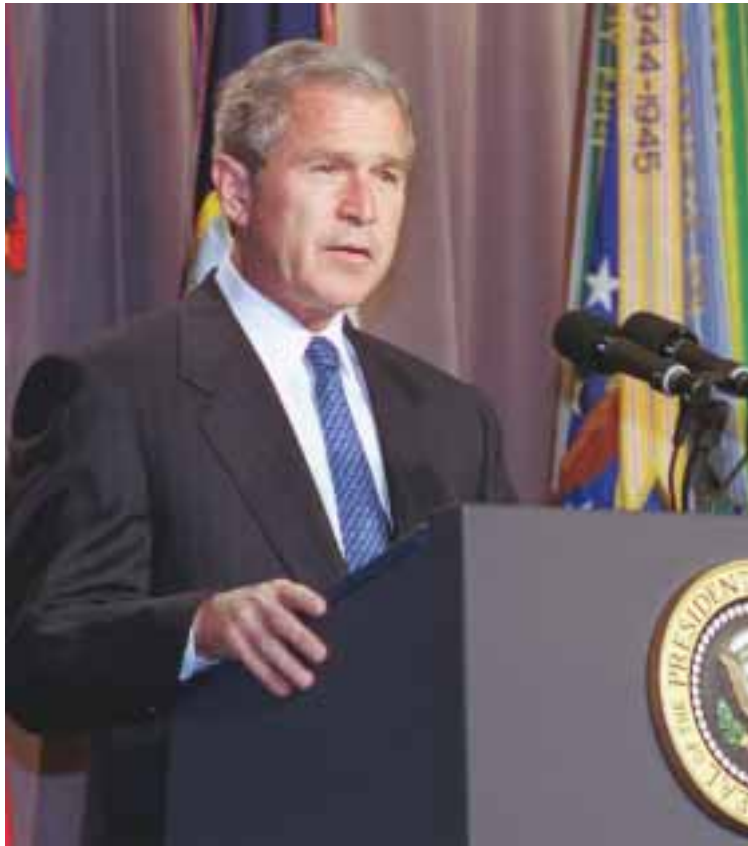
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“We are a different nation today — sadder and stronger, less innocent and more courageous, more appreciative of life, and for many who serve our country, more willing to risk life in a great cause.

“For those who have lost family and friends, the pain will never go away — and neither will the responsibilities that day thrust upon all of us. America is leading the civilized world in a titanic struggle against terror. Freedom and fear are at war — and freedom is winning.”

President George W. Bush
Remarks in Address to the Nation
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