

Brief: SP to Receive Steel from World Trade Center

The metal will be used for a memorial to the victims of the Sept. 11 attacks, mayor says.

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Nearly 10 years after Scotch Plains lost three residents to the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, the township will receive a steel beam from the World Trade Center to build a memorial in the residents' honor, Mayor Nancy Malool announced in a press release and at the Township Council's monthly business meeting Wednesday.

The beam, which measures about 10 feet, will be brought by motorcade to the steps of the Municipal Building next Saturday, April 30, and officially presented to the township by Port Authority Commissioner Anthony Sartor. The design for the planned memorial, which will be installed in Alan M. Augustine Park, will also be unveiled.

"We felt it is important to honor [the residents'] lives as well as the thousands of others who perished that day," Malool said in the press release. "We recognize that this day will trigger painful memories for so many, but we would also like to celebrate those who survived."

The memorial service will begin at 10 a.m. The monument, itself, will be dedicated in a separate ceremony on Sept. 11.