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## Helping victims of NY and D.C.

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A month after terrorism struck our nation, the tragic stories and images are hard to escape, and even harder to forget. However, one image will hopefully never be forgotten: the image of our nation united as one.

Here at Penn State Delco, many students attended open forums held by the faculty and by the Student Government Association to discuss and react to the tragedy.

On Sept. 14, all Penn State campuses joined the nation in remembering the victims by observing silence during the common hour, and at University Park students mourned for the victims and their loved ones at a candle-light prayer vigil.

The tragic events, which unfolded on Sept. 11, left the nation searching for ways to contribute, and to show support. For many who are still searching for the best way to help, or for more ways they can help, there are countless ways to make a contribution.

With the economic impact of the attacks, you can help relief efforts simply by shopping. Many stores, such as Wawa, provide an opportunity for donations to be made. At Abercrombie and Fitch, shirts featuring a flag on the



Photo courtesy of Associated Press  
Thousands wave flags in Niagara Square in Buffalo, N.Y.

front, and the quote by John F. Kennedy, "Let every nation know, whether it wishes us well or ill, that we shall pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe, to assure the survival and success of liberty," on the back, can be purchased for \$25.

The proceeds will benefit the Sept. 11 Fund, which was established by the United Way and the New York Community Trust to help respond to the immediate and long-term needs of the victims, their families, and affected communities.

Also benefiting the Sept. 11 Fund, the "In memory" T-shirt can be purchased on MTV.com for \$15, which also features a flag, and says "In memory of September 11

2001" on the sleeve.

Other purchases that will benefit the fund include CD's such as the soundtrack to the "America: A Tribute to Heroes" telethon, which was broadcast simultaneously on 27 networks on Sept. 22. The soundtrack will include music from artists such as Mariah Carey, Billy Joel, Dave Matthews, Alicia Keys, and the Dixie Chicks.

The all-star remake of Marvin Gaye's "What's Going On," which was originally to benefit the AIDS relief effort, will now also benefit the fund. The CD, which will be in stores on Oct. 23, features more than 30 artists, including Christina Aguilera, Bono of U2, Eve, Fred Durst, Gwen Stefani, N'Sync and Wyclef Jean.

The online auction site, eBay, also presents an opportunity to provide relief with its "Auction for America," which hopes to raise \$100 million within 100 days. Through buying, selling, or donating on eBay, the proceeds will go to benefit organizations such as the Sept. 11 Fund, The Twin Towers Fund, and the American Red Cross.

Monetary contributions aren't the only way that you can make a difference. For many children, their feelings about the attacks may be hard to cope with and it is important that they are given an outlet to express their emotions.

"Children that have shown signs of depression, or feelings of self-guilt need to be able to talk about how they are feeling, and they need to be told that they are safe," said Nancy Fritz, a kindergarten teacher for the Ridley School District.

For other ways that you can contribute to the relief efforts visit [www.helping.org](http://www.helping.org) or [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org) for more information.

To donate to the Citigroup Relief Fund, which will provide scholarships for the children of the disaster victims, call 1-888-441-CITI.

For information about the New York Fallen Firefighters and Rescue Workers Fund, or the New York State World Trade Center Relief Fund, go to [www.msn.com](http://www.msn.com).

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## Tribute to the flag

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In this time of crisis, the American people need to stand as one, unified under our nation's most powerful symbol: Old Red, White, and Blue.

It is the symbol for strength, for freedom, for diversity, and for unity.

Every American holds reverence for this flag, including the Gay community; especially tomorrow, Oct. 11, 2001, National Coming Out Day.

This is when the entire gay community unites under their own banner, the Rainbow flag, which possesses all noble qualities like the American flag.

However, more precisely, it is the light of the American Flag that enables the Rainbow Flag to be seen so well and to be supported greatly by so many. This includes our very own Pennsylvania State University.

On many of the doors, buttons, stickers, etc. of faculty and students alike, you will see a version of this banner indicating supporters of the gay community (for a

picture of what to look for around campus go to [www.Lions.psu.edu/LGBT/network/index.htm](http://www.Lions.psu.edu/LGBT/network/index.htm)), just as you will see Old Glory in every car window and home.

Specifically at Penn State, there is a giant group called the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Support Network (G.B.T.S.N), the headquarters being at Main campus.

At Delco's campus, in the past, this network was split between the Faculty/Staff and the student operated organization.

This year, according to Barbara Daniel, assistant director of Academic Affairs and solicitor for this campus' Faculty and Staff support group, they will be combining efforts with the student-run Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA) at an organizational meeting on Oct. 12 during common hour. Students should contact Dr. Daniel for details.

Unlike the public support to the Nation's flag, the gay community is lacking supporters, hence the reason for the support group.

Sadly, Penn State Delco's GSA, is not as popular as Main campus's.

## Our family values

Join PSU Delco at its annual Family Day

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On Sat. Oct. 20 Penn State Delco will be holding its annual Family Day. A slight twist on this year's event is that a visitation day for prospective students will be held along with the usual Family Day events.

Campus tours, presentations of various majors offered at PSU Delco, and presentations by the student life group are just some of the items on the list for students looking to come to our campus. So go tell your friends from high school that are looking for a college for next year to come up to campus for a great time.

Current students will be putting on a show, a talent show that is, and there will also be some sand-pounding volleyball games going on.

Booths are set up for clubs all around campus, some fun going on at the booths includes, face painting and a basketball shoot out. If you need your car washed, bring it up to campus on Oct. 20 and stu-

dents will wash it for you (for a small monetary donation).

The lunch menu is a delicious barbecue cook-out, so bring your appetites.

Dennis Mejias is the coordinator of this years events, and he is very enthusiastic about the upcoming day, "This day is a great time for families to come see the campus their kids are attending, and now this year it's a perfect opportunity for prospective students to check out Penn State Delco," so bring your Penn State spirit!

"In the past years we've had an excess of 300 students and family members and faculty attend the events. Clubs get really into the spirit with some of their tables. It's a great time!" said Karl Grieb, who has given a helping hand with Family Day in the past years.

So come on out on Oct. 20 to Family Day. The events commence at 9 am with registration and a continental breakfast. More times and information pamphlets can be found in the Advising office 104 Main.