



# Flight 93 Volunteer Newsletter

March 2008

## Volunteer Educational Trip to NYC Set for April



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Beginning the month of March, the Park Office will be taking reservations from Flight 93 Volunteers who wish to participate in an educational field trip to the Tribute Center in New York City. The trip will be on Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup> leaving very early in the morning from the Shanksville-Stonycreek School parking lot, lower level.

After arriving at the Tribute Center, we will tour both the visitor center and take a guided walking tour around the World Trade Center (WTC) site with the Tribute Center docents (volunteers). All of the docents at the Tribute Center were directly involved with the events in New York as family members, responders or survivors. They are anxious to meet and share with the volunteers from Flight 93.

This trip will provide all participants

with a greater understanding of the events in New York City on September 11<sup>th</sup> and how the WTC story ties into the greater context of story you share with visitors or the oral histories you transcribe about Flight 93. We will also have the opportunity to visit the World Trade Center Memorial Foundation offices and view the WTC site from an overlook room. Following our tour of the WTC site, volunteers will have some free time in lower Manhattan before boarding the bus to return home. Anyone with internet access can visit the Tribute Center's website at [www.tributewtc.org](http://www.tributewtc.org).

The specific itinerary for the trip will be completely finalized later this month and disseminated as soon as the details have been made. Volunteers are asked to make their reservation accompanied by \$10 cash. All reservations will be

accepted on a first come, first serve basis. Non-volunteer spouses wishing to attend may be placed on a waiting list until the cut off date, when seating will be open for others. The deadline for making your reservation will be March 21<sup>st</sup>. Please contact the Park Office if you have any question regarding the trip.

### Words From Our Visitors

*The following is from a card sent to our office from the Steubenville Youth Pilgrimages in Minnesota.*

From the moment we decided to visit the Flight 93 Memorial, we were anxious to come – for many reasons, but perhaps most of all to express our gratitude for the sacrifice of the men and women who laid down their lives! Thank you so much for what you've done for us, and being there with us – please pass that on to the gracious Ambassadors as well! Many of us were deeply moved during our visit there, and it's hard to put it all into words.

### Marion 7500 Dragline Sold

At the last joint meeting of the Flight 93 Memorial Task Force and Advisory Commission, The Conservation Fund announced that the remaining dragline at the site has been sold. They expect the dragline to be removed from the site before the end of 2008.



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# March Passenger & Crew Focus

## March Calendar:

- March 17 St. Patrick's Day
- March 23 Easter Sunday
- March 28 **Training Night-** Moussaoui Trial Evidence containing seating assignments, phone calls and transmissions from Flight 93

## Upcoming Training & Events

- April 5 Educational Trip to the Tribute Center, NYC for all Flight 93 National Memorial Volunteers.
- May 3 Flight 93 Advisory Commission & Task Force Meeting 10am – 1 pm at Somerset County Courthouse

### Contributors:

NPS Photos  
Family of Richard Guadagno  
The Conservation Fund

"As a caring volunteer you always do your part to share your time with a generous heart. Because you make a difference in so many valuable ways, we're grateful we can count on you to brighten everyone's days."

-Unknown

*These are biographies that have been provided by Flight 93 family members. This month we will continue with a feature on Richard Guadagno.*



Rich was manager of the Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Reserve in Eureka, California. He was a kind, gentle, peaceful man but he was also a trained law enforcer who had a very strong sense of right and wrong.

Rich believed that the law should be upheld. While out hiking with his sister Lori, a dog charged up the path without a leash. Rich shouted out "Whose dog is that?" and then whipped out his badge and wrote the offender a ticket. All the hikers nearby began applauding because the dog had been running riot. He once even chided his own mother for picking wild flowers!

Rich was a man who did things. He was a self-motivator. He owned an A-frame house overlooking the ocean in California and planted over 100 trees in his garden. On all of them he placed nametags so that people who visited could read about the different types of tree. He was into astronomy and had a telescope so he could observe the night sky. He taught himself taxidermy, built his own guitars, grew orchids in his kitchen and made the most amazing lasagne. He took up surfing, kayaking and photography. Rich always had a huge pot of wild flowers in the house. His favorites were sunflowers.

Rich wasn't just a serious wildlife enthusiast. He could also be a real goofball. He liked to sit and watch 'Southpark' for hours with his sister Lori, the two of them laughing out loud. Rich had been on the east coast attending his grandmother's birthday. After the party he and Lori sat on the front steps and played a game popular since childhood - cherry pip spitting. They sat, ate cherries and spit the pips as far as possible across the stones past the front porch.

Rich always had a love for animals. When he and Lori were very little they were banned from watching Lassie on TV because it would make him cry. As an adult in California he adored his dog Raven. He and his girlfriend Diqui would take Raven walking for hours. Diqui said he was the kind of guy you always felt safe with.

Parents Jerry and Beatrice say, "He was a lovable guy and incredibly kind".

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*"On June 2, 2007 the 1000<sup>th</sup> National Recreation Trail on Basket Slough (pronounced "slew") NWR was renamed the Rich Guadagno Memorial National Recreational Trail. Rich had helped design and construct it."*

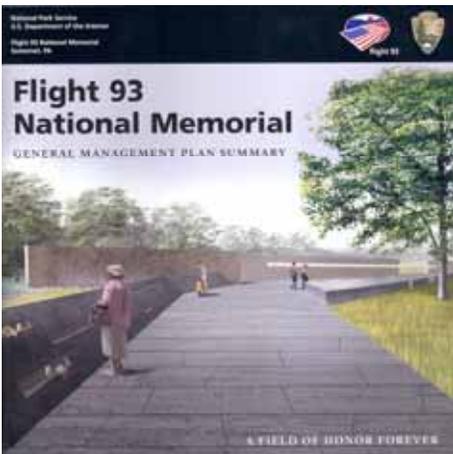
*-U.S. Fish and Wildlife Website*

*To learn more about the Rich Guadagno Memorial National Recreational Trail, you can go online at:*

<http://www.americantrails.org/nationalrecreationtrails/trailNRT/GuadagnoGluck-OR.html>

*To view more pictures and learn more about Rich Guadagno's work for the Fish and Wildlife Service go online to:*

<http://training.fws.gov/history/guadagno/remembers.htm>



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The General Management Plan (GMP) Summary is a condensed version of the document that will be used to guide future decisions about the Memorial. Copies are available at the Park Office.