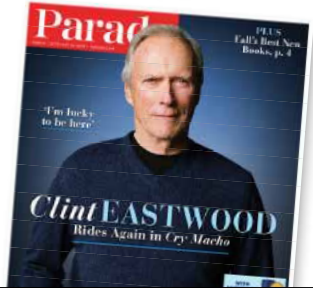


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'It was everything I expected it to be'

Lafayette pulls away in second half to defeat crosstown rival Benton.

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Raising awareness

This week was National Suicide Prevention Week.

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Not all on board with new process on future of schools

By MARCUS CLEM
News-Press NOW

In favor of a new way of public engagement, certain advisory panels have come to a halt on what to do about St. Joseph school buildings and classwork.

Last month, the Board of Education embraced a plan by consultants Rod Wright and Don Schломann. They represent Creative Entourage LLC, a St. Louis firm, retained for roughly \$100,000 by the St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce and Mosaic Life Care. Superintendent Doug Van Zyl publicly invited for people to join the process on Thursday.

Board President Tami Pasley pledged constituents will lead public meetings set up by Creative Entourage. What exactly will be talked about, and the name of the group, are to be determined.

The district's governing body voted 6-1 in favor on

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REMEMBERING SEPT. 11, 2001

VOICES OF 9/11

Local residents remember attacks 20 years later

By GREG KOZOL
News-Press NOW

Angie Klaassen was helping students pick out books in the Robidoux Middle School library when she noticed something on the television screen. Her eyes were drawn to breaking news banners and images of smoke pouring from the country's financial center, where her brother happened to work.

"I freaked out," she said. "I knew he was right down in that area. At that point, we had no idea what was going on or what was happening."

She would find out, along with the rest of the school, the city, the country and the world. Few events in history leave such an imprint that those who are old enough remember exactly what they were doing and how their own lives unfolded in a new, unexpected trajectory.

Twenty years later, 9/11 has become part of our collective history, but on a personal level, it isn't strictly confined to the past. The effects were felt in ways large and small, even in a place like St. Joseph that seems so far removed from an act of mass terror.

THE SIBLING

On 9/11, the world was wired, but information wasn't quite instantaneous. There was no Facebook and Twitter. Klaassen got the principal to watch her students as she stood outside the school on St. Joseph Avenue, frantically trying to contact a brother



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Karla Duncan of the American Red Cross looks at her scrapbook of memories from doing relief work at Ground Zero after 9/11. She said the days were so long that she fell asleep during 'Phantom of the Opera' on Broadway.

who worked 1,200 miles away near the World Trade Center.

She later learned that he was in a conference room when he saw the first plane strike the tower across the street.

"They were evacuating when, for some miraculous reason, our phones connected and I was able to talk to him," she said. "It was a tremendous relief."

Her brother, an investment specialist for Goldman Sachs, was uninjured but deeply impacted by the experience. He eventually moved to Seattle.

"It shook him to the core," Klaassen said. "He just had to leave."

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Dan Benz also found himself at a loss for information

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LOCAL EVENTS TO REMEMBER 9/11

- > At Missouri Western State University, the Marion Clock Tower will ring at 7:46 a.m., 8:03 a.m., 8:37 a.m. and 9:03 a.m., corresponding to the times that the hijacked planes crashed into the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and an empty field near Shanksville, Pennsylvania.
- > Anyone who would like to participate in a time of quiet remembrance is invited to begin gathering at 7:30 a.m.
- > At 11 a.m., the Scottish Rite will hold a remembrance event with speakers, a gun salute and color guard. It will be held at Civic Center Park.

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For a look back at how the media and the St. Joseph News-Press responded on 9/11 see the inserted tab.

Memory passes to new generation

20th anniversary brings memories to those too young to remember.

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Through lenses of the past

For a few images of the 17 minutes of chaos and the aftermath, see

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Nothing normal about this day

Terry Jordan reflects on working on the News-Press copy desk Sept. 11, 2001.

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A chance to reshape

Out of blue skies, black ash, fire and death, a new world took shape, but did not last.

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Siblings keep loved one's memory alive on 9/11 anniversary

By QUINN RITZDORF
News-Press NOW

On Sept. 11, 2001, then-19-year-old Joseph Marmaud turned on the TV just in time to see the second plane crash into the South Tower, where his godmother, Donna Wilson, worked.

"I realized that Aunt Donna was in the buildings," Joseph said. "I kept calling my parents like, 'Do you guys realize that?' They were like, 'Yeah, we know, but everything's going to be fine.' Then everything started collapsing."

Joseph grew up in Brooklyn, New York, which his sister, Jessica Jones, doesn't remember because by the time she was 3, the family packed into a station wagon and moved 1,000 miles to St. Joseph. People came out to visit, including Donna — their mother's best friend.

"We called her Aunt Donna," Joseph said. "She wasn't Donna or Ms. Wilson, she was just Aunt Donna. It was just like they were family. They weren't just friends."

Donna wasn't married and didn't have children of her own, so she spoiled Joseph and Jessica, who described her as giving, loving and outgoing.



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Joseph Marmaud and his sister Jessica Jones talk about their family friend, Donna Wilson, who died in the attacks on 9/11.

"If I wanted something and my parents wouldn't get it, she got it for me," Joseph said. "It didn't matter how much it cost."

Donna was vice president of Aon, an insurance company, which operated out of multiple floors in the World Trade Center.

On that day in 2001, people said she actually made it to the ground floor before the towers collapsed.

Jessica was 12 at the time, and much of that day didn't register. "(My dad or Joseph) turned

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