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Both were treated and eventually released.

Judy, an elementary education major, was "quiet, very sweet and made friends easily" according to her personal Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) counselor Amber Henley.

According to Cathy, Judy was a "nice, sweet young lady" who was loved by many.

"Everyone who knew her was enriched," said Caesar. "Her smile always brightened everyone's day."

Judy received many awards and scholarships upon graduation from Lower Cape May Regional High School in 2004. Henley said that Judy was a member of the high school's track team. As a student at Rider, she was actively involved with EOP and worked diligently at Acme Markets in Mercerville during the school year and in North Cape May during the summer, Caesar said.

Judy, a potential computer information systems major, "was a very nice, smart young man," according to Caesar. He was a 2005 graduate of Lower Cape May Regional High School, where he received the Berkeley College Perseverance Award from the business department.

James' achievements in high school also earned him a Provost scholarship at Rider. James also worked hard at Acme Markets with his sister and mother.

Caesar said that Judy, James and the entire family were "really close" and "got along real well." Henley and Caesar also confirmed that the Muth family had already suffered a tragic loss a couple years earlier, when father James A. Muth, passed away.

Judy and James are survived by mother, Wendy; younger sister, Wendy; grandparents Stanley and Bobby Green of Jamaica, Pa., and Albert Muth of Villas, N.J.; aunts and uncles Becky and Mike of Harleysville, Pa., Dan and Jill of Horsham, Pa., Julia of Lancaster, Pa., and David of the United Kingdom.

The funeral was held on Saturday, Sept. 10, and a bus transported Rider students to celebrate the lives of Judy and James.

Henley said that the EOP has organized fundraising efforts for the Muth family in the near future. Also, on Nov. 11, Judy's name will be honored as it will be inscribed into Ki Alpha Epsilon, an honors fraternity for support groups such as EOP during its induction ceremony.

"We were deeply saddened by the loss of Judy and James," said Anthony Campbell, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs. "With Judy, we lost a person who worked really hard. With James we lost an opportunity to meet a wonderful member of the community. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family."

Students gather for 9/11 vigil

By Jess Decina

In their memorial service "Peaceful Tomorrows," members of Student Government Association (SGA) honored their lives lost on Sept. 11, 2001, with candlelight, readings, and prayer.

The Rider community had gathered together to cherish, not mourn, the men and women who died, said SGA President senior Perry Whiteley.

"I encourage all of you to celebrate the lives and legacies they left behind," he said.

Halfway through the vigil, SGA aired a media presentation arranged by senior Chris Manning. Images of the Twin Towers exploding, filling with smoke, and eventually collapsing flashed across the screen. The montage of pictures and clips ended with scenes of patriotism and the words "We Will Never Forget."

In the midst of tragedy, the University only grew stronger as a community. In his reflection, campus chaplain Father Bruno Ugliano recalled how students and faculty supported each other in the aftermath of the attacks.

"We are a community that cares, loves and sustains each other, in both good times and in bad," he said.

As the ceremony came to a close, Public Events Coordinator junior Karson Langenfelder read the names of six alumni who perished in the attacks: Yolanda Dowling, Gary Lunnick, Domenick Mitro, Fred Morrone, Alison Wildman, and Kenneth Zeliman. As each name was called, a member of the audience came forward and lit a candle to honor the memory of the deceased. Members of the audience were asked to call out the names of loved ones to whom they wanted to pay respect.

The ceremony concluded, but left a lasting impact on those who attended.

Sophomore Jenn Arruda did not hesitate to attend "Peaceful Tomorrows," remembering not just the victims of 9/11, but also the many people who have given their lives for America.

"I wanted to go to pay respect, to honor the people who died," she said. "And I wanted to honor the men who died in service to our country. I was more angry than upset this year. Those people didn't deserve to die."