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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mary Schmidt Roth

When this letter arrives, you'll probably be getting ready for the holidays. I am writing this just after the plane crash in Rockaway, Queens. It appears to be an accident, not a mass murder like the terrorist attack of September 11th. The specter of that event remains with us even as we go on with our lives. Despite all that has happened we have a great deal to be thankful for. We live in a country made of people from all over the world, but who blended to create a new and free people. That same freedom contributed to our prosperity. No country on earth has been so generous in helping others in need. Our generosity will continue to be needed in the days ahead. As you enjoy this Christmas season, find a way to make a difference in someone else's life, even if just with a kind word.

NYSCENA has donated \$5000 to the various relief funds from the Sept. 11 terror attack on behalf of emergency nurses. Our contributions went to : EMS Memorial Fund, PO Box 2650, NY NY 10108, NYC PBA Widows and Children's Funds, 40 Fulton St., 17th Fl., NY NY 10038, Widow and Children's Fund, Uniformed Firefighters Association, 204 E 23 St, NY NY 10010, Port Authority World Trade Center Disaster Survivors Fund, 611 Palisade Ave, Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632, and The World Trade Center Relief Fund PO Box 26999, General Post Office, NY NY 10087.

We can make a difference this holiday season by remembering those who are serving in the military. Many of our service men and women are serving in various places throughout the world. Daily we read about the events in Afghanistan where we are engaging in a battle against terrorism. You could make the holidays brighter with letters, cards, or gifts to our active military. These

can be left at the local military base or can be mailed to the Pentagon.

2001 has been a memorable one, for disasters we have seen and for the tremendous outpouring of support towards those in need. While we deliver emergency care to increasing numbers of people we need to also prepare for new problems such as bioterrorism. The anthrax outbreaks have caused genuine concern as to our preparedness. In 2002 we need to increase our skills in recognizing and battling bioterrorism. We need to improve our system for handling these potential problems. We need to learn from each other, and support each other in handling these problems, and the concurrent stress. We need to cultivate an interest in emergency care on the part of others because we have a shortage of emergency nurses.

We began that process this year with our radio campaign during Emergency Nurses Week. The commercial ran in Rochester, Syracuse and Albany. It states in part. . .Emergency nurses will be vital to your care. Highly trained and motivated, emergency nurses are doing more than ever to take care of you when every second counts. . . The medical professionals who are with you when you come in hurting until you go home healing: emergency nurses, curing, caring everyday.

Thank you for all your support over the past year. Congratulations to the officers elected to serve in 2002. May the holidays be happy and healthy for you and your families. In the words of Tiny Tim from the Christmas Carol, God bless us everyone.

Regards,
Mary Schmidt Roth

EXPERIENCES AT "GROUND ZERO"

Laura Terriquez-Kasey is a clinical instructor in the Decker School of Nursing at Binghamton University. She also serves as an emergency care and trauma nurse in the federal government's Disaster Medical Assistance Team, DMAT. DMAT was activated soon after the World Trade Center was hit. Laura and her team from Binghamton arrived at the disaster staging area by late afternoon on September 11. Stationed about a half of block from Ground Zero, Laura was assigned to help organize the medical triage and acute care services. Laura relates some of her experience:

"I have trained for war as an Army nurse and have worked under very difficult circumstances and disasters, but this is different. If I put all of my disaster response experiences together, this is the worst I've ever participated in.

"The area was a true war zone. Military police and armed police guarded every corner. Shattered police cars and large fire engines were crushed like toys. We were bused in and walked in as a group, receiving our helmets, goggles and respirator masks. The area was covered in a thick cloud of smoke and heavy dust and the ash appeared as though it was volcanic. The smell of death was everywhere.

"Police and fire teams assembled at different points and were marched in with buckets, later to be nicknamed the 'bucket brigade'. The shock and fear and mourning was visible on their faces all the time- even more so any time they removed human remains. It was heart wrenching to watch.

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EXPERIENCES AT "GROUND ZERO" *cont'd.*

"Many would be very quiet and eat and return to work as though searching for their brothers and sisters and loved ones. They prayed, they consoled each other, but were very determined to go back to work. Our job was to care for those heroes and try to comfort them in any way we could. Many times we just listened and helped them by caring for their injuries. We had many lacerations, minor cuts, blisters, burns, corneal abrasions and the need for nebulizer treatments.

"Many of the dogs being used were also exhausted, becoming increasingly tired and dehydrated. The handlers frequently needed to take a break as well but would only do so when their dog was given IV fluids and rest. The area of devastation, the rising number of dead and the disappointment continued to grow.

"I can only tell you that the TV and photos cannot do the disaster justice. You can't really understand the magnitude of the WTC area, now just a pile of rubble. The area has about 4000 people working at the pile, sifting through debris. Each team of 60 men and women would march into a designated area and work at removing what they could manually. Then the steelworkers and construction crews would come in and haul away a chunk of twisted metal.

"Personally, I felt I could not do enough. I felt I lost part of my own sense of security and I wanted to stay and continue helping and try to console the mourners. It took me about three days to get over the shock and horror that I also had endured and talking has helped a little. We are still mourning and will continue to pray that some time in the future we will all feel secure again."

NEWSLETTER TASK FORCE

Please submit any ideas, suggestions, or articles to:

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Next issue deadline: February 20, 2002

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1. Products which relate to emergency nursing
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3. Recruitment advertising within New York State

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CALL FOR AWARDS

Is there someone who you believe is a shining star for New York State ENA? Why not let them know how much their work means to you and your chapter by nominating them for one of the State Emergency Nurses Association Awards? Here is a list of the awards that are given annually.

Education Award: Recognizes an ENA member who has demonstrated excellence in the education of nurses or others in the area of emergency nursing.

Special Recognition Award: Is presented to an individual who has demonstrated commitment to New York State ENA and helps to promote the ideas of ENA through various special projects and efforts.

Anita Dorr Award: Is given to the Emergency Nurse recognized by peers for consistently being knowledgeable in Emergency Nursing and for presenting themselves as a caring professional individual reflective of the integrity and commitment of the women in whose memory this award is given, the co-founder of the Emergency Nurses Association, Anita Dorr.

The Ginny Hens EMS Award: This award is for the ENA member who promotes collaboration between pre-hospital care providers and New York State ENA through various activities and projects (presented at the EMS Vital Signs awards banquet in October).

If there is anyone who you would like to nominate for these awards, please send:

1. C.V. of the Nominee
2. A letter stating why the person should be considered for the nomination.

To: Susan D. Knapp
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Absolutely no later than April 1, 2002.

LEST WE FORGET

In honor of the valiant efforts of the rescue workers involved in the September 11th tragedy, New York State ENA voted to work on the establishment of the New York State September 11th scholarship which will be administered through the Emergency Nurses Association's Foundation. This scholarship will be used to provide rescue workers financial support in their endeavors to acquire their RN. The State Council has voted to provide the initial contribution to establish this scholarship and fund it for the first year. In order to make this a permanent memorial, further funding will be necessary. The State EMS committee in 2002 will be charged with soliciting further funding. If you are interested in participating in the fund raising efforts, please contact Laura Giles at (718) 392-8895 or E-mail Laura_Giles@smtplink.mssm.edu.

If you wish to make a contribution, it should be sent to Emergency Nurses Association Foundation with a note specifying that the contribution is to go to the September 11th scholarship. The address of the foundation is:

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Mary Schmidt Roth, President, 2001,
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Cathy Lind, Past President, 2000.



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Cathy Lind swears in the new officers.

NURSE MANAGER AWARD

Cathy Lind, NYSCENA Past President, was honored at the ENA Scientific Assembly in Orlando with the Emergency Nurses Nurse Manager Award. Cathy is respected and revered by her staff and colleagues for her sensitivity, effectiveness and vision as a leader.



Mary Roth presents Cathy Lind a token of gratitude for Cathy's achievement as ENA Nurse Manager Award recipient and for her work on the NYSCENA Board.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Deb Uhlman

January 1, 2001 I became the treasurer for the New York State Council Emergency Association after being elected by my peers. I entered the office with much excitement but also was a little frightened. All of a sudden I realized all the responsibility I had taken on in monitoring NYSCENA money affairs. Here is a summary of the financial activity of this past year.

The State received \$46,500.00 in income this year from National ENA. This large amount was due to the fact that the ENA was able to straighten out their financial inconsistencies and return to the State money from the year 2000 as well as reimbursements from this calendar year. The reimbursements from National are for TNCC, ENPC, and CATN courses taught throughout New York as well as membership dues paid and the 30/30/30 fund raising campaign. The state conference, Setting the Pace, at Turning Stone Casino and Resort made a significant profit of \$8310.00.

New York State Council was able to purchase a laptop computer and printer for \$2896.00 so the treasurer can keep accurate and timely records of all finances. This will also make for an easy transition when a new treasurer takes over. I met with the accountant to set up the accounts and start with correct balances on the new computer. A LCD projector was also purchased by the Council for \$3074.00 to help save the cost of renting this equipment each year for the annual conference and educational days the State may offer to its members.

NYSCENA continues to keep its membership informed of all activities at the State and National level by publishing a newsletter quarterly. This newsletter is mailed to all NY ENA members at about \$3500.00 per year. In an effort to reward the commitment put forth by participating at the State Council meetings, ENA members attending a state council meeting receive continental breakfast, break and lunch at the expense of the state treasury. The cost of meals this year was \$2700.00, a slight increase over last year.

The events of September 11 have changed everyone's lives forever. Those closest to the tragedy were colleagues and friends first met at NYSCENA meetings and events. In recognition of their efforts in this disaster baskets of goods were sent to the Emergency Departments. In addition the NYSCENA donated \$1000.00 to each of five disaster relief funds.

Finally the Council voted to spend \$10,000 on a radio ad promoting emergency nursing during Emergency Nurses Week this October. This ad aired in Rochester, Albany and Syracuse areas.

The year 2002 will be a very challenging year for the NYSCENA financially. Due to the events of September 11 and other factors the future of all organizations is unstable. NYSCENA and National ENA have the potential of seeing decreases in available monies. This is partially due to the general state of nursing as a profession, a decreasing membership to professional organizations, increases in costs of hotel facilities and meals. As the New York State Council meets this year we will have to work together and possibly make some difficult decisions on our spending to keep our organization financially secure in this ever-changing world.

TWO NEW YORK STATE ENA MEMBERS HONORED AT STATE EMS BANQUET

This year both awards given to nurses at the State EMS banquet were presented to active ENA Members.

The Ginny Hens EMS award which is given to the ENA member who has demonstrated a commitment to fostering collegiality between emergency nurses and the pre-hospital community was presented to Susan Prezzano, RN, CEN, EMT-p Nurse manager/Trauma Coordinator at St. Francis Hospital in Poughkeepsie. Susan has been involved in emergency care for over twenty years. She was extremely active in New York State ENA in the late eighties & early nineties as well as teaching for the local EMT program. When Sue became Trauma Coordinator, she invested more time in the Trauma Nurses Society and less with ENA, however, since she was named nurse manager at St. Francis she has resumed her activity with ENA on the chapter level. Whenever programs are being planned for either pre-hospital providers or nurses Sue works on including both groups in the planning process. As a result of her efforts Sue received the regional EMS nurse's award this past spring.

In her acceptance speech Sue stated "I sometimes have wondered - am I a paramedic or am I a nurse - this award tells me that I can be both."

The EMS Nurse of the Year award went to Mickey Forness, RN, CEN. Mickey has been the nursing representative on the State EMS Council and the ENA/EMS liaison for a number of years. She also has just completed a two-year term as board member-at-large for New York State ENA and is chairperson for the Membership Committee. Mickey is known for her enthusiasm, dependability, and her ability to understand the unique roles of emergency nurses and pre-hospital providers. Mickey has previously received the ENA EMS award for her ongoing work.

Congratulations and thank you to Mickey and Sue for their commitment and hard work.



*Mary Schmidt Roth, Susan Prezzano,
Mickey Forness*



*Chris Cerulo, Marylou Killian, and
Denise Harris presenting a resolution at
General Assembly in Orlando 9/12/01*

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CHAPTER NEWS

Brooklyn-Staten Island Chapter: Many hospitals within this chapter were hit hard by the disaster of September 11th. St. Vincent's proximity to the ferry sent ED nurses to the ferry and nearby stadium to set up triage stations. To the great sorrow of the staff, fewer than a hundred patients were treated that first day at these triage stations. Brooklyn Hospital treated over 190 people, many who walked across the East River Bridge. Lutheran Hospital saw over 70 patients. LICH treated 177 patients though less than 50 patients required admission. Everywhere there was overwhelming response of manpower and equipment to treat thousands yet the feelings of frustration that there were not enough survivors to treat was staggering.

Some of the faces of those involved in the tragedy of September 11 are seen here.



Top Left: Some of the staff of Jamaica Hospital ED

Bottom Left: Wall outside St. Vincent's Hospital

Bottom Center: Brooklyn Hospital ED staff

Bottom Right: ED staff of Long Island College Hospital



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LEGISLATIVE WORKSHOP

January 21, 2002 — 5 p.m.-9 p.m.
At the Desmond Hotel, Albany, NY

&
January 22, 2002 — 7:30 a.m.-10: am
The State Legislative Offices, Albany, NY

Tuition: \$13.00 ENA members who attend the State Council meeting on January 21st (7:30 am- 4:30 pm at Albany Memorial Hospital)

\$26.00 Participants who did not attend the State Meeting & non-ENA members

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REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JANUARY 15,2001

LETTERS AND EMAILS FROM OUR OVERSEAS COLLEAGUES

Dear Colleague,

It is with great sadness that I write to you today. On behalf of The Irish Emergency Nurses Association I would like to express our condolence and unrelenting support to all our friends and colleagues in emergency departments in New York, Washington and New Jersey (and others who are taking part in the disaster relief efforts). We can appreciate in some small way what our fellow emergency nurses have had to face over the last 48 hours, as we watched the terrible scenes of crowded emergency rooms, staff giving first aid in streets and rescue units trying desperately to free trapped victims from the rubble. This horrific act impacts on us all as human beings but more so on like minded nursing staff who dedicate their working lives to saving life.

Please convey our wishes of support to your group and also to the wider nursing community who will for some time to come be involved in nursing, rehabilitating, comforting and counseling the victims who survived this unspeakable tragedy. The implications for all nurses in every discipline are immense and will carry on long after the cameras and media have ceased reporting on the disaster.

Our thoughts are with you all. We will pray and reflect on what has happened over the coming days and especially tomorrow which will be an official national day of mourning in Ireland.

Val Smith

Chair: Irish Emergency Nurses Association, Dublin, Ireland



Dear Ms. Jagim,

The Australian Association of Emergency Nurses would like to express our support and sympathy for emergency nurses in New York and Washington, who are having to work through this horrific event. Please convey to them that our thoughts and prayers of all Australian emergency nurses are with them at this time especially those who have loved ones who have been injured, lost their lives, or still waiting to hear.

Words cannot convey the horror and revulsion felt by all of us here in Australia as we watch these tragic events unfold on our television screens. We are thinking of you all at this time and hope that this small message will give some comfort to our colleagues.

Rosy Drimatis

Acting President, Australian Association of Emergency Nurses



Dear Mary (Jagim, ENA President),

On behalf of the members of the Emergency Nurses Association Victoria Inc Australia I would like to convey our deepest heartfelt wishes to all emergency nurses involved in the recent tragedy that has befallen your nation. Although we are geographically distanced, we share feelings of shock and horror at the level of destruction and devastation that has occurred. Although due to distance we cannot physically help you at this time, we offer our support and empathy to all, particularly to those nurses whom are directly involved in this tragedy. Our thoughts are with you.

Dianne Dixon

President, ENA Victoria Inc Australia

Hello,

On behalf of the South Australian Emergency Nurses Association, I would like to express our shock at the recent events in Manhattan. As emergency nurses dedicated to nurturing the flame of life, we were stunned by the senseless waste of lives and hopes and dreams. Our hearts go out to our colleagues who have to cope both directly and indirectly with the attack. We can only imagine what it must have been like to keep on working with the wounded and the dead when they did not know if their own loved ones were safe. Our prayers and best wishes are with our colleagues in and around Manhattan as they struggle with the psychological and material aftermath of the disaster. We may be a long way away in distance, but we are close to you all in our hearts.

John Wright, RN

Treasurer, South Australian Emergency Nurses Association



Dear Colleague,

As Vice-President of the V.V.V.S. (Flemish Association of Emergency Nurses in Belgium) I express deep concern for the victims and their families and offer our emotional support to all the healthcare workers so diligently working on the front lines to provide care.

As emergency nurses let us try to work together on a better world, hoping that a tragedy like this one never happens again.

Door Lauwaert

Brussels, Belgium



Australian colleagues from the far north and far west of my country have already sent eloquent messages. I would like to officially convey on behalf of the members and committees of my Association our deepest sympathies.

Words can not express how we in Australia feel about last Tuesday (Sept.11). It has shocked our country as deeply as yours. To all our American colleagues and friends, our hearts are with you.

Toni McCallum

President, Emergency Nurses Association of New South Wales Inc.

NATIONAL ENA PRESIDENT VISITS NYC HOSPITALS DURING EMERGENCY NURSES WEEK

Denise Harris, Member-at-Large

During Emergency Nurses Week, October 7-13, 2001, ENA President, Mary Jagim, visited a number of our area hospitals that were hit hard by the World Trade Center Disaster on September 11th. Sue Strauss, a Past President of NYSCENA, and another member of the ENA office accompanied her.

I was pleased to be the NYSCENA/Brooklyn-Staten Island Chapter representative at The Brooklyn Hospital Center. We received 190 patients from the disaster. After introductions and light refreshments we took a tour of the Emergency Department lead by Peter Bardabelias, CALN/Emergency Department, Ms. Maria Flordeliza, DON, Critical Care/Emergency Department, Ms. Rochelle Evens, VP, Patient Care Services, Ms. Angela Alleyne, APCC/Emergency Department, and others. We met the staff who were hard at work caring for our patients. We introduced Mary to our new staff members and took pictures. Mary and Sue conversed with the staff

about their experiences of WTC disaster and how they have adjusted thus far. As it would be most have not missed a beat, have gone on with their lives and back to the daily grind of working in this extremely busy ED. When we reached triage, Mary compared our triage system, which included metal detectors, with her emergency department in Fargo, North Dakota.

Following the tour we gathered the staff, ED administrators and invited guests to the Nina Mazur Conference Room where Mary Jagim presented a plaque to the Emergency Department for their efforts caring for patients on September 11th. The plaque read: "ENA recognizes The Brooklyn Hospital Center Emergency Department for continued commitment to excellence in emergency patient care and exemplary response during the National tragedies on September 11, 2001"



Mary Jagim meets with staff of St. Vincent's Hospital.



Plaque presented to Brooklyn Hospital emergency staff by Mary Jagim



ED staff of Bellvue Hospital with their plaque



NYU Emergency Department staff with Sue Strauss and Mary Jagim.



Staff from Mary Immaculate and North Shore Hospitals celebrate Emergency Nurses Week.



Jamaica Hospital ED nurses.

TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR NEW YORK STATE ENA COUNCIL MEETING

January 20, 2002	7pm-9pm	B.O.D. Meeting	The Desmond Hotel
January 21, 2002	7:30am- 4pm	Orientation and State Council Meeting	Albany Memorial Hospital
	5:00pm -10pm	Legislative Workshop/Dinner	The Desmond Hotel
January 22, 2002		Legislative Breakfast	Legislative Office Building Room 711

A block of hotel rooms have been reserved for \$ 99.00 / night at the Desmond Hotel and Conference Center.

For reservations call: (518)869-7659 Reference Reservation ID# 10A76J by December 30, 2001. After the above date requests for room reservations will be based on group room availability.

For meal reservations, contact:
Deb Uhlman by January 17, 2002
(716) 837-4380 or (716) 898-3631
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COUNTDOWN TO LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST

Denise Harris, Member-at-Large

The Legislative Breakfast will take place **Tuesday, January 22, 2002**, in the **Legislative Office Building, Room 711**, from **8am to 11am**. It is our opportunity, as emergency nurses, to speak to the issues related to our profession to the Legislators from our area in order to promote quality emergency care.

I know some of you may feel intimidated, as I did, when I took on this task, but it is an experience you will never forget. There will be an educational offering the day preceding this event to prepare you for this event. Below you will find a brief synopsis of the tentative topics to be discussed:

(NOTE: S=SENATE, A=ASSEMBLY)

BILL NUMBER	BILL NAME	BILL SPONSOR
A 3493	<u>Child Abuse Reporting</u> : Will require that all calls to the Central Registry be recorded.	CALHOUN
A 7306	<u>Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner Payment Act of 2001</u> : "provides for direct reimbursement by the crime victims board to hospitals, sexual assault examiners programs and LIP, who provide health care, forensic examinations to sexual assault survivors."	JOHN
A 2581 S 00510	<u>Nursing Care Quality Protection Act</u> : Requires facilities to disclose nursing quality indicators (ie: nurse: patient ratios).	GOTTFRIED DEFRANCISCO
A 7814 S 3389	"Establishes the empire state professional nursing scholarship program; establishes grants for nursing education to establish or expand training programs to nurses and to increase the opportunities for nursing education at community based sites."	PRETLOW LAVALLE
A 7730	<u>Nurse of Tomorrow Act of 2001</u> : Provides grants to hospitals, schools, and other entities for nurse recruitment, education, and retention.	PERRY

In addition, here are some websites to access to acquire additional information:

<http://www.capwiz.com>

<http://www.ena.org> ⇒ Legislative Action Center

<http://www.senate.state.ny.us> ⇒ Bills/Laws ⇒ search all NYS Legislative Bills ⇒ Bill #

NOTE: once at actual bill site, check appropriate boxes for information

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If possible, please send a personal note to your local Senator/Assemblyperson to invite them to the event. It gives a personal touch to the event. One can email, fax or snail mail it to your perspective Legislator.

(If handwriting, use blue ink. It brings attention to your note).

I encourage you to attend this event. In order for our voices and the voices of all nurses working in Emergency Care throughout New York State to be heard, your participation at this event is essential for its success.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR NYSCENA 2002

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
JANUARY 20 TH	B.O.D. MEETING	ALBANY
JANUARY 21 ST	STATE COUNCIL MEETING	ALBANY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
JANUARY 21 ST	LEGISLATIVE WORKSHOP	ALBANY
JANUARY 22 ND	LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST	ALBANY
FEBRUARY 27 TH - MARCH 3 RD	LEADERSHIP CHALLENGE	CHARLOTTE, NC
APRIL 18 TH	ENPC/TNCC REVERIFICATION (tentative)	ROCHESTER, NY
	B.O.D. MEETING	ROCHESTER, NY
APRIL 19 TH	SETTING THE PACE	ROCHESTER, NY
APRIL 20 TH	STATE COUNCIL MEETING	ROCHESTER, NY
AUGUST 9 TH	TRIAGE COURSE (tentative)	NYC
	BOD MEETING	NYC
AUGUST 10 TH	STATE COUNCIL MEETING	NYC (tentative)
SEPTEMBER 18 TH - 22 ND	ANNUAL NATIONAL MEETING	NEW ORLEANS, LA
OCTOBER 17 TH	CEN REVIEW COURSE	POUGHKEEPSIE
OCTOBER 18 TH	CEN REVIEW COURSE	POUGHKEEPSIE
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