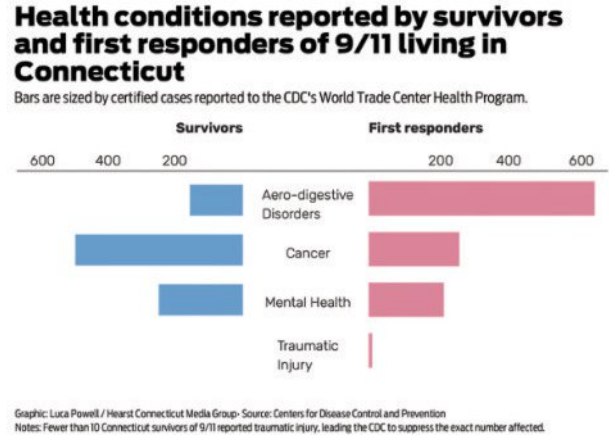


Connecticut survivors face cancer, illness, long waits for care



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Lavene Colligan, photographed Sept. 2 in Norwalk, spent a week looking for her brother-in-law at ground zero before his remains were found. Since then, she's dealt with a number of health issues and is now part of the World Trade Center Health Program.



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Lavene Colligan remembers the smoke, flying debris and remains as she came closer to the ruins of the Twin Towers on Sept. 11, 2001. She was looking for her brother-in-law, who worked at one of the firms inside the World Trade Center. Her family had been on the phone with him, until the line dropped. Then

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Safer than we feared, more divided than we hoped

Ed Dadakis stayed home in Greenwich to take a call from a client on the morning of Sept. 11, 2001, rather than head into his office on the 105th floor of the South Tower of the World Trade Center. He lost 176 colleagues at



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Aon, the giant insurance brokerage, at least 100 of whom he knew personally. He attended more than 35 funerals. In the days that followed the attacks 25 years ago, Haar continues on A6



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Army National Guardsmen, from left, Azwim Baccus, Gus Marquez and William Torres read the New York Post near ground zero after spending a long night working at the World Trade Center attack site on Sept. 14, 2001. This photo has been on display at the National Sept. 11 Memorial & Museum in New York.

Vacant Darien church could be replaced by 4 single-family homes

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DARIEN — A plan to demolish an inactive church at 471 Mansfield Ave. and subdivide the property into four single-family residential lots is headed toward

approval, Darien officials said. Planning & Zoning Commission Chairman Steve Olvany said the commission will review a draft resolution of approval at its next meeting Sept. 22. The applicant, Missionary of Society of Connecticut Inc., also known as The

Episcopal Church in Connecticut, said each lot would be at least 2½ acres. The property covers 14.4 acres, 54% of which would be placed in a conservation easement. The land would be protected as open space or through deed restrictions, said Craig Flaherty, a professional

engineer with Redniss & Mead in Stamford who represents the property owner. "This particular parish is no longer viable," Flaherty said. "They're trying to prepare the property for sale. Part of that is to subdivide it into what we believe is Church continues on A6

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