

13th Precinct honors 9/11 heroes

By Rick Archer

The 13th Precinct honored the fallen heroes of 9/11 with a memorial service last week.

The memorial ceremony in front of the 13th Precinct house on 21st Street on the morning of the second anniversary of the Sept. 11 World Trade Center attacks was one of many held by the Police Department at precincts around the city.

The day also included a screening of a rough cut of a film the Gramercy Park Block

Association is making about the lives of the Emergency Service crew members who lost their lives.

Association president Arlene Harrison said the idea for the film came about after seeing many young children at various 9/11 memorial ceremonies. The ceremonies would only be a blur to those children, so she wanted to find a way to give those children a more lasting memorial. "Someone had to give them something to hold

on to," she said.

The film is a series of interviews with ESU members remembering their fallen comrades.

The interviews proved emotional for the filmmakers and the interviewees, and to the viewers last week, she said. "They said to the kids, we are your family,"

she said. "Every single one of them said we'll always be here for you."

The film will not be released to the public, she said.

The association wrapped up the day by serving a meal for all the emergency personnel in the neighborhood.



ALWAYS REMEMBER — Officers from the 13th Precinct (above) attended the ceremony.



MEMORIAL - Police officers pay tribute to the World Trade Center dead in a memorial in front of the 13th Precinct last Thursday.