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Event: Portland Rose Society sponsored event Portland's Best Rose Show, "Remember Me" Rose Garden officially introducing "Wings of Courage".

Time-Place: Portland, Oregon - Washington Park International Test Rose Garden, June 12, 2011 between 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Announcing "Wings of Courage" the eighth of eleven "Remember Me" Roses. "Wings of Courage" is named for the crew and passengers of American Airlines Flight 11. Our lives were forever changed the morning of September 11, 2001 when Flight 11 hit the North Tower of the World Trade Center.

The name "Wings of Courage" was suggested by Alyson Low whose sister Sara Low was a Flight Attendant on Flight 11. The most well-known acts of courage were of Flight 11 Flight Attendants Betty Ong and Amy Sweeney, who made phone calls to American Airlines employees on the ground, informing them of the events unfolding on the flight and setting in motion the process that would identify the perpetrators of the worst attack on American soil in our history. Less familiar to many are the brave acts of the other members of the crew. They worked powerfully as a team to relay to Betty and Amy the seat numbers of the hijackers, the rushing of the cockpit, and the injuries to two fellow flight attendants and a passenger in business class. Without question, the heroes of American Airlines Flight 11 represent what we would all hope to find in ourselves in such an inconceivable circumstance, and that is courage.

The remaining roses yet to be named are for: Flight 175, Port Authority Police and Responders.



"Wings of Courage" is a beautiful butter yellow rose with a halo of white pedals. It is mildly scented and can have up to thirty blooms at one time. "Wings of Courage" was hybridized by the late John Clements of Heirloom Roses [www.heirloomroses.com]. Prior to Heirloom Roses John was with the FAA for 28 years as an Air Traffic Controller.

