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tom...we shouldn't have shown him any respect. It's a shame we didn't capture him and put him on trial. But he was only the tip of the iceberg."

Steve O'Neill
West Cape May
"I'm just happy about it."

Tracy O'Neill
West Cape May
"I'm glad...just sorry it took so long."

Sam Gowen
Schellenger's Landing
Served nine years in the National Guard

"I think it's beautiful. I love it. I was watching the ball game when they announced it. Nobody knew what was going on. Then it kind of brought tears to my eyes."

Dennis Makovsky
US Navy, 1965-69

"I was surprised they got him, in a way. He could have been dead years ago. It was a tough decision for the president - bombing or sending in SEALs. Either way it could have been screwed up. The decision was made and it worked out well."

Mike P.
Cape May
"I'm very pleased, but I



Renie Hober

think our conflict is far from over. But anything that can bring the loss of American lives to an end I support. I'm happy they dumped his body in the ocean where it won't be found."

Janice O'Hara, Erma
"I'm happy they caught him. It's a shame it took so long. But I'm glad they showed (his remains) respect. We took the high road."

Mark Allen
South Jersey Marina
28 year veteran of the Marines, Air Force and Air National Guard

"It took about 10 years to get him. I always felt we could have gotten him much sooner if we had the will. My



Steve O'Neill

only question is why we still haven't sealed our borders and yet. I don't see how we can fight a war on terrorism with borders that are open to anyone."

Renie Hober
West Cape May
"I was wondering what's going to happen with our diplomatic relationship with Pakistan. I was wondering how much it cost to find that one man. For what we spent we could have bought a Third World country and put it on its feet."

Bernadette Matthews
Cape May

"I think it's great, fantastic, a long time coming, but good news. On the other hand I think about what part



Tracy O'Neill

Pakistan had in all this. For them to be our friend, and to find out he's hiding in Pakistan, that gives cause for thought. But it does give closure to families of 9/11 victims."

Yvonne Wright Gary
Cape May
"People complain about how laid-back Obama is. My grandmother used to say, 'Look out for the quiet ones, they are usually the ones who get stuff done.'"

Ed Zebrowski
Cape May Firefighter
"We finally got some justice for the 433 brothers who died in New York."

Jerry Inderwies Jr.
Cape May Fire Chief



Yvonne Wright-Gary

"Not just for the 433 brothers, but for the Port Authority, NYPD, Emergency Services, the mothers, fathers, brothers, sisters, who died in Iraq and Afghanistan...those families can rest now that bin Laden has been put away, knowing the deaths of their loved ones was not in vain."

Ryan Toler
Cape May Firefighter
"It's a great accomplishment, but it's not over yet. We've still got a lot of work to do."

Rusty Chew, 25-year Cape May Police Officer

"It's a terrible day when you have to take anyone's life, for any reason. I'm sorry for the young man who had to do

that. There is no reason to celebrate the loss of a life."

Cory Bryan
West Cape May
"I think at this point they are going after the wrong group. They are not the ones who are (messing) up the country anymore. Retaliation is not a way to do it. Both sides are using the Hammurabi Code - an eye for an eye. We all need to grow the (heck) up."

Zach Rinker, 20
Pittsburgh
"I was surprised by the reactions of rest of the country. I didn't think there would be riots because of it."

Cassia Priebe, 21
Pittsburgh
"I kind of forgot about him. I think he was just a comical character at this point. He wasn't making a problem at this point."

Mike Pesce, 22
Pittsburgh
"I'm worried there is already someone else in line."

Anthony May, 20
Pittsburgh
"How we treated his body didn't show respect. They (Muslims) were insulted by it. It shows the difference between our cultures."

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they've done thus far. "They know what they want and what they're looking for," he said. "They've set realistic

goals and given it a lot of thought." He and Smith were happy the piling process has already been done for the project because if it wasn't, the job

could have stretched over two summers instead of one.

"Having the piling process done prior to our construction speeds up the process. It's a good thing they did it that way," Smith said.

Ogren said he and Smith would have most likely hired the same company as a

sub-contractor to do the pile driving anyway, since they have worked with Arthur R. Henry in the past.

The 21,000 square-foot Convention Hall, which was originally designed to be 32,000 square-feet, is scheduled for completion by Memorial Day 2012. Smith

and Ogren both said this is a reasonable goal set by the city.

Ogren Construction will be building the entire structure inside and out, with the help of sub-contractors they will be choosing during the project, which will be union labor for the most part. Smith said they must disclose their primary sub-contractors so they can be approved by the city.

"We pick and choose who will do the best job for the least amount of money," he said. "It's all about filling in the gaps and making sure everything is done correctly."

Smith and Ogren said the biggest challenge will be the space in which they have to work, especially with the pedestrian and vehicle traffic near the beach during the summer season.

"It's a very good looking, unique design that has to be strategically done because there's not much space to work," Ogren said.

Ogren said the city had a good plan to divert pedestrian flow for obvious safety reasons, so that should help make things easier. He said the bulk of the work is done at the start of the project, when the concrete and framing is laid out.

"We have to have trucks and cranes out there, so safety is a big issue," Smith said. At past city council meetings, there was public concern addressed about the

location of where the Convention Hall is being built. Some feel since it is being built on the beach, the building will be more vulnerable to storm, wind and water damage. That has been taken into consideration, for example, by selecting custom fabricated windows that are made to withstand severe weather.

"When they say 'they don't build things like they used to,' that's a good thing," Smith said in response. "I think you need something like that to be visible because it's an asset to the whole area and should be noticeable - the beach is the perfect place for that."

Ogren and Smith said they feel they were chosen for this project not just because they were the lowest bidders, but also because they spend a lot of time working in shore towns and know what to expect.

"Being from Vineland, we know the area and it's pretty much in our own backyard," Ogren said.

Ogren and Smith are both eagerly awaiting the green light to commence construction and are certain they can finish on time if no major delays occur.

"The city wants it done on time, so we have to make the schedule work," Smith said.

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Local Births

Cape Regional Medical Center
Corbin Dallas Bordo, a son, to Christina (Cloverdale) and Jason Bordo of North Cape May, March 13, 2011.
Owen Jacob Moore, a son, to Jennifer and Brian Moore of Cape May, March 17, 2011.
Sky Sabrina Stewart, a daughter, to Jenna Baker and Carl Steward of Lower Township, March 18, 2011.
Jacob Miles Carbonneau, a son, to Megan and Harold Carbonneau Jr. of Cape May, March 20, 2011.
Cooper Dennis Turner, a son, to Brianna and Thomas Turner of Erma, March 22, 2011.
Kara Leighann Christman, a daughter, to Angela Hackney and Robert Christman III of North Cape May, March 23, 2011.
Ryan Phillip Allay, a son, to Catherine Addesso and Stephen Allay of North Cape May, March 29, 2011.
Kiana Jailese Caban, a daughter, to Lisa (Gorman) and Ramon Caban of North Cape May, April 3, 2011.
Jason Tyler McCabe, a son, to Pamela (Murray) and George McCabe of North Cape May, April 5, 2011.
Abigail Mary Grace Anderson, a daughter, to Kimberly and Christopher Anderson of North Cape May, April 6, 2011.
Julian Garrett Terwilliger, a son, to Christine Crandley and Daniel Terwilliger of Villas, April 13, 2011.
Shore Memorial Hospital
Alexander Christopher Clark, a son, to Dana Ruffo and Charles Clark of Villas, March 17, 2011.
Violet Saylor Knapp, a daughter, to Holly and Will Knapp of Bayside Village, April 19, 2011.