Information Paper about the Ice Sculpture at St Paul Winter Carnival.

Members of the United States Army Culinary Arts Team, (CW2 Travis Smith - Ft Lee, SFC David Turcotte – Pentagon, SFC David Russ – Ft Bragg, SSG Rene Marquis – Ft Lee) Sculpted an ice memorial at the St Paul Winter Carnival in Rice Park, in Downtown St Paul on 31 January 2002. LTC Donald P. Vtipil, Director of the Army Center of Excellence Subsistence was in attendance for the dedication of the memorial on 1 February at 0900 hours. LTC Vtipil recognized all of the ice sculptors and told attendees from the audience what an honor it was to participate in this significant event.

The sculpture included a foundation of the Pentagon with six sculptures resting on it's points. The center held a fireman raising the U.S. Flag at ground zero of the World Trade Center. The other five points included the Statue of Liberty, the Washington Monument, the Liberty Bell, the Kitty Hawk Wright Brothers airplane, and an American Bald Eagle.

The team began work on the sculpture at 0800 hours on 31 January and finished the project at 1800 hours. The team expected to work through the evening of the 31st and into the morning of February 1st. They were however, able to accomplish the mission twelve hours earlier than originally anticipated.

Figure 1Building the Foundation of the Sculpture on 31 Jan 2002

Figure 2Fireman raising flag at WTC

Figure 3Night view of Fireman at WTC

Figure 4 - LTC Donald Vtipil, SFC David Russ, SSG Rene Marquis, CW2 Travis Smith, SFC David Turcotte

Figure 5 Marquis and Russ assemble the Kitty Hawk portion of the 9-11 memorial sculpture

Figure 6 Night view of Kitty Hawk, Fireman at Ground Zero, and Statue of Liberty

Figure 7 The Ice Memorial sculpted by the United States Army Culinary Arts Team on 31 January 2002 at St Paul Winter Carnival in St Paul, MN