As we look back to the events of September 11, 2001, we remember the bravery, courage and humanity shown that day, and the many that have followed. Please join with us in remembrance of the lives that have been forever changed.

### • September 11, 2001

An entire nation's lives were changed with one attack on our soil. Around 3,000 civilians and workers died that tragic day. It's considered the most horrifying attack on American grounds. Everyone remembers what they were doing at the time of the Twin Towers and Pentagon terrorist attacks. The images are forever seared into our minds. About a month after the attacks, the United States and its Allies were in a war against Afghanistan.

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Our nation is rebuilding and healing as time goes on. The so called "mastermind" behind the 9/11 attacks. Osama Bin Laden, has been brought down. Our military is strong, and our faith in our country is stronger. The government has taken drastic measures in the last 11 years to help keep our country safe and protect the citizens from another attack.

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Hijackers target towers, kill thousands

NEW YORK — In one of the most horrifying attacks ever against the United States, terrorists crashed two airliners into the World Trade Center in a deadly series of blows today that brought down the twin 110-story towers. A plane also slammed into the Pentagon as the government itself came

Thousands could be dead or injured, a high-ranking New York City police official said, speaking on condition of

Authorities had been trying to evacuate those who work in the twin towers when the glass-and-steel skyscrapers came down in a thunderous roar within about 90 minutes after the crashes, which took place minutes apart around 9 a.m. But many people were thought to have been trapped. About 50,000 people work at the Trade Center and tens of thousands of others visit each

American Airlines initially said the Trade Center was hit by two of its planes, both hijacked, carrying a total of 156 people. But the airline later said that was unconfirmed. Two United airliners with a total of 110 aboard also crashed — one outside Pittsburgh, the other in a location not immediately identified. Altogether, the planes had 266 people aboard.

"This is perhaps the most audacious terrorist attack that's ever taken place in the world," said Chris Yates, an aviation expert at Jane's Transport in London. "It takes a logistics operation from the terror group involved that is second to none. Only a very small handful of terror groups is on that list. ... I would

Within the hour, the Pentagon took a direct, devastating hit from a plane. The

Quds al-Arabi newspaper, said he re-

Authorities in Washington immedidon. tely called out troops, including an fantry regiment. The Situation Room thousands of Palestinians celebrated nn. Authorities went on alert from and handing out candy.



borders were sealed, all air traffic across the country was halted, and security was tightened at strategic instal-

"This is the second Pearl Harbor. I don't think that I overstate it," said Sen. Chuck Hagel, R-Neb.

In June, a U.S. judge had set this Wednesday as the sentencing date for Flight 93, a Boeing 757 en route from a bin Laden associate for his role in the 1998 bombing of a U.S. embassy in Tanzania that killed 213 people. The sentencing had been set for the federal courthouse near the World Trade Center. No one from the U.S. attorney's office could be reached today to comment on whether the sentencing was

Afghanistan's hard-line Taliban rulat the top of the list Osama bin suggestions that bin Laden was behind ers condemned the attacks and rejected Flight 175 crashed into the Trade Cen-President Bush ordered a full-scale means to carry out such well-orchesthem, saying he does not have the investigation to "hunt down the folks trated attacks. Bin Laden has been given asylum in Afghanistan.

ceived a warning from Islamic funda-The White House, the Pentagon and not take the threat seriously. "They said he Capitol were evacuated along with it would be a huge and unprecedented other federal buildings in Washington attack but they did not specify," Atwan said in a telephone interview in Lon-

In the West Bank city of Nablus, the White House was in full operathe attacks, chanting "God is Great"

American Airlines initially identified the planes that crashed into the Trade Center as Flight 11, a Los Angelesbound jet hijacked after takeoff from Boston with 92 people aboard, and Flight 77, which was seized while carrying 64 people from Washington to

Newark, N.J., to San Francisco, crashed about 80 miles southeast of Pittsburgh with 45 people aboard. United said another of its planes, Flight 175, a Boeing 767 bound from Boston to Los Angeles with 65 people on board, also crashed, but it did not say where. The fate of those aboard the two planes was not immediately known

United's pilots union said United ter. But the airline had no immediate comment.

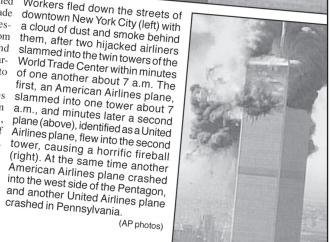
An emergency dispatcher in Westmoreland County, Pa., received a cell phone call at 9:58 a.m. from a man who said he was a passenger locked in the bathroom of United Flight 93, said dispatch supervisor Glenn Cramer.

"We are being hijacked, we are being hijacked!" Cramer quoted the man as saying. The man told dispatchers the plane "was going down. He heard some sort of explosion and saw white smoke coming from the plane and we lost contact with him," Cramer said.

Evacuations were ordered at the See ATTACKS, Page 6

Workers fled down the streets of downtown New York City (left) with a cloud of dust and smoke behind them, after two hijacked airliners slammed into the twin towers of the World Trade Center within minutes of one another about 7 a.m. The first, an American Airlines plane, slammed into one tower about 7 a.m., and minutes later a second plane (above), identified as a United Airlines plane, flew into the second tower, causing a horrific fireball (right). At the same time another American Airlines plane crashed

and another United Airlines plane crashed in Pennsylvania. (AP photos)



### Kansas officials tighten security

Associated Press Writer TOPEKA — Planes were diverted to Kansas airports and security tightened at government buildings today following the attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon.

State officials moved quickly to in-

rity detail, normally one Kansas Highway Patrol officer, had been increased to four officers. She ordered security increased despite a lack of threats to the

"I'd rather be safe," she said. Graves was in Wichita, attending the

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