

Chapter 1 : September 11 attacks - Wikipedia

There are now replicated findings that posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD) symptoms related to the September 11, , attacks occurred in large numbers of persons who did not fit the traditional definition of exposure to a traumatic event. These data are not explained by traditional epidemiologic.

September 17 The events of September 11th, affected the entire world. A resource for scholars, journalists, and the public, it presents one week of news broadcasts for study, research and analysis. Television is our pre-eminent medium of information, entertainment and persuasion, but until now it has not been a medium of record. This Archive attempts to address this gap by making TV news coverage of this critical week in September available to those studying these events and their treatment in the media. Explore 3, hours of international TV News from 20 channels over 7 days, and select analysis by scholars. Mediated Meanings and Symbolic Politics: Understanding how and why the coverage took shape as it did yields new insights into the social, cultural and political consequences of the attacks, while also highlighting the role of news media in the creation, affirmation and dissemination of meanings in modern life. Seeing TV News through the Lens of the Archive Deborah Jaramillo, Boston University The experience of watching the news on TV as events unfold is often complicated by the space of exhibition -- typically, the domestic space. When hour upon hour of news is catalogued and archived -- placed in a space of focused study -- the news and the experience become altogether different. What was meant to be ephemeral acquires permanence, and what is usually a short-term viewing experience becomes a rigorous, frame-by-frame examination. In this presentation I will discuss how the archive challenges researchers to adopt new ways of seeing and explaining TV news. Marshall Breeding gives a brief overview of the Vanderbilt Television News Archive and how it carries out its mission to preserve and provide access to US national television news. Two significant research and teaching outcomes for this area of study are A to better understand the role of television news regarding the mediation of society and its popular memory, and B to underscore the significance of television news to the goal of an informed citizenry. Considering September 11, , the media coverage of the event is predominantly visual. People drift in and out of news footage, covered in dust and ash as they exclaim that witnessing the attacks was like watching a movie. For contemporary American traumatic events, this inquires into how porous the sensory modalities are in experiencing and remembering shock. Choi addresses these questions by exploring sound as an alternate modality, evoking a different level of traumatic indexicality. Accompanying the images are essays written by a wide range of participants, each expressing their personal experience of the September 11th attacks. In addition, the authors of the essays were asked to reflect on, and respond to, the flipbook itself. Not surprisingly, the majority of the essayists experienced the events through news network footage. He recalls his personal experiences and testifies to the historical significance of an online television news archive, especially for younger people whose memories of the attacks may be hazy or nonexistent.

Chapter 2 : Project MUSE - Time and the Event: Reflections on September 11,

On September 11, , 19 militants associated with the Islamic extremist group al-Qaeda hijacked four airplanes and carried out suicide attacks against targets in the United States.

Rescue and recovery effort after the September 11 attacks on the World Trade Center Within hours of the attack, a massive search and rescue SAR operation was launched, which included over search and rescue dogs. Only twenty survivors were found alive in the rubble. Rescue and recovery efforts took months to complete. It took several weeks to simply put out the fires burning in the rubble of the buildings, and the clean-up was not completed until May Temporary wooden "viewing platforms" were set up for tourists to view construction crews clearing out the gaping holes where the towers once stood. All of these platforms were closed on May 30, Many relief funds were immediately set up to assist victims of the attacks, with the task of providing financial assistance to the survivors and the families of victims. War on Terrorism In the aftermath of the attacks, many U. These goals would be accomplished by means including economic and military sanctions against states perceived as harboring terrorists and increasing global surveillance and intelligence sharing. Immediately after the September 11 attacks U. On October 7, , the War in Afghanistan began when U. This was the second-largest operation of the U. Global War on Terrorism outside of the United States, and the largest directly connected to terrorism, resulting in the overthrow of Taliban rule in Afghanistan , by a U. Federal investigators were reported to have described them as part of a long-running effort to spy on American government officials. A "handful" of these Israelis were described as active Israeli military or intelligence operatives. It also implies a dysfunctional and ineffective approach to protecting the public after Sept. No one can be made safer by arresting the wrong people". Civil liberties groups have criticized the PATRIOT Act, saying that it allows law enforcement to invade the privacy of citizens and eliminates judicial oversight of law-enforcement and domestic intelligence gathering. The DOJ acted under the authority of the Immigration and Nationality Act of , which had authorized a registration system but was allowed to lapse in the s because of budget concerns. Some government officials pronounced the program a success. They said in the course of the combined programs, registration upon entry and that of residents, they had arrested 11 suspected terrorists, found more than criminal suspects or deportable convicts, and identified more than 9, illegal aliens. DOJ general counsel Kris Kobach said: Ziglar, former head of INS who left the agency early in , in part because of his differing opinions about the program with Ashcroft, said his objections to it had been proven correct: This project was a huge exercise and caused us to use resources in the field that could have been much better deployed. Please help improve this article by adding citations to reliable sources. Unsourced material may be challenged and removed.

Chapter 3 : 20 Rarely Seen Photos of the Events of Sept. 11, | DoDLive

September 11, , was the deadliest day in history for New York City firefighters: were killed. Osama bin Laden The attackers were Islamic terrorists from Saudi Arabia and several other Arab.

In lieu of an abstract, here is a brief excerpt of the content: Time and the Event: Reflections on September 11, Timothy Rayner bio Traveling on a desert highway, we occasionally come upon a crossroads, where a sign indicates our location relative to towns north, south, east, and west. The sign gives us a sense of placement, even though we can only see empty horizon. The terrible image of the World Trade Center in flames has, or ought to have, a similar sort of indicative function for us today – pointing toward what cannot be seen or represented, but only lived through: To understand this idea, we need to draw a distinction between the events of September 11, and the complex, historical event that we are drawn into on account of these events. The former can be represented, but the latter, as something that we are presently passing through, is something with which we can only engage. To give thought to this exteriority is to assemble and engage a diverse series of struggles, centered in the Middle East, revolving about the access to, and control of, oil. We in the West can no longer deny our involvement in this history of struggles. For in the wake of September 11, this historical exteriority has become our own. We experience our installation in this new realm of exteriority in the form of an altered, temporal disposition. If the events of September 11 have changed us, it is because they have opened us to an other time – a time of conflict, transformation, and decision. September 11 marks a crisis in world history. With the attacks on New York and Washington, terror has become a truly global phenomenon, bringing with it a new kind of warfare with incalculable stakes. In the developed world, at least, it seems as if, all of a sudden, the world is divided against itself. When the American President says: We feel we must respond to the events of September 11 with decisive action, lest we are swallowed by this abyss. But at the same time, we seem to lack any definite sense of what it is that we are responding to. We tell ourselves that we are responding to the attacks of September If the crisis that we presently face is an effect of these attacks, is it not obvious that the perpetrators of the attacks are its cause? But the logic of cause and effect is misplaced here. For the crisis that we face does not merely concern the tragedy of the towers, nor even the sprawling, diffuse, plethora of tragedies that has since engulfed Afghanistan. These are only symptoms of the crisis, not the crisis itself. The crisis itself is an entirely different order of event. Ordinarily, when we think of an event, we think of something that takes place within the flow of history. It is certainly possible to think of the attacks on New York and Washington in these terms. But does this do justice to the event itself? For the most part, this viewpoint elides the event itself. We represent objects, but we can only undergo events. The event as such is not something that can You are not currently authenticated. View freely available titles:

Chapter 4 : Understanding 9/ A Television News Archive

Reflecting on the 15th memorial of 9/11, I am reminded of the great people of New York and The National September 11 Memorial and Museum. I have visited the 9/11 Memorial and Museum twice in the past year while speaking in New York City.

The group consisted of six core organizers, which included the four pilots, and thirteen others. Unlike many stereotypes of hijackers or terrorists, most of the attackers were educated and came from well-to-do backgrounds. Other potential hijackers 27 members of al-Qaeda attempted to enter the United States to take part in the September 11 attacks, only 19 participated. Other would-be hijackers are often referred to as the 20th hijacker: Ramzi Binalshibh allegedly meant to take part in the attacks, but he was repeatedly denied a visa for entry into the U. Mohamed al-Kahtani , a Saudi Arabian citizen, may also have been planning to join the hijackers but U. Immigration authorities at Orlando International Airport refused his entry into the U. He was later captured in Afghanistan and imprisoned at the U. Zacarias Moussaoui was reportedly considered as a replacement for Ziad Jarrah , who at one point threatened to withdraw from the scheme because of tensions amongst the plotters. Plans to include Moussaoui were never completed because the al-Qaeda hierarchy allegedly had doubts about his reliability. He was arrested on August 16 , , about four weeks before the attacks, ostensibly for an immigration violation, but FBI agents suspected he had violent intentions after receiving flight training earlier that year. In April , Moussaoui pleaded guilty to conspiring to hijack planes, and to involvement with al-Qaeda, but he denies foreknowledge of the attacks. Moussaoui, at his sentencing hearing in March , claimed that, upon the personal directive of Osama bin Laden, he and Richard Reid were due to hijack a fifth plane and fly it into the White House. Buildings surrounding the World Trade Center were heavily damaged by the debris and massive force of the falling twin towers Other al-Qaeda members who may have attempted, but were unable, to take part in the attacks include Saeed al-Ghamdi not to be confused with the successful hijacker of the same name , Mushabib al-Hamlan , Zakariyah Essabar , Ali Abdul Aziz Ali , and Tawfiq bin Attash. Responsibility and motives Main article: On the day of the attacks, the National Security Agency intercepted communications that pointed to Osama bin Laden, [37] as did German intelligence agencies. Bin Laden initially denied, but later admitted involvement in the incidents. In November , U. In the tape bin Laden admits foreknowledge of the attacks. On December 27 , , a second bin Laden video was released. In the video he stated "Terrorism against America deserves to be praised because it was a response to injustice, aimed at forcing America to stop its support for Israel , which kills our people," but he stopped short of admitting responsibility for the attacks. S, and admitted his direct link to the attacks. He said that the attacks were carried out because, "We are a free people who do not accept injustice, and we want to regain the freedom of our nation. It released its report on July 22 , , concluding that the attacks were conceived and implemented by members of al-Qaeda. In "Substitution for Testimony of Khalid Sheik Mohammed" from the trial of Zacarias Moussaoui , five people are identified as having been completely aware of the operations details. At the same time, another 17 Al Qaeda members were sentenced to penalties of between 6 and 12 years. The fatwa states that the United States: Plunders the resources of the Arabian Peninsula. Dictates policy to the rulers of those countries. Supports abusive regimes and monarchies in the Middle East , thereby oppressing their people. Has military bases and installations upon the Arabian Peninsula , which violates the Muslim holy land, in order to threaten neighboring Muslim countries. Intends thereby to create disunion between Muslim states, thus weakening them as a political force. Supports Israel , and wishes to divert international attention from and tacitly maintain the occupation of Palestine. The Persian Gulf War, the ensuing sanctions against Iraq and the bombing of Iraq by the United States were cited in as further proof of these allegations. To the disapproval of moderate and liberal Muslims, the fatwa uses Islamic texts to exhort violent action against American military and citizenry until the alleged grievances are reversed: Stating "ulema have throughout Islamic history unanimously agreed that the jihad is an individual duty if the enemy destroys the Muslim countries. S account of who was responsible for the attacks. In a video , apparently acknowledging responsibility for the attacks, bin Laden states that he was motivated by the Lebanon War , for which he held

the U. In the video, bin Laden also claims that he wants to, "restore freedom to our nation," to "punish the aggressor in kind," and to inflict economic damage on America. He declared that a continuing objective of his holy war was to, "[bleed] America to the point of bankruptcy. Mohamed Atta was described by Ralph Bodenstein" who traveled, worked and talked with him" as "most imbued actually about According to counter-terrorism expert Richard A. Specifically, bin Laden and other residents of Saudi Arabia and Egypt, among other countries of the Middle East, believe that the vast majority of governments in the Middle East are apostate governments. The primary reason that bin Laden gives for this assertion is that none of these governments is a caliphate. Inspired by the Egyptian theologian and writer Sayyid Qutb, bin Laden believes that it is his duty as a Muslim to establish a caliphate in the Middle East. For example, "This spectacular will greatly anger America. In so doing, he was attempting to ensure that Muslim citizens in the Middle East would react as violently as possible to an increase in U. The attack was aborted at the last minute when the would-be hijackers, waiting to board the planes they were to hijack, saw the damage in the U. His lawyer claimed that the confession was obtained through torture. Bush stated that al-Qaeda had initially planned to crash a plane into the tallest building in the western United States, the Library Tower in Los Angeles, on the same day. However, this attack was postponed by bin Laden, and subsequently foiled. After criticism that Bush did not return immediately to Washington, the White House claimed the next day that a terrorist threat, "using code words," had been phoned in against Air Force One. Aftermath of the September 11, attacks International reaction A solitary firefighter stands amid the rubble and smoke in New York City. Days after the Sept. The attacks had major global political ramifications. Pakistan provided the U. Law enforcement and intelligence agencies in a number of countries, including Italy, Malaysia, Indonesia, and the Philippines arrested people they labeled terrorist suspects for the stated purpose of breaking up militant cells around the world. The legitimacy of these detentions has been questioned by, among others, member states of the European Union, the Organization of American States, and Amnesty International. Jo Moore, then serving Minister Stephen Byers, sent an email to staff suggesting that it would be a good time to publish anything that may prove unpopular in the hope that it would be overshadowed by events in the U. This political storm became known as the Bury Bad News Scandal. Gratitude toward uniformed public-safety workers dubbed "first responders", and especially toward firefighters, was widely expressed in light of both the drama of the risks taken on the scene and the high death toll among the workers. Many police officers and rescue workers elsewhere in the country took leaves of absence to travel to New York City to assist in the grim process of recovering bodies from the twisted remnants of the Twin Towers. At least nine people were murdered within the United States as a result. Balbir Singh Sodhi, one of the first victims of this phenomenon, was fatally shot on September He, like others, was a Sikh who was mistaken for a Muslim. Conspiracy theorists have said the collapse of the World Trade Center was caused by planted explosives. Some say a commercial airliner did not crash into the Pentagon, and that United Airlines Flight 93 was shot down. Most conspiracy theories say individuals in the government of the United States knew of the impending attacks and let them happen, or actually planned the attacks. While conspiracy theories about Jewish or Israeli involvement are "a core part of the belief system of anti-Semites and millions of others around the world" [81], in the United States a minority of conspiracy theorists say there was Israeli or Jewish involvement in the attacks. Government response Main article: Rescue and recovery effort after the September 11, attacks Within hours of the attack, a massive search and rescue SAR operation was launched, which included over search and rescue dogs. Rescue and recovery efforts took months to complete. It took several weeks to simply put out the fires burning in the rubble of the buildings, and the clean-up was not completed until May, Temporary wooden "viewing platforms" were set up for tourists to view construction crews clearing out the gaping holes where the towers once stood. All of these platforms were closed on May 30, Many relief funds were immediately set up to assist victims of the attacks, with the task of providing financial assistance to the survivors and the families of victims. War on Terrorism In the aftermath of the attacks, many U. These goals would be accomplished by means including economic and military sanctions against states perceived as harboring terrorists and increasing global surveillance and intelligence sharing. The second-biggest operation outside of the United States was the overthrow of the oppressive Taliban rule from Afghanistan, by a U. Civil liberties groups have criticized the PATRIOT Act,

saying that it allows law enforcement to invade the privacy of citizens and eliminates judicial oversight of law-enforcement and domestic intelligence gathering. Many architects and structural engineers have analyzed the collapse of the Twin Towers. September 13 , The south tower 2 WTC fell at approximately 9: The north tower 1 WTC fell at The Deutsche Bank Building is the only remaining large structure that suffered damage and fires at ground zero that has yet to be fully demolished, though this is expected to be completed by mid The goals of this investigation, completed on April 6 , , were to investigate the building construction, the materials used, and the technical conditions that contributed to the outcome of the WTC disaster. The investigation was to serve as the basis for: The fires weakened the trusses supporting the floors, making the floors sag. The sagging floors pulled on the exterior steel columns to the point where exterior columns bowed inward. With the damage to the core columns, the buckling exterior columns could no longer support the buildings, causing them to collapse.

Chapter 5 : What Happened SEPTEMBER 11 in ? in ? in ?

Historical events for the 11th of September (part 2). See what famous, interesting and notable events happened throughout history on September

Share via Email In the past decade the surge of capital markets has dominated discourse and shaped global consciousness. Multinational corporations have come to seem more vital and influential than governments. The dramatic climb of the Dow and the speed of the internet summoned us all to live permanently in the future, in the utopian glow of cyber-capital, because there is no memory there and this is where markets are uncontrolled and investment potential has no limit. All this changed on September Today, again, the world narrative belongs to terrorists. But the primary target of the men who attacked the Pentagon and the World Trade Centre was not the global economy. It was America that drew their fury. It was the high gloss of our modernity. It was the thrust of our technology. It was our perceived godlessness. It was the blunt force of our foreign policy. It was the power of American culture to penetrate every wall, home, life and mind. It is our lives and minds that are occupied now. This catastrophic event changes the way we think and act, moment to moment, week to week, for unknown weeks and months to come, and steely years. Our world, parts of our world, have crumbled into theirs, which means we are living in a place of danger and rage. The protesters in Genoa, Prague, Seattle and other cities want to decelerate the global momentum that seemed to be driving unthinkingly toward a landscape of consumer-robots and social instability, with the chance of self-determination probably diminishing for most people in most countries. Whatever acts of violence marked the protests, most of the men and women involved tend to be a moderating influence, trying to slow things down, even things out, hold off the white-hot future. The terrorists of September 11 want to bring back the past. We are rich, privileged and strong, but they are willing to die. This is the edge they have, the fire of aggrieved belief. We live in a wide world, routinely filled with exchange of every sort, an open circuit of work, talk, family and expressible feeling. The terrorist, planted in a Florida town, pushing his supermarket trolley, nodding to his neighbour, lives in a far narrower format. This is his edge, his strength. Plots reduce the world. He builds a plot around his anger and our indifference. He lives a certain kind of apartness, hard and tight. This is not the self-watcher, the soft white dangling boy who shoots someone to keep from disappearing into himself. The terrorist shares a secret and a self. At a certain point he and his brothers may begin to feel less motivated by politics and personal hatred than by brotherhood itself. They share the codes and protocols of their mission here and something deeper, a vision of judgment and devastation. This is his edge, that he does not see her. Years here, waiting, taking flying lessons, making the routine gestures of community and home, the credit card, the bank account, the post-office box. All tactical, linked, layered. He knows who we are and what we mean in the world - an idea, a righteous fever in the brain. But there is no defenceless human at the end of his gaze. The sense of disarticulation we hear in the term "Us and Them" has never been so striking, at either end. But there is no logic in apocalypse. They have gone beyond the bounds of passionate payback. This is heaven and hell, a sense of armed martyrdom as the surpassing drama of human experience. He pledges his submission to God and meditates on the blood to come. The Bush administration was feeling a nostalgia for the cold war. This is over now. Many things are over. The narrative ends in the rubble and it is left to us to create the counternarrative. There are , stories crisscrossing New York, Washington, and the world. Stories generating others and people running north out of the rumbling smoke and ash. People running for their lives are part of the story that is left to us. There are stories of heroism and encounters with dread. There are stories that carry around their edges the luminous ring of coincidence, fate, or premonition. They take us beyond the hard numbers of dead and missing and give us a glimpse of elevated being. For who are arbitrarily dead, we need to find one person saved by a flash of forewarning. There are configurations that chill and awe us both. Two women on two planes, best of friends, who die together and apart, tower 1 and tower 2. What desolate epic tragedy might bear the weight of such juxtaposition? The brother of one of the women worked in one of the towers. He managed to escape. In Union Square Park, about two miles north of the attack site, the improvised memorials are another part of our response. There are many photographs of

missing persons, some accompanied by hopeful lists of identifying features. Man with panther tattoo, upper right arm. There is the saxophonist, playing softly. There is the sculptured flag of rippling copper and aluminium, six feet long, with two young people still attending to the finer details of the piece. Then there are the visitors to the park. The artifacts on display represent the confluence of a number of cultural tides, patriotic and multidevotional and retro hippy. The visitors move quietly in the floating aromas of candlewax, roses and bus fumes. There are many people this mild evening and in their voices, manner, clothing and in the colour of their skin they recapitulate the mix we see in the photocopied faces of the lost. For the next 50 years, people who were not in the area when the attacks occurred will claim to have been there. In time, some of them will believe it. Others will claim to have lost friends or relatives, although they did not. This is also the counternarrative, a shadow history of false memories and imagined loss. The internet is a counternarrative, shaped in part by rumour, fantasy and mystical reverberation. The cellphones, the lost shoes, the handkerchiefs mashed in the faces of running men and women. The box cutters and credit cards. Sheets of paper driven into concrete, according to witnesses. Paper slicing into truck tyres, fixed there. These are among the smaller objects and more marginal stories in the sifted ruins of the day. We need them, even the common tools of the terrorists, to set against the massive spectacle that continues to seem unmanageable, too powerful a thing to set into our frame of practised response. Ash was spattering the windows. Karen was half dressed, grabbing the kids and trying to put on some clothes and talking with her husband and scooping things to take out to the corridor, and they looked at her, her twin girls, as if she had 14 heads. They stayed in the corridor for a while, thinking there might be secondary explosions. They waited, and began to feel safer, and went back to the apartment. At the next impact, Marc knew in the sheerest second before the shock wave broadsided their building that it was a second plane, impossible, striking the second tower. They went back to the hallway, where others began to gather, 15 or 20 people. Karen ran back for a cellphone, a cordless phone, a charger, water, sweaters, snacks for the kids and then made a quick dash to the bedroom for her wedding ring. From the window she saw people running in the street, others locked shoulder to shoulder, immobilised, with debris coming down on them. People were trampled, struck by falling objects, and there was ash and paper everywhere, paper whipping through the air, no sign of light or sky. They talked on the cordless, receiving information measured out in eyedrops. They were convinced that the situation outside was far more grave than it was here. Smoke began to enter the corridor. Then the first tower fell. She thought it was a bomb. When she talked to someone on the phone and found out what had happened, she felt a surreal relief. Bombs and missiles were not falling everywhere in the city. It was not all-out war, at least not yet. When he heard the first low drumming rumble, he stood in a strange dead calm and said, "Something is happening. The windows were surfaced with ash now, blacked out completely, and he wondered what was out there. What remained to be seen and did he want to see it? They all moved into the stairwell, behind a fire door, but smoke kept coming in. It was gritty ash and they were eating it. He thought the crush of buildings was the thing to fear most.

Chapter 6 : Reflecting on the Events of September 11, - Mach 2 Consulting

The 9/11 Interactive Timeline was designed by Archetype and engineered by Infusion for the National September 11 Memorial & Museum. Warning: The timeline contains graphic images and sensitive content due to the nature of events related to the September 11, attacks.

Lessons in Leadership Comments: The answer to the latter question is an unequivocal yes. The Memorial itself is the most beautiful and powerful tribute to the nearly 3,000 men and women who died that I can imagine. As I stared into the twin reflecting pools that sit within the footprint of the twin towers, I felt deep pangs of sadness at how fleeting and random life can be, a profound depth of anger at those who had attacked these innocent and defenseless civilians, and the deepest respect for those who had stepped up to help in any way they could on this tragic day in our history. The entire audience immediately raised their hands in instant recognition of the event. I have highlighted a few of them here. Beyea was a wheelchair-bound quadriplegic who could not descend the stairs. Zelmanowitz refused to abandon his colleague and friend. Captain Burke ordered the men under his command to evacuate the building, and promised to meet them later. On a phone call to let one of his closest friends know he was ok, she begged him to leave the tower and be safe. This is who I am. Personal photo Many of the first responders on this day were regular citizens who saw what happened and immediately wanted to help. As both towers fell on that fateful day, authorities closed all of the tunnels and bridges to Manhattan Island. Suddenly, the four million people who occupy this urban island were trapped, with no way to get off. They worked together to conduct the largest boat evacuation in the history of the world – bigger than the one at Dunkirk in World War II – where they made multiple trips to evacuate people in nine hours. These heroes were not first responders who were trained to react in crisis situations. These were regular people with no other agenda than helping their fellow man in time of need. One of my favorite stories is from the small town of Gander in Newfoundland, Canada. This community of 10,000 people suddenly grew two thirds larger when 39 flights were diverted to their airport and 6,000 new unexpected guests arrived needing lodging and meals. The residents of Gander immediately rose to the task. They closed their high schools and converted them to lodges filled with cots and sleeping bags. The students were put in charge of hosting their guests and often served as tour guides for different excursions in the area. The elderly were generally put up in private homes and treated with the utmost respect. The museum has a collection of thousands of cards that were sent by young children around the world to comfort the families of the victims and the crews who worked around the clock to try and dig out additional survivors from the rubble. Many of these cards were mailed directly to St. Paul's Church. Built in 1822, it is the oldest surviving church in Manhattan. I looked through many of these cards when I visited the museum. While I cannot begin to imagine your pain and emotions tied to this tragic memorial, I strongly believe that visiting the museum will contribute to your healing process. If you do go, please also take your children and your grandchildren.

Chapter 7 : 9/11 Memorial Timeline

In the ruins of the future All this changed on September Today, again, the world narrative belongs to terrorists. The event itself has no purchase on the mercies of analogy or simile.

Osama bin Laden traveled to Afghanistan and helped organize Arab mujahideen to resist the Soviets. Muslim legal scholars "have throughout Islamic history unanimously agreed that the jihad is an individual duty if the enemy destroys the Muslim countries", according to bin Laden. Osama bin Laden , Death of Osama bin Laden , and Videos of Osama bin Laden Osama bin Laden at about 40 years of age, Bin Laden orchestrated the attacks and initially denied involvement but later recanted his false statements. In the video, bin Laden is seen talking to Khaled al-Harbi and admits foreknowledge of the attacks. In the video, he said: It has become clear that the West in general and America in particular have an unspeakable hatred for Islam. It is the hatred of crusaders. Terrorism against America deserves to be praised because it was a response to injustice, aimed at forcing America to stop its support for Israel, which kills our people. We say that the end of the United States is imminent, whether Bin Laden or his followers are alive or dead, for the awakening of the Muslim umma nation has occurred but he stopped short of admitting responsibility for the attacks. Shortly before the U. He admitted his direct link to the attacks and said they were carried out because: As you undermine our security, we undermine yours. He was then held at multiple CIA secret prisons and Guantanamo Bay where he was interrogated and tortured with methods including waterboarding. At the same time, another 17 al-Qaeda members were sentenced to penalties of between six and eleven years. He was sentenced to life without parole in the United States. He was released in October , and deported to Morocco. In , al-Qaeda wrote, "for over seven years the United States has been occupying the lands of Islam in the holiest of places, the Arabian Peninsula, plundering its riches, dictating to its rulers, humiliating its people, terrorizing its neighbors, and turning its bases in the Peninsula into a spearhead through which to fight the neighboring Muslim peoples. Planning of the September 11 attacks Map showing the attacks on the World Trade Center the planes are not drawn to scale The idea for the attacks came from Khalid Sheikh Mohammed , who first presented it to Osama bin Laden in A series of meetings occurred in early , involving Mohammed, bin Laden, and his deputy Mohammed Atef. Bank Tower in Los Angeles because "there was not enough time to prepare for such an operation". Hazmi and Mihdhar arrived in the United States in mid-January While the agency feared that "Something nefarious might be afoot", it took no further action. While Alec Station alerted intelligence agencies worldwide about this fact, it did not share this information with the FBI. They had specific information about individual terrorists. None of that information got to me or the White House. The CIA never responded. The Intelink database informed her not to share intelligence material on the meeting to criminal investigators. Their request to search his laptop was denied by FBI headquarters due to the lack of probable cause. American Airlines Flight United Airlines Flight The hijackers flew the plane into the western facade of the Pentagon in Arlington County, Virginia , at 9: As passengers attempted to subdue the hijackers, the aircraft crashed into a field in Stonycreek Township near Shanksville, Pennsylvania , at Media coverage was extensive during the attacks and aftermath, beginning moments after the first crash into the World Trade Center. Among the unconfirmed and often contradictory news reports aired throughout the day, one of the most prevalent said a car bomb had been detonated at the U. Of these, 70 were civilians and 55 were military personnel, many of whom worked for the United States Army or the United States Navy. The Army lost 47 civilian employees, six civilian contractors, and 22 soldiers, while the Navy lost six civilian employees, three civilian contractors, and 33 sailors. The destruction of all three staircases in the tower when Flight 11 hit made it impossible for anyone above the impact zone to escape. New York City operators who received calls from people inside the tower were not well informed of the situation as it rapidly unfolded and as a result, told callers not to descend the tower on their own.

Chapter 8 : 9/11 Attacks - HISTORY

On September 20, he addressed the nation and a joint session of the United States Congress regarding the events of September 11 and the subsequent nine days of rescue and recovery efforts, and described his intended response to the attacks.

The impact and resulting fires caused the collapse of the Twin Towers and the destruction and damage of other buildings in the World Trade Center complex. The Pentagon was severely damaged by the impact of the airliner and the resulting fire. The hijackers also crashed a fourth plane into a field near Shanksville, Pennsylvania after the passengers and flight crew attempted to regain control of the aircraft. The report faulted both the Clinton and the Bush administrations with "failure of imagination. The first elaborated theories appeared in Europe. One week after the attacks, the "inside job" theory was the subject of a thesis by a researcher from the French National Centre for Scientific Research published in *Le Monde*. Other theories sprang from the far corners of the globe within weeks. The Big Lie received little attention, but it remains one of the principal sources for "trutherism". One explanation is that the rise in popularity stemmed more from growing criticism of the Iraq War and the newly re-elected President George W. Bush than from any discovery of new or more compelling evidence or an improvement in the technical quality of the presentation of the theories. The distortions keep alive grievances and filter out facts that would challenge popular prejudices and self-serving propaganda. It is a mainstream political reality. The list was ranked by following and traction. Jones and Mike Berger have further added that the death of Osama bin Laden [59] did not change their questions about the attacks, nor provide closure. There is a range of opinions about how this might have been achieved. This, according to them, would lead to a general call for a new official investigation into the events of September 11, According to Jonathan Kay, managing editor for comment at the Canadian newspaper *National Post* [62] and author of the *Among the Truthers: And then, when everybody is convinced, then the population will rise up and demand a new investigation with government resources, and that investigation will tell us what actually happened.* A measure of abnormal long put volume was also examined and seen to be at abnormally high levels in the days leading up to the attacks. Consequently, the paper concludes that there is evidence of unusual option market activity in the days leading up to September 11 that is consistent with investors trading on advance knowledge of the attacks. Poteshman, *The Journal of Business* This study was intended to address the "great deal of speculation about whether option market activity indicated that the terrorists or their associates had traded in the days leading up to September 11 on advance knowledge of the impending attacks. On September 10, more trading in Chicago saw the purchase of 4, put options in American Airlines, the other airline involved in the hijackings, with a mere call options in American purchased that day. No other airline companies has unusual put to call ratio in the days leading up to the attacks. Morgan Stanley, which occupied 22 floors at the World Trade Center, experienced bigger-than-normal pre-attack trading of options that profited when stock prices fell. Other companies directly affected by the tragedy had similar jumps. It was estimated that the trader or traders would have realized a five million dollar profit. The Securities and Exchange Commission launched an insider trading investigation in which Osama bin Laden was a suspect after receiving information from at least one Wall Street Firm. Some unusual trading did in fact occur, but each such trade proved to have an innocuous explanation. For example, the volume of put options "investments that pay off only when a stock drops in price" surged in the parent companies of United Airlines on September 6 and American Airlines on September 10 "highly suspicious trading on its face. Similarly, much of the seemingly suspicious trading in American on September 10 was traced to a specific U. These examples typify the evidence examined by the investigation. The SEC and the FBI, aided by other agencies and the securities industry, devoted enormous resources to investigating this issue, including securing the cooperation of many foreign governments. These investigators have found that the apparently suspicious consistently proved innocuous. They set up hotlines between command centers while NORAD increased its fighter coverage and installed radar to watch airspace over the continent. September 11 attacks advance-knowledge conspiracy theories: Israel It has been claimed that Israeli agents

may have had foreknowledge of the attacks. Four hours after the attack, the FBI arrested five Israelis who had been filming the smoking skyline from the roof of a white van in the parking lot of an apartment building, for "puzzling behavior. I thought it was very strange. World Trade Center controlled demolition conspiracy theories Criticism of the reports published by NIST on the destruction of the World Trade Center buildings plays a central role in theories about an alleged controlled demolition. The picture shows the simulated exterior buckling of 7 WTC during the collapse. The plane crashes and resulting fires caused the collapse of the World Trade Center. Controlled demolition conspiracy theories say the collapse of the North Tower, South Tower, or of 7 World Trade Center was caused by explosives installed in the buildings in advance. Jones , architect Richard Gage , software engineer Jim Hoffman , and theologian David Ray Griffin , argue that the aircraft impacts and resulting fires could not have weakened the buildings sufficiently to initiate a catastrophic collapse, and that the buildings would not have collapsed completely, nor at the speeds that they did, without additional factors weakening the structures. Jones, and others state that thermite and nano-thermite composites in the dust and debris were found following the collapse of the three buildings. The article contained no scientific rebuttal and the editor in chief of the publication subsequently resigned. Federal investigators at the National Institute of Standards and Technology state that enormous quantities of thermite would have to be applied to the structural columns to damage them, but Jones disputed this, saying that he and others were investigating "superthermite". Blanchard also said that a verifiable chain of possession needs to be established for the tested beams, which did not occur with the beams Jones tested, raising questions of whether the metal pieces tested could have been cut away from the debris pile with acetylene torches, shears, or other potentially contaminated equipment while on site, or exposed to trace amounts of thermite or other compounds while being handled, while in storage, or while being transferred from Ground Zero to memorial sites. Excavating equipment was cooled by water spray due to concerns about melting from underground fires. Jones also said that molten steel found in the rubble was evidence of explosives, as an ordinary airplane fire would not generate enough heat to produce this, citing photographs of red debris being removed by construction equipment, but Blanchard said that if there had been any molten steel in the rubble any excavation equipment encountering it would have been immediately damaged. It has been theorized the "thermite material" found was primer paint. Thomas said that in order to cut through a vertical steel beam, special high-temperature containment must be added to prevent the molten iron from dropping down, and that the thermite reaction is too slow for it to be practically used in building demolition. Thomas pointed out that when Jesse Ventura hired New Mexico Tech to conduct a demonstration showing nanothermite slicing through a large steel beam, the nanothermite produced copious flame and smoke but no damage to the beam, even though it was in a horizontal, and therefore optimal position. NIST and many scientists refuse to debate conspiracy theorists because they feel it would give those theories unwarranted credibility. Instead, they argue that the Pentagon was hit by a missile launched by elements from inside the U. Some claim that the holes in the Pentagon walls were far too small to have been made by a Boeing The Big Lie became available in more than a dozen languages. The French newspaper Liberation called the book "a tissue of wild and irresponsible allegations, entirely without foundation. What the Physical Evidence Shows", and by others broadly refuting the role of other conspiracies in the attacks. The remains of passengers from Flight 77 were indeed found at the Pentagon crash site and their identities confirmed by DNA analysis. Further, Flight 77 passengers made phone calls reporting that their airplane had been hijacked. For example, passenger Renee May called her mother to tell her that the plane had been hijacked and that the passengers had been herded to the back of the plane. Another passenger named Barbara Olson called her husband U. Solicitor General Theodore Olson and said that the flight had been hijacked, and that the hijackers had knives and box cutters. On May 16, , the government released the Pentagon security camera videos to Judicial Watch. Out of the four planes hijacked on that day, Flight 93 was the only one not to reach its target. David Ray Griffin and Alex Jones say that large parts of the plane including the main body of the engine landed miles away from the main wreckage site, too far away for an ordinary plane crash. Jones says that planes usually leave a small debris field when they crash, and that this is not compatible with reports of wreckage found farther away from the main crash site. One person claimed that the main body of the engine was found miles away from the main wreckage site with damage comparable

to that which a heat-seeking missile would do to an airliner. CNN reported that investigators found debris from the crash at least eight miles away from the crash site, including in New Baltimore. The same article quotes FBI agent Bill Crowley that, "Lighter, smaller debris probably shot into the air on the heat of a fireball that witnesses said shot several hundred feet into the air after the jetliner crashed. The road between the two locations takes a roundabout route of 6. Often cited is a preliminary news report that Flight 93 landed at a Cleveland airport; [] it was later learned that Delta Flight was the plane confused with Flight 93, and the report was retracted as inaccurate. The editor of the article has since written a rebuttal to the claims. When the FBI released photographs four days after the cited reports on September 27, the mistaken identities were quickly resolved. According to Bradley, "all of this is attributable to the chaos that prevailed during the first few days following the attack. They should simply have been stopped at the border. That was sixteen of the nineteen. Obviously, if even half of those people had been stopped, there never would have been a plot. Immigration, so both men were able to legally enter the U. Saddam Hussein and al-Qaeda link allegations and Foreign government foreknowledge There are allegations that individuals within the Pakistani Inter-Services Intelligence ISI may have played an important role in financing the attacks. There are also claims that other foreign intelligence agencies, such as the Israeli Mossad , had foreknowledge of the attacks, and that Saudi Arabia may have played a role in financing the attacks. General Hamid Gul , a former head of ISI, believes the attacks were an "inside job" originating in the United States, perpetrated by Israel or neo-conservatives. Israel A conspiracy theory documented by the Anti-Defamation League , Thom Burnett and others is that the state of Israel was involved in the attacks, and may have planned them. A variety of motives are suggested, including: Variants of the theory contend that the attack was organized by Ariel Sharon , Mossad , or the government of Israel. It asserted that many of the theories were modern manifestation of the 19th century Protocols of the Elders of Zion , which purported to map out a Jewish conspiracy for world domination. A number of prominent Saudi charities and banks as well as a leading member of the al-Saud royal family were accused of being "agents and alter egos" for the Saudi state that "knowingly" provided funding to al-Qaeda and encouraged anti Western sentiment. Congress Joint Inquiry that are withheld from publication [] [] until July 15,

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Visit Website The collision caused a massive explosion that showered burning debris over surrounding buildings and onto the streets below. It immediately became clear that America was under attack. September 11, , was the deadliest day in history for New York City firefighters: Some of the terrorists had lived in the United States for more than a year and had taken flying lessons at American commercial flight schools. The 19 terrorists easily smuggled box-cutters and knives through security at three East Coast airports and boarded four early-morning flights bound for California , chosen because the planes were loaded with fuel for the long transcontinental journey. Soon after takeoff, the terrorists commandeered the four planes and took the controls, transforming ordinary passenger jets into guided missiles. Jet fuel from the Boeing caused a devastating inferno that led to the structural collapse of a portion of the giant concrete building, which is the headquarters of the U. All told, military personnel and civilians were killed in the Pentagon, along with all 64 people aboard the airliner. Twin Towers Collapse Less than 15 minutes after the terrorists struck the nerve center of the U. The structural steel of the skyscraper, built to withstand winds in excess of miles per hour and a large conventional fire, could not withstand the tremendous heat generated by the burning jet fuel. Only six people in the World Trade Center towers at the time of their collapse survived. Almost 10, others were treated for injuries, many severe. Because the plane had been delayed in taking off, passengers on board learned of events in New York and Washington via cell phone and Airfone calls to the ground. Knowing that the aircraft was not returning to an airport as the hijackers claimed, a group of passengers and flight attendants planned an insurrection. One of the passengers, Thomas Burnett, Jr. I love you, honey. Sandy Bradshaw, a flight attendant, called her husband and explained that she had slipped into a galley and was filling pitchers with boiling water. The plane then flipped over and sped toward the ground at upwards of miles per hour, crashing in a rural field near Shanksville in western Pennsylvania at All 44 people aboard were killed. Its intended target is not known, but theories include the White House , the U. Capitol, the Camp David presidential retreat in Maryland or one of several nuclear power plants along the eastern seaboard. At the World Trade Center, 2, died after the two planes slammed into the twin towers. That figure includes firefighters and paramedics, 23 New York City police officers and 37 Port Authority police officers who were struggling to complete an evacuation of the buildings and save the office workers trapped on higher floors. At the Pentagon, people were killed, including 64 on American Airlines Flight 77, the airliner that struck the building. On Flight 93 , 44 people died when the plane crash-landed in Pennsylvania. America Responds At 7 p. Bush , who was in Florida at the time of the attacks and had spent the day being shuttled around the country because of security concerns, returned to the White House. These acts shatter steel, but they cannot dent the steel of American resolve. Within two months, U. Osama bin Laden, the mastermind behind the September 11th attacks, remained at large until May 2, , when he was finally tracked down and killed by U. In June , President Barack Obama announced the beginning of large-scale troop withdrawals from Afghanistan. September 11th Terror Attacks Fast Facts. Start your free trial today.