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**September 11, 2001 (9/11) Memorial Collection  
Manuscript Group 247**

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1 box; 1 linear foot**

**Historical Note**

September 11, 2001 (9/11) was a series of coordinated terrorist attacks against the United States of America. On the morning of Tuesday, September 11, 2001, four passenger airplanes were hijacked by terrorists: two planes – American Airlines Flight 11 and United Airlines Flight 175 – crashed into the North and South towers of the World Trade Center complex in New York City; American Airlines Flight 77 crashed into the Pentagon in Arlington County, Virginia; and United Airlines Flight 93, initially hijacked and flown toward Washington, D.C., crashed in Stonycreek Township, near Shanksville, Pennsylvania, after passengers regained control of the aircraft. Memorials in remembrance of the 2,977 fatalities, include: National September 11 Memorial & Museum in New York City; the Pentagon Memorial in Arlington County, Virginia; and the Flight 93 National Memorial at the Pennsylvania crash site.

**Scope and Content**

The September 11, 2001 (9/11) Memorial Collection is housed in one archival box, and which contains correspondence, photographs, and publications associated with September 11, 2001, and the subsequent memorial programs at Indiana University of Pennsylvania, and information from the Flight 93 National Memorial. This collection also contains paper and electronic copies of information from IUP publications and audio/visual recordings associated with the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks and memorial programs.

**Provenance**

This collection was created in 2020 after the donation of materials from Laura Preolo.

**Restrictions**

None, this collection is open for research. Property rights reside with Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP), and the IUP Special Collections and University Archives. Permissions to reproduce or publish, please contact the [Special Collections Librarian and University Archivist](#).

**Processor**

The collection was organized by Harrison Wick on December 10, 2020.

**Container List**

**Box 1 (7 folders in smaller box and 1 framed/folded American flag in box)**

**Folders (boxed)**

1. Background Information about September 11, 2001
2. Email correspondence related to the collection, 2020
3. Email IUP correspondence about remembrance of September 11 Anniversary Memorial Programs held in the Oak Grove, 2010s and 2020s
4. September 11 Anniversary Memorial Program, September 11, 2017
  - a. Program Invitation, list of invited speakers: Michael Hood (Dean of the IUP College of Fine Arts); Dr. Michael Driscoll (IUP President); and Caleb King (IUP Student, Cook Honors College and IUP Council of Trustees); Speech given by Michael Hood

- b. Speech given by Dr. Michael Driscoll
- c. Speech given by Caleb King
- 5. Photographs related to September 11 Anniversary Memorial Programs at Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP) including ceremonies and 9/11 Memorial adjacent to John Sutton Hall and the Oak Grove, 2000s-2020s
- 6. Poem written by Dr. Tony Atwater (IUP President, 2005-2010), this poem was read by Dr. Atwater at September 11 Anniversary Memorial Programs at IUP (2005-2010) entitled, "Flight 93 ... Paradise Found," circa 2005 (original copy signed by Dr. Tony Atwater)
- 7. Correspondence related to Laura Preolo's donation to the Flight 93 National Memorial, 2020 (see below, United States flag flown at the Flight 93 National Memorial site)
  - a. Correspondence
  - b. Certificate of Authenticity (United States Flag)

**Framed Glass Box (1 folded United States of America, USA, American Flag)**

- 8. American Flag (framed) flown at the Flight 93 National Memorial site near Shanksville, Pennsylvania

**Audio / Visual Recordings (digital copies are available upon request)**

- 1. September 11 Memorial Program (video), September 11, 2002

**Oversized Poster (for display purposes, located in Stapleton Library Room 110)**

- 1. Poster featuring photographs of IUP Alumni: William D. Moskal, IUP Class of 1979; Donald W. Jones, IUP Class of 1980; and William C. Sugra, IUP Class of 1993 (stored in folio carry case)

**Cross-Referenced IUP Publications and associated Collections**

- 1. IUP Magazine, 2001 (see Record Group 28)
- 2. The Penn student newspaper (see Record Group 21)
- 3. Manuscript Group 152: RLST 110 World Religions (Fall 2001) Class Assignments about September 11, 2001 (Professor, Dr. James Gibson, IUP Department of Religious Studies)