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Terrorists hit New York and Washington, DC

President vows US will 'hunt down' those responsible

In an act of terrorism that caught Americans completely by surprise, terrorists on Tuesday morning crashed two planes into the New York-based World Trade Center, resulting in the collapse of both towers. Fear spread across the country as other explosions followed at the Pentagon and State Department.

A witness to the New York attack said that he witnessed bodies falling from the World Trade Center's twin towers and people jumping from the structures during the explosions which occurred around 9 a.m. yesterday morning.

President Bush, who was in Florida at the time of the attack, flew back to Washington, DC and held a press conference promising a full investigation to "hunt down the folks" re-

sponsible.

One London-based aviation expert called the events "perhaps the most audacious attack that's ever taken place in the world."

"It takes a logistics operation from the terrorist group involved that is second to none," he added. "Only a very small handful of terrorist groups is on that list...I would name at the top of the list Osama Bin Laden."

The planes used in the attack were commercial airliners. American Airlines confirmed Tuesday that two of its aircraft, carrying 156 people, were lost. One of the two planes that crashed into the World Trade Center was hijacked after taking off from Boston, MA. The second plane may have flown out of Newark, NJ.

In Pennsylvania, a large plane thought to be a Boeing 747 crashed southeast of Pittsburgh.

It was also reported that a car bomb exploded outside the State Department in Washington, DC and that a loud explosion was reported in the vicinity of the Capitol building.

One senior US intelligence



Smoke billows from the top of the World Trade Center's towers following a terrorist attack Tuesday morning. Hijacked airliners, several of them bound for California, were hijacked and used in the attacks there and at the Pentagon.

official said there was no clear cut evidence yet of exactly who had orchestrated the attack. "We don't know who's doing it," he said. "Clearly, it's...a carefully coordinated attack. (This is) not the work of an unsophisticated enemy. It's too soon to say who."

In the aftermath of the attacks, the Capitol and the White House and other buildings in Washington were shut down, and airport traffic came to a standstill as well. Billowing smoke could be seen drifting from the Pentagon over the Potomac River.

Heavy black smoke filled the sky over gaping holes in the side of the World Trade Center's twin towers, as debris rained down on the street outside the structure. The World Trade Center was the scene of terrorist bombings in the winter of 1993, resulting in the deaths of six people and injuries to more than 1,000 others.

Ironically, just prior to the attacks, President Bush was in a Florida classroom reading to children in a classroom when an aide advised him of the situation.

County school system plays host for first district meeting

State Supt. Ward is among those in attendance at gathering here

Edenton-Chowan Schools hosted the first of eight North Carolina School Board Association meetings Wednesday at White Oak School.

About 120 participants from northeastern North Carolina attended the event, as well as State Superintendent of Schools Mike Ward.

Ward shared several good news items with the audience, including North Carolina students' high performance on the National Assessment of Education Program; (NAEP) 2000 Mathematics Assessment, Scholastic Aptitude Test scores, continued closing of the achievement gap between majority and minority students, and a Phi Delta Kappa/Gallup poll in which the majority of parents gave public schools a grade of "A".

"We want to keep up this momentum with an Education First Task Force, focusing on giving a superior education to



Michelle Carter, a senior at John A. Holmes High School and member of the Holmes Concert Choir, was one of several featured soloists entertaining diners at the North Carolina School Board Association district meeting Wednesday.

all students and closing the gap in achievement," Ward said.

Edenton-Chowan teachers from each county school presented a panel discussion on Gateway Portfolios and the

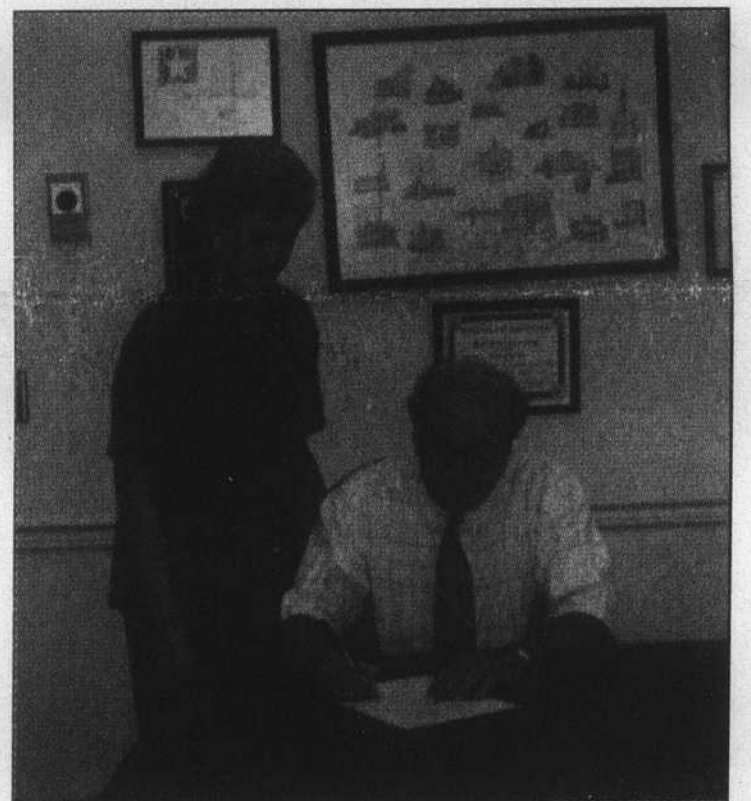
high school Senior Project. Assistant Superintendent Rob Boyce, Chowan Middle assistant principal Sheila Evans and teachers Gloria Bryant of John A. Holmes,

Rhonda Tynch of Chowan Middle and Eugene Baker and Patricia Timberlake of D.F. Walker School made up the panel.

"These portfolios go beyond the ABCs," Evans said, referring to the state's accountability system. "They connect learning to career choices."

The teachers described how the portfolios and student expectations evolve as the children make their way through their academic careers. Audience members learned about third-grade portfolios in which children explore the "many faces of me"; fifth-grade portfolios that "are a way for students to reflect on their strengths as well as areas that need improvement"; eighth-grade portfolios focusing on career skills such as resume-writing; and intensive high school senior projects that send students out into the community.

The school system's hospitality extended to dining and entertainment, as well. Creekside Restaurant provided meals for the guests, and members of the John A. Holmes High School Concert Choir provided musical selections featuring several soloists.



Ann Byrum of the Historic Edenton Visitor Center staff looks on as Mayor Roland Vaughan signs a proclamation declaring Constitution Week, Sept. 17-23. (Staff photo by Rebecca Bunch)

Constitution Week observance planned

The Edenton Tea Party Chapter, National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR), will again have their primary observance of Constitution Week at the Historic Edenton Visitor Center in Edenton on Monday, Sept. 17.

Henry Pillow, Historic Edenton temporary staff, will be dressed in Colonial costume portraying Dr. Hugh Williamson, one of the North Carolina signers of the United States Constitution, who lived in Edenton.

Historic Edenton tours during Constitution Week will emphasize the roles of Edentonians Hugh Williamson, James Iredell Sr. and Samuel Johnston in the adoption of the U.S. Constitution. An exhibit, handouts and refreshments will be available to all who visit on Monday. Displays and handouts will be available throughout the week. The exhibit that was on dis-

Williamson to be honored at ceremony

Dr. Hugh Williamson, a framer and signer of the United States Constitution for North Carolina in 1787 will be honored on Constitution Day, Sept. 17, at noon.

A short ceremony ceremony will be sponsored by the Edenton Tea Party Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution and the Hugh Williamson Monument Commission in front of the 1767 Chowan County Courthouse on East King Street in Edenton. Please make plans to attend.

Mrs. Richard A. Boyd, NC Society DAR Regent,

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Cycle Speedway to host event in Edenton

Cycle Speedway will host exciting bicycle racing at the Edenton-Chowan Recreation Department's Earnhardt Field on Saturday, Sept. 29. Racing will take place on a temporary track on one of the fields.

"Cycle Speedway is trying to gain exposure from everyone all over northeastern North Carolina," said Brian White, who is helping to organize the event. "Kids ages six to 17 can bring their bikes and helmets to Earnhardt field to compete at the races. All current racers will receive two bonus points for participation."



Brian White talks with Dean Baxter of Coca-Cola

Due to the anticipation of a high number of entries, Cycle Speedway will have six divisions for the racers instead of the normal three. The females ages 6 to 9 will race in the A-Ablazing Division, the females ages 10 to 13 will race in the B-Ablazing Stock division, and the females ages 14 to 17 will race in the C-Ablazing Stock division.

The males ages 6 to 9 will race in the A-Junior Stock division, the males ages 10 to 13 will compete in the B-Junior

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