



COMMEMORATING 9/11

# Healing Field of Central Iowa

PRESENTED BY



SEPTEMBER 9-16, 2006  
5700 WESTOWN PARKWAY  
WEST DES MOINES, IOWA

## WELCOME



Welcome to the Healing Field of Central Iowa presented by Homesteaders Life Company. It is our honor to host this memorial, marking a significant and tragic event in U.S. history. Nearly 200 volunteers helped assemble the 2,996 flags you see in the Healing Field. Each flag has a yellow ribbon attached containing the name of someone who died in the World Trade Center, at the Pentagon, and on the four hijacked aircraft.

In total, 1,000 volunteers came together to make the Healing Field of Central Iowa a reality. It is through their efforts, and the generous commitment of our Victory Sponsors and Media/Logistics Sponsors, that you are able to visit and reflect on the lost lives of that fateful day.

## ABOUT THE HEALING FIELD® EXPERIENCE



At 8:46 a.m. on September 11, 2001, a chain of events was set in motion that, within two short hours, would take the lives of nearly 3,000 people in a horrific act of cowardice. That fateful day America witnessed the inexpressible, the incomprehensible, and the unthinkable.

The first positive image to come out of the terror that awful day was the American Flag. Since then, our role as Americans has been to make sure that the memories of those dreadful events will never fade; and in that capacity, our flag has been a comfort to all of us.

The Healing Field of Central Iowa is a place where people can experience and comprehend the gravity of 9/11. It is a place of honor — a place to reflect.

REFLECTIONS ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

*I appreciate the efforts of everyone who has sacrificed since that day to make our country and the world safer. I hope that my children and others of their generation will grow up to contribute to greater world peace, tolerance, and understanding.*

*Rebecca Cook • Des Moines, Iowa*

*My son who was 6 at the time was watching and came into the kitchen to tell me "Mommy, something bad is happening and an airplane has crashed into the big towers in New York. I hope no one is hurt," he said. Little did we know just how many lives were "hurt" by this tragedy.*

*Debbie Angelo • Creston, Iowa*

*Not a day goes by that I don't think of and pray for all of those innocent people and their families whose lives were ripped apart that sad September day in 2001.*

*Linda J. • Elkhart, Iowa*

*The second tower exploded and I knew there was going to be war. I felt my blood turn to ice watching the flames shoot skyward, knowing full well that my Selective Service registration was just sent in and received on Sept. 10, 2001. God help us all.*

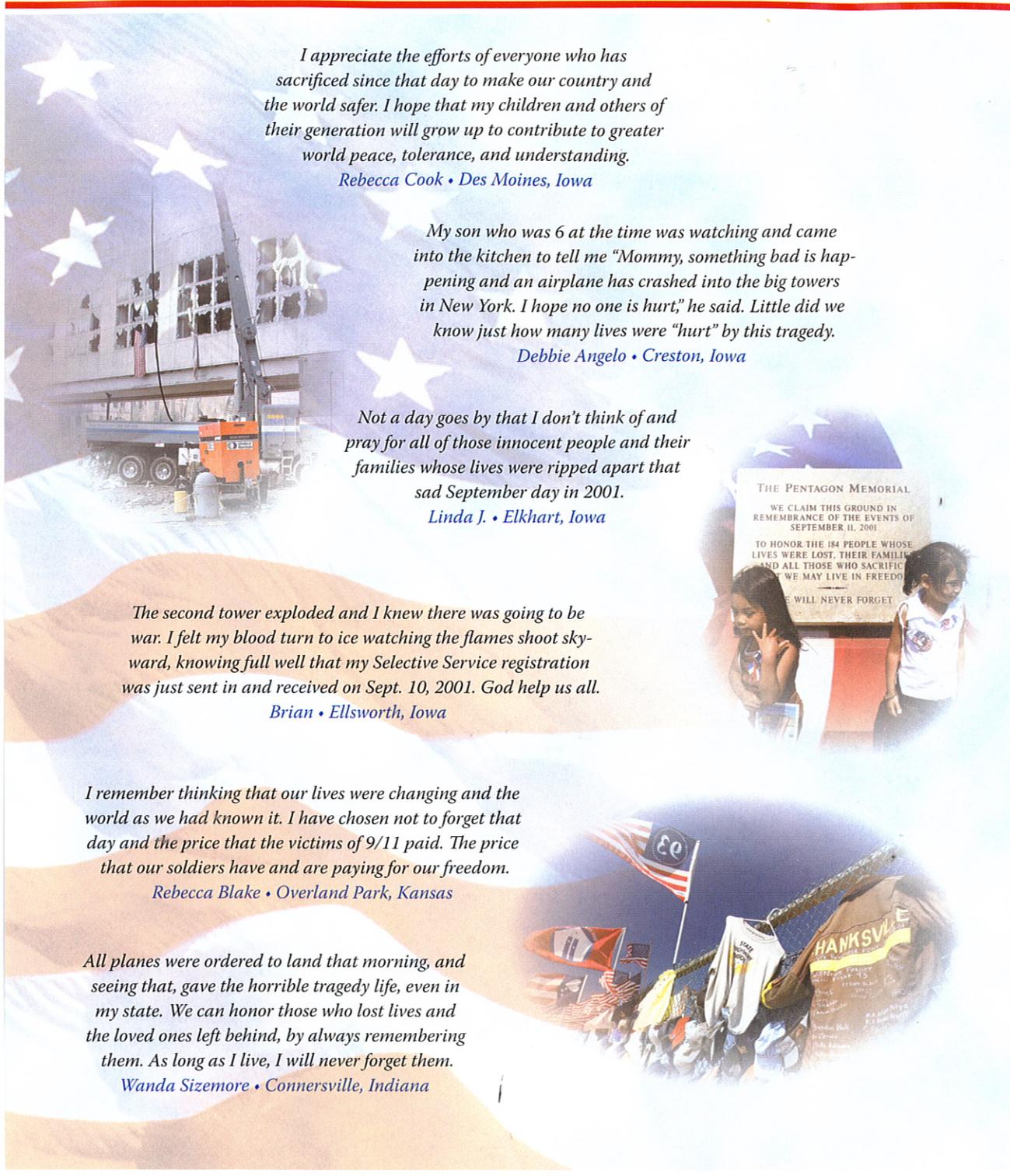
*Brian • Ellsworth, Iowa*

*I remember thinking that our lives were changing and the world as we had known it. I have chosen not to forget that day and the price that the victims of 9/11 paid. The price that our soldiers have and are paying for our freedom.*

*Rebecca Blake • Overland Park, Kansas*

*All planes were ordered to land that morning, and seeing that, gave the horrible tragedy life, even in my state. We can honor those who lost lives and the loved ones left behind, by always remembering them. As long as I live, I will never forget them.*

*Wanda Sizemore • Connersville, Indiana*



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## DEDICATION CEREMONY

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2006

10:00 A.M.

HOMESTEADERS LIFE COMPANY

5700 WESTOWN PARKWAY

WEST DES MOINES, IOWA

### PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Opening Remarks.....	<i>Mike Pace</i>
Presenting of the Colors.....	<i>West Des Moines Police Honor Guard</i>
<i>The Star-Spangled Banner</i> .....	<i>Sarah Larsen</i> <i>Simpson College</i>
Reflection.....	<i>Rev. Ken Arentson</i> <i>Executive Associate Pastor, Westminster Presbyterian Church</i>
Gubernatorial Address.....	<i>Governor Tom Vilsack</i>
Welcome.....	<i>Graham Cook</i> <i>CEO-President, Homesteaders Life Company</i>
Special Presentation.....	<i>Congressman Leonard Boswell</i>
"At Ground Zero".....	<i>Diane Crookham-Johnson</i> <i>Vice President of Administration, Musco Lighting</i>
"Defending Freedom".....	<i>Brig. Gen. Mark Zirkelbach</i> <i>Iowa National Guard</i>
"The Healing Field".....	<i>Paul Swenson</i> <i>Founder, Healing Field Foundation</i>
Dedication of Field.....	<i>Hon. Gene Meyer</i> <i>Mayor, West Des Moines</i>
Closing Remarks.....	<i>Mike Pace</i>
<i>God Bless America</i> .....	<i>Sarah Larsen</i> <i>Simpson College</i>

*Sign Language Interpreting Services provided by Sherry Hill*

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## PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

Date	6:00 p.m. Bagpiper	6:15 p.m.	6:30 p.m.	6:45 p.m. Taps
Sat., September 9	TBD	Ames First Assembly of God Quartet		Greg Warthan
Sun., September 10*	Members of the Waukee Warrior Pipes & Drums	Heartland Youth Choir	Courtney Bush	Greg Warthan
Mon., September 11	Steve Layton	Greater Des Moines Community Band	Greater Des Moines Community Band	Greg Warthan
Tues., September 12	Steve Moeckly	Waukee High School	Knights of Columbus	Greg Warthan
Wed., September 13	Steve Layton	Julie Cadam		Greg Warthan
Thurs., September 14	Ron Husted	Norwalk High School "Sound Sensation"		Greg Warthan
Fri., September 15	Steve Moeckly	Laura Thomas		Greg Warthan
Sat., September 16	Jim Jorgeson	Susan Furland		Greg Warthan

\*September 10 performance begins at 6:30 p.m. All performance dates and times are subject to change depending on weather conditions. Performance length is approximate.

## ABOUT THE CHARITIES



### Hospice of Central Iowa

Hospice of Central Iowa is the state's oldest and largest community-based hospice care provider. Its staff and volunteers care for over 1,400 patients and their families annually in 34 Iowa counties. Many of these patients are served at the Kavanagh Houses and other Hospice of Central Iowa locations.

[www.hospiceofcentraliowa.org](http://www.hospiceofcentraliowa.org)



### Funeral Service Foundation

The Funeral Service Foundation (FSF) is a leading independent charitable organization representing funeral service and allied industries. Funds raised through the Healing Field will support the FSF's mission to provide disaster relief, help improve children's lives, and support funeral service through career and professional development.

[www.funeralservicefoundation.org](http://www.funeralservicefoundation.org)

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