

Terror Tracking:

Account of what's happened and what's happening since America was attacked.

- ◆ America Attacked!
- ◆ America retaliates for the Sept. 11, 2001 attack on America.
- ◆ The Afghan capital of Kabul is still getting pounded, after the biggest daylight raids so far by American warplanes.
- ◆ Four plans to bomb U.S. thwarted.
- ◆ Leaflets and food packages are dropped as Americans forces engaged in raids. This is to ensure the people that the U.S. is aiming for terrorists, not citizens.
- ◆ Letters containing anthrax in a powder form are sent to Florida and Nevada.
- ◆ Merchants in Afghanistan are refusing to do business until government ceases involvement with U.S.
- ◆ U.S. severs all of Kabul's communication with the outside world after bombing the telephone exchange.
- ◆ Taliban urges longtime foe, The Northern Alliance to join the fight against Americans.
- ◆ President Bush rejects Taliban offer to release Osama bin Laden to a neutral country. Bush states, "This is non-negotiable."
- ◆ Monmouth, (Ore.) Post Office is used as practical joke when it was shut down when a powdery substance was found in a letter as a practical joke. Charges may be filed for disorderly conduct.
- ◆ Companies offer varying pledges of assistance to families of victims of attack.
- ◆ Special forces gunship enters fight against Taliban.
- ◆ Mailrooms warned: Don't open it, don't shake it, don't smell it.
- ◆ Emergency medicine meeting; doctors learn about anthrax.

Information compiled from KATU and The Oregonian

Foreigners help, not hinder U.S.

When terrorists attacked the United States on Sept. 11, their goal was not just to destroy the World Trade Center, but to hit the American spirit and the idea of freedom and variety. If the United States starts isolating itself, the terrorist will get exactly what they want.

In the past few weeks, proposals have been made to prevent future terrorist attacks and to make the United States a safer place. One of them was to stop issuing visas for international students over a period of time and even not allow foreign students to attend educational institutions at all.

Banning students with different

nationalities, backgrounds and cultures from schools would only lead to isolation. It would contradict the whole idea this country was built upon. Every American

Take a risk!



Maggie Jirasek
Editor-in-Chief

citizen immigrated to the United States at some point. That's what makes this country a great nation, its variety and its different cultural backgrounds.

In my opinion, by not letting foreign students attend educational institutions, excluding people with different looks and views, as well as not letting people immigrate,

would change the country's spirit and that's exactly what the terrorist meant to do.

I know of students who have lived in the United States for quite a while and, although they are not American citizens, this has become their home, a place where they feel safe and secure. As a matter of fact, you cannot choose where you are born, and many people are forced to live in a country where they are oppressed and don't have any rights. That's why for them America is a symbol of freedom, a place where they can stand up for their beliefs and rights.

In my case, I have lived in the United States for about four years. Most of my relatives live in Germany. My uncle, who is American, has been trying to get my dad over here for ten years. By agreeing to sponsor his brother, he hoped to get him a green card to make it pos-

sible for him to live and work here.

Not until half a year ago, after waiting for ten years, my dad was notified that he should be getting his green card by the end of the year, which would mean that I would get it as well. Since the terrorist attacks happened, the processing of green cards and visas has slowed down and nobody can really tell us what's happening.

Of course, when it comes to an important issue such as immigration and the issuing of visas, the government has to be careful, especially after what has happened on Sept. 11. But it is not right to punish people for a crime that was committed on Sept. 11 by a certain group of people. By rejecting new ideas and concepts and isolating itself from others, we send out a message saying that the terrorists achieved what they wanted.

Letters to the Editor...

Keep on doing what you're doing

Joel Shempert,

We read your opinion piece, "America at a crossroads..." in the Oct. 10th *Clackamas Print* with great interest and appreciation.

We commend you, not only for your fine writing, but for your principled, humane stance with regard to our nation's headlong rush to war. We indeed live in precarious times when a failure to act with understanding and compassion could bring the whole world to the

brink of total disaster, if not destruction. Your article is a significant contribution to that understanding. While your views may be out of step with mainstream patriotism, nonetheless you are, in our estimation, right on track.

Keep on doing what you're doing!

Respectfully,
Margaret and Robert Dresbach

This was sent via mail to *The Print*.

Send us a letter. Get printed, you never know, you could become famous.

Where was Clackamas?

I was rather appalled at the lack of support for our great nation this morning, as I stood facing the flag pole in the center of CCC's campus - a delegation of one.

Education Secretary Rod Paige and other federal officials, including our president, asked for, and I quote: "Today I ask students, teachers, parents, and other proud Americans across the country to join me in showing our patriotism by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance at a single time and with a unified voice."

Not a great sacrifice on the part of anyone, but at this point in history, a vital one. We as individuals and a nation are facing the possibility of additional terrorist attacks to our homeland, and yet Clackamas staff, students, etc., could not set

aside five minutes to join with the rest of the nation in pledging their support.

It is hard to imagine that yesterday, campus populations were busy discussing the politically correct semantics of the tragedy that shocked our world on Sept. 11. Yet today, I stood alone, with all of campus life around me doing business as usual without a concern for what we had all been asked to do.

One voice - alone, and yet loud and proud, joining with 52 million others. Sorry you all missed it! When the call goes out again, will you be one of the missing?

Dianna Shepherd
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