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A national research study conducted by One Day's Pay, a nonprofit organization working to establish September 11th as a day of voluntary service, charity and compassion, has found that only 17.25% of those surveyed said they had personal plans to do something special on September 11th to observe the second anniversary of the terrorist attacks, compared to 41.7% in 2002. "Are people and employers beginning to forget? Yes they are," said Irvine, California-based David Paine, president and co-founder of One Day's Pay. One Day's Pay was launched this year by victims' relatives and leading nonprofit organizations to encourage individuals, employers and other groups to set aside time on or around September 11th of each year to help others in need. One Day's Pay has set up a Web site at www.onedayspay.org and is inviting those who plan to observe 9/11 through service to confidentially register their intentions on the site. To date, more than 85,000 participants nationwide have registered on the Web site.

We need to remember:

- 343 firefighters died (60 of them were off-duty).
- 23 police officers died.
- 75 Port Authority employees perished - including 37 of their own police officers.
- 10 bystanders were killed by falling debris.
- 16 people escaped the south tower from above the floors where the plane hit.
- None escaped the north tower from above the floors where the plane hit.
- 18 survivors were found in the debris - 12 fire fighters, 3 police officers and 3 civilians. All were found by September 12th.
- 2,823 - the total number of dead.
- Total cost of the destruction estimated at \$60 billion.
- 3.1 million man-hours went into the rescue and recovery over an eight-month period.
- 1.8 million tons of debris was cleared from the site.
- The 110-story south tower was reduced to a four-story pile in just 10 seconds. It registered 2.3 on the Richter scale.
- The second tower collapsed in just eight seconds.
- More than 300,000 tons of steel, concrete and glass hit the ground.



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