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## Special Speaker Series Program will Highlight Ambassadors Role at Flight 93 National Memorial

**SHANKSVILLE, PA** – The Flight 93 Speaker Series continues this month with four special guests on July 27-28 as the memorial highlights the role of Ambassadors, otherwise known as Volunteers-in-Parks, who will share their unique stories on volunteering at the memorial, and their connections to Flight 93 National Memorial as Ambassadors.

During this installment of the Speaker Series, the guests will include the first wave of Ambassadors who helped develop the volunteer entity as it is known today, and delve into the stories about the site in the immediate aftermath of the crash of United Flight 93 on September 11, 2001. The presenters will showcase their backgrounds and stories of why they joined as volunteers after the terror events of 2001. These Ambassadors have a direct tie to the former temporary memorials; the volunteers will highlight pictures and stories from the chain-link fence temporary memorial to coincide with a special exhibit “Memories from the Memorial – Looking Back 2001 – 2011” on the temporary memorial days.

The exhibit, “Memories from the Memorial – Looking Back 2001 - 2011” will give the visitor a chance to connect with the Flight 93 Ambassadors, the volunteers who worked at the different temporary memorial locations to the present permanent memorial. These Ambassadors will be on hand to answer any questions visitors may have, and further explain the history the early temporary memorial features.

Three sessions, free and open to the public, will be held at noon and 2 p.m. on Saturday, July 27 and noon only on Sunday, July 28 in the memorial’s Learning Center. One additional Flight 93 Speaker Series program will take place on August 17 (no Sunday program) and will feature Paul McNulty, president of Grove City College, who will discuss his experience as the lead prosecutor in the Zacarias Moussaoui trial and later his role as deputy attorney general under George W. Bush.

The Flight 93 Speaker Series is in its third year and is sponsored by Somerset Trust Company.

For more information on the Speaker Series or other events at Flight 93 National Memorial, visit [www.flight93friends.org](http://www.flight93friends.org).

#### **ABOUT THE FRIENDS OF FLIGHT 93 NATIONAL MEMORIAL**

Established in 2009, the Friends of Flight 93 National Memorial is the official nonprofit partner of Flight 93 National Memorial. The Friends' aim is to inform, honor and pay tribute to the heroes of Flight 93 by supporting the Memorial with volunteers and resources. The Friends' mission is to focus on awareness, education, volunteer support, preservation and stewardship. To learn more about the Friends, make a donation to support the memorial, or become a member visit [www.Flight93Friends.org](http://www.Flight93Friends.org).

#### **ABOUT FLIGHT 93 NATIONAL MEMORIAL**

On September 24, 2002, President Bush signed into law the Flight 93 National Memorial Act. The Act created a new national park unit to commemorate the passengers and crew of Flight 93 who, on September 11, 2001, courageously gave their lives thereby thwarting a planned attack on our nation's capital. The memorial is near Shanksville, Pennsylvania, where Flight 93 crashed with the loss of its 40 passengers and crew. For more information on Flight 93 National Memorial visit [www.nps.gov/flni](http://www.nps.gov/flni).

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