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## 10 YEARS LATER: REMEMBERING 9/11



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Carson Ogarro of Brooklyn, with his 3-year-old daughter, Naylin, walks among rows of 9/11 memorial flags in Battery Park in New York City. There are 3,000 flags, each bearing the name of one of the victims of the World Trade Center attack in its stripes. The flags are part of the "One Flag, One Life" display marking the 10th anniversary of the attack.

## Tourists brave terror threat

Heightened alert doesn't keep people from visiting touchstones of Sept. 11

By Joe Hallett  
THE COLUMBUS DISPATCH

NEW YORK — With gunboats plying the harbor behind him and police helicopters patrolling above, Sgt. Randy C. Snider stepped to the microphone amid a "significant" terror threat and prepared to do his duty — whatever that might turn out to be. The Whitehall Police Department veteran of 27 years was at the NYPD's



Whitehall Police Sgt. Randy Snyder sings *O Canada* in honor of the Toronto police contingent during a tribute to New York officers who died in the attack.

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### COMING SUNDAY

- 10th anniversary special section

Memorial Plaza yesterday belting out *O Canada* in honor of the Toronto police contingent that had joined police pipes and drum corps from across North America, including Columbus, for a 9/11 anniversary event.

Nationally known among police units for his singing voice, Snider performed beautifully, all the while ready to go into police mode if an attack actually occurred.

"Even though I'm an Ohio police officer, I'd be kicking it into gear if something happened," said Snider, wearing his sidearm. "I'll be right there with these guys. Law enforce-

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## Families' special day took on new meaning

By Jennifer Smith Richards  
THE COLUMBUS DISPATCH

Dismiss it as happenstance. Call it an unusual coincidence.

Or believe that the way these people's lives have become intertwined with a single date is fate. Even the hand of God.

September 11.

Before it was the date that terrorists attacked us on our own soil, it was Amy Lautner's birthday. And then it was the day that her daughter, Emma,

was born. It was their special day.

Now, it is the day that Amy's two sons, Chris and Adam, will leave the family's Hilliard home for one more training stint with the Ohio National Guard. Then it's on to Afghanistan.

"Now, for us, it's a day of celebration for (my mom and sister). But it's also a day for realizing what the nation stands for, realizing that the United States isn't going to back down when you attack," said Chris Lautner, 23.

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BROOKE LAVALLEY | DISPATCH

Amber Aimar and son Alexander will celebrate their birthdays on Sunday, Sept. 11. Dad Allen re-enlisted in the National Guard after the attack.



## Radio pulls plug on OSU fans

By Tim Feran  
THE COLUMBUS DISPATCH

Ohio State football fans who plunked down \$20 last year for radios offering live, no-delay game broadcasts are getting nothing but static this year.

The company that sold the radios, Live Sports Radio, has pulled the plug on Ohio State games because it wasn't able to make a profit on the enterprise.

Live Sports Radio said it couldn't reach a new, more-profitable agreement with Ohio State Sports Market-

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ing, a branch of marketing, licensing and media company IMG College. The marketing company handles multimedia issues for OSU.

"We didn't want it to go away, but we can't fault them for making a business decision," said Ray DeWeese of Ohio State Sports Marketing. "They changed their business model."

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## Jobs plan: short-term solution?

Quick-fix package should help, but not for that long, economists say

By Kevin G. Hall  
MCCLEATCHY NEWSPAPERS

WASHINGTON — Could it work? That's the question being asked about President Barack Obama's big new jobs plan.

Independent experts answered yesterday with a qualified yes.

The American Jobs Act would create jobs and help

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keep a struggling economy moving forward, said a number of economists. But they cautioned that it wouldn't shift the nation's business gears into overdrive, and it offers only modest benefits, given the headwinds the economy faces from a moribund housing sector and growing financial turmoil in Europe.

As only a short-term stimulus plan, the American Jobs Act wouldn't address structural and external problems holding back the U.S. economy. The proposal's very design is transitory, making it difficult to compare against the broad economic plans being proposed by GOP presidential candidates Mitt Romney and Jon Huntsman, who hope to replace Obama.

Macroeconomic Advisers, a leading economic forecast group, projected that Obama's plan "would give a



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### Help for Ohio?

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack was in Columbus yesterday to push the president's jobs plan. Some highlights specific to Ohio:

- 200,000 in-state businesses would have their payroll taxes fall.
- A \$1 billion infusion to Ohio would tackle road, bridge, dam and other infrastructure graded a D or lower by the American Society of Civil Engineers.
- More than \$1 billion would help avoid laying off up to 14,000 teachers, police and firefighters.
- Another \$1 billion would help Ohio schools become more modern by building labs and innovating.

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significant boost to (the gross domestic product) and employment over the near term."

There's the rub. Obama's plan aims to deliver only a short-term fix to keep the economy moving forward and avoid falling back into recession.

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### CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING PLAN

## Democrats thrown into single basket

By Jim Siegel  
THE COLUMBUS DISPATCH

A new congressional map that the Ohio House is expected to take up next week could include a Democratic Columbus district and give Republican U.S. Reps. Pat Tiberi and Steve Stivers safer seats.

Franklin County currently is divided into three districts, all of which bleed into surrounding counties that are solidly Republican. That has allowed Republicans to control all three seats, despite Franklin County's growing Democratic tilt.

It also has forced Republicans to engage in some fierce and expensive elections to keep those seats, particularly in Stivers' 15th District.



GOP Reps. Steve Stivers, left, and Pat Tiberi may find it easier to hold onto their districts.

Drawing a full district inside Franklin County that incorporates Columbus, where Democrats outnumber Republicans about 3½-to-1, would leave hearty GOP-leaning suburban territory for Stivers' and Tiberi's districts. Stivers recently moved from Columbus to Upper Arlington.

The House Republican

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