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Warm-up





Roadmap

- Connecting with our collections
- Voices in our collections
- Sharing what we've learned
- Assessing what we do



U.S. Senator Chuck Hagel Archives Online Exhibits

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Understanding the Hagel Schedules

September 2001

On the morning of September 11, 2001, 19 terrorists hijacked four planes and attacked the World Trade Center in New York City and the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. (with one plane crashing before reaching its destination). 2,977 people died that day (not counting the terrorists).

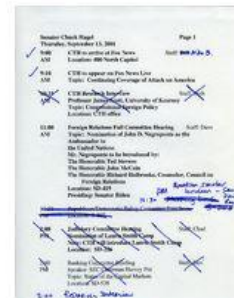
Senator Hagel and his staff evacuated Capitol Hill. In the weeks following, Hagel's schedule was filled with meetings, briefings, interviews, and other appointments related to the attacks. The schedules shown here highlight Hagel's activities on selected days between September 12th and the 25th.



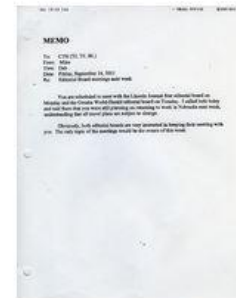
Schedule, September 11, 2001 (5 pages) -- Senator Hagel did not keep to this schedule, needless to say.



Schedule, September 12, 2001 (2 pgs) -- Hagel staff crossed out many of the appointments (especially on page 2) scheduled for the day after the attacks. They added an interview with the BBC and a Senate Foreign Relations Committee briefing ("maybe by Sec. [of Defense] Rumsfeld").

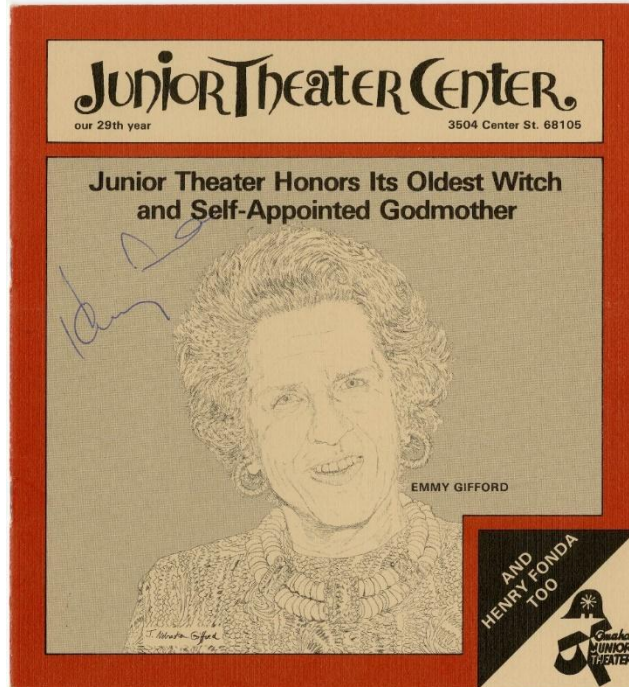
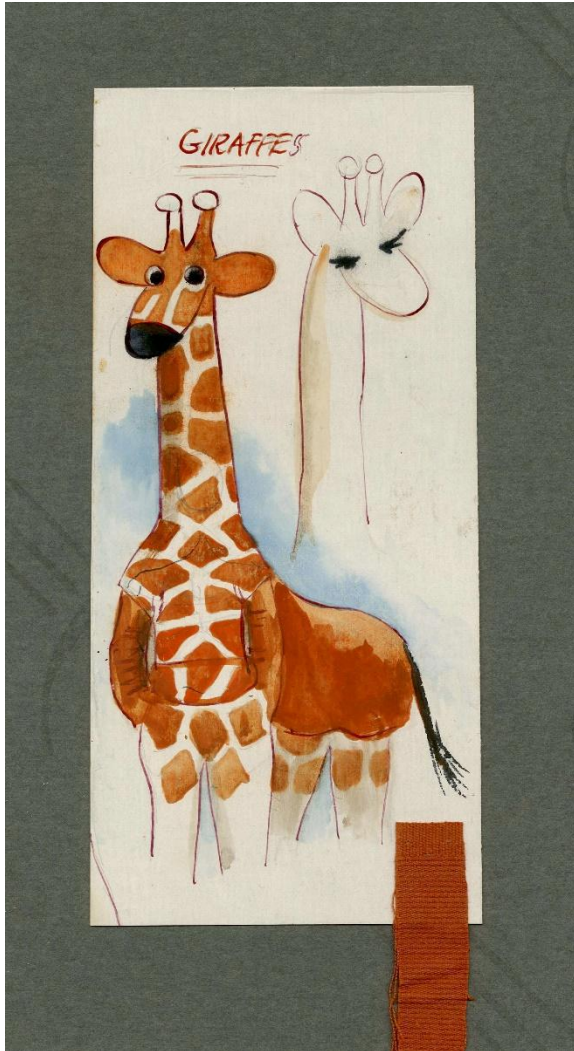


Schedule, September 13, 2001 -- Again, Hagel staff crossed out several appointments. This day they added a Bipartisan Senators' Luncheon in the Senate Dining Room.



Memo of September 14, 2001, regarding Hagel's meetings the following week with the Lincoln Journal Star and the Omaha World-Herald editorial boards. The only topic would be September 11.







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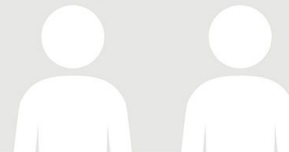
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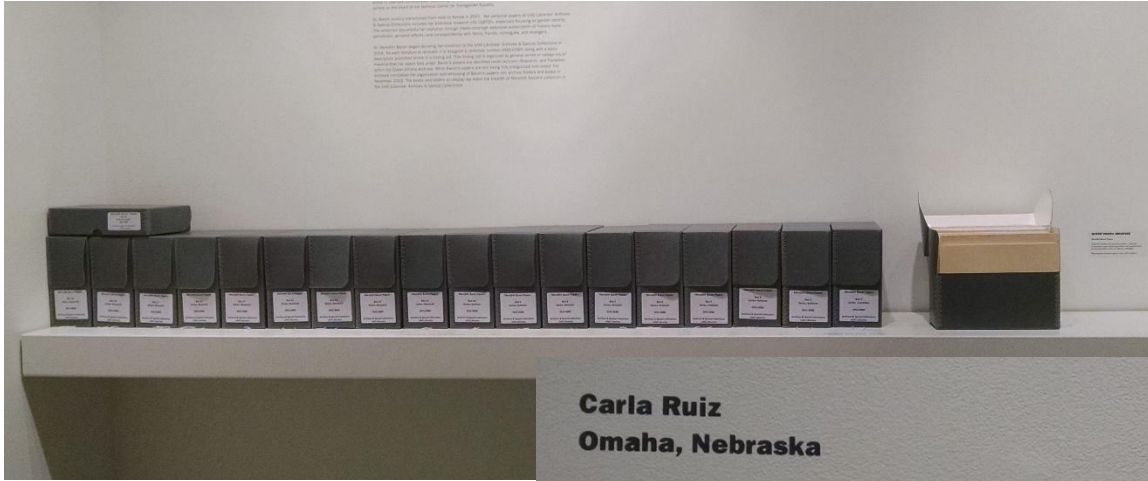
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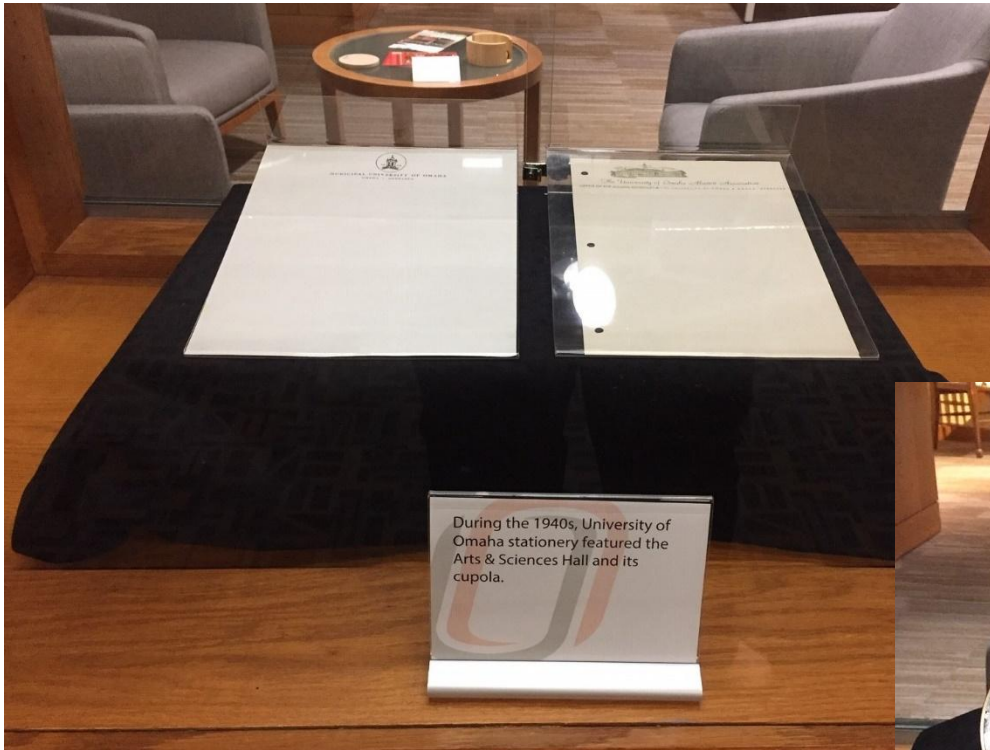




Carla Ruiz
Omaha, Nebraska

“If I’m with a group that doesn’t know about me I act as female as I can. That’s just the way... I mean, it has to be that way. It is mostly for my safety because that’s the other thing I preach when I’m out. Yes, I preach, “Be open, be visible,” but you have to be smart about it. If it is somewhere that you are going to be in danger if you say that you are transgender... don’t do it, don’t do it. Because I read too many frickin articles as it is about trans women being killed and damn I really do not want to read an article about one of my people here So I tell them to be smart and I try to be smart. Although not always. I have put myself in situations...”

“I stress to people to be as open as you can because from my perspective the greatest path to acceptance is if people know that we exist. I’ve talked to so many people who I’ve told that I’m transgender who tell me “Oh my god, you’re the first transgender person I’ve ever met!” and I always tell them “No, I’m probably not. I’m probably the first person that is telling you, but I can almost guarantee you’ve probably met somebody else. they just didn’t tell you.” So. Exposure. Visibility. That is what I preach to the trans people I come across Visibility has to be a priority because that is the only way we gain acceptance.”





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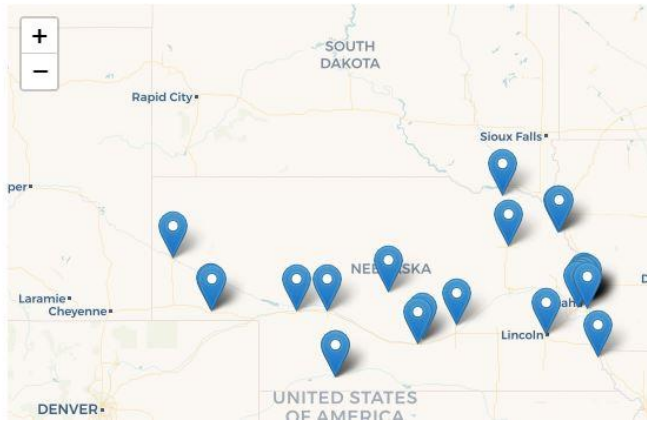




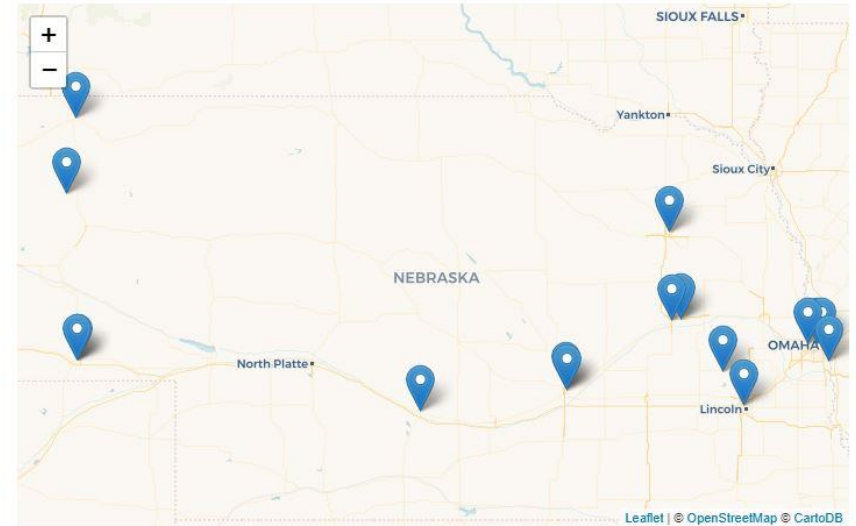
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2000



2002



Lincoln, January 2002



Sidney, February 2002



Sidney, February 2002



Grand Island, February 2002













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