

Stop the Murdoch (Flt 93) Memorial Blogburst: Islamic symbolism causing fundraising problems for Flight 93 Memorial

Description



Pennsylvanians know about the Islamic symbolism in the Flight 93 Memorial, and have stopped donating. The first indication came last September when State Senator Jane Orié came aboard as a fundraiser. She got a quick education in growing controversy.

In a 9/11 [radio interview](#) with Pittsburgh talker Fred Honsberger, Orié explained why she hoped the Flight 93 families would get back together and revisit their design choice:

Orié: "No matter who it is, and no matter where I went today for 9/11 events, everybody brought up this crescent. Whether it is intentional or not, it is disturbing to people." Honsberger: "So everyone is bringing it up to you."

Orié: "Absolutely."

At that time, the Memorial Project had collected about [\\$12.5 million](#), far short of the huge design's anticipated 60 million dollar price tag. Six months later the amount sits at "[A little more than \\$12 million](#)." It is possible that they are actually spending more on their fundraising efforts than they are raising.

Bill Steiner, who has been rustling up opposition on the ground in PA, dropped by Somerset recently and had a conversation with Memorial Project Superintendent Joanne Hanley. She appeared beleaguered, and confided that fundraising was sluggish, suggesting that the memorial would probably have to be built in stages. Presumably she meant something other than the normal stages of building, but was anticipating delays.

Now this week the Somerset *Daily American* has an editorial complaining that the whole state seems to be [dumping](#)

on Somerset County, bemoaning amongst other things the lack of funding for the Flight 93 Memorial.

This is not the preferred way to stop architect Paul Murdoch's [terrorist memorial mosque](#) from being

built. The damn thing ought to just be stopped by those in government who are in a position to stop it, so that a new and fitting design can be selected. At that point, money will be needed, but for now, with Murdoch in full command of the hijacked memorial, *lack of money* is what is needed. Starving the engines of fuel is one way to keep the hijacker from reaching his target, and until the hijacker is stopped, nothing else matters.

The people get it, and are voting with their pocketbooks. When are our our elected representatives going to step up and do their part?

Senator Orié is not the only Pennsylvania state legislator who has expressed concern, but Congressman Tancredo is as yet the only politician to actually call for the crescent design to be scrapped. If our representatives can't be leaders, can't they at least be followers?

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