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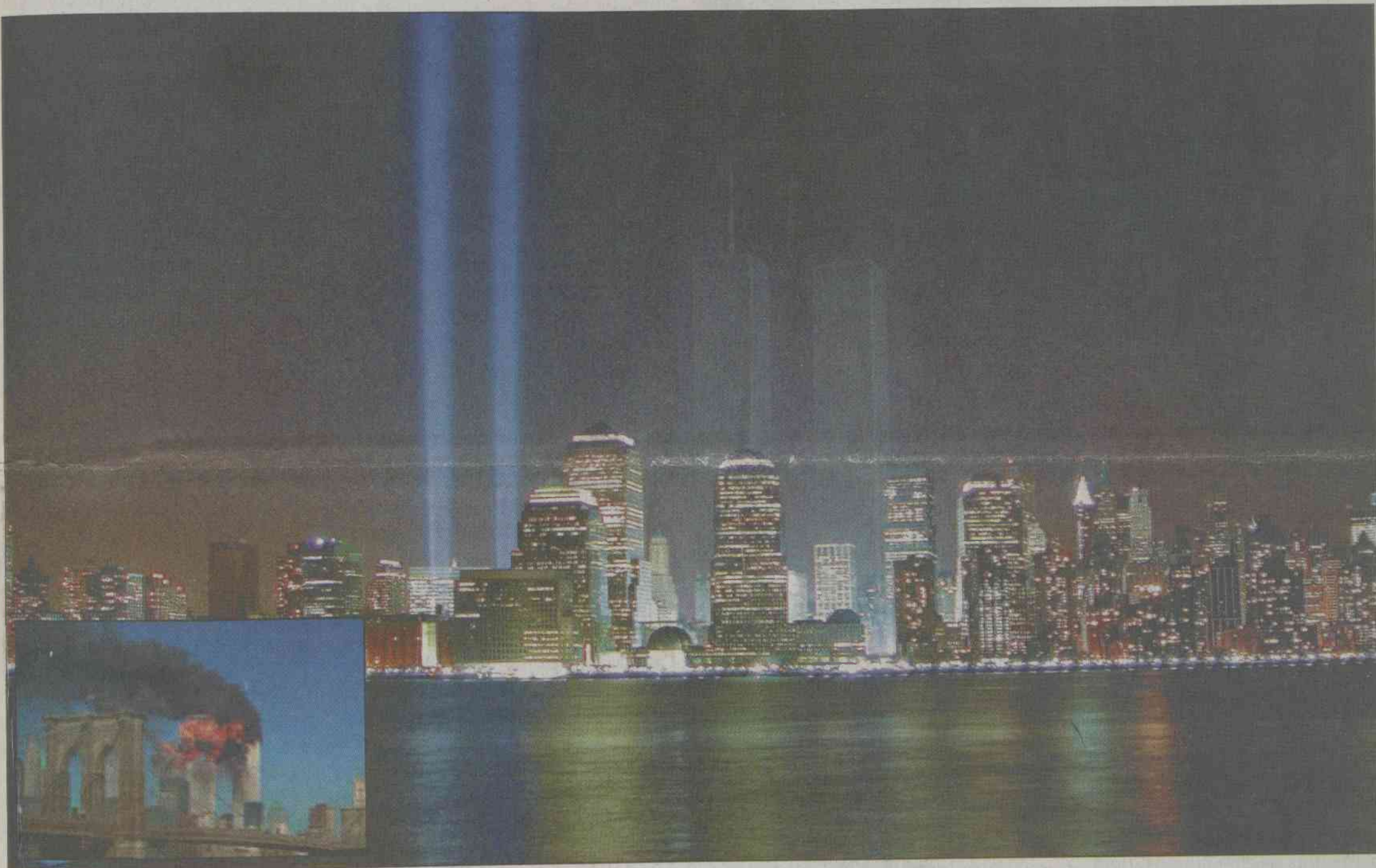


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REMEMBERING THE TRAGEDY: SEPTEMBER 11, 2002

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It has been a little over a year since the disaster of September 11, 2001. Many people believe that the tragedy was a wake up call, one that caused them to look at their lives in a new light.

"What went through your mind when you first heard about the September 11 tragedy?" This is a question that will probably be asked for many years to come. Many people have different views about what happened, but the fact is thousands of people lost their lives in those two towers and in remote Pennsylvania. I

asked a few of our fellow students how they felt about the tragedy and found that their sentiments mirrored the feelings of most of the people across the nation.

"It is very tragic. You can learn a great lesson from it," says John Shefton, "It changed the perception of travel and makes you more cautious of the people around you."

Marcus Parks also said that it makes the traveling experience different.

"It was a tragedy. It makes you more conscious of traveling by plane," he said.

Despite the catastrophe on September 11, the aftermath seemed to bring about a

renewed sense of unity and compassion.

"I think it's sad, and I feel that everybody should take a moment to remember those we lost," said Aletea Joosten.

"I think people should take the time out to understand and appreciate each others' culture, since we live in a diverse society," she added.

Chiniqua Beale had similar sentiments.

"I think it was devastating and from this moment on, we should all learn from this by getting along and cherishing our loved ones while they are yet here," she said.

One thing we can be certain about is that 9/11 will

never be forgotten. Each individual has their own view on how it has affected their lives. The best thing for America to do is acknowledge the fear and the pain, and use it to put things about the tragedy into perspective.

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like to extend their
sincere sympathies to
those who lost loved
ones in the
9/11 tragedy.*