About Iris

Volume one of The Iris, which incorporated the Schools of Medicine, Pharmacy, Law, and Dentistry, was published in 1898. Although the exact intention of the title is not known, Iris, the Greek goddess of the rainbow, was pictured in the first volume. Perhaps, the name serves as a symbol of heavenly aspirations. From 1934 to 1938 the yearbook was called the Buffaloonian. In 1939 a yearbook dedicated solely to the Medical and Dental Schools was published. This book was titled The Medentian, named after a joint newsletter published by the two schools. In 1976, the Medical School began publishing its own yearbook. Renamed The Iris, this book is a reminder of the central role that the medical school has had in the history of the University.

About the Cover

The cover was designed by Azin Shafiryanjad and the artwork was done by Donald Pickhardt. It carries the original University seal that included the father of medicine, Hippocrates, surrounded by the symbols of law, theology, liberal arts, and medicine. These symbols represented the four components of the University, as envisioned by the University founders.
This book is dedicated to our family and friends.

These past four years have been like a roller coaster ride. Without the love and support of our family and friends, we may never have made it.

From the first moment I decided on this journey, I stood at the start of a seemingly endless line.

I waited for the train of cars to arrive. My thoughts raced and my heart pounded.

Anxiety and fear about what the future may hold consumed me.

I began to question: Is this adventure right for me? An enjoyable ride? A worthwhile time?

Panic developed and uncertainty drew nearer as orientation began.

You laid a calming hand upon my trembling soul. You said, “Don’t worry. You’ll have the time of your life.”

Only seconds passed before the coaster appeared before us.

I was comforted knowing that you were taking the ride with me. “I am here every step of the way,” you said.

The car slowly pulled away and the adventure began. CLANK, CLANK, CLANK...

All I could see was the steep climb, every step forward painfully slow. A climb that seemed endless.

Anatomy lab, lecture after lecture, many hours in Butler Auditorium.

Block exams. No sleep, no time to eat or even see the light of day.

All the while I felt something pushing me forward. Your strength helped thrust the car up the hill.

After what seemed like an eternity, the top was reached. What a view—too good to be true.

The calm before the storm? I experienced a brief feeling of weightlessness. THEN...

Screams could be heard a mile away as the drop began.

Your arm reached for me once again and our fingers became intertwined.

You brought our hands into the air, exclaiming your feelings of pride.

“Relax and enjoy it!” you shouted. “You’re doing it all just fine.”

Now turn after turn, none of them smooth. It seemed impossible to get into the groove.

So much information but so little time. When will I ever use all these facts?

But then you tell me, “I’m helping you through and I’m here for you. Keep plugging away!”

Some more hills to climb, though these not as steep. The drops more thrilling as time goes on.

Lectures now focus on disease. Finally the big picture develops and I can see the forest for the trees.

We fell into a corkscrew that sent my mind spinning. Turn after turn after turn...

Kaplan, Princeton or First Aid alone. Step 1 is now done. How did I get through it?

Suddenly there was darkness as the train entered a tunnel... And third year begins

My mind was once again clouded with uncertainty and doubt. What was in front of me? Where was I now?

Medicine, surgery, psych, and OB. Not to mention, in Peds, the kid whizzed on me.

I even have to work holidays and weekends. Just when I get use to something it’s time to move on.

Being pushed one minute pulled the next. Sharp turns that wrenched my heart from my chest.

The darkness consumed me, so much that it was hard to breathe.

There you were again, holding my hand, reassuring me every step of the way.

“Hold on, the ride is almost over!” Your words gave me courage to keep pushing on.

As we reached the end of the tunnel, I could see the light ahead.

...third year ends and my confidence rises.

Suddenly I was surrounded by the sunshine and I smiled with peace.

Fourth year is here. No longer any fear. A piece of cake (or so they say).

The coaster sped up as we headed down the last stretch of track.

Our speed was at its highest and we fell into a series of quick hills.

I thought if I blink I might miss something, so I kept my eyes wide open.

Hours are still long but at least now I can be useful. I begin to take pride in what I do.

The last few seconds of the ride had a couple more sharp twists and turns.

My heart sometimes fluttered and my stomach was tied into knots.

NRMP, USMLE. The match and the boards. My entire life rests on what decisions I make now.

And on how others may rank me. Dr. Nadler hands me that envelope. My future unfolds...

The train quickly began to slow as we pulled into the gate. I could hear the clunking of the brakes.

“I am so proud of you!” you whispered as tears rolled down your cheeks. “You handled the ride so well!”

As we waited for the safety bar to rise, I glanced into your eyes.

You were that bar that was always there to secure me.

Now that graduation is here, I search for a way to show my appreciation.

The only words I am left with seem so inadequate.

Even though at some points I wanted to get off, that same train has left me wanting more. So much that I am willing to ride again. The adventures ahead will be different but many of the emotions will be the same. As I look ahead to residency, I feel comforted just as I did waiting for this ride to begin. I know your hand will always be on my shoulder to comfort and support me.

With all our love and thanks,

The Class of 2001
The Oath

I swear to fulfill, to the best of my ability and judgement, this covenant:

I will respect the hard-won scientific gains of those physicians and scientists in whose steps I walk, and gladly share such knowledge as is mine with those who are to follow.

I will apply for the benefit of the sick, all measures which are required, avoiding these twin traps of overtreatment and therapeutic nihilism.

I will remember that there is both art and science to medicine, and that warmth, sympathy, and understanding may outweigh the surgeon's knife or the chemist's drug.

I will not be ashamed to say, "I know not," nor will I fail to call in my colleague when the skills of another are needed for a patient's recovery. I will pursue the expansion of my knowledge throughout my life for the benefit of my patients.

I will respect the privacy of my patients, for their problems are not disclosed to me that the world may know. Most certainly it is not my place to judge them.

Most especially must I tread with care in matters of life and death. If it is given me to save a life, all thanks. But if it be merely within my abilities to help ease suffering at the end of a life, may I face this awesome responsibility with humbleness and awareness of my own frailty.

I will remember that I do not treat a fever chart, or a cancerous growth, but a sick human being, whose illness may extract a substantial toll from both patient and family. My responsibility includes all related problems if I am to care adequately for the sick.

I will prevent disease whenever I can; for prevention is preferable to cure.

I will remember that I remain a member of society, with special obligations to all, those sound of mind and body, as well as the infirm.

If I do not violate this oath, may I enjoy life and art, respect while I live and remembered with affection thereafter. May I always act to preserve the finest traditions of my calling and may I honor experience the joy of healing those who seek my help.
History of Medicine

1200BC Asclepius becomes through myth and legend the Greek God of Healing.

400BC Hippocrates introduces the disease concept and an ethical code of medicine.

129AD Claudius Galen discovers that blood moves through the body.

980 Avicenna codifies all existing medical knowledge with his "Canon Medicinae."

1350 During Black Death 33% of the European population dies.

1543 Andreas Versallius writes the first major book on anatomy.

1612 Sanctorius, an Italian physician, devises the medical thermometer.

1628 William Harvey, an English physician, first describes blood circulation.

1660 Anton Van Leewenhoek, a Dutch naturalist, develops light microscope.

1669 Hugh Chamberlen, a male midwife, develops obstetrical forceps.

1676 Raymond de Viaussens describes the structure of the heart’s chambers.

1733 Stephen Hales, an English clergyman, first measures blood pressure.

1796 Edward Jenner, an English surgeon, introduces a vaccination for smallpox.

1799 Humphry Davy discovers that nitrous oxide could relieve sensation of pain.

1800 Robert Liston uses ether to successfully anaesthetize a patient.

1816 Rene T. H. Laennec, French physician, invents stethoscope.

1821 Elizabeth Blackwell becomes the first woman to become a modern doctor.

1881 Louis Pasteur develops vaccine for varicella, cholera, diphtheria, and rabies.

1882 Robert Koch identifies the microbes that cause Tuberculosis and Cholera.

1846 The University at Buffalo Medical School is founded.

1847 James Young Simpson introduces chloroform for control of labor pains.

1858 Charles Darwin, proposes the theory of evolution by means of natural selection.

1867 Joseph Lister, an English surgeon, publishes the first work on antiseptic surgery.

1895 Wilhelm Roentgen, German physicist, discovers X-rays.

1897 Felix Hoffman, a Bayer Chemist, synthesizes aspirin.

1900 Karl Landsteiner discovers the differences between ABO blood antigens.

1903 Willem Einthoven, Dutch physiologist, develops the electrocardiograph.

1910 Marie Curie publishes theory of radioactivity.

1922 Frederick Banting and Charles Best discovers insulin.

1928 Alexander Fleming discovers penicillin.

1929 Forssmann performs the first cardiac catheterization on himself.

1938 Robert E. Gross, an American surgeon, performs first heart surgery.

1946 Alfred Gilman and Frederick Phillips treat lymphoma with nitrogen mustard.

1952 Jonas Salk develops polio vaccine.

1953 James Watson and Francis Crick discover DNA.

1953 John H. Gibbon first uses a mechanical heart and blood purifier.

1957 Basil Hirschowitz, South-African physician, develops fiber endoscopy.

1967 Christian Barnard performs the first successful heart transplant.

1972 Computed Tomography (CT) scanning is invented.

1980 Magnetic Resonance Imaging of the brain is first done on clinical patient.

1982 Willem DeVries, an American surgeon, implants a permanent artificial heart.

1990 Human Genome Project is launched.

1997 Ian Wilmut and colleagues clone the first animal "Dolly" the sheep.

1998 Insulin becomes the first human protein to be produced through biotechnology.

2000 Human Genome sequence is published in Science and Nature.

2001 The first millennium UB medical school class graduates.
The University of Buffalo was incorporated by an act of the New York State Legislature on May 11, 1846. The founders, primarily physicians and lawyers, intended the University to train students for service to the community. The Medical School was the first to open. Forty years would pass before other departments were added. Medical school classes began February 24, 1847, with an enrollment of sixty-six students in the Old First Baptist Church at Washington and Seneca Streets. The building was well suited as a temporary site and included a library, museum, laboratory and an amphitheater that accommodated up to two hundred students. Two years of study were required for a degree—two years of lectures and the preparation of a dissertation to be defended before the faculty.

Just three years after its founding, the medical school moved into its own building. The edifice, located on the corner of Main and Virginia Streets, was completed in 1849 at a cost of $15,000. Built in Romanesque style, the red sandstone building had small spires at each corner and was described as one of the best designed medical school buildings in the country.

In 1898 the Medical School was moved to a new $125,000 building at 24 High Street. The announcement of 1960 stated “they (faculty) feel that they have the most tasteful, comfortable, and best arranged medical college office in the U.S., perhaps even the world...” In 1953 after years of planning and much acrimonious discussion, the school moved to its new, spacious facilities in Cano (now Farber Hall) on the Main Street Campus. The completion of Sherman Hall in 1958 greatly expanded the research facilities and provided additional teaching laboratories. In 1962, the University at Buffalo merged with the SUNY system. In 1987, an addition was added and the complex was named Cary-Farber-Sherman. A 110,000-square-foot research building equipped with sixty laboratories, was dedicated in the sesquicentennial year.
Austin Flint, as a leader of a small group of physicians, was the driving force for the founding of the University at Buffalo School of Medicine, which was to meet the public health needs of Buffalo’s then expanding community. Dr. Flint was the first “Professor of Principles and Practice of Medicine and Clinical Medicine”. He was also the first teacher to meet his students, in his capacity as registrar and treasurer he collected from each a three dollar matriculation fee and $65.00 which was the cost of tuition for the entire medical school.

James Platt White served as the first professor of obstetrics and diseases of women and children. Dr. White is remembered for allowing his students to examine a pregnant woman and be present for the delivery during the Winter Term, 1849-50. Most medical students became physicians without ever witnessing the birth of a child.

In 1883, Dr. Roswell Park joined the medical school as a professor of surgery. He became one of the most renowned surgeons in the United States, writing one of the first treatises on aseptic surgical techniques and on the surgical treatment of tuberculosis. He is also credited with teaching the first formal course in the history of medicine in this country. Although his great ambition to know the cause of cancer was not realized, it led to the establishment in 1899 of the New York State Pathological Laboratory. This was the first laboratory in the world to be devoted to the study of cancer. In 1946 it was renamed Roswell Park Memorial Institute.

In 1876, Mary Blair Moody was the first woman physician to graduate from the medical school. Joseph Robert Love, class of 1880, was the first African-American physician to graduate from UB.

The School of Medicine’s mace is carried by one of the marshals during commencement. Designed and constructed by Dr. Robert Brown, it combines symbols of mythology, folklore, ancient tradition of medicine, and the University’s history in the education of physicians.
Have you “Herd” about Buffalo?
The Admissions Committee of the University at Buffalo, School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, is very pleased to invite you for a

**PERSONAL INTERVIEW**

**ON**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1996**

Watch yourself, Shake it fast.

Congratulations on your acceptance to our Medical School. Matriculants here save $10,000 - $15,000 per year in tuition costs compared to private medical schools in New York State and the cost living in Buffalo is also very low. In spite of these advantages, many students have financial difficulties.

Hamburgers and hot-dogs AGAIN?

Directions to the Medical School:

The Medical School of the State University of New York at Buffalo is on the MAIN STREET CAMPUS of the University, in a residential area of the City of Buffalo. The Medical School is located on Bailey Avenue, half-way between Main Street and Whirlpool Avenue, in one percent of a large gray building which is a composite complex of Cary Hall, Fairchild Hall, Sherman Hall, and the Biomedical Education Building and the Biomedical Research Building. The Admissions Office is located in Room 40 of the Medical Education Building.

This is the beginning of some beautiful friendships.

God Jesus, I hope lectures aren’t this boring.

This is the first time we’ve gotten drunk. Does it show?

Hien, you’re such a ladies man.

Orientation was the beginning of a new world for each and every one of us. Whole hours of us coming together, we bonded. Friendships that lasted throughout the past four years were made the first week. A few of us even found patterns for life.

AND THEY’RE OFF...
They Say Med School is Rough!

Giddy up, cowboy!!

Pucker-Up Honey
All Dressed Up

. . . And Somewhere To Go!!!
Spooktacular

Which one of you guys is Charlie?

Hey Aaron, how’s it hanging?

Ahhh!!!

Sam in his broom.

Kooky the clown.

Unfair and her gang.

Debbie the Underwear Princess.

Aaron Gayer on the prowl.

Lock me up and throw away the key!
This one's for the gipper....

Work hard but play harder!!!
HANGING OUT

Smile for the camera!

Will the real Tasmanian Devil please stand up.

REALLY hanging out ...
Dance "Lessons"

Deb demonstrates new moves.

Should you lead or shall it?

Baby got BACK!!

Strike a pose ... Vogue!

Most sought after dance partner ...

Pretty as a flower

Tango Time!

You caught us!

STOP that tickles!

You dip, I dip, we dip

You dip, I dip, we dip

Bustin' a move

You dip, I dip, we dip

She loves you, Yeah! Yeah! Yeah!
Sharing Our Cultures Through Food and Fun

The Taste of Culture

Everybody dig it!

SNMA enjoying the great outdoors!

United Colors of Benetton

Ethnic Dress of India

Several Shades of Gray

A diverse group sharing a good meal!

Sharing our Spirits!
1. Calista Flockhart walked away with a Golden Globe award for her performance in the most talked about show of the season, *Ally McBeal*.
3. The Lost World*, the sequel to *Jurassic Park*, was a summer blockbuster grossing an estimated $229 million. *ABC* won viewers' hearts with *Dharma & Greg*, a sitcom about an uptight yuppie and a happy-go-lucky yoga instructor.
4. Kirstie Alley returned to prime time as a lingerie executive in one of the most successful new sitcoms of the season, *Veronica's Closet*. 
5. The true-to-life drama *Party of Five*, starring Neve Campbell, Matthew Fox, Scott Wolf, Lacey Chabert, and Jennifer Love Hewitt, attracted millions of new devotees and increased its ratings by 29%. *Michael J. Fox* also returned to prime time in *Spin City*. He won a Golden Globe for his role as the Deputy Mayor of New York City. *Men in Black*, starring Will Smith and Tommy Lee Jones, was one of the most successful films of the summer. The movie's combination of awesome special effects and humor drew people to the box office.
6. Canadian director James Cameron "sunk" $200 million dollars into the film *Titanic*. The film won Golden Globes for Best Director and Best Picture and captured 14 Academy Award nominations. In addition to earning awards and nominations, it became the top money making film in history.
7. Childhood friends Ben Affleck and Matt Damon cowrote the screenplay for *Good Will Hunting*. Their efforts were recognized with a Golden Globe for Best Screenplay and nine Academy Award nominations. Since the animated show *King of the Hill* debuted in January of 1997, it has consistently been one of television's top 30 shows. Fox's other animated hit, *The Simpsons* became the longest running animated show in television history, surpassing the record previously held by *The Flintstones*. *Air Force One*, with Harrison Ford, was a summer hit earning $171 million. Ford also won a People's Choice Award. *Ellen DeGeneres' character in her sitcom Ellen* became the first openly gay series lead in television. *Screenwriter Kevin Williamson* brought horror back to the movies with *Scream*, its sequel *Scream 2* and *I Know What You Did Last Summer*. *Disney's* stage version of *The Lion King* was one of Broadway's biggest hits.
8. Talk show host Ricki Lake gave birth to her first child, a son. Helen Hunt and Jack Nicholson starred in the romantic comedy *As Good As It Gets*, which earned each of them a Golden Globe. The film was also nominated for best picture at the Academy Awards.*
9. Brandon Tartikoff died at 48 of Hodgkin's Disease. He was the NBC executive responsible for shows like *Hill Street Blues*, *Cheers*, *The Cosby Show*, *L.A. Law*, and *Seinfeld.* Throughout his acting career, *Jimmy Stewart* starred in 79 films including *The Philadelphia Story*, *Vertigo*, and *Rear Window*. However, his most memorable performance was in the Christmas classic, *It's a Wonderful Life*. Stewart died at 89. We also paid final respects to actor Chris Farley, explorer and filmmaker Jacques Cousteau, news commentator Charles Kuralt, actor Robert Mitchum, comedian Red Skelton, and actor Lloyd Bridges.

What were your favorite television shows and movies?

Top 10 Movies for 1997:
1. *Titanic*
2. *Men in Black*
3. *The Lost World*
4. *Liar Liar*
5. *Air Force One*
6. *Star Wars: Episode I - The Phantom Menace*
7. *My Best Friend's Wedding*
8. *Face/Off*
9. *Tomorrow Never Dies*
10. *Batman & Robin*
At the tender age of 16, blues guitarist and singer Jonny Lang took his debut song, *Lie to Me*, to number two on the blues chart. 

2. Producer, remixer, and rap artist Sean "Puffy" Combs' album *No Way Out* sold 561,000 copies in the first week after its release. Six consecutive songs that were either produced or sung by Combs remained at the top of Billboard's rap singles chart for 42 weeks. 

3. At the 40th Grammy awards, Shawn Colvin walked away with Record of the Year and Song of the Year for Sunny Came Home. Erykah Badu won a Grammy for Female Rhythm and Blues Vocal performance with her song On and On. Her album *Baduizm* won a Grammy for Rhythm and Blues Album. The Florida-based group Matchbox 20's debut album, *Yourself or Someone Like You*, sold more than four million copies. 

4. Jamiroquai, known for its unique sound and lead singer Jay Kay's Suess-inspired hats, won a Grammy for its song Virtual Insanity.

5. Fiona Apple's debut album *Tidal* brought the 20-year-old artist great success and a Grammy. 

6. Garth Brooks gave a free concert in New York City's Central Park and drew hundreds of thousands of fans. His album *Sevens* sold 3.4 million copies between Thanksgiving and New Years.

7. Fleetwood Mac released its first new album, *The Dance*, in a decade. The album debuted at the top of the charts and the band grossed more than $36 million on tour. The group was also inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame along with the Eagles, the Manassas, and the Pussycats.

8. Elton John sang goodbye to Princess Diana at her funeral with his private song *Candle in the Wind*. The recording became the fastest selling single in history. The singer said that he would never perform the song again, unless it was at the request of Diana's sister. 

9. Michael Jackson's son, Prince Michael Jackson Jr. was born and has already earned $2 million for appearing on the cover of a British tabloid.

10. Canadian music legend Joni Mitchell reunited with the daughter she gave up for adoption in 1965. After a lengthy search, private investigators helped the pair find one another.

11. Musician Sarah McLachlan had a hit single, *Building a Mystery*, but her biggest accomplishment was putting together the Lilith Fair Tour. Lilith Fair was an all-female rock tour that included artists Sheryl Crow, the Cardigans, Fiona Apple, Jewel, Tracy Chapman, Shawn Colvin, Mary Chapin Carpenter, Indigo Girls, Suzanne Vega, Paula Cole, Lisa Loeb, and Joan Osborne. The tour was so popular it was upgraded even the hoppin' tours like Lollapalooza and H.O.R.D.E. (Bill Berry, drummer for REM, retired after 17 years with the band. Berry suffered a brain aneurysm while on tour in 1995.

12. Rap artist and actor Will Smith took home his third Grammy for Men in Black. While on tour in Sydney, Australia, U2 loaned its cargo plane to the people of Auckland, New Zealand. The city had been without power for almost two weeks and needed generators. The use of U2's plane allowed needed generators to be flown in to restore power to millions of people.
1. After a long standoff with Amaru guerrillas, Peru’s President Alberto Fujimori gave the order to Peruvian forces to storm the embassy residence where 72 hostages were being held. All of the guerrillas were killed and 71 of the hostages were rescued. 2. Louise Woodward, a 19-year-old British au pair, was convicted of murdering an eight month old baby in her care. However, citing an absence of malice, the judge reduced the second-degree murder conviction to manslaughter and her sentence to time served. 3. Former president George Bush took up skydiving at the age of 72. He had jumped from a disabled plane in World War II and had vowed that one day he would do it again for fun. 4. Etienne Bacrot, 14, started playing chess when he was four. He became the world’s youngest chess grandmaster ever, beating Canadian grandmaster Kevin Spraggett, 42. 5. Mother Teresa died at the age of 87, leaving behind a legacy of love and compassion for the poor. She also left behind more than 4,000 nuns pledged to continue the order she founded. 6. In April, heavy spring snows raised the Red River in Grand Forks, North Dakota flooding the town, causing 50,000 residents to evacuate and destroying homes and cars in its path. 7. Special Prosecutor Kenneth Starr began investigating the Clintons for their involvement in the Whitewater land development company in Arkansas. Later, Starr became the key prosecutor in President Clinton’s alleged relationship with a former White House intern. Starr was investigating whether the President had coerced Monica Lewinsky into lying about the nature of their relationship. Even as accusations rocked the White House, the president’s approval ratings were his highest ever. 8. The Heaven’s Gate Cult committed suicide with the belief that their souls would be picked up by a spaceship hidden in the tail of the Hale-Bopp comet. Cult leader Marshall Applewhite was among the 39 dead. 9. The men’s religious group, Promise Keepers, brought hundreds of thousands of men together in Washington D.C. to pledge their devotion to Jesus, family and one another. 10. At Ohio State University Secretary of State Madeleine Albright tried to make a case for U.S. military action against Iraq. During the meeting, Albright was continually interrupted by protests from the audience. 11. When the Teamster’s union went on strike at United Parcel Service, the nation’s leading package-delivery company, millions of packages were delayed or lost. Labor Secretary Alexis Herman kept UPS and the Teamsters at the bargaining table and the strike ended after two weeks. 12. Bill and Hillary Clinton faced an empty nest as daughter Chelsea went away to college at Stanford. Mrs. Clinton also marked another milestone by celebrating her 50th birthday. 13. Bobbi McCaughhey, from Carlisle, Iowa, gave birth to septuplets. The babies ranged in size from 28s. to 3 lbs. 4 oz. It is estimated the McCaughney’s will change more than 15,000 diapers this year. The diet drugs fen-phen and Redux were removed from the market after the Food and Drug Administration discovered the medications caused serious heart problems. *Ted Turner donated $1 billion to the United Nations, while encouraging others to contribute to charitable causes. Financier George Soros pledged $500 million to Russia for health, education, and welfare while Bill Gates pledged $200 million to bring the Internet to low-income libraries.  

Earthquakes in Italy left 11 people dead and thousands homeless. UNICEF estimated that 80,000 children were starving in the North Korean famine.  

Captain Craig Button’s A-10 plane mysteriously disappeared after he suddenly broke a three-plane formation over Arizona and headed toward Colorado. The jet was found crashed near Eagle, Colorado with Button’s remains inside. The four 500-pound bombs that were on the jet have not been recovered.  

First Lieutenant Kelly Flinn, the first woman to pilot a B-52, was given a general discharge from the Air Force for lack of integrity and disobedience to orders. Her career ended over an alleged affair with the husband of an Air Force airmen. Timothy McVeigh was convicted of the Oklahoma City bombing and sentenced to death. *Terry Nichols, also arrested for the April 19, 1995 bombing was convicted of conspiracy and manslaughter. He was acquitted of murder and weapons charges. *Ted Kaczynski pled guilty to being the Unabomber in exchange for a sentence of life in prison without parole. Kaczynski waged a 17-year anti-technology bombing campaign that included a string of 16 bombings. Three people were killed and 29 injured.
6. Congressman Sonny Bono died in a skiing accident. Before turning to politics, Bono achieved fame as a songwriter, entertainer, and half of the duo Sonny and Cher. A bomb in an abortion clinic in Birmingham, Alabama left an off-duty police officer dead and a nurse critically wounded. The Peabody Award for broadcasting excellence was awarded to author and journalist Peter Gzowski. This was the first time a Canadian had received the prestigious American award for work in Canada. Susie Maroney of Australia became the first woman to swim from Cuba to Florida. It took her 24 hours to complete the 112 mile stretch. The threat of war in the middle east was again a concern as Saddam Hussein failed to comply with U.N. weapons regulations. However, the U.N. Security Council voted unanimously to endorse a deal negotiated by Secretary-General Kofi Annan that provided U.N. inspectors unrestricted access to all weapons sites. In West Paducah, Kentucky, Michael Carneal, a high school freshman, opened fire on a group of students gathered for a prayer service at Heath High School. Three girls were killed and five other students wounded. A U.S. Marine jet sliced through a cable car line at an Italian ski resort killing 20 people. The U.S. Department of Agriculture recalled 25 million pounds of possibly tainted beef after an outbreak of the E. Coli virus. In Pearl, Mississippi, Luke Woodham, 16, stabbed his mother to death and then went to school with a rifle and opened fire. Woodham killed two of his classmates and wounded seven others. We paid final respects to writer William S. Burroughs, Malcolm X's widow Betty Shabazz, artist Willem De Kooning, poet Allen Ginsberg, Ambassador to France Pamela Harriman, Michael Kennedy, and politician Paul Tsongas.
1. Martina Hingis captured the U.S. Open tennis tournament. Hingis had a remarkable year with a record of 75-5. She won three of the four Grand Slam tournaments and became the first player to earn more than $3 million in a season.

2. Figure skater Scott Hamilton, 39, left the Stars on Ice tour in March of 1997 to undergo chemotherapy for testicular cancer. But, on October 29, he returned to the ice and a cheering crowd. His prognosis is for a full recovery.

3. In college football, the University of Michigan and the University of Nebraska shared the national championship. Michigan’s Charles Woodson became the first primarily defensive player to win the Heisman Trophy.

4. Sports broadcaster, Harry Caray voice of the Chicago Cubs, died at the age of 77. After several attempts, two U.S. women’s professional basketball leagues were finally unveiled in 1997—the ABL and the WNBA. Sheryl Swoopes, 26, who led the 1996 Olympic team to a gold medal, signed with the WNBA’s Houston Comets.

5. Violet Palmer and Dee Kantner became the NBA’s first female referees. In their rookie season, both will earn $80,000.

6. The Detroit Red Wings defeated the Philadelphia Flyers to win their eighth Stanley Cup. In 1997, Jeff Gordon won 10 races, took home $4.2 million in prize money, and captured his second Winston Cup Championship in three years.

7. At age 21, Tiger Woods outplayed his opponents to win the Masters with a record 13-stroke margin. Woods finished the 1997 season as the game’s leading money winner, taking home more than two million dollars and was named PGA Player of the Year.

8. In the World Series, Moses Alou led the Florida Marlins to victory over the Cleveland Indians with three homers and nine RBIs. Only in their fifth year, the Marlins reached the World Series faster than any expansion team in history.

9. In Mike Tyson’s and Evander Holyfield’s boxing rematch, Tyson bit off a piece of Holyfield’s right ear in the third round. Tyson was disqualified, fined, and suspended from boxing in Nevada.

10. Michael Jordan and the Chicago Bulls defeated the Utah Jazz to capture their fifth NBA title in seven years. Oscar De La Hoya defeated Pernell Whitaker in an unanimous decision and captured the WBO Boxing Council Welterweight Title.

11. Arizona defeated Kentucky 84-79 in the NCAA tournament to win its first national men’s basketball title.

12. Atlanta Braves pitcher Greg Maddux signed a contract extension for $57.5 million which made him the highest-paid player in baseball.

13. Major league baseball celebrated the 50th anniversary of Jackie Robinson’s efforts to integrate baseball. In Robinson’s honor, his number “42” was retired from all team rosters.

14. Pete Sampras dominated at Wimbledon to win it for the fourth time in five years. Also at Wimbledon, three-time champion Boris Becker stunned the world by announcing his retirement from tennis.

15. In her debut at the U.S. Open, 17-year-old Venus Williams became the first unseeded woman to advance to the finals.

16. The Arthur Ashe Stadium opened in Flushing, New York in August with a parade of 45 tennis champions including Chris Evert and John McEnroe.

17. Michael Johnson ran the 400 meter race in 44.12 seconds to win his third consecutive world championship in track and field. After 20 years of trying, Dale Earnhardt won the Daytona 500. A lucky penny was given to him before the race from a five year old girl permanently confined to a wheelchair. The Make-A-Wish Foundation granted her request to see the Daytona 500 and meet Earnhardt.

18. Jockey Gary Stevens, riding Silver Charm, captured his third Kentucky Derby. We paid final respects to golf legend Ben Hogan, baseball center fielder Curt Flood, and jockey Eddie Arcaro.
1. The opening ceremony of the 1998 Winter Olympics in Nagano, Japan combined the traditions of the past and the technology of the present. Sumo wrestlers warded off evil spirits while choirs on five continents performed Beethoven's “Ode to Joy” simultaneously.

2. U.S. skier Picabo Street won the gold medal in the Women's Super-G. She edged Michaela Dorfmeister of Austria by one-hundredth of a second.

3. Tara Lipinski, at 15, became the youngest Olympic women's figure skating champion ever by outscoring fellow American Michelle Kwan. Lipinski took the gold medal, Kwan the silver, and Lu Chen of China won the bronze.

4. The United States men's teams captured the first American luge medals in Olympic history. The two teams won the silver and bronze in the luge doubles.

5. Despite injuries and the flu, Canadian Elvis Stojko won the silver medal in men's figure skating. Ilia Kulik of Russia won the gold medal, while Phillipe Candeloro of France won the bronze. 6. The U.S. women's hockey team defeated Canada and won the gold medal to capture the first Olympic women's hockey title. Canada took home the silver and Finland the bronze. The U.S. team also appeared on the March Wheaties box. • The Czech Republic captured its first hockey gold medal when it defeated Russia 1-0. The bronze medal went to Finland.

• Canadians Carilona LeMay-Booan and Susan Aucj dominated women's speedskating by winning the gold and the silver medals in the 500 meter race.

• Canada also did well in the men's speedskating. In the 500 meter race, Jeremy Wotherspoon won the silver medal and Kevin Overland took the bronze. • U.S. athletes won three gold medals in freestyle skiing. Eric Bergsna won gold in the men's aerials while Nikki Stone took the gold in women's aerials. Johnny Moseley won gold in the men's moguls.

• After two days of competition and four heats, Canada and Italy tied for the gold medal in the men's two-man bobsled competition. This was the first time that two teams shared the gold medal in this event. • In the end, the United States brought home 13 medals and Canada 15. But, it was Germany with a medal count of 29 that toppled the list. Norway was not far behind with 25 medals, and Russia won 18.

Women accounted for eight of the I3 U.S. medals. • Nagano's closing ceremony included a backdrop of 50,000 illuminated handheld lanterns and a thank you to the world for allowing it to be the host of the final Winter Olympics of the 20th century. The captain of the U.S. women's hockey team, Cammi Granato, carried the American flag at the ceremony.
brought back bell-bottoms, platform shoes, butterfly collars, and an array of other styles that sent teens into a fashion era that used to be associated with their parents. In 1997, Tommy Hilfiger opened his first megastore on Rodeo Drive in Beverly Hills, California and published All Americans: A Style Book. His primary-colored, patriotic themed sportswear was popular with teens. The “soul patch” became the latest fashion statement in facial hair. It could be worn with or without a mustache and was popular among teens and movie stars like Keanu Reeves and Josh Brolin.

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1. Italian fashion designer Gianni Versace was gunned down in front of his Miami home by alleged serial killer Andrew Cunanan. Cunanan later took his own life as police closed in after an extensive manhunt. 2. Time magazine selected Andrew Grove, chairman and CEO of Intel, as its 1997 Man of the Year. He was the person most responsible for the astounding “growth in the power and innovative potential of microchips.”

3. In an effort to save Apple, cofounder Steve Jobs struck a deal with a number one competitor, Microsoft. The agreement gave Jobs some time to rescue the company, while the Microsoft Chairman, Bill Gates, became part owner of Apple after buying $150 million in stock.

4. Tamagochi gave kids a taste of responsibility. Much like the real thing, these virtual reality pets needed everything from attention, to food, to sleep. Without this care, the pets would misbehave, get fat, or even expire.

5. Hot Wheels released its “miniature” version of the Sojourner Mars Rover, complete with Pathfinder spacecraft and lander. Kids and toy collectors sent sales soaring.

6. With increased reading awareness on television due in large part to Oprah Winfrey’s book club, the rise of espresso-serving bookstores, Americans experienced a kind of reading renaissance.

7. People magazine released its first issue of Teen People, with Party of Five’s Jennifer Love Hewitt on the cover. The first issue included articles about what’s hot in fashion, a behind the scenes look at the music group Hanson, and photos of Brad Pitt.

8. Beanie babies sent children and parents running to the toy store. These cuddly little creatures were must-haves for kids of all ages. Retired beansies, like Peanut the Elephant, increased enormously in value.

9. The Hale-Bopp Comet returned to view 4,200 years after its last visit. In many areas, the comet was visible with the naked eye. The comet’s next appearance should be in the year 4397. In a re-match in May, IBM’s chess playing machine, Deep Blue, defeated world champion Russian Garry Kasparov. 11. Retro 70s trends
1. The beleaguered Russian Space Station Mir had a difficult year as one catastrophe after another occurred. American astronaut Michael Foale calmly handled a series of potentially life-threatening problems during his stay on Mir. At one point the station collided with an out-of-control resupply ship. Russians and Americans waited anxiously as Foale and the Russian crew struggled to stabilize the station and repair the damage. 2. John Glenn, the first American to orbit the earth in 1962, is going back into space October of 1998. At 76, his 10-day mission will help in the study of the common effects of aging and space travel. 3. NASA’s two-foot-by-one foot, $25 million rover Sojourner became the first vehicle to roam the surface of another planet. Sojourner sent back detailed landscape photos of Mars, some 100 million miles from Earth. The three foot tall Pathfinder carried the robot car to Mars.

- June marked the 50th anniversary of the alleged crash in 1947 of a flying saucer near Roswell, New Mexico. Due to all the hype, Roswell became known as the capital of America’s alien nation. When the shuttle Columbia takes off in December 1998, Eileen Collins will become the first woman to lead a U.S. space mission. Collins, the nation’s first female space shuttle pilot, has flown two previous shuttle missions, one in 1995 and the other in 1997. The winner of the 1998 Westinghouse Science Talent Search and a $40,000 scholarship was Christopher Colin Mihelich, a 17-year-old from Indianapolis. For his project, Mihelich studied certain properties of polynomials that have applications to geometry and combinatorics.
Friends gained momentum breathing through another successful season by adding story lines about Phoebe giving birth, Ross and Emily's divorce, and Monica and Chandler's new relationship.

Cameron Diaz turned heads and stomachs in the summer surprise blockbuster There's Something About Mary with Ben Stiller and Matt Dillon. There was also a huge demand for the movie's scene-stealing Border terrier in a cast. Twentieth Century Fox made only $20 of the stuffed dog promotional items. The hit made more than $220 million.

Audiences and critics alike responded to the brilliant characters, witty wordplay, and physical humor found in Frasier. The show won for Outstanding Comedy Series and Kelsey Grammer and David Hyde Pierce both won Emmys for their portrayals of the Crane brothers.

Adam Sandler's movie career soared. He followed the success of The Wedding Singer with Waterboy, a comedy that made $122 million.

The WB's coming-of-age-drama, Felicity, drew high ratings among 18 to 34-year-olds in upper income households.

Fast-talking Chris Tucker proved himself to be star material as a Los Angeles Police detective in Rush Hour. He teamed with Jackie Chan in this action comedy that made more than $139 million.

Fox's Ally McBeal remained a favorite for its offbeat humor and received a Golden Globe Best Comedy Series Award.

Saving Private Ryan gave a graphic account of the violence of World War II and earned Steven Spielberg Golden Globes for best director and best film. The blockbuster took in $188 million the first time, and was re-released in February. It received an Oscar nomination for best picture.

Dawson's Creek continued to keep the attention of viewers with its handsome cast and controversial subject matter.

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George Clooney left the very successful drama *ER* to pursue more movie opportunities. He plans to produce some television shows and make guest appearances on *ER* next season.

The summer blockbuster *Armageddon* was well received by movie audiences. Bruce Willis, Liv Tyler, Ben Affleck, and a killer asteroid kept audiences on the edge of their seats.


Fans crowded theaters to see Mel Gibson and Danny Glover together once again in *Lethal Weapon 4*. Hong Kong martial arts star Jet Li made his American debut in the film while comedian Chris Rock added comic relief as Glover's future son-in-law.


Tim McGraw scored his eighth number one single with *Where The Green Grass Grows*. He won the Country Music Association's Award for Album of the Year for his album *Everywhere* which produced six singles. He and wife Faith Hill also became parents for the second time.

Toronto's Barenaked Ladies became extremely popular with their album, *Stunt*. They were part of the summer's H.O.R.D.E. tour and their single, *One Week*, went to number one on the Billboard Hot 100.

What were your favorite television shows and movies?

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Hollywood put the spotlight on insects this year with the release of *A Bug's Life* and *Antz: A Bug's Life* took in more than $48 million, and opened with the highest grossing Thanksgiving weekend in history.

Who were your favorite musicians?

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Brandy had a good year with the success of her *Never Say Never* album released in the spring of 1998. The album included a duet with Monica, *The Boy Is Mine*. She also made her big-screen debut with *I Still Know What You Did Last Summer.*
The Dave Matthews Band album, *Before These Crowded Streets*, debuted at number one last May. The band was the second 1998 top concert money earner, with more than $40 million.

Madonna’s music and appearance have softened since motherhood. She won Grammy awards for her album *Ray of Light*, which received Best Pop Album and the single, *Ray of Light*, which received Best Dance Recording.

In 1998, Jewel stayed busy with her albums *Pieces* which sold 10 million copies. She also released a poetry book, *A Night Without Armor*, which sold more than 500,000 copies.

Just a week after its release, Lauryn Hill’s debut solo album, *The Miseducation of Lauryn Hill*, climbed to the top of the Billboard charts. Hill wrote and produced the entire album which received 10 Grammy nominations. Hill won 5 Grammys, including one for Best R&B Album and Best New Artist.

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With her album *Out of My Head* selling 18.5 million copies and her song *Still the One* receiving a Grammy for Best Female Country Vocal Performance, Shania Twain had quite a year. The Canadian took in $34 million in concert revenues and earned more American Music Award nominations than any other musician.

*Celeste Doss appeared in VH1’s *Divas Live* along with pop divas Mariah Carey, Aretha Franklin, Carole King, and Shania Twain. Doss earned $5.5 million and sold 26 million albums. She received two Grammys for *My Heart Will Go On*.

*Long-time legend Elton John was in the number one spot for concert sales, earning $62.3 million.*

*The all-female pop group *’NSync* had two top 40 hits, *I Want You Back* and *Travelling By My Heart*. Their self-titled album went platinum.*

*Multi-platinum recording artist Scott McCreery put together the second *Lifts Fair Festival, which celebrated different women musicians.*

*Bonnie Raitt, 57, found success with the single *Baby, One More Time*. The song landed at number one on *Billboard*’s chart.*

*Although the Goon Goon Deth have been together since the 80s, they scored their first number one hit with *Irre*, which received three Grammy nominations.*

*Their album *Bury the Girl* went platinum.*

*Barbra Streisand, 69, and James Brown, 68, exchanged vows.*

*Linda McCartney, wife of Paul, left her battle with breast cancer.*

*The music world also said farewell to Carl Perkins, Tommy Wytone, Eddie Rabbie, and Junior Wells.*

*Frank Sinatra, “Of Blue Eyes”, died at age 82.*

*The Dixie Chicks three-part harmony mixed classic country sound with contemporary style. Their album *Wide Open Spaces*, made them one of the biggest selling acts of 1998. They took home the Horizon Award at the 33rd annual Country Music Awards. They scored big at the Grammy's, winning Best Country Album with *Wide Open Spaces* and Best Country Performance by a Duo or Group With Vocals.*

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On December 19, President William Jefferson Clinton became the second President in history to be impeached by Congress. Kenneth Starr’s investigation culminated with the House of Representatives being presented with four articles of impeachment. The House adopted two of the articles and the case was set for a Senate trial. The impeachment trial lasted five weeks and ended on February 12 with President Clinton’s acquittal on charges of perjury and obstruction of justice.

On February 29, 1962, John Glenn became the first American astronaut to orbit the earth. Glenn, 77, took his second space voyage on October 29, 1998, aboard the shuttle Discovery. Returning after nine days, Glenn found readjusting to gravity to be the greatest challenge of the mission. He was welcomed back to earth with a New York City ticker tape parade.

On his 85th pastoral trip outside of Italy, Pope John Paul II traveled to the United States and Mexico. His return to Mexico was significant because it was the country where he made his first foreign trip as Pope. His visit to St. Louis was his first trip to the Gateway To The West.

Two officers were killed when 41-year-old Russell Weston charged into the U.S. Capitol building and opened fire. Weston had a history of mental instability and violence. He was caught and charged with murder. The victims, Officer Jacob Chestnut (top), and Special Agent John Gibson (bottom), were called heroes for their bravery and sacrifice.

None of the 229 people on board Swiss Flight 111 survived the September 2 crash on the coast of Canada’s Nova Scotia. The cause of the crash was reported to be faulty wiring.

Food was a powerful weapon in Sudan’s 15-year civil war. Officials of the famine-plagued country allowed an aerial drop of food from the U.N., but it was impossible to feed all of the hungry.

Even after promising full cooperation, Iraq’s Saddam Hussein continued to frustrate and restrict U.N. weapons inspectors. The United States and Great Britain joined forces in a December 17 strike against military targets in Iraq. In the months following the attack, Hussein increased military activity and went on the offensive with dog fights in the “no-fly” zone.

Jordan’s King Hussein, 60, died of cancer. He ruled Jordan since 1952, longer than any other leader in the Middle East. Hussein played a crucial role in the peace process between the Palestinians and Israelis. His funeral procession was attended by nearly a million people. His son, 35-year old Prince Abdullah, is heir to the throne.

Newt Gingrich resigned as Speaker of the House after the Republicans lost five seats in the House of Representatives in the November elections.

What was the most significant event to you?

Dr. Jack Kevorkian made headlines once again when CBS’s 60 Minutes aired a videotape of the Michigan doctor assisting a suicide. He was arrested and charged with first degree murder.

Eric Rudolph, the prime suspect in the January 29, 1998, bombing of a Birmingham, Alabama, abortion clinic that killed one person and seriously injured another, remained on the loose as one of the F.B.I.’s Most Wanted fugitives. Rudolph was believed to be hiding in the hills of North Carolina. The fact that he was an avid outdoorsman has led searchers to think it may be a long time before he is found.
Houston's Nkem Chukwunwu became the first woman to give birth to a surviving set of quadruplets. The first baby was born December 8 and the rest came on December 20. Seven of the eight babies have survived.

Thousands were wounded and 224 killed when the U.S. embassy in Nairobi and Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, were bombed. Saudi exile Osama bin Laden was suspected of being behind the terrorist attacks. President Clinton retaliated with a missile strike. Seven men were arrested in connection with the bombings.

On March 24 in Jonesboro, Arkansas, Mitchell Johnson, 13, and Andrew Golden, 12, opened fire on Westside Elementary students and teachers who were evacuating the school during a fire alarm. The boys, who were positioned in nearby woods, killed four girls and one teacher, and wounded 10 others.

In China, torrential rains caused the Yangtze River to flood to levels not reached since 1954. Damages were estimated at $30 billion and 3,656 were reported dead.

Extensive fires caused by long-term drought forced 70,000 people to flee their Florida homes in July. The National Guard, Marines, and firefighters from across the nation battled the blazes.

Hurricane Mitch's fury hit hard, killing more than 10,000 people in Honduras, Guatemala, El Salvador, and Nicaragua and leaving two million homeless. Eight days of rain and 180-mile-an-hour winds followed the hurricane which was said to be the deadliest storm in the Atlantic in 200 years.

The GM strikes that idled 161,000 workers and shut down nearly all GM production plants in North America came to an end July 29.

El Nino was blamed for extremely hot and rainy weather around the world. The unusual weather patterns were caused when ocean currents and winds began changing in early 1997. In Africa, the weather was deadly, causing a spread of Rift Valley fever. The disease, transmitted by mosquitoes, killed 89,000 people.

Clint Hallam, a 48-year-old New Zealander, was the recipient of the world's first hand transplant. Unfortunately, after the September surgery in Lyons, France, Hallam disappeared and broke all contact with the doctors on the transplant team.

Indonesian President B.J. Habibie resigned from his post on May 22 after three days of protests outside of Parliament. Although Vice President S.S. Suharto is sworn in until 2003, conditions did not improve and protests continued. As a result, Parliament agreed to hold new elections in the spring.

Russian democracy advocate Galina Stankevich was killed in St. Petersburg. The country's leading liberal legislator appeared to be the victim of a professional assassin. Moscow's political class expressed outrage and despair over the rampant corruption in politics.

Some 9,000 jobs were expected to be lost worldwide with Exxon's share of a multimillion-dollar bid for 187.5 billion barrels of oil stock, making it the richest deal ever. On February 1, a powerful explosion in the Dearborn, Michigan, Ford Motor plant left one dead and many injured. It was believed that one of the bullets in the powerhouse plant was responsible for the explosion. The plant was Ford's largest production center.

A magnitude-8.3 earthquake for Armenia, Colombia in January, leaving thousands homeless and killing over 500 people.

The largest industrial merger in history took place when the world's largest six-car company, Chrysler, joined with number 15 Daimler-Benz to create the fifth largest car company in the world.

Former three-pack-a-day smoker Patricia Healey was awarded $500 million in punitive damages after suing Philip Morris. The 53-year-old was diagnosed with inoperable lung cancer last year and blamed the tobacco addiction for getting her addicted to cigarettes at a young age and masking her about the dangers of smoking.
A talking chihuahua proved to be a great marketing tool for Taco Bell. His catch phrase, "Yo quiero Taco Bell" (meaning "I want some Taco Bell") saucy voice, and swagging strut made him an especially hot dog!

Volkswagen introduced its new "Beetle" in March of '98 and by January of '99 had sold 100,000 cars. The car also won awards as North American Car of the Year, JD Powers and Associates Most Appealing Small Car, and Consumer Digest's Best Buy.

March 9, 1999, marked Barbie's 40th birthday. The number one teenage fashion model was honored by Mattel with the introduction of Crystal Jubilee Barbie and the Gala Edition 40th Anniversary Barbie.

Fashion designers looked to the past to create the newest trends in clothing. Calf-length skirts and capri pants, elbow length shirts, carpenter pants, spaghetti strap dresses and tops, and chunky shoes were seen everywhere. Long, straight hair and the bob began to come back. Adidas, GAP, Old Navy, and Abercrombie & Fitch were some popular name brands with teens.

The controversial Russian Mir space station made headlines as it conducted experiments with mirrors in space. Scientists were attempting to bring light to northern countries such as Russia and Canada during the dark winter months.

The country began to jump, jive, and wall as swing dancing returned. The music and dance has an upbeat sound and movement not seen since the 1940s.

Another big hit for children this year were Tellytubbies, brightly colored characters with television in their tummies. The foursome originated in England and enchanted children everywhere.

Apple introduced its iMac computer, translucent with a recent mouse. The fast, inexpensive computer hit stores in August with a 233-MHz G3 chip, a 24X CD-ROM drive, and a 15-inch monitor.

Henna tattoos were a hot trend, giving people the opportunity to decorate their bodies without committing to the permanence of regular tattoos. They could even be done at home with a lot.

What were the trends & technology stories in your area?

1998 Trends:
- Volkswagen Beetle
- Henna tattoos
- Swing dancing
- Futurama
- Tellytubbies
- Corpo pants
- Professional wrestling
- Usborne computer
- Flat television screens
- Palm Pilot

- Palm Pilots were popular with consumers. The newest version, the Palm Pilot V, made the already convenient item even better. It had an enhanced alphanumeric case and an advanced LCD screen with lithium ion batteries that could be recharged in minutes.
- Saturn introduced the world's first five-door coupe. The hatchback did not make the case of the car, making it even more attractive.
- Emily Browne, 11 of Colorado, made news when she published a paper in the Journal of the American Medical Association that presented the results of her two-year study on the specific touch.
- Phillips introduced the 42" Flat Plasma Television. The 4.5" wide set was formatted to be hung on the wall and had a 160° viewing angle. An expected one million units were to be made by the year 2000.
- Usbkey CD-ROMs became more mainstream, allowing computer users to save large amounts of data up to 6GB capacities.
- Lysergic acid diethylamide, found to prevent Eumenids, was found to prevent Eumenids. The disease was expected to reach a record high this year as a result of El Nino's warmer temperatures and extra rainfall.

Garage Boy got better with Garage Boy Color. They came in solid or transparent purple, and the screen display was color. Pre-existing games could be played in color also.
The University of Kentucky won its second national basketball championship in three years with coach Tubby Smith.

Scottie Pippen and the Chicago Bulls won their sixth NBA championship in eight years. Michael Jordan's last shot in the NBA beat the Utah Jazz in the last seconds of the game.

The New York Yankees pulled off a winning year with a great rear of veteran pitchers and hitters. The strong team led the Yankees to the league's first playoff spot in history and a World Series sweep of the Padres.

Mark O'Meara was the PGA player of the year after winning the Masters and the British Open. He had the distinction of being the oldest player in PGA history to win two majors in one year.

Race horse Red Quiet had hopes of a Triple Crown after winning both the Kentucky Derby and the Preakness. Those hopes faded as Victory Gallop won the Belmont Stakes run on June 6.

Female boxing gained popularity. Women brought a freshness to the sport which may soon become a part of mainstream boxing.

Jeff Gordon began 1999 in the best way possible by winning the Daytona 500. It was Gordon's second Daytona 500 win in three years.

Randy Johnson was not affected by his mid-season trade to the Houston Astros. He won 10 of 11 starts and posted an ERA of 1.28.

Tennessee had a 13-0 year which led them to the Fiesta Bowl. They beat Florida State 23-16 for the national championship.

Cynthia Cooper, the guard for the Houston Comets, led her team to a second consecutive WNBA title and won her second MVP award while averaging 27 points per game.

Larry Bird was the NBA Coach of the Year and was inducted into the Hall of Fame.

Former heavyweight fighter Mike Tyson traded headlines when he said Don King for $100 million, and when he lost his temper in the boxing ring.

Kent Griffey Jr. hit 15 home runs over three months of the All-Star home run hitting contest.

The San Antonio Spurs enjoyed their title as the greatest team in NBA history. The Spurs won 56 games this year.

Chinese gymnast Sung Lan was paralyzed while warming up for the Goodwill Games in New York. Her Olympic dreams were shattered, but she found comfort with the family that cared for her until her own could arrive.

After a 14-year basketball career, superstar Michael Jordan retired in January. Considered by many to be the greatest basketball player in history, he won five MVP awards and six NBA Championships with the Chicago Bulls.
John Elway led the Denver Broncos to a second consecutive Super Bowl victory. The Broncos defeated the Atlanta Falcons 34-19. Quarterback Elway was unsure if he would return for another season to try to win a record-setting third consecutive Super Bowl.

20-year-old Se Ri Pak from Korea won the U.S. Women's Open in Wisconsin. This was one of two major wins, and she set an LPGA tournament record.

Top 10 performers in 1999:
- Mark McGuire
- Sammy Sosa
- Lisa Leslie
- Jeff Gordon
- John Henry
- Cynthia Cooper
- Se Ri Pak
- Venus Williams
- Mart D'Arcy
- Michael Jordan

Who were your favorite sports personalities?

Sammy Sosa was close behind Mark McGuire and also broke Roger Maris' single-season home run record. Sosa ended the season with 66 home runs.

The St. Louis Cardinal's Mark McGuire beat Roger Maris' record of 61 home runs in a single season. McGuire ended the season with 70 home runs.

The Williams sisters, Venus and Serena (left to right), breathed new life into tennis with their strong personalities and big-hitting games. Venus stayed in the top ten list of players and sister Serena remained in the upper teens.

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THE CLASS OF 2001

We have all shared the past four years together and have seen both joyful and sad times. May this yearbook be a source of comfort for you. During your future roller coaster rides through life, may you keep with you these words:

Whatever your labors and aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life keep peace with your soul. With all its shame, drudgery and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world. Be cheerful. Strive to be happy, if not for yourself then for your patients. The creator has not given you a longing to do that which you have no ability to do.
Sonya Samir Abdel-Razeq, M.D.
Christopher R. Adams, M.D.

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One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the Lord. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life. Each scene he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand. One belonged to him, the other to the Lord.

When the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of his life, there was only one set of footprints. He asked the Lord about this:

The Lord replied, "My precious, precious child. I love you and would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."
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"The journey of a thousand miles begins with one step."

To my family:
Thank you for all your help!
Love, Al
"Never regard study as a duty, but as the enviable opportunity to learn, to know the liberating influence of beauty in the realm of the spirit for your own personal joy and to the profit of the community to which your later work belongs."

Albert Einstein

Thank you...
...Cliff for helping me to always keep perspective and for being a living example of commitment. You have made these last four years exciting and wonderful. Can't wait to see what lies ahead for us.
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I would like to thank my family and friends for the unending love and support that they have shown throughout this endeavor. I dedicate this degree to all of you...this accomplishment is as much yours as it is mine.

There's more to climbing a mountain than reaching the peak.

In between any desire and the fulfillment of that desire lies a vast middle ground of focused and consistent effort — much of it tedious, some of it painful, all of it necessary.

No matter how strong your desire, just knowing where you want to be will not get you there. You've got to cover that middle ground between where you are and where you're going. Before you can climb the mountain, you must first reach its base with the training, the resources and the energy necessary to make the climb. Then there's the climb itself.

Success comes from doing the dirty work, having the patience, making the cold calls, getting yourself prepared, being disciplined, staying committed, doing your homework, accepting responsibility, and continuing to take action.

Winning comes not from crossing the finish line, but from running the whole race.

— Ralph Marston
from en famille

...to keep the faith, keep happy, keep together,
keep at it, so keep on
despite the fact of necessary drift.
Home might be still the happiest place on earth?

...Tell me your happiness is simply true.
Tell me I can still learn to be like you.
Tell me the truth is what we do.
Tell me that care for one another is the clue.

Robert Creeley
John A. Borgoy, M.D.
I am most grateful for meeting my fiancée Marivic, whose love I will cherish for the rest of my life.

I am also thankful for my family, whose support has enabled me to pursue my dreams with vigor and confidence.

Lastly, I will always be grateful for my friends. It's been a great ride...and it's only just begun!!
Ryan N. Bourne, M.D.
Amy E. Braun, M.D.

Jon - Looks like we made it, look how far we've come my baby! I cannot express how grateful I am for everything you've done. You have been there through all the good and bad times and I could never have made it through the past 4 years without you. Thank you for giving me the greatest gift I could have ever hoped for. I love you more than ever. You're still the one!

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Ahh! The Great Outdoors!

Just a couple of guys
Me and my Buddy
Swingin' Pino
Thumbs up Dr. Sarkin
A little shopping girls!
Neva in her element!
A NATURAL WONDER A SHORT DRIVE AWAY
Winfield Scott Butsch, M.D.

The years teach much the days will never know. — Emerson

The Dog Philosophy

Home is a place that you, somehow, don't have to deserve. — Robert Frost

Ninety percent of what we worry about never happens.

In the depth of winter, I finally learned that inside me there lay an invincible summer. — Albert Camus

Magrofagos gib rye
To laugh often and much; to appreciate beauty; to give of one's self; to leave the world a bit better, whether by a healthy child, a garden patch or a-radius good view of the world; to have played with enthusiasm and sung with exultation; to know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived—that is to have succeeded.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Thank You All For The Wonderful Memories ...
Laura Ellen Cancilla, M.D.

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FOOTPRINTS OF FRIENDSHIP
"Some people come into our lives and quickly go ... Some stay for awhile and leave footprints on our hearts ... And we are never, ever the same."
Author: Flavia Weedn
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"3rd Annual Sisters' Reunion: I'm with her!" Niagara on the Lake, Ontario

"Here comes trouble!"

"Going West!" Beartooth Pass, Wyoming Elevation 9,100 ft

"Don't Mess With Texas!"

St. Peter's Square Vatican City, Italy

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August 4, 2000
Audrey S. Chan, M.D.

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2. CANDU lab — having the heart explained to you as being like a magic balloon.
3. Dr. Cotter's re-classification of the color scheme.
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Sushi anyone?
As I take my leave from Buffalo, I wish you all the best of luck in the future.

Your Medical School Classmate and Friend,
Keith Chan
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LAUGHTER IS THE
BEST MEDICINE
Here are some people caught in positions sure
to make you chuckle.
Let me live in a house by the side of the road,
Where the race of men go by
The men who are good, the men who are bad
As good and as bad as I.

I would not sit in the scorner’s seat,
Nor hurl the cynic’s ban
But let me live in a house by the side of the road
And be a friend to man.

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The Class of '97

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Ryan Peter DenHaese, M.D.
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The Medical Student

The medical student's a gay, happy lad;
His habits are free, but not very bad;
He studies hard, and he studies late;
He's usually bright and up to date;
His heart is free, and his purse is light;
He's ready for frolic and ready for fight;
He likes the lasses, and they like him,
For he's full of spirits and full of vim;
He likes a glass, and he likes a song;
He smokes to excess the whole day long.
He has a tough name, as you well know,
But in truth it is not rightly so;
He's really serious in the main,
For he has a doctor's title to gain;
He studies, indeed, with steadfast intent;
On gaining knowledge his mind is bent.
So, good people, don't run him down;
He's neither a fool, nor is he a clown:
If you are wrong, you are not doing well
If you are right, he'll meet you in ——.
It is the rest, the peace of mind that comes from adopting the patient's condition as one's own, to be struggled with toward a solution during those times when we are searching for causes, trying to relate this to that, to build a reasonable basis for action, which really gives us our peace.

- William Carlos Williams, MD (1883-1963)

To become a doctor implicitly places us on the side of those who believe that the world can change. Every medical act challenges the apparent inevitability of the world as it is and the natural history of illness, disability, and death. Every antibiotic, every surgical intervention becomes part of an effort to interfere with the "natural course of events." At a profound level, people become physicians to struggle against the weight of human suffering, thereby placing themselves squarely on the side of those who intervene in the present because they believe the future can be different.

- Jonathan Mann, MD (1947-1998)
Jeffery T. Facer, M.D.

My bro and I, WOW look at all that hair!!!

Hiking Bryce Canyon, 1995

Chrissy and I, St. Augustine, 2000

"The Fella's"

Rafting the Gaulley River, 1998
Team "Impacted Bowels" ... Whoops I mean "Loos and Frequent Stools."
Mark Anthony Falvo, M.D.
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"Wherever the art of medicine is loved, there also is love of humanity." - Hippocrates

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