MAKE YOUR OWN IMPRESSION
MAKE AN IMPRESSION was the theme of the happenings of Boise City School during the 1996-1997 school year. Students of all ages participated in an array of learning experiences in the classroom and in extracurricular. Such opportunities served as teaching tools in the preparation of students for survival of everyday living in the world. Some experiences taught the lessons of life of successes and failures. Students were given practical methods to use to MAKE AN IMPRESSION through classroom work and participation in other activities.
LIVING
THE
IMPRESSION
RED RIBBON WEEK

Matt's McGruff Debut
FOOTBALL  HOME COMING

Homecoming Queen
Lindsay Strasia

Football Sweetheart
Lori Crabtree

Candidates

Jessi James  Cara Gillespie  Melissa Ogles
Mr. & Miss B.C.H.S.

BROCK TERRELL
&
ALISHA MYERS

CANDIDATES

Ace Miller, Cara Gillespie, Trevor Montgomery, Rachel Rosebery, Brock Terrell, Alisha Myers, Travis Hegwood, Joni Farmer, John Farmer, Lori Crabtree
BASKETBALL HOMECOMING
1997 KING & QUEEN

RACHEL ROSEBERY
&
BROCK TERRELL

HOMECOMING COURT

Lori Crabtree
Alisha Myers
Carmen Tooley

Ace Miller
Trevor Montgomery
Ryan McReynolds
FUN FEST 1997

FUN FEST WINNERS
PROM '97
ROME0 & JULIET
Class of 1997

JAN ARMSTRONG
LORI CAIN
JOHN DIXON
JONI FARMER
MARTIN GONZALEZ
BILLY DALE HENLEY
ANTHONY MARTINEZ
RYAN MCREYNOLDS
MATT MILLER
ALISHA MYERS
LEAH PATTERSON
HALEY PULIS
RACHEL ROSEBERY
MATTHEW SHANNON
BROCK TERRELL
TRAVIS THRALL

TREVOR BULLS
LORI CRABTREE
JOHN FARMER
CARA GILLESPIE
TRAVIS HEGWOOD
MANDY HITCHINGS
WILLIAM MCGUIRE
ACE MILLER
TREVOR MONTGOMERY
MARY ODELL
VERONICA PUEBLA
NOAH ROBINSON
JUSTIN SCHWINDT
CRAIG SMITH
NIKKI THOMPSON
NATALYA VASILJEVA
JANNA WILLIAMS

CLASS SONG: HERO
CLASS FLOWER: RED ROSE W/ SILVER TIP
CLASS MOTTO: LIFE IS A JOURNEY NOT A DESTINATION

Co-Valedictorians: Nikki Thompson/Janna Williams
VFW Scholarship: Lori Crabtree
BR Ogston Memorial Scholarship: Alisha Myers
Oklahoma Academic Scholars: Trevor Bulls/Nikki Thompson/Janna Williams
Rotary Student of the Year: Trevor Bulls
National Honor Society Chalyn Imler Memorial Scholarship: John Farmer/Veronica Puebla
Jimmy Burdick Athletic Scholarship: Ryan McReynolds
F. Hinler Dale Scholarship: Veronica Puebla
8TH GRADE PROMOTION

1997 EIGHTH GRADE CLASS
Brittney Renee Baker
Dusty M. Bell
Crystal Dawn Coronado
Jodie Michelle Desbien
Garrett L. Dunn
John Osborn Freeman
Krista Noel Gillespie
Eleanor Robert Grimaldo
Andy Ray Hegwood
Mike Blane Hensley
Anthony Hernandez
Michael T. Hiner
Crissy Lynn Holloway
Tara Jean Loyd
Lauren Paige McReynolds
Kevin Brian Meister
Christopher Shawn Olson
Corey Dee Ottinger
Anastacio Tacho Reyes
Jenthe Janine Richardson
Matthew James Robinson
Rosa Maria Rosas
John Matthew Rosebery
Tara Lee Spears
Leticia Lynne Treviso
Stacy Lynn Wade
Clinton Thomas Walker

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Iris Irmler
Jerry Farmer
Allan Nobles
Ronnie Cochran
Wayne Montgomery

JUNIOR HIGH FACULTY
Jacque Gillespie
Linda Loyd
Pat Ramsey
Bret Rider
Janice Odell
Mike Jinkins
Stephen Castlebury
Valerie Rider
Martha Keepers
Marjorie Griswold
Terry Cayton
Verna Fayre Wright
Moreen Stevenson
Dwight Odell
Casey Reed
Jim Spake

PROMOTIONAL EXERCISES
PROCessional .................................................. Rosemary Hood
(Please Stand)
FLAG SALUTE ................................................ Krista Gillespie
INVOCATION ................................................ Crissy Holloway
SALUTATORIAN ............................................. Tara Loyd
CO-VALEDICTORIANS  Krista Gillespie, Lauren McReynolds
CLASS WILL ................................................ Clinton Walker, Stacy Wade
CLASS PROPHECY  Jenthe Richardson, Jodie Desbien
PRESENTATION OF AWARDS  Bryan Stafford
PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES  Mark Gillespie
BENEDICTION ................................................ Britney Baker
RECESSONAL ................................................. Rosemary Hood
(Audience Seated)
CLASS ESCORTS  Jeffrey Clark, Aaron Walker
USHERS  Jackie Tooley, Cassy Bocock,
Bridgett Mizer, Melissa Barco

Class Flower
Deep Cranberry Rose and Navy Bow

Class Colors
Cranberry and Navy

Class Motto
We elevate ourselves but we should never reach so high
that we would ever forget those who helped us get there.

Class Song
I Believe I Can Fly
ROTARY STUDENTS

TREVOR BULLS  NIKKI THOMPSON
JAN ARMSTRONG  JANNA WILLIAMS
JOHN FARMER  TREVOR MONTGOMERY
BROCK TERRELL  ALISHA MYERS

ROTARY STUDENT OF THE YEAR

TREVOR BULLS
Beautiful Bonds

Loud Lips

Matt Miller & Tiffany Tooley

Nash Robinson & Marty Hitchings

Tremendously Talented

Intensely Involved

Billy Henley & Caroline Tooley

Brock Terrell & Mandy Hitchings
Totally Troublesome

Matthew Shannon & Krista Wilson

Torturous Teachers

Carly & Jan Reed

Funky Fashions

J.R. Newton & Jessica Barone

Fanciful Flirts

Derrick Wilson & Stephanie Adams
Accomplished Achievers

Trevor Nall & Jane Williams

Successful Strivers

Darla Brack & P todo Rodriguez

Dangerously Daring

Trevor Hegwood, Lucas Bingly & Misty Owen

All Around Personality

Anthony Martinez & Kimberly Oplue
WE MADE AN IMPRESSION
VICA

PRESIDENT: CRAIG SMITH  VICE PRESIDENT: JUSTIN SCHWINDT
SECRETARY: ACE MILLER  TREASURER: MATTHEW SHANNON
PARLIMENTARIAN: JIMMY MEISTER  REPORTER: JOHN DIXON
HISTORIAN: DALE PATE  STUCO REP: J. R. NEWTON
SPEECH & DRAMA

ERIN KINCANNON, DEANN GATES, MARY ODELL, NOAH ROBINSON, MATT MILLER,
JONA HENLEY, CARA GILLESPIE, MISTIE BERRY,
JAN ARMSTRONG (NOT PICTURED), JAN REED (SPONSOR)
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PETER ALBA
TRAVIS WINGERT

STUDENT COUNCIL
NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Jan Armstrong
Trevor Buls
John Farmer
Trevor Montgomery
Alisha Myers
Mary Odell
Leah Patterson
Veronica Puebla
Craig Smith
Nikki Thompson
Janna Williams
Mistie Berry
Darla Bocock
Sarah Brice
John James
Erin Kincannon
Cora Moore
Kim Ogles
Desiree Starr
Lindsay Strasia
Carmen Tooley
Carla Trujillo

New Members: Cara Gillespie; Nathan Twyman; Travis Wingert;
Douglas Soell; Josh James; Philip Randolph; Mahayla Tooley;
Jamie Thompson; Crystal Glass; Jessie Walker; Carlye
Cochran; Jeff Roberts; John Terrell; Alda Alba; Tami
Crabtree; Alisha Montgomery; Jessup Miller; Christina
Gonzalez

OKLAHOMA HONOR SOCIETY

TREVOR BULLS, ALISHA MYERS, NIKKI THOMPSON, JANNA WILLIAMS,
ERIN KINCAINN, CORA MOORE, JOSH JAMES, PHILIP RANDOLPH,
DOUGLAS SOELL, TRAVIS WINGERT, JAYLENE CLARK,
CHAUNCEY CRABTREE, KAMI WALKER
PRESIDENT: MANDY HITCHINGS
VICE PRESIDENT: CORA MOORE
SECRETARY/REPORTER: DESIREE' STARR
PARLIAMENTARIAN: LACEY QUIMBY
STUCO REP/HISTORIAN: LEAH PATTERTON
PROJECT CHAIRMAN: NIKKI THOMPSON
MEMBERS:
LORI CRABTREE
JONI FARMER
HALEY PULIS
NATALIE VASILIJDERA
JACKIE CHAPMAN
KIZZI SMITH
CARLA TRUJILLO
KRISTA WILSON
JESSICA BARNES
LATONIA CAYTON
TAMI CRABTREE
DEANN GATES
JONA HENLEY
ALISHA MONTGOMERY
STEPHANIE ALBUS
JULIE BELL
MISTY HITCHINGS
SHANDRA NOBLES
SANDRA RODRIGUEZ
STORMIE SCHUMACHER
DONDEY SCHWINDT
ALISHA SCIDMORE
KAMI WALKER
ASHLEY WELLS

OFFICERS
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VICE PRESIDENT: TRAVIS THRALL
SECRETARY: KIM OGLES
TREASURER: NICKOLAS RISLEY
STUCO REP: MANDY HITCHINGS
AMBASSADOR: JASON GRISWOLD
SENTINEL: LUCAS BIAGGI
MEMBERS: DUSTY BELL
           MATT ROBINSON
           STACEY WADE
           MISTY HITCHINGS
           DERRICK WILSON
           COLBY THRALL
           RYON MILLER
           MARINA ROSAS
           LORI CAIN
           SHELIA CLEMENTS
           NOAH ROBINSON
           JUSTIN SCHWINDT
           CODY HOLLOWAY
           ADAM OTTINGER
           MATT SHANNON
           CRAIG SMITH
DOUGLAS SOELL, TRAVIS WINGERT, PHILIP RANDOLPH, CHAUNCEY CRABTREE, BROCK TERRELL, SHANDRA NOBLES, CRYSTAL GLASS, ALISHA MONTGOMERY, ASHLEY WELLS, JANNA WILLIAMS, NATE TWYMAN, MELISSA OGLES, MAHAYLA TOOLEY, JESSI JAMES, ALISHA MYERS, LACEY QUIMBY, CARLYE COCHRAN, JAYLENE CLARK, ALISHA SCIDMORE, TREVOR BULLS, MARK GILLESPIE (SPONSOR), PACO RODRIGUEZ, CARA GILLESPIE, KIM OGLES, JONI FARMER, NOAH ROBINSON, RYAN MCREYNOLDS, JAN ARMSTRONG, KAMI WALKER, ZANDY OTTINGER, JOEL ROBINSON, JESSICA BARNES

JOHN FARMER, TRAVIS HEGWOOD, RYAN MCREYNOLDS, TREVOR MONTGOMERY, BROCK TERRELL, TRAVIS THRALL, JOHN DIXON, JANNA TWYMAN, MARTIN GONZALEZ, ADAM OTTINGER, JOSEPH BILLIOT, JASON GRISWOLD, PETE ALBA, JASON QUESENBURY, DALE DIXON, JOHN JAMES, DARLA BOCOCK, KIM OGLES, NATE TWYMAN, PHILIP RANDOLPH, TRAVIS WINGERT, FRANCISCO RODRIGUEZ, JEFF ROBERTS, JOHN TERRELL, JESSE WALKER, JAMIE THOMPSON, DOUGLAS SOELL, MICHAEL SERNA, JOSH JAMES, JESSE MARTINEZ, NOLAN RANDOLPH, STORMIE SCHUMACHER, CHAUNCEY CRABTREE, PAUL DESBIEN, COLBY THRALL, JEROME DIXON, LUKE OSBIN, DANIEL WALTON, MELISSA OGLES, ASHLEY WELLS, KAMI WALKER,
Cora Moore, Tami Crabtree, Jan Armstrong, Alisha Myers, Mahayla Tooley, Mistie Berry, Lindsay Strasia, Erin Kincannon, Lacey Quimby (Mascot)

Brittney Baker, Jodie Desbien, Tara Loyd, Sheena Berry, Lauren McReynolds, Jentre Richardson, Cassandra Walton, Jennifer Weaver, Stacy Wade (Mascot)
BAND

MEMBERS:
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LAUREN MCREYNOLDS
CRISSY HOLLOWAY
KRISTA WALKER
JAYLENE CLARK
PAUL DESBIEN
ZANDRA OTTINGER
JENTRE RICHARDSON
BRITTNEY BAKER
LETICIA TREVINO
JULIE BELL
JESSE SHANNON
JODIE DESBIEN
LARRY ROSAS
MYKA ROBINSON
MARY ODELL
NATHAN TWYMAN
MATT LEHMAN
JEFFREY CLARK
BRAD IMLER
MATT ROSEBERY
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NOAH ROBINSON
HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL ROSTER

Chauncey Crabtree  15  Dale Dixon  68  Jeff Roberts  63
Paul Desbien  02  Paco Rodriguez  42  Jerome Dixon  74
Jason Griswald  44  Douglas Soell  30  John James  88
John Terrell  70  Luke Osbin  78  Adam Ottinger  22
Jamie Thompson  76  Nolan Randolph  21  Jessie Walker  75
Jason Quensenbury  64  Colby Thrall  71  John Dixon  72
Travis Wingert  23  Josh James  89  John Farmer  04
Trevor Montgomery  61  Pete Alba  55  Travis Thrall  67
Ryan McReynolds  12  Brock Terrell  66  Joseph Billiot  24
Philip Randolph  08  Travis Hegwood  10

Keyes Players

Colby Johnson  65  Rusty Dye  36  Curtis Wiley  51
FOOTBALL

1997-97 BOISE CITY
BOISE CITY JR HIGH

10   Gilbert Trujillo  32   Matt Randell  65   Chris Olson
20   Matt Rosebery    33   Joey Perez    72   John Freeman
35   Jon Billiot       35   Jon Billiot   74   Dustin Schwindt
40   Anthony Hernandez 65   Anthony Hernandez 75   Jeff Clark
52   Jeff Spake        77   Jeff Spake
55   Garrett Dunn      78   Garrett Dunn
59   Caleb Manske      80   Caleb Manske
62   Corey Ottinger    86   Corey Ottinger
64   Jose Rosas        88   Jose Rosas

10   Larry Rosas
28   David Hernandez
30   Eleazar Grimaldo

Chris Olson
John Freeman
Dustin Schwindt
Jeff Clark
Caleb Roberts
Nathan Johnson
Aaron Walker
Andy Hegwood
Michael Hensley

[Images of football players and team logo]

[Image of football player in action]
HARD CORE

VARSITY BOYS

# NAME
11 Philip Randolph
14 Ryan McReynolds
15 Jeremiah Ade
21 Nolan Randolph
22 John Farmer
23 Travis Wingert
24 Trevor Montgomery
25 Derek Kincaid
31 Armando Carrasco
40/55 Brock Terrell
43 Chauncey Crabtree
45 Travis Begwood
59 John Terrell
55/40 Herman Eaparza

JV BOYS

NAME
Nolan Randolph
Chauncey Crabtree
Daniel Kelton
Joel Robinson
Joy Miller
Derrick Wilson
Antonio Valasquez
Josh James
Jeremiah Ade
Herman Eaparza
Travis Wingert
Francisco Rodriguez
Robert Bovia
Brad Imier
Jesus Martinez
Derek Kincaid
Nathan Dayman
Martin Gonzalez

COACH: Stephen Castlebury
STATS: Douglas Boel, Byrn Miller
PHOTO: John James
BASKETBALL

VARIETY GIRLS

#  Name
10  Tami Crabtree
12  Alisha Montgomery
13  Carla Trujillo
14  Lindsay Strassia
16  Kristi Smith
22  Jessi James
24  Kimberly Ogle
30  Lori Crabtree
31  Crystal Glass
32  Meagyn Tooley
33  Alisha Myers
34  Rachel Rosebery
35  Carmen Tooley

JV GIRLS

#  Name
00  Alisha Scidmore
10  Stormie Schumacher
12  Alisha Montgomery
13  Latonia Cayton
14  Ciera Hester
15  Stephanie Albus
20  Jaylene Clark
22  Jessi James
24  Tami Crabtree
26  Alda Alba
30  Sandy Ottinger
31  Melissa Ogle
32  Sandra Rodriguez
33  Ashley Wells
34  Shandra Nobles
35  Kaili Walker

COACH: Casey Reed
ASSISTANT: Doug Daffern
STATS: Joni Farmer,
        Cara Gillespie
PHOTO: Helen Esperza
8th Grade Boys:
Freeman, John
Grimaldo, Eleazar
Hegwood, Andy
Hernandez, Anthony
Rosas, Larry
Rosebery, Matthew
Trujillo, Gilbert
Walker, Clinton

7th Grade Boys:
Bell, Dusty
Clark, Jeffrey
Gonzalez, Joel
Hernandez, David
Johnson, Nathan
McIntosh, Brandon
Perez, Joey
Peterson, Evan
Peterson, Seth
Randell, Matthew
Reyes, Tacho
Rosas, Baldomar
8th Grade Girls:
Baker, Brittnay 30
Desbien, Jodie 10
Gillespie, Krista 20
Holloway, Crissy 24
Loyd, Tara 12
McReynolds, Lauren 14
Richardson, Jentre 35
Trevino, Leticia 22
Wade, Stacy 00

7th Grade Girls:
Barco, Melissa 12
Berry, Sheena 15
Biaggi, Catherine 25
Bocock, Cassy 11
Bullen, Heather 31
Kincannon, Tia 20
Mizer, Bridgett 13
Robinson, Myka 42
Salazar, Candy 22/13
Smith, Kambri 35/33
Tooley, Jackie 35/33
Walker, Krista
Walton, Cassandra 10
Weaver, Jennifer 24
HARD CORE

STATE ACADEMIC CHAMPS

COACHES: Bret Rider, Stephen Castlebury, Doug Daffern

Chauncey Crabtree, Nolan Randolph, Michael Serna, Brock Terrell, Douglas Soell, Colby Thrall, Philip Randolph, Ryan McReynolds, John Farmer, Jessie Walker, Travis Wingert, Martin Gonzales
 Boise City girls reclaim title with record-breaking effort

OUT-OF-STATE

Lori Crabtree, Janna Williams, Rachel Rosebery, Kimberly Ogles, Melissa Ogles, Stormi Schumacher, Darla Bocock, Lindsay Strasia, Jessi James, Crystal Glass, Mahayla Tooley

State Champs

Manager: Erin Kincannon
Coach: Mike Jinkens, Casey Reed
5TH AND 6TH GRADE
HARD CORE
FOOTBALL
3RD, 4TH, 5TH, & 6TH
HARD CORE
BASKETBALL
1996-97 FAculty

BeVerry Baker
delvemia BrodriCk
stephen Castlebury
Terry CaytOn
douG daffern
ethel davis
Jacque Gillespie

Jacque Gore
Marjorie GriswoLD
Barbara James
Kim JenKInS
Mike jInKens
RonDa jInKens
Martha Keepers

Betty Kincannon
Margaret Kobus
Linda Loyd
David Mcreynolds
GlAdys Miller
Jennifer Miller
Dwight Odell

Janice Odell
Judy Pafford
Kay Prather
Melissa Prather
Pat Ramsey
Casey Reed
Jan Reed

Bret Rider
Valerie Rider
Sherry Robinson
Rita Smith
Eddie Snapp
Jim Spake
Susan Spake

nancy Stalder
noreen StevenSon
Lee Sullivan
Kathy Webb
Mendi White
Peggy Wilson
Jan Woolman

verna Faye wright
1996-97 ADMINISTRATION

PRINCIPALS

GRADE SCHOOL
BRYAN STAFFORD

SUPERINTENDENT
MARK GILLISPIE

HIGH SCHOOL
BILL RAMSEY

1996-1997 SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS
IRIS IMLER, RON COCHRAN, JERRY FARMER, WAYNE MONTGOMERY, ALLAN NOBLES
Jan Blakely Armstrong  
Capricorn  
(J.B.)  
"I can't find my paper!"

James Trevor Bulls  
Libra  
(Bulls)  
"Yeppers"

Lori Ian Cain  
Pisces  
"Redhead"  
"I don't know!"

Lori Dawn Crabtree  
Sagittarius  
(Crabtree)  
"Oh my God!!"

John William Dixon  
Pisces  
(J.W.)  
"Come on Cletis"

John Wayne Farmer  
Aries  
(Candi???)  
"You wanna bet!"
Joni Michelle Farmer
Virgo
(Jon)
"Uhg Whatever"

Cara Lynn Gillespie
Libra
(Keira)
"Whatever"

Jose Martin Gonzalez
Taurus
(Jr.)
"Sure Enough"

Travis Brian Hegwood
Libra
(Peanut)
"Ya! Right!"

Billy Dale Henley
Gemini
(Bubbs)
"Oh Really"

Mandy Dawn Hitchings
Pisces
(Mandy Lou)
"Today is going to be a good day"
Ian,
For someone who once asked in kindergarten, "Just how many more years do I really have to go?" You have done an outstanding job! We are very proud of you.
Love,
Dad, Mom, Josh, and Devin

Trevor,
Through faith in God, determination, and hard work you have accomplished many goals and became an outstanding young man! When new opportunities come, continue to try to do your best. Always trusting God for guidance and you will become the man God created you to be.
Love,
Dad and Mom

Lori,
You have added laughter, drama, suspense and happiness to our lives, wouldn't have missed it for the world. We love you very much.
Love
Mom, Kim, and Alysa

Lori,
You have made us so proud of all you have accomplished. May God bless you as you strive to be the best you can. Keep your goals high and never let go of your dreams.
Love,
Mom, Dad, Tami and Clay

John D.
You have filled our home with your laughter and your smiles. You have made us both proud in so many ways. I hope you will always stay that sensitive and caring person that we know you are.
Love always
Mom, Dad, Dale and Jerome

John Wayne:
You presented yourself into our lives as special gift and you have always made us so proud to be your Mom, Dad, and Brother.
Your kindness, respect, ambition, determination, and work ethic will prove very valuable in the years ahead. You have a very promising future and with God at your side, our love, and your positive outlook, each accomplishment will be another touchdown in the game of life. Always remember, 'When God gives you pain, he also gives you rainbows.'
Love Mom, Dad, and Joe
Dear Joni,
You have always been our pride and joy. Time has gone by quickly and the time has come for us to let you move ahead into your future. Always be positive, be optimistic, keep your beautiful smile and most of all, be happy. May God always smile down on you.

We love you,
Mom, Dad, and Troye

Cara,
Congratulations! We are very proud of you. Continue to make wise decisions and seek God’s guidance for the little things as well as the big stuff! We love you!
Proverbs 3:6
Mom, Dad, Krista, and Kathy

Martin,
We are very proud of you and all of your accomplishments. We wish you good luck and a brighter future. We hope that someday you will reach your goal.

Love
Your family

Travis,
We are so proud of everything you’ve accomplished this far in your life. You’ve had to cope with some difficult times and have grown because of them. Always keep your sense of humor. Look to the heavens, for Dad is watching, he would be so proud of you too. Trust in God and continue your education so you can achieve anything you desire.

Love,
Mom and Andy

Billy Dale,
We are very proud of you and enjoyed watching you grow up. Keep your goals high. May God richly bless your life!

Mom, Dad and Krystle

Mandy,
We are so proud of you! Always meeting your challenges head on giving 100%. The greatest challenges are ahead of you. We know you will go far in everything you try. Remember we are here for you and we love you.

Love
Mom, Dad, Misty
Anthony Ray Martinez
Scorpio
(Superman)
"You're trippin"

William Randall McGuire II
Pisces
(Will, Bubba)
"It's it and That's that"

Ryan David McReynolds
Scorpio
(Rhino)
"Go for the 'W'!!"

Kacy Ace Miller
Pisces
(Scratchy)
"Rock 'n' Roll"

Matthew Ryan Miller
Libra
(McGruff)
"Shampoo is good, No conditioner is better."

Trevor Lee Montgomery
Aries
(Pooky)
"Now what"
Alisha Kay Myers
Scorpio
(Lish)
"I was like..."

Mary Elizabeth Odell
Capricorn
(Lizzy)
"Usta Could"

Leah Renee Patterson
Taurus
(Missy, "Nik uh Ne uh Leah")
"Sure thing"

Veronica Esther Puebla
Taurus
(Vern)
"Yeah, right"

Haley Brook Pulis
Sagittarius
(Comet)
"I forgot"
Anthony loves to listen to music, go to all the school games and be with friends.

Love from,
your family

Will,
Congratulations, you keep our lives interesting. Life is a gift. Live life to your fullest potential.

Mike and Dianna

Ryan,
Congratulations! Good luck to you and your classmates. We are proud of the way you have grown into a young man. Go forward knowing we are always behind you.

Love
Mom, Dad, and Lauren
I Cor 9:24-27

Ace,
The time has passed so quickly—from tricycle trax to wide trax. We are proud of you and what you have become. You have truly been a blessing to us and may God continue to watch over you. Psalms 121. Remember your family is always here to support you.

Love
Mom

Matt,
I am very proud of you! You have worked so hard to achieve all your goals and dreams. You’re the best son any parent could hope for.

Love
Mom and Brothers

Trevor,
Congratulations! We are very thankful and proud that we have been given this chance to watch you grow. Good Luck in your chosen field and always know we will be here for you.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Rod, and Alisha
Alisha,
You are a daughter to be proud of and we are. I know you have high hopes and your dreams are within reach. Go for it! I know you can become whatever you want to be, so do it. We love you. Good Luck.
Mom and Joe

Mary
Ad Finem esto fidelis.

Mom, Dad, David, Sarah, and Rachael

Leah,
It takes both sunshine and rain to make a rainbow. Learn from the rain and use it to grow. Be grateful for the sunshine and let it nourish your soul. Find hope for the future in the rainbow.

Love,
Dad and Mom

Veronica,
Congratulations on your graduation. We are very proud of you and remember we will always be behind you in all that you do. May God bless you and be with you always.

Love
Mom, Dad, Vickie, Betty, Amber and nephews

Haley,
You have worked very hard to get where you are today. I am very proud of you and I love you very much. I hope you find whatever it is you are looking for in that great big world out there.

Love Mom
Noah Daniel Robinson
Virgo
(Cookie Jar)
"For the Love of Pete!"

Rachel Lorraine Rosebery
Leo
(Ralph)
"You know what I mean"

Justin Wayne Schwindt
Libra
(Schwindt)
"I didn't do nothing"

Matthew Christopher Shannon
Pisces
(Liar, Liar..)
"Guess what I did..."

Craig Allen Smith
Taurus
(Tool Man)
"Speechless"

Justin Brock Terrell
Pisces
(Ginsu)
"Young Grasshopper, you must try my Woo-Tang-Style"
Erin Nicole Thompson Libra
(Leah, um no... Nikki)
"Leave me alone, I'm having a bad day"

Travis Lynn Thrall Virgo
(Jed)
"Hey Buddy"

Natalia Vladimirovna Vasiljeva Aries
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(J)
"I don't know"
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Keep God #1 and music in your heart. We'll always be here for you.
Love
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Proverbs 3:5-6

Rachel,
Congratulations! You've been, and are, a special gift to us.
May the pathways to your dreams be interesting, rewarding and filled with happiness.
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Justin,
Congratulations! Set your goals high. God Bless.

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Dear Natalie,
You have been a joy and an inspiration to us this past school year. Your immense desire and determinations to succeed in life will reward you greatly. May God richly bless you as you continue your journey.
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In November, a hijacked Ethiopian airliner crashes after running out of fuel. The crash occurs near a resort beach in the Comoros Islands in the Indian Ocean. At least 123 of the 175 people on board die, including the hijackers.

After 36 years, Central America's longest civil war ends when Indian rebels and military leftists sign a truce in Guatemala.

British Telecommunications agrees to purchase MCI Communications for up to $2.1 billion in November. The deal is the biggest foreign purchase of a U.S. company ever concluded.

A U.N.-negotiated treaty banning chemical weapons worldwide is set to take effect in the spring. The treaty prohibits the development, production, stockpiling or use of chemical weapons, and calls for the destruction of existing supplies. The treaty is signed by 160 nations, including the U.S.

The Miss World beauty pageant, held in Bangalore, India in November, raises a storm of protests, some violent, including one by a group threatening to stage a mass suicide during the pageant's telecast. A new Miss World is crowned without incident.

A pipe bomb explodes in Centennial Olympic Park after the first day of competition at the Summer Olympics in Atlanta. Flags fly at half-mast to mourn the 1 person killed and more than 100 injured.

Pope John Paul II undergoes surgery for an enlarged appendix in October. His chief surgeon, Dr. Francesco Crucitti, announces that the 78-year-old leader of the Roman Catholic Church is free from "previously undiscovered serious ailments."

King Hussein of Jordan (right) visits the West Bank of the Jordan River in October to show support for the Palestinian-Israeli peace talks and the establishment of an independent Palestinian state. It is Hussein's first visit since Jordan lost the territory to Israel in the 1967 Arab-Israeli War.

Russian President Boris Yeltsin wins re-election in July, despite persistent health problems. After successful heart surgery in November he returns to work.
In a group so large it could be tracked by satellite, hundreds of thousands of refugees abandon camps in Zaire in November and begin a journey home to Rwanda, which they had fled to escape a civil war. Closing of the camps forces the refugees to flee.

Mass graves containing the bodies of Muslims, allegedly murdered by Serbs in 1992 during the Bosnian civil war, are excavated in Bosnia-Herzegovina throughout the year as a shaky peace negotiated in 1995 continues.

On July 17, Trans World Airlines Flight 800 explodes 13,700 feet above the Atlantic Ocean, killing all 230 passengers and crew members. The Boeing 747-100 was en route to Paris from New York. The cause of the explosion remains a mystery.

Anti-American Saudi terrorists are blamed for a truck bomb that kills 19 U.S. service people on June 25 in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia. Mourners grieve at a memorial service held in Khobar, Saudi Arabia.

More than 300 Hutu refugees in the African country of Burundi are slain by Hutus, a rival ethnic group. The covered bodies, mostly women and children, illustrate the ferocity of the conflict.

A lone gunman kills 16 kindergartners, their teacher, and himself, at a Dunblane, Scotland school in March 1996. A month after the tragedy, officials tear down the school gymnasium in which the shootings occurred.

Prince Charles, heir to the British throne, and Diana, Princess of Wales, are divorced on August 28. According to one observer, "The most spectacularly miserable marriage of the century is over."

Israeli right-wing leader Benjamin Netanyahu wins the May 1996 election for Prime Minister, defeating Prime Minister Shimon Peres, whom many Israelis think is making too many concessions to Israel's Arab neighbors.

World
**Flash**

The U.S. Army issues strict new policies for drill instructors and female trainees, as hundreds of complaints of sexual harassment are revealed in November. Drill instructors are now required to leave their doors open if a female is inside, and women must travel in pairs.

After thousands of veterans complain of illnesses since the 1991 Persian Gulf War, the Pentagon warns they may have been exposed to chemical weapons. The Pentagon reveals that up to two tons of sarin nerve gas may have been released.

Six-year-old beauty pageant queen JonBenet Ramsey is found murdered in the basement of her parents’ Colorado home the day after Christmas. Her death raises a nationwide awareness of controversial youth beauty pageants.

Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich (R-Georgia) is fined $300,000 in a bi-partisan vote after the House Ethics Committee’s year-long investigation into alleged financial improprieties.

Former U.N. ambassador Madeleine Albright is nominated for Secretary of State by President Clinton on December 5. Confirmed in office in January 1997, Albright is the first woman to head the State Department.

Seven-year-old pilot Jessica Dubroff is killed when her Cessna airplane crashes shortly after take-off in bad weather from the Cheyenne, Wyoming airport. Her flying instructor and her father, the plane’s two passengers, are also killed in the April 1996 crash.

Theodore Kaczynski, alleged to be the “Unabomber,” who killed 3 people and wounded more than 20 others with mail bombs since 1978, is arrested in Montana in April 1996. Information provided by Kaczynski’s brother leads to the arrest.

On August 11, a boater rescues 10-year-old Taylor Touchstone from the snake- and alligator-infested waters of a Florida swamp 14 miles away from where he disappeared August 7. Although exhausted and badly scratched, the autistic boy recovers fully.

Arson against African-American churches, mostly in the South, is a serious problem in 1996, as hundreds of churches are burned down. Residents of Portland, Oregon survey the damage inside a church after a June fire.

Binti Jua, a gorilla at Chicago’s Brookfield Zoo, becomes a hero when she rescues a 3-year-old boy knocked unconscious after falling 18 feet into the ape enclosure. The boy suffers brain contusions but soon recovers.

One of the longest armed stand-offs in U.S. history occurs outside Jordan, Montana between the FBI and members of an anti-government group called itself the Freemen. The 81-day siege ends peacefully in June.
William Jefferson Clinton defeats Republican Bob Dole and Independent H. Ross Perot to become the 42nd president of the U.S. and the last president of the 20th century. Clinton is the first Democrat since Franklin Roosevelt to be reelected to a second term.

A civil jury finds former football star O.J. Simpson liable for the June 12, 1994 wrongful deaths of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman. In a unanimous verdict, the jury awards $8.5 million in compensatory damages to Goldman’s parents. The Brown and Goldman families are each awarded $12.5 million in punitive damages.

Days of abnormally heavy rains in November undermine the roadway of Oregon’s Interstate 5, creating a 40-foot-deep sinkhole, into which two semitrailer trucks tumble.

The Citadel, South Carolina’s traditionally all-male military academy, admits four women, including Petra Loventriska [left] and Jeanie Montavlos. Montavlos and another female cadet later drop out, citing harassment and “sadistic” hazing.

Topsoil Beach, a town on an island off the coast of North Carolina, is one of many Eastern locations hit hard by Hurricane Bertha in July. Six powerful hurricanes, all with winds over 110 miles per hour, made 1996 a near-record year, doing $3.5 billion in damage in the U.S.

Nationwide, forest fires blacken more than twice the acreage lost to fires in an average year. California, Montana and Oregon are particularly hard hit.

Security guard Richard Jewell is investigated as a suspect in the July Olympic Park bombing. After three months of media frenzy, during which Jewell is a virtual prisoner in his home, the U.S. Justice Department admits there is no evidence against him.

Six-year-old first-grader Johnathan Prewett is suspended from his Lexington, North Carolina elementary school for violating the city schools’ sexual conduct guidelines—he kissed a female classmate. Prewett is quickly reinstated after a nationwide controversy over the suspension.

All 110 people aboard a Valujet DC-9 are killed in May 1996 when a fire breaks out in the cargo hold. The plane, en route from Miami to Atlanta, crashes and disappears almost completely into the Florida Everglades, making it difficult for workers to retrieve wreckage.
A 9,300-year-old skeleton discovered in July near Richland, Washington, is the oldest and most intact set of human bones ever discovered in North America. Research is suspended, however, as the tribes from the Native American grounds where it is found claim the skeleton as an ancestor and want the bones buried.

Trauma Seal, a new medical adhesive that is applied like a lip-balm stick, is in clinical trials at 10 hospitals and health care institutions nationwide. The biodegradable adhesive could eliminate stitches and return visits.

New York Police Department canines begin wearing three-pound, infrared cameras, scouting out potentially dangerous areas before police officers enter the scene. Handlers are developing bullet-proof vests for the dogs to wear.

A new category of animal is discovered in the form of bacteria that live on the lips of lobsters. *Symbion pandora*, which lives on food scraps from lobster lips, is called "the zoological highlight of the decade."

Videogame giant Nintendo releases its long-awaited Nintendo 64, a new hardware system that draws players into the game and moves three times faster than any existing system.

An expedition to raise the Titanic, the legendary "unsinkable" ocean liner that sank on its maiden voyage in 1912, from its North Atlantic grave more than two miles deep, ends in failure in August, due to rough seas.

In August, scientists discover evidence of bacteria-like life on a meteorite found in 1984 and believed to be part of the crust of Mars 4.5 billion years ago. It is the first possible proof that life is not unique to Earth.

Egyptians begin work to preserve the Great Sphinx from the ravages of wind, pollution and time. The 4,500-year-old statue is located in Giza near the giant pyramids.

Satellite dishes become one of the year's hottest-selling electronic consumer products. Owners find the savings of not paying for cable services cover the cost within a few months.

The Mars Surveyor Trolley, named Sojourner, is carried on-board Mars Pathfinder, an unmanned spacecraft launched in December. Sojourner, a free-roving probe the size of a child's wagon, will photograph the Martian surface and determine the composition of rocks on Mars.

American astronaut Shannon Lucid (right) spends 188 days in space, breaking American space endurance records after joining the crew of the Russian space station Mir.
California's Monterey Bay Aquarium opens a new wing in March 1996. The million-gallon indoor ocean showcases the marine life of the outer reaches of Monterey Bay, 5 to 60 miles offshore.

The Hubble Space Telescope captures new images of quasars, the universe's most powerful and baffling phenomena. Previously thought only to exist in colliding galaxies, new pictures indicate quasars can also exist in undisturbed galaxies—causing astronomers to revisit their theories.

Highlights of 1996 include a new wing at the Monterey Bay Aquarium. The aquarium now features a 1 million-gallon indoor ocean, showcasing marine life from the outer reaches of Monterey Bay, 5 to 60 miles offshore.

An "oxygen bar" in Toronto, Canada allows patrons to pay $16 to spend 20 minutes breathing pure oxygen. The owners of the O2 Spa Bar claim the treatment is a healthy way to reinvigorate the body and offer fruit "flavors" to liven up the experience.

The Smithsonian Institution celebrates the 150th anniversary of its founding with a nationwide tour of prize exhibits, including this stovepipe hat worn by Abraham Lincoln.

Steam and ash from Iceland's Loki volcano blast 33,000 feet in the air on October 9. Molten rock from the volcano's 5-mile-wide fissure melts through more than 2,000 feet of glacial ice, threatening the island with widespread flooding.

Paleoanthropologist Mary Leakey, shown with husband Louis Leakey in a 1959 photograph, dies in December. Discoveries by the Leakeys throughout their careers are some of the most important in paleoanthropological history. Her greatest discovery was a trail of 3.7-million-year-old footprints, which proved that hominids walked upright for longer than previously believed.

The world's largest flower, the Titan Arum, also known as the "corpse flower," blooms in London's Kew Gardens for the first time since 1983. The flower is nicknamed for its strong stench when in bloom.

New research suggests that hormone therapies can keep middle-aged men stronger and more youthful. A testosterone-releasing skin patch called Androderm is prescribed by many doctors to supplement the natural hormone.
**FACES**

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Former NFL commissioner Pete Rozelle dies on December 6. Rozelle is credited with transforming professional football into America's top spectator sport, and with inventing the Super Bowl.

Basketball megastar Michael Jordan launches his own cologne: Michael Jordan Cologne. Demand for the fragrance is so high that manufacturer Bijan Fragrances limits sales to 12 bottles per customer.


The National Women's Hall of Fame opens in Seneca Falls, New York, inducting 11 women, including author Louise May Alcott, and Otta Culp Hobby, the nation's first female colonel.

Archbishop of Chicago, Cardinal Joseph Bernardin dies of pancreatic cancer in November. Bernardin was known for being a reconciler in churches torn between tradition and modern culture, as well as for speaking out against physician-assisted suicide.

Mother Teresa, 1979 Nobel Peace Prize winner, suffers a heart attack in late December. It is the 86-year-old Roman Catholic nun's fourth serious illness in 1996.

Sarah Ferguson, Duchess of York, and Prince Andrew, Duke of York and son of Great Britain's Queen Elizabeth II, are divorced in May 1996. "Fergie" subsequently goes public with TV appearances and an autobiography.

In April 1996, singer Michael Jackson is seen escorting a woman later identified as Debbie Rowe, an employee of Jackson's plastic surgeon. In November, Jackson announces that he and Rowe are married and that she is carrying his child.

Music megastar Madonna gives birth to Lourdes Maria Ciccone Leon, a 6-pound, 9-ounce girl, on October 14. Madonna's big year continues when she wins a Golden Globe for her role in Andrew Lloyd Webber's on-screen rendition of the musical *Evita*.

In October, TV talk-show host Jenny Jones testifies during the Michigan murder trial of Jonathan Schmitz. Schmitz was accused of killing Scott Arndt, who revealed romantic feelings for Schmitz during a March 1995 taping of a "Jenny Jones Show."

"The Late Show" host David Letterman (right), who had been hinting at retirement, re-signs his contract with CBS, keeping him at "The Late Show" through 2002.
In a small, secret ceremony on an island off the coast of Georgia, John F. Kennedy Jr. marries Carolyn Bessette, a Calvin Klein publicist, in September. Kennedy, who dated Bessette for two years, had long been considered one of the world’s most eligible bachelors.

Legendary heavyweight boxer Muhammad Ali is the final athlete to bear the Olympic torch, lighting the Olympic flame at the opening of the Centennial Summer Olympics in Atlanta on July 19.

New York Yankees fan Jeffrey Maier interferes with a fly ball during game one of the American League Championship Series on October 9. The hit is ruled a home run, tying the game 4 to 4 in the eighth inning and making Maier New York’s hero for a day.

More than 4,000 items owned by former First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis and President John F. Kennedy are auctioned off in April 1996, including a necklace of simulated pearls shown in this 1962 photograph. The fake pearls, valued at $500 to $700, sold for $211,500, bringing the auction total to $34.5 million.

Veteran comedian George Burns dies in March 1996, just weeks after reaching the age of 100. The legendary Burns won an Oscar, an Emmy and a Grammy Award in an illustrious career dating back to vaudeville.

As a stand against the invasion of his privacy, George Clooney, star of NBC’s “ER,” boycotts Paramount’s “Entertainment Tonight” after its sister show “Hard Copy” runs unauthorized footage of the actor’s private life.
ENTERTAINMENT

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Tom Cruise stars in Jerry Maguire, a romantic comedy about a sports agent who decides to change his shallow ways, and spends the rest of the movie trying to regain his success. It is a breakthrough role for Cruise, who is normally depicted as a cocky winner.

To honor the 20th anniversary of its release, producer George Lucas issues a "remade" Star Wars, with new scenes, computerized special effects and souped-up animation. Lucas' grand plan calls for a nine-film cycle, including prequels.

English actor/director Kenneth Branagh plays Hamlet in his star-studded remake of Shakespeare's classic. Despite running four hours, the movie is a critical and box-office success.

NBC's Thursday night drama "ER" features television's first HIV-positive prominent character: Jeanie Boulet, a physician's assistant played by Gloria Reuben, is relatively open about her condition and helps confront the stigma of AIDS.

Actors Winona Ryder and Daniel Day-Lewis star in The Crucible, which opens in December. The screen adaption of Arthur Miller's famous play about the Salem witch trials is written by Arthur Miller himself.

Drew Carey (left) finds TV stardom during the second season of ABC's "The Drew Carey Show," a zany sit-com about working-class characters in Cleveland, Ohio.

Scott Adams' Dilbert, the comic strip about office politics, captures the nation's imagination. In book form, The Dilbert Principle becomes a national best-seller.

That Thing You Do!

Sherry Stringfield. Dr. Susan Lewis on NBC's "ER," leaves the show at the peak of her character's popularity. In her final episode, when Dr. Mark Greene, played by Anthony Edwards, declares his love for Susan, the show garners its highest ratings ever.

Academy Award-winning actor Tom Hanks' first effort at directing receives critical praise when That Thing You Do!, a movie about the meteoric rise and fall of a 1960s rock band, opens in October.

Model Brooke Shields (center) moves to television in NBC's "Suddenly Susan," a sit-com premiering in September. Shields plays a columnist/ opposite magazine editor Judd Nelson (far right).

Michael Crichton publishes The Lost World, a sequel to Jurassic Park, the colossal novel and movie. The new book promises to generate just as much hype, with a movie already in the works.
In September, Leonardo DiCaprio and Claire Danes star as the classic star-crossed lovers in the film "Romeo and Juliet." Tom Cruise stars in "Mission: Impossible," based on the 1960s and 1970s television series of the same name. Despite critical put-downs, the move is a huge box-office hit.

John Lithgow (front right) earns both an Emmy and a Golden Globe Award for Best Actor in a Comedy Series in NBC's "3rd Rock From the Sun," a sit-com about a family of aliens living in contemporary America.

America's favorite sit-com father, Bill Cosby, enjoys the success of his new CBS show, "Cosby." In January 1997, however, tragedy strikes as Cosby's son Ennis is killed in Los Angeles in an apparent random robbery.

Stars Bill Paxton and Helen Hunt flee a tornado of awesome proportions in "Twister," another summer blockbuster, which tells the story of storm chasers highly devoted to studying the inner workings of tornadoes.

Michael J. Fox returns to television in September as a deputy mayor in ABC's "Spin City," a sit-com about the inner workings of New York's City Hall.

Explosive special effects rivet audiences to their seats as they watch "Independence Day," one of summer's blockbuster movies. Bugs Bunny and Chicago Bulls basketball star Michael Jordan share top billing in "Space Jam," a partially animated feature film that opens in late November.
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Folk and blues artist Tracy Chapman returns to the scene in 1996 with the single “Give Me One Reason.” Chapman receives five Grammy nominations in January 1997.

The artist formerly known as Prince releases *Emancipation*, a three-hour, three-CD album, in honor of his release from his Warner Bros. recording contract.

Guitarist Slash of Guns N’ Roses forms his own band. His new group, Slash’s Blues Ball, is a six-man blues band grounded in the blues-based hard rock of the 1970s.

Rocker Sheryl Crow joins the ranks of musicians who have had their albums banned from Wal-Mart. The retail giant objects to a lyric alleging that kids kill each other with guns they obtained from the store.

Kiss bass guitarist Gene Simmons strikes a familiar pose as the band kicks off a reunion tour with a June 26 concert in Detroit. The tour marks the first time the original members of the band perform together since 1979.

The Beatles’ Anthology 3, the third and final album from the reunited remaining members of the band, is released in November. Following the example of their two previous anthologies, Anthology 3 sells in record numbers.


After 10 years of separation, members of the band Van Halen are reunited with their former lead singer, David Lee Roth (right), at the MTV Video Music Awards in September: Roth later claims he thought he was rejoining the band, who chose a different lead singer.

Heavy metal band Metallica is the headlining act for the summer concert Lollapalooza, traditionally an alternative-rock show. Metallica remains high-profile, winning an MTV award for the year’s Best Hard Rock Video in September.

Bush, a British rock group with an American “grunge” sound, tours the U.S. to promote their album *Sixteen Stone*. They release another chart-topping album, *Razorblade Suitcase*, in the winter.
No Doubt, fronted by lead singer Gwen Stefani, releases Tragic Kingdom, which includes such chart-toppers as "Just a Girl," "Spiderwebs," and "Don't Speak."

Counting Crows' second album, Recovering the Satellite, is released in October. The long awaited follow-up to 1993's August and Everything After debuts at number one on the charts.

George Strait is honored by the Country Music Association in October with three major awards—Single of the Year for "Check Yes Or No," Album of the Year for Clear Blue Sky, and Male Vocalist of the Year.

The hit single "Where It's At" kicks off the new Beck album Odelay, which is released to popular and critical acclaim. Spin magazine awards Beck Artist of the Year.

Alanis Morissette's Jagged Little Pill reigns the charts, becoming the all-time top-selling album by a female artist. Morissette also dominates the 1996 Grammys by winning four awards, including Best Album.

Death Row Records co-founder Dr. Dre, often dubbed the "godfather of gangsta rap," begins distancing himself from hard-core rap. "Been There, Done That," his break-away anthem, premieres on MTV in September.

R.E.M.'s 12th album, New Adventures in Hi-Fi, the group's first recording since 1994's Monster, is released by Warner Bros. in September.

The Wallflowers, with Jakob Dylan, son of legendary folk artist Bob Dylan, release Bringing Down the Horse, which features hit singles "One Headlight" and "6th Avenue Heartache."

Toni Braxton's second album, Secrets, is released in summer 1996. Braxton wins R&B Single of the Year for "Let It Flow" at the Billboard Music Awards in the fall.

Fourteen-year-old singing sensation LeAnn Rimes is nominated for the Country Music Association's Horizon Award after the breakthrough success of her single "Blue." The popular new star is often compared to country music legend Patsy Cline.

The music world is stunned in September by the death of rapper Tupac Shakur, killed in a drive-by shooting in Las Vegas. Speculations as to the killer's motive abound, but the year ends with no answers and no arrests.
SPORTS

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Tennis pro Pete Sampras wins the eighth grand-slam title of his career at the U.S. Open in September. Steffi Graf wins the U.S. Open Women’s title, beating Monica Seles.

Boxer Mike Tyson loses his Heavyweight Champion of the World title to Evander Holyfield in a November match. Holyfield, a former two-time world champion, reclaims his title in the surprise win.

Chicago Bulls star Dennis Rodman further his controversial reputation by kicking a photographer in the groin during a game against the Minnesota Timberwolves in January 1997. Rodman is suspended for up to 11 games without pay, costing him more than $1 million, in addition to a $25,000 fine to the NBA, as well as a reported $200,000 settlement with the photographer.

Baltimore Orioles second baseman Roberto Alomar is suspended for five games, deferred to the 1997 season, when he spits on an umpire during a heated argument over a questionable call in the National League play-offs. Controversy ensues over the leniency of the punishment.

The New York Yankees win the World Series, beating the Atlanta Braves in a four-game sweep, after losing the first two games. It is the first series title for the Yankees since 1978.

Team USA wins the World Cup of Hockey, beating Canada 5-2 in the final. Eight teams from Canada, Europe and the U.S. participate in the World Cup, which replaced the Canada Cup.

In June, the Colorado Avalanche beat the Florida Panthers in the NHL Stanley Cup play-offs. The final game in the series remains scoreless until 1:05 a.m., when the Avalanche finally score the winning goal in the third overtime period.

Twenty-year-old golfing phenom Eldrick "Tiger" Woods turns pro in August, making the transition from exceptional amateur golfer to well-endorsed professional, including a deal with Nike worth an estimated $40 million.

Paul Molitor of the Minnesota Twins becomes the 21st player in major league history to reach 3,000 career hits. The milestone is reached in September, when Molitor triples against Kansas City Royals rookie pitcher Jose Rosado.

Race car driver Terry Labonte wins NASCAR’s Winston Cup championship with a total of 4,657 points after finishing fifth in the final race, the Napa 500, at the Atlanta Motor Speedway.

Led by quarterback Brett Favre, the Green Bay Packers beat the New England Patriots 33-0 in Super Bowl XXXI at the Louisiana Superdome. It is the Packers’ first Super Bowl since 1968.
The U.S. gymnastics team takes the gold at the Summer Olympics. Kerri Strug, second from right, is the heroine of the competition, landing her final vault despite a dislocated left ankle.

U.S. swimmer Amy Van Dyken wins the women's 100-meter butterfly event at the Olympic Games with a time of 59.13 seconds. Van Dyken wins a total of four golds.

The Chicago Bulls win their fourth NBA championship in six years as they defeat the Seattle SuperSonics in game six of the NBA finals on June 16.

U.S. Olympian Dan O'Brien racks up 8,284 points to take the gold medal in the decathlon, a grueling, 10-event track-and-field competition.

April 1996 marks the 100th running of the Boston Marathon. More than 38,000 contenders participate.

Olympic swimmer Tom Dolan captures another gold for the U.S. as he wins the 400-meter individual medley on July 21. Dolan wins with a time of 4:14.90.

Jean Driscoll (front right) of the U.S. takes the silver in the women's 800-meter wheelchair race, a demonstration sport, at the Summer Olympics. Driscoll, seven-time winner of the Boston Marathon, retires at the end of 1996, after setting several world records during her career.

Basketball star Shaquille O'Neal jumps from the Orlando Magic to the Los Angeles Lakers in July. The deal is the richest in NBA history, paying O'Neal $120 million over 7 years.

Minnesota Twins star centerfielder Kirby Puckett announces his retirement from baseball in July. A serious eye ailment forces Puckett to give up the game, but he manages to maintain his upbeat attitude at press conferences and interviews.

U.S. Olympian Michael Johnson wins the 200-meter final in a world-record time of 19.32 seconds. Johnson's triumph comes three days after he wins the 400-meter race, making him the first man to win both events in one Olympics.
A "Sesame Street" stuffed toy causes panic among holiday shoppers. Tickle Me Elmo sells out in stores nationwide, and has shoppers fighting over scarce inventory and paying hundreds of times the toy's value.

The ongoing dance craze is the "Macarena," a Latin line dance. People of all ages participate in the dance, including Olympians, delegates and workers of the Democratic National Convention (above) and the New York Yankees grounds crew.

The minimum wage is raised to $4.75 in October, and will increase again to $5.15, effective September 1, 1997.

The beverage industry introduces a new concept—bottled water with caffeine! One bottle of the uncarbonated water contains as much caffeine as one cup of coffee.

Flash

Helping consumers maintain privacy, marketers promote home AIDS tests. Consumers draw their own blood and then send it away to be tested confidentially.

Advancing technology means more options on telephones, including Caller ID, which becomes more common than ever in 1996. The display unit allows people to see the name and number of their caller before even answering the phone.

Authors Ellen Fein and Sherrie Schneider release The Rules, a controversial manual teaching women strategies for getting a man to propose marriage. While the book draws criticism from both sexes, it is a best-seller.

The U.S. Postal Service issues stamps commemorating Hanukkah, the first non-Christian religious holiday ever featured on a stamp.

Casual Fridays become more and more widespread in American work culture. Businesses allow employees who normally dress in professional clothing at work to wear more comfortable, casual clothing on Fridays.

The My Twinn Doll Company offers individually crafted dolls that replicate, from a photo, the eye color, hair and facial features of a living girl. Each doll comes with two matching outfits, one for the doll and one for the owner.

Nail polish colors get darker and funkier: Deep browns and blues are popular forms of expression and style.

Disney's 101 Dalmatians inspires an avalanche of promotional merchandise, filling stores with spotted toys, backpacks, games and other odds and ends.