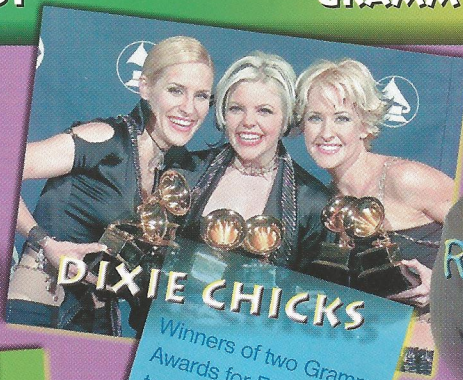




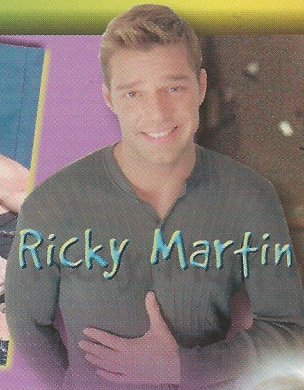
Lauryn Hill

Best New Artist Grammy winner, Lauryn brought home five awards, including Album of the Year, *The Miseducation of Lauryn Hill*.



DIXIE CHICKS

Winners of two Grammy Awards for Best Country Performance by a duo or group and Best Country Album, *Wide Open Spaces*.



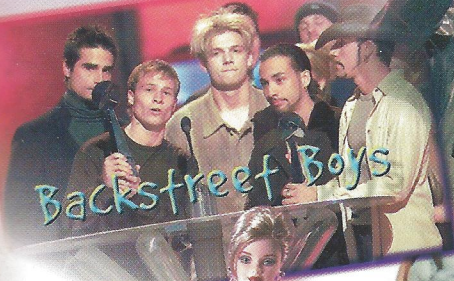
Ricky Martin

Latin heartthrob Ricky Martin hit the scene big time in 1999! He won a Grammy for Best Latin Pop Performance of his hit song "Vuelve." Ricky is best known for his chartbuster single, "Livin' la Vida Loca."



SHANIA TWAIN

CMA's Entertainer of the Year! She won two Grammys for Best Country Female Performance and Best Country Song.



Backstreet Boys

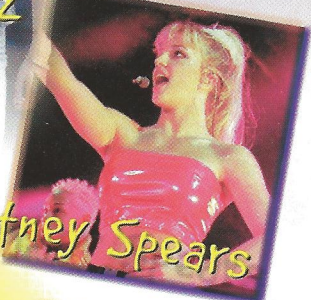
Barbie turns 40 This collector's edition Barbie was created to help celebrate Barbie's 40th Birthday. A special Millennium Barbie was also created commemorating the year 2000.



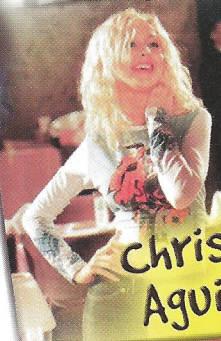
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HOT MUSIC STARS

Jennifer Lopez



Britney Spears



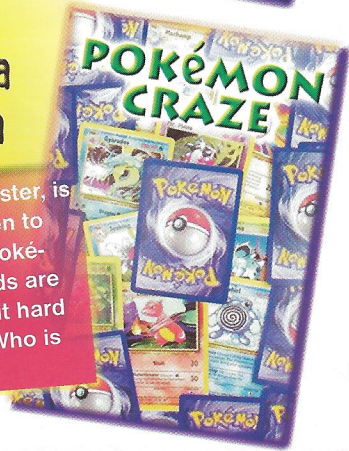
Christina Aguilera

BEANIE BABIES RETIRE

Ty, the maker of Beanie Babies, "retired" all their current collectibles in December. The announcement had kids across the country sighing and collectors buying! Not to worry, new Beanie Babies will hit the shelves in 2000!



Pokémon, short for Pocket Monster, is everywhere! From the big screen to toy aisles to fast food chains, Pokémon craze has hit. Trading cards are so hot, in fact, that stores find it hard to keep them on the shelves! Who is your favorite Pokémon?



1946

Gandhi, the father of modern India, through non-violent resistance including civil disobedience and fasts, drove India to independence after nearly 200 years of British rule.

The first McDonald's opens in San Bernardino, CA. Today, it is the world's number one fast food chain!

1948



1952

Sir Alexander Fleming discovers penicillin. Ultimately, the discovery would save millions of people from life-threatening infections. It is considered one of the great advances of modern medicine in the 20th century.

Popularity of Marilyn Monroe movies escalates Norma Jean Baker from model to one of the world's most adored entertainment icons. Films include "All About Eve," and "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes."

1954



1955

Dr. Jonas Salk finds a cure for polio, a disease which caused paralysis and death.

Elvis, the "King of Rock and Roll," became an immediate sensation with his musical blend of blues, rock and rockabilly.

1957

