



'98: A Year Worth Remembering



For the first time ever, WHS won the state football championship.

The Band Of Blue also won the state band championship.

For the first time in WHS history, there was a girls' varsity soccer team.

The Varsity Cheerleaders performed in the Gator Bowl half-time show.

Many volunteers worked hard to raise money for the Relay For Life.

There were separate girls' and boys' tennis teams this year.

Walterboro elementary and middle schools implemented the uniform dress code.

The 1995 Oklahoma City Bombing came to an end as Terry Nicholas was found guilty of conspiracy and manslaughter in January 1998.

On October 25, about 300,000 African-American women gathered in Philadelphia for the Million Woman March.

In the December Internet/Online Summit, Vice President Al Gore announced government initiatives to protect young users from pornography.



Bobbie McCaughey of Carlisle, Iowa, gave birth to the U.S.'s first set of septuplets on November 19, 1997.

Louise Woodard, 19, was convicted in Massachusetts for murdering a child in her care. Her charges were reduced to involuntary manslaughter.

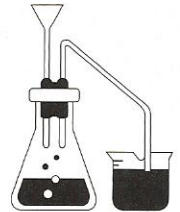
"The people's princess," Princess Diana of Wales, died in a violent car crash in Paris on August 31. Diana, 36, was the mother of two children, one of whom is the apparent heir to the throne.

Elton John performed "Candle in the Wind 1997," rewritten as a tribute to Diana, at her funeral. This best-selling record of all time sold more than 35 million copies. Proceeds benefited the Diana, Princess of Wales, Memorial Fund.

In late 1997, Saddam Hussein protested U.N. sanctions by blocking the inspection of suspected Iraq weapon sites.

Roman Catholic nun Mother Teresa of Calcutta died September 5 at the age of 87. She received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979.

Businesses and governments worldwide try to remedy the "Year 2000" problem in computers. Unless this was fixed, dates of the new century would not be recognized and systems will crash.



The worldwide storms and weather problems of 1997 were caused by El Nino, a warmer-than-normal water temperature in the equatorial Pacific.

For the first time since 2203 B.C., the Hale-Bopp comet appeared worldwide. The next time Hale-Bop will return is 4397.

Fen-phen, a diet regimen was pulled off the market in September. Another diet drug, Redux, was also pulled off the market. Fenfluramine and phentermine (fen/phen) mixed together is believed to cause heart valve disorders.

The Food and Drug Administration approved the first prescription pill for male-pattern baldness in December.

159 nations gathered in Kyoto, Japan, to negotiate a climate treaty against global warming by reducing the greenhouse gases.