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1998-99



Terrorist bombs hit the American Embassies in Kenya and Tanzania this summer. Over 6,000 people were killed and injured. Few arrests were made, but American government officials have their eyes on Osama Bin Laden.



77 year old John Glenn was welcomed to the crew of Space Shuttle Discovery on January 16, 1998, just 35 years from his very first flight into space. His launch was scheduled for October, 1998. The purpose of this flight was to study the aging process.

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President Bill Clinton became involved in a White House scandal that led to Congressional hearings on possible impeachment. This affected not only the First Family, but the nation and the world.



Pope John Paul II began his 21st. year as pope in 1998. The 78 - year old pontiff is still an outstanding defender of Catholic churches in Communist countries. He traveled to many countries, including the U.S. in 1999, preaching to audiences of all kind. In 1981, he survived an assassination attempt, as he was shot during a St. Peter's Square appearance.



Republican attorney Kenneth Starr was appointed to investigate the failed investment of Bill and Hillary Clinton called the Whitewater Scandal. The president was sent to a grand jury, which nailed him for obstruction of justice and perjury. Later, he was accused of having an 18 month affair with Monica Lewinsky, then a 21 year - old White House intern.