

Facts And Faces Of 1987

THE NATIONAL SCENE:

AIDS. In the U.S. there have been about 6500 AIDS deaths this past year, and the future is even more frightening for our country.

Texaco, in its battle against Pennzoil, became the biggest U.S. company ever to file for bankruptcy.

Gary Hart was the front-runner in the democratic presidential race until he withdrew because of accusations of foul play with actress, model Donna Rice. Later he reentered the race.

In September the worst fires in Washington, Oregon, California, and Idaho since 1910 destroyed 900,000 acres.

The USS Stark patrolled international waters, and when its radar detected an Iraqi jet, two missiles slammed into the ship. Thirty-five of the thirty-seven crewmen died. After this attack, American warships were joined by those of five Western allies, and the question of whether the U.S. should launch a show of fire was presented to the President.

Jim and Tammy Faye Bakker had been the presidents and founders of the PTL Club for 13 years. The show was earning \$129 million per year, and the Bakkers were on top, but this year, due to Bakker's sex flings and other fraudulent acts toward the ministry, the Bakkers resigned, and the PTL went bankrupt.

On October 19, the stock market crashed, and the Dow Jones Industrial Average dropped 508 points, and \$500 billion was lost. The occurrence in the market was comparable to that of 58 years ago.

Alex Muller of Switzerland and Johannes Georg Beduarz of West Germany won a Nobel Prize for their research in conductivity.

President Reagan and Mikhail Gorbachev met at the White House to sign a treaty to ban medium-range nuclear missiles from Europe and Asia. It is the largest arms reduction in history.

Dow's worst days

The 10 biggest one-day percentage losses in the Dow Jones Industrial average of 30 stocks:

Date	Change Pts.	Pctg.	Close
10/19/87	-508.00	-2.6%	1738.74
10/28/29	-38.33	-12.8%	260.64
10/29/29	-30.57	-11.7%	230.07
11/8/29	-25.55	-9.3%	232.13
8/12/32	-5.79	-8.4%	63.11
10/26/87	-156.83	-8.0%	1733.93
7/21/33	-7.55	-7.8%	88.71
10/18/37	-10.57	-7.8%	25.74
10/5/32	-5.09	-7.2%	66.07
9/24/31	-8.20	-7.1%	107.79

WEST-TEXAS EVENTS

America celebrated the 200th birthday of the Constitution this year. Elementary students here in Wink also took part in the celebration.

Eighteen-month-old Jessica McClure held on for two and a half days until rescuers succeeded in rescuing her from an abandoned well. Eyes from all over the world were focused on this West-Texas crisis.

The town of Saragosa lay in ruins after a tornado destroyed 61 homes, killed 30, and injured more than 100 people. Later, aid was provided from national and local funds, and the rebuilding of the town was underway.

In July of this year 18 Mexican illegal immigrants, trapped for 14 hours in a boxcar in Sierra Blanca, died from suffocation.

The Texas legislature passed a bill changing the speed limit from 55 m.p.h. to 65 m.p.h. on rural interstates.

Lucius Bunton of Odessa became the Senior Federal Judge in Texas after Judge William Sessions was named Director of the F.B.I.



The Elementary School celebrated the Constitution. Students put on a program and ate birthday cake.

SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS:

The Minnesota Twins bent the St. Louis Cardinals in the seventh game of the World Series, 4-2, to become the National champs of baseball.

The National Football League's players struck for three weeks, NFL club owners hired "scab" players to play in replacement games that weren't really exciting. After the strike, the original players returned, even though their demands were not met.

Ben Johnson, at the world championships in Rome, ran the 100 meters in 9.83 seconds. In doing this, he set a new world record, and earned the right to be called the world's fastest man.

In 1987, Julius Erving retired after 16 seasons. Dr. J. is considered to be the best to ever play pro. basketball.

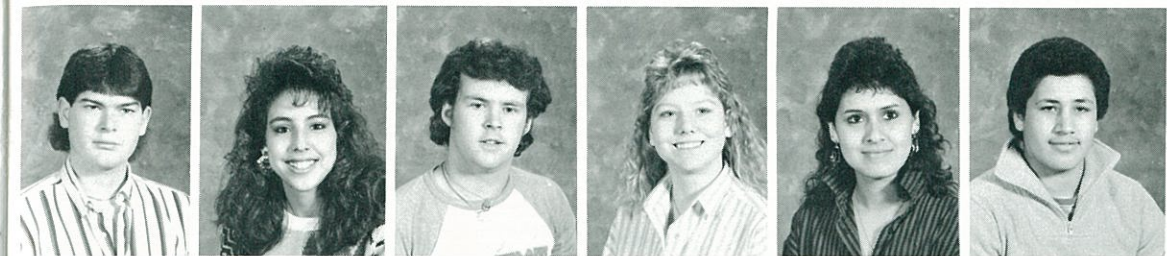
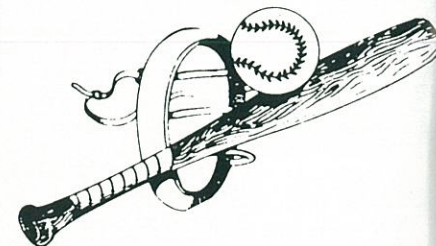
At age 21, Mike Tyson is the undisputed world's heavyweight boxing champion. He owns three title belts and also a perfect 24-0 record.

Tim Brown of Notre Dame won the 1987 Heisman Trophy. He was considered as a specialist, which means he did just about everything, and he well deserved the recognition as the best college football player of the year.

The Orange Bowl was considered to be the Championship game of college football, and Miami ended up as the national champs because of a 20-14 upset of Oklahoma in the bowl.

The ultimate sports highlight of the year had to be Super Bowl XXII. The Washington Redskins smashed the Denver Broncos, 42-10, and set 17 super bowl records.

This year in baseball, there were several findings of corked bats and also allegations of "rabit baseballs". The use of such provided for a record season of 4,458 home-runs.



Carrer, Roger
Estrade, Maria
Halligan, Johnny
Henderson, Jerry
Marrufo, Veronica
Mendoza, Heber



Nichols, Brian
Railey, Susan
Shockley, Waylan



Hernandez, Gilbert
Northcutt, Brandon
Wall, Wendy



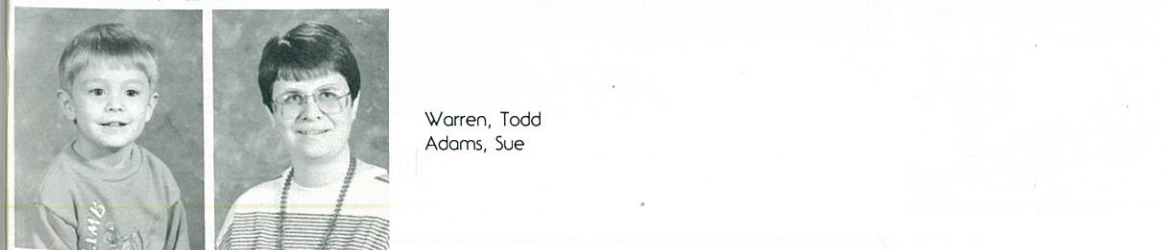
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Gray, Daniel
Jones, Buck
Crow, Ryan
Rincon, Melissa
Garcia, Victor



Renteria, Joe
Brown, Matthew
Frazier, Christina
Frie, Brandy
Haumesser, Priscilla
Haumesser, Teresa



Moore, Donnie Lee
Shanafelt, Gregory
Warbois, Robin
Baldrige, Chase
Decker, Levi
Graves, David



Warren, Todd
Adams, Sue

Double Takes