# News of the '90s

## 1990 - Arizona/U.S./ World

- June 26<sup>th</sup>, Phoenix reaches 122 degrees
- August The Deck Park Tunnel in central Phoenix opens.
- East and West Berlin are reunited.
- Nelson Mandela is released from prison in South Africa

## 1991 - Peoria/Arizona/U.S./ World

- Peoria City Hall and Court Complex opened in Peoria
- Boris Yeltsin becomes the first freely elected President of Russia
- The Soviet Union breaks up after Gorbachev's resignation
- Ceasefire ends Persian Gulf War.

## 1992 - Peoria/Arizona/U.S./World

- Arizona passes a law-making Martin Luther King Day a Holiday
- Bush and Yeltsin proclaim a formal end to Cold War
- Police officers are quitted in Los Angeles in the beating of Rodney King
- Riots in Los Angeles

# 1993 - Peoria/Arizona/U.S./World

- Peoria opens Council Chambers and Library in the new complex
- Casinos were approved for the State of Arizona.
- Federal Agents seize the Waco, Texas Branch Davidian religious compound.
- Ruth Bader Ginsburg is appointed to Supreme Court
- Clinton signs Brady Bill controlling the sale of guns.

# 1994 - Peoria/Arizona/U.S./World

- The Peoria Sports Complex opens
- Williams Gateway Airport opens in the east valley.
- IRA declares ceasefire in Northern Ireland.
- O.J. Simpson is arrested for murder in Los Angeles.
- Stephen Breyer confirmed for Supreme Court

## 1995 - Peoria/Arizona/U.S./World

- Robotic Lunar Observatory opens in Flagstaff
- Russian Space Station greets Americans aboard
- Death toll reaches 2000 in Rwanda Massacre
- Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin is assassinated by a Jewish extremist.
- Oklahoma City Federal Building is blown up by Timothy McVeigh.

#### 1996 - Peoria/Arizona/U.S./World

- Arizona State University Polytechnical Campus opened at Williams Air Force Campus
- Mad Cow Disease breaks out in the United Kingdom.
- FBI arrests suspected Unabomber in Montana
- Congress passes welfare reform bill

## 1997 - Peoria/Arizona/U.S./World

- Arizona Diamondbacks begin playing as an expansion team.
- Bank One Ballpark opens in downtown Phoenix
- The community of Anthem is started north of Phoenix.
- Hong Kong returns to China's rule.
- Titanic becomes the most expensive movie of all time.
- U.S. aircraft begins an exploration of Mars

# 1998 - Peoria/Arizona/U.S./World

- Peoria opens its first wastewater plant
- Tempe Town Lake is completed
- War in Bosnia is a mess and NATO becomes involved
- Irish Parliament backs Peace Agreement
- Sex scandal in White House breaks out involving President Clinton and Monica Lewinsky

# 1999 - Peoria/Arizona/U.S./World

- Nelson Mandela is elected as the first black president of South Africa
- U.S. embassies in Tanzania and Kenya were bombed.
- Good Friday Accord is reached in Northern Ireland