

# This Time in History

## 1980 - 1999

### IMMANUEL MILESTONES

- 1981 Electronic organ purchased
- 1986 Third classroom added in the school basement  
Third teacher added
- 1989 Church parking lot paved
- 1992 Kindergarten added to school
- 1993 Church entryway addition groundbreaking

### Pastors

- Richard Winters (1976-1987)                      Steven Olson (1987-1994)
- Ronald Siemers (1995-2001)

### Principals/Teachers

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|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| John Marten (1975-1982)       | Carol Wendorff (1979-1986) |
| Roger Margelofsky (1982-1983) | Sandra Gierach (1983-1991) |
| Kenneth White (1986-1997)     | Debra White (1986-1989)    |
| Nancy Albright (1989-1990)    | Dawn Roxbury (1990)        |
| Christine Zunker (1990-1991)  | Karla Westra (1991-1995)   |
| Matthew Lober (1991-1997)     | Susan Peesel (1995)        |
| Janel Norder (1996-1997)      | Holly Adams (1997-2000)    |
| Timothy Schuh (1997-2006)     | Cheryl Schuh (1997-2006)   |

### WELS/LUTHERAN KEYPOINTS

- 1983 North Atlantic District added to synod  
South Central District added to synod
- 1988 First organizational gathering of Kingdom Workers was held in Muskego, WI
- 1993 Christian Worship (CW) hymnal published
- 1995 Martin Luther College began in New Ulm and Luther Preparatory Schools began in Watertown

### U.S. PRESIDENTS

- |                           |                              |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| Jimmy Carter (1977-1981)  | George H.W. Bush (1989-1993) |
| Ronald Reagan (1981-1989) | Bill Clinton (1993 – 2001)   |

### NOTABLE EVENTS IN WORLD/U.S. HISTORY

- 1980 Mount St. Helens in Washington erupted - killed 57 people
- 1981 Abduction of 7 yr old Adam Walsh - as a result the Missing Children's Assistance Act was passed by congress in 1984 as well as the TV show *America's Most Wanted* hosted by his father John Walsh
- 1982 Vietnam Memorial opened in Washington DC
- 1983 241 Marines killed by suicide bomb in Lebanon
- 1984 Space Shuttle *Discovery* first flight
- 1985 *Live Aid* - A concert raised world awareness of famine in Third World countries
- 1986 Space Shuttle *Challenger* exploded 73 seconds into take-off - killed all seven aboard, including school teacher Christa McAuliffe  
Chernobyl nuclear disaster  
Iran-Contra scandal
- 1987 Black Friday - Dow Jones dropped 23% in a single session  
DNA first used to convict criminals

### NOTABLE EVENTS IN WORLD/U.S. HISTORY - CONTINUED

- 1988 Yellowstone fires  
Pan Am Flight 103, a flight from London to New York, bombed over Scotland; 259 on board & 11 on the ground were killed
- 1989 Exxon Valdez oil spill in Prince William Sound  
Fall of the Berlin Wall  
Hurricane *Hugo* struck the East Coast, caused \$7 billion in damage
- 1991 Gulf War/Operation Desert Storm - United Nations authorized coalition forces from 34 nations, led by Britain & the U.S. entered war against Iraq  
Cold War ended - Soviet Union dissolved
- 1992 Riots in Los Angeles due to the acquittal of four LA policemen accused in the beating of Rodney King; over 50 deaths; \$1 billion in damages  
Hurricane *Andrew* - a category 5 caused massive destruction in FL
- 1993 World Trade Center bombing - killed 6, injured thousands  
Standoff & siege of the religious sect led by David Koresh at Waco, TX  
*Great Flood of 1993* - massive flooding along the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers devastated the Midwest, caused \$15 billion in damages
- 1995 Oklahoma City bombing - killed 168 (19 being children), 800 wounded; \$26 billion in damages
- 1996 TWA Flight 800 exploded off Long Island - killed all 230 aboard
- 1997 Princess Diana died in car crash
- 1999 JFK Jr died in plane crash  
Columbine High School shootings - 12 students and 1 teacher killed  
Egypt Air Flight 990 - the First Officer deliberately crashed plane south of Nantucket, Massachusetts; killed 217  
The world prepared for the possible effects of the Y2K bug in computers

### MN POINTS OF INTEREST

- 1982 First MN Twins game played in Dome
- 1984 *Groundswell* rally held in Worthington - hoped to call attention to the growing rate of farm foreclosures and bankruptcies; 1200 people attended  
Minneapolis native Prince released *Purple Rain*  
Harmon Killebrew became the first MN Twin inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame
- 1985 Canterbury Park opened
- 1987 MN Twins won World Series against the St Louis Cardinals
- 1989 MN Timberwolves founded
- 1990 MN Lottery began - more than 5 million tickets sold the first day  
*Miller's Crossing*, film by St Louis Park natives Joel & Ethan Coen (Coen Brothers) released; future films included *Fargo* (1996) and *O Brother, Where Art Thou* (2000)
- 1991 Ball of Twine moved to Darwin - took 30 yrs to string, weighed 8.7 ton  
MN Twins won 2<sup>nd</sup> World Series - opponent being the Atlanta Braves  
Halloween Blizzard - snowfall over 28"
- 1992 Mall of America opened
- 1995 Pete Doctor's (Bloomington native) first animated film *Toy Story* released; other films of his included: *A Bug's Life* (1998), *Toy Story 2* (1999), *Monster's Inc* (2001), *Up* (2009)

## MN POINTS OF INTEREST - CONTINUED

- 1997 Red and Minnesota Rivers floods - worst ever in Fargo/Moorhead area  
Minnesota Wild founded
- 1998 F4 tornado struck Comfrey and an F3 hit St Peter  
Minnesota Lynx founded

## HUTCHINSON HIGHLIGHTS

- 1983 tornado hit city
- 1992 McLeod County Fair moved to its new/current location

## LIFESTYLE

	1980	1990
Yearly Income – avg today \$\$s	\$21,020 (59,560)	\$29,943 (53,495)
Cost of a new home	\$64,600	\$122,900
Cost of first-class stamp	\$0.15	\$0.25
Cost of a gallon of gas	\$0.86	\$1.00
Cost of a dozen eggs	\$0.91	\$1.00
Cost of a gallon of milk	\$2.16	\$2.78
Cost of a loaf of bread	\$0.50	\$0.70
1 lb hamburger	\$0.99	\$0.89
Car – avg model	\$7,200	\$11,300
US Population	226 million	249 million
MN Population	4 million	4.3 million
Hutchinson Population	9,244	11,523

## Inventions/Technology

MS-DOS, scanning tunneling microscope, camcorder, soft bifocal contact lens, CD-ROM, Windows program, high-temperature super-conductor, disposable camera, disposable contact lenses, digital cellular phones, Doppler radar, Prozac, high definition TV, World Wide Web and Internet protocol (HTTP) and WWW language (HTML), digital answering machine, pentium processor, Java computer language, DNA fingerprinting, DVD, Web TV, gas-powered fuel cell, laser cataract surgery, FluidSense infusion pump, gas-powered fuel cell, Gamow bag, digital cameras

First vaccine for: hepatitis B, hepatitis A, Lyme disease,

**Notable Inventors/Companies:** Christian Andreas Doppler, Tim Berners-Lee, IBM, Microsoft, Fuji, Sony

## Farming Fun Facts

- 1980's More farmers used no-till or low-till methods to curb erosion
- 1982 Steiger Panther 2000 tractor introduced - first model to have a 12-speed full powershift transmission, electronic controls, comfortable deluxe cab and PFC hydraulics
- 1984 Case introduced a new line of 94 series 4WD tractors - included the most powerful unit the company ever produced, the 4994; featured a turbocharged V-8 with manufacturer's rating of 400 gross engine horsepower
- 1985 *Farm Aid* - country music singer Willie Nelson organized a concert to raise money for family farmers facing financial crisis
- 1989 More farmers began to use low-input sustainable agriculture (LISA) techniques to decrease chemical applications
- 1993 *Got Milk?* advertisement campaign launched

## First Appearances

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|---|--------------------------------|
| 1980 Pac-Man, Donkey Kong                 | 1985 Ford Taurus               |
| 1981 IBM PC (personal computer)           | Nintendo Entertainment System  |
| 1983 Dodge Caravan                        | 1987 3-D video game            |
| Cabbage Patch Kids                        | 1991 Laser eye surgery (LASIK) |
| Coca-Cola & Pepsi market 'no-caffeine'    | 1993 Beanie Babies             |
| 1984 Macintosh computer launched by Apple | 1994 Yahoo; PlayStation        |
| Trivial Pursuit                           | 1998 Google                    |

## Clothing Styles

- 1980s leg warmers, both men and women wore shoulder pads
- 1990s the 'preppy look;' designer jeans, workout clothes worn everywhere; popular names brands: Guess, Tommy Hilfiger, Doc Marten
- 1986 Levi Strauss & Co introduced Dockers

## Entertainment

- 1980 John Lennon murdered; CNN established by Ted Turner
- 1982 *Cheers* debut on TV; *ET* movie debut; *Cats* debut on Broadway
- 1983 *Wheel of Fortune* debut
- We Are the World*, a song inspired by Harry Belafonte, written by Lionel Ritchie & Michael Jackson, produced by Quincy Jones; sung by 45 stars, 7 million copies sold, raised \$60 million for the African Famine Relief
- 1986 Fox Broadcasting Co started nightly programming
- 1989 *The Simpsons* debut
- 1991 *Beauty and the Beast* - first animated movie nominated for Picture of the Year
- 1994 *Friends* debut on TV; *Forrest Gump* movie debut

## Sports

- 1980 *Miracle on Ice*: US Olympic Ice Hockey Team defeated the heavily favored Soviet National Team; later defeated Finland to win the gold medal
- U.S. boycotted Moscow Summer Olympics protesting the Soviet invasion in Afghanistan
- 1984 Most of the Eastern Bloc boycotted the Olympics held in Los Angeles
- 1985 *Wrestle Mania* debut
- 1986 A one minute commercial for the Super Bowl cost \$1.1 million
- 1988 Wrigley Field in Chicago, IL added lights for night games
- 1996 Centennial Olympic Park bombing at the Olympics held in Atlanta GA - killed one, injured 111
- 1997 Tiger Woods won the Masters

## Potpourri

- 1981 Wedding of Prince Charles and Lady Diana
- 1980 3M introduced Post-It Notes
- 1985 Photos of missing children put on milk cartons

## It Cost How Much.....

- 1983 RCA VCR - beginning at \$399
- 1991 Super Nintendo - \$199
- 1998 One share Apple stock - \$3.25 (in 2012 - \$600)

**Popular Girl Names** Jessica, Ashley, Sarah, Jennifer, Amanda, Emily, Samantha

**Popular Boy Names** Michael, Christopher, Matthew, Joshua, David, Jacob