

TIME LINE: 1895 -1995

A few significant events. . .

[compiled for Anna Mosier's 100th birthday celebration]

- 1895— Diesel engine invented
Photoelectric cell invented
Radio signals discovered
Safety razor invented
Wireless telegraph invented
X-rays discovered
1st professional football game played
US population at 62.9 million
- 1896— "Greenhouse effect" discovered
1st American motion pictures appear in theaters
Electric stove invented
Henry Ford's first auto introduced
Utah becomes 45th state
William McKinley elected president
- 1897— Klondike gold rush to Alaska begins
1st American subway completed in Boston
Electron discovered
- 1898— Battleship *Maine* sinks in Havana harbors
Spanish American War declared
- 1899— Tape recorder invented
Wireless telephone invented
- 1900— Dirigible (blimp) invented
US population reaches 75.9 million
Carrie Nation attacks saloons with hatchet
Cellophane invented
- 1901— McKinley assassinated
Theodore Roosevelt becomes president
Washing machine invented
- 1902— 1st Rose Bowl game played, Michigan 49 - Stanford 0
- 1903— 1st coast-to-coast auto trip completed
1st World Series played, Boston defeats Pittsburgh
1st feature-length film appears, *The Great Train Robbery*
Electrocardiograph invented
Wright Brothers make first airplane flight
- 1904— 1st speed limit enacted, 20 mph on open roads
Theodore Roosevelt elected president
Psychoanalysis introduced
- 1905— Novocain invented
IQ test invented
- 1906— San Francisco destroyed by earthquake

1907—	Oklahoma becomes 46th state Plastic invented Vacuum cleaner invented Color photography invented
1908—	FBI established NAACP founded William H Taft elected president
1909—	Helicopter invented Neon Lights invented Safety glass invented 1st men reach North Pole
1910—	<i>LA Times</i> building destroyed by terrorist bomb
1911—	Air-conditioning invented 1st men reach South Pole
1912—	New Mexico becomes 47th state Arizona becomes 48th state Titanic sinks Woodrow Wilson elected president
1913—	Electric refrigerator invented Federal income tax imposed Assembly line production introduced Geiger Counter invented Grand Central Station opened Radio receiver invented
1914—	Military tank introduced Panama Canal opens
1915—	Coast-to-coast telephone service begins Lusitania sinks
1916—	1st woman elected to US Congress Stainless steel invented National Park Service created
1917—	US enters 1st World War Preservation of food by freezing developed
1918—	Toaster invented Automatic rifle invented
1919—	18th amendment ratified, Prohibition begins
1920—	1st regular radio broadcasts begin Warren G Harding elected president Women given right to vote
1922—	King Tut's tomb discovered Insulin discovered <i>Reader's Digest</i> begins publication

- 1923— Television invented
Teapot Dome scandal embarrasses president
- 1924— Calvin Coolidge elected president
Coast-to-coast air mail service begins
Loudspeaker invented
- 1925— Scopes "Monkey" Trial held
Florida land boom begins
Chicago gang wars break out
- 1926— Aerosol spray invented
Rocket engine invented
Winnie-the-Pooh born
- 1927— Lindbergh makes first non-stop solo flight, NY to Paris
The Jazz Singer introduces "talkies"
Holland Tunnel opens
- 1928— Penicillin discovered
Color motion picture technology introduced
1st Mickey Mouse cartoon appears
Herbert Hoover elected president
Iron lung invented
Teletype invented
- 1929— Stock market crashes, "Great Depression" begins
"Big Bang" theory of creation of universe introduced
Car radio invented
Scotch tape invented
- 1930— Planet Pluto discovered
- 1931— Electronic microscope invented
Empire State Building completed
"Star Spangled Banner" becomes national anthem
- 1932— Franklin D Roosevelt elected president
George Washington Bridge completed
Amelia Earhart becomes 1st woman to fly solo across Atlantic
Lindbergh baby kidnapped
Shirley Temple appears in first film
- 1933— New Deal enacted
1st woman appointed to US Cabinet position
Prohibition repealed
FM radio invented
- 1934— Dust storms in Oklahoma force farmers to California
Launderette invented
- 1935— Social Security Act passed
Richter Scale developed for measuring earthquakes
- 1936— Boulder Dam completed

- 1937— 1st blood bank opens
Amelia Earhart disappears during solo flight
Golden Gate Bridge completed
Nylon invented
- 1938— Howard Hughes sets around-the-world flight record in less than 4 days
Hurricane devastates Atlantic coast, kills 700
- 1939— *Gone With the Wind* opens in Atlanta theater
1st Food Stamp program implemented
Jet engine invented
Helicopter invented
NY World's Fair opens
- 1940— 1st peace-time draft established
Radar invented
- 1941— Pearl Harbor attacked, US enters 2nd World War
- 1942— "Victory Tax" imposed on wartime incomes
1st nuclear reactor constructed
1st guided missile launched
- 1943— Electronic computer invented
Teflon invented
- 1944— Allied invasion of Europe begins on D-Day
"GI Bill of Rights" passed
Barbie Doll introduced
Ball-point pen invented
- 1945— Atomic bombs dropped on Japan, war ends
Television channels allotted for commercial use
- 1946— Dr Spock's baby care book alters ideas about child-raising
"Iron Curtain" appears between eastern and western Europe
- 1947— Long-playing record invented
UN Headquarters dedicated
Computer program developed
Holograph invented
Microwave oven invented
- 1948— Polaroid camera invented
US begins Berlin Airlift
Harry S Truman elected president
- 1950— Korean War starts
- 1951— 1st color television broadcast is transmitted
- 1952— Dwight D Eisenhower elected president
1st hydrogen bomb successfully tested
- 1953— *The Robe* introduces cinemascope technology
1st open heart surgery performed

1954	1st kidney transplant performed Army-McCarthy hearings held Supreme Court orders school desegregation
1955	Polio vaccine developed Fiber optics invented Elvis Presley has first hit
1956	Construction on interstate highway system begins Grace Kelly marries Prince Rainier of Monaco Videotape invented
1957	Civil Rights Act enacted Russia launches Sputnik, starts "Race for Space"
1958	US launches 1st American satellite NASA established Nuclear submarine, <i>Nautilus</i> , crosses under North Pole
1959	1st rocket lands on moon Alaska becomes 49th state Hawaii becomes 50th state
1960	"The Pill" invented 1st weather satellite orbits Earth John F Kennedy elected president
1961	1st human orbits Earth Berlin Wall constructed Peace Corps created
1962	Cuban Missile Crisis takes US to brink of nuclear war
1963	"Hot Line" links Washington and Moscow John F Kennedy assassinated Beatles invade US
1964	Lyndon B Johnson elected president "War on Poverty" declared
1965	US troops sent to South Vietnam Medicare program approved East Coast power blackouts affect 30 million
1966	1st Super Bowl game played German measles vaccine discovered Great blizzard sweeps East Coast, 135 deaths
1967	1st heart transplant performed
1968	Martin Luther King and Robert F Kennedy assassinated Richard M Nixon elected president
1969	1st men walk on moon
1970	18-year olds given right to vote

- 1971— US ping-pong team visits China
1st spacecraft orbits another planet (Mars)
- 1972— Watergate burglary discovered
Arab oil embargo creates gasoline shortages
Compact disk (CD) invented
Pocket calculator developed
- 1973— Vice-president Agnew resigns
- 1974— President Nixon resigns
Gerald Ford becomes president
- 1975— Personal computer (PC) invented
VCR invented
Congress approves admitting women to army, navy and air force academies
- 1976— Jimmy Carter elected president
US spacecrafts land on Mars, transmit data and photos to Earth
Rings of Uranus discovered
- 1977— Alaskan pipeline opens
- 1978— 1st test tube baby born
- 1979— Three Mile Island nuclear reactor accident releases radioactive steam
Rings of Saturn discovered
- 1980— Ronald Reagan elected president
Mt St Helens erupts
- 1981— 1st space shuttle mission completed
- 1982— 1st woman appointed to US Supreme Court
- 1983— 1st woman astronaut joins space shuttle crew
US troops sent to Grenada
- 1984— 1st woman nominated by major party for vice-president of US
- 1986— Challenger space shuttle explodes during lift-off
- 1988— George Bush elected president
- 1989— Earthquake devastates San Francisco
Voyager 2 reaches Neptune
US invades Panama to depose Noriega
Berlin Wall opens to traffic between East and West Germany
Cold War ends
- 1990— Operation Desert Shield begins, US troops sent to Saudi Arabia
249.6 million people counted in US census
World Communism collapses, "Iron Curtain" falls
- 1991— Operation Desert Storm forces Iraqi surrender and withdrawal from Kuwait
Soviet Union breaks up

- 1992— Bill Clinton elected president
US troops sent to Somalia
Hurricane Andrew destroys south Florida
- 1993— Astronauts repair Hubble Space Telescope while on space walk
1st human embryos cloned
- 1994— Combination wrist watch and pager/beeper marketed
Astronomers discover solar system beyond our own
- 1995— Forrest Gump proves it's good to be in right place at right time