

The Year Was 1998...

- Euro becomes standard currency in Europe
- India conducts 3 atomic test and Pakistan responds with 5 nuclear test of their own
- Iraq ends cooperation with UN Arms Inspectors, President Clinton orders air strikes
- UN Embassies bombed in Kenya and Tanzania
- US Cruise hit bases in Sudan and Afghanistan
- President outlines first balanced budget in three decades
- Bill Clinton accused of affair with Monica Lewinsky – House moves to impeach him
- Federal debt is \$5750.4 billion
- FDA approves Viagra
- Seventy Seven year old John Glenn orbits earth in Space Shuttle
- Deaths: Gene Autry, Sonny Bono, Florence Griffith Joyner and Frank Sinatra

In 1998...

- The Corvette Convertible cost \$44,425 and 11,849 were produced while the Coupe cost \$37,495 and 19,235 were produced
- The convertible's glass rear window was heated and the top had an "express-down" feature that released the tonneau cover and automatically lowered the windows part way at the touch of a button.
- New-for-1998 was a magnesium wheel option featuring lightweight wheels with a unique bronze tone.
- Standard features included stainless steel exhaust system; Extended Mobility Tires capable of running for 200 miles with no air pressure; dual heated electric remote breakaway outside rearview mirrors; daytime running lamps; and five-mph front and rear bumpers.
- For the fourth time (1978, 1986, 1995, 1998), a Corvette was selected to pace the Indianapolis 500 with Indy 500 veteran Parnelli Jones driving the purple and yellow pace car.

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