THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2024

On This Date

1770 – Marie Antoinette, at age 14,



married the 15-year-old future King Louis XVI of France. Outside the Palace of Versailles, ominous storms delayed the fireworks.

1943 – British and Canadian Lancaster pilots breached two dams in Germany's industrial Ruhr Basin using "bouncing bombs." Only eight of the 17 planes returned. The loss of power stations, coupled with catastrophic flooding, hampered production in the valley for months.

1975 – Japanese mountaineer Junko Tabei became the first woman to climb to the top of Mount Everest.

Movie Quote Trivia

Who said, "Well, it's not the men in your life that counts, it's the life in your men"?



ANSWER: Mae West in I'm No Angel (1933)

Quote of the Day

"I don't give concerts.

I put on a show."

~ Liberace

Happy Birthday!

Liberace (1919–1987), born Władziu Valentino Liberace, was a trailblazing

American pianist and entertainer who wowed audiences with his virtuosic piano skills and extravagant stage performances. His



flamboyant persona and opulent lifestyle made him a superstar of pop culture, appearing on programs including *The Ed Sullivan Show*, *The Tonight Show*, Edward R. Murrow's *Person to Person*, and even a two-episode storyline in *Batman* with Adam West. Liberace remains a symbol of showmanship, reminding us of a bygone era of theatrical extravagance.