

# THE DAILY CHRONICLE

TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 2021

## On This Date

**1859** – In Washington state, a pig owned by the Hudson's Bay Company broke into an American squatter's potato patch. The incident nearly triggered a British-American war over ownership of one of the San Juan Islands.

**1878** – A multiple camera rig was built to settle a bet on whether all four legs of a horse leave the ground during full gallop. The pictures proved once and for all that all four legs do leave the ground at the same time.

**1887** – Carlisle D. Graham survived his third barrel ride over Niagara's Horseshoe Falls.

## Dino Trivia

Jack Horner's 2009 book *How to Build a Dinosaur: Extinction Doesn't Have to Be Forever* describes his theory of how to recreate a dinosaur by genetically "nudging" the DNA of a chicken.

Horner is also the author of 1990's *Digging Dinosaurs*.

## Quote of the Day

"A dinosaur out of context  
is like a character  
without a story."

~ Jack Horner

## Happy Birthday!

**John "Jack" Horner**, born in 1946, discovered his first dinosaur bone at the age of eight. The well-known American paleontologist unearthed and named *Maiasaura*, a finding that provided the first clear evidence that some dinosaurs were social animals that cared for their young. Although he never graduated from college, Horner is a professor of paleontology at Chapman University. He also acted as the technical advisor for the *Jurassic Park* films, serving as partial inspiration for the Alan Grant character. Horner made a cameo appearance in *Jurassic World*.





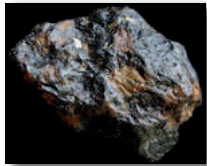
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**Today is** Global Wind Day, a day to appreciate the use of technology to harness the power of the wind. Humans have used windmills for power since 200 BC. Today, one large wind turbine can harness enough energy to power 600 homes.

## Eye in the Sky

Homeowners in Winchcombe, England, awoke to find black rocks, which looked like pieces of charcoal,



scattered across their driveway. Little did they know that the black rocks were bits of a rare form of meteorite called a *carbonaceous chondrite*. Of the 65,000 meteorites on display around the world, only 51 are of this precious type. These space rocks are 4.5 billion years old—older than the planets in our solar system. These are the rare bits of the cosmos that scientists use to learn about how the solar system was formed and how life might have begun on Earth.

## Riddle Me This

I work when I play and play when I work. Who am I?

ANSWER: A musician

## Centennial Memories

On this day 100 years ago, Bessie Coleman became the first black woman to earn a pilot's license. When Coleman's brothers returned from France after World War I, they told her that women could learn to fly airplanes. Coleman applied to American flight schools but was denied acceptance because of her gender and the color of her skin. Undeterred, she went to France and earned her pilot's license. In 1922, she went on tour as a stunt pilot and earned fame as "Brave Bessie" and "Queen Bess."

## Word Wise

Which word is not like the others?

Guadalajara      Tabasco

Yucatan      Sonora

ANSWER: Guadalajara is a city in Mexico; the others are Mexican states.