

THE DAILY CHRONICLE

THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 2021

On This Date

1579 – English seaman Francis Drake anchored in a harbor just north of present-day San Francisco and claimed the territory for Queen Elizabeth I. He remained there for a month while preparing for his westward crossing of the Pacific Ocean.

1631 – Mumtaz Mahal died during childbirth. Her husband, the grief-stricken Mughal emperor Shah Jahan I, spent the next 17 years building her mausoleum, the famed Taj Mahal.

1876 – Oglala Sioux and Cheyenne warriors led by Crazy Horse fought U.S. troops to a draw at the Battle of Rosebud Creek. Crazy Horse and his forces went on to join Sitting Bull and defeat General Custer and his men just eight days later at Little Big Horn.

Daily Trivia

Houseflies hum in the key of F.



Quote of the Day

“Harpists spend 90 percent of their lives tuning their harps and 10 percent playing out of tune.”

~ *Igor Stravinsky*

Happy Birthday!

Igor Stravinsky (1882–1971) was a Russian musician and composer, who is often heralded as the most influential composer of the 20th century. In addition to his compositions, he also achieved fame as a pianist and a conductor. His *The Rite of Spring* provoked a riot when it premiered in Paris in 1913 and marked him as being a true innovator. Stravinsky’s rhythm and vitality greatly influenced the composer Aaron Copland. Aside from music, Stravinsky displayed an inexhaustible desire to explore and learn about art and literature.





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Today is Garbage Man Day. It's a dirty job, but somebody has to do it. Today is a day to thank all those who haul away the garbage. One way to thank tireless trash collectors is to make less garbage by recycling more and buying less.

Only Human

When it comes to remembering events, our brains are designed to exaggerate memories. New research shows that the more exaggerated the differences are between our memories, the more likely a memory is to be recalled. Scientists believe that similar memories interfere with each other and become muddled, while distinctly different memories, with vivid circumstances that make a memory unique, help clarify a memory. Scientists might have unintentionally stumbled upon the reason why fishermen exaggerate the size of their catch.

Word Wise

Which word is not like the others?

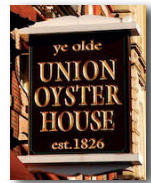
Falcon Brookwood

Mustang Fairlane

ANSWER: The Brookwood was a car by Chevrolet; the others are Ford models.

Set the Record Straight

Throughout England and New England, many shops claiming to be hundreds of years old often use the Old English word "Ye" in their name, such as "Ye Olde Bake Shoppe." The only problem is that there was no word "Ye" in Old English. The Anglo-Saxon alphabet had the letter *thorn*, which looked like *þ* and possessed the *th* sound. Originally, the word *þe* was pronounced much like the modern *the*. Over the years, the letter thorn was changed to the letter *y* and the spelling of *þe* was improperly changed to *ye*.



Who Said So?

This advice columnist and pop psychologist said, "Marriage is not just spiritual communion; it is also remembering to take out the trash."

ANSWER: Dr. Joyce Brothers