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## On This Date

1888 – The Eastman Kodak Company was formed by inventor George Eastman to sell his new box camera. The Kodak camera was soon placed on the market with the slogan "You press the button—we do the rest."

1923 – Sigmund Freud published Das Ich und das Es (The Ego and the Id), which outlined Freud's psychoanalytical theories of the id, ego, and superego.

1970 – China launched its first satellite using a modified CSS-3 intercontinental ballistic missile, later renamed the Long March 1 rocket. The Dong Fang Hong satellite remained in orbit for 26 days, transmitting the revolutionary song "The East Is Red."

#### Did You Know?

Dry ice is frozen carbon dioxide. It is called "dry" because when warmed, it turns from a solid into a gas. There is no liquid state. This transition is called sublimation.

## **Quote of the Day**

"Everybody always says I'm the girl next door, which makes me think y'all must have a lot of weird next-door neighbors."

~ Kelly Clarkson

# Happy Birthday!

**Kelly Clarkson**, born in 1982, is an American singer, songwriter, and television personality. Rising to fame as the inaugural winner of *American Idol* in 2002, Clarkson's powerful voice and relatable persona

quickly propelled her to international stardom. Her debut single "A Moment Like This" topped the charts, setting



the stage for a successful career that includes hit songs like "Since U Been Gone" and "Stronger (What Doesn't Kill You)." Kelly has two children and currently hosts *The Kelly Clarkson Show*. Her album *Chemistry* was released in 2023.

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**Today is** St. Mark's Eve. On this little-known holiday, one can purportedly see the ghosts of all those who are to die during the coming year. In many ways, this holiday is almost creepier than Halloween!

## Wild Kingdom

Thieves San at the Antonio Aguarium attempted to steal a shark. Their plan? Simply reach into the tank, wrap the shark in a wet blanket, and put it in a baby stroller. Amazingly, the plan worked, and the shark thieves escaped by car. Luckily, security cameras captured the entire kidnapping, and the shark was discovered at the home of the thieves. Imagine the police officers' surprise when they entered the thieves' home to find tanks of all sizes filled with marine life. The shark, named Miss Helen, was returned to the aquarium, and is expected to be fine.

#### **Word Scramble**

ECARUPT

To take into one's possession or control by force

**VNZMEK:** CV**b**L\UKE

# **Mad Science**



Bees may be the ultimate helper species; after all, the term *worker bee* refers to all those drones

in service of the queen. Yet, in South African Cape honeybees, female workers have been observed changing from altruistic helpers to self-servers. These bees ignore the orders of the queen and reproduce on their own, usurping the rule of the queen and forming their own colonies. Scientists have discovered that this is due to a genetic mutation called *thelytoky syndrome*. Under certain conditions, the genes of females are mutated, causing the bees to turn selfish.

#### Who Said So?

This American epic space media franchise once said, "May the force be with you."

MNSWER: Star Wars