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On This Date

1648 – Jacques Boisdon opened Quebec’s first licensed tavern. It was forbidden to operate while church services were being held.

1980 – Terry Fox was invested as a Companion of the Order of Canada. Fox, who had one leg amputated due to cancer, raised millions of dollars for cancer research during his marathon run across Canada.

1982 – Computer scientist Scott Fahlman originated the first smiley :-) emoticon. It was designed to be read sideways and is often used in e-mails to indicate that the writer is kidding.

Daily Trivia

Today is International Talk Like a Pirate Day, when the whole world joins together to try out pirate accents and expressions! Sprinkle



conversations with pirate talk, such as: *Shiver me timbers!*, *Avast, me proud beauty!*, and *Arrr, the sea be in me blood!*

Humor of the Day

“The odds of going to the store for a loaf of bread and coming out with only a loaf of bread are three billion to one.”

~ Erma Bombeck

Happy Birthday!

Jeremy Irons, born in 1948, is a distinguished English actor and one of few to win the “Triple Crown” of acting—an Oscar, an Emmy, and a Tony Award. Irons rose to prominence in the 1980s with roles in films like *The French Lieutenant’s Woman* (1981) and the TV series *Brideshead Revisited* (1981), and he won his Academy Award for Best Actor for his portrayal of Claus von Bülow in *Reversal of Fortune* (1990). Playing romantic leads to complex villains, Irons repeatedly proves himself a highly talented and versatile master of his craft.





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Today is International Talk Like a Pirate Day. The holiday was created in 1995 when Mark Summers, after suffering a racquetball injury, shouted, “Aaarr!” Humorist Dave Barry then promoted the idea in 2002.

Picture of the Day



I see you making brownies in there!

Now it's your turn to come up with a good caption.

Word to the Wise

Astronomers have added the word *Goldilocks* to their dictionaries, in reference to the fairy tale character who wanted porridge neither too hot nor too cold. *Goldilocks* now describes an area of planetary orbit neither too hot nor too cold to support life.

Set the Record Straight

United States coins and currency are considered “legal tender for all debts, public charges, taxes, and dues.” But this does not mean that private businesses or even individuals must accept cash as a form of payment. Private businesses are free to develop any policy they want in regard to payment, even if it means that they choose not to accept cash. However, cities and states may opt to create their own mandates or pass legislation that forces businesses to accept cash as payment for all purchases.

Word Wise

Which word is not like the others?

safety referee

judge umpire

ANSWER: A safety is a position player in football; the others are sporting officials.