



THE DAILY CHRONICLE

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On This Date

1707 – An 8.7 magnitude earthquake off the coast triggered the last recorded eruption of Mt. Fuji in Japan.

1773 – American colonists calling themselves the “Sons of Liberty” dumped 342 chests of tea into Boston Harbor in protest of the Tea Act, which imposed “taxation without representation.”

1907 – The United States Navy, at the order of President Theodore Roosevelt, sent its “Great White Fleet” on an around-the-world tour as a demonstration of America’s new role as a major world power.

Give Me Liberty

Which of these men was not a member of the “Sons of Liberty”?

- A. Benedict Arnold
- B. Paul Revere
- C. Sam Adams
- D. Thomas Jefferson

ANSWER: D. Thomas Jefferson

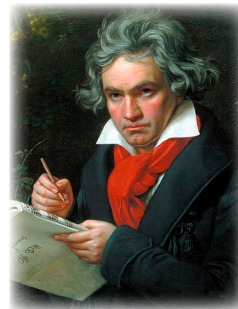
Quote of the Day

“Music is the art which is most nigh to tears and memory.”

~ *Oscar Wilde, playwright*

Happy Birthday!

Ludwig van Beethoven (1770–1827) is considered to be one of music’s



most accomplished geniuses. Beethoven’s grandfather was the most accomplished musician in Bonn, Germany, where he was born. His father, on the other hand, was a strict and often abusive teacher, forcing Beethoven to learn music from a young age. Beethoven moved to Vienna, Austria, and studied under Joseph Haydn, the world’s greatest composer. He became famous as a virtuoso pianist and as a masterful composer. Many of Beethoven’s greatest compositions were written as he was going deaf.