



# THE DAILY CHRONICLE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 2021

## On This Date

**1921** – University of Toronto doctors Frederick Banting and Charles Best officially announced their discovery of insulin. This medical breakthrough has saved millions of lives.

**1965** – *The New York Times* gave glowing reviews to the newly released film *The Sound of Music*, starring Canadian actor Christopher Plummer as Captain von Trapp.

**1991** – In Vancouver, Celine Dion won the Juno Awards for Best Album and Best Female Vocalist, George Fox won Best Male Country Vocalist, and Colin James won Single of the Year.

## Sports Trivia

The modern women's heptathlon has seven different events:

- 100-meter hurdle
- High jump
- Shot put
- 200-meter run
- Running long jump
- Javelin throw
- 800-meter run

## Inspirational Quote

“Age is no barrier. It’s a limitation you put on your mind.”

~ Jackie Joyner-Kersey

## Happy Birthday!

**Jackie Joyner-Kersey**, born in 1962,



won three Olympic gold medals. She also won silver and bronze medals. The track star is considered one of the greatest heptathletes of all time. Before the Olympics, Joyner-

Kersey was a starting basketball player for UCLA. Since retiring from professional sports, she has devoted herself to philanthropy through her eponymous foundation. She is a dynamic speaker and advocate for education, racial equality, and women's rights. *Sports Illustrated* named Jackie Joyner-Kersey “the greatest female athlete of the 20th century.”



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**Today is** World Wildlife Day. This holiday is meant to promote awareness of the world’s wild animals and plants. This year’s theme promotes our connection to wildlife with “Forests and Livelihoods: Sustaining People and Planet.”

## Eye in the Sky

For over 50 years, Puerto Rico’s Arecibo telescope was the largest of its kind in the world. Scientific instruments weighing about 900 tons hung from cables over a gargantuan dish resting like a shallow bowl in the jungle. Yet just before the new year, the cables snapped, and the telescope was destroyed. Since 1963, Arecibo has guided America’s greatest discoveries of space. For many scientists, the loss of the famed telescope was incalculable. For Puerto Rico, it was like losing a beloved national monument.

## The Games People Play

Alice Springs, in Australia’s Northern Territory, is a region known for its desert plains, rocky gorges, and



rugged mountains—the gate-way to Australia’s Outback. Alice Springs is also home to the

Camel Cup, an annual camel racing competition that attracts 5,000 guests each year. The race has become so popular that a dedicated camel racing track was built at Blatherskite Park in 1979. The excitement builds as riders and spectators wait for the notoriously unpredictable animals to start racing. While some camels gallop willingly, it is not uncommon for others to snarl, bite, or even race in reverse.

## Word Wise

Which word is not like the others?

Hagia Sophia    Taj Mahal

St. Peter’s        Notre Dame

ANSWER: The Taj Mahal is a mausoleum; the others are houses of worship.

## Name Three

Can you name three flowers that begin with the letter D?

POSSIBLE ANSWERS: dahlia, daisy, daffodil, daylily, dandelion