



THE DAILY CHRONICLE

FRIDAY, MAY 14, 2021

On This Date

1643 – Four-year-old Louis XIV became King of France. Known as the Sun King, his reign of more than 72 years was the longest in European history.

1796 – British physician Edward Jenner noticed that milkmaids often contracted cowpox, a relatively mild disease, but did not generally



get smallpox. Using pus from the blisters of milkmaids, he prepared and tested the first smallpox vaccine on an eight-year-old boy. Fortunately, the vaccine proved to be effective. The last known case of smallpox was diagnosed in 1977.

1955 – Eight Communist bloc countries, including the Soviet Union, signed a mutual defense treaty called the Warsaw Pact.

Did You Know?

The term *bigwig* is derived from powdered wigs worn by men in the 18th century. The bigger the wig, the wealthier and more important the individual.

Quote of the Day

“The unexpected connections we make might not last yet stay with us forever.”

~ *Sofia Coppola*

Happy Birthday!

Sofia Coppola, born in 1971, is an American director, screenwriter, producer, and actress. The multi-talented daughter of the legendary director Francis Ford Coppola and cousin to actor Nicolas Cage has made her own impressive mark on Hollywood with such films as *The Virgin Suicides*, *Lost in Translation*, *Marie Antionette*, *Somewhere*, and *The Beguiled*. Her onscreen film debut occurred as an infant in her father’s acclaimed movie *The Godfather*.



In 1994, before her career in cinema took off, Coppola started a casual chic fashion label, Milkfed.



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Today is “Fintastic Friday,” a day to “give sharks, skates, and rays a voice.” Sharks are often portrayed as menacing animals, but this holiday was created to protect these unique sea creatures and the habitats that sustain them.

Picture of the Day



When you told me you lost an arm and a leg to a pool shark, this was not what I was expecting.

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

Word to the Wise

The word *makerspace* is now in the dictionary, meaning a public workshop where members of the community can gather to work on small projects or hobbies. Often, the *makerspace* provides tools, materials, or even training that a *maker* can’t get at home.

Bookworm

In this book, a student who struggles to make friends is kicked out of his prep school before winter break. Rather than return to his New York City home, he decides to spend a few days in the city by himself. Unable to navigate the city on his own, despite his attempts at being a sophisticated adult, he suffers embarrassment, insult, and injury. He considers everyone he meets to be a “phony,” except his younger sister, who is pure and genuine. This book has long been considered one of America’s great coming-of-age stories. What book is it?

*J. D. Salinger
ANSWER: The Catcher in the Rye, by*

Word Scramble

I U R Q V E

A case for holding arrows

ANSWER: QUIVER