SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2023

On This Date

1014 – Brian Boru, the High King of Ireland, was killed by a group of retreating Vikings shortly after his Irish forces defeated them.

1344 – England's King Edward III first established the Order of the Garter Knighthood. This order was founded to designate the most senior English knights and included 24 men plus the king. Today, it is a prestigious military and civic honor.

1923 – The New Symphony Orchestra gave its first concert at Massey Hall in Toronto. In 1927, the orchestra changed its name to the Toronto Symphony Orchestra.

If the Shoe Fits

The metal instrument used in shoe stores to measure feet is called the Brannock device. Charles F. Brannock invented the device in 1926.



Quote of the Day

"We know what we are but know not what we may be."

~ William Shakespeare

Happy Birthday!

William Shakespeare (1564–1616) was an English actor and playwright



whose iconic works continue to enthrall new audiences year after year. Heralded as England's national poet and often called the "Bard of Avon,"

or simply "The Bard," Shakespeare wrote dozens of plays and sonnets, many of which continue to be studied, read, and performed. He is considered the most influential English language writer of all time. Some of his most prominent plays include Romeo and Juliet, Hamlet, King Lear, Macbeth, Othello, The Merchant of Venice, and A Midsummer Night's Dream.