



# THE DAILY CHRONICLE

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## On This Date

1947 – Grand Ole Opry singers, including Ernest Tubb and Minnie Pearl, performed at Carnegie Hall in New York City. Country music was a new genre for the hall.



1954 – A Gallup Poll reported that a Canadian family of four could live comfortably on \$50 a week. Half of this amount was required for food.

1964 – The television series *Route 66* went off the air. The series is best remembered for its iconic Corvette convertible and its instrumental theme song, which was composed and performed by Nelson Riddle.

## Celebrity Trivia

Although it has been decades since Frankie Avalon's years as a teen idol, he is still very active, working at nightclubs in Las Vegas and around the country about six months out of every year.

## Quote of the Day

“They weren't great pictures, but they were fun, and they really represented that period of time well.”

~ Frankie Avalon

## Happy Birthday!

**Frankie Avalon**, born in 1940, is widely known for his chart-topping pop songs and 1960s beach movies. Avalon first grabbed the public's attention by singing on the TV show *American Bandstand*. A few of the teen heartthrob's hit songs include “Venus” and “Why.” Later, he teamed up with Annette Funicello in a series of teen surf comedies, including *Beach Blanket Bingo* (1965) and *Muscle Beach Party* (1964). Avalon has been married to Kathryn Diebel since 1963, and they have eight children.

