



# THE DAILY CHRONICLE

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## On This Date

**1668** – Bishop Laval opened the Québec Seminary, Canada’s first institution of higher education and a forerunner of Laval University.

**1855** – Isaac Singer received a patent for the sewing machine motor. You might say he is responsible for keeping us in stitches all these years.



**1975** – Andrei Sakharov was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. Sakharov was a Soviet physicist known as the “father of the hydrogen bomb.” In the late 1950s, he became concerned about the morality of his work and became an advocate for peaceful coexistence.



## Did You Know?

John Lennon’s mother, Julia, taught him to play banjo and tune the guitar like a banjo. This led Lennon to form a band called the Blackjacks with classmates in 1956.

## Quote of the Day

“Life is what happens when you’re busy making other plans.”

~ *John Lennon*

## Happy Birthday!

**John Lennon** (1940–1980) was a British singer, guitarist, songwriter, and founding member of the Beatles. After the Beatles broke up in 1970, he launched a very successful solo career. Lennon revealed his biting wit and rebellious political nature in his music, on film, in books, and in interviews. The music icon and his wife, Yoko Ono, recorded the anti-war anthem “Give Peace a Chance” in 1969. He was shot and killed outside his New York City apartment building in 1980 by a mentally unstable man. He had two sons, Julian and Sean Lennon.

