



## Today in History

*July 31, 1965*

▲ **JK (Joanne Kathleen) Rowling**, phenomenally successful British author of the Harry Potter novels, was born. The books have sold over 400 million copies worldwide

**1849:** A U.S. patent was issued for the first breech-loading cannon

**1975:** Former U.S. Teamsters Union president Jimmy Hoffa was reported missing. It is believed he was abducted and murdered

**2008:** NASA announced it had discovered water on Mars

**2010:** Chelsea Clinton, daughter of ex-U.S. President Bill Clinton and Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, married banker Marc Mezvinsky