



Today in History

April 24, 1942

▲ **Barbra Streisand, U.S. singer, actress and filmmaker, was born. In 2015 she received America's highest civilian honour, the Presidential Medal of Freedom**

1967: Cosmonaut Vladimir Komarov became the first casualty of space travel when Soyuz I crashed to earth

1996: Russian President Boris Yeltsin met Chinese President Jiang Zemin at the start of a visit to Beijing

2002: Pope John Paul II met U.S. cardinals to discuss the unfolding scandal of child abuse by priests

2007: The composition of Jadarite was found to be similar to that of the fictional Superman's Kryptonite