

## New Shakespeare First Folio Discovered



A new William Shakespeare First Folio, part of the original collection of 36 plays published in 1623, has been discovered on a Scottish island, the University of Oxford said on Thursday. Emma Smith, professor of Shakespeare Studies at Oxford University, authenticated the First Folio as genuine, making it one of the most valuable books in the world. The discovery brings the total of First Folios known to survive to 234, and comes shortly before celebrations marking the 400th anniversary of the playwright's death, on April 23, 1616. The Folio was discovered at the Mount Stuart mansion on the island of Bute, where it will be on display until October. AFP



# \$394,000

The selling price of an oak chair that author JK Rowling used while writing the first two books of the Harry Potter series at an auction in New York. The 1930s' chair was one of four mismatched ones given free to Rowling for her council flat in Edinburgh, reports theguardian.com. She wrote Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone and Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets while sitting on the chair. IANS

## 5 Questions about Jetpacks

Some things about jetpacks that you didn't know you needed to know:

### WHAT IS A JETPACK, EXACTLY?

Martin Aircraft says its jetpacks are maneuverable enough that somebody could fly one in and out of their own garage. Empty, the jetpack weighs about 200kg. It's made from carbon fibre and aluminum, and powered by a piston engine which uses regular gasoline. One will cost about \$200,000.

### HOW HIGH AND HOW FAST?

The jetpack can fly at up to 74 kmph at heights of up to 3,000 feet, for a maximum duration of between 30 and 45 minutes. The pilot controls thrust, altitude and direction with two hand controls. The jetpack also comes equipped with a ballistic parachute in case anything goes wrong.



### WHO CAN FLY ONE?

Martin Aircraft says its jetpacks are actually aircraft and so people will need a pilot's license to fly one. Pilots will need additional training on a jetpack simulator.

### WHEN CAN I GET ONE?

Probably not anytime soon. Martin Aircraft has a business plan to initially make jetpacks for first responders, which could be used for natural disasters, search and rescue missions, or even surf patrol. It plans to deliver the first prototypes to customers later this year.

### IS IT LEGAL TO FLY?

The Martin Jetpack has been approved by New Zealand's civil aviation authority for experimental flights but not yet for commercial use. AP

## Gawker Challenges \$140m Decision in Hogan Sex Tape Case



Entertainment website Gawker has challenged a jury's decision to award \$140 million to former wrestler Hulk Hogan, saying it expected to be "fully vindicated" in the sex tape case. New York-based Gawker on Wednesday filed legal motions requesting a new trial or a reduction in the amount it must pay to 62-year-old Hogan, whose real name is Terry Bollea. Hogan had accused the site of invading his privacy when it posted a sex tape featuring him and a friend's wife. AFP

## Kesha Loses Legal Battle with Sony, Dr Luke

Kesha just lost her legal battle, as a New York state judge rejected the songstress' claim that she had become a Sony slave and Dr Luke was her master. It was reported that the 29-year-old songstress tried to get an emergency order giving her the right to get out of the Sony deal. She filed the petition on the grounds that the music producer raped her and Sony was tormenting her, reports TMZ.com. The judge also rejected Kesha's slavery agreement as Sony didn't force her to work with Dr Luke and even made other producers available. ANI

