

## Welcome to *TEKTOK* March 16, 2017

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*I hated every minute of training, but I said,  
'Don't quit. Suffer now and live the rest of your life as a champion.'*  
- Muhammad Ali

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### Web Sites

#### Panda Day

16th Mar each year

Pandas are big fluffy balls of fur wearing a tuxedo! Everyone knows what a panda looks like, and no one hates them. (You, in the back, the panda hater, you're invited to leave planet Earth at any time) These cuddly little tumblers are especially known for their prodigious appetites that give them the ability to consume massive amounts of bamboo. Panda Day is dedicated to spreading awareness about these majestic teddy-bears of nature, spreading the word that deforestation is leading to the destruction of their habitats, and has placed them on the endangered animal list.

#### History of Panda Day

Panda Day grew out of the recognized need to help protect these beautiful bears. Yes, that's right, any rumors you've heard to the contrary about them not being bears is false, they are part of the Ursidae family, which places them solidly in the bear Kingdom. (Interestingly, they're also part of the Carnivora Order, which means they share a lot in common with dogs, like all bears) Housed in zoos and conservatories all over the world, these big guys require conservation efforts to even have a chance at recovering from their current state.

This means that even while examples of the species exist in the wild, efforts must be made to protect their habitat and even control the predators in their area. They're very sensitive creatures and disruptions to their environment can lead to issues with them reproducing. Little success has been had in captivity, though that's been changing in recent years. Still, they aren't prone to giving birth very often, and that means that any loss to their number is potentially tragic.

#### How to Celebrate Panda Day

Well obviously your first stop should be your local zoo! Almost every zoo has a panda exhibit, in part due to the massive love for the panda across the world. While you're there, be sure to look into getting panda themed

souvenirs, though check to ensure that profits from them go to support panda conservation. You can also buy panda themed things and keep them on your desk, or even wear panda themed clothes to really help spread awareness of this endangered species. If all else fails, just take some time to make a small donation to a panda based charity.

### **[ARKive: Giant Panda](#)**

Learn all about the Giant Panda: appearance, range, habitat, biology, threats, and status. Site includes numerous images and video.

<http://www.arkive.org/giant-panda/ailuropoda-melanoleuca/>

### **[PBS LearningMedia: Wolong's Pandas](#)**

Wild pandas are treated at the Wolong Conservation Center in this video segment from Nature. [This resource is available on PBS Learning Media. Free registration is required.]

<http://www.pbslearningmedia.org/resource/vtl07.la.rv.text.wolongpand/wolong-pandas/>

### **[National Geographic: Giant Panda](#)**

[Archived Content] This page from National Geographic provides an image, fact sheet and profile on the Giant Panda. [Archived Version]

[http://web.archive.org/web/20101206220759id\\_/http://animals.nationalgeographic.com/animals/mammals/giant-panda.html](http://web.archive.org/web/20101206220759id_/http://animals.nationalgeographic.com/animals/mammals/giant-panda.html)

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## **Hardware/Software**

### **Premiere Elements 15**

Premiere Elements 15 (\$100) provides a respectable number of useful new and augmented features that add a pro touch to your videos. Newcomers, especially those who seek an alternative to iMovie, will find it easy to use and learn and well maintained with tons of variety. This new version makes it even more fun and useful.

<http://www.adobe.com/products/premiere-elements.html>

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## **Hints/Tips**

### **Use Tabs in Maps for Mac**

Tabs offer an excellent way to manage multiple windows without overly cluttering the screen of a Mac, a feature which is particularly valuable for smaller screen displays. Like many other apps in new Mac OS releases, the Apple Maps app for Mac now includes the ability to have multiple tabs of maps

open concurrently, either in conjunction with multiple Maps windows or as a replacement for juggling multiple maps windows.

### **How to Enable and Use Tabs in Maps for Mac**

You will need a modern version of MacOS to have this feature, anything beyond 10.12 is sufficient to have tab support in Maps for Mac:

1. Open the Maps app if you have not done so already
2. Pull down the "View" menu and choose "Show Tab Bar"
3. To open a new Maps tab, go to the File menu and choose "New Tab", or hit Command+T

Each tab is its own unique maps view, so you can easily have multiple locations, maps, directions, or other mapping details open at once and flip between them quickly.

Many Mac apps have tabbed support, including the iWork suite of Keynote, Numbers, Pages, Mail app, Safari, Terminal, Finder, and many others.

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## **Riddles You Can Tell in Class**

**Then there was the cross-eyed Irish teacher who resigned because he had no control over his pupils.**

- 1 - Why did St. Patrick drive the snakes out of Ireland?**
- 2 - Why do people wear shamrocks on St. Patrick's Day?**
- 3 - Why didn't the leprechaun mind ending up in jail?**

- 1 - Because it was too far to crawl.
- 2 - Because regular rocks are too heavy.
- 3 - One set of bars was as good as another.

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## **This Day in History**

### ***Birthdates which occurred on March 17:***

- 1899 Gloria Swanson Chicago IL, actress (Sadie Thompson, Killer Bees)
- 1900 Alfred Newman New Haven, composer (Love is a Many Splendored Thing)
- 1902 Bobby Jones Jr Atlanta GA, PGA golfer (Grand Slam 1930)
- 1914 Sammy Baugh Temple TX, NFL hall of famer QB (Washington Redskins)
- 1918 Mercedes McCambridge Joliet IL, actress (Exorcist, All the King's Men)
- 1919 Hank Sauer baseball player (National League MVP 1952)
- 1919 Nat "King" Cole Montgomery AL, singer (Unforgettable, Mona Lisa)
- 1936 Thomas K Mattingly II Chicago IL, Captain USN/astronaut (Apollo 16, STS-4, 51C)
- 1941 Clarence Collins US singer (Imperials-Tears on my pillow)

1941 Gene Pitney Hartford CT, rock singer (Town without Pity)  
1944 Danny DeVito Neptune NJ, actor (Louie–Taxi, Twins)  
1944 John Sebastian New York NY, singer (Loving Spoonful, Welcome Back  
Kotter)  
1949 Patrick Duffy Townsend MT, actor (Bobby–Dallas, Man from Atlantis)  
1951 Kurt Russell Springfield MA, actor (Thing, Overboard, Mean Seasons)  
1955 Gary Sinise actor (Apollo 13, Forrest Gump)  
1959 Danny Ainge NBA coach (Phoenix Suns)  
1964 Rob Lowe Charlottesville VA, actor (St Elmo's Fire, West Wing, Wayne's  
World, Class)  
1972 Mia Hamm Selma AL, soccer forward (Olympics–96, US Women's World  
Cup–99)

### ***On this day...***

0432 St Patrick, a bishop, is carried off to Ireland as a slave  
1521 Ferdinand Magellan discovers the Philippines  
1756 St Patrick's Day 1st celebrated in NYC at Crown & Thistle Tavern  
1762 1st St Patrick's Day parade in NYC  
1766 Britain repeals Stamp Act  
1776 British forces evacuate Boston to Nova Scotia during Revolutionary War  
1836 Texas abolishes slavery  
1845 Rubber band patented by Stephen Perry of London  
1861 Italy declares independence; Kingdom of Italy proclaimed  
1905 Eleanor Roosevelt marries FDR in New York  
1906 President Theodore Roosevelt uses term "muckraker"  
1959 Dalai Lama flees Tibet for India  
1969 Golda Meir becomes Israel's 4th Prime Minister  
1970 Peter O'Malley becomes CEO of Los Angeles Dodgers  
1987 IBM releases PC–DOS version 3.3

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