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Always do your best. What you plant now, you will harvest later.
- Og Mandino

Web Sites

Tuberculosis Day
24th Mar each year

Every year, a day is dedicated to raising awareness about tuberculosis, commonly known as TB. The first Tuberculosis Day was in 1982, a hundred years after Dr Robert Koch announced to the scientific community that he had discovered the cause of the virulent disease, thus paving the way for an eventual cure.

At the time of Koch's announcement, TB was one of the world's deadliest diseases, killing an estimated one in seven people. Although the virus has almost been eradicated in the western world, it still poses a serious problem in developing countries and is making a comeback in areas where there is significant overcrowding and poor nutrition.

You can mark Tuberculosis Day by learning about the international strategies to combat the disease and by raising awareness in your own community. This almost-forgotten disease is important because TB is not just a Dickensian disease; it is still very much with us.

[Centers for Disease Control: Infectious Diseases Cards: Tuberculosis \[PDF\]](#)

Fact sheet on tuberculosis describes how its causes as well as its symptoms and prognosis

<https://www.cdc.gov/museum/disease/tb1.pdf>

[Awesome Stories: Tuberculosis - "Consumption"](#)

This video clip features photographs taken by Journalist James Nachtwey's of Tuberculosis patients from around the world. TB, a dreaded disease of the 19th century, still afflicts 9 million people a year and kills about 2 million. The video provides background information about TB, its diagnosis, and treatment. [2:29] (Free registration is required in order to access certain features of the Awesome Stories website.)

<https://www.awesomestories.com/asset/view/Tuberculosis-Consumption->

[Science Friday: New Tuberculosis Strain Thwarts All Antibiotics](#)

[Archived Content] Maryn McKenna, author of Superbug, discusses the possible origins of the strain.

<http://ec2-23-21-117-9.compute-1.amazonaws.com/topics/biology/segment/01/13/2012/new-tuberculosis-strain-thwarts-all-antibiotics.html>

Hardware/Software

TIME FOR BED

This is a weird feature that people will either love or hate. If you're the sort of person who likes to have a certain number of hours of sleep before your alarm goes off, you can now have your iPhone remind you to go to bed. (I know, how did we manage before such things?).

To enable this feature open the **Clock** app and tap **Bedtime**.

Hints/Tips

FIND YOUR APPLE WATCH

I know a lot of people requested this feature, and now it's present as part of Find My iPhone.

Riddles You Can Tell in Class

What do you call it when it rains chickens and ducks?

What did one germ say to the other germ?

In Star Wars, why did the Evil Empire leave Catholic nuns alone?

Fowl weather.

"You're making me sick."

Force of habit.

This Day in History

Birthdates which occurred on March 27:

1863 Sir Henry Royce automobile founder (Rolls-Royce)

1899 Gloria Swanson Chicago IL, actress (Sadie Thomson, Queen Kelly)

1914 Richard Denning Poughkeepsie NY, actor (Steve-Karen, Hawaii Five-0)

1917 Cyrus R Vance US Secretary of State (1977-80)

1930 David Janssen [Meyer] Naponee NE, actor (Fugitive, Harry O)

1939 Jay C Kim (Representative–Republican–CA)
1939 Judy Carne comedienne (Laugh–In, Love on a Rooftop)
1942 Michael York Fulmer Buckinghamshire England, actor (Cabaret, Logan's Run, 3 Musketeers)
1947 Tom Sullivan Boston MA, blind actor (If You Could See What I Hear)
1958 Bart Connor gymnast/sportscaster (Olympics–gold–1984)
1958 Shaun Cassidy rocker/actor (Hardy Boys, Texas Guns)
1963 Dave Koz saxophonist
1970 Mariah Carey New York NY, singer (Vision of Love, Love Takes Time, Hero)

On This Day:

1513 Spanish explorer Juan Ponce de León sights Florida
1713 Spain losses Menorca & Gibraltar
1721 France & Spain sign Treaty of Madrid
1790 The shoelace invented
1814 Battle at Horseshoe Bend: General Andrew Jackson beats Creek–Indians
1863 President Davis calls for this to be a day of fasting & prayer
1866 Andrew Rankin patents the urinal
1866 President Johnson vetoes civil rights bill; it later becomes 14th Amendment
1912 1st Japanese cherry blossom trees planted in Washington DC
1931 John McGraw says night baseball will not catch on
1933 Japan leaves League of Nations
1939 1st NCAA Men's Basketball Championship: University of Oregon beats Ohio State 46–33
1945 General Eisenhower declares German defenses on Western Front broken
1945 Iwo Jima occupied, after 22,000 Japanese & 6,000 US killed
1971 33rd NCAA Men's Basketball Championship: UCLA beats Villanova 68–62; this is UCLA's 5th consecutive NCAA basketball title
1979 Supreme Court rules, 8–1, cops can't randomly stop cars
1980 Mount St Helens becomes active after 123 years

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