

Welcome to *TEKTOK*  
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*Be happy for this moment. This moment is your life.*  
– Omar Khayyam

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## Web Sites

### Army Day

6th Apr each year

*They're there at the front line, holding positions in the most dangerous territory in any military theater. They march hundreds of miles with packs that easily weigh more than they do, carrying needed supplies and equipment into locations that are often under heavy enemy fire. For many of them, the constant sound of mortar fire is their lullaby, and a silent night is one to dread where the enemy can come at any time, and their plans remain largely a mystery to these noble men and women. Army Day celebrates these most fundamental of the armed forces, and reminds us of the sacrifices they make to protect home and country.*

### **History of Army Day**

*World War II was in full swing when Franklin D. Roosevelt sat the American Presidency. He held an unenviable position at the time, leading the American nation into a war that followed on the heels of what had been called "The War to End All Wars". Little did they know the war to follow would be the most devastating and destructive war in history, and more lives would be lost during it than could they possibly have imagined in their worst horror-driven nightmares. Vital to the efforts of every member of the Allies was their military, and most importantly those men and women who crossed foreign ground on foot to defend, recover, and take enemy positions that would alter the flow of the war.*

*Army Day was established to commemorate all members of all armed forces and the civilians that support them. It was clear he truly understood the function of our military men and women when he cited them as "A Mighty Arm of the Tree of Liberty", knowing that they were all that stood between the safety, security, and peace of those who fought against tyranny and the cruel and dominating forces of the Axis of Evil that sought to destroy it all. Army Day serves as a reminder that everything that we hold dear is thanks to the efforts of these men and women, and the blood they spill in the name of our freedoms.*

## ***How to Celebrate Army Day***

*Army day is best celebrated by doing your part to remind the veterans of the worlds armed forces that their sacrifice is appreciated. Remember that everything they do helps you live the lives of peace and security that we experience every day. Volunteering at homeless shelters is a sad but effective way of ensuring that those veterans most receive your help. It stands as an uncomfortable fact that a disturbing number of these warriors for peace and security fall through the cracks after they return home from their service. Army Day is your chance to help make a difference in the lives of people who gave everything to make a difference in yours.*

## **U.S. Army Homepage**

[Archived Content] Everything you've ever wanted to know about the U.S. Army! Site is active and informative. Examples of topics: Leaders, History, Vision, What's New, Korean War, Soldiers – Organizations and Relocation. Also offers a great "click on" entitled "Cool Stuff!" Will make you want to sign up!

[http://web.archive.org/web/20160822130036id\\_/https://www.army.mil/](http://web.archive.org/web/20160822130036id_/https://www.army.mil/)

## **National Museum of American History: Distinguished Service Cross Medal**

A picture of the Distinguished Service Cross Medal that was awarded to Gen. John Pershing. There is also a description of the history of this prestigious award.

<http://amhistory.si.edu/militaryhistory/collection/object.asp?ID=424>

## **U.S. Army Women's Museum**

Dedicated to the women who have served the United States Army, this one-of-a-kind museum is filled with artifacts, history, and research resources.

<http://www.awm.lee.army.mil/>

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## **Hardware/Software**

### **Sign PDFs right in Mail**

It might be the 21st century, but we're still using squiggles on a piece of paper to agree to all manner of things. If you are emailed a PDF to sign, though, you don't have to faff about printing it, signing it, then scanning it back in: you can actually sign it right in Mail.

Drag a PDF into the email you're sending, hover over it then at the top right you'll see a little button appear; click it, and you get a range of Markup options, including one for signing documents. Best of all, you can either add your signature by holding a signed piece of paper up to the webcam on your

Mac – and it does a great job of cutting it out of the background – or by drawing on your trackpad.

Got an iPad stylus? Try using that instead of your finger!

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## Hints/Tips

### Batch rename files

In versions of OS X before Yosemite, renaming a group of files at once either meant third-party software or rolling your own rename script using something like Automator or AppleScript. Now, though, you can just select a group of files and then select Rename either from the right-click contextual menu or from the drop-down button marked with a cog icon in Finder windows.

When you do, you get the option of adding text, replacing text, or applying a format such as a name and an automatically incrementing counter.

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## Riddles You Can Tell in Class

*How do you make an orange laugh?*

Tickle its navel

*What happened when the cannibal ate a missionary?*

He got a taste of religion

*Why are false teeth like stars?*

Because they come out at night!

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## This Day in History

***Birthdates which occurred on April 7:***

1506 St Francis Xavier Jesuit missionary to India, Malaya, & Japan

1770 William Wordsworth England, poet laureate (The Prelude)

1859 Walter Camp Connecticut, father of American football (Yale)

1860 W K Kellogg a real (corn) flake

1908 Percy Faith conductor (Summer Place)

1915 Billie Holiday [Eleanora Fagan] Philadelphia PA, singer (Ain't Nobody's Business)

1928 Alan J Pakula director (All the President's Men, Klute)

1928 James [Scott Bumgarner] Garner Norman OK, actor (Rockford Files, Bret Maverick)

1931 Daniel Ellsberg whistleblower (Pentagon Papers)/patriot  
1933 Wayne Rogers Birmingham AL, actor (MASH, House Calls, Chiefs)  
1935 Bobby Bare Irontown OH, country singer (Detroit City)  
1938 [Edmund G] Jerry Brown Jr San Francisco CA, (Governor–Democrat–CA, 1975–83)  
1939 David Frost Tenderdon England, TV host (That Was the Week That Was)  
1939 Francis Ford Coppola Detroit MI, film maker (Godfather, Apocalypse Now, American Graffiti)  
1949 John Oates guitarist/vocalist (Hall & Oates–Rich Girl)  
1954 Jackie Chan martial art actor (Rumble in the Bronx)  
1975 Victoria Adams "Posh Spice", Hertfordshire, vocalist (Spice Girls)

***On this day:***

0451 Attila's Huns plunder Metz  
1788 1st settlement in Ohio, at Marietta  
1798 Territory of Mississippi is organized  
1818 General Andrew Jackson conquers St Marks FL from Seminole Indians  
1827 English chemist John Walker invents wooden matches  
1831 Dom Pedro abdicates to son, Dom Pedro II crowned emperor of Brazil  
1891 Nebraska introduces the 8 hour work day  
1902 Texas Oil Company (Texaco) forms  
1933 Prohibition ends, Utah becomes 38th state to ratify 21st Amendment  
1945 US planes intercept Japanese fleet heading for Okinawa on a suicide mission; superbattleship Yamato & four destroyers are sunk  
1953 Dag Hammarskjöld of Sweden elected 2nd UN General–Secretary  
1954 President Dwight Eisenhower fears "domino–effect" in Indo–China  
1958 Dodgers erect 42–foot screen in left field at Los Angeles Coliseum to cut down on home runs, since it is only 250 feet down the line  
1959 Oklahoma ends prohibition, after 51 years  
1971 Dismissal of Curt Flood's suit against baseball is upheld by Supreme Court  
1971 President Richard Nixon orders Lieutenant Calley (My Lai) free  
1978 Guttenberg bible sold for \$2,000,000 in NYC  
1980 Jimmy Carter breaks relations with Iran during hostage crisis  
1991 George Washington Bridge raises toll from \$3.00 to \$4.00

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