

**Tuesday, May 12**

# *ON THIS DAY*



▲ **2008: A 7.9 magnitude earthquake hit the Chinese province of Sichuan, killing around 87,000 people**

**1588:** The people of France forced Henri III to flee Paris on the “Day of the Barricades”

**1935: Alcoholics Anonymous was founded by William Wilson in Ohio**

**1998:** Spanish bullfighter Cristina Sanchez became the first woman to enter the highest rank of matadors

**2008: Heavy fighting restarted in the Lebanese city of Tripoli between supporters of the western-backed government and the Hezbollah-led opposition, backed by Syria and Iran**