

**Wednesday, May 12**

# *ON THIS DAY*



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

**1820:** Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing, was born in Florence, Italy

**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

**2009: Alleged Nazi death camp guard John Demjanjuk, 89, was deported to Germany from the U.S. to face trial over the deaths of 27,900 Jews at the Sobibor camp during World War II**