

Wednesday, October 13

ON THIS DAY



▲ **1925: Controversial former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher was born; she is 85 years old today**

1884: Greenwich was established as the universal time meridian of longitude from which standard times throughout the world are calculated

1943: Italy declared war on Germany, its former Axis partner

1995: France rejected appeals to abandon nuclear tests in the South Pacific

2009: Al Martino, one of the great Italian-American pop crooners, died at age 82. He enjoyed a string of hits from the 1950s to the mid 1970s