



Today in History

February 19, 1473

▲ **Nicolaus Copernicus**, who developed the theory that the Earth and other planets revolved around the sun, was born in the Polish city of Torun

1963: Betty Friedan's *The Feminine Mystique* was published, reviving the feminist movement in the U.S.

1993: Kuwait City zoo reopened two years after most of its animals had died during the Gulf War

2008: Cuba's ailing president Fidel Castro resigned after 49 years. He was succeeded by his brother, Raul

2017: The private company SpaceX landed a first stage rocket back on Earth for the first time