

# SUNDAY'S ZAMAN

About us | Advertising | Contact | Subscribe Now! | Archive | Feedback

Oct 05, 2009

Homepage



E-GAZETTE

## Leisure Everyday is Special

### Everyday is special - 4 October 2009

Today is World Animal Day. On this day, animal life in all its forms is celebrated and special events are planned at locations around the globe.

Oct. 4 was originally chosen for World Animal Day because it is the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi, a nature lover and patron saint of animals and the environment. World Animal Day has now gone beyond being the celebration of a Christian saint and is today observed by animal lovers of all faiths, nationalities and backgrounds.

Today is the first day of World Space Week (Oct. 4-10). Instituted by the United Nations, this day aims to celebrate the contributions of space science and technology to the betterment of the human condition. This week was specifically chosen in order to recall the launch of the first artificial satellite, Sputnik, on Oct. 4, 1957, and the entry into force of the Treaty on Principles Governing the Activities of States in the Exploration and Use of Outer Space on Oct. 10, 1967.

Today is the Independence Day of Lesotho. On this day in 1966, Lesotho, formerly Basutoland, gained its independence from Britain.

Today is the anniversary of the liberation of Corsica. The island of Corsica became the first French territory in Europe freed from Nazi control. A French uprising started on the island on Sept. 19, and on this day in 1943, French troops entered the city of Bastia, the culmination of the uprising.

Today is Independence Day in Belgium. On this day in 1830, the Belgian Revolution led to the establishment of an independent, Catholic and neutral Belgium. The area we call Belgium today was a part of the First French Republic from 1794 to 1815. In 1815, by the dissolution of the First French

### Today's interactive toolbox

Video Photo Audio

Send to print Send to my friend

Post your comments

Read comments

### The most read articles

- What kind of new role will the IMF play in the post-crisis era?
- Women face daunting discrimination in job seeking
- [Event of the week] President supports Kurdish initiative in Parliament opening
- The humble oat
- Inflation shows minor uptick in September
- New organization to sort out rotten apples in European halal food market
- 'On Secret Service East of Constantinople'
- Canaries flying high ahead of home clash against Gençler
- Big investment with low yield: a Turkish passport
- Ankara walks tightrope on Iran row, hot potato in hand



- News
- Business
- Columnists
- Op-Ed
- Arts & Culture
- Weekly Almanac
- Features
- Travel
- Life
- Portrait
- Women

- Leisure
- TV Guide
- Radio Guide
- Movie Guide
- Time Out
- Everyday is Special
- Where to go
- Where to eat
- Sports
- Cartoons
- Interviews
- Weird But True



TODAY'S ZAMAN

Turkey in Foreign Press

Useful Links  
in Turkey

Empire, the Low Countries were united as the United Kingdom of the Netherlands.

Today is the anniversary of the first run of the Orient Express in 1883. The Orient Express is the legendary train tour that started from Paris, traveled through Munich, Vienna, Romania, Bulgaria, Varna and finally came to İstanbul. The route of the train changed several times in its history. The Orient Express was the materialized expression of the Western yearning for Eastern authenticity that peaked at the end of the 19th century. It became a key player in several adventure and detective books and movies, including Agatha Christie's "Murder on the Orient Express."

**Gregorian Calendar:** 04 October 2009 C.E.

**Hijri Calendar:** 15 Shawwal 1430 A.H.

**Hebrew Calendar:** 16 Tishrei 5769

*calendar@todayszaman.com*

04 October 2009, Sunday

> **Other titles of Leisure** Everyday is Special

Copyright© Since 1994 Feza Newspaper Publishing Co. Fevzi Cakmak Mah. A. Taner Kislali Cad. No:6 34194 Bahcelievler / ISTANBUL  
Phone:+90 (212) 454 1 454 (pbx), e-mail: [advertise@todayszaman.com](mailto:advertise@todayszaman.com)  
This web-site is generated by Zaman Newspaper's Data Processing and Internet Services.