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African Proverb of the Week

"Good beginnings make good endings."

(Akan, Ghana)



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INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

June 5

World Environment Day

The foods we eat, the air we breathe, the water we drink and the climate that makes our planet habitable all come from nature. For instance, each year, marine plants produce more than a half of our atmosphere's oxygen, and a mature tree cleans our air, absorbing 48 pounds of carbon dioxide, releasing oxygen in exchange.

World Environment Day is a day for environmental action. Since 1974, it has

been celebrated every year on June 5: engaging governments, businesses, celebrities, and citizens to focus their efforts on a pressing environmental issue.

June 20 World Refugee Day

The UN reports almost 26 million refugees worldwide, with another 41 million internally displaced persons. The top refugee-hosting countries are, in order, Turkey, Pakistan, Uganda, Sudan, and Germany. Protection for refugees and asylum-seekers is the mandate of the UN High Commission for Refugees.

June 23 United Nations Public Service Day

The UN General Assembly, in its resolution 57/277, designated June 23 as Public Service Day. The UN Public Service Day celebrates the value and virtue of public service to the community; highlights the contribution of public service in the development process; recognizes the work of public servants, and encourages young people to pursue careers in the public sector.

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