Wednesday, October 22

ON THIS DAY



▲ 2006: Germany's Michael Schumacher, the most successful driver in F1 history, drove his last race before retiring from the sport

1883: New York's Metropolitan Opera House opened with a production of Gounod's *Faust*

1964: French writer Jean-Paul Sartre refused to accept the Nobel Prize for Literature, saying it would reduce the impact of his writing

1973: Renowned Catalan cellist Pablo

Casals died

2007: Over one million California residents were forced to evacuate their homes due to wildfires