



Today in History

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▲ Hungarian journalist László Biro patented his ball-point pen, consisting of a ball that turned freely in a socket and deposited smudge-free ink

1376: Wenceslas, eldest son of Holy Roman emperor Charles IV, was elected king of the Romans

1998: The family of a U.S. lung cancer victim was awarded \$950,000, the first such award

2000: President Hafez-al Assad, ruler of Syria for 30 years who suppressed all opposition to his regime, died

2002: In Afghanistan a loya jirga council met to establish a framework for government