



## Today in History

*September 22, 2006*

▲ The F-14 Tomcat, made famous by the movie *Top Gun*, was retired by the U.S. Navy after 32 years in service. It was superseded by the F/A-18 Super Hornet

**1869:** Das Rheingold, the opening opera of Richard Wagner's cycle *Der Ring des Nibelungen*, was first performed

**1989:** Christian army chief General Michel Aoun accepted an Arab League plan to end the war in Lebanon

**1999:** The U.S. Justice Dept. sued five major U.S. tobacco firms for misleading smokers over the dangers of tobacco

**2013:** Former high-flying Chinese politician Bo Xilai was sentenced to life in prison for embezzlement