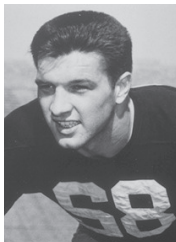


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September 24, 2002 - Leon Hart (Died)

Leon Hart was a great football player who won the Heisman Trophy and Maxwell Award while at Notre Dame and went on to a great career with the Detroit Lions. He was inducted into the Polish American Sports Hall of Fame in 1988.

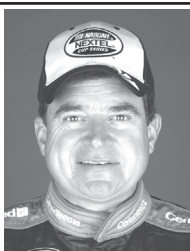


September 25, 1888 - Stefan Mazurkiewicz (Born)

Stefan Mazurkiewicz was a Polish mathematician who developed the Hahn-Mazurkiewicz theorem that deals with curves and space of curves. He also helped crack the Russian cipher code as a cryptologist for the Polish General Staff during the Battle of Warsaw.

September 26, 1963 - Joe Nemecek (Born)

Joseph Frank Nemecek III is a NASCAR Sprint Cup Series driver and owner of NEMCO Motorsports. He won the 1992 Busch Series championship. He is nicknamed "Front Row Joe" for his tendency to qualify near the front of the field, a term given by former teammate Wally Dallenbach.

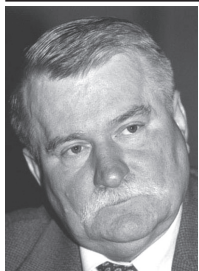


September 27, 1331 - Battle of Plowce (Event)

On September 27, 1331, one-third of the Teutonic Order's Force of Knights under Dietrich von Altenburg left the blockaded peasant town of Plowce. The Poles, under Wladyslaw Lokietek and his son Casimir, immediately attacked in a frontal assault. A few seconds later, Polish detachments hiding to the left of the city in a forest also attacked. In three hours the Teutonic Knights had been defeated and their leader captured. The Polish forces, victorious in this phase of the battle, took prisoner 56 knights, and freed many Polish captives.

September 28, 1973 - Brian Rafalski (Born)

Brian Rafalski (born in Dearborn, MI) is an American professional ice hockey player who played defense for the Detroit Red Wings in the National Hockey League. Prior to joining the Red Wings, Rafalski played seven seasons with the New Jersey Devils. After struggling to enter the NHL, Rafalski has won three Stanley Cups and become an effective defenseman in the league. In his nine seasons in the league, he has played in five Stanley Cup finals (2000, 2001, 2003, 2008, 2009).



September 29, 1943 - Lech Walesa (Born)

Lech Walesa was President of the Republic of Poland from 1990 to 1995. Walesa was a trade union and human rights activist who is recognized throughout the world for his participation in Poland's Solidarity Trade Movement which helped end communism in Europe.

September 30, 1954 - Barbara Trzetrzelewska (Born)

Barbara Trzetrzelewska, is known by her stage name, "Basia", for her successful music career as a jazz-pop singer in the United States, the United Kingdom and Japan. Basia has two platinum albums to her credit and is noted for possessing a wide vocal range.



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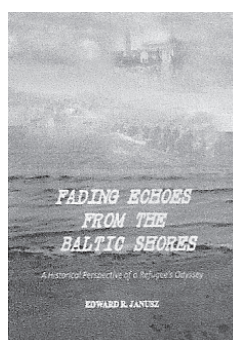
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