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Phelps smashes record

Michael Phelps secures Athens trip with world record in 400meter IM in U.S. trials 1C



Fast start: Phelps wins trials final Wednesday.





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Bargain hunters push stocks higher

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Dow Jones industrial average	10,240.29	♠	20.95
Nasdaq composite	1966.08	1	2.65
Treasury note, 10-year yield	4.47%	+	unch.
USA TODAY Internet 50	111.95	1	0.12
Sources: USA TODAY research, MarketWatch.cor	າ		



Iraqis enable martial law

Risky move is aimed at "deteriorating security situation." Above, people watch as U.S. forces detain suspected insurgents Wednesday in Baghdad
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Government aims to restrict off-roading

U.S. Forest Service proposes to restrict the vehicles from areas other than designated trails. Implementing and enforcing the new rules will be difficult; for start-ers, maps need to be made. 3A.

Irish pub defies anti-smoking law

In an effort to save business, Galway pub is first to let bar patrons light up despite government ban. 11A.

Money: Ford, GM boost rebates

Increasing incentives is part of effort to deal with bloated inventories and dramatic drop in sales for



Joining forces: From left, Elizabeth Edwards, Sen. John Edwards, D-N.C., Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., Cate Edwards, Teresa Heinz Kerry, and Chris Heinz in Pittsburgh. Democratic ticket sparks early fire

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pert Deutsch, USA TODAY **And not for women only:** Paula Moynahan performs surgery on Bill Mullen, 60, in Waterbury, Conn. Mullen says he's "tickled pink" with the results of his eyelid lift: "I wish I had done it earlier."

Cosmetic surgery and other procedures are no longer the stuff of celebrities

By Maria Puente **UŠA TODAY**



Former Enron chief indicted

Lay plans to surrender to authorities today

By Greg Farrell USA TODAY

Former Enron chairman Kenneth Lay was indicted Wednesday by a federal grand jury in Houston, a milestone in the Justice Department's 2¹/₂-year investigation into a fraud that devastated what was once the nation's seventh-largest company.

The indictment of Enron's former top executive is expected to be unsealed in court today.

month of June; Chrysler touts sales increase. 1B.

 Small businesses make great targets for spam, and some are losing their e-mail service to boot. 1B.

Furniture makers are scrambling to offer new cabinets and desks to better accommodate thin TVs and sleek laptop computers. 5B.

Sports: U.S. Postal crushes competition

Lance Armstrong's team wins the fourth stage of the Tour de France; defending champ takes lead. 14C.

Major league baseball attendance is up 11.4% this vear and is on pace to break 2000 record; tight races, parity are factors, commissioner says. 1C.

Life: The '90s are making a comeback

Blast from the past might be here too soon; TV, ra-

dio feature shows and songs of the decade. 1D. > 2004 has been full of star gossip, and bigger sto-ries are eagerly awaited, including a baby announcement from Jennifer Aniston and Brad Pitt. 1, 3D.

Beware Jen and Brad, a new baby can ruin a marriage; researchers present findings at conference that starts today in Dallas. 9D.

By John O. Buckley and Rebecca A. Leaf

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Did he or didn't he?

He did, and retired industrial engineer Bill Mullen is not only thrilled he got an eyelid lift at age 60, he's not afraid to talk about how much better he feels about his appearance.

'To say I'm happy is an understatement - I'm tickled pink," Mullen says six weeks after having the operation near his home in Prospect, Conn. "I not only have no regrets, I wish I had done it earlier."

Now cut to U.S. Sen. John Kerry, the presumed Democratic nominee for president. Did he get Botox injections to smooth out his famously craggy visage? Wife Teresa Heinz Kerry readily says she gets Botoxed, but the senator's staff denies that he does - as if Botoxing were an automatic disqualifier for the presidency. If so, millions of Americans such as

Bill Mullen can never run for president – about 8.2 million Americans in 2003 alone. According to medical statistics, that's how many surgical

Before: Marilyn Neifert of Wichita.



After: Neifert had a chin tuck, face lift and other surgery.

treatments. That doesn't count an unknown number administered by non-physicians at sa-

lons, spas and parties. Cover Nor does it count the

millions of other new story cosmetic procedures Americans have each

year to improve their appearance, such as UV and sunless tanning, teeth whitening, laser hair removal, Brazilian waxing and color contacts to dramatically change eye color. Call it the L.A.-ing of America.

Once this sort of thing was the exclusive province of the rich and famous in Los Angeles and New York – and only then on the QT. Phyllis Diller may have joked about her plastic surgeries, but almost nobody else talked about it openly. Now everybody everywhere does it, and everybody blabs. (Except politicians.) New Jersey is even going to tax cosmetic

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The program comes amid growing criticism of the

pharmaceutical industry about prices and its efforts

to restrict the flow of lower-cost drugs from Canada.

Pfizer's discounts will vary depending on the unin-

sured consumer's income and the drug but will aver-

age 15% for those earning more than \$45,000 a year

level – about \$18,620 for an individual or \$31,340 for

families - will get their medications free under a Pfiz-

Those who earn below 200% of the federal poverty

Pfizer drew praise from some doctors, small-busi-

ness owners and politicians, including Sen. Hillary

Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., as well as some of the indus-

try's usual critics. "This is a reasonably good thing,'

ly, Pfizer's president of U.S. Pharmaceuticals.

and 37% for those under that amount.

er program that is being expanded.

Lay, 62, issued a statement Wednesday evening saying he would surrender to authorities this morning. "I have done nothing wrong, and the indictment is not justified," he said.

The energy company's collapse in late 2001 wiped out the retirement savings and jobs of thousands of employees and led a parade of corporate accounting scandals that set off investigations

from California to Washington, D.C. Lay's indictment supports the Bush administration's pledge two years ago that it would not tolerate corporate wrongdoing. Lay enjoyed a close relationship with the first President Bush and was a fundraiser for the current President Bush's campaign against Al Gore in 2000, earning his own nickname from the nation's chief executive: "Kenny Boy."



Lay: Ex-Enron chairman.

According to the Center for Public Integrity, Enron executives contributed more than \$600,000 to Bush campaigns. The company is the second-largest contributor to the president's political career, behind credit card giant MBNA.

"I do think he was put under closer scrutiny because of his connections to Mr. Bush," says Philip Hilder, the Houston attorney who represents Enron internal whistle-blower Sherron Watkins. "But the government obviously feels it has enough evidence to do this.

The indictment is likely to accuse Lay of securities fraud for his efforts to maintain the company's stock price in 2001, even after Watkins alerted him to a potential accounting scandal at the company.

Watkins warned Lay in August of that year that she had discovered a series of bogus accounting maneuvers designed to make the company's earnings look stronger than they were. In a meeting with Lay that month, Watkins urged him to bypass the company's law firm, Vinson & Elkins, and launch a vigorous investigation into the company's accounting practices.

Instead, various investigations have revealed, Lay asked lawyers from Vinson & Elkins - the firm that had approved some of the deals – to conduct a quick investigation into some of Watkins' allegations. But Lay warned the lawyers not to dig too deeply into any accounting matters. Meanwhile, Lay publicly promot-

ed the company's stock, telling employees to buy it. In December 2001, Enron filed for bankruptcycourt-protected reorganization.

Since January 2002, the federal Enron Task Force has charged 29 former Enron executives and outside advisers with crimes associated with the Enron accounting fraud. In January, former Enron chief financial officer Andrew Fastow agreed to plead guilty and cooperate with the investigation in return for a 10-year jail sentence. A few weeks later, prosecutors charged Jeff Skilling, Enron's former CEO, with 35 counts of securities fraud and related crimes. Skilling has pleaded not guilty.

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Pfizer to offer discounts to uninsured

About 60 million could save on such drugs as Viagra, Lipitor

By Julie Appleby USA TODAY

The nation's largest drug company said Wednesday that it will discount medications to an estimated 60 million uninsured Americans, a move skeptics say is aimed at tempering criticism over drug prices but could set a precedent for other companies

Pfizer, whose products include cholesterol drug Lipitor, pain medication Celebrex and impotence treatment Viagra, says its program will be open to all without health insurance and those whose insurance does not cover drugs, in-

cluding Medicare patients. By doing so, Pfizer becomes the first in the industry to go beyond of-fering discounts only to low-income residents. "From now on, all uninsured Americans will have the same purchasing power as large insurers for Pfizer medicines," said Pat Kel-

Medicine costs comparison Approximate monthly costs for a family earning less than \$45,000 a year: Medication

Celebrex 200mg	\$103.71	\$63.53	39%
Zithromax 600mg ¹	\$23.75	\$11.86	50%
Norvasc 5mg	\$51.93	\$33.70	35%
Lipitor 10mg	\$79.58	\$52.71	34%
¹ Oral dosage	Source: Pfizer		

says Ron Pollack of Families USA, an advocacy group. "Any significant help for the uninsured ... is much appreciated."

Others say the unin-sured might still not be able to afford the drugs or might be able to buy them

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