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BRIEF STATE

INDIANAPOLIS

Fourth-quarter Lilly earnings beat forecast

Drugmaker Eli Lilly and Co. beat Wall Street expectations with its fourth-quarter performance, but it heads into 2007 with some lingering questions about top seller Zyprexa.

On Wednesday, Indianapolis-based Lilly reported a profit of \$132.3 million, or 12 cents per share, on \$4.25 billion in revenue for the three months that ended Dec. 31.

The profit represented a sharp drop from the \$700 million it totaled in the last quarter of 2005, due primarily to \$945 million in one-time charges for the closure of several manufacturing facilities and for a legal settlement over its top-selling drug, Zyprexa.

But the company's revenue represented a 9 percent increase over 2005 totals and beat Wall Street expectations of \$4.08 billion, according to a Thomson Financial survey.

Excluding those one-time items, Lilly earned \$929.6 million, or 85 cents per share. That also beat Wall Street expectations of 82 cents per share.

BRIEFS NATION

NEW YORK

Bush targets corporate executive salaries

President Bush took aim Wednesday at lavish salaries and bonuses for corporate executives, standing on Wall Street to issue a sharp warning for corporate boards to "step up to their responsibilities" and tie compensation packages to performance.



BUSH

Bush's "State of the Economy" speech, delivered from the financial center of the world, was aimed at bringing his economic message out of the shadows of the Iraq war. On his second day in a row focused on the economy, the government reported faster-than-expected growth of 3.5 percent in the final quarter of last year.

The president acknowledged people's continuing nervousness about their financial picture, despite a string of similar reports that provide some reason for optimism. He said some workers are being left behind in the booming economy and the disparity between the rich and the poor is growing.

"The fact is that income inequality is real. It has been rising for more than 25 years. The earnings gap is now twice as wide as it was in 1980," Bush said, adding that more education and training can lift peoples' salaries.

WASHINGTON

White House seeks to reduce farm spending

Trying to tighten the federal budget, the Bush administration on Wednesday proposed to reduce farm spending by \$18 billion over the next five years.

Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns is not seeking major changes in the nation's farm subsidy program, which major farm groups and lawmakers in Congress want to retain.

"I believe so strongly in what farmers said," Johanns said, describing forums he held in dozens of states. "They like the structure of this farm bill, but they have a big vision for the future."

However, there is one big change: The administration is seeking to eliminate farm payments for wealthy producers, limiting subsidy payments to those making less than \$200,000 in adjusted gross income annually. The current income cap is \$2.5 million.

That would rule out payments for about 80,000 producers who currently are eligible, officials said. Those producers collect about 4.5 percent of overall farm payments. The limit on payments would save an estimated \$1.5 billion over 10 years.

INDIANAPOLIS

Reba Fay Adkins

Reba Fay Adkins, 66, died Tuesday, Jan. 30, 2007. She was a resident of Indianapolis.

Survivors include three sons, Alan (Denise) Wade, Roger Wade and Bill (Cindy) Matthew; a daughter, Patty (Brian) Roberts; three brothers, James (Jackie), Randall (Sandra) and Ronald (Debra) Medsker; two sisters, Charlotte (Doug) Folkening and Marjorie (Mark) Medsker; 11 grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Roy O'Neil and Pauline Medsker.

A service will be conducted at noon Saturday at Forest Lawn Funeral Home, 1977 S. State Road 135 in Greenwood. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Kidney Foundation, 911 E. 86th St., Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46240.

OKLAHOMA CITY

Marvin Albert Beck Jr.

Marvin Albert Beck Jr., 61, died Friday, Jan. 26, 2007, in Oklahoma City. He was a resident of Oklahoma City.

Survivors include a son, Scott (Annaly) Beck of Oklahoma City; a daughter, Marcy (William Jr.) Heard of Atlanta; his mother, Catherine Beck of New Castle; and two sisters, Mary (Tim) Petric of Stow, Ohio, and Annette (Rom) Schroeder of Dublin.

He was preceded in death by his father, Marvin Albert Beck Sr.

The Rev. Stan Icenogle will conduct a funeral service at 11:30 a.m. Friday at Bluff Creek Christian Church, 6286 W. State Road 144, Greenwood. Burial will be at Bluff Creek Cemetery in Greenwood.

Wilson St. Pierre Funeral Service and Crematory, Greenwood Chapel, 481 W. Main St., is handling arrangements.

Online condolences may be sent to the Beck family at www.wilsonstpierre.com.

FRANKLIN

Mary Burns

Mary Burns, 88, died Tuesday, Jan. 30, 2007. She was a resident of Franklin.

She was born July 24, 1918, in Petersburg, the daughter of the late William and Mary (Hunley) Fair.

Survivors include a daughter, Margie (Charles) Penn of Franklin; a son, Richard (Patricia)

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Burns of Milroy; a sister, Lorraine Malford of Beech Grove; three grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Leroy Burns, on July 23, 1996.

She was a member of Edinburgh Christian Church.

A graveside service will be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday at Brownsburg Cemetery. Burns Funeral Home in Milroy is handling arrangements.

INDIANAPOLIS

Maude L. Riley Dilley

Maude L. Riley Dilley, 90, died Tuesday, Jan. 30, 2007. She was a resident of Indianapolis.

Survivors include two daughters, Sue (Wayne) VanFossen of Indianapolis and Lynda (Richard Wright) Riley-Wright of Las Vegas; a son, Dennis Riley of Indianapolis; two brothers, Richard Sipes of Anderson and Dale Sipes of Greenfield; two grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

A service will be conducted at noon Saturday at Singleton Community Mortuary and Memorial Center, 7602 Madison Ave. in Indianapolis. Friends may call from 10 a.m. until service time Saturday at the mortuary. Burial will be at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens in Greenwood.

Information: www.singletonmortuary.com

GREENWOOD

Donald N. Duvall

Donald N. Duvall, 49, died Monday, Jan. 29, 2007. He was a resident of Greenwood.

Survivors include two sons, Christopher and Andrew Duvall, both of Greenwood; his mother, Carolyn A. (Cowherd) Duvall of Indianapolis; two sisters, Suz-

anne M. (Darrell) Mize of New Whiteland and Melinda J. (Alan) Hagenmaier of Indianapolis; and a brother, James E. "Jed" (Darlene) Duvall of Indianapolis.

He was preceded in death by his father, James M. Duvall.

A memorial service will be conducted at 4 p.m. Saturday at Singleton Community Mortuary and Memorial Center, 7602 Madison Ave. in Indianapolis. Friends may call from 2 p.m. until service time Saturday at the mortuary.

Memorial contributions may be made to Indiana University Cancer Center, c/o Indiana University Foundation, P.O. Box 663802, Indianapolis, IN 46266-3802.

Information: www.singletonmortuary.com

INDIANAPOLIS

Alfred E. Pease

Alfred E. Pease, 90, died Monday, Jan. 29, 2007. He was a resident of Indianapolis.

Survivors include four children, Patricia Pease, David Pease, Daniel (Mary) Pease and Samuel (Vicki) Pease; a brother, William Pease; a sister, Phyllis Truemper; and three grandsons.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Lela Pease; and his wife, Georgia Pease.

A service will be conducted at 10 a.m. Friday at Forest Lawn Funeral Home, 1977 S. State Road 135 in Greenwood. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home. Burial will be at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens in Greenwood.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Humane Society of Indianapolis, 7929 Michigan Road, Indianapolis, IN 46268.

EDINBURGH

Richard L. Records

Richard L. Records, 81, passed away in his sleep the morning of Jan. 31, 2007.

This was a man who would rather tell you about God's son than about his own four sons, though he loved them dearly. He considered it an honor to serve our country in World War II, but it meant so much more to him to be a member of Greenwood Christian Church and serve there.

Verses that served as the basis for his life and personal testimony included: "For I resolved to know nothing ... except Jesus Christ and him crucified," (I Corinthians 2:2) and "I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes:

first for the Jew, then for the Gentile." (Romans 1:16)

He was a resident of Edinburg. He was born March 9, 1925, to James L. and Edna (Goble) Records, who preceded him in death. He married Arnola White on Dec. 7, 1947, and she preceded him in death Nov. 4, 2002.

Survivors include four sons, Charles R. Records of Acton, Bruce L. Records of Greenwood, James B. Records of Whiteland and David K. Records of Greenwood; two brothers, Neal Records of Franklin and Carl J. Records of Aiken, S.C.; a sister, Kathleen Smith of Taylorsville; five grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

He graduated from Edinburg High School and attended Indiana Business College.

He served with the U.S. Army during World War II in the Philippines.

He was a member of Greenwood Christian Church and Edinburg American Legion Post 233. He was a member of the Edinburg Town Board from 1968 to 1976 and served as president.

He retired from Records Feed and Implement Store in Edinburg.

The Rev. Shan Rutherford will conduct a service at 11:30 a.m. Saturday at Eskew-Eaton Funeral Home, 302 E. Main Cross St. in Edinburg. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Edinburg American Legion Post 233 will conduct military graveside rites at Rest Haven Cemetery in Edinburg.

Memorial contributions may be made to Greenwood Christian Church, 2045 Averitt Road, Greenwood, IN 46142.

FRANKLIN

Shelvie Jean Sexton

Shelvie Jean Sexton, 63, went home to our Lord on Friday, Jan. 12, 2007, after a long illness. She was born in Lafayette, Tenn., but moved to Franklin when she was a child and resided there until she recently took her final life adventure to live in Florida.

She was a retiree from General Motors Corp. in Indianapolis, where she was a quality inspector.

She is survived by her five children, Robert Goodwin of Plainfield, David Goodwin of Noblesville, Renita Fox of Wesley Chapel, Fla., and Mark Goodwin and Lora Goodwin, both of

Franklin. She is also survived by her nine grandchildren; a great-grandchild; a sister, Sue Bland of Franklin; a niece; and five nephews.

There will be a celebration of life service from noon to 4 p.m. Feb. 10 at Hillview Country Club, 1800 E. King St. in Franklin.

NASHVILLE

Loran White

Loran White, 62, died Tuesday, Jan. 30, 2007, at Hospice of South Central Indiana in Columbus. He was a resident of Nashville.

Survivors include his wife, Lorraine "Lori" (Taylor) White; three children, Terry Joe "T.J." White, Michelle Baker and Daniel Majors; two brothers, Michael (Ruth Ann) White and John Brumett; four sisters, Mary Ann Arthur, Brenda Lanfair, Debbie Cosand and Melinda "Wendy" Martin; 24 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Catherine (Richardson) White; his father, Bernard White; and his stepmother, Anna White.

The Rev. Dean Manuel will conduct a service at 2 p.m. Saturday at Becks Grove Christian Church, 8009 Becks Grove Road in Freetown. Friends may call from 11 a.m. until service time Saturday at the church. Burial will be at Melot Cemetery in Story.

Nathan Butler Funeral Home in Worthington is handling arrangements.

Information: www.forevercare.org

Obituary policy

The Daily Journal will publish free death notices for Johnson County area residents, former residents and close relatives of area residents.

A free death notice contains basic information, including details about visitation and services, memorial contributions and some survivors.

Families who want to include more information or include a photograph can purchase a custom obituary. Additional information may include memberships, employment, education and additional survivors.

The custom obituaries on this page have been paid for.

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Scientists link pollution to heart disease

Study: Grit in air particles poses risk for older women

By JEFF DONN
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOSTON

The fine grit in polluted air boosts the risk of heart disease in older women much more powerfully than scientists realized, a big federally funded study has found, raising questions of whether U.S. environmental standards are strict enough.

The Environmental Protection Agency tightened its daily limit for these tiny specks, known as fine particulates, in September. But it left the average annual limit untouched, allowing a concentration of 15 millionths of a gram for every cubic meter of air.

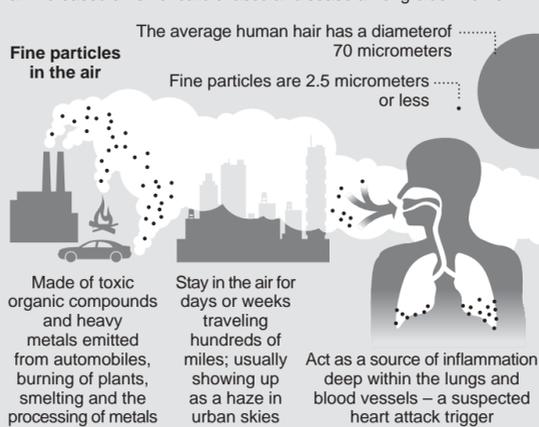
In this study of 65,893 women, the average exposure was 13 units, with two-thirds of the subjects falling under the national standard.

But every increase of 10 units, starting at 0, lifted the risk of fatal cardiovascular disease by about 75 percent. That is several times higher than in a study by the American Cancer Society.

"There was a lot of evidence previously suggesting that the long-term standard should be lower, and this is adding one more study to that evidence," said Douglas Dockery, a pollution specialist at the Harvard School of Public Health.

Air particles increase heart disease risk

A study has found long-term exposure to fine particulates in polluted air increased a risk of cardiovascular disease among older women.



SOURCES: Department of Environmental Quality, Pima County, Arizona; Environmental Protection Agency; New England Journal of Medicine

He wrote an accompanying editorial for the study, which was published in today's New England Journal of Medicine. The University of Washington-based researchers worked from data collected for the Women's Health Initiative, a well-respected research project that previously showed the heart dangers of hormone supplements.

It has long been known that particulates can contribute to lung and heart disease, with women perhaps more susceptible

than men to heart problems, perhaps because of their smaller blood vessels and other biological differences.

But the degree of risk for older women was less clear. This study started with women who had gone through menopause and were 50 to 79 years old.

Unlike earlier studies, it looked not just at deaths, but also at heart attacks, coronary disease, strokes and clogged arteries. These problems were 24 percent more likely with every 10-unit

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Dr. Joel Kaufman

Senior researcher for a study on whether air pollution raises the risk of heart disease

rise in particles. Almost 3 percent of the women suffered some kind of cardiovascular problem.

The risk varied along with the varying levels of these particles in different neighborhoods within the same city.

In their calculations, the researchers tried to adjust for lower income and other health problems that have been blamed for the higher rates of disease in past studies.

"I think the major contribution is answering the critics of the prior studies," said the paper's senior researcher, Dr. Joel Kaufman of the University of Washington. "The effect seems large and important and should be taken seriously."

States and other groups demanding a lower annual standard sued the EPA last year, accusing it of disregarding the advice of its own scientists. Some agency scientists are also pushing for tighter rules on ozone, the chemical that creates smog and contributes to asthma and lung disease.

The EPA is scheduled to take another look at its standard for particulate matter and complete it by 2001.

"It's too soon to say how much weight any single study will have, but this study will be considered as part of this continuous process," said EPA spokesman John Millet.

Dr. Len Horowitz of Lenox Hill Hospital in New York, who was familiar with the findings, said they could create "a bit of a firestorm" for the future review.

The tiny bits of grit are believed to reach deep into the lungs to spur inflammation that promotes heart attack and stroke. They are so small that it would take about 30 to equal the thickness of a human hair.

These particles — made of dust, soot and various chemicals — come from burning fuel in cars, factories, and power plants. While individual particles are too small to see, they can be observed collectively as urban haze.

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