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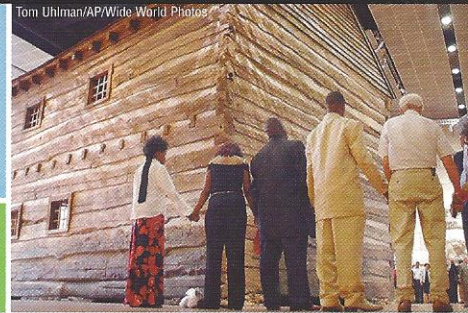
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➤ Due to manufacturing errors, the United States faces a flu vaccine shortage. The U.S. Department of Health reserves vaccinations for those most at risk — people over 65 and infants six to 23 months of age.

➤ In August, the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center opens in Cincinnati, Ohio.

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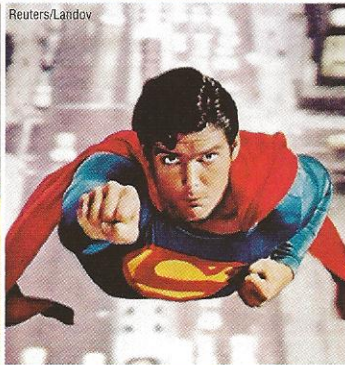


➤ Countries and individuals around the world join together to pledge over \$4 billion in relief for those devastated by the December tsunami disaster.

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➤ Christopher Reeve dies at age 52. Reeve is remembered for his movie role as Superman and as an advocate for spinal cord research after being paralyzed in an accident in 1995.

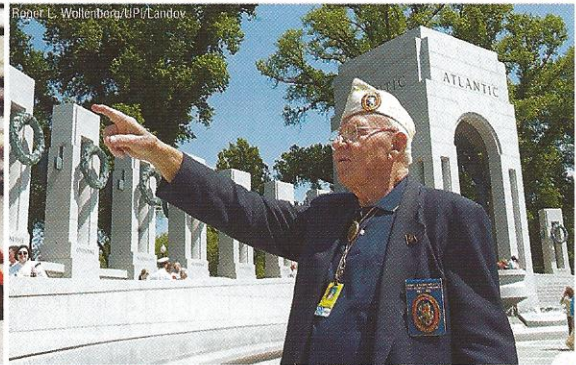
➤ According to the Lance Armstrong Foundation, over 20 million people are wearing the yellow "Livestrong" wristbands that help fund and promote the organization's cancer research.

➤ In September, Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates announces a \$168 million donation to fund malaria research.

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➤ The National World War II Memorial is unveiled in Washington, D.C., in honor of the millions of Americans who served during World War II in the military and on the home front.

➤ A prolonged deployment of over 200,000 U.S. troops to Iraq leaves many families struggling at home.