

MARKETS

The Associated Press

Indianapolis grain

Estimated grain prices Wednesday at Indianapolis-area elevators: Corn: cash \$2.02, March \$2.03. Soybeans: cash \$5.69, March \$5.70. Wheat: \$3.48.

Eastern Cornbelt direct hogs

Eastern Cornbelt Lean Value Direct Hogs report for Wednesday: Trend: Barrows and gilts were \$1.31 higher compared with previous day's close. Base-market carcass basis plant-delivered: 0.9 to 1.1 square inches of back fat, \$45.00-\$56.08; weighted average \$53.71. Net prices, including premiums: 0.9-1.0, \$45.00-\$57.58; 1.0-1.1, \$45.00-\$56.08; 1.1-1.2, \$45.00-\$53.62. Daily movement estimate: 7,623.

Wall Street

NEW YORK — A drop in oil prices and strong earnings at PepsiCo Inc. and Cisco Systems Inc. propelled stocks higher Wednesday, with the Dow Jones industrial average surging more than 100 points. Reports that Pfizer Inc. might sell its consumer products business contributed to the advance.

Wall Street's major indexes built momentum throughout the afternoon, climbing higher as the close neared. But with investors still concerned about interest rates, analysts viewed the market's jump with caution.

"The market was a little oversold," said Russ Koesterich, senior portfolio manager at Barclays Global Investments in San Francisco. "I think this (the run-up) is mostly technical. I don't think you can read too much into it, since there weren't a lot of drivers."

Cisco, which closed up 7.2 percent, led tech and telecom stocks higher after its earnings exceeded analysts' expectations. An upgrade of Dell Inc. also helped the tech sector.

Investors who had lost patience with drug maker Pfizer applauded news it was mulling a sale or spinoff of the consumer business, which includes Listerine mouth wash, Visine eye drops and LubriDerm skin lotion. Its stock rose 5.7 percent.

The Dow rose 108.86, or 1.01 percent, to 10,858.62.

Broader stock indicators were higher. The Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 10.87, or 0.87 percent, to 1,265.65, and the Nasdaq composite index rose 22.02, or 0.98 percent, to 2,266.98.

The indexes moved sharply higher after the S&P 500 pierced 1,260, said Ryan Larson, equity trader at Voyageur Asset Management, a subsidiary of RBC Dain Rauscher. Traders had been seeing 1,260 as a resistance level for the index, a price ceiling that has, in past sessions, triggered a sell-off.

"Once the S&P broke through that, it was kind of a herd mentality. One goes, they all go," Larson said.

Sentiment also improved as crude oil prices declined for the second day. Crude oil settled at \$62.55 a barrel, down 54 cents, on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Crude oil fell \$2.02 a barrel Tuesday.

Bonds fell, with the yield on the 10-year Treasury note at 4.59 percent, up from 4.57 percent late Tuesday. The U.S. dollar rose against other major currencies. Gold prices declined, after hitting a 25-year high earlier this month.

In company news, networking gear provider Cisco Systems rose \$1.31 to \$19.40 after its fiscal second-quarter earnings, excluding one-time items, beat analysts' expectations. In its earnings report, which followed the close of trading Tuesday, the company said its profits dropped, hampered by stock-option expenses, but sales rose on strong business orders.

The stock report after the close of markets Wednesday:

Table with columns: Company, price, change -x. Includes AES Group, AT&T Corp., Alcoa, Allstate, ArvinMeritor, Best Buy, BP Amoco, Cinergy Corp., Comm Health Sys, Cummins, Diageo, Duff & Phelps, Exxon Mobil, Fifth Third Bank, First Indiana Bank, General Electric, General Motors, Guidant, Heartland Bancshrs, IBM, Irwin Bank, KeyCorp, Kimball Int'l CIB, Kroger, Lilly Co., Lincoln Bancorp, Marsh Class B, MainSource, National City Corp., Navistar, Owens-Illinois, PepsiCo, Phelps Dodge, Sara Lee Corp., Schlumberger, Sprint Corp., Third Century Bncp, Vectren, Verizon, Wal-Mart, Walt Disney, WellPoint.

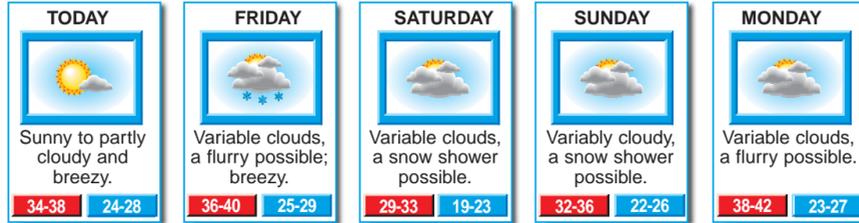
LOTTERIES

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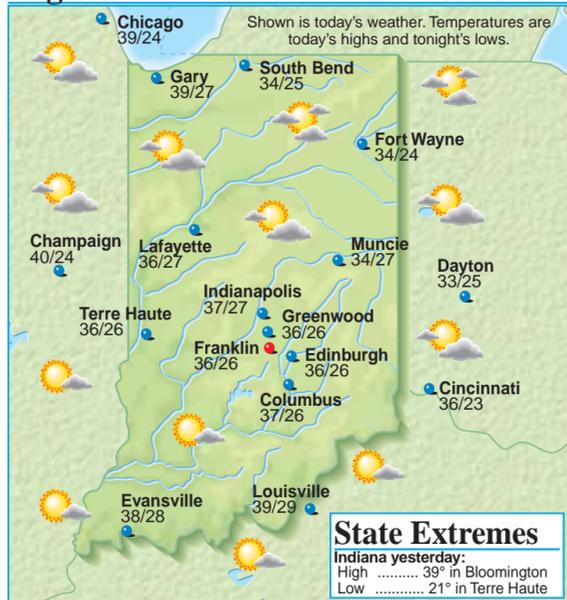
Indiana Daily Three MIDDAY: 8-5-3. Daily Three Evening: 6-0-0. Daily Four MIDDAY: 4-5-4-6. Daily Four Evening: 5-8-7-8. Lucky Five MIDDAY: 5-7-26-30-33. Lucky Five Evening: 4-20-24-28-30. Hoosier Lotto: 5-7-9-26-41-46. Jackpot: \$3 million. Powerball 14-25-32-48-54. Powerball: 10. Power Play: 5. Jackpot: \$210 million.

WEATHER

AccuWeather® five-day forecast for Johnson County



Regional weather



State Extremes

Indiana yesterday: High ..... 39° in Bloomington Low ..... 21° in Terre Haute

Regional summary

Indianapolis/Greenwood: Sunny to partly cloudy and breezy today. Turning cloudy tonight with a bit of snow or flurries that can bring a coating to an inch. Edinburg/Franklin: Sunny to partly cloudy and breezy today. Turning cloudy tonight with a bit of snow or flurries that can bring a coating to an inch.

Today in weather history

On Feb. 9, 1934, the temperature dropped to 11 degrees below zero in Philadelphia and 15 degrees below zero in New York City.

Regional cities

Table with columns: City, Yest. Hi/Lo/W, Fri. Hi/Lo/W, City, Yest. Hi/Lo/W, Fri. Hi/Lo/W. Lists cities like Anderson, Bloomington, Chicago, Cincinnati, Evansville, Fort Wayne, Gary, Indianapolis, Kokomo, Lafayette, Louisville, Muncie, South Bend, Terre Haute.

Sun and moon

Sunrise today ..... 7:44 a.m. Sunset tonight ..... 6:14 p.m. Moonrise today ..... 2:46 p.m. Moonset today ..... 5:54 a.m.

AccuWeather UV Index

Highest Today in Johnson County Values indicate the exposure to the sun's ultraviolet rays.

Weather Trivia

What snowstorm was named after a New York City mayor? The Lindsay storm. February 1966.

Wind Chill Today

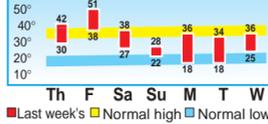
How cold it feels based on temperature and wind speed. 8 a.m. Noon 4 p.m. 13° 22° 29°

Heating Degree Days

Index of energy consumption indicating how many degrees the average temperature was below 65 degrees for the day with negative values counting as zero.

Yesterday ..... 34 Month to date ..... 255 Normal month to date ..... 296

Weekly temperatures



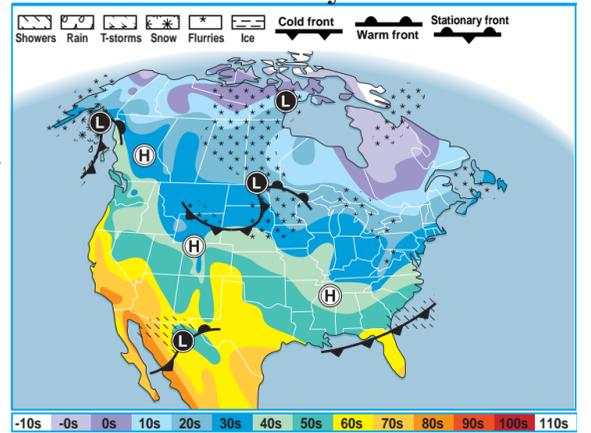
River stages

Table with columns: Station, Fid, Stage, Chg. Lists White River, White River (East Fork), Edinburg.

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Statistics for Indianapolis through 5 p.m. yesterday. Temperature: High 36°, Low 25°, Normal high 38°, Normal low 21°, Record high 68° in 1937, Record low -14° in 1895. Precipitation: 24 hrs. ending 5 p.m. yest. 0.00", Month to date 1.29", Normal month to date 0.64", Year to date 4.59", Normal year to date 3.12".

National weather today



Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day.

National cities

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Weather (w): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, h-ice.

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Carey, West, U2 lead Grammy list • Plates

By NEKESA MUMBI MOODY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES

Mariah Carey ended her 16-year Grammy drought by winning three trophies Wednesday, but her hopes of making Grammy history were smashed as rock gods U2 won four awards, including song of the year for "Sometimes You Can't Make It On Your Own."

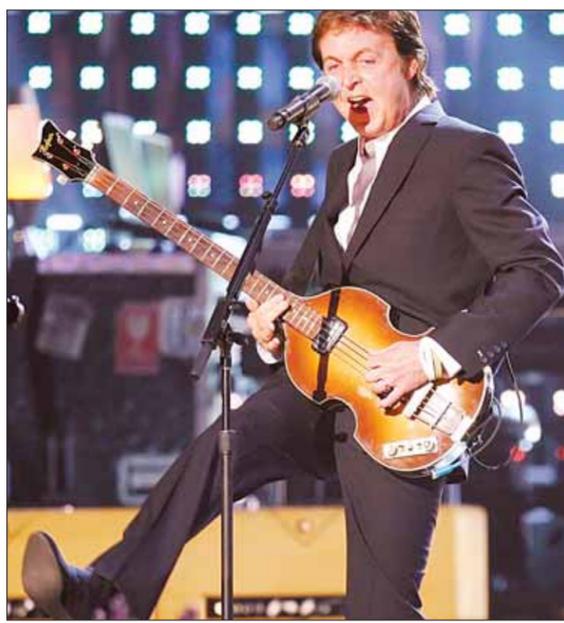
Carey, one of the best-selling artists of all time, hadn't won a Grammy since her first two as a fresh-faced ingenue in 1990. On Wednesday, she was nominated for eight and won three in the pre-telecast ceremony. No woman had ever won more than five in one night.

But she was shut out through most of the televised portion, losing best female pop vocal performance to Kelly Clarkson's triumphant "Since U Been Gone," song of the year to U2 and record of the year to Green Day.

"If you think this is going to go to our head, it's too late," Bono said after the group captured their 19th Grammy.

Kelly Clarkson, who also won best pop album, also helped steal some of Carey's spotlight.

"I'm sorry I'm crying again on national television," said Clarkson, the former "American Idol," tearful and shaking as she held



Paul McCartney performs at the Grammy Awards on Wednesday in Los Angeles.

her first Grammy. "Thank you so much, you have no idea what this means to me."

Carey was considered the year's comeback queen, having overcome personal difficulties and a career slump of a few years ago to

emerge in 2005 with the most popular album of the year.

But Carey's comeback was upstaged, along with everything else, by the appearance of Sly Stone, the mercurial, psychedelic pioneer who disappeared

from the music scene decades ago and hadn't performed in public since 1993.

Toward the end of a sizzling all-star tribute, Stone emerged onstage sporting a tall blond Mohawk and breathed new life into one of his biggest smashes, "I Want To Take You Higher."

Though the tribute was planned, many didn't expect Stone to show up.

Keith Urban was answering questions backstage when Stone's performance began playing on a nearby monitor, and he had to stop talking.

"I think we just got upstaged," Urban said in amazement. "Everything pales in comparison."

Stone's performance was one of the many that upstaged the actual awards, but there were some actually given out during the telecast.

U2 won best rock album for "How to Dismantle an Atomic Bomb." Guitarist The Edge said the award meant a lot to the group, "but even more precious than the awards is the gift you've all afforded us, you've allowed us to continue to make our music."

U2 provided one of the more rousing performances in the jam-packed show as they sung their hit Vertigo, then collaborated with R&B queen Mary J. Blige's gospel-inflected fervor for their classic "One."

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But the In God We Trust plate the BMV would design would be different, Burton said. Customers would not have to pay the \$15 specialty plate fee, so there would be no money donated to a specific church or religious organization.

This year, the bill sailed through the House on a 94-2 vote. Wednesday, the Senate Commerce and Transportation Committee advanced the bill on a 6-1 vote. It now moves to the full Senate for consideration.

Burton showed the Senate committee a mock-up that looked like a normal Indiana plate with the words "In God We Trust" replacing the state's Web site at the bottom of the plate.

Eric Miller, with the conservative group Advance America, said the plates are another opportunity for people to express their beliefs.

"It is voluntary," Miller said. "We think it's a good thing for the state of Indiana to be doing."

No one spoke against the bill, although the Indianapolis Jewish Community Relations Council had testified against it in the House, saying it blurred the line between church and state.

Some senators wondered whether the bill would spur other groups to demand new license plates with other mottos such as "Vote Republican" or "Vote Democrat."

Fund-raiser

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homes and offers interest-free mortgages to families who normally could not afford to buy a home.

Habitat is establishing a county chapter and has selected two Franklin sites to build homes on starting in June.

"It's fun and just a great idea," Duke said. "Little by little, we're trying to get our first build done in June."

The soup bowl idea has sprung up all

over the world since first appearing in Michigan during the early 1990s.

"We're hoping to make it an annual event," said Doug Grant, service learning coordinator at Franklin College, who leads the Habitat group. "It's a pretty simple meal, and you can feel the warmth of the room and have a little community supper while supporting a good cause."

Duke expects to sell 200 to 250 tickets for the event. Community organizations that helped make or decorate bowls include Franklin United Methodist Community, Whiteland Community High School, Clark Elementary School and Franklin Parks and Recreation Department.

Local restaurants and businesses, including Starbuck's and Judi's Kitchen in Franklin and Bonefish Grill and Stone Creek restaurant in Center Grove, are donating soups and food, Duke said.

With all the choices of bowls expected at the fund-raiser, Duke already knows which ones she'll be going after.

Her own blue Colts bowl, her husband's that is painted like a basketball and the smiley face and colored bowls made by her two children, ages 8 and 10.

"Those are the ones I'll want to buy," she said. "They used a lot of colors, so you're getting a rainbow with every bowl of soup. That's what makes them so neat."

IF YOU GO

What: A Leadership Johnson County class is conducting a fund-raiser for Habitat for Humanity where people can buy handmade bowls, fill them with soup and get to know people in the community.

How much: \$15 When: 4 p.m. Feb. 26 Where: Branigan Room at Franklin College

Tickets: Available at all four Heartland Community Bank branches and at the Leadership Johnson County office at Franklin College

For more information: Habitat for Humanity coordinator Doug Grant at 738-8762

Habitat

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since, said Mike Gorman, who is leading the construction project.

"You can see the fire damage from outside, but I was mystified by what I saw when coming in here," Gorman said. "It looked like they just walked away."

A red car sits in the driveway, undrivable after being scorched by the fire. A pantry full of canned goods near a round wooden table can be seen from the front lawn.

Shoes are scattered in what was once a hallway. Charred clothes hang in closets. Stuffed bears, lunchboxes and children's toys remain scattered amid the collapsed walls and blackened floors.

Volunteers will clean out the materials during coming week-

ends, and the Trafalgar Fire Department will tear down the structure, Gorman said.

The 1,100-square-foot home will look similar to what was there before, with three bedrooms, two bathrooms and a two-car garage, he said.

After the fire, homeowner Royce Turner called Habitat about donating the home for a new family to live in.

"We're trying to turn some-

thing that's been so bad for so many people into a positive for the neighborhood," property owner Royce Turner said.

Turner and his wife, who live on the Southside, have owned the home for about 2½ years.

The tenants who lived in the house at the time had been renting it for about eight months, he said.

Since the fire, Turner has lost touch with the woman and several children, he said. They

received aid and shelter from the Red Cross immediately after the fire, but he did not know where they went.

The property was underinsured, and Turner said it wasn't worth rebuilding themselves.

"We're not looking to profit from this, and (we want to) put all the focus on Habitat," he said. "A family lost everything, and we just want someone to benefit from this sad story."