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Center Grove gets past Franklin for first championship since sectional win in 1994.

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### WEATHER



Today

Skies: Cloudy, chance of rain  
Temps: High 54; low 40

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### TODAY'S SCHEDULES

Several government agencies are closed today in honor of Martin Luther King Jr.

### Libraries

Johnson County Public libraries: Open

Greenwood Public Library: Open

Indianapolis-Marion County Libraries: All branches will be closed except the Glendale branch (open 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.) and the Infozone (10 a.m. to 5 p.m.).

### Schools

Franklin Community Schools: Closed

Clark-Pleasant Community Schools: Optional snow day make-up

Center Grove Community Schools: Closed

Nineveh-Hensley-Jackson United Schools: Closed

Greenwood Community Schools: Closed

Our Lady of the Greenwood: Closed

St. Rose of Lima: Optional snow day make-up

### Other closings

The Bureau of Motor Vehicles

All post offices

### Things to do

• Actor Barry Scott will perform "Ain't Got Long to Stay Here" at 7:30 tonight at Franklin College in the Napolitan Student Center. He will take on the persona of eight different characters from the civil rights era.

Scott also will perform at a "Tribute to MLK" at 11 a.m. Tuesday in the Chapel.

Information: 738-8185.

• Visitors who bring one canned good or other non-perishable food item for Gleaners Food Bank will receive free admission for one person at one attraction at White River State Park in Indianapolis.

### DEATHS

Franklin  
Stanley E. Barker, 90  
Greenwood  
Estelle E. Murray, 94  
Morgantown  
Dean M. Ransburg II, 73  
Romilda Wilkening, 51  
Indianapolis  
Nola Jean Brown, 73  
Mary "Betty" Harrison, 77

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NFL PLAYOFFS

# Colts squander second chances

## Dungy: 'We have to use this disappointment as incentive to get back here next year'



Pittsburgh Steelers coach Bill Cowher talks to Colts quarterback Peyton Manning following the Steelers' 21-18 upset victory against Indianapolis on Sunday at the RCA Dome. The loss ended the Colts' Super Bowl hopes for the season.

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### INDIANAPOLIS

From resignation to elation to supreme disappointment.

The final two minutes of the Colts' 21-18 playoff loss to Pittsburgh on Sunday at the RCA Dome didn't lack for waves of emotion, even if the ending wasn't what Indianapolis fans had in mind.

Despite winning their first 13 games and setting an all-time franchise mark with a 14-3 record, the Colts again came up short in the playoffs, falling at home to

the Steelers in the AFC divisional round and blowing the home-field advantage they had worked four months to secure.

"It's disappointing to have a regular season like we had and put yourself in this position and not finish it off," Indianapolis coach Tony Dungy said. "We have to use this disappointment as incentive to get back here next year."

The ending overshadowed a 15-point comeback in the fourth quarter that appeared to have the Colts headed at least for overtime. A boisterous crowd of 57,449 had few highlights to cheer until Indy's passing game found a rhythm late.

The Steelers, the sixth and final seed in the AFC playoffs who won last week in the wild-card round at Cincinnati, raced to a 14-0 first-quarter lead and never trailed. Their early lead was enough to nullify the Colts' home-field and noise advantage for most of the game after volume that had flustered Pittsburgh during a regular-season loss in the dome.

"Pittsburgh came in and played inspired football," Dungy said. "They got the jump on us early and were able to play their style of ball."

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## Lottery-ticket holders almost missed finale

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Rich Trivett and his family almost missed the Indianapolis Colts' furious fourth-quarter rally.

With about five and a half minutes remaining, they had walked out of the RCA Dome after watching Indianapolis Colts quarterback Peyton Manning get intercepted by the Steelers' Troy Polamalu.

But Trivett didn't know Colts

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Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger leaves the field following Pittsburgh's 21-18 victory against the Colts.

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## Colts fans say 'we'll be better off next year'

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If football fans thought Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger had it tough at the RCA Dome on Sunday, try being the lone Pittsburgh follower in a Buffalo Wild Wings packed with Hoosiers sporting Colts blue.

Homefield advantage extended past the team's astroturf.

John Neuham, decked out in his yellow jersey, took jeers everytime

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# Vets recall biggest battle

## Local men share stories of pivotal struggle in France

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Nearly every day of January 1945, a Greenwood man crouched in his foxhole to fight the Battle of the Bulge.

Loren Hewitt said he had no fire, light or way to keep warm in constant snow he compared to the 1978 Indiana blizzard. Cooks brought hot meals to the trenches that would quickly turn cold in the freezing conditions.

Hewitt's experience in the largest battle ever fought by U.S. military forces echoed other local World War II veterans who shared their stories Saturday during Meet the Vets Day at the Johnson County Museum of History in Franklin.

Whiteland resident Hugh Ross led the discussion, which was part of the "12 Days of Christmas with the U.S. Army in Europe" exhibit, showcased through Jan. 21.

Ross organized the free exhibit and activities with Chris Schneider, an Army veteran and historian of Veterans of the Battle of the Bulge central Indiana Chapter 47. Models, videos, photos and memorabilia illustrate the 1940s era and pivotal battle that helped end the war.

"The means to find peace is to have knowledge in history, so we can prevent mistakes made before," said Ross, who's hosted the exhibit at local libraries since 2000.

The navy veteran was 18 years old at an Illinois boot camp when the critical battle in France took place.

In six weeks, American casualties nearly equaled total losses in the Pacific from December 1941 to September 1945. More than 86,000 troops died in the battle, which lasted from Dec. 16 to Jan. 25, Schneider said. Among those soldiers were ones trained at Camp Atterbury.

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Loren Hewitt shared his stories about fighting in the Battle of the Bulge, the largest battle ever fought by U.S. military forces during Meet the Vets Day at the Johnson County Museum on Saturday.

Tim Six, left, a recent Greenwood Community High School graduate, shoots skeet at Johnson County Park with friend Eric Jackson during winter break.



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## Greenwood grad adjusting to life at Purdue

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Purdue University has turned into a much larger Greenwood Community High School for one graduate.

Everywhere Tim Six turns, he

knows someone. And he's only finished one semester. He still has four and a half more years to get to know the whole campus.

"No matter where I'm at, I feel like I know someone," he said.

Six, 19, kept busy his first semester and rarely felt the urge to come back home to his familiar life in Greenwood.

One point of the semester where he faced difficulty was when he and his girlfriend, Carli Clements, broke up because of the 2,000 miles that separate them for their five years in college.

Already involved with the Air Force and the presidential leadership

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