

# • Grad

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class, the college freshman joined Campus Crusade for Christ and landed a spot in Joshua House, which is a Christian campus house. He'll move out of his small dorm room he shared with his longtime friend and put his stuff into a new room in the middle of the campus. The house is similar to a fraternity without the alcohol, and he'll now have 17 roommates.

Getting in was tough and required filling out page after page of an application and a one-and-a-half-hour interview, but he's looking forward to the experience. Six is still studying to become a missionary pilot in Africa, but found it might take a little longer to enter the career of his dreams. He needs flight experience, something many pilots get with commercial or corporate planes.

His plan is to gain that experience in the Air Force. Though he hasn't enlisted yet, his plan is to spend 10 years with the military and then move on to his career goal. The opportunity not only allows him to gain experience, but also to serve his country, get paid and fly fighter jets, he said.

For now, he is focusing on school and making friends, which comes easily for the outgoing, upbeat teen. He likes school and has earned five A's and two B's so far, though he's pretty sure one of those B's should be an A, he said.

He also enjoys Campus Crusade activities, which include attending church and watching movies or playing capture the flag on weekend nights. The time he spends with friends there is more exciting than going out and getting drunk, he said.

"So many kids drink (at Purdue), but we can do fun stuff without that," he said.

More than 400 kids show up for the activities nearly every weekend, and it's impossible not to run into some of them on campus. He's met a lot of good friends and is enjoying himself.

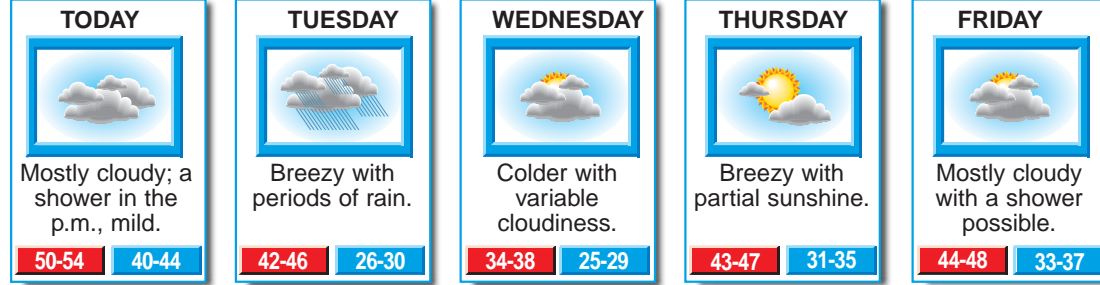
And he's decided not to worry about women for a little while.

He's got his private pilot's license now and is ready to move onto his next semester, where he will be taking 20 credit hours and flying more.

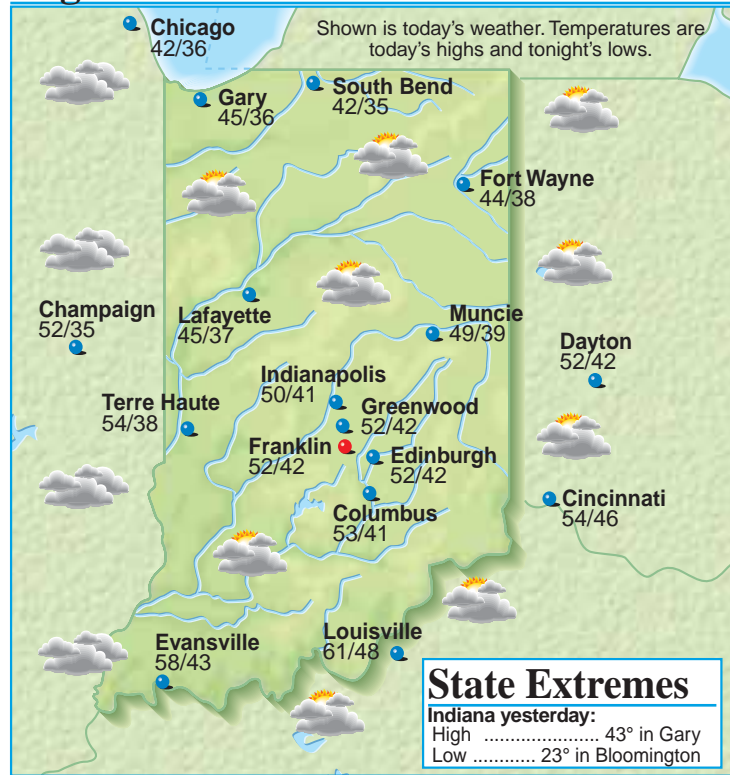
"I've got plenty going on right now," he said.

# WEATHER

## AccuWeather® five-day forecast for Johnson County



## Regional weather



## Regional summary

**Indianapolis/Greenwood:** Mostly cloudy today with a milder afternoon; an evening shower in a few spots. Some rain tonight.  
**Edinburgh/Franklin:** Mostly cloudy today; milder in the afternoon with a shower in a few locations. Occasional rain tonight.

## Today in weather history™

A mass of bitterly cold air surged into the United States on Jan. 16, 1977, dropping temperatures to record lows, including -19 degrees at Chicago, Ill.

## Regional cities

City	Yest. Hi/Lo/W	Tues. Hi/Lo/W	City	Yest. Hi/Lo/W	Tues. Hi/Lo/W
Anderson	42/24/sh	46/28/r	Indianapolis	43/23/sh	46/26/r
Bloomington	44/23/pc	45/28/r	Kokomo	44/28/pc	45/27/r
Chicago	44/27/pc	38/24/r	Lafayette	45/23/pc	42/26/r
Cincinnati	43/24/pc	48/30/r	Louisville	45/24/sh	49/30/t
Evansville	42/24/pc	44/27/r	Muncie	43/24/pc	46/28/r
Fort Wayne	39/25/pc	42/28/r	South Bend	41/24/pc	39/27/r
Gary	44/28/sh	38/26/r	Terre Haute	43/24/pc	42/26/r

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## Almanac

Forecasts and graphics provided by AccuWeather, Inc. ©2006 Statistics for Indianapolis through 5 p.m. yesterday.

**Temperature**  
High ..... 40°  
Low ..... 23°  
Normal high ..... 34°  
Normal low ..... 18°  
Record high ..... 66° in 1932  
Record low ..... -17° in 1972

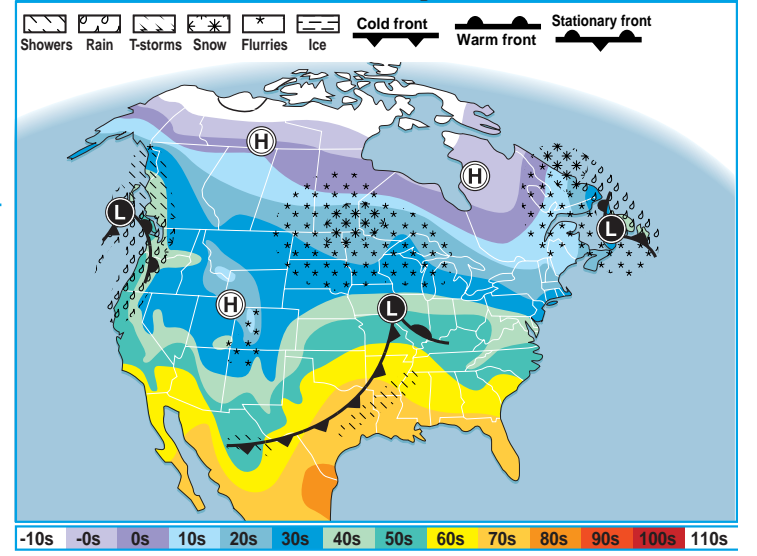
**Precipitation**  
24 hrs. ending 5 p.m. yest. .... 0.00"  
Month to date ..... 1.68"  
Normal month to date ..... 1.20"  
Year to date ..... 1.68"  
Normal year to date ..... 1.20"

**Wind**  
Average dir./speed .. SSE at 11.3 mph  
Highest speed ..... 15

**Humidity**  
Yesterday's average ..... 73%  
Today's average ..... 69%

**Air quality**  
**Indianapolis** Source: IAPC  
Yesterday ..... 41  
0-50, Good; 51-100, Moderate; 101-151, Unhealthy (sens. grps.); 151-200, Unhealthy

## National weather today



## National cities

City	Yest. Hi/Lo/W	Tues. Hi/Lo/W	City	Yest. Hi/Lo/W	Tues. Hi/Lo/W
Albany, NY	26/8/sf	33/31/i	Houston	73/47/c	55/36/pc
Atlanta	56/30/pc	58/32/t	Jacksonville	63/33/s	77/47/pc
Atlantic City	33/24/sf	46/43/r	Kansas City	65/46/pc	38/20/pc
Baltimore	41/26/pc	45/41/r	Las Vegas	57/43/sh	59/39/s
Boston	38/17/sn	38/34/pc	Los Angeles	62/42/s	72/48/s
Buffalo	20/14/sf	41/35/r	Louisville	45/24/sh	49/30/t
Burlington, VT	22/3/sf	27/26/pc	Memphis	50/32/pc	43/29/r
Champaign	43/24/pc	39/23/r	Miami	68/48/s	81/67/pc
Charleston, SC	61/32/s	72/53/pc	Milwaukee	39/30/pc	38/24/sn
Cheyenne	53/34/pc	36/24/pc	Minneapolis	40/30/pc	24/12/sf
Chicago	44/27/pc	38/24/r	Nashville	49/23/sh	50/28/t
Cleveland	34/26/sn	46/33/r	New Orleans	65/41/pc	57/39/t
Columbia, SC	60/28/pc	70/47/t	New York	35/24/sf	42/40/r
Columbus, GA	59/32/pc	63/36/t	Philadelphia	34/24/pc	44/40/r
Dallas	68/53/sh	52/32/s	Phoenix	65/53/pc	64/39/s
Denver	59/37/pc	43/22/pc	St. Louis	53/30/pc	40/24/t
Des Moines	58/35/pc	36/17/c	Salt Lake City	38/30/i	40/28/pc
Detroit	33/21/c	40/32/r	San Francisco	53/42/pc	57/49/pc
El Paso	70/43/pc	52/29/s	Seattle	47/37/pc	48/40/sh
Fairbanks	-24/-30/pc	-4/-23/pc	Tampa	63/42/pc	75/57/pc
Honolulu	81/67/s	81/69/sh	Washington, DC	43/27/pc	45/40/r

## Sun and moon

Sunrise today ..... 8:03 a.m.  
Sunset tonight ..... 5:46 p.m.  
Moonrise today ..... 8:01 p.m.  
Moonset today ..... 9:39 a.m.

Jan 22 Jan 29 Feb 5 Feb 12

## AccuWeather UV Index™

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

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11+

## Weather Trivia™

The sun is closest to the Earth during which month: July or January?

## Wind Chill Today

How cold it feels based on temperature and wind speed.

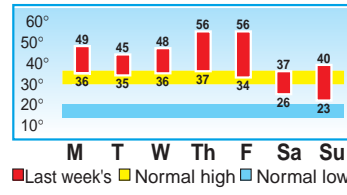
8 a.m. 26° Noon 41° 4 p.m. 53°

## 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 ..... 33  
Month to date ..... 362  
Normal month to date ..... 574

## Weekly temperatures



## River stages

Fl: flood stage. Stage: in feet at 7 a.m.  
Sunday, Chg: change in previous 24 hours.

Station	Flid	Stage	Chg
<b>White River</b>			
Mooreville	9	9.88	-0.28
<b>White River (East Fork)</b>			
Edinburgh	12	7.40	-1.60

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# • Fans

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he stood up in the southside restaurant.

"He's shunned," joked Bobby Welp of Noblesville. "We don't talk to him."

Hopes for a 2006 Superbowl appearance ended with a game in which Colts fans said the defense and offense didn't match up.

"We'll be better off next year," said Christopher Saba of Indianapolis. "After the half, it didn't look like we had a chance. The whole team had an off day."

Fans found solace with fellow Colts faithfuls and food. A waitress said Buffalo Wild Wings was at capacity, with some fans opting to sit on pool tables. Greenwood bar/restaurant John Wayne's Pub and Eatery reportedly served more than 100 fans and All of Just Wing'n It's seats were taken.

Sitting with his fantasy football buddies, Greenwood resident Matt Nichols called the game early with the Colts by 10. His buddies said Nichols was the right person to ask on predicting game outcomes.

"I don't like to brag or anything," Nichols said, "but I've won the Superbowl for the second time in three years."

After the third quarter, he wanted a chance to revise his prediction when the Colts were down 21-3.

One fan made people rub her blue horseshoe for good luck.

"I'm a really, really huge fan," Joanie Haskell of Indianapolis said. "I've always been a big fan. This season was fun because of people jumping (on) the bandwagon. We cheered louder."

# LOTTERIES

Here are the winning numbers selected over the weekend:

- Indiana**  
**Sunday**  
Daily Three: 4-3-9.  
Daily Four: 0-0-9-3.  
Lucky Five: 12-15-21-30-34.  
**Saturday**  
Hoosier Lotto: 9-11-27-29-39-45.  
Jackpot: \$25.5 million. (At least one winner. New jackpot: \$1 million.)  
Daily Three Midday: 9-9-0.  
Daily Three Evening: 3-0-2.  
Daily Four Midday: 3-9-8-1.  
Daily Four Evening: 0-9-0-9.  
Lucky Five Midday: 8-11-30-32-34.  
Lucky Five Evening: 7-14-16-24-33.  
**Powerball**  
6-14-40-46-49. Powerball: 17. Power Play: 5. Jackpot: \$77 million. (No winner. New jackpot: \$87 million.)

# Analysts fear deficits endangering nation's economic prospects

By JEANNINE AVERSA  
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## WASHINGTON

Like a person packing on pounds, the United States keeps adding to its flabby budget deficits, endangering the nation's economic health and the pocket-books of ordinary Americans.

Here's the worry: Persistent deficits will lead to higher borrowing costs for consumers and companies, slowing economic activity.

As Uncle Sam seeks to borrow ever more to finance those deficits, rates on Treasury securities would rise to entice investors. That would push up other interest rates, such as home mortgages, many auto loans, some home equity lines of credit and some credit cards.

"That's the pocketbook risk to the American consumer," said Greg McBride, a senior financial analyst at Bankrate.com, an online financial service.

For businesses, rates on corporate bonds would climb. It would become more expensive to borrow to pay for new plants and equipment and other capital investments.

With a succession of budget deficits, "you do expect to see higher interest rates. Where we fight about this is over how big the effects are. But they are definitely there," said James Feyler, assistant economics professor at Dartmouth College.

The government's budget deficit last year was \$319 billion. While smaller than the record \$413 billion in 2004, it still was the third-highest ever.

A White House budget official now predicts that the deficit in the current budget year will top \$400 billion, pushed up by the costs of the Gulf Coast hurricanes. The red ink is expected to keep flowing for years.

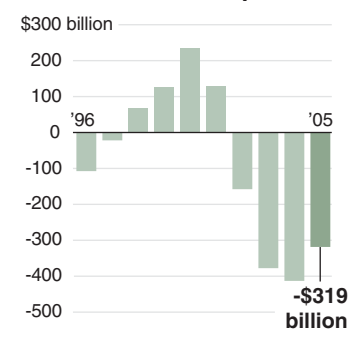
The nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office forecasts deficits every year through 2015; that is as far out as the office projects. The White House forecast, which runs to 2010, also expects annual shortfalls.

"The budget deficit is like gaining weight. You are not really aware of it until at some point, all of a sudden you can't do what you want to do because you are heav-

## Budget bulge

An estimate released by a White House budget official Jan. 12 says the federal deficit for 2006 could top \$400 billion.

## Federal deficit or surplus



SOURCE: United States Treasury Department AP

ier. Interest rates go up and slow things down," said Brian Bethune, economist at Global Insight. "Then you go to your check up and the doctor tells you, 'You got to lose 25 pounds.'"

America's economic doctor is Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan.

Greenspan, who retires Jan. 31 after 18-plus years at the central bank, repeatedly has urged Congress and the Bush administration to get the country's financial house in order.

Bloated budget deficits, if not curbed, could endanger the economy over the long term, Greenspan warned. Increased government borrowing would drive up interest rates and weigh down economic activity.

"In the end, the consequences for the U.S. economy of doing nothing could be severe," he said recently.

The looming retirement of 78 million baby boomers will put massive strains on the country's finances, Greenspan said.

In 2008, the oldest of the boomers will reach 62, the earliest age at which they can tap Social Security retirement benefits. Three years after that, in 2011, they will reach 65 and become eligible for Medicare.

Ben Bernanke, chosen by President Bush to succeed Greenspan, also believes the situation is troubling and that the deficits need to be controlled.

# • Battle

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The media commemorates the Japanese attack of Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7 and the invasion of Normandy on June 6.

Schneider said the public knows little about the battle when the U.S. army defeated

# • Finale

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coach Tony Dungy had challenged the play and that the interception had been overturned.

"I didn't think they had a chance (to make a comeback)," said Trivett, a Johnson County resident who won the Colts play-off ticket lottery earlier this month and attended the game with his wife and two sons. "We were out of the stadium. Then we heard what happened and walked right back in."

Trivett and his family watched the rest of Pittsburgh's 21-18 win against Indianapolis on Sunday afternoon.

They watched as the Colts mounted a furious fourth-quarter

German forces following a surprise attack because of the lack of coverage.

OJ Sloop of Bargersville crossed the Rhine River with the 78th Infantry Division. He didn't know much about the battle and remembers it was a frightening time.

"There was a constant barrage overhead," Sloop said. "You got used to knowing when to get out of the foxhole and when to get

back in. I was thankful to get out of it."

Every chance Franklin resident Richard Russell got, he changed his socks.

Russell served with the 7th Armored Division, one of the first outfits to enter the battle.

"A lot of my buddies froze their feet. It wasn't a fun place," Russell said, who entered the battle fresh from basic training. "I was scared; so was everybody else."

rally, but saw it fall short after kicker Mike Vanderjagt's 46-yard field goal attempt sailed wide right with just seconds remaining.

"I thought Vanderjagt would hit it," Trivett said. "He's so clutch. He's one of the best kickers in the NFL."

"A (46)-yard field goal is like a chip shot for him."

Trivett's tickets were in the upper level in Section 343, which were around some rowdy Steelers and Colts fans. But that didn't stop his eldest son, 22-year-old Brian, from yelling and rooting for the Colts.

"I'm kind of hoarse," Brian said afterwards. "I was screaming a whole lot. But it didn't help."

His other son, 19-year-old Robbie, was disappointed since they had tickets for the potential AFC Championship game. But he said the loss shouldn't be pinned on Vanderjagt.

"There were a lot of other plays that made the difference," he said. "That's one of the most exciting games I've ever been at."

Trivett credited the Steelers' defense for blitzing Manning and putting pressure on him all afternoon.

"I've never seen Peyton off his game as much as today," he said. "They took him out of his game. (The Colts) had a bad first quarter. They just got outplayed."

Although Trivett doesn't have any answers to solve Indianapolis' playoff problems, he expects the Colts to make the playoffs again next season.

"As bad as we played, we still had a chance to win," Trivett said. "But we're still young. We'll be all right for next year. But why we can't get past the playoff hump, I don't know."

not going in," Manning said.

Pittsburgh sacked Manning five times and nearly intercepted him on a rolling catch by safety Troy Polamalu in the fourth quarter that was overturned by Dungy's instant-replay challenge.

Manning finished 22 of 38 passing for 290 yards and a touchdown, but looked as flustered and off-target with his throws as he had all season.

"We had some — I'm trying to be a good teammate — let's just say we had some problems with protection," Manning said afterward. "Pittsburgh gave us some problems with the blitz and rush. Let's just say we had some protection problems."

Vanderjagt took off his helmet with both hands and slammed it into the turf, drawing a 15-yard unsportsmanlike conduct penalty that had no bearing on the outcome.

Wayne led the Colts with seven catches for 97 yards and also hauled in a 2-point conversion by dragging his feet in the back corner of the end zone to pull Indy within a field goal late.

Tight end Dallas Clark raced 50 yards with a touchdown as part of a four-catch, 84-yard day.

Running back Edgerrin James

had the first Colts touchdown of the fourth quarter on a 3-yard burst. He was held in check with 13 carries for 56 yards and five catches for 26 yards.

Dungy was somber but hopeful for next season after the loss. He missed the Colts' next-to-last regular season game while handling the death of his 18-year-old son James in suburban Tampa, Fla., but returned a week later.

"I'm very disappointed right now. I'm proud of this team because they handled every trial thrown at them," he said. "I thought the Lord's hand was on this team."

"It's disappointing because you know how hard it is to get to this point and we have to work a little bit harder next year."

Manning said the loss will mar an otherwise outstanding season. "We played really well this year in a number of games in September, October and November, but certainly these past two games, we have not," he said. "Two teams have come in here and outplayed us in San Diego and Pittsburgh."

"That's disappointing because you would like to be playing your best football in December and January, and we can't say that."

# • Colts

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The Colts appeared finished when the Steelers' James Farrior and Joey Porter combined to sack Peyton Manning at the Colts' 18-yard line on a fourth-and-16 with 1:20 to play with a 21-18 lead.

One play later, however, Indianapolis linebacker Gary Brackett gave the Colts a lift and a chance.

He dislodged the ball from Pittsburgh's Jerome Bettis, and cornerback Nick Harper returned the fumble 35 yards to the Indy 42 with 1:01 to play.

Manning moved the Colts down to the Steeler 28, but couldn't convert a third-and-2, misfiring on a pass to Reggie Wayne.

Finally, befitting a game full of unusual Colts errors, normally reliable kicker Mike Vanderjagt badly shanked his 46-yard field goal attempt wide right, sealing the loss.

"It's one play; it's not the reason the Colts didn't win this game, but it kind of lets you know it's over when you see it