

# NOTEBOOKS

## Sibling rivalry

Josh Malitski constantly checked his watch. "Don't worry, we'll make the game on time," Ted Brynn said. Kickoff was in an hour, and Malitski and Brynn were finishing dinner at Rock Bottom Brewery a few blocks away from the RCA Dome in downtown Indianapolis.

Malitski, 36, is a Patriots fan but decided not to wear any New England gear.

His brother-in-law, Brynn, drove from East Lansing, Mich., to attend the game with Malitski, who is a faculty member at Indiana University in Bloomington.

The two sat at a table near the main bar with Scott Collevecchio and Collevecchio's fiancée, Katie Wells, both of whom are Colts fans. Malitski and Brynn finally left for the game at 5:55 p.m. with parting words for their friends. "Good luck," Malitski said. "I think you might need it."

As the game started, Colts fans in the bar began to chant. "Let's go Colts! Super Bowl! Super Bowl!"

They rose to their feet and cheered on the defense on a fourth and inches for New England with nine minutes remaining in the first quarter. Patriots running back Corey Dillon raced 35 yards down the field, quieting the crowd.

A few plays later, Colts fans jumped to their feet again as Laurence Maroney fumbled a handoff from Tom Brady. "Get it," Collevecchio yelled at one of the dozen TV sets in view. The ball bounced around but found its way into the arms of Patriots offensive lineman Logan Mankins for a touchdown.

"No way. You've got to be kidding me," a dejected Wells said. A phone call from Malitski, undoubtedly to boast, went unanswered. Things got worse for Collevecchio and Wells when Dillon scored a touchdown, running untouched into the end zone.

Down 14-3, some of the Colts fans were noticeably nervous. A few minutes later, nervousness turns into despair as Asante Samuel intercepted a Peyton Manning pass and returned it for a touchdown.

Collevecchio threw his hat in disgust. Wells buried her hands in her face. Again Malitski called. And again, no one answered.

## Work of art

Jason Montgomery woke up at 7 a.m. Sunday. Kickoff for the AFC Championship Game wasn't for another 11 hours, but preparations for "the biggest game of my life" were enough to get Montgomery out of bed and ready to go.



Montgomery, 28, packed up his truck with a portable fire pit, a small grill, a cooler and 10 pounds of meat. He and his wife, Tanya, made the two-hour drive from Paris Crossing and arrived at their parking spot roughly 300 yards from the RCA Dome at noon. Before the couple left for the game, Jason Montgomery got his face painted, a ritual he does for every big game.

Jason's shaved head was an easy-to-handle canvas for Tanya Montgomery, who painted his face and head white and then added a blue horseshoe on the top of his head.

"It takes about two hours to get it perfectly right," she said. After they arrived in the parking lot west of Lucas Oil Stadium, the cold wreaked havoc on Jason Montgomery's face paint. What once was a pristine white face now had cracks.

"It's not a problem," he said. "We're going to touch it up like every hour."

When asked why not just wait until they are ready to leave the parking lot for the game to repaint his face, Jason Montgomery provided the rationale.

"If we did that, then all the other fans wouldn't be able to appreciate my wife's fine art work."

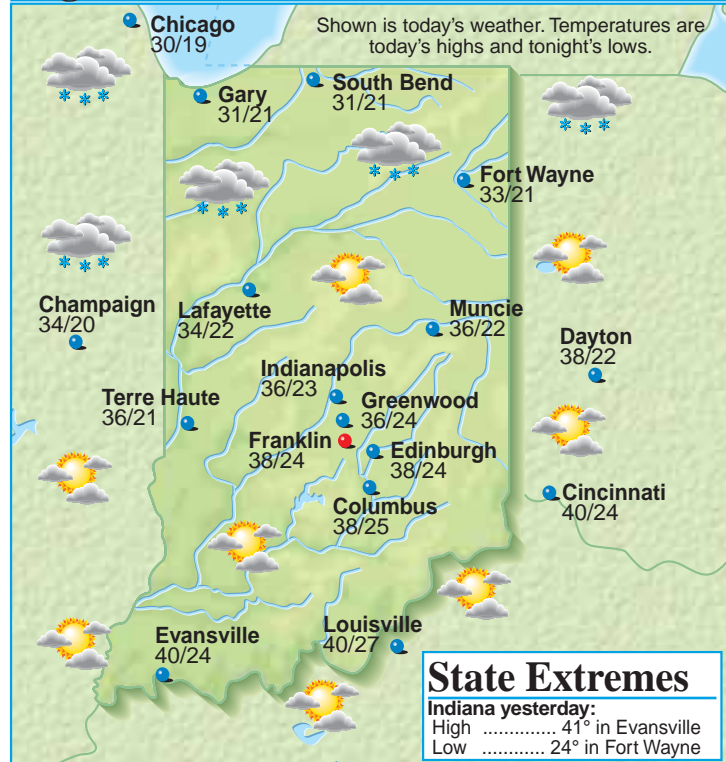
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# WEATHER

## AccuWeather® five-day forecast for Johnson County

| TODAY                                   | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY                               | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY                       |
|---|---|---|--|------------------------------|
| Times of clouds and sun.<br>36-40 22-26 | Morning flurries; otherwise, some sun.<br>29-33 22-26 | Considerable cloudiness.<br>35-39 20-24 | Rather cloudy, snow showers; windy, colder.<br>25-29 15-19 | Partly sunny.<br>30-34 15-19 |

## Regional weather



### State Extremes

Indiana yesterday:  
High ..... 41° in Evansville  
Low ..... 24° in Fort Wayne

## Regional summary

**Indianapolis/Greenwood:** Clouds and sun today. Mainly cloudy tonight. A couple of flurries tomorrow morning; otherwise, clouds and sun. Wednesday: Mostly cloudy.  
**Edinburg/Franklin:** Clouds and sun today. Mostly cloudy tonight. A couple of flurries tomorrow morning; otherwise, clouds and sun. Wednesday: Mostly cloudy.

## Today in weather history™

A record 17.4-inch snowfall on Jan. 22, 1902, in Buffalo, N.Y., was dwarfed by 30 inches in Philadelphia, Pa., on Jan. 8, 1996.

## Regional cities

| City        | Yest. Hi/Lo/W | Tues. Hi/Lo/W | City         | Yest. Hi/Lo/W | Tues. Hi/Lo/W |
|-------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| Anderson    | 34/23/sn      | 29/20/sf      | Indianapolis | 35/27/i       | 30/23/sf      |
| Bloomington | 37/29/sn      | 34/24/sf      | Kokomo       | 36/28/sn      | 29/18/sf      |
| Chicago     | 31/26/sn      | 28/25/c       | Lafayette    | 34/28/sn      | 29/25/sf      |
| Cincinnati  | 36/27/sn      | 34/24/sf      | Louisville   | 42/31/i       | 36/30/sf      |
| Evansville  | 41/32/r       | 35/27/pc      | Muncie       | 33/25/sf      | 27/25/sf      |
| Fort Wayne  | 28/24/sn      | 32/21/c       | South Bend   | 30/24/sn      | 26/22/sf      |
| Gary        | 32/26/sn      | 29/24/sf      | Terre Haute  | 37/29/sn      | 32/25/sf      |

## Sun and moon

Sunrise today ..... 8:00 a.m.  
Sunset tonight ..... 5:52 p.m.  
Moonrise today ..... 10:10 a.m.  
Moonset today ..... 10:14 p.m.  
First Full Last New  
Jan 25 Feb 2 Feb 10 Feb 17

## 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+

Low Moderate High Very High Extreme

## Weather Trivia™

Do all snow flakes have six sides?  
Yes. This is due to the structure of a water molecule.

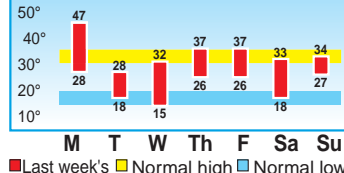
## Wind Chill Today

How cold it feels based on temperature and wind speed.  
8 a.m. Noon 4 p.m.  
26° 28° 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 ..... 595  
Normal month to date ..... 808

## Weekly temperatures



■ Last week's ■ Normal high ■ Normal low

## River stages

Fid: flood stage. Stage: in feet at 7 a.m.  
Sunday. Chg: change in previous 24 hours.  
Station Fid Stage Chg  
**White River**  
Mooreville 9 8.77 -0.19  
**White River (East Fork)**  
Edinburgh 12 5.66 -0.27

## AccuWeather.com Almanac

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Statistics for Indianapolis through 5 p.m. yesterday.

**Temperature**  
High ..... 34°  
Low ..... 27°  
Normal high ..... 34°  
Normal low ..... 18°  
Record high ..... 68° in 1906  
Record low ..... -21° in 1984

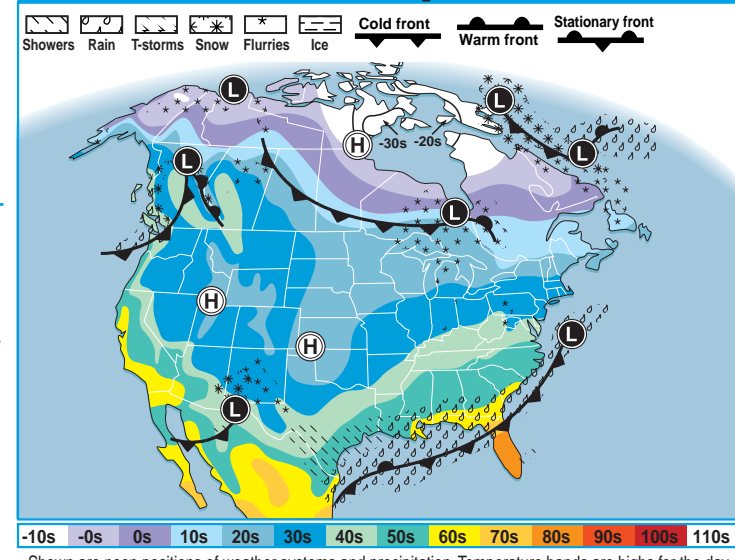
**Precipitation**  
24 hrs. ending 5 p.m. yest. .... 0.27"  
Month to date ..... 4.24"  
Normal month to date ..... 1.68"  
Year to date ..... 4.24"  
Normal year to date ..... 1.68"

**Wind**  
Average dir./speed ..... S at 7.8 mph  
Highest speed ..... 16

**Humidity**  
Yesterday's average ..... 90%  
Today's average ..... 81%

**Air quality**  
**Indianapolis** Source: IAPC  
Yesterday ..... 25  
0-50, Good; 51-100, Moderate; 101-151, Unhealthy (sens. grps.); 151-200, Unhealthy

## National weather today



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

## National cities

| City           | Yest. Hi/Lo/W | Tues. Hi/Lo/W | City           | Yest. Hi/Lo/W | Tues. Hi/Lo/W |
|----------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|
| Albany, NY     | 22/6/pc       | 34/16/c       | Houston        | 62/47/sh      | 47/38/r       |
| Atlanta        | 46/41/r       | 50/33/pc      | Jacksonville   | 74/41/c       | 60/40/c       |
| Atlantic City  | 33/18/pc      | 43/24/s       | Kansas City    | 36/30/sn      | 33/23/pc      |
| Baltimore      | 31/19/sn      | 40/24/s       | Las Vegas      | 50/39/pc      | 57/35/s       |
| Boston         | 30/12/pc      | 36/24/sf      | Los Angeles    | 68/45/s       | 74/47/s       |
| Buffalo        | 22/7/sn       | 32/23/sn      | Louisville     | 42/31/r       | 36/30/sf      |
| Burlington, VT | 16/-1/pc      | 28/13/sf      | Memphis        | 48/37/r       | 49/31/pc      |
| Champaign      | 34/26/sn      | 30/23/pc      | Miami          | 80/70/pc      | 82/65/pc      |
| Charleston, SC | 62/39/pc      | 57/34/pc      | Milwaukee      | 31/20/sn      | 27/23/c       |
| Cheneyne       | 24/21/sn      | 44/14/pc      | Minneapolis    | 27/18/sn      | 25/10/sn      |
| Chicago        | 31/26/sn      | 28/25/c       | Nashville      | 47/36/r       | 44/30/pc      |
| Cleveland      | 27/14/sn      | 29/24/sf      | New Orleans    | 71/60/r       | 53/45/c       |
| Columbia, SC   | 52/38/r       | 55/30/pc      | New York       | 32/21/pc      | 37/29/pc      |
| Columbus, GA   | 60/45/r       | 53/34/c       | Philadelphia   | 28/21/sn      | 38/27/pc      |
| Dallas         | 58/36/s       | 43/30/c       | Phoenix        | 46/42/sh      | 60/40/s       |
| Denver         | 30/16/sn      | 47/20/s       | St. Louis      | 41/29/i       | 37/30/pc      |
| Des Moines     | 35/25/sn      | 35/23/pc      | Salt Lake City | 27/9/pc       | 30/13/s       |
| Detroit        | 27/19/sn      | 32/21/sf      | San Francisco  | 60/44/pc      | 60/42/s       |
| El Paso        | 50/34/pc      | 38/28/c       | Seattle        | 42/37/c       | 48/37/c       |
| Fairbanks      | -1/-6/pc      | -4/-20/c      | Tampa          | 80/55/pc      | 71/53/c       |
| Honolulu       | 78/66/s       | 79/67/sh      | Washington, DC | 29/24/sn      | 42/27/s       |

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

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## Colts

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Eric Smith, celebrating in downtown Indianapolis, called the win amazing. "The way we won that game was absolutely awesome," Smith said. "And to do it against Tom Brady and the Patriots just makes it that much sweeter."

Chris Ryan said he thinks the win will finally put to rest the argument that Manning can't win a big game.

"Quarterbacks are measured by Super Bowls and now Peyton can say, 'I took my team to a Super Bowl,'" Ryan said. "Everyone talks about his legacy. Well, I just saw it firsthand, and his legacy is fine with me."

Gretchen Rosenstein said she believes the Colts first Super Bowl appearance since arriving in Indianapolis is the biggest sporting achievement for the Circle City.



Indianapolis Colts kicker Adam Vinatieri, left, celebrates with fans after the Colts beat the New England Patriots in the AFC Championship game Sunday.

"This means so much to Indianapolis," she said. "Look at the city. Look how everyone has taken to this team. You can't go anywhere or talk to anyone and not hear Colts this and Colts that. 'I'm just so happy we can have that for a little bit longer.'"

The past wasn't the present, and quarterback Peyton Manning can get a monkey off his back. Now, he's going to be the biggest star at one of the biggest sporting events in the world.

## Fans

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The Willard in Franklin doesn't open until noon Sundays, but Larry Wilkerson and his buddies showed up at 11:45 a.m. "You have to take it easy at first, start with Cokes and water and pace yourself," said Wilkerson, a regular at the landmark Franklin restaurant and pub.

He eats pizza and wings and watches hours of pregame commentary on television. "I'm tailgating," he said. Once the game starts, he and his buddies pound the wooden bulkhead above the bar when the Colts score a touchdown and curse together when Peyton Manning throws an interception. Cards and lots of tic-tac-toe scored on cocktail napkins were



Crystal Gehle and Eric Ross play card games at Buffalo Wild Wings on the southside while they wait for Sunday's AFC Championship game to start.

the way to pass the hours for Crystal Gehle and her fiance, Eric Ross. They got to Buffalo Wild Wings on the south side of Indianapolis about 2 p.m. Sunday. Watching the Bears-Saints game was fun but really incidental, she said. "Mostly, we are here to watch the Colts," she said. For the Manning vs. Manning face-off at the beginning of the year, the two went to the restaurant five hours early, and the bar already had filled up. "We were here for 10 hours," she said.

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Colts fan on Sunday's 38-34 win against the New England Patriots

Much the same can be said of coach Tony Dungy. Dungy had reached this point twice before without making it to the marquee game. "This is about Indianapolis, the Colts and our team, and we're excited about that," Dungy said. Dungy will be one of the key story lines in Miami. He will be coaching against his good friend Lovie Smith. Never has a team coached by a black person been in the NFL's biggest game. Super Bowl XLI features two: Dungy and Smith. At halftime, a trip to Miami seemed a world away. The team neared the point of no return, with the Patriots on fire after scoring three touchdowns and the score a depressing 21-6. When fans were at their lowest, some didn't give up. "You've got to believe. Come on, there's still plenty of time left," Becky Applegate said to the tables of desperate fans at Rock Bottom Brewery in downtown Indianapolis. Yes, plenty of time.

Two fans at the bar were there just for the Bears game. Alex Botsford and Stephanie Kray, both 19, stopped at the restaurant and bar on their way to the Indianapolis airport. Both are from Chicago, and Botsford is a student at Indiana University in Bloomington. The two looked up restaurants in the Indianapolis area online Saturday night and plotted where they would go to watch the game before taking Kray to the airport for a flight back to their hometown. "If it works out just right, I will be able to get back to Bloomington and watch most of the Colts game, too," Botsford said. Teresa and John Farrow took their family visiting from Denver to Damon's in Southport to watch the game. "We told them that if they came, we would get them tickets to the game. They've started speaking to us again," John Farrow said with a grin. The group of eight got to the restaurant just before 3 p.m. to make sure they could get two tables for the family, including four children. Some of the boys took naps or played video games on their cell phones before the game. About 1:30 p.m., the seats were mostly empty at the bar at John Wayne's in Franklin, except for six place cards that said "reserved." Those were for six regular customers who simply could not be missed at their regular seats at game time, bartender Tanya Stotts said. Four of those folks are Colts fans; the other two will cheer for the Patriots, she said. "We want to give them a hard time and have fun with it," she said.

## Blue

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time to kill and cold temperatures outside, Circle Centre mall was a popular spot to pass the time. Some fans decided to catch a movie at the mall's theater before kickoff. By 1 p.m., the wait for a table at Champps Sports Bar was roughly 90 minutes. The epicenter of pregame activities, though, was still the parking lots around the RCA Dome. Billy Stonecipher is a season-ticket holder and tailgates for

every home game. The Carmel resident was dressed in Colts pajamas with a flowing, self-made Colts cape with shoulder pads. A painted face and a blue wig completed his attire. He usually arrives more than three hours before kickoff. On Sunday, he arrived at 1:30 p.m., five hours before kickoff. Stonecipher said he couldn't wait to get to downtown. "This has been the longest week waiting for the game," he said. "It's all I've been able to think about." Not far away, other Colts fans were in full tailgating mode. Drew Brennan and five friends

arrived at their tailgate spot in the parking lot west of Lucas Oil Stadium at 11 a.m. For them, arriving so early is part of Sunday's charm, they said. "We've been waiting for this for so long," Brennan said. "I've been a Colts fan nearly my whole life. If my friends would've let me, I would've been here at 5 a.m." Bratwursts, hamburgers and ribs were on the tailgate menu. Beer was the preferred beverage. With kickoff scheduled for after 6:30 p.m., Brennan said he and his friends had to pace themselves. "We're drinking about a beer and a half every hour," Brennan said. "A beer and a half?" John Hobbs quipped. "I'm drinking three." Between beers, they played three-on-three football in the snow-covered parking lot. When Neil Osburn of Indianapolis, woke up and saw the snow, he thought it might take away from the tailgating experience. But it didn't take him long to see the positives. "We can tackle playing football now. We're dressed for it, and there's some natural padding," Osburn said. "Plus we can throw snowballs at Patriots fans."

## LOTTERIES

Here are the winning numbers selected Saturday:  
Daily Three Midday: 7-2-6.  
Daily Three Evening: 6-3-2.  
Daily Four Midday: 5-3-8-4.  
Daily Four Evening: 0-5-9-2.  
Lucky Five Midday: 2-4-14-22-24.  
Lucky Five Evening: 22-24-30-31-34.  
Hoosier Lotto: 2-13-21-23-25-27.  
Jackpot: \$12.5 million. (No winner. New jackpot: \$13.5 million.)  
Powerball: 1-5-26-32-38. Powerball: 30. Power Play: 5. Jackpot: \$212.3 million. (No winner. New jackpot: \$240 million.)  
For Sunday's Hoosier Lottery drawings, visit www.thejournalnet.com or see Tuesday's Daily Journal.



Carmel resident Billy Stonecipher is dressed in Colts garb before the start of Sunday's AFC Championship Game in Indianapolis.