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Skies: Bitterly cold, flurries
Temps: High 22; low 4

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YOU SHOULD KNOW

America's oldest woman is Franklin College graduate

SHELBYVILLE — A 113-year-old Franklin College graduate is now the oldest living American — and the second-oldest human — after the recent death of a 114-year-old Connecticut woman.



Edna Parker, who turns 114 on April 20, assumed her new status following Sunday's death of Emma Faust Tillman, who was 114 and 67 days old when she died, according to the Gerontology Research Center.

Parker's rival for the title of the world's oldest person is Yone Minagawa, who turned 114 on Jan. 4 and lives in Japan, according to the list. Parker lives at Shelbyville's Heritage House Convalescent Center.

She was born April 20, 1893, in Morgan County, growing up on a farm before becoming a schoolteacher.

She taught in a two-room school in the Shelby County town of Smithland for several years until she wed her childhood sweetheart and next-door neighbor, Earl Parker, in 1911.

The same year, she graduated from Franklin College with a degree in education. But as was the tradition of that era, her teaching career ended with her marriage.

Parker had two sons, both of whom she has outlived. Her husband died in 1938.

When she turned 113, she was asked about the biggest difference between today and a century ago.

Parker said the difference is clear.

"People were more friendly and worked together," she said. "There wasn't much fighting."

DEATHS

Edinburgh

Eva Mae Sconce, 101
Doris K. Williams, 68

Greenwood

Ruth L. Hancock, 92
Eileen (Brooks) Rogers, 83

Robert Byrel Ulrey, 73

Indianapolis

Mary Margaret Ebbeler, 87
Margene H. Norton, 81

Elsewhere

Ruby E. Smock, 82

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Police seek help in murder probe

Items from break-in at nearby Franklin home may aid in investigation

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A suspect in the unsolved murders of two Franklin residents may have walked the neighborhood carrying a pitcher of lemonade taken from a nearby home, police said.

Franklin police are still inves-

tigating whether the burglary of one home in the Branigin Woods subdivision is related to the murders. They are asking anyone who might have seen a person carrying a Tupperware sheer, one-gallon pitcher of lemonade in the area on July 24 to call police immediately.

Franklin Police Chief John Borges isn't releasing what

information led police to the theory that the suspect may have left the burglarized home with the pitcher.

"Please bring any information forward. We will do a thorough job of investigating the case," Borges said.

Of the hundreds of tips received so far, none has been connected to the murders of

Chynna L. Dickus and her stepson, Blake Dickus.

Investigators are pleading with the public to come forward with any information that can help solve the crimes.

"Information about suspicious persons or unusual vehicles in the Branigin subdivision,

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TAKEN IN BURGLARY

Franklin police believe a July 24 break-in near a home where two people were killed may have a connection to the murders. A pitcher of lemonade, bicentennial coins, Eisenhower dollar coins, and a men's ruby 1968 Maine Township High School East (Park Ridge, Ill.) class ring were taken from 2555 Woodfield Blvd.

Anyone who remembers someone carrying the pitcher of lemonade that day or who has been shown the other items should call police at 736-5111.

ROAD TO THE SUPER BOWL

Colts, Bears have eyes on NFL's top prize

Inside: Special Super Bowl section with game analysis, lineups and statistics, Section E



It's party time

'Everybody thinks we're nuts spending this much'

By RICK MORWICK
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MIAMI

Betty Hite doesn't mind the teasing. Neither does her husband, Richard.

Yes, \$600 per ticket is a lot for a single football game, as family and friends have constantly reminded them.

But when you've been a season-ticket holder for 23 years and your favorite team finally makes the Super Bowl, the chance to go to the big game is priceless.

"Everybody thinks we're nuts spending this much money to come to a ball game, but we're coming," said Betty, who, along with her husband, landed in West Palm Beach early Friday afternoon.

The Whiteland couple are among several Johnson County residents who've made the expensive but exclusive trip to the Miami area for Sunday's Super Bowl between the Indianapolis Colts and Chicago Bears.

Fortunately for the Hites, who shelled out \$1,200 for tickets, lodging is free. They're staying in Fort Lauderdale in a beachfront home owned by friends in Whiteland.

But as diehard Colts faithful, the Hites would have made the trip even if they didn't have a free place to stay.

They've had season tickets since the Colts relocated to

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Above: Training dummies are on display at the Greenwood Fire Department on Friday. Top left: Northeast Elementary School assistant Kim Myers helps Olivia Hook, 8, make a Colts pennant. Top center: Greenwood city employees and friends make their way through the tailgate buffet line. Top right: The front of Dick's Sporting Goods at Greenwood Park Mall shows Colts spirit.

If football on TV isn't your thing ...

By CANDACE BEATY
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For many Colts fans, the idea of someone not watching Sunday's Super Bowl is unthinkable.

It's been the main topic of conversation: Will Peyton Manning finally get that Super Bowl ring? Will Adam Vinatieri be the hero once again? But, of course, not all Hoosiers are Colts fans. Some don't like football, or any sports for that matter.

For those people, Sunday will be just another Sunday. Greenwood resident Jon Pate won't be tuning into the game Sunday night. He just doesn't care, he said.

Instead he will sit back, relax and enjoy his day off work. Maybe he'll watch a movie instead, he said. He used to like football, but that was when he could go outside and play it with friends.

Heather Wenning of Whiteland doesn't like to watch any sports. She's not making an exception for this season's Super Bowl, either.

"Movie night is probably going to be Sunday night," she said. She was invited to a Super Bowl party but doesn't plan on going. Instead, she and her roommate likely will watch a movie or go for a drive, she said. Some of their friends won't let them watch the game anyway, she said. They say whenever her roommate watches, the Colts lose.

She is curious enough about the game, though, that she'll look to see the final score, she said.

WHAT ELSE IS ON?

Here's a look at some Sunday evening TV options for the anti-football crowd:

"Extreme Makeover: Home Edition"
WRTV-Channel 6, 7 p.m.

"Grease: You're the One that I Want"
WTHR-Channel 13, 7 and 8 p.m.

"America's Funniest Home Videos"
WRTV-Channel 6, 8 p.m.

"Old School"
WRTV-Channel 6, 9 p.m.

"Puppy Bowl III," with kitty halftime show
Animal Planet, 6 p.m.

"Scooby-Doo in Where's My Mummy?"
Cartoon Network, 7 p.m.

Figure skating, U.S.
Championship
ESPN, 8 p.m.

"Ladder 49"
AMC, 8 p.m.



Morwick in Miami

Daily Journal sports editor Rick Morwick arrived in Miami on Monday. All this week, he's brought you the hype and hoopla that is the Super Bowl.

The fifth of his daily dispatches is on Page A2.

Tell us your story

Colts fans, tell us why you adore the Colts and how you show them the love. Oh, and Bears fans, too.

Send story ideas and photos to newstips@thejournalnet.com or call 736-2712.

Reggie Wayne

Keep the final in a series of special commemorative pages featuring key Colts. Today's spotlights Pro Bowl wide receiver Reggie Wayne. Page B8.



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