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Inmates train canines to help Hoosiers who need it.

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### WEATHER



**Today**  
Skies: Mostly cloudy, snow  
Temps: High 40; low 19

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### SUPER BOWL

#### Party with Daily Journal and radio stations

Colts fans can watch the Super Bowl on 12-foot televisions at Jonathan Byrd's Cafeteria. The Daily Journal and radio stations ESPN 950 AM and Gold 95.9 FM are partnering with Jonathan Byrd's to throw "Greenwood's Biggest Big Game Party" on Super Bowl Sunday.

The event begins at 6 p.m. Feb. 4 and will feature a broadcast of the game between the Indianapolis Colts and the Chicago Bears in the restaurant's large banquet hall.

This will be a family event, with no alcohol being served.

Owner Jonathan Byrd II said the party will feature an all-you-can-eat buffet and a playroom for young children. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$10 for children ages 3 to 12 and free for children younger than 3.

Radio Disney 98.3 FM and the Daily Journal will give away prizes.

Jonathan Byrd's will give away items for feats performed by the Colts during the game, such as touchdowns, field goals or sacks. If the Colts win, Byrd will be passing out "Byrd Bucks" that can be used in February for any meals purchased in the cafeteria or JB's Express.

Reservations are recommended by calling 881-8888 or on the Web at www.jonathanbyrds.com.

### DEATHS

- Franklin  
Woodrow W. Crabtree, 91  
Greenwood
- Carol J. Berry, 73  
Beverly L. Curtis, 70  
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Indianapolis
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### ROAD TO THE SUPER BOWL



Super Bowl XLI: Indianapolis Colts vs. Chicago Bears  
Time: 6 p.m. Feb. 4 TV: WISH-Channel 8 Radio: WFBO-94.7 FM



# DREAM SEATS

## As money moves the Super Bowl, tickets move the money — all the way to Miami



Tickets for Super Bowl XLI in Miami are hot commodities. There are about 70,000 seats to the Feb. 4 championship game between the Colts and Bears at Dolphin Stadium. The average title-game ticket sells online for about \$5,115.

## Scalpers take business off streets and online

By MATT SEDENSKY  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### MIAMI

Jeff Block is pensive about cashing in his life insurance policy, wistful about putting off his wedding engagement, fearful about making the big purchase.

One thing the 31-year-old financial analyst is sure of: If he comes up with the cash to follow his beloved Chicago Bears to the Super Bowl, he won't be buying tickets from a traditional scalper. His

attention is focused on one of the many online ticket resellers.

The secondhand ticket market has grown up a lot in the last decade, shifting from a business largely conducted by salesmen lurking outside stadiums to one chiefly online, both in simple Craigslist postings and more sophisticated Internet databases.

"The street business has really died," said Don Vaccaro, who has been selling tickets since 1979 and is the founder and chief executive of Vernon, Conn.-based TicketLiquidator.com. "The old-time bro-

kers are saying, 'Look, you got a bunch of geeks selling tickets now.' It's really a lot more brains going in now."

There are about 70,000 seats at the Feb. 4 game, but ticket distribution is tightly controlled by the NFL: 25.2 percent to the league itself, largely for sponsors, licensees and the like; 17.5 percent each to the two competing teams, the Chicago Bears and Indianapolis Colts, with some raffled off to season-ticket holders; 5 percent to the host Miami Dolphins; and 1.2

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State Sen. Brent Waltz passed on the tickets from the Colts because he already bought some.



State Sen. Mike Young is going to the game. He found a hotel room in Boca Raton, Fla.

## Colts offer local legislators face-value tickets

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Indiana politicians lucked out when the Colts offered them regular-price tickets to the Super Bowl in Miami.

One state senator plans to drive nearly 1,200 miles to Miami with her husband for a chance to witness history.

But some state lawmakers from Johnson

County still plan just to kick back and watch the game on television, unwilling to spend the money on last-minute plane tickets and hotel reservations outside the Miami area. Others seized the opportunity and plan to spend thousands on tickets, travel and lodging.

Thursday afternoon, the Colts offered two tickets for the face value of \$600 each to all members of the Indiana General Assembly

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**Morwick in Miami**  
Daily Journal sports editor Rick Morwick is packing his bags and heading to Miami to bring you all the hype and hoopla that is the Super Bowl.

Look for his daily dispatches starting Tuesday.

**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.

**Marvin Harrison**  
Keep the second in a series of special commemorative pages featuring key Colts players. Today's spotlights Pro Bowl wide receiver Marvin Harrison, Page B8.  
Next week, look for a "Go Blue" banner to help show your Colts pride.



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# New building, new way to teach

## High school faculty member to help Clark-Pleasant find new education model

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He solves puzzles, picks apart story problems and builds furniture. Steve Williams likes to figure things out.

The Whiteland Community

High School math teacher will have plenty to tinker with in the coming 18 months.

As leader of the redesign initiative at the high school, he and his committee will reconfigure the way students are taught at Whiteland. The physical shape of the

high school will change by the year 2015.

It's Williams' task to develop the teaching part.

How the building is remodeled to house the 3,280 students projected to attend the school will be determined by the academic changes Williams' committee

recommends.

Educators in the district are looking at the population boom and need for construction as a golden opportunity.

Principal Tom Galovic wants to improve graduation rates and standardized test

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# School options studied in C-P

## Two designs to let district decide how much to spend

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Architects have two plans for a new middle school for Clark-Pleasant: one that will cost less up front and an upgraded option that they say could save the district money down the road.

Both plans were presented Thursday at the second of four forums conducted to gather input on the new building.

Residents of the district said they liked some of the preliminary designs they saw but want to make sure academics would be a priority over large athletic complexes in the new building.

The middle school, constructed on land the district owns east of the current intermediate school, will be built large enough for a student population of 1,600 students, architects said at the presentation Thursday.

Each core subject, such as math or English, would have 10 classrooms. Science would have 10 regular classrooms and two labs. The library would have space for casual reading and study, similar to a bookstore. The music department would have its own library.

Athletic facilities would include a gym, with enhanced acoustics for band and choir concerts as well as a fieldhouse with three basketball courts.

What is ultimately planned by the architects will be decided by the administrators and the school board. So far, the architects have estimated the school will cost about \$55 million.

The impact of the school on taxpayers and a budget for the project will be presented at forums in February.

Architects included upgrade options for the building in the plans they presented Thursday. Some of the options were for more expensive but more energy efficient building materials or designs.

Others were for additional sports playing fields and facilities.

Kim Mezger, a resident who attended the forum Thursday, looked at the charts showing how additional baseball and softball diamonds and practice fields for soccer and football would look next to the new school.

"The building looks like a blip on the map, and that is the reason why we are all here," she said.

Mezger also said she wanted to

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Whiteland Community High School teacher Steve Williams, right, works with Manpreet Kaur, 15, during an algebra class. Williams, a Purdue graduate, will lead a committee that will redesign the high school curriculum.