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WEATHER



Today
Skies: Mostly cloudy, cold
Temps: High 28; low 10

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SUPER BOWL

Party with Daily Journal and radio stations

Colts fans can watch the Super Bowl on 12-foot TVs at Jonathan Byrd's Cafeteria.

The Daily Journal and radio stations ESPN 950AM and Gold 95.9 FM are partnering with Jonathan Byrd's to throw "Greenwood's Biggest Big Game Party" on Sunday. The event begins at 6 p.m. and will feature a broadcast of the Super Bowl football game between the Indianapolis Colts and the Chicago Bears in the restaurant's large banquet hall.

This will be a family event. No alcohol will be 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 2 and younger.

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 and sacks.

If the Colts win, Byrd will pass out "Byrd Bucks" that can be used during 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.

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Franklin

Russell "Leroy" Carson, 72
Edward Hammond Sr., 65

Greenwood

Mary L. Jansen, 78
Indianapolis

Charlaine Kirchoff Smith, 63

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ROAD TO THE SUPER BOWL



Super Bowl XLI: Indianapolis Colts vs. Chicago Bears

Time: 6 p.m. Sunday TV: WISH-Channel 8 Radio: WFBQ-94.7 FM



SUPER SENDOFF

Colts fans brave frigid temperatures for Indy rally

By TOM DAVIES
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INDIANAPOLIS

Hundreds of people shook off a bracing cold wind around Monument Circle for a Colts pep rally Monday, just hours before the team left for its Super Bowl trip to warm Miami.

Fans wearing Colts jerseys mixed with office workers in suits for the lunchtime rally, where many carried cameras to record the memories of the team's first Super Bowl since moving to Indianapolis 23 years ago.

Cathy Barnes of Indianapolis, a season-ticket holder since the team's arrival, has tickets to the big game in Miami on Sunday. After suffering through playoff disappointment the past several seasons, she said the past week has

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Brian Wilcox of Lebanon cheers for the AFC champion Colts during a sendoff rally in downtown Indianapolis on Monday. The Colts will face the NFC champion Chicago Bears on Sunday for the NFL title.

Shoppers say big game calls for big picture

By SARAH LIPPS
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An under-the-sea scene exploded into a brilliant display of colorful fish on the television screens lining the wall.

In the center of it all were two tired boys, stretched out in the display armchairs.

They were not amused. They had seen the clip dozens of times.

Their parents, Betty and Bryan Spetter of Bargersville, were trying to find the right stand to hold their new plasma TV.

The couple thought deciding between plasma or LCD would be the tough decision. Wrong. They also had to find the right wood, metal or polymer stand with the right weight capacity and color for the new set.

They were among the hundreds of people who filled southside electronics, appliance and department stores this weekend looking to buy a bigger and bet-



Brian Stephens looks at plasma televisions at the HHGregg store in Greenwood on Saturday. Most big-screen TVs cost between \$1,200 and \$4,000 depending on model, size and brand.

ter TV in time for the Super Bowl. Special offers promised hundreds of dollars off of big-screen TVs at Sears, Ovation, Best Buy and HHGregg.

Many took hours to ponder the right investment — most sets are \$1,200 to \$4,000 depending on

model, size and brand.

Dee Jones, a store manager at Ovation, said at least a half-dozen big-screen televisions were sold Saturday afternoon.

At Sears, electronics manager

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Ill young fan set to head to Miami

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Swimsuits, towels, sunscreen and beach balls are usual items for a family vacation.

If Joyce and Drew Genneken have to add a couple of face masks, cancer medicines and other medical supplies, they aren't too concerned.

The couple leave Thursday to take

their son Tyler, who has been battling leukemia for about seven months, and his older brother, A.J., to Miami for the Super Bowl.

They found out last week that Sam's Club will pay for the family to go to Miami and for Tyler and his father to attend the game.

This week, the focus will not be on the medicine, IVs and therapy. The trip will

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Tyler Genneken, 11, announces Monday that he and his parents, Drew, center, and Joyce Genneken, right, are going to the Super Bowl.



Morwick in Miami

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

See the first of his daily dispatches 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.

Ben Utecht

Keep the fourth in a series of special commemorative pages featuring key Colts players. Today's spotlights tight end Ben Utecht. Page A9. Also, keep a "Go Blue" banner to show your Colts pride. Page B10.



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Firm fined after worker killed in trench collapse

By CANDACE BEATY
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A construction company failed to prevent a trench from collapsing the day a man died at a Whiteland construction site in November, a state safety report said.

The company, Oles Engineering, did not have a ladder or ramp in the deeper parts of the trench and did not protect employees from falling objects, an Indiana Occupational Safety and Health Administration report said.

Daniel Coffing of Fishers died from multiple blunt force injury

and compressional asphyxia Nov. 8 after the trench collapsed around him, according to the Marion County coroner's office.

The state workplace agency fined the Brownsburg-based company \$9,350 for violating the Indiana Occupational Safety and Health Act. The safety administration first fined the company

\$11,250, but the fine was reduced after new safety orders were given to employees, the report said.

Final fines were issued Jan. 23, and Oles Engineering has 15 business days to pay the penalty.

November's accident happened at a work site near Interstate 65, where Coffing was helping build

a Speedco truck service station.

The investigation began the day of the accident and lasted until Dec. 15. The agency investigates all workplace deaths and accidents in which three or more employees are hospitalized, industrial compliance director

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Sugar Grove Elementary School fifth-graders Jacob Yager, left, and Peter Karozos, both 11, transfer a mashed strawberry and soap solution into a coffee filter to remove the solids.

Pupils learn science is fun

Explosive program entertains, teaches at Sugar Grove

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The smell of rubbing alcohol and strawberries is strong inside the science lab at Sugar Grove Elementary School.

Like the dinosaur-cloning scientists of "Jurassic Park," the fifth-graders of LaRenda Peterson's class were busy with their own DNA experiment.

"It's sticky, and I got it on my fingers," Madison Triwedi said.

She and her friends had to roll up their sleeves as they finished the final steps of a project to isolate the DNA of strawberries. All it took was a few household chemicals and table salt.

The experiment was part of IUPUI Science Day at the Center Grove school Friday. The school's Dads Club partnered with School of Science at IUPUI to bring in groups from the college.

Activities included the DNA experiment with the biology club for Grade 5 and a physics-based convocation with lights and explosions in the afternoon for Grades 3 to 5.

Vince Cullers, a Dads Club member who helped plan the day, said he hoped it would become an annual event.

The activities emphasized science to get students interested in the subject, he said.

Fifth-grade teacher Peterson agreed.

"For one, it exposes them to other adults in science, and it also lets them have fun and have hands-on experience," she said.

Peterson's hope is that the interest sparked at Science Day will grow in the students as they go on to middle school and high school.

That way, they will want to take more science classes as they get older, she said.

Her students have surprised

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Sugar Grove fifth-grader Brandon Harter, 11, watches as he filters a strawberry, salt and soap mixture to extract the DNA from the berry.