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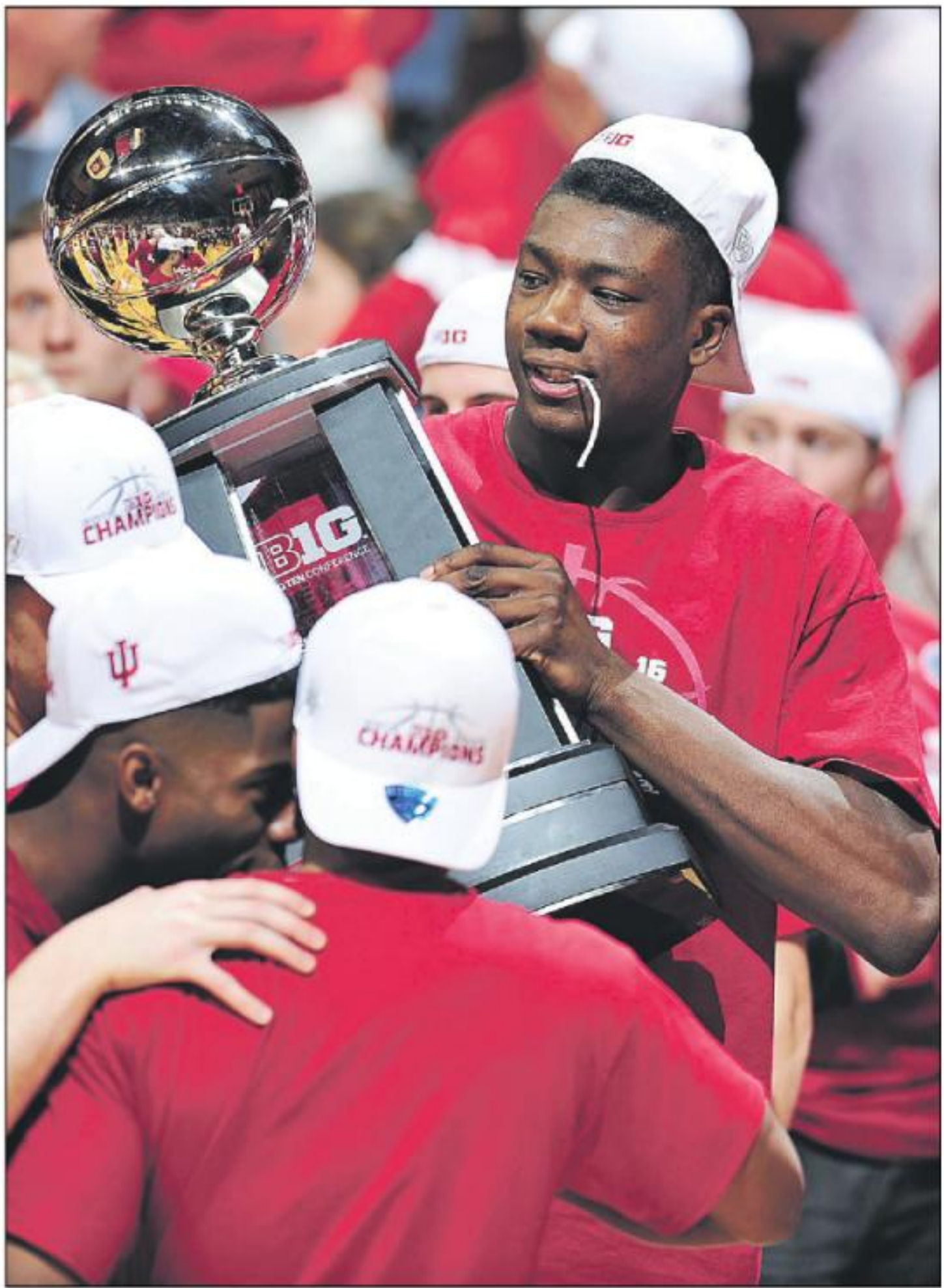
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With a piece of the net in his teeth, Indiana center Thomas Bryant holds the Big Ten Conference trophy after the team cut the net down at the conclusion of Sunday's game against Maryland at Assembly Hall. The Hoosiers beat the Terrapins, 80-62, to remain undefeated at home. The next step is the Big Ten Tournament.

See complete game coverage in Sports, section B, and find photo galleries, postgame commentary and more at HeraldTimesOnline.com and on the Hoosier Scoop blog at <http://scoop.hoosiershq.com>.

## Students get a sweet taste of nature

By Mary Keck

"That tasted like heaven," said Rudy Burton, a Rogers Elementary School student.

"Mmmmm. I want more," his classmate Breyton Mellor said as he rubbed his stomach.

They were trying out maple sap and syrup provided by Shane Gibson, environmental education director for Sycamore Land Trust, a nonprofit organization that preserves land.

Gibson hoped giving first- and second-grade students a sweet taste of nature would encourage them to try making maple syrup at home.

"The goal is to show them how we make maple syrup and give them ideas of how they can do it in their neighborhood, in their backyard," he said.

Gibson walked the students through the process of identifying a maple tree, drilling a hole in it and waiting for the sap to drip out. Then, he explained how



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Shane Gibson, from Sycamore Land Trust, lets first- and second-graders at Rogers Elementary School taste the difference between the sugar water from a maple tree and real maple syrup during a guest lecture Thursday at the school in Bloomington.

sap can be boiled over a fire to make syrup that can be drizzled over ice cream or cheesecake or poured onto pancakes and waffles.

Dressed in their polka-dotted coats and rubber boots, the students followed Gibson outside to the school's playground, where he shared a Native American story and showed bone tools

that were used to direct maple sap from trees. Then they got to try some of the sweet stuff for themselves.

"Isn't it good?" student Jihoo Chung asked her classmate Brogan Gilbert, who was sitting next to her. He nodded with enthusiasm as he took another sip from a Dixie cup filled with maple sap.

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## Fullerton Pike corridor plans moving ahead

By Ernest Rollins

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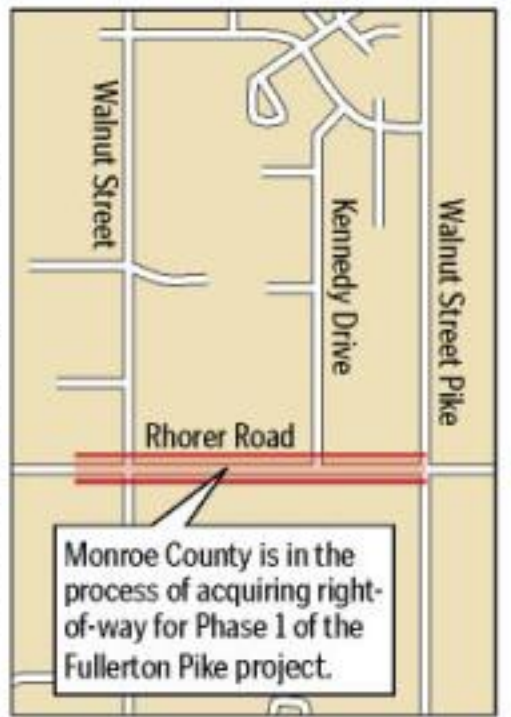
A contractor could be hired later this year to work on the first phase of the Fullerton Pike/Gordon Pike/Rhorer Road project.

Monroe County Public Works Director Lisa Ridge said the county is finishing up right-of-way acquisition for a section of the federally supported project that begins just west of the Gordon Pike/Rhorer Road intersection with Walnut Street and heads east just past the road's intersection with Walnut Street Pike.

The county plans to bid the project in August, and at the county commissioners' regular meeting on Friday, an agreement with American Structurepoint Inc. was approved for construction inspection services for the project.

That contract is for \$689,420.34, but the county only pays 20 percent of that amount, while the rest is federally funded.

The actual construction cost is approximately \$6 million for Phase I. Ridge said federal funding also will help cover the construction costs.



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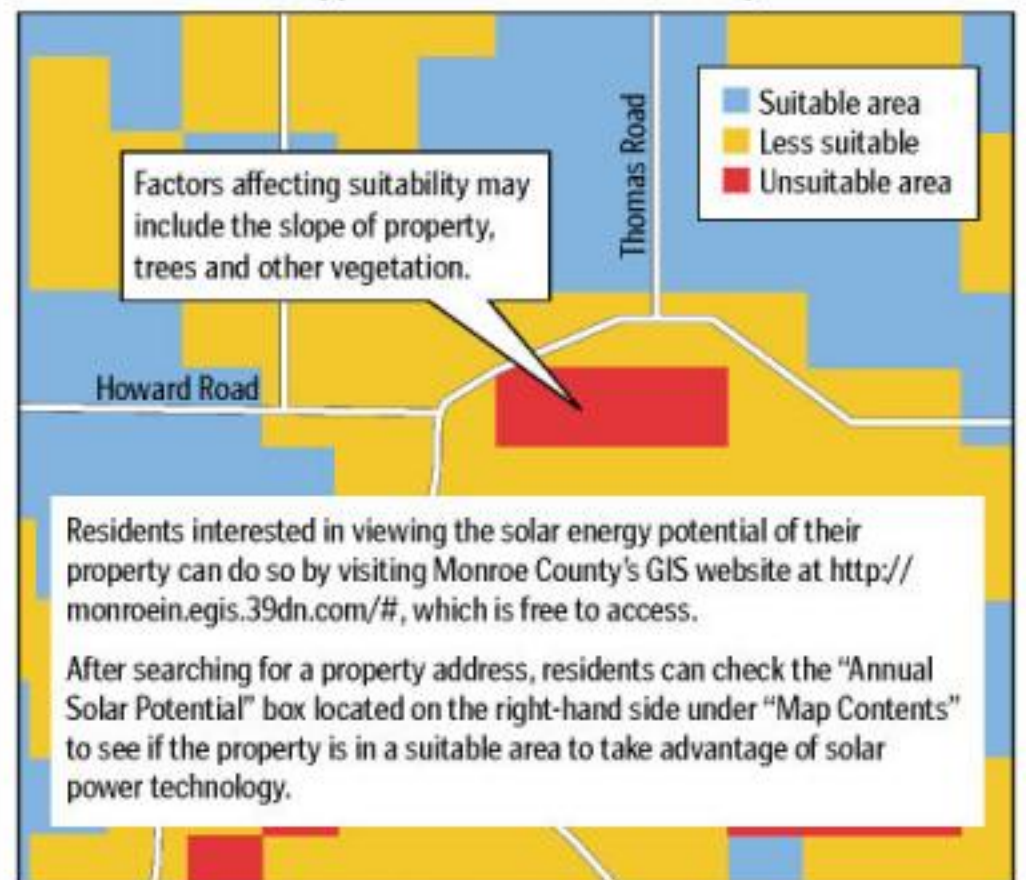
Read previous stories about the Fullerton Pike plans at HeraldTimesOnline.com.

The first phase of the Fullerton Pike project will reconstruct the roadway and add a sidewalk along the south side and a multi-use path on the north side of the corridor, Ridge said.

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## Solar energy potential in Monroe County

A study identifies areas of Monroe County where solar panels would be efficient. A GIS section of a typical section of the county



SOURCE: GIS ANALYSIS OF SOLAR ENERGY POTENTIAL IN MONROE COUNTY

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## New GIS tool assesses property's solar potential

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Residents now have access to a new tool that can help them assess whether their property is in a suitable location to take advantage of solar power technology.

Ben Weise, a Service Corps Fellow from the Indiana University School of Public and Environmental Affairs, worked with Monroe County Planning on a project to analyze the solar power potential of all the properties within the county. The results have been added to the county's Enterprise Geographic Information Systems website. According

to a county news release, the Indiana Chapter of the American Planning Association recognized the tool as the Outstanding Student Project of 2016.

"This tool is meant to be used for property owners considering solar," said county planner Jacqueline Nester. "If the tool says the property is suitable, the next step is for them to contact a solar contractor."

The project classified each property into one of three categories: suitable, less suitable and unsuitable. If the solar radiation captured on a particular parcel is less than 70 percent of available energy, it was considered an

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**HOTLINE**



**Kurt Christian**  
H-T COLUMNIST

**See you in the funny papers**

**Q** I have enjoyed following the "Zack Hill" comics in the H-T, especially the recent strips about the history of home economics, now called family and consumer science. I would like for John and John to include something about the Betty Lamp. How do I contact the writer and illustrator of that comic?

**L.M.N., Bloomington**

**A** While John Deering, Zack Hill's illustrator, and John Newcombe, the comic's writer, may be in different parts of the country, they both appreciate hearing reader feedback.

If you would like to send any suggestions, feedback or fan letters to Deering, he receives mail at the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, where he has been the chief editorial cartoonist since 1988. Mark your letter to be directed toward the attention of John Deering at 121 E Capitol Ave, Little Rock, AR 72201.

"When you do hear from readers, that's a welcome thing," Deering said during our phone conversation. "A lot of times, readers can provide good suggestions for storylines."

For Newcombe, who is in California, email is as good of a point of contact as any. Try writing him your suggestions at johnnewcombe@johnnewcombe.com.

If you are away from your Herald-Times, you can read the strip online at creators.com/read/zack-hill.

**Local Kmart currently OK**

**Q** I was in Kmart on the west side recently and the store looked like it might be closing soon. Can you find out if there are any plans to close this store?

**N.H., Bloomington**

**A** I made a quick phone call to the Kmart on the west side of town and was told that there are currently no plans for that store location to close, and even though you didn't ask, I checked with the eastside Kmart. Nicholas Johns, the evening supervisor at the east side store, said that both locations are doing well and do not have plans to close in the near future.

While I can't be sure what about the store might have made it look like it was closing, I can say that there are quite a few reasons as to why closing Kmart are at the forefront of some shoppers' minds.

Efforts to replace the current College Mall Sears with a Whole Foods are still on track, which is a seemingly unrelated development for Kmart lovers until it's pointed out that the two stores share the same parent company — Sears Holdings.

The only confirmed closing of a Kmart in Indiana would be for the location in Terre Haute this coming April, as verified by the Terre Haute television station WTHI-TV.

Write to Hotline, c/o The Herald-Times, P.O. Box 909, Bloomington, IN 47402, or email hotline@heraldt.com, using "Hotline Inquiry" as the subject line. Include your name, city and phone number. We cannot answer all inquiries.

**Forecast today**

**65**  
**51**

Breezy and warmer with times of clouds and sun

**Sun and moon**  
Sunset today ..... 6:45 p.m.  
Sunrise Tue. .... 7:08 a.m.  
Sunset Tue. .... 6:46 p.m.  
Moonrise today .... 6:08 a.m.  
Moonset today .... 5:26 p.m.  
Moonrise Tue. .... 6:49 a.m.

**Real Feel**

City	8 a.m.	Noon	4 p.m.
Bloomington	41	55	61
Bedford	45	58	62
Martinsville	44	57	60

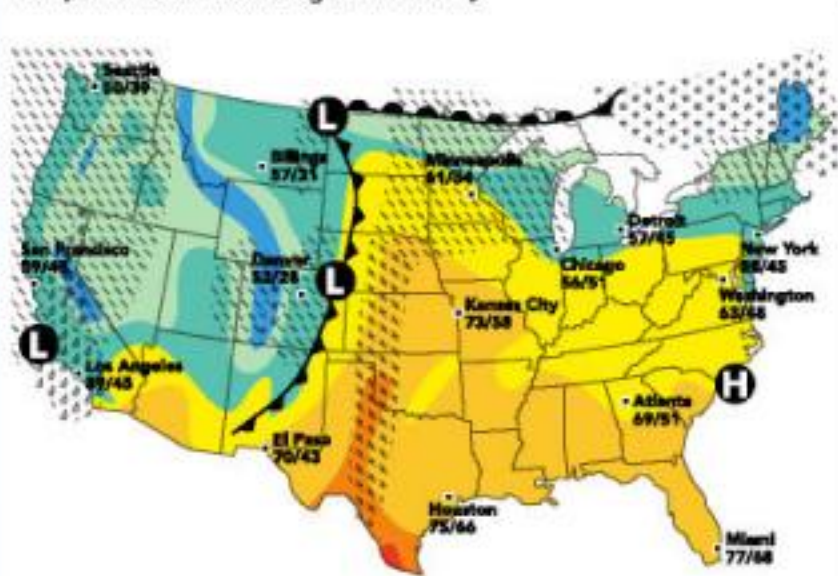
**Area forecast**

City	High	Low	W
Chicago	56	51	sh
Evansville	67	53	pc
Fort Wayne	58	46	pc
Indianapolis	62	50	pc
Louisville	65	52	pc
South Bend	55	46	c
Terre Haute	64	51	pc

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**National outlook**

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



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**Almanac**

Data for Bloomington from the Indiana University Physical Plant and the Monroe County Airport.

**YESTERDAY**  
High/low temp (24 hours ending 7 p.m.)...59/37  
Rel. humidity (24 hours ending 7 p.m.)...78/38  
Precipitation (24 hours ending 7 a.m.)...none  
Barometric pressure (7 p.m.)...30.11 inches  
Wind direction (7 p.m.)...south  
Wind velocity (7 p.m.)...9 mph  
Conditions (7 p.m.) fair, vis. 10 miles, dew point 32.

Day	High	Low	Weather
<b>Tuesday</b>	71	55	Mostly cloudy, breezy and warm
<b>Wednesday</b>	65	58	Mild with rain
<b>Thursday</b>	65	52	Mild with occasional rain
<b>Friday</b>	66	58	Warm with sun through high clouds

**Around the nation today**

City	H	L	W	City	H	L	W	City	H	L	W
Albany	53	36	pc	Detroit	57	45	c	Omaha	73	56	t
Albuquerque	62	37	pc	El Paso	70	43	pc	Orlando	78	58	s
Anchorage	33	26	sf	Fairbanks	18	-4	pc	Philadelphia	60	46	s
Atlanta	69	51	pc	Flagstaff	45	17	pc	Phoenix	71	52	pc
Atlantic City	57	44	s	Grand Rapids	54	46	c	Peoria	65	53	c
Baltimore	62	45	s	Hartford	53	35	s	Pittsburgh	63	45	pc
Billings	57	31	pc	Helena	54	27	c	Portland, ME.	43	29	c
Birmingham	72	54	pc	Honolulu	83	68	s	Portland, OR	53	38	sh
Boston	50	36	pc	Houston	75	66	c	Richmond	63	44	s
Brownsville	83	70	sh	Jackson, MS	79	59	pc	Sacramento	59	41	sh
Burlington, VT	43	30	sn	Jacksonville	75	51	pc	St. Louis	73	58	sh
Casper	43	23	sh	Kansas City	73	58	c	Salt Lake City	55	33	c
Charleston, SC	71	48	s	Las Vegas	58	45	c	San Diego	61	49	r
Charleston, WV	66	44	pc	Little Rock	71	60	c	San Francisco	59	48	sh
Charlotte	66	44	pc	Los Angeles	59	45	r	St. Ste. Marie	44	36	c
Cincinnati	62	50	pc	Memphis	72	59	pc	Seattle	50	39	sh
Cleveland	60	46	pc	Miami Beach	77	68	c	South Bend	55	46	c
Columbia, SC	71	45	s	Milwaukee	56	47	sh	Tampa	79	60	s
Columbus	61	46	pc	Minneapolis	61	54	c	Tucson	69	44	pc
Dallas	72	61	t	Nashville	68	52	pc	Tulsa	72	59	t
Dayton	60	48	pc	New Orleans	77	65	pc	Wash., DC	63	48	s
Denver	52	28	r	New York City	58	45	s	Wichita	73	54	t

**Around the world today**

City	H	L	W	City	H	L	W	City	H	L	W
Amsterdam	44	32	sh	Havana	82	62	s	Paris	43	30	pc
Athens	66	55	pc	Heilbrunn	38	21	sn	Prague	41	29	pc
Baghdad	74	49	s	Hong Kong	71	65	c	Reykjavik	39	36	r
Bangkok	95	82	s	Istanbul	61	51	pc	Rio	91	76	pc
Barcelona	86	77	s	Jerusalem	79	53	s	Riyadh	79	60	t
Barcelona	55	43	sh	Kabul	61	38	s	Rome	55	40	sh
Beijing	52	24	s	Kiev	53	42	c	Santiago	76	50	pc
Beirut	71	62	s	Kowloon	82	57	pc	Sao Paulo	82	69	t
Belgrade	59	40	r	London	45	30	pc	Seoul	57	32	pc
Berlin	43	29	c	Madrid	51	33	sh	Singapore	90	80	sh
Bermuda	65	59	sh	Manila	92	78	s	Stockholm	39	30	sn
Brisbane	84	67	t	Mexico City	74	47	pc	Sydney	86	72	s
Brussels	42	29	sh	Montreal	39	29	sn	Taipei	78	63	pc
Bucarest	49	26	t	Moscow	39	29	sn	Tel Aviv	77	58	s
Buenos Aires	77	56	pc	Nairobi	83	61	pc	Tokyo	61	53	r
Calgary	51	26	c	Nassau	80	68	s	Toronto	52	38	c
Caracas	76	67	pc	Nicosia	71	48	s	Vancouver	50	38	sh
Copenhagen	40	30	c	Norfolk	68	52	pc	Vienna	46	36	pc
Dublin	44	35	r	Norwich	68	52	pc	Warsaw	45	35	pc
Harare	80	62	t	Oslo	36	28	sn	Zurich	41	29	sh



During a visit to the school Thursday, Shane Gibson, center, from Sycamore Land Trust, tells students at Rogers Elementary School an old folklore story of how a Native American accidentally discovered maple syrup.

**SYRUP**  
**Youngsters get a taste straight from the tree**

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"It tastes so good," student Victoria Aten declared after trying a spoonful of syrup.

The activity was a part of a larger unit of study on Native Americans and the early 19th-century explorations of Meriwether Lewis and William Clark for students in Cindy Creek and Michael Love's

multi-age classroom at Rogers. Although Creek and Love intended to teach the children about history, they welcomed Gibson into their classroom with the hope of instilling other lessons.

"Anything hands-on with this age is wonderful, and we really believe in working with the out-of-doors and getting them out and about," Creek said. "We want them to be good stewards of the Earth."

For Gibson, piquing the interest of future conservationists was a part of the fun of getting the kids to explore outside, and he met

with around 300 people during the maple syrup-making season to do just that.

Kids from kindergarten to sixth grade within the Monroe County Community School Corp., as well as students from Harmony School and Helmsburg Elementary in Brown County, got a chance to find out about how maple syrup is made. Sycamore Land Trust also involved learners in MCCSC's Community Transitions program and at Hearthstone Health Campus.

"It's good for everybody to be

outside, so all ages, all ability levels, we like to get them outside and in touch with nature," Gibson said.

The invitation to be outside is a welcome one for students at Rogers Elementary.

"They love it, and they ask for more. They are constantly asking, 'When are we going on field trip? When are we going to have Mr. Gibson back?'" Creek said.

**More information**

Find out more about Sycamore Land Trust at [sycamorelandtrust.org](http://sycamorelandtrust.org).

**SCHOOL DIARY**

**High schools could help students by giving them more freedom**

As a high school senior who will soon be 18 and has never gotten so much as a disciplinary referral in her four years of schooling, it confounds me that I still need to ask an adult for permission before excusing myself to go to the restroom.

High school is often described as an integral adolescent experience in which students are able to learn, develop and begin their journey into adulthood.

Yet, with their freedoms restricted in so many ways, how are these students truly supposed to mature?

Some students find high school to be ill-defined as an integral experience and more accurately described as a prison. This sentiment is often thought outlandish and is frequently dismissed by adults. However, when one considers



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prison begins to seem less preposterous.

High school students are generally bound by these confines for four years of their lives, years in which they are supposed to develop.

Many of these students tend to move on to college, where they are afforded a vast collec-

tion of freedoms. Their professors don't take attendance; administrators don't decide what is appropriate for them to wear; and, certainly, no one makes them ask for permission before using the restroom.

As college students embrace these newfound freedoms that they were denied in high school, some become over-exuberant. Without the rules that were once forced upon them, these undergraduates may neglect their responsibilities, do poorly in their classes or even drop out.

To prevent this all too common tragedy, high schools should consider granting their students more freedom before their advance to the dissimilar world of college.

Under this proposal, students would possess the free-

dom to wear what they please and leave school when they need in a low-stakes situation. With guidance from teachers and administrators, high school students would have the ability to safely explore these freedoms and truly mature. It's probable that many would come to the conclusion that attendance is vital to success and be less likely to flunk or drop out of college in the future.

When high schools restrict the freedom of students in the manner one would a child, these adolescents are inclined to rebel.

However, by affording these students more liberties, they can be encouraged to grow.

Erin O'Loughlin, a student at Bloomington High School South, is one of several area high school students who are writing School Diary columns for the H-T this year.