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IN SPORTS



SENIOR SENDOFF

■ Notre Dame tops BYU, 23-13, in Irish's final home game of the season. **B1**



IN PARADE

A VERY KELLY CHRISTMAS

■ Pop star Kelly Clarkson feels merry and bright, thanks to a hit holiday album and a wonderful new life.

Plus:

- **The Best Gifts for the Holidays:** From robot pups to ties to dye for, we've compiled the coolest presents for everyone on your list, all for \$100 or less. Merry shopping!
- **Sunday with Miss Kay:** "Duck Dynasty" matriarch Kay Robertson, dishes about her love of cooking and old-fashioned family values.

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IN BUSINESS



ACADEMY COMES TO PLANT

■ Chrysler workers take courses from company's quality production mobile classroom. **D2**

REMEMBERING THE STORM OF NOVEMBER 17, 2013

We will rebuild



Community comes together after devastating tornado



ICONIC IMAGE: The upper half of a home sits in the middle of Home Avenue near the intersection with Hoffer Street after the tornado ripped through Kokomo. Above, Phyllis Rawlins searches Monday through debris for items from her house that was destroyed on Ricketts Street.

On Nov. 17, 2013, a storm ravaged Kokomo, tearing homes from their foundations, ripping trees from the earth, flipping cars and destroying businesses. Two tornadoes took a violent path through a highly populated area of the city where birthdays were being celebrated, people were shopping and dining, and those at home were huddling in for a rainy afternoon.

KT photos by TIM BATH and KELLY LAFFERTY

The city was on high alert, thanks to many warnings sent out via all sorts of methods - TV, radio, cellphone alerts, Facebook and Twitter among them. In the end, there were few injuries and no deaths. In the minutes after the storm passed, emergency responders sprang into action. People were trapped inside businesses, homes and cars. On Home Avenue, a house was in the street and power lines across the city arced on the ground.

In the days following the destruction, a movement emerged. Volunteers mobilized and leaders took charge of this army of helpers. Other cities sent equipment and manpower, utility workers streamed into Kokomo and nonprofit groups stepped forward. Together, the community proved we are #kokomostrong.



PICKING UP THE PIECES: Ben Eikenberry helps box up household item that were salvageable from Rawlins' home in the city's south side neighborhood.



PITCHING IN: Tuesday, volunteers including Tiffany Corbit and Kirsten Wade, work to clear out a home on Pontiac Drive.

SPECIAL SECTION INSIDE TODAY INCLUDES NEVER BEFORE SEEN PHOTOS FROM THE STORM

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