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TODAY'S VERSE

John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

Meet Lilo



Lilo is a 2 year old female American Pitbull Terrier available for adoption at The Animal Welfare League of Montgomery County (AWL) since 3/15/2024 (brought in as a stray). Lilo loves going out for walks/jogs, frolicking in a fully fenced in yard, and being showered with endless love/attention. Lilo is looking for her best friend! Could that be you? AWL can also ALWAYS use helping hands! Want to help scoop litter boxes, do laundry, clean kennels, kitty snuggles, walk dogs, doggy snuggles, cat/dog enrichment?! Come say hi!!

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By The Numbers, a look at what's in the news . . . by the numbers. These are just numbers, not suggestions that they mean more or less than what they are. We do not suggest that one number is connected to another. These are simply facts with no extraneous details, bias or slanted reporting. To borrow (and perhaps mangle a bit) a quote from legendary fictional detective Joe Friday, it's just the numbers, ma'am!

\$31,200,000,000

Economic contribution Indiana farms make to the economy



14,600,000

The number of acres of farmland cultivated by Hoosier farmers in 2022

56,649

Number of Indiana farms

94,350

The number of Hoosier farmers



\$4,600,000,000

The amount of revenue brought in by agricultural exports from Indiana

10th Indiana's national ranking for agriculture

Source: Indiana State Department of Agriculture

Motorists: Share Road With Farm Equipment This Season

Planting season is quickly approaching for Indiana's 94,000 farmers. With the warm weather and sunshine, Hoosier motorists will also see more large slow-moving farm equipment traveling Indiana's rural roads and highways.

The Indiana State Department of Agriculture, Indiana Department of Homeland Security, Indiana Department of

Transportation, Indiana State Police and Hoosier Ag Today want to encourage motorists to slow down, be alert and be patient on roadways this spring.

"Indiana farmers will be working hard this spring to ensure their crops are planted safely, timely and efficiently," said Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch, Secretary of Agriculture and Rural



Photo courtesy IDA

An Indiana farmer pulls a planter off a state road onto a county road.

Development. "Whether you live in rural, urban or suburban Indiana, remain alert on the road this spring as you may encounter large farm equipment moving between fields."

In 2021, four occupants were

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A Sweet Lady Visits Her Hometown . . .



Marian Lane

Marian Lane was a sweet lady who everyone loved. During her lifetime she made many friends. Both of her employers stated

that she was a wonderful woman who went out of her way to help those less fortunate. For all of her acts of kindness, Marian never wanted praise or publicity. In fact, she lived a quiet life with her dogs and cats. She loved tending to her garden, and in the evenings she made stuffed animals for children, and crocheted doilies and placemats for her adult friends. She truly enjoyed talking with people and always had a smile on her face.

It is not surprising that Marian had such a sweet personality. Her father was a Methodist minister, and as a child growing up in Darlington, she spent every Sunday at church. She stated that her "father was a great man in her heart and also in the hearts of thousands of his parishioners. He believed that everyone has some good in them, and he preached love, not hell fire, from his pulpit. The world would seem brighter just to talk to him." Marian's mother was "a kindly Christian woman, a bit timid, but hard working, and always willing to make a sacrifice for her family and others who needed her services in sickness." Both of her parents taught Marian that the most important thing in life was to believe in God and to like people. That's why she liked people and wanted people to like her. She also had a brother who was just 19 months younger than her, and they were very affectionate toward each other. All of them lived a simple life in a comfortable home on West Street.

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TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

One or two sugary drinks a day can increase your risk of developing diabetes by 25 percent.

Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts. Be sure to catch his column each week in The Paper and online at www.thepaper24-7.com



THREE THINGS

You Should Know

- The solar eclipse may be old news, but the aftermath is not. Online searches for "my eyes hurt after looking at the eclipse" have skyrocketed 5,740 percent in the U.S. Payless Power analyzed additional searches such as "my eyes hurt" in every state to reveal when searches peaked amid the solar eclipse. Data revealed that Google searches for "My eyes hurt" increased by 502 percent, and Google searches for "Eyes hurt after looking at eclipse" increased by 5,740 percent. Since the solar eclipse, Americans nationwide have been worried about the potential effects of looking at the sun since not heeding the warnings to wear protective sunglasses during the phenomenon.
- Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb will lead an international economic development trip to Brazil and Mexico this week to cultivate innovation and growth of the agbioscience and agricultural economy. This marks Holcomb's second international economic development trip of 2024. They are scheduled to return April 19 and are joined by representatives of the Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC) as well as officials of the state's agbiosciences and agriculture sector representing industry, innovation, workforce and economic development.
- The Indianapolis International Airport is riding high on its Wi-Fi superiority, taking three top titles and a global honor in a recent international assessment of airports' connectivity. The Indy airport's Wi-Fi service was recently named the best among airports in the United States, the best among airports in North America and the 10th best Wi-Fi service among airports around the globe. The rankings were determined by the Electronics Hub group, which is a free online resource that helps students, makers, hobbyists, and engineers build electronics projects. Electronics Hub analyzed reviews for all international airports around the world on Skytrax, specifically focusing on the Wi-Fi connectivity ratings.

TODAY'S QUOTE

"It's income tax time again, Americans. Time to gather up those receipts, get out those tax forms, sharpen up that pencil and stab yourself in the aorta."
Dave Barry

TODAY'S JOKE

You can never appreciate your children more than you do at tax time!

THE MONTGOMERY MINUTE

The Hoosier Authors Book Club will discuss *Shakespeare Saved My Life* by Laura Bates in the Lew Wallace Carriage House Thursday at 7 p.m. There are a limited number of books and one audio version now available for check out at the Carriage House at the General Lew Wallace Study & Museum. Other books that will be read by the Hoosier Authors Book Club this year include: *Hoosier Public Enemy: A Life of John Dillinger* by John A. Beinke on June 20, *You Should See Me in a Crown* by Leah Johnson on July 18, *An Abundance of Katherines* by John Green on Sept. 19, and *The Magic Garden* by Gene Stratton-Porter on Oct. 24. All discussions are free and open to the public. For more information about the Hoosier Authors Book Club visit <https://www.ben-hur.com/programs/hoosier-authors-book-club/>.



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Groundbreaking Held for New Early Learning Center



Artist rendition of New Early Learning Center

A groundbreaking ceremony held Friday kicked off the construction and renovation of the new Montgomery County Early Learning Center. This transformational community project will provide 124 high-quality childcare seats for infants through age 5.

The Center is located in the former county government office building located at 110 W South Boulevard, Crawfordsville, IN. The building will be completely remodeled and adapted to meet and exceed state licensing requirements. The Center will be equipped with furnishings, equipment, and safety upgrades to meet Paths to Quality Level 4, and meet accreditation standards for the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

KinderCare will operate the Early Learning Center. KinderCare provides high-quality education to children in a safe and reliable environment with qualified staff. They have more than 50 years of experience providing early childhood care and education combined

with expertise in child development and research-based curriculum designed specifically for young children. KinderCare also has the most nationally accredited early learning centers of any private provider in the country.

“We are thrilled to partner with the Montgomery County Community Foundation, employers throughout the region, and the families of Crawfordsville as we work together to increase access to quality child care and early learning in this community,” Patrick Murray, KinderCare Vice President, said. “This center and the incredible leadership by MCCF to make this partnership possible, will undoubtedly serve as a model to communities across the country. I cannot tell you how proud and honored we are to have been selected to serve the growing families and support the growing economy here in Montgomery County.”

The initial groundwork for the Center actually began a few years ago. In 2019, a childcare task force comprised of

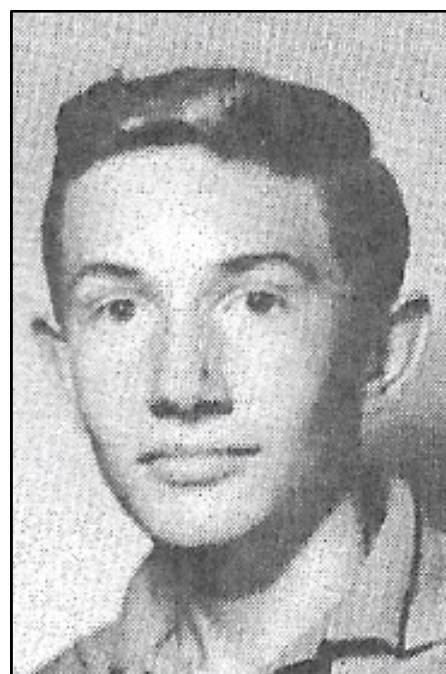
individuals representing local government, employers, providers, parents, schools, and nonprofit organizations formed to address the lack of high-quality childcare in our community. While current childcare educators are committed to providing high-quality education and support, the fact remains that we need more high-quality seats. As of now, we are able to serve less than 20 percent of children under the age of 5 with high-quality care. This is a serious issue affecting employers, employees, families and our community as a whole.

The Montgomery County Community Foundation identified work in this area of childcare as a top strategic initiative, and a top priority in grantmaking. As MCCF began to look for opportunities to expand childcare seats in our community, they wanted to focus on innovative and creative solutions. Now after months of discussions and planning, this transformational project for our community is a reality. The Montgomery County Early Learning Center is an investment in our greatest asset –

our children. “This new facility is about laying the foundation for a brighter future,” Kelly Taylor, MCCF CEO, said. “It’s a wise investment in our children’s future and provides an exceptional environment for them to thrive.”

The Center is an example of positive change for our community, and one that will provide benefits that reach far into the future. This \$5 million investment is only possible through the unique partnership of businesses, government, and philanthropy working together to create long-term, sustainable solutions to meet the critical need for additional high-quality childcare. Partnerships in this endeavor include Acuity Lighting, City of Crawfordsville, DES Engineering, Early Learning Indiana, Hoosier Heartland State Bank, Lakeside Book Company, Montgomery County government, Montgomery County Community Foundation, North Central Health Services, Nucor, Penguin Random House, State of Indiana, Tempur Sealy, Tipmont, Tri-County Bank & Trust and Wabash College.

Butch Dale's Flashback Trivia



Do You Recognize This Person?

HINT:
This 1963 Waveland graduate was an outstanding basketball player who averaged 18 points a game during the three years that he played on the varsity!

Answer on Page A3

Carnegie Museum Talks Death, Dying

The Carnegie Museum of Montgomery County is excited to present two lectures in conjunction with its newest local history exhibit, Dearly Departed: Death & Dying in Montgomery County. Join us at the Carnegie Museum for A Walk Through a Cemetery on Thursday, April 18 at 7 p.m. Jeannie Regan-Dinius will explore of the meaning behind the symbols found in cemeteries, past and present. Regan-Dinius is the Director of Historic Preservation at the Crown Hill Foundation.

On May 5 at 2 p.m., historian Sheila Riley will present Victorian Memory & Mourning. Learn about the history of Victorian mourning practices and how they are still seen in our culture today. The Carnegie Museum is located at 222 S. Washington St. in beautiful downtown Crawfordsville. Admission is free, and the museum is wheelchair- and stroller-accessible. The Museum is open Wednesday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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Living with a Cat



CARRIE CLASSON
The Postscript

We have had our adopted Mexican street cat, Felix, for a month now. “Has he bulked out?” I asked my husband, Peter, as we watched Felix, standing on his back legs and walloping the tattered mouse hanging from his sisal scratching post. Felix looked like a boxer, beating the remaining stuffing out of his helpless little toy mouse. Bits of fur and mouse innards were strewn around the kitchen. But the carnage was not limited to the kitchen.

Living with a cat, you start to eye gravity with suspicion. Small items that appeared to be securely in place must be scrutinized, as if living under the imminent threat of a major earthquake. Living with a cat is like living in a spaceship. Items cannot be expected to remain where they are put. Everything needs to be put inside something else to prevent it from floating away or, more accurately, being batted around the house at 3 a.m.

The sink stopper is missing. The spare tip to Peter’s hiking pole has mysteriously disappeared. Socks appear in surprising locations.

“What happened to my cough drops?” I asked Peter.

I keep a little bowl of cough drops on my bedside table. While all of Peter’s possessions were knocked to the ground in a perfunctory manner in the first few days of Felix taking residence, I was feeling somewhat smug because my personal items remained untouched. Until yesterday. There were cough drops beside the bed, under the bed, under the nightstand and under my desk in the next room.

But all of this is small potatoes compared to the screen door. Peter and I returned from a birthday party to discover our little El Chapo had made an escape through the screen door. We examined the cat-sized hole in horror.

“Where is he?” Peter asked.

“No idea!”

I scanned the tiny balcony outside the screen door. No Felix. We searched the apartment. We grabbed the flashlights and headed outside. Our balcony is on the third floor, facing a courtyard. We could not imagine Felix could have leapt to the stairwell from the balcony—but what did we know? We never thought he could make it through the screen door.

We searched the courtyard in the dark, filled with potted plants and tables and chairs and a million places for a small cat to hide. No Felix.

I went back into the apartment, just in time to see Felix walking through what remained of the screen door.

“Where were you?!”

Felix waltzed in, appeared pleased to see us, and we closed the glass door behind him. The next morning, we confessed our cat’s evil deed to Jorge, our landlord, who found it very amusing, and sent a man out to replace the screen the next day.

“Can you make it strong?” I asked the repairman.

“I will make it stronger than the door!” he replied, which did not make sense to me, but I’m used to things not making perfect sense in Spanish.

The door arrived, and it was made of a fine steel mesh. It would have worked wonders at Alcatraz. Felix tried it, found it solid, and lost interest. Then he began begging for tuna.

“You are not negotiating from a position of strength!” Peter informed him.

I laughed because Felix is going to keep getting his tuna snacks, and Peter and I are going to continue tucking all our belongings into drawers, and Felix is going to remain convinced that we are the luckiest two people on Earth because we get to live with him.

And he’s right, of course.

Till next time,
Carrie

Needing Another Coat!



DICK WOLFSIE
Funny Bone

My wife and I often engage in meaningful conversations. She will ask me things like: Are we better off with stocks or bonds?

Should we have waited longer to take Social Security?

Should we stick with cable or try a streaming service?

She’s asking these questions to make me feel smart. She already knows the answers. But here are the most common questions I ask Mary Ellen:

“Do you know where my coat is?”

“Did you hang up my coat last night when we got home?”

“Was I wearing a coat last night?”

Nippy temps will soon be over. This past cold season, I faced the winter chill without any substantial outerwear whenever possible. It’s not that I’m particularly hardy; I’m simply looking at things realistically. I’m tired of losing my coat. I lost three during Covid and we never left the house.

I’m going to explain my problem, but you have to read this carefully, or you’ll be lost—like my coat usually is. I never liked wearing winter coats, especially in the car. I don’t want to be all bundled up and feel like the Pillsbury Dough Boy at the wheel. I get too warm when the car heats up, but I can’t undo my buttons or unzip because of the seat belts. Then when I exit the car, I’m soon in a warm place like a movie theater or Lucas Oil Stadium and have to immediately take off my heavy jacket and stuff it under my seat, which is a great way to add mustard stains and sticky pieces of popcorn to my apparel.

Since I seldom wear a coat, I am accustomed

to leaving places without one. And so, when I occasionally do take along a jacket, I often leave it behind because I’m not used to wearing it in the first place. Are you following me? If you are following me, please tap me on the shoulder and remind me that I just left my coat at Beef and Boards.

It’s crazy for my wife to get bundled up in the winter because she asks me to warm up the car before we leave the house. Then she asks me to drop her off in front of the restaurant. Then I pick her up at the door when we leave. We drive home in a heated car and get out in our heated garage. Why does she even need a coat? For many years, this was a typical phone conversation I’d have on any given morning after we went out and I made the mistake of bringing a coat.

“Hello, this is Dick Wolfsie. I was at your theater last night and left my brown winter coat there. Could you check your lost-and-found?”

“We have a pair of glasses, an iPhone, and a credit card.”

“Yes, all that is mine. Not only did I forget that stuff, I forgot that I forgot it. But about the coat?”

“Here’s a brown one. Didn’t the bitter cold remind you of your coat?”

“I can’t explain this. Read my column. I’ll get the coat tomorrow. It looks like rain.”

“Don’t you have an umbrella?”

“I left it at Starbucks.”

— Dick Wolfsie spent his career sharing his humor, stories and video essays on television, radio and in newspapers. His columns appear weekly in *The Paper of Montgomery County*. E-mail Dick at Wolfsie@aol.com.

↓ BUTCH

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As Marian edged closer to old age, she decided to visit Darlington and see her childhood home one more time, and then head back to her snug little house in California, where she was helping her niece, whose husband had died and left her with two small children. Marian was paying for her niece’s nursing school training so she could have a good career. Marian also helped many children financially in school, and had recently donated money to her church for roof repairs. Plus, she missed her faithful dog Skeeter, who she joked was old like her, but a good watchdog and faithful companion.

Marian knew a lady in Darlington who had been her pen pal for many years. When she arrived in town, she called her long-time friend and they had a heart-warming conversation. Marian’s pen pal invited her for a visit, but she declined. Instead, Marian told her friend to step outside her front door and look north down the street . . . and when she did, there was Marian standing on the porch of her old home . . . waving at her.

Now, refusing to visit her pen pal friend may seem a bit strange, but her friend understood. You see, Marian did not want anyone else to know she was back in town. Marian Lane was not her real name. Marian’s actual name was Winnie Ruth Judd. In 1931, Winnie Ruth, who at that time was married and working as a medical secretary, was arrested for killing her two best friends in their Phoenix, Ariz. home, dismembering one of the bodies, and stuffing their remains into train baggage trunks. Winnie Ruth became known as “the Trunk Murderess.” She was convicted of two counts of murder and sentenced to hang. However, her attorney persuaded her to plead insanity, and Winnie Ruth was committed to

an insane asylum, where she spent the next 39 years of her life.

Winnie Ruth got along with those in charge and with the other inmates at the mental hospital, but she hated being confined like that. Most people who knew Winnie Ruth did not believe she had committed the murders . . . instead, she had killed in self-defense, and someone else had dismembered and tried to hide the bodies. Winnie Ruth was never given the chance to speak at the trial to tell what really happened on that fateful night. She was sick, wounded, and in shock . . . and quietly accepted her fate.

However, Winnie Ruth wanted freedom, and during those many years in the Arizona State Hospital, she escaped six times. She was caught very quickly each time, except for her last escape, when she changed her name to Marian Lane, and worked as a maid and live-in companion for two wealthy families in California . . . for over six years. Two years after her last capture, Winnie Ruth Judd was granted parole in 1971, after spending more time incarcerated than any other convicted murderer in the history of the United States at that time.

Winnie Ruth Judd, the shy hometown girl and minister’s daughter, who had been called “Tiger Woman,” “Velvet Tigress,” and “Butcher,” was to be no more. Now she was Marian Lane, a friend to all . . . especially to her pen pal in Darlington. Marian just wanted to forget the past. She passed away in 1998 at the age of 93 . . . at peace at last.

John “Butch” Dale is a retired teacher and County Sheriff. He has also been the librarian at Darlington the past 35 years, and is a well-known artist and author of local history.

Butch Dale’s Flashback Trivia

Answer:
Herschel Tague

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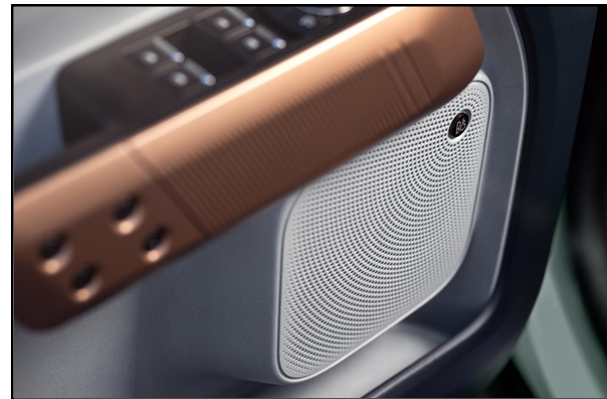


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2024 Ford Maverick Lariat Hybrid Makes Casey's Short List



CASEY WILLIAMS
Auto Reviews

I drive a lot of new cars, but like most automotive journalists, I always keep a short list of vehicles I would buy for myself if circumstances changed and I needed a vehicle for everyday use. I want vehicles that are easy to drive, get great gas mileage, carry the family, and don't cost a lot to buy or maintain. For the last couple of years, the Ford Maverick has been near the top. I especially like it in Lariat trim as a hybrid.

Urban Utility Design

Designers did a good job of connecting the Maverick's urban utility design to the best-selling full-size F-150 pickup. Compact dimensions bely the Bronco Sport's crossover architecture beneath, but its crew cab body is more streamlined and especially fetching wearing the Black Appearance Package that includes a black grille, 18" wheels, mirror caps, and Ford

Oval. A low lift-over, spray in protection, tie-downs, LED light, and household power outlet add convenience to the bed whether hauling mulch, carrying camping gear, or tossing in a couple of bicycles.

The Maverick's interior is a master class in using low-cost materials that don't seem cheap. Don't misunderstand, there's a heap of hard plastic, but designers added blueish-gray tint to the textured dash materials and molded faceted edges into door panels. Door pulls, bottle holders, and speaker enclosures are sculpture. Premium models add orange or bronze accents for interest, but even the rubber-ringed gear selector glides through its choices.

A large touchscreen, with actual volume/tuning knobs below, intuitively connects to devices through Apple CarPlay and Android Auto. Navigation, console charging pad, and full

B&O audio add delights – as do heated front seats, heated steering wheel and dual-zone automatic climate control. Sure, seats and steering wheel are vinyl, but that just makes them more durable and easier to clean. Stay safe with adaptive cruise, automatic emergency braking, lane keep assist, blind spot warning, and rear cross path detection systems.

Tight Hybrid Handling

If I was going to buy a Maverick, I'd choose this one's powertrain. It's a front-drive hybrid with a 2.5-liter four-cylinder engine and continuously-variable transmission delivering a peppy 191 horsepower and 42/33-MPG city/highway. You can get a turbocharged four-cylinder engine and all-wheel-drive, but the hybrid provides incredible fuel economy and you don't really need AWD with front-drive and traction control. This is the best choice for most, though payload and towing capacities are limited to 1,500

lbs. and 2,000 lbs. respectively. I only wish Ford would make a plug-in version with 30 miles range.

Unlike most pickups that jump and jiggle over rough pavement, the Maverick's twist beam rear suspension took it all in stride. An independent suspension is available on all-wheel-drive models for even better ride quality, but most drivers will never miss it. Without a separate bed, the body seems much more solid with no squeaks and creaks. And, since it sits low to the ground, it is actually fun to drive on curvy narrow backroads. Carry home mulch and plants, clean up, and hit the town or country

I like vehicles that are expertly styled, fuel-efficient, comfortable, practical and... affordable. The Maverick does all of that plus starts at just \$23,815, rising to \$37,510 very well equipped. Its only true competitor is the Hyundai Santa Cruz, but also compares to the Chevy Colorado,

Nissan Frontier, Toyota Tacoma, GMC Canyon, and Ford's own Ranger pickups.

Storm Forward!

Send comments to Casey at AutoCasey@aol.com; follow him on YouTube @AutoCasey.

2024 Ford Maverick Lariat Hybrid

Five-passenger, FWD Pickup
Powertrain: 2.5-liter I4 Hybrid
Output: 162hp/155 lb.-ft.
Suspension f/r: Ind/Twist beam
Wheels f/r: 18"/18" alloy
Brakes f/r: regen disc/disc
Towing: 2,000 lbs.
Payload: 1,500 lbs.
Fuel economy city/hwy: 42/33-MPG
Assembly: Hermosillo, Mexico
Base/as-tested price: \$23,815/37,510

Likes

- Urban utility
- Comfortable interior
- Fuel economy

Dislikes

- Limited towing
- Limited payload
- No plug-in version

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Hodgkin Lymphoma



JOHN R. ROBERTS, M.D.
Montgomery
Medicine

Last week I described the very complex non-Hodgkin lymphomas (NHL). This week I want to cover Hodgkin lymphoma, more commonly known as Hodgkin's Disease (HD). It gets its eponymous name from Dr. Thomas Hodgkin who first described it in 1832.

Hodgkin's is a potentially curable malignant lymphoma that carries a much better prognosis than non-Hodgkin lymphomas. It is a very specific type of lymphoma, defined by its microscopic appearance and by specific proteins that are found in the cell membranes of the tumor cells.

We expect about 8,500 new cases of Non-Hodgkin lymphomas to be diagnosed this year. The death rate from this cancer is declining due to improved treatment. It has what is called a bimodal age distribution, with peak occurrences between the ages of 15 and 34 and those over age 55. Most patients, if not cured, usually die from HD much later in life. Hodgkin's is more common in caucasians and slightly more common in men, except in childhood where 85% of the cases are found in boys.

The cause of HD is unknown. It's hypothesized that a viral infection, perhaps Epstein-Barr virus (EBV) may cause HD. Epstein-Barr virus causes mononucleosis (mono). EBV is found in half of HD tumors in people with normal immune systems and all of the tumors in people infected with HIV. One percent of people with HD have a family history of the disease. Siblings of a person with HD are about three to seven times more likely to develop HD themselves.

Symptoms of HD are very similar to those of non-Hodgkin lymphomas. About 40% of patients develop B Symptoms (weight loss, fever and drenching night sweats). Hodgkin tumors are frequently found in the chest. Patients may therefore present with chest pain, cough and shortness of breath. Most patients present with enlarged lymph nodes in the neck (60-80%), armpits (6-20%) and less commonly, the groin. Patients may also present with an enlarged liver or spleen.

The diagnosis of HD is made by doing blood work and radiologic studies. A definitive diagnosis of HD can

only be made by removing involved lymph nodes for microscopic examination. A simple chest X-ray may show a tumor. If the diagnosis is suspected, a CT scan of the chest, abdomen and pelvis is usually performed to look at the internal lymph nodes.

The standard test for the diagnosis and staging of HD is the PET/CT scan. PET stands for positron emission tomography. These scans are performed by tagging sugar molecules with a radioactive tracer. Since cancer cells require a lot of energy, they take up a larger proportion of the tagged sugar molecules. This results in increased radioactivity in the tumor that is detected using a special camera. This information, combined with standard X-rays from the CT scan, is very specific for determining how extensive the HD is.

I mentioned staging. This is something that is done in cancers to describe how extensive the tumors are. Staging is very important for determining treatment and prognosis. The staging of HD can vary from stage 1 (found in one lymph node area) to stage 4 (found in many areas or involving other organs or the bone marrow). The presence or absence of B symptoms is also part of staging HD.

The five-year survival rates of HD by stage are: stage 1 and 2 - about 90%, stage 3 - 84% and stage 4 - 65%. Patients who have very large "bulky" disease, greater than three sites of involvement, B symptoms, or disease outside the lymph nodes have a worse prognosis.

Hodgkin lymphoma is considered curable. The goal of treatment is to induce a complete remission where there is no evidence of disease as evidenced by PET/CT, physical exam and lab studies. Treatment usually involves a combination of chemotherapy and radiation. These treatments can potentially cause long-term toxic effects. Newer combinations of chemotherapy are much less toxic than those used just a few years ago. Still, patients can develop heart disease, lung disease, thyroid problems, infertility, and other cancers (lung, breast & leukemias) from their treatment.

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involved in crashes with farm equipment in Indiana which resulted in two deaths, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration*.

"With the onset of warmer weather, we will begin to see more and more farm machinery on our rural roads and highways," said Doug Carter, Indiana State Police Superintendent. "Patience, courtesy, undivided attention, and understanding will help everyone get to where they need to be safely. Let's all do our part to ensure our farmers enjoy a safe planting season."

While the term "farm equipment" encompasses a wide range of vehicles, the most common types motorists will encounter during planting season include sprayers, tractors pulling planters or tillage equipment, and large trucks hauling agricultural products. These vehicles are wide, sometimes taking up most of the road, and often travel at speeds no greater than 25 mph.

The following list includes several safety tips for motorists approaching large farm equipment:

- Farmers will pull over when they are able to let motorists pass, but it may take time for them to get to a safe place to do so.
- Be patient. Farm equipment is wide, sometimes taking up most of the road.
- Be careful when passing. Do not pass in a designated "No Passing Zone" or

within 100 feet of any intersection, railroad grade crossing, bridge, elevation structure or tunnel.

- Do not try to pass slow-moving farm equipment on the left without ensuring that the farmer driving is not planning a left turn. It may appear that the driver is pulling over to allow a pass when the farmer is actually preparing to turn. You will drive right into its path, endangering yourself and the farmer.
- Avoid tailgating, as some farm equipment might have to make sudden stops along the road.
- Allow plenty of time to get to a destination, be aware of alternate routes and avoid distractions.

Indiana State Department of Agriculture Director Don Lamb wants to remind motorists that farmers work hard to ensure they are being as safe as possible.

"As a farmer myself I have heard of way too many accidents involving farm equipment and motorists on rural Indiana roads," said Lamb. "Unfortunately, crashes and deaths occur each year during this busy time. We want to encourage motorists to slow down, be alert and be patient when sharing the roads with farmers this busy spring season."

For a list of safety tips, visit isda.in.gov.

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