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It is a safe assumption that our homes will be invaded by an assortment of pests this fall, including Asian lady beetles, boxelder bugs, crickets, spiders, and black soldier beetle larvae. These creatures typically visit homes that provide easy entry this time of year, often seeking refuge from changing weather.

Pest proofing your home is the most efficient way to keep these critters out. A swatter, broom or vacuum cleaner and trash container will take care of pests that occasionally wander indoors. It's best to deal with boxelder bugs and lady beetles outside, before they enter your home.

Following these guidelines will help pest proof your home or place of business and some may even help you conserve energy and increase the comfort level this fall and winter.

Install door sweeps or thresholds at the base of all exterior entry doors, paying particular attention to the bottom corners that are a common entry location. Insects and spiders can enter through a gap of one-sixteenth of an inch or less. Get down on the floor and check for light entering under doors; this indicates possible pest entryways.

To close other potential pest entries, apply caulk on the bottom outside edges and sides of door thresholds; fit garage doors with a rubber bottom seal because vinyl doesn't seal well in the winter; and line the bottom track of sliding glass doors with foam weather stripping $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ inch wide to seal any gaps. Utility openings where pipes and wires enter the foundation and siding are common entry points for spiders, ants, yellowjackets and rodents. You can use caulk, cement, urethane expandable foam, steel wool and copper mesh to plug openings around outdoor faucets, receptacles, gas meters, clothes dryer vents and telephone or cable television wires. Apply a good-quality silicone or acrylic latex caulk to cracks around windows, doors, fascia boards and other openings. Before you apply the caulk, clean existing caulk, and remove any that's peeling to aid adhesion. Be sure to use a good caulking gun. Desirable features are a back-off trigger to stop caulk when desired, a built-in "slicer" to remove the tip from new caulking tubes, and a nail to puncture

the seal within. These guns shops. are available for less than

\$10. lady beetles, cluster flies treat the base of all exteand summer.

Another way to prevent pest entry is to apply an ex- these pest-proofing activiterior barrier treatment with ties, contact a professional insecticides. To gain the pest control firm. Many most from this effort, apply firms are beginning to offer long-lasting liquid formula- pest-proofing services. tions that contain synthetic pyrethroids. These prod- contact the Estill County ucts are available at some Cooperative hardware, lawn and garden Service at 723-4557.

If you apply the barrier treatment, use a compressed To reduce the entry of air or hose-end sprayer to other overwinter- rior doors, garage, crawl ing pests, repair gaps and space entrances, foundatears in window and door tion vents, utility openings screens. Keep windows and beneath siding. It's also closed when adults are useful to treat the outside emerging to prevent entry. perimeter of the foundation Repairing screens also will with a two- to six-foot wide keep out flies, gnats, mos- band along the ground and quitoes and midges next two to three feet up the foundation wall.

If you prefer not to tackle

For more information,

Bug Proof Your House This Fall September 29th **Beekeeping Program**

The Estill County Extension Service will have a beekeeping program on Tuesday, September 29th, 6:00 p.m. at the Extension office. Kentucky State University Apiarist Thomas Webster will be the guest speaker and will discuss preparing hives for winter. A light meal will be provided. Please pre-register by calling 723-4557 by September 28th.

Educational programs of the Cooperative Extension Service serve all people regardless of race, Extension color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.



HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the upper left-hand corner and check one of your key numbers, left to right. Then read the message the letters under the checked figures give you.

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error

Clue: C equals E

TBCV MTA ADZ GAFFCGN NMCRDMBQDU FGAJC QVMA MBC NBAC NMAGC, TAKDZ UAK NRU MBCU TCGC NVCRJCGN?

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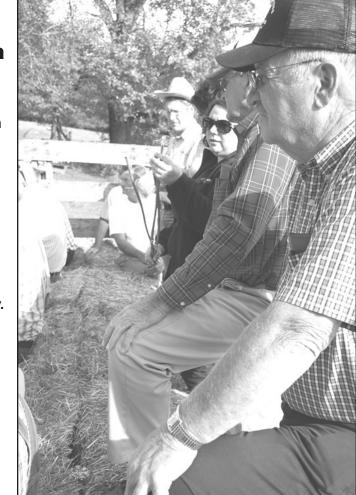




Estill County Extension **Service Farm Field Day**

ABOVE: Estill Extension Agent for Agriculture & **Natural Resources Eric** Baker introduces local farmers to the Austin **Rogers Farm on Sand** Hill Road.

AT RIGHT: Area farmers listen to a UK agent about best practices for growing and storing hay.



BELOW: Conservationist Sam Miller discusses a grant that will be available to farmers to renovate farm fields.

BOTTOM: A UK agent discusses possiblities for farmers raising industrial hemp.





Stickeler's Puzzle

SUCKELERS [sic]

Below is a letter square with the letter Q missing so as to make a 5 x 5 square. Now here's the puzzle: Find the letter that comes just above the letter that comes before the

letter just below G, and also find the letter just before the letter just above N. The answer lies between the two letters.

А	в	С	D	Е
F	G	н	I	J
к	L	м	Ν	0
Р	R	S	т	U
V	W	х	Υ	Z

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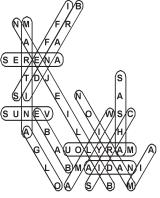
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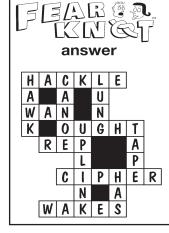


CryptoQuote answer

If you want to give me a gift, give me a good life. That's something I can value Raymond Massey

CryptoQuip answer When two old robbers stealthilv broke into the shoe store, would you say they were sneakers?

Bible Trivia Answers Casey's trivia book "Know It? ... or Not?" is available from BearManorMedia.com



Even Exchange

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1.	Daily, Doily	6.	Ballet, Bullet
2.	Piece, Pierre	7.	Tamer, Timer
3.	Meager, Meaner	8.	Basin, Basic
4.	Lunch, Hunch	9.	Scout, Shout
5.	Mound, Mount	10.	Gravel, Travel
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Answer

9	7	8	1	5	4	2	3	6
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King Crossword – Answers

Solution time: 25 mins.

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