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The beef industry is always changing, sometimes very rapidly with regard to weather, market prices, fuel and other input costs. Add external forces such as national and world politics, economics, animal rights and consumer perceptions, and beef producers have many situations to manage and overcome to turn a profit.

The 2016 Mid-South Stocker Conference "The Next Decade, Capturing Opportunities," aims to help stocker operators turn these challenges into opportunities to produce and market

Mid-South Stocker Conference

feeder cattle as efficiently as possible. Beef specialists from the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, Food and Environment and the University of Tennessee will host the conference Feb. 18 at the Cave City Convention Center.

"Because of our abundant, quality forages that equate to efficient weight gains, the stocker phase of beef production fits the landscape for Kentucky and Tennessee, as well as other areas throughout the Mid-South," said Jeff Lehmkuhler, extension beef specialist for the UK College of Agriculture, Food and Environment. "With recent producer interest in rebuilding the beef cow herd, we'll offer additional information about heifer development and marketing for the 10th anniversary of this conference."

Sessions will begin at 9 a.m. EST and include topics such as conference history, applying technology to stocker operations, replacement heifers, managing forages, grazing management, herd health and a market outlook.

Participants who register by Feb. 6 will pay \$50 for individual tickets or \$80 per couple. After Feb. 6, registration increases to \$65 for individuals and \$100 per couple. Participants will have a virtual tour of Kentucky and Tennessee stocker operations. Participants can take part in a trade show during the lunch hour. Speakers for the day include Paul Beck, University of Arkansas; Johnny Rogers, North Carolina State University; Darrell Peel, Okla-

homa State University; Phil Prater, Morehead State University and Matt Hersom, University of Florida.

Additional details and the conference program are available online at <http://www.midsouthstocker.org>. For more information, contact UK extension beef specialist at 859-257-2853.

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Community News

Friday, January 29th @ 12 Noon

Estill Extension Board Meets

The Estill County Extension District Board will meet Friday, January 29th, noon, at the Estill County Extension office. Extension meetings are open to the public. For more information, call 723-4557.

Pre-Pay By February 19th

Apple and Pear Rootstock

The Estill Extension Service will be taking orders for apple and pear rootstocks this month. If you want to propagate a favorite apple or pear, grafting is one of the easiest ways to preserve that cultivar. To graft, you will need scion wood (terminal branch segments from last year's growth collected at the end of February) and a rootstock. If you do not know how to graft, come by the office for information or assistance.

We typically order Malling7 (55% of standard size) and/or MM.111 (80% of standard) semi-dwarf apple rootstock and a pear rootstock. Please place your order on or before January 22nd by calling 606-723-4557. The rootstocks usually arrive by the first of March. Orders must be prepaid by February 19th.

In addition, we will take orders for strawberry, blackberry, blueberry, raspberry, asparagus, and Candy onion plants. Plant delivery will be in early April. If you are interested or have questions, call our office at 723-4557. Orders must be prepaid by March 18th.

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7	8	7	2	6	7	8	6	2	4	5	6	3
B	F	U	D	P	S	O	L	A	A	L	E	B
7	3	4	5	2	6	4	5	2	8	2	7	4
I	E	B	I	R	A	O	F	I	R	N	N	L
6	5	2	4	7	5	2	5	3	8	5	6	7
S	E	G	D	E	I	I	S	D	T	S	A	S
3	7	3	5	2	4	2	6	4	5	3	7	8
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N	O	R	U	N	T	H	M	E	R	I	Y	A
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I	I	N	M	V	E	E	T	D	S	D	P	L
8	6	4	6	8	4	8	4	8	6	8	6	6
R	R	O	E	O	O	V	K	E	A	S	M	S

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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: O equals P

MNJW CDGJPDYA CFAC "VNEC
IJWUEU IDEWV EC GTON VDD
CNFKI," MDTUY VNFV PJ F
DEWVJY OKEVEOECG?

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CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR
is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

VY KX KZOMPMSNE KZ M
VRPPE. SYKZT KZ M VRPPE
KX QZY QA HVY HPKSRHYX
VY CMEX HQ NKAY.
— YNKGMSYHV M. SKSYXJQ

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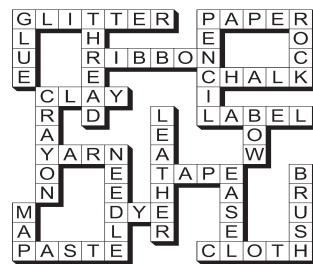
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Puzzle Answers

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Puzzles4Kids

Answer



FEAR & KNIGHT

answer

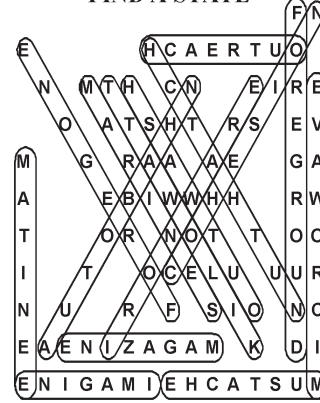


Letter Box

Solution

N	H	I	R	Y	A	C	L	O
L	A	Y	C	H	O	R	N	I
C	R	O	L	I	N	Y	A	H
R	O	N	A	L	I	Y	I	H
Y	L	C	H	R	I	N	O	A
A	I	H	O	N	C	L	R	Y
H	Y	R	I	A	L	O	C	N
O	N	L	Y	C	H	A	I	R
I	C	A	N	O	R	H	Y	L

REMOVE LETTERS TO
FIND A STATE



CryptoQuip

answer

When somebody says "This pencil point is much too sharp," would that be a pointed criticism?

CryptoQuote

answer

He is invariably in a hurry. Being in a hurry is one of the tributes he pays to life.
— Elizabeth A. Bibesco

Even Exchange

Donna M. Pettman

- Menus, Minus
- Fender, Lender
- Starch, Search
- Pitch, Pinch
- Brisk, Brick
- Oliver, Sliver
- Stare, Scare
- Falter, Filter
- Trade, Trace
- Noise, Poise

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

9	5	3	2	6	7	1	8	4
1	7	2	8	5	4	9	3	6
6	8	4	9	3	1	5	2	7
5	1	6	4	7	8	3	9	2
4	3	9	1	2	6	8	7	5
7	2	8	3	9	5	4	6	1
8	6	7	5	4	3	2	1	9
2	4	1	7	8	9	6	5	3
3	9	5	6	1	2	7	4	8

King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 25 mins.

C	O	I	F	L	A	C	A	S	H	Y
H	U	R	L	I	D	O	S	T	O	A
A	S	I	A	B	E	L	P	R	E	P
D	E	S	C	R	A	L	M	I	N	I
O	P	T	I	C	O	B	I	G	O	O
T	O	A	D	T	W	O	W	H	E	N
I	L	L	C	O	E	T	T	I	T	L
C	O	L	E	P	O	R	T	E	R	
T	I	L	L	U	N	E	A	S	E	
C	L	A	D	B	U	R	T	R	O	D
P	I	L	E	A	S	I	A	G	O	G
U	S	E	R	R	A	N	P	O	N	Y

Bible Trivia Answers

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

ANSWERS (1 New: 2)
Aaron: (3) Lazarus; (4) Children of Israel; (5) Japheth; (6) Jehu



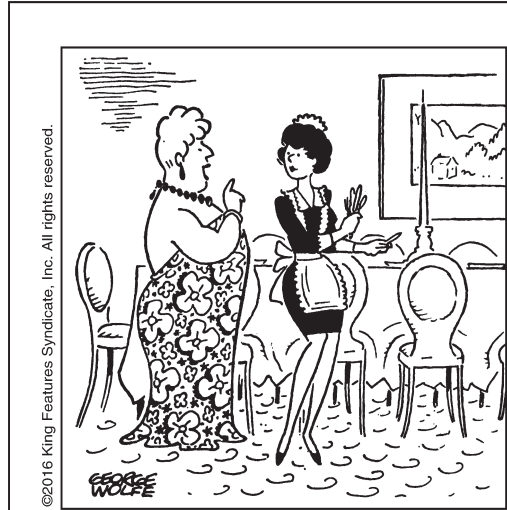
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"... And don't forget. A pencil and pad for Mr. and Mrs. Stuart—they're not

SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Remote
STANDIT

Poise
CREAG

Simple
ALPIN

Ignite
LINKED

TODAY'S WORD

Stickeler's Puzzle

STICKELERS [sic]
by Terry Stickels

Using only \$5 and \$6 chips, what is the largest amount of money that can't be wagered in exact, whole-dollar amounts?

- \$8
- \$19
- \$47
- \$119

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- Find their entry point, and sprinkle boric acid powder there.
- Remove any infested items such as food containers, houseplants, dishes or garbage cans.
- Clean any areas where you saw ants by washing the area with hot, soapy water; this removes the scent trails.
- Seal the entrance area with caulk.

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