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Tick season is underway and a University of Kentucky entomologist is bites.

"In tick-prone areas, hikes and other out-Townsend, UK extension entomologist in the College of Agriculture, Food and Environment. "Common places to find ticks arms, neck and head."

exposure. Wear a repel- to carry spotted fever. In tification.

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Tick Season Precautions

fective. A spray-on cloth- deer tick, is becoming ing treatment contain- more common in the ing permethrin is good state and carries Lyme to use when in places disease. where ticks are likely to outdoors.

reminding Kentuckians the American dog tick are Jersey, and is now known to take precautions to the most common spe- to have been here since at protect themselves and cies found in the state. least 2010. The longhorn their loved ones from tick Their tick bites usually tick is native to East Asia check yourself, children diseases. Fortunately, (which includes domesand other family mem- only a very small per- tic and wild animals), its bers every two hours, centage of them are in- proficiency in developand very thoroughly affected. The adult female ing heavy infestations on ter returning home from lone star tick, which has animals (females do not door activities," said Lee can carry erlichiosis. Its viable eggs), and its abilare behind the knees, awareness of it increases. transmitted from this tick around the waist, under American dog ticks, red- in North American. We Several effective pre- white markings on their any unusual ticks to the cautions will reduce backs, have the potential Extension office for iden-

Helping monarch

monarchs can feed and lay eggs. Once hatched, though, their

frogs and spiders as they feed, grow and form their cocoons.

Some monarch enthusiasts maintain screened enclosures to

caterpillars need protection from predators such as lizards, wasps,

house and feed them safely through their growth cycles. - B. Weaver

caterpillars Monarch populations

have declined in the past 30 years,

affected by mass reductions of milk-

planting more milkweed and avoiding

the use of pesticides near them, more

Source: WFSU, www.inverse.com, www.monarch-butterfly.com

SCRAMBLERS

weed, the plants that host and feed these butterflies and their young. By

lent; products containing addition, the blacklegged DEET are particularly eftick, also known as the

An invasive species of be abundant. Avoid walk- tick has been discovered ing through tall grass in the state. The first conand brushy areas along firmed detection of Asian fence lines or adjacent longhorn tick in Kentucky to woods. Wear light-col- occurred July 15, 2018. ored clothing so ticks are It was collected from a easy to spot. Check pets research elk in Martin when they come in from County. The longhorn tick was first discovered The lone star tick and in the US in 2017 in New are just an itchy nuisance, and is significant due but these ticks can carry to its wide host range a white spot on its back, need males to produce saliva, injected during ity to serve as a potential feeding, may cause some vector of bacterial and people to develop a "red viral diseases of animals. meat allergy," a condition So far, there have been diagnosed more often as no confirmed pathogens dish-brown with mottled encourage you to submit



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Longhorn Tick

Prevention is the key to reducing the chance of being bitten by a tick. Even then, it is almost inevitable that some ticks will get past protective efforts, but prompt removal of attached ticks reduces the chance of infection if the tick is carrying a disease. Use fine-tipped tweezers to remove an attached tick. Grasp it as close to the skin as possible and remove it with a gentle, steady pull. Then, wash the bite area and your hands. Apply an antiseptic to the bite site to protect the wound from infection.

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Cindy Brook

Name That Bird

Good luck!

When learning how to identify

birds, things to look for are: Is

the tail long or short, or is it

cocked like a wren's? Does it

have a crest like a cardinal or wing bars like a goldfinch? A

field guide can be helpful, too.

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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: Z equals U

SD OURP EITUMUI SO VKUNZTPN

DKUR NPTUKEBSYP FUUN

YEKHSOM, CUZ REC PHN ZV

FSBM IETJZPK ISJZUK.

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CryptoQuote

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.

TIR YCGL PI MLP PI PYL

BIQHP VYLDL MIQHM AID QP

QN WIDL QWBIDPCHP PYCH

VQHHQHM ID FINQHM.

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answer

REDUCE

T H Y E

Bonnet, Sonnet

2. Count. Court

3. Brisk, Brink

4. Clause, Claude

5. Propel, Proper

TRUCE

Even Exchange

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

9 8 4 5 6 3 1 7 2

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

6 9 1 7 8 2 5 3 4 King Crossword -

Answers

Solution time: 27 mins.

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

TEST

NIT

R

PEW

6. Spark, Shark

7. Night, Eight

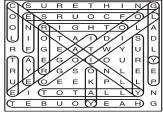
8. Chase, Cease

9. Prize, Pride

10. Jungle, Jingle

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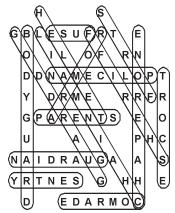
Are you sleeping?

Letter Box

Solution

Α		L	U	D	R	Ν	С	0	1
D		Ν	С	U	1	0	R	L	Α
С)	Ι	R	С	L	Α	D	Ζ	С
R		Α	1	Ν	С	L	0	U	D
L		С	0	R	D	U	Α	1	Z
N		U	D	Α	0	Ι	┙	R	С
U		R	Ν	0	Α	С	Т	D	L
С		D	L	I	U	R	Ν	Α	0
П		0	Α	L	N	D	U	С	R

PROTECTORS



CryptoQuip

f some alcohol is produced from decorative wood varnish, you may end up

with lacquer liquor. **CryptoQuote** answei

You have to get to the point where going for it is more important than winning or losing. Arthur Ashe

Mites; 6) Jair Bible Trivia Answers Baptist; 4) Foolishness; 5) Now available by Wilson Casey! 2017 Bible The women; 3) John the ANSWER: 1) Neither; 2) Trivia box calendar loaded with daily teasers.

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! Highest TOTUMS **Smirk PRIMES** Insult RESCU Rubble **BRIDES TODAY'S WORD**

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"Golly, I can hardly wait to see how my new

name looks on a _____ card."



"Leaders who don't listen will eventually be surrounded by people who have nothing to say." — Andy Stanley

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Stickeler's Puzzle



If 1/2 of 12 were 7, what would be 1/3 of 18?

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