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sion Entomologists, it is chig-

ger time across Kentucky.

Just talking about them may

make you itch. Chiggers are

actually the immature stage

of certain mite species. You'll

find them most often in over-

grown bushy areas. They

also congregate in shady, hu-

mid areas near stream banks,

under or around shade trees

stage of this family of mites

causes the itching problem.

After hatching, larvae crawl

around until they find and

attach to a suitable host. In

addition to humans, chiggers

feed on a variety of wild and

snakes, turtles, birds, rodents

dogs and cats.

Only the larval (immature)

or in berry thickets.

According to UK Exten-

# **Chigger Time**

This isn't true. Instead, they ing permethrin. attach to a skin pore or hair follicle and then inject a immediately after coming salivary fluid that produces indoors effectively removes a hard, domed area around chiggers that have not yet them, and they use a feeding attached. If that is not postube to withdraw liquefied sible, thoroughly and briskly tissues from hosts. The red rubbing your skin with a dry welt rash and intense itching towel may remove many are allergic reactions to the chiggers before they are able steps will reduce problems salivary secretions and can to attach and feed. last for up to two weeks or longer.

three or four days; then drop shady areas of yards, parks, into non-parasitic adults.

itchy pests. Avoid walking through unmown fields, brush and other overgrown areas. Instead, walk in the center of mown trails to avoid brushing up against vegetation where chiggers congregate.

Create a chigger barrier when you hike or camp in potentially chigger-infested areas so that chiggers can't come in contact with your skin. Wear long pants that are tucked into boots or socks and long-sleeve shirts. Clothing made of tightly woven fabrics keep chiggers from reaching the skin as easily.

You can also apply an indomestic animals, including sect or tick repellent; just be sure to read and follow the and domestic pets such as directions on the container. Products containing DEET A widespread myth is that or picaradin are easy to chiggers burrow into your find and use. Also, there are

Showering or bathing

While chiggers are most common in wild overgrowth, Extension Office at 723-Larvae feed for about they can also make a home in 4557 for more information. off and eventually mature camps, picnic sites and rec- Cooperative Extension Service reation areas. You can con- serve all people regardless of There are ways you can trol chiggers in your outdoor race, color, sex, religion, disprotect yourself from these environment with effective ability or national origin.

vegetation management that allows penetration of sunlight and reduces humidity. Prune trees and bushes and mow closer to allow more sunlight and to lower humidity. Remove scrub brush piles and accumulated debris to reduce protection for small animals and are important hosts for chiggers. As an added benefit, these with ticks as well.

Contact the Estill County

Educational programs of the



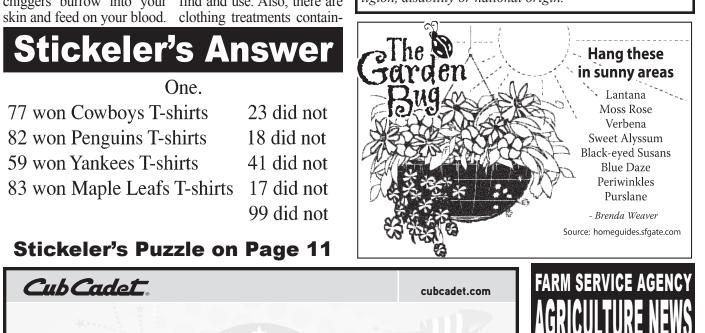
### July 7th-11th and July 18th-20th

#### 4-H Summer Camp & Cloverbud Camp

There is still time to sign up for 4-H Summer Camp. Estill County youth (ages 9 - 14) will be camping July 7th-11th. Scholarships are still available for this camp.

Cloverbud Camp will be July 18 - 20. This 3-day camp is for youth ages 6 - 8. Stop by the Extension office to pick up an application for either of these camps or call 723-4557 for more details.

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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.

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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 nuzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: I equals S

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VBCCRYX DWLTUII DYC FUT

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"LFU ILDTJUL JULLUT."

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# **Stickeler's Answer**

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77 won Cowboys T-shirts	23 di
82 won Penguins T-shirts	18 di
59 won Yankees T-shirts	41 di
83 won Maple Leafs T-shirts	17 di
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### **Stickeler's Puzzle on Page 11**

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### **Reporting Reminder**

**Richmond FSA Service Center** 

The (USDA) Kentucky Farm Service Agency (FSA) reminds agricultural producers that July 15, 2014, is the deadline to file an acreage report for spring seeded crops. Planted acres must be reported to FSA by July 15, 2014. The Agricultural Act of 2014 (2014 Farm Bill) requires producers on a farm to submit annual acreage reports on all cropland.

Although some federal farm program enrollments have not yet started, timely acreage reports for all crops and land uses, including prevented and failed acreage that producers submit to their local FSA office, are important to ensure program eligibility.

Acreage reports to FSA are considered timely filed when completed by the applicable final crop reporting deadline, which may vary from state to state. Perennial forage crops intended for grazing or having were required to be reported last fall, whereas perennial forage crops with an intended use of cover only, green manure, left standing, or seed, must be reported by July 15.

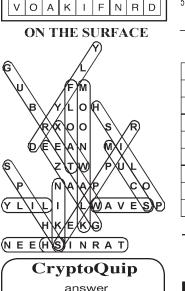
Although July 15 is the most common deadline to report acreage for spring seeded crops, this date may be different in locations with climates that are warmer or cooler than average. Producers should contact their county FSA office if they are uncertain about acreage reporting deadlines. Failed acreage must be reported before the disposition of the crop and that prevented acreage must be reported within 15 calendar days after the final planting date for the applicable crop.

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budding actress and her

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"The Starlet Letter."

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Why find fault with

yourself? Plenty of

others will do it for you.

Bible Trivia Answers

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