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Make Farm Record Keeping A Priority

your data more meaningful. Software has become more user-friendly over time, and while it may not make the record keeping process fun, it could help you see the overall picture of your operation. Some programs track purchases of inputs and how you use the input on a particular enterprise or field. You'll be able to keep track of repair and maintenance records for specific farm equipment and produce balance sheets, income statements and cash flow budgets.

For many livestock operations, a good time to start keeping records is when the veterinarian comes to check the herd. Vets usually charge per head, so that data can help you develop a list of animals that need attention. You can use the same data to develop health histories of your animals, which will lead to more informed exams and diagnosis in the future.

Make record keeping a team effort for your family. Sit down and work on the records and budget together. Perhaps one person can read the information while another person types it into the

software program or writes it in the ledger book. Also, if you do a little bit each day and don't save it all up for the end of the year, you won't become overwhelmed.

If you've done the work throughout the year, year-end procedures can feel more satisfying. You can generate year-end reports with a few simple clicks and not have to sort through stacks of bills lying around the home or office.

The University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, Food and Environment's Department of Agricultural Economics has several

tools online that could help with budgeting and decision making. Visit <http://www2.ca.uky.edu/agecon/index.php?p=29> to see what is available.

If you prefer to keep records on paper, we have the Kentucky Farm Record Book available for \$6 each and free KY Farm Tax Guides. Contact the Estill County Extension office at 723-4557.

PRIVATE PESTICIDE APPLICATOR TRAINING
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Farm News

Tuesday, February 3rd @ 6pm

Farm Bill Info Meeting

SPECIAL MEETING: Landowners and farm operators from Estill, Madison, and surrounding counties that may be impacted by the 2014 Farm Bill are invited to attend an informational meeting at the Madison County Extension Service, 230 Duncannon Lane, Richmond, KY. The meeting will explain ARC, PLC, and provide tools to make the best decision. The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 3rd, 6:00 p.m. Please let us know if you plan to attend by calling 606-723-4557.

Thursday, February 5th @ 10am

Private Pesticide Applicator Training

Private pesticide applicator certification meetings are scheduled for Thursday, February 5th, 10:00 a.m. and Monday, February 16th, 7:00 p.m. The meetings are at the Estill County Extension Office, 76 Golden Court (off Stacy Lane) in Irvine. The training will educate participants on the proper handling and use of pesticides. Certified private pesticide applicators must be recertified every three years. Farmers must be certified to purchase restricted-use pesticides. If you need further information or to pre-register, please feel free to contact me at 723-4557.

FARM SERVICE AGENCY AGRICULTURE NEWS

Richmond FSA Service Center
1024 Ival James Blvd., Ste A-2
Call 888-758-6909

Producers Reminded of Disaster Assistance Deadline

USDA Kentucky Farm Service Agency (FSA) State Executive Director John W. McCauley reminds livestock producers that the January 30, 2015, deadline to request assistance for losses suffered from Oct. 1, 2011 through Dec. 31, 2014, is this Friday.

Applications for the Livestock Indemnity Program and the Livestock Forage Disaster Program, restored by the 2014 Farm Bill resumed in April 2014, after having expired on Sept. 30, 2011. To date, more than 556,000 applications have been approved to assist farmers and ranchers in recovering from nearly three years of natural disasters.

The Livestock Indemnity Program provides financial assistance to eligible producers for livestock deaths. Losses can be caused by adverse weather, extreme temperatures, disease, or wildfires, or due to attacks by animals reintroduced into the wild by the federal government or protected by federal law, including wolves and avian predators.

The Livestock Forage Disaster Program provides compensation to livestock producers that have suffered grazing losses due to drought or fire. Qualifying droughts are based on U.S Drought Monitor severity ratings, and qualifying fires are those occurring on rangeland managed by a federal agency and normally permitted for grazing.

To expedite applications, all producers who experienced losses are encouraged to collect records documenting their losses. Supporting documents may include livestock birth records, purchase and transportation receipts, photos and ownership records showing the number and type of livestock lost, documents listing the gallons of water transported to livestock during drought, information related to grazing land, grazing leases or federal grazing permits, and more.

Local FSA county offices can provide additional information on the types of records producers will need to apply for assistance. Producers are encouraged to contact their county office ahead of time to schedule an appointment. Producers who already have appointments don't need to take any additional action to meet the deadline. FSA offices can be found at offices.usda.gov. To learn more about these FSA disaster programs, visit disaster.fsa.usda.gov

These programs were made possible through the 2014 Farm Bill, which builds on historic economic gains in rural America over the past five years, while achieving meaningful reform and billions of dollars in savings for the taxpayer. Since enactment, the U.S. Department of Agriculture has made significant progress to implement each provision of this critical legislation, including providing disaster relief to farmers and ranchers; strengthening risk management tools; expanding access to rural credit; funding critical research; establishing innovative public-private conservation partnerships; developing new markets for rural-made products; and investing in infrastructure, housing and community facilities to help improve quality of life in rural America. For more information, visit www.usda.gov/farmbill.
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6	5	6	2	8	2	5	6	3	8	3	7	8
A	S	L	B	B	E	T	O	A	A	C	C	L
5	2	3	7	4	2	3	7	8	7	8	2	5
U	S	H	H	R	E	A	E	M	E	Y	L	D
3	2	4	7	6	7	5	2	7	4	3	2	8
N	F	E	R	N	F	Y	R	U	L	G	E	D
7	8	5	4	3	4	3	5	7	8	3	4	7
L	A	F	A	E	T	O	O	D	Y	F	I	A
6	8	5	2	8	5	8	4	5	4	5	4	7
G	S	R	L	A	P	H	V	R	E	O	S	Y
2	6	2	5	6	3	2	5	3	6	4	8	6
I	L	A	M	I	H	N	O	O	F	V	E	E
8	4	2	3	4	5	3	8	4	5	4	5	5
A	I	T	M	S	T	E	D	I	I	T	O	N

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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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.

TA FVR PVVL PTLG FVRH
SCOOSVHZ STUZRHG, FVR'HG
ZVV OTUL ZV ZHCBGP.
— CQVQFWVRO

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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: M equals P

KU JGL MOMMLJ GIQZV ZIIZV
QLWL JI QLZ SBJWLYY
UOPKBLCCI, QIOZ S NSWKIPLJLL
NSWWV SPPLJLL?

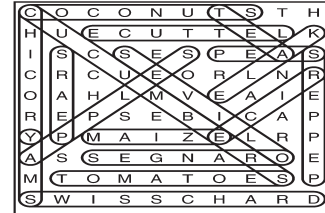
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Puzzle Answers

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Puzzles4Kids

Answer



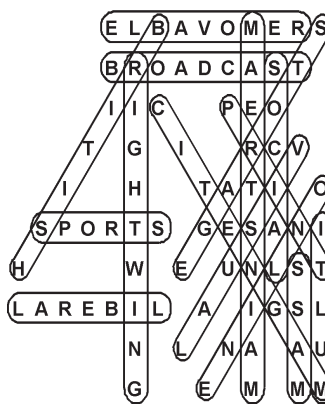
Riddle Answer:
The corn has ears.

Letter Box

Solution

D	U	C	A	T	I	O	N	B
T	N	A	B	O	U	C	I	D
B	O	I	C	N	D	A	T	U
A	B	D	U	C	T	I	O	N
I	C	N	D	A	O	B	U	T
O	T	U	I	B	N	D	C	A
N	I	B	T	D	C	U	A	O
C	D	O	N	U	A	T	B	I
U	A	T	O	I	B	N	D	C

— MEDIA



CryptoQuote

answer

If you look like your passport picture, you're too sick to travel.
— ANONYMOUS

CryptoQuip

answer

If the puppet Howdy Doody were to wed actress Funicello, would a marionette marry Annette?

Bible Trivia Answers

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

FEAR & KNIGHT

answer



Even Exchange

answers

- Rocket, Locket
- Blank, Black
- Dream, Dread
- Dipper, Diaper
- Bully, Burly
- Mouse, Moose
- London, Landon
- Smock, Shock
- Brunch, Branch
- Limbo, Limbs

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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

King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 24 mins.

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

The Garden Bug
Yarrow BY BRENDA WEAVER
This herb prefers well-drained soil in full sun, but can be grown in less ideal conditions. It is considered a very good "companion" plant, repelling some insect pests while attracting good, predatory insects such as wasps and ladybugs. Native Americans used it to relieve pain and swelling, treat wounds, reduce fevers and aid in restful sleep.
Source: wikipedia.org
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Stickeler's Puzzle



Using two different numbers at a time, how many different ways can you total 13 from the numbers listed below?

1 2 3 4 5 6 8 11

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4

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ANSWERS (1) Neither; (2) Assyria; (3) Absalom; (4) Jostias; (5) Jericho; (6) Jostias; Green; (7) Jericho; (8) Jostias; (9) Jericho; (10) Jostias