



# Just Hunting

by Steve Brewer

Just was thinking about some ole hunting buddies, and sharing stories of the past, in my mind; we call them memories. Such as, remember the time old Bounce was down in that swamp and would not come out, although the other dogs had left a while ago.

Leonard said, "Boys, get ready, he is about to bring a rabbit out."

We thought Leonard was nuts, we could see the bottom of the swamp, the water had drained days ago; but in a flash, out came ole Bounce, rabbits running everywhere, and all three was gone before we could shoulder.

Then, what about the time Clyde just had said, "This 'hur' new beagle I got, won't run anything but

a rabbit." Ten minutes later we heard his new beagle open up, and then we saw right in front of it, one of the biggest bobcats, I have ever saw.

Clyde says, "It must have been sitting next to a rabbit."

What about our lifelong hunting buddy, and top notch friend, "Blind Coy"? Who while in the Kentucky State pen, got hold of a batch of bad moonshine, and caused Coy to go blind.

They let him out, and within a week, he was right back rabbit hunting with us.

He said, "I hunted with you boys before they sent me off; now that I am back, nothing, except I am blind, has changed. You boys go rabbit hunting with (out) ole Coy, you are in trouble."

Coy sat on a five-gallon bucket... and killed more of his beagles than he ever killed rabbits. But he left us, having fun, one cold frosty morning in a field, with him shooting and his dogs running rabbits. What a way to leave this journey, doing what you love.

Then there was Bobby, Coy's best friend, for sure. You seen Coy, Bobby was close by. I can still hear Bobby shout orders to Coy, "The rabbit is at 10 o'clock, the rabbit is at 2 o'clock, pull the trigger Coy, pull the trigger."

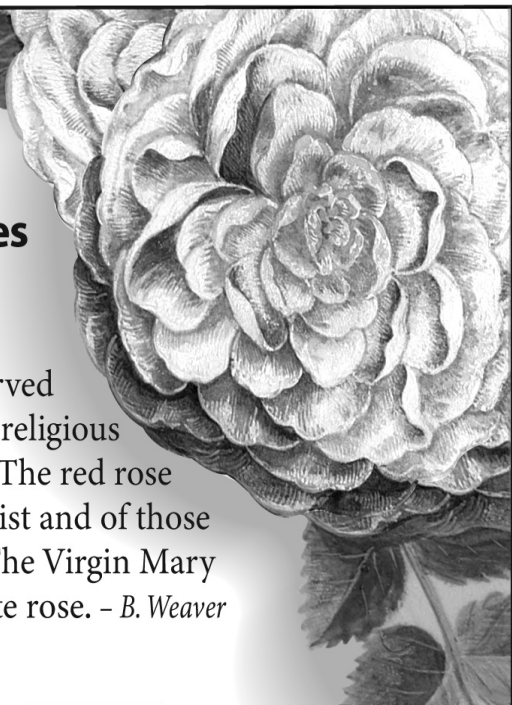
All of those friends of mine, they have left us, but the moral of this story is, they are still in the memories we made together. I hope you are making memories with your hunting buddies, they may be gone in the wink of an eye.

# The Garden Bug

## Roses in the Middle Ages

Roses were widely grown in medieval gardens. They were used medicinally, but also served as symbols and reminders of religious devotion and romantic love. The red rose represented the blood of Christ and of those martyrs dying for the faith. The Virgin Mary was often compared to a white rose. - B. Weaver

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# Birding BITS

BY Cindy Brook

## Perfect Food

Be sure to include unsalted peanuts in your birdseed mix. Peanuts are loaded with fat and high in protein, two things birds need to carry them through the winter. Woodpeckers, wrens, titmice, jays, catbirds, chickadees, cardinals and many more will fly to any feeder that has peanuts.

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# Stickeler's Puzzle

STICKELERS [sic]  
by Terry Stickels

Here's a "trickledown" puzzle. The rules are simple; you merely change one letter on each line to make a new word and continue until you reach the final word.

TWICE  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
STUNG

EXAMPLE: COAT    ANS: COAT  
                          COST  
                          CAST  
                          CASE  
                          VASE         VASE

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## Stickeler's Answer on Page 11

# 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 L

CR P FKY NVPZZM ZCJVQ ZKGEYCEY  
PNKGEF HBV SBPNR, SKGZF MKG  
APZZ CH P FKAJQBGEF?

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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.

YISU TRXKFQV IEU ENZEVU  
AQQF EARXY KQEPISFD VRXK  
RZF RYIQK UIRKQ FR JEYYQK  
ZIEY SY SU, EFW YIEY WKQEJ  
PRFYSFXQU. - WSEFE FVEW

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# Puzzle Answers

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## Puzzles4Kids

Answer  
CARVES V RACES  
LOATHE A HOTEL  
BLINDS L BINDS  
ERUPTS E SPURT  
KENDRA N RAKED  
MESSES S SEEMS  
EDWARD W DREAD  
CECILY I CYCLE  
ARISEN N RAISE  
ELAPSE E LEAPS  
BASSET S BEATS

## Weekly SUDOKU

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

## FEAR & KNIGHT

answer  
LUMPED  
A U M  
WOUND O  
I D T  
S S I N E W Y  
P O T N A  
R O T U N D  
A E  
M R

## Even Exchange

- answers  
1. Peach, Perch                    6. Glade, Clare  
2. Vanity, Sanity                7. Police, Polite  
3. Mayor, Major                8. Judge, Nudge  
4. Tackle, Tickle                9. Scare, Score  
5. Rivet, River                    10. Matter, Mutter

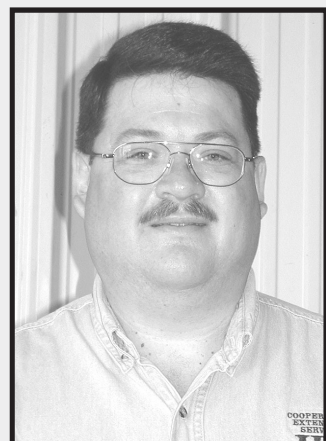
## King Crossword

Answers  
Solution time: 24 mins.  
PROP EASE SOS  
AURA XRAY IMP  
STEP ETRE LEA  
SHOE MAT PONY  
RIP OVA  
MUSTNT RAPINE  
ASPIC LEVEL  
SEAGOD PUREES  
EGOLET  
BURR THE RATS  
AGO ICON ALEE  
ILL COLT IBEEX  
LYE EMMY LADY

## Letter Box

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

# Nuisance Weed Spring Program Offered



**Eric Baker**  
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spraying mix to be used on agricultural land. The department's representative will be present to demonstrate proper mixing and application techniques. A number of nuisance weeds can be treated under this program depending on the needs of the participant. This program is limited to broadleaf weeds.

Broadcast spraying demonstration plots consist of 10 acres of agricultural land will be treated with chemical provided by the department, application performed with a two-wheeled trailer type sprayer equipped with boomless nozzles, and with additional chemical provided by the participant, an additional 10 acres can be treated.

Spot Spraying demonstration plots consist of 100 gallons of broadleaf chemical mix which is applied until sprayer is empty, application performed with a two-wheeled trailer type sprayer equipped with a handheld spray wand used by the tractor operator, and with additional chemical provided by the participant, an additional 100 gallons can be sprayed.

Foreach demonstration the participant must provide water source, tractor and operator, and all chemical products must be labeled and the product label will be strictly followed. NOTICE...there is a limit of 7 participants per county.

This program is designed to target weeds

that have a negative impact on the participant's agricultural production. The online application period to participate in this program is February 1 to February 29, 2020. To apply, visit the webpage <https://www.kyagr.com/consumer/nuisance-weed-spraying-program-application.aspx> during the signup period.

If you have questions about this program or weed control in general, contact me at the Estill County Extension office at 723-4557.

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# Backyard composting basics

Composting is a great way to add valuable organic matter to your soil while reducing the amount of yard and food waste that ends up in landfills. It's also something that nearly everyone can do.

Compost is the result of a natural process where decaying organic substances, such as plants, are broken down by microorganisms. This produces a nutrient-rich, organic material that you can apply to your lawn or garden, much like you would a commercial fertilizer.

You can start a compost bin or pile in your backyard. You can purchase a bin or make one using inexpensive, leftover materials like pallets or chicken wire. The bin can be as big or small as you want, but for most rapid composting, a pile that is at least 1-yard tall and 1-yard wide and 1-yard long is best. Make sure you place your compost in an area that is flat and well-drained.

Once you have defined a compost area, collect yard waste and food scraps. Yard waste includes twigs, shrub trimmings, grass clippings, leftover straw and leaves. Most fruit, vegetable and grain scraps are compostable as are coffee grounds, herbs, nuts and egg shells. Avoid meat scraps, oils and dairy products. Remember, you need to have a mixture of "brown" material (dried leaves, straw, twigs, coffee grounds, or even cardboard) and "green" materials (fresh grass clippings, vegetable scraps, or other fresh plant materials) for the composting process to work. Mix or turn

the pile once a week to help speed the breakdown of organic materials. If the compost pile is extremely damp, turn it more often. If it is dry, add some water or fresh plant material. It can take four to six months to complete the composting process. You will know it's finished when the compost is dark brown, crumbly and smells like soil.

Compost can be used in the vegetable garden or spread around ornamental plants in the landscape, but be careful not to use too much. A one-inch layer of compost worked into the top few inches of soil will feed plants for several months.

For more information, call the Estill County Extension office at 723-4557.

# Farming News

Thursday, January 13th at 6:00pm

## Cattle Producer Meeting

Cooperative Extension and Estill County Cattlemen's Association are having a cattle producer meeting Thursday, February 13th, 6:00 p.m., at the Estill County Extension office. A catered meal will be provided. The meeting is sponsored by Bluegrass Stockyards of Richmond. Our guest speaker is UK Beef Specialist Jeff Lehmkuhler. Please pre-register by February 10th by calling 723-4557. Estill County Cattlemen's Association will have a business meeting afterward.

## CryptoQuip

answer  
If a dog really likes lounging around the wharf, would you call it a dockshund?

## CryptoQuote

answer  
The sacred rights of mankind are not to be rummaged for among old parchments or musty records.  
- Alexander Hamilton

## Bible Trivia Answers

Now available by Wilson Casey! 2017 Bible Trivia box calendar loaded with daily teasers.

ANSWERS 1 Oid: 2 Ne- buchadnezzar; 3 Habak- kuk; 4 11th; 5 Jeroboam; 6 Oak Tree