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This May and June, billions of 17-year periodical cicadas will emerge from the ground all across Kentucky, but don't worry. They will mostly be a noisy irritation, said a University of Kentucky Food and Environment entomologist.

are not a pest necessarily, especially of people,"

curred on your farm.

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those items.

Message to Estill County

farmers who have been

impacted by flood waters

from Eric Baker

is suggested that farmers document flood damage

with pictures, labor and repair receipts, third-party

witness statements, personal labor hours, equip-

ment usage or rental, and other records that can

help prove the loss and repairs due to flooding. If

and when any USDA disaster assistance program is made available, proper documentation will be nec-

essary. Madison-Estill FSA can be reached at 859-624-1980 to let them know what damage has oc-

I also recommend farmers fill out the local county

damage assessment form as well. The online form

can be found online at Estill County Emergency

Management Agency website address https://es-

tillcountyema.net/damage-assessment/. Make

sure you note it is farm damage you are reporting. If

you have questions, contact the EMA office at 723-

Another source of helpful information is the Ex-

Above all, please be safe in dealing with flood

damage and debris cleanup. I understand some

river and stream banks have slipped or could be un-

Flood-impacted farmers that need hay, fencing

supplies, feed, or other farm-related supplies, let me

know by calling the Estill County Extension office at

606-723-4557. We may be able to connect you to

stable. Avoid getting equipment near those areas.

tension Disaster Education Network website at

As I have mentioned in a previous article, it

# This is the year for periodic cicadas to emerge

said Jonathan Larson, UK present throughout Ken- their eggs in their branchnext to a jet airplane."

Brood X, which is one of "It will be a unique expethe largest groups of cica-rience. The trees will be das in the U.S. In addition very loud this spring." to Kentucky, these cicadas gan, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, newly transplanted ones New York, Georgia, Ten- that are potential hosts to College of Agriculture, nessee, North Carolina, the bugs, should prepare Virginia, West Virginia, to protect their trees. "Periodical cicadas New Jersey and Dela- oaks and fruit trees.

extension entomologist. tucky, counties along the es," Larson said. "Getting "They are not going to Ohio River, state parks some netting with holes bite us. They are not going and forested areas are that are less than oneto attack us. They are not expected to see the biginherently toxic to pets. gest numbers. "Normally ping it around the young There can be some annoy- we see the annual cica- trees for about six weeks ance with the noise they das, which are green and produce, especially if you black, but the cicadas will keep those females are standing right next emerging this summer from laying their eggs on to them. It's like standing are a different species. They are black with red

Pennsylvania, Maryland, Host trees include young "Those can be damaged While cicadas will be as the female cicadas lay

half-inch wide and wrapwhile the insects are out

When the cicadas The emerging cicadas eyes and orange marks on emerge from the ground this spring are part of their wings," Larson said. as nymphs, they will molt and leave behind a brittle exoskeleton. For more information, call 723-4557 Kentuckians who have or visit http://www2. will be present in Michi- young trees, especially ca.uky.edu/agcomm/ pubs/ent/ent52/ent52. pdf.

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## **CryptoQuip**

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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 up-

per left-hand corner and check one of your key numbers, left

to right. Then read the message the letters under the

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> 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: B equals L

TMPA FGH JZOP VTVF V KPELPC

EMZBZ LPEZSP, KGDPQGXF DZJMC

KVF FGH'OP KSZBBPX CMP QPVAK.

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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.

YG MFR WKC'S JQ K DQCWYH SF

AXYSQ KCMFCQ'O VKDDYCQOO,

SVQC SXM SF JQ K CYWQ

QXKOQX SF XQLFNQ SVQYX

OKUCQOO. - RCECFAC

#### **Berry Plants, and More** The Estill County Extension Service will once

again take orders for strawberry, blackberry, blueberry, raspberry, asparagus, and Candy onion plants. We order with a large group of counties so the plant cost is lower than individuals ordering on their own. Orders will arrive in early April. If you are interested or have questions, contact our office at 723-4557. Orders must be made and prepaid by Friday, March 19th.

### **Stickeler's Answer**

#### Stickelers Answer

The answer is 62.5 peanuts. Billy will eat 50, and Alex will eat 12.5.

Stickeler's Puzzle on Page 7

#### Puzzle Answers

#### **BIBLE WORD SEARCH Answers**

J (H I M S E



say you've spilled the beans chili recipe, somebody might Мһеп уои діче амау а ѕесгет

**SUSWER** 

CryptoQuip

sadness. — Unknown eraser to remove their then try to be a nice write anyone's happiness If you can't be a pencil to guswer

CryptoQuote

#### Bible Word Search on Page 7

https://extensiondisaster.net/

**John Parkinson** began his apprenticeship to a London apothecary in 1585. He went on to have a distinguished career as a medical practitioner. In 1622, he gave up this career to concentrate on his garden in London's Long Acre. He started researching and writing his first book, Paradisi in sole paradisus terrestris. The book included descriptions and illustrations of hundreds of plants, their origins, alternative names and medicinal properties. Parkinson was given the title First Botanist to the King by King Charles I. – Brenda Weaver

Sources: www.parksandgardens.org, wikipedia.org

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#### What's That?

If you're experimenting with new types of bird food, such as fruit, suet or even meal worms, and the birds aren't eating it, just be patient. It might take a few days for them to recognize the new stuff as food. But they'll figure it out soon enough.

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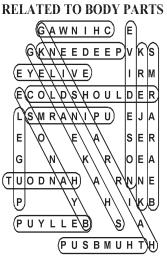
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## Puzzles4Kids

Answer

What is the best way to catch a fish? Have someone throw

it to you.



#### **Letter Box**

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#### **Even Exchange**

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King Crossword **Answers** 

Solution time: 21 mins

### **Weekly SUDOKU**

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Stomach; 4) 40; 5) Philip; 6) \$1988UV VILL 3/04: by columnist Wilson Casey, is available in bookstores and online

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