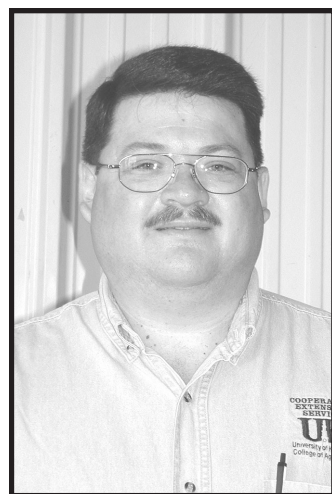


Time To Plant Spring-Flowering Bulbs



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of these plants begin root growth in fall, followed by a cool stratification period necessary for proper flower development and then shoot growth in late winter and early spring.

No matter which bulbs you select, remember that the largest bulbs will produce the greatest show next spring. However, smaller bulbs will still produce some flowers, and these may be the best choice for mass planting or naturalizing. Avoid any bulbs that feel lightweight as these may have severely dried during storage.

It's important to plant flowering bulbs at the proper depth, so inquire about plant depth at the nursery or follow the label directions. A light application of bone meal fertilizer at planting is often recommended, though probably not always necessary. Most bulbs do not need fertilization until growth emerges in the spring. When you see plants emerging, apply 1 to 2 pounds per 100 square feet of a complete fertilizer (for example, a 10-

10-10 blend). Once flowering occurs, remove the faded blooms, but don't remove the foliage. The leaves produce sugars and other compounds necessary for the bulb to overwinter and bloom again the next spring. Most bulbs will enter dormancy in late spring or early summer and will renew growth, starting with the root system in the fall.

PINE NEEDLE DROP

Many are seeing normal fall pine needle drop and may be confusing it with some disease or insect attack. The most noticeable is the white pine, a pine easily identified by close examination of a branch and seeing the five needles in a bundle.

Normal needle fall of a white pine, as well as most other pines, will have the inner most needles of the

limbs, closest to the main stem of the tree, turning brown. Normally the needles will change to a brownish-yellow first, and then abruptly brown. Early in the winter the needles will fall to the ground, again leaving the tree uniformly green for the spring. This occurrence helps the tree prepare for winter.

Cause for alarm for any pine, as well as hardwoods, would be seeing foliage turning from green to brown on the exterior of any limb while still green on the interior. If this condition should develop, the tree could have other serious problems.

Contact me at the Extension Office at 723-4557 for more information.

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Fall is the time to think about all those flowers we associate with spring: daffodils, crocus, and other easy-to-grow flowering bulbs. If you aren't growing any spring-flowering bulbs in your landscape, you are missing out on some easy-to-grow plants that provide early color to your garden.

These bulbs are planted in fall because it corresponds to the end of their natural dormancy. Most

The Natural Resources Conservation Service helps America's farmers, ranchers and forest landowners conserve the nation's soil, water, air and other natural resources. Their website www.nrcs.usda.gov provides many resources, such as definitions for the terms *native plant*, *invasive plant*, *non-native plant*, *naturalized plant*, *exotic plant*, *translocated plant*, *opportunistic native plant*, *weed* and *noxious weed*, and support and assist growers through various "plant materials centers."

— Brenda Weaver
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Estill County 4-H Youth Development

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4-H Teen Club Yard Sale Fundraiser

Estill County 4-H Teen Club is having a yard sale on Saturday, November 7th, 8 a.m. to 12 noon at the Extension Office, 76 Golden Court (old Headstart Building off Stacy Ln). Proceeds will go to Relay for Life and the 4-H Teen Club.

Do you have items that you would like to donate? All gently used items are appreciated with the exception of old computers & monitors and non-functioning electronics. If you would like to donate, call the Extension Office at 606-723-4557 to make arrangements to drop off your donation.

Stickeler's Puzzle

STICKELERS (s.c.)
by Terry Stickels

Which figure does not belong with the others based on a straightforward design reason?

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Stickeler's Answer on Page 11

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U	R	A	O	O	E	N	D	E	S	P	N	Q
8	7	4	5	8	5	3	4	6	2	6	8	7
T	U	A	I	T	N	T	I	U	P	A	H	E
8	4	6	8	6	4	3	2	4	5	4	5	6
O	S	R	U	E	E	H	R	C	E	O	S	S
4	5	4	5	3	4	8	7	6	4	3	4	6
W	S	O	S	E	R	G	S	E	K	W	E	C
2	3	4	3	6	2	5	8	5	7	2	7	2
O	A	R	Y	U	M	U	H	C	T	I	M	S
6	5	7	8	2	8	7	2	5	6	7	5	5
R	C	A	T	E	S	D	S	E	E	E	S	S

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: B equals D

BZ AZT RQQB L CMQNQ ZI

ITURMYTUQ IZU XQUJMRW

CZYLYZQX, VQQYX LRB NQSQUA?

TXQ L JQWQ-YLVSQ.

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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.

IDXQX'P SGIDVSW OQGSW

OVID IZLXP IDZI YKIIVSW

IDXT VS DZFC OQKFB SGI

ZFFXJVZIX. — G.Z. AZIIVPIZ

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Puzzle Answers

November 4, 2015

Puzzles4Kids

Answer

What directions did the ghost give to the goblin?

Make a fright turn at the corner.

FEAR & KNIGHT

answer

Letter Box

Solution

E	A	N	L	O	U	C	I	T
U	O	T	E	C	I	L	N	A
C	I	L	T	A	N	E	O	U
I	N	O	C	U	L	A	T	E
A	U	E	O	I	T	N	C	L
T	L	C	A	N	E	O	U	I
O	C	U	I	L	A	T	E	N
L	E	I	N	T	C	U	A	O
N	T	A	U	E	O	I	L	C

Even Exchange

Donna M. Peltman

1. Packer, Packet	6. Raking, Raging
2. Audit, Audio	7. Tarry, Tardy
3. Copper, Cooper	8. Month, Mouth
4. Jelly, Jolly	9. Muzzle, Puzzle
5. Shore, Shove	10. Force, Farce

NAVIGATION

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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

CryptoQuip

answer

Do you need a piece of furniture for serving potatoes, beets and celery? Use a vege-table.

King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 25 mins.

A	N	T	I	B	A	H	E	P	E
R	O	O	M	E	K	E	N	A	R
K	N	O	B	T	A	R	G	R	I
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S	O	Y	A	D	R	Y	O	S	L
E	V	E	N	A	Y	E	L	A	I
D	A	D	A	M	E	D	D	U	P

Bible Trivia Answers

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

ANSWERS (1) Old; (2) Hypocrites; (3) Rachel; (4) Judges; (5) Potiphar; (6) Boaz

Community News

Saturday, November 14th - 9-3:30

Estill County Fall Rabies Clinic

The Estill County Health Department will be holding their fall Rabies Clinic on Saturday, November 14, 2015 at the Animal Clinic on Richmond Road in Irvine, KY. The clinic will be held from 9:00 am until 3:30 pm. Dr. Linda Grimes will be the veterinarian. For information call (606) 723-5181.

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