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Protect Your Home From Termites

longer than the hindwings. Other signs of a termite infestation are pencil-thin mud "tubes" on inside and outside surfaces such as foundation walls, piers, sills and floor joists. Termites make these mud tunnels to travel between underground colonies and your home. Another sign of an infestation is damaged wood hollowed out along the grain with dried bits of mud or soil lining the feeding galleries.

Termite feeding, and resulting damage, can remain undetected in exposed wood because the outer surface usually is left intact. Many infestations result from direct contact between structural wood and the soil, which gives termites access to food, moisture, shelter and provides a hidden entry into your home. Make sure to have at least six inches between the ground level and wood siding, porch steps, latticework, door or window frames, posts and similar wooden elements. Contrary to popular belief, pressure-treated wood isn't immune to infestation, because termites will enter through cut ends or cracks and build tunnels over the surface to susceptible wood above.

Since termites are attracted to moisture, they are more likely to enter a structure when soil next to the foundation consistently is moist. So, divert water away from the foundation with properly functioning gutters, downspouts and splash blocks. Repair leaking faucets, water pipes and air conditioning units. Adjacent to the soil grade next to

the foundation so that surface water drains away from the building and adjust lawn sprinklers and irrigation systems to minimize water pooling near the foundation.

Reduce humidity in crawl spaces by providing adequate ventilation. Don't allow shrubbery and other vegetation to grow over vents; it will inhibit cross-ventilation. You can reduce crawl space moisture by installing four- to six-milliliter polyethylene sheeting over about 75 percent of the soil surface. Firewood, lumber and other wood debris stored against the foundation or in crawl spaces, attract termites and provide a food source. This practice also gives termites a hidden entry into the home and allows them to bypass any existing termiticide soil barrier.

Cellulose-containing materials including mulch and wood chips attract termites. Use these materials sparingly, especially when you have other conditions conducive to termite problems. Never allow mulch to touch wood siding, door frames or window frames. Consider using crushed stone or pea gravel instead. These materials are less attractive to termites and can reduce other pests such as millipedes, pillbugs, earwings and crickets.

The best way to prevent termite infestations is to have your home treated by a professional pest control firm. There are two general categories of termite treatment, liquids and baits. Liquid treatments are in-

tended to provide an effective, long-lasting chemical barrier around and beneath your home that termites cannot breach. Termite baits are installed in plastic stations below the ground in the yard and occasionally indoors. Foraging termites consume the bait and share it with their nest-mates, resulting in a gradual decline in termite numbers.

What should you look for when choosing a pest control firm? The firm should be licensed by the Kentucky Department of Agriculture. Membership in the Kentucky Pest Control Association and/or National Pest Control Association suggests the company is an established firm with access to the training and technical information necessary to correctly do the job. Consider calling at least two to three companies and asking for references. Avoid pest control firms that use "specials" or scare tactics to pressure you into immediately signing a contract.

Termiticides are extensively tested for adverse effects. Based on current research, registered termiticides present no significant hazard to humans, pets, or the environment when applied according to label directions.

For more information about termites and identifying any insect pest, contact the Estill County Extension Office at 723-4557.

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E	S	R	H	O	D	A	F	R	T	B	U	N
6	2	8	5	8	6	5	6	7	5	8	2	4
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A	U	D	R	P	C	I	F	C	E	E	K	F
2	4	7	4	7	3	7	4	8	3	4	3	4
S	G	Y	I	O	A	U	V	D	M	E	E	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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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: S equals T

IOKZM IWPMWKM BTLMRG
IRYIQLM PG NYSOW BMZROKMB,
O ITNNWIM SQYS'I Y ZTS SW
SQM ZQYOIM.

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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.

UYA XBMSGENAJAVU CZ E
GBUUGA MEVX NEV
CNNEMBCVEGGI NYEVWA
UYA NCDPMA CZ XAAS
PBOAPM. — WCVFEGAF SPEXE

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Puzzle Answers

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Puzzles4Kids

Answer
SUPPORT CUPS
Y R O P
U P S E T U P G R A D E
P T O U P E E U P R U P B
A U P U S T A R T U P
S E T U P U G R O U P
S O U P P U P P E T S U P P L Y

Letter Box

Solution
N F I U R X A O V
A U V F O I R N X
X R O N A V F I U
I X U A F O N V R
V O N R X U I F A
R A F I V N X U O
U V A X N F O R I
O N R V I A U X F
F I X O U R V A N

MAN OF —



CryptoQuip

answer
Since someone rudely slashed my patio recliner, I suppose that's a cut to the chase.

CryptoQuote

answer
The displacement of a little sand can occasionally change the course of deep rivers. — Gonzalez Prada

FEAR & KNIGHT

answer
T H E R M I T
R A H
O P T P E L T
L E A S H O
R L E A
O O T
L A U N C H
E E

Even Exchange

- answers
- Porch, Pouch
 - Saber, Sober
 - Steer, Sheer
 - Closet, Closer
 - Limber, Lumber
 - Carry, Marry
 - Shack, Shark
 - Jingle, Mingle
 - Wager, Water
 - Martin, Marlin

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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

King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 25 mins.

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

Farm & Home

Tree Seedling Giveaway

The Estill County Conservation District will have tree seedlings to give to Estill County landowners on Thursday, April 21. Seedlings will be given on a first come limited basis, as long as the trees last. Seedlings may be picked up at the Estill County Conservation District office building located at 1505 Richmond Road, Irvine, across from Bunt Gross Auto between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The species available will be: Eastern Redbud, Cypress, Washington Hawthorn, Pawpaw, Persimmon, Pecan and White Pine.

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Bibb: Buttercrunch, Speckles, Summer Bibb, Summer Bibb Blend
Crisphead: Michelle
Leaf: Black Seeded Simpson, Green Salad Bowl, Red Deer Tongue
Romaine: Little Gem, Parris Island Cos
The Leaf lettuces are ideal for containers; pick the outer leaves and let the center continue to grow. This is called "cut and come again" harvesting. Head lettuces like Romaine, Bibb and Crisphead need to grow about 50 days to harvest, so plan for those to grow in-ground.
Red Deer Tongue lettuce Source: www.groworganic.com

Stickeler's Puzzle
STICKELERS (sic)
by Terry Stickels
We have been able to find only three common English words that end in the letters "cion," although there may be others.
Coercion, suspicion and ? .
What is the third word?
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Stickeler's Answer on Page 11
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Bible Trivia Answers
Casey's trivia book "Know It? ... or Not?" is available from BearManorMedia.com
Zion; (6) Rahab
(4) Jacob; (5)
Wrath; (3) Paul;
ANSWERS (1) Old; (2)