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As spring approaches, many homeowners are thinking about their yard's landscape. Our winter snow event damaged several trees and shrubs. plants, homeowners may want to selectively prune the trees and shrubs around their home. Do not valid reason for pruning ber to avoid topping your the tree.

Spring Pruning Tips

wounds caused by pruning ing process. heal most quickly this time

trunk or a large limb.

To ensure healthy spring branch, known as the col-spring. lar, intact. Cutting the colprune for the sake of pruning. Pruning in this man-lecting the thickest, dark-maturity. ing, make sure you have a ner allows for a healthy est tree that is more open to stems or branches and before you begin. Remem- sunlight and air move- cutting them back. Stems ment. If the branch is cut should be cut back to soil shade trees as this will back only part way, there level and branches to the hurt the overall health of will likely be a crowded point of intersection with Pruning during the late where the cut was made. This ensures that only the winter months allows for Do not seal or paint the youngest, most producthe removal of damage wounds resulting from tive wood (that which status, or physical or mental disability.

caused by winter winds pruning because this will produces the most/best

of year just as new growth shrubs, rejuvenation months can also be pruned is emerging on the plant. pruning may be needed, Pruning also allows re- and the time to prune is size of the tree does not flowered. If the shrub is need to be reduced too pruned before it blooms, much in one season. Limit the buds have been reone-fourth of the tree's were enjoyed. When prunvolume. Start by thinning ing is done after blooming, them off close to the tree's enjoyed, and the plant can

from growing over the shrub's oldest growth. wound caused from prun- This pruning entails seand unhealthiest regrowth of new branches the shrub's main trunk.

and precipitation. The only delay the tree's heal-flowers) remains a part of the shrub. Shrubs that will With spring-flowering bloom during the summer during the early spring.

Pruning is not limited moval of diseased, crowd- fast approaching. The best to a certain time of year. ed or hazardous branches. time to prune these plants Homeowners can prune When pruning trees, the is right after they have at any time if they notice branches and limbs that are damaged either from weather disease or insects. the pruning amount to moved before their flowers Pruning is invigorating for the plants in a home landscape so one should out branches by cutting the flowers will have been not necessarily think of pruning as a means of size recover, grow and produce control. If you have a plant Leave the base of the more buds for flowers next that has grown out-ofbounds, pruning may not Rejuvenation pruning be the answer – you may lar will prevent the plant removes one-third of the need to consider replacing the plant with one that will reach a smaller size at

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Clue: A equals L

R ZWFAU AWGJ XW IJ M

CJMGKZJRBCX TCMQY EWQJUMK,

IFX YJWYAJ XJAA QJ RX'E WOAK

M NRBCX WN NMOTK.

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CryptoQuote

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.

GR'W JPAPQTVPHHO VHRPA ...

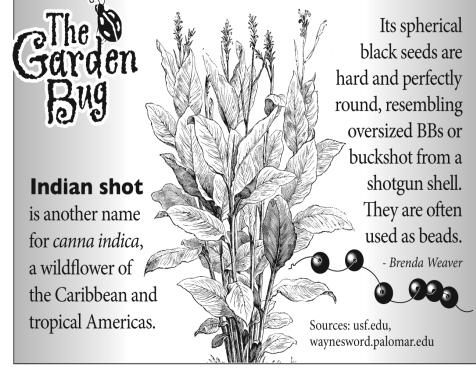
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Cindy Brook

April Showers

from Extension Agent Eric Baker

Vegetable Disease Seminar

etables under many pests, especially diseases. Plant

diseases are a particular challenge, especially with

tomatoes. If you want to learn how to manage dis-

ease issue in the garden, you will want to attend our Vegetable Disease Seminar on Monday, April 9th,

7:00 p.m., at the Estill County Extension office. UK

Extension plant pathologist Emily Pfeufer will be

our instructor. If you plan to attend, please pre-reg-

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Gardeners are in a constant battle growing veg-

Monday, April 9th @ 7pm

If you live in an area where it rains a lot this time of year, be sure to keep your feeders as clean and dry as possible. Wet seed causes bacteria growth that can make birds sick. If possible, bring your feeders in at night to help keep them dry.

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Answer

What kind of job is it easy to stick to?

Working in a glue factory.

Letter Box

Solution

	K		D					
	Е		U		Z			
G	Α	U	C	Н	0			
	C		T		М	Α	N	E
0	Н	S			В		0	
		H	Α	Z	_	E	R	
		0		E			D	
		D		N	Α	D	1	R
							C	

Even Exchange

Answer 6 3 1 2 5 4 9 8

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

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

3 5 4 9 7 8 6 2 1

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

5 3 8 2 9 6 7 1 4

– **King** Crossword *—*

Answers

Solution time: 21 mins.

M A T T E T A

I C E W A T E R

6. Flour, Floor

7. Pocket, Picket

8. Marge, Merge

9. Elate, Slate

10. Tables, Tablet

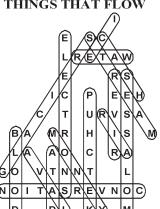
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answer

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N C T O

1. Season, Reason 2. Harpo, Harps 3. Magpie, Maggie 4. Lodge, Ledge 5. Peach, Peace — Weekly SUDOKU —



CryptoQuip

answer I would love to be a neavyweight champ someday, but people tell me it's only

a fight of fancy.

CryptoQuote

answer He's fanatically clean .. Do you know, after he takes a bath he washes the soap.

Hugh Leonard

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Stickeler's Puzzle



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What number comes next?

1 2 4 6 10 12 16 ?

A) 20 B) 18

C) 16 D) -32

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