

Green Environment

- Fire Ant Protection, unproven yet
- Reduce Consumption!
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Trying is believing

This is not a Stone's Throw original but I was so excited about the possibility of living without pesticides on the yard I wanted to share.

We all deal with fire ants and my husband just gets, well, disgusted is a bit too mild so the following information is one we will definitely be trying.

An environmentally friendly cure for fire ants has been announced by Walter Reeves on his Georgia Gardener radio program. Testimonial that it REALLY WORKS are coming in. Simply pour two cups of CLUB SODA (carbonated water) directly in the center of a fire ant mound. The carbon dioxide in the water is heavier than air and displaces the oxygen which suffocates the queen and the other ants. The whole colony will be dead within about two days. Here's the good side: club soda leaves no poisonous residue, does not contaminate the ground water, and does not indiscriminately kill other insects. Not harmful to your pets, soaks in ground. Each mound must be treated individually and a one liter

bottle of club soda will kill 2 to 3 mounds. Spread the word.

Is this not exciting! Can you imagine a ant free yard?

Now seeing is believing so testing comes next. I'll keep you posted because the source that said grits worked did not prove to be true. Yep, we bit and poured grits on the ant hills. I caught some flack for that one.

Guess I'll try the club soda on the sly before proudly announcing I have the cure to the bane in my husband's life.

Check on the next newsletter to find out the results....where did I put that grocery list?



Smart Living Tips

Had a chance to listen to a holistic nutritionist the other day and there is good information out there.



Another alternative to underarm deodorant is baking soda.

Because it will clump try applying a coat of corn starch directly to the area first. Then apply the baking soda.

Also try cleaning with vinegar instead of polluting our water with all those chemicals. We know it is a wonderful cleaning agent for windows.

This recipe works for spills on fabric and carpet.

1/2 cup of white vinegar

1/2 cup of ammonia

1/4 cup of baking soda

2 tablespoons of dish detergent

2 pints of water.

Mix this batch up and store in jars.

One word of caution. This mixture foams. Guess I need to investigate ammonia's properties.

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Did You Know?

Plants help eliminate benzene, a common chemical used in manufacturing products.

Another plant for healthy living is the peace lily. Yes, it too removes benzene from the air.

Other air cleaning plants are spider plant and philodendron.

These plants are easy to obtain, not expensive and provides clean air for your home and office.

Setting an example for others by sharing this information creates a cleaner inside environment.

If plants are good for the air, decreases absenteeism for employers and give other benefits, why not? Everyone benefits.

Sounds like a logical solution to more then one social ill!!!



We have the whole world in our hands. We can make a difference, one earth friendly act at a time.

