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Something to Squawk About

In 2007 a squadron of Helmeted Guinea Fowl were brought to the Eastern Campus in Riverhead, where the deer population is large, to wage war against the dreaded Lone Star tick. The campus had become a battlefield for the disease-carrying insects after Suffolk County banned the use of pesticides on any of its property. Now the fowl forces devour the enemy daily-as well as scare off strangers and feral cats with their ear-splitting racket.

