

FFA HAPPENINGS



This column is for readers who have questions but don't know whom to ask for answers.

"You Ask—You Answer" is for non-cooking questions. When a reader sends in a question, it will be printed in the paper. Readers who know the answer are asked to respond by mailing the answer, which will then be printed in the paper.

Questions and Answers to this column should be addressed to You Ask—You Answer, Lancaster Farming, P.O. Box 609, Ephrata, PA 17522. Attention: Lou Ann Good.

There's no need to send a SASE. If we receive an answer to your question, we will publish it as soon as possible.

QUESTION — A reader is looking for two products that she was able to purchase years ago but can no longer find them. Pine Jelly Disinfectant and Musterol, a salve to rub on your chest when you have a cold.

QUESTION — Alma Grady, Falls Creek, would like to know how to get in touch with sewing factories in the Harrisburg area to get fabric salvage suitable for weaving rag rugs on a loom.

QUESTION — Coralie Grant, Coopersburg, would like to find an outlet for old colored feedbags, and an outlet for wool remnants suitable for making braided rugs.

QUESTION — Mrs. Snyder of Fleetwood writes that she is desperate to find out how to get rid of an army of bats that live in her attic. Every summer the bats manage to squeeze through a tight door that leads to the downstairs and terrify her small children in their beds. It is a summertime nightmare. Editor's Note: Contact the state game commissioner. We understand they will come to your home and help eradicate the bats. If someone else has a solution, please write.

QUESTION — Norma Jean Yankey, Mt. Solon, Va., has a Burpee pressure canner Model #AR 1525. The screw in the control valve is weak and the pressure will not register properly. Does anyone know where she can find another control valve? The canner is approximately 40 years old.

QUESTION — J. Keith O'Leary would like to know how to eliminate voles without gassing them. They seem to be too smart to trap and gassing is not only expensive but it can kill other ground-dwelling animals.

QUESTION — Jeff Connors, Perryville, Md., would like to know where a good FFA school is in Lancaster Co. or a good, clean Christian family farm, or a Virginia-style dairy barn.

QUESTION — Jeff Connors, Perryville, Md., would like to know where he can purchase a toy Farmall 560 1958 NFAN 1456.

QUESTION — L. Zimmerman, Stevens, would like to know where to get coal grates for a Frank's FWC 140 wood and coal furnace.

QUESTION — Harold Stoudt, Hamburg, would like to know where to buy a continuous timer that can be set to turn a fan on and off at preset intervals of 20-30 minutes.

QUESTION — Mrs. Joseph Boll, Harleysville, would like to know where to purchase mendettes, a small disc with a screw that fits a small hole in pans and holds the other side on.

QUESTION — Margaret Diamond, Kunkletown, would appreciate information on hair embroidery, instructions on the craft, items owned with a history, or items for sale. Send it to 80 Evergreen Lake, Kunkletown, PA 18058-9329.

QUESTION — Joan Francisco, Stroudsburg, would like to know where to purchase oil of cassia, used in Italian cooking.

QUESTION — Yvonne Lawrence, Newburgh, N.Y., would like to know where to purchase a rhubarb and soda mixture used for indigestion. She used to purchase it in a pharmacy but finds the New York pharmacies don't stock it anymore.

QUESTION — Mrs. William Pierce, Palmyra, would like to know where to purchase antique two-bottom dishes for crock-type chicken water fountains. Must be white with 10-inch top and 8-inch bottom.

QUESTION — Esther Miller, Coatesville, and Edgar Jackson, Ligonier, would like to know how to puff wheat, rice, corn, and other grains for making cereal. Esther writes that when she visited Europe, the Austrians especially served puffed cereals and one of her favorites was puffed peas served with soup.

E-Town FFA
The Elizabethtown FFA Awards Banquet was held May 18 at Elizabethtown Area Middle School. The following awards were presented.

The Greenhand FFA Degree was given to Amy Brandt, Josh Herchelroth, Adam Stauffer, John Boyer, Neil Messick, Nate Umbrell, Bethany Brosey, Donald Bears and Heather Gockley.

Members who had previously earned their Greenhand Degrees received their Chapter FFA degrees. Those members included Jason Cotton, Nheel Dreher, Angela Keener, Howard DeShong, Jason Henisee, Autumn deVitry, and Kris Hoffman.

Several other members received proficiency awards for outstanding work in specific areas. The areas and members are as follows: Agricultural Improvement - Chris Grube, Creed Speaking - Amy Brandt, Placement in Agricultural Production - Jason Wivell, Dairy Production - Heather Oberholtzer, Fish and Wildlife Management - Heather Gockley, Beef Production - John Boyer, Home and Farm Improvement - Rebecca Espenshade, Agricultural Structures - Gene Barton, Aquatics - Kyle Buchter, Agricultural Electricity - Matt Umbrell, Agricultural Sales - Nheel Dreher. Officer awards were presented to Heather Oberholtzer - President, Dawn Witmer - Vice President, Krista Hoffmann - Secretary, Gene Barton - Treasurer, Angela Keener - Reporter, Jason Cotton - Sentinel, and Amy Brandt - Chaplain. The top sellers in the Holiday Sales were Nheel Dreher. Steve Shull, and Andy Germak. Eugene Enck was awarded the Blue and Gold Award for 1995.

The DeKalb Award was awarded to an outstanding senior which was Eugene Barton. Star Greenhand was Amy Brandt and Star Chapter Farmer was Kyle Buchter.

Last June, several members of the E-town FFA participated in Penn State FFA Week. Their awards are as follows; Agricultural Salesmanship - Dawn Witmer, Public Speaking - Heather Oberholtzer, Poultry - Andy Myers, Agricultural Salesmanship - Becky Espenshade, Poultry - Krista Hoffman, Dairy Cattle Showmanship - Heather Oberholtzer, Aquatics - Kyle Buchter, Poultry - Eugene Barton, Delegate - Jason Stoltzfus, Poultry - Jason Cotton, and Agricultural Salesmanship -

Autumn deVitry.
Cedar Crest FFA Participates In Land Judging
The Lebanon County FFA land judging contest was held on May 23 in the Northern Lebanon School District at Dennis Showers' farm.

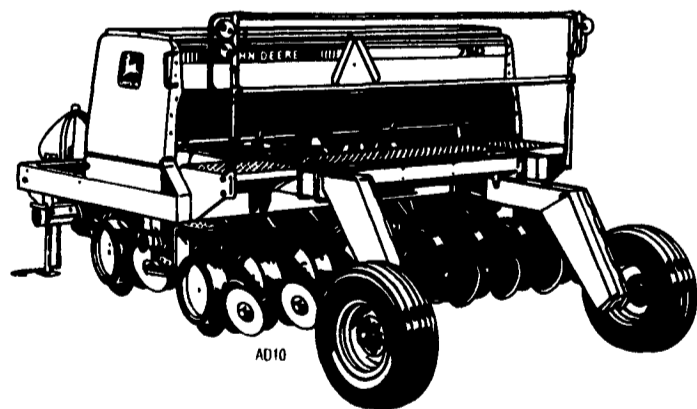
Twenty-three contestants from Lebanon County FFA chapters participated. The contestants scoring took into consideration aspects of the land, such as slope, stoniness, texture, depth of soil, and internal drainage.

The Cedar Crest placings are as follows: Duane Weaver 1st with a score of 238, Chuch Aurentz 2nd with a score of 225, Drew Gensamer 3rd with a score of 224, Mindy Hostetter 4th with a score of 223, Sean Weaver 5th with a score of 219, Ryan Gates 6th with a score of 218, Dustin Pietrak 7th with a score of 218, Dan Kreider 8th with a score of 217, Heather Koch 9th with a score of 210, Jeff Zimmerman 10th with a score of 210, Crystal Stevenson 11th with a score of 208, Jason Neal 12th with a score of 206, Jim Tulos 13th with a score of 206, Mike Reed 14th with a score of 199, Joe Perry 15th with a score of 196, Melinda Bomgardner 16th with a score of 194, Ken Hostetter 17th with a score of 193, Dave Plasterer 18th with a score of 187, and Nicholas Tiffany 19th with a score of 186.

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