

You ask You answer

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. Please include your phone number because we sometimes need to contact the person to clarify details. We will not publish your phone number unless you request it.

QUESTION — Jerry Johnson, Herndon, would like to know where to purchase light blue with white pinstripe beanie caps with a short bill. They are used under hardhats and welding hoods. The denim-like material is similar to an engineer hat but in a beanie style.

QUESTION — Leona Spangler, P.O. Box 41, Spring Mills, PA 16875-9419, would like to buy a copy of "Searchlight" cookbook and a Rumford cookbook, which were printed between 1930-1940. Other cookbooks from that era are also welcomed.

QUESTION — June Kummerer, 1505 Kummerer Rd., Pottstown, PA 19464, is looking for books on bobbin lace; how to make it, where to purchase bobbins, and a book "Beginners Bobbin Lace," and everything else on the subject.

QUESTION — J. Hykes, 321 E. King St., Shippensburg, PA 17257-1424, is looking for old photographs of Christmas trees, which were taken before 1950.

QUESTION — M. Stoltzfus from Maryland would like to raise turkeys, chicks, or other fowl for a company or person. Who should he contact for information?

QUESTION — J. Loren Yoder, Belleville, would like information about three different milk bottles from the following: Weaver's Dairy of Malvern; Spicklers Dairy of Elizabethtown, and Supplee — Sealtest Dairy Products.

QUESTION — A Reinholds reader would like to purchase a used flat beater and 12-quart bowl for a Reynolds Electric Company commercial mixer serial number C37129.

QUESTION — Mrs. Cindy Eshleman, R.D.3, Box 7957, Jonestown, PA 17038 would like to correspond with anyone who has or has had a child with selective mutism (children who won't speak to adults other than their parents).

QUESTION — Betty Sterner had a set of 12 plates limited edition 1979 Franklin Mint Porcelain by Peter Banett, but the January plate broke. Can anyone help her find a plate to replace the broken one?

QUESTION — Frances Krall, Myerstown, is looking for a craft book with directions for five-strand rug braiding.

QUESTION — Eva Burrell, Glen Gardner, N.J., writes that her local Senior Center makes loom and crocheted small-sized rugs from strips of cotton, cotton blend, or polyester knit material. Their material supplier from Allentown has gone out of business. Does any one know of another source for the strips of material?

QUESTION — Peggy Gordon, Sykesville, Md., is searching for Achimenes bulbs, which are small and resemble small pine cones. Achimenes is sometimes called the warm water plant because it is thought the plants are more easily started by immersing them in warm water. The plants only grow and bloom in the summer. As fall approaches, they simply die off and must be stored until the next summer. The flowers are somewhat trumpet-like. She has purchased some through seed catalogs but hasn't been able to get them to grow.

QUESTION — Roman Peters, Port Trevorton, would like to know where to purchase miniature horseshoes that are approximately 1½ -2-inch widths measured from the outer edges.

QUESTION — Lois Babcock would like to know where to buy Raggedly Ann and Andy candy or candle molds.

QUESTION — Linda Gorman of Wayland, Mass., requests directions on how to make salve for cuts and wounds of livestock. She had requested this earlier and someone had given her a phone number for the Haffer's Salve recipe. They wanted \$50,000 for the recipe. She didn't want it that badly.

QUESTION — Doug Bunnell, Endicott, N.Y., would like to know where to find replacement bags for older types of hand-cranked cyclone seeders. There are replacement bags for the newer plastic seeders, but they will not fit the old wood base seeders.

QUESTION — Wayne Lewis, York, would like to know if somebody has a book titled "Gunsmiths of Penn. Marva" by William Bowers. Mr. Lewis would be interested in buying a copy. Call (717) 755-5128 or write to Lewis at 4850 Tracy School Rd., York, PA 17406.

QUESTION — A reader from Loysville would like to know where to buy black wool knit World War II Navy caps.

QUESTION — Milton Haines, Tabernacle, N.J., would like to know where to find transmission gears for a Midland garden tractor model # MR30, Serial #1017.

QUESTION — Marlene Hurst would like the recipe for old lime or whitewash used to cover stone walls in cellars. Also, how do you apply it to partially stripped walls?

QUESTION — Mae Stancill, 2344 Pennington Rd., Bel Air, Md. 21015-1204, wants a source for plain white and printed feed bags in which animal feed was sold. She also wants a source for the tissue iron on embroidery patterns of yesteryear. Also, does anyone have an old cookbook from Rumford or Clabber Girl baking powder company that they would like to get rid of? She will pay postage.

QUESTION — J.R. Pepler, Glen Mills, would like to find a source for ram horns. He wants to make shepherd's crooks from them as they do in England. The horn is softened and bent into the top end.

QUESTION — Mary Jones, Compton, Md., would like to purchase a used book, "1001 Knitting Stitches."

QUESTION — Mary Jones, Compton, Md., would like directions for building a sparrow trap.

QUESTION — Ray Garrett, Hanover, would like to buy a used 20-quart White Mountain ice cream freezer for a local church. Call him at (717) 632-9383.

QUESTION — C.Stage, Lawrenceville, has a hoosier cabinet that is painted in the original green with small black flowers on top, two roll-style doors, and a flour mill. The bottom half has been painted over to a lighter green. It has the manufacturing tag #013. She would like an estimate of the value as it is or stripped down. The wood is not oak, but a lighter wood.

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Kids Cannot Be Replaced

LEWISBURG (Union Co.) — There are few issues in the agricultural industry that opposing sides can agree on, but one topic that merits overwhelming support is protecting our most valuable resources — our children. Over the past year I witnessed time and again the quick, enthusiastic, and generous response of communities wanting to promote farm safety for kids.

Union County is the most recent area to recognize the need for addressing this critical concept. On Saturday, June 1, 100 children participated in a Farm Safety Day Camp for Kids at Mifflinburg High School. The children attended interactive workshops demonstrating safety tips and hazard awareness in areas such as tractors, pesticides, lawn mowers, falls and injuries, livestock, fire, ATVs, farm machinery, electricity, and first aid.

Providing a county-wide farm safety camp is no easy task. Many phone calls, meetings, letters and miles of legwork are necessary for the success of the program. Yet, with members of Union County volunteering time, energy and finances, the organizational process was not difficult at all! Agribusinesses and health organizations, public servants and private citizens, farmers, teachers, parents and grandparents all saw a need and rose to the challenge. Our children need to learn to see, to realize that farms are great places to live but farms can also be dangerous. At the Day Camp I watched the children having fun while learning lifesaving information. The demonstrators were joking, yet serious. Any bystander could sense the undercurrent of excitement running through the day. The kids were taking responsibility for their own well-being. They were sowing the seeds of safety for themselves. Most importantly, positive role models from their own community were saying, "We care about what happens to you, we support safe farm practices, we want you to grow up healthy and happy on your farm."

A handful of concerned people formed a Farm Safety Committee. The committee mushroomed into 30-plus volunteers. The volunteers snowballed into more than 30 community sponsors. Fifty campers doubled to 100 campers, and then tripled to include 50 parents.

For more information on the Farm Safety For Kids program, contact Deborah Webb, Union County Cooperative Extension, 103 S. Second Street, Lewisburg, PA 17837-1956 or by phone at (717) 524-8721.

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