

# You ask we answer

This column is for readers who have questions but don't know who 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.

Do not send a self-addressed, stamped envelope for a reply. If we receive the answer, 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** — Bill Angert, Manheim, wants to purchase a good family-owned Model A Ford sedan, coupe or pick-up truck made between 1928 and 1931. Willing to pay for a good one. As a youngster, his family owned a two-door sedan, which he learned to drive and enjoy. Any suggestions on where to find one.

**QUESTION** — Bea Maurer, Quakertown, would like to know the origin and correct words for this ditty she remembers her grandmother saying: *Five little mice on a pantry shelf feeding on bread crumbs and something else. Five little mice in a shelf up high feeding so daintily on a pie.*

**QUESTION** — L. Grasso, Mickleton, N.J., would like to know how to rid lawn of moles.

**QUESTION** — Ivan Gromling, Manchester, writes that when he was young and growing up in the 1950s and 1960s, his family used Troutaman's Cough Syrup, which was black in color. Where can he purchase it today?

**QUESTION** — Kermit Laub, Coopersburg, would like the name of the person who had advertised a John Deere tractor with bad wheels and rims. He lost it. Anyone know to what he is referring?

**QUESTION** — Sandy Sheffer, Glen Rock, is looking for a recipe for homemade soap made with goat's milk.

**QUESTION** — Bob would like to know where to find parts for a mall air saw or a complete saw. Write to him at Bob Snyder, 1751 Woods Rd., Akron, Ohio 44306.

**QUESTION** — Maryanne Meebon, Perkimenville, remembers when she was young that her mother sang a song to her that she isn't sure if it was a published song or made up. Does any one recognize and be able to add to the verses: *My Raggedy Ann is a very old doll. She lives in the attic for years. She lives in the attic for 50 long years with her shoe button eyes made of . . . ?*

**QUESTION** — Paul Dowie writes that he has a 50 plus piece collection of cooking and kitchen-related booklets from food producers, appliance manufacturers, and utility companies, dating from 1929, and wants to know if there is a market for these collectibles. He has photocopied a list with the name, producer, number of pages, and date if listed. Would prefer to sell the complete collection for a reasonable price. Call Paul at (610) 827-7561.

**QUESTION** — A reader from Upper Dauphin wants to know how to remove black soot from the outside of copper kettle and how to restore it.

**QUESTION** — Jane Colvin, Ephrata, is looking for a dishes and glasses in a discontinued Pfaltzgraff pattern called "Village." Contact her at 1330 Lincoln Heights, Ephrata, PA 17522.

**QUESTION** — Gregory Badger, Collegeville, would like to know how to contact a musical group that plays the marimba in the Lancaster area. He thinks the group may be called the Lancaster Marimba Ensemble.

**QUESTION** — Gregory Badger, Collegeville, would like to know where to find a long sleeve shirt produced by a company called Feed Sacks. The printing on the back is "Pawnee Bill's Wild West Show" with authentic markings toting a wild west show theme. Message on the back states "The only historic Wild West Show in existence. Seats 10,000 people under waterproof canopies." Either this shirt or something similar with a western or side show theme.

**QUESTION** — A Lancaster County reader would like to know where to purchase an old Singer sewing machine stand with cast iron treadle. It must be in good condition and reasonably priced. She has a Singer sewing machine head to put on.

**QUESTION** — Bill Martin, Egg Harbor, N.J., wants to know where to obtain seeds for a sweet melon called cob mush melons, which require little water to grow. During the Depression Era, these melons were popular.

**QUESTION** — Paul Musser, Ephrata, wants to know where to buy organic spray to use on fruit trees.

**QUESTION** — M. Miller, 250 Kulp Road, Harleysville, would like to purchase a New Holland farm engine or parts. Also, he would like manuals for the New Holland engine and machinery.

**QUESTION** — Donna Morrison, Dalmatia, would like to know where Somerset seed potatoes can be purchased.

**QUESTION** — Adelene Newcomer, Dover, would like the words to the song "Oh, Ain't We Crazy."

**QUESTION** — A Snyder County subscriber would like to know where to purchase a Reed's Pocket Nut Cracker Model #816.

**QUESTION** — Robin from Elverson is looking for a directions to make a room freshener similar to one sold at Bath and Body Works. It is called Jelly Jar Scents and comes in a jelly jar used for canning. It is in a gel form and contains "bitrex."

**QUESTION** — Ruth Miller is willing to pay a reasonable price for an out-of-print book, "The Secret of the Singing Heart," by C.W. Naylor. Call her at (301) 842-2029.

**QUESTION** — Mary Pazzaglia, Columbia Cross Roads, wants addresses for suppliers for chipwood baskets that measure 4½ -inch wide and 3¼ -inch deep, and 2½ -inches high.

**QUESTION** — L. Tyrpen, Fredericksburg, wants large blocks of scented and colored wax, not beeswax, to melt for candlemaking.

**QUESTION** — Lloyd Gingrich, Lebanon, wants to know where to get caps for croquet mallets.

**QUESTION** — John Beiler, R. 1, Box 99, Allenwood, (717) 547-2476, would like a service manual for an Allis Chalmers Forklift model #500, serial #1886. It uses a 4-cylinder engine model #160-19755-R.

**QUESTION** — Terry Lowe, New Park, is hoping to purchase wood or coal grates for a Wincroft #B8882R cookstove, made in Middletown.

**QUESTION** — Bob Zoetewey, Denver, Col., has a POW-R-TRON Electric hammer Model #25p Serial #749212 manufactured in Home, Pa. He needs to correspond or have a telephone conversation with some one who has an owners manual, maintenance manual or parts catalog for the drill. He'd like to be able to obtain a copy of the manual and know where to buy parts for the drill.

**QUESTION** — T. Faber, Boonville, would like to find Dark Tower Games, a battery-powered Castle made by Milton Bradley early 1980s. Looking for complete games or just small parts. Where can he find some?

**QUESTION** — Jo Marie Snyder, New Bloomfield, would like to know how to sex chickens and ducks before they are grown. Is there a good instruction book printed?

**QUESTION** — Bob Snyder would like to know where to get a manual for a Mobilift 3-cylinder stand up forklift model E 63. Write to him at 1751 Woods Rd. Akron, Ohio 44306.

**QUESTION** — Paul Maulfair, Jonestown, would like to know the color of "The Daisy," a one row corn planter made in York by Hench & Doromgold.

**QUESTION** — D. Hanson, Fork, Md., is seeking a source for a denim chore jacket manufactured by Caboose Works of New Hampshire or by any manufacturer that uses snap fasteners rather than the usual button/button hole fasteners. She writes that these excellent jackets were available at work clothes outlets in New England, but she cannot find jackets with snap fronts in this area.

**QUESTION** — Mrs. A. Hazelton, Starrucca, would like to know where to get the address to subscribe to "Quelle Katalog."

**QUESTION** — Harold Miller, Elverson, would like to know where to obtain parts for a Stewart-Warner airless paint sprayer pump Model #327138-2. Serial #261318-K3.

**QUESTION** — Evan Weidman, Westfield, would like information about old cookers that he has. On top, it says American Cooker, patented Nov. 29, 1910, other patents pending, No. 70. The other one says the same thing but has a No. 66 on it. He'd like to know who made them and any other instructions.

**QUESTION** — Christopher Knisely, Mulica Hill, NJ, is looking for "Freddy The Pig" books published by Knopf and written by Walter R. Brooks. The books were written and published between 1920-1960. She wants all titles and in any condition.

**QUESTION** — I. A. Rich Sr., Silver Spring, Md., needs a set of brushes for a Red Head Hammer Drill Model #606-3 made by Phillips Drill Co.

**QUESTION** — Jane Latsko, Cochranon, is hunting a preprinted wall hanging of a quilt hanging on a washline for quilting.

**QUESTION** — Carl Detwiler, Zionsville, wants to know where to get wire rope flemish spiced and swaged.

**QUESTION** — Ben Kinsinger, Myersdale, wants to know where to find a 5-gallon ice cream freezer to run with an old water cooled gas engine. He also wants a ½ horsepower New Holland gas engine (any condition).

**QUESTION** — Ben Kensinger, Myersdale, would like to know where to find an old Maytag washer that used a glass fruit jar for a gas tank. Can be rusty or broken. He'd also like a ½ horsepower New Holland engine.

**QUESTION** — Ron Young of Layton, N.J., would like to know where to purchase a stalk binder that ties cornstalks with two knots, one at the bottom and one in the middle of the bundles.

**QUESTION** — Mrs. R. Lantz, Gordonville, would like to purchase Bryde crystal glasses to match a pitcher she has.

**QUESTION** — Terry Freed, 718 Center Mills Road, Aspers, PA 17304, is looking for information leading to auto/truck salvage yards or persons and places that may have a Divco milk delivery truck for sale. Prefers one formerly owned by Pensupreme Dairy but any dairy will do.

**QUESTION** — Faye Drawbaugh, Newville, would like to know who sells parts for a Home Comfort Model CB cookstove manufactured in 1930 by Wrought Iron Range Co. in St. Louis, MO.

**QUESTION** — Shirley Jean, Bridgeport, W.V., would like instructions for putting a macrame seat in an old rocking chair.

**QUESTION** — Michael Chenail, 989 Gates Place, Warminster, PA 18974, is a responsible bowhunter who desires to establish a relationship with property owner to manage whitetail deer population in an eastern Pennsylvania location.

**QUESTION** — Robert Rauhauser, Thomasville, is a researcher and historian and would like to know if some one might have some old round Hinkle's Easter dye bottles to complete a display of Egg Dyeing Apparatus. The dyes came six in a carton. He writes that the dyes were patented Aug. 24, 1943, which is amazing since raw materials and all efforts were going in to support the war effort. Rauhauser understands that the dyes were invented by a York County man from Wrightsville by the name of Raymond Young, who probably assigned his invention to the Hinkle Drug Store in Columbia. Hinkle's continue to sell egg dyes in square bottles, but Rauhauser wants the round bottles, the box they came in, and information on the inventor Young or the first Hinkle's Drug Store.

**QUESTION** — Robert Folk of Stewartville, would like to buy mushroom popcorn seed. He saw it at the state Farm Show caramel corn booth. He has raised popcorn for years but can no longer find the original seed that he used. The closest thing that compares with it is the mushroom popcorn variety that he understands is from some place in Mount Joy.

**QUESTION** — Mrs. Allen Schultz, Honesdale, would like to know where to purchase the old type clothespin that has a wire reinforcement around the middle. She used them to make clothes pin dolls and needs more.

**QUESTION** — Mrs. Amos Hoover, Denver, wants to know who to contact about recycling plastic milk jugs into a picnic table.