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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 — Kenneth McBeth, Walnut Bottom, is looking for a pair of W.W.II inf. combat boots with leather tops and two straps.

QUESTION — M.V. Runkles III wants to know where to get parts of a Warm Morning coal stove. The one he has was made by the Locke Stove Co., Kansas City, Mo.

QUESTION — Helen Heavner, Upper Tract, W.V., is looking for flavoring or an address for Flavor Mill Artificial Butter Flavor. The address on the box is Laguna Hills, Calif., which isn't complete enough to send an order.

QUESTION — Helen Heavner, HC60 Box 4, Upper Tract, W.V. 26866, is looking for spin curlers for home perms. She needs all plastic with no rubber bands. The rubber band breaks her hair. She found some for body perms, but she wants smaller ones. She is willing to buy new or used ones.

QUESTION — Mildred Anderson, Dover, wants to know what makes lotion made from goat's milk separate from the other ingredients. She used beeswax, coconut oil, sweet almond oil, glycerine, and goat's milk. She had combined the beeswax and oils in a pan of water until melted, added warm milk and glycerine and beat with a mixer until cool. After it sat for awhile, the milk separated from the other ingredients. She would appreciate a recipe that works or ideas on how to make the recipe she has work.

QUESTION — A reader needs to relocate gladiolus bulbs that have already sprouted about 6 inches tall. Should she let the bulbs dry before replanting or plant them right away?

QUESTION — Rick Altland, 960 Green Spring Road, York, PA 17402, is looking for pictures and information regarding Boeckel's Landing, located about 2 miles south of Holtwood Dam on the west shore of the Susquehanna River. It was destroyed in 1972 Hurricane Agnes. Rick is trying to gather enough information to have a picture painted of the area, where there was a boat rental, bait and tackle shop, and small store built on pilings against the hillside and rowboats tied to big trees along the waters edge. The name may have been spelled differently or even been known by another name.

QUESTION — Donald Jones is collecting information on antique rototillers for a college business course. He'd like to mail a survey to collectors. Write to him at 734 Cedar Lane, Perkasie, PA 18944.

QUESTION — Ella Keyser, Zieglerville, wants to know where to buy a belt for an antique sewing machine. The treadle machine is a New American #2909819 and Belt No. 25.

QUESTION — Vlad Koropchak has a 20-quart milk can that was used in milk fountains. Does anyone know of a company that would galvanize it to restore it to the original condition.

QUESTION — Art Sholly Jr., Mt. Joy, wants to know where to find a gas-fired Royal Peanut Roaster, any condition and any size.

QUESTION — Frank Furl, 231 Walnut Rd., Clarence, PA 16829, wants to raise hogs and would appreciate information on the raising and caring of hogs.

QUESTION — Fannie Beiler, Lancaster, would like to know where to purchase a Bio-Snacky sprouter of someone who is willing to sell theirs.

QUESTION — Pam Eyer, Carlisle, wants to know where to find plans to make a wooden playhouse like those sold at places that sell wooden storage sheds. She prefers to make one herself instead of purchasing a pre-built one.

QUESTION — Margaret Diamond, Kunkletown, wants instructions to make lamps or other items from popsicle sticks.

QUESTION — Shirley Schwoerer, Wysox, has a Plett Pan, which is a cast iron with seven shallow indentations and no lid. A recipe with attached that appears to be a thin pancake recipe, but no other instructions. Do any readers have more information about Plett?

QUESTION — Helen Cox would like to know how to start or root forsythia from a clipping.

QUESTION — Roland Kamoda, Monongahela, wants to know where to find a thumb latch and catch for a log cabin door.

QUESTION — Marian Mosemann writes that she has the complete sections of "Home on the Range" (from this paper) dating back to the late 1970s to now. She is downsizing and will glading give the copies to a reader who would appreciate them. Write to her 293 West White Bear Drive, Summit Hill, PA 18250-1734.

QUESTION — Timothy Diehl, Bloomsburg, is looking for a company that sells parts and a 90-inch blades for a #14-277 Workace Bandsaw made by J.D. Wallace & Co., Chicago.

QUESTION — A Pennsylvania reader has had a Christmas cactus plant for three years and it has never bloomed. How does she get it to bloom? How much light does it need? Which window works the best?

QUESTION — Patty Clouser wants to know the value of old Briggs and Stratton engines and of a Snappin Turtle lawn mower with turtle head Model #2½ ST19 Serial # 7820.

QUESTION — Rosemary Mattiuz, Kersey, is looking for handles for 3-ply stainless Flavor Seal cookware by Cory. She purchased the set about 30 years ago and has been using it everyday. The handles are cracking and making the screws loose.

QUESTION — A reader wants to know where to purchase egg cartons.

QUESTION — Ruth Erb, Beavertown, wants to know how to use Borax or Sulphur candles to kill termites or carpenter ants. Or any natural way not using chemical pesticides since she is allergic to them. A previous answer used choloradane, which is illegal to use.

QUESTION — Donna Unger, 133 Krug Rd., Littlestown, PA 17340-9724 is interested in purchasing Hull piggy banks, which come in various styles and colors. The dime banks are marked HP58 on the bottom. The Jumbo Corky Pig is marked hull © 197, and the sitting pig is marked hull © 196. The corky pigs are marked Corky Pig Pat pend, HP Co. © 1957 USA.

QUESTION — Eli Ebersol, Lancaster, wants to buy "Intercourse, PA 200th Anniversary Book," printed in 1954. He also wants a jigsaw puzzle of "Mascot Roller Mill," located in Mascot.

QUESTION — A faithful reader would like to know if anyone can tell her how to save an unfinished quilt top, she found while cleaning out a house. The top has turned yellow where exposed, dusty, etc. The remainder of the quilt is like new. It is printed to be embroidered in cross stitch and is already marked to be quilted. If she washes it, the markings and cross stitch will probably wash out. Is it worth the time sewing and maybe not getting clean? The dirty part is about a 12-inch square where folded.

QUESTION — Patricia Henry, Gettsburg, needs the address for Bany Products Corp., formerly of St. Louis, MO. Mail returned with forwarding expired. Patricia writes that the company makes the best metal polishing cloth called Victory Miracle.

QUESTION — A reader would like to buy used pressure canners in good condition at a reasonable price. Write to Box 38, Bart, PA 17503.

QUESTION — Clarence Rhorback, Mertztown, wants to know where to get information on a miniature baler that makes 2x2x4-inch bales.

QUESTION — Doyle Whitney wants information on farm areas, where a small farm and a farm equipment dealership or repair shop would prosper. He doesn't want real estate agents, but perhaps county extension agents or someone from the Dept. of Ag could help with the information. Call him collect at (860) 423-8218.

QUESTION — A reader would like information on keeping a pair of swans in their pond in order to keep a Canada goose population under control. Which breed of swans works the best? Do you need to clip the wings to keep them in the pond? What kind of care do swans require?

QUESTION — Harold Wolf, New Cumberland, is looking for copies of "Flying" magazine published from the mid 1950s to 1962 only.

QUESTION — Bill Kelley, Purcellville, wants to know where to have a meat grinder recoated or refinished. He writes that maybe the correct wording is "hot dipped."

QUESTION — S. Schiaroli, Reading, would like to know where to purchase a new helmet liner, the type used inside the army metal helmet of World War II.

QUESTION — Vera Sloop, Landisburg, would like information on where to buy strainer parts for a galvanized watering can.

QUESTION — Sharon from Elverson is looking for additional pieces to a Pfaltzgraff set of dishes that were made 15-20 years ago. Pieces have a cream background with dark blue accents that include either a cow, a flower, a rocking horse, a pineapple, a cat, or a farm scene. Some pieces include the label Spectrum by Pfaltzgraff.

QUESTION — A reader is looking for a shower curtain with cows on it. Where can she find it?

QUESTION — Thane Lafollette, Bernville, would like information on how and where to sell broom corn. He has about 75 stalks to sell.

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

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

ANSWER — N. Kring, Carinbrook, wanted to know where to purchase Dick and Jane readers. A reader wrote they can be purchased at Burkholder's Fabrics, 2155 W. Route 897, Denver, PA. Phone (717) 336-6692.

ANSWER — David Simpler, 2645 Old Field Pt. Rd., Elkton, MD, raises and trains beagles and finds it costs more to go to the vet than to a medical doctor. He would like old homemade remedies and good old dog knowledge on do-it-yourself treatments of any kind. Many medicines are becoming unavailable for non-professional people, but he had heard that motor oil, sulfur, salt, and kerosene mixed together will treat mange and itch. Linda Jedju writes that a mixture of motor oil, sulfur, salt, and kerosene will kill his poor beagles. The mixture is toxic. Prevention is the best home remedy, she writes. Clean pens, clean water, quality protein dog food, and tender loving care. Good, economical dog care products are available through Jeffers Pet Catalog 1-800-533-3377. Or call PBS Livestock Health (1-800-321-0235). Linda admonished that if you are too cheap to contact a vet, don't own a dog.