

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 — L.N., East Earl, would like to know where to mail-order Western-style shirts for men or boys.

QUESTION — Robert Fleckenstein, 28 Bailey St., Woodstown, N.J. 08098, would like to locate a "Time" magazine dated May 15, 1950. Contact him at his address.

QUESTION — Sara Kinsinger, Stuarts Draft, Va., has a lot of old windows with bubbles in the glass. Somebody told her there is a place where they want the glass to use it in new windows. Where?

QUESTION — Elizabeth Beaver, Ringtown, was given a plant called Sweet Annie by a fellow novice gardener. She would like to know its Latin name in order to look up information in gardening books. When cut, Sweet Annie has a wonderful fragrance. She wants to know its growing habits. Is it invasive? How did it get its name?

QUESTION — While at a steam show near Lancaster, Daniel Fleming of 38250 Stevens Rd., Lovettsville, VA 20180, saw children riding a type of "tricycle" that was propelled using the hands and arms instead of the feet. He believe the toys were called a whirlygig. He would lke plans or instructions for building the hand-propelled toy.

QUESTION — Fran Pierman, Stockton, N.J., would like to purchase tops for the radiators in their house but can't find them anywhere. Does anyone know where they can be purchased?

QUESTION — Mrs. Lester Weber, Nottingham, would like the words to the song "The Paper Boy," which begins "'Please buy a paper from me so I can get someting to eat. My clothes are all ragged, no shoes on my feet,' said the little paper boy there on the street."

QUESTION — A reader would like to know how to control thripes from ruining glads. She has tried bulb dust for storage; soaking the bulbs in a Lysol water solution in the spring, and rotation of where bulbs are planted without success.

QUESTION — Elam Ebersol would like the following books: "The Beautiful Story Golden Gems of Religious Thought," written and edited by J.W. Buehl. Also, "Service for Peace," by a Hostettler who writes about C.P.S. Camp, and "Uncle Arthur's Bible Story Books. Send prices and condition of books to him at 558 Gibbons Rd., Bird-in-Hand.

QUESTION — Alan Roper, Shippensburg, would like information on milk cows.

QUESTION — Doris Spitler, Dornsife, is trying to find a song about states that contains "What did Delaware, boys? She wore a brand New Jersey. . etc.

QUESTION — A reader from Leola area would like to know where to get flails for an Agri-Tech model #GS20120 finish mower, new or used.

QUESTION — Mike from Pottsville wants the name of a company that sells egg cartons and will print the farm logo on the cartons.

QUESTION — A reader would like to locate a John Deere 435 corn head for a J.D. 105 Combine or a J.D. 105 Combine with 435 cow head. Head must be in good condition.

QUESTION — Susan Forry, 25 Woodward Court, Annapolis, MD 21403, is searching for information on how old a two-story house located on Burma Road in Columbia (West Hempfield Township is. A barn and tobacco shed once stood on the 80-acre property that is approximately 3/10 mile off the road.

Prior to its present owner (Daniel Forry) it was owned by the following people: Robert Garber, Elmer Garber, Paris H. Garber, Aaron Herr, Rudolph Herr. It was possibly owned by Henry S. Eshleman (1851), Henry Neff (1853) Henry Hogendobber (1856), Abraham Metzyer, Andrew Bowers (both 1856), Jacob Reitzell (1823), and or John Reitzell.

QUESTION — J. Hesson, Perkasie, would like to know how to keep weeds out of raspberry brambles. Is there anything on the market that would control thistle without harming the brambles?

QUESTION — Arlene Zimmerman, 600 B Gristmill Rd., Ephrata, would like to make latch hook rugs. How can she find patterns? Scenery and flower patterns are preferred.

QUESTION — A New Tripoli reader would like to purchase barley straw to control algae in the pond. She wants to purchase the straw in the New Tripoli area.

QUESTION — Marilyn Patterson, 153 Brick Church Rd., Newville, PA 17241, would like an old book, "Donkey John of Toy Valley," written by Margaret Warner Morley and published in 1909 by McClurg Publishing Co. Her dad, who remembers hearing the story when in school and is now a woodcarver, would like the book because it is about a woodcarver's family.

QUESTION — Helen Weaver, Boiling Spring, wants to purchase a copy of an out-of-print hymnbook "Spiritual Songs and Hymns," published by E.V. Publishing House in Nappannee, IN. Call her at (717) 258-5224.

QUESTION — Barbara Fair, Mohrsville, remembers a poem from her childhood, which is about a woman who spent her whole life fighting dirt. The final lines are something about "she lay down and died, and was buried in dirt." Does anyone have the complete poem?

QUESTION — Paul Charles wants anterless deer licenses for Montgomery County issued for the years 1951, 1952, 1953, and 1955. Willing to pay a very good price. Call (717) 724-3482.

QUESTION — Richard Laughman is interested in purchasing a history of the "Nussli, Nissley, Nessly Family 1717-1985," compiled by Karl Nissley Haines. First edition 1986. Write to Richard at 984 Edenville Rd., Chambersburg, PA 17201.

QUESTION — Kay Hampford, Pottsville, would like to know where there are basket making classes and of a store that sells supplies.

QUESTION — Rosalyn Miller, Honesdale, would like to know where to get the book "The Practical Stock Doctor," in good condition and for a resonable price. It was written about 1914 and included good remedies for animal sicknesses.

QUESTION — Shirley Runk, Mount Union, would like to know where to purchase plastic lids with a spout that are used on one-gallon Sun-tea jars.

QUESTION — Peter Juerss writes that in the late 1970s or early 1980s, J.C. Whitey had a book, which he thinks was titled "How To Convert Your Car, Van, or Pickup to Diesel." Also Diesel Engineering Service in Oregan had a book detailing how to Install Perkins 4/6 cylinder diesels into pickups. These books are no longer available. He'd like if someone would sell him these book or tell him where to find other books detailing gasoline to diesel engine swaps. Call him at (914) 266-8239.

QUESTION — Amos Stoltzfus, 37510 Westham Lane, Mechanicsville, Md., would like to find tracks and motor for a TD6 International tractor in good condition or a Farmall M diesel motor in good shape.

QUESTION — Matthew L. Stephens, Starrucca, would like the address of the man who collects post-card with covered bridges.

QUESTION — Cindy Eshleman would like an iron or metal horse sleigh. She saw one at the rodeo in Harrisburg in November. She also would like to purchase a buckstitched (white leather through brown leather) reins or bridle with reins in good condition. Willing to pay reasonable prices for these two items.

QUESTION — Leon Stoltzfus, Leola, would like to know where to purchase the round juicing disk for an Atlas Juicer made by Juice Master Mfg., Co., Model 36. No. D12041.

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

QUESTION — Sara Kinsinger, Route 1, Box 533, Stuarts Draft, Va., has about 1002-quart jars for Alice Zimmerman. Write to her at the above address.

QUESTION — Floy Eberly, Stevens, would like the complete words to a poem he had learned at West Stevens School. Floy was deeply touched by the poem that ends every verse with the words: "Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet, lest we forget."

QUESTION — Herman Kinsinger, Stuarts Draft, Va., wants to know where to find new parts for the Zero milkers. He heard the milkers are no longer manufactured.

QUESTION — Carl Calleari, DuBois, is restoring his Harry Fergerson TO20 farm-tractor and needs a left-side hood decal that reads "Fergerson."

QUESTION — Jean Nestler, Halifax; would like the name of a company that makes towels and wash-cloths and does embrodiery work on them.

QUESTION — Joelle Fischer would like to know where Swiss cheese with a touch of ham can be purchased. Her brother used to get it at market ... She checked at different places but no one has ever heard of it. Joelle said the cheese is extremely delicious and has a taste all its own. It is not sharp and is quite different from any flavor she ever tasted in cheese.

QUESTION — Ben Kinsinger, Meyersdale, would like to know where to get a Farmall pedal tractor like the Farmall M Tractor. Doesn't matter if the pedal tractor needs repair. He would also like to know where if anyone has parts for a Farmall Cub for sale.

QUESTION — Don Miller, Summit Hill, wants to know who can appraise the value of an antique goat cart. Call him at (717) 645-9693.

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

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

QUESTION — A reader writes that if L. Sensenig of Shippensburg sends in her full name and address to this column, she will send her a free copy of "The Warm Summer."

ANSWER — Ron Lieberman, Glen Rock, recently purchased an old mill along Newport Road in Lancaster County. It has a fine mill, race, and dam. The Liebermans would like to make their own electricity using water power and wanted to locate people and resources to establish a micro-hydro-electric generator? Thanks to Chris Peterson, Douglassville, who recommends "Home Power" magazine. Back issues have articles on microhydro and many advertise hydro suppliers in the magazine. No address was sent except the web site address which is www.homepower.com

ANSWER — In answer to John Lapp, who wanted to know how to use elderberries for medicinal purposes, E. from Nazereth writes that her mother made tea from elderberry flowers for medicinal use. She would cut the elderberry flowers in full bloom, dry them in the attic, and make a tea by seeping the dry flowers in hot water. Add honey or sugar for small children. She writes that it really works, but no mention of the ailment for which it works.

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