

You ask You 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 — Durwood Tuttle, Knoxville, would like to know how people hand dug wells so deep and perfectly round and lay the stone without it caving in.

QUESTION — Levi Stoltzfus, 450 Hollow Rd., Quarryville, writes that he has a Franklin sewing machine that he would like to sell. The Franklin, similar to the Singer, has an electric motor and is in a cabinet, which he also wants to sell. The cabinet does not have a treadle on it. The machine can be used with a treadle if preferred.

QUESTION — Durwood Tuttle, Knoxville, writes that in the 1940s and 1950s a song sung by Lee Moore on a Nashville record called "The Cat Came Back." Tuttle lost his record and would either like the words or the record.

QUESTION — Pat Chance, Clayton, De., writes that several years ago she recalls attending Creative Circle home parties, which sold all kinds of needlework supplies. She would like to know if the company is still in business and how to contact the company.

QUESTION — Albert Klinger, Elliottsburg, would like information on where to buy repair parts, especially "spring clips" for a Simpson 260, Series 8, volt-OHM Milliammeter. The phone number listed in the manual is no longer in service.

QUESTION — A reader would like to know who applied the Lancaster Rose quilt tops that were sold at the Diffenback quilt and craft sale in New Holland a few years ago.

QUESTION — At the Bloomsburg Fair, Robert Stephens, saw some standard spotted ducks with Apple in their breed name and some pomeranian geese. He'd like to know where these can be obtained.

QUESTION — Windy Knoll Produce, Nottingham, would like to know why so many sweet potatoes are black or dark skinned this year. It is only skin deep but doesn't look attractive to sell and they tend to wilt and not keep as long. Some have ridges on the outside that are stringy. How can a better quality sweet potato be obtained?

QUESTION — E. Nolt, Leola, would like to know where to purchase a good, used set or a new one at a reasonable price of "My Bible Friends," by Arthur S. Maxwell.

QUESTION — Rachel Rudolph, New Oxford, wants to know where she could buy a new or used 18-quart Farberware kettle.

QUESTION — Mrs. R. Strauss, Ephrata, wants to know who repairs Monarch Coal Kitchen Ranges. Hers has some rust damage on the back part of the stove.

QUESTION — Evan Weidman, Newville, would like to know where to get a boor or whatever its called to shell dried beans.

QUESTION — L. Beiler, Bird-in-Hand would like to know when and how short puzzy willows should be trimmed.

QUESTION — M.W. Hamilton, Thornton, is looking for a source to purchase full-size models of plastic swans.

QUESTION — Julia Johnson, 8098 N. Eagle Valley Rd., Havard, PA 16841, is looking for three books written by Martha Barnhart, Harper Publishers: "Bitter Sweet," "Winter Wedding," and "Red Silk Pantalotts."

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 — 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 like plans or instructions for building the hand-propelled toy.

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 — 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 Metzger, Andrew Bowers (both 1856), Jacob Reitzell (1823), and or John Reitzell.

QUESTION — J. Hesson, Perkasio, 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 — 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 — Paul Charles wants antlerless 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 — Rosalyn Miller, Honesdale, would like to know where to get the book "The Practical Stock Doctor," in good condition and for a reasonable 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 Oregon 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 postcard with covered bridges.

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 — Charles Hoffman, Coopersburg, would like to know how to make an all wooden, three or four fingered hay fork from a single piece of wood. What kind of wood is used, how are the fingers bent, is the wood soaked, and if so, in what and for how long? Hoffman is also interested in purchasing a new or used wooden hay fork.

QUESTION — Doris Hellerick, Dublin, is interested in purchasing a life-sized plywood black and white cow for lawn display.

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 — Jean Nestler, Halifax, would like the name of a company that makes towels and washcloths and does embroidery work on them.

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

ANSWER — L.N., East Earl, wanted to know where to mail-order Western-style shirts. In addition to Sheplers, which was printed a few weeks ago, Rosemary Mattiuz, Kersey, recommends Blair Shoppe, 220 Hicory St., Warren, PA 16366. Call 1-800-458-6057.

ANSWER — A reader has psoriasis and wants to know what remedies have helped other readers. J.J. of Bucks County writes that she's suffered with this heartbreak disease for 45 of her 48 years. A fraternal uncle also had it. The writer had it everywhere but on her face. Over the counter drugs did not work for her. She saw a dermatologist who suggested puva (ultra-violet lite) therapy. She goes for therapy six weeks starting in each February. Combine with prescribed topical creams of Topicort Desoximetasone .025% plus Dovonex Calcipotriene ointment .005%, she stays clear for nine months a year. She said that it's very important to wash the affected areas and use a sun screen to get natural sunshine weekly.

Another reader writes that her husband had psoriasis when he came home from the Army in 1945. The only thing that worked was a prescription drug called Augmentel Betamethasone 60 gram Dipropionate Ointment 0.05%.

ANSWER — Fran Pierman, Stockton, N.J., wanted to purchase tops for the radiators in their house but couldn't find them anywhere. A. Crouse, Shade Gap, writes that custom and stock radiator covers and enclosures are available from Monarch Dept. C1, 2744 Arkansas Dr., Brooklyn, N.Y. 11234. For brochures showing styles, colors, and sizes, phone the New Jersey office at (201) 796-4117.



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