

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 — Elliot Myers, Ottsville, would like to know where to purchase Steenbergen Midget turkeys.

QUESTION — Sarah Hanson, Fork, Md., would like to know how to get rid of and prevent infestation of Indian meal moths that invade stored dry foods such as corn meal, rice, chocolate, oatmeal, etc.

QUESTION — Ella Hix, Hamburg, would like to know where to purchase a full-grown domestic hen mallard.

QUESTION — A Perry County reader would like suggestions on how to remove perspiration odor from a coat. Drycleaning did not help. The fabric is 80 percent wool and 20 percent nylon.

QUESTION — A.K. of R.1, Box 383, Loysville, PA 17047, wants to buy a reasonably priced home-use cream separator.

QUESTION — John Smokers, Myerstown, would like to know where to purchase used kitchen cabinets with a sink in good condition.

QUESTION — Mabel Zimmerman has a problem that she hopes will be read by the couple she needs to contact. She needs the couple who wanted the Boyer farm painted on a milk can and saw to contact her at (717) 354-8536, as she doesn't know how to contact them.

QUESTION — Samuel Blank, Narvon, has an old tin truck that he used to play with as a child. He would like to see his children play with it but the wheels are broken. Does anyone know where he can buy 2½-inch rubber or plastic wheels to fix the truck?

QUESTION — Bill Russell, Carlisle, would like to buy old books "Motorcycle Chums," "The Big Five Motorcycle Boys" and "Tom Swift and His Motorcycle," which were published about 1913-1920. There are several in each series. Write to him at 3305 Enola Rd., Carlisle, PA 17013.

QUESTION — B. Light, Lebanon, wants to know where to obtain dolls and colored milk filter pads to dress dolls with them. Lee Wards no longer sells them.

QUESTION — Henry Swareys, Mifflintown, has an old game called Wildlife, made by E.S. Lowe Co. The game has play money and animal cards, but the rules are missing. Does anyone have a copy to send to the Swareys at R.2, Box 522, Mifflintown, PA 17059-9649. They have no phone.

QUESTION — Rose Diehl, Bloomsburg, wants to know how to clean cast iron butchering kettles.

QUESTION — Lucinda Martin asked why all their spring frogs disappeared from their pond about three years ago. She misses their croaking and wonders how to get them back.

QUESTION — A Shippensburg reader would like help with her Majesty potted palm. The leaves are turning yellow and brown and drying up. She keeps it out of direct sunlight and gives it plenty of water and fertilizes it once a month. She transplanted it into a larger pot, but it hasn't helped.

QUESTION — Mike from Pottsville would like information on Black Welsh Mountain sheep and where they can be purchased.

QUESTION — Annie Stoltzfus, Quarryville, would like to purchase a wooden butter churn or know of someone who could make a paddle for a churn. State condition and price when writing to her at 793 Robert Fulton Hwy., Quarryville, PA 17566.

QUESTION — Joseph Rosin, Middletown, would like to know where he could purchase cheese curds. He lives in Frederick County, Md., and would like the source to be relatively nearby. Call him at (301) 371-4537.

QUESTION — Eleanor Stewart, 360 Summit Rd., Bellefonte, PA 16823, would like to find a green book with the name Stuart on the front. The book is about the Stuart descendents of the Canestoe Valley about 1850-1900.

QUESTION — Joann Robbins, 1705 York Rd., Hartsville, PA 18974, wants to purchase Judy Bolton and Dana Girls Mystery books.

QUESTION — H.W. Stewart, 150 Shiloh Rd., State College, PA 16801, would like to know where to obtain an old catalog from the Mifflinburg Body Works. He is willing to pay a good price.

QUESTION — Darrell Martin, Lititz, is looking to an experienced trainer to train or help him train a Border collie.

QUESTION — Linda Christman, Greencastle, is looking for books by John Pfluegar on Franklin County Peters Twp.

QUESTION — Michael Palmer, Bangor, wants to know of someone who will galvanize two butchering stove lids.

QUESTION — Gregory Badger wants to know where to order western shirts made from feed sacks with the colorful artwork Pawnee Bill's Wild West Show.

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

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 — 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 — 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 — Anna Zimmerman, Box 2351, R.2, Fleetwood, PA 19522, is looking for the following books: "Lift My Lamp," by Anna Balmer Myers; "White Mother" by Jessie Bennett Sams; and "Treasurers in an Oatmeal Box," which is a story about a retarded boy.

QUESTION — Helen M. Mills, 305 Drown Rd., Randolph, VT 05060, would like a quilting pattern for a schoolhouse, barn or a church to be used on a wall hanging or quilt.

QUESTION — John Legge, Burlington, wants to know of a foundry that makes small castings of aluminum.

QUESTION — George W. Grube, R.2, Box 2178, Orwigsburg, PA 17961, wants to know if someone who has an old outside bake oven made of bricks or stone has a blueprint or instructions on how to build one.

QUESTION — Melvin Harman, Hegins, is looking for a "strong" cleaner to polish and clean a copper kettle. Salt and vinegar with lemon juice does not work nor cleaners he purchased in hardware stores. Can someone who restores copper and brass antiques help him?

QUESTION — Bruce Bollinger, Lebanon, wants to know where to purchase splash guards for 9-inch Show-Ease water bowls that attach on top of and surround three-fourths of the bowl?

QUESTION — Joyce Grim, Revere, would like to know where to get a full corset for her sister.

QUESTION — Anna Newswanger, 185 S. Pool Forge Rd., Narvon, PA 17555, would like to know if anyone will sell her a book, "Memoirs of Churchtown," by Levi B. Yoder 1831-1906.

QUESTION — Edna Leinbach, Loysville, has several large aloe vera plants. She would like to know how to use the plants to make aloe-vera creams, shampoos, jels, etc.

QUESTION — Cheryl Lawrence, Ephrata, would like a source to purchase Cornish Ware.

QUESTION — a reader is looking for an oversized tin scoop for a small candy scales. She has all the weights but needs a 10-14-inch scoop to make the scales complete.

QUESTION — Gert Kramer, Bernville, would like to know where to get an old lid for her Old Planter's Peanut Jar or another jar with lid.

QUESTION — Quentin Gilbert Sr., Nazareth, wants to know where to have solid rubber tires installed on children's wagons, tricycles, and baby carriages.

QUESTION — Reuben Lapp, New Holland, wants a kerosene heater to put against the wall Niadden Model 5571U Temp rite = 15.

QUESTION — Ronald DeGraw, Madison, N.J., would like to know where to purchase a 1999 calendar titled "Workhorses of Yesteryear," which shows early model trucks. Last year's edition featured works by Ozzie Sweet.

QUESTION — Kathleen Erb Jenkins, 791 N. Reeds Rd., Downingtown, PA 19335 is trying to find a family history on Horace Brod Erb Sr. (her father) and on Beulah Irene Husberger Erb (her mother). Her grandparents were Jonathan Brod Erb and Paddy Erb. They lived in Pottstown for awhile then moved to Lancaster and resided on Running Pump Rd.

QUESTION — A reader recently purchased a small farm in Lancaster County with a 4,000 square foot tobacco barn on it. The barn is in excellent condition. Can anyone suggest an appropriate charge to rent out the tobacco barn?

ANSWER — Lamar Reiff, Stevens, wanted a radiator cap for a Farmall B tractor. Dough Breneman has a new non-pressurized radiator cap that he will sell for \$8. Contact him at 61 W. Ridge Rd., Elizabethtown, PA 17022.

ANSWER — Anna Mary Lehman, Manheim, wanted to know where to purchase buckwheat hulls. Thanks to Bonnie Blain, Halifax, for writing that she purchased hulls from San Francisco Herb Co., 250 14th St., San Francisco, CA 94103 or call 800-227-4530. She writes that it is a wholesale company that isn't very expensive. You can order in bulk or in small amounts. She purchased 8 pounds of hulls to fill a standard zippered pillow case and just loves it. The company also sells herbs, spices, teas, potpourri and oils to fill your own containers.

ANSWER — A reader wanted a ladle to go with her 26-piece glass punch set. Thanks to a reader who wrote ladies are available at Martin's Cookware stand at Green Dragon Farmers Market, Ephrata. The market is open Friday all day and evening. Or call (717) 865-3281.

ANSWER — V&C growers, Rocky Ridge, Md., wanted to know where to purchase smooth bottom rubber boots that slip over shoes. Thanks to Donald E. Weaver, Spring Grove, who writes that he orders boots from Davidson Shoe Store, Lancaster. Call (717) 392-0512. He orders a vinylite boot that isn't as soft and flexible as a rubber boot, but it holds up better and has the advantage of smooth bottom for easy clean up to prevent germs.

ANSWER — M.W. Hamilton, Thornton, wanted a source to purchase full-size models of plastic swans. Thanks to Mary Legge, Burlington, who said the swans can be purchased through Cabelas Catalog. Call 1-800-237-4444.

ANSWER — For Roger Young who wanted the dialogue called "The Tax Collector," Mrs. William Betler has one called "The Census Taker," which she thinks he may be looking for. For a copy, write to her at R.2, Box 302A, Latrobe, PA 15650.

Mary Jane Hoover, New Holland, also has "The Census Taker," which is a short skit used by Amish schools for many years.