

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.

Or, you may e-mail questions and answers to lgood.eph@lnpnews.com

Please clarify what question you are answering when responding.

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 — A Quakertown reader wants to know how to clear white cloudy stains out of milk bottles.

QUESTION — Miriam Kessler wants to know the process for making fragrant and essential oils for potpourri using fresh flowers such as roses, lavenders, and fruit rinds.

QUESTION — James Kearns, Calefon, N.J., has questions about an antique model 520 Warm Morning coal stove. He purchased replacement fire bricks for the barrel-shaped stove that are too large even though the dealer said they are what is called for. He wants to know if someone has some understanding of the 520 model, did it come in different sizes. Are the flat bricks 509 correct. Call him at (908) 832-7374.

QUESTION — A reader from New York wanted to buy a set of World's Bible Story Library Books published by World Publishing Co.

QUESTION — Joyce Burkholder misplaced the address for Rebecca Allyger who braids rugs. Anyone have it?

QUESTION — A Schuylkill County reader wants to know where to find instructions on making baskets from birch bark.

QUESTION — A Schuylkill County reader wants the sheet music and words to an Irish song, "The Wild Colonial Boy." Call (570) 544-6417.

QUESTION — Mildred Anderson, Dover, wants a G.E. Germicidal lamp, Model H-4 Electronic Germicidal Ultra Violet Ray Unit, with a tube-type bulb. The units were made in the 1960s to kill germs and for skin infections and sore throat, etc. The units are no longer manufactured, but someone may have one willing to sell. Phone (717) 292-6699.

QUESTION — Rebecca Beiler is searching for two original copies of the book, "Keeper of the Bees" by Gene Stratton Porter. Write to her at 303 Jackson Rd., Quarryville, PA 17566.

QUESTION — Lawrence Krupp, Quakertown, wants to know how to clean white cloudy stains out of milk bottles.

QUESTION — Peg Koser, Lancaster, wants to know where to find the book "Aunt Nan and the Miller Five," by Esther Eby Glass.

QUESTION — Constance Becker, Cato, N.Y., is trying to locate replacement wire bales for old-style glass top canning jars in both regular and wide-mouth sizes. Anyone know of a supplier?

QUESTION — A Manchester reader wants patterns to crochet Barbie clothes. Call (717) 266-1044.

QUESTION — E. Rantonizy, Glassport, wants to know how to eliminate wild chrysanthemums from gardens and lawns.

QUESTION — David Martin, New Holland, wants to know if anyone has purchased items from a mailorder company Haband of Peckville, Pa. The items look good on paper and are reasonably priced but is the quality good or cheap merchandise?

QUESTION — Joe Retkowski is looking for a shaker grate for a pot belly coal stove, which is stamped on the front: Big Boy No. 181, Birmingham Stove and Range Co., Birmingham, AL. Any information would be appreciated.

QUESTION — Al Lenki, Hamburg, wants a chart that tells how much oil is left in a tank by dipping it with a stick. Each inch accounts for so many gallons. At one time oil companies handed them out, but no longer do so. The chart is needed for a 275-gallon tank.

QUESTION — A York County reader wants to know what to use to pick up oil stains around furnace and grease stains in a garage or driveway.

QUESTION — Ralph Nissley wants to know where to get an Uncle Wiggly game.

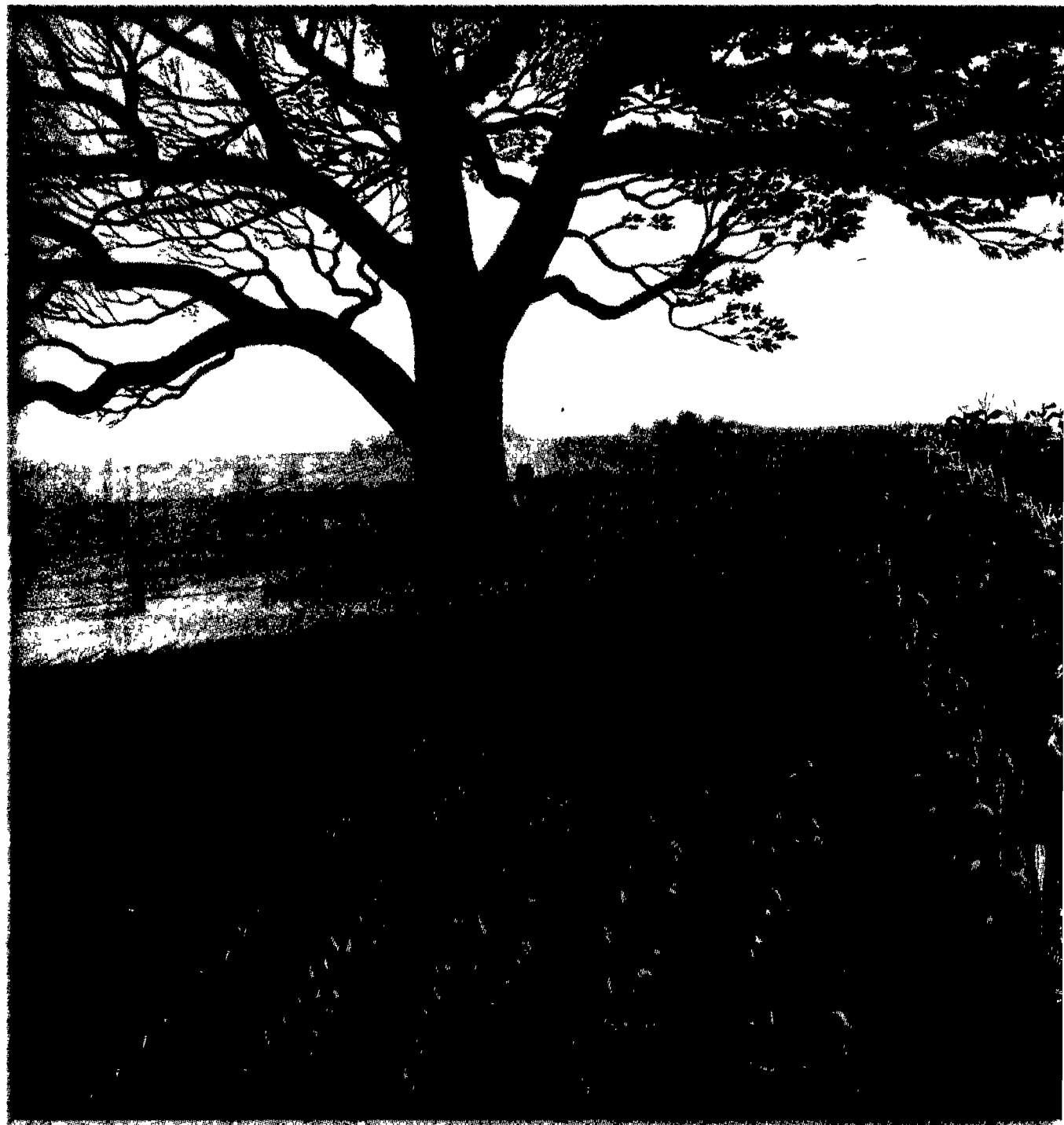
QUESTION — B. Allgyer, Narvon, wants to buy two new or used oil cups for a Surge Alamo 30 vacuum pump. They hold about 6-8-ounces. You flip them down and unscrew them to fill.

QUESTION — Mrs. Alvin Peachey, 277 Peachey Ln. Fort Hill, PA 15540-2129, needs 63 flat lids to fit the rings of the two-piece jar lid sets — only the flat part is needed.

QUESTION — Ruth Bricker, 606 Nauvoo Rd., Lewisberry, PA 17339, has been hunting jar lids to fit 3-gallon and 5-gallon jars, which she thinks were pickle jars. Inside measurement is 5 1/4-inches.

QUESTION — Joni Michaels, Winfield, writes that her hobby is collecting reproduction clothing. She has access to some New Period patterns, but lately has been reproducing from original vintage clothing. Joni works full time and has little time to attend auctions. She buys from dealers occasionally, but they charge a lot and tend to use cleaning methods that eventually causes the cloth to deteriorate. Joni prefers to use the old, just out of the attic but not cleaned clothing. She will clean it herself.

Joni wants original pre-1960 clothing



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