

Y 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 — Linda Boyer is an organic produce farmer in Lancaster Co, and writes, "sometimes I feel like we are all alone out here." She would like to hear from other organic farmers from Lancaster and surrounding counties. Send correspondence to 505 Lambert Rd., Narvon, PA 17555.

QUESTION — A man from Lititz wants to know of a person who could knit a sweater for him. Call (717) 768-7663.

QUESTION — Stanley Ressler, 75 Truce Rd., New Providence, PA 17560-9646, wants the title, words, and music to a hymn that contains the words: "Sweet is the promise, I will not forsake thee. In my arms, I'll hold you.... I am thy Redeemer, I will care for you."

QUESTION — Audrey Lohr, R.1, Box 153, Mt. Pleasant, PA 15666-9706 has a calendar collection that she will give to the person who, several months ago, had requested calendars for school projects. Contact her to make arrangements for delivery.

QUESTION A Shippensburg reader wants a pattern and instructions to sew a winter hooded parka in either men's small or ladies' medium.

QUESTION — Mary Stoltzfus, Kirkwood, is in need of used greeting cards (all-occasion). Send to her at 331 Bartville Rd., Kirkwood, PA 17536.

QUESTION — Mrs. J. Burkholder is looking for a reasonably priced Big Oskar (Sunbeam) food processor in like-new condition. Call her at (717) 694-3796.

QUESTION — A Lititz reader is looking for a 1990 Rose Art puzzle number 72348 55555 by Kodak. The picture is of 15 babies in sleepers all lined up in a row. The reader would like to frame the puzzle but has two pieces missing.

QUESTION — V. Miller, HC 62, Box 660, Honesdale, PA 18431 writes that they have discovered an old well on their farm. The well has been filled with stones, but the family would like to restore the well and have a stream running from it. Anyone have information on how to do this?

QUESTION — Michael Hopkins Jr. would like to know where he could purchase styrofoam egg cartons in jumbo and super jumbo sizes. He prefers a Pennsylvania source.

QUESTION — Charlotte Lippincott, Pilesgrove, N.J., would like to know how to start Royal Paulowina trees with purple flowers. She picked up some seed pods last winter. Inside are two large seeds and a lot of little seeds like fuzzes in each pod. She would like to start some trees. What should she do?

QUESTION — A. H. wants success with growing melons, cantaloupes, zucchini and other vine crops. He writes that, in the past,

healthy-looking plants with fruit on suddenly (almost overnight) wilt from the center out and die off. What can be done to prevent this from happening?

QUESTION — Esther Zook, New Holland, wants to know where to buy freezer popsicle molds.

QUESTION — A Mercersburg reader can no longer find butternut flavoring sold by Blair of Lynchburg, VA. The product was sold by the bottle as a fundraiser for groups and organizations. The reader has tried other brands of the butternut flavoring but didn't get the same flavorful results. Anyone know if the Blair brand is still available and where?

QUESTION — Dale Burkhart is looking for a lard can lid with the printing: Henry Burkhart Packing Co. Pure Lard 50 lb. Dayton, Ohio. Anyone have one they'd like to sell?

QUESTION — A reader has lots of old books including a set of Dickens books from the 1800s. She wants to know if they have any value and where to sell them. She does not have a computer so do not send e-mail addresses.

QUESTION — Susan Lingeris wants information on hatching and raising all types of poultry. She and her husband also want a used brooder for sale that is in good shape. They also would like to purchase some fertile eggs in order to incubate eggs on a small scale. Write to the Lingeris at 2 Fats Hollow Rd., Galeton, PA 16922.

QUESTION — Winona Homko, Oxford, N.J., wants to purchase, by the case, a product called S&W Vintage Lites Oil Free Salad Dressing, distributed in San Ramon, Calif. She wants the fat-free dressing in the flavors of raspberry blush and white wine. Although it is being sold in some parts of the country by such stores as Shop "N Bag and Thriftway-Clemens, Winona needs additional purchasing information.

QUESTION — Susan High recalls reading an article that appeared in this paper about a year ago regarding the history of Hershey Farms and Hershey chocolate. The article mentioned a contact person for anyone who had information concerning Hershey Farms or Hershey Chocolate. She wants the name and address. Dose anyone know to which article she is referring? If so, please send the information requested.

QUESTION — A Schuylkill County reader wants to know if anyone knows the value of an antique dress form from the early 1900s. It is a press-and-shape to the form you want to fit. Any idea of a fair price?

QUESTION — Ezra Gottschalk, 849 Martin Ave., Ephrata, PA 17522, is looking for someone who makes fish that hang on nylon cord from the ceiling. The fish are very attractive and move constantly in the air. Ezra would like to purchase five fish.

QUESTION — I. Wenger wants to purchase the following three books, but he sent no address. The books are "More All -Of-A-Kind Family" and "All-Of-A-Kind Family Uptown" by Sydney Taylor; and "The Four-Story Mistake" by Elizabeth Enright.

QUESTION — Stephen A. Lapp, 69 Long Lane, Kirkwood, wants to know how to dehull oats and spelts. He has a mill to crimp them for oatmeal but doesn't know how to get rid of the hulls.

QUESTION — Esther King, 1615 Hunsicker Rd., Bird in Hand, PA 17505, saw "Cross Stitch" magazine published by Better Homes and Garden, which had a pattern of lilies and the Bible verse, "Consider the lilies...." She wishes she would have purchased the magazine but didn't and asks if someone would send a copy of it if they have it.

QUESTION — Ada B. Zook, Quarryville,

wants the book "Shoofly Girl," by Lois Lensky.

QUESTION — E. Sheetz, Fleetwood, wants to know how to repair a burn mark on a leather table top or the name of a professional service that can fix it.

QUESTION — Mark Byers, 68 Church St., Apt.2, Spring City, PA 19475-1816, wants to know where to find a trailer wheel stud for the axle of an old camper trailer. The stud in 1/2-inch corase with reverse thread.

QUESTION — Doris Stahl wants the words to the song, "Don't Go Out in the Woods Tonight."

QUESTION — Brenda Kensinger, Martinsburg, wants to know where purchase macadamia nuts in the area of Martinsburg, Pa.

QUESTION — Horst Schaper, Moosup, CT., owns a horsedrawn machine gun cart model 1917, which needs some tender, loving care. Does anyone know of some books or pictures that would help him know how to repair the cart?

QUESTION — M. High wants to know if there's anything that will remove black spots off an iron spatula, which accidentally burned in a trash fire. The spatula was her mother's wedding present.

QUESTION — Nancy Landes, R.1, Box 286, Montrose, PA 18801 is looking for someone who can make a braided rug using four strands of material and a crochet hook.

QUESTION — Robin Baummer needs someone to repair a braided rug with a 10x10-inch section missing. She prefers someone from the York or Adams County area.

QUESTION — G. Sweitzer wants a source for old-fashioned baby food jars with real glass threads on the jar and matching metal threads on the lids.

QUESTION A reader is looking for a store that sells Hi-Yield products, hopefully in the Lebanon County area. They need them for this year's growing season.

QUESTION — A faithful reader wants to know if someone knows about a polish for laminated tables that produces a real good shine.

QUESTION — G. Sweitzer wants to know what chemicals to use for treating wood damaged/infested by Eastern Subterranean Termites. Also, what chemicals are used outside the house and where can they be purchased?

QUESTION — Alice Faust from Kutztown is looking for an old barn beam loom. Does anyone know where to find one or have one to buy? If so, please contact her at (610) 756-6488.

QUESTION — Frank Totten needs an operation's manual for a Favorite Incubator built by Leahy Manufacturing Co., Higginsville, MS. No model number is listed and the company is out of business. Could someone help him locate a manual, a copy of one, or a possible source for obtaining one.

QUESTION — A Pennsylvania reader wants the words to the poem "When the Honeymoon in the Barn is Over."

QUESTION — Robert Finke, Seven Valleys, would like to know if anyone has a fig tree of the bronze skin variety that is mature enough to bear fruit this year.

QUESTION — A reader would like to know if Lawrence Organ Mfg. Co. from Easton is still in business. Or, is anyone interested in a 1918 organ in working condition and original finish. Anyone know what it is worth?

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

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

ANSWER — George Wojnar, Cream Ridge, N.J., wanted Ramapo tomato seeds. Joan Jablonski, Annadale, N.J., writes that for the last several years, and as recently as June 4 this year, she purchased the seeds from Sherrerd's Florist, 1724 State Highway 31, Clinton, NJ 08809.

ANSWER — Mrs. Horst wanted to know where to find music boxes that attach to a crib mobile. Thanks to a reader for writing that the music boxes are available from Unicorn Studios, P.O. Box 370, Seymour, TN 37865. Or, call 1-800-874-5317.

ANSWER — Roger and Catherine Mills, Willow Street, wanted information on old peanut butter glasses with the flower name on them and if catalogs featuring the glasses are available? John Martin, New Holland, has more than 50 glasses. Call him for more details if interested, (717) 354-4018.