

You Ask I'll 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 Christiana reader would like to know where to purchase homecanned black raspberry juice.

QUESTION — A reader from Myerstown would like information on a Lion Pittsburg water heater, patterned Oct. 1, 1907, type F14. It was found in a house she purchased. The heater has pipe coils on the inside and a burner on the bottom. How was it used?

QUESTION — Mrs. John Randall, 3661 Abbey Rd., Bloomfield, N.Y. 14469-9794, wants to buy a World Rummy, a board game that is no longer manufactured.

QUESTION — Lydia Nolt is looking for used bricks, doesn't matter if they have plaster on them. Call (717) 656-2530.

QUESTION — Bob Snyder, Akron, Ohio, writes that his tomato and sunflower plants have leaves that are dying at the bottom of the stalk and are working its way up killing the plant. What can he do to prevent this?

QUESTION — Eleanor Stewart, 360 Summit Rd., Bellefonte, would like to know what company to contact to have Lifetime stainless steel cooking pans repaired. The pans are pitted on the bottoms.

QUESTION — A reader writes that she and many other seamstresses often have difficulty discerning the right and wrong sides of fabric. She wants to know if the holes along the edge of the fabric are punched from the right or wrong side or if that varies and is not a clear indicator.

QUESTION — Janice Wise wants to know where to find a copy of the child's book, "Pop's Candy Store." Phone (610) 589-4048.

QUESTION — George Spencer wants to know if anyone sells old-fashioned buttermilk.

QUESTION — Edith Gardner, New Oxford, wants to know if anyone knows of a buyer interested in purchasing a series of pictures of the 1997 Baltimore Orioles. The set includes seven 10x12-inch pictures of the entire team with individual pictures of several team members. Call (717) 624-5505.

QUESTION — Sue Braun, Hershey, has an older model of a metal meat grinder attachment that fits on a K45 Kitchen Aid mixer. The cutting blade was accidentally thrown out and the dealer no longer carries a replacement. Anyone have a blade to sell? Call (717) 367-5611.

QUESTION — Ed Hoffman writes that ground hogs are taking over and making large holes in his partially wooded one-acre property. Are ground hogs beneficial in any way. What can he do to get rid of them?

QUESTION — A lady from Blain would like to know where she could buy a pulpit Bible cover 10x13x3-inch.

QUESTION — A reader writes that she has some projects started that she cannot finish.

She is willing to pay someone to finish cross stitching and embroidering prestamped table cloths. Call her at (215) 968-5894.

QUESTION — For an upcoming reunion, Sharon Kemper wants photos from 1900-1955 of Shettles' one-room school at Conewago Township, York County. Write to Sharon at 360 Buck Rd., Dover, PA 17315.

QUESTION — Mike Kramer, Quakertown, needs parts for a Van Wert model VA1500 coal stoker. The company was from Peckville, and he understands it went out of business in the late 1900s. Does anyone know a source for parts or if the company's parts stock was bought by another company?

QUESTION — Rebecca Kreider, 821 Airport Rd., Bethel, PA 19507, has old calendars with photographs from the early 1900s advertising several businesses in the Ephrata and Lancaster areas. Write to her if interested in purchasing the calendars and if you know how to determine the calendars' worth.

QUESTION — Naomi Blank, Kinzers, would like to know how to care for cyclamen. She received one for Christmas and would like to know how to have it bloom again next year.

QUESTION — Lena Oberholtzer, Leola, wants to know where to get a rubber seal for a No. 7 National pressure cooker. The company had been located in Eau Claire, Wis.

QUESTION — Mrs. Robert Lowe, Shermans Dale, wants the music and words to the song: "Eleven more months and 10 more days, I'll be out of this calaboose." She writes that this is a very old song that an older gentleman used to sing.

QUESTION — Jonas Beiler Jr., New Holland, would like information on raising nightcrawlers for fishing bait.

QUESTION — A Gordonville reader is looking for a timecard clock that runs off a 12-volt battery or electric. Send information to Elmer Ebersol, Colonial Rd. Woodworks, 139-A Colonial Rd., Gordonville, PA 17529.

QUESTION — Robert Fleckenstein, Woodstown, N.J., would like to know where to buy a Time magazine dated May 15, 1950.

QUESTION — A reader wants to find a copy of Larry Benoit's book, "How To Bag The Biggest Buck of Your Life." He also would like to find wooden molding planes made by E.W. Carpenter, Lancaster.

QUESTION — Mrs. John David Zimmerman, East Earl, wants to know if someone has a Model 47 Royal sweeper or Tristar they wish to sell.

QUESTION — Stan Szczepanek, Boyertown, wants information about brooding chickens using a coal-fired brooder. He wants to know what time of the year to do this, how often the fire needs to be fed, etc. He's also looking for a pamphlet describing the use of a Eureka Colony Brooder.

QUESTION — Linda Boyer is an organic produce farmer in Lancaster County, 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 — 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 — 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 — 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 — 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 — 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. Does 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 — 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 — 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 — Doris Stahl wants the words to the song, "Don't Go Out in the Woods Tonight."

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

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.

ANSWER — For Tom Hill, Boyertown, who wanted an alarm system, Bruce Middlekauff e-mailed that he has a new Citgo alarm system that he will sell for \$75. Call him at (410) 879-8039.

Mark Schropp Jr. Schuylkill Haven, writes that a traffic alert bell system is available for about \$100 from McMaster Carr Supply Co., P.O. Box 440, New Brunswick, N.J. 08903.

ANSWER — Robert Shaub, 350 W. Railroad Ave., Shrewsbury, PA 17361, needed a top to an old parlor organ, style 100, which was manufactured in York by the Everhart Organ and
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