

# Yask OU 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** — Bill Angert, Manheim, wants a Stanley 77 handcranked dowel and rod turning machine. The hand crank attached to a speed gear, turns a cutter and a round dowel is created as you push a square stick of wood into it. It has 8 or 9 different cutter heads. Call him at (717) 665-5152.

**QUESTION** — Jean Patches would like information on who designed the Hershey quilt and the story behind the quilt pattern.

**QUESTION** — Susan Tranchidi writes that they recently moved into a brand new home in New York State and are being overrun by cluster flies and bugs called country roaches, which stink when killed. Please, they need a quick and effective remedy to get rid of the flies and bugs. (Notice the answer for Eleanor Heavner at the end of this article.)

**QUESTION** — A family wants to buy a used scooter. Write to them at 766 Bartville Rd., Christiana, PA 17509.

**QUESTION** — A reader wants books on horse training written by "Beery" and in good condition.

**QUESTION** — A reader is looking for a magazine called "Closeout News" or "Closeout Letter." Scott writes that the publication lists odd lot and overrun merchandise available.

**QUESTION** — D. Weaver, 395 N. Railroad Ave., New Holland, PA 17557, wants to purchase a copy of the Golden Book, "The Huffin Puff Express," copyrighted in 1974.

**QUESTION** — Lorraine Nash, 192 S. Elk Run Rd., Mainesburg, PA 16932 wants a video on step-by-step instructions on crocheting for beginners.

**QUESTION** — William Dereaney, 128 Primrose Rd., McDonald, wants to know where he can get waterproof glue that can be used for bee boxes and that withstand weather conditions.

**QUESTION** — Henry B. Peight, 1953 Marlwood Dr., Somerset, is searching for a book called "A Mother's Legacy," by D.H. Weber.

**QUESTION** — Holley Moyer, 99 Noll Lane, Fleetwood, PA 19522, would like to know where to purchase a handcrafted Martin birdhouse for her husband in time for Christmas.

**QUESTION** — A reader wants a used 3 pt. PTO potato digger suitable for using with a 25-30 horsepower tractor or information on a new digger.

**QUESTION** — A Lancaster County resident has a collection of old Ideals publications to sell. Call (717) 336-5696.

**QUESTION** — M. David Watts, Geigertown, wants to know of a supplier for Revival Hemorrhoid Salve.

**QUESTION** — John Beller, Waveland, Ind., is interested in buying a used manual cream separator in working condition for goat milk.

**QUESTION** — N.W. Shirk wants to buy a good used or new fuel shut-off valve for a Ford 601 tractor. Regarding an answer, N.W. Shirk should write to 263 Bootjack Road, Narvon, PA 17555. N.W.S. also has a Sauder loader for sale

to fit a Ford 601 tractor.

**QUESTION** — Fred Appel, Paradise, has about 70 paper patterns for dresses (mostly size 12), skirts, slacks, and night wear of the 1950-1970 period. Appel also has about 50 books of crochet patterns. To make an offer, call (717) 442-8160.

**QUESTION** — Stephen Miller, Honesdale, would like to know where he could purchase the book, "Roughing it in the Bush," by Susanah Moodie, at a reasonable price. Contact him at HC 62 Box 660, Honesdale, PA 18431.

**QUESTION** — Isaac Stoltzfus would like to know where to get a copy of the coloring book called "Pennsylvania Deutsch Laese und Coloring Buch." It has a Dutch verse with every page and is very enjoyable for little children. Call (717) 933-5642 or write 751 Kutztown Road, Myerstown, PA 17067.

**QUESTION** — D. Gardiner, Troy, wants to know where to find parts for Bud-Air Pneumatic Pruning Equipment. Gardiner believes they went out of business at the same time as Friend Manufacturing sold out. They were both based in Pulaski, New York.

**QUESTION** — Rex Ringo, Nathalie, Va., would like to purchase a book for beginners to buy, raise and sell Black Angus cattle. Anyone have one to recommend?

**QUESTION** — A reader wants to know if anyone has had experience with operating a Hydra-drill to drill a well. And what were the results.

**QUESTION** — A reader wants to know of a mail-order source for an Irish clothing catalog. Call Mike at (570) 544-6417.

**QUESTION** — B. Batterson, 416 Short Run Rd., Galetown, PA 16922 wants directions for roping an old rope bed. The pegs are on the top but slanted towards the right direction.

**QUESTION** — Steve Bucher, Harleysville, wants to hear from anyone who can provide information or literature pertaining to Bearcat garden tractors. Call (215) 256-6239.

**QUESTION** — Helen Kalwasinski, 1479 Munster Rd., Portage, is searching for a small-sized Pitzer stove.

**QUESTION** A new reader from Clarks Summit has eight bicycles (one junior and seven adult). She wants to know if there is a bicycle shop nearby that buys used bicycles.

**QUESTION** — A Williamsport, Md. reader has used postage stamps to sell and some mint sets from 1973-1990. Call (301) 223-9644.

**QUESTION** — A Manheim reader needs a lid to the large green Tupperware canister set. Will buy the whole set of just the large green lid. Call (717) 665-4198.

**QUESTION** — Jake Derstine, Mapleton Depot, wants to purchase a used tabletop cream separator in good working condition for a reasonable price. It can be either a manual or electric model.

**QUESTION** — If anyone is interested getting together with a group of people to share information on loom weaving, knitting, and quilting, send your name and address to Lisa Weaver, 529 W. Siddonsburg Rd., Dillsburg, PA 17019.

**QUESTION** — Roberta Goldsbough, York, is looking for an old type of mountain pie maker used in camping. The type wanted is round and the pies look tier shaped when cooked, not the smooth round ones. Call her at (717) 755-8865.

**QUESTION** — Roberta Goldsbough, York, has old Golden books to sell. Call (717) 755-8865.

**QUESTION** — A reader wants a set of Flexi blocks to complete a set for her son. The blocks are similar to Lego bricks. Call (717) 656-8549.

**QUESTION** — Mary Ann Martin, Denver, writes that a school needs 12 copies of "New Songs of Inspiration," Vol. 11 Song Books. The book is deep red with gold lettering.

**QUESTION** — Mrs. Amos S. Kauffman wants to know if anyone has the pattern "Abundance" in Correlle dishes to sell. She would like to have four to eight cups and saucers plus some other pieces. Contact her at 1860 Cambridge Rd., Honey Brook, PA 19344.

**QUESTION** — A reader would like to buy used 2-quart canning jars. Call (717) 859-2802.

**QUESTION** — Diane Morris wants to know if

anyone has a quern or a hand-powered corn mill. Please call her at (610) 498-2271.

**QUESTION** — Bruce Middlekauff, Bel Aire, Md., is looking for a 1920s' or 1930s' cast iron bird bath approximately 3 or 5 feet in diameter. Bruce is willing to pay a good price. Call him collect at (410) 879-8039.

**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** — 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** — 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** — 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.

**ANSWER** — Eleanor Heavner, Flintstone, Md., wanted to know how to rid an old farmhouse of flies. They had covered the house with siding and installed new windows, but continue having a problem with flies. Thanks to David Bordner, Enola, who writes that these flies are called cluster flies and adult flies appear in large numbers generally on the sunny side of homes. As days shorten and become cooler, cluster flies look for houses to winter and typically seek the same home year after year. To control these flies you must treat them before they get into attic and wall voids. This means power spraying and insecticide preferably a wettable powder or microencapsulated chemical. It is critical that the siding, overhangs, doors and window frames are treated. Timing is important. In Pennsylvania, treating should be done between Aug. 30 and early Sept. Check with the extension office in your county for recommendation of a pest control company that provides exterior barrier treatments and for the best date to apply the insecticide in your area.

**ANSWER** — John Beller, Waveland, Ind., wanted to purchase a good used cream separator. Thanks to Ken Henry, Elizabethtown, for writing that he has one in good working shape with all the baffles and baffle cleaner for \$125.

Also John Z. Martin has one, which is a good, used table mounted model with a manual cream separated. Call him at (717) 354-4996.

**ANSWER** — Richard A. Matz, Galetown, wanted to know the recipe for whitewash. Thanks to Elmer Smith, Linden, for sending extensive directions from the National Lime Association. Here is a recap. While lime along with water for whitewashing can be used in some instances, the durability of such a mixture will be improved by adding other materials to the mix. First, make approximately 8 gallons stiff lime paste by slaking 25 pound of quicklime with 10 gallons water or by soaking 50 pounds of hydrated lime in 6 gallons water. Here are a few formulas:

- 15 pounds salt, 8 gallons lime paste. Dissolve the salt in 5 gallons water and add solution to lime paste. Mix thoroughly and thin to desired consistency with fresh water.

- 5 pounds calcium chloride, 8 gallons lime paste: The substitution of calcium chloride for the salt in the previous formula produces a mixture that does not chalk and is quite durable. The same mixing directions apply.

- 25 pounds white portland cement, 25 pounds hydrated lime. Both the cement and lime should be added together in dry form to about 8 gallons water. After mixing thoroughly a thick slurry will result. Additional water should be added until after further agitation the mixture resembles the consistency of heavy cream. Do not mix more than can be used within a few hours.