

You Ask We 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@LNPNEW-S.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. However, if your question requires someone to mail items to you, you must include your address or phone number for publishing.

QUESTION — A reader is searching for a circa early to mid 1900s' painting of a collie dog standing watch over a newborn lamb during a blizzard. The collie has apparently located the

lamb and is barking for someone to come to the rescue. She believes it is in a circular or octagonal-shaped frame. Call (724) 397-8126.

QUESTION — Wilmer, 14, collects business cards and would appreciate people sending him cards. Send to Wilmer Stoltzfus, 182 Quarry Rd., Leola, PA 17540.

QUESTION — Susie Hoover, 440 Gristmill Rd., New Holland, PA 17557, wants to buy a used pitch pipe in fair condition at a reasonable price. She would also like a copy of the song that includes these words: "Oh take me back once more, back to the old homestead, back where the roses bloom, back to the old homestead...."

QUESTION — A reader wants to know what is wrong when a Brothers' word processor that doesn't print clear until 1/2 the page is typed. New ribbon didn't solve the problem. Anyone have the model they are willing to sell at a reasonable price. Call (717) 445-4540.

QUESTION — E. Reiff, R.1, Box 166, Mifflinburg, wants to know where to buy used Surdiac coal stove parts. He needs two coal hoppers part number 4 2 0 0 4 8 8. Model GQTHA713b, 60,000 BTU.

QUESTION — Donna Earls, R.3, Gillett, PA 16925, wants to know if anyone has cardboard or plastic covers for regular size milk bottles.

QUESTION — A reader would like to know how to find the value of metal dollhouses from the 1940s and for dollhouse furniture from the 1930s-1950s.

QUESTION — W.E. Wilkin is looking for John Reardon, who was in service with her husband Carroll H. Wilkin from 1954-1956. They were in the military police 8457th Division and were stationed in Albuquerque, New Mexico. If known, please have him contact the Wilkins by calling (540) 459-4637.

QUESTION — A Narvon reader asks if a used Hobart mixer (under 20 quarts) for mixing bread dough is available for purchase. Or, if there is another brand for heavy duty mixing available second-hand.

QUESTION — Ray Calvin Miller Jr., Leesport, is requesting expert information on how to clean the exterior of a brick building. It was built in the 1930s. The bricks are yellow and brown and have been topped with aluminum capping as well as some copper. Over the years, stain runs have formed. Miller has a steam cleaner but needs to know the best chemical solution to use.

QUESTION — Mary Ann, Beaver Springs, would like the macrame pattern with the Nittany Lion head to put on a pair of chairs. Send the pattern to Box 205, R.D.1, Beaver Springs, PA 17812 or e-mail to leroyreich@wmconnect.com.

QUESTION — Shirley Orfanella, Quarryville, wants to know where to purchase a 4- to 5-foot lawn jockey boy ornament before Christmas.

QUESTION — Ernest Nolt wants information on how to make a bow and arrow to hunt deer.

QUESTION — S. D. has a Conestoga wagon in need of wheel repair. The wheel has rotted away from the iron rim and needs to be replaced. Call (410) 374-6473.

QUESTION — Wade Monn, Fawn Grove, writes that The Maryland and Pennsylvania Rail Road Preservation Society of Muddy Creek Forks, York County, is looking for an old Wayne 1920 gas station pump, and one with a glove which fills up to measure the gas. The Society is also looking for a Maytag square tub washing machine with a meat grinder attachment, which is installed in place of the wringer assembly. These items are needed for the general store at the museum. Call (717) 382-9811.

QUESTION — A reader is interested in purchasing a Welbilt ABM 100 model bread machine. Phone (570) 644-2079.

QUESTION — David Simpler, Elkton, Md., has a SATOH 550G. He needs an owner's manual, a front end loader, and ag tires. He has a OH Beaver and needs a rototiller for it.

QUESTION — Victor Chmura, Pottstown, would like to find out how to remove stinging nettles from his flower garden. A previous home owner planted several plants in the garden and now they've taken over the whole plot. Burning, bleaching, and herbicides have killed them for a short time, but they keep coming back stronger than before.

QUESTION — A reader would appreciate if anyone has some Macomber rutabaga seeds to sell. Or is there a seed company that sells them or another variety that they have tried that taste sweeter and milder than Laurentian or American yellow or American

purple-top (Golden Neckless).

QUESTION — A reader is interested in purchasing a large cream separator and a butter churn capable of making 40 pounds butter or more per batch. Any information on these would be appreciated.

QUESTION — Jene Maute, Elkins Park, has some old fruit trees, but is moving away. She wants to know what procedures follow in order to successfully grow pear trees from the fruit seeds.

QUESTION — A reader wants to know how to get raw milk in either Schuylkill or Columbia county and wants to try making cheeses with the milk.

QUESTION — Dolores Caverly, Shavertown, has a Windsor chair with a brass plate that reads: The Derby Chair made by P. Derby and Co. Inc., Gardner, Mass. She wants to know if any information is available on this chair.

QUESTION — Amanda Fisher, Kinzer, wants to know how to get an instruction book for a 16-quart Peerless pressure canner.

QUESTION — David Lounsbury, Chester Springs, wants to know where to have old milk cans replated. What was the original coating? Was it food-grade tin plating or something else?

ANSWER — A Lycoming County reader wanted a used, but in good condition Dyn-O-Mite infant seat. Thanks to Miriam Sauder, 370 Hetrick Rd., Beavertown, who writes that she has two of them. Call her at (570) 658-5363.

ANSWER — Here is the name of another Pennsylvania location that sharpens cattle clipper blades: Gil's Sharp Shop, 4982 Path Valley Rd., Fort Loudon, PA 17224-9732. Toll free (877) 841-9433.

FFA at 75 One Mission: Student Success

West Snyder FFA Grad Earns American Degree

At the 75th National FFA Convention, Jennifer McWilliams, a member of the West Snyder FFA Chapter, was awarded the American FFA Degree. The American Degree is the highest award the National FFA Organization can bestow upon its members. By earning this degree, Jennifer is one of a select group of individuals to be recognized for years of academic and professional excellence. The honor was presented on Nov. 2 in Louisville, Ky.

The American FFA Degree recognized demonstrated leadership ability and outstanding achievements in agricultural business, production, processing, or service programs. To be eligible, members must have earned and productively invested \$7,500 through a supervised agricultural experience (SAE) program in which they start, own, or hold a professional position in an existing agriculture enterprise. Jenni-

fer was a former Chapter and SUN Area FFA president. Her SAE project has included a dairy herd.

Each award recipient receives a gold American FFA Degree key, certificate, and an ID card. Out of 461,043 FFA members nation, Jennifer was one of only 2,556 to be recognized for this honor in 2002.



Jennifer McWilliams

West Snyder FFA Members

At State Farm-City Day At the request of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture (PDA), seven members of the West Snyder FFA Chapter participated in the Farm-City Day activities on Friday, Oct. 4, at the PDA building.

Farm-City Day is an annual event designed to introduce agriculture literacy to elementary children from city schools. Over 2,000 children from various Harrisburg City schools and the surrounding area participated in the event which was sponsored by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

West Snyder FFA members who participated in the event were Cameron Hackenberg, Kelly Bedlyon, Shane Kreamer, Brad Novinger, Jeremy Roush, Tyler Miller, and Jeremy Waite.

Cameron Hackenberg, Kelly Bedlyon, and Brad Novinger developed a home chemical display in cooperation with the Penn State Pesticide Education Program.

Jeremy Roush, Tyler Miller, Shane Kreamer, and Jeremy Waite conducted a lawn mower safety demonstration. Using hot dogs on the lawn, the FFA members demonstrated that a foot or hand could easily be cut in a lawn mower accident.



West Snyder FFA members who participated in the PDA's Farm-City Day in Harrisburg are, from left, Cameron Hackenberg, Jeremy Waite, Jeremy Roush, Kelly Bedlyon, Brad Novinger, Tyler Miller, and Shane Kreamer.

New Jersey's State FFA Best Of Show

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — New Jersey's State FFA Association was one of five associations awarded Best of Show at the National FFA Agricultural Career Show.

New Jersey, along with California, Illinois, Louisiana, and Wisconsin, was honored for developing an effective display that provided useful information to the nearly 46,000 FFA members and career show attendees from across the nation.

The exhibit was judged on display attributes such as quality, creativity and message effectiveness, as well as the communication skills of its student staff.

Forty-five state FFA associations exhibited in the career show's Hall of States.

The National Agricultural Career Show is an integral part of the National FFA Convention and highlights career opportunities for high school students who have an interest in agriculture. Representatives of over 330 agribusinesses, universities and industry associations were available to meet with students throughout the three-day event, Oct. 30 through Nov. 1, at the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center.