

Know Where the Activities Will Be? Read the Farm Women Calendar.


Hello there!
My name's Daisy. I'm a duck, I live at the farm of what's-her-name, who usually writes this piece of foolishness.
She's had a tiring week and appears to be falling apart. First her kitchen clock spun its gears out, hen the stove died. And, her kids trucked on with two doze farm display with two dozen baby chicks and a parr of guinea pigs in an unplanned pet expansion.
Fact is, the last time I saw her, she was galloping toward the barn, way behind schedule. "She was mut bering, "If this column doesn't get written, they'll cook my goose.
She really shouldn't worry - no one could cook anything on that dead stove. But thought Id help her out of her predicament, so I hurried in to the typewriter Naturally, I type by the
"hunt and peck" method.


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On being
a farm wife
-And other hazards

## By

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Goodness knows, though, really don't have time to do this sort of thing. I'm a mother now, you know. Confidentially, I thought the blessed event would never happen. For two Summers, I patiently sat on nests of eggs that just land there and refused to respond.
Then I discovered, in a government brochure from the Consumer Bureau, that it helped if you had a father duck around.
Just in the nick of time, two big, strong, handsome drakes arrived here to live in the barn. It was love at first sight. Following a brie Springtime romance, we were wed.
Finally, a day came at last when the eggs I had tenderly nurtured for three week began to make strange
sounds and movements. It them during a picnic the was an easy home delivery other day
with no complications; and Oh , and they want to ru my happiness was- un- wild all day long. There bounded as I proudly showed clamor to go hunting in the
off my adorable eleven fuzzy pasture, four pester to ron yellow babies. But mother never warned me what a job it is to raise a family!
All those hungry beaks to feed!
It's "Mom, I'm hungry!" all day long. Have you ever tried to find enough bugs and worms to satisfy eleven insatiable appetites?
And then I have to put up with this constant hassle about eating junk foods paper, sawdust, bits of paper, sawdust, bits of fleeting moment oc
aluminum foil, even a piece casionally, that this of marshmallow that those motherhood bit isn't all that human kids tried to feed it's quacked up to be. in the garden, three other ike to splash in the creek and then there's this rritating one who jus mope\$ around the hen house and pouts," I don't wanna go along; it's boring." Some nights I'm s exhausted from trying to keep track of everyone that know my poor old webbed et are just going to drop ht off my short legs. suspect, in a brie

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