

Kid's Korner



This little girl had a hard time deciding whether she enjoyed Elsie the cow or Elsie's ice cream better.

Visit Elsie The Cow

BY LOU ANN GOOD
MECHANICSBURG (Dauphin) — "Hey," Elsie the cow asked a little girl, "can you wiggle your ears?"

Try as she might, she could not. "I can wiggle my ears," Elsie said.

Sure enough, her ears wiggled and wiggled and brought some giggles from the girls and boys watching.

Elsie the cow came the whole way from Disney World, Florida, to tell the boys and girls who visited Karns Market, Mechanicsburg, about her family and friends.

Elsie's family and friends are part of the Borden company. Elsie the cow was created in 1920 to

help sell milk and ice cream. That makes Elsie 69 years-old. That's fairly old for a cow, but Elsie doesn't act her age. She flutters her bright brown eyes and winks if you tease her.

Some people think Elsie is a fake cow. But when they walk near her, Elsie calls out, "Hi. How are you today?"

Startled, the shoppers stop and stare. Some people find it hard to talk with a cow, but Elsie likes to talk. She especially enjoys hearing them tell her how much they enjoy her ice cream and milk.

If you never have a chance to talk with Elsie, you can eat her ice cream. Elsie moos, "If it's Borden, it's got to be good."

Readers Write

Hi,
My name is Anna King. I am 9 years old. There are 10 children in our family: Elmer, 15; Amos, 14; Christie, 13; Emma, 11; Sallie, 10; Anna, 9; Jacob, 7; Chester, 6; Leah, 3; Amanda, 11 months old. She will be one year old on May 10, 1989.

My parents are Ben and Barbara King. My birthday is January 3, 1980. I'm in the third grade at Morris Hill School. My teachers name is Sylvia Stoltzfus. We have two pet lambs named Hunny and Bunny. We give them bottles because their mother doesn't have

any milk.
We also have 7 dogs, Rover, Mitzy, Nellie, (her birthday is May 7), Queenie, Cindy, Sandy, and Rosie. We had a pony named Queenie but she got sick then she went dead.

We were begging father to get another pony so on Barts sale, he got another one. She wasn't behaving herself so dad sold her. We have a lot of cats. Two of our cats are named Skunky and Puff. Skunky and Puff have three little kittens. They are our pets.

Bye, Anna King
Quarryville

Mother's Day is May 14. Surprise your mother. Write and tell us why you like her. What is special about your mother. Send your letters to Lou Ann Good, Lancaster Farming P.O. Box 609, Ephrata, PA 17522.

Hi!
My name is Ann Shoemaker. I am in eighth grade at Immaculate Conception School in New Oxford. I am 13 years old and I don't have any brothers or sisters.

I live on a 50 acre farm with my parents Fabian and Sylvia Shoemaker and with my grandma.

We have 18 cows and 12 calves. We also have two guineas, 2 sheep, 5 cats, 1 dog and I have a fat lop-eared rabbit named Pipsqueak.

I like the chores I have around the house, especially feeding the animals. I love to drive my dad's big tractors and bale hay. I also like to take walks in the woods, ride my bike and play the violin. I almost forgot, I have two goldfish, Bubbles and Giggles.

I like to do and read the Kid's Korner in the *Lancaster Farming* paper that my dad gets.

I thought you would like to know that I am the fourth generation to live on this farm. My dad's mom's parents lived here first and so forth. Our house is over 100 or so years old. Our barn is 112 years old!!! WOW!

Bye for now!

Ann Shoemaker
New Oxford

Hi!
My name is Jeffrey Martin. I live on a 112-acre farm in Port Trevorton, PA. We farm only about 85 acres of the 112 acres.

We have 11 cows, 16 heifers, 1 butt, 7 horses, about 125 chickens, 2 dogs and 15 cats.

The horses' names are Fred, Pat, Tony, Polly, Prince, Tom and Sonja. The dogs names are Lassie and Duke. I had a third dog, Pepper, but he got run over by a car about a month ago. He was very special to me and I was very sad when he got hit. But I plan to get another dog in May.

I have no brothers or sisters to fight with so I have to fight with the animals. Out of those 16 heifers I take care of 14 of them. I also take care of the chickens.

I like school very much, but not the homework I get! Most of my teachers are very nice. We do lots of special activities in school to make up for the homework—or at least that's what I think. Sometime this month, we will clean the Selinsgrove Bypass near Selingsgrove, PA where my school is located. That will be lots of fun!

Jeffrey Martin, age 12,
Port Trevorton

I am 9 years old and in 3rd grade. I like school a lot. I go to Brownies and play soccer and softball.

We live on a farm. My dad has 45 Holstein cows and lots of calves and steers. They get up in the morning at 4:30 and they milk at night at 4:30. We have no horses, but I wish we did. We have 30 chickens and they give a lot of eggs. Our dog's name is Boomer, and we have six cats that run all around our farm. We help our dad and mom do the chores. Well, I have to go now. So good-bye.
Sincerely, Sheila Marie Schlegel
No address

Hello!

My name is Barbie Allgyer. I am 12 years old. I am in 7th grade. I go to Meadow View School. There are 31 pupils in our school.

We live on a farm. We milk 25 cows. We have 20 heifers and 6 calves. We have 10 cats and five little kittens, 1 dog, 6 mules, 1 drive horse. We have a pet rabbit and she had two little bunnies. My brothers have one rabbit alone. And eight pigeons. We have 30 hens and get about 25 eggs a day. We planted garden already.

I have six brothers and one sister. Benueel, 13; Barbie, 12; Johnny, 11; David Jay, 9; Elam Jr. 7; Samuel, 6; Ephraim, 3; and baby Annie, 1 year. My parents are Elam and Anna Allgyer. I live on Old Leacock Road, Ronks, Pa 17572.

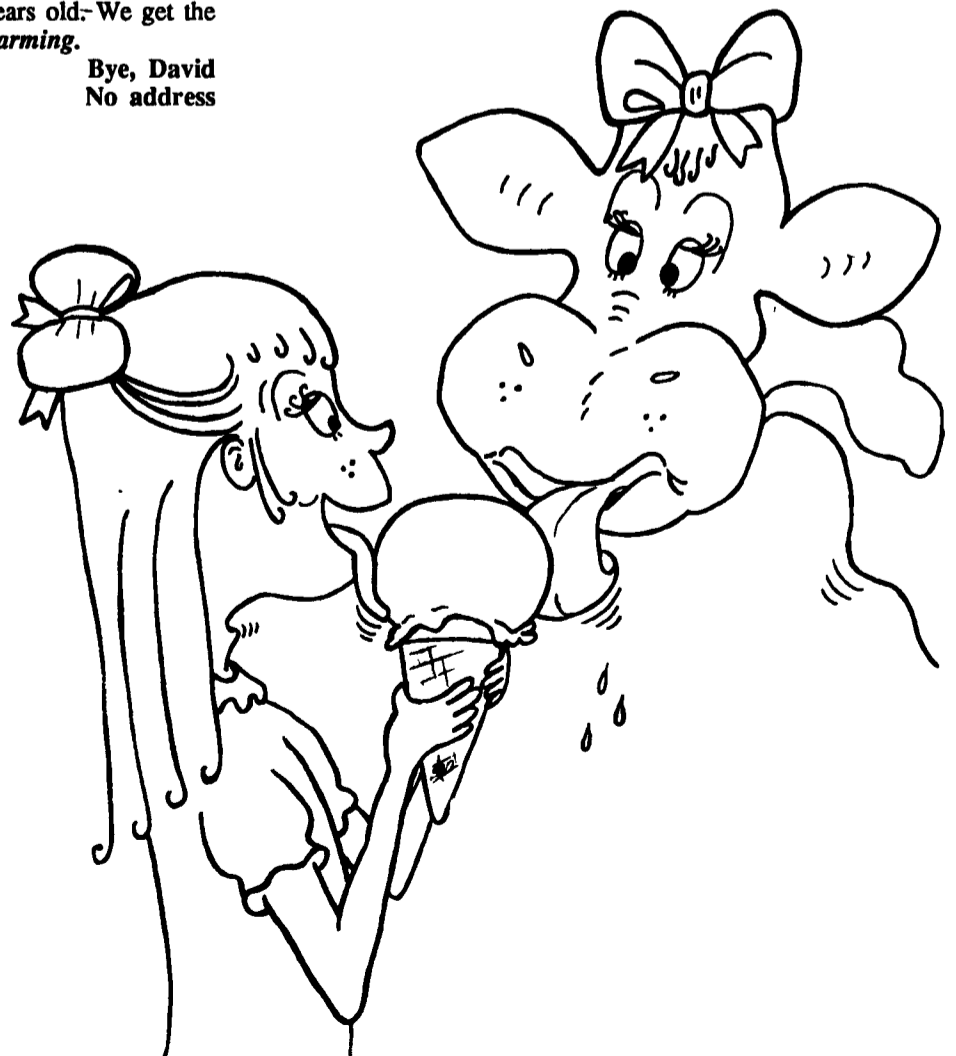
Goodbye,
Barbie

Hello!

Dear Kid's Korner. We live on a farm. We have one cow, 28 steers, 7 horses, 100 pigs, 5 cats, 2 dogs, 2 big rabbits and 7 small ones and 4 sheep. We have a big pond, one creek and a river.

I am 11 years old. We get the *Lancaster Farming*.

Bye, David
No address



Ice Cream is fun to share with a friend.