

# Kids Korner

## Local Nursery School Demonstrates An Easy Valentine's Craft

**JAYNE SEBRIGHT**  
Lancaster Farming Staff

**NEW OXFORD (Adams Co.)**  
— What mom or dad doesn't love getting homemade crafts from their kids?

When kids come running home with their Valentine, mom proudly posts it on the refrigerator. Years later, when the children are all grown up, she still find those glue-pasted, tattered gifts of love.

Valentine's Day offers the perfect opportunity for kids to show their parents how much they love them.

Sixteen four-year-olds, along with teacher Karen Souders and helper Patty Sieg, at the Emory United Methodist Community Nursery School recently made a simple Valentine's Day craft for their parents.

The nursery school has been around for sixteen years and has always been directed and taught by Souders. She and Sieg teach three classes — two four-year-old classes and one three-year-old class — each term.

What you'll need to follow the pattern is a large red heart cut out of construction paper. The heart should be about 10 inches wide. You'll also need four 1-

inch strips cut out of a 8"X11" piece of paper and four smaller pink hearts cut out of construction paper. The smaller hearts should be about three inches wide.

The first thing the children did was fold the four pieces of paper in 1-inch sections, folding the paper back and forth to create a zig-zag effect.

Once they were finished making the legs and arms out of the paper strips, they drew a smiley face on the large red hearts. You can use crayons, markers, or a pencil to draw the face.

After the face was finished, the children pasted the tip of each paper strip onto the heart, making them appear as arms and legs.

Once they finished pasting the arms and legs onto the heart-shaped body, they pasted the four smaller hearts onto the ends of each paper strip. The hearts represented the feet and hands of the Valentine.

Parents are sure to love this simple but crafty Valentine's Day gift. The bouncy, smiling Valentine brings a smile to anyone's face.



The students show off their finished Valentines. From left are Brandon Trimmer, Olivia Sieg, Paul Brown, Sarah Koutts, Elizabeth Trimmer, Talieson Gallagher, Janelle Sensenig, and Cameron Howe.



Breata Weaver demonstrates folding the four 1-inch paper strips to make the zig-zag legs and arms.



From left Olivia Sieg, Paul Brown, and Sarah Koutts draw smiley faces on their Valentine heart bodies.



From left Jocelyn Riser, Jacob Ford, and Curtis Harman follow Mrs. Souder's directions for making the legs and arms of the Valentine.

## Pennsylvania Alternate Dairy Princess

(Continued from Page B6)

the business and economics of the dairy industry. It's a lot more than just the cows and the milk."

Kilgore is a senior at Red Lion Area Senior High School. She is grateful to her teachers for being supportive of her dairy princess activities.

"They've been really lenient in allowing me to get my work done," she said.

Kilgore is involved in the mu-

sical, National Honor Society,

Civics Committee, Physics Olympic Team, and played varsity field hockey. So far, she has only missed 15 days of school due to dairy princess activities.

On the farm, Kilgore helps take care of her show animals, unloads hay in the summertime, and occasionally helps milk when she's needed. She owns seven Holstein animals that she shows at area fairs and the York County 4-H round-up.

Kilgore was in the 4-H Dairy Club for nine years. She was on the dairy judging team for several years, placing in the top five at the state competition in 1998. She also participated in a national dairy judging contest in Louisville, Ky., in 1998.

Thinking back over her dairy princess reign, Kilgore is glad that she decided to run last May. "I always have fun and learn new things," said Kilgore. "I haven't had a bad experience yet."