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Trent Goss tends to two chicks hatched at the Goss farm. When they are old enough, they will be used for egg production.



Trent Goss prepares his dairy feeder steer for the 2011 Mifflin County Youth Fair.

Photo submitted by TINA GOSS



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Grain bins behind Trent Goss on the Goss family farm provide storage for soybeans and corn. The farm, which sits on about 200 acres in Mifflin County, was established in 1893, by Trent's great-great-grandfather. The family has lived there ever since. Trent's grandparents, Ron and Marilyn Goss, live in the original farmhouse. Trent's parents, Tim and Tina, have a home on the property as well.

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have around 60 total," he says. They don't like to have many more than that, because then in the winter there are more mouths to feed.

His other tasks in the fields depend on the season.

In the spring, he might be found planting crops — barley, corn and soybeans — and in the summer, harvesting them.

"Usually the first thing we would plant would be barley, which is harvested by the end of June, beginning of July," he says. "We usually start planting corn around the end of April or beginning of May. Once we're done with that, we'll plant the soybeans." After all the crops are planted, the Goss men go

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