## Crowning of Apple Queen USA highlights apple harvest festival

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CARROLL VALLEY Katherine Solenberger from Virginia was crowned Miss Apple Queen U.S.A. 1980 on Friday evening at the Carroll Valley Golf Club near Fairfield.

The coronation was the highlight of the Adams County Apple Harvest Festival.

Miss Solenberger is the daughter of C. Robert and Bessie Solenberger, fruit growers from the Winchester area. She is a piano student in the creative arts program at Shenandoah College and Conservatory.

The new queen was also named Miss Congeniality.

This award was voted her by the other 10 contestants.

Miss Joni Lynn Hunt, apple queen from Michigan and a cosmetologist, was chosen first runner-up. Second runner-up was Keela Keets Lyda, a registered nurse, the North Carolina apple queen.

This year's festival attracted a record-breaking crowd which annually draws 50,000 persons.

Special features were the strolling entertainers, colorful tours of the orchards, handcrafters and artists. Many appealing apple delights were prepared while onlookers watched and enjoyed the festivities.



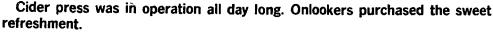
The blacksmith today might not be found with a shop in a livery stable but the hammer, anvil, and red hot iron are still familiar sights.



Keela Keets Lyda, Miss North Carolina, second runner-up; 1980 Apple Queen, Jennifer

U.S.A., Katherine Solenberger from Virginia: first runner-up, Joni Lynn Junt, Miss Michigan.









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Youngsters partake in a fun but messy game — an apple pie eating contest to honor the fruit of the day.

## **Clementon 4-H'ers excel**

and recognition come in many forms. Camden County 4-H'ers were recognized for their pursuit of excellence at the Annual 4-H Achievement Night held recently in Voorhees.

The county medal awards were given on the basis of excellence in a project or program area. Each award was sponsored by either a local organization or a national company.

FROM THE YEARLINGS 4-H CLUB. Jerry Barrett, food nutrition.

CLEMENTON - Awards 18, Berlin, agriculture, Bruce Neveling, 14, Berlin, poultry; Lisa Motluck, 11, Berlin, rabbit; Bernadette Conte, 11, Waterford, sheep; Jim Gaunt, 14, Berlin, achievement.

TANSBORO TRAILBLA-ZER achievers were: Margaretann Ewan, 14, Cedar Brook, beef, dairy, goat, and Food & Nutrition; Alexandra Ewan, 16, Cedar Brook, achievement, food preservation; and Karen Paolello, 15, Blue Anchor,

WINNERS IN THE GOATS GALORE 4-H CLUB: Paul J. Mason, Jr., 14, Cedar Brook, dairy; Albert Martin, III, 15, Berlin, goat.

FROM THE PERSIAN LANCERS 4-H CLUB: Karen Valvardı, 15, Erial, horse, citizenship, and leadership; Kevin Valvardi, 14, Erial, horse, achievement, Most Im-proved Western Rider LONG A COMING

WINNERS WERE: Gary Binns, 14, Lindenwold,

horse; Eugene Schriefer, Jr., 18, Atco, public speaking. FROM SILVER SPURS 4-

H CLUB: Lisa Podesek, 15, Atco, horse.

In other awards, the Waggin Tails 4-H Club of Clementon received Best In Show for their 4-H Window **Display Contest. Other clubs** that participated received excellent ratings were: Long-A-Coming, Yearlings, Discovery Club, Goofy Growers, Warwick Hill, Bad News Bakers.



Representing Pennsylvania in the Apple Queen Contest was Kris Shutt from Orrtanna, Adams County, the hometown favorite.