

Apple Blossom Festival promises apple surprises

GETTYSBURG — Adams County will be the site of the 33rd Annual Apple Blossom Festival which will be held on Saturday, April 30 and Sunday, May 1.

Highlights of this year's festival include: live entertainment, a chicken barbeque dinner, orchard tours, crafts show and sale, a petting zoo, livestock and agricultural exhibits, and the crowning of the Apple Blossom Queen. Features this year include

an apple butter boil and a wider selection of taste-tempting food treats.

The Apple Blossom Festival is held each year at the South Mountain Fairgrounds located 10 miles northwest of historic Gettysburg, on Rt. 234 west, near Arendtsville. The fairgrounds are situated in the middle of scenic Adams County's 20,000 acres of fruit orchards. The festival gates will open each day from 10 a.m. to

5 p.m. and admission is \$1 per adult, children under 12 are free and includes free parking.

Visitors from a five-state area are attracted to this special annual event to enjoy the festival and to view the beautiful blossoms of the apple, peach and cherry trees which are usually in bloom during Festival Week.

Adams County Fruitgrowers, who produce over five million bushels of apples each year, would

like to invite the public to view, enjoy, and learn about the apple industry.

Attractions, both days, promise to delight both young and old. Attractions include: free apple-related movies, a display of antique cars, helicopter rides, an antique steam engine corn sheller demonstrator, home made crafts, plus much, much, more.

The highlight of Sunday's activities will be the crowning of the

1983 Apple Blossom Queen. Preceding the crowning will be an apple pie baking contest, apple pie eating contests and apple bobbing contests. A wide variety of food products will be available for purchase such as fresh apples, apple cider, apple butter, candied apples, apple dumplings, apple strudel, apple pies, cherry deserts, homemade scrapple and country sausage.

The Apple Blossom Festival is sponsored by the Adams County Fruit Growers Association, and the Gettysburg - Adams County Area Chamber of Commerce. For further information contact: Gettysburg - Adams County Area Chamber of Commerce, Dept. AB, 33 York Street, Gettysburg, Pa. 17325, telephone - (717) 334-8151.

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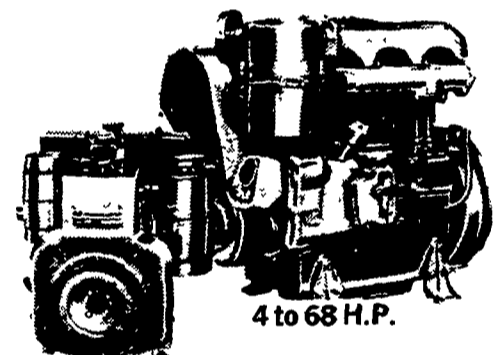
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