# Ida's Notebook by Ida Risser

My garden certainly look as though fall has arrived. The cucumber vines are dead and the green beans are now bug eaten. However, this year the pole limas give me basket after basket of beans. And, the tomatoes are still ripening although an animal has started to eat them before I can

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pick them.

This year the apple tree in our front yard has been loaded with fruit. So, I've made applesauce every other day for weeks. Some has been frozen and some canned. The silo has been filled after a lot of problems with machinery. But that seems to be the story of a far-

mer's life. One day everything runs smoothly and the next there is one break down after another.

Phone calls from far away children get our minds on other things. One from Texas reports that her son can now crawl all over the house. Another daughter in Georgia tells me that her child is taking piano lessons. While still another six-year-old grandson in Virginia phones to tell me that he made the winning score in soccer. Still another grandson decides to play in the pen with the pigs and has to be hosed down by his father—that is one way to get him clean again.

We seldom see our children but Kenneth will be coming to Lancaster County on business. He plans to stay with us for three days. When he comes for supper tonight, I expect to feed him

## Halloween Activities For Families

HERSHEY (Dauphin Co.) — Family groups can work together to create an original scarecrow for display on the Hershey Museum terrace while the younger children test their puzzle skills by working their way through a straw bale maze on Saturday, October 21 from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Move inside to the Museum's hands-on Discovery Room where storytelling and musical sessions are sure to engage visitors of all ages. Jan Dunkle will

something that he hasn't had for a long time. I'll make a pig stomach as we need an extra person to help

be on hand at 12:30, 1:30 and 2:30 p.m. to lead short, lively interactive musical sessions and at 1:00, 2:00 and 3:00 p.m. Rosemary Zoumas will delight visitors with her short stories. Programs are free with museum admission.

The scarecrows can be made with materials provided by the museum or, if you prefer, bring some items of clothing from home to individualize your creation which will remain on display for all visitors to admire. Younger children can work their way through a small, straw bale maze also located outside on the Museum's terrace. The scarecrow activity is available while supplies

The programs are held in coniunction with Hershey Halloween 1995. For additional information call (717) 534-3439.

## Grandma's **Kitchen**

BOYERTOWN (Berks Co.) -The Boyertown Area Historical Society will open an exhibit called Grandma's Kitchen, which features 19th and 20th century cooking wares and utensils. The exhibit will be located at 43 S. Chestnut St, Boyertown, and is free for the public to view on consecutive Sundays from October 8 through November 12 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.



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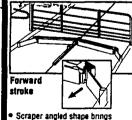
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