

Adams County Fruit Growers Host 45th Apple Blossom Festival

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ARDENTSVILLE (Adams Co.) — Local fruit growers, craft vendors, and community organizations celebrated the 45th annual Apple Blossom Festival at the South Mountain Fairgrounds last weekend.

Due to the 90 degree temperatures, attendance at this year's Festival was down.

"We usually have a lot more people attend the two-day event," said Kathy Kliner from the Adams County Fruit

Growers Association. "I think a lot of people stayed away this year just because it was so hot."

250 craft vendors and 40 food vendors had stands at the annual event. The event featured almost any food made with apples imaginable and apple events such as apple bobbing and apple pie eating contests. Antique tractor displays, live entertainment, and children's activities are also part of the event.

The Adams County Fruit Growers Association, which



The 45th annual Adams County Apple Blossom Festival was held last weekend at the South Mountain Fairgrounds. High temperatures kept attendance down, but not the fun.



The Festival featured activities and demonstrations for all ages. Children could have their faces painted, enjoy apple foods, and participate in contests.

sponsors the event, offered 35-40 minute orchard bus tours to everyone who attended the event. A representative from the fruit industry talks to those on the tour about apple growing and answers questions during the tour.

On Sunday, the annual Apple Queen coronation is held. This year four contestants competed in the pageant. Lauren Hankey, daughter of Merle and Gina Hankey was crowned 2000-2001 Apple Queen. Lauren is 17 years old and a senior at Gettysburg High School.

A daughter of fruit growers was named this year's runner-

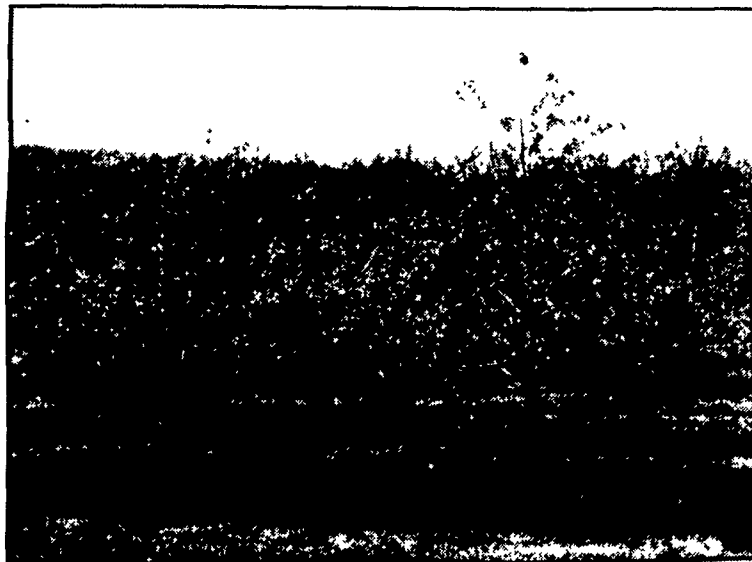
up. Heidi Fetters is the 17-year-old daughter of Terry and Carol Fetter and a junior at Biglerville High School.

During the year, the Apple Queen will promote Adams County's apple industry through visiting area schools and making appearances at festivals, fairs, and other events.

The Fruit Growers Association sponsors the Apple Blossom Festival each year to celebrate

the blossoms appearing on Adams County's 20,000 acres of orchards. Proceeds from the event are used for research and promotion of the apple industry.

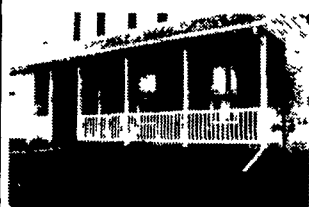
"We donate some of the money to the Penn State Fruit Research Extension Center in Biglerville," said Kliner. "We also try to focus on whatever is affecting the fruit industry that particular year. This year we'll put money into plum pox virus research."



The Adams County Fruit Growers Association sponsor the Festival each year to promote the apple industry and celebrate the apple blossoms now seen all over Adams County.

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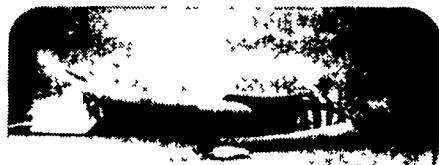
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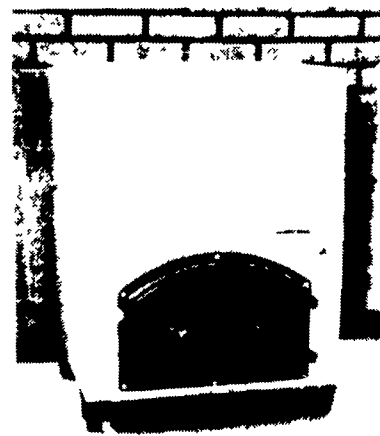
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