

# Apple Fest



Every October, Community Orchards, 2237 160th St., marks its fall harvest season with its annual Apple Fest. This year's celebration will be Oct. 4-5.

Orange wagons shuttle people to and from the adjoining pumpkin patch as thousands of people turn out to take part in games and enjoy the fresh food that is served outdoors and at the Apple Orchard Cafe, and shoppers fill the aisles of the Apple Attic Gift Shop.

The 50-acre orchard was started in the 1940s and produces an average of 13,000 bushels a year, making it one of the largest apple orchards in Iowa. Community Orchard is open from Aug. 1 to Christmas every year.

More than 20 varieties of apples are sold on the retail market and used in the orchard's on-site bakery and cider-making operations.

