

To the Core

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Eve was tempted to eat one, coincidentally banishing mankind from the Garden of Eden. Eating one a day keeps the doctor away (unless the doctor is cute, then screw the fruit!) It is a symbolic gift of appreciation for our favorite teachers, and Sir Isaac Newton came up with the law of gravity because one bonked him on the head. The apple truly is a wonder fruit. So, no wonder hundreds of Durangoans showed up for this year's 7th annual Apple Days festival. Thanks to Growing Partners of the Southwest and many volunteers, we now have one more reason to love the apple.



Volunteers Ta Morrison and Tara Jackson filter freshly pressed apple juice to be sold at Sunday's festival.



In addition to juice and pies, Mia Carrasco-Songer serves up good ol' apples.



A volunteer reaches for an apple Saturday morning during a gleaning session.



Greg Parham delivers a truckload of apples from Saturday's gleaning.



Our mothers would be proud.