

Rain, tornado scare cut festival turnout

KINGSTON—A wet Thursday evening marred by a tornado watch had an effect on the Kingston Geranium Festival

program.

"It was a little damp, but we weren't rained out," said a festival committee member. "The crowd was not as large as we expected, but it was a good crowd money-wise."

"Thursday is usually the festival's slow night, even with good weather." Thursday evening activities included a performance by the Circleville Senior Citizens Kitchen Band and a talent contest.

Dusty Rhoades was master of ceremonies for the talent contest.

Kathy Wexler won first place in the under 14 category, with a piano solo. Dean and Don Janes duet in hobo costume won second place, and a piano solo by Ellen Flugge was third.

In the over 14 category, Kevin Janes placed first with a vocal solo, Becky Colopy's singing took second, and third was a pantomime by Becky Colopy, Beth Stockman, Jenny Handley and Amy Lyons.

Tonight's festival program begins at 7 p.m. with a magician-ventriloquist show by Mark Wade, to be followed by an 8 p.m. square dance demonstration and a 9 p.m. square dance.

The final day of the festival is Saturday. The day will begin with ball games, an antique car show and contests and games for children. The grand parade will begin at 6 p.m. Saturday, with Becky Lawrence, Miss Ohio State Fair, serving as parade marshal.

The parade will be followed by a 7 p.m. Adelphi Band concert and an 8 p.m. square dance.

The festival queen, little queen and little king contests were held Wednesday, the opening night of the festival. In the report of the contest results Thursday, the little king's alternate, Jerry E. Rittenhouse Jr., should have been identified as the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry E. Rittenhouse Sr., Route 2, Kingston.

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