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2004 Farm Progress Show go start one month earlier

ALLEMAN, IOWA—The 2004 Farm Progress Show will be held one month earlier this year on Aug. 31 and Sept. 1-2 near Alleman, Iowa. The show dates have been moved up to avoid farmers' harvesttime schedule conflicts.

"This year's show is a month earlier than past shows because show visitors and exhibitors requested a timing change," says Don Tourte, national shows director. "Now exhibitors and visitors can more easily attend the Farm Progress Show and not worry about missing a harvest 'window of opportunity,'" he says.

The 51st annual show offers a spectacular lineup of new features including an expanded exhibit area, field and livestock demonstrations with new events, and introduces American Quarter Horse Association sponsored activities.

The show, known as the "Super Bowl of Agriculture," returns to the site of its 2002 show on the farms operated by the Jack and Steve Holland; Harold Lande; Dean, Ray and Del Stall; and Steve and Todd Twedt families.

"We are very excited to once again work with the same great group of families who hosted our last Iowa show and contributed greatly to its outstanding

success," says Tourte. "They are terrific hosts. The site is one of the best for our exhibitor Tent City and field demonstrations, plus it provides easy access for visitors to this tremendous agricultural area."

This show is set to host nearly 400 exhibitors displaying new farm equipment, tractors, combines and farm implements; seed and crop protection products; and many other production items. Ag manufacturers and suppliers from across the country and around the world and are set to participate. This year's show features added focus on the latest agricultural high-tech equipment including computer-controlled guidance systems, satellite imagery, GPS-based management systems and a long list of state-of-the-art information and technology available for today's farms.

Field demonstrations are a show mainstay and include side-by-side equipment, tractor and combine performance comparisons on hundreds of corn acres available for harvesting, tillage and tiling demonstrations. Demonstrations run 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. each show day.

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Police News

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A 34-year-old

Rossville woman reported Monday that someone took currency from a cash box and took a digital camera from a camper. The incident occurred in the 200 block of East Washington.

A 14-year-old

Hoopeston boy was arrested at 5:14 p.m. Monday in the 400 block of South Third Ave. He was charged with aggravated battery and disorderly conduct on a complaint from a 15-year-old boy who alleged the other boy chased him and shot at him with a pellet gun.

The boy was taken to the Vermilion County Juvenile Detention Center.

A 12-year-old Hoopeston girl was arrested Tuesday morning at the police station. She was charged in connection with a burglary and theft occurring between July 24-26 in the 300 block of East Washington.

The girl was released to her parents and a juvenile petition filed.

Briefly

Free school supplies

The Hoopeston Multi Agency is accepting applications from families who will need assistance with school supplies this year. The program is income-based. The last day to apply is Aug. 3.

For more information, call the Multi Agency, 283-5544.

Trash Walkers

Hoopeston Trash Walkers will meet from 8-9 a.m. Saturday at Hoopeston City Hall to collect trash in the area. Anyone interested in volunteering is welcome.

VBS

Milford Christian Church will hold vacation show day

Free rally

Senator Dick Durbin and Barack Obama, candidate for U.S. Senate, will attend a free rally sponsored by the Vermilion County Democratic Party. The rally will be held from 5:30-7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 2 at Turtle Run Banquet Center, 322 E. Liberty Lane, Danville.

Free tickets for invited guests can be obtained from the party office, (217) 446-8766; Lynn Foster (217) 442-1861; Paul Manion (217) 283-6757; Don Dunavan (217) 759-7324; Greg Lietz 446-0880 or from precinct committeemen.

Bible school from 9 a.m.-noon Aug. 2-6. "SonGames will feature games, crafts, songs, snacks and Bible stories. For information, call (815) 889-4474.

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starting at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. The Young Pro Ropers hold roping clinics each day and Farm Progress' own "Horse Whisperer," Craig Cameron, also performs daily at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Family entertainment is featured throughout the day in the Farm & Fireside Tent, including speakers, demonstrators and other entertainers. Presenters include: Jerry Kluver, manager of Earl May Garden Center in West Des Moines, with gardening and landscaping ideas; Joanna Lund with her healthy cooking demonstrations modeled from her Iowa Public Television series; comedians Beck & Robertson; antique specialists Vern and Martha Bear; and others.


The Arts & Crafts Tent is a favorite shopping

stop for home decorations, clothing, novelties, collectibles, art and other craft items. Hearty meals, tasty treats and refreshments are available at the show. The show is hosted by Wallaces Farmer magazine.

The 2004 Farm Progress Show site is located one-half mile west of Interstate 35 and two miles east of Alleman. The site is approximately 30 minutes north of downtown Des Moines, Iowa.

The show exhibit field is open to visitors from

Weather



Patchy fog today. High 83. Tonight, mostly clear. Low 63. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 84, low 63.

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