

# Manager promises bigger, better show

**P**REPARATIONS for this year's Farm Progress Show are well under way. We're looking forward to making this year's show an event not to miss. The 2009 Farm Progress Show will



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be bigger and better than ever. We have been working to improve the event for visitors and exhibitors alike since our last visit to Progress City in 2007. Some

of the highlights are listed below. Please be sure to mark your calendars now for the 2009 Farm Progress Show, Sept. 1-3 at Decatur.

**Reorganized exhibit field**

In order to accommodate the expansion of existing and first-time exhibitors, we have been working to reorganize the exhibit field to fit everyone. I'm sure as you walk the show site, you will be impressed by the quality of exhibits these companies have developed to showcase their products.

**New permanent structure**

As expected, with each trip you make back to the permanent facility you will see more exhibitors investing in permanent structures. The 2009 show will have plenty of new exhibit expansion.

While the list is not completed at this time, indications are there will be several new buildings, including at least two new grain-handling structures, and more irrigation equipment on display.

**Field demonstrations**

A more than 50-year tradition of the Farm Progress Show, field demonstrations are your opportunity to see the biggest and the best compete side by side. As in the past, the demonstrations will be consolidated to give you the chance to see more concentrated action in the fields.

Demonstrations will begin at 11 a.m. with corn combining, and continue through the afternoon with tillage and special machines.

**Precision demonstrations**

Many of the newest and hottest products at this year's Farm Progress Show will be GPS or precision-based machinery and software.

New in Decatur in 2009, the Precision Demonstrations will be relocated to be adjacent to the exhibit field and the tram loading area, just north of the exhibit field. This change will make foot access much easier.

When you arrive at the Precision Demonstrations, there will be a dedicated area where many precision-ag companies will be running one-on-one demonstrations. This is your opportunity to experience the latest and greatest precision technology up close and personal. Technicians from each company will be there to show and tell you about their products.

**Product introductions**

The list of companies introducing new products is expanding every day. Because it is the nation's largest outdoor farm show, many exhibitors use the Farm Progress Show as an opportunity to unveil new products. You can look forward to being the first to see the latest new products from leading agricultural companies from around the world. See you at the show!

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