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**Theron Roll has a good time discussing his project with Gloria Bergner during Tuesday’s interview judging. Judging was held in Phillips County Event Center and was the first event to be held in the new building as part of the 2010 Phillips County Fair. □ □
—Enterprise photo**

With the 2010 Phillips County Fair underway, there are many activities for the public to get involved with over the next few days while “Keepin’ It Growing.”

Friday events planned

With many things happening Friday, July 30 at the Phillips County Fair, make sure to head over to the fairgrounds for some fun.

Those entering garden, floriculture, foods, crafts, fine arts, quilts and other things, open class entries need to be turned in between 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

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Horseshoe pitching will kick off activities at 1 p.m.

After a day of browsing the animals and open entries, head on over to Homesteaders Park for a barbecue from 5-8 p.m.

While eating, be prepared to enjoy a talent show, air guitar contest and more.

Carnival games will be held from 6-9 p.m. with many prizes up for grabs.

At 7 p.m. head over to the grandstands and enjoy the fast-paced stock car races featuring IMCA modifieds, stocks, hobby stocks and sport mods.

Family Day is Saturday

After resting up from Friday, head downtown at 10 a.m. for the parade. The parade will travel north along Interoccean Avenue from its start at City Park. Participants must first register at the Re-1J Administration Building located at the corner of S. Morlan Ave. and E. Hale St. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. and everyone must be in line by 9 a.m.

The exhibit building (Heginbotham Hall at Phillips County Event Center) will be open for viewing from 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Those with furry little loved ones should head to the pet show at the show arena at 11 a.m. All animals are welcome, except snakes.

The hard hitting combine derby will be held at 12 noon followed by a busy afternoon.

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A petting zoo, pedal tractor pull and horseshoe pitching all are scheduled to begin at 1 p.m.

The parade of champions will be held at the show arena at 1:30 p.m. After that, mosey on over to Homesteaders Park at 2 p.m. for the kids' races and stick horse rodeo.

Carnival games will be held from 3-9 p.m.

Another round of metal on metal action will take place at 8 p.m. with the pickup derby.

Other fair activities

Other events taking place during the week include an amateur/youth rodeo at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 28.

Thursday will be packed full with animals to keep fairgoers busy. Carnival games will be available from 6-9 p.m.

The Cowboy Chorus will take the stage at 7 p.m. as part of the evening entertainment. New to the fair this year is cow patty bingo scheduled to be held at 8:30 p.m.

Phillips County Fair activities will wrap up Sunday, Aug. 1. A community church service led by special guests Randy and Heidi Gunn will begin at 9 a.m. at Homesteaders Park. A round robin will take place at 10:30 a.m. at the show arena followed by the annual antique tractor pull at the grandstands at 12 noon. During this time, all exhibits will be released.