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The Fourth of July won't be the only time a fireworks show will light the sky in Imperial.

Fireworks have been added to the entertainment at the Chase County Fair Truck Show this year.

Organizer Tinker Raasch said Taz Fireworks of Hill City, Kan. will send up a show in between concerts on Saturday, Aug. 18. The fireworks will be located on the Chase County Schools practice football field.

Raasch said all permits and permissions have been obtained to sponsor the show.

Fair Board President Dave Schilke said there had been some concern expressed about the fireworks spooking animals at the fair. "With all the activities and noise on the fairgrounds I'm not really sure that's a problem," he said, adding that he did ask that the "big ca-boomers" be excluded.

The truck show is scheduled for Aug. 17 and 18. Raasch said she hopes for 50 or more trucks to be displayed for the public's enjoyment, up from 24 two years ago and 38 last year.

Check-in is at 10 a.m. Friday, with a free will lunch offered.

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Semi truck “burn outs” will be held between 3-4 p.m.

Children who participate in Special Olympics will be attending the show that day.

Raffle tickets for a grill, riding lawn mower, gift certificates and more will be sold for \$5, with the proceeds going to the Special Olympics, Raasch said.

In addition prizes will be given during a spin-the-wheel contest on Saturday. Awards for the top 20 trucks, chosen by public vote, will be announced at 5 p.m. Saturday.

A Cut Above of Wildwood, Fla. will be available for truck polishing.

Walk-around entertainment and rides will also be offered at the Truck Show site, on the school parking lot near the swimming pool.

Raasch said she has 81 sponsors lined up for the show.

“I want this to be the best show for our guys,” Raasch said.