



Saturday, February 28, 2026

9:00 am - 5:30 pm

Farm Bureau Pavilion at MSU, Lansing, MI

February 2026

Dear Exhibitor:

We are very happy to have your participation in our event. On behalf of the Quiet Adventures Society, thank you. We consider your offering as a key component for the success of the symposium. Below you will find information to help you before, during and after the symposium. Please share this information with your booth staff and members of your organization that may attend.

Farm Bureau Pavilion at MSU

The Farm Bureau Pavilion at Michigan State University Pavilion for Agriculture and Livestock Education will again be the site of QAS. The Pavilion is located at [4301 Farm Lane, Lansing, MI](#), located near the corner of Mt. Hope and Farm Lane. (Your GPS may put this address in Lansing, East Lansing or Okemos. It is on the MSU campus.) We recommend coming in from the south to avoid campus traffic, although no large events are expected that day.

We have assigned booths, and [this list](#) shows the first booth number for each organization. The [Pavilion layout \(three pages\)](#) indicates where booths are. We have worked to honor requests. For those of you with more than one booth, know that they are grouped together. For questions, send a message to eventmanager@quietadventures.org.

Arrival

Setup times: Friday Feb 27 1:00 - 7:00 pm

Saturday Feb 28 7:30 - 8:30 am (All vehicles must exit by 8:45 at the latest)

All exhibitors will approach the East Pavilion entrances via Farm Lane.

Most exhibitors will arrive and head straight in the **middle entrance door** to the Exhibit Hall off Farm Lane. It will be marked **Exhibitor Entrance**.

For those going to the Arena, come off Farm Lane at the Main entrance and then head to the north side for the big entrance door. Immediately upon arrival, go to the Main exhibitor Checkin desk, retrieve your packet and ask for assistance with your booth.

When you arrive, please **remain outside** the entrance door to be cleaned if you have snow or rain on your vehicle or trailer. We need to avoid puddles in the Exhibit Hall and Arena.

Vehicles and Trailers

Exhibitors are allowed to drive into the Exhibit Hall and into the Arena for set up

during the times noted above. **Please turn off your vehicles while checking in and before unloading at your booth.** Ask at the Exhibitor Check-in for help if needed.

Checking in:

When you check in on Friday or early Saturday morning, we will have an Exhibitor Packet ready for you. It will indicate location of booth(s), number of tables and chairs reserved as well as number of booth staff badges and any unpaid invoice.

For those wishing to pay booth invoices, you can pay by cash or credit card upon entry. A \$15 late payment fee will be added. If you have any questions about your invoice, please let the staff at Exhibitor check-in know and a Board member will come to work with you.

Setting up your booth:

Please be courteous and considerate to others by dropping off your display items and removing your vehicle from the exhibit floor as quickly as possible. Do not leave vehicle running while unpacking or loading, please! Do not remove tables or chairs from other booths! Contact a volunteer at check-in if you need assistance.

You will find Quiet Adventures Society members and volunteers eager to help you. Many QAS members will be wearing a forest green vest, and/or a bright pink hat (Board members), so we should be easy to locate. Volunteers will have a teal bandana. If you need assistance, flag one of us down. Contact is below.

Access to WIFI

The Pavilion does not have great internet access. There is access to MSU Guest wifi. We have found that many exhibitors use their cell phones and APPs such as Square to collect funds for books or other materials successfully. Streaming video to a computer or IPAD may have delays and other problems. It is best to have content downloaded and not depend of websites and video sites. There is an ATM available in the Pavilion, near the North Entrance.

Badges

This year, we have a new system. The badges will have our logo and “Exhibitor” on them, as well as the name of your organization, with space to write your booth staff names on each. This means that we do not need to know the names of each staffer for the show, just the number of badges in your packet. You are responsible for getting these to your booth staff. Questions? Check-in staff can help you.

If a staffer is coming late (after 8:45 am, February 28), you have two options. You can have latecomers arrive at the Volunteer desk and call you to meet them there to give them their badge. Optionally, you can take those badges to the Volunteer desk and tell your staffers to go to Volunteer Desk to pick them up, based on Organization name. No one is permitted to enter without the badge or a wrist band.

Tables and Chairs

The tables that we use are simple wooden tables, 30” by 8’. They are best covered with a cloth or something. Chairs are simple folding chairs. If you would like to bring more comfortable camp chairs, you are welcome to bring them. Your booth(s) will have as many tables and chairs as requested when you registered.. If you need more, please work with Check-in Staff and **do not remove** tables or chairs from other booths. We have a

very limited number of extra tables and chairs. If you were awarded an extra booth, there were no extra tables or chairs included.

Door Prizes and Raffles

Door Prizes are welcome and appreciated from all of our Exhibitors. You can take them to the Raffle Desk on Friday or early Saturday morning (by 8:45 am). We will recognize you with special signage and mention in our announcements. As a 501c3, we are able to provide a receipt for your donation. All paid attendee entries will be getting one free door prize ticket and can buy more. We will put tickets in your packet for the number of booth staffers registered! You too can win door prizes.

We will again have Grand Prize Surf and Turf Raffles. The Surf is a Kayak from The Power of Water, and the Turf is a rugged Bicycle from Denny's. Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$25, only available at the event. You are eligible to win if you purchase Grand Prize tickets (unless you are a Board member of QAS).

Overnight Stays

For those of you who wish to come early and stay late, we have arranged a block of rooms at the local Candlewood Suites: \$99 for an efficiency and \$129 for a one bedroom, plus taxes, etc. To book these: Click on the link below, enter the arrival and departure dates then click on 'View Prices'. Choose Group rate dropdown, look for the group name "Quiet Adventures Exhibitors/attendees" and rate will appear to the right. Please contact Donna Schultz at Candlewood Suites in East Lansing if you have any questions. 517-351-8181, Ext. 412 or dschultz@pyramidglobal.com. The Booking link is [Quiet Adventures 2026](#). You are responsible for payment. They are holding a block of rooms for us for Feb 27 and Feb 28, but bookings should be made by Jan.26 to guarantee rate.

There are many local restaurants in the area. Just stop any volunteer to get recommendations.

Program Times and Locations

Here is the [schedule of presentations and demonstrations](#).

If you need any additional information or have special requests, contact us as soon as possible at exhibitor@quietadventures.org.

Parking

Parking for exhibitors will be to the east across Farm Lane. There are signs to indicate it. The lot is paved and has lots of room, just a quick walk across Farm Lane to enter the Pavilion Exhibit Hall by the East Side middle door for exhibitors. Please do not block anyone in or **park on grassy surfaces on the east side near the Pavilion**, as there may be ticketing and towing in those cases.

Parking for attendees/guests is on the north side of the Pavilion and is free. We request that Exhibitors not park in these lots. There is free overflow parking at the corner of Farm Lane and Mt. Hope in the MSU commuter lot 89. We will not have a shuttle operating this year for the overflow lot. People enter the Pavilion through the north main doors of the facility.

Booths and Displays

Many of you display both free merchandise (such as stickers or whistles) and merchandise for sale. Please make sure that they are clearly labeled with prices, where applicable, on your table to avoid confusion. We are not responsible for thefts, but let us know if you see any suspicious activity.

If you have a petition, you may have it at your booth to share with people who stop by, but please do not circulate with the petition nor block passage of people in front of your booth. If you have any questions, contact event managers below.

Rabbits and Horses

As many of you know, we share the exhibit floor with the Michigan Rabbit Breeders Association. They occupy the west side of the Exhibit Hall. This is a livestock facility, the Arena is a dirt floor. Please bring face masks, allergy pills, or whatever you use if you have allergies.

Attire

Because the MSU Pavilion is primarily designed for livestock and agricultural shows, it statutorily must be kept cool for the animals. As a result, it may be quite cool especially if your booth is under a vent fan. There is little we can do about this situation other than ask you to be prepared and dress warmly. This may mean you will need a coat, hat, warm socks and gloves. Also, the cement floor can be hard on the feet.

Food

The MSU Pavilion Concessions will be open for most of the show. However, they can be extremely busy and lines can be long. Please keep this in mind. You may wish to bring your own personal drinks and food. There will be tables/seating in the middle area of the Exhibit Hall, as well as the Arena bleachers and Auditorium seats. Water bottles can be filled at the filtered water stations near the restrooms. Please do not leave your booth unattended for extended periods, however. Let us know if you need assistance.

Pets

This is an MSU facility and we follow MSU regulations on pets and other applicable regulations. Pets are not permitted inside buildings on the MSU campus, with the exception of service animals. This includes the Pavilion. Yes, the rabbits will be there, but they are part of the livestock function of the building!

Tear Down

The symposium runs until 5:30 PM on Saturday. For the safety of all of our guests and exhibitors, we cannot allow vehicles of any kind on the exhibit floor before 5:30 PM. If you need to leave before the official closing time, please speak with one of the show volunteers or QAS people. We do request that all exhibitors plan to be at the Symposium for the full day. We can help arrange assistance for you to carry your exhibit materials outside to your vehicle. **Please turn off your vehicle when loading.**

Assistance:

If you need assistance, our contact cell numbers are:

Cynthia Donovan (event manager): 218-290-0270

(Note: The 517 contact number on my business card no longer works.)

Pat Harrington (logistics): 517-202-0812

Emma Bailey (treasurer): 704-491-8273

Send a text as the noise may make it difficult to hear the call come in.

Survey

We have brief after event surveys. We appreciate your input. Please let us know how the show went for you. They provide valuable information for the next event. If you want to be a sponsor or reserve a booth for next year please contact us at info@quietadventures.org or at the show.

QAS 2026
Speaker, Sponsor,
Exhibitor &
Demonstrator
Survey



On behalf of myself and the Quiet Adventures Society, I thank you for participating in QAS. Without your participation and help, we could not make QAS happen or even dream of achieving our mission.

Sincerely,

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