



Our goal with Quadstate is to provide an educational and fun event for everyone, with a wide variety of demonstrations providing an interesting opportunity for every skill level and interest.

We thank you for your past support with your participation and support. Here at SOFA we strive to live up to our motto "Creative and Friendly".

Highlights:

- Friday - Registration Desk Opens 8:00AM
- Tailgate Sales
- 8:00 PM Friday Evening - Opening Ceremonies
- 8:15 PM Demonstration - Non-Ferrous Casting
- Saturday 9:00 - 12:00, 1:00 - 4:00 Demonstrations
(Hands-on Beginners instruction in U-Forge Area 10:00 to 12:00 and 1:30 to 3:30)
- 5:30 PM Saturday - Auction *(Dinner begins 4:30 PM)*
- 7:30 PM Saturday - Forging Competition
- Sunday 8:45 AM - Presentation of Awards and Prizes
- Sunday 9:00-1:00 Demonstrations

NOTICE: Due to other events scheduled on the grounds this weekend ALL QUADSTATE TRAFFIC WILL USE THE NORTH ENTRANCE. (see enclosed maps)

Everyone attending Quadstate Friday - Sunday will be required to register and wear a name badge!

ON-SITE FOOD SERVICE: The Newton Band Boosters Cafeteria located under the Grandstands will be open Friday, Saturday morning & afternoon until 4:00pm. Beginning at 4:30pm (auction begins at 5:30pm) they will be serving our Saturday Evening Meal of Roasted Pulled Pork or Baked Chicken Breast in creamy sauce with salad, vegetable, potato, roll, desert and beverages. Cost for the Saturday dinner is \$12.00 per person, all other meals are a la carte. There will also be a food vendor located near the registration building. We reserve the right to resell any unclaimed meal tickets in the early afternoon with the refund to the original purchasing party.

SOFA & Miami County Fairgrounds Rules

1. **NOTICE: Due to other events scheduled on the Fairgrounds this weekend ALL QUADSTATE TRAFFIC WILL USE THE NORTH FAIRGROUNDS ENTRANCE** (see enclosed maps) and everyone attending Quadstate Friday thru Sunday will be required to register and wear a name badge!
2. **Everyone who attends Quadstate is required to register. Guest Badges are available for those staying only a few hours. All others will be asked to leave.**
3. **The Miami County Fairgrounds camping fee is \$25 per night for camping on the grounds overnight in areas with electrical hook-ups. Primitive Camping is \$10.00 per night in areas without hook-ups. Numerous people can stay in one camp but a camp is considered to be a single tent or vehicle that someone spends the night in.**
Electric hook-ups require a RV ☺ plug. Anyone needing 220 electrical hook-ups must notify us in advance!
3. **NO sanitary hook-ups are available. Port-A-Johns and washrooms will be available. There are showers in both the Men's and Women's facilities.**
4. **Family members are your spouse and/or children, 17 years of age or younger.**
5. **Alcoholic beverages are not permitted on fairgrounds property. Please respect the no smoking areas (interior of all buildings).**
6. **Pets must be kept on leash and are not permitted in buildings.**

Display your work!

Exhibition: One of the highlights of Quadstate is the Gallery Area, and everyone is encouraged to bring samples of their work to display. Beginning Smiths are especially encouraged to show their works; as well as spouse and family member's crafts.

Young Blacksmiths: We are very interested in promoting the art of blacksmithing with the younger generation. Be sure you bring and encourage your young apprentices to show some of their work in the display area at QuadState 2010.

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• **This year's Gallery Feature will be** •
• **"Mixed Metals"** •
• **This category will be for items that are made of** •
• **at least 50% iron and 30% non-ferrous metals.** •
• **Special awards may be given to reward imagination** •
• **and creativity in this and other categories.** •
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We will also be adding a category for the "Cutting Edge" (knives and any other forged item designed as a cutting tool.)

Cash prizes will be given for outstanding items in the exhibition. *Judging will be done Saturday afternoon and awards presented Sunday at 8:45am prior to demonstrations.*

Other exhibits: A designated section of the exhibit will be for the unusual or extremely well-made "neat old stuff" that was made by or for a blacksmith. Bring your "What is it, and how was it used?" items for display and/or analysis.

Set-up Friday afternoon or Saturday morning. Remove displays Sunday afternoon. *(Display area will be locked at night, but SOFA assumes no responsibility for displayed items. Blacksmiths as a rule are famous for their honesty and integrity, but not all who pay an entry fee are one of us.)*

Saturday Evening Forging Competition: Once again our team of devious minds has come up with a common basic project that will include teamwork and basic forging skills. All necessary tools will be provided. Cash prizes will be awarded.

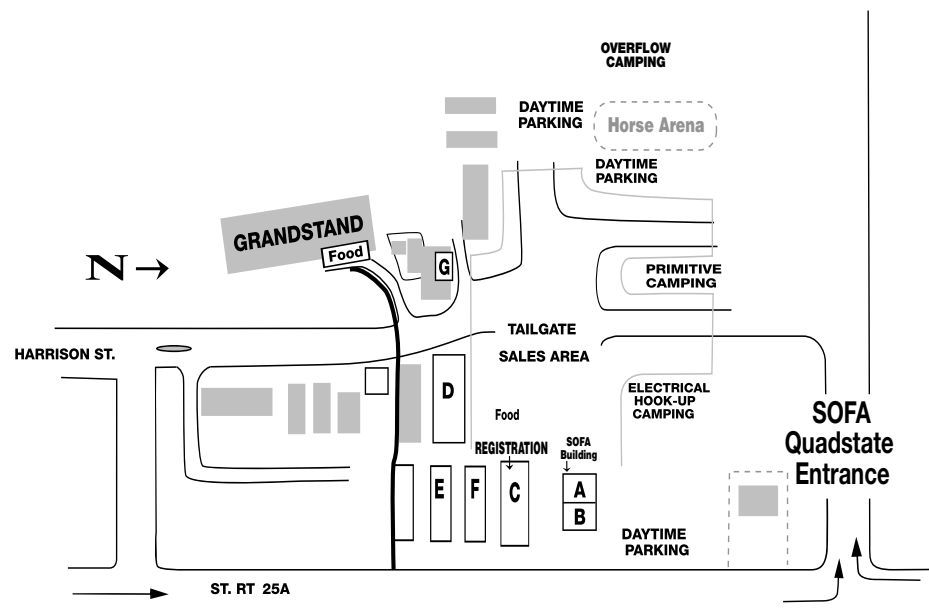
Quadstate Spouses: We will have a spouse's activity this year. Details were not confirmed at time of printing but information will be available at registration and prior to the event on our website at www.sofablacksmiths.org. Spouses are encouraged to bring their own crafts and share their talents and experiences.

:AUCTION NOTICE:

Auction starts 5:30 pm Saturday in area D.

All items that sell for less than \$10 will be considered a donation to SOFA. "On consignment" items that sell for over \$10.00, SOFA will charge 10% of the sale price (\$5.00 min.) as a commission. On consignment items, the owner's portion of the consignment will be mailed to them following the Round-Up. If an item has an absolute minimum bid it must be indicated on the item's tag or the piece will be sold for whatever it brings. There is a limit of 5 pieces per person, anything beyond this number needs special permission from SOFA. SOFA will determine the order of the sale. Generally the earlier consignments and higher value items will be sold first. *(NOTE: SOFA proceeds go to the general treasury to insure the perpetuation of SOFA and to help support even better future Round-Ups. SOFA reserves the right to keep demonstration items for future use or display.)*

Vendors/Tailgate Sales: SOFA requires everyone who attends Quadstate to register and sign a disclaimer; everyone who registers is welcome to sell. Bring your blacksmith related items, and tools for swap or sale and set up shop. There is no charge; however, sellers and staff must be registered and pay fairground camping fee if staying in vehicle or using hookups at sales sites. **Anyone needing 220 electrical hook-up must notify us in advance!** Items for sale must be blacksmith-related items only, this is not an open flea market. A fork lift will be available for handling large items. There is a limited amount of indoor space available on a first-come-first-serve basis for a fee. To reserve indoor space, please contact Marianne Kettles via email: mariannekettles@yahoo.com.



From South: Take exit 74 east (Rt.41) to Elm St. (Rt 25A) North (1/4 mi.) to Quadstate Entrance

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From North: Take exit 78 (Rt.25A South) to Quadstate Entrance (1-1/2 mi.)

Please park in one of the "daytime parking" areas **before registering** to avoid excessive vehicle congestion in this area.

NOTE: The Registration Desk, Exhibition Display, SOFA club sales, and indoor vendor sales are in **building C**. The Saturday evening meal will be in the **Grandstand Area**. We have also expanded the tailgate sales area as shown in the above map.

Safety: Blacksmiths are very aware of the many hazards associated with their craft. For your safety we suggest that you protect yourself from flying sparks, particles from grinding wheels, loose scale, etc. Watch for hot iron and swinging hammers. **WEAR EYE PROTECTION.** Also, remember synthetic clothing offers little protection from sparks - cotton clothing offers the best protection.

Video Taping Policy:

Hand-held video taping will be permitted at all demonstrations as long as it does not disturb other participants or the demonstrator. There will be one prime video taping spot at all sites that will be reserved for SOFA. If you are interested in taping a particular demonstration, you may request the SOFA spot if you. . .

1. Are using a VHS camera that has output jacks that can hookup to a VCR, (SOFA will provide the VCR and its tapes)
2. No direct commercial application or sale of tapes of SOFA demonstrations is permitted.
3. In return SOFA will give you a copy of another demonstration being taped.
4. This will be done on a first come first served basis so if interested **please include 1st and 2nd choices with your pre-registration.**

Use of Facilities:

We encourage the use of the forges in the U-Forge except during demonstrations. All persons using this area **MUST WEAR SAFETY GLASSES** and are using the area and equipment at their own risk.

1. All children under the age of 18 are required to have a parent or guardian **present and be under adult supervision.**
2. Clean up after yourself.
3. Be extremely **Safety** conscious.
4. Return all tools where you found them.
5. Demonstrators are the only people authorized to use demonstration areas and powerhammers.