

17th ANNUAL ORPHAN TRAIN RIDERS CELEBRATION
May 30-June 1, 2019—CONCORDIA, KANSAS
Tentative SCHEDULE OF EVENTS—subject to change

(This information is available to download at www.orphantraindepot.org under events)
UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED*, all events and T-Shirt are included in \$75 per person registration fee

AT National Orphan Train Complex

Thursday, May 30

1 to 4 pm Check-in for Celebration registrants, museum and gift shop close at 4 pm)

7 to 9 pm **GALA SNEAK PEEK AT the Orphan Train Museum** (300 Washington Street)
Step into the new Train Station before the public is invited! New exhibits!
Sit on a bench in The Legend Train Car! Enjoy heavy hors d' oeuvres and wine.

Additional tickets: \$15 each by May 24

Friday, May 31

AT Morgan-Dowell Research Center 300 Washington Street

UNDER THE BIG TOP

8:30 am Check-in for Celebration registrants (with refreshments)
Welcome and Introductions

9:00 am Grand Opening and ribbon cutting, The Train Station
Tours of the museum and Train Station

10:00 am **-BREAK -**

10:15 am Shaley George, Curator
Ringmasters of New York: The Donors and Their Influence on the Orphan Train Movement
Questions and Answers

Noon ***Lunch on your own**—restaurant list and coupons included in Celebration program

1:15 pm Lori Halfhide, Head of Research
In the Center Ring: Local Placement Committees for the Children's Aid Society
Questions and Answers

2:30 pm Susanna Pitzer, Author, Elky Rides the Orphan Train public reading
Followed by book sales and signing

4:00 pm Statue unveiling, Central National Bank Pocket Park, 8th and Lincoln

***Dinner on your own and free time**—restaurant list and coupons included in Celebration program

AT Tourism Office/County Museum Annex, 6th and Highway 81

6 to 8:30 pm The Big Top revealed! Unveiling of statues and celebration party
New statues slide show: statue tours: walking and buggy rides

SATURDAY, JUNE 1

At Nazareth Motherhouse 12th & Washington Streets

Use new parking lot on east side for direct entrance to auditorium

9:00 am Welcome

9:15 am Keynote Speaker: Kris Erickson, grandson of Rider Mabel Gumersell
The Ride and Life of Grandmother Mabel

10:30 am **-BREAK-**

10:45 am The Descendants Speak

12:30 **LUNCH**

Additional tickets \$15 by May 24

2:30 pm Shaley George, Curator
Happy 150th Birthday to the New York Foundling Hospital

AT Purina Distribution Center, East 6th Street

6:30 pm "President's Award Banquet"

Additional tickets \$25 by May 24

NO ADDITIONAL MEAL TICKETS SOLD AFTER MAY 24!