

Orphan Grain Train Convention 2019

Divots DeVent Center ~ 4200 W. Norfolk Ave. ~ Norfolk, NE 68701

Tentative Schedule of events:

Friday, September 13, 2019

3:00 pm doors open at DeVent Center. Pick up Welcome packet and name tag. Tour OGT's mobile volunteer village and see Hammer demonstrations. Program begins at 4:30 pm with welcome and introductions. Presentations from OGT VP Grant Schmidt and recipients sharing how aid and food changes lives in their part of the world. Evening meal will be served and end the evening with Concordia University Nebraska Show Choir performance at 7:30 pm.

Saturday, September 14, 2019

7:45 am doors open at DeVent Center. 8:15 am morning devotion followed with a welcome and presentations from our recipients near and far. We will have a live quilt auction prior to luncheon banquet with keynote speaker Rev. Michael Zeigler; Lutheran Hour Speaker. Presentations include Domestic Disaster Relief efforts update and Baltics and Russia programs update. Silent Quilt Auction results and closing devotion at 3:00 pm.

Quilt Auction

Orphan Grain Train will have a live and silent quilt auction. Since time is limited, six quilts will be chosen for live auction and the rest will be placed on silent auction during the majority of the convention. We are asking that the quilts be new, stitched and not tied and of good quality. Since space is limited, only one quilt will be accepted from each donor or organization. ALL quilts have to be received at the home office in Norfolk, NE before August 15, 2019. If you have any questions, please contact OGT at (877) 371-7393

Lodging: Special Priced Lodging Options: (Please mention Orphan Grain Train, tax not included)

| Norfolk Lodge and Suites | New Victorian Inn | Hampton Inn | Holiday Inn Express |
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| Adjacent to DeVent Center | 1 King or 2 Queen beds for \$79.99 | King \$119.95 | King \$119.95 |
| 1 King or 2 Queen \$89.99 | King suites limited \$99.99 | 2 Queen \$109.95 | 2 Queen \$109.95 |
| King suite \$99.99 | (402) 379-3035 | (402)379-3585 | (402)379-1524 |
| (402) 379-3833 | 1001 Omaha Ave. Norfolk | 904 S. 20 St. Norfolk | 920 S. 20 St. Norfolk |

For all lodging options go to: Norfolk Visitor Center <https://visitnorfolkne.com/home/places-to-stay/>

Passing of a Friend and Partner

We are saddened to share with you that the founder of Help for Haiti, Sandra Koch has passed away. Born October 19, 1945, she died in Florida on March 2, 2019 following a battle with cancer. Sandra Koch and Help For Haiti was a big part of Orphan Grain Train since the disastrous 2010 Haitian earthquake. She spoke at our 2012 and 2017 Orphan Grain Train Conventions and at Westfield, Wisconsin as well. Her heart was to help those unserved or underserved throughout Haiti. Her outreach in Port au Prince and beyond will be missed. Our prayers continue for those in need in Haiti and that Orphan Grain Train is able to continue to provide the much needed aid. Please keep her family and the people of Haiti in your prayers.

