

RRWC Day Trip - Circus City USA April 25, 2019

THE LITTLE TOWN OF HUGO, Oklahoma, has been the winter home of traveling circuses since the 1930s, and the eternal home for some of those who spent their life under the big top. At The Showmen's Rest section of Mount Olivet Cemetery, each headstone is colorfully designed to show the personality and trade of the interred. The Frisco Depot Museum is an eclectic collection of the history of the depot, the Harvey Girls that ran the restaurant, and years of mementos of Hugo Oklahoma people, places and things.

Nearby is the headquarters of the Endangered Ark Foundation, a non-profit dedicated to ensuring the future of Asian elephants in North America, providing a retirement ranch for circus elephants, and educating the public about this endangered species. The RRWC day trip will stop at all three sites.

Agenda - April 25, 2019

- 7:15 am Bus loading starts at the Clubhouse. *Please bring your own coffee and arrive no later than 7:15am.*
- 7:30am 10:00 am Transportation Robson Ranch, TX to Hugo, OK
- 10:00 am 11:30 am Showman's Rest and Frisco Depot Museum
- 11:30 12:30 pm Italian lunch
- 1:00pm 2:30 pm Ark Foundation Tour
- 2:30pm 5:00pm Transportation Hugo, OK to Robson Ranch, TX

Additional information:

- Tour price of **\$99.00** per person includes bus transportation, tours, lunch, snacks, water and wine on the bus.
- You must be a current Robson Ranch Women's Club member to participate. Some members have asked, if they attended the event in 2018 and wish to go again, can they? **YES!**
- Bus: If you desire additional snacks or beverages on the bus, please know that NO glass containers are allowed per the bus company. Robson Ranch tour guests are responsible for keeping the bus clean. Trash bags and hand cleaner wipes will be provided. All tour guests must ride the bus; *no exceptions.*
- Restrooms: The motor coach has a restroom on board. The ARK Foundation, museum and restaurant have one restroom; there is no restroom at Showman's Rest.
- Travel time is 2 ½ hours each way. If you have motion sickness, one seat will be reserved for you near the front of the bus. Depending on the final count, it may not be possible for you to sit with your requested seatmate who does not require a seat near the front. Thank you for your understanding we'll do our best.
- Wear washable, comfortable clothing and close-toed shoes. You will be walking on uneven grass and dirt. Photo/flash photography is allowed.
- The day trip will be conducted rain or shine. Evidently the elephants love the rain!
- **To Register and Pay:** Complete the registration and waiver form, (available on the RRWC website), and make a separate check payable to RRWC for \$99.00 per person, noting "April 25 Day Trip". Register following the March 4 or April 1 RRWC meetings. The registration and waiver form, and your check, can also be dropped off at the home of Barbara Cummins, 9932 Crestridge Drive. There will be a drop box near the front door; please do not use the USPS mailbox. You must register, sign the waiver form, and pay no later than the RRWC lunch meeting on Monday, April 1, 2019.
- **Minimum Needed:** A minimum of 40 RRWC members must sign up for this event in order to break even. If the RRWC does not achieve this minimum number by end of day April 1, 2019, the event will be cancelled and money refunded.
- **No Refunds:** Due to contractual commitments, refunds *will not* be made for cancellations. Those who cancel can provide a substitute RRWC Member name. Email cancellations and substitute RRWC member names to <u>barbarajcummins@yahoo.com</u>, or leave a message at 940 262-0361.
- **Questions?** Email <u>barbarajcummins@yahoo.com</u>, or leave a message at 940 262-0361.