

Minutes of the General Meeting October 4th, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Bill Wilson, President. There were 20 members and 2 guests present.

Bill Wilson led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Jim Galbraith led the members in prayer.

Jim Galbraith led the group in singing "When Kiwanis Calls."

Roy Meyer introduced the two guests.

Program: Bill Wilson opened the program by expressing his appreciation to the many members who are contributing so much to our club's success and his enthusiasm for the new Kiwanis year.

- Bill introduced Robin Meyers, the Division 8 Lt. Governor, and fellow Kiwanis member at the Denton Noon Club. Robin reviewed upcoming area Kiwanis activities in the new year and reported about the partnering of the Denton Clubs and Robson Ranch Club in several of the major activities. She highlighted the Kiwanis Children's Clinic, which will celebrate its 100th anniversary. The 2025 District convention will be held in Denton, and she is heavily involved in its preparations. Robin has served as the TX-OK District Governor, and this is her 4th term as a Lt. Governor. Robin installed the new board members and club officers.
 - She recognized the board members who had finished their terms
 - Robin installed the new and returning board members –Gwynn Rucker, Jeff Frick, and Jim Ryerson.
 - John Derry was recognized for his role as a Past President
 - Robin recognized Barbara Leurig as the immediate Past President and her role on the board
 - Ed Ahrens was installed as the Club Secretary
 - Roy Meyer was installed as the Club Treasurer
 - Rodney Dent substituted for Greg Laffey as the Vice President
 - Bill Wilson was installed as the new 2024-2025 Club President

Program: Susan Galbraith introduced Pat Garrett, who represented the Breast Cancer Survivors Group at Robson Ranch. Pat reviewed the work of the group and the upcoming All Cancer Walk on Saturday, October 5th to raise funds for the Texas Oncology Foundation. Bill Wilson presented a donation of \$1,000 to the group and read the names of the cancer survivors from our club and families to honor.



Club Business Items

- Bill Wilson reviewed some of the upcoming fundraising and service activities. He expressed
 appreciation to those who are currently taking on leadership roles and is looking forward to
 involving more members in helping and leading some of the projects.
- Bill Wilson presented Ed Ahrens with an award for being the "Kiwanian of the Year".
- Roy Meyer reported on the September 29th Bingo. The event went very well, thanks to Janice Quick and her Bingo skills. A record 178 tickets were sold, and the club raised almost \$3,000 on the fundraiser.
- Randy Blackburn explained the Wreaths Across America program to the membership. He has
 been involved with Wreaths for quite a few years and is looking forward to lots of interest from
 the Robson community in buying wreaths. He and Ed Ahrens will publicize the sale days and
 will need some volunteers to staff the Clubhouse lobby sales days.
- Ed Ahrens updated on Our Daily Bread volunteering for October and reminded the volunteers about the Our Daily Bread appreciation event on October 9th.
- Marion Napurano reported on Comfort Dolls delivering 50 Dolls to the Rainbow Room and 10 to Our Daily Bread this past week. The group is very active in making the dolls and continues to look for more organizations to take them for kids.
- Bill Wilson and Ed Ahrens met with Allie Boles from the Kiwanis Children's Fund this past
 week. The Children's Fund is starting a campaign called "The Possibility Project." The target
 is to raise \$25 million to help 10 million kids over the next 5 years. Most of the Children's Fund
 funding will be administered as grants to clubs and scholarships to deserving youth. More
 information will be provided in future meetings.
- Roy Meyer reported that all the coats that the Smiths donated had been sold, and the coats were on display at the meeting.
- Bill Wilson reported that Jerry Waynant had requested help this year with the Salvation Army bell ringing before Christmas. Randy Blackburn volunteered to work with Jerry.
- The club will not have a meeting on December 20th in advance of Christmas. The club would like to have a Christmas social again, similar to last year. Bill asked for volunteers to organize the social after a date is made available from the Grill.



Announcements and Reminders

- The Robson Ranch Garage Sale will be on October 26th. Susan Galbraith reported that the list of workers is filled and reminded everyone to look for items to bring and price each item.
- Trivia Night ticket sales will be on October 30th, and Trivia Night will be on November 14th.
 Barbara will need some help again at Trivia Night and will look for volunteers at the next meeting.

Club Member Updates

Birthdays – Happy Birthday was sung to Barbara Leurig, JoAnn Smith, and John Derry.

Happy Dollars followed.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 am.

Submitted – Ed Ahrens

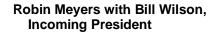






Pat Garrett from Breast Cancer Survivors Group







Returning Board member Jim Ryerson and new Board members Gwynn Rucker and Jeff Frick



Past President Barbara Leurig



Rodney Dent standing in for Greg Laffey, Vice President



Roy Meyer, Treasurer



Ed Ahrens, Secretary