

March 2024



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Kiwanis Club of Robson Ranch

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Enjoy Spring, while it Lasts!



Upcoming Meeting Speakers

- April 5th - Trish Brooks, from Our Daily Bread will update on their activities and volunteer opportunities
- April 19th – Christine Mann, from Refuge for Women will update on freedom from drugs and sex trafficking.
- May 3rd - Helen Kindall, District Director – Frontier Trails and Mustang District of the Boys Scouts of America will cover scouting activities
- May 17th - Lora Atkinson, Executive Director, Habitat for Humanity, Denton County will speak about their activities

Barbara Leurig, President, was recognized for her service to Kiwanis with the *Women in Kiwanis* award. The award was presented by Jim Smith, TX-OK Kiwanis Lieutenant Governor Division 8. Barbara has been active in Kiwanis for many years and has served in numerous roles.



Kiwanians Participate in Read Across America Day

Susan and Jim Galbraith joined many Kiwanians around the country to read to students at local elementary schools during Read Across America Day. Jim and Susan had fun while reading to America's future leaders. Every year, in March, classrooms, libraries, and communities across the United States celebrate Read Across America and the importance of reading. This annual event, organized by the National Education Association (NEA), aims to promote literacy and encourage a love for reading, especially among young children.





Northlake Town Mayor



David Rettig, Northlake Town Mayor was the speaker at the March 15th meeting.

David provided an extensive review of the activities at Northlake. As the Mayor, David has led Northlake in being very aggressive in projecting and preparing major road projects to keep these opportunities at the highest possible priority with TXDOT. This has allowed several major projects as the I35 frontage roads from Robson Ranch Road to 407, widening of 407, Cleveland Gibbs widening, FM1171 connection from I35 to FM156, Strader Road reconstruction, and others to be accelerated. David reminded the members that these major roadway projects typically have a 10 year life from engineering studies thru construction. Northlake has worked with Denton County on these projects.

Northlake is very aggressive in attracting businesses to enhance their tax base which has allowed Northlake to have one of the lowest tax rates in the state for homeowners.

Just a couple of highlights –

The “Grocery Store” at Paradise may happen in 2025.

There are 6 grocery stores planned in the next decade within our Justin to Argyle area.

All, but one, of the new retail locations at Northlake Crossing, directly across from Robson, are leased.

Completion of Cleveland–Gibbs may happen in 2026.

A traffic light at the Robson Ranch main entrance is a responsibility of the State and he had no updates.



Volunteering in March

Kiwanis Club of Robson Ranch Members Volunteer at Our Daily Bread in Denton

Since it opened just over a year ago, the Denton Community Shelter (Our Daily Bread) on Loop 288 has become the only low-barrier 24/7 shelter for the county, as well as all of North Texas.

The Kiwanis Club of Robson Ranch has 19 members who have signed up to volunteer at Our Daily Bread as a team effort. Our Daily Bread depends on volunteers from the community to staff the many functions involved in providing these essential services.



Robson Ranch Club Open House

The annual Robson Ranch Club Open House was held on March 9th at the Robson Ranch Clubhouse.

Bill Wilson, John Derry, and several other members staffed the event to provide information about our Kiwanis Club.

Robson Ranch has over 120 clubs approved by the Homeowners Association.

Taste of North Texas

The Denton Noon Kiwanis Club holds an annual Taste of North Texas fundraiser.

Those attending can sample food and drinks from more than 40 local restaurants.

Robson Ranch Kiwanis members assisted again this year. The fundraiser supports the Denton Kiwanis Club Children's Clinic.





Upcoming Activities

Kiwanis Club of Robson Ranch Craft Bazaar

The Club will sponsor the Craft Bazaar this year in the Robson Ranch Clubhouse on April 27th. The Craft Bazaar will be open from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Over 20 local vendors and Robson neighbors will display their crafts and products.

Spread the word to your neighbors and friends!



Kiwanis Club of Robson Ranch will be a sponsor at the April 25th to 28th Texas-Oklahoma District of Key Club International's Leadership Education Conference. The Conference will be here in Denton at the Embassy Suites. This is a great opportunity for Key Club youth leaders to get together to enhance their abilities to lead this organization.

Upcoming Kiwanis District and International Events

- April 25th to 28th - Texas-Oklahoma District of Key Club International Leadership Education District Conference (LEDCON) LEDCON is the district convention where around 500-1000 Key Club members attend.
- July 3rd to 6th - Kiwanis International Convention in Denver, Colorado. This is the annual convention.
- July 25th to 27th - Texas-Oklahoma District Convention. Held this year in Tahlequah, Oklahoma.



Upcoming Events—Mark your Calendars

Kiwanis Board Meeting – Wednesday, April 3rd at 3:30 pm at the Clubhouse

General Membership Meeting – Friday, April 5th at 8:30 am in the Bandera-Medina Room at the Clubhouse

Volunteering at Our Daily Bread - Tuesday, April 9th and Wednesday, April 10th

General Membership Meeting – Friday, April 19th at 8:30 am in the Bandera-Medina Room at the Clubhouse

Comfort Dolls on Wednesday, April 24th from 10:00 to 12:00 in the Bluebonnet Room at the CATC

Kiwanis Craft Bazaar on Saturday, April 27th from 11:00 to 3:00 at the Clubhouse

Bring Hygiene products to the meetings for Interfaith Ministries program

Spread the word to friends and neighbors about the great speakers at upcoming 2024 meetings

Kiwanis Int'l Link—<https://www.kiwanis.org/>

TX-OK District News Links

The District Governor for 2023-2024 is Dr. Kathy Culbertson. Please see the link below to the February/March post for her message to the District Clubs.

<https://www.txokkiwanis.org/object-lessons-making-the-world-a-better-place-through-kiwanis/>

Our Division is Kiwanis Texas-Oklahoma District Division 8.

<https://www.facebook.com/kiwanistxokd8>

The Noon Kiwanis Club of Denton, Texas meets every Tuesday at noon at Rudy's BBQ, 520 I-35 Frontage Rd, Denton, TX 76205

www.dentonkiwanis.org

The Breakfast Club of Denton meets every Wednesday from 7:00 am to 8:00 AM at Rudy's Bar-B-Q 520 S I-35 Frontage Rd E Denton, TX 76205

www.dentonbreakfastkiwanis.org



Robson Ranch Club Meeting Information

- Our meetings are held on the First and Third Friday of every month.
- The meetings are held in the Medina-Bandera Room at the Robson Ranch Club House
- The meeting has a social time at 8:30 AM and the meeting begins at 9:00 AM for an hour
- We try to have speakers at the meetings from organizations that we support or from individuals in our community with interesting topics.
- Board meetings are held on the First Wednesday of each month.
- The Kiwanis Club of Robson Ranch Facebook page is - <https://www.facebook.com/kcrobsonranch>
- The Kiwanis Club of Robson Ranch Website is - <https://kcrobsonranch.org>

The 2023-2024 Officers and Directors

We always encourage members or guests to contact one of the Officers or Board Members if you have questions or comments about our Club.

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