

Minutes of General Meeting March 15th, 2024

- The meeting was called to order by Barbara Leurig, President. There were 21 members, a guest speaker, and 7 guests present.
- > Barbara Leurig led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- > Jim Galbraith led the members in prayer.
- > Barbara Leurig led the group in singing "When Irish Eyes are Smiling"
- > Roy Meyer introduced the guests at the meeting.
- > Program Barbara introduced Jim Smith, TX-OK Kiwanis Lieutenant Governor Division 8.
 - Jim updated the members on his work in the Division and invited members to attend a May 18th meeting at Valley View with the TX-OK Governor. Jim then presented Barbara Leurig with the "Women in Kiwanis" award for her service to our Club and community.
- > Program Barbara introduced guest speaker, David Rettig, Northlake Town Mayor.
 - 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, Strater Road reconstruction, and others to be accelerated. David reminded the members that these major roadway projects typically have a <u>10 year life</u> 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 <u>decade</u> 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.
 - A copy of his presentation is attached.



- Club Business Items
 - Ed Ahrens updated the members on the current status of volunteering at Our Daily Bread.
 12 members volunteered this past week and were pleased with their time at Our Daily Bread. The next volunteer days will be April 9th and 10th. He'll keep updating on the schedule.
 - Roy Meyer has contacted the vendors and is publishing notices on the HOA message board, Facebook pages, and NextDoor sites. He has good response with 20 possible vendors. He asked for volunteers to help on the April 27th event to assist vendors in set-up and takedown.
 - Ed Ahrens reminded members they can sign up to help the Denton Noon Kiwanis Club with their Taste of North Texas fundraiser. The link to sign up is – <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805094FA4AF28ABFD0-48240445-taste#/</u>
 - Bill Wilson reported very good activity at the recent Robson Ranch Clubs Open House. Several residents expressed interest in the Club.
 - Susan and Jim Galbraith participated in the Read Across America and reported the program was well received by the kids.
 - Roy Meyer reported that he and Vern and JoAnn Smith will shop for and deliver Easter food to the residents at the Cumberland Youth and Family Center.
- > Announcements/Reminders
 - Bill Wilson reported that at the next meeting, April 5th, Trish Brooks from Our Daily Bread will update on their activities and volunteer opportunities. Bill continues to ask for members to recommend speakers for our meetings.
 - Members were reminded to bring hygiene items for the Interfaith Ministries program.
 - Comfort Dolls will meet March 27th at 10:00 am in the Bluebonnet Room at the CATA.
 - The next meeting will be April 5th in the Bandera/Medina Rooms at the Clubhouse.
- Club Member Updates
 - Birthdays Bill Wilson, March 8, Jim Ryerson and Pam Hitch on March 12th.
- Happy Dollars followed.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 AM.





