



# Kiwanis

## Kiwanis Club of Robson Ranch

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### **Minutes of the General Meeting February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025**

Bill Wilson, President, called the meeting to order. Twenty-six members and one guest were present.

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

Gwynn Rucker led the members in prayer.

Bill Wilson led the group in singing "Battle Hymn of the Republic."

#### **Club Business Items**

- Barbara Leurig reported on the February 20<sup>th</sup> Trivia Night. The evening was a great success, with a sell-out crowd of 300 people. Barbara thanked all the members who worked on making Trivia Night successful again. The Trivia Club provided the club with \$2,000.
- Ed Ahrens reported that March's Our Daily Bread volunteer days are being reviewed since Thursday is overscheduled with other volunteer groups. He will work with Our Daily Bread to find another day and send sign-up emails as soon as possible.
- Comfort Dolls will meet on February 26<sup>th</sup> at the CATC.
- Bill Wilson discussed finding a replacement for Gregg Laffey as Membership Chairperson since he is out of state for a large portion of the year. Members were asked to consider this role to support Jim and Susan Galbraith's efforts in helping residents join our club.
- Bill Wilson led a discussion on finding a President-Elect soon. Members were asked to consider this role. There is a willing support network of members to assist anyone in this role.
- Bill advised the members that the TX-OK Governor had asked our club to sponsor a new club in Flower Mound. The Club Board held an email vote, and approval was given to sponsor the new club. There will be no financial impact on our club, and our club will provide treasurer and secretary help. As part of the organization of several clubs in the North Texas area, the Governor has asked for support from member volunteers to be Appointment Setters. They are given a list of approximately 30 prospective members to contact. The task is to contact the prospect and make an appointment for them to talk to a Club Builder in person during the event. Kiwanis International will train the Appointment Setter and provide a script for the contact call. All contacts will be made in March. Bill asked members to consider volunteering for this and let Roy, Ed, or Bill know so we can advise the Governor.
- Bill reviewed the Club's commitment to the Possibility Project. The club has committed to funding the Kiwanis Children's Fund Possibility Project over the next 5 years. The club's budget includes funding the Children's Fund each year.
- Bill provided the members with the schedule of anticipated donations over the next three months. He invited members to participate in delivering these donations. Most of these current donations are going to organizations that spoke at one of our meetings late last year, so it isn't practical for them to return to our meeting so soon. For February, the donations are –



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CKI Club, Bob's House of Hope, Our Daily Bread, and the TX-OK Key Club Convention. March includes – Freedom House, Refuge for Women, and Habitat for Humanity. April will be – Kiwanis Children's Fund, Community Clothes Closet, and Children's Advocacy Center in Denton.

### **Announcements and Reminders**

- The Robson Ranch Club Open House will be held on March 1<sup>st</sup> in the Clubhouse. Bill and John Derry will staff the table and invite members to help during the open house.
- The next Bingo is March 23<sup>rd</sup>, and Janice Quick had a signup sheet for ticket sales starting Friday, March 7<sup>th</sup>.
- The Robson Ranch After Schoolers garage sale will be on April 12<sup>th</sup>. Susan Galbraith will lead the effort.
- Chris Laffey updated the members on the Craft Bazaar on April 5<sup>th</sup>. She has 20 vendors so far and is looking to spread the word to Robson vendors who might want to participate.

### **Program**

- Marion Napurano, Pam Hitch, and Megg Galloway led a demonstration on the construction of the Comfort Dolls. Marion reported that the group has distributed 407 dolls since March of last year and has expanded its outreach to many more organizations that need these comfort items for kids in stressful situations. The group has designed several variations of Dolls, such as seasonal for Easter, different sizes, various color materials, etc.
- Marion showed the members each step, from starting with the material to cutting, sewing, adding details, and stuffing. The completed Doll is then put in a plastic bag for distribution.
- Members were provided with the material and dolls to stuff. This activity led to great appreciation from the members for the amount of work the Comfort Dolls group does.

### **Club Member Updates**

- Birthdays for February – Kathy Perry 8<sup>th</sup>, Susan Galbraith 8<sup>th</sup>, Bruce Walker 17<sup>th</sup>, and Ed Ahrens 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Anniversary – John and Jane Derry
- Kiwanis Cares forms were provided.

**Happy Dollars followed.**

**The meeting adjourned at 10:00 am.**

**Submitted – Ed Ahrens**





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