



Kiwanis

Kiwanis Club of Robson Ranch

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Minutes of the General Meeting October 18th, 2024

The meeting was called to order by John Derry. There were 19 members, 2 guests, and a guest speaker present.

John Derry led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Barbara Leurig led the members in prayer.

Barbara Leurig led the group in singing "Kiwaniis On."

Roy Meyer introduced the two guests.

Program: John Derry introduced Myrna Mason, MSW, the Region 3 West Faith-Based & Community Engagement Specialist to update the members on the Rainbow Room. Myrna gave an enlightening review of the Rainbow Room's history and her involvement in the program over the years.

A huge highlight of the support of the Rainbow Room was the delivery of 50 Comfort Dolls by members to the Rainbow Room in Denton.

Thanks to Myrna, the Kiwanis Club was also able to purchase items that were in need by the Rainbow Room from an Amazon Registry. The Club also provided VISA gift cards for the social workers to use to buy food for the kids when needed.

The Rainbow Room is an emergency resource center located in the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) facilities. The Rainbow Rooms are actual storerooms and are stocked with emergency and transitional resources. CPS workers may distribute all new items, such as clothing, shoes, coats, diapers, lice kits, hygiene items and more to children entering foster or kinship care from these centers 24/7.

The Rainbow Rooms are operated by volunteers and are stocked strictly through grants, donations and in-kind giving. Due to a lack of manpower and space, the Rainbow Rooms do not accept used items. By donating to the Rainbow Room, you'll make a powerful and immediate impact on a child's safety, health, and comfort.

There are currently 220 Rainbow Rooms serving the children of Texas. There are three Rainbow Rooms in Denton County, located within the cities of Denton, Lewisville and Carrollton.

The Denton Rainbow Room has an Amazon Registry that anyone can use to order items and have them shipped directly to the Rainbow Room. The link to the Amazon registry is -

<https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/2RB1UB985QW80>



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Club Business Items

- Randy Blackburn showed a video of the Wreaths Across America program and explained to the members how the wreath sales will work and volunteers will be needed to staff the wreaths sales at the Clubhouse in November
- Ed Ahrens updated on Our Daily Bread volunteering for November 6-7-8th.
- Comfort Dolls will meet on October 23rd at the CATC.
- Susan Galbraith updated the members on the upcoming Robson Ranch Garage Sale on October 26th and requested everyone to look for items to contribute.
- Jerry Waynant and Randy Blackburn are scheduling the Salvation Army bell ringing for December 2nd to 5th and then December 9th to 12th. They will have a signup sheet at the next meetings.

Announcements and Reminders

- 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.
- The Club Holiday Social is scheduled for December 18th at the Grill from 5 to 8 pm.
- The November 1st meeting speaker will be Dawn Shapley, CEO of Giving Grace.
- John Derry reminded the members of the Cumberland Youth and Family gala and the Grandparents invitation to the Denton – Denton Ryan Football game.

Club Member Updates

- Birthdays –Barbara Leurig, JoAnn Smith, and John Derry.

Happy Dollars followed.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 am.

Submitted – Ed Ahrens



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Myrna Mason updating on the Rainbow Room