

ROBSON RANCH WOMEN'S CLUB LUNCHEON

June 5, 2023

The general membership luncheon meeting of the RRWC was held on June 5, 2023.

Business Meeting:

Nancy Garre Caldwell, President, called the meeting to order at 12:15, following lunch, and welcomed all attendees.

Nancy announced that the proceeds for the silent and live auction today would benefit Friends of the Family. She thanked the Four Season Nursery for their donation of the centerpieces.

Nancy's quote for the day was:

"June is such a bonny time – Bird and flower weather – Time for song, love and rime – Time to be together; Time for hoops and sails and wings, Butterflies and happy things. "

Nancy and Lisa introduced new members, first-time attendees and guests. We had 12 new members and 2 guests.

Shirley Monge celebrated June birthdays. The winner of the birthday drawing for a free lunch and lottery card was Connie Karlowicz. Shirley reminded everyone to please fill out the pink sheets on the table for cards to be sent.

As of this meeting, Nancy reported that we have 474 members.

Nancy gave the Treasurer's report. We have a carryover from 2022 of \$2460. We have operating funds of \$9320. We've had operating expenses of \$2662.54. This leaves us remaining operating funds of \$6657.46.

Nancy thanked all of the volunteers who served as table decorators, greeters, and check-in volunteers for a great job.

Nancy introduced Heather Norris and Brittany Jackson from Friends of the Family and announced we raised \$505 at the luncheon to support their program. Winner of Share Our Blessings, to receive a certificate for a free lunch was Judy Nichols.

Lisa Olson announced that the Backpack Program for Friends of the Family has started. Lisa brought 70 backpacks to sell at the luncheon at \$5 each and all but 8 were purchased by attendees. Lisa has ordered more and will leave them on her front porch for members to pick up and pay. She explained that each backpack has the list of needed items attached. One side has the list for elementary school items needed and the other side has the middle/school high school list. Please keep the lists attached to the bag, and cross out the side with the items you did not purchase. Also, she asked that we not add extras in addition to the items on the list, since they have to be removed before the bags are handed out and it creates extra work.

Nancy invited Pam Franks and Donna Gardener up to the stage along with Wendy McGee and Trish Roberts from ODB. Pam presented Wendy with a check in the amount of \$15,612.78 for the proceeds of the Home & Garden Show.

Nancy and Dee Sico let everyone know what a wonderful time members had on the overnight trip to Natchitoches.

Glenda Carr announced that our next Social gathering in will be on Tuesday, June 13th from 4-6 pm at the pool. Hula lessons will be taught. Attendees should bring a beverage of their choice.

Nancy reminded everyone of our Holiday Market on October 14th and of the 4th of July Parade. She introduced Sally Baggot. Sally encouraged members to join the parade with the Women's Club. She brought the forms with her so members could sign up for the parade (a RR requirement). She also brought some decorations that members could use to decorate their carts.

Nancy closed the Silent Auction and Bonnie Busboom and her helpers went around to the tables to pick up the envelopes. The members who won the silent auction were asked to put their money inside the envelopes.

Gayle Lee announced that our July 3rd entertainment would be a tribute to our Veteran's at Robson Ranch. The main speaker is Jim Galbraith and veterans of each of the Armed Forces would also give a short speech on their experiences.

Gayle announced that the auction for the planters would begin as soon as today's program finished.

She then introduced Master Gardner Kathi Efflandt, our speaker for today. Kathi had a very interesting presentation on how to create beautiful pots of plants using the Easy as 1-2-3 Method.

Once she completed her demonstration, Kathi helped Gayle raffle off about 18 planters filled with beautiful and colorful plants.

The Silent Auction raised \$560 and the live auction brought in \$1060 for a total of \$1620 additional dollars donated to Friends of the Family. They received a total of \$2125 in donations from members.

Nancy adjourned the meeting at 1:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. DeBoever
Secretary, RRWC