

## ROBSON RANCH WOMEN'S CLUB LUNCHEON

October 2, 2023

The general membership luncheon meeting of the RRWC was held on October 2, 2023.

### Business Meeting:

Nancy Garre Caldwell, President, called the meeting to order at 12:03pm following lunch, and welcomed all attendees.

Nancy C's quote for the day was: "October had the tremendous possibility. The summer's oppressive heat was a distant memory, and the golden leaves promised a world full of beautiful adventures. They made me believe in miracles" by Sarah Guillory, Reclaimed. This illicit laughter from the group since it is still too hot here to feel like fall. Nancy C. said "maybe next week."

Nancy C. noted that October was called October after the Latin word octo because it originally was the 8<sup>th</sup> month when the calendar began with March, but now October is celebrated in the 10<sup>th</sup> month after January and February were added to the calendar.

Nancy C. announced some news and updates:

1. Because of this year's Board's great job at holding down expenses, we now have a budget surplus. We used part of this surplus to purchase our very own laptop in order to avoid the issues that we have had in the recent past with presentations. Deb Noguera selected the laptop and is serving as our Technology Chair for the remainder of this year.
2. As of January 1st, in order to cover increased PayPal fees which the club has been absorbing, the online payment for the luncheon will increase to \$20.19.
3. As of January 1<sup>st</sup>, the club will no longer offer the prepay option of paying for 3 lunches in advance because it has become an administrative nightmare.

Lisa Olson introduced new members, first-time attendees, and guests. Today we had 1 new attendee.

Shirley Monge celebrated October birthdays. The winner of the birthday drawing for a free lunch, lottery card, and birthday card was Barbara Leurig. Shirley reminded everyone to please fill out the pink sheets on the table for cards to be sent to those who are having birthdays, celebrating something, ill or just need a pick me up.

Nancy C. announced the names of the Nominating Committee: Sandra Mankovich, Chair; Phyllis Ayers, Diane Eoff, Kasey Miller and Judy Odina.

Nancy C. announced the slate of officers for 2024 put together by the Nominating Committee:

President—Lisa Olson

President Elect—Donna DeBoever

Past President—Nancy Garre Caldwell  
Treasurer—Nancy Nix  
Secretary—Pam Franks  
Vice President Membership—Chris Anderson  
Vice President Programs—Pam Dotson  
Luncheon Coordinator—Candace Anderson  
Parliamentarian—Rose Depoe

Nancy C. encouraged all members to get more involved. All of our accomplishments happen because women volunteer to Chair and participate on committees. She said our members are smart and talented and each one of us has a lot to offer. We were especially in need of a Chair for the Home & Garden Show. If you are interested, please talk to Lisa Olson.

As of this meeting, Nancy reported that we have 508 members.

Nancy C. gave the Treasurer's report. We have a carryover from 2022 reserves of \$2460. We have operating funds from dues of \$10,060.00. We've had operating expenses YTD of \$5379.55. This leaves us remaining operating funds of \$4680.45.

Nancy thanked all of the volunteers who served as check-in volunteers, greeters, and table decorators at today's luncheon and asked them to stand and be recognized.

Donna Gardner thanked everyone for their support over the last few months that have been stressful for her with her cancer diagnosis and difficulty with her husband's health. Donna G. reported that ODB is starting up their transitional program again. A needs list is out on our website for people who would like to donate items for our pallet program. Donna G. announced that ODB is having an open house of their new facility on Oct 4<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. WC members will be volunteering there and Donna G. will be there as well. All members are welcome to attend.

Donna G. announced that the WC will be collecting old Christmas ornaments or decorations to donate to the Friends of the Family families so the mother's can provide a nice Christmas for the their children. Please do not buy new decorations, rather please make a donation to Friends of the Family if you wish to help and don't have old items to donate.

Donna G. asked a representative from Friends of the Family to pick the winning raffle ticket, and the winner of Share Our Blessings was Sondra Hall who received a certificate for a free lunch.

Chris Anderson reminded everyone of the date for the Holiday Market on October 14<sup>th</sup>. She said a few volunteers are still needed. Chris noted that on each table behind the volunteer sign-up sheet was the list of those who already signed up to help. There will be a volunteer meeting on Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 9am in the Bandera/Medina rooms.

Pam Franks announced the Home for the Holidays tour will be on Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> from 3-6pm. There will be six RR homes decorated for Christmas throughout their homes. The proceeds will go to ODB. There will be a wine pull at two of the homes for \$10/bottle. This event is open to Robson residents and adult guests. The ticket price is \$25. Tickets will be sold beginning at next month's luncheon.

Dee Sico said the day trip to the Blue Oyster Winery was a success and read a note from a participant who truly enjoyed the trip. Dee announced that ticket sales were now open for our last day trip of the year. On December 7<sup>th</sup>, we are going to the Morton Myerson Symphony's expansive dinner buffet and Christmas Show. Dee described an amazing evening. The tickets are \$140 and the maximum attendees is 50 members.

Gayle Lee announced that our entertainment for our November Thanksgiving luncheon will be a female quartet "Joyful Sound Quartet." These four women have been singing together since they were teens. This will be a wonderful way to kick off the holiday season.

Then Gayle introduced our guests for the October meeting in honor of Breast Awareness month, Nancy Thomas, President of the RR Breast Cancer Support Group and Dr. Charles Kurkul of Denton Texas Oncology. The doctor spoke about where we were in the past and where we are today in terms of breast cancer diagnosis and treatments. He said the most important thing for all of us to do is to get mammograms. He described new treatment modalities and new drugs being used today. He then answered questions from members.

Nancy adjourned the meeting at 1:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna M. DeBoever  
Secretary, RRWC