

Random Acts of Purpose visits Drumright

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At Friday's Drumright Rotary Club meeting, Rotarian, Jane Frazier, introduced her guest, Leslie Umfleet with Random Acts of Purpose. Random Acts of Purpose officially began one and a half years ago. Although a couple of years prior, Leslie had technically already begun providing loving acts to cancer patients and their families.



Left to Right: Leslie Umfleet, Jane Frazier

Random Acts of Purpose is a 501c3 with the sole purpose of helping cancer patients and their families while going through treatment. Leslie was diagnosed with breast cancer four years ago, and went through the cancer treatments necessary to become cancer free. That experience opened her eyes to the need of patients from a different perspective.

While dealing with her own diagnosis, it was made easier by the help that was provided her husband and children directly. "If they were ok, then I was better", she said. As Leslie progressed through treatment she noticed that little things made a huge difference, like soft bristle toothbrushes.

Two years after her diagnosis, Leslie's son, age ten, was diagnosed with thyroid cancer. Now, at age twelve, her son is cancer free as well. Having her child diagnosed with cancer really influenced the formation of Random Acts of Purpose. At first, Leslie would purchase paper plates, paper towels, diapers and other toiletries and leave them a cancer patient's porch. By herself she was only able to help a few people. However, there were more than just a few people that needed help.

Leslie informed our club you don't need to be needy to need something. Cancer doesn't look at your bank account; it can hit anyone at anytime. Random Acts of Purpose provides toiletries, gas cards, grocery cards, movie tickets and other items that make life a little better for the families that are going through cancer diagnosis and treatments.

This year, Random Acts of Purpose teamed up with Turn Tulsa Pink and has been able to help even more families.

If you would like more information about Random Acts of Purpose please go to their website www.randomactsofpurpose.com or find them on FaceBook at www.facebook.com/randomactsofpurpose.

Please join us at Friday's meeting hosted by Rotarian, Wade Guyer.

If you would like more information about Drumright Rotary Club, please contact us on our FaceBook page, Drumright Rotary Club, or go to our website www.wix.com/drumrightrotary/drumrightrotary.

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