Neighbors and Newcomers of Cumberland County Meeting Minutes February 22, 2024

The meeting was called to order by President Robbie Corbin at 11:00 a.m. at the Clyde York 4 H Center. There were 101 members and 3 guests present at the meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited at the beginning of the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A motion was made by Val Capper, seconded by Diana Trotter, to accept the December minutes and treasurer's reports.
- A new wireless microphone has been ordered
- We still are in need of several positions for our Board for the '24-25 membership year. By law, as a tax exempt organization we are required to have a board. If we do not have a board, by law, we must disband.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion made by Val Capper and seconded by Diana Trotter to accept the January Secretary and Treasurer on line reports.

Marcia O'Connor gave a report on the charity, "We Are One", a children's charity that provides shoes, backpacks, etc. They will be doing a fundraiser at Wildwood Stables on March \$16 from 4-8

A collection of \$423 was taken today for Bread of Life.

Today's cookie sale fundraiser raised \$162. Many thanks to the ladies who helped with the cookie baking and arranging!

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The Caring report was given by Linda Andrews. There were 2 cards get-well or recuperation cards sent since the last meeting.

The Guest report was given by Carolyn O'Neil. There were 3 guests present. Joan Klem won the guest prize.

The monthly birthday prize for February was won by Joann Bronske.

Shirley Butka is planning a trip in April to the Knoxville Symphony for "The Music of Rogers and Hammerstein." Whether she will continue planning trips is undecided, as participation is low.

The invocation was given by Jan Elwood, prior to a delicious potato bar lunch provided by the 4H Center.

Muriel Smith introduced the entertainment today, Meteorologist Mark Baldwin. Mark teaches meteorology at Tennessee Tech, is an advisor for Crossville Fire Department, works with NASA for

launches, and is Deputy Director for Creative Compassion, a charity that builds homes, does home repairs and offers emergency assistance. The organization was able to put 2 homeless veterans into homes. Mark also founded the Bigfoot Festival in Crossville the 3rd Saturday in October annually.

Many thanks to the providers of the Door Prizes this month: Cumberland County Playhouse, Hair Connection, Mayberry's, Captain D's Fish & Chips (4), Poppie's Florist, 5th Street Marketplace, Dave Kirk Automotive (2), and Regions Bank (2). Please thank these businesses if you are there for their generous donations to Neighbors and Newcomers!

The meeting was adjourned at 1:25 pm by Robbie Corbin.

Next meeting will be on March 28, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, 1461 Sparta Highway,

Crossville, where we will have a fashion show put on by 5th Street Marketplace, and lunch catered by the Flying Pig.

Please bring donations for Wild about Cats and FOCCAS-cat food, cash, litter, old blankets, towels, etc.

Respectfully submitted, Cindy Leckvarcik, Secretary