

For Immediate Release

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Hopper's 4-H Club News

Derek A. Cosner, Reporter

The Hopper's Club met at the Friendsville Senior Center to have their annual Thanksgiving dinner and meeting. There were 16 members present and 14 volunteers. Vice President Ava Cosner called the meeting to order and roll call was answered by what is your favorite hobby. Jim Whiteside gave the blessing for the meal. There were no Secretaries notes to approve, but there were three thank-you notes read by Secretary Julia Reckart. Treasurer Jeremy Gordon read the treasurers report and it was approved. Reports from the AG Bash were given.

The Club was reminded that Service-Learning forms are due next month so get your volunteer hours completed. Jublie Vose and Noah Whiteside drew the Lamb Raffle tickets, and we thank everyone who purchased some, and congratulate the winners! Diamond Clover folders were handed out by Darlene so they can be worked on throughout the coming year. Two service-learning opportunities are coming up and a sheet was passed around for those to sign up who are willing to help. A Pancake Breakfast at the Accident Fire hall December 2 and a baked goods fundraiser for Garrett Counties oldest house, the Drane House in Accident. Whatever cookies are left over, volunteers will deliver them to residents, along with a picture after the event. These pictures were colored by the Club during the meeting. Record books are due next month to Darlene, so please continue to work on those. A Kitchen Committee was formed to make sure the Senior Center is stocked with plates and things the Club will need when having a dinner or event.

Two demonstrations were given. Elizabeth Zimmerman told the Club the dangers of the food coloring on the outside of Skittles and showed us how to remove it. Bristol Ketterman gave us a delicious recipe to make garlic bread and showed us how, and the bread was eaten during our dinner.

Next month at the Christmas, party the Officers will be installed, and we welcome our new Assistant Leader, Jim Whiteside. We look forward to having another good leader to help Darlene with her many tasks running the Club. President Isabel Whiteside made the motion to adjourn and our yummy day of fun and food ended.

The next meeting of our members was at the AG Hall on November 22 to set up the tire tree for the Festival of Trees. All tree sales benefit the Dove Center. Christie Reckart led an ornament-making event at our meeting on Sunday to have the member's complete ornaments for the tree. The members also completed ornaments at home. We thank Gary Ketterman and Gwynn Tire Service for donating the tires for us to make the tree. The Club enjoyed decorating the tree and we are proud to have won 2nd place!

Our next monthly meeting will be at the Friendsville Senior Center, December 17 at 3:00. We will install our Officers for 2024 and have our Christmas Party. We welcome new guests and visitors so HOP HOP HOP on over-we would love you to join us!



Pictured-

Front: Jubile Vose, Jazzy Vose, Noah Whiteside

Back: Ava Cosner, Cheyanne McClean, Bristol Ketterman, Jacob Vose, Julia Reckart, Derek Cosner, Isabel Whiteside

Not pictured- Jeremy Gordon, Maddox Gordon, Elizabeth Zimmerman