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CBI SPRINGBOARD GRADUATES READY TO MOVE FORWARD

A group of entrepreneurs, future entrepreneurs and employees of businesses completed 8 weeks of Springboard training recently offered by the Cumberland Business Incubator (CBI). The group ranged from people that may start a business someday to entrepreneurs that have been in business over 14 years as well as business employees that now know much more about what their business owner faces every day. The meetings began in September and the graduation celebration of the program was held in early November. The goal of the series is to formulate a business plan. Topics included business legal structures, costs, break-even point, cash flow, market research, pricing and financing sources. The most recent group of graduates is the third group to complete the CBI Springboard training.

The group would like to thank their facilitator, Nancy Burns, the weekly guest speakers and former Springboard graduates that shared their expertise – Diane Morey, Rebecca Kilmer, Irene Blackburn, Valerie Miller (all former graduates) Tom Rossi, Larry Henson, Scott Looney, Jerry Wood, Dave Clark, Diane Morey, Tonya Hinch and Tom Gernt who provided excellent specific topic information and Alice Hodge, CBI mentor and volunteer.

Holly Hanson, Director of the Cumberland Business Incubator, said additional business planning series are planned for 2014. Call the CBI at 931-456-4910 to be included in information on upcoming sessions.



Front Row: Nancy Burns (Springboard facilitator), Nick Reed, Wendy Reed, Carolyn Brewer.
Back Row: Jim Hunter, Steve Chapman, Holly Hanson (CBI Director), Lonnie Harvey. Not Pictured: Jamie Touton and Bill Savarese.