

LAFOLLETTE BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR 2012-2013

The LaFollette Business and Professional Women meet monthly at the LaFollette Community Center. We have been a presence in this community for over 55 years, and have supported all working women in this region and across the state. We continue to support the principals of the BPW/USA Foundation and the goals of BPW/TN.

We have had a presence and participated in a number of community events across this area. The following listing presents our involvement in a number of activities that we demonstrated our support or our participation:

August - National Night Out at Sargeant's Park in front of City Hall in downtown LaFollette. We took an active role in the program, as well as in the set up and distribution of school materials and literature regarding our club; we supported the development, printing and distribution of "TEEN HELP CARDS" that displayed emergency phone numbers on a business size card that could fit into a wallet or purse [with our club name listed on the card]

September - our club assisted in the creation of an area wide listing of community resources, which was printed on a legal size sheet, then folded to fit easily into a purse or pocket - and is distributed to area residents from the public library, the Chamber Office, all social service agencies and from faith-based institutions

October - we sponsored a dinner with the Anti-Drug Coalition, to show our support for their efforts and to stand firm against Family Violence - as this is Domestic Violence Awareness month

December - we celebrated the holidays with a dinner at the President's home while collecting assorted personal hygiene products to distribute to needy families

March - we took on the task of providing the Spring Meeting duties for Region I with decorations and the support of the Silent Auction

April - we will co-sponsor an event for all women in the area - to gather support for the passage of a bill to allow for a better diagnosis of breast cancer, for women who have dense breast tissue. Our speaker is the Director of the Knoxville Comprehensive Breast Center

May - we will again sponsor a college scholarship for a graduating senior at Campbell County High School with our participation in the Senior Night Awards Program

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