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August Meeting, Membership

The Membership meeting will be on Tuesday, August 19, at 6:30 p.m. at Victorian Square. The chair for this month is the Membership chair, Betty Johnston. Other members of the committee are Karen Cooper and Shelbey Brackett. You will be contacted by noon Monday, August 11 about making a reservation for the meeting.

Everyone should make an effort to bring a prospective member to be a guest of Rockwood BPW for the meeting. If you know someone who was formerly a member of BPW, perhaps their circumstances will make it possible to rejoin and work with us on issues important to women

and take advantage of the many programs and benefits available through our affiliation with BPW/TN and the BPW Foundation

As Betty asked last month:

Think AUGUST! In fact, think AUGUST 19! That is our Membership meeting! Think about the ladies you can ask to our August meeting. Not only THINK about them, but ASK them! Not only ASK them but BRING them! Let's make August 19 the time to encourage membership. See you and your prospective members at our August BPW meeting!

Region I Planning Meeting

Region I Director Sherree Schneider has released the following information about the Region I Planning Meeting. Anyone planning to attend should let Mary Ann know at this meeting.

Region I will be meeting on September 13, 2014, at the Campbell County Chamber of Commerce building. Main Street, Jacksboro, TN 37757, (423) 566-0329. It is 2.6 miles from exit 134 off of I-75 The cost will \$15. Here's a link to their page http://www.campbellcountych amber.com/. Registration and meet and greet will begin at 9:30. The meeting agenda will begin at 10:00 am. Lunch will be served at 12:00 pm with the program continuing after.

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July Finance Meeting Highlights

We were glad to have one of our scholarship recipients, Shelbey Brackett, and her mother Stacy in attendance at the July meeting. Shelbey will be attending ETSU the coming year.

The budget for the 2014-2015 organizational year was adopted. Several ideas for projects for this vear were discussed. We will probably be selling RADA cutlery again. Linda Rector has several tomato knives now and will be getting catalogs and information soon for the other offerings from the company. These were really popular when we sold them several years ago and make excellent gifts for Christmas for housewarmings or showers as well as your personal use. Also discussed was publishing a cookbook, probably in the spring. These projects, along with our Innisbrook paper, candy and gift item sales help to fund the expenses of the organization not included in our charitable projects.

Lee Ann Gaddis, BPW/TN President-elect, told the group that there will be several corrections to the information in the first *Achiever* that came out earlier, particularly in the State Roster and the Calendar of Events. If you wish to contact Lee Ann, please use the correct contact information for her in the notice below.

BPW/TN ACHIEVER

If you have not received your Achiever either by email or by mail, please contact Lee Ann Gaddis and give her your information for the state:

leeann4002@yahoo.com 865-250-8149



Rockwood BPW 2014-2015 Upcoming Programs

September 16 Legislation

Becky Layne, ch., Barbara Satterfield, Bettye King

October 20-24 National Business Women's Week

October 21 Ann Hiegel, ch., Executive Committee

2015 Calendars

Materials for the 2015 Calendars were handed out to members at the July meeting and will be mailed or delivered to those not in attendance. This is one of the most important projects that Rockwood BPW has since it funds our scholarships, our sponsorship of a Girls' State delegate, our organizational contribution to BPW Foundation, and other charitable donations we make throughout the year. Members who have participated in the project previously have a printout of their calendar orders and listings. Those participating for the first time have a sheet on which to record their orders and listings. All members are being challenged to have at least \$50.00 in orders and listings for the 2015 Calendar.

[Members with Previous Listings: Some listings for previous calendars may not have printed on your pages. Please let Ann Hiegel know if you are missing any listings.]

A Message from the Editor:

Let's incorporate messages from our officers and monthly chairs in future issues. I welcome any contributions from our members. Don't hesitate to contact me with any news or concerns.

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Message from the President Election Day 2014

Election Day is upon us. I hope as you cast your votes that you remember those brave women before us that fought to give us that right. They didn't just march down the street in Washington, D. C. and picket the White House. They were stripped naked, beaten, thrown in jail, declared insane.....on presidential orders. We owe it to them to exercise the right they won for us in 1919, under the 19th amendment, and ratified by the states in 1920, with our own State Rep. Harry T. Burn casting the deciding vote. He was mobbed and threatened by other angry legislators, and had to escape through a window of the State Capital building in Nashville. We must vote in honor of those people who gave us the right to vote. PLEASE vote, but be as informed as possible before you do. I can't believe I have spent two days researching every candidate on that Roane County, TN Election Ballot. I noted though, as I looked up each one, that on the sample ballot, all the local candidates are suddenly Independents, even though I know better. When you live and work within the county for 50+ years, you know their politics, religion, and a lot of other information they had rather you didn't know. I am now prepared to march into that voting booth and cast my vote. I am prepared to vote for the person who supports my beliefs, and proves it by their voting record. I hope you will do the same. With the mess our country is in, we must to be as informed as we can be about the people we entrust with our freedoms, tax dollars, and our rights, from the local level all the way to Washington, D.C. You have a computer with internet, don't be swayed by all the political ads and mailers. Go online and start digging. You will be surprised what you can find about these people, especially about those Tennessee State Supreme Court judges who are up for reelection. THEN, go vote.



2014-2015 State Officers

From left: President Tressy Hart, President-elect Lee Ann Gaddis, 1st Vice President Martha Ervin, 2nd Vice President Jacque Hillman, Secretary Carol Turpen, Treasurer Brenda Risner, Region III Director Carolyn Beverly, Region I Director Sherree Schneider. Not pictured Region II Director Ann Poag.

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Reservations for meetings:

You will be contacted each month by the chair or a member of that month's committee to ascertain the number of members attending so that Victorian Square and the committee will be prepared for the meeting. Reservations deadline is **10:00 a.m. Monday** the week preceding the meeting. If you make a reservation and find that you will be unable to attend, you must cancel with the committee chair no later than 10:00 a.m. **Monday** morning one week prior to the meeting. Anyone making a reservation and not canceling by the appointed time willed be billed for the meal as Rockwood BPW is responsible for payment for the number of reservations submitted. [The buffet meal includes all drinks, etc.] Members will pay at the meeting. The treasurer will give Victorian Square total payment.



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1st Vice Pres.[Issues Management]: Linda Rector

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