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August Meeting, Legislation

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The Legislation meeting will be on Tuesday, August 18, at 6:30 p.m. at Victorian Square. The chair for this month is the Legislation chair, Becky Layne. You will be contacted by noon Monday, August 10, about making a reservation for the meeting.

We will review briefly the 2015-2016 legislative platform of BPW/TN, followed by a presentation from Amber Jacks, Senior Services Director for Mid East Community Action Agency. She will tell us about some recent legislative initiatives and programs of interest and importance to us. And of course we'll have a delicious dinner prepared for us

by Victorian Square. I look forward to seeing each of you there.

Legislation Committee:
Becky Layne, chair
Velma Beckner
Bettye King



BPW/TN News

Lee Ann Gaddis, BPW/TN President, reported on her attendance at the Women's Political Collaborative of Tennessee's Get Out the Vote Breakfast in Nashville. BPW was a partner in this event.

The Region I Planning Meeting will be on August 29, with details in the *Achiever* to be distributed on August 3. This issue will also contain the State Roster and the State Calendar of Events.

Save the date of November 7 for the Interim Board meeting in Lebanon at the Sleep Inn. More details and the registration form will be upcoming.

Lee Ann will represent BPW/TN at the dedication of the Suffrage Monument in Nashville on August 24th.

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July Finance Meeting Highlights

A small but involved group of members attended the July Finance meeting to adopt the budget for the 2015-2016 year. In the absence of the Finance Chair, Lynne Spires [she has been hospitalized with heart issues], Jerry Wallick, the treasurer presented the proposed budget for adoption. Jerry also pointed out that the members need to become more active in some of our fundraising efforts to fund all the charitable donations and the activities that we have been used to having.

Materials for the Calendar Project were handed out, and anyone not in attendance will get their materials soon along with their replacement yearbook pages for this year.

Barbara Satterfield presented her proposal for gauging interest in a symposium on the subject of women in the workplace. She will start by sending out a survey of the topics that businesses feel are important regarding women's workplace concerns. She has received a list of Roane County businesses from the Chamber of Commerce, but not any replies from surrounding counties. The symposium will probably be held as part of our celebration of National Business Women's Week. The members approved her going forward with the project. She will be sending out copies of the survey to Rockwood BPW members.

With Mary Rawlings out for rehab, Linda Rector is acting Sunshine Chair. Let her know of any concerns.

Innisbrook project coming in October. Plan ahead for your Christmas gifts!



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Upcoming Programs 2015-2016

- September 15 **Membership**
Barbara Satterfield, ch., Betty Johnston
- October 19-23 National Business Women's Week
- October 20 Executive Committee

[Other members may be added to committees later]

Member News

Betty Ragle is still at The Bridge in Rockwood, Room 211, for therapy but hopes to return to Victorian Square soon.

Mary Rawlings has been in rehab after her fall, but will return to Victorian Square soon.

Lynne Spires is dealing with heart issues and has been hospitalized in Knoxville with possible surgery being considered.

Velma Beckner is doing therapy for her shoulder, but is still out and about.

A Message from the Editor:

It is an honor for me to be appointed as your newsletter editor for the 2015-16 year. Help me make this newsletter better than ever. Let's incorporate messages from our officers and monthly chairs in future issues and welcome any contributions from our members. Don't hesitate to contact me with any news or concerns.

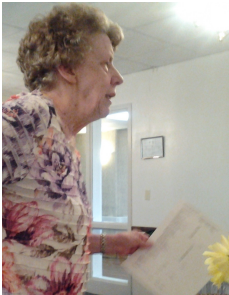
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Jerry Wallick, treasurer, Linda Rector, president, Becky Layne, secretary, and Barbara Satterfield, 2nd vice president, listen as Ann Hiegel presented the final financial report for the 2014-2015 year.



Ann Hiegel presents the final financial report for 2014-2015



Becky Layne and Bridgette Patterson listen to Barbara Satterfield explain her proposal for the symposium on women's issues in the workplace.



Photos courtesy of Lee Ann Gaddis

Membership Symposium Proposal Barbara Satterfield, Rockwood BPW 2nd Vice President & Membership Chair

First of all, allow me to express how honored I am to be a part of an extraordinary group of women, Rockwood BPW represents ideals, beliefs, moralities and conviction in a world that today must still compete in a man's world.

Although your voices have been raised loud and strong since 1921, we must continue to go forward to raise awareness of issues that impact women. I propose as my first effort, to host a Business Professional Women's Symposium to ally Roane, Morgan, Rhea, Cumberland, and Anderson County; civic clubs, colleges, various business managers/owners and the community at large as a tool to further the awareness of workplace issues important to women, resulting in membership growth for Rockwood BPW. The survey [attached] is a way to judge the interest in having the symposium among the persons most affected by these issues.

Contacting each of the County Chambers of Commerce, E-mail blasts, announcing this event in *The Achiever*, hopefully having free speakers or at least of minimal charge, could be effective ways to minimize the costs incurred. Our symposium will probably take place as a part of our celebration of National Business Women's Week. If there is enough response to justify having the symposium, we hope that each of you will be encouraged to attend and bring guests who may benefit from the information presented.

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 will 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.

**Rockwood BPW Officers
2015-2016****President:** Linda Rector**1st Vice Pres.** *[Issues Management]*: Vickie Watts**2nd Vice Pres.** *[Membership]*: Barbara Satterfield**3rd Vice Pres.** *[Finance]*: Lynne Spires**Recording Secretary:** Becky Layne**Corresponding Secretary:** Mary Rawlings**Treasurer:** Geraldine Wallick

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July 23, 2015

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2015 – 2016 IMPORTANCE SCALE SURVEY

Mission Statement:

The mission of Rockwood BPW is to achieve equity for all women in the workforce through advocacy, education and information.

Value Statement:

BPW/TN are focused on economic equity. We, along with BPW Foundation, are a formidable force with a broad base, diverse membership and on the cutting edge in education, research and information. We are a catalyst for change in public policy within all levels of government and we form strategic alliances with business, academia and non-profit organizations.

Rockwood BPW is exploring the possibility of hosting a Symposium to address within a 5 County area; Roane, Morgan, Rhea, Cumberland and Anderson, our local community issues/needs for employment opportunities and workplace conditions for women.

We would respectfully ask participation in this survey in order to bring together local businesses, government, educational institutions and civic organizations to identify, act on, and resolve the everyday issues challenging workingwomen.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION

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**Business/
Position**

Name

Age

Gender

Question	Scale of Importance: 1-least interest and 5 being very interested				
Economic Equity	1	2	3	4	5
Flexibility	1	2	3	4	5
Health	1	2	3	4	5
Dependent Care	1	2	3	4	5
Work Life Balance	1	2	3	4	5
Working Women in the Green Economy	1	2	3	4	5
Military Veterans	1	2	3	4	5
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Are you a BPW Member?	Yes		No		
Would you attend a BPW Symposium Dinner?	1	2	3	4	5
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Comments:					

Women do make a difference!

Members who wish to participate in the survey please fill out the survey and email to:
satterfield.barbara@yahoo.com or mail to: 241 S. Chamberlain Ave., Rockwood, TN 37854