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May Meeting, May 17 Installation of Officers

May 17, 2016, Rockwood BPW will meet at Victorian Square at 6:30 p.m. for dinner and to have its Installation of Officers.

Members will be called before noon Monday, May 9, to make a reservation for members and their guests.

All members are urged to attend to support their newly elected officers and get the coming organization year off to a good start.

*Installation of Officers
Committee:*

Ann Hiegel, chair

New State Officers and Committees

BPW/TN has a very unusual situation this year. As we have no President-elect to assume the office of president, there will be an election for President included in this year's election. And, since the deadline for candidates to qualify for office was April 9, and no candidates for line officers submitted Data forms, candidates for office will have to be nominated from the floor of the convention. This makes attendance at convention especially important for all BPW members.

We also need members to be willing to serve as chairs or members of state committees. Please consider any committee you would be willing to serve on and sign up with Lee Ann or volunteer at convention.

The future of BPW/TN depends on you!

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BPW/TN Deadlines

April 30:

- *Contributions to Foundation
- *Kaye Culbertson Mentor Award nominations (Forms in the latest *Achiever*)
- *Membership numbers for awards eligibility

May 4:

- *Room reservations for Convention at the special BPW rate

May 15:

- *President's Reports
- *Foundation contributions reported to state chair, Geraldine Wallick
- *Convention early registration deadline (get form or register online at www.bpwttn.org)

May 25:

- *Officer, Regional Director and Chair reports to state president



April Annual Business Meeting Highlights

Rockwood BPW members gathered to present their reports for the year to give all the information that the president needs for her report to be submitted at the convention. This report will be included in the BPW/TN submission to the Archives and also serve as qualification for awards at the convention.

Legislation chair Becky Layne's presentation included an Equal Pay Day information card in the "goodies" for each attendee on the tables. Also included were Pay Day candy bars.

The Finance Committee submitted a motion, adopted by the members, to reimburse each member attending convention for one day \$40, which would cover half their expense of \$15 for registration and \$25 for the luncheon. Any member attending for the full convention would be reimbursed \$40 for the full registration fee, \$20 per night room expense, and transportation expense at the state rate. Members paying full registration will be entitled to vote in the election Saturday morning and in business meetings.

The Audit Committee for 2015-16 was elected: Lee Ann Gaddis, Vickie Watts, and Lynne Spires.

Officers for the 2016-2017 year were elected:

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| President | Linda Rector |
| 1 st VP | Vickie Watts |
| 2 nd VP | Trudy Smith |
| 3 rd VP | Lynne Spires |
| Rec. Secretary | Becky Layne |
| Corres. Sec. | Mary Rawlings |
| Treasurer | Geraldine Wallick |

Annual Business Meeting Committee:

Vickie Watts, chair
Linda Rector



Rockwood BPW Upcoming Programs 2015-2016

June 21 BPW/TN Convention Reports
Linda Rector, ch., Betty Ragle

Upcoming Programs 2016-2017

July 19 Finance
Lynne Spires, ch.

A Message from the Editor:

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

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Barbara Satterfield will be moving to Monroe County in May or June to care for her parents. However, she remains a member of Rockwood BPW and will visit when she can. Please use her cellphone number to contact her after May.



In June 2015 Lee Ann presides over her first meeting as president of BPW/TN. As Lee Ann has been an active and involved secondary member of Rockwood BPW--serving as parliamentarian for the organization this year, participating in all projects, and a member of the audit committee--the members of Rockwood BPW should make every effort to support her as she winds up her year as state president. Take the opportunity to attend the convention in Pigeon Forge.

CONVENTION PREVIEW

Friday and Saturday, June 3-4, 2016---Holiday Inn, Pigeon Forge
[Region I organizations are the hosts for this convention.]

Information, schedules, and Registration forms are available on the website, www.bpwn.org. The installation of officers will be at the luncheon on Saturday along with the awards for the 2015-16 organization year. The post-convention Board of Directors meeting will be Saturday afternoon for the 2016-2017 officers and local organization presidents.

A block of rooms has been reserved, but the cutoff date for reservations to receive the special BPW rate is May 4. The cutoff date for early registration for the convention is May 15.

Registration forms are available for download on the website, or you can use PayPal to register online. You may also get forms from Lee Ann or Ann Hiegel

As announced at the April meeting, Rockwood members may get reimbursement for attendance: Each member attending convention for one day may get \$40, which would cover half their expense of \$15 for registration and \$25 for the luncheon. Any member attending for the full convention would be reimbursed \$40 for the full registration fee, \$20 per night room expense, and transportation expense at the state rate. Members paying full registration will be entitled to vote in the election Saturday morning and in business meetings.

If you have never attended a convention, take the opportunity to meet BPW members from across the state and participate in conducting business and electing officers for the state organization. You will also have the opportunity to hear interesting and informative speakers on current topics of interest to BPW members.

President's Message

As we come to the 2015-2016 year's end, I want to thank you for all the support this year, and to the officers and members for a job well done--for hosting a meeting and attending the meetings, and supporting all of our projects for the year. I think we had some informative meetings and some fun meetings.

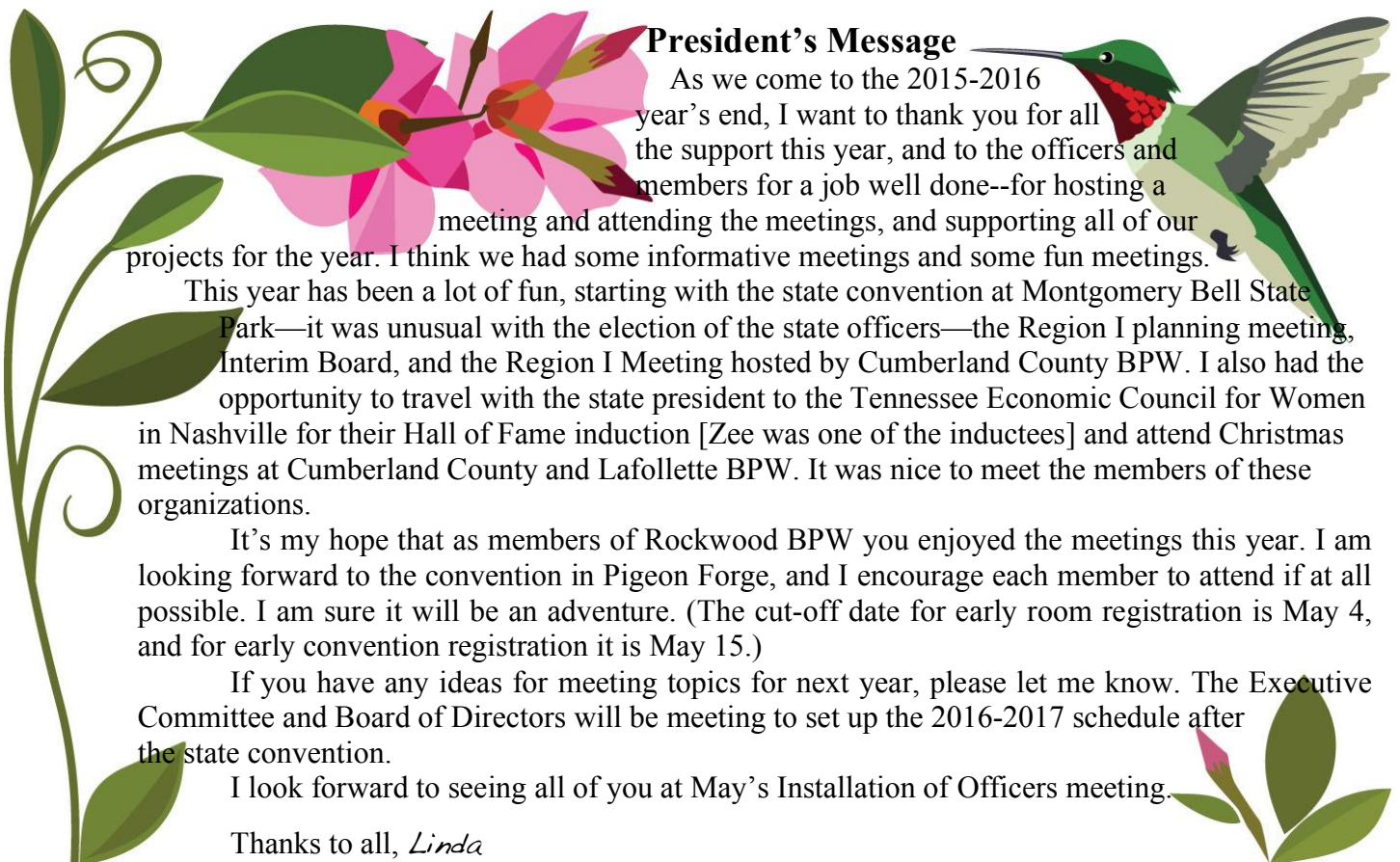
This year has been a lot of fun, starting with the state convention at Montgomery Bell State Park—it was unusual with the election of the state officers—the Region I planning meeting, Interim Board, and the Region I Meeting hosted by Cumberland County BPW. I also had the opportunity to travel with the state president to the Tennessee Economic Council for Women in Nashville for their Hall of Fame induction [Zee was one of the inductees] and attend Christmas meetings at Cumberland County and LaFollette BPW. It was nice to meet the members of these organizations.

It's my hope that as members of Rockwood BPW you enjoyed the meetings this year. I am looking forward to the convention in Pigeon Forge, and I encourage each member to attend if at all possible. I am sure it will be an adventure. (The cut-off date for early room registration is May 4, and for early convention registration it is May 15.)

If you have any ideas for meeting topics for next year, please let me know. The Executive Committee and Board of Directors will be meeting to set up the 2016-2017 schedule after the state convention.

I look forward to seeing all of you at May's Installation of Officers meeting.

Thanks to all, *Linda*



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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