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Annual Business Meeting

April Meeting April 18, 2017

The Annual Business Meeting will be on Tuesday, Apirl 18, at 6:30 p.m. at Victorian Square. The chair for this month is Linda Rector. You will be contacted before noon Monday, April 10, about making meeting reservations.

All committee and special events chairs should have two copies of their reports for the year.

Election of officers for 2017-2018 will be held.

Annual Business Meeting Committee: Linda Rector, chair, Bettye King

DUES

Dues for most of our members are due by April 30. Bring your dues to the April meeting or send them to Jerry Wallick, 327 S. Front Ave., Rockwood, TN 37854, before the deadline. Let's get all our dues in as soon as possible.

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BPW/TN News

Promotion of the 2017 BPW/TN Convention started with A registration form and sponsorship and ad information in the March *Achiever* or on www.bpwtn.org. Everyone is urged to get registrations in early to help with the planning for the Convention. Informative workshops will be a part of the program

Deadline is **April 10** to send Candidate Data forms for those running for state office. Region I Nominating committee member is Lee Ann Gaddis.

The April *Achiever* will be delayed so that the candidates for office for 2017-18 can be included. It will come out after the April 10 deadline for nominations.



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March White Elephant Sale Equal Pay Day Highlights

As always, the White Elephant Sale was enjoyable for all, with the proceeds going to the Rockwood Scholarship Fund.

Amendments to the Rockwood Bylaws were approved allowing the Corresponding Secretary as well as the Recording Secretary to serve for 4 terms.

Slates for members to nominate for the 2017-18 Rockwood BPW officers were handed out—to be returned to nominating committee chair Jerry Wallick by Tuesday, April 4.

Ann Hiegel was endorsed to run for the office of BPWTN treasurer.

Becky Layne reminded members to observe Equal Pay Day on April 4, and handed out information from the Women's Political Collaborative on the status of legislation of interest to women and encouraged everyone to communicate with their legislators.

Rockwood BPW will place a halfpage ad in the Convention program honoring the service of Rockwood BPW members to BPW/TN, honoring long-time members, and memorializing deceased members.

White Elephant Sale (Equal Pay Day) Committee: Malinda Yager, chair Trudy Smith

Trudy Smith stands ready to deliver a White Elephant item to the winning bidder



Rockwood BPW Upcoming Programs

May 16 Installation of Officers

Geraldine Wallick, Ch. Pearl Williams

June 20 BPW/TN Convention Reports

Linda Rector, Ch. Wanda Manning

Lynne Spires and Malinda Yager solicit bids on one of the many items brought for the White Elephant Sale





A Message from the Editor: 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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Region I Meeting: Yes we "Can!"

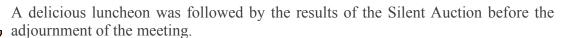
Saturday, March 18, 2017 Treasa Newton, Region I Director

Rockwood, Elizabethton, and Cumberland County BPWs and Chattanooga Business Women were represented at the Region I meeting. at Victorian Square. Beth Bates, BPW/TN president was the state representative.



Carrying out her theme of "Yes, We 'Can' " Treasa presented the different member personalities represented by each of the cans featured on the invitations and programs for the meeting. Each local presented a recap of the significant activities and programs during the year. Lee Ann Gaddis, BPW/TN Nominations chair announced the nominations she had received to date

Beth promoted the Convention and had registration forms available, and Jerry Wallick reminded members of the BPW Foundation donation deadlines for a state award.







Women's Day on the Hill

Ann Hiegel and Becky Layne attended Day on the Hill on March 8. At the breakfast they received packets of material, including the bills that the women's groups participating were interested in addressing with the legislators. Speaker Beth Harwell spoke to the group. Representatives of some of the 20 women's groups participating in Day on the Hill presented talking points on the various legislative items to be discussed.

Ann and Becky met with Rep. Kent Calfee and Sen. Ken Yager. Rep. Ron Travis was not available for a meeting. The picture with Ken continued a long tradition of Rockwood BPW members joining in a picture as they had done in the past with Ken signing our National Business Women's Week proclamations when he was County Executive.



COOKBOOKS!!

Books can be picked up from Linda Rector at Salon-Salon. The cost is \$10.00 per book. Consider picking up several books so that you will have them on hand to sell.

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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 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 2016-2017

President: Linda Rector Recording Secretary: Becky Layne

1st Vice Pres. [Issues Management]: Vickie Watts Corresponding Secretary: Mary Rawlings

2nd Vice Pres. [Membership]: Trudy Smith Treasurer: Geraldine Wallick

3rd Vice Pres. [Finance]: Lynne Spires

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