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Legislation September Meeting September 19, 2017

The Membership meeting will be on Tuesday, September 19, at 6:30 p.m. at Victorian Square. The chair for this month is Becky Layne. You will be contacted before noon Monday, September 11, about making meeting reservations.

Becky will give an update of contact info for elected officials and discussion of the BPW TN legislative platform. If the legislative schedule permits, we may have one of our state legislators speak to us and update us about legislation of interest to us that is being discussed or in committees now. There are many topics for us to be educated about in relation to current legislation in Tennessee.

Legislation Committee:

Becky Layne, chair, Linda Rector, Betty Johnston

Calendar Orders

Calendar orders are due at this month's meeting. If you have your orders completed, you can turn them in any time Tuesday through Saturday to Linda Rector at Salon-Salon.

BPW/TN News

The Region I Planning Meeting was held at the Hilton Garden Inn, Cedar Bluff on Saturday, August 26. A small but enthusiastic group from Chattanooga Business Women, Elizabethton, and Rockwood attended and participated in lively discussion and team building activities. (See p. 3 for pictures.)

Reservation information for the Interim Board of Directors meeting at the Comfort Suites in Lebanon on November 4th will be in the October *Achiever*. Put the date on your calendar and plan to attend.

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August Membership Meeting Highlights

Letters have been sent out to all names submitted for contact for membership.

Lee Ann reported on plans for NBWW, including an interesting speaker. More details will be available at next month's meeting.

Fundraising projects for this year will include our Club's Choice items (including Innisbrook products) and Rockwood BPW will be selling pecans later in this year. More information will be presented at next month's meeting (September).

Membership Committee:

Trudy Smith, chair

Mary Rawlings, Velma Beckner



Rockwood BPW Upcoming Programs

October 16-20 National Business Women's Week

October 17 Lee Ann Gaddis, ch. Executive Committee

November 21 BPW Issues: Health Care

Bridgette Patterson, ch. Lynne Spires

New Members?

If you know of anyone who might be interested in joining Rockwood BPW please give the information to Trudy Smith. Membership is an ongoing interest of all members.

*Contact her at Victorian Square, 354-1133
or send an email to TrudyS@victoriansquare.net.*

Why Be a BPW Member?

Membership in Rockwood BPW automatically gives membership in a statewide organization, Business & Professional Women of Tennessee (BPW/TN) (www.bpwtn.org), and a national organization, Business and Professional Women's Foundation. Each of these organizations gives members a connection to a larger group of women who are dedicated to working for the good of all women and particularly those women in the workplace. BPW/TN works at keeping Tennessee women informed about concerns in the state of Tennessee and voicing those concerns to the people that can bring about needed changes. BPW Foundation offers national contacts (www.bpwfoundation.org) through its Advocacy Center; professional help through the Career Center; access to the online library of extensive studies of workplace conditions and innovative practices; scholarships and grants; various programs to benefit women veterans; various ways to connect with women across the nation to share ideas and concerns; and participation in programs such as National Business Women's Week. *Why not be a BPW Member?*

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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Saturday, August 26



Attendees

*Front row: Robin McKamey, Treasa Newton, Ann Hiegel
Back row: Jerry Wallick, Brittney Madden, Berdena O'Neal,
Lee Ann Gaddis.*

[Photographer—Bill Aikin]

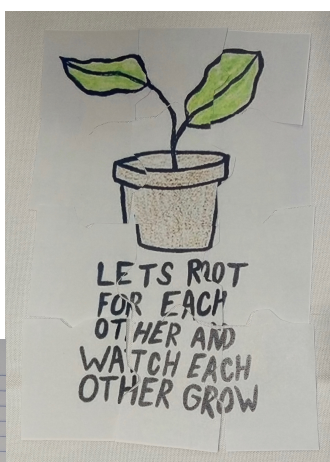
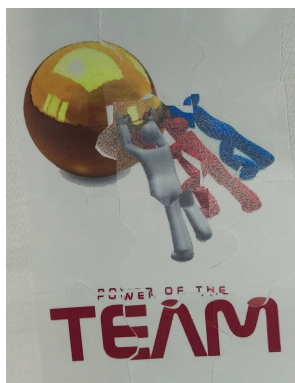


*Treasa presides over the discussion
Bill, Jerry, Berdena and Brittney look on.*



*Treasa positions Ann and Berdena and Jerry and Robin
for a team-building exercise.*

*[How well can you describe your fellow members without
looking at them?]*



*Everyone can put together a little
jigsaw puzzle, can't they?*

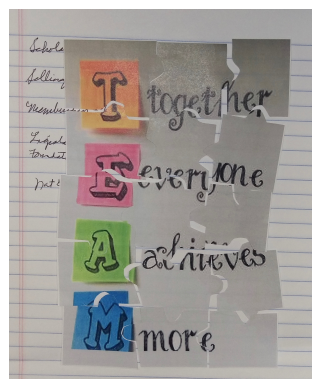
*[It's a little harder if someone else
has one of your puzzle pieces.]*



Lee Ann, Robin, and Ann

*Treasa challenged all local
organizations in Region I to
increase membership by at least
10%.*

Photos by Lee Ann Gaddis



Reservations for meetings:

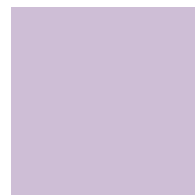
You will be contacted each month by the chair or a member of that month's committee to ascertain the number of members attending so that Victorian Square and the committee will be prepared for the meeting. Reservations deadline is **10:00 a.m. Monday** the week preceding the meeting. If you make a reservation 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.

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2017-2018****President:** Lynne Spires**1st Vice Pres.** *[Membership]:* Trudy Smith**2nd Vice Pres.** *[Finance]:* Linda Rector**Recording Secretary:** Betty Johnston**Corresponding Secretary:** Mary Rawlings**Treasurer:** Geraldine Wallick

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