

MT. AIRY CLAY BREAKERS GARDEN CLUB
MINUTES - March 13, 2008

There was no Meeting in February due to inclement weather.

At our March Meeting, Billie Trump presented a program with slides from the U.S.A. and abroad on "CONTAINER GARDENING". We then had delicious REFRESHMENTS provided by our hostess, Sonia Johnson.

Meeting was CALLED TO ORDER at 8:20 PM by President, Sonia Johnson. There were 13 Members present and no guests.

MINUTES from the January 10th Meeting were read by Arminta Donovan, Recording Secretary and were accepted as read.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Mary Beth reported a balance of \$772.13 in the Treasury. "PENNY PINE" campaign is finished. Club Dues of \$20.00 are due in March.

Sonia spoke with the Vice Pres. of the Capital Hill Garden Club and they were very disappointed that we could not attend the February Meeting. We are re-scheduling for Tuesday, April 8th. at 7:00 PM. Sonia also asked members to E-Mail or write a short letter to the Budget-Finance Committee of the National Arboretum since their budget was cut 4 Million dollars.

HORTICULTURE & DESIGN - Marian Moreland had a "show and tell" - Arminta's Spring floral arrangement in a decorated box, Pam Smart's Dish Garden set in Driftwood and then Marian's Dark Red Tulips arranged in a glass vase. She told us that you can dab egg white on the edges of the petals to keep the tulips from opening fully. She also showed us photos taken at the Philadelphia Flower Show and some handy garden tools. Homestead Gardens Flower Show is this weekend and the first Tuesday in April is another Workshop at Homestead.

CONSERVATION - Gilda Allen told us about the importance of collecting rain in a rain barrel ~~then~~ and handed out a flyer on "Say Hello to a Rain Barrel".

OLD BUSINESS - Marilyn received a "Thank You" for our donations to the Veterans families at the hospital. Carol Ober has contacted St. Paul's Moravian Church regarding the PLANT SALE in April. Julie Harrison suggested that we not have the sale at St. Paul's this year since we did not make enough money to make it worthwhile. Other members suggestions were made i.e..... to combine the Plant

Sale and also a Yard Sale and Bake Sale, to have the Sales at two of the member's houses and to have the Sale near Mother's Day. Julie volunteered her house. She will call Carol. Lenay showed us a brochure of plants and flowers from the company she works for - sign up for an item and Club would make \$4.00 on each plant. It was decided that this might be a good project for next year since time is short now.

NEW BUSINESS -

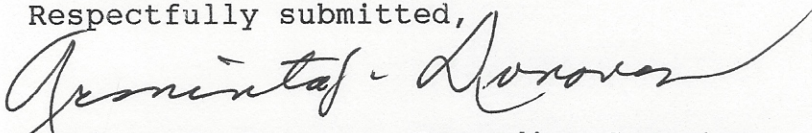
Lenay O'Quinn has attended the required three (3) Meetings and would like to become a member of the Club. Her sponsor, Joyce Meyers told us that Lenay is a very enthusiastic gardener. After a vote by all members present, Lenay was accepted for membership. Sonia asked Lenay to abide by the By-Laws of the Club which she did and then Sonia welcomed her to the Club and presented her with a gift. Lenay told us about herself and her work as Office Manager at Shelby's Gardens in LaPlata, MD. She also said that her employers Joe and Janet Clements give Programs to Garden Clubs. Lenay's address is 13005 Brandywine Road in Brandywine, MD 20613. Telephone #301-782-3620. Pam told us about the House and Garden Tour in Middleburg, VA. Sonia announced Garden Tours at Inner Banks and Beyond from April 1 - 4, 2008, Tour of Historic Alexandria Homes and Gardens on April 19, Tour of Chanticleer Gardens on Wednesday, April 30th. Arminta said she received the Application for the Prince George's County Beautification 2008 Awards. She will make copies and hand them out to interested members at the April Meeting. Mary Jane told members that this will be our last Meeting at the Church since it will be closing in May.

NEXT MEETING will be held on Thursday, April 10 at 6:30 PM with a Visit to Hollaway Park and then visit Pam, Marian and Carol's gardens. Refreshments at Carol's.

A Fifty-Fifty was held.

There being no further business, the Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Arminta G. Donovan, Recording Secretary