

Mount Airy Clay Breakers Garden Club - March 14, 1985

The Mount Airy Clay Breakers Garden Club met at the Clinton Presbyterian Church on March 14, with Peggy Martin substituting as hostess for Esther ~~Meekere~~.

Peggy introduced Donna Sampson who presented a most informative program on Taxonomy entitled "All That Latin is Greek to me!" Scientific names of all plants have two parts - the generic or Genus and Specific Epithet or Species. Genus is always capitalized and the species begins with a small letter and is italicized or underlined. Varieties are developed from the wild, while cultivars are developed by man and are not Latinized. A hybrid is a cross between two ~~one~~^{or} more species.

Following the program, the president called the meeting to order. Eleven members answered roll call. Minutes of the February meeting were read and approved as corrected.

The treasurer reported a balance of \$180.85.

Civic Development: The committee will contact members about planting at the park during the week of Arbor Day.

Design: Ann Williams gave a report on the history of flower arranging.

Federation Delegate: The Clay Breakers received the Outstanding Achievement Award, Yearbook Certificate of Merit, and a Certificate of Appreciation from CARE. Betty Abercrombie attended the meeting with our delegate, Anne De Bosier, and set up her exhibit on the ~~Blue~~ Masten. The exhibit was well received. The next Federation meeting is scheduled for March 26. The annual Federation Luncheon will be April 23. Dues are payable May 1.

Sunshine: Julie will send cards to Earlene and Esther's mothers.

Old Business: Julie will investigate the possibility of our holding a flea market on the Safeway parking lot. The Prince Georges Beautification Luncheon will be held April 3. The group agreed to help Peggy arrange

Centerpieces.

New Business: The Prince Georges Beautification Committee is selling 11" x 14" Bluebird prints for \$25⁰⁰ each.

Anne De Basier has an entry in the Washington Flower Show - a table arrangement. Peggy and Elaine will work at the Arbor House gift shop March 22. Peggy made a motion that we contribute \$10⁰⁰ to the Statue of Liberty Restoration Fund. Ann Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned.

Jimmie Nell Finley, Secretary