HISTORY - 1985-86

Our President, Julie Harrison, led us through a rewarding year with the help of her supporting officers.

Our theme for the year was "By Design and For Living" with Herbs as the Horticulture study. Marty Harmon presented the herb study each month.

The programs were informative and varied. They included programs on Landscape Design, Design for a Flower Show and on soil preparation. We called upon our own members for several interesting programs. Marty Harmon presented a demonstration on making herbal wreaths, Anne DeBoeser presented programs on Colonial Floral Designs and Updating Christmas Designs. Joyce Meyer presented Horticulture for Show and Peggy Martin presented a slide show, "International Designs", from her trip to Europe.

Our picnic was held at the lovely home of Bob and Julie Harrison in September. The food was delicious and a great time was had by all. Our Christmas party was held in December at the beautifully decorated home of Wayne and JoAnn Davis. We enjoyed the delicious food and our wine exchange game.

In December we participated in the Christmas Greens Exhibition at the U.S. Botanic Gardens Conservatory.

On May 10 we presented our first Standard Flower Show - ADVENTURES. It was held at the Clinton United Presbyterian Church. It was a beautiful show and very educational.

We had a guided walking tour of Homestead Gardens in May. Marie White and Marty Harmon presented afterwards an herbal Teas and Tastes affair - most delicious. We held our annual flea market on May 17. We had a plant exchange in June.

We won citations for Outstanding Achievement and the Yearbook Certificate of Merit.

We have continued our project at Holloway Park under the direction of Betty Abercrombie and Roger Neilan. Roger planted more perennials on the hill and bulbs and annuals were planted in the entrance bed. We continued to weed and water all summer.

We have had a very productive year and we are looking forward to another rewarding year.

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