The garden club met at the home of Dottie Singleton on November 10, 1983 at 7:30 p.m. Vice President Margaret Hicks introduced our guest speakers for the evening, Carolyn Bean and Michael Lipman from the Accokee Garden Center. Carolyn and Michael demonstrated several arrangements with silk and dried plant material - some with a Christmas theme. They presented hints on preserving plant material and how to make various kinds of bows. They were charming in their presentation and invited our club to visit them during their Open House December 3 & 4.

President Anne DeBoeser called the meeting to order and welcomed our guest, Joan Davis and Esther Neckere. The roll was called and the minutes read and approved.

Treasurer Ann Rawlings gave a report of income and expenses with a balance of \$223.59.

Civic Development Chairman Peggy Martin reported the bicycle path will soon be started.

Design Chairman Julie Harrison reported she will have a workshop @ 7 p.m. on November 22. Each member should bring their own material and supplies.

Education Chairman Ann Williams reminded us that a house plant is any plant that adapts to the house. She reported we should fit our plants to its container - look for healthy foliage and for blooms and buds when we select a plant. She also reminded us that the later we plant our bulbs - the later they will bloom.

Federation Delegate Jimmie Nell Finley reported that at the First General Meeting, the new officers were introduced and slide show from Japan was presented. All refreshments served were made with recipes from the Federation cookbook. An auction will be held in March with date to be announced.

Horticulture Chairman Karen Somers was absent.

Program Chairman Margaret Hicks reported that a trip to Stillridge Herb Farm is booked for October 18, 1984.

Publicity Chairman Vivian Lynn - an article has been placed in Gazette Newspaper.

Sunshine and Telephone Chairman Marie White - no report.

Unfinished Business: The revised by-laws were presented to each member. The lovely new booklets were presented to each member by Anne DeBoeser. They were created by Anne and Marie. Anne reminded us of the Christmas party on December 10 @ Vivian Lynns. The Surratts House Victorian Christmas Decoration project will be on December 10 and must be removed by Dec. 14.

New Business: Anne DeBoeser reported that Janet Shreve has resigned and that leaves us with no program or place for the December meeting. Joyce Meyer offered to have the meeting at her home. It will be a workshop w/greens in preparation for the Surratt House project. Jimmie Nell, Peggy and Ann Williams will serve on the Greens committee. Peggy reported the pecans are due on Nov. 16. Anne Deboeser reminded us to visit the Botanic Garden to see the show "A Capital Christmas" Nov. 29 - Dec. 4. Peggy reported Jimmie Nell had made a lovely flower arrangement for her church with mums grown in her garden. Peggy also invited us to attend Hilltop Garden Club meeting on Friday to a program by Col. Thompson on Lilies. Anne DeBoeser welcomed Esther Neckere into membership of the Clay Breakers.

A raffle was held to increase the treasury.

Meeting adjourned.

Delicious refreshments were served by our hostess.

Betty Y. Abercrombie
Recording Secretary