Mount Airy Clay Breakers Garden Club Minutes November 12, 2009, Meeting

Program. Table Settings

Joyce Meyer and Linda Millette each put together a table setting. Joyce's was for New Year's Eve. It was very elegant, especially her arrangement which was finished off with a Bird of Paradise feather. Linda's was a warm and cosy Victorian Christmas theme set off with her soup, salad, and entreé dishes.

We will not have a program in December.

Attendance. 13

Minutes. Pugh

Correspondence Secretary. No report.

<u>Treasurer</u>. The Club's Treasury has \$1,124.76.

Historian. No report.

Committee Reports

CIVIC DEVELOPMENT. No report.

<u>CONSERVATION</u>. Marian introduced a book, "The Better World Shopping Guide," that she found in the library. It describes myriad ways that we can help conserve our natural resources when we shop. One good example was how to avoid buying anything that has been manufactured in a sweatshop.

<u>HORTICULTURE AND DESIGN</u>. Lorraine's topic was the yellow Poplar, otherwise known as the tulip tree, which is part of the magnolia family.

MEMBERSHIP. No report.

PHOTOGRAPHY. No report.

<u>PUBLICITY & NEWSLETTER</u>. Julie Harrison gave out some copies of the May 9 article that the *The Washington Post* did on Gilda Allen's work as an environmentalist and conservationist. It highlighted just a few accomplishments that Gilda has achieved during her career. I have copies for anyone who hasn't read it.

<u>SUNSHINE</u>. Arminta sent birthday cards to Pam, Marcia, and Jackie P, get-well cards to Carol and Mary Jane, and a sympathy card to Elaine for her mother.

TELEPHONE. No report.

<u>WAYS & MEANS REPORT</u>. Lorraine brought in some iris bulbs that members bought for 25 cents each. Mary Beth also brought her Arbor House trunk show of gardening

tools for sale. Lorraine Leonard submitted evidence for the Club's Book of Flowers project for the Veterans.

<u>OLD BUSINESS</u>. Julie reminded those who wished to, to bring a hand-made wreath to the next meeting. A prize will be awarded. She also said if we wished we could bring our secret sisters' gifts as well as our exchange gifts. We should also let Lenay know what type of dish we would be bringing to Pam's house.

NEW BUSINESS.

Linda talked about an artistic getaway in Mexico that she will be taking next year. It's run by a couple from Massachusetts and they provide classes on cooking, painting, and sculpting for all levels of art enthusiasts. If you might be interested in learning more about it, see Linda for more information.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m. A 50/50 was held.

Respectfully submitted,

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