

MOUNT AIRY CLAY BREAKERS GARDEN CLUB - June 14, 1984

The garden club met at the home of Margaret Hicks on June 14, 1984. Vice President Margaret Hicks called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and welcomed our guest, Elaine Arnold and our guest speaker, Charmaine Trusdell. The roll was called and the minutes read and approved.

Treasurer Ann Rawlings was absent.

Chairman

Civic Development Peggy Martin reviewed our Holloway Park project. In October 1982 approximately 200 daffodil bulbs were planted, also cherry laurels, pacific junipers and liriope were planted according to the plan by Audrie Whitney, Landscape Design Critic. A Korean Dogwood was planted in May 1983. In May 1984 Roger Neilans delivered all materials to the park and laid the bicycle path with black plastic, landscape timbers and mulch. Grey Singleton helped also. Peggy Martin and Betty Abercrombie removed the liriope and planted two pacific junipers. Peggy, Betty and Ann Williams planted geraniums and ageratums that were donated by Hilltop Garden Club. Roger Neilans donated a beautiful Rhododendron that was planted by Al Abercrombie under the trees with the daffodils. Peggy and Betty purchased Peonies for Roger in appreciation for all his time and work at the park. Peggy submitted a bill for \$92.70 for the entire project. Peggy distributed a maintenance sheet for watering the plants during the summer months and members signed up for a week.

Design Chairman Julie Harrison - no report.

Federation Delegate Jimmie Nell Finley reported District I will meet in September.

Publicity Chairman Vivian Lynn was absent.

Sunshine and Telephone Chairman Marie White reported everyone is well.

Program Chairman Margaret Hicks reminded us of the day trip to Stillridge Herb Farm in Woodstock on October 18.

Education Chairman Ann Williams gave a report on low maintenance for your yard. Keep it simple, if a large area, turn some into a meadow. Place mowing strips to edge flower beds, trees and shrubs. Concentrate on perennials, use mulch. Plant shrubs in clusters, evergreens are low maintenance. Have a happy and carefree summer.

Horticulture Chairman Karen Somers was absent.

Unfinished business: Vice President Margaret Hicks asked for workers to staff Arbor House during the Summer. Jimmie Nell will work in June, Ann Williams in July and Peggy Martin in August. Margaret reported the trip to London Town was very interesting - like a miniature arboretum.

New business: Peggy Martin presented applications for Prince Georges County Beautification Awards. There are many catagories and we are encouraged to enter. We decided to enter our Holloway Park landscape project. Margaret stated that the Lily show will be June 23-24. Margaret asked for volunteers to audit the treasury books before September. Peggy Martin and Julie Harrison volunteered. Julie will handle the arrangements for our annual August picnic.

Margaret welcomed Elaine Arnold into membership of the Clay Breakers.

Installation of the new officers was conducted by Margaret Hicks.

A raffle was held to increase the treasury.

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Meeting adjourned.

Mrs. Charmaine Trusdale, Accredited Flower Show Judge and Landscape Design Critic presented a program on Flower Arranging. She made several lovely arrangements and was charming in her presentation and generous in sharing her expertise with us.

Delicious refreshments were served by our hostess.

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