

Agenda

Mt. Airy Clay Breakers Garden Club

April 10, 2008

- Call to order
- Welcome
- Minutes and Roll Call: Arminta
- Treasurers' Report: Elaine / Mary Beth
- Civic Development: Lorraine
- Horticulture Tidbit: Marian
- Conservation Tidbit: Gilda

Business

Items for Discussion:

- Plant and "attic treasures" sale: Ways and Means Committee (Carol/Julie).
- Tour of U.S. National Arboretum
- May meeting (garden tours, plant exchange and critique of dish gardens).
- June meeting (meeting place to be decided).
- Flower arrangement workshop for military veterans for Memorial Day.

Selection of Nominating Committee

The following Executive positions to be filled for the new season:

- a.) President
- b.) Corresponding Secretary
- c.) Treasurer

Other Items of Interest

- a.) Visit to the Capital Hill Garden Club.
- b.) Participation of some members in some spring garden tours.

Other Business:

Announcements

The following District I Awards for 2007 were given to the Club:

1. Garden Club Achievement Citation
2. Yearbook Certificate of Merit
3. Community Projects Citation
4. Anniversary Certificate – 30 years
5. Arbor House Volunteer Citation
6. Holiday Outreach Certificate
7. NCAGC Plus one Membership Certificate
8. Financial Supporters Certificate

The following NCAGC Awards for 2007-2008 were given to the Club:

1. Certificate of Appreciation for contribution to renovation of Fern Valley and the Chesapeake Bay Foundation.
2. Certificate of Recognition for increase in membership 2007.
3. Certificate of Appreciation for Arbor Home Service.

Fifty/fifty

Refreshments

Adjournment

MT. AIREY CLAY BREAKERS GARDEN CLUB
MINUTES – April 10, 2008

At our April meeting, we met at the Holloway Park to look at the drought-tolerant plants the club had planted at the entrance and the area behind the tennis courts. We then toured the beautiful gardens of Pam Smart and Marian Moreland. Pam had light refreshments. Marian had a raffle and passed out exquisite vases and flower containers that were the possessions of Peggy Martin and were graciously donated by KENNY MARTIN. We were given his address so that we could send him a thank you note. At the home of the hostess, Carol Ober, we explored her lovely garden before the meeting. Carol provided club members with delicious refreshments infused with edible plants and flowers.

Meeting was called to order by the President, Sonia Johnson. There were 15 members present and no guests.

MINUTES from the March 13th meeting were read by Julie Harrison and were accepted as read.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Mary Beth reported a balance of \$1005.08 ^{61,048.13}

CONSERVATION – No report

HORTICULTURE & DESIGN – Marian reminded us about the dish garden competition. The last frost in our area is May 14th. No formal program was presented but Carol talked about edible flowers in our garden and passed around violets and pansies for members to sample. A handout on edible flowers and weeds was provided to each member.

OLD BUSINESS -

LORRAINE, Sonia, Mary Beth and Julie visited the Capital Hill Garden Club meeting. They agreed that it was most interesting. Power point presentations were presented by club members. Sonia suggested that we visit other garden clubs. Gilda said she could arrange for a tour down the Potomac and it was recommended that it be put in the schedule for next year.

Julie commended Mary Jane on her outstanding newsletter

Sonia reminded everyone about the plant sale scheduled for April 26th at Julie's home. She also suggested bringing attic treasures as well as plants. A schedule was passed around for everyone to sign up – at least three people were needed for each shift. Members were told to put names on plants. The availability of chairs, tables and signs for the sale was discussed. Julie requested that the first shift arrive at least one hour early to help set up.

Elaine Arnold suggested a second flower sale the Lions Park on Saturday May 10th. A table would only cost \$20.00

Lorraine Leonard talked about the tours and displays at the Arboretum. The Bonsai display is on 2, 3, and 4 May. She also mentioned that the irises and azaleas will be in bloom and suggested that members tour in small groups and recommended Saturday because she would be available. She also reminded member to write to the Budget Committee concerning the four million dollar cut in the National Arboretum's budget. Sonia suggested that individual letters be sent.

NEW BUSINESS – Sonia mentioned that several positions will be open to include the president, and corresponding secretary and treasurer. The nominating committee will make recommendations.

Pam made a motion for a change of venue for our **June** meeting and recommended Topolino's. Julie second it. Discussion: Topolino's is too noisy and there isn't a separate room for the meeting and installation of officers. Joyce made a motion to have the meeting at her home and Gilda second the motion. All approved. Members are asked to bring a dish and Jackie George will coordinate.

Sonia suggested that we postpone the flower arrangements for veterans until November..

NEXT MEETING Will be held on Thursday, May 8, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. meeting. We will tour the gardens of Lorraine Leonard, Julie Harrison, Sonia Johnson and Arminta Donovan. Members were asked to bring dish gardens for critique. We will also have our annual plant exchange

A Fifty-Fifty was held and won by Ann De Boeser.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Iona J. Black, Acting Recording Secretary