

MT. AIRY GARDEN CLUB--October 9, 1986

The October 9, 1986, meeting of the Mt. Airy Garden Club was held at the home of Lynn Miller.

Mattie Martin who was providing our program for the evening was introduced by Anne Williams. She proceeded to give a fascinating demonstration of several different arrangements using driftwood, plaited wreaths, gourds, dried flowers, and different fresh flowers. The results were truly breathtaking. Following the program we enjoyed delicious refreshments.

The minutes were approved as read and the roll was taken. There were 13 members and 5 guests present. They were Rosalee McGovern, Peg Stovall, Marian Moreland, Nancy Torsani and her houseguest. Our treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$223.38. Phyllis Tucker read a thank you note from Greg Kearns, the park naturalist who did such a good job when we went to the Jug Bay area. He is giving the gift we sent him to the Jug Bay Museum.

For committee reports:

Civic Development: Betty Abercrombie reported she had purchased four chrysanthemums and placed them in the flowerbed in the park.

Design: Anne DeBoeser talked about the class with Mary Keener.

Federation Delegate Anne Williams mentioned the upcoming Chrysanthemum Show and the Xmas Greens show and talked about the Chesapeake Bay Foundation program and the Federation meeting.

Our program for November will be a dried wreath workshop. It will probably be held at Concordia Lutheran church. There was discussion of the possibility that a workshop will be held on the Saturday or Sunday prior to the meeting date so that we can finish the wreaths on the meeting night instead of having them half finished.

Jimmi Nell Finley gave the horticulture report on needled evergreens. There are six shapes of narrow leaved plants, rarely needing fertilizer, mostly needing routine care such as pruning.

Telephone: Marie White asked that members of her committee call her back after their contact with members so that she can let the hostess know how many are attending.

Ways and Means: A suggestion was made that the dues be doubled from \$7.50 to \$15.00 and that we not rely as heavily on our fund raising activities. A motion was made to this effect by Joyce Myers with Anne Williams seconding the motion. The motion carried. It will take effect next spring and will not affect persons joining in the current year.

Also, JoAnn Davis talked about using Iverson Mall for a Bake Sale on 12/6/86 at 10:00 A.M. Other items will also be sold. Workshops will be set up at the November meeting. She needs lots of help.

Elaine Arnold spoke about the junior Garden Club. She is selecting the children now; she will probably have about 12 children from 3rd grade up. The first meeting will be held on the third Friday of October; about six meetings a year. She is also asking for help.

Peggy made several announcements:

1. Esther Neckere had an organizational chart and exhibit in the District I flower show.

2. Peggy gave a big thank you to the persons who prepared the refreshments for the District I meeting and the P.G. Co. Awards '86.

3. Joyce, Peggy, JoAnn and Anne DeBoeser earned ribbons at the District I flower show and Esther Neckere received a special appreciation award from District I.

The meeting was adjourned.

Margaret Leche

Amended: 11/13/86: Blackberry lily seeds were given out to interested members from one of the displays at the District I show.