

MT. AIRY CLAY BREAKERS GARDEN CLUB - March 9, 1995

President Dotty Sisson welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked the hostess, Phyllis Tucker, for having us in her home.

Dottie, Marie White and Peggy Martin attended the general meeting of District I at the National Arboretum today. Dottie announced our club's receiving the achievement award for clubs of 25 and fewer members and also an award for our yearbook. This award is given for content of the book and for appearance.

Minutes of the February meeting will be read in April.

Treasurer's Report: Marie reported income of \$ 20.00 for pecans and disbursements amounting to \$ 13.60 for sunshine. We have a balance of \$ 1,292.04. Dues are due now.

Program: Betty will have the next meeting at her house. The program will be slides of Monet's gardens.

Federation Delegate: Marie told of the probable closing of Great Oaks Center in 1996. What will happen to newly planted trees is uncertain.

Horticulture: Ann continued with her study of lillies. They are as old as roses, as reliable and long-lived as daffodils. The Madonna lily is pure white, should be planted 2" deep in the fall. It is fragrant and hardy. The Oriental lillies face out and the Asiatic lillies face up. The Regal lily blooms in July and is easy to raise from seed. The Tiger lily reseeds and blooms from July to September.

Unfinished Business: Betty said it might be well to have two or three categories in the Christmas judging of creatively wrapped gifts. She feels that it should be left up to the incoming president to make the decision.

New Business: Dottie Sisson appointed a nominating committee to select officers for the 1995-1996 term. She chose Marion Moreland, Phyllis Tucker, Peggy Stovall with Marion acting as chairman. They will report to the club in April.

Mike Miller, President of the Maryland Senate, has invited our club members to visit the Capitol while the House of Delegates is in session. Dottie will check this out and make a reservation.

The following people signed to furnish refreshments for the State Federation meeting to be held at the Arboretum on March 28: Peg Stovall, Ann Williams, Marion Moreland, Esther Neckere, May Kemp, Dottie Sisson, Marie White and Peggy Martin. Seiko Behr, the potter from Chestertown, MD, will be there demonstrating her pottery and selling, and Ikebana arrangers will do designs in her pots.

Phyllis Tuckers presented a program on decorating baskets with materials, using the "Stiffy Bow" technique. She had baskets to show her skills and she donated a lovely one to the winner of the door prize. Esther won this and Dottie won the 50/50 drawing.

Meeting adjourned.

Peggy Martin, for Margaret Hicks