

**Mount Airy Clay Breakers Garden Club**  
**November 14, 2019**  
**Minutes**

**Present:** Gilda Allen, Elaine Arnold, Marilyn Berkut, Iona Black, Connie Dalpra, Julie Harrison, Lorraine Leonard, Dot Lower, Joyce Meyer, Linda Millette, Diana Morse, Esther Neckere, Carol Ober, Pam Smart

**Absent:** Mary Beth Cecil, Deborah Determan, Arminta Donovan, Lucille Gwynn, Mary Woodruff

The Mount Airy Clay Breakers Garden Club met at The Chapel of the Incarnation in Upper Marlboro with members bringing bag lunches.

**Program:** The Woodend Sanctuary presented by Diana Morse, President, Mount Airy Clay Breakers Garden Club. As a member of the Audubon Naturalist Society, she briefed on the master plan -- Nature for All -- to restore the area to serve residents of the Washington DC region for years to come.

**Business Meeting:** Elaine did a roll call. October minutes were read and with minor corrections were accepted. A corrected copy will be sent to members. Dot reported a balance of \$1575.87 in our treasury as of October 31<sup>st</sup>. The Franklin's lunch fundraiser on November 5<sup>th</sup> was a huge success. Twenty percent of the amount spent was donated to District 1. Diana thanked the phone committee for their calls to members.

**Conservation:** Lorraine read an interesting article in the Washington Post that offered suggestions on what to do with items that can't be recycled. For instance, mesh bags can be used as scrubbers when doing dishes. Drycleaners bags should be put in the recycle bin at supermarkets along with plastic grocery bags. Shredded paper can be recycled but only if placed in a paper bag and stapled securely at the top.

Lorraine also demonstrated eco friendly flower arrangements. Fill empty containers with pinecones. Or use foliage from your garden, i.e., holly and boxwood branches and arrange in a container and it will last indefinitely if watered regularly.

**Horticulture:** Julie informed us that the pumpkin is a squash native to North America and cited 9 nutritious facts about the pumpkin

**Sunshine:** A birthday card was sent to Marilyn Berkut.

**Fundraising:** Julie reminded everyone of the bucket for donations in lieu of the plant sale. We have a balance of \$185.00 so far.

**New business and announcements:**

- Members were reminded of our Annual Pot Luck Christmas gift exchange
- Suggestions for games/entertainment were discussed

Carol Ober won the 50/50. The meeting adjourned at 2:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted  
Iona Black, Recording Secretary