

MT. AIRY CLAY BREAKERS GARDEN CLUB
MINUTES – OCTOBER 2001

We began the evening with lovely refreshment served by Susan Hannin. The program was "Gardening with Native Plants". Billie Trump gave a slide presentation and handout on using native plants to give your garden a natural look. She also stated that we should leave some of the leaves and sticks that are left over after raking the yard in the fall. They will disappear and make mulch for the plants.

The October meeting was called to order at 8:30 p.m. Roll Call was taken, there were 12 member present.

Minutes from September were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report: Balance as of 10/10/01 is \$1,298.40 was given by Peg Stovall.

Horticulture: Ann Williams brought a flowering maple. Betty Abercrombe talked about the peace lily. It's grown for its fragrant flower. Needs medium light not direct sunlight and it flowers in spring or summer. Susan Hannin had beautiful plant to show us. Mae and Julie have the peace lily in the vase with their Beta Fish.

Conservation: Information was passed around about a tree a thon. We are supposed to keep a record of the trees that are planted by the members. We are to submit a picture of the tree and a with the type of tree. Marion Moreland passed around information from the Arbor Day Foundation so that we can obtain 10 free flowering trees.

Correspondence: Sympathy Cards were received from Jane Gravely, District I, and from NCFGF for Peggy Martin.

Civic Development: The clean-up of Holloway Park took place on Sept. 15th.

The program for November, Marion will be doing the hands on arranging. Everyone is asked to bring \$3.00 for plant material and either clippers or scissors.

Membership: Lyn Slaughter has resigned due to a change in her work schedule.

Sunshine: An arrangement was ordered for Peggy's Funeral. Mae brought up that we need a budget for the sunshine committee. It was decided the we set up a budget as follows:

- For the death of an immediate member up to \$50
- For the death of a family member up to \$20
- For the hospitalization of a member a fruit basket
- For an illness at home a plant
- For a member moving away a card and a garden memory book

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Old Business:

The flower show in a box is tabled until the receipt of more information.

For the anniversary dinner at the Holiday Inn, Susan checked on the arrangements

This would be for the March meeting and it would cost approximately \$30 - \$35
A motion was passed to include husbands and guests. A final decision has been
Tabled in order to check other restaurants.

The plant exchange has been tabled to the next meeting.

Garden Therapy: Lorraine and Susan will be visiting a group home in the Crestview
Area of Clinton. The information was obtained from the Arc of Prince George's
County. Lorraine has information on proposals and Homestead Gardens showed
An interest in seeing it. She will also do further research with other nurseries.

New Business:

Susan passed out handouts from District I.

Peggy's memorial was brought up and we will entertain thoughts and ideas at
The next meeting.

Peg Stovall made a motion that we donate \$100 to the Clinton Presbyterian Church
In Peggy Martin's memory. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

The election of a new membership chairperson has been tabled to the next meeting.

Dorothy Weberling, The District I representative discussed the meeting. They are
Looking for new members. Also she discussed the Tree Bear Book, which would
Make a great Christmas present for a child. They are \$15 each or 3 for \$42.

Julie Harrison made a motion to adjourn and Mary Jane Bishop seconded it. Meeting adjourned
at 10:00 p.m.

The 50/50 was won by Ann Williams

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jane Bishop