

MOUNT AIRY CLAY BREAKERS GARDEN CLUB
MINUTES - December 11, 2008

The Club met for our annual Christmas Potluck and Gift Exchange celebration at the home of Gilda Allen. Gilda's home was beautifully decorated and there were beautiful tables set for all to dine. Gilda was a very gracious hostess.

After dining on lots of delicious foods, the Meeting was called to order at 9:00 PM by President, Julie Harrison. There were 18 Members present and one Guest, Carol Ober's daughter, Lisa. Each member responded to the December question "Share an established Christmas or Hanukkah tradition".

MINUTES from the November 2008 Meeting were read by Arminta Donovan, Recording Secretary. Correction: Organic Gardening Class fee was \$30.00 not \$70.00.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Elaine Arnold reported \$1,307.42 in the Treasury. \$50.00 profit was made on the Bulbs sale. Budget Committee has not met.

SUNSHINE - Mary Beth made a visit to Marilyn Berkut.

HISTORIAN - Pam Smart had no report.

CONSERVATION - Gilda Allen had no report.

MEMBERSHIP - Sonia Johnson had no report.

HORTICULTURE - Marian Moreland, Sonia and Elaine went to Homestead's Poinsettia Farm to see all the spectacular plants and then had lunch at Killarney House.

PUBLICITY - Mary Jane said she appreciated receiving the monthly Minutes from Arminta.

TELEPHONE - LeNay and Iona had no report. Julie thanked Gilda for her hospitality in hosting the Christmas party. As a courtesy to the Hostess, she asked that Members respond when called by the Telephone Committee. She also asked the Telephone Committee to remind the members who were not at a Meeting that they were missed with hopes that they can attend the next Meeting.

WAYS AND MEANS - Lorraine said there are a few bulbs left

and are priced at 1/3 off.

OLD BUSINESS - Marilyn received a letter from Marge of Hilltop Garden Club thanking those who helped with the Christmas decorating at "His Lordship's Kindness". She also thanked Marilyn for providing a lovely Lunch. Pam said that "many hands made light work" - decorating was finished in about two (2) hours and it was a lot of fun. Those who decorated were Julie, Pam, Mary Beth, *Linda* Joyce, Marilyn and Arminta. The Manager of the estate offered to speak at one of our Meetings next year. Julie presented a gift to Marilyn in appreciation of hosting the Luncheon.

NEW BUSINESS - Julie received an E-Mail concerning District I's very needy Project - "Prospect Hill Cemetery" which is located on North Capitol Street near Washington Hospital Center. There are Civil War veterans buried there. After discussion, a Motion was made by Ioana Black and Seconded by Marilyn Berkut to donate \$100.00 - Motion passed.

NEXT MEETING - Thursday, January 8, 2009 at 7:00 PM at the Home of Mary Jane Bishop.

A Fifty-Fifty was held.

There being no further business, the Meeting was adjourned at 9:35 PM.

Gift Exchange was held and everyone seemed happy!

Respectfully submitted,

Arminta G. Donovan
Recording Secretary