

## THE MOUNT AIRY GARDEN CLUB

The October 12, 1989 meeting of the Mount Airy Clay Breakers was held at the home of the recording secretary, Dottie.

Our program was first with a demonstration of Bonsai, or "tree in a pot". Martha Meehan of Meehan's Miniature suggested we use tropical (indoor) plant material. She then explained the different plant types to be used.

She gave us tips on how to take care of and water Bonsai and talked about the soil that was used. Six members participated in assembling the kits and all seemed happy with the results.

*Roll Call - 12 members present*

Refreshments were served by hostess Dottie.

Meeting opened at 8:50 p.m. by President with twelve members present.

Inspirational given by Marion.

Treasury Report: Deposit \$10.00; Balance ~~\$5~~ 987.87.

Ways and Means - Marie asked for Baked Goods for the fair held December 1st. Let Marion know what you will send.

Peg mentioned the District 1 General Meeting. Leonard Thorp did flower arrangements. Material used was from the National Arboretum (nothing from a florist). The meeting was held at the Arboretum.

Design - Dottie did a line design composed of cattails and crysanthemums in an Icelandic bowl.

Horticulture - Peg brought specimens of faciated Willow and corkskrew Willow.

Marie announced that she had cookbooks from the National Capital Area Federation of Garden Clubs for sale at \$3.00.

Marie, our President, asked club members for their vote to send \$25.00 to the Chesapeake Foundation. All were in favor.

Marie brought up the fact that hostesses for the Christmas green show are needed. Also needed is help for decorating one of the doors at the show. She will come up with a date to get together and work on it.

Also, the National council would like to have a "friendship garden" behind the Arbor house at the Arboretum. they are asking each member to donate \$1.00.

It was suggested that we save receipts from Fantles Drug-store as they will give a percentage to the Garden Club.

There is Open House December 4th at the Christmas Greens Show.

There will be a Fashion Show April 25 for District 1 at Oxon Hill Manor.

There will be a tour of Georgetown April 21.

Federation - Ann

The federation is voting to raise dues from \$1.50 to \$4.00. The next meeting will be on the 28th with slides on National Parks.

Betty A won the door prize - a Audobon calendar.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

*Dorothy L. Hanson*