

Minutes of the Mt. Airy Claybreakers Garden Club  
10 June 2010 meeting

President Julie Harrison opened the 10 June 2010 meeting of the Mt. Airy Claybreakers Garden Club at 6:30 pm at Mama Stella's restaurant in Clinton, MD. From the head table, which was graced with an arrangement of hydrangea blooms, she welcomed a group of thirty—members and their guests—and presented a list of club achievements during the past year. Lorraine Leonard made a special presentation to 11 year-old Mary Rourke who won the National Poetry Award sponsored by National Garden Clubs Inc. for a Haiku on the theme of "nature's song." Mary was sponsored by the Mt. Airy Claybreakers Garden Club.

Anne Deboeser installed the new officers for the 2010-2011 year:

President:	Julie Harrison
Vice President:	Gilda Allen
Recording Secretary	Esther Neckere
Corresponding Secretary	Marsha Kirchoff
Treasurer	Elaine Arnold
Historian	Linda Millette

**Old Business** The minutes of the May meeting were read, but all committee reports were postponed until the September meeting.

Plans for the Children's Garden club project at the Lutheran Church were discussed, and the tours of members gardens for the following Saturday were announced.

**New Business** We welcomed a new member—Ms. Pat Hall, who was introduced by Sonia Johnson, membership chairperson. Results of the members' votes on upcoming programs included topics such as garden pests, landscape and arrangement design, orchids, and a visit to a tea room. Gilda Allen has solicited more program topics from members for planning purposes. Marilyn Burket discussed making Veteran's Day flower arrangements for the Charlotte Hall facility. Lenay O'Quinn distributed coupons from Heaven's Gardens, and each member received a lovely suncatcher. Plants were also distributed as door prizes.

The picnic meeting was planned for 31 July at Joyce Myers' house. The picnic was subsequently held, with tours of Joyce's garden as a bonus. Pathways led through her garden, which landscaped with hydrangeas, hollies, mahonias, hostas, and numerous other shrubs, annuals, and perennials.

The next meeting will be held on 9 September 2010 at Iona Black's home at 7:00

Respectfully submitted,  
Esther Neckere, Recording Secretary