

MOUNT AIRY CLAY BREAKERS GARDEN CLUB
MINUTES - November 13, 2008

The Club met at the home of Julie Harrison. Delicious refreshments were enjoyed by all.

PROGRAM - "The Heart of the Home". Marilyn Berkut introduced the three (3) members who had created festive Table Settings... Julie Harrison's Thanksgiving Table Setting, Sonia Johnson's Spring Setting and Ioana Black's Christmas Setting. Julie showed us how a Luncheon setting can be made into a Dinner setting by just removing certain pieces and adding others. All the settings were beautiful and very creative.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:50 PM by President, Julie Harrison. There were 17 Members present and one Guest, Marsha Kirchhoff. Each member responded to the November question "My favorite conifer is".

MINUTES from the October 2008 Meeting were read by Arminta Donovan, Recording Secretary. There was one Correction i.e., Budget Committee has NOT met.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Elaine Arnold reported \$1,271.23 in the Treasury.

SUNSHINE - A Thank-You was received from Marilyn Berkut for the Red Camellia sent by the Club in remembrance of her son who passed away suddenly in October.

HISTORIAN - Pam Smart had no report.

BUDGET - Elaine said Committee has not met.

CIVIC DEVELOPMENT - Lorraine said that Hollaway Gardens looks nice and she suggested that we plant a few bulbs.

CONSERVATION - Gilda Allen gave out more information about rain barrels. Free rain barrels are also available thru the Chesapeake Bay Alliance and Baltimore Coca-Cola Bottling Co.

HORTICULTURE - Marian Moreland brought a white Azalea from her garden named "Encore" which is blooming in November. There will be a trip to Homestead Gardens on Tuesday, November 18 to view the Poinsettias in the greenhouses on Governor Bridge Road. Spring Bulbs can be

planted until January. She urged us to plant terrariums, also to plant Fox Gloves, Nicotiana and other outdoor plants in a sunny window with at least a 40 degree temperature. These can be used as gifts.

MEMBERSHIP - Sonia handed out Linda Millette's information to members who were not at the last Meeting.

PUBLICITY - No Report - Mary Jane was absent from the Meeting. She sent the October Newsletter to members.

TELEPHONE - Iona had no report. LeNay was absent.

WAYS AND MEANS - Esther has Bulbs for sale tonight. She and Lorraine will be selling them after the Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS - The GARDEN STUDIES CLASS at the National Arboretum on November 5 and 6th was attended by Diana, Julie and Elaine. It was very informative and enjoyable. Everyone "passed". There will be another Class in the Spring. Julie passed around a huge Crepe Myrtle picture from the National Arboretum showing the many different varieties and colors. The TEA AT HIS LORDSHIP'S KINDNESS will be held on December 6th., therefore we need to decorate either on December 4th or 5th. Marilyn will attend the Hilltop Garden Club Meeting this week and find out more information. Several members volunteered to help decorate the mansion. Arminta read a history of His Lordship's Kindness dating from the 1700's. Pam reported on the MIDDLEBURG GREENS & GARDEN SHOW on December 6th. Car Pools will be available and those who are interested can also stay with at Pam's house which is about a half hour from Middleburg.

NEW BUSINESS - CHRISTMAS POTLUCK & GIFT EXCHANGE will be held at the home of Gilda Allen on Thursday, December 11th. Gift limit \$10.00. A Potluck food sign-up sheet was passed around, but if you decide later what you would like to bring, call Gilda. Lorraine attended the "MORNING OF DESIGN" and told us there will be another session in the Spring. Cost was \$3.00. Arminta showed a picture from The Washington Post of an arrangement of a single Ozukuri Chrysanthemum with 200 blooms in aligned tiers in a pot.
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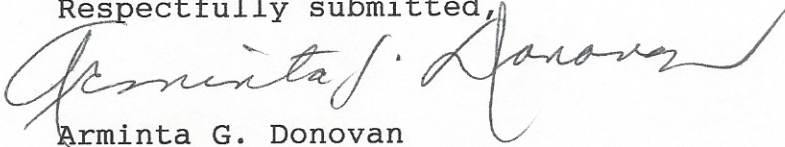
She also told us that Lorraine and Don Leonard recently celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary. Gilda said she will be involved in hands-on Organic Gardening Class to be held on November 23rd. Cost \$70.00

NEXT MEETING - Thursday, December 11, 2008 at 7:00 PM at
the Home of Gilda Allen.

A Fifty-Fifty was held.

There being no further business, the Meeting was adjourned
at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Arminta G. Donovan
Recording Secretary

cc: Julie
