

October 2016

The Mt. Airy Clay Breakers Garden Club met at 6:30 p.m. at Concordia Lutheran Church, Upper Marlboro, MD. There were 13 members present.

Program: Lenay O'Quinn hosted a workshop on leaf casting.

Treasurer: Pat Hall reported on the annual financial report.

Historian: Linda Millette did a report on the dues that were collected through the years. The first year the dues were \$5.00. In 1978 the dues were increased to \$6.50, in 1981 the dues were \$7.58, in 1987 the dues were \$15.00, in 1991 the dues were \$20.00. Then in 2014 we increased the dues to \$25.00 which are the current membership dues.

Civic Development: Lenay O'Quinn gave report in Pam Smart's absence. She reported that the garden at the Lutheran Church needs work. The boards around the garden need to be reinforced to keep the children from getting hurt.

Conservation: Diana Morse discussed planting productive plants to attract humming birds. She also suggested to plant different types of milkweeds together as they provide nectar for adult butterflies and plants for the larva.

Design: Lorraine Leonard talked about conditioning cut flowers and provided a handout. Joyce Meyer brought ~~and~~ lovely fall arrangement and Lenay O'Quinn brought a bouquet of roses and invited everyone to take one home with them.

Sunshine: Arminta Donovan sent a thank you note to Lorraine Leonard and Julie Harrison for hosting the picnic. She sent a get-well card to Carol Ober and birthday cards to Elaine Arnold and Pam Smart.

Old Business

Dupont Park Garden: Gilda Allen reported that there was an article in "The Visitor" which is a Seventh Day Adventist publication. She also had a video on the curriculum and before and after pictures of the gardens.

New Business

Julie Harrison is going to be out of town the week that of the Christmas meeting and asked if we could delay it one week to December 15th. Everyone agreed to change the date of the meeting.

Julie Harrison, Arminta Donovan and Dot Lower completed the audit of the financial records and everything was in order.

Julie Harrison presented the Arbor House Volunteers with a magnet in appreciation of their service. The volunteers are: Julie Harrison, Director, Joyce Meyer, Diana Morse, Dot Lower and Lorraine Leonard.

Linda Millette talked about the St Thomas Church fundraiser which is November 19th. She stated that we should not use baskets or dried flowers.

Reminders: The trip to the Adkins Arboretum is scheduled for October 29th and The Biltmore trip is scheduled November 6th - 10th.

50/50 was won by Diana Morse

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jane Bishop

Recording Secretary