**Mount Airy Clay Breakers Garden Club**

**September 10, 2020**

**Minutes**

Present: Gilda Allen, Iona Black, Deborah Determan, Arminta Dovovan, Julie Harrison, Lorraine Leonard, Dot Lower, Linda Millette, Diana Morse, Esther Neckere, Pam Smart

Absent: Elaine Arnold, Marilyn Berkut, Mary Elizabeth Cecil, Connie Dalpra, Lucille Gwynn, Joyce Meyer, Mary Woodruff

Members, we are trying out a new format this year that will include a social time and a testimonial before our regular meeting. We can make adjustments, if necessary, as time goes by.

**12:15**: Testimonial: Deborah Determan. Deborah began by saying that she was in Panera’s when Linda Millette overheard her saying she was a Master Gardener and wanted to join a Garden Club. Deborah and Linda became friends and Deborah has been a member of our Garden Club for seven years. She has appreciated the social and educational benefits of our club and has participated in many activities. Deborah concluded by saying being a member of our Garden Club has been a very good experience.

**1:00:** Informal Flower Arrangements: You Can Do It! Lorraine Leonard facilitated the following activities by getting three volunteers to show how easy it is to do flower arrangements with flowers from the supermarket

and/or from your own garden.

Esther: Impromptu/informal arrangements can be made by putting flowers into a container. She used the rule of three in her arrangement.

Pam demonstrated putting together a small arrangement in a jar with lights and black stones.

Arminta has provided flower arrangements for her church for over forty years! She said you must determine where your arrangement will go. Start with the greenery and work in 3’s.

**1:00** Roll Call: Members were asked “What is your favorite arrangement from your yard?”

**Sunshine** : Arminta sent get well, thinking of you and birthday cards to members of the garden club.

**Newsletter:** Special thanks to Pamand Mary for the wonderful newsletter.

**Treasurer Report:** Dot reported $1,821.57 in our account.

The minutes of the March meeting were approved with a correction to the no plant sale fund total.

President Diana Morse complimented Debra on our outstanding yearbook!

**Unfinished Business:**  A volunteer is needed to head up the garden visits and members to show off their beautiful flower gardens.

Julie thanked members for their cards and prayers. Good News—the tumors are shrinking!!!

The meeting ended at 2:00 o’clock

Iona Black, Secretary