Northern Virginia Azalea Society Meeting March 20, 2011

Our Social time with refreshments was from 1:30 to 2:00.

Our meeting was called to order by President Rick Bauer at 2:00PM

He introduced our speaker Karen Rexrode who spoke on "Garden Flow"

Though she showed no slides of azaleas all she said does apply to our Azalea gardens. A pleasing garden will have curves, unity, mass, mystery. Comfort and sure footing in walkways or not will indicate what kind of walk you have.

Minutes from the December were shown and accepted. Paul Beck gave the Treasurers report...

Announcements:

1. A hospitality assistant is needed to help Carolyn Beck.

2. We will have a cutting exchange at our July 10 meeting. We will need a volunteer to host this meeting. We will also need a host for the December 4 meeting.

3. Barbara Bullock needs volunteers at the National Arboretum Tuesday & Thursdays.

4. The Arboretum is looking for volunteer docents. Training will take place April 9.

Contact Tanya Zastrow at 202-245 4561.

A decision to remove azaleas at the National Arboretum has been reversed. FONA is trying to raise an additional 1 million to fund an endowment to maintain them long term. Coming events were announced.

April 13-14 we are headed to Charlottesville for garden tours. We have 15 to 19 people going. April 26 – National Arboretum visit. Meet Don Hyatt in garden. He will arrive at 9AM and be there all day.

April 27 – Barbara Bullock will speak at Potomac Valley Chapter of ARS at the Arboretum 1-3 on "Designing with Azaleas".

April 28 – May 1 – National Convention in Evansville, In.

May 14 – Green Springs Sale. Lee McElvain is Chairman. Motion was made by Rod

Hoioos to spend up to \$900 for plants. Second by Lee. Motion passed.

July 10 – Cutting Exchange

October meeting date to be announced.

Carolyn Beck would like foster parents for some of her azaleas.

Dave Nanney told us we have 40 books which can be checked out. Contact him and he will make them available to you.

Paul Beck showed a free Web site he had set up with Office Zilla.com. It would be accessible to members. Members will be deciding on having this web site. We had a plant exchange and the meeting was adjourned.

Members Present: Rick Bauer Rod & Mary Hoioos Barry Sperling Lee & Carole McElvain Paul & Carolyn Beck

Lars E. Larson Frances & Phil Lauer Milbrey & Larry Martin Kathy Andrews Jane Newman Ginger & Sam Burd Dave & Leslie Nanney

Secretary Hoives