Cliftondale Community Club, Inc. Draft Minutes December 10, 2007

The Cliftondale Community Club, Inc. hosted its traditional Christmas social gathering in place of a business agenda at its December 10 meeting, which was held at the Community House. About 35 members and guests were present.

Arrangements were handled by Vice President Teiola Porch, Secretary Gayle Lesser, and Director Julie Wachsler, who provided table decorations, beverages, plates and utensils, platters of chicken wings, vegetables and dips, and sweets. Those in attendance contributed appetizers and desserts as well. The result was a delicious light buffet and a meeting room brightened by the white tablecloths, colored lights, and decorations.

Vice-President Teiola Porch chaired the meeting. The minutes and Treasurer's report were dispensed with.

A program of memories and photographs of "olden times" in Cliftondale was provided. Ruth Campbell and John Worley recounted childhoods of growing up in a farming community with gristmills, muledrawn wagons, and cotton crops. Charlie Mitchell and Elbert Rowell told stories about Cliftondale and the early days of the Club in the 1950s and 1960s, including tales of the volunteer fire department and oldtimers. Mr. Mitchell provided a slide show of photographs from that era, including farmhouses, the volunteer fire truck, and "downtown Cliftondale" when it had a traffic light.

The meeting was adjourned.

Gayle Lesser, Secretary