



NATIONAL SOJOURNERS, Inc.

North Carolina Chapter No. 97

Fayetteville, NC

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Chapter President
Brother Bobby Joe Kitchen

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Camp Commander
Brother Don Wooster

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From the President:

(Editor's note: This was prepared for the July newsletter but space limitations forced me to move it to this month.)

I would like thank everyone who attended the meeting and installation. I'm very grateful to the Installing Officers and the National President Harry E. Sanders for taking time out of his busy schedule to be the Installing Officer.

Brethren as I said at the meeting, we, all of us have to work together to get new member into North Carolina Chapter # 97. One, or even a few will not work, IT WILL TAKE ALL OF US WORKING TO GET CHAPTER #97 TO WORK. Each and every one of you are on the committees and if you come up with an idea let us know, it may be a good one we can use. If you know a place you think may be a good place to go let Don Wooster know, he is the place person.

Brethren, Chapter Number 97 IS the OLDEST Sojourner Chapter in North Carolina. It has been down this road before. I know that a lot of you have worked long and hard and deserve a rest, but Chapter Number 97 NEEDS YOU!! So I'm asking everyone to pick up their pack and help with a membership drive that will continue from now on. We can not expect to bring in a few members and that will solve the problem, we have to keep adding members to stay alive.

Here are some of my ideas, 1. We need to be seen on Base. (See if we can set up a table at the Exchange, or where there is an activity going on.) 2. Ask at your Lodge if there is any one that has been in the Military. See if he's heard of the National Sojourners. 3. If Fayetteville is having an activity see if we can set up a Sojourners table. Each of you can let us know when something is happening.

These are just a few ideas. If you have any ideas let me know and we will see if we can do them. THIS IS YOUR CHAPTER AND IT NEEDS YOUR HELP!!!

It's not I, my, it's us, we, all of us, THE TEAM.

I hope to see all of you that can make at the next meeting, 27 July 2010, we need all the members that can be present there to help us continue to grow.

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Minutes - Monthly Meeting – July 27, 2010

Meeting Opened at 1830 by President, Bobby J. Kitchen with remarks on Purpose of National Sojourners

Invocation – Br. Dalton Mayo

Pledge of Allegiance – Led by President, Bobby J Kitchen

Toast to the Flag – Br. Andy Drenkhahn

Mite/Happy Box passed to attendee's. Contributions of \$25.00.

Presentation of Awards by President, B. J. Kitchen:

Hero's of 76' National Award of Excellence to Dalton Mayo,
Past Commander of Hero's of 76'

National Certificate to Don Wooster, Past President, Chapter 97

National Certificate to W. F. Scott, Past Secretary, Chapter 97

National Certificate to Dalton Mayo, Past Commander, Hero's of 76'

Break for Dinner

Meeting Re-opened at 1930 with presentation by President Kitchen on "Definitions of Up"
Followed by additional remarks on the purpose of National Sojourners and what we as Sojourners need to accomplish to increase membership.

President asked for Chapter Officer Reports.

Secretary – No Report at this time

Treasurer (Br. Don Wooster) – Br. Wooster provided results of Chapter Audit and current balance of Chapter 97 bank accounts. Audit letter provided to Secretary for records.

Br. Wooster initiated a discussion on location of future Chapter 97 meetings. Consensus of Opinion was to return to Hilltop Restaurant for next meeting. Br. Wooster also advised that a Hero's of 76' Bivouac was tentatively scheduled for September 16, 2010, with one initiate, Br. J. Owens.

President requested a Sick and Distressed Report. Br. Andy Drenkhahn advised on status and address for Br. Robert Carter

Meeting adjourned by President Kitchen at 2015.

From the Editor:

We need your help!

Over time, our membership roster has gotten a little out of date and needs revising. If you would please, take a minute to drop me a note with your name, current mailing address, phone number, and email address. We will use the information to update our rosters and notify you of news and upcoming events.

Send to: Ken Whichard, 1500 Darby Place, Goldsboro, NC 27534.

If you have email, send the info that way to: wkw@nc.rr.com

We really would appreciate your help!

Next Meeting

Hilltop Restaurant

Tuesday, August 24, 2010

Come at 1800 Hours

We'll Order and then open the meeting.

Hope to see you there!