

NATIONAL SOJOURNERS, Inc. North Carolina Chapter No. 97

Fayetteville, NC

September, 2010



Camp Commander Brother Don Wooster

Chapter President Brother Bobby Joe Kitchen

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Secretary/Adjutant

Brother John Keso

From the President:

Brethren, I would like to thank everyone who attended the meeting. I feel we had an outstanding meeting. Aaron Ayers reported on the Freedom Foundation from Pine Forest High School. He will be the Cadet Colonel of the ROTC this year.

Brother Roy Whitmire, a member of Chapter #97 who lives in Hendersonville is a member of The Committee of 33, he came to talk to us and see if we had any ideas that may help the National Sojourners, Inc. and Our Chapter work better.

Brethren, we're looking into getting a LCD TV to raffle off, to help raise money for sending Kids to Freedom Foundation. We will be sending out five tickets to each member to sell, the tickets will be \$5.00 each.

Brother Don Wooster is working with the Hilltop House Restaurant for a supply menu. It cost you about \$25.00 to \$35.00 each to go out to a good restaurant. (That's tip, drink, and meal)

The next meeting our program will be presented by a financial advisor. If you have anyone that you think has a good program please feel free to let me know.

Brethren as I've been saying at the meetings, we, all of us have to work together to get new members 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 Membership Committees and if you come up with an idea let us know, it may be a good one we can use. If you feel that you know of a good place to meet, let Don Wooster know, he is the time and place committee.

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 it at the next meeting, 28 September 2010, we need all the members that can be present there to help us continue to grow. The EXCOM meeting is at 5:15 PM this is for Officer's in line, Committee members, and any member that wants to attend. We will order dinner at 6:30 PM. Place: Hilltop House Restaurant.

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Minutes for Meeting of August 24, 2010

The Meeting was opened in the proper form at 1845 by President, Bobby J. Kitchen.

Invocation – Br. Don Wooster Pledge of Allegiance – Led by President, Bobby J. Kitchen Oath to the Flag – Br. Andy Drenkhahn

Mite/Happy Box passed to attendee's. Contributions of \$29.00.

President asked for the Chapter Officer Reports.

The Secretary's Report was provided by Br. Keso who advised that Chapter 97's historical files had been transferred by Br. Scott, Past Secretary and that corrections to the Chapter Roster were in progress. Br. Keso informed the members

present that a Chapter Roster would be mailed to each member for any needed corrections and specifically requested that e-mail addresses be provided/updated to enable electronic transmission of the Newsletter rather than regular mail.

Break for Dinner

Meeting Re-opened at 1950 by President Kitchen with continuation of Chapter Officer Reports.

Br. Don Wooster provided the Treasurer's Report and provided a copy to the Secretary.

Total balance of the two accounts as of July 31, 2010 is \$1,860.66. The Convention Account (\$269.30) is to be closed and the funds deposited in the General Account. Br. Wooster advised that contributions of \$1,000.00 and \$500.00 had been received from Wal Mart Corporation entities payable to Collingwood Foundation for students to attend Freedom Foundation. A discussion ensued on how to deposit these checks to ensure that Chapter 97 received the credit. Br. Andy Drenkhahn. Past Chair of the Americanism Committee advised that he had a separate account available for this purpose. Br. Wooster as Treasurer will determine the proper method for depositing these donations.

The President recognized Br. Drenkhahn who introduced Cadet Aaron Beyer of the Jr. ROTC Detachment at Pine Forrest HS, who was one of our attendees at this years Freedom Foundation. Cadet Beyer expressed his appreciation to the Chapter and provided a synopsis of his experiences at Freedom Foundation.

Old Business: None

New Business:

The President recognized Br. Roy Whitmire, Committee of 33 member, who advised the membership that he had been appointed by the National President to Chair a Committee to review and make recommendations to the National Officers on the Operations and Management of National Sojourners. Br. Whitmire solicited recommendations from our Chapters membership.

President Kitchen advised the Chapter that plans were underway for a fund raising raffle to provide funds for sending students to this year's Freedom Foundation outing.

The President advised that we need to continue to support the presentation of Sojourner's Medals to selected participants in the Junior ROTC Program. Actual presentation by Chapter members was recommended since it provides an additional opportunity to make the public aware of National Sojourner's.

Sick and Distressed: None

Meeting adjourned in proper form by President Kitchen at 2015.

Next Meeting Hilltop Restaurant Tuesday, September 28, 2010 Come at 1800 Hours We'll Order and then open the meeting. Hope to see you there!