

BLUE KNIGHTS MARYLAND I CHAPTER
APPROVED MINUTES OF THE MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2019
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:45 pm by **Chapter President Fred Allen** with prayer led by Rev. Paula Lester in the main meeting room of F.O.P. Lodge 89 in Upper Marlboro, MD.
2. No new memberships to be discussed, per VP/Treasurer **Byron Hope**.
3. Secretary's Report by **Judge El-Amin**: No minutes from last month (they were taken by Board Member Cheryl Crawley but she inadvertently misplaced them). Motion and seconded and approved that reading of minutes be dispensed with.
4. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer **Byron Hope** read; \$16,124.53 in Industrial Bank main checking account. Some expenditures enumerated; detailed monthly attached. Report approved.
5. **Vice President's report by Byron Hope**. Now has 80 renewals; we're seeking at least 100, in order to preserve "honoraries". Called out names of past members who haven't renewed.
6. Report on Maldonado Night, by **Earl Gatewood, Chair**. About 56 attendees. Consensus was that food was excellent. Here are the award-winners:
 - Richard Marino Award – None Given
 - Frank Gillespie High Mileage Award – Henry Seppi
 - William Holmes Honorary Award – Heywood Isler
 - Nancy Wooley Award – Cynthia Johnson
 - Distinguished Service Award – Cheryl Crawley
 - Presidential Award – Byron Hope
 - Blue Knight of the Year Award – Michael Williams
7. President's Report by **Fred Allen**. Next 4 General Membership Meetings: New Meeting Dates for next 4 months due to Citizens' Police Academy meeting on Monday nights, our meetings will be moved to TUESDAY NIGHTS March 12, April 9, May 14, June 11. Other meeting times and events:

- a. Mason-Dixon Conference Winter Meeting – Feb 15 – 17, 2019
- b. Crab Feast – August 2, 3 and 4. Cheryl Crawley is Chair
Next Crab Feast AND Mason-Dixon Conference meeting March 2,
1:00 pm at Cheryl Crawley’s home, 4110 Chariot Way, Upper
Marlboro, MD 20772

8. Quartermaster’s report: **Kenny Boone**. Still working on badges, exact number on hand undetermined; out of lapel pins. Moved and seconded that we purchase another 100 lapel pins. Motion WITHDRAWN based on discussion and tabled until Quartermaster gets PRICE estimate on new pins.

9. Webmaster’s Report: **Robert Freeman**. Robert reports that Website is having significant impact on families associated with MD I. Example: Mike Williams and others found special belt and was presented to **Lloyd England** through website. Daughter, Phyllis, found out about us through our Website. Lloyd’s number is 703-920-5981. 410 visits to Website last month, most of which were from Virginia and California. Ride to Tide is scheduled April 14. Recognized with round of applause. Cost is only \$27 per month + \$8.00 per month (with Homestead). Hasn’t received any compensation. Moved and seconded that we pay Webmaster for his work for last 27 months and \$35 per month going forward. Treasurer issued check to Robert on the spot in the amount of \$945.

10. Mason-Dixon Conferences, continued. Door Prizes: We have 80 or so already. **John Bull** Coordinating.

11. **Rev. Paula Lester’s** Birthday today.

12. Chapter Breakfast this past Sunday: Only 3 attended.

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13. **Mike Williams** has registration forms for Mason-Dixon Conference and West Virginia Wild and Wonderful weekend. Personal notes.

14. **Byron** noted that there’s a company called “ETA Cruises” on which you can take your motorcycle on an island cruise and ride around. He’s been to St. Maartin and Aruba.

13. "50/50" tonight, collected by **John-John**. \$58 total, won by **Allen Lester**.

The Meeting ADJOURNED at 8:47 p.m. with prayer led by **Rev. Lester**.

Recorded attendance: 28 members, attendance list attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Hassan A. El-Amin
Secretary

Approved:
Tuesday 3/19/19
