

# BLUE KNIGHTS MARYLAND I CHAPTER

## APPROVED MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2018

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:47 pm by Chapter Vice President and Treasurer, **BYRON HOPE**, with the opening prayer led by Mason-Dixon Conference Chaplain **Mike Williams** in the Meeting Room of F.O.P., Lodge 89, located in Upper Marlboro, Maryland. A moment of silence was held for those members in Heaven I.
2. Maldonado Night briefing by Committee Chairman **Earl Gatewood**. Members can pay online with PayPal or by contacting Board Members. 104 tickets issued. Board of Directors has selected 2019 awardees.
3. Secretary's Report: **Judge El-Amin** read minutes of November 13, 2018 General Membership Meeting. Approved with one change—date of St. Anne's Open House inserted: Sunday 12/2/18, attended by **Ronald Powell**.
4. Treasurer's report by **Byron Hope**. Current balance of \$16,124.53 in main checking account at Industrial Bank; \$1,153.36 in Industrial savings account; and \$10,359.63 in Capital One Bank Savings Account. Detailed report with expenditures attached. New account at Industrial Opened because PayPal indicated it would have trouble with different people authorized on same account. Easier just to open new account. Report approved without objection.
5. Bessie Smalls hearing took place on December 4; apparently was a pre-trial hearing. Trial now to proceed as scheduled.
6. M-Dixon Winter Conference: February 15, 16 and 17<sup>th</sup>.
7. No formal report from Quartermaster **Ken Boone**; just working on a couple of ideas.

### GOOD OF THE CHAPTER

**Mike Williams:** WV II: "Wild and Wonderful Knights" will be held June 7, 8 and 9 in Elkins, WV

**Gregory and Robin Davis:** Don't forget "Americade" June 3 – 8. Registrations filling up quickly

**Ronald Powell** collected 50/50. \$56, \$28 to winner, **Robert Freeman** (He declared he was donating his winnings to the Club--confirmation needed on that.)

**Heywood Isler** thanked everyone for help and good wishes he received.

Per **Mike Williams**, following members and family members are/were looking for outreach due to operations or illness: Heywood Isler and Wife Lillie, Fred Allen, Moses Kelly, John Bull, J.D. Perkins, Betty Boone, J.J. Lightner, Jamie Chase (VA II) Robert Stewart, Larry Murchison

**Judge El-Amin** announced the availability of Halal Chicken Sausage on sale in the back after the meeting.

**Eric Mines** gave “kudos” to **Byron** for riding his motorcycle to tonight’s meeting. Byron is the only one to have come on two wheels.

8. Adjournment: At 8:33 p.m., there being no further business, **V-P Hope** called on **Mike Williams** for closing prayer.

Record Attendance: 21 members, sign-in sheet attached.

(Note that **Rev. Bernard Taylor** showed up after most attendees had left.)

Respectfully submitted,

Hassan A. El-Amin  
Secretary