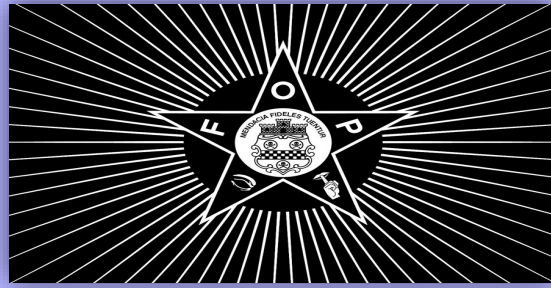


February 2025



Newsletter



THOUGHT
LEADER LIFE

President's Message

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The Essence of Holding Your Peace

Holding your peace is an ongoing journey of self-awareness and discipline. By prioritizing tranquility and guarding your mental space, you can create a life filled with serenity and strength. Remember, peace is as simple as a mental calm, and no one should be allowed to take advantage of it. Embrace the power of holding your peace, and let it transform your life.

"Doing more with Lodge 64 "

Secretary Corner

CallingPost is the platform that is used to send out information pertaining to meetings, training, events for the Lodge. It is sent to the email address and phone number that we have on file for you. **To receive the text message, it will come from "24251"** You must open the text and **type OK** in order for you to receive the text messages. **If you have unsubscribed in error to receive the emails from CallingPost, you will have to go to <https://apps.callingpost.com/email/subscribe> Once there, you will enter your email address and click on the "Yes subscribe to emails" button.**

Remember!!!

**Fulton County Lodge 64
website:
"GAFOPLODGE64.com"**

If you have not renewed your 2025 membership dues, you can make payments via Cash App (\$FCLodge64), PayPal (Go to the Fulton County Lodge 64 website-under Pay My Dues), cash, money orders or check made payable to **Fulton County Lodge 64**. **To avoid paying a late fee, deadline to pay your dues is March 1, 2025**

Payments: Active — \$120.00
Retired — \$60.00



**** 2025 General Meeting & Training Location****

**General Meeting, Thursday
February 27, 2025 @ 6PM**

Training starts at 5:00 PM before the meeting. Class topic - Elder and Dependent Abuse

**Woodward Academy Cafeteria
1662 Rugby Ave.
College Park, GA 30337**

**Light Refreshments will be served **

Upcoming Training Topics

- ♦ **March 8, 2025 Human Trafficking, Gang Awareness, and Mental Health**
- ♦ **March 12 and 13, 2025 Human Trafficking, Gang Awareness and Mental Health**
- ♦ **March 22, 2025 Use of Deadly Force De-escalation Options and Community Policing**

****Look for the CallingPost notification to sign up with Bro. E. Carter for the classes****

Fulton County Lodge 64 Training

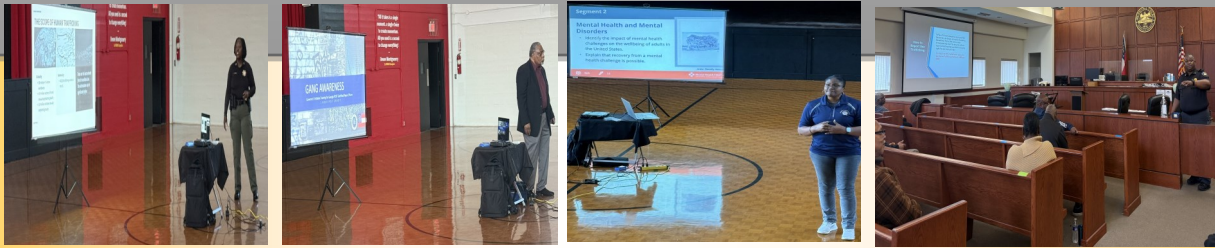


On February 5, 6, and 8, 2025, the Fulton County Lodge 64 Training Committee held two POST accredited training classes for its members at two separate locations. On February 5th and 6th training was held at the College Park Auditorium - 3633 Main Street College Park, GA., and on the 8th training was held at the Union City Courtroom—5060 Union St. Union City GA.

•On February 5th, Human Trafficking was instructed by Sis. LaPrincess Jenkins, Gang Awareness was instructed by Bro. Alston Scott and Mental Health was instructed by President Charlene Heard.

•On February 6th, Use of Deadly Force De-escalation Options was instructed by Officer Nicholas Duffey of College Park PD, and Community Policing was instructed by Sis. Joyce Farmer.

•On February 8th Human Trafficking was instructed by Bro. Elbert Carter and Bro. Joel Middlebrooks, Gang Awareness was instructed by Bro. Roderick Pittman, and Mental Health was instructed by President Charlene Heard. These classes are a part of the core training requirements that an officer has to have to maintain their POST requirements.



"FOP Day On The Hill"



The FOP Day On The Hill will be Monday, March 10, 2025 at 8AM. Everyone convene in the South Wing of the Capital at the steps on the second floor. FOP Day On The Hill in which local lodges convene under the Gold Dome of the State Capital and meet with Representatives to lobby and discuss issues and possible solutions that would be beneficial to the members of the Law Enforcement Community and Public Safety. We need all available members active and retired to participate with this event.

"Doing more with Lodge 64"

FOP State Scholarships



This year the Georgia State Lodge will offer 6 -\$1,000 scholarships to eligible members and their families. The types of scholarships are as follows:

- ♦ Jeff Wiggs Scholarship—named in honor of the state's past president for dedication to the FOP
- ♦ Truett Cathy Scholarship - members who have volunteered and served their communities while attending school
- ♦ Stan Elrod Scholarship - named in honor of our member Stan Elrod who was killed in the line of duty while training
- ♦ 2 unnamed scholarships
- ♦ Blueline Lawyer Scholarship - funded by Lance and Barbara Lorusso awarded to a member attending law school. Seeking a Criminal Justice Degree or a paralegal.

The period to apply is from January 31, 2025 to April 1, 2025. There must be a recommendation letter from either President Heard or Lodge State Trustee Jarvis included with the complete package. Contact the State Lodge at 770.485.7180 Dana Atwood gafopstatelodge@gmail.com for additional information and applications. Winners will be notified via email no later than June 30, 2025.

COMPLETED SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED AT THE GEORGIA STATE LODGE OFFICE NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2025.



FOP: Legal Defense Plan

Legal Defense Plan:

The FOP Legal Defense Plan is sponsored by the National Fraternal Order of Police and operated by the FOP Legal Plan, Inc. Legal defense protection is a necessity for law enforcement professionals. As the frequency and cost of allegations rise, the FOP Legal Defense Plan offers lodges and lodge members a very affordable and comprehensive plan with several options. The FOP Legal Defense Plan contracts with Plan attorneys to represent eligible participants when confronted with covered claims. Participants in the Plan have the right to select an attorney of their own choice.

Full Coverage Options:

Subject to terms, conditions, limitations and other exclusions, the FOP Legal Defense Plan is designed specifically to cover exposures that active law enforcement officers face every day. The FOP Legal Defense Plan will pay legal defense costs for covered duty-related administrative disciplinary actions, criminal, and civil (excess) lawsuits, including grand jury proceedings. The Legal Defense Plan coverage is a benefit of FOP membership. Available options and more details can be found at foplegal.com.

Eligibility: You must be an FOP member in good standing, employed by a federal, state or local government law enforcement agency, or employed by a law enforcement entity operated by a private college/university, private railroad or Native American tribal government (with some restrictions).

Retired Law Enforcement Concealed Carry Legal Defense Coverage (CCC):

The FOP Legal Defense Plan also offers separate unlimited legal defense coverage for civil and criminal claims associated with the legal carrying and/or use of a weapon for qualifying retired FOP members. Legal defense costs are covered in full when using a Plan attorney. Coverage is provided to not only those retirees who qualify under LEOSA, but also those retirees who qualify under their own state laws to carry a concealed weapon.

Eligibility: You must be an FOP member in good standing and certify that you are legally carrying a firearm within your state under that state's qualifications or meet all of the requirements set forth in LEOSA. In order to qualify, you must be a retired law enforcement officer from a public agency who, among other things, had powers of arrest while employed, retired in good standing after a minimum of 10 years of service (or have a duty disability), and must be legally carrying a concealed firearm or carrying such firearm in one's own home or vehicle at the time of the incident giving rise to a claim. More details can be found at foplegal.com.

****Contact Secretary A. Grooms for additional information: adriennegroomsfop@gmail.com or 470.215.1429 ****


"Remember to Invest in Yourself"

"Lodge 64 Varisty Jackets"

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**THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE
FULTON COUNTY LODGE 64 JACKETS**



THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS NEEDED:

1. JACKET NAME: _____ SIZE: _____

Specifications ×

	size
Model Number	JK
Collar	V-Neck
Feature	Anti-Pilling,Anti-Shrink,Breathable,Quick Dry
Gender	MEN
Material	COTTON,POLYESTER
Brand Name	NoEnName_Null
Origin	Mainland China
CN	Fujian
Sport Type	Running
Outerwear Type	JACKETS
craft	sewing,stitched,embroidery

These custom-made jackets will set you apart from any other organization. Please see the size chart. Contact Sis Andrea Thomas (andreathomas@fop.net) or 706.536.9362. The cost is \$125.00

ORDERS TAKE 3-4 WEEKS FOR DELIVERY

JERSEY SIZES MEN'S AUTHENTIC JERSEYS

SIZE	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL	6XL
JACKET SIZE/CHEST(IN)	44	46	48	50	52	54	58	60	62
LENGTH(IN.)	26	27	28	30	31	31	32	33	34

Revised: 11/11/2024

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"Happy Birthday
to all members

born during the month of February"



"Get Your \$\$ "Ready- We are headed to the Casino"



"Doing more with Lodge 64"

WELCOME!

Fulton County Sheriff's Office

- ♦ James Strickland-Lucas

Other Agencies

- ♦ Lewis Carter - South Fulton PD
- ♦ Nakya Entzminger - MARTA PD
- ♦ Kadajah Gunter - Union City PD
- ♦ Joshua Simmons - Union City PD
- ♦ Lorenzo Stripling - Retired APD
- ♦ Marissa Viverito - APD

Welcome

Congratulations

Fulton County Lodge 64 salutes one of its own on an outstanding achievement. Sis. Joyce Dent-Fitzpatrick became the highest ranking Black woman in Columbus Police Department history when she was promoted to Assistant Chief in 2020. Assistant Chief Police, Sis. Joyce Dent-Fitzpatrick is Black History.



Vanessia Blanding, daughter of fallen police officer Shirley B. Winston, and Columbus police Lt. Joyce Dent-Fitzpatrick hold a wreath dedicated to Winston during a ceremony in her honor in Bibb City. Joe Paull Ledger-enquirer file photo

Fulton County Lodge #64 Officers Contact List

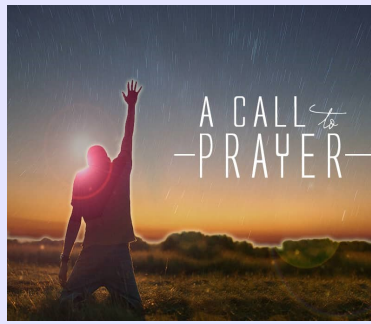
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POWER of PRAYER



- ♦ Continue praying for the family of Bro. David Jenkins on the recent passing of his father Mr. Leroy Jenkins
- ♦ Continue praying for the family of Bro. Teddy Randolph on the passing of his mother Mrs. Emilie Almestica
- ♦ Continue praying for Bro. Gary Reid and his family on the passing of his sister Ms. Brenda Fain
- ♦ Continue praying for the family of Sis. Yowanda Exum on the recent passing of her mother Mrs. Velma Bridges and mother-in-law of Bro. Terry Exum
- ♦ Continue praying for the family of Sis. Mae Bullard on the recent passing of her sister Mrs. Patricia Billups.



"It is not the length of life, but the depth of life."



GET WELL



- ♦ Continue praying for a healthy and speedy recovery for Chaplain Alfred Francois
- ♦ Continue praying for a healthy and speedy recovery for Bro. Dexter Henry
- ♦ Continue praying for a healthy and speedy recovery for Sis. LaPrincess Jenkins
- ♦ Continue praying for a healthy and speedy recovery for Bro. Milton Weaver
- ♦ Continue praying for a healthy and speedy recover for Bro. Howard Billingslea

****Do you know of any member that maybe sick and/or in distress.**

Call 404.767.0501 and leave a message.**





**Fraternal Order of Police
Fulton County Lodge #64
2896 East Point Street
East Point, GA 30344**

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"Education remains the key to both economic and political empowerment"
Barbara Jordan

Membership Applications QR Code



**You won't always
find glory in this
job, but you will
find purpose, and
that's all that
matters.**



Fulton County Lodge 64

"Doing More With Lodge 64!"