FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, FULTON COUNTY LODGE # 64

September 2020





Newsletter





PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Higher Respect

This month we had the privilege of Honoring the War Veterans of the 20th Century. To honor someone is one of the highest forms of respect you can bestow upon a person. To participate in this honor was exhilarating to the soul. It is often said, "it is better to give than to receive." Our Honorees truly have exhibited the posture of what it means to *give*. To honor someone for their sacrifice is definitely a higher respect and for that we "Salute the Honorees". Remember, most people will not be remembered for what they did for themselves, but they will be remembered for what they did for others. When was the last time you thought to honor someone else?

Doing More With Lodge 64

SECRETARY CORNER

The website for Fulton County Lodge 64 is "GAFOPLODGE64.com". This site contains information about The Executive Board, Training, Upcoming events, as well as a PayPal link for you to pay your dues. (*Please do not use the old website to pay your dues*.)

A way to pay your dues at the General Meeting, if you don't have cash or a check is thru Pay Pal Here. Please note there is a \$5.00 fee to use PayPal.

An additional way to pay your dues is with Cash App. Download the app from the App Store or Goggle Play Store. The name is:

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In accordance with Constitution and By-Laws, Article V Sec. 4 any member delinquent or suspended may be reinstated or restored to good standing by payment of all amounts due, and by paying one additional year's dues in advance. Any member in arrears of payment of dues more than one year shall no longer be a member of the Lodge.

If you have moved and not updated your address, please provide a current address to me. Thank you.

The Lodge uses **CallingPost** to send information to members concerning General Meeting dates, etc. The post is sent via text and email. When you receive a text, it will come from "242-51". It will give a message that Fulton County FOP has sent you an important message using CallingPost. To receive ply "**OK**" (type the actual word). The Lodge newsletter is emailed every month to all members from this email address: adrienne-blackie@icloud.com



Next Meeting:

Thursday, September 24, 2020
General Meeting @ 6:00 p.m. at the lodge rear parking area. Social Distancing will be adhered to. *Please wear a face covering.*You can bring your own chair. The lodge address is: 2896 East Point Street, East Point, GA. 30344

There will be no Training at this meeting

*Light Refreshments will be served *

Upcoming Training Topics:

September - Report Writing- CANCELLED



Get ready to pay your 2021 lodge dues only starting October – December 2020 without a late fee. Invoices will be arriving soon! Do we have your correct mailing address on file? The dues are:

Active - \$120.00 Retired - \$60.00



There were thirty-one (31) Honorees that participated with the "Honoring War Veterans of the 20th Century" Event. The zoom ceremony on Thursday, September 10, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m. was great! We had participants viewing from all over the State of Georgia, South Carolina, and Europe. The Honorees were from all the military branches: United States Army, United States Air Force, United States Coast Guard, United States Marine Corp., and the United States Navy.

Fulton County Lodge 64 in partnership with State Senator Donzella James, Commissioner Mike Roby, Mrs. Charolette May, Ms. Melodii Peoples, of the Department of Georgia Veteran Services, Fulton County Sheriff "Elect" Patrick "Pat" Labat and our very own Bro. Bishop Alfred Francois and Sis. Vivian Dixon-Bradford were awesome. The Honorees received certificates and other paraphernalia from the Department of Georgia Veteran Services.

Congratulations to all the honorees by Military Branches:



The United States Army

*Specialist Five Thomas A. Chambliss Vietnam War

*Specialist Four Joe Choate Vietnam War

*Master Sergeant Janet Coates Gulf War

*Chief Warrant Officer Charles E. Cooper Vietnam War

*Sergeant First Class John Gary Day Vietnam War

*Sergeant First Class Brian Michael Eck Iraq & Afghanistan War

*Sergeant First Class Marc Victor Fleming Iraq & Afghanistan War

*Sergeant Albert Garrett Gulf War Fried

*Staff Sergeant James E. Gunter Gulf War Fried

*Staff Sergeant Raymond Leduc Gulf War

*Specialist Five Jerry "JJ" Phillips Vietnam War

*Specialist Four Levoular D. McCray Gulf War

*Sergeant Major Alvin Smiley Gulf, Iraq & Afghanistan War

*Private First Class Rudolph S. Stafford Vietnam War

*Staff Sergeant Reginald Strozier Gulf, Iraq & Afghanistan War





The United States Coast Guard

*Electrician's Mate Obie Norris Jr.

Vietnam War F P



The United States Marine Corp.

*Lance Corporal E-3 Howard Lee Billingslea

*Lance Corporal E-3 Solomon Bynes Jr.

*Corporal Eugene Clark

*Corporal Gary Coates, Sr.

*Gunnery Sergeant Christopher E. Crowder

*Gunnery Sergeant Jerry A. Heard

*Corporal Jonathan G. Nelson

*Corporal Ronnie L. Ramey

*Sergeant Isaac Thomas

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Korean War

Vietnam War FPP

Iraq & Afghanistan War

Vietnam War F P

Afghanistan War

Gulf War F P

Vietnam War



The United States Navy

*Petty Officer Third Class Sharon Gosnell Buhse

*MM2 William Gasaway

*Senior Chief Petty Officer Charles Marbury

Gulf War

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"ALL ACTIVE MEMBERS"

Attention all active members of Fulton County Lodge #64, if you have a work issue/concern that you feel that you would like the Fulton County Lodge #64 to check into we are ready. We are here for you, but you have to bring fact bearing proof of your

complaint and/or concerns. We will not address gossip nor unsubstantiated information. Did you know that as a member of Fulton County Lodge #64, you have one hour of free consultation with our Lodge Attorney's. You also have an attorney available to assist you if you are served with administrative and/or disciplinary action on your job. If you need the assistance of an attorney, contact Bro. Elbert Carter (Capt. E.L. Carter) at 678.575.8454 and if you would like to talk about your issues/concerns you can contact President Charlene Heard, 404.680.0071 or 1st Vice President Priscilla Orr, 404.395.4064.

FOP LEGAL DEFENSE PLAN

Legal defense protection is a necessity for law enforcement professionals. As the frequency and cost of allegations rise, the FOP Legal Defense Plan offers you and your lodge members a very affordable and comprehensive plan.

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MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE NE, WASHINGTON, DC 20002

JIM PASCO

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE 15 SEPTEMBER 2020

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FOP NATIONAL PRESIDENT ISSUES ALERT TO OFFICERS: BE VIGILANT

Brothers and sisters, as our nation becomes increasingly divided during this unprecedented time law enforcement officers are the keepers of the peace and stand firm on the thin blue line, placing themselves between order and anarchy. For this reason, our officers are targets and may be subject to attack at any point, without warning and without reason. Therefore, I am urging all of our nation's law enforcement officers to <u>be vigilant</u>.

- Exercise caution at all times.
- Be aware of your environment and surroundings. Maintain constant situational awareness.
- Be prepared.
- Take every reasonable precaution when engaging with the public. Watch your back—and that of your partner.
- Do not take unnecessary chances and call for back up when needed.

Keep yourself and your communities safe by being vigilant on duty and off. There are individuals who are motivated solely by a desire to hurt or kill a police officer, so do not let your guard down.

Be safe and may God protect us all.

The Fraternal Order of Police is the largest law enforcement labor organization in the United States, with more than 355,000 members.

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JIM PASCO Executive Director

PATRICK YOES 15 September 2020

The Honorable Zoe Lofgren U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Karen R. Bass U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Eric M. Swalwell, Jr. U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Ted W. Lieu U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Lou Correa U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Thomas M. McClintock II U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representatives:

I am writing on behalf of the members of the Fraternal Order of Police to ask all of you, California members of the Committee on the Judiciary, to cosponsor H.R. 1325, the "Protect and Serve Act," which is especially important in the wake of the vicious ambush attack on two deputies with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. This bill, introduced by a bipartisan group of former law enforcement officers, was passed by the Committee unanimously and then passed the House on an overwhelming 382-35 vote in 2018. It is time for the Committee to consider and favorably report this bill again and we need your support to make that

So far this year, 228 officers have been shot in the line of duty, 35 of whom died. The lethality of these attacks would be much greater but for dramatic improvements in medical trauma science and anti-ballistic technology. Twenty-four law enforcement officers have been ambushed this year, seven of whom were killed. In California, 39 law enforcement officers have been shot since January 2019-including three who were shot and killed in an ambush or unprovoked attack.

In January 2019, Officer Natalie B. Corona of the Davis Police Department responded to a multi-vehicular crash when she was shot to death by a person with an animus toward the police department. She was 22 years old with just a few months on the job.

In June 2019, Officer Tara C. O'Sullivan of the Sacramento Police Department was assisting a domestic abuse victim in moving her belongings when a man opened fire on her, her training officer and two other responding officers. She was fatally wounded in the opening seconds of a fire fight which became a standoff that lasted several hours. Local news coverage of her death reported that after she was ambushed the officer had "no chance of survival." She was 26 with just 6 months on the job.

In June of this year, Sergeant Damon Gutzwiller of the Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office was among the uties who responded to a suspicious vehicle call. After observing another suspicious vehicle monito

response, Sgt. Gutzwiller and another deputy followed the vehicle, which pulled into a driveway. The driver exited the vehicle and immediately opened fire on the deputies, killing Sgt. Gutzwiller and wounding his partner. The killer carjacked another vehicle and later was involved in another shootout, wounding a California Highway Patrol officer before being taken into custody. Sgt. Gutzwiller left behind a very young child and an expectant wife.

The most recent attempted murder of the two deputies in Los Angeles County is another stark reminder that our law enforcement officers are not just in harm's way because of the dangerous nature of their profession, but because they are targets of cowardly individuals whose sole motivation is to injure or kill a law enforcement officer. Congress should act and act now to address the terrible violence aimed at our law enforcement officers by passing the "Protect and Serve Act," which would impose Federal penalties on individuals who deliberately target local. State or Federal law enforcement officers with violence in specific circumstances. This bill sends a strong message to the men and women in the line of fire and to those who

These types of attacks and violence targeting law enforcement officers, in general, has been steadily increasing in recent years. A recent report from the Federal Bureau of Investigations concluded: "While the overall number of officers who were feloniously killed was declining, the percentage of officers feloniously killed during surprise attacks was increasing." A December 2017 study by the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, which examined law enforcement officer fatalities from 2010-2016, found that 20% of ambushed officers were seated in their patrol cars and 56% of officers killed in an ambush were not on a call or engaged in any enforcement activity. Many of these officers were seimply eating, sitting on post, or were targeted and killed while at their home or on their way home.

Despite these chilling facts, the 116th Congress has done nothing to address the national problem of ambushes and unprovoked attacks on our nation's law enforcement. Today, we are calling on you to honor the memories of Officers Corona and O'Sullivan, as well as the sacrifice of the deputies who were ambushed in Compton, by cosponsoring H.R. 1325, the "Protect and Serve Act."

No officer should be at risk of being targeted while simply sitting in their patrol car, standing a post, or heading for home at the end of a shift. When a member of the public calls for help, we answer that call. We are asking for your help now and urge this Committee to consider the "Protect and Serve Act" and once more send it to the House floor for a vote

On behalf of the more than 355,000 members of the Fraternal Order of Police, I thank you for considering the FOP's urgent request to cosponsor H.R. 1325. If I can provide any additional information about this bill, please do not hesitate to contact me or Executive Director Jim Pasco in my Washington, D.C. office.



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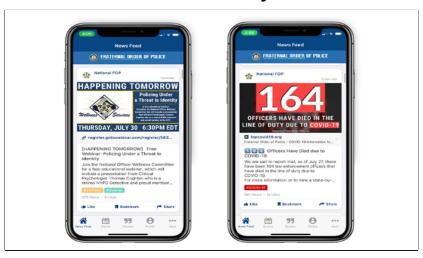


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Download the National FOP app for news, resources, forums, messaging, events and more right at your fingertips!

To download, search "NFOP" in the app stores or click the links below while on your phone!

App Store

Once downloaded, you will have to register by tapping **"Create Account."** As soon as you are verified as a member, you will receive an email confirmation with access to the app. The new mobile features include:

Google Play

Push Notifications to receive breaking FOP news updates
A News Feed for all things FOP and exclusive content
Resource Folders for all important issues facing the Order
An Events Tab for accessing information on all upcoming events
Messaging for direct or group chats with fellow members
Forums for exchanging insight within the FOP community
Easily access our Attorney Search
And much, much more!

Don't forget to join your Fulton County Lodge 64 website: www.GAFOPLODE64.com



EASTER SEALS 2020 GOLF TOURNAMENT

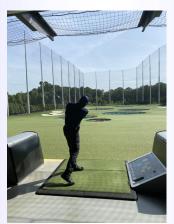
On Thursday, August 27, 2020, the Easter Seals of North Georgia held their annual Golf Tournament fundraiser at TopGolf of Alpharetta. With the COVID-19 pandemic, there were fewer teams as it was in the past. Lodge 64 was represented by Sisters: Charlene Heard, Adrienne Grooms, Andrea Thomas and Brothers Elbert Carter and Andrew Williams. We had a great time for a wonderful cause! "Doing More with Lodge 64"

















LODGE 64 MEMBERS SPOTLIGHT

Congratulations to Sis. Vivian Dixon-Bradford and Bro. Aaron Wofford on completing the Certified Public Manager program that was conducted by the Carl Vinson Institute of Government, University of Georgia. The program is a nationally accredited in comprehensive management development program specifically for managers in federal, state and local government.



GOOD WORK

Congratulations to **Sis. Vivian Dixon-Bradford** for being selected as the Direct Mortgage Loan "September Officer of the Month".





Prostrate and Ovarian Awareness

September is Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month

Ovarian Cancer -Learn More

Ovarian cancer is a disease in which, depending on the type and stage of the disease, cancerous cells are found inside, near, or on the outer layer of the ovaries.

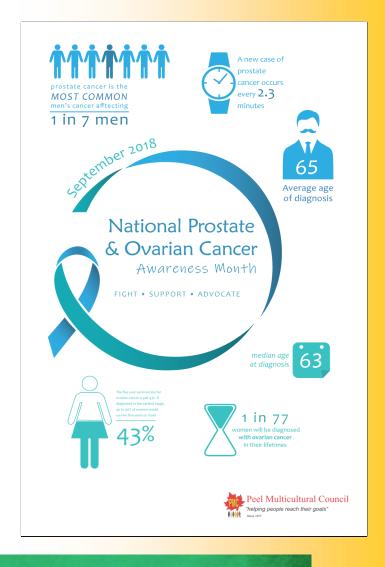
The American
Cancer Society
estimates that there
will be over 22,280
new cases of
ovarian cancer
diagnosed this year
and that more than
14,240 women will
die from ovarian
cancer this year.



When one is diagnosed and treated in the earliest stages, the five-year survival rate is over 90 percent. Due to ovarian cancer's non-specific symptoms and lack of early detection tests, about 20 percent of all cases are found early, meaning in stage I or II. If caught in stage III or higher, the survival rate can be as low as 28 percent.

Click here to learn more about ovarian cancer.

Call Women's Medical Center to learn more or to schedule an appointment - (575) 792-8055



Today, do one little thing to take better care of yourself

...then repeat tomorrow



<u>Fulton County Sheriff's</u> <u>Office</u>

- Bro. Jordan Partridge
- ♦ Bro. Anthony McClendon
- ♦ Sis. Darriana Short
- Bro. Christopher Skyers



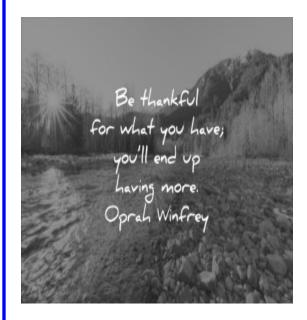
Other Agencies

- Bro. Rodney Mincey Dekalb COSO
- ♦ Bro. Kendall Portis East Point PD

Reinstated

- Bro. Stanley Marshall
- ◆ Bro. Jamel Wooten





Good, better, best. Never let it rest. 'Til your good is better and your better is best. St. Jerome

Fulton County Lodge #64 Officers Contact List

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- Continue to keep Sis. Renee Godwin in your prayers with the recent passing of her Mother Mrs. Miriam J. Adams-Broughton
- Continue to keep Bro. James Mickle in your prayers with the recent passing of his Mother Mrs. Doris Mickle Hickmon
- Continue to keep Bro. W. Dexter Henry in your prayers with the recent passing of his Mother Mrs. Elizabeth Henry
- Continue to keep Sis. Ruby Smith-Fisher in prayer with the recent passing of her husband Mr. David Fisher
- Continue to keep Sis. Shecobia McCoy, Sis Jaquavia Jackson and Sis. Yasmine Rogers in your prayers with the recent passing of their grandmother and great-grandmother Ms. Mildred Jackson



- Continue praying for a speedy recovery for Sis. Sasha Harris
- Continue praying for a speedy recovery for Bro. Eddie Singleton
- Continue praying for a speedy recovery for Bro. Aldranon English
- Continue praying for a speedy recovery for Bro. Robert Price
- Continue praying for a speedy recovery for Sis. LaPrincess Jenkins

If anybody has information on a member and/or their family member that is sick and/or in distress please let us know @ 404.767.0501. If we don't know about them we can't reach out to those that may be in need of assistance.



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

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"It's never too late to be what you might have been"

George Eliot



*Wear a face covering

*Maintain a 6 ft. distance

*Wash your hands-20 seconds

*Simple physical exercises

*Eat a little more healthy

*Let's check on each other!



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