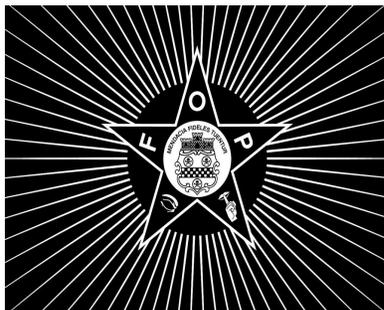


January 2023



Newsletter



President's Message



We Are Building Better in 2023

Our vision is to build a better lodge in 2023. It is important to review our goals and plans with a purpose. As a Lodge we are maturing and growing. We should think before we choose. We need to be intentional and know our assignment. It is timeout for talking about it; it is time for the lodge to be about it. We are calling on **ALL MEMBERS** to get involved with Lodge 64 activities to help us "Build Better in 2023."

"Doing More with Lodge 64"



Secretary Corner

The 2023 invoices for dues have been mailed. Dues payments are as follows:

**Active -\$120.00
Retired- \$60.00**

Payment Options: You can pay your dues via \$Cash App or Pay Pal Here. Please note there is a \$5.00 fee to use PayPal. The Cash App name is: \$FCLODGE64. **Indicate in the "FOR" section your first and last name and FOP#& 2023 dues.**

The Fulton County Lodge 64 website is: " GAFOPLODGE64.com " Use the PayPal on the Lodge website only to pay your dues.

If you change jobs in law enforcement agencies it is your responsibility to notify the lodge of your employment change. If your mailing, email address or telephone # change, it is your responsibility to notify the lodge secretary. Call 404.767.0501 and leave a message or send an email to **adriennegrooms@fop.net**. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

UPCOMING EVENTS



****2023 General Meeting & Training Location****

General Meeting, Thursday, January 26, 2023 @ 6:00 PM

Training will start at 5:00 PM before the meeting. Class topic –Ethics Woodward Academy Cafeteria 1662 Rugby Ave. College Park, GA 30337

**Light Refreshments will be served **



On Saturday, January 28, 2023, at 8AM, the Training Committee will host three training topics:

- ◆ Use of Deadly Force De-escalation Options
- ◆ Community Policing
- ◆ Mental Health

The training will be held at the College Park Courtroom - 3717 College St. College Park, GA 30337

"Attendance must be prior approved" "Doing More With Lodge 64"

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On Tuesday, January 10, 2023, members of Lodge 64 volunteered at the "The Church God For All Nations, Inc" Food Pantry. Thank you Sis. Loretha Banner, Sis. Shirлие Green, Bro. Alfred Francois, Bro. Jerome Hull, Bro. Eardley Jarvis, Bro. Gary Reid, Bro. Robert Price, Bro. Dwight Watkins, Bro. Milton Weaver, Bro. Walter White.

"THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS"



Thank you to the Walmart Superstore #155, Union City, GA. Management: Mr. Jason Dyer, Store Manager; Ms. Krystile Nelson, Co-Manager; and Ms. Nicole Hollis for their support of our 2022 Cops & Kids Christmas Event that was held at their store. Thank you for your hospitality.



THANK YOU

FOP LEGISLATIVE REPORT



Fraternal Order of Police Final Legislative Report for 2022 January 17, 2023

The 2023 Legislative Session jumped off to an action-packed week last week after major turnover occurred in both the state House and state Senate leadership for both chambers and for the majority Republican party leadership.

The House selected Rep. Jon Burns from Newington (northwest of Savannah) as Speaker, after long-time speaker David Ralston passed away recently. Also selected were Jan Jones from Milton as Speaker Pro Team, Chuck Efstrotation from Gwinnett County as Majority Leader, James Burchett from Waycross as Majority Whip, and Bruce Williamson from Monroe as the House Majority Caucus Chair. James Beverly from Macon was selected as the Minority Party Leader, Sam Park from Gwinnett County was selected as the Minority Whip, and Billy Mitchell from Stone Mountain was selected as Minority Caucus Chairman.

As for the Senate, the Senate is controlled by the Lt Governor. Burt Jones ran an underdog campaign for Lieutenant Governor, and overcame the favorite in the Republican Primary who was supported by almost all of the special interests and legislators at the Capitol. Thrash-Haliburton was one of the only supporters at the Capitol early and openly supporting Burt in the Primary Election and the General due to a long history of friendship with Jones. Also selected for leadership positions in the State Senate by fellow Senators are Sen. John F. Kennedy from Macon as President Pro Tempore, Sen. Steve Gooch from Dahlongega as Majority Leader, Sen. Randy Robertson from Columbus as Majority Whip, and Sen. Jason Anavitarte from Paulding County as Majority Caucus Chair. Also selected were Sen. Gloria Butler from DeKalb County as Minority Party Leader, Sen. Harold Jones from Augusta as Minority Whip, Sen. Elena Parent from Decatur as Minority Caucus Chair.

Major topics that have bubbled up as key talking points from the Governor and legislative leadership in the last couple of weeks include affordable housing for all of the new people that will be moving here with all of the new jobs coming, easing of local zoning laws and regulations on housing construction, pay raises of \$2,000 for all state employees, financial help for the health insurance coverage of state employees, the electric vehicle industry, proposing tax breaks for citizens, a major and thorough review of all tax credits and tax breaks that are out there, and more.

The legislature was in session this past Monday and Wednesday - Friday. The inauguration and inaugural celebration was Thursday. There are no official legislative days this week, as they are in budget hearings all week. Legislative day 5 is Monday, January 23, with the legislature in session pretty much every week Monday - Thursday until March 29.

Thrash-Haliburton is diligently watching and working to stop any detrimental legislation to our industry and push the legislation we support. Our governmental affairs team continues every day to work on, look out for and answer requests, needs and interests, as we act at the direction of the group's leadership.



Let's Welcome: Attorney Lief Howard



Lief A. Howard comes to the Fraternal Order of Police, Fulton County Lodge 64 with a plethora of experience in various fields of the criminal justice system,. He was born and raised in the Atlanta metropolitan area. He simultaneously served as an attorney on his mock trial team and played basketball for a Tucker High School team that went to the state finals. Without any height advantage, his dedication and persistence in honing his craft allowed him to play collegiate basketball for Loyola University and as a walk-on at the University of Georgia. Lodge 64 is excited to welcome him to our FOP, Lodge 64 family.

Congratulations College Park Police Department



College Park leaders and College Park Police Department thanked Sen. Jon Ossoff for securing \$373,000 in funding for crime fighting technology. The funding should be used to enhance technology and join the National Ballistic Information Network System. They are the 9th city in the State to have the software that will help to quickly test shell casings, expand the department database and continue to make the city safe. [SouthFultonNeighbor, NeighborNewsonline.com]



POWER of PRAYER



GET WELL



- ◆ Continue praying for a healthy and speedy recovery for Bro. Paris Basey recuperating at home from surgery.
- ◆ Continue praying for a healthy and speedy recovery for Bro. Steven "Wayne" Borders recuperating at home from surgery.
- ◆ Continue praying for a healthy and speedy recovery for Mrs. Jacki Labat, wife of Bro. Sheriff Patrick Labat.

You have those moments where you reflect and say, "No matter what I'm going through at the moment, you know what? Life ain't bad."

—DWAYNE WADE,
ATHLETE

Do you have know of any member sick and/or in distress of any form. Call 404.767.0501 and let us know.



We dare you to get involved!

Remember!



The Fraternal Order of Police Day on the Hill will be Wednesday, February 08, 2023

The Day on the Hill at the Georgia State Capital will be Wednesday, February 08, 2023, at the State Capital Rotunda @8:00 a.m. If you are interested in attending contact Lodge State Trustee Bro. Eardley Jarvis @ 404.808.3910. The attire is Professional. Any Active working member can wear their work uniform. Come out and meet your Representatives!



FULTON COUNTY LODGE #64 WEBSITE

www.GAFOPLODGE64.COM

Find information from:

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“Doing More With Lodge 64”



The following Fulton County Lodge 64 members have been promoted at the Fulton County Sheriff's Office. Congratulations on your hard work and your promotion!

- ◆ Sis. LaPrincess Jenkins - Captain
- ◆ Bro. Andre Hudson - Interim Lieutenant
- ◆ Sis. Tamirah Lee - Interim Lieutenant
- ◆ Sis. Deja McEachin - Interim Lieutenant
- ◆ Sis. Tequila Walker - interim Lieutenant
- ◆ Sis. Melissa Wells - Interim Lieutenant
- ◆ Bro. Mychal Ammons - Interim Sergeant
- ◆ Bro. Deondre Baxter - Interim Sergeant
- ◆ Bro. Timothy Brown - interim Sergeant
- ◆ Bro. Robert Felton - Interim Sergeant
- ◆ Bro. Courtlen Jones - Interim Sergeant
- ◆ Bro. David Stewart - Interim Sergeant
- ◆ Bro. Joseph Thomas - Interim Sergeant
- ◆ Sis. Victoria Whitfield - Interim Sergeant



Life isn't just about the things you do, but it's about *who* you do them with. The people you surround yourself with will either encourage you or hold you back, so make sure you [find a group of people](#) you are proud to be associated with. This goes for any type of team, whether it's your group of colleagues at work, or your "team" of people around you everyday in life.



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Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.*

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