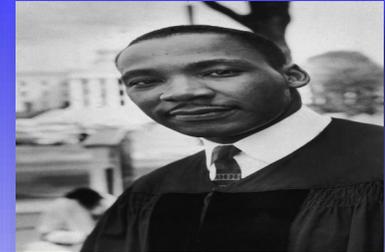
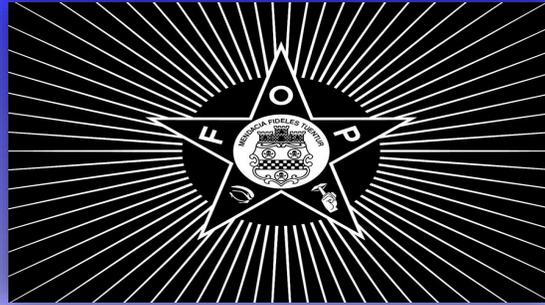


January 2024

Newsletter



President's Message

2024 - HAVE A SOBER MIND

Let's make 2024 our year to have a sober mind. We will not be influenced by other's negativity. However, we will be transformed by our sober minds to think clearly with understanding. A sober mind will have a vision. Where there is no vision things perish. Keep a sober mind and watch where 2024 takes us.

"Doing More With Lodge 64 in 2024"

Secretary Corner



Don't forget to pay your 2024 Membership dues. There is a deadline date was December 31, 2023.

Ensure that if you have not paid that you do to avoid an additional late fee.

Is your mailing, email address & telephone #correct? Has there been any changes in your beneficiary status? If so, please update it as soon as possible. Don't miss out on pertinent information from Lodge 64, State and/or National FOP Offices.



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

The Georgia State Lodge is requesting a current and operational personal email address for each FOP member to be placed on the GA Lodge Constant Contact email roster to receive important information from the GA State & National Lodges. All Lodge 64 members should contact Secretary Grooms with their latest personal email address by February 1, 2024.

Call 404.767.0501 and leave a message or send an email to adriennegrooms@fop.net. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

UPCOMING EVENTS



****2024 General Meeting & Training Location****

General Meeting, Thursday, January 25, 2024 @ 6:00 PM

Training will start at 5:00 PM before the meeting. Class topic - Diversity Training Cultural Competency

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

**Light Refreshments will be served **



On Saturday, January 27, 2024, 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

Contact Bro. E. Carter via TEXT at 678.575.8454 by Jan. 22, 2024.



Calling all available Brothers and Sisters of Fulton County Lodge 64, mark your calendars notify your phones and make plans to attend the FOP day on the hill on Thursday, February 22, 2024. Come in your work uniforms or business attire meet, greet and speak with your Representatives on issues and bills in the house related to law concerns. More information to come closer to the date. SAVE THE DATE

Thursday, February 22, 2024@8:30 a.m.

Georgia State Capital Building

206 Washington Street,

Atlanta GA 30334



"Law Enforcement Appreciation Day on the Hill"



Thank You

A great big Thank you to Lodge 64 members at the December General Meeting, for those that sponsored a child/family at our "Cops and Kids Christmas Event. , We truly appreciate their generosity, thoughtfulness and willingness to help others. At the meeting were: Sis. Gloria Hodgson, Bro. Eardley Jarvis, Sis. Avis Lofton, Bro. Teddy Randolph, and Bro. Emmitt Stringer .



"Lodge 64 Members in Motion"



Bro. Michael N. Coleman was spotlighted in the Albany State College Alumni newsletter. Bro. Coleman is an alumni of Albany State University who was featured as the ASU Dekalb January Alumni Spotlight.

Bro. Coleman attended Albany State University from 1965 to 1967 until he was drafted and entered the United States Air Force where he served as a Combat Airman in the Vietnam War.

After discharge from the service, Bro. Coleman began his law enforcement career with the Fulton County Sheriff's Office where he rose to the rank of Major.

After retiring with 35 years of service, Bro. Coleman and his wife Patricia enjoy the joy of traveling to various regions of the world.

Fulton County Lodge 64 shines a spotlight on you Bro. Michael N. Coleman.

Congratulations Bro. Coleman on your acknowledgment from your peers. Keep up the good work.



Bro. William Sanders is being spotlighted by Lodge 64 as he continues to embark on his courageous journey of healing and recovery from a heart transplant procedure.

Bro. Sanders told the members at the December General meeting that if it wasn't for the heart transplant, there's a good chance he wouldn't have gotten married last fall. He made a plea to all that through many different signs that something was not right, he didn't want to accept that something was wrong. However, Bro. Sanders in March was placed on a heart transplant list. While in the hospital, he said that he wanted to encourage other cardiac patients to join him on walks in the hall of the hospital to help build up their stamina.

In April, Bro. Sanders prayers were answered, and a heart was available. He is now on the mends with the assistance of his wife Bernice Sanders.

Fulton County Lodge 64 shines a spotlight on you

Bro. William Sanders



LIFE is
TOO SHORT TO WAKE UP WITH REGRETS
SO LOVE THE PEOPLE
WHO TREAT YOU RIGHT
FORGET ABOUT THOSE WHO DON'T
BELIEVE
EVERYTHING HAPPENS FOR A REASON
IF YOU GET A CHANCE, TAKE IT
IF IT CHANGES YOUR LIFE, LET IT
NOBODY SAID LIFE WOULD BE EASY
BUT JUST PROMISED IT WOULD BE MOST WORTH IT
WORTH IT



SAVE THE DATE

The Georgia State Lodge Scholarships will be available on February 1, 2024. Get yours and/or families going to college papers in order. Applications can be obtained from the GA State Lodge secretary by emailing "gafopstatelodge@gmail.com".



SAVE THE DATE



Fulton County Lodge #64 website?

Find information from:

- ◆ National FOP
- ◆ Georgia FOP
- ◆ Meeting Dates
- ◆ Training Dates
- ◆ FOP member benefits
- ◆ FOP Legislation Reports



- ◆ Scholarship Application Information
- ◆ Executive Board Information
- ◆ Newsletters
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- ◆ Lodge 64 Activities



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Bro. Howard Billingslea

To: Easter Seals Committee Members
From: National President Patrick Yoes
Reference: NFOP Committee Appointments

I am writing to share some exciting news regarding the appointments of the National FOP Committees. Vice President Joe Gamaldi and I believe that our greatest strength lies in the collective wisdom and varied perspectives of our membership. By bringing together individuals from different backgrounds, experiences, and expertise, and fostering a collaborative environment where ideas can flourish, and solutions can be developed, the NFOP has become the largest and most influential voice in law enforcement.

We are pleased to inform you that you are appointed/reappointed to the Easter Seals Committee – Mission Statement: To promote and support community involvement through Easter Seals. This committee will promote FOP participation in Easter Seals programs and fundraising efforts and encourage involvement on the local and state levels.



- * Robert "Rocky" Nowaczyk - Chair
- * Jerome Berrian, Jr
- * **Howard Billingslea**
- * Thomas Gersbach
- * Jarrid Harris
- * Brian Hallman
- * Bill Westermann



WELCOME!

Other Agencies:

- ◆ Kerry Buchanan - APD
- ◆ Michael Granberry - Fulton County Marshal Dept.



**"You are never too old
to set another goal or to
dream a new dream."
Happy New Year 2024**

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POWER of PRAYER



- ◆ Continued prayers for Sis. Shirlye Green on the recent passing of her sister, Ms. Jeanette Venice McCoy Burney
- ◆ Continued prayers for Bro. Vincent Owens on the recent passing of his mother Ms. Bessie Owens.



GET WELL



- ◆ Continue praying for a healthy and speedy recovery for Bro. Joseph Walker
- ◆ Continue praying for a healthy and speedy recovery for Sis. Sylvia Sheppard



****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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"Injustice anywhere is a threat to Justice everywhere"
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr

Membership Applications QR Code



Fulton County Lodge 64

"Doing More With Lodge 64!"