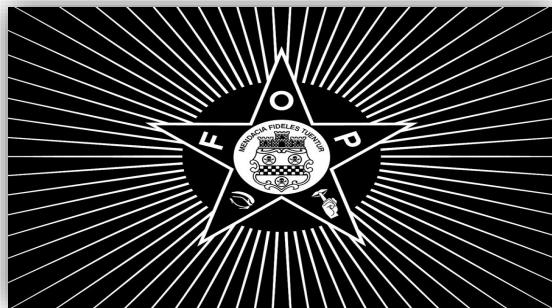


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## Newsletter



### President's Message

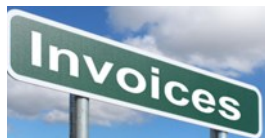


#### **Sometimes a Problem is Preparation for Something Greater**

It is amazing to know that sometimes your problem is not a problem. It is just the preparation for something greater. Yet you still must go through the problem as a part of the preparation. Have you ever had a math problem that you thought was difficult? Once you did the preparation for the solution, the problem became easy. The preparation for the problem is rewarding if you just have patience. Don't think of the problem as something negative. Look at the problem as preparation to elevate you to do something greater.

**"Doing More with Lodge 64"**

### Secretary Corner



**2024 membership dues invoices were mailed out the first week in October. 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 "**

If you know someone that needs to pay dues or are interested in joining the lodge, they can go to the lodge website for an application and **pay their dues with PayPal that is on the website or CashApp using \$fclodge64.**

If you change jobs with a 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](mailto:adriennegrooms@fop.net). Your assistance is greatly appreciated.**

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**



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

**General Meeting, Thursday, October 26, 2023 @ 6:00 PM**

**Training will start at 5:00 PM before the meeting.**

**Class topic - Investigative Procedures  
Woodward Academy Cafeteria  
1662 Rugby Ave.  
College Park, GA 30337**

*\*Light Refreshments will be served \**



**Come out with us and join the College Park Police Department at their Annual Trunk or Treat Haunted House on Friday, October 27, 2023, 6:00PM - 9:00PM at Tracy Wyatt Recreation Center - 2300 Godby Road, College Park, GA 30349.**

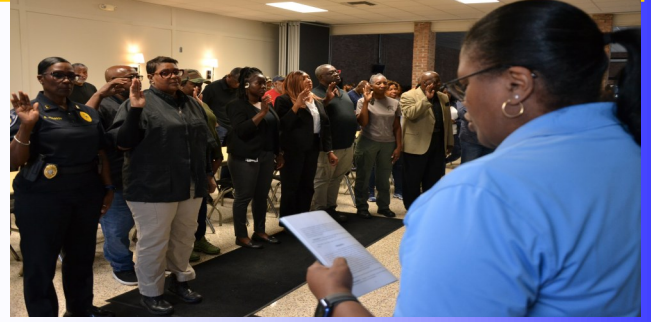


# INDUCTION CEREMONY 2023

On September 28, 2023, at the General Meeting, an Induction Ceremony was held for new members as well as members who had not taken the Official Oath of the Fraternal Order of Police. The ceremony was conducted by President Charlene Heard and 1st Vice President Howard Billingslea. We would like to celebrate and welcome 15 members who took the Oath of the Order. Welcome: Bro. Henry Cooley Jr., Sis. Yvette Dacosta, Bro. Gregory Fryson, Sis. Terri Glanton, Bro. Hal Hardy, Bro. John Hardy, Sis. Gloria Hodgson, Bro. Ronald Kelly, Sis. Avis Ryan, Sis. Sylvia Smith, Sis. Virginia Smith, Bro. Kevin Turner, Bro. Duane Weems Jr., Sis. Bridgette Willis, Bro. Ronald Wilson.




"A genuine smile of welcome can turn a bad day into a good one"



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# "Take Time for YOU!"



 October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Throughout the month, various organizations, communities, and individuals participate in activities and campaigns to educate the public about breast cancer and its impact on individuals and families. Its primary goal is to raise awareness about breast cancer, promote early detection and support research efforts to find a cure for the disease.

It encourages individuals to take proactive steps for their breast health, including regular checkups and screenings. Public awareness and fundraising efforts during this month contribute to advancements in breast cancer research and improved outcomes for those diagnosed with the disease.

The early detection of breast cancer is often key to successful outcomes. But do you know what to look for or when to see your doctor? Get answers to your top questions with NBCF's free resource. Go to [Nationalbreastcancer.org](http://Nationalbreastcancer.org) for more information.



## October is ... Domestic Violence Awareness Month



October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Domestic violence, also known as intimate partner violence or family violence, refers to the pattern of abusive behavior in a relationship used by one partner to gain or maintain control over another. During Domestic Violence Awareness month, various organizations, advocacy groups, and individuals engage in activities to promote understanding and action on this critical issue.

Domestic violence Awareness Month plays a crucial role in shedding light on this issue, reducing the stigma associated with it and encouraging individuals to take action to prevent and address domestic violence. If you or someone you know is experiencing domestic violence, please seek help from local resources, hotlines, or support organizations.

**10 WARNING SIGNS DOES YOUR PARTNER:** 1. Put you down or call you names? 2. Control where you go or who you spend time with? 3. Hurt you by hitting, kicking, or strangling you? 4. Blame you for their violent or abusive behaviors? 5. Threaten to take your children away? 6. Treat you like a servant or make all the decisions in the relationship? 7. Prevent you from getting or keeping a job? 8. Make or carry out threats? 9. Make you afraid using looks or gestures? 10. Pressure or force you into unwanted sex? If you recognize any of these signs, or if you or someone you know is in an abusive relationship, there is help available. It is not your fault and you are not alone. See the services we offer at Steps to End Domestic Violence. For immediate help, call our Hotline at 802-658-1996 or call the Vermont Domestic Violence hotline at 1-800-228-7395. Both lines are answered 24/7



OCTOBER  
NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE  
AWARENESS MONTH



# Congratulations Bro. D. McDuffie, Sr.



REV. DONALD L. MCDUFFIE, SR

## PASTORAL INSTALLATION SERVICE

SERVICE STARTS AT 3PM

SUNDAY  
SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

RUCKER MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH  
2251 FLOYDRD.  
GAINESVILLE, GA 30507  
(770) 532-4251

I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding.  
Jeremiah 3:15

**FOP** On Tuesday, October 3, 2023, members of Lodge 64 participated at the Union City Police Department National Night Out event that was held at the Highway 92 Ballfields, 5027 Dixie Lake Road, Union City, GA. National Night Out is an event where the public gets a chance to interact with members of the public safety community and to help change the perception that they may have towards the public safety community. Thank You to the members that came out and represented Lodge 64.

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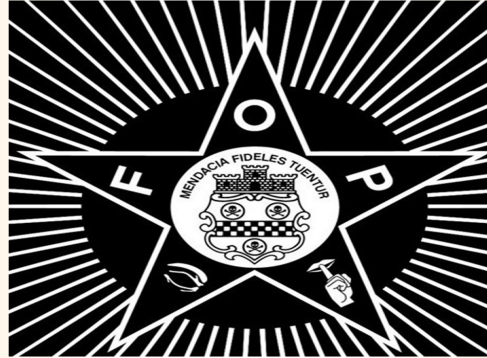


# "Lodge 64 Community Service"

# Have you been on the Fulton County Lodge #64 website?

## Find information from:

- ◆ National FOP
- ◆ Georgia FOP
- ◆ Meeting Dates
- ◆ Training Dates
- ◆ FOP member benefits
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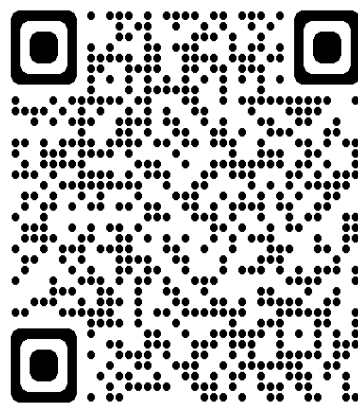
[www.GAFOPLODGE64.COM](http://www.GAFOPLODGE64.COM)



## 2023 FOP Member Benefits

There are a wide variety of benefits offered to FOP Members and their families. Scan the QR Code for further information to the 2023 FOP Member Benefits. Listed below are some of the benefits available at [www.fop.net/member-benefits](http://www.fop.net/member-benefits).

- AETNA MEDICARE ADVANTAGE
- ALLSTATE/MET LIFE
- AMERICAN POLICE BEAT
- AMPLIFON (Hearing Health Care)
- AVIS RENTAL CAR
- Brookdale Senior Living



- COLLEGE AVE
- CROSS COUNTRY MORTGAGE
- DIRECT MORTGAGE LOANS
- FIRSTNET (Built with AT&T)
- HEROES VACATION CLUB
- HERITAGE HEALTH SOLUTIONS
- HOMES FOR HEROS
- LIBERTY MUTUAL



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# WELCOME!

## Fulton County Sheriff's Office

- ♦ Shaquinta Hunter
- ♦ Augustin Kenny
- ♦ Kerrishia Key - VIPER
- ♦ Quandolyn McFarland
- ♦ Shawon Nash
- ♦ Bridgette Willis

## Other Agencies:

- ♦ Anthony Brooks - Roswell PD
- ♦ Jade Glasgow - Union City PD
- ♦ Henry Ishmael - Union City PD
- ♦ Codero Johnson - City Of South Fulton PD
- ♦ London Moriaty - Forest Park PD



# DON'T FOLLOW YOUR DREAMS, CHASE THEM!



## Fulton County Lodge #64 Officers Contact List

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# POWER of PRAYER



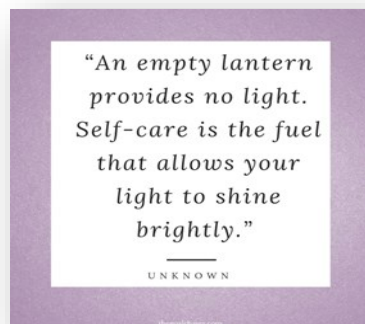
- ◆ Continued prayers for Sis. Maryam Muhammad on the recent passing of her grandmother, Ms. Julia M Wardlaw.
- ◆ Continued prayers for Bro. Sam Dilworth on the passing of his mother, Ms. Katrine "Sweet" Turner.
- ◆ Continued prayers for Bro. Gerald Johnson on the recent passing of his mother-in-law, Ms. Louisa Harris.



# GET WELL



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



Do you know of any member sick and/or in distress.  
Call 404.767.0501 and leave a message.

"Ask yourself -Can YOU do more for Lodge 64?"



**Fraternal Order of Police  
Fulton County Lodge #64  
2896 East Point Street  
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*"The future belongs to those who prepare for it today."  
Malcom X*

*Membership Applications QR Code*



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