

A Lodge UPDATE



Issue 10

Quarterly Newsletter from The FOPA of Ohio

August 2021

President's Report

This past year or so we have had many challenges, Now that things have begun to get back to normal, the state board will be resuming all of our regular duties as well. Winter and spring FOP/FOPA board meetings are scheduled as well as our annual state conference. I look forward to seeing many of you at those meetings.

I purchased a flag for the FOPA and post it in the name of fallen officers at flag day in Westerville. I also had the pleasure of presenting this year's FOPA scholarship winners with their first checks.

I stay in constant contact with our vice president and our secretary treasurer. We did have to make a change to the executive board. To be compliant with the by-laws our secretary had to step out of that role. She will be helping out the board by filling in with the districts without an active trustee until elections next summer.

Submitted by: John P Nicholson, FOPA State President

Scholarship Winners

We received nineteen applications this year, but that did not mean it was an easy task to pick the winners. They are all outstanding, accomplished students and we wish them all the absolute best.

This year's winners are:

Grace Beck, daughter of Daniel and Jennifer Beck. Daniel is a retired member of FOP Lodge #21 in Lima. Grace will be attending Colorado Christian University and will major in Nursing.

Lauren Aamodt, daughter of Jason and Melissa Aamodt. Jason Aamodt is member of Capitol City FOP Lodge #9 in Columbus. Lauren plans to attend the University of Cincinnati to major in design.

Congratulations to our winners and thank you to our scholarship committee for their time and effort.



L to R: James Leezer President Cap City 5, Elaine Domonkos State Treasurer, John P. Nicholson State President, Lauren Aamodt & her parents Melissa and Jason Aamodt



Lauren & Grace
2021 FOPA
Scholarship
Winners



L to R: James Leezer, Elaine Domonkos, John P. Nicholson, Grace Beck and her mother Jennifer Beck

Legislative News

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer, here is an Legislative update for this quarter. The FOP of Ohio Legislative Committee had been Diligently working on several pieces of legislation this year and monitoring many others. An update on House bill HB1 introduced last year as mentioned in the ALODGE newsletter issue #9. The Legislative Committee has been able to work and get the new law amended as follows. The new law prohibited officers from using restraints on pregnant females or those who had given birth for six months postpartum. This change in law came with criminal charges for officers. After lobbying efforts by the FOP and its law enforcement partner, changes to the law were amended into HB8, a bill that requires recording suspects interviews. On May 17, Governor DeWine signed HB8 into law.

The Legislative Committee has been Actively involved in three bills that will protect officers during riots and while making arrests. Senate Bill SB 16, HB 22 and HB 109 enhance penalties for the assault and harassment of officers and their families and for interfering in the duties of officers. These bills are essential to the FOP but have met with opposition accusing the bills of quashing peaceful protests. The FOP supports the right to protest peacefully. However, it is paramount to the FOP that officers and their families be protected from violence, intimidation and harassment. SB16 has passed the Senate and is awaiting hearing before the House Criminal Justice Committee. HB22 has passed the house and is awaiting an assignment to the Senate Committee. HB 109 is currently in the House Criminal Justice Committee and has received three hearings thus far.

Finally, you may have heard the governor, attorney general and Representatives Abrams and Plummer speak of the police ``reform" bill. The bill is currently in draft form and the FOP has been working closely with Representative Abrams and Plummer on Proposed Legislation. The proposal essentially creates a police licensing board similar to what other professions have in Ohio. However, the FOP and Representative Abrams are working to balance many of the suggested proposals and collective bargaining agreements. Like other boards in Ohio, the proposal contains discipline and license revocation action. The FOP is fighting to have due process and civil liberties of officers in proposed bills

Submitted by: James Leezer, President Cap City Lodge 5

Member Spotlight

Leno Bevilacque and Rudy Notturniano

FOP Associate Lodge # 5 is proud to say that we have two World War 2 veterans in Capital City Lodge # 5. Leno Bevilacque and Rudy Notturniano are cousins and both served in WW 2. Both are 94 years old.

Leno once owned Ledo's Bar on North High Street. He served on the War Crimes trial. He is a member of the Abruzzi Italian Club and does a lot of cooking meals for events there. At our Steak Fry you can always find him helping out and he helps with Feed the Police every year. Leno and his wife has been married 70 years. Leno is a life member of the VFW post 8794 in Whitehall, Ohio

Rudy served in the U S Army and earned the rank of Sgt. T4. During WW 2 he was stationed in Italy. He cooked and served a lot of meals to his fellow service members. He was First Cook. Rudy has been a member of our lodge for 46 years. Rudy is a member of the Abruzzi Club, and served as President for 3 years. Rudy loves to cook and cooks for the club for special events. At our annual Steak Fry he makes his special green beans. Rudy has served as President of our lodge, Vice President, and currently Trustee. You will always find him helping out with Feed the Police. When his Son Tom Notturniano was on Swat Rudy made a bracket for flashlights to be placed on their weapons so they could have both hands free. The LT of Swat gave him his thanks for doing this. Rudy has the letter in one of his many notebooks. Rudy is a life member of the VFW Post 8794 in Whitehall, Ohio.

Submitted by: Janice Ritchey, State Trustee District 11



Leno Bevilacque & Rudy Notturniano

Treasurer's Update

Greetings! Your State Lodge has been busy conducting business throughout these summer months. Below is the 2nd Quarter banking information:

Bank Balances from April 01, 2021 thru June 30, 2021

General Account

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| Beginning Balance | \$78,393.92 |
| Ending Balance | \$98,389.08 |
| Difference | + \$19,995.16 |

Scholarship Account

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| Beginning Balance | \$9891.14 |
| Ending Balance | \$9,891.14 |
| Difference | 0 |



The current bank balances as of this writing (July 27, 2021) is: General Account - \$75,651.08; Scholarship - \$13,563.14. The amount in the General account reflect payments to the State FOP of \$20,860, which represents our annual per capita payment based on 2086 members, along with payments to our raffle ticket winners and officer salaries, and payment to the Scholarship account. The Scholarship account reflects payment to our new scholarship winners and payments to the past recipients to whom we still have an obligation. Payment of \$2.00 per member (\$4172) was deposited per our By-Laws.

PER CAPITA PAYMENTS

Please continue to send in your per capita as you get new members and/or if your current members pay your dues. Please do not wait to send in your money and information. This is important, especially for new members because until the State receives your payment and list of paid members, those new members wishing to get the license plates, may not be able to do so as we're not able to confirm membership without their payment. If you have any questions regarding this, please feel free to reach out to any State Board member or you may email me at 2jeds1010@gmail.com.

RAFFLE TICKET WINNERS

Our raffle ticket fund raiser wasn't as successful as we would have liked. We collected \$1465, the FOP Foundation and the State FOPA each received a quarter of this payment (\$366.25). The following were winners that split half the pot of \$732.50: Time Meade; Matt Dunn; Edwin Gilchrist; Lynn Warren; Holly Price; FOPA Lake Erie Lodge #17; Alison Nevin; Tom Hoeffer; Jerry Taolli; and Ohio FOPA! A huge thank to you those who purchased and sold tickets.

TAX REMINDER

If you have not yet done so, you MUST complete your 990 postcard with the IRS. This was due before May 10, 2021. We will be checking to make sure all lodges have complied with this MANDATORY filing. If you have any questions on what is needed, please let me know.

Thank you for all you do in your support of all our Law Enforcement Officers!

Fraternally,
Elaine Domonkos
FOPA State of Ohio Secretary/Treasurer



Would you like to see your lodge, event. or fundraiser featured here? Deadline for submissions for the November 2021 issue is October 15th. Please email submissions to ALodgeUpdate@gmail.com

Please include details of the event/raffle and who to contact for tickets or for more information.

Around the State

City of Fairfield FOPA Lodge #97

The City of Fairfield Fraternal Order of Police Associates Lodge 97 has participated in the "Adopt a Highway" program for eleven years. On June 26, 2021 Fairfield Fraternal Order of Police Associates volunteered a few hours picking up and bagging trash to clean up Wessel Avenue between Bidbury and Nilles. Their work helps to present a positive impression and to keep the business area on Wessel well-kept.

Submitted by: Carole Arend, Secretary/Treasurer City of Fairfield, Lodge 97



Brenna McCoy-Dane, Lynn Warren, Anna Seals

Great work Lodge #97!!



Front row: Kathy Contadino, Marilyn Kaufman, Toni Roberts Back row: Jim Allen, Anna Seals, Brenna McCoy-Dane, Sandy Doyle, Jean Wesseler, Lynn Warren.

Akron FOPA #6

We only missed a couple of meetings due to Covid last year, Both FOP #7 and our lodge FOPA #6 have followed state guidelines with masks and social distancing at all times. This year we have sworn in 28 new members and its only June! I reached out to Barberton FOPA #18 earlier this year after hearing they planned to disband. Sent out over 40 letters inviting them to join our lodge. We picked up a few members and they were happy to join!

We had a '5K Run the Blue Line' June 23rd at the lodge and it turned out to be a very well attended event. Money raised went to our K9 dogs for vests and other needs. It went so well that we are having another one October 3rd. This one is being labeled a 'Jack-O-Lantern Jog'. Cost will be \$40 per person and includes: race t-shirt, bib, and a finishing medal for all participants. Again, all proceeds will go to our P-Lodge. Contact FOPA #6 member Michael Krumins (330) 604-1543 for information.

Submitted by: Jeffrey P. Miller, President Akron Lodge #6



Awesome work Lodge #6!

Check out the Events Section for their Annual Corn Roast August 14th



CARSHOW

Jim Landis Memorial

FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE



Sunday
August 15, 2021
10AM - 2PM



FOP Lodge 255 S. 6th St., Newark

Tickets Available at the Door!!

FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE ASSOCIATES OF OHIO, INC.



AKRON LODGE NO. 6 ♦ P. O. BOX 364 ♦ AKRON, OHIO 44309-0364

Welcome and a Good Summer to All F.O.P.A. #6 Members!

It is time once again to invite you to join us for the

F.O.P.A. #6 ANNUAL PICNIC & CORN ROAST!

Saturday, August 14, 2021

At Wolter Park, 2610 Ley Dr. 2:00 p.m. 'til 7

Enclosed you will find 2 books of raffle tickets for the event.
They are to be sold for \$1.00 each or a book of 6 for \$5.00.

THE PRIZES ARE AS FOLLOWS...

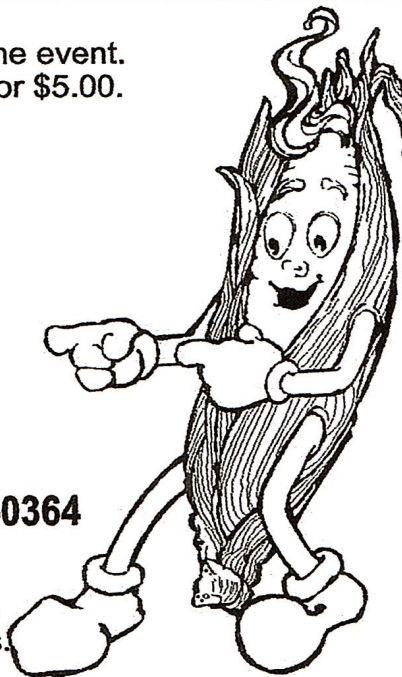
1st Prize...\$500.00
2nd Prize..\$250.00
3rd Prize...\$100.00
4th Prize...\$ 50.00

All tickets must be sold and returned by **Friday, August 13, 2021**. Send a check or money order, along with the completed ticket stubs to:
F.O.P.A. #6, P.O. Box 364, Akron, OH 44309-0364
(If you don't buy or sell the tickets, discard them!)

There will be a Chinese auction starting at 2:00 to bid on numerous items donated by our supporters. Tickets will be \$1 ea. Or 6 for \$5. There will also be a 50/50 drawing around 6:00. Tickets will also be \$1 or 6 for \$5.

If you plan to attend the picnic on Saturday, you can bring your stubs along and throw them into the hopper for the drawing, which will take place around 6:00 p.m. There'll be plenty of food, beverages and fellowship with your F.O.P.A. Brothers & Sisters, and it's open to all F.O.P., F.O.P.A., F.O.P. Auxiliary, and prospective members.

(ADULTS ONLY)



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NEW! Free College now offers more options! You can work toward an associate degree or certificate, and now a bachelor's degree completely online, for FREE.

- **No costs to you!** You will not have to pay for tuition, fees and e-books. Additional financial aid options are available for education-related costs.
- **Online programs, accessible anytime, anywhere**
- **Available to your family!** Spouses, domestic partners, children, grandchildren, dependents, siblings, nieces and nephews are all eligible!
- **Now enrolling for fall classes starting August 17, 2020**

Our education partners are public, regionally accredited colleges in Ohio, so credits you earn are transferable. Full and part-time options are designed for working adults.

Find out more at FOPFreeCollege.org!

Just getting started in higher education or want to study a new area? Learn more about our partnership with Eastern Gateway Community College (EGCC). Offering programs in Criminal Justice, Social Work, Business Management, IT, Healthcare and more. Ohio FOP Members who completed the Peace Officer Training academy are eligible for up to 33 credits toward the Criminal Justice Degree at EGCC- that means you could finish the degree in just over a year!



Through our partnership with Central State University, our members and their families can enroll in the Bachelor Degree completion programs in Criminal Justice, Teacher Education and Business Administration. Students must have an Associate Degree or more than 60 transferable credits into the program of their choice in order to enroll. Students needing to earn pre-requisite credits can do so through EGCC.

About Central State University: Central State University, founded in 1887, is a public, land grant college located in Wilberforce, OH. Regionally accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Schools and Colleges, CSU is committed to transforming lives through higher education.

About Eastern Gateway Community College: With locations in Steubenville and Youngstown, OH, EGCC has been helping working adults earn the degree and certifications they need to get ahead in the workplace since 1965. EGCC is a public, regionally accredited college in the University System of Ohio.

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