

A Lodge UPDATE



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Open State Board Positions

There are currently two open positions on the state board: State Treasurer and 5th District Trustee.

The basic duties of a district trustee include: visiting each lodge in their district each year and examine their treasurer's accounts, they will attend all meetings of the state board and the yearly state conference. They will hold a caucus for their district at state conference during election years and will assist the board with any fundraising efforts. Trustees may appoint an associate trustee to help with their duties. Trustees are compensated for their mileage and their rooms and events are paid for at meetings of the board.

The basic duties of the state treasurer: account for all funds of the state lodge and will receive and account for the funds of the FOPA state scholarship, depositing incoming funds and paying out the recipients. They must be able to be bonded and be able to keep accurate books which may be reviewed by the executive board at any time. They should be skilled with accounting software and be able to send files via email. They should be available to communicate with the other members of the executive board and FOP office and respond to any requests in a timely fashion. They are also compensated for their travel expenses and receive \$450 per year for their duties.

Anyone who is interested in either of these positions may contact us here at alodgeupdate@gmail.com for more information.



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Lodge Spotlight

Columbus Lodge #5

One of the largest lodges in Ohio is Columbus 'Cap City' Lodge #5. They were chartered in 1974 and currently have about 200 members. Lodge #5 has a few annual events, for fundraising there's their annual Steak Fry. It's a family friendly event that includes food and beverage. During the event there are also raffles, auctions, and entertainment.

They host a couple of other events that really show their support for their P lodge, Capital City Lodge #9. The first event is an annual Easter Egg Hunt, a family event for the members of FOP Lodge #9 and their families. The event brings in about 75 children and their families to enjoy an Easter egg hunt, face painting, crafts, food, and photos with the Easter Bunny.

The second event is Feed the Police. Every Christmas Eve morning FOPA Lodge #5 members meet at the lodge to make food trays for officers who are on duty on Christmas Eve and Christmas day. All departments in Central Ohio are given the opportunity to place orders ahead of time for their needs. FOPA lodge #5 assembles all of the orders for each department for officers pick-up that morning. FOP Lodge #9 appreciates the support they provide to those who are working during the holiday.

Lodge members also helped to feed the police during the rioting earlier this year in downtown Columbus. They also voted to use lodge funds to purchase pro-law enforcement billboards, showing their P lodge their unwavering support!

Thank you Columbus 'Cap City' Lodge 5, for all you do!



FOPA Lodge #5 members helping to prepare meals for the officers working during the riots



FOPA Lodge #5 board members and CPD Officer of the Year Chris Riley



Lodge #5 board members being sworn in by Capital City FOP Lodge #9 VP Brian Steel



FOPA Lodge #5 President James Leezer presenting a scholarship



Charter Member Rudy Notturiano

Scholarship Winner Sarah Whiteman

Sarah Whiteman, of Duncan Falls, was recently awarded a 4 year, \$1000.00 a year scholarship, from the Ohio Fraternal Order of Police Associates. She is a 2019 graduate of Lakewood schools. She is the daughter of Joshua and Abbee Whiteman: Both of whom are employees of the Muskingum County Sheriff's department.

Applicants are measured on academics, community involvement, and participation in school activities. Work experience is also a plus. Sara was on the student council at C-Tec and involved in many school organizations and groups during her school years. She is employed by Flint Ridge Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

At this time Sarah is attending Central Ohio Technical College to get her LPN (Licensed Practical Nurse) degree and then to use their transfer program to attain her RN (Registered Nurse) degree and certification.

Submitted by: Terry King, FOPA 4th District Trustee



Picture on left: Sarah and her family in attendance Center: Sarah and FOPA members
Right: Sarah and Muskingum County Sheriff Matt Lutz

Congratulations Sarah!

Ohio Line of Duty Deaths



Detective James Skernivitz

Detective James Skernivitz was shot and killed at about 10:00 pm in the area of West 65th Street and Storer Avenue while working in an undercover capacity as part of a federal task force supporting Operation Legend.

An informant who was with Detective Skernivitz was also killed when three subjects approached the vehicle and attempted to rob them. Two juveniles and an adult were arrested and charged with aggravated murder, aggravated robbery, and felonious assault.

Detective Skernivitz had served with the Cleveland Division of Police for 22 years. He was assigned to the Gang Impact Unit and the FBI's Violent Crimes Task Force. He is survived by his wife and three children.



Corporal Adam McMillan

Corporal Adam McMillan succumbed to injuries sustained on October 8th, 2020, when his patrol car collided with a transit bus at the intersection of Eight Mile Road and Beechmont Avenue in Anderson Township.

Corporal McMillan had served with the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office for 19 years and was assigned to the Traffic Safety Section.

Rest easy Heroes...

In Memoriam

Shaun Campbell, Lodge 5, State Treasurer

Shaun David Campbell, age 60, died unexpectedly on Tuesday, October 6, 2020 while visiting with his loving family. Born October 1, 1960 in Lowell, Massachusetts to Rev. J. Gary and the late Audrey E. (Railing) Campbell.

Shaun graduated from Diman Regional Vocational High School in Massachusetts and studied business at Taylor University in Upland, IN. He was also a graduate of the Peace Officers Training Academy in London, Ohio. His children and two grandchildren were the joy of his life! He also loved traveling, was an avid Buckeye fan, and looked forward to spending time with friends on the lake!

As a commissioned law enforcement officer, Shaun worked in campus security at Ohio Wesleyan University in Delaware and then at Columbus State Community College. He became a crime prevention specialist and authored manuals for self-protection of students. Shaun was recruited by the National Council on Crime Prevention and worked in Washington, D.C. for several years. He returned to Ohio as the Director of the State Council of Crime Prevention. Later on, he joined the Department of Public Safety of the State of Ohio and more recently held jobs in the private sector.



Shaun was a devout supporter of law enforcement and spent much of his time working with local, state, and national organizations. Shaun was a member of the local Fraternal Order of Police Associates (FOPA) Capital City Lodge #5 for over 30 years. He served as Trustee, Vice President, President and Past-President. He chaired the Feed the Police program for many years. He also served on the State Board of the FOPA as Trustee, President, and Past-President. He was Treasurer of the State FOPA at his passing.

He was President (1996), Director (2007-2009), and Lifetime member of the Ohio Crime Prevention Association (OCPA). Using "McGruff the Crime Dog", he provided training courses to increase crime awareness across the country. He also participated in the development of the Ohio School Resource Officers Association.



Shaun was a very active member of the Shamrock Club of Columbus. He was co-chair for several years planning and organizing the local Irish Family Reunion held on St. Patrick's Day. For 25 years, Shaun was a Night Watchman at Camp Sychar in Mount Vernon, Ohio. He was a third-generation cottage holder at Camp Sychar and it was there that he made his profession of faith in Jesus Christ.



Shaun was preceded in death by his mother, Audrey. He is survived by his children, Allison (TJ) Buchan and Christopher Campbell, all of Dublin; father and step-mother, Rev. J. Gary and Joy Campbell of Fredericktown; sisters, Sheila (Andrew) Haldeman of Sunbury and Sharon Crossen of Ashland; two grandsons, Mason and Connor Buchan; other relatives and many friends.

Contributions may be made to the FOP Foundation, 6800 Schrock Hill Court, Columbus, OH 43229 or Camp Sychar, c/o Matt Greenawalt, P.O. Box 146, Hubbard, OH 44425 in Shaun's memory.

Dear John and members
of the FOPA,

Thank you so very
much for the beautiful
Planter you sent to
the funeral home
after our father's
Passing. Our family
appreciates your
thoughtfulness during
this difficult time.

Many Thanks,
Allison Buchan and family
Chris Campbell

During a time
like this
we realize how much
our friends and relatives
really mean
to us
Your expression
of sympathy will always
be remembered



President Nicholson attended the service and sent a planter to the funeral home on behalf of the FOPA in expression of our sympathy. Photos were used with permission of Shaun's daughter Allison.



FOPA Logo Masks

\$7.50 each or 3 for \$20

Masks are two ply polyester cooling fabric, machine washable and reuseable.

The cooling fabric allows for radiating heat and moisture quickly.

Measurements are (approximately) 7" wide by 5" high.

Masks meet requirements for non-surgical face coverings.

To purchase send a check or money order made out to FOPA of Ohio to:

**Theresa Drennen
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If you would like to see your event or fundraiser featured in our next issue please contact us at ALodgeUpdate@gmail.com

Fundraising

Erie County Lodge #35

Erie County Lodge #35 is quite active in their community. They volunteer their time and donate funds to many local charities. One cause they actively champion is Wreaths Across America. Wreath Across America's mission is to honor our nation's fallen military heroes. Though they began at Arlington National Cemetery, they now supply wreaths to cemeteries across the nation and abroad. This includes the Ohio Veterans Home (OVH) located in Sandusky Ohio. Lodge #35 has been involved with the wreath laying ceremony in December for several years. But they noticed, year after year, that there were never enough wreaths to cover even half of the 4,350 graves at the Ohio Veterans Home. Their goal is to see a wreath on every grave. If you or your lodge would like to donate and help FOPA #35 with their goal follow this link to their personal donation page: <https://www.wreathscrossamerica.org/pages/150628/Overview/?relatedId=14925> Wreaths Across America is a 501c3 organization and you can read more about their story at www.wreathscrossamerica.org Donations made through the website are tax deductible. Or you may send a check to:



FOPA 35

PO Box 1271

Sandusky Ohio 44870

The wreaths are \$15 each and for every two purchased a third is donated. The cut off to sponsor wreaths for this year's ceremony is November 30th.



000	Name _____	Phone _____	Email _____	000		2021 FOP of Ohio Foundation
						26 Week Designer Purse Raffle
						<small>One winner each week</small>
						Coach, Fossil, Kate Spade, Michael Kors
						Tickets: \$30
						Only 1000 tickets sold
						Based on Monday evening Ohio Lottery Pick 3
						<small>All proceeds benefit the FOP of Ohio Foundation a 501(c)(3) Any unsold tickets belong to FOP of Ohio, Inc.</small>

FOP of Ohio Foundation

FOP of Ohio Foundation is excited to announce their 1st Designer Purse Raffle! Only 1000 tickets sold and the 26 week raffle will be based on the Monday evening Ohio Lottery Pick 3 each week. Winners will begin to be chosen when all tickets are sold. Purses include Kate Spade, Michael Kors, Coach and Fossil and each ticket is \$30. Guaranteed winner each week! All proceeds benefit the FOP of Ohio Foundation!

You can send payment with 'Attention Paige Ludwig' to:

FOP Ohio Foundation

222 E. Town St

Columbus Ohio 43215

****Due to circumstances surrounding COVID-19,
the date of our drawing has changed.
Winners will now be drawn at the 2021 State Conference.
Thank you for your understanding and support****



FOPA State Lodge

50/50 Raffle

10 Winners split the Pot!!
Up to \$500 each!!

Winners Drawn at 2021 FOP/FOPA State Conference
Need not be present to win!

\$5 each or 5 for \$20

Proceeds to be split 50/50 between:
FOPA of Ohio State Lodge
and

FOP of Ohio Foundation (CIRS)

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For tickets or more information contact

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