

# A Lodge UPDATE



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Quarterly Newsletter from The FOPA of Ohio

May 2023

## From the President

Greetings Members,

We are just a few short weeks away from our annual FOP-FOPA State Conference and I'm looking forward to seeing many of you there! We have several items that we will be discussing and if there are any topics you would like us to go over, please reach out in the next couple of weeks so that I may add them to our agenda.

I want to thank everyone who sent in nominations for FOPA Member of the Year, with so many worthy candidates it's not going to be an easy choice!

I would also like to thank all the lodges that sent in their bylaws when I requested them some time ago. If you haven't yet submitted them, please send them in or if you are attending conference bring a copy to submit there. Each lodge's bylaws are unique and having them on file helps us to better serve you when questions or concerns come up.

Lastly, I appreciate all of you who have contributed to this newsletter. It's great to see what you're all up to throughout the state!

Warmest regards,

Theresa A Drennen, State President

## Light Ohio Blue

Light Ohio Blue is a statewide campaign to show support to the law enforcement personnel who protect our communities throughout our great state. This year's campaign will be **May 14th thru May 20th**. Each year their staff works with several Ohio business' to light the city skylines blue. Please encourage your family, friends and colleagues to join Light Ohio Blue by lighting exterior light(s) blue to show support for our currently serving law

enforcement and to honor the fallen. Now more than ever law enforcement needs our support!

For more information check out [www.lightohioblue.org](http://www.lightohioblue.org) or their Facebook page [www.facebook.com/LightOhioBlue](http://www.facebook.com/LightOhioBlue)



# FOPA State Lodge Fundraiser



# FOP & FOPA



# Thin Blue Line Flags



These custom handmade wooden signs measure 13" x 23" and are approximately 3/4" thick. They have D rings on the back for hanging.

Winners of both flags will be drawn at our state conference this June. You need not be present to win. If winners are not present the flag can be shipped to them.

Please contact FOPA President Drennen for more information or to purchase tickets.

[alodgeupdate@gmail.com](mailto:alodgeupdate@gmail.com)

# Tickets \$5 each -or- 3 for \$10

**\*Winners drawn at State Conference**

**\*\*Need not be present to win**

# State Secretary-Treasurer Report



## FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE ASSOCIATES OF OHIO, INC 222 East Town Street; Columbus OH 43215

Greetings from your Secretary/Treasurer, Elaine Domonkos.

Time is flying by! All lodges by now should have paid their first per capita payment by this time. This was due in March. If your lodge has not yet paid, please do so immediately. If you have questions, please reach out to President Drennen, Vice President Leezer, your District Trustee, or myself. We are all here to help you.

### **NEW E-MAIL**

I have set up a new email account specifically for FOPA business. Please start using the following email for any correspondence you may have: [FOPAOhioStateSecretary@gmail.com](mailto:FOPAOhioStateSecretary@gmail.com)

### **Per Capita**

Remember when sending in your payment, please remember to include the list of members that correspond with the payment. We need to make sure that the amount paid matches with the number of members being submitted. Please remember to make your checks payable to FOPA of Ohio Inc (DO NOT make your checks payable to any board member, the State FOP or to Denise Young)!

As stated many times in the past, please get into the habit of sending in your per capita payment as they come in. Please do not wait until the next per capita due date to send this in. This holds especially true if you have new members. One is not considered a paid member until it is received by the state. This is extremely important if they member wishes to purchase the license plates and/or register for the free education.

### **IRS / Tax Filing (990)**

Now is the time to get your 2022 tax filling complete. Do not wait until the May 10<sup>th</sup> deadline. Get it done now! If you have any questions regarding what to do in order to get this completed, please do not hesitate to contact me and I can walk you through this process.

### **2023 State Conference**

The conference is being held the first weekend in **June**, not July as in the past. It will be held, June 4 -6, 2023 at the Kalahari Conference Center in Sandusky. Your lodge secretary should have received information in regard to the Conference Registration and room reservation information. Your Conference registration is due by May 19<sup>th</sup>. Please **DO NOT MAIL THE REGISTRATION TO THE STATE FOPA!** Please read the flyer for the conference registration as the registration form and payment are to be sent to: FOP Loge #17 c/o Ron Susana, P O Box 580, Sandusky OH 44870.

This year your lodge will be able to send 1 delegate per 25 paid members. We would like to have a good showing of FOPA members in attendance. Your credentials will be mailed out as the conference gets closer. Please ne on the lookout.

Room reservations for conference can be made by clicking on this link: <https://book.passkey.com/e/50459664>. Please be sure to make your reservations now if you plan on attending as rooms go quickly as all groups (FOP, FOP Auxiliary, and FOPA will be staying at the same location).

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If your lodge has not done so, please forward the names of any members, from your lodge, who may have passed away. We read the names of all brothers and sisters that have passed since the last conference. If your lodge did not send in your form, please email those names to me ([FOPAOhioStateSecretary@gmail.com](mailto:FOPAOhioStateSecretary@gmail.com)). Please reference Necrology in the subject line.

## **Officer Contact**

Please remember to keep your contact information up to date with the State Lodge. Communication is the key and in order to do, we need to make sure we have all the correct information. Please submit this to the state if you have not yet done so.

## **Scholarship Application**

Last call for Scholarship applications. They are due by **MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>**. If anyone in your "P" lodge has a graduating senior, please have them apply! This is a \$4,000 scholarship (paid \$500 each semester with the submission of grades).

## **BANK BALANCE FROM JANUARY 01, 2023 to MARCH 31, 2023**

### **General Checking Account**

Beginning Balance	\$85,233.49
Ending Balance	\$108,950.89
Difference	\$23,717.40

The payments made during this time period ranged from the Winter Board Meeting officer expenses and well as the room and travel expenses for the Spring Board meeting for VP Leezer and Secretary/Treasurer Domonkos. We are awaiting the amount owed for the Winter Board meeting and once received, that bill be paid.

### **Scholarship Checking Account**

Beginning Balance	\$10,694.14
Ending Balance	\$9,694.14
Difference	\$1,000.00

Payments include scholarship installments to the following:

Meleah Oney	\$500.00
Grace Beck	\$500.00

In closing, your State Board is here to help you in any way that they can. Please contact me ([FOPAOhioStateSecretary@gmail.com](mailto:FOPAOhioStateSecretary@gmail.com) or 614-323-5557 should you have any questions or concerns.

Fraternally,  
Elaine Domonkos  
FOPA State Secretary/Treasurer

## Around the State

### Butler County Sheriff's Lodge #21

Butler County Sheriff's Lodge #21 was very happy to accept a \$5000 check as a donation from the Butler Aerie #407 Fraternal Order of Eagles.



*Members of Butler County Sheriff's Lodge #21*

*Left to Right: Scott Ingram 3 Year Trustee, George Zehler Vice President, Brian Wyrick President, Jamie Hassler Secretary, Jessica Moore Treasurer, Ron Moore Conductor, and Aaron Hassler Outer Guard*

### Lorain Lodge #46

The Lorain Fraternal Order of Police Associates Lodge No. 46, held their second annual Pancake brunch event on March 25 at SS Cyril and Methodius Church, 3056 Reeves Ave., in Lorain. Bringing together many people from throughout Lorain county, the brunch was determined a success by the FOP, thanks to their "all you can eat" pancakes, eggs, sausage and coffee. According to Jim Malick, president of the FOPA, "A couple of members got together last year and suggested we do something for the kids. It was around Easter and so we had breakfast with the bunny."



The event was so successful that Malick and his team quickly set to work planning for the next year, this time anticipating hundreds. "We have made about 600 pancakes for this event," said Joel Arredono, president of the council. In addition to the delicious breakfast, created by volunteers including Cynthia Theodoropoulos, guests also could take their shots at a 50/50 raffle and baskets. "We have sold about 200 tickets and at halfway through we have already served 100 people so it has been awesome," said Malick.

As a special treat for the younger guests in attendance, the beloved Easter Bunny made an appearance for photos during a meet and greet. Mayor Jack Bradley also came to show his support in addition to being a member of the FOPA. "Because it is election time, we get a lot more people who come out and it has been an amazing response," said the mayor. "This is a fantastic program geared to giving back to our community and our law enforcement." All of the funds raised from the event go back towards the FOPA to help provide for the Lorain Police. A main focus of the funds will go on to the Cops and Kids program. An additional event with the FOPA will come September 23 in partnership with Matus Winery. More details will be announced as the event nears.



# Around the State



## Erie County Lodge #35

Erie Co. Lodge #35 held their annual Wing Party Fundraiser at Daly's Pub in Sandusky on April 29th. The event was a huge success and raised over \$3,600 for their lodge!



State Vice President Leezer and State Secretary Treasurer Domonkos fundraising at the FOP Spring Board Meeting



State Vice President Jim Leezer speaking about the FOPA at a local community event

## Around the State

### Capital City Lodge #5 Annual Easter Egg Hunt



## Newsletter Submissions

If you would like to see your lodge featured or would like to recognize one of your members please let us know! We are happy to share your stories as well as your events and fundraisers.

## Submission Guidelines

- ◆ The quarterly newsletter is sent out the first week of February, May, August and November. Any submissions are due no later than the 15th of each month prior to publication.
- ◆ If you would like to see your lodge or member featured, we have questionnaires to help. Let us know if you're interested and we can email the questionnaire forms.
- ◆ Picture submissions need the names (and positions if lodge officers) included.
- ◆ Fundraiser and event submissions need a contact phone or email that will be published for members to contact if they need more information.
- ◆ If your local FOP lodge or Auxiliary lodge would like to share their fundraisers, we will be happy to include those as well. These will also need a point of contact included.
- ◆ Please make all submissions in Microsoft Word format or in text format.
- ◆ All submissions and inquiries can be sent to [ALodgeUpdate@gmail.com](mailto:ALodgeUpdate@gmail.com)

# MURDER MYSTERY



**I LOVE THE 80'S TO DEATH  
PRESENTED BY PORTAGE COUNTY  
FOP&FOPA**

**SEPTEMBER 30,2023**

**RAVENNA ELKS 776 N. FREEDOM ST  
Ravenna Oh. 44266**

**DOORS OPEN AT 6:00PM  
Dress in your best 80's attire**

**TICKETS ARE \$40.00 EACH. (Includes Dinner,  
Murder Mystery, beverage, and dessert).**

**FOR TICKETS, PLEASE CALL KELLY LANHAM 330-428-5572 OR  
MIKE STANKIEWICZ 330-697-2800**



# 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 12, 2023*

*At Wolter Park, 2610 Ley Dr. 2:00 p.m. till 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 11, 2023**. 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. Auxillary, and prospective members.

**(ADULTS ONLY)**



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# Fraternal Order of Police of Ohio 2023 Golf Outing



Scioto Reserve Country Club  
7383 Scioto Parkway  
Powell, Ohio 43065  
Phone: 740-881-9082

Monday August 7, 2023  
Cost: \$125 per player  
Registration 9:00AM  
Shotgun start 10:30AM

Enjoy 18 holes of golf (including cart), lunch, dinner, prizes, and an exciting awards banquet.

All for just \$125.00 per player

- Closest to the pin challenge. Winner will receive Odyssey Putter
- Longest drive contest Winner will receive a New Titleist driver
- Titleist Driver Raffle

Please contact:  
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614-224-5700 ext. 1150

FOP Strong

## Fraternal Order of Police 2023 Golf Outing- 4 Man Scramble



This year's event will be held **August 7th** at the well-manicured Scioto Reserve Country Club in Powell, Ohio.

Registration begins at 9:00am, shotgun start at 10:30 am.

The cost for this event is only **\$125 per golfer**. This price includes 18 holes of golf, riding cart, drink tickets, dinner, and various awards.

All Sponsorships are 100% tax deductible

### HOLE SPONSOR - \$150.00

Showcase your company's logo as your logo will be prominently displayed on signage at the sponsored hole.

### Closest to the Pin SPONSOR - \$250.00

Showcase your company's logo as your logo will be prominently displayed on signage at the golf course

### Dinner SPONSOR - \$750.00

Showcase your company's logo as your logo will be prominently displayed on signage at the golf course.

### President's SPONSOR - \$2,500.00

Champion Sponsorship package includes:

- One (1) foursome.
- Recognition on banner at golf course.

Please RSVP and return with payment by **March 1, 2023**  
Make checks payable to FOP of Ohio Foundation

### FOP Supporter Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Company \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_  
 State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Golfer 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Golfer 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Golfer 4 \_\_\_\_\_