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President's Message

By Randy Hagler - State President

Welcome to the March-April 2024 issue of the official publication of the North Carolina Fraternal Order of Police, The BlueNote. If you receive this publication via email or download it from the ncfop.org website, please share it with all your law enforcement friends, family, and supporters. It contains important information concerning our organization and law enforcement across the State.



Sisters and Brothers, I do not need to tell you of the dangerous world we currently live in because you live it every day. In 2023, North Carolina lost three officers in line of duty deaths, and one of those was by a firearm. What you may not remember is that in the same year, North Carolina had 9 other officers who were shot in the line of duty. This compares across the United States to 378 officers who were shot in 2023, with 46 of those being fatal. This trend has increased every year since 2018 with the one exception of 2022. I encourage you to take a look at the report by the National FOP (link provided below) that takes a deeper look into the numbers and demonstrates the alarming trend on ambush style attacks on our officers. These attacks are on the increase as well. We must do everything we can to keep our officers safe and able to return home at the end of their shift.

[*REPORT: Shot/Killed - 1/1/2024\(fop.net\)](https://www.fop.net)

One of the things that is an absolute is to wear your body armor. I realize most officers are doing this but I have seen many that do not wear it on a regular basis. This is something we can all do. Most police departments and sheriff's offices provide body armor for their officers and replace it regularly based on manufacturers recommendations. If you work for an agency that does not provide body armor or does not replace it as suggested, please contact the North Carolina State FOP and let us know. I cannot make promises but I will tell you we will do everything in our power to make sure you have the body armor to improve the safety for you and your coworkers.

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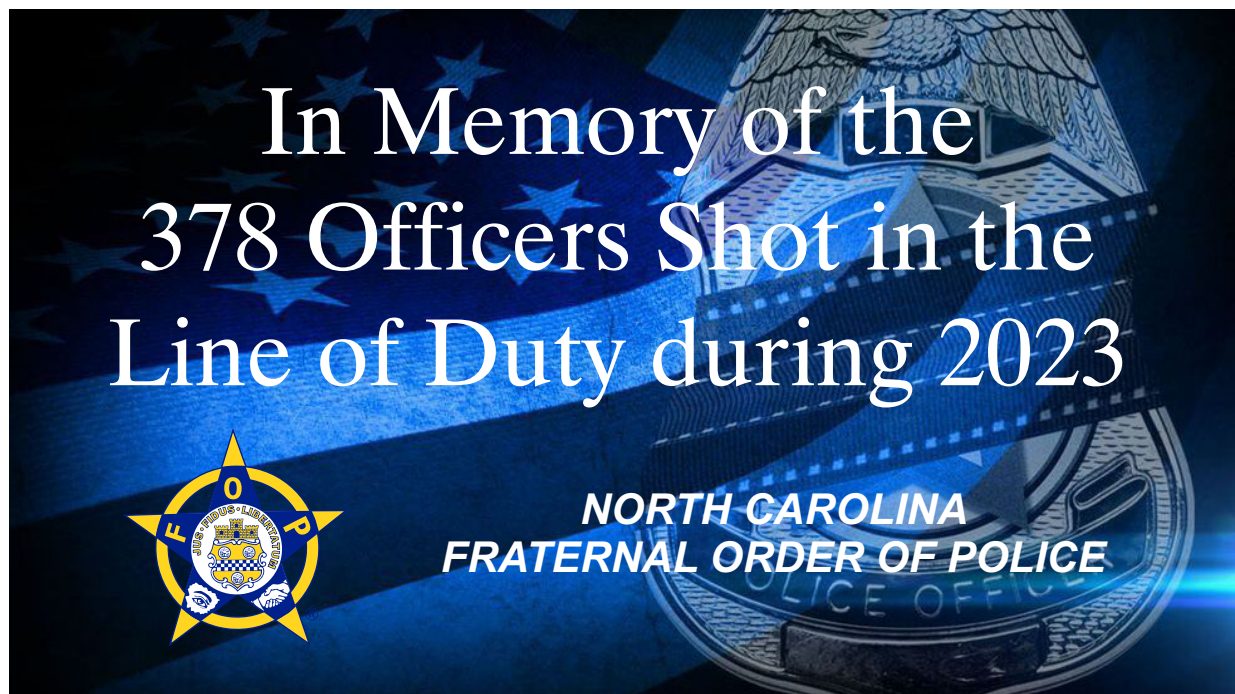
President's Message (Continued)

Many of our officers are working in agencies that are understaffed which can cause shortages of officers in the field. This fact creates an officer safety issue as well. Under these circumstances, it is vitally important that you take every precaution possible when responding to calls for service or making traffic stops. Always have a plan if something does not look or feel right. The instinct that tells you when something is wrong must not be overlooked. Use it to your advantage and request an additional officer or officers as needed. Remember, most of our agencies do not choose to be understaffed. Work with them to help find qualified candidates to join your department and assist in getting staffing levels to the required level.

Back each other up, always. When an officer calls in a traffic stop, it does not hurt anything to ride by and check on them. You do not have to stop, just ride by. That sends a strong message to your coworker as well as the motorist they have stopped. Sometimes a situation can go south quickly and if you are already headed that way it will decrease your response time and increase the chances of a positive outcome. This is true if it is a traffic stop or a call for service. Either way, it can provide the extra officer visibility that can change the outcome of a situation.

I realize that most of the suggestions I have made in this article is assuming on my part that you actually have other officers working with you. That may not always be the case. We have many officers, deputies, and troopers working alone a large portion of their shift and they must assume their back up is a long way off. This is even more of a reason to wear body armor, rely on your instincts, and do not hesitate to request assistance, even if it is a long way off. I recall a story told years ago by an Arizona State Trooper that was teaching an officer survival class I was attending. He worked in the northeast section of Arizona and when he observed a vehicle pass him that matched the description of a suspect wanted for murder. He called in to his dispatcher to advise them he was going to stop the car and needed for them to start another trooper for backup. After a long pause on the radio the dispatcher advised the closest trooper was a New Mexico trooper about 75 miles away. He simply and calmly said, "10-4, go ahead and start them this way."

Stay safe and back each other up, please.



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

By Phil Wiggins

Romans 5:3-4 *"We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they are good for us, they help us learn to be patient. And patience develops strength of character."*

Have you ever found yourself facing troubles or problems at work, home, or social events? I know I have over the years, and I am sure you can answer yes to this question as well. Many of us start asking why is this happening to me, or maybe trying to find someone to blame for the problems.

I remember sitting in a training class, and the teacher shared something with me that stuck in my mind. He said, *"If you face a problem or even a personal criticism, it would be good to stop, maybe even look at yourself in the mirror, and ask yourself is this problem something I could have prevented, or could the criticism of me be true. Do this before making an accusation."*

In the above passage of scripture, the bible tells us what we should do when these problems come. We can rejoice, because these problems can force us to stop and take an inward look at ourselves. This can help build character and patience in our life. So, maybe next time problems arise, first look inward. It could be that God is working on us to build character, patience, and integrity.

God's Blessing!!

Chaplain Phil Wiggins
NC State Lodge Chaplain



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National Lodge Update

By Dennis McCrary – NC National Trustee

The FOP continues to be the voice of law enforcement across our great nation. The National Board of Directors met by webinar on February 15 and I will cover some of the more important items that were discussed in this article.



The FOP is making progress on H.R. 82 Social Security Fairness Act. We now have 308 cosponsors for this bill. All signs seem very positive for moving this legislation forward in the new year. We have 50 cosponsors in the Senate and need to get 60 to get closure for the bill but will only need 51 to pass the legislation.

Day on the Hill is scheduled for March 4-6, 2024. The event this year will be held in conjunction with the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) and will begin with a reception on Sunday evening for both groups. The dates of this year's event create an issue for many states, including North Carolina. March 5 is Super Tuesday and many, if not most, legislators will not be in DC but will be in their home states. NC State Lodge is not sending any board members to attend this year after reviewing information and consulting with our legislative agent.

Members are reminded, for those who have retired and are eligible for Medicare, that there is a plan through Aetna to provide medical coverage. Those that may be interested in this insurance should go to FOP.net to get more details.

The National FOP has now made a new type of health insurance available to pre-65 retired members. This “Blue Line” coverage is now being used by a number of FOP lodges and will make some much-needed coverage available to members. Please go to FOP.net and click under Member Benefits Insurance to get details.

The national COPS office had provided a grant to the FOP to develop peer support training for officers across the country. This “Power in Peers” 40-hour course has now been finalized and two pilot courses have been held. The course has received final approval and will be presented across the country in future sessions. Stay tuned for dates that may be available for your members.

I updated the National Board on information about plans for the Fall National Board meeting to be held in Charlotte September 4-8. We have contracted with the Hilton University Place in Charlotte for the meetings. We have tentative plans for a very special treat on Thursday evening for attendees. You will hear more about this meeting at our State Board of Directors meeting in Charlotte. On Friday of that September meeting the FOP Board of Directors will vote on an endorsement for President of the United States. President Hagler will outline NCFOP's process, that we will use to direct me how to vote on this endorsement, during our State Board of Directors meeting in April. We are looking forward to hosting this National Board of Directors/State Presidents and showing them some true southern hospitality.

Many of you have probably already signed up for this information but the Member Benefits Newsletter, that comes out each month, is an important update to especially new benefits that are available for members. Those that have not can get this month's edition at <https://national.fop.net/february2024benefitsnewsletter>.

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National Lodge Update (Continued)

Lodges should now be making plans to attend this year's National Police Memorial Service in Washington in May. This is a great tribute to honor those officers that gave the ultimate sacrifice to their fellow citizens. It is important to show their families that we care and will not forget their loved ones. Thankfully, we will only have about one half of the number of officers to be honored as we had last year. The service on May 15 will not be as lengthy as some past services so we ask that officers attending please stay until the very end so exiting families will not see a much smaller crowd as when they entered the event.

Lodge officers are reminded to please take immediate action when I send the interest forms from the National Lodge of officers wanting to join the FOP. We must show these possible members that they are important to us or they will go to another organization. It is becoming too often that I hear back from some of these possible members that they have not heard from the local lodge leadership I sent their information to for contact.

Most of you know that I serve as Chairman for the National FOP Disaster Relief Committee. I continue to process claims for members that have sustained severe damage to their homes. I ask that you keep these members in your thoughts and prayers.

On a personal note, I consider it an honor to represent each of you as your National Trustee. I will be running for reelection to this position at our State Conference this Fall in Cherokee and would respectfully ask for your vote. Please let me know if I can be of any service to you or your lodge.

Tax Preparation Guidance for Local Lodges

By Kevin Hornaday – Chairman Constitution and By-laws Committee

The below material is provided as a courtesy to lodge officers. It should not be construed as tax advice. If you have any questions regarding your lodge's tax status or filing requirements, please consult a tax professional.

FOP Lodges, as nonprofit entities, must report financial activities to the Internal Revenue Service on an annual basis.

Depending on the gross receipts of each lodge, the process could take minutes or months. Lodges that average gross receipts under \$50,000 annually (as calculated on any three-year average basis) can file a 990-N (formerly known as the E-Postcard). This process is done entirely online, and the IRS provides a very helpful document (Publication 5248). If a lodge's gross receipts exceed \$50,000, they can prepare either a 990-EZ or a 990. Many lodges enlist the assistance of a professional tax preparer for this.

Keep in mind that the State Lodge must have proof of your lodge's tax compliance. After submitting the 990-N, wait several minutes for the return to be "Accepted". Then, you can print the results and scan that to the State Lodge. Retain a copy for your records.

Regardless of which method is used, taxes are due on the 15th day of the fifth month following the end of the lodge's fiscal year. For a lodge with a January - December fiscal year, their taxes are due May 15th. For a lodge with a July - June fiscal year, their taxes would be due November 15th. A lodge can always file their taxes sooner and are encouraged to do so.

A lodge that fails to file taxes for three consecutive years will lose their tax-exempt status as required by the Pension Protection Act (PPA) of 2006. Once that occurs, it is a monumental task to regain it. The National FOP has a resource for lodges that need tax help under Lodge Resources. It has instructions and links for all the various 990 forms with instructions and a lot of other important information.

Representing Members From:

- AGRICULTURE
 - OIG
 - Forest Service
- CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
 - Export Enforcement
 - OIG
 - NOAA Fisheries Law Enforcement
- DEFENSE
 - Air Force - OSI
 - Army - CID
 - Defense Criminal Investigative Service
 - Naval Criminal Investigative Service
 - OIG
 - Police
- EDUCATION - OIG
- ENERGY
 - National Nuclear Security Administration
- ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
 - CID
 - OIG
- FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION OIG
 - Federal Reserve Board
 - Federal Reserve Police
- FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTER GENERAL SERVICES
 - Food & Drug Administration
- HOMELAND SECURITY
 - Border Patrol
 - Coast Guard Investigative Service
 - Immigration & Customs Enforcement
 - Customs & Border Protection
 - Federal Air Marshal Service
 - Federal Protective Service
 - U.S. Secret Service
 - Transportation Security Administration
- HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT -
 - Bureau of Indian Affairs
 - Bureau of Land Management
 - Fish & Wildlife Service
 - National Park Service
- JUSTICE
 - Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives
 - Bureau of Prisons
 - Drug Enforcement Administration
 - Federal Bureau of Investigation
- OIG
 - U.S. Attorney's Office-CI
- LABOR - OIG
- NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION - OIG
- NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION - OIG
- NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY - Police
- OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT - OIG
- PENTAGON FORCE PROTECTION AGENCY
- POSTAL SERVICE
 - Postal Inspection
 - Postal OIG
 - Postal Police
- RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD
- SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION - OIG
- SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION - OIG
 - Bureau of Diplomatic Security
- TRANSPORTATION - OIG
- TREASURY
 - FINCEN & OIG
 - Internal Revenue Service - CI
 - Mint
 - TIGTA
- A. CAPITOL POLICE
- B. PROBATION & PRETRIAL SERVICES
- C. SUPREME COURT POLICE
 - VETERANS AFFAIRS
 - Office of Inspector General
 - VA Police
 - RETIRES



FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

Court of Appeals Affirms FLEOA, NJFOP Victory in LEOSA Lawsuit

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

February 14, 2024

WASHINGTON, DC—Today, Mathew Silverman, National President of the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association (FLEOA)—the nation’s largest non-partisan, non-for-profit professional association representing more than 32,000 federal law enforcement officers and agents across 65 federal agencies—issued the following statement regarding the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit’s decision affirming the lower court’s ruling in FLEOA and the New Jersey State Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police (NJ FOP)’s favor in *FLEOA v. Grewal*:

“It is with extreme pride and pleasure that we announce that the US Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit has ruled in FLEOA and the NJ FOP’s favor in our lawsuit against the State of New Jersey for their preemption of the federal Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act (LEOSA). LEOSA establishes a limited concealed carry waiver for qualified law enforcement ‘notwithstanding any other provision of law of any state.’ Despite this, New Jersey has consistently sought to undermine the rights of qualified law enforcement to carry in the state. Today, the Court of Appeals affirmed Congress’s ‘express and unmistakable’ intent to preempt state law and struck down New Jersey’s unconstitutional violation of the constitution’s Supremacy Clause,” FLEOA President Silverman said.

“As the Court concluded: ‘We may not ignore Congress’s unambiguous conferral of an individual right or its clear intent to preempt state law. In LEOSA, Congress granted certain retired law enforcement officers a right to carry a concealed firearm. And LEOSA expressly preempts contrary provisions of the state law.’ This conclusion sends a strong message to states who seek to circumvent federal law by imposing unnecessary and burdensome requirements on retired officers’ right to carry that those requirements will not stand,” Silverman continued.

“In enacting LEOSA, Congress sought to provide a force multiplied in states to ensure qualified personnel with public safety training are prepared and able to respond to public safety threats whenever they arise. New Jersey and various other states have disregarded these public safety benefits and disregarded their constitutional responsibility to defer to federal law. Today, the Court of Appeals made clear that will not stand. We applaud the Court for its decision today and look forward to seeing New Jersey abide by this ruling after having lost their case at both the district court and appellate court levels. Finally, I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to the NJ FOP for fighting this fight alongside FLEOA,” Silverman concluded.

“The Court of Appeals decision today reflects a commonsense and constitutionally-sound interpretation of LEOSA. We applaud the Court for unequivocally concluding that ‘New Jersey

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may not limit the LEOSA right or burden that right by imposing additional requirements upon right-holders.' With this, the Court made clear that the state of New Jersey's constant attempts to undermine the LEOSA rights of qualified law enforcement officers was unacceptable and unproductive. LEOSA serves to enhance public safety, and at a time when law enforcement is struggling to recruit and retain qualified personnel, it serves as a critical force multiplier in the field," Robert W. Fox, NJ FOP President, continued.

"Like the district court's decision, this opinion is based on the text of the law, its history, and the facts of New Jersey's actions. Had New Jersey cooperated with law enforcement entities, this case could have come out differently. But because of the state's consistent work to undermine LEOSA rights, we were forced to take our case to court for resolution. As a result, justice has been served for our members and the entire law enforcement community in New Jersey. We applaud the Court of Appeals decision and thank FLEOA for working with us to correct this injustice," Fox concluded.

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BlueNote Information and Submission Dates for 2024

Executive Editor – Terry Mangum

Welcome to the March/April issue of the BlueNote. I hope you have been reading and enjoying the past issues. But I need your help so let this be your year to submit an article for the BlueNote!!! We need to hear from more members and Lodges. You do not have to be a Local Lodge or State Lodge officer to contribute articles or photos. So, I encourage all of our readers to submit articles to your BlueNote publication.

I very much appreciate the individuals who regularly contributed articles, photographs, and Lodge activities for the BlueNote. Their contributions are what make each issue of the BlueNote possible, because without submitted articles and photographs, there would be no publication. So, thank you for your commitment to our State Lodge and the Fraternal Order of Police.

Submitting an article is a simple and painless process. Just e-mail your article or information to my e-mail address terrymangum@frontier.com by the due date and I will prepare your article for publication. How simple and easy is that? You can also submit photographs without an article. But if you do, please select a few of the best and include the names of the individuals in the picture and the event.

Below are the Article Submission Due Dates for the remaining 2024 issues of the BlueNote.

Article Submission Due Date for 2024:

May/June issue: Due by April 19, 2024

July/August issue: Due by June 21, 2024

September/October issue: Due by August 23, 2024

November/December issue: Due by October 18, 2024

As always, I am here to serve you and our membership. If I may be of assistance to you, or if you have any questions or concerns, please contact me.



Entry Deadline - April 26th

FOURTH ANNUAL CAPTAINS CHOICE GOLF TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER

Blue Ridge Mountains Golf with a Touch of the Scottish Highlands

Nestled in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains, Reems Creek Golf Club offers a relaxing and picturesque setting for a day on the links. The golf course was constructed by Hawtree & Sons, a renowned British firm that sculpted a layout reminiscent of the look and feel of the Scottish Highlands. Elevations found here provide the most spectacular views of the surrounding mountains!

Our new fleet of golf carts have GPS systems to help you execute the perfect shot! Our renovated clubhouse and grill will be a relaxing venue to recount the shots of the day! Experience the challenge of Reems Creek. The mountains await! **Holes: 18 Par: 72I Yardage: 6,492**

MAY 3, 2024

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

REGISTRATION OPENS AT 7 AM

SHOTGUN START AT 8:30 AM

LUNCH DIRECTLY FOLLOWING

AWARDS AND PRIZES DURING LUNCH

CONTEST

HOLE IN ONE

CLOSEST TO PIN

CHIP RAFFLE

The North Carolina Fraternal Order of Police Foundation is a 501c3 non-profit organization. Our primary purpose is to exist as a benevolent foundation for the purpose of assisting children of North Carolina Fraternal Order of Police members (officers), which have been killed or permanently disabled in the line of duty. The funds will go to assist in the children's higher education expenses through scholarships as well as to support members (officers) that have encountered a personal loss from a natural disaster.

Besides benefiting the children with scholarships, there is also a benefit to the contributor. The North Carolina Fraternal Order of Police Foundation Inc. is a 501C3 charitable organization and all donations are tax deductible. We do not use profession91 telemarketing services, therefore, all funds donated come directly to the Foundation and your financial donations are perpetual.



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CAPTAINS CHOICE GOLF TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER

REGISTER NOW

If you are interested in registering a team for this event, please contact James Wingo at ncfopgolf@gmail.com
Please provide the names of the players and the team Captain. This will assist with check in as well as lunch.



ENTRY DEADLINE
26 April 2024
REGISTER NOW!
\$400 Per Team



WHAT'S INCLUDED?

GOLF - RANGE BALLS - GOLF CARTS WITH GPS
LUNCH: CHOICE OF 3 ITEM MENU
PRIZES - GOODY BAG

MULLIGANS / FORWARD TEES?
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Advertising
Four Tee Signs
One Team Entry (Four Golfers)

EAGLE SPONSOR - \$1000

Advertising
Two Tee Signs
One Team Entry (Four Golfers)

BIRDIE SPONSOR - \$450

One Tee Sign
One Team Entry (Four Golfers)

TEE SPONSOR - \$100

One Tee Sign

If you are interested in becoming a sponsor for this event, please contact James Wingo at:

ncfopgolf@gmail.com

Retirees – Did You Know?

By Martin “Marty” Wilson – Retirement Committee Chairman

Since it is Tax Season – Charitable contributions tax breaks can help you and the NCFOP Foundation.

It is always good to be generous with Charities, and you can even gain a tax break for such altruism. Eligible Charitable donations can help you reduce your taxable income, which can help you pay less in Taxes. Tax-Deductible donations include gifts of cash, assets, or property to a qualifying organization. The amount you have donated can then be itemized on your tax return and will reduce your taxable income. If you donated an asset or property, you can deduct the fair market value in your tax return.

The NCFOP Foundation is a 501(c)(3), which means all donations are tax deductible. With that being said, not only are you helping with PROVIDING Scholarships to FOP members and their families, you are also helping yourself come tax time. You can start working on your 2024 taxes by becoming a Hole Sponsor for the 2024 NCFOP Foundation Golf Tournament at \$100.00. Also get your LODGE to sponsor a hole at \$100.00.

Remember if there is anything you would like to know about send an e-mail to me at volfan2596@aol.com or text or call 828-712-1298.



Reminder About the NCFOP Foundation 2024 Golf Tournament

By Martin “Marty” Wilson – NCFOP Foundation Treasurer

The Foundation’s Annual Golf Tournament will be held on May 3, 2024 at Reems Creek Golf Course. There is still plenty of time to Sponsor a Hole for \$100.00. A sponsorship can be from an individual or from a Local Lodge. There is also room for more teams to play in the Tournament. There is an e-mail listed on the pamphlet and you can also send any Donations to:

NCFOP Foundation
74 Parker Cove Rd
Weaverville, NC 28787

I will also have the Foundation’s SQUARE (for on-line payments) at the Spring Board of Directors Meeting in Charlotte. Cash is also accepted.

Thank you!

Eagle Scout Pinning Ceremony of Parker Sherrod

By Greg Brown – State Trustee Rocky Mount Lodge 46

Parker Sherrod, the son of Captain Jeff Sherrod of the Nash County Sheriff's Office, earned his Eagle Scout rank and was pinned on Saturday, January 20, 2024.

The ceremony was held at the old Historic Nash County Court House with over 120 people in attendance. Those in attendance included many legislators, county officials, law enforcement officers, family members and FOP members.

Parker's project was revitalizing the Fallen Law Enforcement Officer Memorial Monument, of the NC Fraternal Order of Police Rocky Mount Lodge 46, which is located in front of the court house. His project included adding the names of five fallen officers, who were not listed on the monument, and adding a stone bench beside of the monument. Parker also presented a check for \$2,500 to State Trustee Greg Brown. This money will only be used to add names to the memorial monument with hopes that it will never have to be used.

Parker worked extremely hard on fundraising and Lodge 46 assisted with this endeavor by letting Parker utilize Lodge 46 facilities to cook and sell plates this summer.

The families of three of the fallen officers who were added to the memorial were in attendance and were recognized. The other two officers were killed in the early 1900s.



Annual Public Safety Appreciation Lunch

Greg Brown – Rocky Mount Lodge 46 State Trustee

For over 20 plus years, agencies from Nash, Edgecombe and surrounding counties have gathered on a farm in Leggett, North Carolina for a Public Safety Appreciation lunch. This lunch is hosted by Mr. Steve Wordsworth (Lodge 46), family and friends to thank and show their gratitude and support to these men and women, by providing them a feast with all the trimmings.

Teams from the Nash and Edgecombe County Sheriffs' Offices cooked and prepared the meals which consisted of BBQ Chicken, Collards, Blacked Eyes Peas, Potatoes and Desserts. The cook team also prepared over 100 plates and had them delivered to the agencies and their personnel who were unable to attend.

This annual Appreciation Lunch draws hundreds of first responders together. This year over 200 people from agencies in Eastern NC gathered and enjoyed the appreciation lunch. These agencies included Edgecombe, Nash, Halifax, Greene, Craven, New Hanover Sheriffs' Offices and their staff, US Marshals, Deputy Marshals, US Attorneys, District Attorneys, Legislators, and Federal, State and Local Agencies including Police, Fire, EMS, and DOT.



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Annual Public Safety Appreciation Lunch (Continued)

Greg Brown – Rocky Mount Lodge 46 State Trustee



TRIVIA

We Have A WINNER!!!

We Have a WINNER!!! I am pleased to announce that we have a new 2024 winner for the January/February issue of our Trivia contest. **Mark Michalec**, State Trustee of Charlotte-Mecklenburg Lodge 9, is the **Grand Prize Winner** of the BlueNote TRIVIA contest. **Mark** was the first to correctly identify the three individuals in the Trivia photograph as Byron Highland, Scott “Google” Gerson, and Robert “Bobby” or “Boddy” Gaddy Jr. He will get extra credit for the nicknames.

Many thanks to everyone who participated in the January/February issue of TRIVIA and sent in a response.

If you have not won a TRIVIA contest, do not give up because 2024 could be your year to win one. It was for **Mark**. So, keep playing and submitting your answers and maybe you too can be a BlueNote TRIVIA Grand Prize Winner like Mark Michalec.

Remember, you should send in your responses as quickly as possible, since the TRIVIA guesses come in with lightning speed. I hope to see your name listed as the BlueNote TRIVIA Grand Prize Winner in the next issue.

Let The Fun Begin!!!
Drumroll!!! Trumpet Fanfare!!! Play Trivia!!!



It is TRIVIA TIME again and TIME for everyone to Play TRIVIA. This is your opportunity to participate in another entertaining and exciting round of BlueNote TRIVIA.

Can you identify the seven (7) individuals in this photograph?

If you can identify these individuals, just send an email to terrymangum@frontier.com with your answer along with your name and the number of your Lodge.

Remember to send me your answer as quickly as you can.

The correct TRIVIA answer will be posted in the May/June 2024 issue of the BlueNote along with the name of the **first** individual submitting the correct answer. Good Luck!!!