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FROM THE PRESIDENT

by Sean Rosa | srosa@dc-fop.org

Brothers and Sisters,

I hope that all of you are enjoying your winter. Before we know it, spring will be here. I would like to thank everyone who came out for the Christmas party. A great time was had by all including myself. The food was great as always, as well as our members’ excellent dance moves. During the party I had the pleasure to award Mike Kruggel, Don Snow, Sterling Spangler and Bonnie Cannon each with the President’s Award recognizing them for all of the work and volunteer hours they put into our Lodge for our members over the past year. I would also like to take this chance to again thank the Christmas party committee for the excellent work putting the event together.

As spring approaches we have a lot of work to do, as well as a lot to look forward to. We again will be hosting the opening briefing for “Day on the Hill” at the Lodge. This is a great event where FOP leaders from around the country come to DC to meet with their representatives in Congress. This gives our organization face-to-face time with our elected representatives to explain the importance of legislation that will effect all of us in our law enforcement careers.

The Police Week will also be here before we know it, along with the 30th anniversary of our Tent City event. Don Snow and the rest of the Police Week committee are already working hard to make sure this year’s event is another success. I look forward to seeing you all there, welcoming our brothers and sisters from around the country to our great city, as well as honoring those who have given the ultimate sacrifice for our nation. Please keep your eyes open for the Police Week issue (continued...)

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FROM THE PRESIDENT (cont.)

of the Simulcast that will have more information on the week’s events. Again, this year our Jack Daniel’s fundraising committee also has been hard at work with the 30th Anniversary commemorative bottles that are for sale, which can be found at dc-fop.org/jack-daniels-NPW-2019. Please keep an eye out for updates and more offers as they are limited and will sell out fast.

As always Brothers and Sisters, please watch each other’s six and stay safe. It seems these days that every time I turn on the news I hear a story of another of our comrades being assaulted or killed. These are trying times for our nation’s Officers, we must band together even more right now than ever, and make sure that our voice is heard. Continue to do the great job that you do every day out there protecting the citizens. Remember that the silent majority supports you and all that you do.

Fraternally,
President Sean Rosa
Good Food & Cold Beer

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FROM THE **VICE PRESIDENT**

by Robert Berretta | rberretta@dc-fop.org

I would like to start out by saying welcome back! For those of you, like me, who were furloughed for 35 days during the recent government shutdown, welcome back! I’d like to personally thank the men and women of the United States Park Police for coming to work and maintaining the mission of the Force even when things seemed bleak. With no paychecks coming in, or end in sight to this nonsensical shutdown, we still got the job done!!

As some of you may be aware the annual Saint Patrick’s Day Parade has been cancelled. Due to the DC government’s requirements for public gatherings and the expense associated with security and road closures for large events, the Saint Patrick’s Day Parade committee was forced to make this difficult decision.

The committee is an all-volunteer non-profit organization that raises funds year around for the explicit purpose of putting on this annual parade in our Nation’s Capital. They are committed to the 2020 Saint Patrick’s Day Parade which will mark the 50th year of this great event! If you’d like to view their 2019 fundraising schedule at area pubs this winter, or directly support their 2020 campaign, please visit their homepage www.dcsptsparsade.com. If you’d like to get involved and volunteer your time, contact them at parade@dcsptsparsade.com. Please mark your calendars for Sunday, March 15, 2020. I hope to see you there, and of course at the Lodge afterward!!

We still have about two dozen vacant Agency Trustee positions. The list on the next page shows the Agency Trustee vacancies, so once again I ask if you know anyone in any of those agencies that may be interested please relay rberretta@dc-fop.org or 202-437-8253.

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FROM THE **VICE PRESIDENT** (cont.)

**Agency Trustee Vacancies**

BOP (Bureau of Prisons)  
CSOSA (D.C. Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency)  
DCHA (D.C. Housing Authority)  
DEA (Drug Enforcement Administration)  
DHS (U.S. Department of Homeland Security)  
FAMS (Federal Air Marshal Service)  
FDA (Food and Drug Administration)  
FRBPO (Federal Reserve Board)  
HUD-OIG (U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development Office of Inspector General)  
ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement)  
LABOR (U.S. Department of Labor)  
MINT (U.S. Mint Police)  
POST (Postal Police)  
SMITH (Smithsonian Institution)  
STATE (State Department)  
SUPCT (U.S. Supreme Court)  
TIGTA (Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration)  
TSA (Transportation Security Administration)  
USDA-OIG (U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of Inspector General)  
USMS (U.S. Marshals Service)  
WRPD (Walter Reed Police Division)  
ZOO (National Zoo Police)
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- Collective bargaining
- Standard of conduct complaints
- Discipline
- Removal
- Whistleblowing
- Discrimination
- EEO
- Unfair labor practices
- DOJ investigations
- Internal investigations
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- Firearms qualifications
- Use of force
- Fitness for duty examinations
- Financial matters
- Criminal matters
- Civil rights
- Employee benefits

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Police Week Tent City, hosted by the Fraternal Order of Police, DC Lodge 1, is one of the largest events during National Police Week. From its humble beginning 30 years ago with a few tents and a small bar, Tent City 2019 is shaping up to be the largest yet. This three-day event draws representatives from agencies throughout the United States and around the world providing a unique opportunity to network within the law enforcement community. Join us at RFK Stadium May 13-15, 2019.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!
All FOP members, potential members and their family / friends are welcome! Those interested should email dc1policeweek@gmail.com.

policeweektentcity.com
This year marks the 30th anniversary of Police Week Tent City and groundbreaking of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial. As we come together to attend National Police Week 2019, we are proud to celebrate 30 years of commitment to our Blue family.

Tent City will once again take place May 13th, 14th, and 15th at RFK Stadium, Lot 8. The venue, is located at 2400 East Capitol Street S.E., Washington, DC 20003. Tent City is open from 11 a.m. until 2 a.m. daily. RFK provides plenty of paid parking and access to the Stadium-Armory Metro station (Silver, Orange and Blue Lines), which is only a 9 minute walk from the site.

Join us at Tent City to enjoy music, food, and drinks at the bar with your friends. Our volunteers are here to serve you, ensure that you have a great time while visiting DC, and most importantly, provide a safe, fun environment to reflect and catch up with old friends. Some years we may not see our old friends and with that in mind we reflect on the three days here to honor them.

We are excited to welcome over 80 vendors with a wide variety of products and apparel to Tent City this year. In addition to our longtime and new vendors, we welcome many sponsors such as Uber, Monster Energy, Tidewater Tactical, Hometown Guardians, Project Peacekeeper, Relentless Defender, and more!

Kids Zone at Tent City was a great hit last year with kids and their parents! This year Kids Zone will provide family friendly fun and games from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m daily. Activities include a Giant Connect Four, Fingerprint Imprint Activity, Scavenger Hunt, and Arts and Crafts.

Each year Police Week attendees stay all over the DC area, and now we are now able to offer a RV Park right next door. This site provides easy access to Tent City and is walking distance to the Metro to access other Police Week events. Check out our partner RV Park DC at www.rvparkdc.com for details.

Stay updated on all things Police Week and Tent City 2019 by visiting our website www.policeweektentcity.com, and across social media at @policeweekdc. See you there!
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FROM THE **TREASURER**

by Pablo Figueroa  |  pfigueroa@dc-fop.org

I hope that everyone had a great Christmas season and took some time, off even if it was just a couple of days to enjoy your family and loved ones. As public servants, you owe it to yourself.

Now that we commence our trek through the new year, the Lodge approved the 2019 budget at our December board meeting. We are looking at new ways to continue increasing benefits for our members as well as planning for Police Week 2019. We are working tirelessly with the Club committee to come up with a plan to open the Club at the Lodge providing breakfast, lunch and happy hour for members, with a major focus on breakfast and lunch to strengthen the camaraderie among our active, associate, auxiliary and retired members. Remember we can always use some help at our Lodge, so if you can make some time we would really appreciate it no matter what capacity.

We continue to improve the accountability and financial responsibility of our Lodge and I am very pleased to inform everyone that we have commenced our annual audit. It is not an easy task but we are committed to making every effort to improve our finances and procedures every year.

We are working hard to enhance services and representation for our entire membership. Please remember that regardless of how many years you’ve worked for your organization or what agency you represent, your thoughts and help are always welcome. We at the Lodge also need your help to get the word out to all of our members regarding our web site. Many hours are invested in this and I would like to see the members increase its use so that they may stay informed.

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FROM THE **TREASURER** *(cont.)*

Please take a look at the benefits available to our members, which include Estate Planning, F.O.P. Travel (thanks to Griffin World Wide Travel), V.S.P. eye plan, Empire Flooring and the Delta Dental Plans. Please visit dc-fop.org as we will update and continue our efforts to provide even more benefits for our members.

My family and I would like to wish everyone a great 2019. May you all have a very healthy and productive year ahead.

I look forward to seeing you at our next general membership meeting, which is the second Wednesday of each month at 7 pm, at 711 4th Street, NW, Washington, DC. Best wishes to all and please remain aware of your surroundings and stay safe as you provide your service to the public. 🤗
FOP DC Lodge #1
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**Delta Dental**
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**Galls Discount**
Galls (www.galls.com/fop) is proud to partner with the Fraternal Order of Police to offer 10% discount on all purchases by Lodge members. The discount will be taken as you work your way through the check-out process. Contact Galls by phone at 866-673-7643 or use their web site’s live chat if you have any questions about the discount.

**Arlington Law Group**
The Arlington Law Group has partnered with DC Lodge #1 to provide an exclusive Member Benefit program to Active, Associate and Honorary Members of the Lodge. Lodge members are entitled to a 10% discount off of all of Arlington Law Group’s legal fees and packages. Their office is conveniently located in Arlington and our attorneys are licensed to practice in Virginia, the District of Columbia and Maryland.

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**Griffin Worldwide Travel**
Griffin Worldwide Travel offers Lodge members travel advice and bookings, in addition to excellent personal service, special discounts, and unique travel opportunities and experiences. The Lodge itself will also benefit from a portion of the proceeds. From cruises to resorts, European trips or a family vacation to Orlando, they are able to assist you in maximizing your enjoyment and lowering your stress as well as your costs. As a law enforcement family, the Griffins understand the hardships and unique challenges that face officers as they attempt to plan family vacations.

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Read more about these benefits and how to use them at our website:

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• Identify disease early. The mouth is a mirror, reflecting information about your whole body. Your dentist can identify signs of dozens of medical conditions with oral symptoms, from osteoporosis to acid reflux.

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• Look better. Maintaining your dental health can improve your overall appearance and boost your confidence.

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7-Night Western Caribbean Cruise round-trip from Miami, FL on the Royal Caribbean Symphony of the Seas

Departs on Saturday, March 23, 2019 and returns on Saturday, March 30, 2019.

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The above cruise quotes have been prepared by agent Leslie Meyer. You may contact Leslie directly at 1-800-352-8088 extension 124. All prices subject to change.

Questions: mmuzzatti@dc-fop.org
October 1–12, 2019

Have you always wanted to visit Ireland? Now is your chance to see this great country and support DC Lodge #1! This tour includes time in Dublin, Cork, Ring of Kerry, Giant’s Causeway and much more. This is a 12 day trip with breakfasts and 6 dinners included. Spend the night in a castle and visit a Bushmill distillery (the oldest in Ireland, distilling since 1784.) Friends and family are encouraged and welcome to come! If you need assistance arranging air travel, Griffin Worldwide Travel will be happy to help.

Want to join us?
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In December 2018, FOP DC Lodge 1, along with Code 3, put on its second annual Blue Christmas event. This year we were able to buy and prepare 110 Christmas Dinner boxes for community members. Community officers from each of the Metropolitan Police Department’s seven patrol districts picked up and delivered these meals to the neediest in our community. Also, a number of community members responded to the Lodge to pick up meal boxes. A few people who came said that without our help it would have meant cold mac’n’cheese for dinner. Everyone could not have been nicer or more thankful for the meals.

We had a great team of Lodge members and a few church members from the Code 3 Christian family who came out and filled the boxes with turkeys and all the fixings. The meals were such a blessing that several patrol districts asked for more.

The most important part of Blue Christmas for us is the officer assistance $50 Safeway gift cards. We are always happy to help our police family. We hope to do a better job getting fliers out next year. You can help and let the FOP know what you think of the Blue Christmas effort.

Fraternally,

Gerald G. Neill Jr.; Lou Cannon and Bonnie Cannon
Blue Christmas co-chairs
Detective Thomas Webb, a 27-year veteran of MPD and currently in DC Homicide for over 12 years, would like to extend a warm welcome to all our brave men and women in blue. His wife, Lisa Nardelli, third generation owner of the second oldest bar in the district, and all the staff of the Tune Inn greatly appreciate your service and dedication to the community. Please come help us celebrate our 70th year in business!

Our kitchen and bar open early in the morning and close late at night for officer-friendly shifts—three blocks from the Capitol.

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FROM THE
NAVAL DISTRICT WASHINGTON
TRUSTEE

by Alfonso Ortiz | alfonsoortiz80@gmail.com

The Naval District Washington (NDW) is committed to supporting the community. NDW takes part in annual holiday Toy Drive efforts by joining with members of FOP DC Lodge 1 and Philadelphia Lodge 5 (at the Lodge 5 warehouse) to organize and collect the donated toys to distribute to children in need. The top photo is from 2017 and the lower is from 2018.
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UPDATE: LODGE #1 AUXILIARY
by Bonnie Cannon | bcannon@dc-fop.org

Happy New Year, and freezing winter, from the DC FOP Auxiliary. We hope everyone is doing well.

On December 24th, the Auxiliary assisted our FOP with the second annual Blue Christmas effort, with a good turnout. We passed out meals to citizens in need, as well as provided $50 Safeway gift cards to any Lodge members who found themselves in need during the holiday season.

We are still working with the Washington DC Metropolitan Police Department (DC MPD) on the 2nd Annual Winter Gear and Blanket Drive for the Homeless in Memory of DC MPD Officer Barry Eastman. We are accepting new or clean gently used coats, gloves, hats, scarves and blankets. Donations will be accepted until February 28th. You can drop these items off at the FOP or contact me. You can also contact our vice-president, Patty Sucato, at psucato@dc-fop.org, Officer Brittany Tabron (brittany.tabron@dc.gov) or Officer Kandice Young (kandice.young@dc.gov) if you have any questions regarding this coat drive.

On Law Enforcement Appreciation Day (January 9, 2019) this year we provided a complimentary lunch to law enforcement at the Lodge to show our appreciation for all they do. We even had a visit from Acting Attorney General, Mr. Whitaker. It was great seeing the officers from different agencies coming together and just having a nice day in a safe environment. (Check out the photos at the end of this article.)

We have learned that there will NOT be a St. Patrick’s Day Parade this year in DC due to funding. Unfortunately, that negatively affects our annual St. Patrick’s Day dinner

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UPDATE: LODGE #1 AUXILIARY (cont.)

fundraiser; therefore, we will not be having our dinner this year. We will revisit the fundraiser again next year.

We do have some exciting news, however! We plan on hosting a crabfeast in the fall, on November 9th. It is a first time try and if it works well it will be an annual event for us. We are having it at Abner’s CrabHouse in Chesapeake Beach, MD. They also have slot machines, which adds even more fun to the day, along with a completely stocked bar. They are also working on trying to give everyone that attends a $10 free play. It really should be a good time and we have already confirmed 100 tickets sold once they are printed.

If you wish to go to this fundraiser and want to put your name on our list ahead of time, please let me know. They only allow 200 people per time slot. The cost will be $45 per ticket, which includes all-you-can-eat crabs for 2 hours, along with hushpuppies. I believe the time slots will be 2-4 pm and 6-8 pm. If you are coming and bringing someone who does not eat crabs who want to order something from the menu, we are asking for a $5 donation from that person to our Auxiliary. Believe it or not, the crabs in November are really good. I hope to hear from you all and will be giving more information and future times the tickets will be sold. We will be doing a 50/50 raffle as well.

The 40th Annual Washington Area Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Service, which our Auxiliary helps to co-host together with DC MPD and the Washington DC Chapter of Concerns of Police Survivors, will be held on Monday, May 6th, at 11:30 am. More information will follow soon.

Again, I would like to remind our Auxiliary members that they are eligible to receive dental and vision benefits through our FOP. If you are interested, please contact FOP DC Lodge #1 and visit the Lodge benefits page at dc-fop.org/member-benefits.

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As an Auxiliary member, you are also entitled to discounts on travel. Our FOP and FOP Auxiliary uses Griffin Worldwide Travel. One of their next trips is to Ireland in October of this year. This tour includes time in Dublin, Cork, Ring of Kerry, Giants’ Causeway and much more. This is a twelve-day trip which includes twelve breakfasts and six dinners. There is also a shorter option which is nine days and doesn’t go into Northern Ireland. If you are interested, please contact Marianne Griffin at 703-957-8020.

We are always looking for new members. If you are family of an FOP member you are eligible to be part of this Auxiliary. The cost of membership is $20 per year. I try to do as much as possible with your dues, along with the money we receive from our fundraisers, to help our members. As a member, you are not required to put any time into any of our events or come to our meetings. However, if you have time it truly would be appreciated. The general Auxiliary meetings are quarterly at the DC FOP Lodge at 5 pm. It is very rewarding and the least we can do for each other as a blue family. If you are interested, please contact me at bcannon@dc-fop.org. Please note, that you must be sponsored by a family member in good standing and will need to provide me with the family member’s name.

We have several DC MPD graduations coming up soon for which we will be providing graduation cakes. Because I cannot get to the MPD Academy most times when they have family day, I have one auxiliary member, Marianne Griffin, who offered and has gone to the family day activities to promote this Auxiliary. She’s been doing a wonderful job. Thank you, Marianne Griffin, and keep up the great work.

In closing, our Auxiliary hopes everyone has a wonderful winter and we thank you all for your continued support of this Auxiliary.
UPDATE: LODGE #1 AUXILIARY (cont.)

LAW ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION DAY
THE EMBASSY OF THE STATE OF QATAR IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

We were proud to support Metropolitan Police Department officers as they joined thousands of their fellow officers from across the United States in commemoration of this year's Police Week. The Embassy appreciates the difficult and essential work performed by police officers to protect American communities, and we thank them and their families for their sacrifices.
THE TOMAHAWK RIB EYE
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MEMBER SUPPORT FUNDS

FOP DC Lodge #1 has established three different funds focused on improving the lives and experiences of our members and the community; for example, providing immediate assistance to law enforcement officers in disaster-hit areas when needed, or making necessary repairs and upgrades to our important but aging lodge building. The funds are the Disaster Assistance Response Team fund, the Building Fund, and the Member Support Foundation. Please donate to these special support efforts. Note: Currently, donations to these funds are not tax deductible, but we hope to change that status in the near future.

**DISASTER ASSISTANCE RESPONSE TEAM FUND**

The Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART) fund allows the Lodge to provide logistical and financial support to law enforcement members in areas that are affected by severe weather or other emergencies. DART swiftly responds to assist officers in recovery efforts and those who have suffered damage themselves as a result of the disaster.

**BUILDING FUND**

The Building Fund is used for the required repairs and upkeep of the DC Lodge #1 building. It is a beautiful building in a prime location with many years of wear and tear. It needs continual short-term maintenance and long-term plans to keep it functioning and in good shape; for example: roofing, HVAC, elevator, etc.

**MEMBER SUPPORT FUND**

The Member Support Foundation funds will be used to render assistance to members upon written request to the lodge. Examples are for injury with an inability to work; a need for food and other basic necessities during a crisis; to help with uncovered medical bills, etc. This is a special opportunity to help our brothers and sisters when they need a hand.

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"A hero is someone who has given his life to something bigger than himself or something other than himself."  
- Joseph Campbell

In the view of the Nam Knights brotherhood, the Fraternal Order of Police represents many brothers and sisters in blue who fit this description. In fact, this is what the Nam Knights of America and the FOP Lodge's shares in common; our ranks are filled with those who have given of themselves similarly. This truth explains why the Nam Knights Capital Chapter enjoys supporting FOP Lodge #1 in the manner we do. Each member of both organizations has sworn an oath to "support and defend the Constitution of the United States of America," and has honored that oath at risk to self.

The mission of the Nam Knights of America animates all club activities and is as follows:

"Our mission is to honor the memory of American Veterans and Police Officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty, to assist Veterans and Police Officers in their time of need and to promote community awareness through sponsorship and participation in various fundraising events."

The Nam Knights of America Capital Chapter fulfills the Nam Knight mission in a myriad ways:

We participate, (along with many other Nam Knight Chapters), in Rolling Thunder weekend events and rides to include paying respect at the National Police Memorial, Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall, and Rolling Thunder.

We support the FOP DC Lodge #1 with the set-up and operations of Police Week "Tent City". It's a lot of fun and an honor to support and meet the dedicated Law-Enforcement Officers, and their loved ones, while they enjoy the event and pay their respects during the Police Week ceremonies.

We support the Military Retirees, who live at the armed Forces Retirement Home in Washington DC by co-hosting a monthly happy hour, and assist with their July 4th "Friends of the Soldiers Home" event, Spring Fling, and Oktoberfest.

The Capital Chapter supports many like-minded organizations in the DC/Metro area by attending charitable events and offering donations. You can locate a Nam Knights chapter near you by visiting www.namknights.org

GOD BLESS AMERICA
The 39th Annual U.S. Park Police Ski Trip was another rousing success! We not only had attendees from the Washington, DC Metropolitan area, but also from Pennsylvania, Michigan, and as far away as Georgia and Florida! We had a total of 47 participants and excellent conditions due to the snowfall on Monday and Tuesday.

This was my 11th year organizing and my 21st year overall. Even though there are inevitably going to be some last minute changes, I’d like to say for the most part it’s a well-oiled machine. Besides my regulars we had some newcomers as well, both active and retired members representing the following agencies: Arlington County PD, MPD USSS/UD, and of course USPP.

This year, much like previous years, you could see how the ownership of the resort has reinvested in the property, which was clearly in evidence by the renovation of the Bavarian Lounge. That being said there is so much more to do than just ski or snowboard. The Trillium Spa is one of my favorites!

We truly had a great time and I sincerely wish that more people would get on board. Go once and you’ll be hooked! It really is a phenomenal deal if you take into consideration what you’re getting for your money. Now it’s time for anyone and everyone that has been on the fence to break out their calendars and save these dates for our next trip to Seven Springs Mountain Resort. I’ve already reserved Sunday, 1/26/20, through Wednesday, 1/29/20. I’ll be pulling out all the stops for the 40th so I hope you can join us then…

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FROM THE TRUSTEE AT LARGE

by Mike Kruggel | dmkruggel@dc-fop.org

Brothers and Sisters,

The Fraternal Order of Police, Jerrod F. Young DC Lodge #1 is excited to be hosting the 30th Anniversary of Police Week Tent City and celebrating the 30th Anniversary of the groundbreaking of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial.

To help commemorate these historic events, the Jack Daniel’s Fundraising Committee, in partnership with the Police Week Tent City Committee, has commissioned not only our annual Jack Daniel’s Single Barrel commemorative bottle, but also two challenge coins, and a limited edition Jack Daniel’s “barrel top” to add to your collection. Purchase these items at dc-fop.org/jack-daniels-NPW-2019.

JACK DANIEL’S SINGLE BARREL SELECT BOTTLE

Back by overwhelming popular demand, this year’s Police Week Tent City commemorative Jack Daniel’s Single Barrel Select bottle will have a large badge etched onto one side of the bottle and our DC Fraternal Order of Police Lodge logo and “30th Anniversary” etched on the side. To say this bottle looks amazing as a stand-alone piece is an understatement. The quality of these etchings truly reflects the painstaking attention to detail that makes them perfect for every collector! The costs have remained the same this year, $80 for pickup and $105 for shipping. Please remember that the costs will rise to $100 for pickup and $125 for shipping on May 1, 2019 so get yours today!

You must be 21 or over to purchase and if shipping to your residence, you must be over 21 to receive. Please note, we cannot ship to a P.O. Box or APO.

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In addition to our Jack Daniel’s bottle, we are excited to offer two new challenge coins! Sold individually or as a set, they are sure to be a great addition to any collection. These special edition coins are shaped like the classic Jack Daniel’s barrel and are a limited edition, numbered run of 400 each. The breakdown follows:

**COIN #1**
Coin #1 has the 30th Anniversary Memorial Badge in silver on the front and the Jack Daniel’s “Personal Collection” logo on the back. Each coin is numbered from 201 to 400 with a price of $20 per coin, which includes shipping.

**COIN #2**
Coin #2 has a gold 30th Anniversary badge on the front and the Seal of the President of the United States with the number “41” inset to commemorate President George H.W. Bush, 41, and his influence on the 1989 groundbreaking of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial. Each coin is numbered from 201 to 400 with a price of $20 per coin, which includes shipping.
FROM THE TRUSTEE AT LARGE (cont.)

COIN SET
A set of both coins is available at $50 per set, which includes shipping. The set consists of the Jack Daniel’s coin and the presidential seal coin. The coins in the set are numbered from 1 to 200. The numbers will be the same for both coins, which is important for collectors!

BARREL TOPS
Last, but most certainly not least, we are excited to announce a very limited, one year only, production of 30 of the 30th Anniversary Jack Daniel’s barrel tops. Etched with the 30th Anniversary badge and the Presidential seal to commemorate these two historic anniversaries, these exclusive barrel tops are available at a cost of $125 each, which includes shipping, and will be released on a first come, first served basis.

If you have any questions, please e-mail Michael Kruggel at dmkruiggel@dc-fop.org. As always, stay tuned to www.dc-fop.org for updates and thank you for your continued support. We look forward to seeing you at Police Week 2019!

To make your purchases, visit dc-fop.org/jack-daniels-NPW-2019.

D. Michael Kruggel
FOP DC Lodge 1 Trustee at Large
Jack Daniel’s Fundraising Committee Chairman
POLICE WEEK 2019

The following Police Week 2019 schedule is preliminary. A final more-detailed schedule will be posted in the spring issue of the Simulcast. An up-to-date schedule can also be found at policeweek.org.

Monday, May 6, 2019

Washington Area Law Enforcement Memorial Service
The DC FOP Lodge #1, FOP Auxiliary, DC MPD and DC-COPS are co-hosting its annual Washington Area Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Service, which starts at 11:30 a.m. at DC MPD Headquarters, 300 Indiana Avenue, NW, Washington, DC. The Auxiliary will be hosting a luncheon at the nearby DC FOP Lodge after the service.

Tuesday, May 7, 2019

Annual Blue Mass
The Annual Blue Mass will be held at 12:10 p.m. at St. Patrick’s Catholic Church at 10th & G Streets, NW in Washington, DC. For additional information please call 202-347-2713 or visit saintpatrickdc.org.

Saturday, May 11, 2019 (cont.)

National Police Week 5K
The National Police Week 5K, hosted by the Officer Down Memorial Page, is held each year in Washington D.C. Join us as we Run to Remember the Fallen. Race begins at 9 a.m. Visit www.nationalpoliceweek5k.com for more information and registration.

NLEOMF Cadet Ceremony
The event begins at 11:00 a.m. at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial, 400 E. Street NW, Washington DC.

Sunday, May 12, 2019

Law Enforcement United Bike Ride
At 1:00 p.m., the LEU riders will arrive at Ft. Hunt Park, 8999 Fort Hunt Rd. Alexandria VA.

Monday, May 13, 2019

Annual Candlelight Vigil
The Candlelight Vigil will be held at 8 p.m. at the National Mall between 4th and 7th streets. No tickets are required and everyone is welcome. For additional information please call 202-737-3400.

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MONDay, May 13, 2019 (cONT.)

FOP DC Lodge #1 Events
The FOP DC Lodge will be hosting the local daily events in Lot 8 at RFK Stadium, 2400 East Capital Street SE, Washington DC. This site provides a great space, additional vendors, easy Metro access (Stadium Armory stop), and plenty of secure paid parking. The event starts at 11 a.m. for three days and goes until 2 a.m. Our bar and food service will also be open along with music and entertainment.

TuESDAY, May 14, 2019

National Police Survivors Conference and C.O.P.S. Kids/Teens
Sponsored by Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.) at the Hilton Alexandria Mark Center Hotel. Family and co-worker survivors have opportunities to receive support to understanding grief, prepare for trial, learn new coping skills, and build connections with others. Visit www.nationalcops.org or call 573-346-4911 for more information.

Annual Steve Young National Honor Guard Competition and Pipe Band Competition
This event is hosted by the Fraternal Order of Police and takes place at the Grant Statue (west front of the United States Capitol.) Time: 8 a.m. to approximately 4 p.m. Contact: Ken Roske at policeweekhg@aol.com.

FOP DC Lodge #1 Events
See May 13 for information.

WEDNESDAY, May 15, 2019

Annual National Peace Officers’ Memorial Service
Sponsored by the Grand Lodge Fraternal Order of Police and the Grand Lodge Fraternal Order of Police Auxiliary. The Memorial Service will be held on the West Front of the United States Capitol in Washington, DC. The Service begins at 11 a.m. and is expected to run approximately 2 hours. Contact: Lou Cannon (lcannon@dc-fop.org) or Linda Hennie (lshennie@aol.com). The Wreath Laying Ceremony will be held immediately following the Memorial Service.

FOP DC Lodge #1 Events
See May 13 for information.

THURSDAY, May 16, 2019

National Police Survivors Conference and C.O.P.S. Kids/Teens
Day two of conference will allow surviving family and co-workers more opportunities to learn about coping, grief, and build connections. Kids and Teens of fallen officers spend the day with activities. In the evening, family and co-worker survivors can relax and enjoy the “Picnic on the Patio” at the Hilton Alexandria Mark Center Hotel. Visit www.nationalcops.org or call 573-346-4911.
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If you cannot participate in Day on the Hill, copies of our agenda can be obtained on line at the National FOP website, from the National Legislative Office, or from the Lodge Legislative Committee. Drop a copy off to your Senator or Congressman’s key staff members and ask for their support. Most Representatives feel that people who drop by and visit are more interested in their agenda, followed by people who handwrite letters or who send e-mails, followed by people who call.

As usual, to keep abreast of our legislative agenda, you can enroll on the National FOP Grassroots website and they will send weekly updates on congressional activities of our interests. Members who feel they don’t have the time for the visits to the congressional offices to assist in lobbying for support may find it easier to do a donation to the FOP PAC. These donations are used to support our legislative agenda. This is another way for you to help us help you. ☝️
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144 Law Enforcement Officer Fatalities Nationwide in 2018

Overall fatalities increased 12 percent with firearms-related fatalities the leading cause of officer deaths this year

From the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund:
The number of law enforcement professionals nationwide who died in the line of duty in 2018 increased over the previous year according to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund, a nonprofit group that has long tracked officer fatalities.

The Memorial Fund announced in its 2018 Preliminary End-of-Year Law Enforcement Fatalities Report that 144 federal, state, local, tribal and territorial officers died in the line of duty over the past year, representing a 12 percent increase over the 129 officers who died in the line of duty in 2017.

Firearms-related fatalities claimed the lives of 52 officers in 2018, a 13 percent increase compared to the 46 officers killed in firearms-related incidents in 2017. Of the 52 officer deaths, 14 occurred while officers were attempting to place an individual under arrest. Eight officers were killed while conducting an investigative activity. Six officers were killed responding to domestic disturbance and public disturbance calls, each totaling 12. Five officers were ambushed in 2018, a 50 percent decrease over 2017. Four officers were shot and killed conducting traffic stops. Two officers were killed while serving warrants and two officers were killed while handling or transporting prisoners. Two officers were inadvertently shot by other law enforcement personnel. One officer was killed while responding to a burglary; one was killed during a tactical situation and one was killed while responding to a call for an armed suicidal suspect.

Handguns were the leading type of firearm used against law enforcement in 2018. Of the 52 officer fatalities, 31 officers were shot and killed with a handgun; four were disarmed and shot with their own duty weapons.

Traffic-related fatalities increased nine percent from 2017 with 50 officer deaths. Of those, 32 officers were killed in crashes. Fourteen (continued...)
officers were struck while outside of their vehicle, a 56 percent increase over the nine officers struck and killed in 2017. Four officers were killed in motorcycle crashes.

Of the 32 vehicle crashes, 16 were single-vehicle crashes, a 14 percent increase over the previous year when 14 officers died in single-vehicle crashes. Seven of those single-vehicle crashes involved officers who were responding to a call for service or as backup to another officer at the time of the crash.

The number of officer deaths from other causes also rose in 2018. Forty-two officers died of causes other than firearms- or traffic-related incidents, a 14 percent increase over the 37 who died in 2017. Job-related illnesses such as heart attacks or strokes were the cause of 18 officer deaths, a 17 percent increase over the 21 who died in 2017. Of those 42 deaths, 15 officers died due to cancers related to search and recovery efforts after the attack on the World Trade Centers on September 11, 2001. Four officers drowned, three were beaten to death and two officers were struck by a train.

Texas, Florida, California, and New York had the highest number of officer fatalities with 11 each. North Carolina had seven deaths; South Carolina, Georgia, and Indiana each had five. Two territorial officers and nine federal officers also died in 2018. Fourteen states and the District of Columbia did not lose an officer in 2018.

Of the 2018 fallen officers, 134 were male and 10 were female. The average age was 41 years with an average length of 12 years of service.

“The rising number of law enforcement officer deaths in 2018 is disappointing news after a decline in 2017,” declared National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund CEO Craig W. Floyd. “Sadly this reminds us that public safety is a dangerous job and can come at a very steep price. We must never take the service and sacrifice of law enforcement officers for granted, and we must remember the families of the fallen who are left behind.”
There are currently 21,541 names of officers killed in the line of duty inscribed on the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, DC, dating back to the first known death in 1791. The deadliest year on record for law enforcement was 1930 when 307 law enforcement officers were killed in the line of duty. The last time officer fatalities dipped below 100 for a single year was 1944.

The statistics released are based on preliminary data compiled by the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund and do not represent a final or complete list of individual officers who will be added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in 2019. For a complete copy of the preliminary 2018 Law Enforcement Fatalities Report, go to: www.LawMemorial.org/FatalitiesReport.

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About the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund

Established in 1984, the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund is a private non-profit organization dedicated to telling the story of American law enforcement and making it safer for those who serve. The Memorial Fund maintains the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, DC, which contains the names of 21,541 officers who have died in the line of duty throughout U.S. history. The Memorial Fund recently opened the new National Law Enforcement Museum, which tells the story of American law enforcement by providing visitors a “walk in the shoes” experience. The Museum is working to expand and enrich the relationship shared by law enforcement and the community through the Museum’s educational journeys, immersive exhibitions, and insightful programs. For more information, visit www.LawMemorial.org.
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- To develop a spirit of fraternalism and fellowship amongst our members.
- To promote police professionalism and to recognize the accomplishments of Gaelic/American law enforcement officers.
- To assist needy members and aid their families in the event of a line of duty death.

We have quarterly meetings and various social functions. Some of those include; St. Patrick's Day Parade & NLEOM Wreath laying Ceremony (March), Memorial March & Hospitality Night (May during Police Week), Picnic (June), Camden Yard Baseball Night (Sept), Family Fall Fling in Ocean City (Oct) and a Christmas Party (December).

All members receive the Police Piper News, the official publication of the PES, tag frame, vehicle window decal, membership card and gift. Scholarship Funds and Death Benefits are afforded to Active members. We also have MD vehicle tags, organizational badge and merchandise.

The majority of our membership comes from Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia. There are five types of membership in the Society; Active, Associate, Honorary, Complimentary and Auxiliary. Gaelic/American law enforcement (or retired) officers may join as Active members of the Society. Civilians may join as Associate members. An Honorary member is a special recognition bestowed upon an individual by the Brehon Council. Complimentary membership is given to the President and Vice President of other Emerald Societies. Auxiliary membership (non-Gaelic) is open to the public.

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ABOUT THE FOP STAR

The emblem adopted by the National Fraternal Order of Police is designed to remind the membership of the duties that are expected of them as a citizen, a police officer and a member of the Lodge. The five-cornered star tends to remind us of the allegiance we owe to our Flag and is a symbol of the authority with which we are entrusted. It is an honor the people we serve bestow upon us. They place their confidence and trust in us; serve them proudly.

Midway between the points and center of the star is a blue field representative of the thin blue line protecting those we serve.

The points are of gold, which indicates the position under which we are now serving. The background is white, the unstained color representing the purity with which we should serve. We shall not let anything corrupt be injected into our order. Therefore, our colors are blue, gold and white.

The open eye is the eye of vigilance ever looking for danger and protecting all those under its care while they sleep or while awake. The clasped hands denote friendship. The hand of friendship is always extended to those in need of our comfort.

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