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## President's Message

By Randy Hagler State President

Welcome to the March/April 2022 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](http://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



Enough is enough! How many times have we heard this over the past several years as it relates to our officers being targeted, wounded, or killed because of the uniform they wear? 2021 was one of the deadliest years to be a law enforcement officer in many years. What is particularly alarming is the number of ambush style attacks our officers are facing. Just recently five Phoenix, Arizona Police Officers were shot and four other officers were injured by bullet fragments or shrapnel for a total of nine officers in a single incident. Additionally, in 2021, 346 officers were shot, 63 officers killed (by gunfire) and of those 103 were ambush attacks. 2022 is not starting off any better with 5 officers having been killed and more than 12 officers shot. I am not certain on the other cases but the officers in Phoenix were shot in an ambush style attack according to the Phoenix Police Department.

We must insist our District Attorneys across the country hold the individuals responsible for these attacks accountable and prosecute them as aggressively as they seem to want to prosecute our officers. Too many times our officers work hard to bring violent criminals to the criminal justice system for prosecution. Then the cases are picked apart and the original charges either eventually dropped and the defendant allowed to plead to a much lesser charge or dismissed completely. One way we have to help this effort is to make our voices heard. Some of our National FOP Leaders are doing that in multiple media interviews every week. We need to continue to push our message that we will not tolerate our officers being assaulted and murdered without aggressive prosecution by those elected to prosecute these cases.

### 2022 North Carolina Peace Officers' Memorial Day Ceremony

The 2022 Peace Officers' Memorial Day Ceremony will take place on Tuesday, May 3, 2022, in Rocky Mount at Englewood Baptist Church. The church is located at 1350 S. Winsted Avenue in Rocky Mount, N.C. 27803. Please note that this year the service will begin at 10:00 a.m. due to the large number of officers being recognized this year. We will celebrate the lives of the 25 officers we lost in 2021 and the 4 officers we lost in 2020. Please join us at Englewood Baptist Church on May 3<sup>rd</sup> to show the families of these officers that we care and are there for them from now on.

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## President's Message (Continued)

### Leadership Matters 2022

Leadership Matters 2022 is in the rear-view mirror now but it was a very successful training opportunity with more than 450 members from across the country attending. Some of the classes were designed for Lodge Presidents, Vice Presidents, Secretaries, and Treasurers. Other classes discussed member benefits in the FOP, diversity, mental wellness, the National Police Officers Memorial Day Service, and several other topics. I encourage all our local lodges to send local lodge leaders and members that are helping your lodge be successful. Next year's class is already in the planning stage and will be held in early February. There may have been other NC FOP members there, but I saw seven from Lodges 9, 69, 74, and 97.

### Two Important Meeting Dates

NCFOP Spring Board of Directors Meeting  
The Cascades Mountain Resort  
Hendersonville, NC  
April 22-24, 2022

NCFOP Fall Board of Directors Meeting and State Lodge Biennial Conference  
Durham, NC  
September 18-22, 2022

More information on the Fall Board Meeting and Biennial Conference will be available after the Spring Board meeting.

Until next time, please stay safe. If I can be of any assistance to you, your lodge, or your membership, please give me a call.

## BlueNote Information and Submission Dates for 2022

By Terry Mangum – Executive Editor

I certainly hope you have been enjoying and sharing your BlueNote publication. I send a personal thank you to everyone who contributed articles and photographs for this issue. And I encourage others to submit articles of your Lodge's activities.

If your Lodge is conducting a Peace Officers Memorial Service this year, please let me know. Just send me the time, date, and location of your service and I will publish it in the May/June issue of the BlueNote. This information will be helpful to law enforcement personnel in neighboring areas who may wish to attend a memorial service.

Contributing an article can be extremely helpful and important for your Lodge and the State Lodge. Your contribution will inform the reader of what your Lodge is doing and may offer ideas on activities other Lodges could be doing. Articles about your lodge activities can generate interest from non-FOP law enforcement officers in your area and this interest may equate to a new member for your Lodge. With this in mind, it is important that you read and then share the BlueNote with your fellow law enforcement officers, both members and those who have failed to join the FOP.

The BlueNote is your publication so help the NCFOP by contributing articles and photographs. **Any member can submit an article for the BlueNote.** You do not have to be a Local Lodge or State Lodge officer. If you are reading this then you can submit.

Submitting an article is a painless and very simple process. All you have to do is write the article and then e-mail your article to my e-mail address [TerryMangum@frontier.com](mailto:TerryMangum@frontier.com) by the due date. During the editing process, if necessary, your article will become publication worthy. When submitting photographs, please select a few of the best and include the names of the individuals in the picture.

**Below are the Article Submission Due Dates for the 2022 issues of the BlueNote.** Clip these dates out and post them on your computer, refrigerator, etc., where they will be visible as a reminder.

### **Article Submission Due Dates for 2022:**

**May/June issue: Due by April 15, 2022**

**July/August issue: Due by June 17, 2022**

**September/October issue: Due by August 19, 2022**

**November/December issue: Due by October 21, 2022**

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.

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

By Phil Wiggins

As many of you know, Faye and I received news early Saturday morning January 1, 2022, that our oldest son Retired DPD Sergeant Ronald Alan Wiggins passed away in his sleep. This certainly, as you can imagine, was heart breaking news for our family. On the ride to his house that morning is when we got the official message that he had died. The thought that came to my mind and to Faye's was, God we are going to need help through this, this is more than we can bear on our own. We both cried out to God to help us through the darkest time in our life.

My favorite passage of scripture came to mind, Psalm 23 and I drew from that, certain phrases such as, the Lord is my shepherd, He cares for me, He is the one I put my faith and trust in to lead us through the valley of the shadow of death. Jesus was there to help our broken spirit, our pain and suffering. Before we reached Ron's, I felt a peace in my heart, and Faye said she did as well. This peace helped softened the hurt and pain that was very much present for Faye and me. From this Psalm I knew His spirit would lead us to the still waters that would help refresh our souls, and would guide us along the right path. God certainly did not leave us alone, as He promised He was near to us and still is today. He has been faithful in giving us our daily bread one day at a time. Our faith in Jesus has certainly helped us in our time of need.

God not only helped us by His spirit being present, but He used people to help strengthen us. We had our police family first on the scene to hug us and cry along with us. Our church family came along side of us, and Ron's employer Raging Bull Harley Davidson's staff and biker friends came along side of us.

We will forever be thankful for our Fraternal Order of Police brothers and sisters, on the local, state and national levels who reached out to us by their presence, phone calls and text messages. We were showered with cards, flowers and fruit baskets etc., that so lifted our spirits to hear them talk of Ron's friendship, and how he helped many along the way as a police officer and sergeant. The love and care the FOP members demonstrated to Faye and me, and our family, will never be forgotten.

Matthew 25:40 *"Verily I say unto you, in as much as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."* Praise God!!

God's Blessing!!

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# A Message from Your Chairman of Trustees

By John Byrd

Brothers and Sisters,

I hope this message finds everyone coming into the New Year, Safe, Healthy, and Hopeful. I am looking for great things to happen in my local lodge this coming year as well as the state and national lodges. I hope you have been sharing all of the information that President Hagler has been sending out from our Lobbyist and information from the National Lodge about the great things that are going on. Also, please send out the information about the free bachelor's degree from [FOPFreeCollege.org](http://FOPFreeCollege.org) to your members that just came out today.

I have had to push back the regional meetings with Trustee's a month until March, but I will be setting up one then. Like I have mentioned, the purpose of these meetings will be to discuss moving the organization forward and getting local lodges more involved at the State meetings. President Hagler also plans on attending these meetings when he can.

Here are some of the activities I have been involved in since my last message:

- Attended Lodge 74's bimonthly meeting/CHRISTmas Dinner on Tuesday night December 21, 2021 and had President Hagler as Guest Speaker.
- Attended Lodge 74's annual Awards Banquet at the Homestead Steakhouse in Timberlake, NC on Tuesday night, January 25.
- Attended the pre-trial hearing in Wake County Superior Court on Tuesday, February 1, for Lodge 74 member Deputy Chad Coffey with the Granville County Sheriff's Department. The judge denied all his lawyer's pre-trial motions.
- Attended "Leadership Matters" in Nashville, TN, February 2 – 6.
- Call about Deputy Adam Baileys (Granville County S.D.) officer involved shooting on Wednesday night February 9. Got Adam situated with an F.O.P. Lawyer within the hour. Called President Hagler to notify him and updated him on Chad Coffey's trial.
- Sent this article to Brother Mangum for the "Blue Note" on February 17.

As always, I am here to serve you and your lodge. You can call me anytime at 336-504-8173 or email me at [person7454@yahoo.com](mailto:person7454@yahoo.com). I hope you continue to find my periodic email updates beneficial. It is an Honor to serve as your Chairman of Trustees.

*Hubert E. Tyndall Tri-County F.O.P. Lodge #74, serving Granville, Person, and Vance Counties, had our annual Awards Banquet Tuesday night January 25th at 6:30pm at the Homestead Steakhouse. Pictured left to right: Ollie Jeffers - Regional MADD Director, Officer Brandon Knaub with the Roxboro P.D., recipient of the Officer of the Year, Trooper Jason Stewart with the NCSHP, recipient of the Outstanding Service Award, and John R. Byrd Sr., President of Lodge #74. Not available for the picture was Investigator Bryan Carey with the Granville County Sheriffs Department who won the Ronnie E. Thomas Memorial Service Award.*



# Grand Lodge Update

By Dennis McCrary – NC National Trustee

Law enforcement officers continue to face some very trying times in this country. Things do seem to be improving from the horrible atmosphere that we have faced for the last several years. It now seems that even some of those politicians who were attacking us have realized they were not speaking for most of the citizens of our great country. Now some are trying to tone down the rhetoric.

On February 15<sup>th</sup> the National FOP Board of Directors had an online meeting to update National Trustees on the activities of the executive board and staff. I will take this opportunity to inform NC members of some of the highlights of this meeting.

We are still losing too many officers for a variety of reasons. Most areas of the country are starting to see some marked improvement on the Covid front. The sad news is we have now lost 944 officers due to Covid. Covid issues with officers' employment continue to be a problem and government officials and courts seem to be making changes every day. You should still go to the National FOP website to get the very latest information on Covid related issues. So far this year, we have already had 55 officers shot and 6 died from gunfire. Let us just hope and pray that the rest of 2022 will be much kinder to our profession.

Police reform continues to be a hot topic in Washington. President Biden had been working on an executive order that would have been very harmful to our profession. President Yoes and others have been working very hard on getting the President to make some very important changes to what he planned to implement. Progress was slow but due to multiple politicians changing their tune on defunding the police and other crime issues, the order has been significantly revised and may not even be issued at all. Due to some hard work by our leaders and some stupid statements made by White House press secretary Jen Psaki saying crime was not that bad, it appears we may have dodged that bullet.

The FOP continues to be the go-to source for information on policing in the United States. Our media mentions since January 1, 2019 until February 2022 have been 111,514. The closest organization to us is the IACP at 21,728 for that same period. There is no question, we are the organization that speaks for law enforcement in this country. Police Magazine also ran a great article on the FOP Disaster Relief in their February issue. It is a good read with some great pictures if you get a chance to read that issue.

The Qualified Immunity Liability Coverage that was to be offered to our members is on hold for now and is being reviewed by General Counsel for some possible needed legal changes. More information will be forthcoming at a later date. We in North Carolina are fortunate that we still have qualified immunity but some areas have already lost that benefit.

Plans are well underway for the National Police Memorial Service this year on May 15 in Washington. This will be a very large service since we lost almost 500 officers in 2021. Covid played a large part in the number but we lost way too many for a variety of reasons. Please make plans to attend this service to help honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice. Hotel and event information is available on the National website.

Most of you are aware that DC Lodge 1 in Washington has been going through some very difficult times mainly due to its fundraiser involving the Jack Daniels FOP Commemorative liquor sales. They are facing a serious investigation and have asked the National FOP for financial assistance. The National FOP Executive board voted to provide an emergency \$25,000 loan to them to help with their situation. Lodge 1 has not had Tent City at the National Memorial Service for several years and lost a huge amount of their income usually received from that event. They asked that the National FOP provide some funds for them to schedule Tent City this year at the Memorial Service. The National Executive Board also agreed to loan them \$25,000 to acquire the venue and move forward with Tent City this year.

There are several things that the National FOP have now made available for our members to keep up to date on happenings in our profession. One is a short recruitment video that is available at <http://fop.net/become-a-member/>.

## Grand Lodge Update (Continued)

It answers the question “Who will stand up for those that protect?” Another is a podcast called Blue View that will come out each Tuesday and is available through our app and at <http://blue-view.castos.com/>. The first of this podcast is now available and lasts 37 minutes. I encourage each member to take advantage of this benefit.

All members are asked to please sign up to receive the FOP Journal that is published 12 times per year. This digital Journal replaced the hard copy magazine that came out 3 times per year. The last year the hard copy Journal was published it cost the FOP over \$600,000 but in 2021 the cost of the digital version was \$15, 238. This version gets more timely information out to our members at a great savings. The bad news is a majority of our members have not signed up to receive the Journal at our National website. Those that have not are missing a great online magazine with very important information every month. Also, the more members we have receiving the Journal drives our cost down even more. PLEASE SIGN UP FOR YOUR FOP MAGAZINE.

As always, I greatly appreciate you allowing me to serve as your National Trustee. Please let me know if I can be of any assistance to you or your lodge.

## FOP Legislative Update

By: Wayne King – State Legislative Agent

The end of the year brought many certainties and some uncertainties to cap off 2021. The North Carolina General Assembly passed a budget that was signed by Governor Cooper which was the first time in five years. The NC General Assembly passed new congressional and state legislative districts that were immediately challenged with numerous lawsuits. At the time of this publication, the NC Supreme Court is hearing a case regarding the new congressional districts which could result in a court mandated redraw that has happened in years past.



Many members of the North Carolina General Assembly have announced their retirement at the end of the term in 2022, which will likely change the makeup of committees that have authority of law enforcement matters in 2023. One longtime member of congress, Congressman G.K. Butterfield serving northeastern North Carolina since 2004, has announced his retirement.

Your FOP leadership has been busy working with North Carolina members of Congress to address the proposed vaccine mandate. This is not only a critical issue for law enforcement officers but also to the private sector and other government jobs. We are extremely happy to report that the majority of these NC members of Congress signed on to the letter to the Biden administration to push back on this proposed mandate. This letter accompanies this article. Congressman Ted Budd led the letter signing and we are happy to report that Senator Tillis and Senator Burr signed on as well. North Carolina is represented by a host of members who are incredibly supportive of law enforcement officers. As we had meetings with these members, their support was apparent over and over.

The new year will bring many changes to the political landscape with the election season. Senator Richard Burr who has served North Carolina since 1994 in Congress will retire and North Carolinians will have the opportunity to elect a new member to represent them in the U.S. Senate. Many congressional districts boundaries have shifted and, once the court rules, you could be represented by new members of congress and state legislators.

I would like to encourage each of you to get to know your elected officials. It is important to establish relationships with your elected leaders prior to needing them to weigh in on issues that your FOP lodges care about.

I am honored to represent the NC Fraternal Order of Police and each of the members associated with this great organization. I look forward to collaborating with you to continue our efforts in 2022 and beyond.

Congress of the United States  
Washington, DC 20515

December 9, 2021

President Joseph R. Biden  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D.C. 20500

The Honorable Marty Walsh  
Secretary  
U.S. Department of Labor  
200 Constitution Ave. NW  
Washington, D.C. 20210

Dear President Biden and Secretary Walsh:

We write to express our concern about how your vaccine mandates will negatively impact law enforcement officers in North Carolina. We write specifically in regards to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Emergency Temporary Standard (ETS)<sup>1</sup> that applies to state and local law enforcement in 28 states and territories with approved state plans, including North Carolina.

As directed by the court's nationwide stay, the Department of Labor is pausing implementation of the OSHA ETS while litigation continues.<sup>2</sup> We encourage you to use this pause to review its effects on state and local law enforcement personnel. While the White House is advertising the ETS as a mandate for private employers,<sup>3</sup> state and local government employees in states such as North Carolina—who have chosen to exceed OSHA's minimum safety and health standards to include protection of state and municipal workers—are impacted. At 100 employees, this mandate will cover all but the smallest city and county governments, including their police officers. We are hearing from agencies across our state about officers considering resignation instead of taking the vaccine. At a time when recruiting for new police officers is declining, our communities cannot afford to have fewer officers on the force.<sup>4</sup>

Law enforcement officers have been on the front lines of this pandemic. They cannot telework, they cannot socially distance, and they are essential to our communities. The ETS does not account for the potential of natural immunity from individuals who have already recovered from

<sup>1</sup> COVID-19 Vaccination and Testing; Emergency Temporary Standard, 86 Fed. Reg. 61,402 (Interim Final Rule Nov. 5, 2021) (ratified by 86 Fed. Reg. 64366 (Nov. 18, 2021)).

<sup>2</sup> BST Holdings, L.L.C. v. Occupational Safety & Health Admin., United States Dep't of Labor, 17 F.4th 604, 619 (5th Cir. 2021); OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMIN., U.S. DEP'T OF LABOR, COVID-19 VACCINATION AND TESTING ETS, <https://www.osha.gov/coronavirus/ets2> (last visited Nov. 23, 2021) (“OSHA has suspended activities related to the implementation and enforcement of the ETS pending future developments in the litigation.”)

<sup>3</sup> See WHITEHOUSE.GOV, PATH OUT OF THE PANDEMIC, <https://www.whitehouse.gov/covidplan/> (last visited Nov. 23, 2021) (“This [ETS] will impact over 80 million workers in private sector businesses with 100+ employees.”).

<sup>4</sup> See INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF POLICE CHIEFS, THE STATE OF RECRUITMENT: A CRISIS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT, *available at* [https://www.theiacp.org/sites/default/files/239416\\_IACP\\_RecruitmentBR\\_HR\\_0.pdf](https://www.theiacp.org/sites/default/files/239416_IACP_RecruitmentBR_HR_0.pdf) (last visited Nov. 23, 2021).

## FOP Legislative Update (Continued)

Covid-19. In the case of law enforcement officers, the mandate could lead to staffing challenges at police agencies and diminish public safety. This is an unacceptable result. OSHA continues to accept public comment on a proposed rule to mandate vaccines. We respectfully suggest this regulatory action is counterproductive and should be withdrawn. Further, OSHA should accept that the ETS is legally flawed and accept the injunction as a permanent action.

Sincerely,



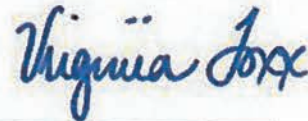
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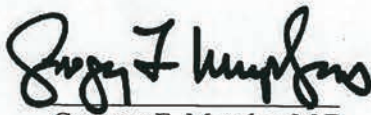
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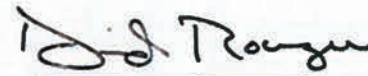
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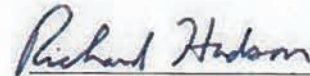
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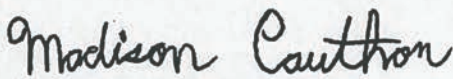
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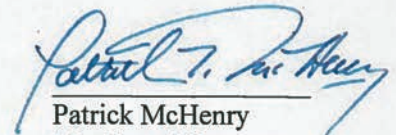
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Richard Hudson  
Member of Congress



Madison Cawthorn  
Member of Congress



Patrick McHenry  
Member of Congress

# North Carolina Fraternal Order of Police Foundation, Inc.

By Greg Brown – NCFOP Foundation Vice President

The primary purpose of the North Carolina Fraternal Order of Police, Inc., is to exist as a benevolent foundation for the purpose of assisting children of North Carolina Fraternal Order of Police Active Members in Good Standing, that have been killed or permanently disabled while in the line of duty with the expense of higher education. The awarding of scholarships is determined by the North Fraternal Order of Police Foundation, Inc. Board of Directors.

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 corporation and all donations are tax deductible.

We do not use professional telemarketing services, therefore, all funds donated come directly to the Foundation and your financial donations are perpetual. This means that your donation remains in the Foundation forever and only the earnings from your original donation are used to fund the scholarships.

The Board Members of the North Carolina Fraternal Order of Police Foundation, Inc. are all FOP members who volunteer their time and efforts to this worthwhile organization. We are active and or retired law enforcement officers who currently serve or have served communities throughout North Carolina.

The NC Fraternal Order of Police Foundation Disaster Assistance Response Team is another entity of the NC Fraternal Order of Police Foundation, Inc.

The NC Fraternal Order of Police DART is here to assist officers who have been displaced by a disaster.

During a disaster, officers often need help with food, housing and other necessities.

Any member that suffers a loss and qualifies for assistance should submit the NC Disaster Assistance Response Team application to their local lodge.

The local lodge will then approve and forward the application to Jimmy Wingo President of the Foundation for his approval. Please make certain the member has to be displaced from their home and suffer a substantial loss to qualify for assistance. The application then comes to the Disaster Assistance Committee for approval. Funds are limited so all assistance grants are for \$500.00.

North Carolina Fraternal Order of Police Foundation, Inc. Board of Directors

President: Jimmy Wingo

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2nd Vice President: Brian Roland

Treasurer: Marty Wilson

Secretary: Gunnar Matthews

Your personal contributions enable the Foundation to provide scholarships to eligible recipients. Please consider sending your financial donation today or the next time you consider financially contributing to your community or charitable organization. Your tax deductible contributions of any amount can be mailed to:

NCFOP Foundation, Inc.

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Weaverville, NC 28787

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# North Carolina Fraternal Order of Police Foundation, Inc. (Continued)

**Editor's Note:** Information for the NC FOP Foundation Golf Tournament on April 22 and State FOP Meeting on April 22-24, 2022. Hotel/Meeting location: Cascades Mountain Resort, 201 Sugarloaf Road, Hendersonville, NC 28792. Hotel Reservations: 828-595-8155. \$110 night with tax and fees. Same rate is also available for Thursday evening, April 21, if anyone wants to arrive earlier for the tournament. See the Foundation Tournament pamphlet in this issue for tournament details.

## REGISTER NOW

If you are interested in registering a team for this event, please contact James Wingo at [ncfopgolf@gmail.com](mailto: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 1 April 2022**

**\$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 ?  
 Yes....for a small price**

## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

**ACE SPONSOR - \$1500**  
 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](mailto:ncfopgolf@gmail.com)



## FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE FOUNDATION



**2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL**

### CAPTAINS CHOICE GOLF TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER

**22 APRIL 2022**



36 Pink Fox Cove Road  
 Weaverville Nc 28787

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.

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**NCFOP Foundation Inc.**  
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## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

REGISTRATION OPENS AT 7AM  
 SHOTGUN START AT 8:30AM  
 LUNCH DIRECTLY FOLLOWING  
 AWARDS AND PRIZES DURING LUNCH

## CONTEST

HOLE IN ONE  
 CLOSEST TO THE PIN  
 CHIP RAFFLE





**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: 72 | Yardage: 6,492**

# Preserving the Legacy of Your Lodge

By Kevin Hornaday – State Constitution and By-laws Chairman

Preserving and protecting Lodge Documents is one of the most important duties of a lodge officer, but it is imperative that every member of a lodge be involved in preserving your lodge's history and business transactions.

## How long to keep items?

**Minutes** should be retained permanently. They document what happened, where, and how. Votes taken during business meetings could be questioned years later and well-documented and preserved minutes will protect both the lodge and the members from scrutiny or liability.

**Tax Documents:** Any tax forms and their associated documents should be retained for seven years following the date of filing, consistent with IRS advice for personal and business tax purposes.

## How should you preserve these documents?

Lodge documents should always exist in more than one place. Far too often I have heard stories of a lodge officer passing away, moving, or stepping down, leaving their lodge in a state of non-compliance.

Your Lodge Constitution and By-Laws may possibly direct some of these activities, and if so, you should follow that, but if not, consider the following:

1. The lodge secretary has copies of all minutes and tax filings.
2. The lodge president has copies of all minutes and tax filings.
3. The lodge treasurer has copies of all tax filings and associated financial statements.
4. The state trustee has copies of all minutes and tax filings for submission to the State Lodge or Compliance Committee.

In addition, your lodge may want to archive lodge documents digitally. I would suggest an online storage source, such as Google's Drive account or Microsoft OneDrive. If you have either a Gmail or Outlook.com address for your lodge, you already have this. The included version of both has enough storage to preserve decades of lodge documents.

The State Constitution and By-laws Committee is available to assist your lodge with preserving your documents and any other issues surrounding compliance.

Whichever method or process your lodge follows, it is important to preserve the history and the business of the Order. This is not only for legal purposes, but also for the legacy of the Fraternal Order of Police.

Remember, if you have any Constitution and Bylaws or Compliance questions or issues, please reach out to me or a member of the committee.

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## Upcoming Events

By Terry Mangum – Immediate Past President

I hope all of my Fraternal Order of Police Brothers and Sisters across the great State of North Carolina are doing well.

There are many FOP events taking place in the near future. This year the FOP Southern States Association meeting will be held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana on March 24-27. This annual meeting was canceled for the past two years due to COVID restrictions and concerns.

The National State Presidents meeting and National Board of Directors meeting will be held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on April 6 thru 10. Bobby Gaddy will be reporting as the Chairman of the Diversity Committee during the National Board of Directors meeting and Dennis McCrary will be reporting as Chairman of the Disaster Relief Committee. I usually report as Chairman of the Constitution and By-laws Committee but will be unable to attend due to eye surgery.

Our Spring State Lodge Board of Directors meeting will be held in Hendersonville. The hotel for this meeting will be the Cascades Mountain Resort. On April 22 the Executive Board and the State Trustees will both have meetings. The State Board of Directors meeting will be held on April 23.

This year in May, attendance for the State Peace Officers Memorial Service will be open and not restricted like it was last year due to COVID. It will be held in Rocky Mount on May 3 at the Englewood Baptist Church.

If your Lodge is conducting a Peace Officers Memorial Service this year, please let me know. Just send me the time, date, and location of your service and I will publish it in the May/June issue of the BlueNote. This information will be helpful to law enforcement personnel in neighboring areas who may wish to attend a memorial service.

If I may be of assistance to you, or if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. As always, I am here to serve you and our membership.

## Local Boy Scout Gives Back to Law Enforcement Community

By: Greg Brown – State Sergeant At Arms

Parker Sherrod, son of Nash County Sheriff's Office Lieutenant Jeff Sherrod, attended the Nash County Board of Commissioners Meeting on January 04, 2022. In attendance to support Parker, were his parents, Rocky Mount Academy Headmaster Beth Covolo and Head of Upper School Timmy Tucker, along with myself and many other law enforcement officers from the area.

The reason for Parker attending this meeting was to ask the Nash County Commissioners for their permission to update the NC Fraternal Order of Police Rocky Mount Lodge 46 Law Enforcement Memorial which is located on the grounds of the Nash County Courthouse.

Parker, who is a Boy Scout, is going to raise the necessary funds to engrave the five names that are currently missing off the Memorial and beautify the area surrounding the Memorial with flowers and a park bench. If the Commissioners give their permission, this will earn Parker his Eagle Scout Badge.

I have personally known Lieutenant Jeff Sherrod for many years and have coached his son Parker for many years as well. Parker is a well-rounded young man and has a bright future ahead of him.

When asked why Parker wanted to do this, he stated "Being in a law enforcement family, I have personally seen my Dad attend funerals of friends and his law enforcement family, and I was hoping that I could give back something to give these families some peace in their lives."

(See photos next page)

# Local Boy Scout Gives Back to Law Enforcement Community



*Sheriff's son and Boy Scout, Parker Sherrod, seeks permission to update Rocky Mount Lodge 46 memorial*

# TRIVIA

## We Have A WINNER!!!

We have a winner for the January/February issue of our Trivia contest. **Greg Brown**, State Sergeant At Arms, is the **grand prize winner** of the BlueNote **TRIVIA** contest. Greg correctly identified the 2 individuals in the Trivia photograph as Lt. Governor Mark Robinson and NCFOP Foundation President Jimmy Wingo.

Many thanks to everyone who participated in this issue of **TRIVIA** and sent in a response.

If you have not won a **TRIVIA** contest, do not give up. 2022 may be your year! Keep playing and submitting your answers and maybe you too can be a BlueNote **TRIVIA Grand Prize Winner** like **Greg Brown**. Remember, it is never too late to submit your guess. But you should definitely send in your responses as quickly as possible. And check the photograph thoroughly. Sometimes we get sneaky. I hope to see your name listed as the BlueNote **TRIVIA Grand Prize Winner** in the next issue.



## **DRUMROLL!!! TRUMPET FANFARE!!! PLAY TRIVIA!!!**

It is **TRIVIA TIME**. Now is your opportunity to participate in another entertaining and exciting round of BlueNote **TRIVIA**.

Can you identify the eight (8) individuals in this photograph?

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

If you can identify the eight (8) individuals in this photograph, send an email to [terrymangum@frontier.com](mailto:terrymangum@frontier.com) with your answer along with the name and number of your Lodge.

The correct Trivia answer will be posted in the May/June 2022 issue of the BlueNote along with the name of the **first** individual submitting the correct answer. Good Luck!!!

