

Las Vegas Lodge 1
2023 National FOP
Conference
Committee moving
forward with planning
and contracts!

Lodge 21 is up and running for
the officers of the NV
Department of Corrections and
growing quickly.

Lodge 1 supported 4H Club
Robotics Team heads for State
Competition. The Team is in the
top 5 and if they win the State
Competition, they go to the
National Competition.

Check out our new Facebook
page, thanks to Brother Richard
Fletcher. Don't forget to Like Us
on Facebook!



Lodge 1 pizza parties at Child
Haven, 701 N. Pecos Road,
February 11, 2020, please come
out and support our efforts and
the children.

FOP Lodge 1 new Board
members start work.

Lodge 1 looking for volunteers
for our committees.

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Sergeant at Arms Robert Fregeau (above) getting pizza ready for the children (faces edited) at Child Haven.



Lodge Vice President Martin Fahey and Sergeant at Arms Robert Fregeau (above) handing out pizza.

11th year of Child Haven Pizza Parties

Chair of Trustee Gil Cortinas and Brother Robert Fregeau reported that February 2020 marks the 11th year that Las Vegas Lodge 1 has been holding pizza parties for the children at Child Haven. These pizza parties are especially rewarding seeing the faces of the children lined up for pizza. The children are at Child Haven not because they did anything wrong, but because their parents are in the criminal justice system and the children do not have any other place to stay. Brother Cortinas mentioned that it is very heart wrenching seeing the staff line up the infant car seats then rotate from one infant to another picking them up and providing human contact. The children enjoy the pizza, as any child would, and allows them to see law enforcement officers in a caring light during their stay at Child Haven. This is why we are so thankful for the officers who show up in uniform to hand out pizza and interact with the children at the pizza parties. If you have never been to one of our pizza parties at Child Haven, we urge you to attend at least once.



These are the faces of those brave men and women who selflessly laid down their lives in the service of their communities. They are mothers and fathers, sons and daughters, brothers and sisters. They are heroes! Never forget the sacrifice they made! #EnoughisEnough (from the Fraternal Order of Police Newsletter)

Tom Roberts State Assemblyman 13 & Stavros Anthony City Councilman Ward 4 attend February Lodge 1 Board/ Membership Meeting.



(from left to right) Tom Roberts, David Moody, Stavros Anthony, Tony McCleery, Richard Fletcher, and Robert Sulliman.



President's Corner

President Moody related that he spent time working on political endorsements with the coalition of law enforcement and interviewing candidates running for Judge. He related that there was a total of 136 judges running for either election or reelection. President Moody said that the coalition interviewed all candidates that showed up for the interviews. In the races where there were three or more candidates, we agreed to wait till after the primaries to endorse those candidates. Not all the judges running were interviewed, as some decided not to be interviewed, and those who were running unopposed. President Moody said the big issue was Bill NRS 289, The Police Officer Bill of Rights. He stated that two other issues came up while at the coalition meeting, one being a disagreement about what FOP Lodge 21 can do for the employees of the Nevada Department of Corrections with American Federation of State County Municipal Employees (AFSCME). President Moody related that AFSCME was saying that FOP could not do anything for state employees. The other one being the Nevada Highway Patrol Association (NHPA) which is going to start doing collective bargaining for the Highway Patrol who issued a letter to one of its members that FOP and AFSCME were not allowed to represent any of the highway patrolmen in a grievance of any kind. He said that letter violates NRS 289 because the officer has the right to have anyone of his choice to represent him.

LAS VEGAS FOP FOUNDATION



Lodge 1 established the Las Vegas FOP Foundation in June 2018. The mission of the Foundation is to use our 444 NRT (Officer Needs Help) team and trailer to respond to emergency situations involving police officers. And as always, we appreciate any and all donations to support our Foundation. Please send your donations to Las Vegas FOP Foundation, 1503 Mendota Drive, Boulder City, NV 89005.

FOP LEGAL DEFENSE



The FOP Legal Defense Plan is now available for retired officers, as well as active duty officers. For more details go to lasvegasfop.org, click on "join now" and you should see a drop-down box titled "HR218 Enrollment." Active Duty Legal Defense Plan (LDP) is \$312.00 for a calendar year. The LDP also covers representation for witness interviews for criminal and administrative investigations. **SIGN UP NOW!**

The FOP provides officers with the option of purchasing affordable liability insurance under the Legal Defense Plan once they've become members of a local lodge and maintain their membership. This program is designed specifically to cover the law enforcement exposures faced by members of the FOP Legal Defense Plan by paying legal defense costs on behalf of participating members for the following actions and proceedings:

- Coverage A – Administrative (includes Administrative Off-Duty)
- Coverage B – Civil
- Coverage C – Criminal

Legal defense protection is a great option for law enforcement professionals. As the frequency and cost of addressing allegations rise, the FOP Legal Defense Plan offers you a very affordable and comprehensive plan at \$312.00 per year (with a monthly pro-rated enrollment).

If your department defends you and provides you with an attorney in proceedings, the Plan if you wish, will provide you with an additional lawyer to monitor the case.

If your department refuses to defend you, the Plan will pay a lawyer of your choice to defend you as provided in the Plan Description. If the lawyer is not a FOP Plan Attorney, the Plan will pay up to \$9,500.00 for their services and you will have to pay for the additional fees. If the attorney is a FOP Plan Attorney, then you will not pay for any fees, the insurance will pay for their services.

In the likelihood that you are suspended without pay for an infraction, you can apply to have the Plan pay you up to five (5) days of your actual pay back.

Several local attorneys have said that the FOP Legal Defense Plan is one of the best liability plans they have seen and that every active FOP Officer should invest in this plan.

From Our Members

Please share your thoughts, comments, and interesting items.

WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND ?

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Unfortunately, we didn't receive any items to place in this section of the Newsletter this month!

JUST A REMINDER THAT THIS IS YOUR SPACE IN THE LODGE 1 NEWSLETTER SO PLEASE SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS, COMMENTS, AND INTERESTING ITEMS.

Board Talk

President Moody related that members interested in volunteering for a committee should send an email to him through the Secretary because he and the Vice President Martin Fahey must appoint committee members. In addition, we are always looking for volunteers for our committees so please consider signing up for one of them.

Secretary Ralph McNamara listed the following committees:

Constitution and By-Laws

Membership

2023 National Convention

Grievance and Appeal

Website

Jack Daniels

Community Service

Legislative

Elections

Ways and Means

Secretary McNamara added that the one committee he would like started is a committee to help identify, assist, support, and prevent suicide among police officers.

Brother Carson Earnest stated that regarding police officers' suicides, there is a place called St. Michael's House that helps in this regard and that maybe we could develop a similar committee program.

President Moody reported that the FOP National Legal Coalition held its conference at Planet Hollywood and attorneys from across the nation were in attendance.

Trustee Sulliman related that he is a strong supporter of FOP and especially Lodge 1 because it is all about "having your back" in law enforcement and he is passionate about this. He said that he invited Tom Roberts and Stavros Anthony to February's meeting and that he invited two others to next month's meeting to increase awareness and support for the FOP. Trustee Sulliman stated how important the process of endorsing judges is to law enforcement and the safety of the community.

Secretary Ralph McNamara reported that he and Debbie McCleery were working with the website IT folks on issues with the membership renewal process. There have been several members who were not able to renew their membership online or join as new members. The IT folks made some changes that were recommended by Debbie and some that were identified by the IT folks when resolving the issues of the members who had issues renewing. We understand how important this is and we are working with our Webmaster to correct the issues and make a more user-friendly website. Please report any website issues or suggestions for improvements to secretarylv1@fop.net.

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Tony McCleery

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Sergeant at Arms

Bob Fregeau

Chairman of Trustees

Gil Cortinas

Trustees

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John (Jack) Miller

Robert Sulliman

Burdel Welsh

CALENDAR

March 7 - Las Vegas Lodge I Board Meeting, Jokers Wild Casino, Henderson, 10:00 am.

March 10 - Las Vegas Lodge I Child Haven Pizza Party, 701 N. Pecos Road, Las Vegas, 4:45 pm.

2020 FOP Car Stickers! Get additional 2020 FOP car stickers now! To get additional 2020 FOP car stickers, send a check for the number of stickers (\$1.00 each) to Secretary, Las Vegas Lodge I, Post Office Box 92726, Henderson, NV 89009.

PHOTOS OLD & NEW



February 1, 2020 Las Vegas Lodge 1 Board Meeting