



Greetings Eagle Chapter Members and Friends!

One of my "to dos" while visiting Walter Reed Bethesda for my medical needs was to drop by and visit the Warrior Transition Center to see if there were any SF that had been med-evaced from a war zone to Walter Reed. To my surprise there was one, please see the article below. I am excited to introduce you to Staff Sergeant Cleo Arthur Lee - now a Proud Warrior.

The first day of February was one of the most eventful days in our history. The focus of this day was one of the families of our fallen - the Maisey family as we commemorated the 50th year of Captain Reginald V. Maisey who died while heroically leading his forces in one of the fiercest battles of the Vietnam War. We lost Captain Maisey January 31, 1968. Before discussing the day's events, **I want to thank Eagle Chapter's Vice Chair Air Force District of Washington Wing, Karl Blinkinsop, for his expert planning and coordination of our three events that we initiated to recognize this great SF hero and his family with a wreath laying, Pentagon Tour and Eagle Chapter Luncheon - all in the same day!** Karl, absolutely extraordinary...

One more big thanks to our January donors! Nothing we do could be done without the support of our donors. Hoooo Ahhh - we started out very slowly with less than a handful of donors in October; but, our January donors was the best January that we've experienced in several years. Thank-you again - you make it possible for us to serve!

I look forward to seeing you at an Eagle Chapter event in 2018.

Very respectfully,

Lee

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Chairman/Chief Executive Officer
Eagle Chapter
Air Force Security Forces Association

We published our previous chapter newsletter on January 26, 2018.

Eagle Chapter membership is free to all Air Force Security Forces Association members who work or live in DC, DE,

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Commemorating the 50th Anniversary Tet Offensive - Maisey Family Welcome - Wreath Laying Joint Base Anacostia Bolling



In his remarks, US Navy Captain Jose Rodriguez (second from the right in the above photo), Joint Base Anacostia Bolling Washington DC noted that Captain Maisey and the then Security Police defenders didn't just save the lives of Airmen. Bien Hoa - he referred to it as 'Joint Base Bien Hoa' was a major hub that included US Navy and US Army patriots. Bien Hoa operated as a joint base - a fore-runner to the joint bases of today.



event.

The formal wreath laying ceremony at Joint Base Anacostia Bolling in Washington DC was the capstone event of the day!. At left, Karl Blinkinsop, Eagle Chapter AFDW Vice Chairman was the master of ceremony for the

The huge support of the senior leadership at Joint Base Anacostia Bolling, the Air Force District of Washington, the HQ USAF Honor Guard, the HQ USAF Band, the Singing Sergeants who provided the National Anthem singer, and Jim Saulnier, Vice President AF Security Forces Association also made this one of the most outstanding events in our chapter's history.

The photo at the very top is an indicator of this strong support. The photo shows (starting from the left) Eagle Chapter Chairman/CEO Lee Chambers, Terri Nealon (Captain Maisey's daughter), Jim Saulnier, Vice President Air Force Security Forces Association, Lt Col (Ret) Gerald Hunter (Joyce's husband), Joyce (Captain Maisey's widow), Colonel Kevin Eastland, Vice Commander Air Force District of Washington, Jeffery (Captain Maisey's son), Mr. William Bailey (SES) Deputy Director Air Force Rapid Capabilities Office, Reginald III (Captain Maisey's son), Timothy Gerald, Chief of Security

Forces, Air Force District of Washington, Karl Blinkinsop, Eagle Chapter Vice Chairman Air Force District of Washington, US Navy Captain Jose Rodriguez, Commander Joint Base Anacostia Bolling Washington DC, and Colonel Wayne C. Blanchette, Vice Commander Joint Base Anacostia Bolling, Washington DC.



The AFDW Vice Commander, Colonel Kevin Eastland, AF Security Forces Association Vice President, Jim Saulnier, and AFDW Director of Security Forces, Timothy Gerald, lay wreath during the ceremony aided by HQ USAF Honor Guard.

The ceremony concluded with the playing of taps by the HQ USAF Band Bugler.

Following the wreath laying, the family gathered at the shadow box in the foyer of the Maisey Building for a special moment of remembrance. We turned to one of our Vietnam War Veterans to help us decide how to design the wreath - Eagle Member Willie Squires. Willie's suggestion - design it in the colors of the Vietnam Service Ribbon won the day. You'll see these colors with highlights of purple to represent Captain Maisey's Purple Heart. The floral silk wreath will be on display at the Maisey building at Joint Base Anacostia Bolling. It simply reads, Captain Reginald V. Maisey - 11/17/1934 - 1/31/1968.



Refreshments, the wreath, VIP placards, and printed programs were provided through your donations by Eagle Chapter Air Force Security Forces Association. [All photos and the program are on our website. Click here.](#)

Mr. Toney Talley, Building Manager Maisey Building, was an absolutely great host! Thanks to Toney and his staff for their support in making this event possible.

Maisey Family Tour - The Pentagon - Including Office Visit with the Air Force Chief of Staff



When Eagle Member and Chief of Police for the Pentagon Police Department, Woodrow "Woody" Kusse stated that he'd be honored to host the Maisey family in a tour of the Pentagon we had no idea what this would entail and Woody and his team absolutely knocked this one out of the park - starting with a tour of General Dave Goldfein's office - the Air Force Chief of Staff!

Above, one of the members of the staff provided a tour and explanations of memorabilia and the tour included a visit with the Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force, Chief Master Sergeant Kaleth O. Wright, in his office.

Thank-you Woody! A very awesome addition to the day's events. For more photos of the tour, please go to our website by [clicking here](#) or look under the Archived Events Tab for the [Maisey 50th Commemoration](#).

Photos were not permitted in the Chief of Staff's office. We do have photos of two of our escorts with the Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force.

Eagle Chapter Luncheon Hosts Maisey Family highlighting the Battle of Bien Hoa and Recovery of Vietnam KIAs



Above, Brigadier General (Retired) James Shames discusses battle tactics with Colonel (Retired) Martin "Marty" Strones who was piped in from Las Vegas NV.

Colonel Marty Strones was the luncheon guest speaker. Colonel Strones, then Captain Strones, fought with Captain Maisey during the Tet Offensive at Bien Hoa Air Base. Colonel Strones aided the Vietnamese government (through the US State Department and US Defense Department) in recovering the bodies of their fallen who had died at the battle when he returned to Vietnam in 2017.



Special presentations. The luncheon provided a forum for several special presentations to the family. Above, Chief Kusse presents a coin from the Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force, Chief Kusse also provided them with a Pentagon Police Department Coin. Below, Jim Saulnier, Vice President of the Air Force Security Forces Association provides a special lithograph from the association. Eagle Chapter also provided them each with Eagle Chapter Coin, 20th Anniversary Defensor Fortis Flag with streamer and 20th Anniversary Pen.



Maisey Kids - in the photo above, Terri Nealon with Eagle Chapter's Defensor Fortis Flag, her brothers Jeffery and Reginald IIII attend Eagle Chapter luncheon at the Pentagon.

Below as youngsters (with mom), they hold medals presented to their dad by the PACOM Commander, Admiral John S. McCain Jr., USN.



Proud Warrior - Staff Sergeant Clee A. Lee



By the time you read this article, we will have added one more member to our rolls - Staff Sergeant Clee A. Lee, originally assigned to the 366th Security Forces Squadron, Mountain Home Air Force Base Idaho.

While deployed and participating in an exercise, Staff Sergeant Lee was shot with a 9mm training round that struck him in his right eye. The round penetrated an opening in his protective gear. I'm proud to report that the Air Force's after action report of this event led to this gear being replaced so that this unique event will not occur again.

The event occurred May 2017. He was medically evacuated to Walter Reed in early June 2017. He has had multiple surgeries one extremely amazing. He now wears a miniature pump in his eye that circulates the fluid. He has some vision in the eye but not well enough to read and there is still procedures ahead that are leading to the goal of preserving his optic nerve. Please pray for this Airmen.

He just recently came to our attention last month. We notified AFSFA and now the ball is rolling. The NCR-MD chapter visited with him following my visit where they delivered the \$500.00 Proud Warrior check from the AF Security Forces Association the day after my visit.

The photo above shows Clee and Lee as we met at the Warrior

Transition Center at Walter Reed Bethesda. We had talked on the phone and exchanged several emails. The photo above is the day of our first Eagle Chapter Proud Warrior Luncheon with Sergeant Lee where we host wounded SF Airmen once a month at a dining location of their choice.

As you can see below - Clee wanted to chow at McDonald's. I look forward to seeing this great American patriot in my March visit. I presented him with a chapter coin and Defensor Fortis Flag. To see all of the activities that we normally bestow on our Proud Warrior Airmen see the Eagle Proud Warrior page by clicking here. Also see our Eagle Proud Warrior page under the About Us page. If you have gifts that you'd like us to present, just send to our mail box.

This month, his commander, Major Michael Twining, will be in town to visit with him. Thanks to Major Twining for taking my call and passing on additional information that will help us to aid this recovering warrior.

Thanks to the Oklahoma Heartland Chapter and the Pete Magwood (Albuquerque, NM) Chapter for joining Eagle Chapter to provide three one year memberships in the Air Force Security Forces Association.



Colonel Samuel Everett Stocks Laid to Rest at Arlington



February 28 was a well of emotions. At lunch I met a brave combat warrior and later that day, I attended the internment of one of our career field leaders, Colonel Sam Stocks. In the image above, Air Force Honor Guard transfer Sam from the horse-drawn caisson to carry him to his final resting spot at section 54-2134 at Arlington. Col Stocks is the 18th internment added to our list. At the funeral, I let the family know that we will add him during our twice a year visits to Arlington. I also provide the widow, Col (Ret) Karen Stocks, a Defensor Fortis Flag as a small token of our appreciation.

Below, the Air Force Chaplain gives the flag that Sam had served his life to her. [I've provided all of my photos via a link to my business Google Drive to Karen for her use.](#)



Rachel Vis Sworn in As the Eagle Chapter Vice Chair Tidewater Wing



Our Langley area members and Airmen now have a very strong and energetic leader. Eagle Member Rachel Vis has accepted the reins as Vice Chair. She's been an active member of our chapter almost since its inception. Previously the chapter Secretary, Rachel comes on board having participated in numerous chapter luncheons, walks,

memorials plus she brings her own enthusiasm as a participant in National Law Enforcement Officer Memorial activities.

In the photo above, Rachel participates in the Veterans Day 2015 Wreath Laying Program at the Women in Service To America Memorial (Women's Memorial) by laying the Eagle Chapter Wreath. Thank-you Rachel for your continuing support and now in this new area of responsibility.



In April 2004, at our first Langley luncheon, then Technical Sergeant Rachel Vis poses with then Staff Sergeant Jessica Pierce. Jessica later became our first Vice Chair of the Washington DC Wing while stationed at the 11th Security Forces Squadron then located at Bolling Air Force Base Washington DC.

Final Guardmount: Major (Retired) Eugene C. "Chip" Schram - Eagle Vice Chair Shenandoah Wing



In 2003 when I was organizing Eagle Chapter, there were several

AFSFA membership groups in Eagle Country (DC, DE, MD, VA and WV) that were forming chapters. I reached out to them all and offered them a chance to help with establishing Eagle Chapter and they would operate as one of our regional wings. Chip, who was forming the Shenandoah Chapter said, Sign me up:". Since then he has been a fixture at Eagle Chapter luncheons. In the photo above, **Chip (at left) and his wife Judy, stand with our fifth anniversary speaker Adrian (GooOOod Morning Vietnam) Cronauer.** At the time, Adrian was the special assistant to the Secretary of Defense for POW and Missing Personnel.

In the photo below, I lost total control - if we ever had any when Chip attended :-). When you get two veteran Airmen together, (Adrian's book and later movie featured him as an Airman during the Vietnam War), any thing is likely to occur. In the photo, Chip is reminding Adrian what it is like to be jacked up after entering a restricted area without authorization.



Though he had retired as our first and only Vice Chair of our Shenandoah Wing many years ago, when Chip saw me at the AFSFA annual meeting last year (2017), he handed me a business card. It read, **Eugene C. Chip Schram, Vice Chair Eagle Chapter Shenandoah Wing. Always serving - Chip will be greatly missed.**

Final Guardmount: Ted Whitlock Space Coast Chairman



In 2010, through our long relationship with the Jacobson family, they started kicking around the idea of having a five year event to recognize Elizabeth Jacobson, the first Security Forces Airman, first Air Force female to be killed in action in Iraq. Ted (in the photo at left) and I got on it and eventually we transitioned the event - very early on - to a Space Coast (Florida) Chapter event. I helped with the program organization; but,

everything else - I mean everything else was all Ted. Five years later in 2015, he organized what would be his final anniversary recognition of Elizabeth Jacobson with the 10th Anniversary Commemoration. For those of us who attended these remembrances, it was cathartic - a reunion of family and friends, the SF Commander as well as the Patrick Air Force Base FL Color Guard.

A few months ago, I learned of Ted's death thanks to our facebook friends. He was such a spirit and caring member of our organization plus many veteran organizations. In his home town, **they created the Ted Whitlock Community Center where his body laid in state for his friends to give a final farewell to this patriot and veteran who I was blessed to know. Thank-you Ted!**

Congratulations - Chief Master Sergeant - (Selectee) Tessa M. Fontaine



In September 2013, we had a very unique monthly Proud Warrior Luncheon. At the time, there were two SF Airmen undergoing treatment at Walter Reed, Airman Matthew Zuniga (2d left) and Airman MarieAnn Raguso (2d from the right) both from the 105th SFS Stewart AFB NY. **We just happened to have had one of the 2013 Air Force 12 Outstanding Airmen of the Year assigned to a three letter agency in the DC area, then Master Sergeant Tessa Fontaine (shown above in the photo at right).** I invited her to attend the monthly Proud Warrior Luncheon and she just added an element to our luncheon that was totally unique.

When I heard that she was on the list to make Chief Master Sergeant, I could not waste this opportunity to reacquaint our supporters. Tessa has deep roots in Eagle Country - she served at Langley a few years earlier as an investigator. Congratulations Chief.

Note to Proud Warrior - Staff Sergeant Lee - we have to check out the Dave and Buster's (above) at the White Flint Mall in Bethesda at a future luncheon!

Congratulations Chief Master Sergeant (Selectee) Kenneth Broughman



Another one of the SF Airmen that we have worked with has achieved the highest enlisted grade in our Air Force - Chief Master Sergeant Kenneth Broughman. Back in 2011, he had a novel idea - SF Airmen would march in a relay of SF organizations from San Antonio to New York City in recognition of the 10th Anniversary 9/11. Along the way, the SF laid wreaths at the Pentagon, Shanksville, PA and finally at ground zero in New York City. I don't have a photo of Ken but I do have a photo that demonstrates the impressive, significance of this idea. The photo above is at Amherst VA where the SF group at Seymour Johnson (organized by then Tech Sergeant Ken Broughman) changed guide-ons with the SF Airmen from Langley. In addition to Eagle Chapter, the photo shows city government leadership, local law enforcement and others that turned out to cheer on our SF.

Congratulations Chief Kenny Broughman!

NLEOM Announces 2018 Police Week Schedule and 2018 Logo, Eagle Chapter LEAD Photos, Eagle NLEOM Project Lead Needed Today



Police Week Schedule - National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial announces the Police Week Schedule - May 11 - 17. [Click here to see the schedule as it exists today.](#) Check back for updates as the schedule changes.

LEAD Photos. Eagle Chapter's Law Enforcement Appreciation Day photos are now on our website. [Click here or go to our Events Page to see photos from our activities at Dover, Tidewater \(Langley area\) and the Pentagon..](#)

Eagle Chapter NLEOM Project Manager Needed. Needed TODAY! We started last year (2017) with three Security Police/Security Forces Airmen that qualify for placement on the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial but we've not gotten enough traction on those packages. TDYs, PCSes, illnesses, miscommunication from NLEOM, etc have placed minor blocks in the way ahead. We need a strong energetic project manager who can overcome minor issues and help orchestrate the activities needed in multiple locations to have these three Airmen added this year. Until this is done, we are failing the memory of our Airmen and families in this area. We need new leadership in this area. [Contact Eagle Chairman by clicking here](#) or call me - 571 302-0992. **You do not need to work or live in Eagle Country - we need a diplomatic arbiter who can achieve results.**

First Ever - Blue Honor Gala - During Police Week 2018



Join Concerns of Police Survivors (COPS) for our first ever Blue Honor Gala on Monday, May 14th at the Double Tree by Hilton Washington D.C.-Crystal City. This event is a formal black-tie affair in honor of law enforcement's past, present, and future.

Tickets are \$125 dollars per person or \$1,100 dollars for a table of 10. Dinner will be provided along with a special private concert from country music star, Mark Wills.

To reserve a table or purchase tickets, please call the C.O.P.S. Development Office at 573-346-4911 or [visit the COPS Blue Honor Gala by clicking here.](#)

Eagle Chapter Board Meeting - March 7, 2018

Our next chapter board meeting will be held on Wednesday, **March 7, 2018 at 8:00PM**. Eagle Chapter Board Meetings are open to members and significant others who would like to participate.

As of this writing, our Vice Chair Public Information (VCPI), Michael Crayton, has submitted four articles for publication in the Air Force Security Forces Magazine. Mike presents his monthly update at the chapter board meeting highlighting these as well as his 2018 schedule. Thanks Mike!

We hold our chapter board meetings on the first Wednesday of the month at 8PM via conference call.

Contact the [Eagle Chapter Secretary](#), Chris Walker, for more information.

In closing - one final good bye - Major (Retired) Eugene C. "Chip" Schram - First Vice Chair Shenandoah Wing, Eagle Chapter Air Force Security Forces Association

Just prior to sending last month's chapter newsletter, Chip informed me and many of his facebook friends that he was

entering hospice care due to his cancer having metastasized and had spread to his liver and bones. **Last week his daily facebook updates noting visitors and other events while in care ended. On Feb 27, another facebook friend informed us that Chip is no longer with us.**



In 2004, when we held our chapter's first anniversary luncheon, it was Chip (above 2d from right) who held the other side of our birthday cake. in the middle stood our first chapter Airman of the year then Airman First Class Sondra Mihovich of Andrews and our guest speaker, Bill Davidson, then the Administrative Assistant Secretary of the Air Force and at the far left, Lt Jeff McKamey, then our chapter secretary.. Sondra, through her church, created the first major donation to the Proud Warrior Fund that we had developed to donate to SF that were medically evacuated from a war zone to Walter Reed Bethesda.

Chip's interment will be at Arlington National Cemetery at a later date. [To see his obituary, click here.](#)

Chip's internment at Arlington will bring the number of SF KIA, members and spouse graves that we visit at Arlington to 20.

Thank-you for your continuing support.

Thanks

Very best regards,

Lee

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