

Greetings Eagle Chapter Members and Friends!



Above the Eagle Chapter Wreath display at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial (NLEOM) in Washington DC.during Police Week.

Come join us next Wednesday, June 20, we're at Joint Base Langley Eustis for our chapter luncheon. Please see the information below. Rachel will be hosting her first luncheon and we're welcoming the Air Combat Command's Top Cop.

Very respectfully,

Lee

Elia C. (Lee) Chambers Chairman/Chief Executive Officer Eagle Chapter Air Force Security Forces Association

We published our previous full chapter newsletter on April 26, 2018.

<u>Eagle Chapter membership is free</u> to all Air Force Security Forces Association members who work or live in DC, DE, MD, VA and WV. <u>Join us.</u>

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Eustis VA - June 20



We are honored to have as our guest speaker, Colonel Michael Green, the Air Combat Command Top Cop at the Eagle Chapter luncheon next week. Please come out to join us. 11:30 AM we start registration..

Not a stranger to Eagle Country or Eagle Chapter. Col Green was the Commander of the 11th Security Forces Squadron when it was located at Bolling

Air Force Base Washington DC when we earned our charter back in 2003. By the time we had our first luncheon at Bolling, Col Green had moved on. I do remember his wife. She contacted me asking how to renew his membership while her husband was TDY down range.

I've already made a special request for the Mrs to attend.

This year we are celebrating our 15th year. In celebrating our 15th year - you guessed it - an anniversary cake. So, please plan to stay with us and take part in our cake cutting ceremony that will be led by our guest speaker and commanders of the 633d and 732d Security Forces Squadron.

Attendance is free to any spouse and Technical Sergeant and below! Thank-you for your service.

<u>Please contact Rachel Vis, Eagle Chapter Vice Chair Tidewater Wing for more information.</u>

Eagle Chapter's April Vietnam War Veterans Memorial Wall Wash



At the end of April, we had our first wall wash at the Vietnam War Veterans Memorial in Washington DC and it was not to be

without a challenge. With over 60, eager participants, many Boy Scout members and their family members and friends, there was only one hose. Our process is to start at both ends with with two very long hoses with the two teams meeting in the middle when the wash is complete. On this morning due to contractors making only one faucet available, we had the one hose and very strained water pressure. This caused our wash to go an hour longer than usual.

We got the job done. Our thanks to all of those that attended and especially those that stayed the distance. We look forward to seeing you in August. Our next wall wash will be in August 25, 2018.

One other chapter will be joining us in our August wash. Chief Master Sergeant (Retired) John Bashara informed me that he will be attending our August wash representing the NW Florida Chapter of the AFSFA. Chief, we'll be delighted to have you with us.

Our May Proud Warrior Luncheon - "You Want Dessert?"



As you know, one of our missions is to take injured SF Airmen who are med-evaced Walter Reed Bethesda out to lunch once month at a place of their choosing. When troops are down serving range, (other than mama's cooking)

there is nothing like a good old fashion American made burger. That's exactly what we did up until May. Good old SSgt Lee who came to us from Al Udeid Qatar, conceded to my request to have a sit-down at a different type of location. So TGI Fridays was our pick.



On the way to our seat, one of the patrons (looking at my hat) thanked me for my service. I then introduced her to SSgt Lee and briefly told her how we came to be there. She was visibly moved and 'appreciated our service all over again.'. I didn't realized how much moved she was until I asked for the check.



The waiter told us that the lady sitting across from us paid for our lunch leaving this note for us. "Laura" left this note that I gave to SSgt Lee.

With that, I asked SSgt Lee, "Do you want dessert?"

You may have noticed that SSgt Lee is wearing an eye patch. He had the pump replaced in his eye last month. He's hanging in there.

I love Air Force supervisors!! SSgt Lee's supervisor is attempting to find work for him to do at Andrews. Though his right eye imposes a limitation, the rest of him works just fine. So good luck.

Police Week: Support Joint Base Langley Eustis VA - Bagpipe Sponsorship



When we're not overwhelmed with other activities during Police Week, we assist in sponsoring SF units activity during Police Week. Eagle Chapter Vice Chair, Tidewater Wing, Rachel Vis, found a great value, a bagpipe player gave us one half off to sponsor his playing during Police Week ceremony at Joint Base Langley Eustis. In the

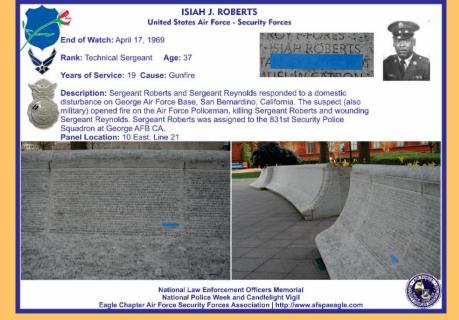
photo, Rachel is presenting a chapter check to Airman First Class Arron Leatham, 633 SFS Booster Club Treasurer.

The bagpipe player performed Monday, 14 May, 0700 at Memorial Park in a , 30 minute opening ceremony that payed tribute to the 127 fallen police officers in 2017

Glad to help!



Police Week Washington DC - Remembering Technical Sergeant Isiah Roberts



Eagle Chapter National LE Officers Memorial Plaque

In 2017, Eagle Chapter began placing a memorial plaque at the location where a Security Forces Airman's name is inscribed on the National LE Officers Memorial during Police Week. This year, I received the following email regarding the plaque that we placed for Technical Sergeant Roberts.

Good morning,

I saw the attached photo posted on a Facebook page for a Security Forces group this morning. I would appreciate it if I could get a digital copy of the tribute poster that the Eagle Chapter placed at the National Law Enforcement Memorial for National Police Week this year. I am not able to make it to the Memorial this year.

TSgt Roberts was my Flight Chief when I was at George AFB CA. As National Police Week approached in 1997 as I was searching the National Law Enforcement Memorial database for names of officers I knew and discovered that TSgt Roberts' name was missing. That set me on a quest to find out why his name was missing and to get it added to the Memorial. This was not an easy task since George AFB had been closed and the 831st SPS deactivated. After two years of research and coordination with SF and OSI personnel at Edwards AFB, the closet active base, the Pentagon and local media, I was able to make contact with former SSgt Joel Reynolds who was TSgt Roberts' backup officer the night he was killed. With his original report and the assistance of the Air Force, I was able to get the NLEOMF to approve the addition of TSgt Isiah Roberts to the Memorial during National Police Week in 1999, just over thirty years after he was killed. My wife and I attended the ceremony and escorted TSgt Roberts' wife Gloria and her family. The family even gave me a plaque as a "Thank You" for what I had done for them and Isiah.

Getting TSgt Roberts added to the Memorial will always be one of the high points of my military and civilian law enforcement career.

Thanks in advance for your assistance.

Mike Kennedy Vice President Vietnam Veteran of America Chapter 47, Inland Empire

Southern District Director California State Council Vietnam Veteran of America

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After sending Mike the digital image, he provided me an award that the Roberts family provided to him to show their appreciation.

Police Week: Candlelight Vigil Washington DC



Above, police color guard honor families and survivors of police officers whose names were inscribed on the NLEOM this year as they enter the VIP section. During Police Week, the National LE Officers Memorial Fund hosts activities throughout police week. The keystone event is the Candle light Vigil that is held at he US Capitol.







The US Attorney General, Honorable Jeff Sessions, is the keynote speaker. At the conclusion of his speech, he lights the first candle that is used to light all attendees candles at the event.

The two Department of Defense entries this year were two Army MPs, Eugene Cox and James Workman, who were killed June 30, 1969 by a South Vietnamese Colonel at a bar incident during the Vietnam War. Their unit members completed the application this year. It was my honor to share the night with them to recognize these heroes.

Memorial Day Tributes





On Memorial Day, Eagle Chapter participates in three activities to honor our fallen:

- Defensor Fortis flag placements. We place a DF flag alongside old glory at 18 graves currently of SF Airmen, their spouses or family members who are interred at Arlington National Cemetery VA.
- Memorial Wreath Placements . We place wreaths at the Air Force Memorial, Korean War, the World War II, and the Vietnam War Veterans Memorials. The photo above shows the Eagle Chapter wreath at the World War II Memorial in Washington DC and the DF flag that we placed at MSgt Dilbri Aldrich's grave in Arlington VA who was assigned at Joint Base Langley Eustis at the time of her death.
- Women in Military Service to America Memorial

(Womens Memorial) Program participation. Each year, we participate in the Womens Memorial Program that involves laying the wreath and during the rose ceremony, our representative recites the names of the four SF Airmen who have died while serving on active duty while placing rose petals in a ceremonial urn. Our four SF Airmen are: Airman Laura Lucas, Airman First Class Erin Frazier, Airman Elizabeth Jacobson, and Airman Kcey Ruiz. In the images below, I am Rachel Vis' backup. She had a conflict and I stood in as the chapter's rep. In the photo at left below, I lay the wreath while being assisted by Womens Memorial President Maj Gen (Ret) Dee McWilliams. At right, laying the rose petals in the urn after reading the names and circumstances of the SF women's death.





Eagle Chapter National LE Officers Memorial Nominating Committee

Last year, we missed our mark. We had two active projects under way to have two Security Forces Airmen names added to the NLEOM in Washington DC, Captain George Morris and Airman Laura Lucas. In addition, we had another SF Airman that could qualify, Airman Jacob Charles Partridge. At the beginning of this year, we organized onto the committee and made contact with the units to bring them up to date. We also needed to establish more direct communications with key staff at the National LE Officers Memorial. We've made those initial contact and expect better results.

Chris Walker, Vice Chair DE Wing and Chapter Secretary, joined me in making up this committee. The committee provides monthly updates to the chapter board. Now, we have a clear understanding of the status of both Airmen and we have made contact with the commanders and points of contact advising them that we're here to help but we're a partner with them to lean on us when needed. We realize that we're halfway through the year.

Eagle Chapter Board Meeting July 11, 2018

The next Eagle Chapter Board Meeting is **Wed July 11, 2018**. We normally meet the first Wed of the month but due to the 4th of July holiday, we're meeting on the 2d Wed.

Eagle Chapter Board Meetings are open to all members and

spouses. Just be willing and able to pitch in to help do work.

Contact our Chapter Secretary for more information.

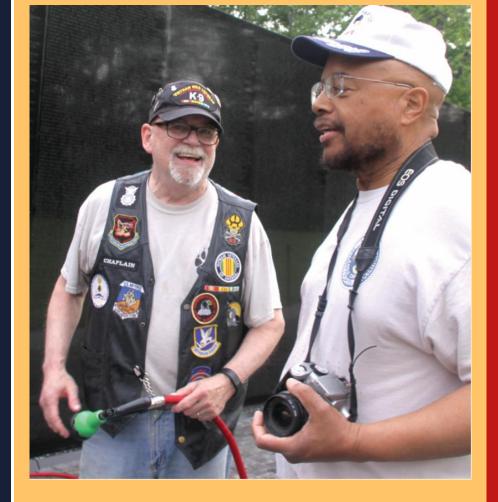
Eagle Chapter's Newest Board Member - Jim Stastny



At the May Board meeting, we made it official. The board voted unanimously to select Jim Stastny as our official Eagle Chapter Chaplain. For those of you who have attended our Vietnam Wall Wash, you already know Jim. You also know him to be as much drill instructor as he is our chaplain. He takes charge to organize the devotional service that we have at the beginning of each wash leading us in forming up, pledging allegiance to the flag and prayer. He's the guy who starts with the hose on the Washington Monument side of the wash. A former K0 handler, Jim is also a chaplain with the Vietnam Security Police Association.

He's also been at chapter luncheons or provided us with the right words for the invocation when he can't attend. If you remember the guy handing out the ballots for which SF badge that our attendees prefer at a luncheon, he was THE guy to hand these out and make the vote happen.

He's no stranger to Eagle Chapter. Now he's official!!! Welcome aboard Jim!



Eagle Chapter Luncheon - Joint Base Langley Eustis - Next Wednesday, June 20. Free to E6/Technical Sergeants and Below. Come out and meet Col Mike Green, the Air Combat Command Top Cop. There was a tremendous draw down

of ACC under the previous administration. A former AF Chief of Staff says, we cut too lean and that the senior leadership made the wrong assumptions regarding Iraq and Afghanistan. Let's see what the impact has been and how we're making improvements.

Thank-you for your continuing support.- See you at Langley!

Thanks

Very best regards,

Lee

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