



## **Greetings Eagle Chapter Members and Friends!**

**2019 is off and running with a bang!** I can't thank our Vice Chairs, Rachel (Tidewater Wing at Langley), Karl (AFDW Wing here in DC), and the 436th SFS Commander, Lt Col Mike Morales, for the help and enthusiasm in getting very key activities underway. Our 16th year just might be our most exciting yet. I have Law Enforcement Appreciation Day activities and USA Today Defense Special Edition 2018 wrap up distribution to discuss. I'll provide updates on these in the next edition. I have some very key info to provide this month.

**First, as you know, January is the final month of our annual donation drive.** December 2018 was not as strong as previous years. We have gotten off to a strong start for January; but, we need your help to ensure that we can continue to provide superior services to our Airmen, their families, and our historic traditions. We don't disclose donors; but, when I received this great email with a donation, I asked for permission to disclose and our donor gave me permission to pass this on. Thank-you General Shames for your generous donation and kind remarks:

*Lee, You're one person along with one great organization I can count on to use the funds for best effect for our SF warriors. Thanks to you and your team*

*Jim Shames*

If you have not yet given, no amount is too big or small. If you're not able to donate this month, you can make your donation any time.

Finally, use your donation note as an additional opportunity to let me know if you have questions and please use this as an opportunity to provide feedback that you'd like to bring to the board and my attention. I look forward to seeing you at an Eagle Chapter event this year!

Very respectfully,

Lee

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We published our previous chapter newsletter on Dec 30, 2018.

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

## **Eagle Chapter's 51st Observance and Wreath Laying Captain Reginald V Maisey Jr. Battle of Bien Hoa Air Base**



At 0900/9:00 AM January 31, 2019, please join us at the Maisey Building at Joint Base Anacostia Bolling Washington DC for a wreath laying in honor of Captain Maisey's gallant efforts to protect Bien Hoa Air Base Vietnam during the Tet Offensive 51 years ago where he ultimately gave his life. We will be hosting the wreath laying at the facility main conference room with JBAB base and Air Force District of Washington officials along with an SES official who has yet to be announced.

We're not having the huge event that we had last year on the 50th anniversary observance; but, we're not back to just a few of us showing up and recognizing Reg. The base and AFDW officials jumped at the opportunity to recognize this hero who gave his life to preserve the lives of many.

**For our Vietnam Veterans, we especially extend an invitation to you. If you do not have a DOD pass and you would like to attend, we must know in advance.**

Please contact Karl, Eagle Chapter Vice Chair AFDW Wing or me to let us know.

Below, the then CINCPACAF General Joseph J. Nazzaro, presented Captain Maisey's widow and children with the Air Force Cross, Purple Heart, and Bronze Star shortly after Captain Maisey's death on January 31, 1968. During the 50th anniversary, the family were our special guests during wreath laying, a tour of the Pentagon and a luncheon held at the Pentagon in their honor.

Come out and join us recognizing this great American hero!



## Our Second Nominee - Captain George Morris

### *Officer Is Killed In Kirtland Mishap*



Capt. George E. Morris

Chance proved a cruel master Tuesday for the Kirtland Air Force Base provost marshal. Capt. George E. Morris was killed in a ground mishap here at a time when he had planned to be en route to a tour of temporary duty in Washington, D. C.

The 35-year-old Morris, one of the best-known officers on the base, was killed instantly Tuesday morning when struck by a wheel assembly when a tire exploded on a medium bomber.

Until a few days ago, Morris had planned on leaving Kirtland early Tuesday to attend a two-month school on disciplinary control at George Washington University.

#### **Delays Trip**

Then he heard that a fellow

National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial confirms receipt of our second 2018 submission, US Air Force Captain George Morris who died while responding to an aircraft incident at Kirtland Air Force Base New Mexico in April 1956. Captain Morris was then serving as the Provost Martial for the base. **The Air Force no longer uses the term Provost Martial. Today, Captain Morris would be a Security Forces Squadron**

**commander.**

Senior Airman Taylor Nelson led this effort to make the second submission that the unit has made. In 1996, NLEOM did not accept the request because the package was incomplete and didn't show how Captain Morris' duties, at the time of his death, related to a civilian law enforcement response.

**NLEOM will submit this package to be considered by the February meeting of the Names Committee.** Thanks again to Senior Airman Nelson who has painstakingly worked on this package for the past three years. Also to our partner, Dave Coulie, Chairman of the Pete Magwood Chapter Air Force Security Forces Association. Along with the commanders that have supported this effort, we look forward to a positive determination in February. **Congratulations!**

**If approved, Captain Morris will be the first Security Forces officer to be added to the memorial.**

**Senior Master Sergeant Danny Bishop 436th SFS Throws his hat in the ring - Vice Chair Eagle Chapter Delaware Wing**

By the time you read this, I will be moments away from conducting my first officer orientation meeting with Senior Master Sergeant Gregory D. (Danny) Bishop, Superintendent Logistics and Readiness, 436th Security Forces Squadron Dover Air Force Base DE who has volunteered to succeed Chris Walker as the Vice Chairman of the Delaware Wing.

He comes on board just as we are kicking off our 2019 season. I'll have more about SMSgt Bishop in my next chapter newsletter.

Danny, welcome aboard. We are ecstatic to have you apply for being our next Vice Chair of the Eagle Chapter DE Wing.

**Reminder: This Wednesday, Jan 23, Eagle Chapter Member - Lt Col (Ret) Oliver Carter's Interment at Arlington National Cemetery**



Reminder: Lt Colonel (Retired) Oliver Carter will be at Arlington Cemetery on January 23, 2019 at 1:00 PM. If you would like to join us, the family has asked that we contact

## Defender Presents Proud Warrior/Jacobson Coin To Liz's Convoy Commander



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This purchase from the Eagle Exchange was a total surprise. We've taken our Eagle Exchange page of chapter memorabilia offline as we're updating the merchandise. It's still there, you just have to know how to find it.

Chief Master Sergeant (Ret) Dave Ennis found it and made a very important purchase. One of the chief's American Legion post (MD Post 40) members, **Major (US Army Retired) Sam Hoffman, was the convoy commander during the convoy that claimed the life of Airman First Class Elizabeth Jacobson, the first Air Force female and Security Forces member to be killed in action in Iraq.**

Major Hoffman spoke very highly of Liz and he discussed his attempts to render first aid to her after the explosion on September 28, 2005.

The chief found our web page and surprised Major Hoffman by presenting him with Proud Warrior Coin that has Elizabeth's image. Liz's paternal grandmother, Sondra Millman partnered with us to create the coin several years ago to help raise funds to provide to wounded Security Forces Airmen who were medically evacuated to Walter Reed.

Thanks to our Eagle Exchange Manager for sending the coin to make this very important presentation.

## World War II Eagle Member's Daughter Col (Ret) Bob Smoak Says and Sends Memories



**Bob and Betty with daughter Cindy**

I'm passing this note from Cindy Smoak Jester, daughter of Col (Ret) Bob Smoak. Col Smoak, an avid chapter supporter, pass away in 2017. Sadly, his wife Betty shortly after him. Please see Cindy's email below.

*Hello I was sent [an Eagle Chapter] newsletter today that showed daddy's picture with an article about his passing. [Note: Click here to see the newsletter. Chapter newsletters from 2017 and 2018 are on the [Resources page](#) on our website].*

*I think you are right that he is watching over your chapter. Betty also passed the same year as daddy within 3 months. They were both 91. He was so proud and humble of his career. It wasn't until I started typing the family history that I learned about his accomplishments!*

*I have several others of him; one from 1942 (when he entered the then named Army Air Corps), 1944 (on Bhamo, Burma when he started the Police Academy which is still being funded through the Interior Dept today and 1968 when he created the "Armed Forces Police" at the Navy Yard. From 1967-70 as Commander which helped out the Army, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Navy in times of misconduct to prevent that unfortunate event from affecting their career. This unit was also instrumental in the containment of the MLK riots and working closely with the Capitol Police then run by Chief James Powell. It was disbanded by his predecessor after Daddy's retirement in 1971.*

*Attached is a picture of Daddy, Betty and me.*

Bob Smoak, back in the day. shown below. Thank-you Cindy

for sharing your memories of your dad.

**Sarge**, Cindy is a realtor down in your neck of the woods - Ocean City MD. Let's throw her some business. Let me know when I can help.



## NLEOM Chief Executive Officer Bids Farewell



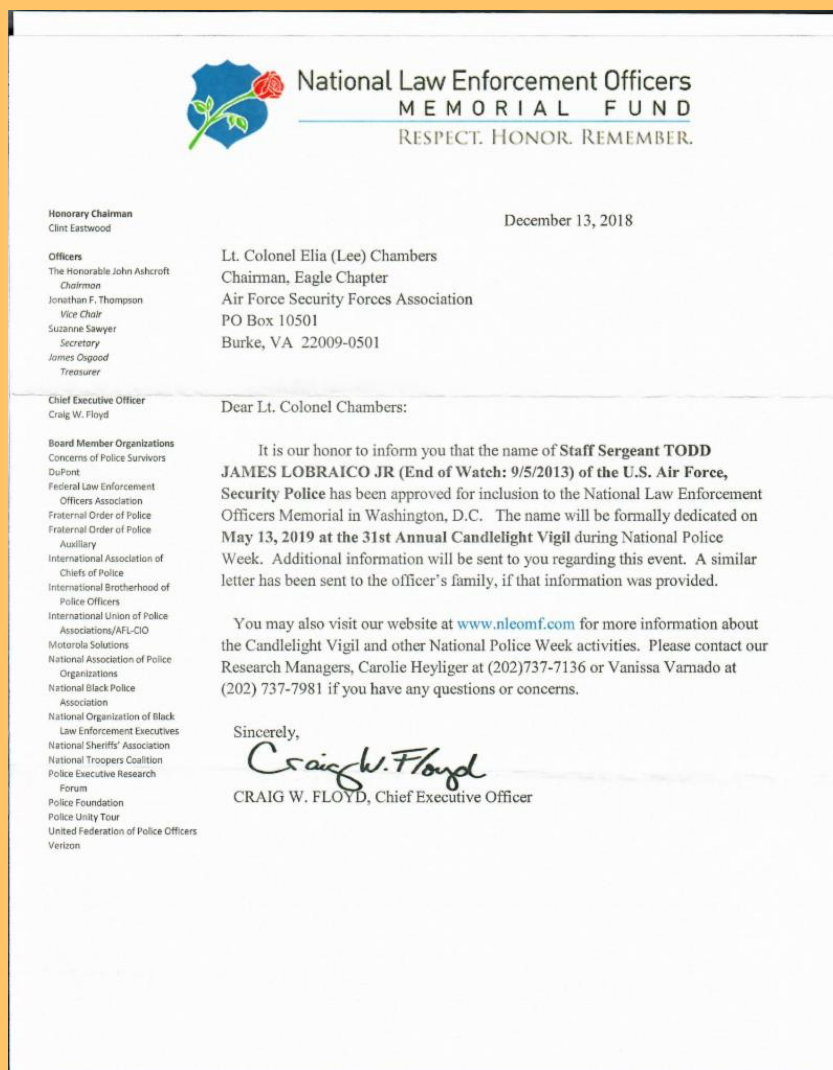
**Our first meeting, Craig Floyd, CEO National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund (at left) with Eagle Chairman, Lee Chambers.**

Last month, founding CEO, Craig Floyd, bid farewell after serving thirty four years at the helm. Always an enthusiastic supporter, Craig has been a champion of law enforcement professionals. His encouragement at our first meeting (above in 2007 at the Police Week Candlelight Vigil in Washington DC) has led to a great relationship and he will be truly missed.

As he leaves, he has done all that he set out to do - built a National LE Officers Memorial to honor the sacrifice of our law enforcement officers and built the National LE Museum to tell the story of American law enforcement. They both serve as testaments to his superb and very accomplished leadership during his thirty-four year tenure as their first CEO.

[Click here to see Craig's farewell video.](#)

## Lobraico Letter



In recognition of Todd's sacrifice, NLEOM CEO provided recognition letters to the Lobraico family, 105th SFS Commander, General Tullos, HQ Air Force A4S.

Thanks again to Master Sergeant Daniel Rivera for his patience and hard work to make this a reality. I look forward to meeting him in person during Police Week.

## Eagle Chapter Board Meeting February 6, 2019

The next Eagle Chapter Board Meeting is **Wed February 6, 2019 at 8PM/2000**. The Eagle Chapter Board of Officers meet monthly on the first Wednesday of the month.

**Eagle Chapter Board Meetings are open to all members, spouses, and significant others.** Just be willing and able to pitch in to help out! :-)

[Click here](#) to contact Chris Walker, our Chapter Secretary, for more information.

**In closing, two gentle reminders:**

**\* This Wednesday, Jan 23 at 1300 (be there 30 minutes ahead) we bid a final farewell and express our appreciation to Oliver's family for sharing him with us. I hope to see you there.**

**\* On 31 Jan at 0900, if you do not have a DOD pass and you intend to attend our wreath laying at the Maisey building, please let me know so we can arrange escort. The conference room usually fills up quickly, try to come early.**

Thanks for your continuing support!

Very best regards,

Lee

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