



## Greetings Eagle Chapter Members and Friends

I write to you as the new, next, and former Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Eagle Chapter Air Force Security Forces Association! We were so honored that Brigadier General (Retired) Allen Jamerson swore in the newly elected chapter officers at the chapter luncheon at the Pentagon on July 11, 2019. See below. General Jamerson, as all of you know, was the Air Force's top cop from July 2012 through Oct 2016 when he retired. Thank-you again sir!

July 11, we had the most memorable Eagle Chapter Luncheon ever. In many ways it was historic! Please see our article below. If you had other things to do on that day other than attending the chapter luncheon, you really missed a great event. Our thanks to Major General (Select) Andrea Tullos and her executive, Colonel Jay Meier for your patience and support.

I must lead off this chapter newsletter with a shout-out to Chief Master Sergeant (Retired) Gary Jones who will once again drive north up to DC from Charleston South Carolina to lead our final Vietnam War Veterans Memorial Wall Wash this coming Saturday. Please see details in the article immediately following below.

**October is just around the corner. We start our annual donation drive on October 1.** If you have not participated in any other way in supporting your chapter, you can do so by making a donation during our annual donation drive - even if you have supported us - your donations enable us to perform. You can go to any page on our website to make a donation or send to our PO Box. We are an IRS-recognized 501(c) 17 Veterans Services Organization.

**See you Saturday!**

Very respectfully,

Lee

Elia C. (Lee) Chambers  
Chairman/Chief Executive Officer  
Eagle Chapter

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We published our previous chapter newsletter on June 26, 2019.

**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 Vietnam War Veterans Memorial Wall Wash Is THIS Saturday August 24**



School is starting soon. You may only have this week-end before the summer ends and it's back to school. If you have not been down to tour Washington DC this year, why not start your week-end tour with a labor love?

Saturday at 0630 - that's 6:30AM for you non-military folks - we will form up and start Eagle Chapter's tribute to our Vietnam Veteran Warriors who made the ultimate sacrifice to our country - we will wash the Vietnam War Veterans Memorial in Washington DC.

We start the event with a brief devotional service that our Chapter Chaplain, Jim Stastny, leads with a prayer. He forms us up first then the prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to our Wonderful US Flag. Following the pledge, Chief Jones speaks about the heroes on the wall who would be celebrating birthdays if they were here along with other statistics about the wall and those who gave.

A shout-out to Chief Master Sergeant (Retired) John Bashara who will be representing the Northwest FL Chapter of the AF Security Forces Association at our Saturday wash.



**Eagle Chapter Chaplain, Jim Stastny, leads a previous chapter wall wash at the Vietnam War Veterans Memorial in Washington DC**

**Farewell** - our chaplain - informs me that this will be his final wash as the Stastny family is selling their home and moving west. Jim provides so much at our washes. He will be greatly missed. Our thanks for all that you do here and at other Eagle Chapter events.

### **Major General Tullos Speaks at the Eagle Chapter Pentagon Luncheon**



Above two members of the 11th Security Forces Group's volunteer color guard post colors to start the Eagle Chapter Luncheon. Our thanks to the 11th SFG and especially the Pentagon Police Department who helped us to obtain waivers to allow us to bring weapons into the Pentagon. This was our



first chapter luncheon at the Pentagon where we had a color guard. This could not have happened without the support of the 11th SFG Deputy Commander, Joe Rector. Thanks Joe!



**General Tullos gave a presentation that only the Air Force top cop could have presented.** The title of her presentation was, "What We Hold Sacred." It is a presentation that she provides to our Air Force Security Forces Commanders. They can switch out photos and add their own local customization to make the presentation more impactful to their unit. Above, she speaks about the all-weather nature of our business. **When the base closes for a snow day, you all know who is still on duty - our Air Force Security Forces!** The above photo shows SF on duty at Minot Air Force Base ND. For those of us who have not served in a while this was as close to getting "re-blued" as you can get without going to San Antonio. She spoke as only she could have. Thank-you again ma'am. We are still waiting for HQ AF Public Affairs to allow us to provide that presentation. I will provide it in a future chapter newsletter.



Chris Walker (left) home for paternity leave attended the chapter luncheon with his better half, Shauna, and our youngest defender ever to attend a luncheon, Amelia!

I spoke above about the historic nature of this luncheon. Until Karl Blinkinsop joined our board of officers, we never had a luncheon at the Pentagon. Karl had a vision and we held now our third luncheon at the Pentagon. **Though we've had previous top cops speak at a chapter luncheon, this was the first one at the Pentagon where we've had our top cop as our speaker.** I cant thank her enough!

Above, our Chapter Secretary, Chris Walker, poses with General Tullos and the rest of his family, Shauna, his better half who is still stationed at Dover, and little Amelia. Chris now servers at FE Warren Air Force Base in Cheyenne WY.

Speaking of Cheyenne WY, Gen Tullos spoke of her and Chief Hartz idea to create a social media video. Chief Tamala Hartz is the Air Force Security Forces Career Field Manager. When they reach out to the AF organization that does production videos they told her that it would take a year and \$100,000.00. She said she and the Chief looked at each other and thought, we can do this. So she asked the SF units to send them their audition videos and FE Warren won. Please click on the link below and stand by. This was our first time playing a video over the Internet at a chapter luncheon.



**Click on the image to play the video-** a brief ad starts before the video plays on YouTube.

**Eagle Chapter Officers Sworn In at Pentagon Luncheon**



Above, Brigadier General (Retired) Allen Jamerson (at left) swears in the new Eagle Chapter Air Force Security Forces Association's Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, Don Schubring. Thanks to Eli Garrett our out-going CFO and Treasurer who attended every chapter luncheon and every chapter board meeting during his tenure as the CFO and Treasurer. General Jamerson also swore in Lee Chambers who continues as the Eagle Chapter CEO and Chairman.

Below, outgoing CFO and Treasurer, Eli Garrett, (at right) provides on-the-job training (OJT) for Don at the Eagle Chapter Luncheon's registration table. I can't thank Eli too much in providing the stability and leadership in that role.



This meeting the board authorized me to do something that we've never done before. Instead of offering our logos, pens, Defensor Fortis flags and other memorabilia for sale at our luncheons (and online) we provided them free. Reason - we still find so many Security Force members both actively serving and those that have separated who have never heard of the AF Security Forces Association. By giving these items away,



my desire is to create a way to continue marketing our chapter after the luncheon. Another reason to attend - free stuff. Our DF flags have Eagle Chapter AF Security Forces streamers and the 6-inch chapter and Defensor Fortis logos are both magnetic and stick on type with our VCPI's email address. See below.



### The Brothers White - All USAF Retired Attend Eagle's Pentagon Luncheon



The above photo shows Frank (80 years old with the white Air Police baseball cap), USAF Captain Retired, his younger brother, Bernard (USAF Chief Master Sergeant Retired) (center), and younger brother John (USAF Major Retired). I found Frank in his **American Legion Magazine**. He was hosting the reunion of the **483rd Air Police Squadron Ashiya Air Base Japan** just down the road from me in Fredericksburg VA. Ashiya Air Base closed June 1960; but, he and the surviving members continue to raise the flag with their reunions.

I called Frank to invite him to attend our luncheon. He informed

me that he had a conflict. By the time we finished talking, he agreed to reschedule his conflict and to invite his two brothers who all served in the US Air Force. See the feedback that he provided below about attending our luncheon

***Hello Lee. Yes we really did enjoy ourselves at the luncheon. We felt honored to have been invited to such a prestigious affair.***

***Frank***

**Interestingly, though Frank hosts or participates in the 483d Air Police Squadron Reunion, he never served as an Air Policeman! He served in the squadron as an administrator and he also worked as an augmentee. As I'm sure you all agree, it would be an honor if Frank would join our association. I look forward to providing you that update.**

### **Proud Warrior - Staff Sergeant Clee Lee Status Update**



Staff Sergeant Clee Lee at right with Eagle Chairman, Lee Chambers, depart for one of our luncheons off of the medical compound at Bethesda. As you may recall, I dine once a month or as our schedules permit with any Security Forces Airmen who has been medically evacuated from a combat zone to Walter Reed Bethesda Maryland.

I invited him as my guest to attend our chapter luncheon. He had a medical conflict. As it turns out that conversation was our final discussion before the medical board had made their decision. Clee had been shot in his right eye by a paint-type training round that penetrated his protective gear entering his eye while deployed to Al Udeid Air Base Qatar. He lost most of the vision in his right eye. The board decided to discharge him with 30% disability. He's now in FL living with mom and dad until things settle down. He's working with the VA and DFAS to



stabilize his pay and allowances. I gave him some ideas and will check on him from time to time. He's in great spirits and I know we can expect him to do good.

## Major General (Retired) McWilliams To Step Down as President of the Women's Memorial



Major General (Retired) Dee McWilliams, President Womens Memorial, at right, with Eagle Chairman, Lee Chambers (left) and then Secretary of Defense, Ash Carter (center), at her first Veterans Day Observance at the Women's Memorial in 2016.

Her letter to Eagle Chapter follows:

*Dear Eagle Chapter AF Security Forces Association,*

*After three wonderful years, I am retiring from my post as President of the Women In Military Service For America Foundation. I plan to officially step down from my role this fall.*

*I am profoundly grateful for having had the opportunity to lead the Women's Memorial Foundation in its mission to honor the devoted service, commitment, and patriotism of the nearly three million women who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces since the American Revolution. I am most appreciative of your support and engagement during my tenure.*

*In expectation of my retirement, the Foundation Board's presidential search committee has been diligently conducting a national search for my replacement with input from a variety of quarters.*

***I am thrilled to announce that Phyllis J. Wilson, US Army Chief Warrant Officer 5 (Retired) has been selected to be the next president of the Women's Memorial Foundation.***

*Chief Wilson is an accomplished leader and has the right background in nonprofit operations to lead the Foundation into the future. She impressed the selection committee with her well-thought-out ideas and forward-looking direction for WIMSA both internally and externally.*

*Chief Wilson comes to the Women's Memorial Foundation following a 37-year military career and most recently as a senior intelligence analyst. She founded and led a nonprofit, Wounded Warriors Have Families Too, Inc; has advised the U.S. Army Warrant Officer Association; and has served on numerous boards, including the Allied Forces Foundation and the Army Women's Foundation. She has been involved with the Women's Memorial Foundation for a long time and knows our mission well - serving as a volunteer Ambassador (Alabama and Florida) and as a member of the Foundation's Circle of 500.*

*In the coming months, I look forward to working with Chief Wilson to ensure a smooth transition. She's demonstrated the ability and enthusiasm to continue the evolution of the Women's Memorial and lead the organization in not only surviving but thriving.*

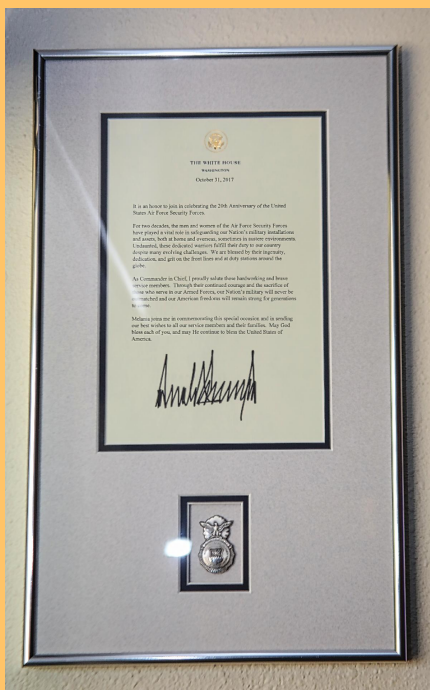
*It has been my honor and privilege to lead the Women's Memorial Foundation. I am continually humbled by your generosity and commitment to the Memorial, its mission and America's servicewomen.*

*With gratitude and thanks,*

*Major General Dee McWilliams  
President, Women In Military Service For America  
Memorial Foundation*

It has been a joy working with General McWilliams in her tenure as President of WIMSA. [Click here for more information on Army CWO Wilson.](#) I look forward to working with Chief Wilson and we wish General McWilliams much success in the next chapter of her life.

**Commander-in-Chief's Congratulatory Letter 20th Anniversary of Security Forces Is Prominently on Display at your US Air Force Security Forces Museum**



In 2017, Eagle Chapter sponsored several special anniversary events to celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the Air Force Security Forces. These included special anniversary luncheons at Dover Air Force Base DE, Joint Base Langley VA, and the Pentagon Washington DC that included free stuff; a raffle for a Sig Sauer 9MM that they donated to us for this event and we concluded the celebration by obtaining a special anniversary congratulatory letter from the Commander-in-Chief and the First Lady, Melania. The White House wasn't going to give us a

hard copy of the letter until we told them that we were going to display it in the Security Forces Museum. Wow! Didn't the museum do a great job!?

I have to give Mr. William (Bill) Manchester, Director, Airman Heritage Training Complex Air Education and Training Command History Office Randolph Air Force Base TX a huge kudo! He and his staff did a bang up job of placing the letter in a very nice frame and it is prominently on display at the entry to the museum. Please stop by to see it. This photo does not do it justice. Must be seen.





THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 31, 2017

It is an honor to join in celebrating the 20th Anniversary of the United States Air Force Security Forces.

For two decades, the men and women of the Air Force Security Forces have played a vital role in safeguarding our Nation's military installations and assets, both at home and overseas, sometimes in austere environments. Undaunted, these dedicated warriors fulfill their duty to our country despite many evolving challenges. We are blessed by their ingenuity, dedication, and grit on the front lines and at duty stations around the globe.

As Commander in Chief, I proudly salute these hardworking and brave service members. Through their continued courage and the sacrifice of those who serve in our Armed Forces, our Nation's military will never be outmatched and our American freedoms will remain strong for generations to come.

Melania joins me in commemorating this special occasion and in sending our best wishes to all our service members and their families. May God bless each of you, and may He continue to bless the United States of America.

## 33d AF Security Forces Association National Annual Meeting - Only Weeks Away!

Some very important deadlines are just weeks away. [Please click here](#). You must schedule your room at the DoubleTree by August 25 in order to be guaranteed the association's room rate. [Click here to schedule your room](#)

The US Air Force Chief of Staff will be the guest speaker at the banquet. Congratulations to John Probst and the other members of the association's leadership for obtaining this very special recognition by the Chief.

## USAF Chief of Staff - CMSgt of the Air Force Launch Security Forces Video - Because of You

BECAUSE OF YOU

DEFENDERS

If you have not seen this yet, very well worth seeing.

[Click Here!](#)

## Eagle Chapter Board Meeting Sep 5, 2019

The next Eagle Chapter Board Meeting is **Thursday**

**September 5, 2019 at 8PM/2000.** The Eagle Chapter Board of Officers meet monthly on the first Wednesday of the month. Note this is a new meeting day for our monthly recurring meeting day! **We are now meeting the first Thursday of the month** instead of Wed.

**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.

## **Eight Defenders Lost - Jan - Aug 2019**



I don't know how to respond to this. The source of this graphic and the words immediately below are from Security Forces Networking and Mentoring Group on Facebook

***"Eight last chances.  
Eight unheard battles.  
Eight missing goodbyes.  
Eight final guardmounts.  
Eight Defenders gone.  
~We Must Save Each Other, To Save Others~"***

If this is true (you never know about social media) our active duty Security Forces Airmen have killed more of themselves this year than the enemy had killed in almost 4 years of the Iraq war (Jacobson September 2005 to Helton

September 2009).

I submit these two questions to our association -**What should our role be in aiding our Air Force in turning this around? Can this September be that turning point?**

**The Air Force Chief of Staff required all units to take a day to pause by September 15 to address the spike in Air Force suicides. [Click here for more information.](#)**

**Letters of Appreciation.** By now all of the folks who helped us to launch the Pentagon luncheon should now have their letters of appreciation that Karl and I signed. I take this opportunity to publicly pass along our sincere gratitude. In addition to Major General Tullos and Brigadier General (Retired) Jamerson, the following personnel should have received our letter of appreciation through their commanders (along with our chapter coin):

**A4S**

Col James Meier - Guest speaker coordination

**Pentagon Police Department**

Police Lieutenant Carol Gutierrez - Escorts and Weapon Waiver

Police Officer William Smith - Escorts

Ms. Rose-Ann Lynch - Singing the National Anthem

**11th SFG - Color Guard**

MSgt Julio De Jesus, 11 SFS

SSgt Robert Dunn, 811 SFS

SSgt Nathan Hering, 811 SFS

SrA Kaitlin Hering, 11 SFS

SrA La'Keisha Lugo, 11 SFS

If you have not recieved these by now, please contact [Karl](#) or [me](#).

**Reminder: Saturday, 0630 / 6:30AM at the Vietnam War Veterans Memorial - at the flagpole - Washington DC - Wall Wash**

Very best regards,

Lee

Elia C. (Lee) Chambers

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