Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and Happy New Year Eagle Chapter Members and Friends

## Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!





Reminder: January is the final month of our annual donation drive. I want to thank those of you who have given. Without your generosity, we could not exist. Your donations make it possible for us to continue to perform the services that you see displayed here in our chapter newsletter. It also pays for the cost of operating like our post office box, website costs and this newsletter. Our chapter is proudly recognized as an IRS-approved 501(c) (17) Veterans Services Organization. We gladly provide receipts for your tax or other purposes. Please mail to our PO Box or go to any page of <u>our website</u> to securely pay online.

#### Very respectfully,

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We published our previous chapter newsletter on October 10, 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. <u>Join us.</u>

## Reminder: 52d Annual Wreath Laying Maisey Building JB Anacostia



52d Maisey Wreath Laying **Come join us January 31, 2020, 10AM**, the main lobby of the Maisey Building at Joint Base Anacostia Bolling Washington DC. on the 52d anniversary of Captain Reginald V. Maisey Jr. making the ultimate sacrifice by giving his life in defense of Bien Hoa Air Base Republic of Vietnam.

The AFDW Top Cop, Mr. Timothy Gerald, will lay the Eagle Chapter wreath in honor of Captain Maisey. Please RSVP if you plan to attend, especially if you do not have base visiting privileges. Click on the image above or <u>click here to RSVP</u>.

Eagle Chapter will provide light refreshments for the event. Contact Karl, Eagle Chapter's Vice Chair AFDW Wing for more information.

**Brigadier General Collins End of Year Message** 



Brig. General Collins end of year message to the force follows:

**Defender Nation**,

As we bring 2019 to a close I wanted to take this opportunity to say thank you to those that have served and are serving. Thank you for your sacrifices and support of our mission and taking care of our greatest



MSgt Rivera Aids the New Effort

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the 17th Security Forces Squadron at Goodfellow Air Force Base TX has appointed Senior Airman Arron Leatham as his project officer to submit Airman Elizabeth Jacobson for consideration to the memorial.

Airman Leatham has hit the ground running. If he can get the one final document that he needs from the family, his plan is to make the submission by the end of this month. So awesome to see that drive! Plus my thanks to Master Sergeant Daniel Rivera (in the photo above of the 105th SFS Stewart ANG NY) and Chief Master Sergeant Scott Pepper (66th SFS Hanscom AFB NH) for their mentoring and assistance. MSgt Rivera successfully led the effort to add SSgt Lobraico and Chief Pepper successfully led the effort to add Airman Kcey Reyes and Airman Nathan Sartain to the NLEOM.

Will keep you posted. Sondra - thanks for your help! We now have five SF Airmen that are pending recognition after the units submit the package for consideration. Thanks to all.

# Arlington National Cemetery - Annual Chairman's Visit at Christmas

Due to recent events at Arlington National Cemetery, the cemetery has changed it's policy to only permit family members to drive into the cemetery. Since I visit 21 grave sites, driving is the only way I can make those visits as it



takes about four hours for me to drive and walk to each location. I have applied for an exemption, I have a case number. So, I am patiently waiting the outcome of their consideration. Will keep you posted.

In the meantime, I have placed the images from my 2018 visit at Arlington on our website. So family members and friends can see the photos that I took of that visit last year. For more information, contact me by clicking here.

## Staff Sergeant Matthew "Matt" Carter 12th Security Force Suicide 2019



November 25, Matt Carter became the career field's 12th suicide victim for 2019. Have we turned the corner?

On Matt's funeral page, friends talk about him being a great guy to go fishing with and a father of three beautiful children. Sadly, his family and the 55th

Security Forces Squadron at Offutt Air Force Base NE lost a great defender.

#### Eagle Chapter Board Meeting January 2, 2020

The next Eagle Chapter Board Meeting is **Thursday January 2**, **2019 at 8PM/2000**. The Eagle Chapter Board of Officers meet monthly on the first Thursday 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! :-)

<u>Click here</u> to contact Chris Walker, our Chapter Secretary, for more information.



Come join us January 31, 2020 to start your new year off recognizing one of our brave defenders at the Captain Reginald V Maisey Building at Joint Base Anacostia Bolling Washington

DC. We have been honored to have the Air Force District of Washington Director of Security Forces participate in wreath laying in honor of Captain Maisey and the sacrifice that he and his family made 52 years ago at Bien Hoa Air Base. Join us - Eagle Chapter will never forget. Please see the article above and RSVP if you plan to attend so we are sure to have enough refreshments.

Finally, on behalf of our board of officers and the Chambers family, Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas. Consider sending a donation to help fund our service to our Security Forces Airmen, their families, our chapter and our military heritage.

Very best regards,

Lee

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