



Greetings Eagle Chapter Members and Friends!

This is our first chapter update of the new year - Happy New Year! This will be one of our best.

Friday, we will be laying a wreath at the Captain Reginald V Maisey Building at Joint Base Anacostia Bolling Washington, DC. Please see details below and join us. Of course, many more thanks to Trudy Hannah for her design and creation of this fantastic wreath!

By the end of the month, we will have presented our SF at Joint Base Andrews, Dover and Langley with gift cards as small tokens of our appreciation for **Law Enforcement Appreciation Day**. We're running a little late, but I'm extremely grateful for Cliff and Rachel for making time in their very busy schedules to participate in this very important endeavor.

Below, we send a final farewell to two great friends of our chapter and our career field.

An update on me - last year this time, my doctor had discovered that I had an aggressive form of prostate cancer. After 39 days of radiation plus hormone treatment, I'm happy to pass on that my PSA level had declined from 3.83 to 0.14 almost negligible. There were no sign of cancer. Now, I go back for a checkup in April. Great news and thanks for your thoughts and prayers.

Very respectfully,

Lee

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We published our previous chapter update newsletter on December 11, 2015.

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.](#)

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Dover's 436th SFS Hosts 17th Annual Ruck March February 27



Know your target audience. The 436th SFS will sponsor it's 17th Annual Ruck March to commemorate the Korean War Battle of Chosin Reservoir. As of this writing, the 436th SFS has two four person teams. Eagle Chapter sponsors the SF teams and we provide Defensor Fortis flags for their rucks as can be seen above in the 2013 ruck march.

This year the Ruck March will be held on February 27. [Contact Eagle Chairman](#) for more information. Thanks to Eagle Vice Chairman, Cliff Richmond for coordinating the Eagle Chapter participation.

Law Enforcement Appreciation Day in Eagle Country!



Above, Eagle Chairman presents a token of our appreciation to a member of the 11th SF Group, Joint Base Andrews, for Law Enforcement Appreciation Day

By the end of the month, we will have made all of our visits. to demonstrate our appreciation for our cops at active duty units in

Eagle Country. We could not quite get out on LEAD day because of all of our very busy schedules; but, we could not let this day pass without showing our appreciation. Above, Eagle Chapter Chairman presents gift cards to an on-coming flight member just before shift change.

The gift cards were donated by Eagle Chapter Board member - Cliff Richmond, Vice Chairman Delaware Wing for Dover and Eagle Chairman, Lee Chambers for the SF at Joint Base Andrews and Joint Base Langley. Eagle Member Rachel Vis is making the presentation to Langley and Cliff will make the presentation to Dover.

Thanks to Cliff and Rachel for taking time for this very important demonstration of our appreciation.



Reminder: Maisey Remembrance - Jan 29



Friday, 8AM, January 29, please join us as we honor the death of Captain Reginald V Maisey who died while heroically engaged in a battle at Bien Hoa Air Base on January 31, 1968. The Air Force posthumously awarded Captain Maisey the Air Force Cross. In January 2008, Eagle Chapter co-hosted the 40th Anniversary of his death with a rededication of the building that added the rank of Captain to the building's name along with a large shadow box display on the second floor of the building.

Remarks. We are honored to have these remarks provided for the ceremony. These remarks were provided by Senior Master Sergeant Retired (then a Staff Sergeant). Pete assumed

Capt Maisey's post and went on to lead that portion of the battle. Pete was awarded the Silver Star:

"At 0300 hours, 31 Jan 1968, the world as we knew it changed for those of us that were assigned to the 3rd Security Police Squadron at Bien Hoa Air Base, Vietnam. This was the start of the TET 1968 attack and then the ground attack that started at 0330 hours on the east side of the base at Bunker Hill #10.

Capt. Reginald Maisey was our Operations Officer and was there to lead those of us that were at Bunker Hill #10 that morning. He took command and sad to say gave his life while directing and leading his men that morning.

He knew the dangers of being in the front, but also knew that his men would be looking for his leadership to show them the way to stop the VC/NVA troops from getting on base and doing more damage or killing many Americans and Vietnamese that were assigned to the base.

We that survived this attack that morning will always remember those Security Policemen and augmentees that did not. We know they are standing guardmount in Heaven with those other SP Defenders that have passed on since 31 Jan 1968."

Thank-you Pete! See you then!

[Click here to contact me.](#) Thanks.

Two Security Force Defenders among the six Air Force Airmen killed in Afghanistan just before the Christmas holiday



For those who have not yet heard, the Air Force lost six Airmen just before the Christmas holiday. Two of those were Security Forces Airmen.

In the photo above, more than 650 people overflowed the U.S. Marine Memorial Chapel in Quantico VA on Jan. 7 to mourn the loss and remember the lives of the six Airmen killed by a suicide bomber near Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan, Dec. 21. Their joint patrol was attacked by a bomber riding a motorcycle.

The two Security Forces defenders killed in the attack were:

- Tech. Sgt. Joseph G. Lemm, 45, of the Bronx, New York. He was assigned to the 105th Security Forces Squadron at Stewart Air National Guard Base, New York. Lemm was also a detective with the New York Police Department.
- Staff Sgt. Louis M. Bonacasa, 31, of Coram, New York. He was assigned to the 105th SFS, Stewart ANGB.

The pair served alongside the special agents at Bagram Airfield, supporting missions outside the wire. The OSI agents killed in the attack were:

- Special Agent Adrianna M. Vorderbruggen, 36, of Plymouth, Minnesota. She was assigned to the Air Force OSI, 9th Field Investigations Squadron at Eglin Air Force Base, Florida.
- Special Agent Michael A. Cinco, 28, of Mercedes, Texas. He was assigned to the Air Force OSI, 11th Field Investigations Squadron at Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph, Texas.
- Special Agent Peter W. Taub, 30, of Philadelphia. He was assigned to the Air Force OSI, Detachment 816 at Ellsworth AFB, South Dakota.
- Special Agent Chester J. McBride, 30, of Statesboro, Georgia. He was assigned to the Air Force OSI, Detachment 405 at Maxwell AFB, Alabama.

December 21 2015 was the deadliest day for SF since January 22d 2006 when two Security Forces Airmen, Technical Sergeant Janson Norton and Staff Sergeant Brian McElroy, were killed in action in Taji Iraq, 18 miles north of Baghdad when their Humvee struck a roadside bomb.

AFOSI names two SF as Honorary Agents

AFOSI Commander, Brig Gen Keith Givens, named the two Security Forces Airmen who were killed in the Bagram attack as Honorary Special Agents. [See the AFOSI article by clicking here.](#)

SF Airman Med-Evaced to Lackland Burn Unit

Eagle Chapter joins AFSFA, Pete Magwood Chapter (Albuquerque NM) and Oklahoma Heartland Chapter in donating to Proud Warrior Airmen, Staff Sergeant Brian Nelson who survived the December 21 2015 suicide bomb attack that killed four AFOSI agents and two Security Forces Airmen. See article above.

Congratulations Colonel Wilcox. We look forward to having you speak at an Eagle Chapter luncheon!



AFSFA Past President - Dr. John (Jack) Brokaw Passes



A good friend of Eagle Chapter - Jack Brokaw, died on January 12. In the photo above, Jack and his bride, ZoeAnne, attend the 17th Annual AFSFA Banquet Meeting where he was sworn in as President in 2003. In that position Jack became a good friend and great mentor who helped with our growth during the formative years of our chapter. He will be missed.

Eagle Chapter Board Meeting February 3

The next Eagle Chapter Board meeting will be held Wednesday, February 3, 2016 at 8:00PM. Attendance is open to any chapter member, spouse, or significant other.

The meeting is held via conference call. Contact [Chairman](#) for conference call information.

Annual Christmas Visit - Arlington National Cemetery



This year, Wreaths Across America laid a wreath on all 300 thousand graves at Arlington National Cemetery. This is a first. Family members and friends can see the photos of all 17 graves that we visit to ensure each grave is recognized. In one case, I place an ornament on the columbarium where one of our member spouses is interred. [To see all photos, click here or go to our Archives page and click on the Arlington Dec 2015 page.](#)

In closing - a final farewell to another dear friend



I take this opportunity to bid a final farewell to a good friend of Eagle Chapter and Air Force cops everywhere, Peggy Mertz. In the photo above, Peggy (with then Eagle Vice Chairman Tidewater Wing John Vance at right) joined us at our 2013 Langley Luncheon. Peggy sought me out. In the photo above, she is reading a tribute to SF KIA Airman Lee Bernard Chavis who was killed in action in Iraq, October 14 2006. Lee grew up in the Langley area. Peggy told us of his accomplishments and she spoke of her support and love of our profession. Late last month, Peggy lost her heroic battle with cancer. Thank-you Peggy. We will miss you.

A final reminder to those of you who have not yet donated,

please take the opportunity to donate. Thanks for your continuing support.

One more pitch for donations. Just go to any chapter web page, scroll to the end and click on the donate button. See the link below

Very best regards,

Lee

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