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Come on out fellow veterans to hear your comrades running for the GEN Melvin J. Maas Memorial Chapter 17 Executive Committee officer positions for the 2023-2024 term! Let your voice and vote be heard! The election of our officers will be held at our February 21, 2023 General Membership Meeting at the Camp Springs Senior Activity Center, in the Multipurpose Room, 6420 Allentown Road, Camp Springs, MD 20774.

Nominations are now being accepted for the positions listed below. Contact **Inez Dent, Chair of the Nominations Committee** at [indent1970@verizon.net](mailto:indent1970@verizon.net) and copy **John Simms, Jr., Sergeant-at-Arms** at [johnsimmsjr@msn.com](mailto:johnsimmsjr@msn.com), and **Officer-of-the-Day Jerome Hastie** at [jerhastie842@verizon.net](mailto:jerhastie842@verizon.net), who will serve as **Vice Chairs of the Nominations Committee** on their emails to let them know of your interest, **by 5:00 pm on Friday, February 17, 2023**. You can either nominate yourself or another chapter member can nominate you for one of the OPEN positions. All elected members will serve a one year term from the date of installation until the following year. The Installation Ceremony will be held at 11:00 am on Saturday, March 18, 2023 at the Club at Andrews, 1889 Arnold Drive, Joint Base Andrews, MD.

<b>Commander</b>	The Commander, or in his/her absence the next highest officer, shall preside at all regular or special meetings of the Chapter.
<b>Senior Vice Commander</b>	The Senior Vice Commander shall perform the duties of his/her station as set forth in the Official DAV Ritual. He/She shall encourage friendship among the members of this Organization, discourage discord and promote harmony. Subject to the direction of the Chapter, he/she shall act as Chairman of membership solicitation activities to the end that every eligible veteran may become a member. With the approval of the Chapter, the Senior Vice Commander may appoint one or more members to assist him/her in such membership activities.
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Junior Vice Commander</b>	The Junior Vice Commander(s) shall perform the duties of his/her station as set forth in the Official DAV Ritual. He/She shall see that every member is given a reasonable opportunity to state his/her views on any subject under discussion in a meeting of the Chapter, not inconsistent with this Constitution and Bylaws or Robert's Rules of Order, Revised. He/She shall, at all times, encourage loyalty to the United States of America, to the DAV and to the members of the Chapter. Subject to the direction of the Chapter, he/she shall act as Chairman of the Americanism activities of the Chapter and, with the approval of the Chapter, may appoint one or more members to assist him/her as such Chairman.
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Junior Vice Commander</b>	Same description as above.
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Junior Vice Commander</b>	Same description as above.
<b>Treasurer</b>	The Treasurer shall receive and immediately deposit all Chapter funds in a bank account in the name of the Chapter without any deductions or offsets. He/She shall make authorized disbursements only by checks or vouchers signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Commander. He/She shall keep a system of accounts approved by the Chapter and shall preserve all receipts and checks or vouchers for payments made. He/She shall render a monthly report of receipts and expenditures to the Chapter not later than the first regular Chapter meeting following the last day of each calendar month. An annual financial report, audited and approved by the Chapter Audit Committee, shall be submitted to the State Department and National Organization within ninety (90) days after the close of the accounting year of the Chapter, as required by the National Bylaws.

The Nominations Committee of Chapter 17 thanks you for your service and for you participating in this process!