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CHENNAULT AVIATION AND MILITARY MUSEUM TO HOST MEMORIAL DAY EVENT

Secretary of State Tom Schedler and the Friends of the Chennault Aviation and Military Museum in Monroe are inviting the public to honor Memorial Day on Saturday, May 28 starting at 11 a.m. Lt. Gen. Mike Wooley is the event’s guest speaker.

Lt. Gen. Wooley, formerly of Monroe and a 1972 graduate of University of Louisiana at Monroe, retired in 2008. His last appointment was commander of the U.S. Air Force Special Operations Command at Hurlburt Field, Fla. The command is one of the Air Force’s 10 major commands, and it is the Air Force component of U.S. Special Operations. Wooley’s earlier commands include: commander, 86th Airlift Wing and KMC, Ramstein AB, Germany; commander, Tanker Airlift Control Center, headquarters AMC, Scott AFB, Ill.; and vice commander, Air Force Special Operations Command. While with U.S. Forces Korea, the general was responsible for formulating strategy and policy for matters pertaining to the Republic of Korea and Northeast Asia, and he was commander, 3rd Air Force, Royal Air Force Mildenhall, England.

The museum will also feature a flintlock musket demonstration; “Clash of Cultures: The Fight for Territory,” a collection of Native American and U.S. Military original and replica artifacts from the 1800s; 10 lithographs of P-40 aircrafts, numbered and signed by the artists and by members of the Flying Tigers; a music program by Lisa Lee and Baylee Regan; a rock-climbing wall; and an antique car exhibit. Hot dogs will be provided and admission is free.

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