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## Our February Lunch features Chris Stowers, Executive Director of the NWFSC Foundation

### Lunch Meeting & Discussion

**When:** Thursday 1 February 2024  
**Time:** Gathering 1130, Lunch 1200, Program to follow  
**Place:** Fort Walton Yacht Club  
180 Ferry Road, NE, FWB  
**Program:** Chris Stowers, Director, NWFSC Foundation.

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Chris Stowers has served as the Executive Director of the Northwest Florida State College Foundation for two and one-half years, arriving in September, 2021. He has been in the nonprofit industry for more than 25 years. Chris is a Florida native – born and raised in Orlando. He worked for Orlando Health, a nonprofit healthcare system, for 17 years where he spent most of that time as the Vice President and Executive Director for the Foundation supporting the Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children.

Prior to arriving at NWFSC, Chris and his family spent 10 years in Nashville where he served in senior leadership roles for several nonprofit organizations as well as a Senior Consultant for a national fundraising consulting firm based in Charleston, South Carolina. Chris also served as the President of Missions Development International, a Nashville-based Christian nonprofit that provides consulting and mentoring services to the leaders of Christian ministries around the world.

In his roles as a consultant, mentor, and volunteer, Chris has worked across the nonprofit sector leading organizations in the preparation for and management of multimillion-dollar capital campaigns, led board retreats and strategic development planning sessions, and helped to craft/refine fundraising messaging.

In his role at Northwest Florida State College, he leads the Foundation team raising funds to support the college’s endowments and program support for academics, the arts, and athletics.

Chris earned a Master of Public Health from Emory University and a B.A. in Speech Communication from the University of Florida. He is a Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE) and holds a certificate in Fundraising Management from the Lilly Family School of Philanthropy at Indiana University/Purdue University – Indianapolis.



**Chris Stowers**  
Executive Director of the Northwest Florida State College Foundation

Chris has been married to his wife, Tracy, for 25 years. They have two children, a daughter who is a recent graduate of the University of Florida and son who is a junior at UF.

As the Executive Director, he is responsible for the overall management of the foundation and plays a key role in fundraising and donor relations. The Northwest Florida State College Foundation provides grants to their students and offer a diverse set of program offerings that were developed specifically to help our students be not only marketable, but in demand, in the local workforce. The Northwest Florida State College Foundation offers more than three hundred scholarship awards annually to students who attend NWFSC.

Please join us for our **February 1<sup>st</sup>** Membership Meeting. Click [HERE](#) to make reservations or call Fred Westfall at 850-609-8075.

# From the President's Pen

By Fran Hendricks



## 2024 – Comradery With A Purpose

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The new NWFMOA Board has been installed and is charging hard to make this 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year a memorable one. Building on the prior 65 years of *Comradery with Purpose*, the Board has approved its Goals and Tasks for 2024. A quick summary of the 2024 Goals and Tasks follows:

**Goal #1...Membership:** Increase Chapter membership by 25 new members. With the recently approved bylaws expanding the categories of membership to include Regular, Auxiliary, Associate, and Honorary, we are confident we can attain this goal with candidates who share the same sense of purpose our Chapter was built on. Last year we added 23 new members to the Chapter. Also included in Goal #1...we will host Officer Calls every month there is a fifth Thursday. In fact, our first Officer Call will be Thursday, Feb 29 at Doc's Oyster Bar in Valparaiso. Later in the year, we plan to challenge the local Junior Officers to the NWFMOA Open—mini (or goofy) golf tournament.

**Goal #2... Financial...**Be fiscally smart with the Chapter's funds, thereby finishing the year in the black. The Board set goals to raise \$1,000 in *Defender* ad revenue and \$1,000 in 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banner revenue. These funds will be used primarily to support our Community Outreach Programs and offset any

costs associated with the 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

**Goal #3...Military Ball...**Host our annual Military Ball in December.

**Goal #4...Community Outreach...**Continue to conduct Valentines for Veterans, Junior Enlisted Gift Cards, and Wreaths Across America, while also looking for new opportunities to support our local community. We will continue to partner with other likeminded organizations in support of our shared purposes.

**Goal #5...Model MOAA Chapter...**Be a recognized leader in the State (FCoC) and MOAA. We will submit our annual chapter LOA and Harris Communication Awards with the intent to earn 5-star awards for each. We will seek appropriate recognition for deserving Chapter members.

Goal #6...**65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**...Celebrate our 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary throughout the year. Present each active Chapter member with a 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemorative Coin. Host a 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration event at the Air Force Armament Museum. Sponsors for the event will be sought with the intent that this function be free to the public. Tentative date is Thursday, May 2, 2024.

Goal #7...**Legislative Affairs**...Actively support MOAA and local legislative issues. Call to Action emails will be used again to define the issue and inspire action.

2024 is going to be a historic year for NWFMOA as we celebrate 65 years since our founding in 1959. We are already off to a great start thanks to the untiring efforts of many. For those looking for ways to become more involved, we welcome your involvement. Feel free to contact me or any Board member.

**We cordially invite you to join us  
in celebrating our 65th year of  
Service to our Community  
1959 - 2024**



**How can you join our celebration?  
If you donate you will to be placed on the marquee (above)  
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Individuals...minimum \$25  
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Each donor will also receive a commemorative, numbered RMO!



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65th Anniversary Celebration**

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- Fred Westfall
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- Kevin Kirby and Victoria Hansen
- Chris Beam
- Cut-Off Barber Shop
- Bob Gramm
- Dick Solt
- Howard and Irene Fisher
- Hopefully, many more

**Click on the link above to donate and get your name on the banner.**

## Test Your Knowledge

Take the quiz for a chance to  
← win a free lunch.

This month the quiz is about some important military history. When you click on the link below, you will see a single question and a place to give your answer and name. If your answer is correct, you will be entered into the drawing at the monthly meeting (you have to be present to win your free meal). You may answer the question multiple times but only the correct answer will count for the drawing (so answering the question correctly 5 times will not give you more chances to win). We don't tell anyone that they got it right or wrong until we disclose the winner at the meeting. At the meeting, we state the answer and how many got it right. Then we pull the winner from the hat.

Last month the winner of the quiz was **Les Matheson** who gave up his winning ticket. The next ticket drawn was Karl Eschmann. Congratulations Les and Karl!

Click the link below to get to the quiz. The winner will be announced at the next meeting.

[CLICK HERE](#)

## Time To Pay Your Dues

It is time to pay your 2024 dues. Please make a check for the amount payable for the next year or beyond.

- Not sure if you owe dues? Click [HERE](#). If your MOAA ID is listed, you owe dues.
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**Treasurer, PO Box 1213, Shalimar, FL 32579.**

George Colton  
Treasurer

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## [What does the Space Force Actually Do?](#)

We've heard their song but do you know what they do? Click the link above or the picture on the right to read or listen about their mission.



## Chaplain's Corner

By: Chaplain Thomas Azar



Forty-two years ago this month, President Reagan gave a powerful State of the Union Speech. Many of our readers were wearing the uniform during his tenure of leadership. I was moved to tears and redetermined to act on his message.

When I was stationed at Plattsburgh Air Force Base, I was afforded the opportunity to mentor several men and women who wanted more lay training for a future in the ministry. They asked if I could “show them the ropes.” They already possessed an unselfish spiritual hunger.

They served as elders, ushers, Sunday school teachers, youth and adult group leaders. They embodied our DOD military and GOD ministerial values.

Over the years we exchanged phone calls and letters. Recently one of them asked if I would speak at his ordination anniversary in Washington DC. I noticed his church was not far from the 14th Street Bridge. Some of you are remembering it was that Florida flight 90 crashed soon after taking off. It happened this month 42 years ago.

It was an extremely cold day with icy conditions. The plane did not have enough lift because the de-icing procedure was incomplete. It rose 200 feet before crashing into the 14th St. Bridge. 79 passengers died that day. The water was 1° above freezing. Six survivors huddled around the plane's tail.

The rescue teams struggled to get their boats close enough, hurling their “ropes”. However, one of the park helicopters immediately headed towards the bridge. They dropped the lifeline “ropes”. Arnold Williams reached up for the “rope” and passed it over to another passenger who was lifted to safety.

The helicopter returned, and lowered the “rope,” but Mr. Williams gave it to a crew member. They made a third trip and again Mr. Williams passed the rope to a stewardess. She was so cold she could not hold onto the rope. Larry Stutnick who worked in the congressional budget office saw her drowning. Death was in her eyes. Larry tore off his winter gear and dove in, pulling her to safety. Five of the six survivors were now on land and shuttled to the hospital.

The helicopter came back for the final survivor, and lowered the rope. All they saw was the sinking arm of Mr. Williams falling beneath the ice.

He was the unknown man who “passed the rope.” His unforgotten actions represented his unselfish heroism that moved millions of listening Americans. Mr. Williams was a graduate of the Citadel. He learned from his military training and experience to be other-centered. To “pass the rope” for the sake of others. We in the military are taught “leave no one behind” and “be your brother's keeper.”

We follow Jesus because he did what He said, “Greater love than this no man has, than he lay down his life for another.”

As we begin 2024, it's time to continue fulfilling our life purpose and “pass the rope,” to reach out and guide other men and women to look to our nation, to our military, to our churches and schools, so they develop a moral compass with spiritual values.

Our unique training, experience and knowledge will keep our country free and democratic principles alive. Our enlistment has no end date. You may be another Arland or Larry to an unknown person in your community.

Each of us has an opportunity to help someone else. Our mentoring speaks volumes that penetrate deep into another person. It effects the present and eternal.

We don't need big-name people in Wall Street, Hollywood, Silicone Valley, Washington DC or Ivy League schools to bring about change. Our nation is facing challenging times; we are just a few degrees above freezing. It's late at night. Veterans are a light in the dark world. Someone has to the “pass the rope” or dive into the icy water with a lifeline of truth, love, other-centeredness.

Next time you pass through WDC, check out the renamed Arland D. Williams Bridge. I'm headed there to “to pass the rope.” So, what are you waiting for?

## **OUR MISSION**

The mission of NWFMOA is to benefit the members of the uniformed services, their families and survivors and to advocate a strong national defense, while providing needed support to the community and its members.

# **Never Stop Serving**

# Officers Call

Our next officers call will be on February 29 starting at 1700,  
[Doc's Oyster Bar, 303 Glen Ave, Valparaiso, FL](#)  
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## PUBLIC RECORD

### In Memoriam

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Andrew Hendricks



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## SUPPORT MOAA

Do what you can to support our national organization. To learn what's going on and to find out what you can do go to: <http://www.moa.org/takeaction/> We all will benefit from your efforts.



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## NWFMOA Shirt Purchase Options

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Looking for a NWFMOA Chapter shirt. In addition to ordering a shirt, you can also buy your own polo shirt (short or long sleeve) and take it to [American Athletic Uniforms, Inc](#) ([90 Eastview Ave, Valparaiso, FL](#)) to have it embroidered with our patch and your name. Cost of embroidery (Patch + Name) is \$15.







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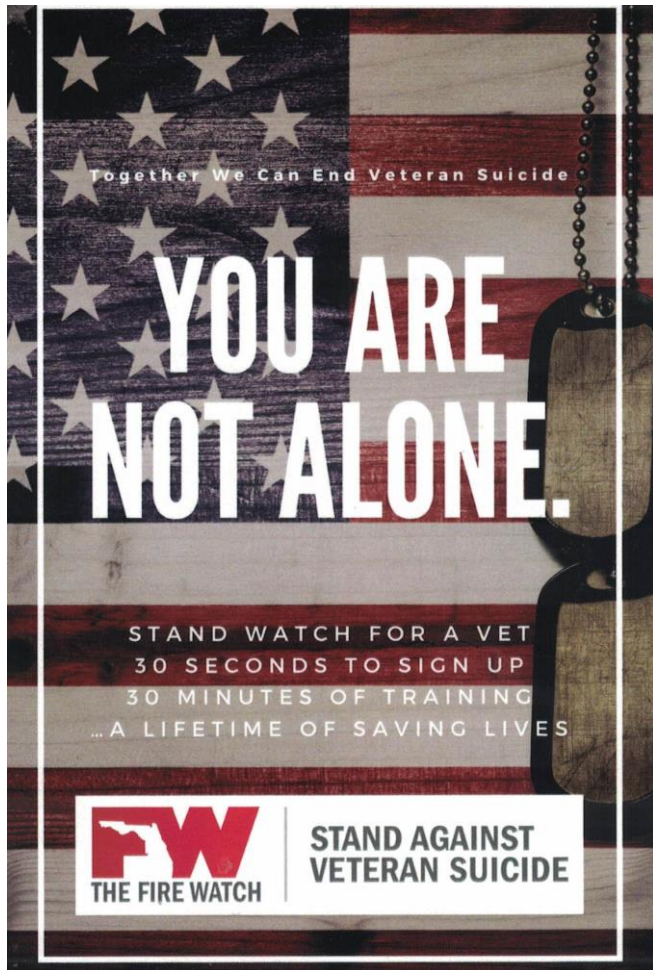


## **The Council Communiqué**

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## Help Prevent Veteran Suicide



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The Watch Stander program is Florida's fight to end veteran suicide. Creating a life-saving community network that is there to support our local veterans in their time of need. Sign up today with 3 short steps.

- 1 Commit To Help.**  
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- 2 Identify The Signs.**  
Watch a 30 min training video that will educate you on the challenges veteran face daily, and how to recognize a veteran slipping into crisis.
- 3 Stand Watch.**  
Stand Watch and be there to help when your moment comes.

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**STAND WATCH. SAVE LIVES.**

## Community Outreach

### Firsts Sergeants Attend January Luncheon

By Fran Hendricks



First Sergeants from Eglin, Hurlburt Field, and Duke Field attended the NWFMOA January lunch meeting. Also joining them was the President of the Commando Airman & Family Support Group. They came at the invite of the Board to meet our members and provide feedback regarding our Annual Junior Enlisted Family Commissary Gift Card program. Each base received a specified allotment of the 300 Commissary gift cards we purchased based on their base's junior enlisted population. In addition to enjoying lunch with our members, a First Sergeant from each base and the President of the Commando Airman & Family Support Group addressed the Chapter and shared some short stories regarding the

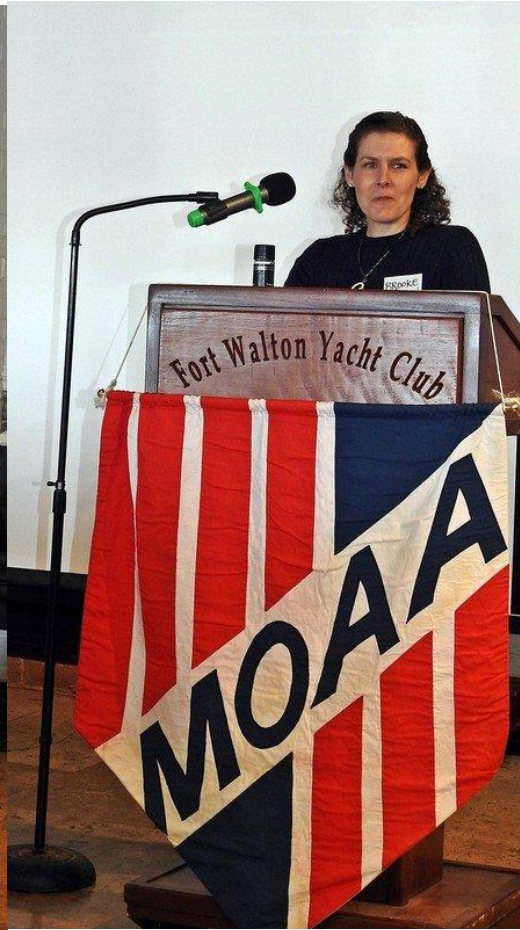
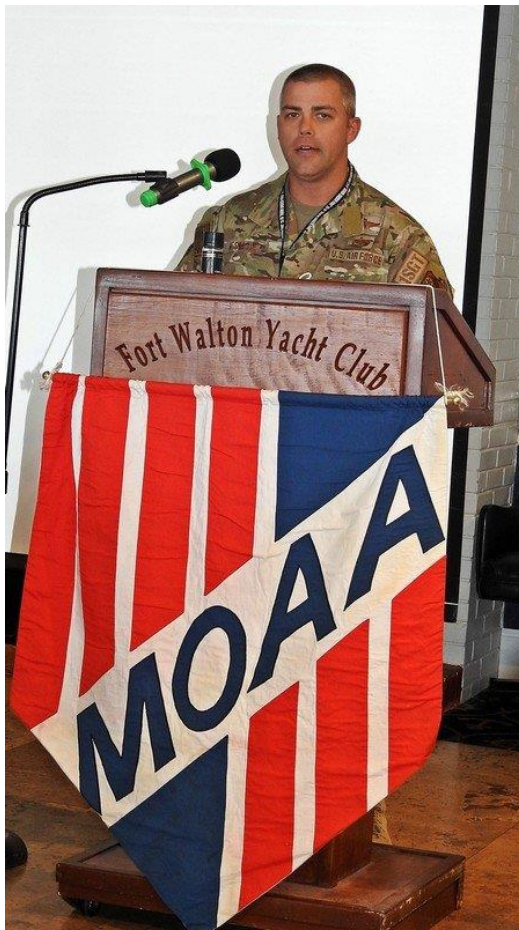
impact this program had on those it aims to help. Their words captured fully what this program means to the junior enlisted assigned to our local community.

2023 was the fourth year NWFMOA has conducted this program. In the first three years (2021, 2022, 2023), we averaged 189 gift cards purchased. In 2023, that number skyrocketed to 300 gift cards purchased. We were able to do this thanks to the \$1,500 grant we received from the MOAA Foundation. We combined that grant with \$6,000 we raised thanks to the generosity of our Chapter members, local residents, Destin Chamber of Commerce, Eglin AFA, American Legion Post 235, VFW Post 7674, VFW Auxiliary Post 7674, Moose Lodge 2193, Emerald Bay Golf Club, and the Emerald Coast MAC to purchase the 300 Commissary gift cards.

In the recently approved 2024 Goals and Tasks, the NWFMOA Board set 300 gift cards as a Chapter goal again for this year. Donations to the gift card program can be made year-round. I invite you to visit our website by going [HERE](#) and then clicking on the NWFMOA Community Outreach Donation Form button. There you will find a form in which a donation can be made.



A First Sergeant from each base and the President of the Commando Airman & Family Support Group addressed the Chapter and shared some short stories regarding the impact of our Junior Enlisted Family Commissary Gift Card had on those it aims to help.



## Wreaths Across America

On Saturday, December 16, NWFMOA participated in the annual Wreaths Across America event at Beal Memorial Cemetery. As in past years, many Chapter members showed up to partake in the solemn ceremony which was immediately followed by the placement of wreaths at the gravesites of fallen Veterans. NWFMOA members Chuck Merkel and State Representative Patt Maney addressed the large crowd during the formal ceremony prior to the wreath laying.

Partnering with the local Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) in January 2023, NWFMOA was able purchased wreaths at a buy one, get one discount. That meant the 33 wreaths we purchased became 66 wreaths and would help address prior year shortfalls of wreaths which led to not every Veteran's gravesite receiving a wreath. Special thanks to Charlette Eschmann (DAR) and spouse of Karl Eschmann (NWFMOA 1<sup>st</sup> VP) for helping to make this happen for us.



All who participated in the wreath laying portion of the ceremony left the cemetery feeling proud and moved. Each wreath when laid at a Veteran's gravesite included the presenter coming to attention, reading the Veteran's name, rank, and service followed by the statement, "thank you for your service". Then a slow hand salute was performed. Fellow Chapter member Jim Shoff had the honor to lay a wreath at the gravesite of his father, Col Charles Shoff, USAF Retired.

I wish I could report that all Veterans buried in Beal Memorial received a wreath, but that would be inaccurate. As it turned out, we were approximately 20 wreaths short. That number, although significant, was better than the year prior. To address this shortage, NWFMOA has once again partnered with the DAR and will be increasing the number of wreaths we will be purchasing from 33 to 50 wreaths for 2024. At the buy one, get one rate, this means our 66 wreaths purchased will grow to 100 wreaths and will help address the prior year's shortfall. We feel strongly that every Veteran buried at Beal Memorial has earned this honor and should have a wreath. A special shoutout to Dave Parisot who personally donated for the purchase of 10 of the 50 wreaths we are purchasing for next year.



## American Legion High School Oratorical Scholarship Program

NWFMOA Chapter members Bert Everhart and Fran Hendricks participated in the American Legion High School Oratorical Scholarship Program on Sunday, January 7th at the American Legion Post 235, Fort Walton Beach. Bert was a judge and Fran served as a tabulator. Students from local high schools participated in the program. Each student presented a prepared speech (not to exceed 10 minutes) and was required to give an additional 3-minute speech. The students had no prior notice of the subject of the 3-minute impromptu speech other than it would be one of the Amendments to the US Constitution. The event's facilitator drew the envelope containing the Amendment to be addressed. That Amendment was the 23rd Amendment which extended the right to participate in presidential elections to residents of the District of Columbia. Each student had 5 minutes to prepare their 3-minute speech.



### Scholarship Fund

by Dave Parisot

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and 2024 New Year holiday season. We're now heading into February with this year's scholarship applications due on March 1<sup>st</sup>. We are again offering eight scholarships for local JROTC cadets and two scholarships for ROTC cadets entering their junior or senior year of college who graduated from local high schools.



I cannot emphasize enough that our scholarships go to LOCAL students, as the funds we spend for these scholarships come from LOCAL individuals and LOCAL business donors. I am also very proud that 50% of the eligible cadets who have been awarded scholarships we have paid out are now wearing brass on their shoulders as military officers. Three more will be commissioned in May 2024.

Recent recurring donations to the BG Frank Glunn Century Club were made by **Fran & Connie Hendricks, Kay Dent** (In memory of Troy Dent and Larry Ketter), **Larry Tashlik, Janet Ryan Taylor** (In honor of Bill Ryan), and **Bob Gramm**. Bob's and Larry's donations qualified them for the Gold Century Club as our 41<sup>st</sup> and 42<sup>nd</sup> members. My thanks to each of you for your generous donations. Our scholarship awardees will also appreciate your financial support.

In my absence at the January 2024 luncheon due to holiday travel, **Fred Westfall** (Scholarship Fund Board member) put donation bags on the tables in lieu of the 50/50 raffle. Your cash donations came to \$300 for the Scholarship Fund. Thank you to all who donated. Just as 'an Army travels on its stomach', a scholarship program relies on donations to continue our programs.

Below is the complete list of our **Endowed Scholarships**, our **Gold Century Club** members (\$500 cumulative minimum donation) and our **BG Frank Glunn Century Club** members (\$100 minimum donation) for the most previous 12 months, along with our **Business Donors**. Your support is greatly appreciated. All of these donations are used to fund our scholarships. [Note: (D) means deceased and (R) means Renewal of membership.]

**Endowed Scholarships**: **Lt Col Jim and Mrs Una Heavener Memorial Scholarship** (D) (via their estate, effective 2018); **Dave Parisot** in memory of his wife, **Chong Cha (Kim) Parisot** (effective 2017); **Dr (Lt Col, USAF, Ret.) Howard and Mrs. Irene Fisher Scholarship** (effective 2022); **Dr. (Lt. Col., USAF, Ret.) Fred and Mrs. Jan Westfall Scholarship** (effective 2023); and, **Col. (USAF, Ret.) Karl and Mrs. Charlotte Eschmann Scholarship** (effective 2024).

**Gold Century Club**: **Bill Ryan** (Feb 2016); **Ruth Cullen**, (D) (Oct 2016); **Dave Parisot** (Feb 2017); **Janet Taylor** (Mar 2017); **Chris Beam** (Mar 2017); **Bob Garcia** (D) (July 2017); **Rod Gerdes** (Nov 2017); **Larry Bush** (Nov 2017); **Dr. Howard & Irene Fisher** (Nov 2017); **Eileen Arpke** (Feb 2018); **Fred & Jan Westfall** (Apr 2018); **Clyde Locke** (D) (Apr 2018); WWII, Korea, and Vietnam Veteran **Sam Lombardo** (D) (July 2018); **Dennis Phillips** (Aug 2018); **Karl & Charlotte Eschmann** (Oct 2018); **Carol Baker** (Jan 2019); **Ann Adelsperger** (Feb 2019); **Don Litke** (Aug 2019); **Fred Boyer** (D) (Aug 2019); **Dr. Keith & Elizabeth Kulow** (Nov 2019); **Al Bills** (Nov. 2019); **Kay Dent** (Nov. 2019); **Dr. Roger Riggensbach** (Dec 2019); **Robert "Pete" Peterzen** (Dec 2019); **Nick Marotta** (Oct 2020); **Kathy & Jesse Bush** (Dec 2020); **Patt & Caroline Maney** (Dec 2020); **Kevin Kirby** (Apr 2021); **Scott & Janet Berry** (May 2021); **Douglas Hardin** (D) (Sept 2021); **Patrick Boab** (Dec. 2021); **Bob Allen** (Feb 2022); **Bobbi Hanson Garcia** (Mar 2022); **Joy Houck** (Mar 2022); **George Colton** (May 2022); **Bob Secrest** (May 2022); **Brig. Gen Fran & Mrs Connie Hendricks** (Oct 2022); **Les Matheson** (Feb 2023); **Dan Brown** (April 2023); **Tess Bass** (August 2023); **Bob Gramm** (Dec 2023); and, **Larry Tashlik** (Dec 2023) [Note: 42 total members]

**BG Frank Glunn Century Club** (past 12 months) (R=Renewal): January 2023: **Dave Parisot** (R) (In memory of Col. Don Panzenhagen); February 2023: **Reddoch Williams** (R); March 2023: **Kevin Kirby** (R); **Rod Gerdes** (R); and **Les Matheson** (R); April 2023: **Dennis Phillips** (R); **Dan Brown** (R) (In memory of Col. Don Panzenhagen); **Al Bills** (R); **Larry Bush** (R); May 2023: **Chris Beam** (R); **Bob Secrest** (R); and, **Dr. Howard and Mrs. Irene Fisher** (R); June 2023: **Dave Parisot** (R) (In memory of Maj. Bill Van Hoesen); August 2023: **Dan Brown** (R); **Christine Hallion**; **Kevin Kirby** (R); **Dick Solt** (R); **Dave Parisot** (R) (In memory of Col. 'Skip' Harrington and Col. Bill Byerley);

**Tess Bass (R); October 2023: George Colton (R); November 2023: Pat Johnson; Pete Peterzen (R); Dave Parisot (R)(In memory of Chong Parisot); Keith & Elizabeth Kulow (R); Tess Bass (R); December 2023: Les Matheson (R); Jeff Watson (R) (In memory of Maj. John Besten, USAF, Ret.); Karl and Charlotte Eschmann (R); Bob Gramm (R); Brig. Gen. Fran & Connie Hendricks (R); Larry Tashlik (R); Kay Dent (In memory of Troy Dent and Larry Kettter); and, Janet Ryan Taylor (R) (In honor of Major Bill Ryan).**

**2023 Business Platinum Donors: (\$1,000+): Dec. 2022: Bass, Byrd & Associates at Merrill Lynch of FWB (R); Florida Power & Light**



**2022/2023 Business Gold Donors (\$500 - \$749): Dec. 2022: Eglin Federal Credit Union (R); Step One Automotive Group (R); Residence Inn & Suites by Marriott of FWB (In-kind) (R); TownePlace Suites by Marriott of FWB (In-kind) (R); David Scott Lee (Crestview) Buick/GMC (In-kind) (R).**

**2022/2023 Business Silver Donors (\$250 - \$499): Dec 2022: Shalimar Pointe Golf Club (In-kind); Rocky Bayou Golf Club (In-kind); Indian Bayou Golf & Country Club (In-kind); International House of Pancakes (IHOP) of FWB (In-kind);**

**2022/2023 Business Bronze Donors (\$100 - \$249): Dec 2022: Buffalo's Reef of FWB (in-kind) (R); Mary's Kitchen of FWB (in-kind) (R); Painting With a Twist of FWB (in-kind) (R); Repeat Street Thrift Store of FWB (R) (in-kind); Tammy's Journeys of FWB (In-kind) (R); Popeye's Louisiana Kitchen of FWB (In-kind) (R); Samuel's Roadhouse of Crestview (In-kind) (R); The Shack Waterfront Restaurant & Marina of FWB; Conexion Newspaper of Navarre; Lisa Jo Spencer, P.A. of Mary Esther.**

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