NORTHWEST FLORIDA MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION LUNCH MEETING July 5, 2018

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The meeting was called to order by President Scott Berry at the Fort Walton Yacht Club at 1200. Sam Lombardo gave the invocation and then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Scott Berry then introduced our guest speaker, Judge/BGen Patt Maney, who briefly recapped his personal legal history and then shared some special experiences throughout his career. He ended his presentation emphasizing two issues that face Okaloosa County: (1) overpopulation in our county jail system and (2) the creation of a mental health facility for criminal offenders. After answering questions from the members, Scott Berry presented General Maney with a certificate of appreciation from the NWFMOA. He then also presented Mrs. Caroline Maney a similar certificate for her work in supporting the Judge and her work with several Okaloosa County civic organizations and a bouquet of flowers.

Following the presentation, Scott Berry conveyed that one of the more significant events at the 2018 Florida State Convention was the reading of the names of our chapter's deceased members and reminded our members of the importance of keeping in touch with the State and National MOAA organizations. He also reminded members of the upcoming Officers Call on July 12. Scott also announced that largely due to the efforts of Bill Van Hoesen, MOAA contributed \$3,000 for the Military Stand Down. Scott recognized our newest member, retired Air Force Lt Col Ruth Sykes. He then announced that the speaker for next month will be Ken Leone who will be talking about some unclassified but relatively unknown aspects of Special Forces.

OTHER TOPICS

Following the formal meeting, Dave Parisot presented Sam Lombardo with a certificate acknowledging his contribution to the BG Frank Glunn Gold Century Club. He then held the drawing for the 50/50 Scholarship Fund raffle and the winner of \$70 was Dave himself. He donated the entire amount to the NWFMOA Scholarship Fund. There were 60 paid attendees at the lunch. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1311 hours.

Following the monthly meeting, the Executive Board met at the Fort Walton Yacht Club.