## NORTHWEST FLORIDA MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION LUNCH MEETING September 6, 2018

## **LUNCH MEETING**

The meeting was called to order by President Scott Berry at the Fort Walton Yacht Club at 1200. Father Steve Voyt gave the invocation followed by the Choctaw Color Guard presenting the colors. Scott led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and then led the group in the singing of the US Air Force song.

Scott Berry then introduced our guest speaker, Dr Stella Scott-Ireton, who gave a very interesting presentation about the ancestry, history and current status of the USS Massachusetts as well as other similar sites within the state of Florida. She encouraged involvement of everyone from scuba divers to the general public to become more involved in the rich history of Florida's past. Following her presentation, Scott Berry presented Dr. Scott-Ireton with the NWFMOA Challenge Coin.

Scott Berry introduced the new members and guests present at today's meeting. He announced that the NWFMOA Board was in the final stages of reviewing and revising our organizational goals and they will be posted on the NWFMOA website. The board was also creating a member survey which would be made available soon. Scott also announced Delta Dental as we know it will be changing and new options would be made available in November. Members should investigate their options and stay informed. Scott recognized our own Gayle Norgaard for being inducted into the Okaloosa Women's Hall of Fame.

## **OTHER TOPICS**

Following the formal meeting, Dave Parisot held the drawing for the 50/50 Scholarship Fund raffle and the winner of \$84 was Joe Stevens, who donated the entire amount to the NWFMOA Scholarship Fund and added \$16 to become our newest Century Club member. The total donated to the scholarship fund was \$183. There were 64 paid attendees at the lunch. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1315 hours.

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