## NORTHWEST FLORIDA MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP MEETING 9/5/2019

## **LUNCH MEETING**

The meeting was called to order by President Nick Marotta at the Fort Walton Yacht Club at 1200. Nick read an invocation that was emailed to him by Chaplain Tom Azar. He then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the group singing the Air Force Song. Following lunch, Nick introduced our guest speaker, Col Garry Hasse, Commander of the AFRL Munitions Directorate. Col Haase gave a very interesting presentation on the mission, current and future technologies, collaboration and education initiatives that the Directorate is involved with and a short video of things being blown up! He ended his presentation with a question and answer period. Following his presentation Nick presented Col Haase with the NWFMOA Challenge Coin.

After our featured lunch speaker, Leo Weeks gave a brief presentation on the Center for Lifelong Learning (CLL). Leo pointed out that the fall registration period is about to begin and recommended that the NWFMOA members take advantage of the many offerings that are provided by the CLL. He also challenged our members to become "teachers" for some of the CLL offerings or to create new and unique offerings of their specific interests.

Following both presentations, Nick Marotta urged members to become more involved in the many activities and opportunities within the NWFMOA.

## OTHER TOPICS

Fred Westfall conducted the 50/50 Scholarship Fund raffle which had a total of \$172. The winning ticket picked by Leo Weeks was Larry Bush, who received \$86 and donated \$46 of that to the Scholarship Fund. That added a total of \$132 to the Scholarship Fund for the day.

Attendance for the lunch was 53. The meeting was adjourned at 1300.

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FRED WESTFALL, Lt Col, USAF (Ret) Secretary NWFMOA Chapter FL 19

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