NORTHWEST FLORIDA MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION LUNCH MEETING 12/1/2022

LUNCH MEETING

The meeting was called to order by President Mike Griffith at the Fort Walton Yacht Club at 1200. Chaplain Ray Alexander gave the invocation and then Mike led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mike asked if there were any guests or new members. Bob Allen introduced his guest, Chaplain Mike Peyton, USN, retired. Dave Parisot presented the "big checks" to the various First Sergeants which represented the gift cards given to E-4s and below at several local military installations as part of our Community Outreach project. Dave also explained that instead of the 50/50 raffle there were bags on each table where we were collecting donations for Opus One.

Scott Berry read the slate of officers and board for 2023 prior to the members voting. Those voted upon were: President-Fran Hendricks, 1st VP Karl Eschmann, Secretary-Fred Westfall, Treasurer-George Colton. Board members were Bob Allen, Bob Gramm, Don Panzenhagen and Dick Solt. He noted that we needed a 2nd VP. Voting was unanimous and the induction ceremony will be held at our January meeting.

During lunch, we were presented with a fantastic vocal program of traditional and contemporary songs of the season by the Opus One coral group, part of the Niceville High School Chorus. At the end of their presentation, Mike presented the vocal group's director with the NWFMOA challenge coin and the contributions from our members, which came to \$562.00.

OTHER TOPICS

Les Matheson announced that the "Tuba Christmas" will be held at Baytown Wharf on Sunday at 5PM and that they would also perform at several other locations over the holiday season. Dave Parisot announced that we collected \$305 in donations for Wreaths Across America and that he would like volunteers to help place wreaths at Beal Memorial Cemetery on December 17. Mike then asked the Officers and Board or members present if there were any comments.

Attendance for the lunch was 39. The meeting was adjourned at 1305.

Following the lunch meeting was a Board meeting.

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Distribution: Email to board members and non-board members in attendance.