## NORTHWEST FLORIDA MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION BREAKFAST MEETING February 2, 2017

## LUNCH MEETING

The meeting was called to order by President Scott Berry at the Fort Walton Yacht Club at 1200. The invocation was given by Chaplain Tom Azar. Scott Berry led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Scott Berry announced that there would be an "Officers Call" at 5:30PM on February 9 at Props Brewery in Fort Walton Beach. He then informed the group that he had just returned from attending the Florida MOAA meeting in Orlando. He was told that Florida District 1 (Northwest Florida) had the highest number of retirees in all the congressional districts in Florida. He also mentioned that MOAA's focus this year will be to repeal sequestration and urged all present to write their elected officials to show support for this effort. Scott announced that the speaker for the March lunch would be Mr. Jerry Williams, CEO of the Eglin Federal Credit Union and the Chairman of the Fort Walton Beach Chamber of Commerce's Military Affairs Committee.

Scott Berry then introduced our guest speaker for this month, Maj/Gen Don Litke. General Litke gave a presentation based on a study done by the Institute for Senior Professionals, an organization associated with Northwest Florida State College. His focus was on how seniors or others who live alone can prepare for emergencies including strategies for emergency notification, ways first responders can safely enter a home and the information that everyone should have available in case of a medical emergency. At the end of his presentation, Scott Berry presented General Litke with the NWFMOA challenge coin.

## OTHER TOPICS

Following the formal meeting, Dave Parisot gave a status update on the Destin Airport Tower dedication, the Scholarship committee, an upcoming Son's of Italy/Wounded Warrior dinner and our Military Ball scholarship donations. Following that Dave Parisot held the drawing for the 50/50 Scholarship Fund raffle and the winner of a record \$112 was Robert (Pete) Peterzen. One hundred twelve dollars were also collected for the Scholarship Fund. There were 64 paid attendees at the lunch. The meeting was adjourned at 1322 hours.

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