NORTHWEST FLORIDA MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP MEETING 7/11/2019

LUNCH MEETING

The meeting was called to order by President Nick Marotta at the Fort Walton Yacht Club at 1200. Instead of the invocation, Lt Col Sam Lombardo read a very moving and patriotic poem that he wrote. Nick Marotta then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Prior to lunch, Sam Lombardo and Doris Day were honored with birthday cakes and presented with certificates from our chapter. Nick Marotta also read a proclamation from the Okaloosa County Board of County Commissioners stating that July 12 would be officially declared as "Sam Lombardo Day". Sam turns 100 years old on July 12. Following lunch, Nick introduced our guest speaker, Mark Fisher, who gave a very interesting and entertaining presentation on wills, trusts and estate planning strategies, pointing out the importance and differences among those documents. He ended his presentation with a question and answer period. Following his presentation Nick presented Mr. Fisher with the NWFMOA Challenge Coin.

Following the lunch presentation, Nick Marotta introduced our visitors and guests. He then presented Other awards to Sam included a personal note from Lt General Atkins and two other MOAA certificates from Lt General Atkins and Admiral Doran. Following that, Nick presented MOAA's Col Marvin J. Harris 5-Star Communications Awards to Ken Zepp for the *Defender* and to Fred Westfall for the NWFMOA website. This was the second year in a row for both awards. Nick announced that our August meeting would feature Representative Mel Ponder as our speaker.

OTHER TOPICS

Elvira Chiccarelli asked the group to consider volunteering at the Armament Museum. Dave Parisot, conducted the 50/50 Scholarship Fund raffle. The winning ticket picked by Mr. Fisher was Dick Hallion, who received \$102 with \$101 going to the Scholarship Fund.

Attendance for the lunch was 66. The meeting was adjourned at 1315.

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