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Lunch Meeting & Discussion

When: Thursday, 1 Sep 2022
Time: Gathering 1130, Lunch 1200, Program to follow
Place: Fort Walton Yacht Club
180 Ferry Road, NE, FWB
Program: CMSgt Bill Walter, "Fact or Fiction: the ground truth behind Operation Urgent Fury, Grenada, 1983"

MAKE A RESERVATION

- Reservations are Required
- Wear a name tag
- Bring proper change: \$16 each

Reservation deadline is Friday at noon prior to meeting. Go online at <http://nwfmoe.org> and select the link where it says "Click here to make reservations", or email Fred Westfall at nwfreservations@gmail.com, or call 850-609-8075 if you are attending

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**CMSgt Bill Walter,
USAF (Ret)**

**"Fact or fiction, the
ground truth
behind Operation
Urgent Fury,
Grenada, 1983"**

Please join us for our September 1st NWFMOA meeting. Our speaker is CMSgt Bill Walter. For more than two decades he served as an Aerial Gunner, accumulating over 3,100 flying hours while participating in a myriad of combat operations and special reconnaissance missions in El Salvador, Grenada, Panama, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Bosnia and Somalia. In 1980, Chief Walter trained and deployed in support of Operation EAGLE CLAW, in October 1983, he deployed in support of Operation URGENT FURY, where his gunship provided direct fire support for the Army on Fort Rupert and other tactical targets on the island. In 1989, Chief Walter was hand-selected to provide fire support to United States Army Rangers during the Rio Hato airfield seizure during Operation JUST CAUSE in Panama. His topic at our lunch will be ***"Fact or Fiction, the ground truth behind Operation Urgent Fury, Grenada, 1983"***. Chief Walter is a SOF Warrior, historian, and author.

Our **September 1st** lunch will start with a social gathering at 1130 with the meeting beginning at 1200 followed by lunch. To make reservations go to <http://nwfmoe.org/reservations.html>. You may also call Fred Westfall at 850-609-8075 or email me at nwfreservations@gmail.com.

Reservations are **REQUIRED** (no walk-ins please) and must be made by no later than August 27, 2022.

Save the Date

Annual MOAA Military Ball Reminder, 8 December 2022

Our annual Military Ball will resume this year again and is scheduled to be on Thursday, 8 December 2022 at the FWB Yacht Club. The dinner menu will be similar to the last Ball in December 2021. This year we will again be charging our members and guests \$60 per person. The ticket order form will be in the digital Defender in October and November. Just a reminder: the dress for the men at the Ball is Mess Dress (if it still fits), formal, tuxedo or business suit. For the ladies it is Gown or Cocktail Dress.

The Band at our Ball will be the Brighton Street Band. They are led by Doug Chambers and are composed of three Band Members. They have agreed to perform for four hours from the start of the social hour, through dinner, and after dinner dancing. They play all types of music, not real loud, some Christmas music, and also patriotic songs. A good fit for our crowd. So if anyone has any specific questions about the Ball, please email either Karl Eschmann, phanfix@cox.net) or Dick Solt at richdulce@aol.com .

Just to refresh everyone's memory on the Ball Night's program, it will look like this:

-) 1800: Social Begins; Pay as you go Bar; Soft Band music (Scholarship Fund Raffle begins)
-) 1845: Call to Dinner
-) 1900: Opening Remarks by the MC, Invocation, presentation of colors, Pledge of Allegiance, President's Remarks and toasts
-) 1920: Dinner is served (soft music by the band)
-) 2000: Break
-) 2015: Dancing to Brighton Street Band music
-) 2100: Scholarship Raffle winning tickets announced by Dave Parisot
-) 2115-2200: More dancing to music

At some point soon, Dave Parisot, our Scholarship Chairman, should be soliciting for items and gifts from businesses and individuals for the Scholarship Raffle fundraiser event during the Ball. This year is the 40th Anniversary for our Scholarship Program, so please be generous with your contributions to this great program.

We hope to see as many of you all as possible this year, as well as active military and other guests at our event! We need your attendance and support for the Ball to have a good social setting for our members to start the Christmas Season! Please send in your checks and ticket forms by the end of November so we can turn in the estimated number of meals for the yacht club staff.

To fill out a reservation form, go to http://nwfmoo.org/ticket_2022.pdf

From the President's Pen

By Mike Griffith

What does September mean to you?

For many military veterans, this September marks the 21st anniversary of the Sep. 11, 2001 attack, in which terrorists hijacked four airliners, crashing two into the World Trade Center twin towers in New York City, one into the Pentagon in Washington D.C., and attempted to crash the fourth into either the White House or Capitol, but were thwarted by passengers who fought back, causing the plane to crash into a field in Pennsylvania.

The attack provoked the “War on Terror,” to include the US invasions of Afghanistan and Iraq, passage of the Patriot Act, and other anti-terrorist actions in the US and elsewhere.

Today’s high school and college students, as well as new military recruits, have no personal memory of the “Nine-Eleven” attack, although most clearly remember last August’s sudden US withdrawal from Afghanistan and the subsequent Taliban takeover of that country.

Some other historical events during September include:

In Sep. 1774 the Continental Congress met for the first time, in Philadelphia PA. This was a key step toward American independence.

In Sep 1793, the French Revolution’s “reign of terror” began with the beheading of French Queen Marie Antoinette. Thus began the executions of thousands of people suspected of opposing or not supporting the revolution. The terror was led by Committee of Public Safety leader Maximilian Robespierre, who was himself eventually introduced to Madame Guillotine.

In Sep. 1836 Sam Houston was elected as the first President of the new Republic of Texas. When Texas became a state, Houston became a US Senator, and later was Governor of Texas.

In Sep. 1882 the first Labor Day parade was held in New York City.

In Sept. 1906 football player Eddie Cochems of St. Louis University threw the first legal forward pass to teammate Jack Schneider, helping to secure a 22-0 win over Carroll College.

In Sep. 1969, US Army Lieutenant William Calley was charged with leading his men to kill over 300 civilians in the Vietnamese village of My Lai. The crime became a rallying symbol of the anti-war movement in the US, and to widespread stereotyping of American troops as “baby killers.”

On Sep. 5, 1975, President Gerald Ford was nearly assassinated by Lynette “Squeaky” Fromme, but Secret Service agents tackled and disarmed her before she could shoot. President Ford was on his way to address the California Legislature on the subject of crime.

In Sep 1977, NASA launched the Voyager I spacecraft, which explored the solar system, passed the orbits of Neptune and Pluto, and is still sending back information from infinity and beyond. It also became the main character in the film, “Star Trek – the Motion Picture.”

I found these items on the Internet, so they must all be true.

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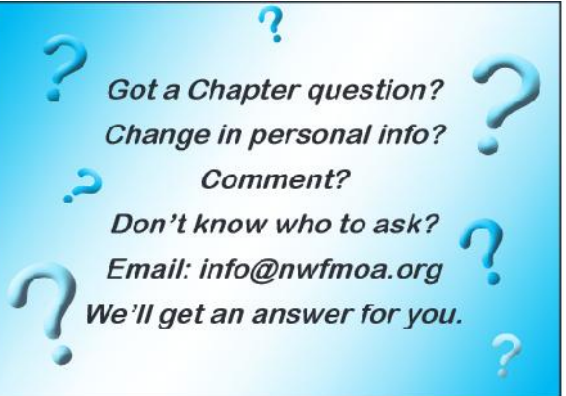
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Never Stop Serving

Chaplain's Corner

By: Chaplain Thomas Azar

CALL THE MIDWIFE

Have you watched the PBS series “Call the Midwife”? It continues to be viewed in 200 countries! Mary and I have watched all 12 seasons. The success is rooted in the insightful writers, excellent actors, and thoughtful producers who capture so realistically the personalities and issues of our generation. We lived and relate through those decades; many of you were stationed in Europe during the 60's and 70's.

However, what grabs and holds our attention is the encounter of the helping professionals with the multitude of topics each character faces in the storyline- the challenges of unwed mothers, inter-racial marriages, dementia, birth defects, ill health, stillborn, poor working conditions, new births and deaths, faith, love, and romance to name a few. In the midst of all the suffering and joy is the gracious responses of the faithful nuns, dedicated midwives and steadfast nurses.

Many viewers underscore how they can relate to the characters and their stories. We faced these same topics. Individuals today can see the evolution of humanity's thinking and actions. Many are still dealing with abortion, adoption, drugs, employment, racism, single parents, etc.

Each show begins and ends with quotes from the true to life diary of the author. You cannot let go of the remote because over the shows history, our minds wait for and ease down as the closing narrator instills a mature philosophy for growth and moving on through our own lives. The shows are a cathartic mirror in which we see our reflection. We have lived these stories and know similar personalities; only the geography and actors have changed.

Let me share a few of our stimulating responses.

As spouses: we glean the importance of our amicable mutual respect.

As parents: the value of listening with kindness and not judging.

As a pastor: the amazement of God's involvement or non-involvement in congregant's lives.

As a paramedic: I remember my speechlessness at assisting delivery of a baby, while being there for our children's appearance into the world.

As a counselor: the importance of being considerate to each person's unique life journey.

As a chaplain: supporting the brave men and women we went to war with.

As a citizen: being cordial in all human encounters

Mary and I find these characters to be vibrant expressions of the Beatitudes manifested in humans. There is so much love, grace, mercy, forgiveness, courage, wisdom, humility, purity in their experiences. If only more humanity would learn and apply these lessons- what a better world we would live in.

At the end of the day, the nuns go to evening prayers and singing of the Psalms.

The midwives to their room for a beverage and conversation

In the morning, the whole team has a hot wash about the families they are serving courteously, professionally and with faith. I would recommend churches have a movie night and discuss these multi-layered stories.

Maybe you just might watch a live stream or get the DVD's from your library and let it speak to and mirror your unique life and social history. You will not be disappointed. Chaplain's honor.

Community Outreach

By: Dave Parisot

Two Events Mark 75th Anniversary Celebration of United States Air Force; Membership and Community Outreach via FWB Chamber of Commerce; Emerald Coast Military Affairs Committee and FWB Chamber Military Affairs Committee Donate to Our MOAA Community Outreach Grant

Events Mark 75th Anniversary of USAF: The USAF was inaugurated as a separate military service on September 13, 1947. Two local events will celebrate this on Tuesday, September 13th and on Wednesday, September 14th.

A **Community Celebration Honoring the 75th Anniversary of the Air Force** will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 13th, 2022 at the Mattie Kelly Arts Center at Northwest Florida State College in Niceville from 1:30 – 3:30PM. This event is sponsored by the Eglin Federal Credit Union and Boeing, and hosted by the Greater Fort Walton Beach Chamber of Commerce with music by Voices of NW Florida State College. The featured speaker will be **Captain (Retired) Dale Dye** who is a decorated Marine Veteran of the Vietnam War and the founder and head of Warriors, Inc., a technical advisory company specializing in portraying realistic military action in Hollywood films.

The theme of this event is **“The Story behind the Story”** as told by those who were there. In addition to Captain Dye, projected speakers are **Cindy Chal** (daughter of Doolittle Raider final survivor Col. Dick Cole) on the Doolittle Raider training on Eglin Field One; POW/Vietnam **Col. Howard Hill**, USAF, Ret.; Sontay Raid/Vietnam Veteran **Col. Larry Ropka**, USAF, Ret.; and, **CMSgt Bill Walter**, USAF, Ret., an AC-130 Gunship Aerial Gunner, speaking on Operation Eagle Claw (Iran Hostage Rescue Mission). Also, **Lt. Col. Corby L. Martin**, USAF, Ret., (USAFSOS), Primary Planner/Flight Lead speaking on Operation Desert Storm; **Colonel Allison Black**, USAF, Commander of the First Special Operations Wing, and an AC-130 Gunship Navigator speaking on Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan; discussion of the “MOAB” bomb development by **Lt. Col. Mark Hunter**, USAF, Ret., Program Engineer, Air Force Research Labs, and **Lt. Gen. Brad Webb**, USAF, Ret., speaking on the Bin Laden Raid.

Tickets: Active duty military and Veterans can receive a **complimentary ticket** by calling the Mattie Kelly Arts Center box office at (850) 729-6000. Tickets can be purchased for \$20 from the Mattie Kelly Arts Center Box Office or online at <http://www.mattiekellyartscenter.org>. You must have a ticket to attend.



The second event, **[“A Salute to Our Okaloosa Florida Veterans Hall of Fame Inductees”](http://www.afev.us/salute)**, will be held on Wednesday, September 13, 2022 from 5:30 – 7:30PM at the Magnolia Grill, 157 Brooks Street, Fort Walton Beach. This event will honor members of Florida Veterans Hall of Fame from Okaloosa County. Two of the Hall of Fame members are members of our NWFMOA Chapter, i.e., **Brig. Gen. T. Patt Maney**, USAR, Ret., and **Major Charles “Chuck” Merkel**, USA, Ret. Both were inducted into the Hall of Fame in 2018. Tickets for this event are \$50 per individual and can be purchased online at <http://www.afev.us/salute> . Ticket includes heavy hors d'oeuvres, wine and beer celebration, and live musical entertainment. Seating is limited. Only 100 tickets are available for this event. Ticket sales benefit the Air Force Enlisted Village and Victory Village. The featured speaker is Capt. Dale Dye. (See flyer below for more information.)

Membership and Community Outreach via FWB Chamber of Commerce: On August 5th, several members of our chapter attended the Chamber’s First Friday Breakfast and had a “Spotlight Table” with information on our Chapter, membership eligibility, who we are, our Community Outreach projects and Scholarship Fund. Attendees were **Chapter President Mike Griffith; Chapter Vice President Fran Hendricks; Chapter 2nd VP and Membership Chair George Hawks; Defender Ad ‘Guru’ Dan Brown** and, **Scholarship Fund President Dave Parisot** (who also functions as our FWB Chamber liaison). Our First Vice-President **Fran Hendricks** was given two minutes of ‘stage time’ with a brief power-point to address the over 250 local business Chamber members about MOAA and NWFMOA.

One result that came from this event is that Dave Parisot was contacted by Rik Wolfe of OMNI Broadcasting to do an on-air interview about NWFMOA on August 15th (more on this next issue).



NWFMOA 1st VP **Fran Hendricks** speaks about NWFMOA at the FWB Chamber of Commerce breakfast on August 5th



NWFMOA members at the “Spotlight Table” at the Fort Walton Beach Chamber breakfast on August 5th were **Dan Brown, George Hanks, Mike Griffith** (Chapter President), **Dave Parisot**, and **Fran Hendricks**

[Emerald Coast Chamber’s Military Affairs Committee](#) and the [Greater Fort Walton Beach Chamber’s Military Affairs Committee](#) recently made donations to our Community Outreach project to provide commissary gift cards to junior enlisted families to purchase food items for their families. The Emerald Coast MAC donated \$200 and the Fort Walton Beach MAC donated \$250. **THANK YOU** to these two local Military Affairs Committees. These donations bring our total for this year’s project to \$5,750 (MOAA grant of \$4,000 plus Chapter member donations of \$1,300 plus these two donations combined of \$450). This will allow us to provide 230 commissary gift cards to young enlisted families (E-4 and below) prior to the Thanksgiving holiday.





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Wednesday, September 14, 2022

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Magnolia Grill

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Honorees

Sgt. David L. Goetsch, U.S. Marine Corps, Veteran (HOF Induction year 2016)

1st Sgt. Thomas S. Rice, U.S. Army, Retired (2017)

Lt. Gen. Gordon E. Fomell, U.S. Air Force, Retired (2018)

Brig. Gen. T. Patt Maney, U.S. Army, Retired (2018)

Maj. Charles E. Merkel Jr, U.S. Army, Retired (2018)

Col. Michael Flynt, Sr., U.S. Air Force, Retired (2019)

Dr. Albert Zant, U.S. Army, Retired (2019)

Brig. Gen. Michael Lambert Ferguson, U.S. Army, Retired (2020)

Dr. Gerald M. Hollingsworth, Flight Surgeon Vietnam, Lt. U.S. Navy & Col U.S. Air Force, Retired (2022 Nominee)



Special guest and book signing by Capt. Dale Dye

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Scholarship Fund

By Dave Parisot

We're getting closer to the Fall season and, hopefully, the days will start getting cooler and less humid. A couple weeks ago I was looking back at the history of the NWFMOA Scholarship Fund and realized that this year is the **40th anniversary of NWFMOA awarding its first scholarship**. This scholarship was for \$500 and went to JROTC Cadet Blum at Crestview High School. Funds were raised via a golf tournament and cash donations by members.

In March of 1997, the Scholarship Fund was incorporated as the Northwest Florida Retired Officers Chapter (NWFROC) Scholarship Fund, Inc. in the State of Florida and registered with the IRS as a chapter 501C(3) non-profit organization which allowed donations to be deductible tax expenses. The initial Board of Directors were **Frank Glunn, John Birney, John Shortall, Jack Gardner, Marie Wagner, Lester Adams, and William Cullen.**, all of whom are deceased. In May of 2003, with MOAA being renamed from TROA, the corporate name was changed to the NWFMOA Scholarship Fund, Inc. We are extremely grateful to our Chapter members who had the foresight to establish the Scholarship Fund as a non-profit organization.

Our scholarship program has grown quite a bit since then, and we anticipate having 10 to 11 scholarships available in March 2023 totaling approximately \$36,000. Our scholarships for 2023 will be available to JROTC cadets of seven local high schools and to Junior and senior ROTC cadets who are graduates of one of 13 local high schools. [For more history and info on our current programs, visit the Scholarship Fund pages at www.nwfmoa.org.]

We will dedicate our scholarship raffles, silent and live auctions, and other donations at our Chapter Military Ball on Thursday, December 8, 2022 to remembering the 40-year history of our scholarship program. In light of that, it is not too early to request that your favorite restaurant or other business make a donation of either gift cards for their business or check donations (payable to NWFMOA Scholarship Fund). We are also asking for your donations of wine and spirits for the "Crates of Christmas Cheer" raffles. Please bring your donations to our upcoming Chapter luncheon meetings.

The 50/50 raffle sales at our August luncheon were \$149 with \$74 to the Fund and \$75 to the winner who was luncheon guest **Chuck Gantner** who graciously donated his winnings back to the Fund. Thank you, Chuck.

Below is the complete list of our **Endowed Scholarships**, our **Gold Century Club** members (\$500 cumulative minimum donation) and our **BG Frank Glunn Century Club** members (\$100 minimum donation) for the most previous 12 months, along with our **Business Donors**. Your support is greatly appreciated. All of these donations are used to fund our scholarships. [Note: (D) means deceased and (R) means Renewal of membership.]

Endowed Scholarships: Lt Col Jim and Mrs Una Heavener (deceased) via their estate effective 2018); **Dave Parisot** in memory of his wife, Chong Cha (Kim) Parisot) (effective 2017); and, **Dr (Lt Col) Howard and Mrs. Irene Fisher** (effective 2022).

Gold Century Club: **Bill Ryan** (Feb 2016); **Ruth Cullen, (D)** (Oct 2016); **Dave Parisot** (Feb 2017); **Janet Taylor** (Mar 2017); **Chris Beam** (Mar 2017); **Bob Garcia (D)** (July 2017); **Rod Gerdes** (Nov 2017); **Larry Bush** (Nov 2017); **Dr. Howard & Irene Fisher** (Nov 2017); **Eileen Arpke** (Feb 2018); **Fred Westfall** (Apr 2018); **Clyde Locke** (Apr 2018); WWII, Korea, and Vietnam Veteran **Sam Lombardo (D)** (July 2018); **Dennis Phillips** (Aug 2018); **Karl & Charlotte Eschmann** (Oct 2018); **Carol Baker** (Jan 2019); **Ann Adelsperger** (Feb 2019); **Don Litke** (Aug 2019); **Fred Boyer (D)** (Aug 2019). **Dr. Keith Kulow** (Nov 2019); **Al Bills** (Nov. 2019); **Kay Dent** (Nov. 2019); **Dr. Roger Riggensbach** (Dec 2019); **Robert “Pete” Peterzen** (Dec 2019); **Nick Marotta** (Oct 2020); **Kathy & Jesse Bush** (Dec 2020); **Patt & Caroline Maney** (Dec 2020); **Kevin Kirby** (Apr 2021); **Scott & Janet Berry** (May 2021); **Patrick Boab** (Dec. 2021); **Bob Allen** (Feb 2022); **Bobbi Hanson Garcia** (Mar 2022); **Joy Houck** (Mar 2022); **George Colton** (May 2022); **Bob Secrest** (May 2022). [Note: 35 total members]

BG Frank Glunn Century Club (past 12 months) (R=Renewal): Aug 2021: **Janet (Ryan) Taylor (R)** (In honor of Maj. Bill Ryan); **Donald Litke (R)** (In memory of Kay Litke); **Anonymous** (In memory of David Baker); **Chuck Merkel (R)**; Sept 2021: **Paul & Kathy Gerth** (In memory of Larry and Ann Shingler); **Doug Hardin (R)** (In memory of Gen. Bill Kirk); **George Colton (R)** (In memory of Larry and Ann Shingler); and, **Kevin Kirby (R)**. Oct 2021: **Janet (Ryan) Taylor (R)** (In honor of Major Bill Ryan); **Kevin Kirby (R)**; **Howard & Irene Fisher (R)**; **Craig Miller (R)**; Nov 2021: **Dave Parisot (R)** (In memory of Dick Prater); **Bob Gramm (R)**; **Joe Stevens (R)**; **Jesse & Kathy Bush (R)**; **B/G Fran & Mrs Connie Hendricks**; **Dan Brown (R)**; **Robert ‘Pete’ Peterzen (R)**; **Jeff Watson (R)**; **Karl & Charlotte Eschmann (R)** (In memory of B/Gen George “Bud” Day and Mrs. Kay Litke); Dec. 2021: **Kay Dent (R)** (In memory of Troy Dent and Larry Ketter); **Christine Hallion (R)**; **Nick Marotta (R)**; **Larry Tashlik (R)**; **Dennis Phillips (R)**; **Chris Beam (R)**; **Patrick Boab (R)**; **Larry Bush (R)**, and **Janet (Ryan) Taylor (R)** (In honor of Maj. Bill Ryan); Jan. 2022: **Kevin Kirby (R)**; **Dave Davis** (In memory of B/G Bud Day); **Fred Westfall (R)**; Feb 2022: **Rod Gerdes (R)**; **Bob Allen**; **Dave Parisot (R)** (In memory of Col, Bob Garcia).; Mar. 2022: **Bobbi Hanson Garcia** (In memory of Col. Bob Garcia); **Dan Cobb** (In memory of Col. Gordon Thomas); **Joy Houck (R)** (In memory of Maj. Stanley Houck); Apr 2022: **B/Gen Fran & Mrs Connie Hendricks (R)**; May 2022: **George Colton (R)**; **Bob Secrest (R)**; **Mark Lombardo** (In memory of LTC Sam Lombardo); **Larry Bush (R)**; June 2022: **Dr. Howard and Mrs Irene Fisher (R)**; **Anonymous** (In honor of Dr Howard Fisher); **Dick Solt (R)**; **Scott and Janet Berry (R)**; **Janet Ryan Taylor (R)**; July 2022: **Al Bills (R)**.

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AN INVITATION TO YOU: The membership of NWFMOA extends a sincere invitation to join us in our social cultural, professional and service activities that extend for the local to national levels.

Today's Date _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Initial _____

Spouse _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State & Zip Code _____

Email Address _____

Rank _____ Service _____ MOAA Member Number _____

☐ Regular ☐ Reserve ☐ National Guard ☐ Active Duty ☐ Retired ☐ Former

This application is for:

☐ Life Member ☐ New Member ☐ Renewal ☐ Surviving Spouse ☐ Other _____

Make Checks payable to NWFMOA or to Northwest Florida Military Officers Assn. Inc. Check here if you do not want your ☐ name, ☐ phone number, or ☐ email address listed in the printed chapter directories. Membership includes a subscription to *The Defender* for the dues period. We are a charter member of MOAA and recommend that our members belong to the national organization. Our association is also a member of the Florida Council of Chapters, itself an affiliate of MOAA.

****The spouse of a deceased life member is automatically an auxiliary life member**

Membership Application/ Renewal

**New Members joining this year
 receive membership through
 December 31 next year for \$25.00**

Membership Renewal
1 yr--\$25.00, 2 yr--\$48.00, 3 yr--\$65.00

Life Membership Dues**

Age	Dues	Age	Dues
101+	Free	71-75	240.00
96-100	50.00	66-70	275.00
91-95	75.00	61-65	295.00
86-90	110.00	56-60	335.00
81-85	150.00	51-55	360.00
76-80	195.00	-50	395.00

Surviving Spouses
Pay half of the above rates

Join Us Today

FILL OUT THE FORM ONLINE BY CLICKING HERE http://nwfmoa.org/files/join_us.pdf

Important Things To Remember

What

What to Click

Make a reservation for our monthly luncheon.

<http://nwfmoa.org/reservations.html>

Update your contact information

http://nwfmoa.org/info_update.html

Join NWFMOA

http://nwfmoa.org/files/join_us.pdf

Join MOAA

<https://www.moaa.org/content/join-moaa/why-join-moaa/>

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