

NORTHWEST FLORIDA MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION
MEMBERSHIP MEETING

6/6/2019

LUNCH MEETING

The meeting was called to order by President Nick Marotta at the Fort Walton Yacht Club at 1200. Chaplain Colonel Ray Alexander gave the invocation. Nick Marotta led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Following lunch, Nick introduced our guest speaker, Mr. Joe Meyer, from the Colorado State University's Center for Environmental Management of Military Lands and who is assigned to Eglin AFB. Mr. Meyer gave an interesting presentation about the history of Eglin before it was a military base, including an extensive history of the Broxson family and how Eglin helped eliminate the German V1 rockets. He concluded his presentation with questions from the membership. Following the question and answer period, Nick presented Mr. Meyer with the NWFMOA Challenge Coin.

Following Mr. Meyer's presentation, Nick Marotta announced that NWFMOA shirts were being sold and anyone interested should contact Dan Brown. He also announced that because our next meeting would fall on July 4th, our meeting will be on July 11th. He also reminded the members that the price of the meal would be going from \$13.00 to \$14.00. Nick also invited all our members to attend the June 18 Officers Call at Cheers Pub in Shalimar. Our newest member, Joe Dillis, and guests were recognized and Karl Eschmann was presented with the Gold Century Club Scholarship Fund award.

OTHER TOPICS

Dave Parisot, conducted the 50/50 Scholarship Fund raffle. The winning ticket picked by Mr. Meyer was Karl Eschmann, who received \$82 with \$81 going to the Scholarship Fund. Dave also announced that at the June Officers Call, the owner of Cheers Pub would be presented the Business Platinum Donor award.

Attendance for the lunch was 58. The meeting was adjourned at 1315.

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Secretary
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