

## **NCOA Awards Scholarships and Bettsy Ross Educational Grants**

Selma, Texas – NCOA scholarships were recently awarded to five dependents of NCOA members.

Receiving NCOA scholarships for the 2023-24 school year are:

- **Thomas Camp**, son of CMSgt (USAF Ret) Ned and Joyce Seaman of Clover, SC, recipient of the E.L. "Ben" Benzel Distinguished Scholarship.
- Laci Froncek, daughter of Marine Corps Veteran Julianne Froncek of Hubert, NC, recipient of the L.D. "Crow" Crawford Distinguished Scholarship.
- Rebekah Novak, daughter of SFC (USA Ret) Charles and Lisa Novak of LaPointe, IN, recipient of the Walter W. Krueger Distinguished Scholarship.
- Gage Wayne Thompson, son of MSgt (USAF) Jason and Chatima Hughes of Marietta, GA,
- **Wells Walker III**, son of MSGT (USAF Ret) Wells and Alicia Walker of Wyoming, MI, recipient of the Gary R. Pfingston Distinguished Scholarship.

The NCOA Scholarship Fund has been providing grants to children and spouses of NCOA members since 1975. To date more than \$1.5 million dollars has been committed to educating tomorrow's leaders.

The NCOA International Auxiliary also awarded two-\$500 Bettsy Ross Educational Grants to Auxiliary members Nick Marigo of Santa Rosa, CA and Manda Lynn McVey of Fork Polk, LA.

The Non Commissioned Officers Association (NCOA), a Military Service Organization (MSO), was created in 1960 to address quality of life issues for enlisted members of our Active, Reserve, National Guard, Retired, and Veteran members of all branches of the Armed Forces as well as their families. As we have evolved, education, work force development, employment, legislative advocacy and the quality of life within our communities as well as the physical and mental health of our enlisted service men and women and their families have become our primary aim.