

## **Short History Of Golden Isles Chapter's Scholarship Program**

The Golden Isles Chapter's Scholarship program was initiated by Col. Nick Hart, USMC-Ret., Chapter President and Col. Billy Holland, USA-Ret, Chapter Vice President in calendar year 1988-89. Both officers were concerned that this small chapter had no real involvement in the community other than monthly meetings. They were also of the opinion that community involvement would be the process which would attract new members and receive recognition by the community. It was at this point that Col.'s Hart and Holland established a competitive scholarship program for graduates from local high schools.

To raise funds to support the scholarship, the Chapter sold raffle tickets at each meeting and soon reached the initial scholarship goal. The first scholarship was awarded in the spring of 1989 and the rest is history.

Since the initial program, the program has grown with continuing the sales of raffle tickets at meetings and a year end fund raiser. Currently the Chapter offers three scholarships to Frederica Academy, Glynn Academy and Brunswick High School. Applications are open to all students who have or have had relatives who served in the Armed Forces of The United States of America.

In addition, a privately funded scholarship is in memory Flight Officer Albert Rives, Army Air Corps, by Colonel & Mrs. John Campbell. Flight Officer Rives is the father of Mrs. John Campbell. These two scholarships are offered to NJROTC/MCJROTC candidates at Brunswick and Glynn Academy. The criteria for selection and award of these scholarships is unrealized potential rather than on merit.