

Helping Heroes 9th Annual Fisher House Gala



Thank you!

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#HelpingHeroesGala2016

Ya'll come back now, ya hear?



November 3, 2016

**Emerald Grande at HarborWalk Village
Destin, Florida**

**Master of Ceremonies
Peter Bos**

**Celebrity Auctioneer
Ted Corcoran**

**Artist Rob Smith, Jr. unveils
our Fisher House Coloring Book**

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71 homes exist today, ours was #44



A bronze bust of Zachary and Elizabeth Fisher is on display in the entrance foyer of each Fisher House, as is a framed photograph of the Intrepid, the aircraft carrier that the Fishers moved to New York City and transformed into the Intrepid Sea, Air and Space Museum.

because a family's love is good medicine

How to Help

Volunteer - Partner - Share

Commemorative Bricks

Auto-Recurring Monthly

Great Tax Deduction!

Memorial Contributions

Estate Planning

Community Ambassadors



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throughout the evening

Our Volunteer of the year was Virginia Schreitmuller, who won at the Air Force level for the national Fisher House Foundation. Serving for many years, and a veteran herself, she shops for the house groceries weekly and learned braille when Aaron Hale lost his hearing last fall.



Amazon Smiles is a great way to support Fisher House by shopping online. Remember to set Fisher House as your charity and it doesn't cost a thing!

Annual In Kind Supporters



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2017 Legacy Quilt Project



Our 2017 memories will be collected and showcased in fabric as a quilt that will be auctioned at our 2017 Helping Heroes Gala. Be a part of our history.

"People aren't remembered for what they have, they are remembered for what they gave." Zachary Fisher

In Memory of Mark Stogsdill and Bob Lynn, Board Members and friends we bid farewell too soon.



1947-2016



1933-2016

A great way to support Fisher House is to purchase commemorative bricks which memorialize and honor loved ones and special occasions. An event will be held annually to present the bricks that were purchased throughout the year. Buy yours online now.

2016 Purchasers include ACA in honor of Lt. General Brad Heithold and his wife Maggie, Pirates of the Panhandle, William Corino in honor of his dad, mom and uncle and memorial bricks purchased for Mark Stogsdill and Bob Lynn.

Events of the Evening

Welcome by Peter Bos
Master of Ceremonies
Red, White & Bid - Silent Auction Continues
Dinner and Entertainment
Tall Cotton Band
Red, White & Bid - Silent Auction
Closes at 7:45 p.m.
Amazing Live Auction, Ted Corcoran
Celebrity auctioneer
Intermission

Words by Ed Hubbard, American Hero
Feel great for weeks knowing
YOU made a difference

Save the Date

Join us on the tentative date of **November 2, 2017** for the 10th annual Helping Heroes Gala
Early bird code: **icare16**



Connect throughout the evening
#HelpingHeroesGala2016

Platinum Sponsor



Crestview Aerospace

L-3 Crestview Aerospace is honored and proud to join with you to support the Fisher House at Eglin AFB. Crestview Aerospace provides maintenance and modifications, fabrication and assembly for US military fixed and rotary wing aircraft.

We have supported the military and their families since 1964, and we currently employ more than 600 skilled technicians, many of them veterans and family members, at our location adjacent to the Bob Sikes Airport.

We appreciate the opportunity to share in this occasion with you tonight and are truly "Dedicated to our greatest national treasure - our military service men and women, and their loved ones."

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Faith is offering 25% off with this Program.



Special thanks to Kathy Schumacher of Schumacher Fine Art for painting with us tonight and offering her art for auction in support of our mission at Fisher House.

There is never a fee to stay at a Fisher House.

How the Fisher House came to Eglin AFB - Our Coloring Book will be unveiled this evening and used to educate our youth on patriotism and our mission in support of military and their families. Thanks to Rob Smith, Jr. for his talent in making this a reality.



Congratulations to Ms. Lott's 4th grade class of Lula J. Edge Elementary. These lucky students will be the inaugural group to receive the Fisher House coloring book! Want your school involved? Ask us how!

Thanks to Lee McGehee, a friend of the Fisher House who commented on Facebook, suggesting the illustrated squirrel throughout the Fisher House coloring book be named "Shalimar". Artist approved!

Eligibility to stay at our Fisher house - any branch of service, any length of time.

Fisher House by the Numbers

2007

Board Formed

2010

House Opens at Eglin AFB

11,000

Square Feet of our Home

12

Private Suites in our Home

250

Cost of a Holiday meal

789

2015 Guests Served

3 Days

Average stay

9 Months

Longest Stay at our home

\$1,000,000

Savings to military families since 2010

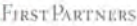


"Your warmth and kindness made us feel like we were home while getting over an illness. You made me feel like I was going home to grandma's."
Words from our guests

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Thank you to the following for your hearts and giving without expectation. The Fisher House sends you love and gratitude: to Image Printing and Digital Services, Inc., Bruce and Candida Nunnally, Kevin and Sherry Loch and Cliff Long

Proceeds of the Helping Heroes Gala will provide home away from home comfort and help purchase or replace items needed for the Fisher House on Eglin AFB.

For example, a **Computer** for business center - use by our guests. It's amazing how dependent we are on technology. **Media/DVD Cabinet** to store the movies and games that are donated to keep our guests entertained and stress free during their stay. **Bookcase** to house reading materials, games, and crafts for the enjoyment of our guests. **Replacement Chairs for Family Room** - our commitment to the Fisher family and the Foundation they created is to maintain our home to their 5 Star standard.

Our guests deserve only the best.

Special Thanks to Auction Item Donors

as of print date

Aaron Hale and McKayla Tracy, EOD, Advanced Dermatology & Skin Care Center, Alabama Theatre, Black Stone Golf Course, Bluewater Fitness, Breakthru Beverage Group, CHELCO, Cheryl Wesolowski, Club Destin Resort, Daisy Day Brands, Disney World, DJ's Tan-Tastic, Emerald Bay Golf Course, Emerald Coast Gallery and Gifts, Eye Unlimited, Fashionably Late, Four Points by Sheraton, Foxwood Golf Course, Fudpuckers, Helen Back, Jay's Guns, Congressman Jeff Miller, Jim Yurack, Joey's Italian Grill, Judy Wiseman, Kathy Schumacher, Schumacher Fine Art, Lowes, Marco's Pizza, Margie's, Mattie Kelly Theater, Northwest Florida State College, Peadar Brothers Distillery, Pensacola Ice Flyers, Precision Tactical, Ramada Inn, Ritz Salon, Sandy Ryland, Spork Eatery, Teresa Halverson, Trec Chedister, The Golf Club of Bluewater Bay, The Twisted Grape, XL Kites

Send us some love!

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Selfies Wanted!

Snap a photo with Mr. Wadsworth and share the fun with your friends, tag #BathroomButler.

Special Thanks

Fisher House of the Emerald Coast, Inc. would like to send a thank you to those who made the 9th Annual Helping Heroes Gala a success. A large number of people with big hearts gave freely of their time: **Ed Hubbard**, American Hero, motivational speaker, acclaimed international photographer, **Peter Bos**, Legendary, Inc., Master of Ceremonies and **Ted Corcoran**, President/CEO of the Greater Fort Walton Beach Chamber of Commerce, Celebrity Auctioneer. Also, our appreciation is extended to the **2016 Gala Chairs and their committee**, Chair Kayla Glaze of Manpower and members, Chair, Kayla Moore of Workspace Suites, Carolyn Espinoza, Diane and Dave Walbeck, Debby Giesen, Judy and Omar Wiseman, Katie Stephenson, Katy Mitchell, Keith Shelton of the 505 CCW/CCX, Laura Sampsel, Michelle Moclair, Peter Karp, Sheila and Wayne Williams, Sue Nelson and Virginia Schreitmueller (at the time of this printing.)

Volunteer Keith Brown of Lockheed Martin led a team of 225 volunteers in support of the Sandestin Wine Festival, contributing a total of 1097 hours. Thanks, KBI!

Commercial Supporters and Events of 2016

American Legion 221
American Legion 240
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American Legion 356
American Legion 378
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Ocean City Bingo
Okaloosa Island Pier
Penguin Plunge - Juana's Pagoda
Resort Quest
Schumacher Fine Art
Sons of the American Legion SQDN 296
Stripes Pub & Grill
Stubbs Orthodontics
Tyndall Spouses Club
Whataburger
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Auctions of the Evening

Red, White & Bid - Red and white tickets will be sold and placed in a drawing of your choice. Collectible sports memorabilia will be offered for silent bid and following dinner, an entertaining live auction will take place, led by Ted Corcoran of the Greater Fort Walton Beach Chamber. Give generously in support of our military and their families.



Sample of Silent/Live Items

Tony Krynskiy, artist, uses a router to engrave elements into the panel and then brushes on layers of glazes for the colors - a highly sought after piece.

This will be the very last Congressional Cookbook donated by Congressman Jeff Miller, who has chosen not to seek reelection this year. Thank you Congressman Miller for your continued support of Fisher House. P.S. He was at our home's dedication in 2010.

Red, white and silent auctions close at 7:45 p.m.

All donations are tax deductible.

Wonky House Quilt was donated by the Modern Quilt Guild. This quilt features a popular pattern that is very creative, fun and showcases a labor of love. Add to your collection!



Justin Crisler of Tide for Troops is partnering with us to offer valuable, one-of-a-kind popular Sports Memorabilia.



A limited number of signed books, *Escape from the Box* by Ed Hubbard will be offered for sale, along with a raffle for a unique lithograph entitled *Keep Faith*, originally painted in oil by Ed.

Kathy Schumacher of Schumacher Fine Art is using the energy of the evening to paint live and offer her creation for auction. What will it be and who will win it?



Extra Ordinary Delights



Introducing Aaron Hale, a 14 year veteran, military chef, and Explosive Ordinance Disposal (E.O.D) team leader. From the moment a blast robbed him of his vision in Afghanistan to years later when he lost his hearing, he refused to accept defeat. Now equipped with cochlear implants and his girlfriend McKayla Tracy at his side, Aaron has found his passion again--it's back in the kitchen! Not only has cooking given Hale a new purpose for living, but he is also using athletics to rise above his circumstance and is currently training for an upcoming marathon. McKayla and Aaron work together every day to create these Extra Ordinary Delights. A basket of their fudge will be available for auction tonight.

Learn more about Aaron and his fudge at EODfudge.com

Words from our Guests

"Thank you for having us. Everything was real nice. Liked the room and kitchen, most of all the backyard. Thanks again. Fisher House makes me look forward to coming down for treatments."

"Thanks again for your wonderful support. God bless all of you for what you do. We sincerely appreciate you."

"You are an unexpected blessing!! Thank you very much for the hospitality!"

These blessings happen because of you!

5 Golden Tickets will be raffled specifically to support the 5 purchase/replacement items needed at the home on Eglin Air Force Base. **Give generously.** Each ticket is worth one non-transferable seat at next year's Gala.

P.S. This year's gala sold out!

