



July Fisher House News From Our Home

With Incredible Gratitude

We would like to recognize some of our cause champions and financial partners for the month of June. When you see them, please thank them for their help fulfilling our mission.



Baytowne Wharf Neighborhood Association
\$25,000
WOW! WOW! WOW!

A special thanks to the 225 volunteers, who contributed 1,097 hours to make this event a success.

Avalon Middle School Fundraiser

\$373.00

Teaching servant leadership while they are young - way to go!

Brock Lawn & Pest - Fort Walton Beach
In Kind - Pest Control for the Home

Joshuatree Internet Marketing
In Kind - Web Design

Loc-n-Stor

Early Gala Sponsors

Raytheon and Boeing

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Words from our guests

"My sister had back surgery and was so blessed that the Fisher House is here so my mother could stay with her until she gets out of the hospital. My stay here was awesome! My mom is a dependent, my father is a retiree and 83 years-old. She is a strong woman and the Fisher House provided her a place to stay while waiting on my sister. This facility is a blessing."

"To everyone at the Fisher House, thank you so much for allowing us to stay at such a beautiful place during our time of sorrow at the loss of my father.

We were truly blessed to have a place that allowed our family to be together. Ron & Don made us feel so welcome. Thank you again."



A member of our military is staying in the home with his young family. His son will be celebrating his second birthday on July 3. Your support provided the party on the go, complete with Finding Dory themed supplies, cake, balloons and gifts for both children. We love parties!



The Emerald Coast Chapter of the Modern Quilt Guild has once again selected your Fisher House as a recipient of one of their charity works of art. It's under construction now, wonky houses. Thanks to Susan McDuffie and her quilting friends for bringing fabric to life in honor of our mission. Start your "gotta have" savings fund for this item at our upcoming Gala.... more details soon!

Get your grill on



Looking for 6 backyard grill enthusiasts to represent Fisher House, Eggs on the Beach, September 24.

In June, our home on Eglin AFB hosted 70 guests, offering 285 bed nights. 2016 average occupancy is 70%. Thanks to Ron, Don and Virginia for their care and support.





We're NUTS about our volunteers!

VOLUNTEER

Community Ambassador Program LIVE!

Get your CAP on for Fisher House. What is a CAP? A volunteer program on SUPERDRIVE for all our overachievers! [more info on the website](#)

BAKERS NEEDED for cookies and kindness, recurring opportunity - kick off July, [click here](#).

Gala Committee Members needed - love to event plan? Have we got an opportunity for you, [click here](#).

Upcoming Events

Fishing for a Cause - July 2016
2nd Annual Okaloosa Island Pier Tarpon
Tournament, weekends in July. 850.225.3022
piertournamentsinc@gmail.com



September 9 - 17 3rd Annual Field of Valor Volunteers Needed



9th Annual Beer Fest Volunteer Registration is Live



September 24 3rd Annual Eggs on the Beach The premier BBQ Competition for backyard enthusiasts! Volunteers and sponsors needed



Win your own paddle board from Gulf Wind Paddle and Surf



Dr. Zach Stubbs, orthodontist serving the residents of Niceville, Destin and surrounding Florida communities is sponsoring a raffle from July 1 through August 31 for the purpose of raising funds for Fisher House of the Emerald Coast.

- Open to the general public



**SUP2U Warhawk Paddle Board and
Carbon Fiber Paddle**

- Suggested donation for ticket: \$10 for 1/\$20 for 3. Cash or checks payable to Fisher House.
- Tickets are available at Stubbs Orthodontics in Niceville and Gulf Wind Paddle and Surf in Santa Rosa Beach OR [Online donations here.](#)
- Winner picks up price in Niceville
- Updates on Facebook page

Support businesses who support your local Fisher House.

Around Town

Visit our Website



We said farewell to Wendy Kidd, our bookkeeper who faithfully served from 2013 through March 2016. Thanks Wendy for taking our box of records those many years ago and putting them safely into QuickBooks.



Welcome Jim St. John! Our new bookkeeper brings his 30 plus years of professional expertise in accounting and passion for the mission to provide great oversight of our financial resources. Always good stewards!

Meet Board of Directors Secretary and Past President Shirley Pigott



Mrs Shirley J. Pigott has more than 31-

Shirley began her civil service career during her husband's assignment at Clark AFB in the Philippines. After they returned to the United States, she worked at the Naval Coastal Systems in Panama City, the 919 Special Operations Group, now a Wing, at Duke Field, and the Public Affairs Office at Eglin AFB. Before the Public Affairs Office was assigned to the 96 Air Base Wing, she worked for eleven General Officers. In her last position, she supported the mission of Eglin Air Force Base, three counties, six surrounding Chambers of Commerce, seven Military Affairs Councils and eleven cities.

Since retirement, her community support continues serving as the Fisher House President from 2013-2015 and presently as the Secretary, Chapter Secretary for the Eglin Air Force Association, Director of Administration for the Emerald Coast Military Affairs Council, a member of the

years of civil service working for the military, retiring as the Chief of the Community Relations Division in the 96 Air Base Wing Public Affairs Office, the busiest Community Relations Division in the Command.

Eglin Air Force Association Education Foundation, the Veterans Memorial Board of Directors and multiple Chambers of Commerce.

She and her spouse Latus live in Shalimar.



Ron Gribble, House Manager



Don Peckham, Assistant House Manager



Virginia Raaymakers Housekeeper

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Volunteer Appreciation Day 2017

**Save the date - 2017 is on the calendar.
Visit our [website](#) for the date.**

Unclaimed Door Prize Winners: Glenn Harley, Gunnar Jorgensen, Peter Karp and ticket holder 630320. Call/text/email 850.259.4956, director@fisherhouseemeraldcoast.org to arrange pickup/delivery of your prize.

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