



February Fisher House News From Our Home

With Incredible Gratitude

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



WOSSE 019-002 Warrant Officer Senior Staff Education

Eddie, and the WOSSE 19--002 raised \$540 as part of their class and donated to our Fisher House at Eglin AFB. Eddie advocated to donate locally and met Jim Fisher, our board member on Saturday to make the presentation. We are grateful for the many who support while serving too! What a great photo of our nation's defenders. Jim and Eddie are shown below all smiles for their affection for our mission.



**2019 Suite Sponsor
Charles and Diane Ruffner
in memory of Chief Warrant
Officer 3, Matthew P. Ruffner -
\$5,000**



Navy Federal Credit Union \$2,000

**Ocean City Bingo
\$1,100**

**Way-Whitehouse Memorial AMVETS Post
35 - \$200**

Community Ambassadors Make the Difference



"Tony and I are so blessed to call many of our nations defenders family....we attended the celebration last Friday of a 26 year career serving our country, the Espinoza team, Colonel Ed Espinoza, his wife Carolyn and their awesome son. Carolyn Ellis Espinoza is a community ambassador with our Fisher House, giving countless hours to our mission on Eglin and in the community, for many years now. She always answers the call and always says yes. What a dynamic and awesome family and it was touching to be in the audience Friday, feeling the love that pours over this family. So glad they will be joining us in the community as Ed embarks on his next great adventure."

The band called, we're going on tour!



**Celebrating a Mardi Gras Theme,
February 20, 10-12
hosted by our staff and Community
Ambassador Pam Dickson**

Want to see inside the home that provides comfort to our guests? Attend a guided tour provided by the house staff. Base access needs to be coordinated, please note in the notes, if you will need help. 48 hour lead time please if you will need assistance. Reserve here. Check presentations are also scheduled for this day, attend for a photo opportunity to show your support for the Eglin Fisher House!



Cookies and Kindness - 8 cases worth of YUM

Our youth making a difference....talk about some cookies and kindness! We had to wheel them in on the luggage rack! Thanks Mariah for collecting 8 cases of yummy to share with

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our families.

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Sweet - 2019 Suite Sponsors - Vertex Crestview Aerospace, Okaloosa Gas and Charles and Diane Ruffner in memory of Chief Warrant Officer 3 Matthew P. Ruffner

Words from our Guests

"Thank you all for what you do. I was so scared when I checked in but it was an incredible blessing to stay here while I supported my brother to become hopefully more on the road to full recovery. The love and care for all will never be forgotten. Please watch over my brother, quietly and I hope to see you one day with a smile to match that of a full recovery for my brother. Thank you to all the people that support your great work."

Scholarships for Military Children



The 2019 program is now open. Applications must be submitted online by February 15th.

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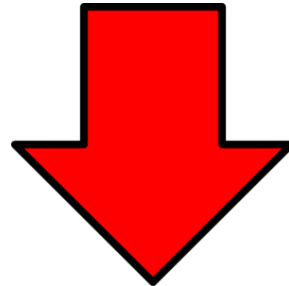
LADY BOSS MARKET
March 10th, 2019 • 11am-4pm

DE'FRANCE ANTIQUES - FORT WALTON BEACH

A portion of our profits will go to Panhandle Animal Welfare Society and Fisher House of the Emerald Coast



New years resolution to serve? Volunteers wanted!



33rd Annual Sandestin Wine Festival

Saturday shifts available for the 33rd Annual Sandestin Wine Festival. Volunteers get a free taster ticket for Friday, when they work on Saturday. It's a fun event that requires 350 volunteers each year and raises significant dollars for our military families! [Sign up](#)



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Fat Tuesday Mardi Gras Parade, March 5 at The Village at Baytowne Wharf. We attend each year sharing moon pies and beads, would love a trumpet player to play some jazz as we stroll. [Email me!](#)



This is US last year. The crowd loves Fisher House and two mustang owners offered to drive their cars for this fun parade at Baytowne.



Thanks to the Emerald Coast Regional Mustang Club for representing Fisher House at the Baytowne Fat Tuesday parade, March 5.

What's for Dinner?



Provide a meal for families currently staying at the house. Meals may be home cooked in disposable containers or one that you have catered. Sign up, [click here](#). A happy tummy helps heal a heart! (It's not a bad therapy for the hands that prepare it either.)

Chef Veale donates culinary talent to Fisher House and create carrots to "die for".....

From Rich: "As many of you know, I am finishing up my Externship for my certification as a Chef. Over the past 4 weeks, I have put in over 115 hours in. I split time between Lolo's Cakes & Sweets and the Fisher House of the Emerald Coast. Last week as we made the first of 2 trips to the Fisher House of the Emerald Coast, I asked one of the residents what he'd like us to fix. He explained that his wife had some digestive issues and asked if I could make something on the softer side so she could eat. Read more.....



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