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## Eglin Chapter, Florida

### **President's Notes**

We've had a busy fall and are preparing for a very busy winter and spring. Despite a rain storm that made us, for the first time ever, call off the Doolittle Scholarship Open, we still raised around \$25,000 for scholarships this year. We're looking forward to the 41<sup>st</sup> annual DSO on 10 October 2013 at the Eglin Golf Course.

Planning continues for the 2013 Eglin AFA Fisher House 5K. It will be held on 2 March 2013 in Fort Walton Beach. Look to an article inside from Race Coordinator Eddie McAllister for more details.

We continue to pursue ways to get our message out about what Eglin AFA is doing. We are using Facebook (www.facebook.com/pages/Eglin-AFA/182346628469773) as part of that effort along with the newsletter. Of course we also have our monthly board meetings that are open to everyone to attend. Those meetings are the third Tuesday of the month, and typically held at the Bob Hope Enlisted Village at 1130. If you're interested in attending, please email our Secretary, Shirley Pigott (shirleypigott@cox.net) just in case we have a change of venue or time. She'll keep you up to date on the details.

Our chapter has a lot planned for 2013. We'd love for everyone of our chapter members to get more involved and if you have a desire to, we'll work with you to find a task you'd like to do. Just contact us or post on our Facebook page to let us know. With your help, our chapter will better support the AFA mission, "Advocate, Educate, Support".

Shannon Farrell President, Eglin AFA

# Doolittle Golf Tournament

This year's Doolittle Scholarship Golf Tournament saw 79 intrepid golfers descend on the Eglin Golf Course ready to hit the links. Then the rains came. Not just a sprinkle, but a downpour, an unending one at that. So, after a lot of waiting, a lot of discussion and certainly some very hard looks at the local weather radar the decision was made to cancel this year's golf outing. It was the first time in the 40 year history that Florida's always unpredictable weather had forced the cancellation.

All, however, was not lost. As Shannon said in his intro we still raised about \$25,000 for scholarships. Proof positive that while people very much like their golf around these parts, they are first and foremost very generous with their time and their dollars.

# Eglin AFA Fisher House 5K

It's coming! In fact, the date is right around the corner. The 2013 Eglin AFA Fisher House 5K is scheduled for 2 March and will be at the Fort Walton Beach Landing. Over the last two years we've donated over \$11,000 to Fisher House from this event and this year we have a goal of breaking \$10,000, but we can't do it without your help.

We are asking for help soliciting sponsors. Last year we had about \$1700 in sponsors and \$1,000 was from just one sponsor. We need to beat that this year! Our #1 priority for sponsorship is cash. Every dollar we raise in sponsorships will go toward Fisher House because the cost of the race is covered by registration fees. So sponsorships are the easiest way to get money directly to Fisher House. So let's dig in and work on helping Eddie McAllister out and drum up some sponsorships!

Another request is for volunteers for the day of the race. It take a massive amount of logistics to pull off an event like this and the more help we can get, the better! So please, if you can help let Eddie know!

So now to the registration for the race itself. It's easy! Just go here: Eglin AFA Fisher House 5K and click "Register for This Event". If the link isn't working in the newsletter you can Google Eglin AFA Fisher House 5K and it will be at the top of the page!

# 2013 Upcoming Events

Your participation in Eglin AFA Chapter activities is always highly encouraged. Your attendance at the chapter activities only increases your ability to educate, advocate and support the Air Force mission. Listed below is the tentative schedule of activities for the start of 2012. This list will be continuously updated throughout the year via the *Guardian* newsletter as more accurate information is developed.

19—22 Feb 2013 2 March 2013

AFA Air Warfare Symposium Eglin AFA Fisher House 5K Orlando, FL Ft Walton Beach, FL

## Community Partner Focus—ResortQuest

The Eglin Chapter Air Force Association wants to say thanks to Newman-Dailey Resort Vacations in Destin. Newman-Dailey has been a dedicated supporter of the AFA for two years. They have generously contributed to numerous AFA events.

You can find Newman. You can also reach them at their email address: info@indianbayougolf.com or by phone 850.837.6191 and on-line at www.indianbayougolf.com.



Dave Miller presents a plaque to *Ms. Jeanne* Dailey, Owner of Newnan-Dailey Resort Vacations

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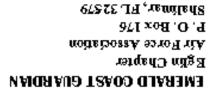
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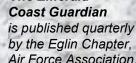


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