



## ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME

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**ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME-GULFPORT  
Patriot Tour at AFRH-G**

**Gulfport, Miss– (July 2, 2015).** The Harley Davidson Group (HOG) will be escorted by the Gulfport Police Department to AFRH-G on their Patriot Tour to honor America's Armed Forces. About 100 motorcycles will travel to AFRH in Gulfport and a Memorial Pool Flag Transfer Ceremony will take place. Mississippi Governor Phil Bryant will also be in attendance.

WHO: Local Media

WHAT: Flag Transfer Ceremony by The Nation of Patriots

WHEN: Thursday, July 2, 2015 at 11:00 a.m.

WHERE: Outside by Flag Pole in front of building

HOW: Media planning to attend should contact Becki Zschieidrich at 228-897-4429.

Every year The Nation of Patriots organizes a national effort that pays tribute to, and honors, all of America's Armed Forces - Past, Present, and Fallen. This united effort is known as The Patriot Tour. Every year they ride for the members of our military - to show America's support, our thanks, and our united pride by passing one American Flag throughout the country. It's the very foundation of this symbol and all it represents that our brave men and women in the military have stood and died defending continue to stand and protect, and will forever fight for. The Flag travels once per day. The day the flag departs from one location, comes to rest in the next location on the very same day.

The Seabee Honor Guard will assist the HOGS with a patriotic flag ceremony. This year's MS Coast HOG Flag Bearer will be Paul Ramm.



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The new Home is located on 47 acres of prime waterfront land on the Mississippi Sound. It features a multi-tower complex with full amenities such as dining, social, recreational, and therapeutic activities, plus a swimming pool, hobby shop, a wellness center with basic dental and eye care, a bank, a barber and beauty shop, bowling center, movie theater, a computer room, library, and a pedestrian bridge to the beach. Formerly called the “US Naval Home”, this facility merged with the “Soldiers’ Home” in Washington in 1991 – and both were renamed AFRH. Prior to 1976, the Naval Home was located in Philadelphia, PA and from 1833-1899 it was called the “Naval Asylum”. To learn more about AFRH-Gulfport contact Becki L. Zschiedrich, Public Affairs, at 228-897-4429 or [becki.zschiedrich@afrh.gov](mailto:becki.zschiedrich@afrh.gov).