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ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME-GULFPORT
Veterans Day Ceremony & Open House – Open to the Public

Gulfport, Miss – (November 11, 2015). To celebrate Veterans Day the Armed Forces Retirement Home is hosting a ceremony and having an Open House on Wednesday, November 11, 2015 at 0830. This event is open to the public.

- 0830 – Gates Open to the Public
- 0830 – 1100 – Breakfast Hors d’oeuvres in foyer
- 0845 – Patriot Guard Motorcycles Arrive
- 0900 – Harrison County Sheriff Helicopter Landing
- 0915 – Gulfport High Band Pre-Ceremony Music
- 0930 – Veterans Day Ceremony Begins – Guest Speaker Brig Gen Joe Spraggins, USAF Retired
- 1000 – Musical Performance by LMDC “WINGS”
- 1020 – Coast Guard Helicopter Flyover
- 1030 – 1400 – Static Displays & Presentations
  Displays: US Coast Guard, Gulfport Police & Fire Dept., Biloxi Police Department, Army National Guard, Air National Guard, NCBC, Harrison County Sheriff’s Department, AMR, & More!
  AFRH Resident Art Exhibitors will be in the Main Hall & Art Room areas. Resident’s art work will be available for purchase.
- 1030 to 1400 – AFRH Tours Every 30 Minutes (Meet at Security Desk)
- 1030 to 1400 – A Special Veteran’s Tribute Video will run continuously in the AFRH Theater
- 1045 – H.O.G Pensacola, Florida Motorcycles Arrive
- 1130 to 1400 – Hot Hors d’oeuvres in foyer
- 1330 – AFRH-G Gate closes to Public Access
- 1400 – AFRH-G Community Day Conclusion

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WHO: Local Media

WHAT: Veterans Day Ceremony & Open House

WHEN: Wednesday, November 11, 2015 from 0830 – 1400

WHERE: Armed Forces Retirement Home
1800 Beach Drive
Gulfport, MS  39507

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

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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 shops, 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, D.C. 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 Zschiedrich, Public Affairs, at 228-897-4429 or e-mail at becki.zschiedrich@afrh.gov.