



Friends of Mid-Missouri Fisher House

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# NEWSLETTER

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## UNDER CONSTRUCTION!



Beginning in the first week of July, the Fisher House Foundation construction contractor began demolition of the handicap parking area near the main entrance of Truman VA Hospital for “our” Mid-Missouri Fisher House. Underground utilities have been installed, a portion of the foundation has been poured and the elevator tower is completed. You may follow the construction progress on our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/midmofisherhouse](http://www.facebook.com/midmofisherhouse).

The Mid-Missouri Fisher house will be a three-story structure modeled after the Fisher House in Charleston, SC. Our house will include 16 family suites, a kitchen, laundry area, dining and living room. That means 16-32 family members can be served at any one time. Also, in order to make this facility completely accessible, this house will be one of two in the world with an elevator. Expected completion is summer of 2023!

## **2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT – Country Club of Missouri**



July 25: We had a very successful golf tournament thanks to our many supporters. Teams: Veterans United Home Loans, TrueSon Exteriors, The Bank of Missouri, Columbia Orthopaedic Group, Insurance Plus, Rogers Ehrhardt Attorneys at Law (donated to Veterans). Hole Sponsors: Betz Jewelers, Scott Heck – ReMax, Elks Lodge 513, Columbia Rock Bridge Lions Club, Scheppers Distributors, Fulton Knights of Columbus, Columbia College, and Mary Paulsell.

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We are always busy working to get the word out about “our” Fisher House and what it will mean to veterans and their families in future years. Below are some of our activities:



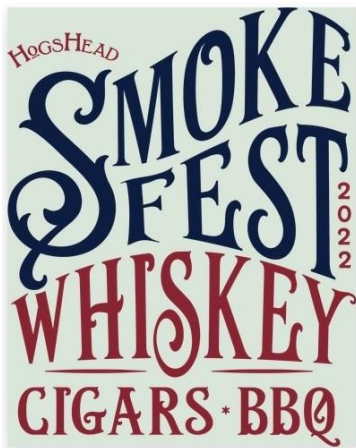
August 14: We spent the day at the Missouri State Fair Military Appreciation Day talking to people about the Mid-Missouri Fisher House, which is now under construction on the campus of the Harry S. Truman Memorial Veterans' Hospital. Great time!!!



September 5: We had an AMAZING day volunteering for the Heart of America Marathon here in Columbia, Missouri! Volunteers from Friends of Mid-Missouri Fisher House had our friends along and directed traffic, got the tents set up and manned our support stations. We "rooted" for the runners, providing encouragement as we watched them through to the finish line. Finally, we helped break down the tents and with clean up. Thanks to all who have supported us in serving veterans and their families.



September 8: Rick Rice, one of our board members, represented Truman VA Hospital and the Friends of Mid-Missouri Fisher House at the annual Air Show located in Camdenton, Missouri. Great job!



Each year in September, Hogshead Cigars & Fine Tobaccos, located in Hermann Mo., sponsors a SmokeFest attended by hundreds of people. For the second year, we were invited to participate as the designated charity. Event sponsors generously donated the proceeds to help us build the Mid-Missouri Fisher House.

We continue to receive generous donations from many individuals, but we would especially like to thank the following companies, foundations and organizations for their continued support in the last several months.

**American Legion Auxiliary Post 624 - Sunrise Beach; Grand Chapter of Missouri Order of the Eastern Star – Columbia; Knights of Columbus, University of MO Council, No. 7231 – Columbia; Allen P. and Josephine B. Green Foundation; Wal-Mart Supercenter – Grindstone Parkway – Columbia; American Legion Post 202 – Columbia; Sons of the American Legion - Roscoe Enloe Post 5 - Jefferson City; Cruise King Entertainment – Columbia; AMVETS Post 153 – Mokane; Legion Riders Post 5 – Jefferson City; Order of the Eastern Star Chapter – Higginsville; Lowes – Jefferson City; VFW Post 2025 Auxiliary – Rolla; VFW Post 280 Auxiliary – Columbia.**



We are again participating in the CoMoGives campaign, which strives to raise donations for local mid-Missouri non-profit organizations. Last year, we raised more than \$2,800 and we are working to increase that amount this year. Even though construction of our house is underway, we are continuing our Capital Campaign in order to reach our goal of raising \$3 million in local funds to help fund the Mid-Missouri Fisher House. Can you help us? If you are looking for an easy way to help out the Friends of Mid-Missouri Fisher House financially, you may make a donation at [www.comogives.com](http://www.comogives.com) on November 29 through December 31, 2022.



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