

Okaloosa County News Release



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Be a Participant in the Emerald Coast Honor Flight “Welcome Home” *Northwest Florida Regional Airport Host WWII Veterans*

Commissioner John Jannazo, an escort on the Emerald Coast Honor Flight, “extends a personal invitation to citizens to come out to honor the ‘Greatest Generation.’” On **April 1, 2009, at 6:00 p.m.**, we invite you to join us as **we host the first Honor Flight** to leave from our **Northwest Florida Regional Airport**. This “**Welcome Home**” event will be the Third Emerald Coast Honor Flight overall, transporting 103 of our World War II veterans to Washington D.C. to view many of WWII monuments that were dedicated in their honor. The Emerald Coast Honor Flight, initiated in our area by Congressman Jeff Miller, is a non-profit organization honoring America’s WWII veterans for the sacrifices they made, and Honor Flights are celebrated nationwide.

The “Welcome Home” event, upon their return to Northwest Florida Regional Airport, promises to be a memorable, moving event for the returning veterans, the Airport and everyone involved. Join community and civic organizations for a reception gala, like no other, to honor these heroes of our generation. Festivities include Joint-Service Military Honor Guard, Marching Bands, Vintage Aircraft, U.S. Flags for all guests and FREE parking.

There is designated parking areas for the Welcome Home event, just look for signs upon arriving at the Northwest Florida Regional Airport. For more information, call the Northwest Florida Regional Airport, 850-651-7160 or visit www.emeraldcoasthonorflight.com. US Airways is the official airline of the Honor Flight program.

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