Notice concerning the 27 April 2013 Fisher/Nightingale Houses, Inc. "An All-American Evening.....Coming Home" event

On 12 February, following the "An All-American Evening....Coming Home" committee meeting, the Fisher/Nightingale Houses, Inc. (FNHI) received a call from the National Museum of the U. S. Air Force (NMUSAF). At the direction of the Director, they were letting us know that if the sequestration event and subsequent furloughs took place, the FNHI event would not be able to take place at the NMUSAF.

On 5 March, the FNHI Executive Director spoke with the NMUSAF Director. He said the FNHI should do what we feel is best but did offer up that the NMUSAF itself is having to cancel many of their events and/or delay their announcement in hopes of a change to the sequestration.

As such, the FNHI Executive Director spoke with several key committee members and the FNHI President. The Club on base has no Saturdays available in May or June. They will look at dates further down the road, but we feel it is not an optimal location (splitting the tables and food in one room while the auction items are in another room in addition to having to get non-base-connected people on base).

On 5 March 2013, regrettably, a decision was made to cancel the 27 April 2013 "An All-American Evening....Coming Home." The FNHI will advise each of the corporate sponsors and let them know of the decision. The FNHI will also have to advise other activities who have already begun and/or planned their support of the event.

It is our opinion that the FNHI will be able to meet their financial obligations this year — even in the absence of the "All-American Evening." Now is the time to make a decision before the FNHI expends additional monies in printing and postage expenses as well as gather RSVPs and then have to get in touch with each person later to let them know of a cancellation.

The sequestration activities are not a Wright-Patterson AFB, Air Force Materiel Command, U.S. Air Force or Department of Defense decision – it comes down from Congress and the President and the FNHI is an unfortunate victim of it.

We apologize for any inconvenience and are hopeful all of our supporters will join us in 2014 for the event (planned for 26 April).