

35th ANNUAL MINNESOTA AVIATION HALL OF FAME INDUCTION BANQUET GENERAL INFORMATION – April 12, 2025 CLASS OF 2025

Date: Saturday, April 12, 2025

Location: The Mystic Lake Center, Minnetonka Ballroom, 2400 Mystic Lake Blvd., Prior Lake, MN 55372. The Mystic Lake Center is west of the Casino/Resort and adjacent to the Mystic Lake Hotel. It is just south of the Little Six Casino. The Mystic Lake Center is a dedicated convention area and has its own separate entrance and parking lot. When arriving at the Mystic Lake complex, follow the signs to MYSTIC LAKE CENTER, not the casino! Do you wish to stay overnight? The Mystic Lake Hotel is gorgeous and we have a block of 25 rooms reserved at \$175/single or double occupancy until March 12. Here is the link:

https://mysticlake.reztrip.com/ext/promoRate?property=1290&mode=b&pm=true&sr=937570&vr=3 or call their Reservation Center 24/7 to book at 952-445-9000 and mention MN Aviation Hall of Fame. Parking at the banquet and hotel is complementary.

CLASS OF 2025 INDUCTEES

Mark R. Baker: Born and learned to fly in Minnesota. Aircraft restorer, corporate pilot, aircraft owner; made his mark in General Aviation and was elected CEO of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA), the organization that guides GA and represents General Aviation concerns before the US Congress.

Robert D. Cabana: A Minnesotan who as a Naval Aviator, managed many Navy programs and was selected as an Astronaut. He flew on four shuttle flights before being assigned to NASA office. He served as Director of the Kennedy Space Center, Manager of the Astronaut Office and retired as NASA Associate Administrator.

Randle S. Corfman: Born in Kansas, Corfman earned degrees in Obstetrics and Gynecology, moving to Minnesota in 1989. He administered flight physicals and established the Center for Reproductive Health in Minneapolis. He lectures and writes on related topics. He helped create and has led the Minnesota Pilots Association since 2013.

James C. Goodall: Goodall came to Minnesota in 1971 after ten years active duty with the US Air Force. As a MN Air Guard member, he helped start the MN Air Guard Museum, worked on restoring display aircraft and was solely responsible for acquiring the A-12 (SR-71) for the museum display. He has written 29 books on stealth aircraft and modern submarines.

Clarence J. Krotz: Came to Minnesota after serving in the Air Corps in WWII. He purchased a fishing lodge in Grand Marais and had the property licensed as an airport. It became the official Grand Marais Municipal Airport. He served on the airport Commission and for his service building the airport into one of Minnesota's finest, it is named after him.

Amanda Lee: A native Minnesotan, she was a high school athlete and enlisted in the Navy after attending the U of M, Duluth. Trained in the F/A-18 she served two combat deployments, and became an instructor pilot. She was selected to

fly as a member of the Blue Angels team, the first female chosen. In her Navy career, she made 225 arrested carrier landings and earned four Navy Achievement Medals.

Pioneer Nick Mamer: A Hastings, MN native, Mamer enlisted in the Army Air Service in 1916, served in WWI, credited with downing three German aircraft. He participated in the 1927 National Air Derby, held a record in 1929 for a non-stop flight from Spokane to New York and return, refueling in the air over five days aloft. He started his own airline, Mamer Air Transport, which was bought by Northwest Airlines, which held him on the payroll.

In addition to our Class of 2025 Inductees, the award for the **Best Minnesota Aviation Writing** will be given to LT COL (Ret) Lowell Ueland, BRIG GEN Greg Haase, TECH SGT Amy Lovgren, CHIEF MASTER SGT Kristin Von Eschen, CHIEF MASTER SGT (Ret) Bruce Graham for their team writing of "Century in the Sky: A Rich History of the 133rd Airlift Wing". The award for the **Best Minnesota Aviation Art** will be presented to Mark Naumann for his outstanding Aviation Photography.

Time: Social Hour – 4:45 pm Cash Bar Dinner – 6:00 in the Minnetonka Ballroom

Menu: Choice of Seared Airline Chicken Breast, Applewood Brown Sugar Smoked Pork Loin or Chef's Choice Vegetaria with Caesar Salad, Oven-Roasted Asparagus and Baby Carrots, Bacon and Green Onion Garlic Mashed Potatoes and dessert of Key Lime Cheesecake.

Induction Ceremony: follows dinner

Dress: Coat and Tie for Men/Cocktail attire for Ladies

Ticket Cost per person: \$95 per person and includes free parking.

There are two ways to purchase tickets - If you're paying with a check, Use the reservation form attached and mail with your check and reservation form to: MAHOF BANQUET, 6281 Mallory Lane, Eden Prairie, MN 55346. (Do not send your banquet reservations to the hotel). Be sure to indicate your choice of entrée. Payment is required with your order – we do not take phone reservations. Paying with a credit card? Go to Eventbrite at https://MAHOFInducteeBanquet2025.eventbrite.com. All reservations MUST arrive by April 6, 2025.

General reservations and refund deadline – April 6, 2025. Do you wish to be seated with a specific Inductee's group of friends and family? The deadline for those special seating requests is March 25, 2025 but after that date we will attempt to honor requests if possible. We attempt to seat supporters of each inductee in the same general area, on a first-come, first-serve basis. All seating is assigned, and no tickets will be sold at the door. There is a maximum of 10 guests per table. We expect a capacity crowd, so to ensure the best seating possible you are encouraged to send in your reservations early! We do not issue tickets, but ALL reservations will be acknowledged with an email or a regular letter of confirmation. Be sure to bring this confirmation with you on the night of the banquet. On arrival, there will be a name badge waiting for you with your table assignment and meal choice. No refunds will be issued after April 6, 2025.

PARKING AND DRIVING DIRECTIONS – The Mystic Lake complex is located southwest of the Twin Cities area and is easy to find. The banquet is held in the Minnetonka Ballroom at the Mystic Lake CENTER, (not in the casino). The Mystic Lake Center is a dedicated convention space with its own parking lot and entrance and is just south of the Little Six Casino. The address is 2400 Mystic Lake Blvd in Prior Lake, MN 55372. The phone number is (866) 832-6402. Upon arrival at the Mystic Lake complex, carefully follow the signs to parking for the Mystic Lake CENTER and from the parking lot it's a very short walk to the ballroom.

QUESTIONS OR NEED ASSISTANCE? - email BanquetReservations@mahof.org or call Carol at 952-906-2833.



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2400 Mystic Lake Blvd., Prior Lake, MN 55372

Banquet Reservation Form-Use this form for mail-in reservations only

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