



The All-American Boys Chorus

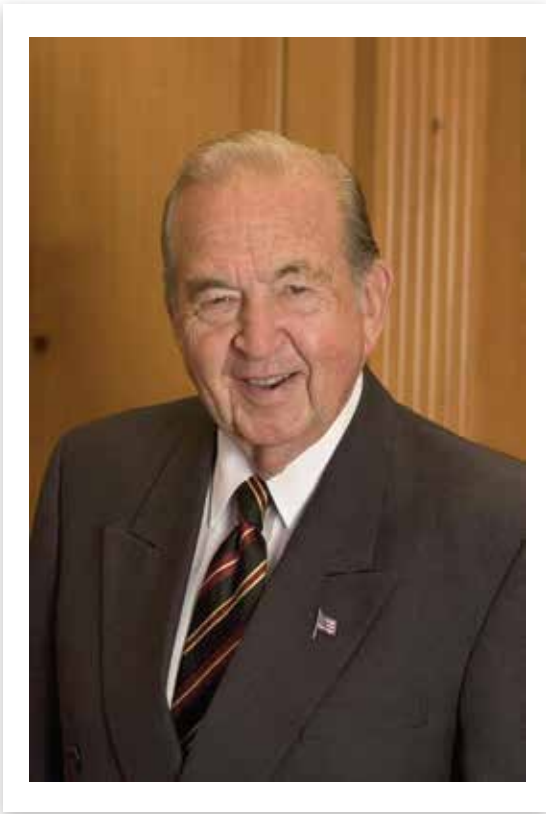
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Wings of Freedom

2014 Fall Gala

The Great American Awards

Major General William Lyon USAF (Ret)

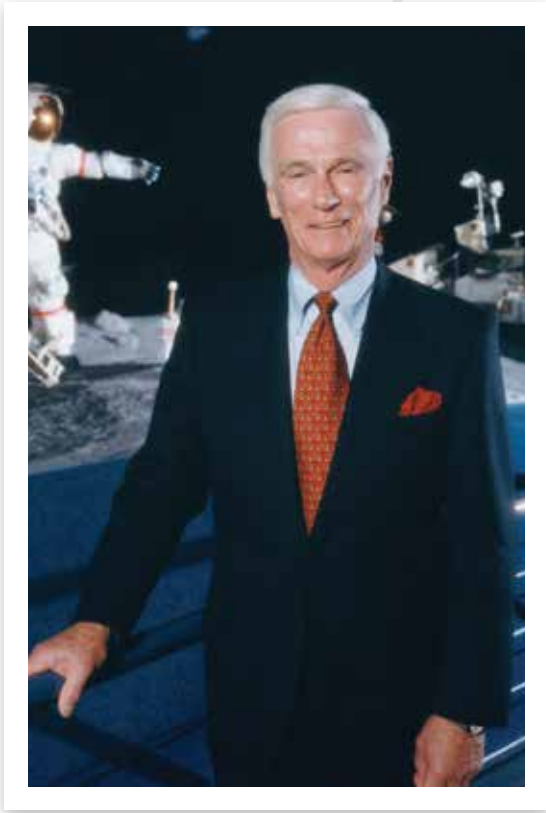


More than 50 years ago, General Lyon started building homes for returning military personnel and others attracted to the Golden State. This modest effort evolved to become William Lyon Homes, which is now one of the nation’s largest private homebuilders. Headquartered in Newport Beach, William Lyon Homes has constructed more than 100,000 new residences in Arizona, California and Nevada. General Lyon’s business success isn’t limited to homebuilding. In 1981 he and a partner purchased AirCal, a regional air carrier based in Newport Beach, California. General Lyon served as the Chairman & CEO until 1987 when AirCal was purchased by American Airlines. His love of flying then led him to acquire Martin Aviation, a fixed based operator, at John Wayne Airport in Orange County, California and in 2009 he established the Lyon Air Museum to preserve and promote the memory of World War II and “The Greatest Generation.”

During General Lyon’s distinguished military career of more than 35 years, he flew combat missions in Korea, as well as several assignments in Europe, the Pacific, and North Africa during World War II. General Lyon received numerous awards and decorations, including the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit, the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal (with three oak clusters), and the Presidential Unit Citation.

General Lyon’s military contributions further extend to serving at the Pentagon as Chief of the Air Force Reserve from 1975 to 1979. In this position, he was responsible for managing a \$700 million budget as well as the activities of some 53,000 Air Force reservists. General Lyon has always been an active supporter of community organizations. He currently serves as a director on the Segerstrom Center for the Arts Board (a former chairman of that board). General Lyon is the founding chairman of the Orangewood Children’s Foundation, and past chairman of Boy Scouts of America, Orange County Council. A Los Angeles native, General Lyon, and his wife, Willa Dean Lyon, have five children and six grandchildren.

Captain Eugene A. Cernan USN (Ret)



During 20 years as a Naval Aviator, including 13 years with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), Captain Eugene A. Cernan left his mark on history with three historic missions in space as the Pilot of Gemini IX, the Lunar Module Pilot of Apollo X, and the Commander of Apollo XVII. After flying to the moon not once, but twice, he also holds the distinction of being the second American to walk in space and the last man to have left his footprints on the lunar surface.

Captain Cernan received a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from Purdue University in 1956 and a Master of Science degree in Aeronautical Engineering from the United States Naval Post Graduate School in 1963. Among his numerous honors, the most significant are the Navy Distinguished Flying Cross, the Distinguished Service Medal with Star, the NASA Distinguished Service Medal, the FAI International Gold Medal for Space, induction into the U.S. Space Hall of Fame, enshrinement into the National Aviation Hall of Fame, Naval Aviation’s Hall of Honor and the International Aerospace Hall of Fame. Captain Cernan was awarded NASA’s first Ambassador of Exploration Award, the Federal Aviation Administration’s prestigious Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award, and the 2007 Lindbergh Spirit Award presented only every five years. In December 2007, The National Aeronautic Association presented Captain Cernan with one of the most prestigious aviation trophies in the world, the Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy, in Washington, DC.

Captain Cernan authored the book, “*THE LAST MAN ON THE MOON*” which was published in 1999. He gives his time to support many aviation-related causes and travels overseas on good-will tours for our military. He enjoys spending time with his daughters and his grandchildren and still has his ranch in the Texas hill country.





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Like many non-profit organizations, tuition and performance fees do not cover all of the AABC's expenses. A revenue gap of approximately 25% needs to be covered through fundraising. We rely on generous donors such as you and your organization to support our mission to motivate and build character in boys through unparalleled opportunities for musical training, performance, leadership, travel and community service. Your giving inspires great achievement!

Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you at our 2014 Fall Gala!

Victoria Nelson
Gala Co-Chair

Huey Yann Ooi
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Sponsorship Opportunities

Great American \$7,500

30 minute concert with 15 boys at your event at any Southern California location
12 tickets to a VIP Meet and Greet Reception with Major General William Lyon and Captain Eugene Cernan
4 VIP Orchestra tickets at the Christmas and Summer concerts
Recognition in Gala program (if confirmed by October 1, 2014)
Recognition in Christmas and Summer concert programs

Liberty \$3,500

6 tickets to a VIP Meet and Greet Reception with Major General William Lyon and Captain Eugene Cernan
4 VIP Orchestra tickets at the Christmas and Summer concerts
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Independence \$1,000

2 tickets to a VIP Meet and Greet Reception with Major General William Lyon and Captain Eugene Cernan
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Recognition in Christmas and Summer concert programs



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Auction Item Donation Form

Introduce your brand to a new audience: donate an item for The All-American Boys Chorus 2014 Fall Gala "Wings of Freedom" Fundraiser! Your item will appear on the Bidding for Good website for over 400,000 registered bidders to see.

Your organization will also be recognized in gala promotional materials. For questions about auction item donation, please contact Barbara Bell at (949) 697-5235 or bbsanclemente@gmail.com

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☐ I will send or drop off the item to The All-American Boys Chorus
**If you require a physical street address for mailing purposes, please send to
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