

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

VON GALEN, COUNT FERDINAND - CHAIRMAN

Chairman of the Board

A long-time aviation enthusiast and successful investor, Count Ferdinand von Galen serves as Chairman of the Arizona Aerospace Foundation.

Born near Muenster, Westphalia, Germany, Count von Galen was educated at Oxford University in England and Bonn University Law School. He currently owns and operates the Rail X Ranch in Patagonia, Arizona. Count von Galen is a private investor and served as Chairman of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange. (Now the German Stock Exchange)

He chaired one of the largest private investment banks in Germany. He also served on the Board of Directors of several European and American Corporations and Institutions including, the United States Trust Company, North American Rockwell, US Filter Corporation, Bangor-Punta Corporation, Lone Star Industries, Man-Roland AG and Georgetown University.

Count von Galen resides in Patagonia, Arizona.

DRACHMAN, BOYD - VICE CHAIRMAN

Boyd P. Drachman President Drachman Insurance Services, Inc.

Boyd P. Drachman is President and owner of Drachman Insurance Services, a commercial insurance brokerage agency in Tucson specializing in property, casualty, surety and employee benefits for businesses. He began his career at the age of 21 in 1977 with a regional brokerage firm and completed an internship with a large London broker in 1979. In 1984 he founded Drachman Leed Insurance and in 2011, started his present company.

Mr. Drachman has been active in many local private and governmental organizations and committees including past director of the Tucson Conquistadors, past member of the Centurions, current vice chairman of the Arizona Aero Space Foundation/Pima Air Museum, past member of the Tucson/Pima County Historical Commission, and current member of the Pima County Trial Courts Nominating Committee.

Mr. Drachman is an avid pilot, hunter, fisherman and outdoorsman. A lifelong resident of Tucson, Mr. Drachman lives with his wife and children on Tucson's east side.

GEORGE HENDERSON - TREASURER

George Henderson

Mr. Henderson graduated from the University of Arizona with a BS in Business Administration. A shareholder with Beach, Fleischman & Co., P.C., Mr. Henderson has planned and performed audits, reviews and compilations of numerous privately held companies during his twenty-four years in public accounting. He coordinates income tax planning and compliance services, and performs other business consulting. He has industry experience with construction, employee benefit plans, manufacturing, real estate, retailing, service industries, transportation, water companies and wholesaling. He is also a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Arizona Society of Certified Public Accountants. Mr. Henderson came to the Arizona Aerospace Foundation Board in February 2003. In addition to serving as the Treasurer of AAF, he is the Treasurer of the Verde Ranch Homeowners' Association and was the Treasurer of the Children's Museum Tucson for nine years. His past executive duties with other agencies includes roles of President and Treasurer of the Sahuaro Optimist Club and Tucson Pop Warner.

ABRAMS, GARY

Gary L. Abrams

Gary L. Abrams was born and raised in Tucson, Arizona. He began his career as a second generation leader of Abrams Airborne Manufacturing, Inc., a precision sheetmetal manufacturing company that was founded by his father in 1965. Gary currently serves as the President of Abrams Airborne. Gary is also the President of Vltor Weapons Systems, a weapons manufacturing company that supplies weapon accessories to the US Military and many law enforcement agencies. He is an owner and the President of Milkor USA, Inc., a manufacturer of the M32A1 multi-shot grenade launcher.

As a lifelong pilot, Gary's passion of flying and his drive for business enabled him to establish two companies in the field of aviation. Gary is the President of Pima Aviation, which acts as the long term lease holder of the Marana Regional Airport, as well as the President of a FBO at Marana Regional Airport, titled Tucson Aeroservice

Center. Gary has been an active member of the Pima Air and Space Museum for many years serving as a past President, and currently serving his third term as the Trustee on the Board of Supervisors.

Gary continues to be an active member in the aviation industry, military and community through the various businesses. He has inspired youth through flight programs at Tucson Aeroservice Center and Pima Aviation. Milkor USA and Vltor Weapon Systems serve as a voice for Gary's immense support for the Nation's armed forces. Finally, through Abrams Airborne, Gary continues to improve and give back to the very community in which he grew up.

BARRETT, RICK

Rick Barrett

Rick Barrett is the retired CEO of Intergroup Healthcare Corporation, one of the largest physician-owned HMO's in the country, operating in 7 states. Intergroup was founded in 1979 and operated until sold in 1995. The company became publically traded in 1991. After Intergroup, in 1996 Mr. Barrett worked with USAID. USAID supports the goals and efforts of Russia's National Priority Project on Health, serving as a catalyst for change by introducing international best practices, advocating for policy change, and developing effective models that could be replicated throughout the country. Mr. Barrett worked on the initiative specifically for Siberia. Known as just "Rick" to all, Mr. Barrett is a Tucson native. He has served on the local boards of The Arizona Nature Conservancy, the Arizona State Museum, Tucson Airport Authority, and Tucson Museum of Art, to name a few.

BLANCHARD, COL. KEVIN

COLONEL KEVIN E. BLANCHARD

Col. Kevin E. Blanchard is the Commander of the 355th Fighter Wing on Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz. He is responsible for one of the largest installations and flying operations in the United States Air Force, with more than 7,000 Airmen, 3,200 civilians, and more than 100 aircraft. He is responsible for organizing, training and equipping a 22-squadron wing, including three fighter squadrons. The wing provides A-10C aircraft for close air support and forward air control, combat support, and medical forces for combatant commander worldwide



requirements. He is also responsible for training A-10C for the entire Total Force and is the Air Combat Command executive agent for Intermediate Range Nuclear Forces and Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty compliance.

Colonel Blanchard was commissioned in 1991 after graduating from the U.S. Air Force Academy with a Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry and Biology.

Colonel Blanchard has flown combat and combat support missions in the A-10 in support of operations Southern Watch and Enduring Freedom and was a member of the Combined Joint Task Force-180 Air Component Coordination Element supporting Operation Enduring Freedom. He is a graduate of the U.S. Army's Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kan., and earned a Master of Arts in Strategic Studies from Air War College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. Most recently, Colonel Blanchard was vice commander of the 451st Air Expeditionary Wing at Kandahar Airfield, Afghanistan, where he led more than 2,500 Airmen across five forward operating locations employing, maintaining and supporting a mixed fleet of more than 130 aircraft.

Colonel Blanchard is a command pilot with more than 3,000 total hours in HC-130P, (O)A-10A, A-10C, and MC-12W aircraft with more than 500 combat hours over Iraq and Afghanistan.

EDUCATION

1991 Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry and Biology, United States Air Force Academy, Colo.

1994 Masters of Science in Chemistry, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, N.C.

1995 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

2005 U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, Ft Leavenworth, Kan.

2011 Air War College, Master of Arts in Strategic Studies, Air University, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. August 1991 – August 1992, student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, Sheppard AFB, Texas

2. January 1993 – May 1994, student, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, N.C.

3. Jun 1994 – July 1995, Financial Services Officer, 82nd Training Wing, Sheppard AFB, Texas

4. February 1996 – May 1997, HC-130 pilot/Chief of Current Operations, 71st Rescue Squadron, Patrick AFB, Fla.

5. May 1997 – December 1998, HC-130 pilot/Assistant Chief of Tactics, 71st Rescue Squadron, Moody AFB, Ga.
6. December 1998 – September 2001, A-10 Aircraft Commander/Chief of Training/Flight Commander, 355th Fighter Squadron, Eielson AFB, Alaska
7. September 2001 – July 2004, A-10 Instructor Pilot/Chief of Scheduling/Chief of Stan/Eval, 357th Fighter Squadron, Operations Group Stan/Eval Flight Examiner, 355th Operations Group, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.
8. July 2004 – July 2005, student, U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.
9. July 2005 – July 2006, USFK J35 Special Technical Operations Chief, Youngsan AIN, South Korea
10. July 2006 – October 2007, A-10 Instructor Pilot/Assistant Director of Operations/Director of Operations, 355th Fighter Squadron, Eielson AFB, Alaska
11. October 2007 – July 2010, A-10C Instructor Pilot/Director of Operations, 357th Fighter Squadron, Director of Staff/Chief of Safety, 355th Fighter Wing, and Commander, 355th Operations Support Squadron, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.
12. July 2010 – Jun 2011, student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
13. July 2011 – July 2012, Vice Wing Commander, 451st Air Expeditionary Wing, Kandahar Airfield, Afghanistan
14. Aug 2012 – Present, Commander, 355th Fighter Wing, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: More than 3,000

Aircraft flown: (O)A-10A, A-10C, HC-130P, MC-12W

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Bronze Star Medal

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Joint Service Achievement Medal

Air Force Achievement Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant May 29, 1991

First Lieutenant May 29, 1993

Captain May 29, 1995

Major March 1, 2002
Lieutenant Colonel Feb 1, 2007
Colonel September 1, 2011

BHUDABHATTI, CHANDA

Chanda S. Bhudabhatti FAeSI

Chanda Bhudabhatti was brought up to equal her two brothers – breaking the traditional mold of India women by becoming the third woman commercial pilot of India. Chanda was the Founder/President of the Indian Women Pilot’s Association and has been a member of many aviation organizations. Chanda was the first non-US candidate for Presidency of the Ninety-Nines, Inc. Chanda pioneered and chaired major events such as the 1986 & 1994 World Aviation, Education & Safety Congress. Chanda’s effort to promote aviation amongst women worldwide and especially in India is evident. After fifteen years of continuous efforts by Chanda, the Indian Air Force opened the doors for women pilots. Chanda was the first Asian woman to receive the “Chuck Yeager Aerospace Education Award”.

DORLAND, GRAHAM

Graham Dorland

Graham Dorland graduated from Arizona State University in 1965. He is a successful entrepreneur who founded and served as the CEO of ABX Air, Inc., dba Airborne Express, the third largest package express carrier in the US and the only air carrier to own a Cat II Airport. Mr. Dorland later partnered in the development of DC-9 Hush Kits and then he went on to found and serve as the CEO of Nautamatic Marine Systems, Inc., a marine autopilot manufacturer. His most recent venture is the Inde Motorsports Ranch in Wilcox, Arizona, the only sanctioned track in Arizona by the Sports Car Club of America.

FISHKIND, DR. WILLIAM

William J. Fishkind, MD, FACS

William J. Fishkind, MD, FACS is a Clinical Professor at the University of Arizona and the University of Utah. He is a Director of the Fishkind, Bakewell, Maltzman, Eye Care And Surgery Center in Tucson, Arizona.

He attained his medical degree from Tufts University School of Medicine and completed an internship in medicine at Mount Auburn Hospital, both in Boston. He then completed the Harvard Primary Care Internal Medicine Residency, and taught at Harvard. He is board certified in internal medicine.

He practiced general medicine and was medical director at the USPHS Indian Hospital in Sacaton, Arizona. He was awarded the USPHS Commendation Medal during his tenure there.

He subsequently completed an ophthalmology residency at a combined program of the USPHS Hospital and Louisiana State University in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Dr. Fishkind is board certified in ophthalmology, a Fellow of the American Board of Ophthalmology and has been awarded their senior honor award. Additionally he is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. He is a member of multiple committees of the American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery and the American Academy of Ophthalmology. He is past president of the Outpatient Ophthalmology Surgery Society.

Presently, Dr. Fishkind practices in Tucson, Arizona, but travels extensively teaching both nationally and internationally. He has been a visiting professor at many universities, given many scientific presentations, and has authored many articles as well as book chapters on phacoemulsification and intra-ocular lens implantation.

He has authored numerous textbook chapters but is most proud of his accomplishment as editor of his textbook, Complications in Phacoemulsification; Avoidance, Recognition, and Management which has been published by Thieme Publications in New York City.

He is one of America's top doctors from 2009 to the present and is listed in "Who's Who in America."

Dr. Fishkind is married to Wendy Weston Fishkind, a physical therapist. They have two children and 3 grandchildren.

JOHNSTON, LT. GEN. ROBERT

LtGen. Robert B. Johnston, USMC (Ret)

Lieutenant General Johnston joined the Marine Corps in 1961 and has served various tours in Vietnam, Lebanon and in the Persian Gulf. During the Gulf War, Lieutenant General Johnston was the Chief of Staff to General Norman Schwarzkopf and was instrumental in the liberation of Kuwait. Following that assignment, he commanded the US multinational force in Somalia. He retired from the Corps in 1995 and Lieutenant General Johnston serves on the Governor's Military Affairs Commission and is a member of the Southern Arizona Leadership Council. Lieutenant General Johnston came to the Arizona Aerospace Foundation Board in February 2003.

LEPPER, COL. ROBERT

COLONEL ROBERT S. LEPPER, JR.

Colonel Robert Lepper is the Commander of the 309th Aerospace Maintenance and Regeneration Group, Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Arizona. He leads a 670 person workforce dedicated to aerospace storage and preservation, aircraft parts reclamation, aircraft regeneration, depot-level maintenance overflow, and aircraft disposal in support of the Department of Defense and other government agencies including NASA and the Department of Homeland Security. The group encompasses 2,600 acres, providing secure storage for 4,000 aircraft, strategic missiles, and production tooling valued at \$34 billion. Colonel Lepper directs financial activities for an annual operating budget of approximately \$122 million in both operations and maintenance and depot maintenance activity group funds.



Colonel Lepper enlisted in the Air Force in March 1982 and was commissioned from Officer Training School in 1991. Colonel Lepper holds the master aircraft maintenance badge and has served in various leadership positions in aircraft maintenance, missile operations and supply. He has served on the Air Staff at the Pentagon, is a former deputy group commander

during combat operations and a two-time graduated squadron commander, with his squadron twice named the Air Force Special Operations Command's Maintenance Effectiveness Award winner while he was the commander.

Colonel Lapper's aircraft maintenance expertise includes the B-52G, B-1B, KC-135A/R, E-8A, RC-135, UH-1H/N, TH-1H, HH-3E, HH-60, MH-53J, C-21, C-130H/J, HC-130N/P, MC-130H/P, F-15E, F-16A, F-4 and the A/OA-10A.

EDUCATION:

1990 Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering Technology, University of the State of New York, Albany, NY

1995 Master of Science in Management/Aeronautics, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, FL

1996 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL

2004 Air Command and Staff College (Non-residence)

2006 Master of Military Operational Art and Science, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL

2007 Air War College (Non-residence)

2012 Master of Science – National Resource Strategy, Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Ft McNair, Washington, DC

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. March 1982 - April 1982, Trainee, Basic Training, Lackland AFB TX
2. April 1982 - July 1982, Student, Aircraft Electrical Systems Course, Chanute AFB IL
3. August 1982 - October 1990, Aircraft Electrician, Wurtsmith AFB MI
4. October 1990 - February 1991, Officer Trainee, Officer Training School, Medina Annex, Lackland AFB TX
5. March 1991 - July 1991, Student, Missile Combat Crew Undergraduate Training Course, Vandenberg AFB CA
6. July 1991 - September 1993, Missile Combat Crew Deputy Commander and then Missile Combat Crew Commander, 66th Missile Squadron, Ellsworth AFB SD

7. September 1993 - February 1994, Student, Aircraft/Ammunition Maintenance Officer Course, Sheppard AFB TX
8. February 1994 - May 1997, Assistant Squadron Maintenance Officer/Sortie Generation Flight Commander, 41st Rescue Squadron, Patrick AFB FL
9. June 1997 - October 1997, Student, Supply Operations Officer Bridge Course, Lackland AFB TX
10. October 1997 - June 1999, Materiel Storage and Distribution Flight Command and then Combat Operations Support Flight Commander, 48th Supply Squadron, RAF Lakenheath UK
11. July 1999 - June 2000, Sortie Generation Flight Commander, 494th Fighter Squadron, RAF Lakenheath UK
12. June 2000 - August 2001, Maintenance Supervisor, 23d Maintenance Squadron, Pope AFB NC
13. August 2001 - September 2002, Squadron Maintenance Officer, 75th Fighter Squadron, Pope AFB NC
14. October 2002 - June 2003, Maintenance Operations Officer, 23d Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Pope AFB NC
15. June 2003 – June 2005, Commander, 58th Maintenance Operations Squadron, Kirtland AFB NM
16. July 2005 – June 2006, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB AL
17. June 2006 – May 2008, Commander, 352d Maintenance Squadron, RAF Mildenhall UK
18. June 2008 – June 2009, Deputy Commander, 379th Expeditionary Maintenance Group, Al Udeid AB SWA
19. July 2009 – June 2010, Mobility Air Forces/Special Operations Forces Branch Chief, HAF, Pentagon, Washington DC
20. June 2010 – June 2011, Executive Officer for Air Force Director of Logistics, HAF, Pentagon, Washington DC
21. July 2011 – June 2012, Student, Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Fort McNair, Washington DC
22. July 2012 – Present, Commander, 309th Aerospace Maintenance and Regeneration Group, Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Bronze Star Medal with oak leaf cluster

Meritorious Service Medal with six oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster
Air Force Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster
Meritorious Unit Award with oak leaf cluster
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award w/Valor with eleven oak leaf clusters
Combat Readiness Medal
Southwest Asia Service Medal with campaign star
Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal
Afghanistan Campaign Medal with campaign star

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

AFSOC Nominee for the Lieutenant General Leo Marquez Award
Distinguished and Outstanding Graduate from Squadron Officer School
Distinguished Graduate from Aircraft Maintenance Officer Course
Distinguished Graduate from Supply Operations Officer Bridge Course
Distinguished Graduate from Missile Combat Crew Course
John L. Levitow Award winner at NCO Leadership School

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATES:

2010 Acquisition Professional Development Program (APDP) Level One in
Life Cycle Logistics
2012 Supply Chain Management, Industrial College of the Armed Forces

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant February 13, 1991
First Lieutenant February 13, 1993
Captain February 13, 1995
Major February 1, 2002
Lieutenant Colonel December 1, 2006
Colonel April 1, 2012

RUSING, MICK

Michael Rusing

Michael “Mick” Rusing is a founding member of the law firm Rusing Lopez & Lizardi, P.L.L.C., formerly Rusing and Lopez, P.L.L.C. Mr. Rusing is a graduate of Stanford Law School. He has received many top honors and awards in the legal field and has also authored numerous professional legal publications. Among his major practice areas is Business Litigation, including Construction, Real Estate, Labor and Employment Law and Environmental Law. Some of his community and social activities include board membership in the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, Los Charros del Desierto, senior member of the Tucson Conquistadores, as well as serving as a lifetime member of the Tucson Fiesta Bowl Committee.

SMITH, PETER

Biography

Dr. Peter H. Smith is a Professor Emeritus at the University of Arizona, Lunar and Planetary Laboratory in Tucson, Arizona. He received his master’s degree in optical sciences from the University of Arizona in 1977 and a doctorate in 2009. He has participated in numerous space missions including the Pioneer missions to Venus, Jupiter, and Saturn, but most notable has been his long term involvement with Mars instrumentation starting with the Imager for Mars Pathfinder in 1993. After a successful mission in 1997, he built cameras for the Mars Polar Lander and a 2001 mission although neither mission successfully made it to Mars. From 2002 to 2009 he led the Phoenix mission to the northern polar region on Mars. In the summer of 2008, this mission was operated from a facility at the UA and led to several important scientific discoveries. Currently, he is a member of the OSIRIS-REx sample-return mission to a nearby asteroid, a mission that launches in 2016, arrives at the asteroid in 2020, and returns to Earth with a precious sample in 2023. Dr. Smith has been a member of the Pima Air and Space Museum for more than a decade and his interest is in promoting the Space aspect of the museum.

TALLICHET, JOHN

John Tallichet

John Tallichet graduated from the University of Southern California and he also holds MBA degrees from the Haas School of Business at UC Berkeley and the Columbia Business School at Columbia University. Mr. Tallichet has over 25 years of

restaurant industry experience and he is the CEO and President of Specialty Restaurants Corporation where he is responsible for the company's restaurant, real estate and aviation divisions. Mr. Tallichet is a member of the California Restaurant Association and has served on the CRA's Orange County Board of Directors. He also serves as a board advisor to The Sam Pievac Company and he is a Trustee of the Flight Test Historical Foundation which supports the development of the Air Force Flight Test Museum at Edwards AFB, California and the museum's Blackbird Airpark Annex at USAF Plant 42 in nearby Palmdale.

VIOLETT, MAJ. GEN. RUSSELL

Russell L. Violet

Former United States Air Force Major General Russell L. Violet holds a Bachelor of Arts in Building Industry and Real Estate from the University of Denver. He also completed Armed Forces Staff College in 1973, and the Air War College in 1978.

Russ had more than 300 combat hours serving two tours flying F-105's against targets in Laos and North Vietnam. He has logged over 3,600 flying hours in combat aircraft including the F-100, F-105, F-106, F-4, A-10, T-33, T-38, and T-39. A long-time resident of Tucson, Russ retired from the Air Force in 1987 and consulted with the Aerospace Industry in marketing and management services until 2007.

ZACCARIA, BERT

Bert L. Zaccaria
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Mr. Zaccaria has been a pri