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Glynn Lunney Wins 2005 National Space Trophy

The Board of Advisors of the Rotary National Award for Space Achievement (RNASA) Foundation is pleased to announce that Dr. Glynn Lunney, former Apollo flight director, manager of Apollo and Shuttle programs, and retired Vice President of United Space Alliance, is the recipient of the prestigious 2005 National Space Trophy.

The award is presented annually to an individual who has excelled in furthering national goals in the field of space. RNASA Advisor Dr. Chris Kraft called Lunney "one of the outstanding contributors to the exploration of space of the last four decades. He has been there when the final decisions were required to save the lives of the men involved, and at the same time, prove that the undertaking was worth while."

Dr. Lunney started work at Lewis (now Glenn) Research Center in Cleveland, Ohio, and came to Houston with the Space Task Group in 1962. He was a flight director for the Apollo 11 moon landing and the dramatic rescue of Apollo 13's aborted flight. He diplomatically led the Apollo-Soyuz Test Project to a successful handshake in space between Cold War enemies. He was a key manager during the Space Shuttle program's early missions, and as head of Rockwell and then United Space Alliance's Houston offices, led the transition of shuttle operations to private industry. Dr. Lunney currently resides in Houston with his wife, Marilyn.

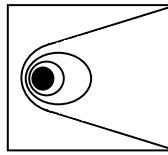
RNASA Advisor General Jefferson Howell said, "Lunney's innovation and dedication to the U.S. space flight program has set a standard for current and future generations of space explorers. As a manager, he inspired his employees to do their best work and offered direction and encouragement to his team when challenges arose; as an explorer, he always looked toward the future and saw the endless possibilities and benefits of man's journey into space."

Dr. Kraft added, "Glynn Lunney is a true hero of the space age, and he deserves the recognition that the National Space Trophy is meant to provide."

Dr. Lunney will receive his award at a multi-media event on Friday, April 22, 2005 at the Hyatt Regency in downtown Houston. Miles O'Brien of CNN will serve as MC.

"When I was informed of my selection for this award, I felt incredibly honored to be so recognized by the Rotary and its members," Dr. Lunney said. "In receiving this award, I know that it is really a reflection of so many talented and dedicated people, with whom I was privileged to serve over the course of our careers together."

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The nonprofit Rotary National Award for Space Achievement Foundation was formed in 1985 by the Space Center Rotary club of Houston. More information about the Foundation, previous trophy winners, and this year's event is available at www.RNASA.org.

Contact RNASA President Floyd Bennett to arrange an interview with Dr. Lunney. Photos are posted online at: <http://www.rnasa.org/press.htm>. For historical photos, please contact Marianne Dyson at admin@rnasa.org. Attendance at the event is by invitation or through corporate sponsorship only. Accredited media representatives wishing to attend should contact Floyd Bennett to reserve a ticket.

Glynn S. Lunney Biography

The 2005 National Space Trophy winner is former Apollo flight director and Shuttle manager, Glynn S. Lunney. Born in Old Forge, Pennsylvania, Lunney graduated from the University of Detroit in 1958 in aeronautical engineering. He went to work at the Lewis (now Glenn) Research Center in Cleveland, Ohio and transferred to Langley in Virginia in 1958. Lunney joined the Space Task Group in 1959, moved to Houston in 1962, and became chief of the Flight Dynamics Branch. He was a flight director for Gemini and Apollo, including Apollo 11 and 13, and head of the Flight Director's Office starting in 1968. He received an honorary Doctor of Laws from the University of Scranton in 1971. In 1972, Lunney became manager of the Apollo-Soyuz Test Project (ASTP), a sensitive joint venture between the United States and the Soviet Union (now Russia). Lunney also managed the Apollo Spacecraft Office starting in 1973. ASTP successfully completed its mission in 1975, and Lunney became manager of the Shuttle Payload Integration and Development Program. From 1976 to 1980, Lunney served at NASA Headquarters, first as deputy associate administrator for Space Flight, and then as acting associate administrator for Space Transportation Operations. In 1981, Lunney returned to Houston as manager of the Shuttle program for its first 17 flights, overseeing all vehicle systems engineering, design, and integration. Lunney left NASA in 1985 to lead Rockwell International's Houston Operations that became part of United Space Alliance (USA) in 1995. Lunney was Vice President and Program Manager of USA's Space Flight Operations contract until his retirement in 1999.

Professional and Honorary Societies: Pi Tau Sigma (Mechanical Engineering Honor Society); Tau Beta Pi (Engineering Honor Society); Fellow, American Astronautical Society (AAS); Fellow, American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA).

Previous Awards: NASA group achievement awards for Mercury in 1962, for Gemini in 1967, for Apollo team in 1967 and 1968. NASA performance and outstanding/exceptional/distinguished service awards 1964, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1975, 1980, 1985. Government executive awards in 1981, 1983, 1985. AIAA Lawrence Sperry Award 1970 for recognizing outstanding contributions to the field of aeronautics by an engineer under 35 years of age; Arthur S. Flemming Award 1973 for meritorious service while working for the U.S. Government; AIAA Louis W. Hill Space Transportation Award 1976; International Astronautical Federation Allan D. Emil Memorial Award 1978 for outstanding contribution to space science and technology and promotion of international cooperation in astronautics; AAS W. Randolph Lovelace II Award 1983 for outstanding contributions to space science and technology.