

1980 WRIGHT MEMORIAL DINNER

EVENING PROGRAM PLAN

6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

General Reception in Sheraton Foyer

7:20 p.m.

Head Table guests and wives report to Wilmington Room for Head Table line up.

Hotel to blink lights in Foyer. Hotel switchboard phone suites.

USMC Drum & Bugle Corps begins playing from the stairs.

7:25 p.m.

Hotel blinks lights for second time in Foyer.

7:30 p.m.

Bars are closed.

Guests take their places in the Sheraton Washington Ballroom.

7:40 p.m. PRESIDENT,
AERO CLUB

GOOD EVENING, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. I AM BOB WILLIAMS, PRESIDENT OF THE AERO CLUB OF WASHINGTON, THE OLDEST ACTIVE AVIATION CLUB IN THE NATION, WHICH IS YOUR HOST FOR THE 33RD ANNUAL WRIGHT MEMORIAL DINNER.

THE AERO CLUB WAS FOUNDED IN 1909 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROMOTING AND RECOGNIZING SIGNIFICANT AVIATION ACHIEVEMENT, AND SPONSORS NUMEROUS WIDE-RANGING PROGRAMS AND FORUMS AIMED AT PRESERVING AND PROTECTING THIS COUNTRY'S HERITAGE IN THE AIR. THE AERO CLUB CARRIES OUT ITS PURPOSE THROUGH AEROSPACE EDUCATION SUPPORT TO HIGH SCHOOLS, SCHOLARSHIPS TO THE CIVIL AIR PATROL, AND THROUGH MANY OTHER AVIATION-RELATED ACTIVITIES. WE ALSO SUPPORT, AS AN AFFILIATED MEMBER, THE NATIONAL AERONAUTIC ASSOCIATION. THE FOUNDERS OF THE AERO

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CLUB INCLUDE SUCH FAMOUS NAMES AS: ORVILLE WRIGHT, AUGUSTUS POST, LINCOLN BEACHEY, BENJAMIN FOULOIS, AND ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL.

TONIGHT, THE AERO CLUB AGAIN IS PRIVILEGED TO TAKE PART IN HONORING AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS MADE A SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION TO THE AIR AND SPACE INDUSTRY, AND WE ARE PLEASED TO HAVE AS OUR MASTER OF CEREMONIES ~~TONIGHT~~ SENATOR BOB DOLE FROM KANSAS, WHO HAS HAD A DISTINGUISHED CAREER IN UNITED STATES POLITICS, STARTING AT AGE 26 IN THE KANSAS LEGISLATURE, MOVING ON TO THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN 1960 THROUGH 1966 AND ON TO THE SENATE IN 1968. HE WAS JUST RECENTLY RE-ELECTED FROM KANSAS FOR HIS THIRD TERM AND, WHEN THE 97TH CONGRESS CONVENES NEXT YEAR, HE WILL BE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, YOUR MASTER OF CEREMONIES, SENATOR BOB DOLE.

SENATOR BOB DOLE

I THANK THE AERO CLUB FOR PROVIDING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE THE MASTER OF CEREMONIES OF THIS MOST PRESTIGIOUS AVIATION EVENT. I HAVE LONG BEEN A SUPPORTER OF THE AERO CLUB AND ITS GOALS, AND ALSO SUPPORTED LEGISLATION WHICH WOULD

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PROMOTE AND ASSIST IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE UNITED STATES' AIR TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM.

I WOULD NOW LIKE TO INTRODUCE OUR DISTINGUISHED GUESTS AT THE HEAD TABLE, WHO HAVE ALSO HAD A SPECIAL INTEREST IN THE CONTINUING DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF THE AVIATION INDUSTRY.

(3 x 5 CARD LIST TO BE FURNISHED).

I WOULD ASK THAT THE HEAD TABLE GUESTS WOULD STAND ONCE THEY ARE INTRODUCED AND REMAIN STANDING UNTIL THE ENTIRE TABLE IS INTRODUCED.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PRESENT TO YOU OUR DISTINGUISHED HEAD TABLE GUESTS FOR THE 33RD WRIGHT MEMORIAL DINNER.

WOULD YOU PLEASE RISE FOR THE INVOCATION AND REMAIN STANDING FOR THE PRESENTATION OF COLORS AND JOIN US IN THE SINGING OF OUR NATIONAL ANTHEM.
(Introduce Senator Jennings Randolph).

At the Amen of the Invocation, Colors are played into the room by the USMC Drum & Bugle Corps. The National Anthem is played. Colors are played out of the room. The Marine Corps Hymn is then played.

8:00 p.m. Senator Bob Dole

WE WISH TO EXPRESS OUR SPECIAL THANKS TO THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS DRUM AND BUGLE CORPS AND COLOR GUARD.

PLEASE BE SEATED AND ENJOY YOUR DINNER.

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9:30 p.m.

Dessert finished. Waiters leave room.
PROGRAM BEGINS.

SENATOR BOB DOLE

MRS. BEECH, DISTINGUISHED GUESTS, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, --- WE NOW COME TO THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE EVENING --- THE PRESENTATION OF THE WRIGHT BROTHERS MEMORIAL TROPHY.

AT THIS TIME, I WOULD LIKE TO READ TO YOU AN ARTICLE PRINTED THIS WEEK IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ABOUT MRS. BEECH.

I WISH TO TAKE THIS OCCASION TO PAY TRIBUTE TO A MOST DISTINGUISHED LADY FROM KANSAS, OLIVE ANN BEECH, UPON BEING SELECTED THE 1980 WINNER OF THE WRIGHT BROTHER MEMORIAL TROPHY WHICH IS AWARDED ANNUALLY BY THE NATIONAL AERONAUTIC ASSOCIATION TO HONOR THE MEMORY OF ORVILLE WRIGHT AND WILBUR WRIGHT, AND RECOGNIZES THE MOST NOTABLE LEADERS IN THE FIELD OF AVIATION.

MRS. BEECH IS CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF BEECH AIRCRAFT CORPORATION AND A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF RAYTHEON COMPANY.

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SINCE 1924, WHEN SHE JOINED THE TRAVEL AIR MANUFACTURING COMPANY, A PIONEER WICHITA AIRPLANE MANUFACTURER, MRS. BEECH HAS DEVOTED HER LIFE TO THE ADVANCEMENT OF AVIATION.

SHE AND HER LATE HUSBAND, WALTER H. BEECH, CO-FOUNDED BEECH AIRCRAFT IN 1932. HER ACHIEVEMENTS HAVE LED TO HER BEING WIDELY RECOGNIZED AS THE "FIRST LADY OF AVIATION."

HER COMPANY'S BEECHCRAFT PRODUCTS ARE INTERNATIONALLY RESPECTED AND HAVE BROUGHT ESTEEM TO THIS NATION, THE STATE OF KANSAS, AND THE CITY OF WICHITA.

MRS. BEECH IS ONE OF KANSAS' MOST RESPECTED CITIZENS, WELL KNOWN FOR HER ACTIVITIES IN BUSINESS BUT ALSO IN THE AREAS OF ART, EDUCATION, RELIGION AND CIVIC AFFAIRS.

SHE HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED BY A MULTITUDE OF PRIVATE, COMMERCIAL, AND GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS ON BOTH THE LOCAL AND NATIONAL LEVELS THROUGH SUCH HONORS AS BEING CHOSEN WOMAN OF THE YEAR IN AVIATION BY THE NATIONAL AERONAUTIC ASSOCIATION.

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FORTUNE MAGAZINE HAS NAMED MRS. BEECH AS ONE OF THE 10 HIGHEST-RANKING WOMEN EXECUTIVES IN MAJOR CORPORATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES. SHE HAS BEEN PARTICULARLY HONORED BY APPOINTMENTS TO ADVISORY COUNCILS BY THREE PRESIDENTS OF THE UNITED STATES. AND SHE IS THE FIRST WOMAN IN HISTORY TO BE SELECTED FOR THE WRIGHT BROTHERS MEMORIAL TROPHY.

WE IN KANSAS ARE PARTICULARLY PROUD OF HER ROLES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND APPRECIATIVE OF THE PROGRESS WHICH HER COMPANY HAS BROUGHT TO OUR STATE.

IT IS MOST FITTING THAT THIS GRACIOUS LADY, OUTSTANDING BUSINESS EXECUTIVE, AND LEADER IN AVIATION BE FURTHER RECOGNIZED BY BEING AWARDED ONE OF AMERICA'S HIGHEST AVIATION AWARDS - THE WRIGHT BROTHERS TROPHY.

BEFORE THE PRESENTATION OF THE TROPHY, WE WOULD LIKE TO SHOW YOU A SHORT FILM WHICH WILL HIGHLIGHT SOME OF THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF MRS. BEECH.

Showing of film.

GENERAL CLIFTON F. VON KANN, PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL AERONAUTIC ASSOCIATION, WILL NOW MAKE THE PRESENTATION OF THE WRIGHT MEMORIAL TROPHY.

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GEN. von KANN General von Kann talks about the Trophy, and makes presentation to Mrs. Olive Ann Beech.

(Senator Dole and Bob Williams join Mrs. Beech and General von Kann for photographs.)

SENATOR BOB DOLE I WOULD NOW LIKE TO RECOGNIZE MY COLLEAGUE,
SENATOR NANCY LANDON KASSEBAUM.

SENATOR KASSEBAUM (Proposes toast to Mrs. Beech with any other remarks.)

Mrs. Beech's remarks.

Mr. Williams acknowledges the following:

- Master of Ceremonies, Senator Bob Dole
- Award Recipient - Olive Ann Beech
- Sponsors and Contributors
- John Zorack and the Dinner Committee
- Courtesy Associates who has handled the Dinner for 32 of its 33 years.

BOB WILLIAMS BEFORE CLOSING OUR PROGRAM, LET ME REMIND YOU AGAIN TO GET YOUR COPY OF THE SPECIAL COMMEMORATIVE MAGAZINE HONORING MRS. BEECH - IT WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE MAIN EXITS AS YOU LEAVE. WE THINK YOU WILL FIND THIS PUBLICATION AN EXCELLENT SOUVENIR OF THIS MEMORABLE EVENING.

THE AERO CLUB WISHES EVERYONE A VERY SPECIAL MERRY CHRISTMAS, AND THE MARINE CORPS RESERVE IS MOST APPRECIATIVE FOR THE TOYS BROUGHT TONIGHT FOR THE TOYS FOR TOT PROGRAM.

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WE HOPE YOU WILL STAY AND ENJOY THE MUSIC OF
WASHINGTON'S BEST BIG DANCE BAND UNDER THE
DIRECTION OF DOC DIKEMAN, WHO WILL START OUT
BY PLAYING A MEDLEY OF MRS. BEECH'S FAVORITE
TUNES FOR YOUR LISTENING AND DANCING PLEASURE.