



SCHOLARSHIP IN HONOR OF

JOHN C. STETSON

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Mr. John C. Stetson was Secretary of the Air Force from 6 April 1977 to 18 May 1979.

Prior to his appointment as Air Force Secretary, Mr. Stetson was President and Director of A. B. Dick Company, the international manufacturer and distributor of office business machines. He was also a director of the Houston Post Company, Kemper Corporation, Belden Corporation, and Powers Regulator Company.

Mr. Stetson was born in Chicago, Illinois, on September 6, 1920. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in aeronautical engineering from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1943, and in the late 1940s he attended Northwestern University Business School in Chicago.

Mr. Stetson has had many years of experience in the engineering, management, and publishing fields. During World War II, he was a structural engineer with Douglas Aircraft Company, and later was commissioned in the United States Navy, serving as a communications officer until the end of the war.

Following World War II, Mr. Stetson was employed in the Chicago area in various engineering capacities. From 1949 to 1951 he was a project manager for Foote Brothers Gear and Machine Company. Mr. Stetson joined the management consulting firm Booz, Allen, and Hamilton in 1951, and several years later became a partner. In that capacity, he was responsible for conducting a number of assignments with large aircraft companies concerning programs for new military and commercial aircraft. He also was responsible for the firm's consulting work for major oil companies in Iran and the Kuwait area. He resided for two years in Iran and Kuwait while engaged in consulting work for these international oil companies.

From 1963 to 1970, Mr. Stetson was President of the publishing division of the Houston Post Company, publish-

ers of newspapers in Houston, Galveston and Texas City.

John C. Stetson is the owner of J.C. Stetson, Inc. managing private investments in oil and gas exploration, mining operations, real estate, retailing and banking. He is a director of Kemper Corporation, Lumberman's Mutual Insurance Company, Helene Curtis Industries, Madison Kipp Corporation, NIBCO, Inc. and Chicago Tube and Iron, Inc. With Mr. Robert Stetson he recently formed Magna Photo, Inc. to expand retail photography operations in the Midwest and the East.

Mr. Stetson's fields of management interest and experience in industrial management and organization, with particular emphasis on the oil and gas industry and in aircraft manufacturing, machine tool design and aircraft design. He has had extensive experience in industrial management and organization, with particular emphasis on the oil and gas industry and in aircraft manufacturing.

Mr. Stetson has been active in national security matters in recent years. He served the Defense Department as Chairman of the National Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve. He is a frequent speaker on national security issues with particular emphasis on energy and problems related to Middle East oil.

Mr. Stetson has been director of the Computer and Business Equipment Manufacturer's Association and a member of the Conference Board.

He has been associated with advisory boards for Wellesley College and Northwestern University, and has been a director of the Boys Club of America. He is a trustee and active supporter of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra.

Mr. Stetson is married to the former Gayle McDowell, of Fargo, North Dakota. They have three children, Sherry, Robert, and Susan.

The Falcon Foundation

It is a pleasure for the Gertrude Skelly Trust to establish scholarships in honor of Secretaries of the United States Air Force. Their outstanding civilian leadership through the years has been a key to the strength of our Nation's military posture. It is only fitting that these leaders be recognized and honored by the award, each year, of scholarships to deserving sons or daughters of career military personnel who will become the future leaders in our Air Force.

It is our privilege to establish this scholarship, in perpetuity, honoring John C. Stetson, Secretary of the United States Air Force (6 April 1977 to 18 May 1979).

Sincerely,

Gertrude Skelly Trust

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Trustee

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Trustee



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