# Wyoming School Foundation **Distinguished Alumnus 2003**

C.R. "Bob" Bell

Vice Admiral, United States Navy (Retired)

#### WYOMING HIGH SCHOOL

Class of 1948



## **Wyoming High School Activities**

Cum Laude, 1948 \* National Honor Society, 1948 Football \* Baseball \* Basketball \* Hi Y \* Track \* Golf \* Tennis \* Eye Staff \* Camp Counselor \* Junior Play \* Senior Play Yearbook Co-Editor, \* Athlete of the Year, 1948

#### **Higher Education**

- 'Admiral FarragutAcademy, 1948
- \* United States Naval Academy, 1953, B.S Engineering with Honors
- \* Massachusetts Institute of Technology Program, 1959, M.S. Equivalent, Nuclear Engineering with Honors

## **Career Positions**

- \*'53: Ensign (Navigator), USS *Yorktown*\*'62: Executive Officer, USS *Shark*\*'62: Executive Officer, USS *Kamehameha*

- "'67: Ass't Chief of Naval Personnel for Naval Nuclear Power
- \*70: Commanding Officer, USS Gurnard
- \*73: Submarine Squadron Commander, San Diego, CA
- \*74: Exec Ass't & Sr. Military Aide to the Sec'y of the Navy
- 75: Rear Admiral
- 76: Director of Naval Communications
- '80: Commander Allied Submarines Europe
- '82: Director of Navy Advanced Technology
- '83: Ass't Chief of Naval Operations/Advanced Technology
- '85: Director of Joint Strategic Target Planning Staff
- '86: Vice Admiral

### **Career Awards**

- Rifle & Pistol Marksmanship Medal
- \*'61, '62, '68,73 Navy Achievement Medal (with 4 stars) [Classified Operations] \*'63, '66,72,74 Meritorious Service Medal (with 3 gold leaf clusters) [Classified Operations]
- \* '65, 70, 72 Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation (with 2 stars) [Classified Operations]
- \*70,71,75, '82 Legion of Merit (with 3 gold stars) [Classified Operations] \*71 Navy/Marine Lifesaving Medal (Rescuing downed flyers at sea)
- "71,72 Battle "E" Ribbon
- \* '88 Defense Distinguished Service Medal-Service to Country as Diplomat & Military Leader
- \* '91 Omaha Club Man of the Year
- \* '93 \* '95 \* '99 West Point Society Award
- Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Order of the Tower Award, University of Nebraska Omaha
- \* '00 Department Of Defense - Distinguished Civilian Award
- \* '01 NCCJ Humanitarian Service Award
- \* '02 Inductee, Omaha Business Hall of Fame

#### **Post-Retirement Activities**

- \* President, Omaha Chamber of Commerce
- \*Vice President, Business and Community Development, UNeMed Corporation/Vice Chancellor, University of Nebraska Medical Center