

CLASS OF



1950

KIRK LANTERMAN

A 1950 graduate of Bismarck High School, Kirk Lanterman spent most of his working career with the cruise industry and particularly with the Holland America Line-Westours. Lanterman joined the company in 1970 as Vice President of Finance and, in the next 30 years, he advanced through the company's administrative ranks. In 1972, he was promoted to Executive Vice President, the position that he held when Westours was purchased by the Holland America Line.

Lanterman became President of Westours in 1979 and when Holland America Line consolidated its operations in 1983, Lanterman became President of the combined company, serving in that role until March 1997. He assumed Chief Executive responsibilities when the company was purchased by Carnival Cruise Lines (which is now Carnival Corporation) and was named Chairman and CEO of the Corporation in 1997. Lanterman also joined the Board of Directors of Windstar in 1987 when Holland America entered into a 50 percent financial partnership with Windstar. He became Chairman when Holland America Line completed the acquisition in 1988.

A veteran of the Korean War, Lanterman graduated from the University of Washington in 1955 with a degree in accounting and is a Certified Public Accountant.