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ABA to induct Mike Shultz into Hall of Fame



Anchorage, AK: The Alaska Broadcasters Association will welcome **Mike Shultz** into the ABA Hall of Fame on May 10, 2022 during the ABA Goldie Awards Banquet in Juneau. Mike will be the 70th member of the ABA Hall of Fame, which was established in 1985.

Mike started his weather career while serving our nation in the Air Force for 23 years. When he retired, he immediately started working as a weatherman in Anchorage, Alaska. He moved to Fairbanks in the early 1990's and started at KTVF in 1992.

Mike has been an ambassador for broadcasting for as long as he has worked in television. As a main, and longest running, on-air personality in Interior Alaska, he shares his love and passion for our industry every night he delivers a weathercast, as well as throughout the community while wearing his "public relations hat" for the station.

Mike has been an integral member of the Newscenter team, which has won numerous Alaska Broadcasters Association Goldie Awards for Best Newscast and Best Weathercast over the years. In addition, he has been voted "Best Weatherman" within the Fairbanks community repeatedly.

In addition to his weather duties, he has anchored newscasts, filled in for sports, co-hosted MDA Telethons, Coat Drives, Toy Drives and numerous community events.

KTVF's "Kids and Weather" feature has been running for almost 15 years. With the exception of 2020 (due to COVID-19), during the school year, Mike has made weekly visits to area elementary school classrooms to talk about weather, share some facts, and then feature those students on air during his weathercast.

Probably one of the most significant of Mike's achievements happened in 2012, when he approached his management to ask if the station could get behind an idea he thought of to honor military in our community. The Fairbanks North Star Borough, City of Fairbanks, Chamber of Commerce, Interior businesses, military and entire community got behind this effort - and in May 2012, Fairbanks held STOMP – "Salute To Our Military Parade" – that was a welcome home celebration for our Stryker Brigade from Fort Wainwright. It was an amazing event!

In the words of his nominator: *"For anyone to stay in the field of broadcasting for as long as Mike has, he is truly dedicated to the profession."*

Congratulations to Mike Shultz and his family!

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About the Alaska Broadcasters Association

Founded in 1964, the Alaska Broadcasters Association functions as a 501(c)6 nonprofit corporation, and is the official trade association serving all free, over-the-air radio and television stations in Alaska. The ABA's mission is to serve, educate and advocate for its members as well as the general public. For more information on the ABA, please visit www.alaskabroadcasters.org

Consideration for this honor is given to broadcasters with a minimum of 25 years in broadcasting in Alaska, a solid record of achievement including: promoting development and growth of TV & Radio broadcasters in AK, local/national awards, and a history of dedication to the communities they serve.