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BFA MEMBERS ATTENDING THE FAI BALLOONING COMMISSION PLENARY IN HONG KONG (L TO R) SAVANNAH BRADLEY, TROY BRADLEY, DEBBIE SPAETH, MARK SULLIVAN, ANDY BAIRD, MAURY SULLIVAN & SAM PARKS

PHOTO SUBMITTED BY DEBBIE SPAETH

Highlights from the 2017 FAI Plenary Meeting

Mark Sullivan re-elected as CIA President

SUBMITTED BY DEBBIE SPAETH

Delegates from 34 Countries were in attendance in Hong Kong for the FAI Ballooning Commission Plenary Meeting last week. BFA member Mark Sullivan (USA) was re-elected as President.

BFA Members attending the CIA Meeting included:

Mark Sullivan, CIA President, Chair-CIA Hall of Fame (HOF) Selection Comm., Chair-AA/AM Working Group Andy Baird, Delegate for USA, Chair-CIA Competitors Subcommittee (CSC), Member - EDS Sam Parks, Alt. Delegate for USA, Member CIA-CSC Maury Sullivan, Member CIA-CSC, Member-Event Development Service (EDS), Member AX-Working Group Troy Bradley, Expert Advisor-CIA HOF, Member-AA/AM Working



Group, Chair-Records Subcomm.

Debbie Spaeth, Member-Public & Media Relations (PMR) Subcommittee Cheri White, Observer Savannah Bradley, Observer

CIA Hall of Fame Inductees for 2017 are Tracy Barnes (USA) and Geoff Green (UK/HK) Posthumously.

For 2018, FAI is launching a multi-discipline "Air Games Tour" that will join existing and new events to promote aviation over multi-media platforms.

Ballooning is one of the core disciplines of this initiative.

Montgolfier Diplomas were awarded to: For Contribution to Ballooning - Ales Kubicek (CZE) For Best Hot Air Performance - Sebastian Msuya (CAN) For Best Gas Performance - Kurt Frieden & Pascal Witpraechtiger (SUI) For Rozier Performance - Fedor Konyukov (RUS)

An update on the 2018 World

HAB Championship in Austria was presented by the local organizers. Claude Weber is Competition Director. The invitation process will begin with two pilots per country in round 1.

There was a presentation on the WADA Anti-Doping process now in place for FAI events. And the need for all pilots to register on the Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) list if they are on medically prescribed drugs and participate in FAI-CIA sanctioned events.

The representatives of the International Youth Balloon Camp in Germany gave a presentation. They have approx 35 participants each year. Fifteen students in past 30 years have become pilots.

The 2018 CIA Meeting will be in Mallorca, Spain from March 14-17. The meeting includes two days for sub-committee meetings and two days for the plenary meeting.

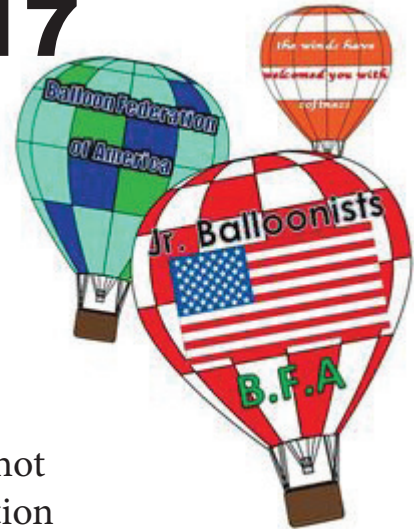
Camp registration began March 1st, 2017

Camps for 2017

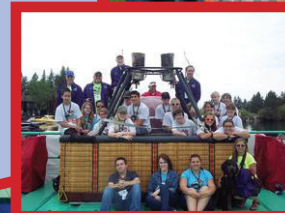
Oshkosh, WI (June 10-14)

Reno, NV (June 17-22)

Albuquerque, NM (July 8-13)



Are you a teen (or know of one) aged 13-18, interested in hot air ballooning and willing to join us for a few fun filled action packed days/evenings? Come and share part of your summer with up to 20 teens living and breathing 'ballooning'. PREVIOUS BALLOONING EXPERIENCE is NOT REQUIRED as our campers will be joining a volunteer staff of FAA certified pilots and experienced crew who will be acting as their mentors and counselors – making sure everyone benefits. Enjoy the company of others sharing a passion for ballooning, in this unique and different camp experience!



The Balloon Federation of America's Youth Program benefits the youth of ballooning and ensures the future of ballooning. Through education, summer camps, training, and mentorship, we provide youth the ability to discover and grow in the sport of ballooning. Our volunteers mentor youth helping them achieve their goals.

Museum looking for Yost winners photos

Becky Wigeland, Curator at The National Balloon Museum could use your help. The exhibit for the winners of the Ed Yost Pilot Award is missing a few photos.

The following is a list of winners that she is missing: Don Cline, Gregg Wellers, Bill Meadows, Tom Oreman, Forey Walters, Greg Winker and Curt Pengelly.

Becky is also requesting, that in the future, if you are awarding an Ed Yost Pilot Award, that you kindly take a photo of the winner and presentation and forward it to her for inclusion in the exhibit.

Becky can be reached at: museum@nationalballoonmuseum.com or by phone at 515-961-3714.

2017 US Ballooning Hall of Fame Induction

SUBMITTED BY BECKY WIGELAND

Sunday, July 30th, 2017 the National Balloon Museum will be inducting three ballooning pioneers into the US Ballooning Hall of Fame.

The pioneers are David Levin, Steve Fossett, and Professor T.S.C. Lowe of the Civil War Balloon Corp.

Kevin Knapp, who is famous for his portrayal of Professor Lowe will be at the museum Saturday and Sunday telling his story.

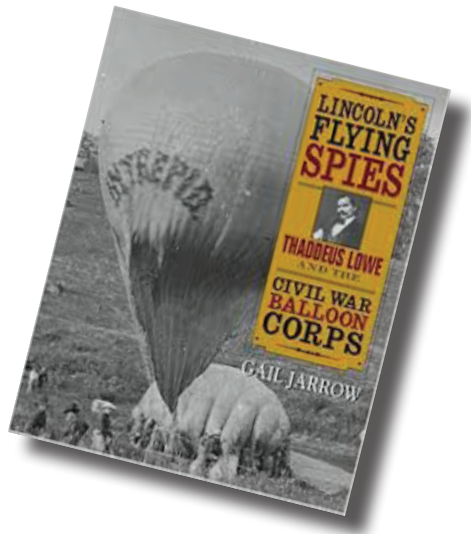
The Museum will be open 9:00-4:00 during the Classic week. Sunday from 12:00-4:00 will be Open House and Free admission.

The Hall of fame Inductions will be from 1:00-3:00. The public is welcome. Come and learn about the importance of ballooning in the Civil War.

Lowe book to be sold at museum

SUBMITTED BY BECKY WIGELAND

On June 1, 1862, Thaddeus Lowe floated a thousand feet above a fierce Civil War battle raging just outside the Confederate capital of Richmond, Virginia. From the wicker basket dangling under his silk hydrogen-filled



balloon, the aeronaut telegraphed a message to Northern generals on the ground: Union troops were finally driving back the Confederate forces.

Lowe's message was transmitted to the War Department in Washington a hundred miles away, where President Abraham Lincoln read his flying spy's good news with relief.

For two years during the Civil War, Lowe and his fellow aeronauts spied on the Confederate army, sometimes becoming targets of southern shooters and saboteurs. Lincoln's Flying Spies is the exciting story of Lowe's career as an aeronaut and of his efforts to organize the Balloon Corps and provide valuable intelligence to the Union army.

JARROW BIO:

Gail Jarrow is the author of many award-winning nonfiction books for ages ten and up. LINCOLN'S FLYING SPIES was chosen as a Junior Library Guild Selection and was included on lists of Best Books of the Year by the Bank Street College of Education, Society of School Librarians International, Nebraska Library Commission, Texas Librarian's Choices Project, and Kansas Reading Circle Commission. For more on her books, visit gailjarrow.com.



PHOTO BY ANGELINA PEACE

Final call for BFA online CES

The 2017 BFA Online Continuing Education Seminar will be held on April 1, 2017. It will be broadcast live from the Illinois/Indiana seminar organized by the Balloon Association of Greater Illinois (BAGI) and the Montgolfier Society of Indiana (MSI) balloon clubs. The seminar is fully sanctioned by the BFA and also will be WINGS certified.

Online registration is now available at BFA.net. Payment by credit card or by mailing a check is available

Speaker List

Brad Temeyer

Weather

Andy Baird

Accident Review and Analysis

Donna Carlton Vish

Propane Safety

John Griffin & Larry Konash

Insurance Panel Discussion

Joe Zvada

Aeronautical Decision Making

Tony Sandlin

Commercial Ride Operations

Gordon Schwontkowski

Ground & Crew Safety

Seminar Fees

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Crew + Digital BFA Membership - \$70.00

Crew + BFA Membership with delivered magazine- \$90.00

You will need to have a good internet connection in order to view the streamed seminar. Hard wired is best, but a quick wi-fi might also work. Cellular internet is not advised.

Contact Dean for help if needed for registration at president@bfa.net.



Briefly Speaking ...

- BFA President Dean Carlton reminds us that the office is no longer mailing out membership cards, but will do so by request. With the new website, your membership number is easily viewable while online & it is a cost-saving measure.

- The BFA Board of Directors will hold a face to face board meeting on Saturday, April 22, 2017 in Shreveport, Louisiana. The meeting will be held at: Wyndham Garden Inn - 1419 E 70th St. Shreveport, LA 71105

The meeting is scheduled to start at 8:00am Central time, and BFA members are invited to attend.

- In the past, the BFA has tried to stock apparel items at our office. The challenge is keeping a good variety of items in a number of sizes. Some of those items may not sell, so we are stuck with them. The BFA has now partnered with Phelps USA and can offer a full range of custom embroidered apparel items.

These items feature different divisions and segments of the BFA. Custom embroidery for the US World Team, the Gas Division, The Hot Air Competition Division, as well as the BFA logo are current options. Some items have the BFA logo on the front, and a division logo on the back or sleeve. Ball caps are also available.

A portion of the proceeds of the sales go to the divisions represented by your order. So if you order a US World Team shirt, funds are directed to support the US World Team. This is a great way to support our teams and divisions, and look good doing it!

Each item is made to order in Phelps's Iowa shop, and will be delivered directly to you for a \$9.99 per order shipping fee, no matter the size of the order. Delivery should be in 7-10 business days. You will pay by credit card online at their site.

Big thanks to Adam Magee and his team for doing the legwork on this project.



- The BFA Board of Directors is entering the early stages of planning the 2021 BFA National Convention. Too early for details, but stay up-to-date in The Quick Release, Ballooning Magazine and of the course BFA.net.

- Plans are underway to digitize much of the archival video and film footage stored in the BFA basement, thus making it available to all members through the website.



Making Go/No-Go Decisions

SUBMITTED BY DON BOYER

When do you make your Go/No-Go Decision? Is it just a onetime decision? My practice is that I will make several "Go" decisions during my flight planning. But, I will almost always make only one "No-Go" decision. Once I say No, I don't go back and second guess that decision. There should not be just one time you make a Go decision and it's full steam ahead from then on. Hopefully, you are constantly re-evaluating your Go decision.

In the usual course of planning a balloon flight, you might start looking at weather and crew availability on Wednesday or Thursday before a planned Saturday flight. The weather forecast might be so bad that you make a No-Go decision right then. But, most of the time that far out, the weather gurus are still guessing, so you will keep looking at the reports and keep the planned flight going forward.

Then maybe on Friday, you take a good hard look at the forecast. Again, you might cancel then and plan to sleep in. If it still looks doable, then you might make the Go decision with the plan to look again in the morning before confirming with the crew and passengers and heading out to the launch site.

On Saturday morning, you get up early, call Flight Service, check the internet sites, go outside and see the conditions for yourself. This is another Go/No-Go opportunity.

Once at the launch site, you launch a piball, wet your finger, kick some dust, and check out any weather updates on your smart phone. Are we going to fly or going to breakfast? Go or No-Go?

So you decide conditions are still good for a flight so you position the chase vehicle, unload the system, test the burners and place the envelope bag downwind. It's at this point,

I see a lot of pilots go into the 'full steam ahead' mode and they inflate and launch without ever stopping the process to see if conditions have changed. They get tunnel vision and never notice deteriorating weather, wind shifts, or other inflating balloons already having problems.

I break my inflation process up into stages. Before starting the next stage, I back off, look around and see if the weather is still cooperating.

After laying out and rigging the system, I stop before dragging out the envelope. This is when the real work starts. Once you drag out the envelope, someone has to put it back in the bag. I step back and look around. Is the wind still in the same direction? Do we need to adjust to stay downwind? That's easier now with the balloon still in the bag. How are the other balloons doing? Are they fighting a wind shift? Has that low cloud bank closed in? Is that little wisp of virga I saw earlier bigger and closer now? Is fog forming?

Ok, all is still good. Drag out the envelope, get the crown person and throat crew in position and start the fan or not. Again, I pause the process here. Once you put air in the envelope things need to move pretty quickly. This is a great time to look at

your checklist and take another look around. Do we still want to do this?

We are good to go. Cold inflate and again take a quick look around before going hot. How are the first balloons up doing? Did they hit a shear at 300 feet? Are they doing OK or heading straight to a big PZ?

Hot inflate, get the passengers loaded and briefed, heat it up to equilibrium. Your launch director is ready to give you a thumbs up. This is your last opportunity to make that critical Go/No-Go decision. Again, just stop for moment, take a deep breath and run through your paper and mental checklists on more time. Most importantly, get your mind out of the tunnel vision of your balloon and basket, and look around at the conditions and environment into which you will be flying.

Go decisions should always be conditional and constantly re-evaluated. Always be ready to make that No Go decision. A No-Go decision should be FINAL. Most importantly, break up your entire preflight process to allow yourself the opportunities to make that No Go decision before you regret a Go decision.

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PHOTO BY PAM JOHNSON

5th annual Extreme Flight to Find a Cure

SUBMITTED BY TIM CLOYD

This year the flight had added a new feature. The Hormel Institute for Cancer Research/ Mayo Clinic in Austin Minnesota is partnering with the flight. They are a world class cancer research institutes. So this expanded the reach and awareness of the flight to people of Austin, Mn. and the awareness of the Hormel Institute to the ballooning world that I know. Jim Pearson and Rich Jaworski helped me with weather. As normal I patiently watched the weather until an opportunity for a flight to arise. The Sunday of February 5, 2017 showed promise. As Sunday drew closer the possibility got better and finally it was decided it was a GO. The launch site had been moving that week from Sioux Falls, S.D. to SW Iowa to SE Nebraska to Northern Missouri to finally Indianola, IA. So on Saturday before the flight I notified everyone to meet at the Indianola, IA. Balloon Field at 6:30 am for a launch from there. I knew the surface winds for launch and landing would be very good. I woke up at 3:30 am and found that Indianola would have low cloud ceilings until midmorning. After talking to my weather man Jim, we decided I should drive south to find sun. My ground team was Steve Metz,

Craig Swanson, Nathan & Tiffany Wheeldon and Elsie. Lucas Stephens, Katie Leveke and Rich Wheeldon followed behind for launch only. We left the field at 7:05 and drove south into Missouri and found sun. We went to Bethany, Mo. for launch. The winds were not bad. On the drive down we picked a high school for a launch site, arrived there and quickly set up. In a preflight conversation with Jim Pearson, he said to stay at about 7-9,000 ft. and fly due east for 2 hours then I can ascend. If I immediately ascended

to 17,000 ft. I would fly towards St. Louis. As I flew the flight plan, I stayed between 7-9,000 ft. moving at speed not much faster than 42 mph for 1 hour and 20 minutes. Then I received a text from Jim and he said I could now climb because ST Louis now would not be a factor. I climbed to 10,000 feet and leveled off. This is when I read the names of Loved Ones. The names of people who have dealt with cancer, 59 names to be precise. After that I continued to ascend where I found a speed of 68 mph. As in previous flights, I climbed to see what speeds were up higher. As I climbed the speeds slowed down into the mid 50 mph's. I decided to descend for the speeds were better at lower altitudes. For the next 2 ½ hours I flew between 12-14,000 ft. at speeds from 60-68 mph. Tanks 1-4 were now empty. I had been using tank 5 and when I changed to tank 6, I decided to descend and land. I text weather man Jim to ask for surface winds and he said they were 4-6 mph which I thought was great. I now was over Illinois as I started my descent. I was prepared for possible thermal activity so I approached the landing carefully. At 300 ft. above ground the speed was 4 mph. I had some VERY large farm fields to land in. I then descended for

landing and saw the speed increase, from 5 to 9 mph at which I landed. It was a good stand up landing. I then called Elsie on the phone to ask how far away they were. She said 25 miles. So for the next 20 minutes I kept the balloon standing until the ground team arrived. I had landed in a corn field which had tall stalks. When the crew arrived they guided me to a soybean field where we laid the balloon down. Here are some of the stats. Distance-192 miles, Top Altitude-16,325 ft., Top Speed-68 mph, flight time 4 hours 15 minutes. The flight was a success and I was thrilled with the accomplishment. I had over 2,800 people watch the Facebook live video. The Hormel Institute addition was very good. Thank you to my wife Elsie, ground team and to all of you who support the flight.

I am planning on the 6th annual Extreme Flight next winter and have already started collecting names to be flown on that flight. If would like to have a name or names flown on next winters Extreme Flight, visit my website at http://www.tecvisons.org/Extreme_Flight to submit names. Also consider becoming a sponsor of this one of a kind cancer flight.



In Memoriam ...

Honoring those in our ballooning family

Socrates Rettos

Sadly, on February 27, 2017, we lost our beloved and ace pilot, Socrates Rettos. While a Hot Air Balloon Pilot, his primary job as Director of Print Quality at Cincinnati based Phototype.

Senior pilot, for Gentle Breeze Hot Air Balloon Company, Socrates represented one of the few pilots certified, qualified and trained to handle our largest hot air balloon, Tiny. The rare, large-ride balloon endorsement allows him to navigate the Ohio Skies safely in southwestern Ohio's ride-designed hot air balloon.

Introduced to hot air ballooning around Cincinnati Ohio as a Balloon Federation of America (BFA) "Observer" in 1984, Socrates exemplifies an old cliché amongst balloon owners: that cliché states

"your first flight is usually cheap while your second flight costs you tens of thousands of dollars, because you bought one..." Yep, he bought one. Well, technically he's purchased at least two Cincinnati Ohio Balloons.

Residing in Ohio, Socrates first balloon purchase occurred in 1993. He earned a hot air balloon pilot certificate with private privileges. Though the 1990s, he upgraded his pilot certificate to commercial level pilot privileges. Going above and beyond the federal aviation guidelines (FAA), he sought and obtained advanced training in large ride balloons.

Large hot-air Ride-Balloon training remains optional within the United States laws, however Gentle Breeze Hot Air Balloon Company, Ltd. instills rigorous training common in other countries. In addition

regular commercial hot air balloon flights in the Greater Cincinnati / Greater Dayton areas, Socrates frequently participated in balloon events across the Midwest. He flew hot-air balloons in largest balloon event on the east coast, the QuickChek Balloon Festival in Readington, NJ as well as the largest balloon festival on the planet, the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta in Albuquerque, NM. Both Albuquerque and Readington, offered Socrates the invitation to navigate our large ride balloons in congested airspace with poise.

Socrates maintained memberships in these flight related organizations: The Balloon Federation of America (BFA), the BFA Competition Division, the BFA Professional Ride Operators Division and the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association.

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Wash. DC - Southeast

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Darcy Hoch
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Jill Ryan
Illinois - Great Lakes

Brian Miller
Illinois - Great Lakes

Ronald Clifford
Indiana - Great Lakes

Jeremy King
Kansas - North Central

Kasey Schwemmer
Kansas - North Central

Gary Levin
Kentucky - Southeast

Deborah Decker
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Missouri - North Central

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Ricky Leo Francis Cawley Jr

*Winchester, CA
Commercial*

Douglas Todd Enfield

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Commercial*

Lucas Miguel Romero

*Albuquerque, NM
Private*

Michael Aaron Wennberg

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Yu Ting Su

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