



# The Scoop

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**Next CLAS Educational Meeting Thursday, Sept. 21, 2006**  
7:30 PM Plainville Town Building

**CLAS PHOTO CONTEST** - Bring your best photos (8X10 works best)  
**Rob Shantz Agency's John M. Griffin speaking**

### Calendar of Events

- Belgium - Balloon Event 50<sup>th</sup> Coupe Aeronautique Gordon Bennett (FAI1) Sept 07<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup>
- NY Balloon Event Glens Falls, NY Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>
- Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta. Albuquerque, NM Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>
- America's Challenge Gas Balloon Race. Albuquerque, NM Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>
- Holiday Balloon Festival Battle Creek, MI Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup>

## Dr. James O'Brien, I presume....



## New Jersey Quick Check Festival

The last flight Sunday evening was fun as the flock of balloons bumped each other down the road all looking for the 'X'. We finished packing up in the dark.



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## Plainville CT Balloon Festival August 25-27

The Plainville Fire Department and Dale Martin put on a wonderful event this year in Norton Park. The balloonists were well taken care of with tickets for the Fire Fighters' food booth on the field, the breakfast at the fire house, and the dinner before the fireworks.



Kevin Brielmann doing a splash-and-dash – oops, it's empty- make that a touch-and-go in the swimming pool.



View from the 2<sup>nd</sup> pass over the launch field.

The Friday night glow, tethers and Atlas fireworks were postponed until Saturday night. Saturday morning's flight was also cancelled, but there was a fantastic pilot/crew breakfast at the firehouse. Saturday afternoon, the pilots started to set up and inflate around 5PM as the ceiling was lifting and the surface winds were calm. The winds were out of the SSE for the weekend.

Sunday morning, Erwin Dressel, Kevin Brielmann, and Penny Christy launched toward the north from Norton Park. They all dropped back down to tree top to fly south back over the launch field again before they headed west then north at about 2000 feet at 25 knots. The three balloons landed at the sports camp west of St. Paul's Church in Bristol.



Kevin flies over his original launch site.

The rain held off just long enough for Sunday morning's flight, refueling, and breakfast.

We all drove home from breakfast in the rain.

Thanks, Dale and all you fire fighters for another great event!

Dale will have a drawing this month for another balloon flight for one of their fire fighters. Mike Bollea will be donating the flight to the winning fire fighter this year.



Another unusual display on Sat. Eve.

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## September CLAS Fly-out from Southington, CT Saturday September 16, 2006 (back-up date Sunday September 17th)

Meet at the AquaTurf in Southington at 6:00am  
Please RSVP to Mike Bollea at 860-985-6508 if you plan to attend. Thanks.

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## Aerostar to Cease Manufacture of Hot Air Balloons

(From the BFA Website)

Mark West, President and Chief Engineer of Aerostar International has announced that after January 31, 2007 Aerostar will no longer accept orders for the manufacture of hot air balloons or major components. In the announcement West cites the overall decline of the General Aircraft Industry after 9/11 and the increasing costs of liability insurance as factors that have made for "a business model that is no longer feasible. Unfortunately," West says, "we cannot afford to stay in a business which is no longer profitable, even though it is the product line that founded Aerostar."

The statement stresses that Aerostar will continue to provide technical and product support to its existing customer base and those aircraft still in service, will sell repair parts and will support the sport of ballooning through educational, safety and airworthiness functions. In addition, its website will contain all applicable service and repair instructions, letters, bulletins, airworthiness directives and similar documents for free download by all aircraft owners and repair stations.

You can read the entire statement from Aerostar at its website, [www.aerostar.com](http://www.aerostar.com)

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## Charlie Perreault donated static tether for the United Way at Pratt & Whitney in Middletown.

Rob Macfarlane, Penny Christy, Charlie's fellow workers, Fred, Ray, and Ron supported the United Way and reminded everyone of the car show later that Sept. 7th. There was fog over the CT River when Charlie inflated his balloon on the helipad at 6:20 AM. **Notice how the fog came in, dissipated and rolled in again.**



## Penny Christy donated tether rides in Hartford's Keney Park on Sept. 3 for the graduating class of Anthony Griffin's ANT (Affecting New Thoughts) Program for inner city youth.

The rains stopped, the wind calmed, the clouds lifted and occasional blue sky showed through. Rob Macfarlane and Pam Bogart-Macfarlane, Charlie Perreault and Deb Smith, and Kevin Brielmann participated in this tether. Many adults and youth braved the flight to 80 feet for the first time in a hot air balloon. Kevin rigged shock absorption features at the bases of the lines for smooth arrivals at the top of the four point tie-off. Anthony braved the flight, too.



## **BFA Youth Program does it again! (From the BFA Website)**

Schedule it and they will come was the approach as eight Balloon Federation of America youth volunteers arrived in Tyler TX to host a 2nd national hot air balloon camp on the Tyler Junior College Campus. You may wonder why Tyler was chosen to host a national camp when Albuquerque is the undisputed center of ballooning. The balloon camps are the centerpiece of the BFA youth programs and as youth chairman, I look for ways for the national program to support local balloon clubs camp activities. One of the perks offered through my position at Tyler Junior College is the opportunity to book a week on the beautiful campus for our campers. The housing director arranges for dorm facilities and meals. The college also permits all ballooning activities to occur onsite and this is a real asset logistically when moving more than 40 people from location to location.

An added bonus this year was a Seagate Technology grant garnered by the Tyler Texas Expanding Your Horizons Chapter that laid the foundation for 16 of the campers to attend the camp for an enhanced math/science experience. This year's national camp attendance topped out with 30 teens and one dignitary (more on that later) showing up. The 5 day camp is designed to teach ballooning and emphasize the need to choose math and science courses in school.

The BFA Southwest Region Director, Phil Bryant, greeted the campers upon arrival and welcomed them on behalf of the BFA. Commercial pilot and BFA member Brenda Cowlshaw led the first session for the group with a ballooning and weather introduction.

Camp day activities included a visit to the Columbia Scientific Balloon Facility (NASA) in Palestine Texas where the teens discovered the science and engineering behind payload atmospheric ballooning. Jill Juneau, an EYH volunteer and electronic payload engineer, highlighted her job duties and told of the global travel opportunities she has because of her career. Two teams of international scientists are visiting the facility and showed the group experiments they are readying for flights later this year.

The scientists even made arrangements to fly one of our campers on the July 21st scientific flight! Kermit the Frog, our dignitary and the mascot of Quad A balloonists Paul and Dina Hansen from Albuquerque, came to camp this year so he could carry tales of his travels back to the children at the Rio Rancho Early Learning Center in New Mexico. The NASA scientists invited him for the ultimate adventure as a passenger on the upcoming scientific flight.

Located back at the TJC campus, the Hudnall Planetarium welcomed campers as astronomer Tom Hooten offered a glimpse into the wonders of the

universe. Teens enjoyed the specially selected film footage of an Antarctic payload balloon experiment during the afternoon. All had a chance to experience the hands-on facility and ask lots of questions about astronomy.

Ballooning history was a hot topic too and the Historic Aviation Museum housed at the Tyler Pounds Regional Airport complex gave the kids the chance to see it up close. Displays covered topics from the Montgolfier flight to modern day aviation. Civil War ballooning was of interest to many in the group. A rare treat greeted the campers as they were able to view restored military aircraft of earlier times. The Commemorative Air Force Wing actively restores these craft for display and welcomed the camper's interest.

Local media visited this year's camp and campers toured the ABC affiliate, KLTV 7, to learn more about meteorology and the career options available at the TV station. Celebrity meteorologist Stephen Parr spent a great deal of time with the group informing them about weather patterns and instrumentation. We really appreciated the time he took to answer questions too.

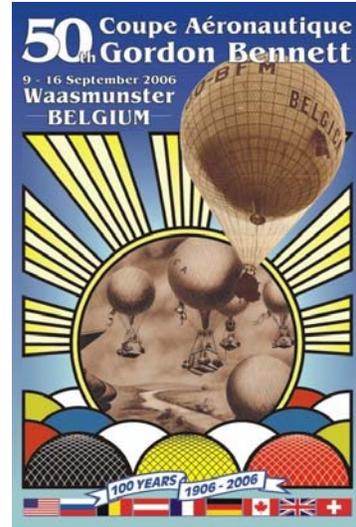
A balloon camp would not be complete without some sort of hot air competition. Upon arrival the campers were split into 6 balloon teams. Volunteers Jerry Caraway and Clare Wade-Callihan designed increasingly difficult tasks for the teams to master during their week of discovery. Quad A of Albuquerque assisted with this by sending a competition target and baggies to teach measuring and observing.

Morning pilot briefings gave each team member the opportunity to learn a specific task associated with crewing. The assigned weather person for the day gathered weather shortly after 5:30 am so the group would have the most up-to-date readings. The chase driver kept the group together. BFA volunteers Joan McArdle-Nering, Jan Johnson, Stacey Griffin, and Marissa Chladek, supervised the assignments for inflation. BFA volunteer Susan Hand taught fan safety to her charges and the pilots shadowed BFA volunteers Tony Sandlin, Shelley Caraway, and Clare Wade-Callihan to learn about pilot decision making and skills associated with ballooning. Team members rotated assignments daily.

BFA member and commercial pilot Debbie Peterson brought her balloon the final morning to add a true competition feel to the camp. Campers quickly divided to assist her with inflation. Shortly after inflating, her team got to test their skills as the wind picked up and the decision was made to deflate. Debbie was very pleased with the teamwork and skill of her young crew.  
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**Coupe  
Aeronautique  
Gordon  
Bennett 2006**  
Downloadable Memorabilia  
from the site.



Two US teams flew. The third team had a leaking balloon and did not fly. Kevin Brielmann and Annette Hockeler-Brielmann and their son, Christopher went to the Coupe Aeronautique Gordon Bennett again this year as they have for several years. The balloons took off toward the northwest over the North Sea and then all eventually found Norway, some Sweden, and Finland. The Belgian team BEL 3 won the event by flying far into the top of Sweden.

USA 1 (the left gas balloon) with Barbara Fricke and Peter Cuneo piloting, launched in Waasmunster Belgium and landed safely in Finland at Position N61 34 and E20 10 at 18:25 Z. on the 12<sup>th</sup> with crew and balloon okay.

Mike competition center gordon bennett 2006



USA 2 (on the left above) piloted by Richard Abruzzo and Phillip McNutt launched in Waasmunster Belgium and landed at 14:50 Z on the 12<sup>th</sup> in Finland 50 km short of the Russian border. Very beautiful landscape he says, very nice people, many people, and - luckily - one lady speaking English fluently. No help required. Everything was fine after a great flight. Moniek Vande Velde, Event Director



## The Gordon Bennett gas balloons preparing for the evening flight

### **MORE on Youth Community Involvement Goes to New Levels** (From the BFA Website)

Most people do not have the ability to schedule an extended stay kids camp but there are many ways you can create a ballooning experience in your community. Some think that flying a local rally is ample return but we must all make an investment in the youth of today to sustain our sport. Outreach activities can include a visit to a school, involvement with civic organizations, or getting a group of balloonists together and offering a camp through your local parks department to create momentum.

Maybe you don't think you are comfortable talking to a group of kids. One phone call to any elementary or middle school science teacher will allay those fears. Just offering to bring a balloon will create such excitement that you will get off the phone and feel as energized as you did the first time you saw a balloon. A 15 or 20 minute intro to ballooning is all it takes. The kids will easily fill the rest of the time. Our balloon manufacturers provide downloadable templates via their websites that can be used by classroom teachers

to intro ballooning before you arrive. Kids of all ages like to express their individuality and ballooning is a great way for all of us to do that!

Another way to outreach is through the Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Expanding Your Horizons, or Boys and Girls Clubs. All of these organizations look for programs to promote positive life decisions and ballooning is an excellent tool to reinforce this. Contact your local chapter and offer to get involved in their next activity.

Most balloon clubs hold safety seminars and a day long kids seminar is a wonderful way to attract new interest in the sport. There are many hands on activities that reinforce ballooning concepts and these can be presented in short sessions.

If one of these plans appeals to you and you would like information about activities to use, please contact me at [youthprograms@bfa.net](mailto:youthprograms@bfa.net) for a packet of ideas.

### **BFA Youth Program (Cont'd from page 4)**

The college computer lab set aside time for the camp ground school. Skills such as weather, mapping, and topography were discussed. Clare Wade-Callihan taught GPS introduction and used geocaching to reinforce the use of GPS units. Activities such as swimming, tie-dyeing team shirts, building barometers and tissue balloons filled the campers' days. The tissue balloons were flown the last evening of camp for the final competitive event. We are happy to report that all balloons survived the competition with only minimal repairs needed!

Less than a fourth of the campers had ever seen a hot air balloon before arriving for camp began but all learned the basics of flight, systems handling, safety,

and received the opportunity to tether in a hot air balloon before the week was out!

I cannot say enough good things about the BFA volunteers who traveled to Texas, stayed for 5 days, and mentored this wonderful group of teens through their ballooning introduction. Financial support for this camp came from a number of organizations and individuals around the country and I also want to thank them. Plans are already underway for the 2007 national camp so contact me at [youthprograms@bfa.net](mailto:youthprograms@bfa.net) for ways you can become involved!

Shelley Caraway



## Welcome New CLAS Members!

Lina and Todd Balcom from New London have joined CLAS as crew members. Mark Sand volunteered to take them on as crew and they have already started their learning process.

Lina is jumping right in as she learns about refueling from Mark Sand while her husband, Todd looks on.

## CLAS Photo Contest

**YOUR PICTURES MAKE OUR 2007 CLAS Calendar!**  
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**Gather or start taking your pictures for the September 21 meeting  
 CLAS Photo Contest and next year's CLAS calendar!**

Bring your high resolution electronic copies with you!!  
 Save Garry Guertin the chase after the contest.



## National Balloon Museum Photo Contest (See last month's Scoop for the rules)

From: N & D Griffin <ngriffin@webaccess.net <http://www.nationalballoonmuseum.com/> for the Official Entry form.  
 Subject: National Balloon Museum Photo Contest

The National Balloon Museum wishes to announce the 2006 Photo Contest. Tell your members at your club meetings. We hope lots of balloonists will participate in this Photo Contest.

Sincerely yours, Becky Wigeland, Curator National Balloon Museum Indianola, IA

- Submissions should be received by October 15, 2006,
- Mail entries to: National Balloon Museum Photo Contest  
 %Becky Wigeland, Curator  
 P.O. Box 149, Indianola, IA 50125-0149

## BFA Photo Contest

Check out the BFA website or call them for details. November postmark?

## Now You See IT, Now You Don't in Southington August 19, 2006

By Penny Christy

Pictures by Deb Smith as she crewed for Penny.



Just launched in Cheshire



just north of Rte 691.

We all launched in clear skies and calm winds. Erwin went high and headed up to New Britain. I stayed in the valley and landed north of the Southington substation. By the time I had crossed Rte. 691, there was fog everywhere.

I flew between the layers in the "clear" air. There were only a few times when I couldn't see the ground. Three other balloon shapes flew to the west and Frank Bart was in front of me. I couldn't see any of their patterns or colors. I landed at 3 mph in a big field while Santo said he was traveling in the scud fog and landed at 10 mph.

Friday's Duats had called for mist on Sat. AM. Saturday's briefings had no mention of the "F" word--(FOG) -- even though the briefer said that there was a 2 degree F spread between temperature and dew point at Meriden Airport and a 4 degree F spread at Bradley Field.

Clouds blocked the sun so the fog didn't burn off as the sun climbed higher into the sky.

**The 3-letter "F" word.....FOG,  
 was heard on the radios that morning**

## Minutes from CLAS Meeting, August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2006

Attendance: Ellen & Erwin Dressel, Mark Sand, Tom Murphy, Lina & Todd Balcom, Jack Perry, Al Theodore, Santo Galatioto, Mike Bollea, Penny Christy, Garry Guertin, Tony Roswell, Lisa Huck & Nancy Russell

Meeting began at 7:30 p.m.

We met in the parking lot of the municipal center. Mark Sand had his inflator fan and we attempted to guess the wind speed at varying distances from the fan.

We realized that the speed was never constant, always changing.

The speed was more than we expected it to be, usually if we feel the wind we don't fly.

We feel the wind better than the actual speed.

Cautioned that we sometimes fly at a festival but would not think of doing so at home.

Be mindful of possible landing sites, are they large enough?

A Quorum was present to conduct business.

Santo informed us that a former member, Macarena Parra, has her PHD and is sending an experiment on the space shuttle.

Kevin is to present his proposal for Ruth Salzburg's CLAS memorial at the September or October meeting.

Treasurer's Report: \$6126.21 in checking with \$5750 in CD's.

48 have not paid their dues while 74 have paid up for 2006.

Sunshine: Memorials, Santo addressed the need to honor Club members and to keep the monies local.

Motion made, seconded and passed that: (Generally, we will send a card to a family outside the Club and to keep monetary tribute for Club members.)

Minutes were read from July meeting and accepted.

Flight manual needs to be brought up to date, there have been some changes.

First Lutheran Church has made their space available in Cheshire for our 2007 Safety Seminar. The date was voted to change from February 24<sup>th</sup> (the last Saturday) to March 3<sup>rd</sup> 2007 (the first Saturday). Information to follow, save the date. (Editor's Note: The New England Air Museum has given us a price of \$300 including access to the museum.)

Winter dinner will be on January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2007 at Gene's Corner House Restaurant. Mark your calendar now! This dinner is for you.

Garry Guertin reviewed the By-laws and the members in attendance for the last several months and no adjustment is needed for the number for a quorum.

September meeting will be the photo contest for the new 2007 calendar.

Also, R. Schantz's agency will have R. Griffin to speak on insurance coverage.

Santo Galatioto reported that there are changes in the aviation safety council. It will be FAST=Federal Aviation Safety Team, Jim Adams is new for our area.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectively submitted, Ellen Dressel, Secretary

**Thank-you, everyone, for your contributions to the stories and photos this month.**

Contributing photographers this month are Mike Bollea, Mark Sand, Penny Christy, Deb Smith and Charlie Perreault, Pam Bogart-Macfarlane and Rob Macfarlane, Jim and Lisa Regan.

### 2006 EVENTS

Sept 21 - 24	Adirondack Balloon Festival, Glens Falls, NY 518-792-2600
Sept 22 - 24	1st Annual High Hopes Fun Festival, Merrimack Dale Riley 603-673-4036
Oct. 7 - 15	Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta - Albuquerque, NM
Oct. 7 - 15	America's Challenge Gas Balloon Race - Albuquerque, NM
Dec. 1 - 3	Holiday Balloon Festival - Battle Creek, MI

**CREDITS: THE GRANITE STATE BALLOON ASSOCIATION and the BFA Website.**

**For Sale:** Robert Z at (860) 620-3754 [RobertZirpolo@comcast.net](mailto:RobertZirpolo@comcast.net) Cleaning out some of my balloon stuff.

**Basket Cover** Blue Cordura for Balloon Works 4.9 basket \$25

**Quick Release** TBW \$25

**Winter boots** One pair size 12 Northern Outfitters Extreme Winter boots good for -50 degrees F. I've seen pictures of people wearing them on Everest.

## CLAS 2006 Competition Schedule

We will send at least 2 e-mail reminders out each month, as well as publishing it in the newsletter.

We're going to vary the tasks this year, so it's not the same thing every time. We may even score multiple tasks on the same day if the weather will allow it. And I'll try to get you the standings each month for the newsletter.

<b>April 8 (Called for Wind)</b>	Ellington, CT	Rt. 83 Ellington Supermarket parking Lot
<b>May 20 (Called for Wind)</b>	East Windsor CT	Balloons over Skylark Airport
<b>June 10 (Called for Wind)</b>	Cheshire, CT	Rte 10 Commuter lot
<b>July 8 (Successful event)</b>	Cheshire, CT	Rte 10 Commuter lot <b>Charlie cleaned up!</b>
<b>August 26 (Successful Event – No Competition)</b>	Plainville, CT	Plainville Balloon Festival at Norton Park Aug. 25-27 (Launched Sat PM, Sun AM between rain drops)
<b>September 16</b>	<b>Plantsville, CT</b>	<b>Meet at 6AM at the AquaTurf on Mulberry Ave</b>
<b>October 14</b>	Cheshire, CT	Rte's 10/691 Commuter lot.
<b>November 18</b>	TBA	
<b>December 9</b>	TBA	
<b>January 6, 2007</b>	Southington, CT	Frozen Buns fly-out

Competition flights are scheduled for Saturday mornings. The next morning (Sunday) is the back-up date. Meeting times are typically ½ hour before sunrise.

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The Connecticut Lighter Than Air Society is a club for anyone interested in learning about, participating in, and improving the sport of ballooning. Pilots, crew, and enthusiasts alike are welcome and ALL can contribute to the safety, enjoyment and education of the sport. Meetings are scheduled monthly on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at the Plainville Municipal Building (Route 372 at Whiting St.) at 7:30 PM. For more information, contact any of the officers listed in this newsletter.

**CLAS DUES \$20** include membership privileges and newsletter.

Extra voting family member add \$5

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Plainville Balloon Festival Fireworks