



Hello pilots, crews and all around balloon enthusiasts,

It gives me great pleasure to invite pilots and crew to the 2013 Iowa Balloonists Association Continuing Education Seminar! We have our great location reserved at the St. Thomas Pastoral Center just West of Indianola at the corner of Highway 92 and Highway R63. (This is the same location we have held the seminar in 2012.) We have some really talented and exciting presenters as well as yours truly "CrAZY Al". Most importantly we have all of you to come and share your knowledge, passion and love for the sport of hot air ballooning.

As we have in the past, we will again have our breakout sessions on Sunday March 3. These are sessions focusing solely on crewing and competition. And are absolutely free when you attend the full seminar on Saturday.

I will be hosting the crewing session again this year. I received lots of good feedback from those that attended last year, and am incorporating some of the ideas you expressed you wanted to hear more on.

The competition session this year will have a little different approach. This will be a back-to-basics, round table type discussion for all level of pilots. We are going to cover tips from very basic tools and knowledge that is used, whether you are flying at weekend rallies or flying national competition events. Jon Shelton has agreed to come and act as the moderator. We hope all level of competitive pilots come and share their knowledge and experience. The idea here is to get input from every participant. We are really counting on all national level pilots and entry level pilots to get together and make this thing work.

While online learning is an attractive alternative to live face to face seminars, one of the things I enjoy most about our sport is the chance to get together and talk one on one and in small groups about experiences we have had throughout the year. Please do not let this opportunity slip through your fingers and register now to attend this year's seminar and be prepared to learn, share, and enjoy everything the IBA has put together. To increase the value of this seminar, I would ask each and every attendee this year to have something to share and have a question or situation to pose to our group.

As our team wraps up preparations for this year's seminar I am looking forward to seeing each and every one of you. I am excited at the thought that we can all come together and share our knowledge and make this great sport even better! So please join us this year and invite someone new to experience and share in one of the Midwest's best continuing education seminars!

Gentle winds and soft landings to you all!

Al Appenzeller  
IBA President

## Iowa Balloonist Association Continuing Education Seminar

**March 2, 2013**

St. Thomas Aquinas Pastoral Center  
210 R63 Hwy & Hwy 92 West  
Indianola, Iowa

The basis for this one day seminar will be to satisfy the basic requirements by the Balloon Federation of America and qualify pilots for a possible insurance discount.

### Speakers and Topics;

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| Bill Zangs--Commercial Airline Pilot       | FAR's                 |
| Al Appenzeller--Commercial Balloon Pilot   | Crew Safety           |
| Alan Zielinski--Commercial Pilot           | Pilot Decision Making |
| Dale Dommer--Commercial Pilot              | Weather               |
| Bill Zangs and Alan Zielinski              | Accidents             |
| Bill Clemons--Repair Station & Manufacture | Balloon Maintenance   |

**(\*\*Speakers and topics subject to change)**

### Seminar Information;

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| Registration:       | 7:00 a.m. to 7:55 a.m.  |
| Seminar:            | 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. |
| Lunch / IBA Meeting | 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. |
| Seminar             | 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.  |
| Mixer / Cash Bar    | 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.  |

Drawings for prizes will be held throughout the day.

**(\*\* Note: Times subject to change)**

Registration **postmarked on or before** February 16, 2013

Pilot \$70.00; Crew \$40.00

Registration **postmarked after** February 16, 2013

Pilot \$90.00; Crew \$50.00

For non-attendees joining us for lunch there will be a \$15 fee.

**(All fees are Non-refundable)**

Includes: Safety Seminar, snacks, lunch, certification of completion filing with the BFA, complimentary IBA membership, including newsletter, IBA Championship eligibility & more.

### Hotel Information;

Hotel rooms are available at a rate of \$72.88 per night (plus taxes). **Reservations must be made by February 21, 2013 and you must mention the Iowa Balloonist Association** for the guaranteed room rate. The block of rooms at this price is limited. Reservations may be made by calling:

Super 8  
1701 N. Jefferson Way  
Indianola, Iowa 50125  
(515) 361-0058

For more information please contact;

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# **Iowa Balloonist Association Competition Seminar**

**March 3, 2013  
St. Thomas Aquinas Pastoral Center  
210 R63 Hwy& Hwy 92 West  
Indianola, Iowa**

**This is a half day program focused only on competition and / or crewing. This will be a no frills seminar, no breaks, snacks or lunch. Check in time will be at 8:00 AM. Start time for the seminar will be at 8:30 and run until about 12:00.**

**(All times subject to change)**

**There is no additional fee to attend this portion of the seminar with your paid attendance to the Continuing Education Seminar on March 2.**

**This year the competition seminar will be a round table format led by Jon Shelton. Our crewing seminar will be hosted by IBA President Al Appenzeller.**

**If you would like to attend, fill out the form below and mail with the regular IBA Continuing Education Seminar registration form. This will give us an idea how many may be interested in attending this portion of the seminar.**

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Fax # \_\_\_\_\_

Mail with completed application to:

**Iowa Balloonist Association.**  
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