



**JOHN C. DAVIS, IV**

**Notable – Accomplishments/Contributions, Shields Trauger Award**

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- 1973 - Began flying hot air balloons
- 1974 - First attended the US Nationals at Indianola, Iowa
- 1975 - Certificated in gas balloons
- 1976 - Life member of the Balloon Federation of America
  - Officer, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- 1977 - Balloonmeister, US Nationals
  - BFA President's Award
  - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- 1978 - Director, World Record altitude flight
  - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- 1979 - Director, World Record altitude flight
  - FAA Designated Pilot Examiner
  - FAA Safety Counselor
  - Director, Albuquerque Aerostat Ascension Association
  - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- 1980 - Director, World Record distance and duration flights
  - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
  - FAA Designated Pilot Examiner
  - FAA Safety Counselor
- 1981 - FAA Designated Pilot Examiner
  - FAA Safety Counselor
  - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
  - Vice-President, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- 1982 - FAA Designated Pilot Examiner
  - FAA Safety Counselor
  - BFA Level VII Aeronaut
  - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
  - President, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
  - AAAA Sid Cutter Award
- 1983 - FAA Designated Pilot Examiner
  - FAA Safety Counselor
  - Director, Albuquerque Aerostat Ascension Association

- Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- Chairman, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- Director, Balloon Federation of America
- First Place, New Mexico State Hot Air Balloon Championships
- 1984 - FAA Designated Pilot Examiner
- FAA Safety Counselor
- Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- GAMA/FAA Accident Prevention Counselor of the Year
- Thirteenth Place, US Nationals
- Most Improved Pilot, US Nationals
- 1985 - FAA Designated Pilot Examiner
- FAA Safety Counselor
- Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- First Place, St. Louis Post-Dispatch/V. P. Fair Balloon Classic
- Elected to the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta Hall of Fame
- 1986 - FAA Designated Pilot Examiner
- FAA Safety Counselor
- Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- First Place, New Mexico State Hot Air Balloon Championships
- Fourteenth Place, US Nationals
- 1987 - FAA Designated Pilot Examiner
- FAA Safety Counselor
- Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- Assistant Balloonmeister, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- Fourth Place, New Mexico State Hot Air Balloon Championships
- Balloonmeister, Taos Mountain Balloon Rally
- 1988 - FAA Designated Pilot Examiner
- FAA Safety Counselor
- Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- Balloonmeister, Israeli Hot Air Balloon Goodwill Fiesta
- Safety Officer, US Nationals
- FAA Liaison, US Nationals
- Elizabeth J. Dumont Safety Award
- Balloonmeister Award, US Nationals
- Balloonmeister, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- 1989 - FAA Designated Pilot Examiner
- FAA Safety Counselor
- Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- Balloonmeister, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- Balloonmeister, Wells Branch Balloon Race, Austin, Texas
- 1990 - FAA Designated Pilot Examiner
- FAA Safety Counselor

- Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- Balloonmeister, New Mexico State Championships
- Balloonmeister, Wells Branch Balloon Race, Austin, Texas
- 1991 - FAA Designated Pilot Examiner
  - FAA Safety Counselor
  - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- 1992 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- 1993 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
  - BFA Colorado State Champion
- 1994 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
  - Ninth Place, Kodak Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- 1995 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- 1996 - Level VIII Aeronaut, Balloon Federation of America
  - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- 1997 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Place, New Mexico State Championships
- 1998 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- 1999 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
  - Event Director, Non-competitive Balloons, U. S. National Hot Air Balloon Championships, Rantoul, IL
- 2000 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
  - Assistant Event Director, U. S. National Hot Air Balloon Championships, Rantoul, IL
- 2001 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
  - Event Director, U. S. National Hot Air Balloon Championships, Anderson, SC
- 2002 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
  - Event Director, U. S. Nationals Hot Air Balloon Championships, Anderson, SC
- 2003 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
  - Jury President, U. S. National Hot Air Balloon Championships, Anderson, SC
- 2004 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
  - Jury President, U. S. National Hot Air Balloon Championships, Anderson, SC
  - Recipient, BFA Shields/Trauger Award
- 2005 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
  - Jury President, U. S. National Hot Air Balloon Championships, Anderson, SC
- 2006 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
  - Jury President, U. S. National Hot Air Balloon Championships, Anderson, SC
- 2007 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta

- Jury President, U. S. National Hot Air Balloon Championships,  
Waco,TX
- 2008 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- 2009 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- 2010 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- 2011 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- 2012 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- 2013 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- 2014 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta
- 2015 - Director, Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta

Fixed-wing certification 1961 (3000 hours)  
 Hot-air balloon certification ~1972 (1650 hours)  
 Dealers for Semco balloons and Chandelle Sky Sails in Albuquerque and Moriarity NM, 1973-75  
 Gas balloon certification 1975 (250 hours)  
 Balloon Port of Albuquerque, Balloon Works balloon dealers 1975-80  
 Life member BFA 1976  
 Member, AIBF Board of Directors 1976-87, 1989-present  
 Balloonmeister, 1<sup>st</sup> Snowmass Colorado Balloon Rally 1976  
 Balloonmeister, US National Championship 1977  
 BFA President=s Award 1977  
 Lead organizer of attempt at world record altitude flights 1978-79  
 FAA Designated Pilot Examiner 1979- 91  
 FAA Safety Counselor 1979 - 91  
 Albuquerque Raven balloon dealer, 1980-85  
 Lead organizer of attempts at world record distance and duration flights 1980  
 Member of Board of Directors of AAAA 1979, 1983  
 Vice-President of AIBF 1981  
 BFA Level VII Aeronaut  
 President of AIBF 1982  
 AAAA Sid Cutter Award 1982  
 Chairman of the Board AIBF 1983  
 Director BFA 1983  
 GAMA/FAA Accident Prevention Counselor of the Year 1984  
 Most Improved Pilot Award, US Nationals 1984  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place St. Louis Post-Dispatch/VP Fair Balloon Classic 1985  
 AIBF Hall of Fame 1985  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place NM State Hot Air Balloon Championship 1986  
 Assistant Balloonmeister AIBF 1987  
 Balloonmeister, Taos Mountain Balloon Rally 1987  
 Balloonmeister, Israeli Hot Air Balloon Goodwill Fiesta 1988  
 Safety Officer, US Nationals 1988  
 FAA Liaison, US Nationals 1988  
 Elizabeth J. Dumont Safety Award 1988

Balloonmeister Award, US Nationals 1988

Balloonmeister, AIBF 1988

Balloonmeister, Wells Fargo Branch Balloon Race, Austin Texas 1989-90

Balloonmeister, NM State Championships 1990

BFA Colorado State Champion 1993

Level VIII Aeronaut, BFA 1996

Event Director Non-competitive Balloons, US Nationals, Rantoul, Illinois 1999

Assistant Event Director Non-competitive Balloons, US Nationals, Rantoul, Illinois 2000

Event Director, US Nationals, Anderson, SC 2001-02

Jury President, US Nationals, Anderson, SC 2003-06