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**ED YOST MASTER PILOT AWARD**  
**Balloon Federation of America Award Program**

**Applicant Information Form**

**APPLICANT:**

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**Resume:** Please provide a detailed and complete ballooning biography for the applicant that includes the candidate's history and involvement in ballooning.

**Provide documentation:** Provide proper documentation describing the kind of certificate(s) held by the applicant. Attach copies of documents indicating the original date of the pilot's LTA solo flight or original LTA flight certificate.

**Accidents or enforcement actions:** Has the applicant had an accident or Federal Aviation Administration enforcement action? Yes\_\_\_ No ☒ If yes, please provide details on a separate sheet.

**Certification of applicant:** I hereby certify that the statements above regarding accidents or Federal Administration enforcement actions are correct and true.

Applicant: Rob Bartholomew Certificate Number: 1753732 Date: 6-25-14

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CANDIDATE: Robert (Rob) Bartholomew (1974-2014/current)

Rob Bartholomew's experience began in 1966 when he received his pilot license for Airplane Single Engine Land. On April 8, 1974 he completed his Hot Air Balloon "solo flight" and received his Commercial Lighter than Air Free Balloon License on May 1, 1974. Rob's aviation experience continued through the years; in 1978 he became (and is still currently) a Federal Aviation Administration Designated Examiner, opened (and still operates) a Federal Aviation Administration Certified Repair Station, and became a Federal Aviation Administration Prevention Counselor. In 1986, Rob became a Federal Aviation Administration Certified 141 Flight School Chief Instructor.

Along with aviation experience, Rob has served on or been a member of the following organizations: Balloon Federation of America (since 1974), Balloon Federation of America Board of Directors for the North Central Region of the United States (Secretary 1985-1986, board member 1985-1987), National Balloon Classic board member, founding father of Balloons Over Iowa (1979 – current, which still holds ground school once a year), and the Iowa Balloonist Association.

Through the years of ballooning and competing, Rob has received a number of awards and championship titles:

- 1974 – 12<sup>th</sup> place in the U.S. Nationals

- 1977 – 7<sup>th</sup> place in the U.S. Nationals
- 1978 – BFA National Point Leader
- 1979 – 9<sup>th</sup> place in the U.S. nationals
- 1982 – 7<sup>th</sup> place in the U.S. Nationals/awarded the Distinguished Aeronaut – highest achievement award in ballooning)
- 1983 – 7<sup>th</sup> place in the U.S. Nationals, 1<sup>st</sup> place in the All Iowa Championship, 12<sup>th</sup> place in the North American Challenge Cup, qualified for the World Championships in France (US boycotted the race due to a conflict in the rules).
- 1984 – 4<sup>th</sup> place in the U.S. Nationals, BFA National Point Leader, Became Balloon Meister for Creston Southwest Iowa Championship (and has continued this role through 2014)
- 1985 – 14<sup>th</sup> place in the World Championship, the BFA National point leader, and competed in the North American Championship
- 1986 – 7<sup>th</sup> in the U.S. Nationals
- 1987 – 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the U.S. Nationals
- 1988 – 1<sup>st</sup> place in the U.S. Nationals and competed in the North American Nationals Championship, #1 representative to any International Competitive Event, one of 5 members of the winning US team that brought back the Challenge Cup to the US after competing in St. Jean Quebeu Canada.
- 1989 – Qualified for and attended the World Championship in Saga, Japan, Flew in the U.S. Nationals in Baton Rouge, LA
- 1991 – 1<sup>st</sup> place at the All Iowa Championships
- 1992-1994 – Balloon Meister for the National Balloon Classic
- 1995 – 10<sup>th</sup> place in the National Balloon Classic
- 1997 – 5<sup>th</sup> place in the National Balloon Classic
- 1998 – 9<sup>th</sup> place in the National Balloon Classic

- 1999 – 5<sup>th</sup> place in the North Central Regional Championship, 5<sup>th</sup> place in the National Balloon Classic
- 2000 – 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the North Central Regional Championship, 2<sup>nd</sup> in the national Balloon Classic
- 2001 – 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the BFA Iowa State Champion, 5<sup>th</sup> place in the national Balloon Classic
- 2002 – 1<sup>st</sup> place at the All Iowa Championships
- 2003 – 1<sup>st</sup> place at the All Iowa Championships, 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the National Balloon Classic
- 2005 – 3<sup>rd</sup> place in National Balloon Classic
- 2006 – 9<sup>th</sup> place in the National Balloon Classic
- 2007 – 4<sup>th</sup> place in the national Balloon Classic
- 2009 – 1<sup>st</sup> place in the North Central Regional Championship, 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the National Balloon Classic
- 2010 – place in the National Balloon Classic
- 2011 – place in the National Balloon Classic
- 2012 – place in the National Balloon Classic
- 2013 – 11<sup>th</sup> place in the National Balloon Classic
- 2014 – will be competing in the National Balloon Classic in July

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA						
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION						
THIS CERTIFIES IV. ROBERT IRWIN BARTHOLOMEW JR.						
RR 2						
PH 65586759		V. CARLISLE		IA		50047
DATE OF BIRTH	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	HAIR	EYES	SEX	NATIONALITY
03-28-46	67 IN.	155	BROWN	BLUE	M	USA
HAS BEEN FOUND TO BE PROPERLY QUALIFIED TO EXERCISE THE PRIVILEGES OF						
COMMERCIAL PILOT				III. CERT. NO 1753732		
RATINGS AND LIMITATIONS						
LIGHTER-THAN-AIR FREE BALLOON						
PRIVATE PRIVILEGES						
AIRPLANE SINGLE ENGINE LAND						
LIMITED TO HOT AIR BALLOONS WITH AIRBORNE						
HEATER.						
SIGNATURE OF HOLDER				X. <i>Robert Irwin Bartholomew Jr.</i>		
DATE OF ISSUE 05-01-74				VIII. ADMINISTRATOR		

DATE	FLIGHT FROM	FLIGHT TO	EQUIPMENT FLOWN				CLASSIFICATION	DURATION OF FLIGHT	BREAKDOWN OF TRIP TIME INTO CLASSIFICATIONS					REMARKS	
			AIRCRAFT MAKE AND MODEL	CERTIFICATE NUMBER	ENGINE	H. P.			INSTRUMENT	DAY	NIGHT	DUAL	SOLO		
19-74							1095	X							
2-12-74	Carlisle	Local	ROVER	N1953R			1								LEVEL FLIGHT + Phil May
3-17-74	Ind.	Local	ROVER	N1953R			30								LEVEL FLIGHT + LANDING'S Phil May
3-17-74	Ind.	Local	ROVER	N1953R			1								LEVEL FLIGHT + Phil May
3-24-74	Ind.	Local	ROVER	N1953R			4								LEVEL FLIGHT + Phil May
7-8-74	Carlisle	Local	ROVER	N54682			4								5000 FT OK FOR SOLO Phil May
7-27-74	Carlisle	Local	ROVER	N54682			3								Solo for 1 hr
5-1-74	Ind.	Local	ROVER	N54682			1								TERMIN
5-4-74	Carlisle	Local	ROVER	N54682			1								Commence CBH Checkride
5-5-74	Ind.	Pleasantville	ROVER	N54682			1								Student Miltz Munder
5-6-74	Palmyra	Local	ROVER	N54682			3								Ben Van Vleet
5-12-74	Carlisle	Local	ROVER	N54682			2								11 Miltz Munder
THE RECORD ON THIS PAGE IS CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:									CARRY TOTALS FORWARD TO TOP OF NEXT PAGE					ENTER IN THIS COLUMN DETAILS OF ANY SERIOUS DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT. IF MORE SPACE THAN THAT PROVIDED NEEDED FOR ANY DETAILS OF FLIGHT INSTRUCTION OR DAMAGE, USE PAGES PROVIDED IN BACK OF BOOK.	
PILOT: _____ ATTESTED BY: _____									CARRY TOTALS FORWARD TO TOP OF NEXT PAGE						