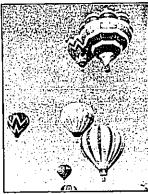
Jackson has friends in high, high places

Jackson, Michigan—
This summer on July 16, 17 and 18 you can "Celebrate the Wild Wild West with your Friends in High Places." That's the theme for Jackson's Hot Air Jubilce and you won't want to

The event will begin Friday, July



 Balloonkis maneuver toward a pole-mounted key. first pliot to grab the key of \$15,000.

16 between 6 a.m. and 8 a.m. with the Good Morning Jackson Fly-over. Early morning risers are in for a real treat as nearly 60 hot air balloons launch from different sites in the community, beginning the pilot

At 4 p.m. the fun and festivities will begin at Cascades Park and at 6 p.m. the pilots will once again launch from different sites. They will all be trying to find the perfect spot for the wind to carry them right over the Cascade Falls where a key worth \$15,000 to the lucky pilot who can grab it is waiting atop a pole mounted on a crane near the flag pole. The key has been waiting for 11 years, because no one has ever been able to grab it

At dusk, the pilots will return to Cascades Park for the night glow, one of the most beautiful sights of the event. The brilliantly glowing balloons are complemented by the vibrantly colored waters of Cascade Falls and enhanced by their reflections in the Park's many ponds.

Saturday morning will begin with a mass balloon launch at Ella Sharp Park between 6 and 8 a.m. Spectators are allowed a rare opportunity to get right up close to the balloons and

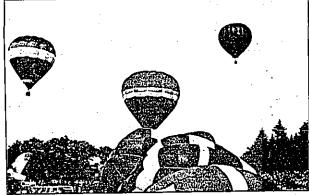


PHOTO OPPORTUNITY— The colorful Hot Air Jubilee photo contest offers prizes for winning adults and children.

watch as they are inflated and launched. But please, no smoking near the propane-powered balloons, and respect the pilots by not getting in their way or attempting to touch their

At 9 a.m., after the balloons anying pilots and sponsors have all floated away, the days' activities will begin at Ella Sharp Park. These include the Kid's Kingdom, a fine arts and crafts show, a classic car show, the Jubilee Jaunt 5K run. entertainment and concessions.

Another mass balloon launch will take place around 6 p.m. as the multicolored balloons launch simultaneously and fly off into the

evening sky.

On Sunday, the Jubilee will move to Jackson County Reynolds Airport for the final day. The last chance for pilots to earn points will occur at the early morning mass launch (6-8 a.m.). The Kid's Kingdom, arts and

crafts, classic cars and concessions will begin at 9 a.m. at the Airport along with aircraft displays, and lots more fun and entertainment.

At 6 p.m. the pilots will say so long 'til next year at the Farewell Jackson Fly-out the final mass balloon launch of the event.

For more information about the Hot Air Jubilee call 517-782-1515.



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