



## International Fellowship of Flying Rotarians Americas Region

2014 SOUTH CENTRAL IFFR FLY-IN  
US National Balloon Championships  
Great Texas Balloon Race  
East Texas Regional Airport (GGG)  
July 28 - August 3, 2014.  
So. Central chair: Jack Welge

Flying Rotarians,

Are you too late to take advantage of EAA Airventure at Oshkosh? Or just looking for something different? Come join us at the US National Balloon Championships and Great Texas Balloon Race and watch Hot Air Balloons rule the skies over Longview!

The Great Texas Balloon Race traces its origin back to both 1978 and founder and local Dentist and World Record Holding Hot Air Balloon Pilot, Bill Bussey. Today, the Great Texas Balloon Race is one of the premier gatherings in the country, drawing more than 100 racing and novelty balloons annually. The US National Balloon Championships have run concurrently in Longview since 2012 and will continue through 2015. See <http://www.greattexasballoonrace.com>.

Make plans now to fly or drive and join us for one night or the entire event. Hotel information is pending, but do plan to experience the breathtaking balloon glow.

Balloon Glows on Friday and Saturday night present an awesome display of color and excitement.

Considered by many of the pilots that compete at the Great Texas Balloon Race to be the best run event on the circuit, the Great Texas Balloon Race earned Longview, Texas the official designation as "The Balloon Capital of Texas" by the Governor of Texas in 1985, and in 2013 Gregg County was proclaimed "The Balloon Race Capital of Texas" by the 83rd Texas Legislature.

Balloon Flights begin the National event on Tuesday morning with a flight over the Longview and continue each morning through Sunday over Kilgore, Longview and East Texas Regional Airport. Launch and landing sites change each day as they are always determined by wind and the weather.

As if that's not enough, Live Concerts are featured Friday and Saturday nights! On Friday, August 1st Roger Creager performs and Saturday, August 2nd it's Tracy Lawrence.

We look forward to you joining in.  
ADVANCE TICKETS GO ON SALE JUNE 30th at  
<http://www.outhousetickets.com>

\$12 each day Fri. & Sat. in advance  
Or \$15.00 per person at the gate each day Fri. & Sat.  
Children 12 and under are admitted FREE  
AND FREE admission on Sunday  
No refunds or rainchecks



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Please register me for the US National Balloon Championships and Great Texas Balloon Race

I will be coming in for the Balloon Glow Friday night \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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