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FAMILY FUN AT R.I. BALLOON FESTIVAL

Soar over southern Rhode Island in a hot air balloon during the 40th South County Balloon Festival in Kingston, July 20-22. Enjoy stunning aerial views of the coastline by day and glow balloons at night as they illuminate the evening sky. The event, which takes place at the University of Rhode Island's Bradford R. Boss Arena, includes tethered balloon flights 6-8 a.m. and 7-9 p.m., weather permitting. The three-day festival also includes wildlife shows, a flying trapeze, a kite show, and live music by local bands, including Roomful of Blues. A kids area features a fishing pond, inflatable rides, a train ride, and a rock-climbing wall. Admission: \$10 per person; children 10 and under free. \$20 per person for a balloon flight. Proceeds benefit local communities. 401-379-4298, www.southcountyballoonfest.com.