



## **PRESS ALERT** **CITY OF GRETNA**

**For Immediate Release**

### **2023 Mardi Gras Kick-off in Gretna** **(#SeeYouOnTheHuey)** **Week of February 1**

**January 30, 2023**

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#### **\* A Toast to Mardi Gras in Gretna \***

**Wednesday, February 1, 5:00 PM**

Enjoy a Champagne Strut along Huey P. Long Ave, stopping at each participating restaurant/bar for a signature drink in your official *Parade the Huey* glass, and enter for your chance to be King/Queen of Gretna's Mardi Gras!

Purchase from 7 participating locations to qualify – \$5 drink/food items available at each stop.

\$10 to register for the Strut; \$15 to register for the Strut + King/Queen entry.

Advance registration available at the Gretna Welcome Center.

#### **\* G-REDI King Cake Social \***

*Coordinated with GEDA*

**Thursday, February 2, 5:30 PM**

Sample delicious king cakes from area bakeries and vote for your favorite. \$10 admission.

Gretna Marketplace, Huey P. Long Avenue between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Streets.

Attendance limited. Advance ticket sales available at the Gretna Welcome Center.

#### **\* Parade the Huey \***

**Friday, February 3, 6:00 PM**

Gretna Krewe of House Floats drive-by viewing on Huey P. Long Avenue and neighboring streets in the 70053 zip code. Walk or drive Huey P. Long Avenue to enjoy the lights and Mardi Gras decorations.

Many private homes will be participating in handing out throws.

If you miss the stationary parade on February 3, enjoy the Mardi Gras decorations and oaks lit along the Huey P. Long Avenue median (10<sup>th</sup> Street to the river) through Mardi Gras.

#### **\* Bubbles on Parade \***

**Friday, February 3 – Sunday, February 12**

Picnic inside a personal bubble tent under the purple, green and gold-draped oaks along the Huey P. Long median between 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Streets. Accommodates parties of up to 6 or 8 per tent.

Fridays through Sundays. Call tourism office for pricing, times & availability-504.363.1580.

#### **\* Krewe of Kuties Parade \***

**Saturday, February 4, 2:00 PM**

Bring the little ones to this children's parade that circles Huey P. Long Avenue from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> Streets.

#### **\* Gretna Mardi Gras Display \***

**February 1-20, 8:00 AM-4:00 PM**

Visit our Mardi Gras display at the Gretna Welcome Center  
1035 Huey P. Long Avenue.

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