



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

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### **2023 Mardi Gras Kick-off** **in Gretna** *(#SeeYouOnTheHuey)*

**January 17, 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! \$10 to register for the Strut; \$15 to register for the Strut + King/Queen entry. Advance registration begins on Monday, January 23, 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 begin on Monday, January 23, 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 and neighboring streets. Gretna residents are encouraged to participate by decorating their porches/yards in purple, green, and gold, and handing out beads to the passing cars. Also, enjoy the Mardi Gras decorations and oaks lit along the Huey P. Long median 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 Celebrates Lundi Gras 2023 \***

*Sponsored by GEDA*

**Monday, February 20, 6:00-10:00 PM**

Bring the family and come "Party on the Huey" at this annual event. Enjoy music by *The Wiseguys!* Gretna Marketplace, Huey P. Long Avenue between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Streets

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