

## **MARDI GRAS IN FAIRHOPE!**

*“Laissez les bon temps rouler!”*

Let the good times roll at Fairhope’s annual Mardi Gras celebration!

The family-friendly festivities kick off February 3rd in the streets of downtown Fairhope with the **Mystic Mutts of Revelry**, hailed as the world’s largest costumed pet parade and finishes up with **The Order of the Mystic Magnolias** on February 12.

Enjoy the sights and sounds as the floats roll through town accompanied by area marching bands. Maybe you’ll catch a moon pie or two!

**See page 2 for a full list of parades and start times.**

**If you would like to receive your newsletter electronically, just stop by the front desk or phone us at (251) 928-2835 with your e-mail address.**

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### Feb. 5—Create Your Own Greeting Card class; 1-4pm

Instructor: Emma Rose Fry

Pre-registration recommended. See page 5 for details.

### Feb. 5—Pot Luck Luncheon 12-1

Join us for our monthly Pot Luck Luncheon. Only \$1.00

Bring a side for 8 people and sign up at the front desk.

Sponsor: Baldwin House

Entrée: Fried Chicken

### Feb. 7 — BIRTHDAY BASH; 10:30 AM

Celebrate your Birthday with the Nix Center.

Enjoy Birthday Cake, Ice Cream, Games and Prizes!! Bring a friend to celebrate with you!

Sponsored by Atlantes Financial Advisors,

The Brennity at Fairhope & Wolfe-Bayview Funeral Home

### Feb. 8 – TEA TIME; 1 p.m.

Topic: The History of Mardi Gras

Speaker: Donnie Barrett—Director of the Fairhope Museum of History

Sponsored By: Covenant Care

### Feb. 13 — COFFEE WITH A COP; 9 a.m.

Enjoy coffee and donuts with Chief Joe Petties as he discusses local scams and fraud you need to be aware of.

**Open to the public.**

### Feb. 14 – TO YOUR HEALTH; 10 a.m.

Topic: Loving the Caregiver

Speaker: Kim Smith—Springhill Home Care

### Feb. 14—Bring Your Own Bingo; 1-3pm

\$1.00 for 3 cards, 10 games. Each player brings

One small gift for prizes!

### Feb. 14—Lunch Trip; 10:45-12:30

### Feb. 15 — ICE CREAM SOCIAL; 2 p.m.

Join us for Ice Cream, friends and door prizes!

Sponsored by: St. Joseph Hospice & The Brennity in Daphne

### Feb. 19—Laughter is the Best Medicine! Laughing Exercises for Good Health!

Presented by The Blake in Malbis

### Feb. 20—Movie Trip—11:00 a.m. See page 4.

### Feb. 21 — LUNCH & LEARN; 11 a.m.

Topic: Veteran to Veteran Volunteering

Speaker: Leslie Barrow—Alacare

Sponsored By: Country Place Senior Living

### Feb. 23—Financial Friday 10:00-11:00

Topic: Stocks; The Nuts & Bolts

Speaker: Matt Blevins

### Feb. 28 — BINGO; 1 p.m.

Play 10 Games of Bingo at the Nix Center!! Cost is \$1 for 3 cards.

Refreshments served and prizes after each game!

Sponsored By: Kindred Home Health & Hospice

## *Nix Center Ballroom*

### *Dances*

*2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month at the*

*James P. Nix Center:*

*7 p.m. – 10 p.m.*

*Costs: \$5.00 Members*

*\$9.00 Guests*

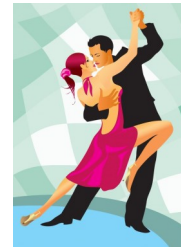
*Thanks to our dance helpers  
Louise Eckman, Fran Hocquard,  
Nancy Miller and Dolly Guy.*

**February 8**

***JR Owen***

**February 22**

***Exit 105***



## **ACTIVITIES AROUND TOWN**

### **First Friday Art Walk**

Enjoy the arts and more in downtown Fairhope on Friday, February 2 from 6-8 p.m. Start your evening at the Eastern Shore Art Center and then shop, dine and stroll through Fairhope.

### **MARDI GRAS PARADES**

Saturday, February 3, 1:00 pm  
Mystic Mutts of Revelry

Saturday, February 3, 6:45pm  
Knights of Ecor Rouge

Friday, February 9, 6:45pm  
The Maids of Jubilee

Monday, February 12, 6:45pm  
The Order of Mystic Magnolias

# James P. Nix Center Daily Activities for February

## MONDAY

- 8:00-4:00 Pool/Billiards for men & women  
9:00-10:00 Tone & Stretch with Joni  
12:00-1:00 Pot Luck Lunch—Sign-up requested.  
12:30-4:00 Eastern Shore Duplicate Bridge Club \$3.00 per game.  
For more information, call Art Meyers at 626-5109.  
[www.easternshorebridgeclub.com](http://www.easternshorebridgeclub.com)  
1:00-4:00 Open Cards, Mahjong  
1:30-4:00 Hand, Foot & Knee



## TUESDAY

- 8:00 **Nix Center Golf Mixed Scramble at Quail Creek**  
Reservations required, fee to play is \$3. If you would like to play, call Bob Mull at 990-9958.  
8:00-9:00 Helen McKee Senior Stretch Class  
8:00-4:00 Pool/Billiards for men & women  
9:00-10:00 **Coffee with a Cop (February 13)**  
9:00-10:00 Low Impact Aerobic Class  
9:00-12:00 Jam N' Folks Music Group  
11:00 **TUESDAY MOVIE (February 20)**  
Ride the Nix Center bus to the movie theatre in Daphne.  
Space is limited to 11 people. Participants are responsible for admission fee to movie and refreshments. Pre-registration is required.  
12:30-4:00 Open Cards, Hand & Foot, Party Bridge, Scrabble, Cribbage, etc.  
(Must bring your own foursome)  
12:30-4:00 299 Duplicate Bridge For more information, contact Janet Anderson at 251-990-5114.  
1:30-3:30 Bridge Lessons with Frank Walsh

## WEDNESDAY

- 8:00-4:00 Pool/Billiards for men & women  
9:00-10:00 **LINE DANCING.** No Reservation required; \$5 fee is required.  
9:30-11:30 **"Arts & Crafts & Chat"**  
Bring your own craft or hobby and socialize while you do your own project.  
You do not have to bring a project— just come & chat!  
10:00-11:00 **Spanish Class.** \$5.00 fee required.  
10:00-11:00 **TO YOUR HEALTH (February 14)**  
10:45 **LUNCH TRIP ON THE BUS (February 14)**  
Ride the Nix Center bus to Lunch on the Eastern Shore!  
11:00-12:00 **LUNCH & LEARN (February 21)**  
10:30-11:30 **BIRTHDAY BASH (February 7)**  
Sponsored by **Atlantes Financial Advisors, The Brenny at Fairhope & Wolfe-Bayview Funeral Home.**  
12:30-4:00 Open Cards, Mahjong, and Other Games.  
(Must Bring your own foursome).  
12:30-4:00 Eastern Shore Duplicate Bridge Club \$3 per game.  
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1:00-3:00 **Bring Your Own Bingo (February 14)**  
**Bingo (February 28)**  
1:30-4:00 Hand, Foot & Knee



## THURSDAY

- 8:00-9:00 Helen McKee Senior Stretch Class  
8:00-4:00 Pool/Billiards for men & women  
9:00-10:00 Low Impact Aerobic Class  
9:00-10:00 Blood Pressure Screening with Crowley Home Care  
9:30-11:00 Spouse Grief Support Group  
**(February 1, 8, 15, 22) sponsored by Covenant Care**  
9:30-11:30 Bridge Lessons with Frank Walsh  
10:30-11:30 Tai Chi  
12:30- 4:00 Open Cards & Other Games (Must bring your own foursome)  
12:30- 4:00 Eastern Shore Duplicate Bridge Club \$3 per game.  
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[www.easternshorebridgeclub.com](http://www.easternshorebridgeclub.com)  
1:30-3:30 **COFFEE & CONVERSATION**. Come and join in on an afternoon of fellowship and stimulating conversation. All are welcome to add their own information or opinions and to listen to those of others.  
2:00-3:00 **TEA TIME (February 8)**  
Sponsored By: **Covenant Care**  
2:00-3:00 **ICE CREAM SOCIAL (February 15)**  
Join us for Ice Cream, friends and door prizes!  
Sponsored by **St. Joseph Hospice & The Brenny at Daphne**  
7:00-10:00 **FAIRHOPE'S FAMOUS DANCES (February 8 & 22)**  
(see information on page 2)



## FRIDAY

- 8:00-4:00 Pool/Billiards for men & women  
9:00-10:00 **GOLD ZUMBA** with Joni **(February 2, 9, 16, 23)**  
10:00-11:00 Financial Friday (February 23) See "Mark Your Calendar"  
12:30-4:00 Eastern Shore Duplicate Bridge Club \$3 per game.  
For information, call Art Meyers at 626-5109. [www.easternshorebridgeclub.com](http://www.easternshorebridgeclub.com)  
12:30-4:00 Open Cards  
12:30-4:00 Mexican Dominos



## Go to the Movies with the Nix Center!

On the third Tuesday (February 20) of each month, members ride the Nix Center bus to the movie theater in Spanish Fort. Space is limited to the first 11 people who register. Movie and time to be announced closer to the movie date. Check with the Nix Center for possible changes. Participants are responsible for admission fee and refreshments. Only pre-registered participants will be guaranteed a seat on the bus.

**Ray's Casino Bus** *Every 3rd  
Wednesday*

\$10 (Includes \$15 for casino play)  
Call to reserve your spot @  
**(251) 458-0233**

The bus leaves from the NW corner of  
the Walmart parking lot at 8:00 a.m.  
sharp!



**ESILL**

*(The Eastern Shore Institute for Lifelong  
Learning)*

*Celebrating over 40 years of  
"School for the Fun of It!"*

**Spring Term begins  
Monday, March 5.**

For more information, visit  
[www.esill.com](http://www.esill.com)  
Follow and Like us on Facebook.

The online catalogue and flyers  
will be available early in  
February.

**Have you moved lately?  
New telephone number?  
Started using E-mail?**

Stop by the Nix Center front  
desk to update your  
membership information.

**Brick Paver Program at the  
Nix Center**

The Nix Center has a brick paver program similar  
to the one in downtown Fairhope. The program is  
designed to honor or memorialize friends or  
family members by placing a 12x12 limestone  
paver at the entrance of the Nix Center. The  
bricks can have up to six lines of text with 17  
characters on each line. Each brick costs \$100  
and will arrive up to three months after ordering.  
If you have any additional questions, stop by the  
front desk.

**Create your own Greeting Card Class**  
with Emma Rose Fry from Stampin' Up  
**Monday February 5, 2018, 1-4pm**

**3-cards; 1 valentine, 1 sympathy and 1 birthday**  
**\$15 materials fee must be paid in advance.**  
**Class size limited to 10 so sign up now.**

**Friends of the  
Fairhope Museum of History**

**Consider joining the Friends of the  
Fairhope Museum of History.  
Volunteer Opportunities, Special Events  
and so much more!**

**Membership is only \$20 per year!**  
**Call 929-1471 for more info.**

**Donations**

Just a reminder to please donate to our refreshments fund when you  
are enjoying the coffee, cookies and many other refreshments we serve  
around the center. These donations are what we use to purchase the  
snacks and coffee you are served at the center everyday. Thank you for  
your ongoing support of the Nix Center and our programs.





A Tribute to  
***“The Squire of Fairhope”***  
**James P. Nix**

Sunday, February 18, 2018  
**First Baptist Church**  
300 S. Section St.  
2-4 p.m.

Scovil Productions will present a documentary film by award-winning movie producer Gary Scovil.

The film will showcase the many contributions of former Mayor James P. Nix dating back to the 1960's through his seven terms as mayor from 1972-2000.

Please put this wonderful event on your calendar for what will truly be an extraordinary recognition of one of Fairhope's finest citizens and his many contributions that made Fairhope the jewel that it is today.

## **High Tea at the James P. Nix Center**

You are cordially invited to attend our High Tea  
Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup> from 2-4 pm.

It will be a delightful afternoon themed around  
*“Classic Movies”*.

There will be a savory and sweet course with paired teas.

We will have a drawing for table centerpieces and a  
**Grand Prize for “Best Hat”!**

Tickets on sale now at the James P Nix Center for only \$10.00 and are limited so get yours today!

## **The James P. Nix Senior Activity Center**

### **Location**

One Bayou Drive  
Fairhope, Alabama 36532  
**(251) 928-2835**  
**Fax: (251) 990-0207**

### **Hours**

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Monday - Friday

### **Email**

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### **Website**

[www.cofairhope.com](http://www.cofairhope.com)

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