

EXPLORE



At A Glance

Fire on the Water

July 3rd, 2023

5 p.m.- 9:30 p.m.

Fireworks start at 7 p.m.

Food, music, and water
entertainment at 5 p.m.

Oak Mountain State
Park

- Fireworks
- Food
- Vendors
- Music
- Entertainment
- Lots of Fun

FIRE ON THE WATER

The Most Anticipated Event of the Year

By: Kaitlyn Gailey

Get ready for some incredible fireworks and celebrate Independence Day Pelham style! Come out to Oak Mountain State Park on July 3rd, 2023, for the City of Pelham's annual Fire on the Water. This celebration has been a favorite for Pelham residents throughout the years. It is a great evening for people to get together, enjoy family time, and hang out with friends.

Once again, Flip Slide Watersports will provide wakeboarding entertainment starting at 5:00 p.m. DJ Blaze will keep the crowd energized all night, and food and beverage vendors will offer food for purchase beginning at 5:00 p.m. Gates at Oak Mountain State Park open at 7:00 a.m. and park officials urge you to come and make a day of it by exploring all the park has to offer. For the event, you are allowed to bring chairs, blankets, and coolers. Public picnic tables and grills are located throughout the park and are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Annual passes are valid on July 3rd, 2023, from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. For those who are not pass holders, regular entrance fees apply until 5:00 p.m. Pelham residents will receive a special rate of \$10 per vehicle from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., with proof of residency. Non-residents receive a special rate of \$15 per vehicle, so carpool and save! Both gates take cash and card payments.



Learn to Play at Ballantrae

Ballantrae Golf Club General Manager Hal Brown has a message for Pelham: "Golf is a fun game that everyone can play!" Brown and his staff have created several Learn to Play opportunities that are open to the public.

Learn to Play Saturdays will be held July through December from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. for \$20 per person. "This is a great way to ease yourself into the game in a fun and low-pressure environment," said Brown.

Additionally, Learn to Chip and Putt Wednesdays are an option for those who want to sharpen their skills. These clinics will be held July through December from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. for \$10 per person.

Best of all, there is no need to go out and buy new equipment as a beginner. "We will offer clubs at no charge for participants," said Brown. "We just want to introduce the game to as many people as possible."



School Supply Drive
Shelby County Foster Parent Association

Items Needed:

Binders	Colored pencils
Folders	Pencils/pens
Notebooks	Backpacks
Calculators	Lunchboxes
Pencil cases	Packages of underwear & socks (kid's sizes XS-XL)
Crayons	
Markers	

Drop Off Items at the Pelham Public Library through July 8th.



Library Hosts Supply Drive

The Pelham Public Library is hosting a school supply drive benefiting the Shelby County Foster Parent Association. Supplies will be collected through July 8.

"At the library, we want all students to achieve their very best. Making sure that kids living in foster homes have everything they need to start school is one way to help get them off to a good start," said Library Director Mary Campbell.

While everything on the wish list is needed, Campbell said there's a demand for new backpacks for high school students. "These kids are adult-sized people and they need the appropriate-sized backpacks. Also, new socks and underwear for kids and teens are very helpful."

"Unfortunately, when a child enters foster care, they often enter with very few of their personal belongings. This is one way we can help them regain some of their possessions and a bit of normalcy," Campbell added.



A Parks & Rec Celebration

July is National Parks and Recreation Month, and the City of Pelham has plenty of indoor and outdoor recreation opportunities. Here are some new programs offered this month:

Youth Co-Ed Basketball Clinic

This two-day clinic will be held July 10-11 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Pelham Rec Center and will be led by Pelham High School basketball coaches and players. The clinic is open to girls and boys entering third through sixth grades. The cost is \$10 per child. [Follow this link to register.](#)

Free Fitness in the Park

Take advantage of Free Fitness in the Park. Join the fun for Beach-Themed Yoga in the Park on Monday, July 17, from 5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. You provide your own water and yoga mat; we'll bring the beach vibes and cool air! Follow the [Pelham Parks and Recreation Facebook page](#) to learn about additional new classes this month.



New Camps Added

This year, the Pelham Civic Complex & Ice Arena had a fortunate summer camp dilemma. "Our first two camps sold out, so we're adding another," said Susie Gray, Director of Skating.

The additional camp will take place July 24-28. Participants will have the choice of two tracks: skating and hockey. "The Learn to Skate option is for beginning skaters, aspiring hockey players, and figure skaters of all abilities. The hockey camp is for hockey players who play on house and travel teams and want to sharpen their skills. Hockey campers must have their own gear," explained Gray.

The skating camp is for children aged 5-13. The hockey camp includes children aged 6-18. Tuition for each camp is \$290 for the week, with lunch and snacks provided.

The camp hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Visit the [Pelham Civic Complex website](#) for details.

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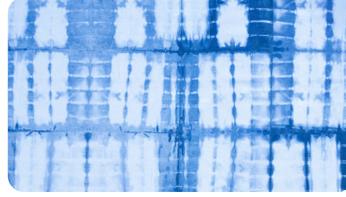
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GINA WOMACK, EDITOR



HAPPENING IN PELHAM



SATURDAY | JULY 1

11:00 A.M. | OMSP TREETOP NATURE TRAIL

Birds on the Boardwalk

Join park interpreters to learn about the amazing birds of prey at Oak Mountain State Park. Hear their stories and learn to help their wild friends.

Free with park admission.

[Learn more about Birds on the Boardwalk here.](#)

MONDAY | JULY 10

6:00 P.M. | PELHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY

Adult Craft Workshop

Join the fun and learn the art of shibori dyeing. The program is free, and all supplies are provided. Space is very limited. Registration is required.

Free. Ages 18+

[Register for the Shibori class here.](#)

SATURDAY & SUNDAY | JULY 8-9

8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. | OMSP MAIN OFFICE

Nature Scavenger Hunt

Explore Oak Mountain State Park in a whole new way with a fun and engaging scavenger hunt. Pick up your instructions at the Main Office and join the fun!

Free with park admission. Self-guided activity.

[Learn more about the Nature Scavenger Hunt here.](#)

TUESDAY | JULY 11

9:00 A.M. | PELHAM RECREATION CENTER

Youth Volleyball Clinic

This three-hour clinic introduces basic skill development of indoor and sand volleyball. Bring water, snacks, a towel, tennis shoes/socks, and flip-flops.

Ages 8-12 | \$20 per child

[Read the complete details here.](#)

MONDAY | JULY 10

1:00 P.M. | PELHAM SENIOR CENTER

Crafting Together

Join your friends and make a beautiful, seasonal craft. Our experts guide you through the process. Registration opens at the beginning of each month.

Ages 55+. Cost varies.

Call 205.620.6064 for details.

TUESDAY | JULY 11

2:00 P.M. | PELHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY

McWane Science Center Program

McWane Science Center brings a STEM-filled show, "Science Around the World" to our library. The program will be held in Roberts Room A & B.

Ages: Children through 6th grade.

[Find out more information about the program here.](#)

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THURSDAY | JULY 13 10:00 A.M. | PELHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY Pelham Garden Club

This month's meeting will feature a presentation by Susan McCluskey, a member and resident expert in gesneriads. The club is open to adults interested in all areas of gardening.

Free
[Read more about the Pelham Garden Club here.](#)

FRIDAY | JULY 14 8:00 P.M. | OAK MOUNTAIN STATE PARK Critters of the Night Hike

Experience Oak Mountain State Park after dark! Go on this easy guided night hike and see what glows, calls, and crawls on our trails. Meet at the Beach Access parking lot.

Free with park admission.
[Learn more about the Critters of the Night Hike here.](#)

MONDAY | JULY 17 5:30 P.M. | PELHAM MIDDLE SCHOOL FIELD Summer Youth Lacrosse Camp

Pelham Parks and Recreation has partnered with the Greater Birmingham Youth Lacrosse Association to offer an introduction to lacrosse for Pelham youth.

Ages 6-12 | Free: Equipment provided.
[Read the complete details for Lacrosse Camp here.](#)

TUESDAY | JULY 18 10:30 A.M. | PELHAM SENIOR CENTER Make a Beautiful Bouquet

Learn the basics of floral designing and make your own floral arrangement. All flowers/supplies are included and you can keep your creation!

Ages 55+ | Registration opens at the beginning of July.
Call the Pelham Senior Center at 205.620.6064.

FRIDAY | JULY 21 6:30 P.M. | PELHAM CITY PARK Chalk the Park & Movies Under the Stars

Enjoy an evening of family fun. Crafts, chalk, popsicles, and food trucks begin at 6:30 p.m. At 8:00 p.m., the movie, "Lyle, Lyle Crocodile" will be shown on the big screen.

Free
[Learn more about Movies Under the Stars here.](#)

SATURDAY | JULY 22 8:00 A.M. | OAK MOUNTAIN STATE PARK Level 1 Mountain Bike Lessons

The level 1 class is for all riders (beginner, intermediate, and advanced). Learn to mountain bike with confidence, refine your skills, and have more fun on the trails.

Open to all ages.
[Learn more about this event and additional classes here.](#)

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TUESDAY | JULY 25

5:30 P.M. | PELHAM RECREATION CENTER

Let's Get Painting: Button Tree

Work together to create a button tree. We will use acrylic paint, glue guns, and more. No experience is necessary. Participants should wear appropriate clothing to paint.

Ages 8-13 | \$8 per child (includes all supplies)

[Read the complete details on Let's Get Painting here.](#)

THURSDAY | JULY 27

10:00 A.M. | PELHAM SENIOR CENTER

Grandparents Day Luau

Join us for a luau with your grandchildren (ages 3-11). Learn the basics of hula dancing, do limbo, play bingo, enjoy crafts, and eat pizza!

\$5 per child

Call the Pelham Senior Center at 205.620.6064.

TUESDAY | AUGUST 1

7:00 P.M. | OAK MOUNTAIN AMPHITHEATRE

Big Time Rush: Can't Get Enough Tour

Pop group Big Time Rush brings the Can't Get Enough Tour to Pelham's Oak Mountain Amphitheatre, along with special guests Jax and Max.

Ticket prices vary.

[See ticket availability and seating charts for the concert here.](#)

SOUTH CITY THEATRE PRESENTS

SMOKE ON THE MOUNTAIN

HOMECOMING

Playwrights:
Connie Ray, Alan Bailey

Composer: Mike Craver

Directed by Sue Ellen Gerrells

July 14-15, 2023 at 7:30 PM
at The Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit, 858 Kent Dairy Rd, Alabaster

July 21, 2023 at 7:30 PM & July 23, 2023 at 2 PM
at Restore Campus - First United Methodist Alabaster, 128 Market Center Dr, Alabaster

July 22, 2023 at 7:30 PM
at First Christian Church of Birmingham, 4954 Valleydale Rd, Birmingham

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