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TOWN OF PIKE ROAD ANNOUNCES ARBOR WEEK EVENTS

The Town of Pike Road will observe February 20-26 as Arbor Week. In observance, the town has a number of activities scheduled.

Events begin Saturday, February 19 at 9:00 a.m., with the planting of a tree on the site of the future town park in the Rolling Hills neighborhood off Trotman Road in the Town of Pike Road. Pike Road Mayor Gordon Stone and Mitchell Brown, a fifth grader from the Town of Pike Road and winner of the town's annual Arbor Day poster contest, will plant the tree. During this time another young person from the Town of Pike Road, Joshua Dunn, will be working on improvements to the future park site as part of his Eagle Scout project.

Following the regularly scheduled 7:00 a.m. town council meeting Wednesday, February 23, elected officials, town staff and residents will gather for a brief ceremony at Town Hall to announce the Arbor Week proclamation and recognize the value of trees in cities and towns. The proclamation will be read, the poster contest winner recognized and officials from the Alabama Forestry Commission will make remarks.

Through a gift from the Forestry Commission, the Town of Pike Road will provide an assortment of free seedlings on a first-come, first-served basis beginning at the ceremony Wednesday morning and lasting until the trees are all distributed. The town asks that residents plant the trees within the Town of Pike Road.

"As the Arbor Week proclamation communicates, the Town of Pike Road recognizes the value that trees add to the lives of people and communities," said Mayor Gordon Stone. Each year we make trees available to our residents for planting and encourage them to contribute to a brighter future by caring for these precious natural resources."

For further information on the poster contest winner and Arbor Week activities in the Town of Pike Road, please contact Gordon Stone or Charlene Rabren at Pike Road Town Hall, (334) 272-9883.

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