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Town of Pike Road to Honor Veterans on Sunday, November 5

TOWN OF PIKE ROAD, Ala. - The Town of Pike Road will honor America's military veterans during its 6th Annual Veterans Appreciation Ceremony, Sunday, November 5. The Capitol Sounds will provide patriotic music beginning at 1:30 p.m., and the Ceremony will begin at 2:00 p.m. The Ceremony is free and open to the public. The ceremony will take place at the Pike Road Veterans Memorial at Veterans Park, located at 4902 Pike Road. Pack 8 Webelos Scouts from St. James UMC will assist in welcoming veterans and guests. We especially encourage veterans to attend and be recognized in the Walk of Honor.

A flyover by local aviator Tommy Ussery will open the Ceremony at 2 p.m., and Pike Road Schools learners Edie and Emma Walters will lead the Pledge of Allegiance. The Presentation of the Colors and the Wreath Ceremony will be led by the Marine Honor Guard of Lima Company, 3rd Battalion, 23rd Marines 4th Marine Division, Reserve Rifle Company. Distinguished speaker Colonel Patrick T. Budjenska, Adjutant General Corps, United States Army, will reflect on unity and the importance of community. Then, Town of Pike Road Mayor Gordon Stone will dedicate newly-installed, personalized bricks honoring veterans in the Pike Road Veteran's Memorial. The highlight of the afternoon will be the "Walk of Honor," in which we invite all veterans to participate in a short walk, recognizing them as they process through the crowd.

In 2012, Home Depot on Chantilly Parkway donated materials and labor for the construction of the Pike Road Veterans Memorial. Each year, volunteers from Home Depot provide fresh landscaping to ensure that the Veterans Memorial remains a beautiful tribute to veterans everywhere. We continue to be thankful for this partnership and the contributions of our local Home Depot.

"America's heroes—those who have fought and continue to sacrifice for our freedoms—are very dear to the people of this town, and we take seriously this opportunity to honor them each November," said Mayor Gordon Stone. "We hope the community will join us in paying tribute to our veterans through this excellent event."

More details on the Veterans Appreciation Ceremony can be found [here](#). For more information, please contact Turner Waddell by emailing Turner@pikeroad.us or by calling (334) 495-4109 or (864) 958-6577.

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