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Learn to Clean Up, Increase Productivity of Recreational Ponds – Free Seminar August 17

Town of Pike Road Partners with Montgomery County Extension to Help You Take Control of Your Pond

PIKE ROAD, Ala – The great state of Alabama is home to a lot of things, including roughly 50,000 ponds. Take a ride through Montgomery County, and you may feel like you’ve already seen half of them! Traditionally, freshwater ponds have been used to water livestock, irrigate fields, control erosion, and raise a variety of fish. The Town of Pike Road’s Agriculture and Stewardship Club 2018 Seminar Series continues Friday, August 17 at 9 a.m. at Pike Road Town Hall (9575 Vaughn Rd) with the information you need to effectively manage your recreational pond, and make it work for you.

Dr. Rusty Wright, Alabama Cooperative Extension Specialist Associate Professor, will lead the Aug. 17 Pond Management seminar, speaking about recreational, or backyard, ponds, with a focus on bass and bream ponds. This seminar offers a great opportunity for those with private ponds to learn about weed control, pond balance, fish growth and more. There is no cost to attend, but registration is required – and seats are filling up fast. Please call the Extension System at 334.270.4133 to register.

“We are excited to partner with the Montgomery County branch of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System to continue the Ag & Stewardship Seminar Series,” said Pike Road Mayor Gordon Stone. “ACES has a long history of providing valuable educational tools for farmers and landowners. The community has shown great interest in these opportunities to engage in the stewardship of our natural resources and celebrate our agricultural heritage.”

The Agriculture and Stewardship Club is one of seven committees under the Town of Pike Road’s ENHANCE Initiative. The mission of the Club is to facilitate a greater awareness of the role of agriculture and natural resources in shaping the past, present and future of the Pike Road area. Adopted in 2012, ENHANCE: A Vision with Focus is a detailed plan for accomplishing work in four key areas known as the town’s Four Pillars: quality of life, planning, services and education. ENHANCE stresses the enrichment of quality of life, and includes organizations and projects related to exercise, nutrition, health, agriculture, nature and community education.

For more information or to schedule an interview, contact Turner Waddell by calling (334) 495-4109, (864) 958-6577 or by emailing turner@pikeroad.us. You can also visit www.pikeroad.us for information about the event.