



News from Town Hall



Hi, just a reminder that you're receiving this email because you have expressed an interest in the Town of Pike Road. Don't forget to add info@pikeroad.us to your address book, so we'll be sure to land in your inbox! If you no longer wish to receive our emails, you may unsubscribe by clicking the link at the bottom of this email.

Jan. 19, 2024

Updates from Mayor Stone



JAN. 12, 2024 / GORDON STONE, MAYOR / WWW.PIKEROAD.US / 334.272.9883

PIKEROAD ARTS COUNCIL

Water-Soluble Oil Paint Workshop

WITH CRAIG REYNOLDS

JAN. 18 & 19 | 9 A.M. - 4 P.M.

AT THE PIKE ROAD ARTS CENTER, 944 WALLAHATCHIE RD

EMAIL [PATTY@PIKEROAD.US](mailto:patty@pikeroad.us) TO REGISTER!

VALENTINES FOR VETERANS *Card Drive*

in partnership with the Central AL Veterans Health Care System

Drop off handmade or store-bought cards with a sweet note at Town Hall on weekdays through Feb. 9 to be delivered to local veterans in time for a Valentine's Day treat.

JAN. 22 - FEB. 9

Send a little love this Valentine's Day!

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"HOME TWEET HOME" BLUEBIRD HOUSE WORKSHOP

Create your own birdhouse while learning about Bluebirds in our area!

JAN. 25 • 4 - 6 PM



Presented in Partnership by the Montgomery County Extension (ACES) and the Pike Road Ag & Stewardship Club

[Click here or click the image above for weekly updates from Mayor Stone!](#)

"There is so much activity in the Town of Pike Road! Read below to stay up to date with our upcoming events.

Just this upcoming week, we have the Home Tweet Home Workshop, When it's Cold Outside! Art Show & Sale Opening Reception, and the Valentines for Veterans Card Drive Kickoff. We can't wait to connect with you this week - show us which events you come to this week using #mypikeroad!

Mondays with the Mayor is one of our favorite programs because we get to hear from YOU! On Jan. 29, join the conversation at Mellow Mushroom from 12 - 1 p.m. to enjoy a yummy lunch while hearing about upcoming events you may want to attend. This is your opportunity to ask your questions about our hometown, so take advantage of this once-a-month radio programming.

Lastly, don't forget about the Painting Landscapes in Oils Workshop with Perry Austin on Feb. 8 and 9. In this two-day workshop, participants will learn how to accurately capture the beauty of the outdoors under the guidance of award-winning artist Perry Austin. Email

patty@pikeroad.us to register - spots will fill up quickly!

The new year brings new opportunities - search @townofpikeroad on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter so you never miss an event in the Town of Pike Road.

As always, we will continue to pray for you, and we encourage you to pray for each other.

Thank you and God bless."

NEXT WEEK - "Home Tweet Home": Bluebird House Workshop on Jan. 25



JAN 25: "HOME TWEET HOME" BLUEBIRD HOUSE WORKSHOP

Join us on Thursday, January 25, from 4 - 6 p.m. at the Pike Road Agriculture, Recreation, & Performing Arts Park (6281 Trotman Rd), to learn about bluebirds and how to encourage them to live near you at "[Home Tweet Home](#)": [Bluebird House Workshop](#). Participants will get to learn all they need to know about the bluebirds living in our area before creating their own bluebird house to take home!

Carrie Threadgill, Non-Game Wildlife Program Coordinator for Alabama Wildlife & Freshwater Fisheries, will guide us through bluebird identification, breeding behavior, and habitat preferences before assisting us in creating our personal bluebird houses. Together, we will learn best practices for the installation and

location of our birdhouses, as well as feeding techniques and potential predator issues. Participants will receive all supplies necessary for their birdhouse.

This workshop costs \$12 per person. [Click here to register today!](#)

There are registration fees associated with this workshop to cover the costs of materials. Registration fees must be received no later than 5 p.m. on Monday, January 22, to participate. If you are unable to pay online or have additional questions, please email Jennifer Grace Arnold at jarnold@pikeroad.us!

"Home Tweet Home": Bluebird House Workshop is the January installation of the 2024 Agriculture & Stewardship Seminar Series. This event is presented in partnership with the Alabama Cooperative Extension System and the Town of Pike Road's Agriculture & Stewardship Club, an ENHANCE initiative committee.

Grab Your Earmuffs - "When it's Cold Outside!" Art Show & Sale



Kick off the New Year at the Pike Road Arts Council's "[When it's Cold Outside!](#)" [Art Show & Sale](#) beginning **this Sunday, Jan. 21!** As we experience the chill of this winter season, local artists are transforming that freezing feeling into one-of-a-kind masterpieces. This timely art show is one you won't want to miss!

You can discover the beautiful outdoors from inside the Pike Road Arts Center! Discover frozen landscapes and artists' personal interpretations of winter at the Opening Reception, 2 - 4 p.m. on Jan. 21.

Pike Road Arts Center Open Hours:

- Saturdays: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- Sundays: 1 - 4 p.m.

Artists are invited to submit up to four pieces for this show! There is no cost to participate. Register now, or learn more about this event: Contact Arts Council Coordinator Patty Payne by emailing patty@pikeroad.us.

The Pike Road Arts Center is located at 944 Wallahatchie Rd, under the water tower. It is home to the Water House Gallery, studio space, and a variety of events presented by the Pike Road Arts Council, an ENHANCE initiative committee. For more information, please contact Pike Road Arts Council Coordinator Patty Payne by emailing patty@pikeroad.us.

Valentines for Veterans Card Drive Starts THIS MONDAY, Jan. 22!

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JAN. 22 - FEB. 9

Drop off handmade or store-bought cards with a sweet note at Town Hall or personalize cards available at Town Hall on weekdays through Feb. 9 to be delivered to local veterans in time for a Valentine's Day treat.



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Our Valentines for Veterans card drive returns **this Monday, Jan. 22!** Send a little love to veterans in care of the Central Alabama Health Care System, which serves veterans across Central Alabama and parts of Georgia.

It's easy to participate:

- Drop off handmade or store-bought cards with a sweet note at Town Hall (9575 Vaughn Rd) by 5 p.m. on Feb. 9 to be delivered to local veterans in time for a Valentine's surprise!
- Cards are available at Town Hall to personalize with a kind note for your convenience.
- [Click here](#) to see a printable card you can write on, or [click here](#) to see a printable card you can

color in!

This is a great activity for families with children, as well as for classes, service organizations, and church groups. If your family or group participates, we encourage you to share photos with us using #mypikeroad on social media or by emailing them to info@pikeroad.us.

Town Hall hours:

- Monday - Thursday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Friday, 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Tune in: Mondays with the Mayor at Mellow Mushroom on Jan. 29



MONDAYS WITH THE MAYOR
at Mellow Mushroom
JAN. 29
12 -1 PM

Join the conversation on Monday, Jan 29! We're so excited to visit Mellow Mushroom for this radio program, LIVE from 12 - 1 p.m. on the MAX Round Table, WTXK 107.5 FM/1210 AM. Stop by to see us (9559 Vaughn Rd) and join the conversation. Tune in to hear all things Town of Pike Road and ask Mayor Stone your questions!

REMINDER: The Mondays with the Mayor show is all about giving YOU the opportunity to connect with Mayor Stone, share your thoughts, and learn more about what's happening in our community, and we hope to hear from you. If you have questions for the mayor, you may send them to info@pikeroad.us anytime,* or plan to call in during the show!

- Text in to the show: 334.313.1170
- Call in to the show: 334.517.1210
- [Tune in on your web browser here!](#)
- [Tune in on your smartphone or desktop with the FREE TuneIn App here!](#)

*Please designate questions sent to info@pikeroad.us as "Mondays with the Mayor" to be addressed during the Jan. 29 show.

Public Meeting to Kick Off Comprehensive Plan Updates in 2024



Town of Pike Road
Comprehensive Plan Update
Public Kick Off Meeting

Thursday, February 8 | 6 - 7:30 PM
Pike Road Town Hall (9575 Vaughn Road)

Join the Town of Pike Road Planning Department as we work together on the long-term planning vision for our community!

Topics to be presented include:

- What is the purpose of a Comprehensive Plan?
- What is and isn't included in a Comprehensive Plan?
- How can I get involved in Comprehensive Plan Update Process?

Questions?
 Contact the Planning Department
(334) 272-9883

The Town of Pike Road invites the public to join the Planning Department for the Comprehensive Plan Update Meeting! The purpose of the Kick-off Meeting is to initiate the Comprehensive Plan Update planning process and gather initial input from the community. The meeting will begin with a brief presentation in the Council Chambers on what a comprehensive plan is, why it is important, and an explanation of the proposed planning process for the update. Following the presentation, the meeting will move upstairs to the mezzanine where there will be boards with Pike Road's Planning Principles from the current

Comprehensive Plan. Participants will be encouraged to review and reaffirm the community's Vision and Principles and add notes with suggested changes or additions.

Questions? Call Town Hall at (334) 272-9883 and ask for the Planning Department!

New Workshop Alert! Painting Landscapes in Oils on Feb. 8 & 9



The Pike Road Arts Council Presents

Painting Landscapes in Oils
with Perry Austin

at the Pike Road Arts Center
 944 Wallahatchie Rd

February 8 & 9
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Get ready to dive into the world of oil painting and unleash your inner artist at the Painting Landscapes in Oils Workshop! On Feb. 8 & 9, award-winning artist Perry Austin will lead artists through different techniques to bring landscapes to life on canvas at the Pike Road Arts Center (944 Wallahatchie Rd).

Perry Austin uses years of experience and expertise to show depth, texture, and the perfect play of light and shadow. This workshop will host the perfect environment for you to hone in on your skills with other artists!

The registration fee for this two-day workshop is \$275 per person. For registration and more

information: email Arts Council Coordinator Patty Payne at patty@pikeroad.us! A full supply list will be provided upon inquiry.

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Exciting Beginnings for 2024 in the Town of Pike Road!



Today, Pike Road Junior High School Leaders and Administrators celebrated the outgoing 8th grade class as the student's declared their commitment to graduating high school as the Class of 2029. Guest Speakers included former PRJHS Principal Janice Stockman, Class of 2024 Student Council President Any Tadjuidje, and Town of Pike Road Mayor Gordon Stone. Each speaker provided advice for the challenges these young people will face as they move up to the high school next fall, and encouraged everyone in attendance to stay strong, be

supportive, keep dreaming, and work hard to have a successful future. We appreciate the opportunity to share in this moment and celebrate the future leaders of our community. Go Patriots!



Also this morning, we had the pleasure of saying "Welcome Home" to our newest Pike Road business: The Grocery

Owner Grib Anderson opened this specialty food and beverage market in the heart of the Cecil Town Center as a tribute to his father who owned a market in the same building years ago. We are glad to have another generation of business owners returning to serve our community!

Thanks for Sharing YOUR Pike Road!



We are so grateful for the talents we have in Pike Road. Congratulations to the Pike Road Wrestling team on their accomplishments this season! We are so proud of what you've accomplished so far this season, and we can't wait to cheer you on tonight at the State Championship. Good luck tonight! Thank you for sharing this picture with us using #mypikeroad - share your local business with us using #mypikeroad to be featured in our weekly e-newsletter and social media!

What makes the Town of Pike Road home to you? Let us know with #mypikeroad! Share your photos with us by using #mypikeroad and tagging [@townofpikeroad](#) on social media to be featured on our billboard, in our e-newsletter, and on our social media! Reminder: Posts must be set to "public" for our team to see them.

Save the Date!

Don't miss upcoming events from the Town of Pike Road & our community. [Click](#)

[here to view upcoming activities on our website.](#)

Jan. 24: Town Council Meeting, 7 a.m., Pike Road Town Hall

Jan. 21 - Feb. 17: ["When it's Cold Outside!" Art Show & Sale.](#) Pike Road Arts Center (944 Wallahatchie Rd)

Jan. 25: ["Home Tweet Home:" Bluebird House Workshop.](#) 4 - 6 p.m., Pike Road Agriculture, Recreation, & Performing Arts Park

Jan. 29: [Mondays with the Mayor at Mellow Mushroom.](#) 12 - 1 p.m., Mellow Mushroom (9559 Vaughn Rd)

Feb. 1: Macon East Academy Open House, 5:30 - 7 p.m., Macon East Academy*

Feb. 5: Planning Commission Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall

Feb. 8: Town of Pike Road Comprehensive Plan Update Public Kick Off Meeting, 6 - 7:30 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall

Feb. 8 & 9: [Painting Landscapes in Oil Workshop with Perry Austin.](#) 9 - 4 p.m., Pike Road Arts Center (944 Wallahatchie Rd)

Feb. 12: Town Council Meeting, 6 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall

**Please note: All items provided above are submitted to the town and approved for inclusion according to the Town of Pike Road's Communications Policy. To submit an event, please email info@pikeroad.us.*

For more events and details, please call 334-272-9883 or email info@pikeroad.us. You can also access our online calendar at www.pikeroad.us. Please [click here for the Pike Road Schools calendar.](#)

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