

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!

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July 7, 2023

Updates from Mayor Stone



Click here or click the image above for weekly updates from Mayor Stone!

"There is so much happening in our special hometown, and the activity begins tomorrow, July 8! First, stop by the Pike Road Arts Center with your furry friends for Christmas in July: Pet Photos with Santa, and get a head start on both your holiday cards and your Christmas shopping. The P.R.A.Y.E.R. Team Summer Feeding Program also continues tomorrow, July 8, with food resources available from 9-11 a.m. at Woodland Church for children facing hunger during the summer months.

We are excited to announce that construction is scheduled to begin on a new traffic signal at the intersection of Marler Road and Vaughn Road (Hwy 110) beginning this Sunday, July 9, weather-permitting. Please be prepared for road closures on Vaughn Road (Hwy 110) and Marler Road from $8 \, \text{p.m.} - 6 \, \text{a.m.}$ nightly through Wednesday, July 12, when construction is expected to be complete. We look forward to considerably improved safety and traffic flow at this essential corridor.

Now is the time to register for next week's Night Out with Native Species, an Ag & Stewardship workshop for kids, on July 13. Ages 5-12 are invited to explore live animal encounters, learn about our local wildlife, and build a bird house at this free workshop. Registration is required, so please visit www.pikeroad.us to reserve your seat.

There are more events on the horizon, including Art Talk & Tea on July 16! Don't miss a single event: stay connected with us by searching at @townofpikeroad on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.

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

Thank you and God Bless."

Important Traffic Update - New Signal Coming to Intersection of Marler Road & Highway 110 (Vaughn Road)



We are excited to announce that a new traffic signal will be installed at the intersection of Marler Road and Vaughn Road (Highway 110). ALDOT has advised that the installation of this traffic signal will begin on Sunday, July 9, weatherpermitting.

Lane closures will be in place on Vaughn Road (Highway 110) and Marler Road from 8 p.m. - 6 a.m. nightly while work is

in progress. The work is expected to be completed on Wednesday, July 12. Once construction is completed, it will be in flashing mode for seven days. It is expected to be fully operational on Wednesday, July 19. Please plan accordingly for delays while construction is in progress, and please drive safely and be mindful of people working in the work zone.

From Mayor Stone: "The installation of a new traffic signal will provide considerable relief for one of Pike Road's high-traffic intersections, alleviating congestion and improving safety at the intersection of Vaughn and Marler Roads. We appreciate our partners at ALDOT for working with the town to improve traffic flow at this essential corridor."

TOMORROW, July 8: Furry Friends Invited - Santa Claus Visits the Town of Pike Road for Christmas in July



Santa Claus is coming to town! <u>Celebrate Christmas in July</u> with your furry friends Saturday, July 8 from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. while they get their portraits made with Santa at the Pike Road Arts Center.

This free photo opportunity is perfect for getting a head start on your Christmas cards, as well as your holiday shopping: Simplie Kimmie will be onsite selling handmade holiday gifts and taking pre-orders for personalized pet ornaments and more! This event is presented in partnership with the Montgomery County Humane Society. Donations will be accepted.

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



Discover joy and patriotic spirit at the "Pursuit of Happiness" art show on weekends through July 16! This art show focuses on the unalienable rights outlined in the Declaration of Independence and features local artists' interpretations of the Pursuit of Happiness. What does the Pursuit of Happiness mean to you?

The show will continue to be available for viewing during the Pike Road Arts Center's open hours.

Open Hours:

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

Sundays: 1 - 4 p.m.

First Thursday of each month (July 6): 5 – 8 p.m.

To visit the Arts Center outside of regular hours, please email patty@pikeroad.us to make an appointment.

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Register Now: Ag & Stewardship Club Hosts Night Out with Native Species Workshop for Kids (Ages 5 - 12) Next Week, July 13



On Thursday, July 13, join us for a "Night Out with Native Species" and learn about animals that may be right in your backyard through hands on activities including live animal encounters, and skins and skulls interactive display. Participants will also make and leave with a homemade bird feeder! Follow the link below to register today - spaces are going fast!

Night Out with Native Species will be held from 4 – 6 p.m. at the Pike Road Agriculture, Recreation & Performing Arts Park (6281 Trotman Rd).

This event is geared toward ages 5 – 12. Participants must be accompanied by a parent or

guardian. This event is free to attend, but registration is required. Please click here to register for the July 13 event!

Night Out with Native Wildlife is the July installation of the 2023 Agriculture & Stewardship Seminar Series. This event is presented in partnership by Alabama Wildlife & Freshwater Fisheries and the Town of Pike Road's Ag & Stewardship Club, an ENHANCE initiative committee.

July 16: Explore Realism, Impressionism with Artist George Taylor at the Pike Road Arts Center - Art Talk & Tea is Back!

Join us on July 16 from 2 – 4 at the Pike Road Arts Center (944 Wallahatchie Rd) to meet Montgomery native artist <u>George Taylor</u> as <u>the Art Talk & Tea series</u> continues! Taylor's unique landscape and still life oil paintings are a curious blend of realism, impressionism, and other influences garnered through the study of art history and practical application.

The July 16 Art Talk & Tea will provide you an



Art Talk July 16 & Tea 2 - PM with George Taylor

at the Pike Road Arts Center, 944 Wallahatchie Rd

Road Arts Council, an ENHANCE initiative committee.

opportunity to understand Taylor's creative choices, examine his work and listen to him discuss his process and his passion. Afternoon tea-style refreshments will be provided by Epicurean Delights.

Seating is limited - this is a FREE event, but registration is requested in order to properly prepare for the event. Please email patty@pikeroad.us to let us know you're coming.

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Each Saturday Morning: P.R.A.Y.E.R. Team Summer Feeding Program Serves Neighbors in Need



The Pike Road Area Your Emergency Response (P.R.A.Y.E.R) Team is providing a <u>summer feeding program</u> for children facing hunger during the summer months. This program is available for Town of Pike Road residents through July 22.

Weekly food packages are available for pickup on Saturdays from 9 - 11 a.m. at Woodland Church (4428 Wallahatchie Road) or at one of several mobile distribution sites around town.

The P.R.A.Y.E.R. Team is seeking volunteers and donations to assist with this program. Volunteer to help prepare and/or distribute food items, or learn more about other ways to help: Email Stacy Dickinson at stacyddickinson@gmail.com

For more information about the P.R.A.Y.E.R. Team, an ENHANCE initiative committee made up of local faith leaders who collaborate to ensure the physical and spiritual needs of Pike Road residents are met in the case of tragedy or urgent need, please email Jennifer Grace Arnold at jarnold@pikeroad.us.

Explore Local, Homemade Quilts at Quilt Show & Sale This Month



On weekends in July, discover unique, beautiful quilts created by the Pike Road Quilters! These items represent the work of 25 quilters, and many items are available for purchase. These locally, handmade masterpieces will be on display and for sale at the Pike Road Arts Center (944 Wallahatchie Rd) July 22, 23, 29, and 30. Stop by:

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

Sundays: 1 - 4 p.m.

The Pike Road Quilters meet every Tuesday to share their skills, sew together, and celebrate the ancient art of quilting. The Quilters are always ready to welcome new people of all ages and skill levels to their group. Learn

more or join the fun: Email patty@pikeroad.us!

Make Your Shopping List Now - Back to School Sale Tax Holiday in Just Two Weeks!



Take advantage of tax-free savings this month as you stock up for the coming school year! The annual Back to School Sales Tax Holiday will take place Friday, July 21 - Sunday, July 23 across Alabama.

Back-to-school necessities including clothing items, some computers and computer accessories, school supplies, and more are available tax-free this weekend. Stay tuned for details about what items are eligible!

Build Connectivity Across Montgomery County by Completing Internet Access Survey



Montgomery County is asking residents to complete the Montgomery County Alabama Business Broadband Survey. By participating in this survey, you will provide a better understanding of needs in our community and the rest of our county.

Internet access is important! Help yourself, your business, and your neighbors by making county leaders aware of local needs. All responses are confidential. For more information, email questions@montgomerythrive.org and set the subject line to: Broadband Study.

Thanks for Sharing YOUR Pike Road!



We're still loving everyone's pictures from <u>SummerFest 2023!</u> SummerFest may be over, but we can always appreciate a beautiful Pike Road sunset. Thank you, Brooke, for sharing your SummerFest memories with us.

We encourage everyone to share their photos from SummerFest using #mypikeroad and #PikeRoad4thofJuly.

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 <u>@townofpikeroad</u> 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.

This email has been corrected from a previous version, which stated that the new traffic signal would cause road closures on Vaughn Road (Hwy 110) and Marler Road from 8 p.m. – 6 p.m. nightly through Wednesday, July 12. The corrected time frame is 8 p.m. - 6 a.m. nightly. Thank you for your understanding!

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.

- July 8: <u>Pet Photos with Santa</u>, benefiting the Montgomery Humane Society, 11 a.m. 3 p.m., Pike Road Arts Center
- July 8: P.R.A.Y.E.R. Team Summer Meals Program, 9 11 a.m., Woodland Church (4428 Wallahatchie Rd)
- July 10: Planning Commission Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall
- July 10: Town Council Meeting, 6 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall
- July 13: Night Out with Native Species Youth Ag & Stewardship Workshop 4 6 p.m., Pike Road Agriculture, Recreation & Performing Arts Center
- July 15: P.R.A.Y.E.R. Team Summer Meals Program, 9 11 a.m., Woodland Church (4428 Wallahatchie Rd)
- July 16: Art Talk & Tea with George Taylor, 2 4 p.m., Pike Road Arts Center
- July 16: Last Day Pursuit of Happiness Art Show, 1 4 p.m., Pike Road Arts Center
- July 21 23: Back to School Sales Tax Holiday
- **July 22:** <u>Last Day of P.R.A.Y.E.R. Team Summer Meals Program</u>, Woodland Church (4428 Wallahatchie Rd)
- July 22 23: Pike Road Quilters' Quilts Show & Sale, Weekends at the Pike Road Arts Center
- July 25 27: <u>Adventure Park! Kids' Art Camp with Abrakadoodle, at the Pike Road Arts Center*</u>
- July 26: Town Council Meeting, 7 a.m., Pike Road Town Hall
- July 29: Montgomery County Cleanup Day, 10 a.m. 2 p.m., County Lot Office (Across from the Feed Lot on Meriwether Rd)*
- July 29 30: Pike Road Quilters' Quilts Show & Sale, Weekends at the Pike Road Arts Center

*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.

Show Us YOUR Pike Road

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