



News from Town Hall



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A Note from Mayor Gordon Stone:

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“This week, we were reminded of the citizen engagement and community spirit that has always made the Town of Pike Road such a special place to call home when student leaders from Pike Road Intermediate School made a special presentation to the Town Council. Among a variety of efforts to work with teachers, administrators, and their fellow students, the PRIS Student Government Association identified a need in both their school and our community and brought it to the Council. We are so proud to see all of the recent accomplishments of students from across the Town of Pike Road and how well they represent our community. The achievements of our baseball and track athletes are just two more of the many examples – congratulations, students, on your statewide recognition! We are thankful for the opportunities available to our community’s youth through Pike Road Schools, and we can’t wait to congratulate the Class of 2021 as they receive their diplomas in just a few weeks. As summertime quickly approaches, graduation isn’t the only thing to celebrate in the Town of Pike Road. We appreciate each of our citizens’ continued efforts to safely engage and support one another, all while making smart, safe decisions that help us build confidence and experience more flexibility with regards to COVID-19 as we move forward. We look forward to all this season will offer as we continue to make progress in the fight against COVID-19!

As a reminder, the current Safer Apart Order for Alabama means that masks are no longer mandated, but we all have the opportunity and responsibility to help keep our community healthy. Please recognize the value of continuing to protect yourselves and others , and

exercise personal responsibility. There may still be times when it is appropriate to practice 6-foot social distancing, avoid the risks of crowds, and wear a face mask, especially in public spaces or around those outside of your household. Washing your hands thoroughly and frequently is always a good idea! The Town no longer requires face masks in municipal buildings, but we ask visitors to remain safety-conscious, and face masks will be available upon request. In addition, we encourage all of our residents to honor the requests of individual businesses and organizations throughout Pike Road as relates to COVID-19 practices and precautions. Thank you for your diligence and understanding.

Through the dedicated work of ADPH, the EMA, and all of our healthcare providers, we continue to see expanding opportunities to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. Based on guidance from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and the CDC, Governor Ivey announced yesterday, May 13, that individuals ages 12+ are now eligible to receive the vaccine. [Click here to learn more from ADPH and find a vaccine near you.](#)

No matter what your interests are, we hope you will find opportunities to explore them through the upcoming variety of ENHANCE initiative activities..."

[Click here to read Mayor Stone's full May 14 update.](#)

Ag & Stewardship Seminar Series Continues May 21: Register NOW for Fire Ant Management, Magazine-Worthy Container Gardening



9 - 11 AM: Fire Ant Management Workshop

Prepare your lawn for summer fun, or rid your pasture of powerful pests with the May 21 Fire Ant Management workshop! Dr. William "Chip" East, Alabama Cooperative Extension Regional Agent & Horticulture Specialist, will lead this live webinar. We'll cover topics like:

- Fire Ant Biology & Lifecycle
- Fire Ant Prevention & Treatment (Residential vs. Commercial options)
- How your local Extension Office can help YOU combat fire ant problems

This is a free event, but registration is required. [Click here to register today!](#)

Fire Ant Management is one of two May installations of the 2021 Agriculture & Stewardship Seminar Series. This event is presented in partnership by the Alabama Cooperative Extension System and the Town of Pike Road's Ag & Stewardship Club, an ENHANCE initiative committee. To learn more, [contact Community Involvement Coordinator Katy Brasfield by emailing \[katy@pikeroad.us\]\(mailto:katy@pikeroad.us\)](#)!



4 - 6 PM: Container Gardening Workshop

On Friday afternoon, May 21, we are excited to present the first in-person Ag & Stewardship workshop of 2021: Magazine-Worthy Container Gardens!

Eric & Elizabeth Leatherwood of Leatherwood Nursery will lead this outdoor workshop, guiding us through the design and creation of a summertime planter that you can take home.

Participants will get to choose from a variety of premium plants from Leatherwood Nursery and assemble them into either a 14" husk-lined hanging basket or a 14" premium patio planter. The cost is \$40 per person which covers all materials needed. Spaces are limited!

To register, please [contact Community Involvement Coordinator Katy Brasfield by emailing katy@pikeroad.us](mailto:katy@pikeroad.us).

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Mondays with the Mayor Welcomes New Restaurant: Join the Conversation on May 24 at Cara's!

MONDAYS
with
the **MAYOR** Radio Show

MAY 24 • 12 - 1 PM

LIVE on the MAX Round Table,
WTXK 107.5 FM / 1210 AM Pike Road

from Cara's Trattoria

www.pikeroad.us || 9575 Vaughn Rd || 334.272.9883

Join us on May 24 as the [Mondays with the Mayor Radio Show](#) visits [Cara's Trattoria](#)! Tune in to the live radio show or come see us at [Cara's, a new restaurant](#) located in the Pike Road Station complex, to join the conversation in person.

We'll be LIVE from 12 - 1 p.m. on the [MAX Round Table, WTXK 107.5 FM/1210 AM](#). Tune in on your radio, smartphone, or web browser, and join the conversation as we discuss what's happening in our community and take questions from the audience.

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, during the show, call in or text in your thoughts!

- Text: 334.313.1170
- Call: 334.517.1210

Tune In:

- On your web browser: <https://espntheticket.com/>
- On your smartphone or desktop with the FREE TuneIn App: <https://bit.ly/3aQ1EgS>

We want to say a special "Thank You" to [Cara's Trattoria](#) for opening with special Monday hours to host the May 24 show. Don't miss this opportunity to stop by and help welcome this new local business!

*Please designate questions sent to info@pikeroad.us as "Mondays with the Mayor" to be addressed during the May 24 show.

Successful 5x7 Art Show & Sale - Thanks for Joining Us!



Last Friday, we enjoyed a colorful evening of local art at the Pike Road Arts Council's 5x7 Art Show & Sale. Thank you to everyone who joined us to explore the many talents of our citizens and River Region neighbors, as represented by the 100+ original works available as part of the show.

If you were not able to stop by during the May 7 event, there are many more opportunities to get involved or just enjoy

all the Pike Road Arts Council has to offer. The Pike Road Arts Center and its Water House Gallery, located under the water tower at 944 Wallahatchie Road, are open to the community on weekends: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Saturdays & 1 - 4 p.m. Sundays.

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 at patty@pikeroad.us](mailto:patty@pikeroad.us)

In Our Schools: Student Leaders, Student Athletes Excel



This school year has not been without challenges and changes, but through the dedicated work of Pike Road Schools' leadership, teachers, staff, students, and parents, we are so proud to continue to see our community's youth excel in the classroom and beyond! Here are just a few of the exciting things PRS students are doing:

Pictured, top left: We had a few special guests at our May 10 Town Council meeting! Pike Road Intermediate School SGA President and Vice President, Tristan and Gunner, presented ideas and opportunities for on-campus spaces that would provide accessible, outdoor learning and play for PRIS' special needs learners. [Check out the story](#)

[here from Alabama News Network!](#)



Pike Road Schools students are also excelling in athletics and extracurricular activities!

Both the [boys' and girls' soccer teams](#) won the Area Championship, proceeding through two rounds of the AHSAA State Playoffs!

Three [Lady Patriot softball players](#) signed letters of intent to play at the collegiate level.

Pictured, Patriot Track & Field athletes Jasmine, Kirsten, Victoria, and Gabriel won the State Championship in the 5A 4x100-meter relay.

Recently, the Patriot baseball team advanced through the AHSAA playoffs, [defeated St. Paul in the semi-finals](#), and is making history as the first PRS baseball team to be State Championship bound!

PRS [golfers, Yvette and Quincy](#), both came in 5th in the 5A State Golf Championship.

PRS [FFA members Patrick, William, and Kylon](#) made school history as the first to compete in the district and state Poultry Judging Competition, placing 4th and 9th in the district and state competitions.

There is so much to celebrate at Pike Road Schools, and [we encourage you to visit their Facebook page to learn more!](#) Don't forget to "like" the PRS page so you stay up-to-date on all the great things our students are doing.

Thanks for Sharing YOUR Pike Road!

This week, some of our community's youngest Patriots visited Pike Road Schools to start their Kindergarten journeys! We look forward to all these young people learn and accomplish as they embark on their time at Pike Road Schools. Thank you, Jenny, for sharing this sweet photo with us using #mypikeroad!



What makes the Town of Pike Road *home* to you? We continue to encourage you to share your Pike Road pictures using #mypikeroad and tagging [@townofpikeroad](https://www.facebook.com/townofpikeroad) on social media. Who knows - you may see them somewhere soon!

Save the Date!

Take advantage of digital activities during the ongoing season of social distancing! [Click here to view several upcoming activities on our website.](#)

- May 15: [Pike Road Patriot Fund Crawfish Boil](#), 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., 1001 Marler Rd*
- May 15: [Le Conservatoire by the Montgomery Ballet](#), 6 p.m., the Chapel at The Waters*
- May 16: [Music in May with Cameron Dubois](#), 5 - 7 p.m., the Square at The Waters*
- May 20: [ACES Property Lines, Fencing, & the Law Seminar](#), 12 p.m. via Zoom*
- May 20: [Women's Self Defense Class with Century Church](#), 6 p.m. at The Well (1001 Marler Rd)*
- May 21: [Fire Ant Management Ag & Stewardship Workshop](#), 9 - 11 a.m. via Webinar
- May 21: [Container Garden Ag & Stewardship Workshop](#), 4 - 6 p.m., Pike Road Founders Station
- May 21: [Family Movie Night](#) with Century Church, 7 p.m. at The Well (1001 Marler Rd)*
- May 23: [Music in May with Jonathan Lynch](#), 5 - 7 p.m., the Square at The Waters*
- May 24: [Mondays with the Mayor at Cara's Trattoria](#), 12 - 1 p.m., LIVE on the MAX Round Table, 107.5 FM / 1210 AM from Cara's, 9559 Vaughn Rd
- May 26: Town Council Meeting, 7 a.m., Pike Road Town Hall
- May 31: *Town Hall Closed in Observance of Memorial Day - Have a great weekend!*

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.

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

We love to see what is happening in your Pike Road. Use hashtag [#mypikeroad](https://www.facebook.com/townofpikeroad) and be sure to tag us in your posts on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. Your posts could be featured in our newsletter, or even on our digital billboard!

