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June 2, 2023

### **Updates from Mayor Stone**



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"Summer is here, and with it comes a multitude of activities and opportunities to connect with our community. We can't wait to see you at upcoming events like Lunch & Learn, the Pursuit of Happiness Art Show, and of course, SummerFest!

For some of our neighbors, however, the end of the school year brings uncertainty and need. To help meet those needs, the P.R.A.Y.E.R. Team Summer Feeding Program begins this weekend to provide additional food resources for children facing hunger during the summer months. As the program begins, the P.R.A.Y.E.R. Team continues to seek volunteers and donations. To learn more about the ways YOU can help, email Stacy Dickinson at stacyddickinson@gmail.com.

This month, we invite businessmen and women from across the Town of Pike Road and across industries to join us for Lunch & Learn. We are excited to "Dive in to Digital Marketing" on June 15, led by local experts from Dogwood Media Solutions! And, as always, the Pike Road Arts Council has upcoming activities for everyone: Artists can submit their work now for the Pursuit of Happiness Art Show, and registration is open for a Water-Soluble Oil Paint workshop with artist Craig Reynolds.

Finally, don't miss SummerFest on June 29! Join us at the Pike Road Agriculture, Recreation & Performing Arts Park to kick off the Fourth of July holiday weekend with

family fun, food and fireworks! Learn more about this and other upcoming events at www.pikeroad.us, and be sure to find us on social media so you never miss out – just search @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."

### Starting TOMORROW: P.R.A.Y.E.R. Team Summer Feeding Program to Serve Neighbors in Need June 3 - July 22



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 June 3 – July 22.

Beginning tomorrow, June 3, weekly food packages will be 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. Please contact Stacy Dickinson at <a href="mailto:stacyddickinson@gmail.com">stacyddickinson@gmail.com</a> for more information on these locations.

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 <a href="mailto:stacydickinson@gmail.com">stacydickinson@gmail.com</a>

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 <a href="mailto:jarnold@pikeroad.us">jarnold@pikeroad.us</a>.

## Artists: Submit Your Art Starting TOMORROW for "Pursuit of Happiness" Art Show



At the Pike Road Arts Center, 944 Wallahatchie Rd

Discover joy and patriotic spirit at the "Pursuit of Happiness" art show June 11 – July 19! 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?

All are invited to participate in this show, whether as creators or enjoyers of art - <u>click</u> here to view art submission <u>guidelines!</u> Artists, submit your art beginning June 3!

The show will open with a reception on Sunday, June 11, from 2 - 4 p.m. at the Pike Road Arts Center (944 Wallahatchie Rd) The

show will continue to be available for viewing through July 19!

#### Open Hours:

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

• First Thursday of each month: 5 – 8 p.m.

To visit the Arts Center outside of regular hours, please email <a href="mailto:patty@pikeroad.us">patty@pikeroad.us</a> to make an appointment.

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 <a href="mailto:patty@pikeroad.us">patty@pikeroad.us</a>.

# June 15 & 16: Craig Reynolds Teaches New Way of Painting at Water-Soluble Oil Paint Workshop



Learn to create with water-soluble oil paint, a high-quality alternative paint that allows artists to work without the harsh solvents used with traditional oil paints, with Craig Reynolds at our <u>Water-Soluble Oil Painting Workshop</u> on June 15 & 16, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. daily at the Pike Road Arts Center (944 Wallahatchie Rd)!

Many artists enjoy the speed that comes from working with water-soluble oil paints. These paints dry considerably faster than traditional oils, though not as fast as acrylics. Artist Craig Reynolds, who started using water-soluble oil paints when he realized he had an allergic reaction to the solvents used in painting with traditional oils, finds that using

water-soluble oils en plein air painting allows him to quickly develop finished pieces, which is a plus when "chasing the shadows!"

This two-day workshop is \$225 per person. Learn more or register today: email Arts Council Coordinator Patty Payne at <a href="mailto:patty@pikeroad.us">patty@pikeroad.us</a>! A full supply list will be provided upon inquiry.

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# Don't Wait - Register Today for June 15's Lunch & Learn: Dive Into Digital Marketing!



11:30 AM - 1 PM

at Pike Road Town Hall, 9575 Vaughn Rd

**REGISTER BY JUNE 12!** EMAIL KATY@PIKEROAD.US

Join us on June 15 as the 2023 Pike Road Business Association professional development and networking series continues! We'll "Dive into Digital Marketing" with the local experts from Dogwood Media Solutions. The event will be held from 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. on June 15 at Pike Road Town Hall (9575 Vaughn Rd). Doors will open at 11:00 a.m. for complimentary professional headshots.

The Pike Road Business Association is excited to partner with Dogwood Media Solutions to provide the <u>June 15 program</u>, which will focus on digital marketing and how you can maximize your business's online presence. Dogwood's Beth Gillem, SEO Specialist, and Lauren Cumbie,

Account Manager, will lead the program. Topics to be covered include:

- What is digital marketing? How can I use it to reach a greater audience and grow my business?
- Search Engine Optimization (SEO) and simple steps you can take to improve your online presence and reach more customers, plus keyword research and free digital marketing tools available to everyone.
- The ONE thing every business should do to strengthen their digital footprint.

Dogwood Media Solutions will also provide complimentary professional headshots for attendees beginning at 11 a.m. Don't miss this opportunity to step up your personal brand, update your LinkedIn, and more! Tip: Wear solid colors or simple patterns for the perfect professional headshot!

This workshop costs \$30 per person, which includes lunch, a taco & fajita bar from Sol! Registration is required, and spots are filling up fast! Save your seat by <u>clicking here!</u>

Lunch & Learn is a presentation of the Town of Pike Road's Business Association, an ENHANCE initiative committee. The June 15 Lunch & Learn is presented in partnership with local business Dogwood Media Solutions. Learn more: Email katy@pikeroad.us!

### June 29: SummerFest - Kick off the Fourth of July Weekend with Family-Friendly Fun & Fireworks!



The Town of Pike Road is excited to invite the community to <u>SummerFest</u>, a <u>family-friendly fireworks show on June 29</u> at the Pike Road Agriculture, Recreation & Performing Arts Park (6281 Trotman Rd).

Parking will begin at 6 p.m. at Rolling Hills Park (6001 Rolling Hills Blvd). Please enter by Rolling Hills Blvd. Handicap parking will be available at the East Entrance of the PRARPAP, near the ball fields.

Family-friendly areas with food trucks, kids' activities like inflatables and yard games, and green space for your lawn chairs and picnic blankets will be open from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.\* at

the PRARPAP – please enter through the West Entrance. The ball fields will also be open for picnics, play and viewing the fireworks. Then, fireworks will light up the sky just after dark!

\*Picnics are welcome, but NO alcoholic beverages are permitted at SummerFest. Lawn chairs and picnic blankets are welcome, but NO tents are permitted at SummerFest.

Fireworks will light up the sky at dark! We hope you will join us to celebrate our nation, our freedom, and our community spirit on June 29. Don't forget to share all your patriotic photos with us using #pikeroad4thofjuly & #mypikeroad!

## Help Steer the 2024-2027 Highway Safety Plan: Survey Open to Alabamians Now



The Governor's Office of Highway Safety, housed in the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA) are asking all Alabamians to complete a Highway Safety survey.

This survey will be used to develop the 2024-2027 Highway Safety Plan, and it is an important opportunity for citizens to provide feedback on critical safety issues that impact their daily lives. Taking just a few minutes to complete this survey can lead to positive changes for our state! Click here or on the link above to complete the survey.

### Thanks for Sharing YOUR Pike Road!



This week, <u>Smiles From Us</u> hosted a town-wide scavenger hunt for us to enjoy. Our neighbors hunted for clues across the Town of Pike Road and found sweet treats at the end! Thank you, Smiles From Us, for sharing pictures of our local treasure hunters using #mypikeroad.

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.

June 3 - July 22: P.R.A.Y.E.R. Team Summer Feeding Program, Saturdays from 9 - 11 a.m., Woodland Church

June 4: Music in the Gardens Summer Concert Series - the Lo-Fi Loungers 5 - 7 p.m., Grace Episcopal Church & Gardens\*

June 6 - 8: Our Planet, Our World STEAM Kids' Art Camp with Abrakadoodle at the Pike Road Arts Center\*

June 7: <u>Alabama Cooperative Extension System + Capital City Master Gardeners Monthly Lunch & Learn</u>, 12 - 1 p.m., Montgomery Cultural Arts Center\*

June 11: <u>Music in the Gardens Summer Concert Series - Sea of Fog</u>,5 - 7 p.m., Grace Episcopal Church & Gardens\*

June 11 - July 16: Pursuit of Happiness Art Show & Sale - Opening Reception, 2 - 4 p.m.

June 11, Pike Road Arts Center

June 12: Planning Commission Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall

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

June 15: Pike Road Business Association Lunch & Learn - Digital Marketing, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall

June 15 - June 16, 2023: Water-Based Oil Color Workshop with Craig Reynolds, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Daily, Pike Road Arts Center

June 18: Music in the Gardens Summer Concert Series - Rhett Butler & the Lost Cause,5 -

7 p.m., Grace Episcopal Church & Gardens\*

June 19: Juneteenth National Holiday

**June 24:** Montgomery County Cleanup Day, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., County Lot Office (Across from the Feed Lot on Meriwether Rd)\*

**June 25:** Music in the Gardens Summer Concert Series - Face the World, 5 - 7 p.m., Grace Episcopal Church & Gardens\*

June 28: Town Council Meeting, 7 a.m., Pike Road Town Hall

June 29: <u>Town of Pike Road SummerFest</u>, 6:30 p.m., Pike Road Agriculture, Recreation & Performing Arts Park (6281 Trotman Rd)

\*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 <a href="mailto:info@pikeroad.us">info@pikeroad.us</a>. You can also access our online calendar at <a href="mailto:www.pikeroad.us">www.pikeroad.us</a>. Please <a href="mailto:click here for the Pike Road">click here for the Pike Road</a> <a href="mailto:Schools calendar">Schools calendar</a>.

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