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Aug. 25, 2023

Updates from Mayor Stone



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

"We have so many different events coming up this fall, and we can't wait to see our friends and neighbors participate. You will not want to miss out on what the Town of Pike Road has in store!

The Pike Road Arts Council is preparing for Art Talk & Tea this Sunday, Aug. 27, and Meet & Greet the Artist: John Guernsey on Aug. 30. These are two events we have been anticipating for some time now, and they would love to see you there!

Applications for Veterans Bricks are closing on Sept. 14, so remember to bring in or mail your applications to Town Hall soon! We would love to be able to honor your loved ones when these commemorative brick pavers are installed for our Veterans Appreciation Ceremony on Nov. 5.

It's that time of the year again — Hay, Look at Us is among us! Use this opportunity to showcase your neighborhood, business, church, or service organization's unique character in in this beloved fall tradition in our community! Visit Town Hall or www.pikeroad.us to access the application. The deadline to submit your forms is September 18!

Lastly, September's Lunch & Learn is packed full of information on how to start, run, and improve your businesses. This Entrepreneurship Pop-Up Workshop is the perfect opportunity to network while learning about how to run a successful business. Seats will fill up fast for this event, so register quickly!

We are so grateful for the engaging community we have in the Town of Pike Road. Thank you, friends and neighbors, for showing up and showing out at our events, holidays, and community gatherings. We hope to see some new and familiar faces at our upcoming events!

We want to connect with you! Search @townofpikeroad on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter so you never miss an event.

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

Thank you and God Bless."

September's Lunch & Learn Presents New Opportunities for Aspiring Entrepreneurs and Business Owners



Calling all entrepreneurs, aspiring business owners, and all those with an idea: our next Lunch & Learn is for you! The Pike Road Business Association is excited to partner with Auburn University's Government and Economic Development Institute (GEDI) as well as the university's Harbert College of Business to offer the Entrepreneurship Pop-Up Workshop for those looking to grow their businesses in Pike Road. Auburn University's Entrepreneurship Pop-Up Workshop has helped dozens of individuals and businesses throughout Alabama save time and money by better understanding how to create, communicate, and commercialize business ideas using the Lean Startup and Business Model Canvas.

Network with other business professionals and explore the world of the entrepreneurship under the guidance of David Mixson, Associate Director of Administration and Economic Development for the Government and Economic Development Institute at Auburn University, and Dr. LaKami Baker, Russell Foundation Associate Professor of Entrepreneurial Studies in the Habert College of Business at Auburn University.

Who should attend:

- Anyone thinking about starting a business but needing ideas
- Anyone with a business idea or side hustle, but unsure of what to do next
- Existing business owners wanting to increase sales of current offerings
- Existing business owners needing to create or test new ideas

What you will learn:

- Why new business ideas fail and how to improve your odds of success
- How to differentiate your business using innovative business models and technology
- How to quickly create and test new ideas before investing time and money

<u>Register now</u> to gain a better understanding of how to increase your odds of success! Email <u>katy@pikeroad.us</u> for more information.

This Sunday: Award-Winning Tara Cady Sartorius at Art Talk & Tea!



us from 2 - 4 p.m. at the Pike Road Arts Center (944 Wallahatchie Rd) to meet artist Tara Cady Sartorius. Sartorius' background in fused glass and ceramics will bring a fun, new perspective of the arts to the Art Talk & Tea series! This Aug. 27 installment will give you the opportunity to hear from Sartorius about her background in the arts and how she continues to pave the way forwards. 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.

About the Artist, Tara Cady Sartorius:

Tara Cady Sartorius' childhood was one surrounded by creative activities. After graduating high school, she attended the University of California, where she obtained her teaching certificate and a B.S. in ceramics. She then went on to earn her MFA in sculpture and art criticism from Pratt Institute. After this, her journey brought her to Alabama. Sartorius has served in many positions since moving to Alabama, from Curator of Education at the Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts to and Adjunct Professor of Art at Huntingdon College.

Questions? Contact Pike Road Arts Council Coordinator Patty Payne by emailing patty@pikeroad.us.

Join Us at Meet and Greet the Artist: John Guernsey on Aug. 30



On Aug. 30, join us for an evening of community fellowship and refreshments as we welcome Artist John Guernsey to the Pike Road Arts Center! Stop by from 5 - 7 p.m. to enjoy each other's company and view his available art!

About the artist: Originally from southern California, contemporary landscape artist John Guernsey, moved to Georgia in 1993 and began a full-time art career in 2006. Developing his drawing skills in college courses and workshop study, he now concentrates primarily on landscape painting. Most of his work is en Plein air, or alla prima, although he is gradually increasing the output of larger studio paintings. His work reveals a keen observance of

atmosphere and light and is inspired not only by nature but city life and architecture as well. John Guernsey was awarded the 2019 Olmsted Plein Air Invitational Best in Show, Best of Show at the Los Gatos Plein Air Festival 2017, and First Place QuickDraw at Plein Air Easton 2017. Mr. Guernsey was selected as a Master Artist teacher at Plein Air South (Florida) and he has held workshops in such locations as The Bascom Art Center, Highlands, NC, The Booth Western Art Museum, Cartersville, GA, and The Artist Cove, in Panama City, FL.

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.

Pike Road Honors Veterans One Brick at a Time: Dedicate One Today!

Honor a veteran you know and love with a



form!

commemorative brick paver in the Pike Road Veterans Memorial Walk of Honor. Military families make up an important part of our community! One of our most important programs of the year is our Veterans Bricks Program. Show your appreciation for that special veteran in your life by dedicating a brick paver to them with a personalized message. Bricks will be dedicated in the Walk of Honor as part of our Veterans Appreciation Ceremony this November 5

Applications can be submitted by bringing the form and payment to Pike Road Town Hall or by mail (Pike Road Town Hall, P.O. Box 640339, Pike Road, AL, 36064). Click here to see the

Wreath Making with Forest Products Ag & Stewardship Workshop Hosts a Full House



We had so much fun at the Wreath Making with Forest Products Workshop yesterday! On Aug. 24, this workshop packed a full house as we listened to Dr. Carolyn Robinson teach us how to get a head start on our fall decor! Thank you to Dr. Robinson and the Montgomery County Extension System for helping make these programs possible. In case you missed it, here's a few tips and tricks we learned as we created our natural wreaths:

Allow for a couple of days for naturally foraged

materials to air out.

- Bake your bark and pine cones at 250° for 30 minutes to remove pests.
- You can use hair spray to preserve items that may shed (like limbs with pine needles).
- Start with your focal point to center your design, then fill the rest of your wreath out. Group items together to draw the eye back to your focal point!

Stay tuned for more upcoming Ag & Stewardship events! Email<u>jarnold@pikeroad.us</u> for more information.

Thank You for Joining the Conversation on Mondays with the Mayor!



Thank you, Pike Road, for joining the conversation with us on August's Mondays with the Mayor! This past Monday, Aug. 21, Mayor Stone went live on the MAX Round Table (WTXK 107.5 FM/1210 AM) at the Pike Road Veterans Pavilion (4902 Pike Rd) to answer YOUR questions! If you didn't get the opportunity to ask Mayor Stone your questions this time around, make sure to tune in to September's edition of Sept. 11!

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: https://espntheticket.com/

Tune in on your smartphone or desktop with the FREE TuneIn App:https://bit.ly/3aQ1EqS

*Please designate questions sent to info@pikeroad.us as "Mondays with the Mayor" to be addressed during the Sept. 11 show.

Hay, Look at Us! is Back - Applications Available NOW!



The Town of Pike Road's annual community hay bale decorating contest Hay, Look at Us! is rolling into town, and all we need to get started is YOU! The town provides the hay bale, you provide the team work and creativity.

Gather your Pike Road neighborhood, business, church or service organization, and get ready to register: Visit Town Hall or <u>click here</u> to access the application. The deadline to submit applications is September 18 at 5 p.m.

Thanks for Sharing YOUR Pike Road!



What makes the Town of Pike Road home to you? For us, it's the warm, inviting community that makes Pike Road stand out. The Montgomery Biscuits is hosting Pike Road Community Night at Riverwalk Stadium on September 6th. Join in the fellowship and show the River Region how Pike Road celebrates our community spirit! Ticket Specials for residents and local businesses available, contact Jason at jasonw@biscuitsbaseball.com!

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.

Aug. 26: Montgomery County Clean-Up Day, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., County Lot on Meriwether Road (across from The Feed Lot)

Aug. 26: Bama-Q TV's Grilling 101 Class, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., 11775 Troy Highway*

Aug. 27: Art Talk & Tea with Cady Sartorius, 2 - 4 p.m., Pike Road Arts Center

Aug. 30: Meet and Greet the Artist: John Guernsey, 5 - 7 p.m., Pike Road Arts Center

Aug. 30 - 31: Oil Painting Workshop with John Guernsey, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Pike Road Arts

Center

- Sept. 4: Town Hall Closed in Observance of Labor Day Holiday
- **Sept. 6:** Pike Road Community Night at the Montgomery Biscuits, 6:35 p.m., Riverwalk Stadium* *Businesses and residents interested in participating, email*

jasonw@biscuitsbaseball.com!

- Sept. 11: Mondays with the Mayor, 12 1 p.m., Pike Road Arts Council
- Sept. 11: Planning Commission Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall
- Sept. 11: Town Council Meeting, 6 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall
- Sept. 12: Montgomery County Sheriff's Office Senior Citizen Fishing Rodeo, 6 a.m. 12
- p.m., Montgomery County Ponds* Contact (334) 832-2515 for more information!
- Sept. 14: Veterans Bricks Deadline, Pike Road Town Hall
- Sept. 16 Oct. 1: Pike Road Quilters' Quilts Show & Sale, Weekends at the Pike Road Arts Center
- Sept. 19: Fall Vegetable Gardening Workshop, 4 6 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall
- Sept. 25: LifeSouth Blood Drive, 10 a.m. 5:30 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall
- Sept. 27: Town Council Meeting, 7 a.m., Pike Road Town Hall
- **Sept. 28:** Pike Road Business Association Lunch & Learn Entrepreneurship Pop-Up Workshop, 8:30 a.m. 1 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.

Show Us YOUR Pike Road

We love to see what is happening in your Pike Road. Use hashtag #mypikeroad 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!



