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#### Dec. 28, 2023

WISHING YOU A HAPPY Mea FROM THE TOWN OF PIKE ROAD

#### Holiday Reminders - Happy New Year, Pike Road!

From the Town of Pike Road family to yours, Happy New Year! We are so excited to welcome 2024 with you, along with all the opportunities it will bring for our hometown. As a reminder, Town Hall will be closed Friday, Dec. 29. Town Hall will also be closed on Monday, Jan. 1, 2024. We will reopen with regular hours on Tuesday, Jan. 2.

## Updates from Mayor Stone



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

"Happy New Year, Pike Road! Remember to stay safe as you celebrate. We hope you had a safe, merry Christmas! As the Christmas season finishes up, we look forward to 2024 and what it has in store for us.

Next month, on Jan. 18 - 19, Craig Reynolds will lead another Water-Soluble Oil Painting Workshop! Back by popular demand, this two-day workshop will allow participants to learn how to use this different art form in an interactive, encouraging atmosphere. Don't wait too late to register - email patty@pikeroad.us to secure your spot today!

We have so many upcoming programs to kick off the new year (like January's Ag & Stewardship Workshop) - connect with us on our socials so you never miss an event! Search @townofpikeroad on Facebook, Instagram, and X so you stay up-to-date on all things 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."



### Recycle your Live Christmas Trees Through Jan. 9!

Beginning Tuesday, Dec. 26, there will be a designated <u>Christmas Tree Recycling</u> area in the parking lot of Pike Road Founders Station (4902 Pike Rd) near the intersection of Pike & Meriwether Roads for residents to drop off their UNDECORATED, LIVE trees. Trees can be dropped off for future use in animal habitats! If you have a use for a live, undecorated tree, you are welcome to pick one up.

Since 1993, Alabama Power has re-purposed and re-cycled over 60,000 Christmas Trees to build fish habitat for its Fish Habitat Enhancement program on Alabama Power Company managed reservoirs. In addition to using trees, artificial structures have been utilized as well.

#### Unleash Your Inner Artist:

#### Water-Soluble Oil Painting Workshop on Jan. 18 - 19



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 Jan. 18 & 19, 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, and lunch will be \$5 for those who do not bring their own. Learn more or register today: email Arts Council Coordinator Patty Payne at <u>patty@pikeroad.us!</u> A full supply list will be provided upon inquiry.

## Season of Giving Holiday Collections Drive Helps Veterans and Community Members in Need!



Thank you, Pike Road, for your kind and giving hearts. Your generous donations benefited the Central Alabama Veterans Health Care Systems and the Food Pantry at Woodland Food Pantry. Food, personal hygiene items, warm winter clothes, and more will make a world of difference for veterans and families in need in our community. You donated over 875 items this year, estimated approximately \$4,000! at Thank you for helping make

the holidays a little brighter for so many in our community.

# Pike Road Business Association Celebrates a Year in Review at Business Breakfast & Community Update

We chose to end 2023 in celebration of all the successes our community has experienced throughout this year! Strong business leaders from across our community gathered together at Town Hall (9575 Vaughn Rd) for a morning of reminiscing on this year's accomplishments and looking forward at future possibilities. We're proud of the variety of today's participants,



which included service partners, volunteer organizations, business owners, and developers.

We want to wish a warm thank you to today's speakers for sharing their year's success stories, from the state level through our local community: Representative Reed Ingram, Montgomery County Commissioner Doug Singleton, Sheriff Derrick Cunningham, Montgomery County Probate Judge J.C. Love, and Mayor

Gordon Stone. Each speaker shared exciting updates about programs and initiatives dedicated to creating safer, happier communities throughout the River Region.

We would also like to thank our food partners, Pike Road Coffee and Hole in the Wall Coffee Shop, for serving delicious breakfast treats during the networking portion of the morning.

Lastly, this event would not have been possible without the support of our generous sponsors:

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- Productive I.T., LLC
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We are looking forward to what the Pike Road Business Association has in store for 2024! If you are interested in learning more and getting involved with the Pike Road Business Association or any of our other ENHANCE Committees, please contact Community Development Specialist, Jennifer Grace Arnold at <u>jarnold@pikeroad.us.</u>

#### Thanks for Sharing YOUR Pike Road!

Thank you, Pike Road, for sharing all of your Christmas festivities with us! We love seeing how you spend the holidays in our hometown. Thank you, Pike Road FFA, for sharing pictures of your Christmas celebrations with us using #mypikeroad! Share how you're spending New Year's 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 enewsletter, 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. <u>Click</u> <u>here to view upcoming activities on our website.</u>

Dec. 26 - Jan. 9: <u>Christmas Tree Recycling.</u> Founders Station (4902 Pike Rd)
Dec. 29: Town Hall Closed in Observance of the New Year's Holiday
Jan. 1: Town Hall Closed in Observance of the New Year's Holiday
Jan 8: Planning Commission Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall
Jan 8: Town Council Meeting, 6 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall
Jan. 18 & 19: <u>Water-Soluble Oil Painting Workshop.</u> 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Pike Road Arts
Center (944 Wallahatchie Rd)
Jan 24: Town Council Meeting, 7 a.m., Pike Road Town Hall
Jan. 25: "Home Tweet Home:" A Bluebird House Workshop, Pike Road Agriculture, Recreation, & Performing Arts Park - Stay tuned for more details!
Feb. 1: Macon East Academy Open House, 5:30 - 7 p.m., Macon East Academy\*

\*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 <u>info@pikeroad.us</u>. You can also access our online calendar at <u>www.pikeroad.us</u>. Please <u>click here for the Pike Road Schools calendar</u>.

### Show Us YOUR Pike Road

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



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