



News from Town Hall



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November 13, 2020

A Note from Mayor Gordon Stone:



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"This week, Military Appreciation Week, has been a special and meaningful celebration of our nation's servicemen and women. Thank you for tuning in to our virtual Veterans Appreciation Ceremony on Sunday, and thank you for your efforts to honor and recognize our veterans, near and far. Following Veterans Day, there are several traditional holidays quickly approaching. Please continue to support one another, be safe, and make smart decisions as you consider and plan for these celebrations. The current Safer At Home Order and other health guidelines through December 11, 2020, and it is vital that we remain committed to the health and safety of our community.

The four basic recommendations for staying healthy and preventing the spread of COVID-19 remain the same. Please maintain a six-foot social distance from others whenever possible. Wash your hands and sanitize your environment thoroughly and frequently. Be aware of the risks of large crowds, and please keep a mask handy to wear in public. Wearing a face covering or mask is an easy way to help protect both yourself and others, and the current Safer at Home order and statewide mask requirement continue through Dec. 11. Thank you for continuing to safely support one another.

Earlier this week, we were pleased to present the virtual 9th Annual Veterans Appreciation Ceremony. If you have not already, we encourage you to visit us online at www.pikeroad.us to view the Ceremony video and our library of veterans' stories contributed by our citizens. The Veterans Appreciation Ceremony is just one of several

events presented this season by our ENHANCE initiative committees. Visit us online to learn about the Pike Road Arts Council's ongoing Christmas Tree Silent Auction, benefiting the Food Pantry at Woodland United Methodist Church. Save the date for a fresh take on our traditional Christmas Tree Lighting, which will be held virtually on Dec. 4. Then, Dec. 10, join us for the final Business Association Lunch & Learn webinar of the 2020 series. Stay tuned to our social media and e-newsletter for details as these and other events approach!

Based on the current Safer At Home order and guidelines, the Town of Pike Road will continue to operate with limited access to our municipal facilities through Dec. 11. We are committed to safely serving our community, so please know that our team is always available to help you via phone and email. You can also find a variety of municipal resources on our website, www.pikeroad.us. We look forward to serving you!

As always, we will continue to pray for you, and we encourage you to pray for each other. Together, we will come through this.

Thank you and God Bless."

Happening Now: Arts Council Christmas Tree Silent Auction Benefiting the Food Pantry at Woodland United Methodist Church



Dress your home for the holidays and support our neighbors in need through the [Pike Road Arts Council's 2nd Annual Christmas Tree Silent Auction benefiting the Woodland United Methodist Church Food Pantry](#). Hand-crafted holiday trees and wreaths are up for silent auction through Nov. 22, and all proceeds go to the volunteer-run [Woodland UMC Food Pantry](#), which serves nearly 100 families each month.

Due to social distancing and health guidelines, the available trees and décor are [available on the Pike Road Arts Council Facebook page](#). To place a bid or make an appointment to visit the Arts Center and view the trees in person, please contact Pike Road Arts Council Coordinator, Patty Payne, by calling 334.272.9883 or emailing patty@pikeroad.us. Bidding for each tree begins at \$25, with a minimum bid increase of \$5.

Pictured, the Chicka Chicka Boom Boom tree was designed with children in mind! The handmade ornaments are durable and soft, making them perfect for little hands that love to play. It also comes with a copy of the beloved children's book !

Plein Air Paint Out Virtual Art Show Continues, Vote for the People's Choice Award Through November!



On Oct. 16-17, the [9th Annual Plein Air Paint](#) brought a record number of artists to the Town of Pike Road. Over the weekend, they set out to capture on canvas the scenery of our beautiful, growing hometown. We are so appreciative of the way this fall-favorite event helps record our history while providing a fresh, artistic look at the sights we see every day. Now, you can view these works in a virtual art show! [Click here to access the art now](#). You can also [click here to learn about the visiting](#)

[artists](#).

Until 10 p.m. on November 29, the community is invited to "vote" for their three favorite paintings to win the People's Choice Award by "liking" the three favorites. The annual Pike

Road Plein Air Paint Out is presented by the Pike Road Arts Council, an ENHANCE initiative committee. Pictured, the ponds on Wallahatchie Road were a favorite for visiting artists at the 2020 Plein Air Paint Out.

Virtual Veterans Appreciation Ceremony, Digital Library of Veterans' Stories Available on www.pikeroad.us!



On Sunday, Nov. 8, we were pleased to present the [9th Annual Veterans Appreciation Ceremony via video](#). This special digital presentation, along with the digital library of veterans' stories from our community, continue to be available online. If you have not already, we encourage you to visit www.pikeroad.us to explore this digital library and [virtual presentation](#) in honor and remembrance of our nation's heroes!

The video presentation features the dedication of newly-installed, personalized bricks honoring veterans in the Pike Road Veteran's Memorial, as well as other significant aspects of the traditional Veterans Appreciation Ceremony. Pike Road Schools students lead the Pledge of Allegiance and sing the National Anthem, and the Auburn University at Montgomery ROTC Honor Guard provided the Presentation of the Colors and the Wreath Laying Ceremony. Distinguished guest speaker Colonel Jerime Reid, Vice Commander of the 42nd Air Base Wing, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama, presented remarks. Thank you to all of the community participants who made this special tribute possible!

The Veterans Memorial and Walk of Honor, located at Veterans Park (4902 Pike Road, Pike Road, AL 36064), are traditionally decorated in celebration of our nation's veterans. All are welcome to visit the Memorial to see the newly installed pavers, capture photos, as well as share memories in honor and remembrance of their loved ones anytime. Practicing social distancing and wearing masks in accordance with current local and federal guidelines is encouraged.

Freedom Is Not Free...Thank You, U.S. Military!

On Monday, Nov. 9, we had the honor of joining leaders from across the River Region to proclaim Nov. 8 - 14 [Military Appreciation Week](#)!

Thank you to the [Montgomery Area Chamber of Commerce](#) for presenting this annual awareness initiative. In a region that is touched daily by our great servicemen and women, it is important to take this opportunity to say "thank you."



As part of Military Appreciation Week, all active and retired military personnel and their families can enjoy special discounts from River Region merchants. [Click here to learn more from the Montgomery Area Chamber of Commerce.](#)

Alongside River Region leaders, it was a privilege to participate in presenting the Military Appreciation Week proclamation to Maxwell Air Force Base, Air University, and Alabama National Guard leadership. We are also blessed to have many of you

contributing to our community and enhancing our quality of life. Thank you for making this a special place to call home. We proudly salute you this week and every day!

In Our Schools: Military Appreciation Month, Playoffs Continue for Patriot Football Team



Throughout November, Pike Road Schools is celebrating Military Family Appreciation Month. As part of these efforts, students from the Georgia Washington Campus shared a [special tribute to our nation's servicemen and women on Veterans Day - click here to take a look](#) - and Dr. Ledbetter visited with younger students to read military-themed books and discuss the importance of our Uniformed Services.

Tonight at 7 p.m., the undefeated Varsity Football team will play the 2nd round of AHSAA playoffs at UMS Wright Prep School. We wish the Patriots the best as they continue through these playoffs!

[Visit Pike Road Schools on Facebook](#) to buy tickets to the football game and learn more about all the great things happening in our community's schools! Go Patriots!

Thanks for Sharing YOUR Pike Road and Celebrating 23 Years!



Patriotic spirit runs deep in the Town of Pike Road, and we are so thankful for the enthusiasm and engagement of our community as we honor our nation's military men and women each November. Veterans Day is a special annual reminder, but we know you show your appreciation every day! We have so much to be thankful for, and it's all made possible by the service and sacrifice of our Armed Forces. Thank you, Jeff, for sharing your Veterans Day view from Pike Road Station with us using #mypikeroad!

We continue to encourage you to share your Pike Road pictures using #mypikeroad and tagging [@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.](#)

Nov. 8 - 14: [Military Appreciation Week*](#)

Nov. 14: [Pike Road Lions Club Strides Walk for Diabetes Awareness*](#)

Nov. 22: [Arts Council Christmas Tree Silent Auction Ends](#) 4 p.m.

Nov. 25: Town Council Meeting, 7 a.m., Pike Road Town Hall

Nov. 25: Town Hall Closes at Noon in Observance of Thanksgiving Holiday

Nov. 26 - 27: Town Hall Closed in Observance of Thanksgiving Holiday. Have a great Thanksgiving!

Nov. 28: [County Cleanup Day](#), 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Pike Road Schools Georgia Washington Campus or County Lot Office (across from The Feed Lot on Meriwether Rd)*

Nov. 30: [Mondays with the Mayor Radio Show](#), 12 - 1 p.m. on the MAX Roundtable on WTXK, 107.5 FM / 1210 AM

Dec. 4: Pike Road Christmas Celebration and Season of Giving Kickoff, 6 p.m. - Stay tuned for details!

Dec. 10: Pike Road Business Association Lunch & Learn, 12 - 1 p.m., online

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

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