



News from Town Hall



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A Note from Mayor Gordon Stone:

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"Pike Road, we are so appreciative of the way you engage in our community, from ENHANCE initiative activities to supporting local businesses and helping out neighbors in need. The 2021 Spring Cleanup is just one illustration of this: We had 18 groups participate, 14 miles of roadways covered, and 114 bags of litter picked up from our community. Thank you for showing your Pike Road pride and community spirit through this beautification initiative! This week, we were also pleased to join members of the P.R.A.Y.E.R. (Pike Road Area Your Emergency Response) Team in recognition of the National Day of Prayer. Faith leaders representing eight of our local churches visited each Pike Road Schools campus to offer a moment of prayer for our community, our nation, and our schools. What a special way to give thanks for our many blessings! In addition, we want to thank our partners and neighbors for working together and helping one another following this week's strong storms. This collaborative effort was a true show of community spirit. We appreciate your 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.

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. As you are out and about, please recognize the value of continuing to protect yourselves and others. 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! Beginning this week, the Town will no longer require face masks in municipal buildings, but we continue to encourage visitors to practice personal responsibility, and face masks will be available upon request. Further, 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 during this challenging time...

We are excited to invite you to participate in a variety of ENHANCE initiative activities this month, beginning tonight! This evening, May 7, join the Pike Road Arts Council for their 5x7 Art Show & Sale, an approachable, affordable opportunity to enjoy local art. The show will be held from 5-7 p.m. at the Pike Road Arts Center on Wallahatchie Road. We also look forward to welcoming Roses + Woods Boutique to the Shops at Pike Road! They will open their doors at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 8. Then, the Ag & Stewardship Club will present a double-header! On May 21, tackle Fire Ant Management with experts from the Alabama Cooperative Extension System in the morning, and in the afternoon, create and take home a masterpiece with the Container Gardening Workshop. To wrap up the month, we hope you will join the conversation as we welcome Cara's Trattoria to Pike Road Station as Mondays with the Mayor broadcasts from this new business on May 24..."

[Click here to read Mayor Stone's full May 7 update.](#)

TONIGHT, May 7: 5x7 Art Show & Sale at the Pike Road Arts Center



Stop by the Pike Road Arts Center tonight, May 7, from 5-7 p.m. to enjoy the [5x7 Art Show & Sale!](#) Browse (or buy!) over 100 original pieces by Alabama and Pike Road artists, all sized 5x7 inches and all available for \$57 each.

Tonight's event was featured in the [Montgomery Advertiser](#) this week, sharing:

"...The 5x7 Art Show & Sale is a fun way to explore the variety of art created in Alabama and even in the Town of Pike Road. Priced at only \$57, pieces will fit nearly any space or budget, and they could make fantastic Mother's Day gifts."

"One of the ideas behind this show is to make art – especially local art – accessible for more family and individual budgets," Payne said. "\$57 per piece is a big discount for many of the represented artists, but the artists are excited to participate because they also want to see the community have access to affordable art." ..."

[Click here to access the full article!](#)

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)

Ag & Stewardship Seminar Series Continues May 21 with Fire Ant Management & Container Gardening Workshops

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:



MAY 21: FIRE ANT MANAGEMENT

- 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 202: 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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P.R.A.Y.E.R. Team Visits Pike Road Schools for National Day of Prayer

On Thursday, May 6, students, teachers, staff, parents, and members of the P.R.A.Y.E.R. Team gathered in recognition of the National Day of Prayer. Faith leaders representing eight of our local churches visited each Pike Road Schools campus to offer a moment of prayer for our community, our nation, and our schools. What a special way to give thanks for our many blessings!

The P.R.A.Y.E.R. (Pike Road Area Your Emergency Response) Team is 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. The team meets on a regular basis to work on projects such as creating a resource directory and identifying needs in the Pike Road area. Most recently, the PRAYER Team has been active in coordinating a safe response to the needs and challenges created by the COVID-19 pandemic.

We are so appreciative of the P.R.A.Y.E.R. Team's ongoing efforts in our community! If you would like to learn more or join the P.R.A.Y.E.R. Team, please contact [Community Involvement Coordinator Katy Garren by emailing \[katy@pikeroad.us\]\(mailto:katy@pikeroad.us\)](#).



with PRAYER Team Leaders from Christ Community Church, St. James Church, & Woodland United Methodist Church (UMC)



Pike Road Intermediate School, with PRAYER Team Leaders from Century Church, Pike Road Baptist Church, the Montgomery Chinese Church at Pike Road Baptist, and Taylor Road Baptist Church



Pike Road Jr. High & High Schools at the Georgia Washington Campus, with PRAYER Team Leaders from Antioch Baptist Church, Murdock Chapel AME Church, St. James Church, & Woodland UMC

Record-Setting Spring Cleanup: Thank You for Helping Us Pick Up Pike Road!


Bags of Litter
 PICKED UP ACROSS TOWN


Cleanup Teams
 VOLUNTEERED THEIR TIME


Miles Cleaned
 THANK YOU, PIKE ROAD!

2021 SPRING CLEANUP • TOWN OF PIKE ROAD
In Partnership with Alabama People Against a Littered State

All through the month of April, families, businesses and organizations stepped outside and stepped up to participate in the 2021 Spring Cleanup, an annual beautification initiative presented in partnership with Alabama People Against a Littered State.

This year, 18 cleanup groups covered 14 miles of roadways and removed 114 bags of litter from our hometown. We want to extend our gratitude to:

- Troy Montgomery Metro Alumni Association
- The McGilberry Family
- Kiwanis Club of Pike Road
- Mark Vosel
- Wayne's Pest & Lawn
- The Decker Family
- Patsy Hodges, Julianne Smith, Claire Weeks, Abigelle Farmer
- Pike Road Food Pantry at Woodland UMC
- Pike Road FFA
- Encore Rehabilitation – Pike Road
- Pike Road Schools Central Office
- Emma Rose & Kenzie
- The Jones Family
- The Haywood Family
- The Lewis Family

We are so blessed by our natural resources and beautiful landscapes, and it takes each of

us to keep Pike Road clean and beautiful. We are so appreciative of the efforts of these teams, and we encourage you to continue to care for our community by placing trash where it belongs. Please don't litter!

We also want to say thank you to our local Home Depot on Chantilly Parkway, which donated Spring Planting Prize Packs as a reward for two participating cleanup crews. Thank you, Home Depot, for your support!

Thank You, Educators! It's Teacher Appreciation Week

Just a small reminder so you'll always know:

We all appreciate how you help students grow.

Thank
you!



This week is Teacher Appreciation Week, and we are humbled to share our thanks for the diligent, dedicated work of our local educators. We encourage you to take a moment to say "thank you" to our teachers, too!

A note from Mayor Stone:

"Over the years, we have experienced the evolution of Pike Road Schools from a dream to a reality. We have seen the growth of PRS from one campus to three and the meaningful milestone of celebrating PRS' first – and soon, its second – graduating class. Not a single one of these achievements would have been possible without the dedication, resilience, and passion for education shown by each member of the

PRS team, past and present. Even in this season of uncertainty, your commitment and strength of spirit have been instrumental in making it possible for every student to learn and succeed. You have continued to meet and exceed expectations amidst the challenges and changes introduced by COVID-19.

We could not be more thankful for or proud of all you do. We are so excited to see all the great things that are on the horizon for our learners at Pike Road Schools..."

This week, Pike Road Schools has been recognizing and celebrating educators making a difference in our community. [Click here to learn more about these amazing individuals on the Pike Road Schools Facebook page!](#)

Thanks for Sharing YOUR Pike Road!



We've got that Friday feeling, and so does this sweet Pike Road pet! With warm weather just arriving every day, there's so much fun to be had in our community's great outdoors. What's your favorite way to celebrate spring? Thank you, Katie, for sharing your outdoor fun with your furry friend 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](#) 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 7: [5x7 Art Show & Sale](#), 5 - 7 p.m., Pike Road Arts Center (944 Wallahatchie Rd)

May 8: [Roses + Woods Boutique Grand Opening](#), 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., the Shops at Pike Road*

May 9: Happy Mother's Day!

May 10: Planning Commission Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall

May 10: Town Council Meeting, 6 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall

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: [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 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

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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