



# News from Town Hall



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May 17, 2024

## Updates from Mayor Stone



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**SMALL WORKS**  
AN AFFORDABLE ART SHOW  
May 5 - 26  
at the Pike Road Arts Center  
944 Wallahatchie Rd



TAKE A BITE OUT OF HUNGER  
DONATE & VOLUNTEER TODAY  
**SUMMER FEEDING PROGRAM**  
JUNE 8 - JULY 20  
Every Saturday\* 9-11 AM  
Woodland Methodist Church  
4428 Wallahatchie Road  
for more information email jarnold@pikeroad.us  
\*Excluding July 6



Join the Pike Road Arts Council for fellowship and refreshments:  
**Art Talk & Tea**  
with Alisa Beck  
**May 19**  
2 - 4 p.m.  
Pike Road Arts Center  
944 Wallahatchie Rd

[Click here or click the image above for weekly updates from Mayor Stone!](#)

"We want to wish a big congratulations to Class of 2024 Pike Road seniors as you graduate tonight! Our community is so proud of you and your accomplishments.

The Pike Road Arts Center is a flurry of activity, and you don't want to miss out on all they have in store. From perspective workshops to affordable art shows, they have something for the whole family to enjoy. Want to get involved? Submit your art to the upcoming The Art of Freedom Art Show & Sale! We would love to see your interpretation of freedom at this event!

Save the date: SummerFest is returning on June 27 at the Pike Road Agriculture, Recreation, & Performing Arts Park (6281 Trotman Rd)! We hope you decide to enjoy some wholesome family fun and fellowship with us as we celebrate our nation. For details: visit [www.pikeroad.us](http://www.pikeroad.us).

To hear about SummerFest and other upcoming events, tune into Mondays with the Mayor this Monday, May 20, at Pike Road Counseling. This is your best opportunity to hear a recap of what's happening around town and ask your questions about Pike Road,

so make sure to be there!

Stay tuned for updates on food trucks, activities, and more! Search @townofpikeroad on Facebook, Instagram, and X to stay up to date on events in the 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."

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## Refreshments, Fellowship, and More at Art Talk & Tea on May 19



Art Talk & Tea returns! Join the Pike Road Arts Council **this Sunday, May 19**, from 2 - 4 p.m. at the Pike Road Arts Center (944 Wallahatchie Rd). The May 19 event will feature artist Alisa Beck, as she shares her unique artistic style and experience with us. Afternoon tea-style refreshments will be provided by Epicurean Delights.

Don't miss out on this fun and unique event – seating is limited! This is a FREE event, but registration is required. Please email [patty@pikeroad.us](mailto:patty@pikeroad.us) to register.

About the Artist: Since graduating from Huntingdon College with a BA in Fine Arts, Alisa Beck has explored art in many different mediums. From oil painting to architectural

drafting to machine embroidery design, her craft has evolved with her. She has traveled across five states to share her palette knife landscape technique. Her achievements are numerous and varied, from 72-piece exhibitions to serving as the volunteer director of the Montgomery Art Center in its inaugural year. Alisa is excited to share her perspective with the Pike Road Arts Council!

Questions? Contact Pike Road Arts Council Coordinator Patty Payne by emailing [patty@pikeroad.us](mailto:patty@pikeroad.us).

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## Shop Local Art at the Small Works Art Show Before it's Gone!



The Pike Road Arts Council is proving that good things do come in small packages at Small Works: An (Affordable) Art Show & Sale! The Small Works Art Show & Sale is open now through May 26 during PRAC open hours. These are some of the most affordable prices you'll see all year, so take advantage of these last few open weekends!

Hence its name, all art at this art show will be 8x10 and under. Prices will vary depending on size:  
8x10: \$81  
5x7: \$57  
4x6: \$46

**PRAC Open Hours:**

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

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**Get a First Glimpse at SummerFest Activities  
on Mondays with the Mayor THIS MONDAY, May 20!**



Join the conversation on May 20! We're so excited to visit Pike Road Counseling (10519 Vaughn Rd) for this radio program, LIVE from 12 - 1 p.m. on the MAX Round Table, WTXK 107.5 FM/1210 AM. Stop by to see us (4373 Marler Rd) and join the conversation. Tune in to ask Mayor Stone YOUR questions about the Town of Pike Road and hear about May's upcoming events!

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](mailto: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!](#)
- [Tune in on your smartphone or desktop with the FREE TuneIn App!](#)

\*Please designate questions sent to [info@pikeroad.us](mailto:info@pikeroad.us) as "Mondays with the Mayor" to be addressed during the summer show.

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**Set Your Sights on the Introduction to Perspectives Workshop**



Get a whole new perspective at the [Introduction to Perspectives Workshop](#), now being hosted on May 23 & 24 at the Pike Road Arts Center (944 Wallahatchie Rd)! Artist Charles Payne will guide participants as they learn and utilize different perspective techniques.

Learning perspective is an excellent opportunity to relearn seeing. Perspective uses different methods to create a scene with a feeling of depth and clarity of relationships between the objects in it. From 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. on May 23 & 24, artists will mainly practice Geometric Perspective (including 1, 2, and multi-point perspective), but will also touch on other topics: finding the vanishing point, Size Diminution

Perspective, Aerial Perspective, and other perspective methods. Artists will be provided with a booklet to help remember the lessons.

About the Artist: Charles D. Payne Jr. started his art career in the animation industry in 1984. Charles' experience centered on background design, a perspective-intensive job. Charles is a formally trained artist who graduated from MICA in Baltimore. He has shared his knowledge and experience teaching storyboarding and sketching at the Cogswell Polytechnical College in San Jose, California.

This event has a \$150 registration fee. Artists must pay a \$50 nonrefundable reservation is due in advance, and the remaining \$100 is due at the first class. If you missed out on registration the first time around, don't worry! Registration is reopened for this event. Email [patty@pikeroad.us](mailto:patty@pikeroad.us) for registration and a supply list.

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## How Do YOU Define Freedom? Show Us at Upcoming Art Show & Sale



What does freedom mean to you? Show us at The Art of Freedom Art Show & Sale from June 16 - July 14 at the Pike Road Arts Center (944 Wallahatchie Rd)! Freedom is defined as, "the power or right to act, speak, or think as one wants without hindrance or restraint," but we want to see how YOU define freedom.

Artists can submit their art for The Art of Freedom Art Show & Sale beginning on June 1. There is **no fee for entry** and submissions can be in any medium. Art must be gallery wrapped or ready to hang (framed with a wire), and all fragile art should be protected accordingly. Artists should submit the following information with their artwork: name of artist/artwork, medium, price,

contact information, artist bio, and preferred payment method.

### Drop off your art during PRAC open hours:

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

Or email Patty Payne at [patty@pikeroad.us](mailto:patty@pikeroad.us) to schedule a different drop off time!

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## Mark Your Calendars: Annual SummerFest Celebration Returns on June 27!

Our biggest event of the year is just around the corner! The Town of Pike Road is excited to invite the community for a night of community at [SummerFest](#), a family-

Town of Pike Road  
**SUMMERFEST**  
**THURS. JUNE 27**  
 AT THE PIKE ROAD AGRICULTURE, RECREATION & PERFORMING ARTS PARK, 6281 TROTMAN RD  
 \* Parking Begins at 6 PM  
 Kids' Activities 6:30 - 8:30 PM  
 Fireworks at Dark  
 \*FAMILY-FRIENDLY FIREWORKS SHOW  
 FREE TO ATTEND · FOOD TRUCKS · KIDS' ACTIVITIES

friendly fireworks show on June 27 at the Pike Road Agriculture, Recreation & Performing Arts Park (6281 Trotman Rd).

Family-friendly areas with food trucks, kids' activities (think: inflatables, yard games, arts and crafts, and MORE!), and green space for your lawn chairs and picnic blankets will be open from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.\* at the PRARPAP . The ball fields will also be open for picnics, play, and viewing the fireworks. Then, fireworks will light up the sky just after dark!

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. Volunteers will assist you as you park and enter through the West Entrance at the PRARPAP!

This event is **FREE** to attend! We encourage all of our friends and neighbors to enjoy a night of family-friendly fun as we celebrate our nation, our freedom, and our community spirit on June 29. Don't forget to share your pictures with us using #MyPikeRoad and #PikeRoadSummerFest!

\*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.

### Beautiful Container Gardens Galore!



Yesterday's Container Garden Workshop was a basketful of fun! Participants learned the essentials for creating magazine-worthy container gardens from Leatherwood Nursery and then created their very own to take home. In case you missed out on this year's workshop, we picked up some helpful tips and tricks for you to try at home:

- Pick out a color scheme before you start. Some of Eric Leatherwood's favorite palettes to use are primary

colors and different shades of pink!

- Think about what your focus point of the container garden will be and plan around it. Tip: your focus point doesn't always have to be in the middle of the container.
- Always remember when and how often to water your plants. The best time of day to water them is in the morning!

If you missed this Ag & Stewardship workshop, don't worry! Email Community Development Specialist Jennifer Grace Kendrick at [jarnold@pikeroad.us](mailto:jarnold@pikeroad.us) to get involved with the next edition.

### P.R.A.Y.E.R. Team Plans for the Future, and They Need YOUR Help

In 2023, the P.R.A.Y.E.R. Team (Pike Road Area Your Emergency Response) assisted over 500 Montgomery County families by



supplementing healthy food options over the summer through the Summer Feeding Program. This year, they are hoping to reach even more families, and they need YOUR help to do it! You can get involved by:

- Making a monetary contribution! Donating to the Summer Feeding Program feeds the supply and operational costs of this growing initiative. The reach of this program would not be possible without these tax-deductible contributions. Without your tax-deductible donations, the reach of this program simply would not be possible. To make a monetary donation, please send checks made out to Woodland Methodist Church with "Summer Feeding Program" in the memo line to 4428 Wallahatchie Rd OR [click here to donate online](#).
- Volunteering on distribution days! You can grab your friends, family, or neighbors to volunteer alongside you. Distribution days are the heart of this program, and you'll be able to see firsthand how impactful this program is for disadvantaged families.

One of the defining traits of the Town of Pike Road is how we care for one another. Thank you, Pike Road, for embodying the "Welcome Home!" spirit while serving local families!

Want to get involved? Have a question? Email Community Development Specialist Jennifer Grace Kendrick at [jarnold@pikeroad.us](mailto:jarnold@pikeroad.us).

### Thanks for Sharing YOUR Pike Road!



The Community Baccalaureate was a special time for family and friends to recognize Pike Road High School seniors! Lots of time, dedication, and hard work was dedicated to finishing their degrees, and it has finally paid off. Congratulations, seniors! Share a picture of your seniors with us using #mypikeroad. Share a picture of you at a local business 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 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.](#)

**May 5 - 26:** [Small Works: An \(Affordable\) Art Show](#), Pike Road Arts Center (944 Wallahatchie Rd)

**May 19:** [Art Talk & Tea with Alisa Beck](#), 2 - 4 p.m., Pike Road Arts Center (944 Wallahatchie Rd)

**May 19:** The Waters Music in May with Charity Bowden, 4 - 6 p.m., The Waters Town Square\*

**May 20:** Mondays with the Mayor at Pike Road Counseling, 12 - 1 p.m., 10519 Vaughn Rd

**May 21:** Wellness Oasis Coworking Offices Pike Road Community Introduction Celebration, 9 a.m., 335 Kershaw Industrial Blvd

**May 21:** Pike Road Fire Station 5 Open House, 6 - 8 p.m., 13 Okfuski Trail\*

**May 22:** Town Council Meeting, 7 a.m., Pike Road Town Hall

**May 23 & 24:** Introduction to Perspectives Workshop with Charles Payne, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Pike Road Arts Center

**May 27:** *Town Hall Closed for Memorial Day Holiday*

**May 27:** Woodland Creek Memorial Day 5K Run/Walk, 8 a.m., 8800 Lodge Drive\*

**June 1:** 12th Annual Pike Road Crawfish Boil, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., Century Church\*

**June 3:** Planning Commission Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Pike Road Town Hall

**June 7-8:** MAHANA - A Family Campout at The Well, 5:30 p.m. on Friday - 11 a.m. Saturday, Century Church at The Well (1001 Marler Road)\*

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

**June 16 - July 14:** The Art of Freedom Art Show & Sale, Pike Road Arts Center (944 Wallahatchie Rd)

**June 19:** *Town Hall Closed for Memorial Day Holiday*

**June 26:** Town Council Meeting, 7 a.m., Pike Road Town Hall

**June 27:** Town of Pike Road SummerFest, 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](mailto:info@pikeroad.us).*

For more events and details, please call 334-272-9883 or email [info@pikeroad.us](mailto:info@pikeroad.us). You can also access our online calendar at [www.pikeroad.us](http://www.pikeroad.us). Please [click here for the Pike Road Schools calendar](#).

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