

PITTSFIELD...NEWS?!?

A free weekly production by community volunteers

December 4th, 2019

Sponsored By: *Scrooge the Musical and The Pittsfield Players*

“One person can make a difference. And everyone should try.”

John F. Kennedy

Pittsfield Celebrates Christmas and the Holidays

The Greater Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the annual **Children’s Store and Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration on Saturday December 7.**

Starting off the day’s celebrations is the Pittsfield Elementary School PTO sponsored “Breakfast with Santa” and the Chamber Sponsored Children’s Store, both being held at the Pittsfield Elementary School.

“Breakfast with Santa” will be held in the cafeteria from 8 to 9:30am; cost is \$3 per person or 2 for \$5. Have a picture taken with Santa while you listen to local youth musicians; also pick up some goodies at the Victory Workers 4-H Club Cookie Walk from 9am to noon. The Chamber Children’s Store will be in the gym from 9am to noon. *Kids only shopping at kid friendly prices-most items are \$1.00.* Santa’s elves on hand to help with shopping and provide free gift wrapping!

Other Chamber sponsored festivities will take place at Dustin Park, in-between Main and Park Street. There will be FREE horse drawn wagon rides, hot cocoa, cookies, candy canes and popcorn, pictures with Santa, face painting, holiday music, and caroling.

Stop by the Park Street Baptist Church and enjoy a festive cookie while listening to a holiday story and then head over to The Pittsfield Youth Workshop where you can buy raffle tickets to win a gingerbread house, vote in the decorated wreath contest, or participate in a raffle to win a live Christmas tree; *hot soups/chili/chowders will also be available for a monetary or non-perishable food donation.*

In addition, the Chamber is sponsoring a Decorated Wreath Contest and invites you to bring a decorated wreath to Pittsfield Youth Workshop (PYW) by

3:45 PM. The wreaths will be displayed inside PYW; the \$50 cash prize winner will be announced after the Tree Lighting. Pick up your wreath by 6:15pm or they will be graciously donated.

Please Note: The Children’s Store is still accepting new or gently used gift items for caregivers, parents, family, friends and teachers. The store could also use men’s items. If you’re out and about shopping, please keep this in mind; small tools, flashlights, work gloves, hats, mugs, no clothing please. Donation boxes are located at the Pittsfield Post Office, Epping Well, Northway Bank, Main Street Variety, Town Hall and Jitters Café.



2018 Christmas Tree by Louie Houle

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Wednesday December 4

The Poinsettias ordered from Friends of the Josiah Carpenter Library will be available for pickup beginning Wednesday and throughout the week.

Wednesday December 4, 6pm

The Suncook Valley Rotary Club meets at Dominick's Restaurant.
suncookvalleyrotary@gmail.com.

Saturday December 7, 11am

Memorial Service for L. Carolyn Speed at the First Congregational Church.



PYW Gingerbread House Raffle

Saturday December 7

The Pittsfield Youth Workshop (PYW) youth are selling Gingerbread House raffle tickets. This is your chance to win a wonderful holiday centerpiece. The youth put tremendous effort into baking, building, and decorating the houses. Please stop by PYW on Park Street and take a look at their hard work. Tickets can be purchased at PYW M-F 11am-6pm and during the Tree Lighting on December 7. Drawing will be held at 5:50pm during the Tree Lighting celebration. Proceeds support PYW programs and events.

Cost: 1 ticket \$1, or 6 tickets \$5.

December 6,7,8,13,14

The Pittsfield Players present "SCROOGE THE MUSICAL" at the Scenic Theatre, Depot Street. All shows are at 7:30pm, except the Sunday matinee at 2pm. Tickets are \$18 and can be purchased by visiting the website pittsfieldplayers.com and clicking on the buy tickets button or you can reserve seats by calling 435-8852.

Tuesday, December 10, 10:30am

Book discussion - *The Inquisitor's Tale: Or, the Three Magical Children and Their Holy Dog* by Adam Gidwitz at the Pittsfield Senior Center. Pick up a copy of the book at the Josiah Carpenter Library.

Saturday, December 14, 10:30am-12pm

Gingerbread House Decorating at the Josiah Carpenter Library. Come and enjoy some family time preparing decorations for the season.

December 14 Deadline

Kylee Strong Christmas Toy Drive for ChaD. Please help Kylee Strong reach our goal of giving every child in the hospital on Christmas a special treat. We will be collecting toys and other gifts for children ranging from Infants to teenagers from now until December 14. If you are interested in giving or helping, please text or call Linda Morel at 603-556-2285/email Linda.Morel@Hotmail.com. Toys may be dropped off at the PES PTO Breakfast with Santa on Sat, Dec. 7.

Monday, December 16, 17, 4pm

The Pittsfield Players will hold auditions for their 2020 Kid's Theater Workshop production of *Getting to Know State Fair* at The Scenic Theatre, 6 Depot Street, Pittsfield. The Kid's Theater Workshop is a program by kids for kids ages 8 to 18. Participants not only perform on stage, but also work behind the scenes to learn about set design and construction, set painting, stage managing, stage lighting, sound, costumes and make-up. The group rehearses two days a week after school and on Saturdays and then performs the show at two matinees for local schools and three evening shows for the general public. This year, the shows will be performed February 18 through 22, with a set strike and cast party on Sunday,

February 23. For further information, contact director Maye Hart at maye@pittsfieldplayers.com.

Wednesday, December 18, 10:30am

Pontine Theatre will perform *A Winter's Tale* at the Senior Center.

Good Wishes

Happy Birthday wishes to Jen Karwocki, Cassie Smith and Stacey Wittenberg. Enjoy your special day!

4-H Celebrates Volunteers

Merrimack County 4-H Honors Evening was held Friday November 22 and many congratulations are in order. Congratulations to the following people for their leadership in the Victory Workers 4-H club and in Merrimack County:

Corine Miller honored for 60 years; Carolyn Davis for 55 years; Carrie Lougee for 35 years; Pamela Clattenburg and Joe Davis for 30 years; Richard Lougee for 25 years; Peter Elliott and Cleon Riel for 20 years; Rose Kimball, Mary Corliss and Wendy Corlis for 10 years and Fern Bond honored for 5 years.

Thank you **all** for your service and dedication to a wonderful organization.



In addition, the *Corine Miller Heritage Arts Award for Outstanding Quilt* will be presented each year to a 4-H member at the Hopkinton State Fair, who has shown exceptional skill in quilt making at the Ruth H. Kimball 4-H Exhibit Hall.

Select Board Update

Select Board meeting 11/26/2019- Important dates set; deliberative session (near as we get to town meeting under SB2) will be Saturday, February 10, 10 am with a February 3, 7 pm snow date. December BOS schedule will be the 10 and 17 due to Christmas.

The biggest discussion was regarding changes to the Town Traffic Control Ordinance. Much weight was given to public comment at the hearing last meeting. A suggestion making Elm and Depot one-way from Main to Carroll was dismissed as unnecessary by the entire board. We reduced the speed limit from 30 to 25 mph on those streets and when weather permits a yellow line will be painted separating directions. No parking on town streets 10 pm to 7 am is now in effect November 1 to April 15. Stricter enforcement of parking rules and speed was discussed with the police department. The public should keep in mind that all of Main St. has a two-hour parking limit. If you have a concern about a particular violation, call the PD and they will do their best to address it, subject to priority calls that may arise. The sidewalk on Manchester St. will be removed, loamed and seeded upon engineering recommendations and request by the public works department. School kids should use Berry Ave. and Catamount.

New Hampshire Mountain High By Michael Sullivan

Across

3. Newspaper blurb selling something.
5. Large noise.
6. Sphere.
9. Paris friend.
11. Capture a fish.
13. Cut a trout open.
16. Subconscious.
17. Tiny.
18. Fruit spread.
19. Animal museum.
20. Short-lived trend.
24. As high as you get in New Hampshire.
28. NH TV station.
29. Holy woman.
30. Wedding affirmative.
31. At the end of a loan period.
32. No problem.
33. Remove.
34. Get out of here.
36. Soaked in liquid.
38. Pronounce.
40. Belonging to us.
42. Place to do science, informally.

43. Bread for one.
44. Dryly sardonic.
45. Looking tired.

Down

1. Math term that sounds like dessert.
2. Run, but don't over do it.
3. Fire remains.
4. Informal greeting.
5. Canine.
7. More than 2,000 years ago.
8. NH's next door neighbor.
10. The press in all its forms.
12. On the way.
14. Noah's animal march.
15. Married.
20. Cooling device.
21. Bummer.
22. 5 time world champions in the last two decades.
23. Retiring.

Reminder- my select board meeting notes aren't official- they're simply what I feel as a selectman are important enough to be squeezed into the 250-word limit for articles. Not everything makes it. Carl Anderson

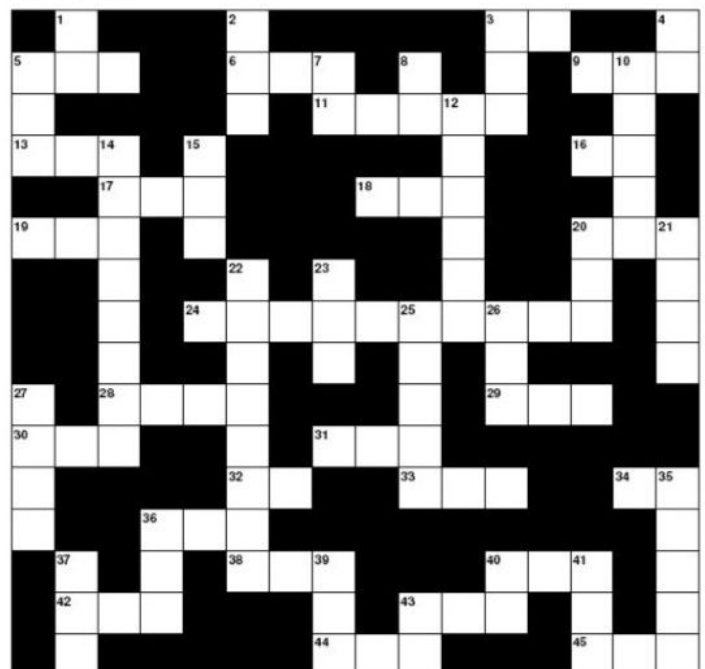
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Every Newspaper Needs a Name...

Based on everyone's awesome input, here are the three finalists selected by the newspaper committee!

- *Pittsfield Post
- *Pittsfield Pioneer
- *Pittsfield Valley Times

Cast your vote between December 4 through 12 at ballot boxes located throughout town, or vote online at www.PittsfieldNHCommunityCenter.org.

The 'honor system' is in place, one vote per person please. The Supervisors of the Checklist have volunteered to count the paper ballots.

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Pittsfield Center Development Corporation (PCDC) has agreed to serve as fiscal agent for the newspaper. PCDC is a non-profit organization whose mission is to engage in activities that benefit Pittsfield. For example, PCDC owns and operates the Pittsfield Community Center. Checks should be made out to:
Pittsfield Center Development Corporation, memo: Newspaper
P.O. Box 253, Pittsfield, NH 03263

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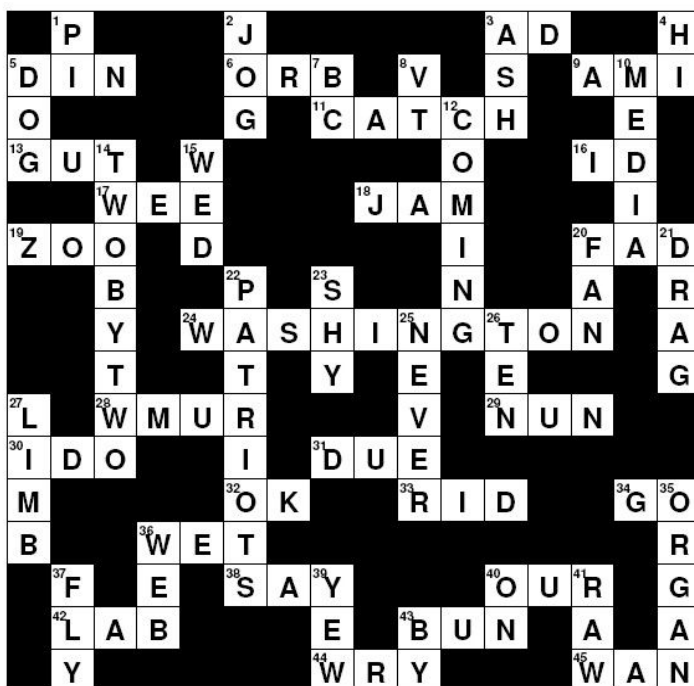
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