

PITTSFIELD POST

A FREE NEWSLETTER BY COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

"I'm so glad I live in a world where there are Octobers." -

October 1, 2025

Lucy Maud Montgomery, *Anne of Green Gables*

The Pittsfield Players present live music

Silk Purse and Loose Ground

October 18, 2025

One Night Only: the live music you've been wanting to hear: **Silk Purse** and **Loose Ground**, together for one night. Who is Silk Purse you ask? They are a Linda Ronstadt tribute band. Who is Linda Ronstadt? She sang favorites like, "Blue Bayou," "You're No Good," and "Long, Long Time." So if swaying along to the '70's is your jive, (and we know it is!), you don't want to miss this show. The show starts at 7pm with Loose Ground, local favorites and winner of this year's Mic Night here at the Scenic Theatre, playing folk tunes and popular ballads. They claim they're just brothers sharing their love of music, but they are so much more and will compliment the talented Keri DeArmon and her group perfectly playing the timeless classics. If you need more info, check out their Facebook pages. The Pittsfield Players will provide refreshments by donation and a 15-minute intermission will give you the chance to win a 50/50 prize. Come support local talent, local theatre and a great 501c3 organization. For tickets, visit www.pittsfieldplayers.org or call 603-435-8852.

Silk Purse and Loose Ground will be performing live at The Scenic Theatre, 6 Depot Street, Pittsfield, NH on Saturday, October 18 at 7pm. Tickets are \$20 and are available online, over the phone and at the door.



PYW News

We had a great time at Meadow Ledge Farm apple picking.

Thank you to their amazing staff for hosting us. We have lots of fun things on the books for the autumn months.

Be sure to check out our most recent newsletter for our drop-in schedule and upcoming trips.

<https://pittsfieldyouthworkshop.org/calendar/newsletter/>

See you soon!

-Zach and Ashley



Pittsfield Town Crier

Would you like an event listed? Contact Andi Riel at pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com or 603-435-6346

Wed, Oct 1, 6:30pm: The Suncook Valley Rotary Club meets at the Pittsfield Historical Society, Oak St.

Mon, Oct 6, 6:30pm: The Victory Workers 4-H Club will hold their monthly meeting at the **PES Gym**.

Mon, Oct 6, 7pm: The Greater Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce meets at the Pittsfield Community Center, lower level. As always, members are encouraged to attend the meeting.

Mon, Oct 6, 6:30pm: The American Legion Peterson Cram Post 75 meets at the Town Hall.

Tues, Oct 7, 9-11am: First Congregational Church of Pittsfield, the **Infant Toddler Diaper Pantry** will be open for families to receive supplemental diapers once every month. Each family receives diapers/product per child and one package of wipes per family. We generally have NB through size 6 diapers along with pull-ups and overnights. We use the parking lot off Chestnut Street. We appreciate donations. Financial donations, donations of diapers (including open packages) and donations of wipes are always welcomed. Please call 603-435-7471 with any questions, including donation questions.

Wed, Oct 8, 6:30pm: Friends of the Josiah Carpenter Library will meet at the library on Main St. NEW members are needed. Please consider joining this committee.

Sat, Oct 11, 8:30-9:30am: FREE Community **Breakfast at Joy Church**, 55 Barnstead Rd. Please stop in and enjoy a wonderful breakfast and visit with wonderful people.

Sun, Oct 12, 1-4pm: The Pittsfield Historical Society will be open to the public. Please take some time and stop in to view the wonderful artifacts of our great town.

Fri, Oct 10 & Mon, Oct 13: The Pittsfield Schools are **CLOSED** in observance of the **Columbus Day holiday**.

Mon, Oct 13, 6:30pm: The Josiah Carpenter Library **Mead & Read Book Club** will meet at Over The Moon Farmstead, Upper City Rd.

Sat, Oct 18, 10am-3pm: The Victory Workers 4-H Club is sponsoring **Fall Festival 2025** at Dowboro Farm, 615 Dowboro Rd. Join us for a fun-filled day as we celebrate the beauty of autumn and the hard

work of our 4-H members. Explore exhibits showcasing what the kids have been working on. Learn more about 4-H programs in our Community. Enjoy seasonal activities, food and festive fun for the whole family. Admission is Free and there is something for everyone to enjoy. Bring a canned good for our Fall Food Drive to support the Pittsfield Food Pantry.

Sat, Oct 18: Turkey Supper at the South Pittsfield Community Club, 444 Dowboro Rd- 3 Seatings: **4:30pm, 5:15pm and 6pm**. Tickets go on sale at 4pm. Prices for Adults - \$15, Children Aged 6-12-\$10 and Under 6- FREE. CASH ONLY. Menu: turkey, stuffing, squash, mashed potatoes, coleslaw, rolls, drinks and homemade pies. All you can eat. Take-out available.

Sat, Oct 25, 12-3pm: Parks & Recreation Commission is sponsoring the annual **Fall Harvest Festival** at the FB Argue Recreation Area (aka Town Beach) on Clark St. There will be a cookout, pumpkin bowling, lawn games, bounce house, wagon rides and more.

Sat, Oct 25, 6:30-8pm: PES PTO sponsoring the annual **Trunk or Treat** at the MSA/Globe Parking lot. PTO will be raffling off a Boo Basket. Tickets: 1 for \$1, 6 for \$5, arm's length for \$15. All proceeds go towards a new playground at the Elementary School. To enter a Trunk or to volunteer, please reach out to pto@sau51.org. Candy and baked-good donations are appreciated.

Sat, Nov 1: Join the **Suncook Valley Rotary Club** and your friends and neighbors at the annual **Penny Sale**; a time honored Pittsfield tradition. The doors open at **4 pm**. More details to follow.

The Gabriel Douglas Anthony 21 Foundation was established by Gabe's family after his death, providing roadside safety equipment to all High School-aged drivers. Please visit the website <https://gda21foundation.org> to learn more about this wonderful foundation, or more importantly, to donate. You may also contact the foundation at GDA21 Foundation, 98 Main St., Pittsfield, NH 03263; 603-470-6927 or email gda21foundation@gmail.com

Marston Farm Corn Maze, 384 Webster Mills Rd, Pittsfield. Open Sept 5 – Nov 1: Fri 1-7pm, Sat & Sun 10am – 7pm (hours are subject to change). Cost: Adult (13+) \$10; Child (6-12) \$8; Child Under 5 Free; Senior (65+) \$8; Military \$8. Cash, Venmo and Credit Card accepted. Marstonfarmnh.com for all details.

Pittsfield Town Budget Committee positions available. There are currently 3 openings on the Budget Committee. If you are interested in participating in this important part of our town's financial planning, please contact Moderator Jackson Marston/ or Town Clerk/Tax Collector.

Pittsfield Town CIP Committee. (Capital Improvement Planning Committee.) The CIP committee analyzes the needs of the public capital assets of the town and school and puts together a schedule of improvements over time to effectively manage capital expenditures. The committee meets in September & October, every Monday at 6pm, and works with the town departments and committees and school officials to update the annual CIP plan for submission to the selectmen and budget committee. If interested, fill out a volunteer application form on the website (www.pittsfieldnh.gov) or at Town Hall, and return to Town Administrator Marston.

The **Dorcas Guild of the First Congregational Church** has adopted a community project that provides children with food to get them through the weekend. Pittsfield and Barnstead Schools have come together to provide **weekend meals for over 100 children**. Donations are greatly needed to help us feed the children. Amazon deliveries and monetary donations (check payable to "End 68 Hours of Hunger-Pittsfield/Barnstead" can be sent to: Anthony Palmieri, END 68 HOURS OF HUNGER, 204 BRINDLE POND RD, CENTER BARNSTEAD, NH 03225. Typical food items needed are non-perishable canned and packaged items such as Pop Tarts, breakfast/granola bars, peanut butter, stews, soups, canned pasta, canned vegetables and fruits/fruit snacks, canned meats, ramen, juice boxes, and Goldfish crackers. There is a box in the sanctuary.

The NH Secretary of State announces the official launch of their **2025 "I Voted" Sticker Contest**. All 4th and 5th grade NH students are invited to participate. The four winning designs will be distributed as "I Voted" stickers during statewide elections in 2026. The deadline is 11:55pm on October 14,. For more details, visit <https://www.sos.nh.gov/4th-and-5th-grade-new-hampshire-i-voted-sticker-contest>

Support **Panther Soccer** at Drake Field: **Wed, Oct 1, 4pm:** Varsity Boys vs Newmarket, **Thurs, Oct. 2, 4:30pm:** Coed Middle School vs Farmington, **Fri, Oct 3, 4pm:** Coed Middle School vs Chichester and **Mon, Oct 6, 4pm:** Varsity Girls vs Wilton-Lyndeborough.

If you haven't already heard, the **Victory Workers 4H Club** is temporarily taking over the **plastic collection** from PES PTO. If you're not familiar with the NexTrex recycling program, it's a program where schools and non-profits are challenged to gather 1,000 pounds of recyclable plastics, weigh them, upload the tallies online, turn them in to local retailers and hopefully receive a free bench if the goal is reached within a 12 month period. The Pittsfield Community has been supporting this recycling endeavor since February for PES PTO, and they've already collected their 1,000 pounds, so jumping into this project was quite simple for us— but we're still asking for the community's help. There are large collection bins for the plastic at Danis Supermarket, Bell Brothers Convenience Store, Pittsfield Elementary School, Pittsfield Middle High School, Josiah Carpenter Library, and now at the Dowboro Farm Farmstand. As a result of the project having a presence here in Pittsfield, our 4-H group has already collected and turned in OVER ONE HUNDRED POUNDS OF PLASTIC this month!

Happy Birthday wishes: Bea Perlupo on Wed, Oct 1; Laurie Vien on Fri, Oct 3; Paul Rogers on Sun, Oct 5; Alice Young on Mon, Oct 6; Jay Darrah on Wed, Oct 8; and Norm Tuttle on Mon, Oct 13.

Happy Anniversary wishes to Cathie & Dana Tuttle on Mon, Oct 6.

History of the Pittsfield Rotary Club

Did you know that the Rotary started in Pittsfield on December 2, 1946? And since that time, the Rotary Club members have completed many projects in the town and have donated numerous dollars to various organizations.

Former Rotarians, Stan Bailey and Art Morse, will present highlights of the early history. Please join them to hear about this vital and long-standing organization.

Wednesday, October 22, 6:30 pm
Pittsfield Historical Society
4 Oak Street

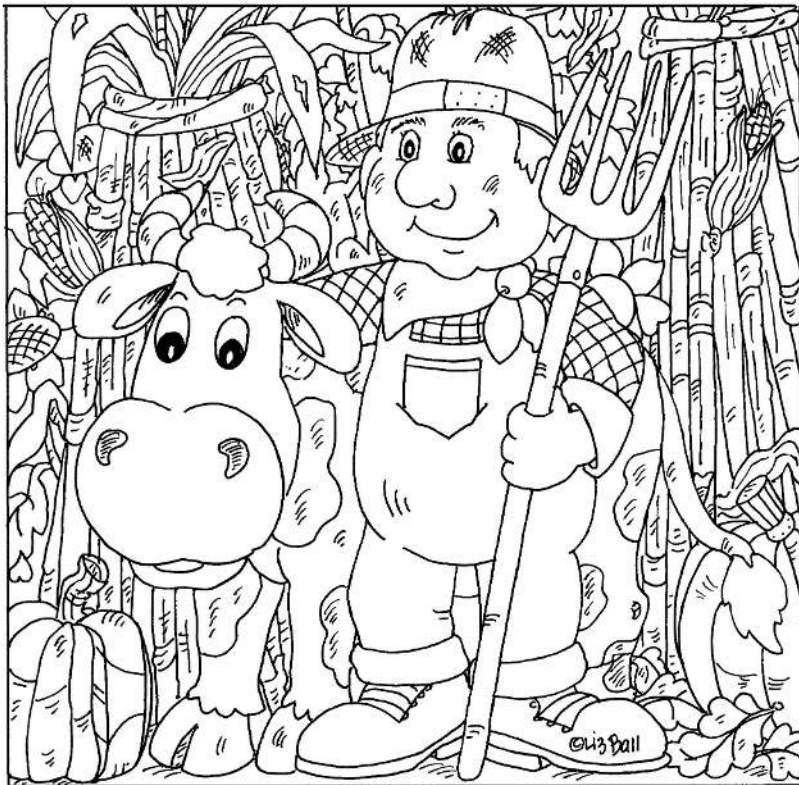
It's free and open to everyone!

School Contract Services

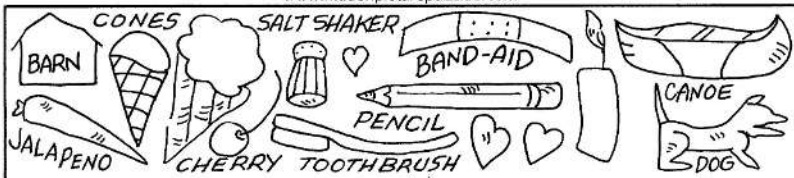
The Pittsfield School Board, represented by Tim Robinson and Molly Goggin, and the Education Association of Pittsfield (EAP), represented by educators from the elementary, middle and high school, have reconvened negotiations for the teacher contract. Both groups have worked together in the past to come to agreement with the approved 2025-2026 contract; however, this was a one-year agreement. The team will work to reach agreement by early December to ensure a smooth budgetary process for the school district and budget committee.

Molly Goggin mgoggin@sau73.org 603-387-1396

Pittsfield Post Volunteer Opportunity: Biweekly Email Newsletter & Website Coordinator - Are you passionate about communications and looking to make a difference? The Pittsfield Post seeks a reliable, detail-oriented volunteer to manage and electronically distribute our biweekly newsletter and update our website. The prepared newspaper document will be sent to you as part of the team for conversion to email format. Basic knowledge of email marketing platforms, such as MailChimp, or similar, and website content management, such as Wix, or similar, would be helpful. The work can be done at home and requires about two hours every other week. Training will be provided. This is an excellent opportunity to gain experience and contribute to the local news of the Pittsfield Post, which has been in operation for over 5 years! If interested, please contact us at pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org. We look forward to hearing from you!



www.hiddenpicturepuzzles.com



Christmas Bazaar

Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Pittsfield, and St. Joseph's Church, Northwood, are having their Annual Christmas Bazaar at St. Joseph Church, 844 First NH Turnpike (Rte 4), Northwood, on Friday October 31st 4-7pm and Saturday November 1st 9am-2pm. Free Parking.

Handmade crafts, baked goods, cookie walk, great raffles and gifts for purchase

Food available Friday evening and Saturday

Wear your costumes (Optional). Treats for kids!



Support for the Josiah Carpenter Library

The Friends of Josiah Carpenter Library will be hosting an emergency meeting Wednesday, October ,8 at 6:30pm in the library. The reason for this emergency meeting is to fill the needed board positions we have open and prevent us from disbanding. The group previously disbanded during the Covid lockdown and we brought it back a few years ago. While the initial interest was strong and we had good attendance, over the last year it has dropped down significantly to the point we have 2 open positions. Without them being filled we will no longer remain in compliance to operate. Those of us who have helped with events and programs at the library know how important this group is to keeping the library a community hub. Please help us revitalize the group and keep us going so we can continue our mission to support what I believe to be our town's greatest resource.



We have worked so hard over the last few years to raise money and help the library with programs. We have had a presence at community events and have donated resources, snacks, and most importantly our time. We believe in the good the library does for our town. It's a spot for all ages, interests, and backgrounds. There are events and programs for everyone, from the tiniest children at story hour each week, to the wonderful women who gather at Mead and Read Book Club each month. I would hate to see this end. I hope to see you there.

Wednesday, October 8, 6:30pm @ Josiah Carpenter Library

Advertising in the POST

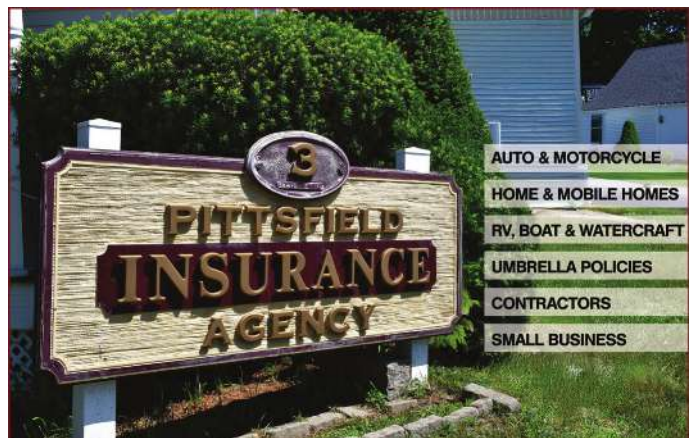
Costs begin at \$4.00 for a brief classified ad.
Guidelines and order forms are located at
www.PittsfieldPost.org

Pittsfield Parks & Recreation is looking for a few new members. We typically meet the second Tuesday of the month at 6pm. Please call Nicole St.George at 603-545-2402 with any questions.

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Cooks Corner-- Fresh Apple Cake

It's finally apple season and we have some treats for you! This year, Pittsfield's Leavitt's Cider Mill will celebrate 95 years of operation. In 1980, to mark the 50th anniversary of the mill, a cookbook was published. Laurie Houle kindly offered to let us borrow it. The book is loaded with lots of tasty recipes, most are baked goods and pies. Unfortunately no names were published, so we don't know who developed these recipes. As the first shared recipe, we feature the delicious Fresh Apple Cake. We'll have another one for you in the next issue of the *Post*. Enjoy! *MP Christakos*

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| 1 & ½ cups all purpose flour | 4 cups finely chopped apples, cored and peeled |
| 2 tsp baking soda | |
| ½ tsp salt | 1 cup Kellogg's All-Bran cereal or Kellogg's Bran Buds cereal |
| 1 tsp ground cinnamon | 3 oz cream cheese, softened |
| 1 tsp ground nutmeg | 1 TBSP butter, softened |
| ½ cup butter, softened | 1 tsp vanilla extract |
| 1 cup sugar | 1 & ½ cups sifted confectioner's sugar |
| 2 eggs | |



Heat oven to 350. Stir together flour, baking soda, salt, cinnamon and nutmeg. In a separate bowl, beat the ½ cup of butter and sugar. Beat in the eggs. Stir in the apples, then the cereal, then the flour mixture.

Spread the batter into a 9x9 inch baking dish. Bake for about 45 minutes or until done.

To make the frosting, beat cream cheese, the 1 TBSP butter and the vanilla extract until very smooth. Gradually add the confectioner's sugar, beating until incorporated and smooth. If the frosting is too thick, add 1 to 2 tsp of milk. Spread the frosting on the cake, once it has completely cooled.

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Victory Workers 4-H Club Fall Meeting

The Victory Worker's 4-H Club will hold their first meeting of the year on **Monday, October 6 at 6:30pm** at the Pittsfield Elementary School. 4-H has programs and activities for youth between the ages of 5 and 18. Our club focuses on a variety of projects to build life skills. There are no club dues, but there are a few fundraisers. If you would like to learn more, reach out via our Facebook page or come to our first meeting to see it firsthand.

<https://www.facebook.com/victoryworkers4h/>



VICTORY WORKERS
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Fall festival 2025

Join us for a fun-filled day as we celebrate the beauty of autumn and the hard work of our 4-H members.

- Explore exhibits showcasing what the kids have been working on
- Learn more about 4-H programs in our community
- Enjoy seasonal activities, food, and festive fun for the whole family!

Come be part of this joyful tradition and see what makes 4-H so special.

Admission is free, and there's something for everyone to enjoy.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 18
10AM - 3PM

Bring a canned good for our Fall Food Drive to Support the Pittsfield Food Pantry

615 DOWBORO RD
PITTSFIELD, NH

The poster features a green four-leaf clover logo with 'H' symbols, a hot air balloon, and circular photos of children and a cow.



FALL HARVEST FESTIVAL

Saturday, October 25

12:00-3:00, 35 Clark Street

Cook out, pumpkin bowling, lawn games, bounce house, wagon rides, and more!

The poster is decorated with a colorful bunting banner at the top and a row of pumpkins at the bottom.

There will also be a ***CHILI COOK OFF *** at Harvestfest! Contact Nicole St.George at 603-545-2402 or email parks@pittsfieldnh.gov to register.



Post-It in the Post

Community groups, businesses, and individuals, please send us your news, opinions, and creative work! Deadline is 9 a.m. Friday.

Email: News@PittsfieldPost.org

Info: www.PittsfieldPost.org

The 2025 Pittsfield Old Home Day Committee Says Thank YOU!

It was a Huge Success!

- Globe Community Fund for generously donating to our event, making so much possible, including a great fireworks show at Drake Field.
- The Sanderson Fund for generously donating to our event, making so much possible including the musical entertainment we had throughout the day with Jackie Lee, Don Smith, The Hollis Town Band and the Nevers Band.
- The Pittsfield Fire Department for displaying their amazing ladder truck and for support throughout the day.
- The Pittsfield Police Department for their support throughout the planning process and day-of needs.
- Pittsfield Middle High School for sharing your homecoming celebration with us. We loved seeing you and the great floats in the parade.
- Thank you to both girls' and boys' Varsity soccer teams who played two great games in the afternoon.
- Danis SuperMarket for sponsoring our s'mores stations and generously donating all the items.
- Clothes Closet for sponsoring JuJuBe the clown.
- NH Water Solutions, who sponsored our talented face painter this year.
- Bell Brothers for sponsoring our local caricature artist. Thank you Sara Pecorino, your set up was so lovely!
- Lori Chateauneuf and Carol Richardson for helping with the carnival games. The kids loved playing with you guys!
- All the cars, trucks, and antiques that came out for the car show. It was a blast seeing all the participants.
- Pastor Jeremy Everson from Park Street Church for sharing a prayer with our community before the parade. We also appreciate your church having such a generous and delicious table of treats, coffee, and crafts; and for sharing your ladder so we could plug in the music!
- Pittsfield Players youth for sharing in the honor of singing the National Anthem. It was beautifully done.
- Scott Aubertin for driving in the parade and towing the Hollis Town Band through town.
- PYW for opening your doors for a delicious breakfast, and PTO for your support throughout it all.
- Rotarians for letting us use tables and chairs for our Citizens of the Year viewing stand and emcee table.
- The 4-H Victory Workers for organizing the "cookie bake-off." What a yummy table to stop at!
- Mrs. White and PES staff members for judging the bike parade. Our community is lucky to have you all.
- Laura Lynn of Hood milk for donating all the milk that went with the delicious cookies at the 4-H table.
- St. Stephen's church for setting up your hot dog station and bake sale.
- Tina Metcalf for EMCing the parade, even though the microphone gave you trouble!

- The police department and Jay Darrah for blocking the path for the parade and leading it throughout town.

- Roger Metcalf for lining up the parade.

- All parade participants! You all looked great!

- Coach LaRoche and the PMHS girls' basketball team for organizing the duck race.

- Denise at Granite Images for all your help with posters, advertisements, and program printing.

- The Pittsfield Historical Society for opening special hours to coincide with OHD!

- Joey Darrah for organizing a fantastic car show and all the behind the scenes work you do.

- Adam Gauthier for organizing the craft/vendor community fair.

- Babcock and Koladish families for keeping the fires hot and the s'mores cooking throughout the night.

- The rotary for keeping the grills going until fireworks to keep people fed.

- Mark and Andi Riel for guiding us and constantly sharing their Old Home Day wisdom with us.

- To our 2025 OHD Committee who worked hard to plan, set up, and clean up from this town event.

- And especially to the homecoming efforts to join together and make a big community event!

All the hard work and planning is worth it when you come together as a community and enjoy a day celebrating our town and our schools. Thank you, Pittsfield.

Respectfully submitted,

The 2025 Pittsfield Old Home Day Committee



What is important to you?

- Local news and updates?
- New businesses in town?
- Information about the schools?
- Classified ads for local opportunities?
- Recipes? Puzzles?
- A calendar of local events?
- Letters/opinions from residents?
- Special Editions regarding PMHS Graduation or Local Elections?
- A local publication that can print your own submissions?

The *Pittsfield Post*, a free bi-weekly newsletter (every other week), provides all this and more. A printed version of the *Post* may be found in various stores and the post office in Pittsfield on alternating Wednesdays; a digital subscription will send it directly to your email inbox; or you may find it at your convenience on the webpage: www.PittsfieldPost.org. And it's all at no cost to you! That's right. Nada, zip, zero.

How can that be? Well, the *Pittsfield Post* is a nonprofit organization that relies solely on donations and advertising. And now is a time when we could use more of both from our readers! As you well know, living costs continue to rise, and the *Post* faces that same reality.

Our small group of volunteers offered additional personal time for content management, page layout, editing, and delivery. It was a big task for a small group, but we think our efforts were worth it. And we hope you think so, too! The sad fact is that all our expanded efforts, while creating added costs, do not necessarily translate into added revenue. That brings us to the bottom line. We need your help.

Please donate! Any amount will help to defray costs. The easiest way is to go to our webpage:

www.PittsfieldPost.org. Click on the 'Donate' button and donate using PayPal, credit card, or debit card. Or you could send a check made out to Pittsfield Center Development Corporation (PCDC) [memo: *Pittsfield Post*] PO Box 253, Pittsfield, NH 03263. Lastly, anyone who volunteers on the *Pittsfield Post* staff would be happy to accept a check or cash donation. We'll see that it gets to the right place!

Donations are totally tax deductible. And if you have suggestions or questions for us, we're always listening! Contact us at: News@PittsfieldPost.org

Thank you for your support!

