

PITTSFIELD POST

A FREE WEEKLY PRODUCTION BY COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

"I wonder if the snow loves the trees and fields, that it kisses them so gently..." **JANUARY 19, 2022**
Lewis Carroll

Graylag Nature Preserve Ice Fishing Saturday January 22



Ice Fishing on Wild Goose Pond – at Graylag Nature Preserve!

This program will provide an introduction to ice fishing, including tip ups and other ice fishing equipment, ice safety, fish identification, and rules and regulations. Part of NH Fish and Game's "Let's Go Fishing" program, this workshop will give you a chance to give ice fishing a try – you do not need to have a fishing license or any equipment to participate. Led by Stu Stinchfield, longtime friend of Graylag and the stone mason responsible for much of our land art, this will be an in-person, socially-distant event.

Where: Graylag Nature Preserve, 320 Clough Road, Pittsfield, NH.

Meet at the Wild Goose Pond firepit.

When: Saturday, January 22, 2022 (weather and hard water permitting)
Backup date: Saturday, January 29, 2022.

Time: 8:00am – 2:00 pm.

For more information, call (603) 435-5555 <https://graylag.org/programs/ice-fishing>

School Board Update

The School Board has been busy with the budget process as well as continuing work on our goals. At our last meeting on January 6th, we reviewed the warrant articles, heard from the building level administrators and reviewed policy (as part of our new biweekly policy review process). Upon the conclusion of the public meeting, the Board worked on a survey for all stakeholders about the superintendent search.

Community members are encouraged to weigh in on this survey which asks whether the town would like the Board to begin a search for a permanent part-time superintendent or offer a 1 year extension to our current interim part-time superintendent, Mr. Bryan Lane. This survey is available on the district's Facebook page and was also shared through school messenger with parents, faculty and staff. The survey will remain open until Wednesday, the 19th.

Community members are also encouraged to get informed about the school budget and related warrant articles. Mr. Lane gave an informative presentation last night at the Budget Committee Hearing explaining both the budget and the proposed teacher contract. Mr. Lane welcomes your questions and comments via email, phone call or visit to the SAU office.

As always, we encourage people to attend our next meeting, Thursday January 20th at 5:30pm at PMHS.
Molly Goggin, mollymoultonbrooks@gmail.com 603-387-1396



Post-It in the Post

Community groups, businesses, and individuals, please send us your news, opinions, and creative work!
Deadline is noon on Friday.

Email: pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org
Guidelines: www.PittsfieldPost.org

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Town Crier Andrea Riel 603-435.6346
pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com

Wednesday January 19, 7pm the Suncook Valley Rotary Club will meet/ If you are interested in attending the meeting, please contact Fallon Reed at Fallon.Reed@gmail.com or Jessica Drouin at Jessica26drouin@gmail.com for location information.

Celebrate the new year with the Josiah Carpenter Library's newest StoryWalk(R), Snowmen All Year, by Caralyn Buehner. The story features a young boy's dream of building a snowman that never melts. Join him as his dream continues through all of the seasons and he has various adventures with his new friend. Tie up your boots, grab your mittens and stroll through the downtown area where the stories are mounted in the windows and on bulletin boards at 16 locations. Maps can be picked up in the mailbox attached to the community bulletin board on Main Street at Dustin's Park. As you return to the library on Main Street to read the last page of the book, stop in to pick up a FREE GIFT!

The Pittsfield Youth Workshop has Drop In hours from 3-6pm on Tue, Thurs and Fri and from 1-6pm on Wed. Lots of fun activities happening – stop in and check it out. In observance of MLK Day there is No School on Monday, January 17th. PYW will be open 2-6PM for a campfire and movie day. Please contact Laurie Sweeney or Zach Powers at info@pittsfieldyouthworkshop.org or 435-8272 for more information.

Declarations of Candidacy for both elected School District positions and Town Office positions will begin on Wednesday, January 19, 2022 and expire on Friday, January 28, 2022 at 5:00pm. See the filings listed in the Post.

For your convenience, **snowmobile and ATV registrations** may be purchased at the Pittsfield town clerk's office.

The Pittsfield Senior Center is now located at Joy Church, 55 Barnstead Rd. in Pittsfield. Bingo will be every Monday and Thursday at 10:00am. On Wednesdays 10:00AM: Cribbage and other Games. Please contact Carol Schiferle at cshiferle@bm-cap-org or call 435-8482 if you have any questions or if you need information.

At the Senior Center - Volunteers Are Needed!! We need volunteers for different days of the week, and different times, depending on the task being done. The work is easy and gratifying and only takes one to two hours a week. Training is provided, if interested

please call 435-8482

The town of **Pittsfield's Winter Parking Ban** on town roads is effective now through April 15th. This ban prohibits parking in or on the town's roads or right of way between the hours of 10:00pm and 7:00am.

The Executive Committee of the PHS Alumni Association would like to **thank** everyone for the many generous donations that resulted from the Fall 2021 newsletter fund drive. Over \$4,000 was donated. We will be awarding scholarships to members of the Class of 2022 and will be planning an All-Class Reunion, thanks to the generosity of many Alumni members. If you did not receive a newsletter and would like to be on our mailing list, please email us at:

PHSAlumni@pittsfieldnhschools.org If you would still like to donate, you can send a check made out to PHS Alumni to PHS Alumni Association, Pittsfield Middle High School, 23 Oneida Street, Pittsfield, NH 03263. Or if you prefer you can donate by going to [paypal.com](https://www.paypal.com) and sending your donation to pshalumni@pittsfieldnhschools.org. If anyone is interested in joining the leadership committee of the Alumni Association (only 4 meetings per year), please email us at PHSAlumni@pittsfieldnhschools.org We would love to have you join us.

Happy Birthday wishes to Nate Davis and my brother-in-law, Peter Karwocki on Sunday January 16 and to my wonderful husband, Mark Riel on Wednesday January 19. I hope you all enjoy your special day.

PITTSFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT FILING NOTICE

Declarations of Candidacy for elected School District positions will begin on Wednesday, Jan. 19, and expire on Friday, Jan. 28, at 5pm. You may file at the office of the School District Clerk at the Town Hall, 85 Main St., during regular business hours. The office will remain open until 5pm on Jan. 28. The declaration form will also be available to download from the Town and School District websites – www.pittsfieldnh.gov and www.pittsfieldnhschools.org/

School Board Member 2 (3) year term

School Board Member 1 (1) year term

School District Clerk 1 (3) year term

Erica Anthony, School District Clerk



Cooks Corner

If last week's recipe for Nanaimo Bars caught your eye, you're not alone. On January 14 the NY Times cooking section featured a recipe's for the traditional

Canadian bars. Do you think someone at the *Times* reads the *Post*?!

Next in our series of 'no bake' desserts is this special treat idea from our friend Marty Brennan. This one is super easy to put together and guaranteed to bring smiles to everyone at the table!

PINEAPPLE PUDDING TREAT

20 oz. can crushed pineapple, in its own juice (undrained)

4-serving size box of sugar-free, instant pistachio pudding

4 oz. Whipped topping

1c. mini marshmallows

Combine pineapple + dry pudding until well mixed.

Fold in whipped topping + marshmallows.

Cover and chill for 1 hour. ~Marty Brennan

Classifieds

Pittsfield Community Center

Function Rooms available for Rent

Days, Nights, Weekends.

Call 603 435-6729 for information.

Help Wanted

Vintage Hill, LLC is seeking part time help to assist in all aspects of keeping a home (preparing and serving meals, medication supervision, hygiene support, housekeeping and laundry). Looking for compassionate team players with strong organizational skills (particularly in the kitchen), willing to learn and work weekends and/or weekday evenings. Call (435-5133) or stop by (10 Berry Avenue, Pittsfield) to apply.

To my constituents in Pittsfield,

This week, the House met to vote on all remaining 2021 bills. My committee had only one important bill: HB 275, finalizing the emergency powers reform we worked on last year. This bill limits the governor to three renewals (84 days) but allows the legislature to declare an emergency for 90 days, renewed as often as necessary; it was debated and passed, 190-1.

I spoke on the redistricting bills, HB 50, state representative districts, and HB 54, county commissioner districts. These, and the congressional districts, HB 52, all passed on largely party line votes. The Senate may make some tweaks, but I expect these districts to be adopted.

There was a rare (first time I've seen one!) unanimous vote on HB 549, restructuring the system's benefit charge for energy efficiency projects. After a Democrat amendment failed, both sides urged us to pass the bill!

The local education freedom account, HB 607, was tabled, 187-170. It may return this year, but obviously the House is split on the issue.

Anyone interested can email me for my weekly newsletter, with all the details! *Representative Carol McGuire*, m McGuire4house@gmail.com 782-4918

Select Board Review- January 11, 2022

Not a lot of excitement in the past couple of select board meetings. Most of the public seems to be staying pretty close to the hearth rather than venture out on cold winter nights to observe our meetings. Just a reminder, meeting minutes are available on the town website so it's possible to keep up from the luxury of home.

The bulk of the business conducted during the past two meetings has consisted of budget reviews and preparations for the 2022 Town Warrant. Election day is March 8 and will be here before you know it. The ballot itself will be shorter than usual, there being no proposed zoning amendments and no petition articles. There will, of course, be election of officers for expiring seats, as well as the money items.

The "deliberative session" of town meeting under SB2 will be Saturday February 2 at 10 AM and is the nearest we now get to our old (and by many missed) form of town meeting. It is basically a Q&A session regarding the ballot questions, and your opportunity to hear from the department heads relative to their needs and requests. It's informative, but lacks the voting component, which is done on the ballot itself on March 8. Hopefully many voters will turn out for the deliberative session so they can make their most informed decision at the ballot box. *Carl Anderson*, Selectman

Photos of Winter Fest Fun

Thank you to Aunties Treats, Josiah Carpenter Library, Joy Church, and PES PTO.
Pittsfield Parks and Recreation

A circular sign mounted on a tree trunk. The sign is light blue and features a black silhouette of a horse in the center. The text on the sign reads "DAN SCHROTH STONEFENCE SCHOOL OF STONERWORK" in a stylized font. Below the sign is a small image of a stone wall.

MONDAY START 6:AM/FINI 6:PM

No registration required.
Just show up Mondays at 6AM ready to go!
Location: 303 Clough Road Pittsfield, NH
\$25 - Includes Student Package

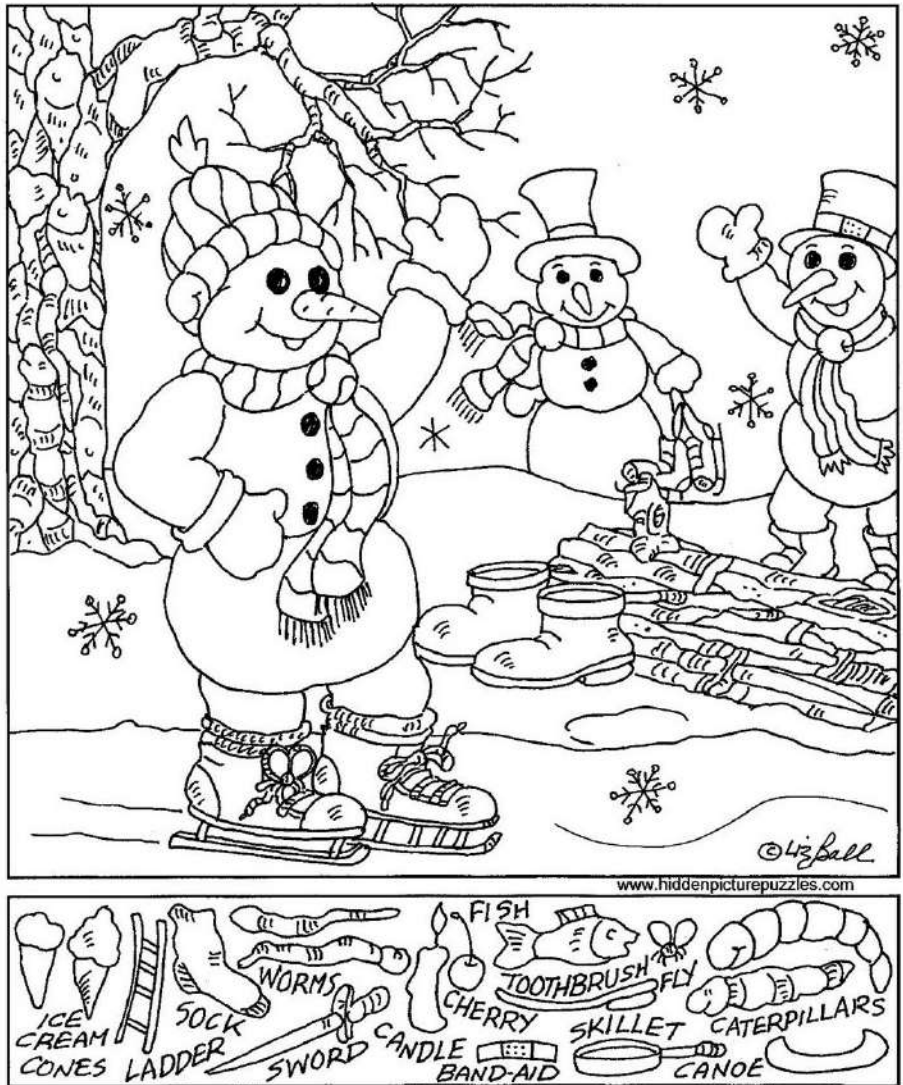


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 - Town Moderator 1 (2) year term
 - Supervisor of the Checklist 1 (6) year term
 - Trustee of Trust Funds 1 (3) year term
 - Library Trustee 1 (3) year term
 - Cemetery Trustee 1 (3) year term
 - Planning Board 1 (3) year term
 - Zoning Board of Adjustment 1 (3) year term
- Erica Anthony, Town Clerk

Snowmen Skating Hidden Pictures



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