

PITTSFIELD POST

A FREE NEWSLETTER BY COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

"When the power of love overcomes the love of power, the world will know peace." *Jimi Hendrix*

November 8, 2023

Suncook Valley Sno-Riders OHRV Snowmobile Safety Course Ham and Bean Supper, Saturday, November 18

On Saturday, November 18, from 8am to 3pm at the Pittsfield Community Center, the Suncook Valley Sno-Riders will be having a snowmobile course for children. They must be 11 years old in order to take the class, but the "license" cannot be used until they are 12. Lunch will be provided. Parents must pre-register their children and are encouraged to attend. Contact Joe Hough via Messenger; call or text at 603-608-6977 to register your child, or if you have questions.



SVSR Ham & Bean Dinner

Saturday, November 18th from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

This dinner is not only open to the public, but a free meal to our landowners as a "Thank You" for the use of their land for snowmobiling. The meal consists of ham, a variety of beans, mashed potatoes, coleslaw, roll, a drink, and an assortment of yummy desserts. This event will be held at the Pittsfield Community Center, 68 Main Street, and at 7pm we will be giving away 3 frozen turkeys. So, be sure to fill out a "Turkey Slip" when you arrive. You may be a lucky winner of a turkey just before Thanksgiving!!! Adults \$10.00 each; Children 6 to 12 \$5.00 each; Ages under 6 are free. *Suncook Valley Sno-Riders*

Harvest Fest 2023

Harvest Fest was a great success again this year, with help from many people and organizations in Pittsfield. We also were blessed with fantastic weather. Thank you to the Clothes Closet for a very generous donation, Joy Church, the Greater Pittsfield Rotary, Oona's Bakery, the Josiah Carpenter Library, Friends of the Library, the Pittsfield Historical Society, the *Pittsfield Post*, and the three vendors. Special thanks to



Matthew Shaw, Sandy Bedell, Kylie Maura

Sandy Bedell's Sweet Heat Chili

1 lb maple sausage
1lb 90% hamburger
3 can pinto beans
1 can red kidney beans
1 can Rotel
2 peppers
1 onion
Chili powder
Red cayenne pepper and flakes
2 cans of tomatoes sauce
A sprinkle of brown and white sugar

Howard Pearl for donating pumpkins, Sean Asdot for helping with the pumpkin carving and, of course, to our families and friends who help us in so many ways. Many families and friends came to enjoy this fun day in the sunshine. The Chili Cook-off winners were: First Place, Sandy Bedell; Second Place, Matthew Shaw; and Third Place, Kylie Maura. We only had four children dressed in costume so all four won a Halloween goodie bucket. Again, thank you to all the friends and families who helped and joined us for some wholesome autumn fun! *Pittsfield Parks and Recreation*

Town Crier

To have an event included in this column, call Andi Riel at 603-435-6346 or email pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com

Josiah Carpenter Library is sponsoring a program "Brewing in New Hampshire" on **Wed, Nov 8** at **6:30pm** at Over the Moon Farmstead, 1253 Upper City Rd. An informal history of beer in the Granite State from Colonial Times to present. Consider coming early to grab a bite to eat.

The PMHS Fall Athletic Awards Night will be held on **Thur, Nov 9 at 6:30pm** at the PMHS Gym.

The Town Hall and School District will be closed on **Fri, Nov 10** in observance of the Veterans Day holiday.

Please join us for a **Veterans Memorial service** at Dustin Park (Main St.) on **Sat, Nov 11 at 11am**. Veterans Day is to honor all those who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces – thank you for your service.

Save the date – **Sat, Nov. 11, 3-7pm** for a Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser to assist the **Family of Ricky Belanger** with medical and any other expenses. At Whitey's Barn, 229 Bear Hill Rd, Chichester. Adults- \$10, Kids- \$5, menu includes: aslad, garlic bread, spaghetti and sauce, dessert, soft drinks and coffee. 50/50 Raffle. For more information or to make a donation or assist, contact Whitey Foss at 603-731-8566, Ken Osborne at 603-724-0784, or Darlene Foss at 603-848-2669.

FREE Community Breakfast at Joy Church, 55 Barnstead Rd. on **Sat, Nov. 11 from 8:30-9:30am**. All are Welcome!

The Pittsfield Historical Society Museum will be open on **Sun, Nov. 12 from 1-4pm**. Please stop in and check out all the wonderful artifacts on display.

Joy Church will be putting together **Thanksgiving baskets** again this year !! If you or someone you know needs one, please send along your information to darlene@joychurchnh.com The deadline for submitting your request is **Nov. 12**.

Senior Center hours are Monday, Wednesdays, and Thursdays 8am –1pm. The current schedule is Bingo: Mon and Thur 9:30 - 11am; Cribbage & Games: Wed 9 - 10:30am; Exercise: Sweatin' to the Oldies: Mon & Thur 8:15 - 9am; Walking at Center: Mon, Wed, & Thur 8am - 1pm. For more information or if you have questions, call 603-435-8482.

The Pittsfield Historical Society 2024 Calendar is now available for purchase at the Town Hall, Library and the Museum. The cost is \$15. The theme for the 2024 calendar is "Hotels, Boarding Houses, Resorts, Retreats and Summer Camps."

Join us **every Sunday** for BINGO hosted by **Pittsfield Youth Baseball/Softball Association Bingo**. They have a great menu of food items along with their games and it all benefits the children of Pittsfield for their baseball/softball program. Doors open at noon and Bingo starts at **2:30pm at 48 Airport Road in Concord**.

Low Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) provides relief assistance to ensure that low income households have access to safe and affordable drinking water and wastewater services. New Hampshire's LIHWAP provides relief assistance to two priority groups: Households with disconnected water services and/or wastewater services, and Households with arrears pending disconnections of water services and/or wastewater services. Contact Community Action Program Belknap-Merrimack Counties, Inc. for more information at 603-225-3295, email – contactus@capbm.org or view the website at www.capbm.org. Deadline is March, 2024.

ATTENTION All PHS Alumni - The Pittsfield High School Alumni Association has sent out the annual Newsletter and donation request. Watch your mailboxes. If for some reason you did not receive a newsletter and would like a copy OR if you'd like to make a donation, please contact Tobi Gray Chassie at tchassie@gmail.com or Andi Grainger Riel at pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com or 603-435-6346. Donations are used for scholarships for graduating seniors, to help defray costs of the reunion, and for other special projects. We would also like to keep our database of names updated. Please let us know if you are an Alumni and did not receive a newsletter.

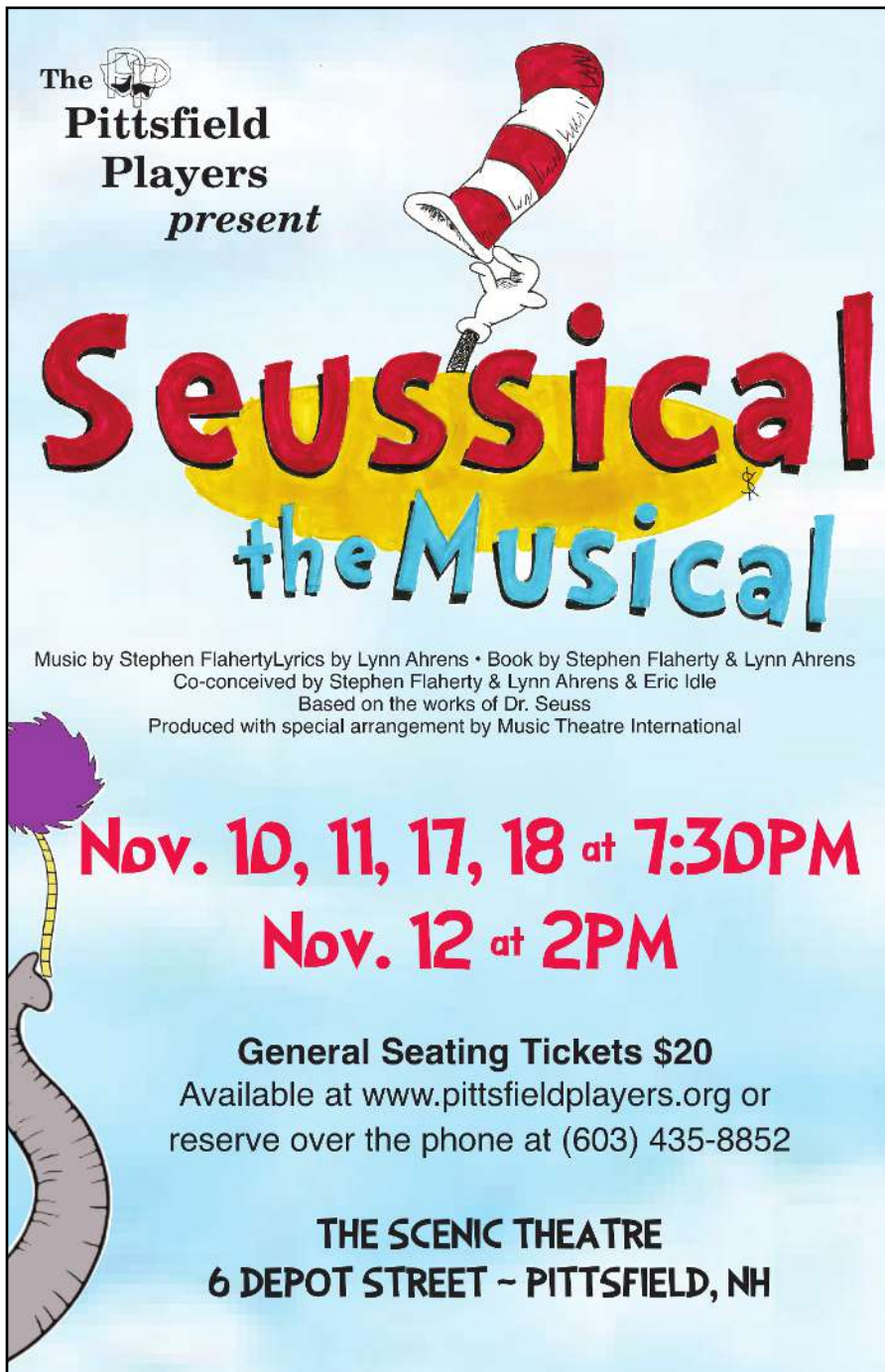
PMHS Winter Athletics - Try-Out Dates are: 11/13-11/17 - 3:00-4:30 - Varsity Girls; 4:30-5:30 - MS Girls; 5:30-6:30 - MS Boys and 6:30-8:30 - Varsity Boys. Schedules can be found at www.pmhspanthers.org


The Victory Workers 4-H Club's annual Thanksgiving Pie Sale will be on Wed, Nov. 22 from 9-3pm (or when Sold Out) at Dowboro Farmstand, 615 Dowboro Rd. Rolls and other desserts will also be available.


Sign-ups for the 2023 Secret Santa Program open November 1st, and will be accepted until November 30th. To apply, please call the fire station at 603-435-6807 during business hours (9am-4pm) and someone will assist you. To be eligible, children must be ages birth-14 years. The person signing them up must be a resident of the town of Pittsfield, must have custody of the child, and must be the child's parent or legal guardian. Please have patience when calling as the duty crew may be out assisting with an emergency and unavailable to answer phones at that time. We are also still accepting donations of new,

unwrapped toys, winter outerwear and warm clothing. If you would like to make a donation, please call the fire station at the above number and we will arrange to meet up with you. Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated and may be mailed to: Pittsfield Secret Santa, PO Box 372, Pittsfield, NH 03263.

Happy Birthday wishes to Sheila Fries and Tina Fife on Sun, Nov. 5; to Effie Topouzoglou and Brady Plante on Mon, Nov. 6; to Donna Cadose on Wed, Nov. 8 and to Aunt Elaine Cannon on Fri, Nov. 10. I hope you all enjoy your special day!



The  **Pittsfield Players** present



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What's Up @PYW

We had a great time at our Pumpkin Carving Party! Many thanks to Lorrie Lee O'Neill and family, as well as Clark's Grain Store in Chichester for the generous donation of pumpkins!

Our "Haunted Jungle" haunted walk was a huge success! Thank you to all of those who donated and visited us during Trick or Treat!

Important dates to remember:

Friday 11/10/23: No School or drop in at PYW as we are on a trip!

Wednesday 11/15/23: Service Learning Day - decorate meals on wheels bags!

Interested in donating items to the meals on wheels initiative? Please send us an email!

info@pittsfieldyouthworkshop.org

Ashley Perron





Cook's Corner

Turkey Sliders and Peanut Soup

Can you believe the big "T-Day" is right around the corner? With all that cooking you'll be doing, it's a good idea to have a plan for leftovers. Here's a great soup & sammie combo that I know you and your family will love. The Thanksgiving Turkey

Sliders are quick and easy to get to the table; and the Cream of Peanut Soup is one of my all time favorite Fall soups. It's a modernized version of a traditional and popular soup from Colonial Williamsburg. Bon appetit! *MP Christakos*

Thanksgiving Turkey Sliders

Cooking spray

- 1 (12 oz) package Hawaiian rolls
- 1 & ½ cups canned or leftover cranberry sauce
- 2 cups sliced leftover turkey, or 1 lb sliced deli turkey
- 1 (6 oz) package finely shredded Swiss cheese
- 2 TBSP butter, melted
- 2 tsp poppy seeds
- 1 tsp Worcestershire sauce
- 1 cup store-bought or leftover gravy (optional)

Heat oven to 350. Coat a 9x13 baking dish with the cooking spray. Keeping the rolls attached, slice in half horizontally. Spread the cranberry sauce on the cut side of the 'tops.'

Place the bottom half of rolls in the prepared baking dish. Evenly distribute the turkey and Swiss cheese over the rolls. Place top half of buns on top, cranberry sauced side down. In a small bowl, combine melted butter, poppy seeds and Worcestershire sauce. Brush butter mixture on top of rolls.

Bake in the oven for 10 minutes or until tops are golden brown and cheese has melted. Meanwhile, heat the gravy until warm. Serve sliders with gravy for dipping.

Cream of Peanut Soup

- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 2 ribs of celery, chopped
- ¼ cup butter
- 3 TBSP flour
- 8 cups chicken broth
- 2 (generous) cups creamy peanut butter
- 1 & ½ cups light cream or Half & Half
- Peanuts, chopped (for garnish)

In a large stock pot, saute onion and celery in butter until soft but not brown. Stir in flour and whisk until well blended, 1 minute or so. Gradually add the chicken broth, a little at a time, whisking constantly until smooth and well blended. Bring to a boil, then remove from heat.

Drain the broth mixture through a fine sieve, reserving the liquid and discarding the solids. Return the broth to the pot.

Add the peanut butter and cream, whisking well to combine. Return to low heat for a bit to heat through, but do not boil.

Serve the soup garnished with chopped peanuts. Makes 10 to 12 small servings or 6 large servings.

Thank You!

NH Senator Howard Pearl and Howard Pearl and Sons Farm



For Donating the Pumpkins to Harvest Fest

4-H Pie Sale

Come one, come all! The Victory Workers 4-H Club is having an annual pie sale on November 22, at 615 Dowboro Road Pittsfield, NH (also known as Dowboro Farmstand). We will be selling pies from 9:30am to sellout or 3:00pm. It also means you get a homemade, delicious, and fresh pie, to share with your family for Thanksgiving!

Addison Babcock

Help wanted

First Congregational Church

Childcare Attendant on Sundays from 9:45 to 11:45am.

Must be 18 yrs. old. Background check required. Pay is \$30 for the two hours. Please call 603-333-5290 or email: keysman02@aol.com

Volunteerism Keeps Pittsfield Running And Volunteers Have Fun (Part Three of Three)

Pittsfield Needs YOU!

We wrap up our coverage of volunteer opportunities here in our third and final article of this series. The *Pittsfield Post* is proud to play a role in highlighting the many opportunities that exist across our community to volunteer. You can find the first two articles in this series in the October 11, 2023 and the October 25, 2023 issue of *The Pittsfield Post*, on our website, pittsfieldnhcommunitycenter.org. In part three, we highlight additional volunteer needs for community focused groups. Volunteering is proven to provide health benefits, both physical and mental. Some of the groups we spotlight in this article might be great for students, especially if they need community service hours to meet graduation requirements.

Greater Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce The Chamber is looking for several volunteer members, particularly from local business owners. The Chamber drives and hosts a range of activities geared toward fostering business and entrepreneurial activity. These include connecting with other town government functions; holding "Business After Hours" events, where business owners connect with local residents; seeking ways to increase business activity in the town; and hosting the annual Christmas tree lighting. If interested, contact Andi Riel at pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com. Contact us right away. We look forward to hearing from you.

Old Home Day Committee One of the signature events in Pittsfield, the Old Home Day Committee is always in need of additional volunteers to help organize this terrific town-wide event. Contact Andi Riel at pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com.

Alumni Association Are you a graduate of the Pittsfield Middle High School Alumni Association? The Alumni Association needs your help. The group organizes events for Old Home Day, as well as a range of activities for scholarships, and a periodic newsletter. Contact Andi Riel if interested, pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com.

Pittsfield American Legion Chapter 75 Local Pittsfield NH local Chapter 75 has an urgent need for new members in order for the chapter to remain active. If you served at least one day of active military duty since December 7, 1941 and were honorably discharged, or if you are still serving active military duty honorably, you are eligible for membership with The American Legion.

In addition to the camaraderie and continuing service to our community, the American Legion provides VA benefit assistance. Accredited American Legion service officers are specially trained to provide expert assistance, free of charge, to veterans and their families. Your membership also helps support American Legion Department Service Officers nationwide who assist veterans in preparing claims and obtaining their full military healthcare benefits through the VA. The group meets once a month and sponsors the Veteran's Day ceremony in town and other special services.

For local Chapter 75 to remain active in the community, the post needs to expand membership. Currently our roster is slightly above the minimum criteria for remaining an active post and we need to increase our membership roster in order to continue to remain an important resource for our veterans and their families. If you want to join, please contact John Christakos at jc7717@gmail.com.

The Pittsfield Post Have you been looking for a new way to get involved in our local community? The *Pittsfield Post* is looking for you! In the 4 years since we began publishing this town newsletter, our circulation and operations have grown. Volunteer activities include content development and creation, bookkeeping, desktop publishing, proofreading, distribution, advertising and fundraising. The time commitment is a few hours per month and a monthly in-person meeting. If you're interested in joining this fun, dynamic group, please contact us pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org. We look forward to hearing from you.

Beautification Committee This is the group of volunteers that plants and maintains several flower beds around town. We are looking for volunteers to help with the full cycle of effort, including spring clean-up, planting all of the flower beds, and fall clean up. But our biggest need is for additional help throughout the summer to help with the weekly watering and fertilizing; we are particularly looking for volunteers who may have a pick-up truck for our large water barrels. If interested, please contact MaryPat Christakos at mpc7717@gmail.com. This is a fun group of people and we could really use your help. Pittsfield needs you.

This is our town. It's up to us to come together and make Pittsfield a truly great place to live. Join a group now! *MP Christakos*

Select Board Review - October 24

The 2023 tax rate was set with an increase of \$1.19 per thousand of evaluation. Fortunately, it could have been a lot worse, as we started the discussion with a nearly \$3 jump! We were able to use our available 'fund balance' to defray some of that increase. The reality is, we find ourselves in a 'perfect storm' of rising costs that we have no control over. Just like consumers who have all watched hefty price jumps at the gas pump, grocery store, housing costs, etc., in every aspect of life, so too has the Town. Insurance, equipment parts and repairs, gravel, sand, fuel, and literally everything required to provide the services residents expect from the town have seen dramatic price hikes. Thankfully, most of the working public have also experienced wage increases to try to keep pace with costs. With only one source of revenue and few places to make cuts without curtailing services, the Town has no choice but to raise taxes. Be assured that all department heads constantly shop price and keep costs like overtime to an absolute minimum, knowing full well the impact of increased budgets on taxpayer's wallets. Pittsfield has exceptional town employees who must receive a competitive wage in order to survive or we'll lose them. Considering that teenagers can now get a job flipping burgers for \$15 an hour, we must keep at least mid-level wages paid to compensate employees who are expected to spend all-night treating icy roads or rush into a burning building or respond to an armed domestic disturbance call, in perspective. For its part, the Board of Selectmen keep a watchful eye on the purse-strings of the town. We too, are taxpayers and dread higher tax bills like any other citizen. Please also keep in mind that unpaid volunteers work extensive hours on all the boards that are required in a town such as planning, zoning, etc., and at \$500 *per year*, the Pittsfield Select Board members serve at a tiny fraction of what surrounding towns pay, in order to practice what we preach. Bottom line is that despite all of us doing the very best we can, an increase was inevitable.

In other news, the SB2 Deliberative Session was set for Sat, Feb 3 at 10 AM at the High School. If there is a snow 'emergency' (and we mean feet, not inches) the meeting will be moved to Monday, Feb. 5 at 7 PM. The Deliberative Session is all we have left of our old 'Town Meeting' and remains an important part of each year's voter-driven direction for the town. It's important that you take part!

We took the final vote to sell our vacant lot on 36 Main St., confident that our objectives for that highly visible spot have been met as best we can while putting the parcel back on the tax roll and making some profit in the process. *Carl Anderson*



4-H BCEP Fall Clean-Up

On October 15, a few Victory Workers 4-H Club members met at BCEP and did a fall clean up, including some weeding, planting, and putting out pumpkins and cornstalks. Thank you to all who participated and made BCEP look its best for the fall season! *Addison Babcock, Victory Workers 4-H*



FREE Preschool for ages 3-5 years old!

Pittsfield Head Start is located next to the middle school and serves surrounding towns.

Hours are Monday-Friday 8:30 am to 12:30 pm.

Two meals provided daily at no cost to families.

Enrolling now for the 2023-2024 school year.

Scan below, visit www.capbm.org, or call 603-225-3295 ext. 1127 for more information



School Board Update

October has been a busy month for Pittsfield Schools and the Pittsfield School Board. At our October 5th meeting, we heard from both Kristen White (principal at PES) as well as Derek Hamilton (principal of PMHS) about the happenings at each school. Mrs. White spent time explaining to the Board how cursive and multiplication are taught across the grade levels. She also told the Board about some exciting events happening at the school this month. Mr. Hamilton shared information about PMHS's successful Homecoming, as well as curricular and assessment updates about the graduation requirement for students to pass the Naturalization exam as well as the upcoming PSATs and SATs.

For both the meeting on the 5th and the meeting on the 19th, much of the Board's discussion surrounded the proposed budget for the upcoming school year (2024-2025). Mr. Lane has presented 3 versions of the budget thus far, after taking careful consideration of Board feedback and working closely with administration to ensure the schools get what they need while balancing the tax burden on residents. We encourage all citizens to get involved early and often with the budget process. Attend our meetings and ask questions!

Pittsfield Middle High School Fall Conferences

The fall conference window at Pittsfield Middle High School is November 6-17. The conference window is stretched over a two-week period to provide flexible scheduling. Students across all grade levels play an active role in their conference. In middle school (grades 6-8), students may reflect on work samples that show their strengths and areas of growth as a learner. At the high school (grades 9-12) level, students take the lead in the conference. As the facilitator, students make introductions, review the agenda, reflect on work samples, and discuss other grade level topics (such as college and career plans). Following the conference at any grade level, there is an opportunity for questions to be addressed. We look forward to seeing families at PMHS in the coming weeks! If you need to schedule a fall conference for your student, please contact your student's adviser or the main office. *Derek Hamilton*

Additionally, if you are concerned about the issue of fair funding in New Hampshire



as it relates to the equity of our schools, the tax burden on home and business owners, or as it relates to both, the Board highly recommends that you seek out more information through The New Hampshire School Funding Fairness Project. This group gave an informative presentation at our September School Board meeting, but their website has a wealth of resources and information to help the people of our state understand this critical issue. If you go to their website: <https://fairfundingnh.org/> and click on past events, you will see Pittsfield listed. The entire slide presentation is available to look at. Additionally, there is a great resource which gives a bird's eye view of the history of the issues surrounding educational funding in our state.

Our next regular meeting will be Thursday, November 16th at 5:30 in the PMHS library. We plan to spend much of our time reviewing the proposed budget for next year. We hope to see you there. *Molly Goggin*, mgoggin@sau51.org 603-387-1396.

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CO-OCCURRING CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP

For family members and friends of adults with mental illness and substance use concerns

MAKE CONNECTIONS

Our groups will allow you to connect with others who:

- Understand the challenges you face and the opportunities ahead
- Feel the same way you do
- Have had the same experiences
- Will help you learn new coping skills
- Will share their successes and strategies with you

WHAT TO EXPECT

Our family support groups are:

- Led by trained volunteers with lived experience
- Drop-in, no regular attendance required
- Free
- Confidential and safe
- Last about 90 minutes
- For family members and friends of adults with mental illness and substance use concerns

ABOUT SUBSTANCE USE CONCERNS

Substance use disorders — the repeated misuse of alcohol and/or drugs — often occur simultaneously in individuals with mental illness, usually to cope with overwhelming symptoms. The combination of these two illnesses has its own term: dual diagnosis, or co-occurring disorders. Either disorder (substance use or mental illness) can develop first. According to the National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 17 million U.S. adults experienced both mental illness and a substance use disorder in 2020.

MEETING DETAILS

- 📅 1st + 3rd Tuesday of the month
- 🕒 6:00 - 7:30 PM
- 💻 Meets Virtually on Zoom

Please reach out to support group facilitator (below) for zoom link

Support Group Facilitators




PAM & CINDI

📞 603.320.1818 (Pam)
 ✉ PamelaFallonBanks@gmail.com

Co-Occurring Caregivers Support Group

As an active member of NAMI NH, I am sharing the news that there is a new peer support group online that is hosted by NAMI NH, www.naminh.org Co-Occurring Support Group.

When this member asked about co-occurring disorders, she learned it means having both mental illness and substance use concerns at the same time, which is why it is called co-occurring disorders.

So this peer support group is for family and friends of adults who have both mental illness and substance use concerns.

This news may be welcome for local families who are struggling to meet a challenge with a loved one who is living with or diagnosed with both a mental illness and a substance use disorder.

NAMI NH offers online peer support groups, led by trained leaders using a format standardized by NAMI, the National Alliance on Mental Illness, (nami.org) at no cost to NH residents. *Heather Pike*



VICTORY WORKERS 4H CLUB'S ANNUAL

Thanksgiving Pie Sale

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 From 9:30am-3pm or when SOLD OUT

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On October 26, Cyril and I were in session for the last time in 2023 to address the 4 House Bills that Governor Sununu vetoed. To override the veto, a 2/3 majority is needed, so 233 of 350 members had to vote yes. At the same time, the Senate was meeting to address 5 Senate Bills that were vetoed. Both bodies must reach a 2/3 majority for the veto to be defeated.

HB35 added the National Eating Disorders Hotline to student ID cards but was no longer operating, so the veto was maintained (0-350). HB142 was the most controversial since it supported another bailout (estimated at \$100 million) for the Burgess BioPower plant in Berlin. Rumor had it that without the bailout, the plant would close. The Eversource ratepayers had already provided \$200 million, and the contract terms only affected this energy supplier's customers! Cyril and I voted against this bill when originally on the floor, so we agreed with the governor's veto! The comment on the floor was that if this bill passed, Burgess BioPlant would only be back for another bailout! The veto held with a 194-159 vote, not meeting the 2/3 requirement.

HB337 required a 2-week notice and transparency for professional boards when meeting. This bill initially passed the House unanimously, but the governor felt that the 2-week notice was excessive. The House did override the veto on HB337 (251-104), but the Senate later upheld it. HB342 required lead test results for children entering school. The governor was against this bill since it was redundant with other laws with similar requirements. A vote of 184-171 did not override the veto.

The Governor held on to his nine vetoes, and Cyril and I got to participate in the last step of the legislative process. It has been very interesting and rewarding, with both highs and lows, this first year as your representatives. Representatives *Clayton Wood and Cyril Aures*.

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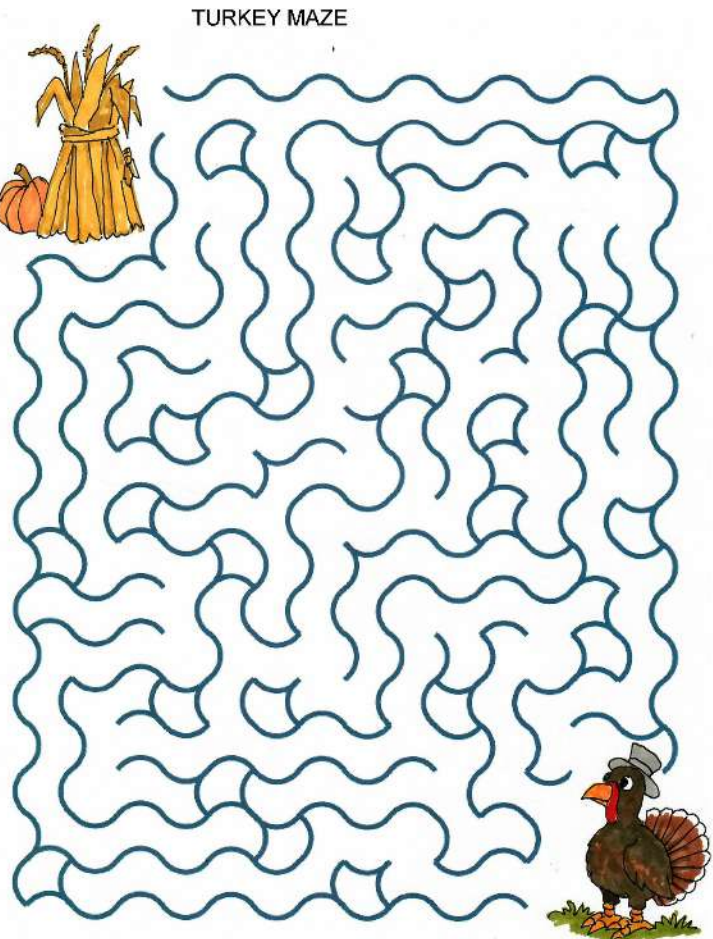
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St. Stephens Holly Fair

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church will be holding its annual Holly Fair on Saturday, November 18, 9am to 2pm at 50 Main St., Pittsfield. The Fair will have tables of holiday crafts and decorations, baked goods, a silent auction, and "New-to-You" items. The St. Stephen's Cafe will be open serving meatball sandwiches, "Chuckwagon" stew, squash soup and a variety of beverages. All are welcome to come, have a bite to eat and do some shopping for the coming holidays. *St. Stephen's Episcopal Church*

First Congregational Annual Christmas Fair

Mark your calendar – this fair is considered one of the best in the area, according to past patrons! The Dorcas Guild of the First Congregational Church, 24 Main Street, will hold its 2023 Christmas Fair, Bake Sale and Silent Auction Saturday, November 18, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. There are knits, crafts, ornaments, baked goods, the "Unique Boutique," and more! The auction ends when the fair ends at 2 pm; successful bidders will be notified then. Both the rear (parking lot) and courtyard doors will be open. Wheelchair accessibility is through the rear door. For more info, call the church office at 603 435-7471. *Dorcas Guild, First Congregational Church*



Daily Literacy Activity to Share with your Child

8 PLAYING

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What color is that leaf? Are those two leaves the same or different?

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