YES!!!! Pittsfield, Once Again, Has a Weekly Newspaper

This may be tiny, but we can share local events and news, and in time it may grow. The newspaper is modeled on the experience of Weare, NH. Approximately three years ago Weare lost their weekly paper. In response they chose to have their public library produce a four-page paper: Weare in the World. We are grateful to Michael Sullivan of the Weare Public Library for sharing his knowledge with Pittsfield. We hope you enjoy the reprint of the Sunday November 10, 2019 Doonesbury comic strip, which gets to the heart of why we have been missing the Suncook Valley Sun. (Want to see Doonesbury in color? Go to www.PittsfieldNHCommunityCenter.org)

Every Newspaper Needs a Name

We’re having a Name That Newspaper contest. You can submit suggestions through November 28 (Thanksgiving) to pittsfieldnews@phncc.org of Newspaper-PCDC, PO Box 253, Pittsfield, NH, 03263. Three finalists will be announced in the December 4 edition.

Voting will take place December 4 through 12. Ballot boxes will be located throughout town, or you may vote online at www.PittsfieldNHCommunityCenter.org. People of all ages and geographic locations are eligible to vote. We will follow the honor system and assume we receive one vote per person. The Supervisors of the Checklist have volunteered to count the paper ballots. Whoever comes up with the winning name will earn bragging rights!

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Scan the QR code or go to www.PittsfieldNHCommunityCenter.org
Pittsfield Secret Santa

Secret Santa relies on the generosity of local businesses eager to help those less fortunate. Those interested in making donations may call 435-6807 to discuss specifics with Santa’s helpers.

Financial donations may be sent directly to Pittsfield Secret Santa, PO Box 392, Pittsfield NH 03263

Wednesday, December 4
Pick-up begins at the Josiah Carpenter Library for people who ordered poinsettias from the Friends of the Library.

Saturday, December 7
The Greater Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring the annual Children’s Store and Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration again this year. Donation boxes for new or gently used items are at the Pittsfield Post Office, Epping Well, Northway Bank, Main Street Variety, Town Hall, and Jitters Café. Items donated should be appropriate for kids to purchase as gifts for their parents, family, friends, and teachers. (please, NO clothing) We are always short on items for men so, if you’re out and about shopping, please consider picking up a few items to donate (small tools, flashlights, work gloves, hats, and coffee mugs).

December 6,7,8,13,14
The Pittsfield Players present SCROOGE THE MUSICAL at the Scenic Theatre, Depot Street. Tickets are $18 and can be purchased by visiting the website www.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 of The Inquisitor’s Tale: Or, the Three Magical Children and Their Holy Dog by Adam Gidwitz at the Pittsfield Senior Center. You can pick up a copy of the book at the Josiah Carpenter Library.

Saturday, 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 are collecting toys and other gifts for children ranging from Infants to teenagers. If you are interested in giving or helping, please text or call Linda Morel at 603-556-2285 or email at Linda.Morel@hotmail.com. Linda will arrange for pick-up of your donation.

Thursday, November 21, 7pm
The Pittsfield Circle of Home & Family Group will meet on Thurs, Nov. 21 at the Community Center, lower level.

Saturday, November 23, 9am-2pm
Christmas Fair at the First Congregational Church and Holly Fair at Saint Stephen’s Episcopal Church.

Monday, November 25, 5:30-6:30pm
Soup’s On at the First Congregational Church. Come and enjoy great soup and friendly conversation.

Wednesday, November 27, 10am-3pm
The Victory Workers 4-H club will hold a Thanksgiving Pie and Bake sale at Mike’s Meat Shop. Be sure to stop in early!

Saturday, November 30, Secret Santa Fund Deadline
The Fire Department is accepting applications to the Pittsfield Secret Santa fund. The deadline allows time to prepare gifts for everyone. Children must be 14 years of age or younger to be eligible. The child’s parent or legal guardian must be the one to apply, and both they and the child must be residents of Pittsfield. To apply please contact the Fire Department at 435-6807 for more information. This program is operated by volunteers, so if you leave a message it will be returned as quickly as possible. The Secret Santa Fund relies on the generosity of residents and local businesses eager to help those less fortunate. Those interested in making donations may call 435-6807 to discuss specifics with Santa’s helpers.

Good Wishes!
Happy Birthday to my fabulous Father-in-law, Leon Miller this past Monday and to my beautiful mother, Carol Grainger who celebrated her birthday yesterday. I hope you both enjoyed your special days!!!

Estate Sale Saturday
Many Household Items
November 23, 2019 9am-3pm
13 Manchester Street, Pittsfield, NH
**Church Christmas Fairs on Main Street**  
**Saturday November 23, 9am-2pm**

The red double doors of the undercroft of St. Stephen’s Episcopal Church on Main Street will open at 9am to welcome shoppers to our annual **Holly Fair**. We are featuring hand crafted rustic NH items to give as gifts or to decorate your home or workplace, including our famous birch reindeer and stars. There will be a table of gift items all priced under $10, beribboned and ready for giving. Our baked goods table will have lots of cookies, pies, bread, rolls and specialty items for your holiday table or just for a snack. There is a free “raffle” for teens and children to win a basket of books. Every teen or child will be offered a small gift item, so everyone gets something for signing up to win the books.

Wreaths, swags and other door décor will be waiting for you to pick one to welcome the holidays. We will have a Christmas Jumble table with new-to-you Christmas items at very reasonable prices. This year’s Silent Auction will feature 12 items for your bidding pleasure, including a Vera Bradley travel set or a beautiful wooden serving tray with coffee for two. The winners will be contacted at 2pm so they can stop by and pick up and pay for their items.

The coffee pot will be on at our Café. The menu includes corn chowder, homemade squash soup, Canadian Chop Suey, and toasted meatball subs. Have some Indian Pudding, Grapenut Pudding, or a slice of the Queen’s favorite chocolate cake to finish your meal. Coffee, tea, hot chocolate, cider, and seltzer are available. All Café items are available to take out. Stop and shop with us for the holidays. We have an Advent calendar to give you, so you can count the days until Christmas, courtesy of your neighbors at St. Stephen’s. See you at the fair!

The **Christmas Fair**, bake sale and luncheon will be held at the First Congregational Church, 24 Main Street, Pittsfield. Sponsored by the Dorcas Guild, this fair is the event you won’t want to miss. There are many crafts, baked goods, the “Unique Boutique,” and the Silent Auction for those special gifts. The auction ends when the fair ends at 2 pm; successful bidders will be notified. Shop and stay for a great corn chowder and sandwich lunch with homemade pies for dessert. Parking and wheelchair accessible entrance are available at rear of church – enter at Chestnut Street or come in through the courtyard entrance on Main Street. For more information, call the church office at 435-7471.

Come downtown for shopping and fellowship with your neighbors!

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**To my constituents in Pittsfield,**

This year I served on one of many study committees, including mine on licensing nurse assistants (LNAs.) The committee was created because of opposition to a bill (SB 273, which I cosponsored) to repeal the license, and just rely on the (mandatory) federal certification. I felt that claiming the license was an endorsement of the profession was only an emotional argument and wondered why the LNAs wanted to pay a license fee.

The committee found out that, contrary to what I’d been told when approving SB273, the training for LNA’s was twice that for a certified nurse assistant (CNA), and included four times the supervised practice. The license fee was $25, not the $100+ I had assumed, and included continuing education and practice requirements that didn’t apply to the federal certification, which was a one-time only qualification.

The LNAs who spoke to the committee felt that the license fee was acceptable, and didn’t want to be mistaken for the less-qualified CNAs. The only real concern they had was the low pay, valid but beyond my committee’s authority. We reported that the current LNA regulating laws needed no change.

Representative Carol McGuire  
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782-4918

**Puzzle Answers - Don’t Peek!**

**Answer:** COUNT

**Clue:** Camera, zoo, think, banana, butter

**Words:** Auction, peach, automobile, beach,
Puzzle created by Diana Westgate and Bill Miskoe

Puzzle #1 Pittsfield Places
Solve each word according to the clue.
Combine the third letter in each word to spell a place in Pittsfield.

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Answer:

Puzzle answer is on page three.

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Help Create a Newspaper
Join the newspaper volunteers! You can select what you would like to do, and how often. Tasks include reviewing submittals, putting content into the newspaper format, proof-reading, picking up the paper copies, distribution to downtown locations, taking photos of town events, encouraging people and community groups to submit articles, or researching community activities. Interested? Email: pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org or visit/call Leslie Vogt at the Josiah Carpenter Library 435-8406.

Community organizations, businesses and individuals please send us your news!
Email: pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org

Letters to the editor, articles, photographs and artwork are very welcome. Editorial guidelines can be found at www.PittsfieldNHCommunityCenter.org

Please Support the Newspaper
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

PCDC is a non-profit organization and donations are tax-deductible. Donations above $50.00 may be acknowledged as sponsor of the week.

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