# PITTSFIELD POST

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"And the sun took a step back, the leaves lulled themselves to sleep, and autumn was awakened." Raquel Franco

October 5, 2022

#### Thank You Chichester and Pittsfield

We would like to thank the voters in Chichester and Pittsfield for your support allowing us to proceed to the General Election. It would be an honor to serve our two great communities in the State House. The campaign process has given both of us a unique opportunity to meet our neighbors and understand the issues facing our towns. We humbly ask for your vote in the General Election on November 8. Sincerely, *Cy and Clayton* 





### **Harvest Fest 2022**

Sponsored by Pittsfield Parks and Recreation

Saturday, October 22 12-3 Rain date October 29

FB Argue Recreation Area aka Town Beach

Horse drawn wagon rides

Pumpkin Carving/Decorating

Chili cook-off

Costume Parade

**Fall Photo Op** 

**Pie Eating Contests** 

Vendors

### Cookout

Burger, chips, and water \$5

Hot Dog, chips, water \$3

Pop Corn 50 cents

Water 50 cents

1: 00, 1:45, 2:15 Pie Eating 2:00 Costume Parade 2:30 Chili Cookoff Winners

Come on down and enjoy a fun filled afternoon!

Announcement



## Josiah Carpenter Library Hosts Local 4H Display

In celebration of National 4H week in October, The Josiah Carpenter Library will be hosting a display of items made by local members of the Victory Workers 4H Club. Come on in and see the amazing things the youth have been working on! The display will include quilting, sewing, basketry, wind powered projects, photography, knitting/crocheting, record keeping, journaling and more!

Items will be on display within the back stairwell for the whole month of October and are accessible during our regular business hours - Monday and Thursday 10am-6pm, Tuesdays and Wednesday 12:30-6pm and Saturday 10am-2pm.

The stairwell display area at the library is available for local groups or individuals to use. If you know of a group or individual with something to display, please reach out to the library (603)435-8406. *Melissa Babcock* 

### **PMHS Student Spotlight**

My name is Ava Walker, class of 2026. My favorite class is social studies because I am interested in world history, current day politics and geography. I've always tried to work hard in academics along with keeping a balance of out of school activities. I enjoy skateboarding, writing and reading. I would like to attend Virginia Military Institute after I graduate and have a career in government or the military.

**Town Crier** Andrea Riel 603-435-6346 pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com

**Friday, October 7 6:30pm**, Joy Church is hosting a FREE Family Movie Night. Come join the fun!

**Saturday, October 8, 8:30am** Joy Church is sponsoring a FREE Community Breakfast (55 Barnstead Road)

Saturay and Sun, October 8 & 9, Over The Moon Farmstead (1253 Upper City Road) in partnership with Appleview Orchard will host Apple Fest and the First Annual Apple Pie Contest. There will be live music Saturday from 11 am to 2 pm, featuring singer - story teller Steve Blunt; on Sunday, from 11 to 2, Justin Cohn will perform. TJ's BBQ will provide hamburgers, hot dogs and chips on both days. The event will also include face painting, farm animal petting area, pick your own apples and other family activities.

Sunday, October 9, 1pm to 2pm, Over The Moon Farmstead will host the First Annual Apple Pie Contest! There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd entries. Plan to bring your pies to The Farmstead anytime Saturday or Sunday up until 10 am, drop them off in the Farmstead Gift Shop (the main tasting area), any of the staff will be able to help you. The pie judging will take place on Sunday October 9 from 1pm to 2pm. Get baking, enter your winning pie and claim your prize!

Curious about Pittsfield's Historic District? Harry Vogt will discuss Pittsfield's Historic District and the key factors that were considered when the historic designation was made by the National Park Service. The Pittsfield Center Historic District encompasses the civic and commercial heart of Pittsfield! Please join us to learn why this area is considered historic and the benefits of the designation. This entertaining and informative program will be held Wednesday, October 12, 7pm at the Pittsfield Historic Society, 4 Oak Street. This program is free and open to the public.

Save the Date Harvest Fest October 22, 2022. The Pittsfield Parks and Recreation Commission is busily planning for Harvest Fest 2022. Harvest Fest will take place on October 22 from 12-3pm (rain date October 29) at the FB Argue Recreation Area (Town Beach) on Clark Street. Again, this year, there will be horse drawn wagon rides, pumpkin carving and decorating, Costume parade (2-pm), Fall Photo Op, Pie Eating contests (1pm, 1:45pm and 2:15pm) and vendors. There will be a cookout where you can buy hotdog-chips-water for \$3 or hamburger-chips-water

for \$5. New this year, will be a chili cookoff (winners will be announced at 2:30pm) and Journeys End Farm products and hopefully many more. If your group or small business would like to take part in the festivities, you can let us know by calling 603 290-4068. We will also be awarding some prizes for best costumes this year, so wear your costume to join in the fun.

Save the Date – Trunk or Treat – Calling all Ghouls & Goblins- Join us at Globe Parking lot on Saturday October 22 at 6:30-8:30pm. For registration form, please email pto@pittsfieldnhschools.org

At the Senior Center, 55 Barnstead Hours of Operation: Monday, Wednesday thru Friday 8am – 1pm, Tuesday 9am-12pm Office hours only no events are occurring at the center unless stated otherwise. Activity Schedule- Senior Community Lunch: Monday & Thursday 11:30am, Bingo: Monday and Thursday 9:30am - 11am, Cribbage & Board Games: Wednesday 9:30am - 11:00am, Quilting Bee: Wednesday 11:00am, Silver Walkers: Wednesday 11:30am, Exercise Walking at Center: Monday & Thursday 8 - 10am & 11:30am - 1pm Wednesday& Friday 8am - 1pm. For Info, call Anne at 603-435-8482

**The American Legion is** in need of someone to sing the National Anthem at the Veteran's Day ceremony on November 12, 2022. Please contact Mickey Vien 603-540-0293, Mike Cabral 603-866-1742 or Gerard LeDuc 603-470-6942.

Come Support our Pittsfield Panthers Soccer teams! On Thurs, Oct. 6 at 4pm PMHS Girls Varsity Soccer Game vs Concord Christian, Drake Field and at 4:30pm PMHS Boys Varsity Soccer Game vs Concord Christian, Drake Field

**Happy Birthday** wishes to Laurie Vien on Monday and Alice Young on Thursday. Enjoy your Special Day! **Happy Anniversary** wishes to Cathie and Dana Tuttle on Thursday.

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#### Cook's Corner

### Pork Tenderloin with Apples

This is one of our favorite Fall dinners. Pan sauteed pork tenderloin with a delectable apple sauce. Roasted potatoes or Wild Rice pair well with this delicious pork; and definitely roast an Acorn squash for another healthy, scrumptious side. I like to drizzle the Acorn squash with a little melted butter and maple syrup. Run up to Appleview Orchard for the fresh apples, and be sure to swing by Leavitt's Cider Mill for the best, fresh-pressed apple cider in New England! Bon appetit! MP Christakos

1 pork tenderloin pkg (2 pieces), cut into medallions

Salt & pepper

34 tsp dried rosemary

2 Gala apples, peeled, cored and thinly sliced

1 cup chopped yellow onion

1 TBSP garlic, minced

1 TBSP + 1 tsp cornstarch

2 & ½ cups apple cider

2 tsp Dijon mustard

Season the pork medallions with salt, pepper and  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp dried rosemary. Heat oil in a large skillet and cook the medallions (in batches if necessary), until browned on both sides and cooked through. Remove the pork to a platter and keep warm.

To the same skillet, add the applets, onion and garlic, cook for 5 minutes. Combine cornstarch and apple cider in a bowl, whisk until smooth, then add to the skillet. Stir in ¼ tsp salt and ¼ tsp dried rosemary and some fresh ground black pepper. Simmer for 1 to 2 minutes until thickened, then add the Dijon mustard.

Serve the pork topped with the apple sauce.

### Want to see the pictures in color?

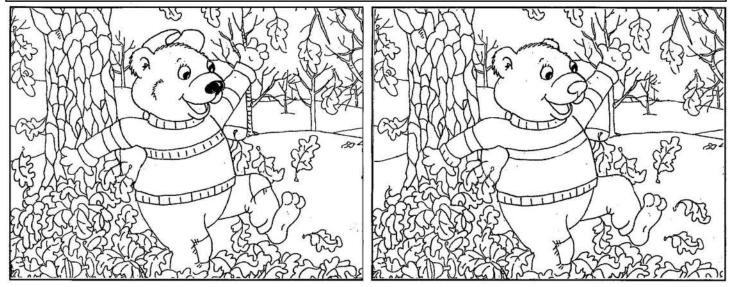
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### **Benjamin Franklin Academy Charter School**

During September we celebrated Constitution Day. On September 17, 1787, thirty-nine members of the Constitutional Convention signed the United States Constitution. The oldest member of the convention to sign that day was Benjamin Franklin, who at 81 years of age helped calm the tensions in the room so that compromises could be made. On the final day of the convention, celebrated today as Constitution Day, Franklin gave a speech to encourage his fellow delegates to take this spirit of compromise to its conclusion by lending the Constitution their unanimous support, despite the fact that he himself did not approve of every aspect of the new plan of government. He concluded: "On the whole . . . I cannot help expressing a wish that every member of the Convention . . . would with me, on this occasion, doubt a little of his own infallibility, and to make manifest our unanimity, put his name to the instrument." Only three of the delegates refused to sign the Constitution. As Franklin left Independence Hall in Philadelphia that day, someone from the crowd asked what type of government had the Framers created, to which Franklin challenged, "A republic, if you can keep it."

Over two hundred years later, Benjamin Franklin Academy Charter School is committed to meet that challenge by providing a history based curriculum that focuses on the American system of government and Constitutional education, nurturing an educated citizenry for the continued survival and success of our republican form of government. *Michael Dupont for Benjamin Franklin Academy* https://franklinacademy.info/

### **Parks and Recreation Survey Results**

During the summer, the Parks and Recreation Commission conducted a survey to help determine what activities the community would most like to participate in. We continue to be committed to supporting recreation activities the community is most interested in. The following events are currently planned; however, we are interested in knowing if there are any other events people are interested in. Thank you to the 36 people who participated in completing the survey!

Winterfest is the first activity planned, typically held in January. This event has had inconsistent participation, raising the question whether we should continue with it or if we should plan different events during it. Community members expressed moderate interest in continuing with the Wild Life Presentation, ice skating, and sledding. Winter Crafts and Movie Night were also an interest, but to a lesser degree. One person recommended adding a snowman competition.

When considering the Easter Egg Hunt, survey participants were almost unanimously interested in continuing with the Easter egg hunt. There was also moderate interest in egg decorating and an Easter hat contest and parade.

The swimming program had significant support for the open swim and swim lessons. There was also moderate support for an adult swim, craft day, and story hour. Suggestions were made that we be open on weekends.

Parks and Recreation also plans activities to be held during Old Home Day. There was significant interest in continuing with the picnic and having a free swim. There was also moderate interest in water relays/games, Touch-a-Truck (Fire Truck, Ambulance, etc...), car show, movie night, and contests like a potato salad, watermelon carving, or some type of "cook-off." It was also suggested that we provide extra shade.

Harvest Fest is the last Parks and Recreation planned event of the year. There was almost unanimous interest in continuing with the hayride. There was also significant support for the picnic and pumpkin carving (including a decorating contest). Moderate interest was expressed in a Halloween costume contest, craft activities, and movie night. Additional interest was mentioned in having a chili cook-off and donut on a string contest. Again, further suggestions are always welcome and may be submitted to the Parks and Recreation Commission at the Pittsfield Town Office. *Parks and Recreation Commission* 

### Select Board Review September 20, 2022

First up was Noel Gourley with a new applicant to fill an open equipment operator position with the highway department. We hired Dakota Myers of Gilmanton who comes to us with plenty of plowing experience. Noel also wanted to talk about getting the salt shed down at the gravel pit off Dowboro Rd. stained and sealed. Maintenance of this building is overdue and it is a valuable asset to the highway department. It's estimated that a storage shed of this size would cost in excess of \$600,000 to replace, so we need to take care of it. Noel's going to get bids on doing the maintenance required.

Our minute-taker for select board, planning board and ZBA turned in her resignation for personal reasons which we accepted with regret. Sabrina has done a great job and will be hard to replace. Applications are now being taken for her vacant position which can be done from the comfort of your home using the audio tapes from meetings you don't have to attend. Call the town hall to apply.

We had a request to add two names to the Dustin Park War Memorial. A discussion took place regarding criteria for addition to Pittsfield's engraved list. It appears there is no specific policy in place, so we will create one. Going forward, in order to be placed on the statue, the veteran must have been a resident of Pittsfield on their enlistment papers.

Volunteers for election poll worker and Capital Improvements Plan Committee were approved with thanks for stepping up. The town depends on the generosity of time and expertise that our volunteers donate to various unpaid positions. *Carl Anderson* 

### Find the Difference Answers

1. Hat

2. Shirt Stripe

3. Tree Trunk

4.Leaf on Left

5. Leaf by Foot

6. Nose

7. Cheek Fur

8. Patch on Knee

9. Stripes on Sleeve

10. Cuff on Arm

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**Grow, Learn Read Activity** 

from the Josiah Carpenter Library

COUNTING

Count out a healthy snack.

One for you and one for me and one for Daddy. Two for you, two for me, two for Daddy.

