

PITTSFIELD...NEWS?!?

A free weekly production by community volunteers

November 27th, 2019

Sponsored By: *Scrooge the Musical and The Pittsfield Players*

“Don’t let the sun go down without saying thank you to someone, and without admitting to yourself that absolutely no one gets this far alone.”

Stephen King

We, the volunteers of this community newspaper are extremely grateful for the warm reception our first edition has received. Yes, this newspaper is small but with your continued support it can grow. Speaking of support, please keep the community news and newspaper name suggestions coming! November 28 is the deadline to submit a name suggestion.

Happy Thanksgiving

The Pittsfield Players Present *Scrooge! The Musical*

The Pittsfield Players are pleased to present the holiday production of *Scrooge! The Musical*, which will run at The Scenic Theater Friday, Saturday and Sunday, December 6, 7 and 8 and again the following Friday and Saturday, December 13 and 14. All shows are at 7:30 pm, except the Sunday matinee, which is at 2 pm. Tickets are \$18, and can be purchased by visiting the Players’ website at www.pittsfieldplayers.com and clicking on the buy tickets button, or you can reserve seats by calling 435-8852.

Come and join The Players as we get into the Christmas spirit with this classic tale set to music.



Shown above is Dr. Ervin T. Drake, or his son Ervin, Jr., driving his horse drawn sleigh during the winter of 1926 on the back roads of Pittsfield.

Pittsfield Historical 2020 Calendars

Pittsfield Historical Society’s 2020 calendars make great gifts! This year the theme is transportation throughout the years in Pittsfield and there are 24 wonderful pictures. Each picture has a brief history explaining the scene and there are some very interesting scenes. The cost is still \$10 per calendar and they are available at the Pittsfield Historical Society, Pittsfield Town Hall, Josiah Carpenter Library, and Pittsfield Senior Center. Enjoy Pittsfield’s history every month.

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Pittsfield Town Crier

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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 your generosity 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, Christmas Celebration

The Greater Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring the annual Children's Store and Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration. 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). The Chamber is looking for volunteers to help with the celebration activities on December 5-7. Please contact Andrea Riel at 435-6346 to volunteer for the Children's Store set up, wrapping, pick up, and donation of crockpot food or cookies for tree lighting; or for more information. The Decorated Wreath Contest has a \$50 cash prize! Bring your wreath to PYW by 3:45pm.

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 www.pittsfieldplayers.com website 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.

Saturday, December 14, 10:30am-12pm

Gingerbread House Decorating for families at the Josiah Carpenter Library. Come and enjoy some family time preparing decorations for the season.

Good Wishes!

Happy Birthday wishes to Erica Anthony on Thursday. I hope you enjoy your special day!



PYW Gingerbread House Raffle

It is the time of year again when the Pittsfield Youth will be selling raffle tickets. And it is your chance to win a wonderful, decorative holiday centerpiece for your table. The youth put tremendous effort into baking, building, and decorating these gingerbread houses. We hope you can stop by and view all their hard work. If you didn't get a chance to purchase tickets, you can during the Tree Lighting afternoon (4 - 6:00pm) or you can stop by PYW M-F 11am-6pm.

The drawing will be held at 5:50pm on Saturday, December 7, 2019 during the Tree Lighting Celebration. Proceeds support upcoming PYW programs and events. Cost: 1 ticket for \$1, or 6 tickets for \$5.



L. Carolyn Speed



Mrs. L. Carolyn Speed, 80, a longtime resident of Keystone Heights, Florida, and Pittsfield, NH passed away Saturday, October 19, 2019, in Gainesville, FL, following a brief illness. She was born September 18, 1939 in Boston to Rev. Arthur H. and Josephine (Newell)

Bucknam.

Prior to retirement she had been the bookkeeper for the Pittsfield High School cafeteria. Even though she grew up in New Hampshire, she had a love for the warmth of Florida. Mrs. Speed enjoyed sitting on her back porch watching birds, spending time with her family and friends, but her faith was most important.

In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by her husband of 11 years, Dean Lloyd Speed, four months ago. Left behind are her two children, Lorinda Wisdom of Keystone Heights, FL. and Doug Stevens (Trish) of Derry, NH, along with three siblings: H. Kathryn

Bergeron (Donald) of Pittsfield, NH; A. Herbert Bucknam (Connie) of Columbia, SC; and W. Sandford Bucknam (Heather) of Hudson, NH. Also left behind are her grandchildren, Benn Stevens and Stephanie Stevens in addition to several stepchildren and step grandchildren.

A memorial service for Mrs. Speed will be held December 7, 2019, 11am at the First Congregational Church, 24 Main Street,, Pittsfield, with Reverend David Stasiak officiating.

Friends of the Josiah Carpenter Library Elect Officers

At a recent meeting of the Friends of the Josiah Carpenter Library, the following slate of officers was elected: President, Holly Brown; Vice President, Ruth Thrall; Treasurer, Judith MacLellan; Secretary, Liz Dimmick. The Friends organization supports various library activities throughout the year. If you are interested in joining the group, please pick up a membership card at the library or call or text Liz at 603-496-1102.

Stories from the Road By Michael Sullivan

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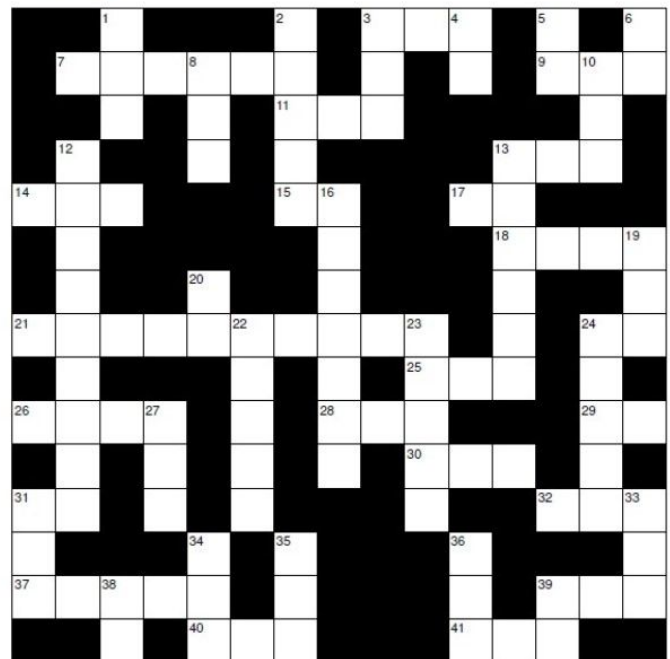
1. Busy insect.
2. A coming together.
3. Dig into someone's personal life.
4. In the direction of.
5. Informal greeting.
6. That guy.
8. Standard operating procedure.
10. Unworthy man.
12. Reading you can do while driving.
13. More than a job.
16. Business residences.
19. Retiring.
22. Set to go.
23. Things a business produces.
24. Short, or a short explanation.
27. Soap ingredient.
31. Tolkien's bad guys.
34. Metal in the raw.
33. Wily wild dog.
35. At the end of a loan period.
36. Rover's foot.
38. Article before a vowel.
39. Question indicating dismissal.

Across

3. Cooking vessel.
7. A cause for acting.
9. Cold, hard water.
11. Harvard wall covering.
13. Famous Boston fish.
14. Be in the exterior.
15. Short, negative, answer.
17. Short, derisive laugh.
18. Moves quickly.
20. Math term that sounds like dessert.
21. Author from Exeter.
24. Alongside.
25. Dingy equipment.
26. Device to aid work.
28. Self-regard.
29. Exists.
30. Press a cloth to.
31. No problem.
32. 50-50 choice.
37. Head of a committee.
39. Hockey side.
40. Mama lamb.
41. "____, me?"

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Every Newspaper Needs a *Name*

We're having a *Name That Newspaper* contest. You can submit suggestions through November 28 (Thanksgiving) to pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org or 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 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!

Reminder: The Winter Parking Ban Has Begun

"The Town has a Winter Parking Ban on town roads effective November 15th through April 15th of each year. This ban prohibits parking in or on the town's roads or rights of way between the hours of 10:00pm and 7:00am. The Town has the right to ticket or tow violators. The purpose of this parking ban is to allow the winter or inclement weather maintenance crews unobstructed routes for snow removal and ice control, to maintain the maximum effectiveness of their efforts." - Select Board Winter & Inclement Weather Road Maintenance Policy

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Pittsfield Center Development Corporation, memo: Newspaper
P.O. Box 253, Pittsfield, NH 03263

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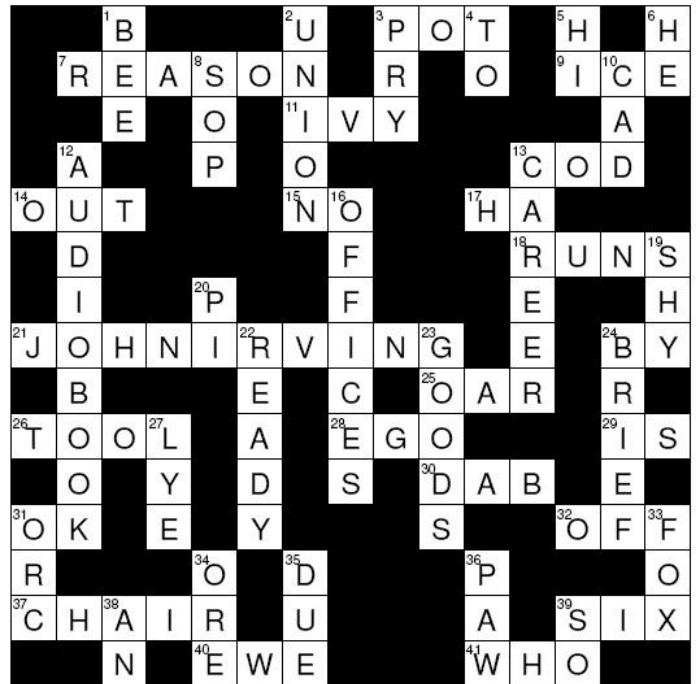
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