Voting to Select a Name for the Newspaper Continues thru December 12

Boxes for paper ballots are located throughout downtown Pittsfield, to vote online go to www.pittsfieldnhcommunitycenter.org. Choose between: Pittsfield Pioneer, Pittsfield Post or Pittsfield Valley News.

“Festival of Carols” Concert

The First Congregational Church, 24 Main Street, will offer a free Christmas concert entitled “Festival of Carols” Friday, December 20, 7pm. It will feature the church’s Chancel Choir and the JuBellation Handbell Choir. This concert is a return to some favorite carols with a narration by Pastor David Stasiak. Be sure to include this annual tradition in your family’s holiday plans. Light refreshments will be served.

Parking and wheelchair accessible entry are located at the rear of the church at Chestnut Street. For more information, call the church office at 435-7471.

Pittsfield Players Kid’s Theater Workshop Auditions

The Pittsfield Players will hold auditions for their 2020 Kid’s Theater Workshop production of Getting to Know State Fair at The Scenic Theatre, 6 Depot Street, Pittsfield on Monday and Tuesday, December 16 and 17 at 4pm. Those auditioning will be taught a song from the show and asked to sing in a group and, if they wish, as a soloist. They’ll also learn a few simple dance steps and be asked to read from the script.

Set against the colorful backdrop of an American heartland tradition, State Fair travels with the Frake family as they leave behind the routine of the farm for three days of adventure at the annual Iowa State Fair. Mom and Pop have their hearts set on blue ribbons while their daughter and son find romance and heartbreak on the midway. Set to the magical strains of an Academy Award-winning score and augmented by other titles from the Rodgers and Hammerstein songbook, State Fair is the kind of warm-hearted family entertainment only Rodgers & Hammerstein could deliver. The show has 17 featured roles and many parts for the ensemble as a whole. There’s lots of singing and dancing, and tons of fun to be had in this year’s Kid’s Workshop. If you are interested in working behind the scenes on the show, please come to the auditions to sign up for tech crew.

The Kid’s Theater Workshop is a program by kids, for kids ages 8 to 18, and participants not only perform on stage but also work behind the scenes, learning about set design and construction, set painting, stage managing, stage lighting, sound, costumes, and make-up. The group rehearses two days a week, after school and on Saturdays, and then performs the show at two matinees for local schools and three evening shows for the general public. This year, the shows will be performed February 18 through 22, with a set strike and cast party on Sunday, February 23. For further information, contact director Maye Hart at maye@pittsfieldplayers.com.

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Thursday, December 12, 5:00pm
BCEP Solid Waste District Public Hearing at the BCEP facility to receive comments concerning the proposed 2020 budget.

Thursday, December 12, 6pm
The Pittsfield Circle of Home and Family group will meet at 6pm at Andi Riel’s home for the annual Christmas party.

Friday, December 13, 5:30pm
ALS Awareness -Nathan’s Fight Night. Come watch the Pittsfield Varsity Girls Basketball team at 5:30pm and the Varsity Boys Basketball team at 7pm at the PMHS Gym. All proceeds from the 50/50 Raffle and donations will go to PMHS Alumni Nathan Vincent.

Friday and Saturday, December 13, 14
The Pittsfield Players present “SCROOGE THE MUSICAL” at the Scenic Theatre, Depot Street at 7:30pm, except the Sunday matinee at 2pm. Tickets are $18 and can be purchased by visiting the website pittsfieldplayers.com and clicking on the buy tickets button or you can reserve seats by calling 435-8852.

Saturday, December 14, 10:30am-12pm
Gingerbread House Decorating at the Josiah Carpenter Library. Come and enjoy some family time preparing decorations for the season.

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 will be collecting toys and other gifts for children, ranging from Infants to teenagers, from now until December 14. If you are interested in giving or helping, please text or call Linda Morel at 603-556-2285/email Linda.Morel@Hotmail.com.

Saturday, December 14 Deadline
The Greater Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a House Decorating Contest for the Holiday Season. Any address in Pittsfield, NH (home or business) may enter by submitting an entry form. Entry forms are available for printing on Facebook: The Greater Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce. There are THREE ways to enter: (1) Mail entry form to House Decorating Contest, GPCoC, PO Box 234, Pittsfield, NH 03263, (2) Email to GPCCNH@hotmail.com or (3) Drop off your entry form at Epping Well, Main Street. Entry is FREE and the prize is $100. Judging will take place on December 19 from 7-10pm, weather permitting. Any weather changes will be posted on the Chamber Facebook. Show your HOLIDAY SPIRIT and join in the fun!!

Monday and Tuesday, December 16, 17, 4pm
The Pittsfield Players will hold auditions for their 2020 Kid’s Theater Workshop production of Getting to Know State Fair at The Scenic Theatre, 6 Depot Street, Pittsfield.

Tuesday, December 17, 9-11am
Infant and Toddler Diaper Pantry, First Congregational Church, 24 Main Street, Pittsfield. Having trouble finding the money in your stretched budget to purchase diapers? Stop by to learn how to receive supplemental diapers.

Wednesday, December 18, 10:30am
Pontine Theatre will perform A Winter’s Tale at the Senior Center. Plan ahead and request to stay for lunch following the performance.

Friday, December 20, 7pm
“Festival of Carols” Concert, First Congregational Church, 24 Main Street, Pittsfield.

Many Thanks
The Greater Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce would like to THANK everyone that helped to make the annual Children’s Store and Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration a great success. Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to all!

BCEP Solid Waste District
Towns of Barnstead, Chichester, Epsom & Pittsfield, NH

NOTICE of
PUBLIC HEARING
There will be a Public Hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on the 2020 proposed budget of the BCEP Solid Waste District.

Thursday, December 12, 2019
at the
B.C.E.P. Facility
5:00pm
The Public is encouraged to attend and participate. In the event of a heavy snowstorm, the meeting will be held Thursday December 19, 2019 at 5:00pm.

Can’t find a paper copy of the newspaper? Want to see the pictures in color?
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Michael A. Brewster

Michael A. Brewster, 65 of Pittsfield NH, passed away peacefully December 2, 2019 surrounded by family. Mike graduated Pittsfield High School in 1972 followed by schooling for graphic design.

Mike was born in Concord, NH on March 11, 1954. For those who knew him best, he was a very honest man, who had a love for his children and times of old. He had a passion for restoring old barns and enjoyed making wine and sharing it with friends along with old stories that he could pass down through generations.

Although he only served two terms as a State Representative, he spent the last 35 years advocating for children and families and was known to be a regular fixture at the state house where he lobbied and participated in hearings to mandate the change in which he wanted to see in our communities.

A naturalist, he enjoyed scouring the woods for chaga mushrooms, elderberries, and natural foods. In his spare time, Mike could be found panning for gold, shaping minerals that could be worn and enjoyed, as well as fishing, and canoeing with friends and family. He is survived by his children Nicolette Fondl and Yvette Perron, his grandchildren Eian and Alexander Fondl, his mother Joyce Brewster and four siblings Clint Brewster, Carol Brewster Smith, John Brewster and Christine Dunne. Mike was preceded in death by his father Ralph W Brewster.

Services will be held Friday December 13. A wake will be from 12-2pm and the funeral will begin at 2:00pm at Waters Funeral Home 50 S. Main Street, Concord, NH.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to nhchildrentrust.org in his memory.
To my constituents in Pittsfield,

This year I submitted five bills. They don't have official numbers yet, but I've approved all of them. The first, a constituent request, legalizes possession and home growth of small quantities of cannabis. It does not authorize any sales, commercial or otherwise, and leaves intact the crimes of possession with intent to sell and impaired driving. This is a very simple bill, with no regulatory apparatus created and no taxes.

Then, at the request of a former constituent and the board of cosmetology, the next bill authorizes a certificate to do eyebrow microblading (a form of permanent makeup that currently requires a tattoo artist license). The tattoo board will approve a 40-50 hour course for cosmetologists and estheticians, who are already trained in hygiene and skin care, and issue the certificate to successful Graduates.

I submitted a bill on drones, which are currently regulated only by the Federal Aviation Authority. My bill forbids arming drones, and requires law enforcement to have a warrant before obtaining evidence with a drone – no random spying flights! The bill also reinforces that using a drone to spy on people falls under current laws against stalking, trespassing, invasion of privacy, and peeping Toms, so that they can be enforced.

At the request of the governor's office, I have a bill to require non-profit organizations that receive substantial government funding to comply with the Right to Know Law. We'll have plenty of time to debate what's “substantial,” and I hope that the governor can help push it through, since this idea has been brought forth and failed several times over the last decade.

Finally, based on comments and complaints from various sources, my last bill requires schools to grant credit for courses completed in other New Hampshire schools. If the school doesn't believe the course merits full credit, they can grant less, but only with a written explanation to the student, parents, and the State Board of Education. I've heard about this problem from people all over the state, but with only anecdotal evidence there's no way to identify the problem, if there is one, and fix it. This needs careful consideration.

I've also cosponsored another eight or ten bills, at the request of the sponsors, but I can't add any new ones till next year. My regular letters will resume with the new year, and anyone can ask for my email newsletter, with all the details.

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