# **PITTSFIELD POST**

"The first blooms of spring make my heart sing." S. Brown

## The Pittsfield Players Present "Deathtrap" A Thriller by Ira Levin May 6, 7, 8, 13, & 14

Set on the shores of Connecticut in a renovated carriage house, Ira Levin's thriller Deathtrap is the iconic play for murder mysterian and theater buff, alike. The play

combines the roller coaster ride, not this time of "who done it?" but more to the point, "who will do it?" and alludes to some of your favorite classic stage thrillers as well as how these shows are written.

This thinking person's thriller opens with Sidney Bruhl, washed up playwright, played by Chad Boutin of Concord, and his wife of eleven years, Myra, played by Tyler Fish of Chichester, discussing a new play Sidney has received in the mail by one of his students at a seminar he taught. The play, Deathtrap, is highly commercial and the married couple are discussing how they can cash in on the brilliance of one Clifford Anderson, played by Josh Sanborn of Lee.

While Myra and Sidney toy with the idea of "getting rid of" Clifford to steal his play, a macabre twist of events takes place and the audience is left wondering who is in on this murder game. Supporting characters, Porter Milgrim, the

# WE CELEBRATE OUR **TEACHERS**

In honor of Teacher Appreciation Week, May 1 - 8, we join the community of Pittsfield in expressing our thanks for your commitment and dedication to the education of our students. May 5, Teacher Appreciation Day, is a day for honoring our teachers and recognizing the lasting contributions they make to our lives.

With Sincere Thanks, Your Pittsfield School Board lawyer played by Marty Williams of Alton, and Helga ten Dorp, your local psychic, played by Micheala Horton of Sanbornton, are not left unscathed as the story unfolds.

When even your own instincts are lying, you never know who can't be trusted in "Deathtrap" directed by Jeff Gregoire. Deathtrap comes to the stage May 6, 7, 13 and 14 at 7:30pm and May 8 at 2pm at the Scenic Theatre, home of The Pittsfield Players, 6 Depot St., Pittsfield. Opening Night will be a special firefighters and first responders appreciation night.

Tickets, \$15, are available at the door the night of the show, calling 603-435-8852 and leaving a message, or online at www.pittsfieldplayers.org

**Josh Sanborn** 







# **APRIL 27. 2022**

**Chad Boutin** 

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

**SAVE THE DATE.....Pittsfield Old Home Day** is Sat., July 23. The theme for the day is "OCEAN WAVES & BEACH DAYS". Plans are underway and more information will follow! We are hoping Groups, Organizations, and Businesses will consider entering a float for the parade!

What's Up at PYW?? Spring Break is here! We have exciting things planned for Spring Break. Our Tues and Thurs trips require a permission slip so be sure to pick one up in the lobby at PYW. <u>K</u>ingswood <u>Youth Center in Wolfeboro will be meeting us at The Woods at Beauty Hill to play disc golf on Thursday, April 28. DROP IN HOURS are Mon- Wed- Fri from 2-6pm. Mon- Cookout & Kickball at Dustin Park, Wed-Movie Day and Fri – Make your own pizza. Please contact Laurie Sweeney or Zach Powers at info@pittsfieldyouthworkshop.org or 603-435-8272 for more information.</u>

The Pittsfield Middle High School Guidance Department is now accepting applications for 2022 Foss Family Scholarships. All applications must be received by May 4. Please visit the town website <u>pittsfieldnh.gov</u> for applications for 2022 graduates and for Pittsfield Middle High School alumni.

**PMHS** students are planning to hold their ever-popular Empty Bowls fundraiser on Thursday, May 19, from 5-7pm in the PMHS cafeteria. All proceeds are donated to the Pittsfield Food Pantry.

**The Board of Selectmen** will hold a public hearing on Tues, April 26, at 6:45pm at the Town Hall to accept public comment on proposed revisions to the Waste Water Facility and Industrial Pretreatment Ordinance. The proposed draft ordinance is at the Town Office or online at <u>www.pittsfieldnh.gov</u>.

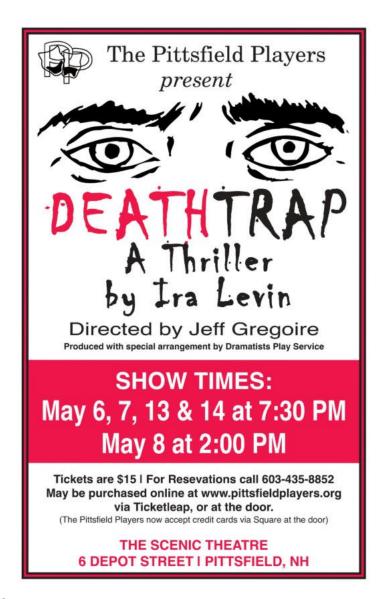
**Pittsfield High School Class of 1972**: If you were in the Class of 1972, even for a little while, please join our FB Group. And if you know someone who was in the class of 1972, please pass this message on to them. Anyone can contact our Reunion Committee: Louis Houle, Martha Thorpe Laurie or Brenda Lucey Cochran. Our reunion is July 23 in Pittsfield. This is the big one so let's make it the best one yet! www.facebook.com/groups/269683858607402

**The Suncook Valley Rotary Club** is inviting local organizations to participate in the Balloon Rally. They are open to your ideas and need your help! If your group has an event, activity, project, fundraiser that you want to do at Balloon Rally, please contact Fallon Reed at suncookvalleyrotary@gmail.com.

<u>extended hours</u>- open until 6pm (scales close at 5:45pm). Tues-Fri, 7:30am-4pm (scales close at 3:45pm) and Sat, 7am-2pm (scales close at 1:45pm)

**Town of Pittsfield** - Volunteers wanted for Committee and Commission Vacancies. Budget Committee, Capital Improvement Program Committee, Community Development Committee, Conservation Commission, Old Home Day Committee, Parks & Recreation Commission, Planning Board – alternate positions and Zoning Board of Adjustment – alternate positions. If interested, please fill out the Volunteer application (available online or at the town hall). Please return the completed application to the Selectmen's Office by e-mail:

btheriault@pittsfieldnh.gov or mail, drop box or in person.



BCEP Recycling Facility On Thursdays only -

## To my constituents in Pittsfield,

This week, my committee heard more Senate bills. SB 228, updating the regulation of physician assistants, primarily consolidates the collaboration agreement (where the employer specifies the scope of practice for a physician assistant) and the supervisory agreement (with a specific physician) into one document. It also updates the requirements for licensure and adds a new requirement for liability insurance (most health care providers have such malpractice insurance, but it isn't mandatory.) SB 284, on treatment of glaucoma, updates the process of allowing optometrists to treat glaucoma (which they are trained to do) to current practice rather than the 20-year-old statute. We discussed these bills and recommended both to pass. SB 277, extending temporary and emergency licenses for two more years, was not as simple. When we extended these beyond the Covid emergency, it was with the belief that most licensees would apply for a permanent license - but relatively few have done so. We don't know if these people are not actually practicing in New Hampshire, or if they are keeping the emergency license because it's free or because they don't qualify for a permanent one. This will take a while to sort out, so the bill went to subcommittee. SB 284, on acupuncture licensing, also went to subcommittee because it almost duplicates HB 1192, which we passed earlier this year. The subcommittee will concentrate on the few differences. Anyone interested can email me for my weekly newsletter, with all the details! Representative Carol McGuire mcguire4house@gmail.com 603-782-4918

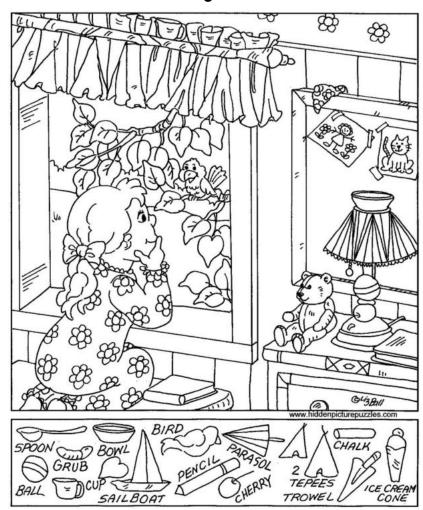
Grow, Learn, Read Daily Activity Josiah Carpenter Library

# 27 TALKING

Talk about fruit. Which are your favorites? Which do you have in your home?



### **Bird Watching Hidden Pictures**



# Please Support the Pittsfield Post

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# SPRING POETRY CONTEST

Based on the submissions to the poetry contest we can report that the writing poetry is alive and well in central NH. Many thanks to all of the authors. We especially want to thank Lorrie O'Neill for suggesting the contest, and creating the guidelines; along with *The Chichester Country Store* for the absolutely delicious apple cider donuts. *The Post Volunteers* 

#### I Sing For Spring By Katherine Schuster (1st Place Age 10-18)

Out of all the seasons, One is king. There are lots of reasons, Why it is spring. Open windows, Fresh smelling room. Gardens in rows. Things in bloom. Then I stop and think a while, Here's the thing: Winter's a real trial, I really do like spring. Winter going, Lots of sun. Water flowing, It makes me want to run. Sun, birds, breeze, Bright yellow flowers, Green on trees, Spring has its powers. Out of all the seasons, One is kina. There are lots of reasons. Why it is spring.

#### Taste of Spring By Dennis Moore (1st Place Age 50+)

As Gramps old sap house Sat quiet most the year It came back to life When Spring time got near.

We would hook up the trailer filled with buckets and spouts drilled holes in the trees and sap would come out.

With cold nights and warm days the season begun Everyone was excited When the buckets were hung.

Wearing snowshoes to gather We worked hard all day Until the sun got warmer and the snow went away.

Grandpa boiled up the syrup Grama canned it with care Maple season was sweet When the whole family was there.

A Haiku in Maple (The ramblings of moderately lucid curmudgeon) By Fred Endler (3rd Place Age 50+)

Spring feast begins now. Hibernation is over. Maple donuts, please. Spring Haiku By Leslie Schuster (1st Place Age 19 -49)

Dark days once common

Now are all but forgotten.

The power of spring!

Rain By Rose Koladish (3rd Place Age 10-18)

Rain Lovely sound The muddy ground Flying through the air With no care

Spring Promise By Pamela Disney (2nd place Age 50+)

A warmer season than before.

Blossoms wet with dew drops Captivating each eye's sight.

As day by day passes ever on On to warmer ones Days and nights.

We can sense the tenderness of the flowers So dearly cherished.

Soon it is as if we never missed winter's gray - so dreary.

## **Cooks Corner**

It's almost here! Rhubarb season will soon be upon us and when these ruby stemmed beauties arrive, it's a sure sign that Summer's bounty of delicious fruits and veggies is not far behind. Here are two different ways to



enjoy rhubarb, one sweet and one spicey. The coffee cake is scrumptious, it just is. It's great for breakfast, but also makes a lovely dessert. The rhubarb salsa is unexpectedly awesome. It's especially great served with grilled chicken, but also a great dipper for your favorite tortilla chips. Bon appetit!

## **Rhubarb Berry Coffee Cake**

1 pkg yellow cake mix (regular size), divided

- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 2 TBSP butter
- 2/3 cup chopped walnuts
- 1 cup sour cream
- 2 large eggs, room temperature
- 1/4 cup all purpose flour
- 1 & 1/2 cups finely chopped, fresh or frozen rhubarb
- 1 &  $\frac{1}{2}$  cups sliced fresh strawberries

Whipped cream or vanilla ice cream for serving

In a small bowl, combine ½ cup of the cake mix and sugar; cut in the butter until crumbly. Add walnuts and set aside. This is your crumb mixture.

In another bowl, combine sour cream, eggs, flour and remaining cake mix; beat with an electric hand mixer on low speed for 30 seconds. Beat on medium speed for 2 minutes. Fold in the rhubarb and sliced strawberries.

Spread the mixture into a greased 9x13 baking dish. Sprinkle the top with the reserved crumb mixture. Bake for 35 to 40 minutes, or until a toothpick or cake tester inserted in the middle comes out clean. Cool on a wire rack.

Enjoy this coffee cake as is, or serve with a few scoops of your favorite ice cream or whipped cream.

## **Rhubarb Salsa**

2 cups chopped rhubarb, thawed if frozen (small dice)
1 medium red bell pepper, chopped into small dice
½ cup red onion, chopped into small dice
1 jalapeno pepper, seeded and finely minced
¼ cup fresh chopped cilantro

Zest and juice from 1 lime

- 1 TBSP olive oil
- 1 TBSP honey

¼ tsp salt ¼ tsp black pepper

Mix rhubarb, bell pepper, onion, jalapeno and cilantro in a bowl. Stir in lime zest and lime juice, olive oil, honey and season with the salt & pepper. Refrigerate until ready to serve. *MP Christakos* 

There was an old man full of nots, Who thought vile of eating Tater Tots. The townspeople

cried, "We'll take you in stride!" And now he's all tied up in knots.



Spring, Spring By Michaela St. George (2nd Place Age 10-18) Spring, spring, It's a glorious thing. The weather is getting warmer And birds start to sing.

The snow is gone and lost. Dew is no longer frost. Warm weather is on its way, However, rain may be the cost.

Plants are beginning to bloom. No need to wear that Eskimo costume. Soon it will be summer, Now that you can assume.

Flowers and trees bud. Everywhere there is mud. The ice has melted, So streams and rivers flood.

The days are getting long. The cold temps will soon be gone. I like the sound of that, Let's welcome spring along.

## <u>Classifieds</u>

Pittsfield Community Center Function Rooms available for Rent Days, Nights, Weekends. Call 603 435-6729 for information

#### HELP WANTED Pittsfield Town Beach

Pittsfield Parks & Recreation Commission is accepting applications for lifeguards, beach attendants, and gate keepers for the 2022 summer season at the Forrest B. Argue Recreational Area. Weekends are a must. Applications can be picked up at Town Hall, 85 Main Street, or on the town website, www.pittsfieldnh.gov Deadline is Friday, April 29.

#### **HELP WANTED Flower Gardener**

Seeking the Talent and Energy of someone who will create a large flower garden at our house in Pittsfield.

This will involve assessment of the soil, drainage and sunlight available.

Also the ability to work with what is here, changing it as appropriate, to design and create an attractive result.

This request is directed toward individual gardeners as well as established commercial providers.

Please respond to Diana at 603-435-7700 or irondragon@myfairpoint.net

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#### **Poem By Lauren Biddle** (2nd Place Age 19-49)

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feel myself transforming A cracking open Of my soul, A birth, A return to self. Can you feel it too?

A bud on the tree Of life. An emergence Of the long awaited Spring. The clouds parting way For your light to Shine, Bright as the sun, Beaming, Glowing, For all to see To uncover Their light To shine Through the darkness Of tragedy And sorrow

The hollow ache Of your heart Urging you Back inside To your soul, Your true essence. The shape left behind Of your shadow Dusting off The cobwebs of Your heart To illuminate The path forward The path home