

# PITTSFIELD POST

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Can you find the hidden Easter egg?



(There are two)

March 25, 2020

“Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time.”

—Thomas A. Edison



## Bailey Ramblings

The Bailey Hotel took on a wee bit of water on March 9<sup>th</sup>, which happened to be O’Bailey’s birthday. I sold several chances with that date and one came very close to winning.

Our official web cam recorded the Outhouse Plunge at 12:16 PM, on March 9, 2020. The winner of the contest is Ian Stimmell with a guess of 12:05 PM. Congratulations Ian, you will receive a check for \$500.00 from the Suncook Valley Rotary Club.

On March 10<sup>th</sup> O’Bailey and his cronies went to the Globe pond to fish out the outhouse. We had cables attached to the outhouse from each side of the pond. Adam Gauthier pulled the cable from the north of the pond to the Globe side. Then Scott Brown, Adam Gauthier and O’Bailey pulled the outhouse to shore. Scott put his boots on and went into the pond to help lift it out. We then loaded it onto Adam’s trailer and off it went to its hiding place. It only took 20 minutes to remove.

Our club wishes to thank everyone who helped and participated in our new winter fundraiser. Stop in and say hi to O’Bailey on July 11<sup>th</sup> at the Old Home Day Parade and again at the Balloon Rally on July 31<sup>st</sup>, August 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. Bye for now, O’Bailey

p.s. I love the Pittsfield Post; it’s a “Dam\* Good Paper” if I do say so myself!

## Pittsfield Town Buildings

### Restricted Access By Appointment Only

The Select Board will reevaluate their decision at their March 31 meeting.

Motor vehicle renewals, dog licenses, and vital record requests can be processed online or through the mail. You are encouraged to utilize our online services, mail services, or drop box next to the Town Hall door.

If you need a marriage license or any other service which must be completed in person, call our office at 603-435-6773 to schedule an appointment. Please note, all 20-day temporary plates in the State of NH issued after March 1, 2020 have now been extended to April 30, 2020. If you have a temporary plate which now expires on April 30, 2020, you will not be given an appointment at this time.

Appointments will be granted for emergencies .

Please email [eanthony@pittsfieldnh.gov](mailto:eanthony@pittsfieldnh.gov) or [cmarston@pittsfieldnh.gov](mailto:cmarston@pittsfieldnh.gov) or call 603-435-6773 for any questions or concerns. The Town Offices will remain fully staffed. Please leave a message if you don’t get an answer right away so that we may return your call as soon as possible! Thank you for your cooperation ,and be safe!

## A Few Changes at the Post

In response to our changed lifestyle, each week the *Post* is going to include some fun activities for children. To all the parent educators, and distance learning teachers, we send you our sincere gratitude.

As of this week we are reducing the number of locations where we drop off paper copies of the *Post*. The new locations are Bell Brothers, Danis, the Post Office, Rolling Green, and Vintage Hill.

The *Post* continues to gladly accept financial donations to cover our costs. Guidelines to submit advertisements are on the website (address below).

Want to see the pictures in color?

Subscribe to receive the newspaper by email [www.PittsfieldNHCommunityCenter.org](http://www.PittsfieldNHCommunityCenter.org)



## PITTSFIELD TOWN CRIER

by Andi Riel, 435-6346

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### Food Pantry

The Food Pantry, located at 55 Barnstead Road, Bay 6 (near Joy Church), is now practicing social distancing.

**Only one person at a time in the pantry.** We will take your order then ask you to wait in your car until we open the bay door with your order.

The Pittsfield Food Pantry is available to anyone who needs food for themselves or their family.

Monday: 11:00 am – 2:00 pm & 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm,

Thursday: 11:00 am – 2:00 pm

(603) 435-7300

P.O. Box 3, Pittsfield NH 03263

Call (603) 435-7300 during open office hours to arrange for emergency pick-up of food items.

We are not able to provide delivery.

### Globe Community Fund

If you are a 501(c)(3): Globe Community Fund was established by former fourth-generation family owners of Globe Manufacturing Company in Pittsfield, and the donor-advised fund is administered by the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation. The fund's purpose is to enhance community well-being with a focus on the towns of Pittsfield, Barnstead, Epsom, Northwood, Gilmanton, and Chichester. For more information and an application, email:

[GlobeCommunityFund@globefiresuits.com](mailto:GlobeCommunityFund@globefiresuits.com)

**PHS All Class Reunion** planning for July 2020 is ongoing, Please contact Andi Riel at 435-6346 or [pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com](mailto:pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com) for more information.

**The Pittsfield Historical Society** continues to raise funds for the new museum and headquarters. A commemorative garden on the museum grounds is being worked on. A "BUY-A-BRICK" project affords an opportunity for people to buy a brick to honor yourself, loved ones past or present, or whomever you wish to remember. The bricks will be sold for \$100 each and may be engraved with 3 lines of 18 characters each for a 4"x8" brick. Please visit [www.pittsfieldhistory.com](http://www.pittsfieldhistory.com) for a donation form and instructions. For more information, please call 798-3984.

**Pittsfield Youth Baseball Assoc (PYBA)** is holding a raffle. Cash prizes: 1<sup>st</sup> - \$1,000, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$750, and 3<sup>rd</sup>- \$500. PYBA is selling only 1000 tickets, and 3 of them will be winners of cold, hard cash! PYBA players will be getting their tickets soon to sell. Tickets are \$10 each.

### FB Argue Recreation Area Summer Employment

The Pittsfield Parks and Recreation Commission is looking for qualified applicants for the positions of director, assistant director, lifeguards, and gate keepers. Knowledge of CPR and water safety are basic requirements for all positions. We can arrange for CPR training. Applications are available from the Town Hall or online on the Town of Pittsfield, NH website. Applications should be turned in at the Pittsfield Town Hall by March 27, 2020.

**The Victory Workers 4-H Club** will be holding their annual Flower Fundraiser. Hanging baskets and window boxes will be sold – prices range from \$22-25. Orders are due by April 1st. Contact your favorite 4-H member/family to purchase some beautiful flowers.

**JOANN Stores** across the country help 4-H Clubs receive critical resources to bring hands-on programs to local youth. Starting March 1 - April 30, visit your local JOANN store to purchase a "Pay It Forward" tear away for either \$1 or \$4, and help 4-H to Inspire a Child's Creativity. Donate \$4 and receive a \$4 coupon.


### PES FOOD 4 KIDS

Please help support Pittsfield Elementary School. This program sends bags of food home on weekends for many children in our town. For the month of March, every time the reusable \$2.50 Fight Hunger bag is sold, at the Hannaford Store, 73 Fort Eddy Rd Concord, **PES Food 4 Kids** will receive a \$1.00 donation.

### Saturday, May 30

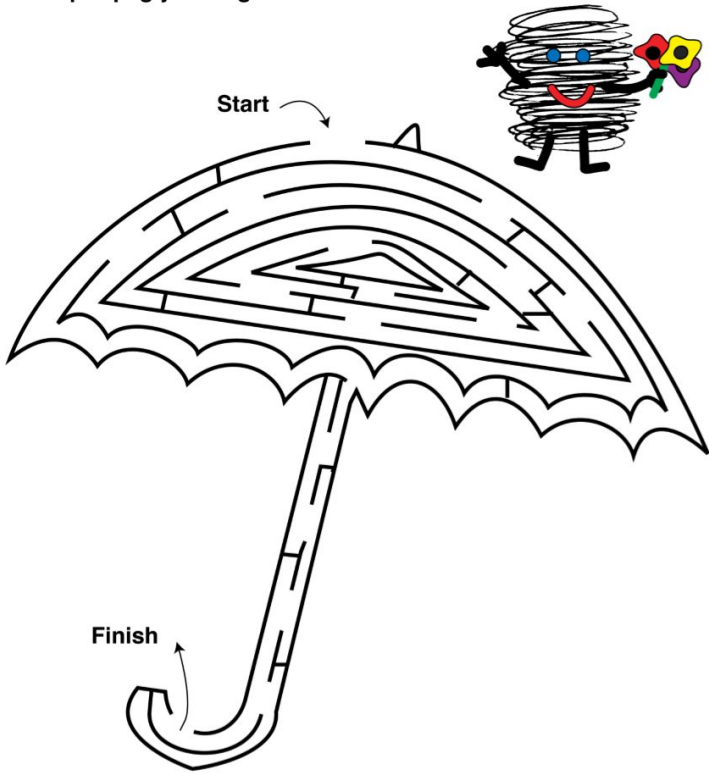
A call to all Veterans: Show the people of Pittsfield your pride. Come join the Memorial Day parade in Pittsfield, NH. No matter what era you served in, what service you joined, or what town you live in, let's show the whole town how proud we are of our service to this great nation. For further information contact Selectman LeDuc at (C) 603-470-6942 or (H) 603-435-8770.

### Old Home Day July 11, 2020 Save the date

 The theme is "RED, WHITE & BLUE - IT'S ALL UP TO YOU!" Interpret it however you would like to – lots of ideas to go with!!

**Happy Birthday Wishes** to Deb Gage on Friday and Aunt Ethel Cochrane on Saturday! I hope you both enjoy your special day!

Help Squigly through the umbrella maze.



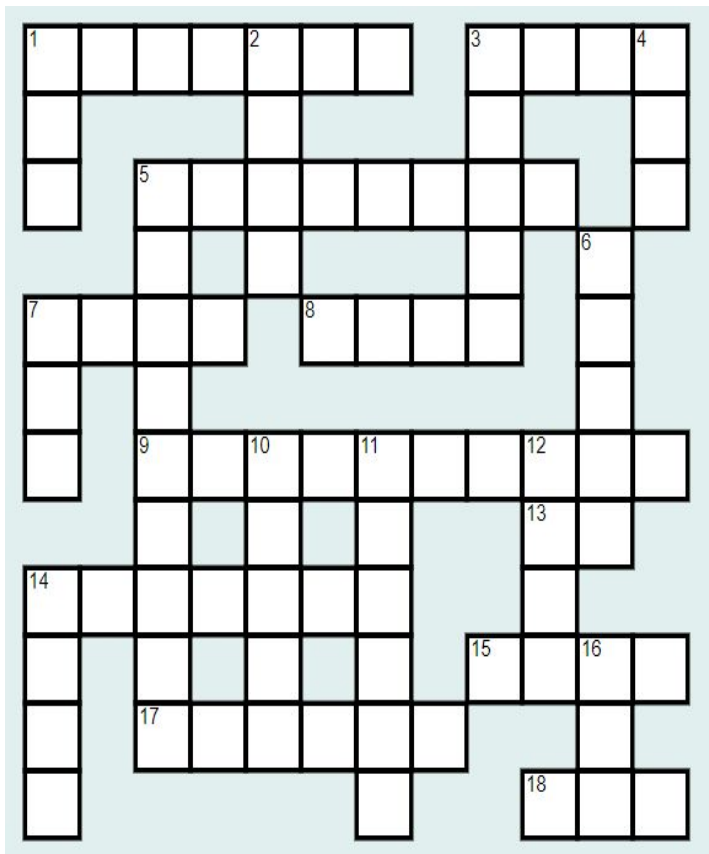
Children's activities courtesy of squigleysplayhouse.com

### Three Letter B Words

Squigly has hidden 29 words starting with the letter **B** in this puzzle. Each word is only 3 letters long. Can you find them all? This word search does not contain backwards words.



### Cars



#### Across

1. Prancing Horse (Italian)
2. VW model
5. Expensive American car
7. From WWII
8. Model T
9. British luxury
13. Bentley made here
14. British High Performance
15. 1930's American FWD car
17. Japanese best seller
18. Hot ...

#### Down

1. Tail...
2. Sounds German
3. Jeep ..... Cherokee
5. See the USA in a ...
- 6..... Roadmaster
7. British Big Cat (Abbr)
10. What Brits call a truck
11. Hyundai mid-size
12. Cheap car from Serbia
14. Iconic American Truck
16. Ransom E. Olds cars/trucks

### Josiah Carpenter Library

#### Ready to Read Family Activity of the Week

Writing: Help your child experiment with writing using pencils, crayons, markers, and chalk on different types of paper and cardboard.



## Selectboard Meeting March 17, 2020

A home was redeemed by the previous owner for all indebtedness to the town, thus bringing our inventory back to zero.

All board and committee appointments for the Selectboard members remain the same for 2020.

George Batchelder went over the upcoming paving projects. Along with several road jobs, a lot of sidewalk and curb work are on tap, and will be underway very soon.

A generous donation of \$2400 was gratefully accepted for the Harvey A. Marston Memorial Scholarship Fund. This is the first year since 1983 that Harvey and Frannie are together again. They are both sadly missed by this board and the town as a whole.

A much more concise zoning map is being prepared by Cartographic Associates along with the updated tax maps, which will make it much easier for residents to identify where the districts actually are. This is a continuing effort to make zoning easier to comprehend for those who don't have to deal with it every day. Once the case law is removed from the ordinance as voted on the 10th, it will make an easier read. None of these efforts relax the ordinance- they just make it easier to comprehend. *Carl Anderson*

### To readers of the Post:

The 568 members of this community who cast ballots during the municipal elections two weeks ago did a great good service to our town. They exercised the most sacred of our rights and the most profound of our responsibilities when they marked their choices for who should fill local offices and which warrant articles should be enacted or discarded. By any measure, 568 total votes is disappointing. Pittsfield has about four times that number of registered voters. We all should expect better participation. However, those who did turn out or sent in an absentee ballot should be commended as they determined the near-term direction our town will head. Speaking as a member of the Select Board, I want to thank the voters for the confidence and trust they placed in the recommendations of both the Select Board and the Budget Committee. All of Pittsfield's boards and committees work hard to do the best possible job for the town, but the Budget Committee is owed some

special recognition. Theirs is a huge task and they do it well. Pittsfield is on a better path. A lot of work remains, but good things are happening and everyone who voted helped chart that path. *J. C. Allard*

## Library Closed to the Public

### Pick-Up of Books Available as of March 30

The Josiah Carpenter Library will reopen as soon as public health safety allows. Starting March 30 library employees will do their best Monday thru Thursday 1-4pm, Friday and Saturday 10am-noon to be available to answer questions and provide curbside pick-up of books. Before items are available we will have taken recommended steps for items to be free of contagion. If you would like to make a request, phone or email the library. Or at <http://josiahcarpenterlibrary.org> you can click the *Search the Catalog* tab. In the top right corner you will see *Log On*, then enter your library card number as your user name and password. The software will allow you to reserve items you want to borrow. Please email [lvogt@pittsfieldnh.gov](mailto:lvogt@pittsfieldnh.gov) or phone 435-8406 to arrange your pick up.

All library card holders may use the digital library at any time. Audiobooks, books, and magazines are available from the New Hampshire Downloadable Books at <https://nh.overdrive.com> or by using the *Libby by Overdrive* app. <https://www.hoopladigital.com> and the Hoopla app has books, audiobooks, music, comics and movies. Due to the generosity of Globe Manufacturing and the Sanderson Trust, there is no charge for digital items. To use both options, you will need to select the Josiah Carpenter Library from the menu and enter your library card number for both your username and password. Contact the library if you have questions.

Please be kind; stay healthy and safe.

*Leslie Vogt*, Library Director, and the Library Trustees

## Ruth (Cleasby) Emerson

Ruth Emerson, 51, of Alton, wife of Daniel Emerson, Jr. (formerly of Pittsfield) passed away Friday, March 13, 2020 following a courageous battle with cancer. She is survived by her husband Dan and five children: Kameron, Katelyn, Jasmine, Kristopher and Taylor. In addition, Ruth will be especially remembered for her longtime commitment to NH DCYF and the many foster children she and Dan cared for in their home over the years.

## Cook's Corner One Pot Pasta



This is a family favorite. Simple, fresh, elegant, and it goes with everything. You can eat a bowl of this by itself, or it's terrific alongside grilled chicken or fish, or pan-sauteed chicken piccata (with lemon & capers). We've also added a pound of

(raw, peeled) shrimp to the pan, for the last 2 or 3 minutes. You could certainly add mussels, clams, scallops if desired. Pretend you're on the Amalfi Coast. Why not? MANGIA!

### Recipe

12 oz linguine (dried)  
12 oz cherry or grape tomatoes, halved  
1 onion, thinly sliced (about 2 cups)  
4 cloves of garlic, thinly sliced  
½ tsp red pepper flakes (or more / less, to taste)  
2 sprigs of fresh basil leaves, or about 4 large leaves  
2 Tbsp olive oil  
Salt & fresh ground pepper  
4 and ½ cups water

Combine all ingredients in a large, straight-sided skillet. Start with the water and olive oil, then add pasta (broken in half) and everything else. I usually arrange the pasta, tomatoes, onion, garlic and basil leaves into 'quadrants' on top of the water / oil.

Bring the pan to a boil and simmer, stirring with tongs, until pasta is *al dente* and the liquid has been absorbed. Usually takes about 9 or 10 minutes.

Serve with fresh grated Parmesan cheese, a nice salad, great music and a glass of red or white. Heaven. Don't forget crusty bread for scooping & dipping. In the summer, especially when we serve with grilled fish (or if we add shrimp), squeeze a little fresh lemon across the pan before serving. It brightens the flavors.

MP Christakos



Butterscotch, a Male Maine Coon Cat, lives with Bonny Mae and Brent Olds

## Dining options in Pittsfield Take-Out is Widely Available

Although our restaurants, bars, and grills are closed across the state, several Pittsfield establishments will remain open for carryout.

Jack's Pizza provided a 'Snack Pack' program, three free lunch choices for students K through 12. However, after meeting with the PES, they have discontinued this program so as not to conflict with the meal program the school is providing during this time. Jack's continues to offer everything on their regular menu, on a carryout basis. They are providing curbside service. When ordering, please pay for the order over the phone or have exact cash available upon pick up. A special note of gratitude to the Jack's Team for their continued support of our community.

Jitters Café is offering everything on their regular menu, on a takeout basis. They are also offering Prime Rib (two different cut sizes, \$19.95 and \$24.95) with Potatoes Au Gratin, vegetable, and dessert; as well as Manicotti and Stuffed Shells. The specials are available while supplies last. This reporter can attest – the Potatoes Au Gratin are heavenly. Don't ask Paul what's in them unless you're prepared to do an extra hour on the treadmill!

Mike's Meat Shoppe is offering everything on their menu for carryout. They have started curbside service, and can work with cash, credit card or check. Mike's will have pre-packaged lunches including salads, their signature and delicious sandwiches, and homemade soups, all available for carryout or curbside. Check out their Facebook page for updates on their daily menus.

Athen's Pizzeria remains open for takeout, with all of their regular menu items available. Check out their Greek options. Delicious! Yassou!

Main Street Variety is open with frozen foods including pizzas and microwaveable meals. Also, things for kids such as fruit cups, Mac & Cheese and fruit juices.

Both Main Street Grill & Bar and Ping Garden are temporarily closed.

Of course Danis has the most variety for all manner of food and is the go-to place for all your needs. We're all in this together and together we will succeed. As we continue to help each other, let's also support our local businesses – they are here for us!



## Please Support the *Pittsfield Post*

Pittsfield Center Development Corporation (PCDC), owner of the Community Center, is the fiscal agent for the *Pittsfield Post*. PCDC is a non-profit organization whose mission is to engage in activities that benefit Pittsfield. Checks should be made out to:

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

Donations are tax-deductible. Donations above \$50.00 can be acknowledged as sponsor of the week.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to have sponsorship acknowledgement: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Text for Sponsorship: \_\_\_\_\_

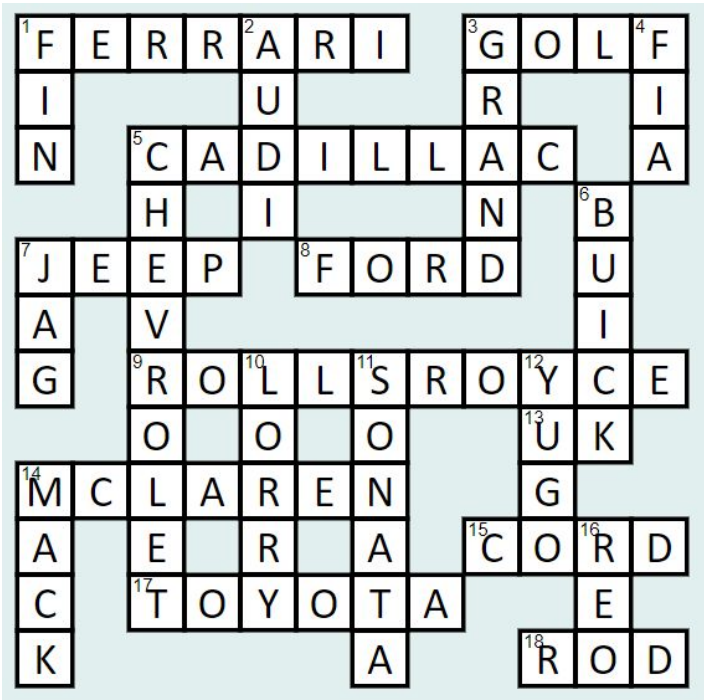


## The *Pittsfield Post* Loves News!

Do you have an interesting story to tell, or maybe you want to share info with your friends and neighbors? Are you a member of a community group that has news to share? Send us your news by noon on Friday.

[pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org](mailto:pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org)

## Cars Answers



Charles and Kate Wood by Clayton Wood



Keep sending the *Post* all the details about your critters! [pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org](mailto:pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org) How many breeds of chickens, goats and more reside in Pittsfield? We will publish the final tally in early April.

## Seasonal Help Wanted

**Attn: Students!** Vintage Hill, LLC, a residential care home for the elderly, is seeking part-time seasonal help to assist with various tasks, to include but not limited to gardening, yard work, outside cleanup, etc. Candidate must be at least 16 years of age. 10-15 hours per week.

Apply at 10 Berry Avenue, Pittsfield.  
 (603) 435-5133

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