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# Pittsfield Youth Workshop Volunteer of the Year 2019 -Lorrie Lee O'Neill!



The youth, staff, and Board of Directors at PYW would like to give a big thanks to Lorrie Lee O'Neill for all she has done at PYW over the past year. Lorrie has been volunteering at PYW almost every week since January 2019. She is a very dependable and devoted person with a great disposition when working with the youth! Lorrie will try just about anything the youth try - and her excitement is contagious. Lorrie typically spends Mondays at PYW during drop-in hours doing an arts & craft project with the youth. She is always willing to help out any other day of the week when she is available. She has also been very supportive during many of our community events! The amount of time and energy she has given to PYW is amazing and we truly appreciate everything she has done for us and the youth in town.

Lorrie was born in Peterborough, NH and graduated from Dublin High School with only 17 classmates! She attended Emerson College and earned a BFA in Creative Writing, Literature and Publishing, and a minor in Fine Arts. She worked in the fields of radio and television, public relations and marketing. Lorrie is also an acting member of the NH Radio Theatre Project, and a published author of short stories and poetry. She moved to Pittsfield about three years ago and is enjoying a rural life with farm critters (as she would call them) and crafts.

December 18, 2019

On behalf of everyone at PYW, we want to thank Main Street Grill and Bar (32 Main St., Pittsfield) and Local (1009 Upper City Rd., Pittsfield) for helping us honor Lorrie with gift certificates! Without help from volunteers like Lorrie, PYW would not be able to offer such a wide variety of experiences to the youth of Pittsfield. We are proud to have Lorrie as a volunteer at PYW and we hope to provide the youth of Pittsfield with more positive role models like this year's Volunteer of the Year!

**Congratulations and Thanks, Lorrie!** 

# We have an Official Name: The Pittsfield Post

The results were as follows: Pittsfield Post - 92

Pittsfield Valley Times - 65

Pittsfield Pioneer - 57

*Thank you* to all the people who took the time to submit an entry and those who voted. *Bragging rights* go to **Suzanne Becker, Bob Giegerich and Nella Hobson** for submitting the winning name.

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# **Pittsfield Town Crier**

By: Andi Riel 435-6346 pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com

The planning for the PHS All Class Reunion in July 2020 has begun!! If you would like information on helping, please contact Andi Riel at 435-6346 or <u>pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com</u> We needs lots of help, please!

If you are a 501(c)(3), have you heard about the Globe Community Fund? Established by the former fourth-generation family owners of Globe Manufacturing Company in Pittsfield, the donor-advised fund is administered by the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation. The fund's purpose is to enhance community wellbeing with a focus on the towns of Pittsfield, Barnstead, Epsom, Northwood, Gilmanton, and Chichester. For more information and an application, email the fund at GlobeCommunityFund@globefiresuits.com.

#### Wednesday, December 18,10:30 am

At the Senior Center - The Pontine Theater Group will be at the Center on December 18 to present A Winter Tale.

#### Friday, December 20, 7:00 pm

The First Congregational Church, 24 Main Street, Pittsfield, will offer a free Christmas concert entitled "Festival of Carols" on Friday, December 20. Light refreshments will be served. Parking and wheelchair accessible entry are located at the rear of church on Chestnut Street. For more information, call the church office at 435-7471.

#### Tuesday, December 24, 7:00 pm

Candlelight Christmas Eve: Make your plans for the wonderful candlelight service at the First Congregational Church, 24 Main Street. The program includes beautiful music by the Chancel Choir and the JuBellation Handbell Choir, scripture lessons, the story of the first Christmas, the sanctuary shimmering in candlelight and the singing of "Silent Night." Bring the whole family for a lovely evening service!

#### **December 31, Deadline for Application:**

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#### Tuesday, January 14, 7:00 pm

Pittsfield Historical Society will hold its Annual Meeting on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at the Society's headquarters at 13 Elm Street.

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 up to 3 lines of 18 characters each for a 4"x8" brick. Please visit www.pittsfieldhistory.com for a donation form and instructions. For more information, please call 798-3984.

Visit the Town Website at <u>https://www.pittsfieldnh.gov</u> to view and download Pictures with Santa from the Tree Lighting Celebration. Thank you to Jolene Wood for taking the pictures! Happy Holidays to All!

#### **Good Wishes**

Happy Birthday wishes to Aunt Carolyn Davis on Thursday and to Rich Hillsgrove on Friday. I hope you both enjoy your special day! Happy Anniversary wishes to Fred & Liz Hast on Wednesday!

## Globe Grant Awarded to Catamount Womenaid

The Globe Community Fund, established by the Globe Manufacturing Company in Pittsfield, recently awarded Catamount Womenaid a \$2,000 grant.

Since 2011, Catamount Womenaid has provided urgently needed financial assistance to men, women and children in Pittsfield, Deerfield, Epsom, Northwood, and Strafford. In addition, through their Schools Essentials Fund, they have provided area public schools with cash-on-hand for students' needs, such as eyeglasses, clothing and dental bills.

See <u>www.catamountwomenaid.org</u> for more information about Catamount Womenaid, and on Facebook @catamountwomenaid.

Happiest of Holidays from *The Pittsfield Post* Volunteers!



## SELECT BOARD MEETING REVIEW

December 10, 2019 meeting: The revised Traffic Control Ordinance was approved and can be found on the town website soon. Briefly, the speed limit has been lowered on Elm and Depot and a 'no parking' zone has been expanded near the post office. Consideration of turning Elm and Depot into one-way was rejected. A yellow line will be painted down the middle of these streets to encourage motorists to stay on their own side. Upon Highway Department recommendation, next summer the sidewalk on Manchester Street will be removed. Currently in poor condition, it would be exorbitant to rebuild it to current engineering specs. The winter on-street parking ban is now November 1 to April 15.

The Select Board voted to propose one zoning amendment for next March which, if passed, will remove all court case citations from the Ordinance. The Board feels that any average citizen should be able to pick up the Zoning Ordinance, read it and have a pretty good understanding of what is and isn't allowed. We believe court citations muddy the water. There will be a public hearing scheduled for input and questions from citizens for all proposed amendments.

Three new part-time EMS/firefighter applicants were hired. A clear job description for the Volunteer Support Company of the Fire Department was approved. Young people can become part of the department with clear expectations and are encouraged to apply. Our town is lucky to be very well staffed in all departments during this time of historically low unemployment.

Carl Anderson

### Thank You from the Friends of the Josiah Carpenter Library

The Friends of the Josiah Carpenter Library would like to thank everyone who recently purchased poinsettias! The proceeds from the poinsettia sale benefit the Josiah Carpenter Library by providing monetary support of the Children's and other programs, and by funding various physical enhancements of the library. Recently, the Friends helped to pay for the refinishing/refurbishing of the main library's circulation desk, which had been stored at a different location.

The Friends are always looking for new members. If you are interested, please pick up a membership card at the library or call or text Liz at 603-496-1102.



Pittsfield Historical Society's new building—corner of Main and Oak Streets. (Picture taken by Larry Berkson.)

## Pittsfield Historical Society's New Building

Great progress has been made at the new Historical Society building on the site of the old Washington House lot. The foundation is in, walls are up, and the roof is on. Atop the cupola is a much-noticed weathervane donated by Dave and Maddie Pollard, the work of her father, Peter Falagario. The inside framing is well underway, the heating system is being installed and the exterior doors are being painted. And "Dan has a plan" for the stone wall at the Main Street side of the building.

**Pittsfield Places #2** Created by Bill Miskoe Solve each word according to the clue. Combine the third or fourth letter in each word to spell a place in Pittsfield.

| Add up             |
|--------------------|
| Army rank          |
| Something you take |
| Consumed as a meal |
| PMHS Spring dance  |
| Find a deer        |
| Take a , get clean |
| Restrict food      |
| Not short          |
| Ice from the sky   |
| Answer             |

# NO NEWSPAPER WILL BE PRINTED DECEMBER 25. *THE PITTSFIELD POST* WILL RETURN ON DECEMBER 31, 2019!!



## "Festival of Carols" Concert

Be sure to include this annual tradition in your family's holiday plans. The First Congregational Church, 24 Main Street, will be hosting 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. 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 Places #2 Answers: Total, Private, Pill, Eaten, Prom, Hunt, Bath, Ration, Tall, Hail

Answer: TILTON HILL

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