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Spring won't let me stay in this house any longer! I must get out and breathe the air deeply again.

Gustav Mahler

A Little Help

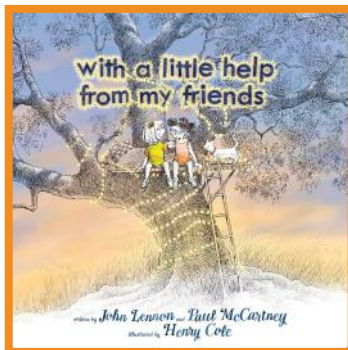
What will you do if we don't get our shots
Will you stand up and walk out on us?
Lend us your smarts and we'll give it a try
And we'll try not to screw it all up

Oh, we'll get shots with a little help from our kids
Mm, we'll get jabs with a little help from our kids
Mm, gonna try with a little help from our kids

What shall we do when our call won't get through?
Do you fear that we'll never get ours?
How do you feel at the end of the hour
Are you sad because we're still on hold?

Oh we'll get shots with a little help from our kids
Mm, we'll get jabs with a little help from our kids
Mm, gonna try with a little help from our kids

Do we need anybody?
We need somebody to help
Could it be anybody?
The kids are ready to help



With thanks to all those who helped parents get vaccination appointments!

Diana Westgate

Pittsfield Flower Power

For going on 25 years, Pittsfield's downtown pop's with Pleasant View Garden's Supertunias. Come the middle of June, just look up a bit, you won't be able to miss them!

This effort began with one man's idea and has been carried on by friends and volunteers ever since.

Each year we receive generous product discounts and donations that cover the cost of the soil, fertilizer and watering buggy upkeep, and this year will be no different.

If you like seeing our downtown bright and cheery, would you be able to spare a few dollars to help keep our effort going?

Checks can be made out to Pittsfield Hanging Basket Flower Fund, mailed to Donna Keeley c/o Citizens Bank, Flower Fund, 256 True Road, Pittsfield, NH.

Thank you,
Donna Keeley



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Saturday April 10 Rise Again will be at Joy Church, 55 Barnstead Road. Joy Church will provide a free community breakfast from 8:30-9:30am.

A 4-H Community Service Project, led by Jeremiah Chapman, is asking for donations that benefit folks who utilize Meals on Wheels. Items requested are: size 9 or 10 manila envelopes, books, birthday cards, stamps, puzzle books (preferably word searches and crosswords), individually wrapped snacks, coffee, tea, baskets of any size and small gift items (for example pens and pads of paper). Donations may be dropped off at the Josiah Carpenter Library until June. 1.

2021 Dog Licenses available – Please register your dogs by April 30th. We offer a number of options to register your dogs: online through the "dog licenses" link on the town website home page; in person at the town hall; by mail; or by the drop box located to the right of the town hall door. More information may be found on the town clerk/tax collector page on the town website.
www.pittsfieldnh.gov

Catamount Womenaid is a volunteer, women-led nonprofit founded in 2011, whose mission is to provide those in need with immediate, short-term financial assistance not available from other resources. Requests for assistance are submitted by a "validator" (in other words, a trustworthy source in the community). Catamount Womenaid serves people in Pittsfield, Deerfield, Epsom, Strafford and Northwood. Money is raised through various fund-raising efforts. For more information, please visit www.catamountwomenaid.org

Pittsfield Downtown STREET SWEEPING - Yes, it is that time of year. Time to sweep the streets of all the sand and debris from the winter months. **No on street parking: April 18,2021 11pm to April 19, 2021 9am AM.**



Josiah Carpenter Library Celebrates National Library Week

The theme for National Library Week "Welcome to Your Library," promotes the idea that libraries extend far beyond the four walls of a building – and that everyone is welcome to use their services. During the pandemic libraries have been going above and beyond to adapt to our changing world by expanding their resources and continuing to meet the needs of their users. Whether people visit in person or virtually, libraries offer opportunities for everyone to explore new worlds and become their best selves through access to technology, multimedia content, and educational programs.

To celebrate National Library Week, Josiah Carpenter Library is offering a raffle of items that will help you grow your garden. Through April 17 visit the library to check out all we have to offer and to enter our drawing. Those who sign up for a new library card will get extra entries to the raffle.

The Josiah Carpenter Library, located at 41 Main Street, is open for in-person visits Mondays and Thursdays from 10am-6pm, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 2pm-6pm and Saturdays from 10am-2pm. We are also still offering delivery of library materials. *Melissa Babcock*



Post-It in the Post
Do you have an interesting story to share with your friends and neighbors? Are you part of a community group that has big news? Email: pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org by noon on Friday.
Guidelines: www.PittsfieldPost.org



Cook's Corner **Biscuit Chicken Bake**

Sometimes the day gets hectic and you just need something savory and comforting for dinner that's easy to pull together. Here's a recipe that fits the bill. To make

this even easier, plan to use a store-bought rotisserie chicken, remove & discard the skin and debone, shredding the meat. Or boil 4 or 5 boneless chicken breasts (for about 25 minutes) with a little salt, pepper and garlic powder, drain and cut the meat into bite size pieces. Using the refrigerated biscuits is a real time-saver. While this is in the oven, have someone cut a nice salad and then have someone else lined up to do the dishes. You've got this! Bon appetit!

- 2 cans cream of chicken soup, undiluted
- 4 cups chopped, cooked chicken
- 2 cans (4 oz) mushroom stems & pieces, drained
- 2 cups frozen mixed vegetables, your choice
- 1 cup milk
- 1 tsp poultry seasoning
- 2 tubes (12 oz) refrigerated buttermilk biscuits

Heat oven to 350. In a large bowl, combine all ingredients up to the biscuits and stir well to combine.

Pour into a lightly greased 13x9 inch baking dish (use cooking spray). Arrange the uncooked biscuits on top.

Bake, uncovered, for 25 minutes or until biscuits are golden brown and the sauce is bubbling. -MP Christakos

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To my constituents in Pittsfield,

This week, all the legislative action was in Finance, as they were beating out the final adjustments to the state budget. I can see that I can gladly support this budget. First, it continues the business tax cuts, the rooms and meals tax is going down a little, and the interest and dividends tax is being phased out. More importantly to most of us, it actually reduces our property taxes! The statewide education property tax is being cut by about 30%, or 70 cents.

As usual, the budget includes policy items only tangentially related to the budget but important to the House: either to induce more Representatives to vote for it, or to prevent a threatened veto. This year, these include historic horse racing (a sort of slot machine) for charitable gaming; banning teaching divisive concepts if supported by tax money; and legislative oversight over states of emergency, to name a few. I don't like all of them, but will vote for the budget as the total package is acceptable.

Of course, this is my understanding of the still-unfinished House budget, and the Senate still has their chance to make changes, followed by final compromises between the two chambers. If nothing else, I expect the tax cuts to last through the process. We will be voting on the budget, and all remaining House bills, next week. *Representative Carol McGuire*, mcguire4house@gmail.com 782-4918

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