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"Whatever you do, do it well." - Walt Disney

#### **Words of Warning**

First comes the Turkey you have to stuff, Make sure that you get him full enough! Then comes the time you stuff yourself, There's lots of everything on the shelf. Next the frig gets more than it's share, Food is piled everywhere. Now comes the final blow to you, Clothes won't fit, no matter what you do. You pull and tug with all your might, Oh my, what a terrible sight. Then you begin to get real mad Cause you know that you've been real bad.

Turkey alone is really great, And salad looks good on your plate. Veggies are tasty, even without butter,

Come on now, don't start to mutter!

Pie is the next thing on the list,
Something you really couldn't resist.
Thanksgiving comes but once a year,
But look what it did to you my dear.
You had worked so hard to lose each pound,
Then, because good food was all round
You lost your head, your guard you dropped,
Now don't you wish that you had stopped
To realize what you should do --Stuff the Turkey -- but don't stuff YOU!

Arlene Wicks

# How did the chicken, the pheasant, turkey, duck and goose get in trouble?

Can you find the answer? Look for a feather...



**Note:** Words of Warning was recently shared with the Post by former Pittsfield resident Shirley Genest. Shirley saved a copy of the poem when it was published in the Suncook Valley Sun. Author Arlene Wicks graduated from Pittsfield High in 1942, and lived in town until she passed in 2012.

The *Post* volunteers love the poem and think that its message is especially apt during this holiday season, when we will be doing more cooking and eating at home.

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#### **Town Crier**

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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 Pittsfield. the in 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 the fund at GlobeCommunityFund@globefiresuits.com

Sign-ups for Secret Santa for Christmas 2020 have begun! This program provides Christmas assistance for residents of Pittsfield in need. Children must be 14 years of age or under, must be residents of Pittsfield, and the parent or guardian who signs them up must have custody of the child. We will be accepting applications until November 30th. This year, due to Covid, we are asking that applicants call the fire station (435-6807) 9-6pm, and one of the staff will take your information over the phone. We provide not only toys, but a warm outfit and needed winter outerwear. This program is fully funded by donations from local individuals and businesses. If you would like to assist, donations of new, unwrapped toys or clothing may be dropped off at the fire station at your convenience. Monetary donations are also very much appreciated. If you are donating clothing or toys, please contact the fire station to coordinate a time to drop them off, or arrange for us to pick them up. Checks may be made payable to: Pittsfield Secret Santa, PO Box 392, Pittsfield, NH 03263.

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"x 8" brick. Please visit www.pittsfieldhistory.com for a donation form and instructions. For more information, please call 798-3984.

Saturday, November 21, 9am-2pm The Dorcas Guild of the First Congregational Church will hold its 2020 Christmas Fair and Bake Sale. There are knits, crafts, baked goods, the "Unique Boutique" and the Silent Auction. The auction ends when the fair ends at

2pm; successful bidders will be notified then. There will not be a luncheon this year; there will be a limit of 50 people in the two sale rooms. Everyone must wear a mask, use hand sanitizer and stay distanced; enter through the parking lot door on Chestnut Street. Exit only through the courtyard door. Bathrooms are not available. For more info, call the church office at 435-7471.

The 2021 Pittsfield Historical Society calendars may be purchased at the town hall or the Josiah Carpenter Library for \$15.00 each. The theme of the 2021 calendar is "Before & After" – 28 pictures of old buildings in town and how they have changed. For more information contact Fuzz Freese at (603) 848-4488.

Wednesday, November 25, 10am-3pm at Mike's Meat Shoppe the Victory Workers 4-H Club will hold a Thanksgiving Pie/Bake Sale (or until the baked goods are gone!) A variety of pies and quickbreads will be available.

The Greater Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce sponsored **CHILDREN'S STOR**E has regrettably been canceled for this year due to Covid-19. We apologize for any inconvenience and hope and pray that next year will be back to normal! We are hoping to have a Tree Lighting celebration of some kind, but the plans are still being finalized. Stay tuned.

Happy Birthday wishes to Edie St. George on Monday, November 16. An extra huge Happy Birthday wishes to my fabulous father-in-law, Leon Miller on Wednesday, November 18 and to my wonderful mother, Carol Grainger on Thursday, November 19. Enjoy your special day!

#### Red Cross Volunteers Needed

In addition to shelter workers, we have a need for health professionals, blood-drive volunteers, local response members, as well as volunteers interested in working behind the scenes in a virtual capacity with our various departments. A full list of our opportunities can be found <a href="here">here</a> or we invite any and all community members to join us for an upcoming Virtual Volunteer Fair to learn more from our recruitment team. You are welcome to email me to register once reviewing the attached details.

Powered by our compassionate supporters, we're providing shelter – and other essential relief services – when disaster strikes, and for that, we thank you. To stand with us as we deliver help and hope to disaster survivors, please visit redcross.org/volunteertodayto get involved or contact me at erica.fuller4@redcross.org\_or

(802)735-8842



# **Jitters Cafe**

Thanksgiving Meals
November 25 all day \* 26 til 11am
'dine in or take out'
Main St, Pittsfield
435-6222

# Turkey or Ham

\*Stuffing\*Veggie\*Biscuit\*Scallop Potato\*Dessert \$19.95

# Pies for Sale

Pumpkin\*Apple\*Lemon Meringue\*Chocolate Cream \$16.00 per



#### **Selectboard Meeting November 10, 2020**

The Board offered Noel Gourley of Concord the job of Superintendent of Public Works, which he accepted. Noel comes with credentials, experience, and the ability to work well with a crew. He has ties to Pittsfield - a brother lives here, his daughter is a first-year teacher here, and his great-grandmother was Diane "Grammie" Fisher, a well-known Pittsfield resident for many years. Noel will fit in nicely with what has become an exceptional group of town employees.

We welcomed three new volunteers to the Firemen's Auxiliary. Scott and Teresa Palmer, and George Freese III will add support to our firefighters during any kind of emergency. Our Fire Dept. and EMS services are in good shape with a number of recent manpower additions, and improvements to the building and parking lot.

The acquisition of 36 Main St. was discussed. Now that we have the deed, we must make it safe and improve the appearance for the near term. We've got to decide on a long-term plan for this highly visible property in the heart of downtown, with input from the Community Development Committee and anyone with a "bright idea." If nothing else, we can sell it with covenants in the deed that should ensure an attractive addition to Pittsfield.

More time spent going over the budget - we're closing in on a final recommendation to the Budget Committee, which will do its own scrutinizing of every penny the town will be asked to approve on election day, 2021. *Carl Anderson*, Selectman



Come and join us as we celebrate our faith in God, our freedom, and a loving fellowship with each other.

First Congregational Church of Pittsfield Sunday worship at 10 a.m.

24 Main Street Phone 435-7471

#### **Double Word Puzzle #13** by Diana Westgate

1.	Charge with a crime	
	Found in a library	
2.	Part of one's head	
	Hit on the head	
3.	Subsidiary	
	Diverge	
4.	Company name	
	Put on cattle	
5.	Increase the population	
	Dog type	
6.	Tea preparation	
	Slang for beer	
7.	Hair smoother	
	Scrubby vegetation	
8.	Fruit cobbler	
	Belt fastener	
9.	In large quantity	
	(up) Fatten up	
10. Male bovine		
	Slang for talk	

Answers are on page six

#### To my constituents in Pittsfield,

Thank you for sending me back to Concord as your representative! I will continue to inform you of what I'm doing, and always listen to your concerns. I probably won't always vote the way you want, but I always listen. Call or write me and I'll do what I can to help with any problems with the state government.

There is another window for bill submission this month, so please let me know if you have any issues that need legislative action.

Anyone wishing more information can request my weekly email newsletter, with all the details.

Representative Carol McGuire, <u>carol@mcguire4house.com</u> 782-4918

#### **About Town**

Good things are happening around town and many may appreciate some up-to-date information concerning these steps. Anyone who has driven Route 107 lately, going north toward Gilmanton, has probably noticed road work going on where the route passes by the BCEP Transfer Station (the dump, to us old timers). The State Department of Transportation has completed work to raise the level of the roadway and end the periodic flooding that has plagued that section for years. Travel on 107, or for anyone exiting the BCEP facility, should be safer and more convenient now.

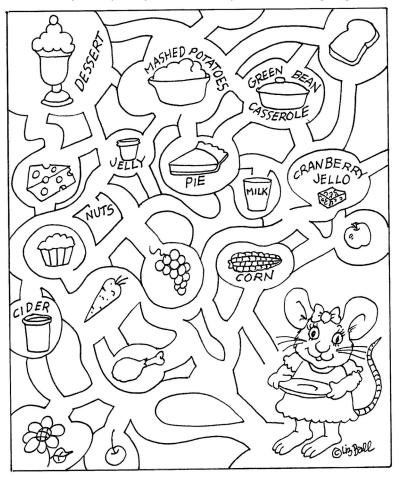
Speaking of safety, efforts began on Monday to fill in the dangerous cellar hole at 36 Main Street. The town recently acquired the property with existing community development funds, and will make the lot immediately safe and as attractive as possible. The longer goal is to seek an appropriate use for the highly visible Main Street location, while returning it to the tax rolls. An eventual sale would generate funds for more community development projects.

Many have noticed construction activities on the old fair grounds, more or less behind the Dunkin' Donuts building. This is a <u>private</u> solar electricity project; New England Solar Garden Corp. of Portsmouth is the contractor. When completed, in addition to electricity, the solar array will generate tax revenues for Pittsfield. The solar project that <u>Pittsfield's voters</u> approved in the last town election is moving forward. That site is town-owned land near the salt and sand sheds off Dowboro Road. Surveys, including an archeological assessment, are ongoing. Assuming the permitting process goes smoothly, the facility could be producing electricity by next summer. Pittsfield will collect both tax revenues and rental income from that project—a win for our tax payers.

Yes, some good things are happening in Pittsfield. J.C. Allard, Selectman

#### **Hungry Mouse Maze**

Can you help Molly Mouse fill her plate for Thanksgiving?



#### Read, Meet, Talk Book Club

The Josiah Carpenter Library book club will meet at 10:30am, Tuesday, December 10 in the Bicentennial Room at Pittsfield Community Center. The group will discuss Lessons from Lucy: The Simple Joys of an Old, Happy Dog by comedian Dave Barry. In Lessons from Lucy, Dave shares his insights and exploits as he follows Lucy's lead toward joyous living. Stephen King describes this inter-generational memoir as "extremely funny. What you might not expect is how insightful it is, and downright touching." Copies of the book are available to be borrowed from the library.

### Ready to Read Family Activity of the Week

Snuggle together and read two favorite books and one new book you haven't read yet.

#### **Cook's Corner**

Here are two more side dishes that are sure to be welcome additions to your Thanksgiving table. I learned to make the Peanut Soup when I was a college student in Williamsburg, Virginia. It's a modernized version of a soup the early 18th century

colonists enjoyed – and it's lovely with a leftover turkey sammie. The Cabbage & Cheddar Gratin was handed down by my great-grandmother Katie (from the Pocono Mountains in Pennsylvania), and she always used what they called "rat trap" cheese – extra sharp. Bon Appetit!

#### **Cream of Peanut Soup - Williamsburg**

1 medium onion, chopped

2 ribs of celery, chopped

¼ cup of butter

3 Tbsp flour

8 cups of chicken broth or stock

2 cups smooth peanut butter

1 ½ cups light cream

Peanuts, chopped

Saute onion and celery in butter until soft but not brown. Stir in flour until well blended. Add chicken broth, stirring constantly and bring to a boil.

Remove from heat and drain the broth mixture through a sieve, reserving the liquid and discarding the solids. Return the broth to the pot.

Add the peanut butter and cream, stirring to combine. Return to low heat for a bit to heat through, but do not boil.

Serve the soup garnished with chopped peanuts. Makes 10 to 12 small servings or 6 larger servings.

#### **Cabbage and Cheddar Gratin**

 $1\,\%$  cups shredded cheddar, preferably a "sharp" version

3 cups (about ½ a head) chopped green cabbage

34 cup vegetable broth

 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup medium-grind yellow cornmeal

3 Tbsp mixed chopped herbs, e.g. parsley, dill, thyme

2 Tbsp Dijon mustard

Salt & pepper

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Set aside ¼ cup of cheese. Toss remaining ingredients together in a large bowl and transfer to an 8 or 9 inch glass baking dish. Cover with foil and bake for 45 minutes. Uncover, top with remaining cheese and bake until golden brown, another 10 to 15 minutes.

If you're looking for more of a custard-y texture, you can add 1 or 2 eggs, lightly beaten, when you're combining the ingredients. *MP Christakos* 

#### **Answers to Double Word**

#### Puzzle #13

- Charge with a crime book Found in a library
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- 3. Subsidiary branch Diverge
- 4. Company name **brand** Put on cattle
- 5. Increase the population –breed Dog type
- Tea preparation brew Slang for beer
- Hair smoother brush Scrubby vegetation
- 8. Fruit cobbler **buckle** Belt fastener
- 9. In large quantity **bulk** (up) Fatten up
- Male bovine **bull** Slang for talk

## Medlife.com - Benefits of Eating Cabbage

- Prevents Cancer:
   Sulforaphane is a substance found in cabbage that increases anti-cancer effects in your body.
- Boosts Your Immunity
- Anti-Inflammatory Properties
- Reduces the Risks of Cataracts
- Aids in Weight Loss
- Prevents Stomach Ulcers

#### **Because of their FOWL language!**





## **Classified**

# Community Center Function Hall Available

The Pittsfield Community Center has plenty of parking, handicapped access, applianced kitchen, and bathroom facilities. Low Rates Available. For more information or a tour of the facility, please call the Pittsfield Community Center at 435-6729.

#### **Firewood**

Dry 16" cut & split \$325 or 19" to 22" \$325 a cord. 603-435-9385.

#### 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

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## Advertising in the Post

Costs begin at \$5.00 for a brief classified ad. Guidelines and order forms are located at

www.pittsfieldpost.org

Do you have an interesting story to tell and share with your friends and neighbors? Are you a member of a community group that has news to share? Email us your news, limiting submittals to 300 words, by noon on Friday. Full guidelines are at www.pittsfieldpost.org or Email: pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org











# **NOW HIRING**

Job Fair - Wednesday, November 18, 2-6 PM MSA's Globe Manufacturing Facility 37 Loudon Road, Pittsfield, NH 03263

Join the Globe team at MSA where you can make a difference and help protect those that protect us.

Onsite interviews will be held during these hours. Please make sure that you wear shoes that cover your entire foot (i.e., sneakers, boots, lace up shoes), as this will be required in order to take a tour of the facility. Per CDC Guidelines, temperature monitoring will be conducted prior to entering the building and masks are required. Masks will be provided if you do not have one.

Hiring for 1st Shift – 6:00AM – 2:30PM 2nd Shift - Monday thru Thursday 3:30PM – 12:00AM and Friday 2:30PM – 11:00PM

#### **Production Associates:**

- Stitching Single and double needle (Adler, Juki, Pegasus, Tajima industrial machines)
- Embroidery
- Trim Set (Kansai machines)
- Eyelet, Rivet, Label Sealing, Top Stitch Post, Cuff, Binding, Bartack
- Inspection
- Cutting
- Bagging, Prepping, Sealing
- Customer Service/Order Entry, and various other roles

#### Apply to: https://careers-msasafety.icims.com/

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