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June 10, 2020

It was June and the world smelled of roses. The sunshine was like powdered gold over the grassy hillside. *Maud Hart Lovelace*

Pittsfield Middle High School

Class of 2020 Awards

Honor Cords: Courtney Butler, Aja Coulstring, Julianna Hodson, Cora LeMay, Michael Nevins, Paige Provencal, Rebecca Smith, and Jolene Wood

New Hampshire Scholars: Courtney Butler, Gwendolyn Clough, Abigail Cote, Julianna Hodson, Cora LeMay, Bryana Morris, Michael Nevins, Chandler Norris, Paige Provencal, Rebecca Smith, Nyah Straight, Kianna Vincelette, and Jolene Wood

National Honor Society: Courtney Butler, Julianna Hodson, Michael Nevins, Paige Provencal, Rebecca Smith, and Jolene Wood

Salutatorian Award: Cora LeMay

Valedictorian Award: Julianna Hodson

Moody Kent Awards for Leadership, Sportsmanship, Creativity, and Ability to follow the Rules: Michael Nevins and Rebecca Smith

Richard Brooks Memorial Award for School Spirit, Perseverance, Consideration of Others, and Dedication to School, Community and the Nation: Gwendolyn Clough

Linden Sheehan Memorial Award for Sportsmanship and Athletics: Devin Bedell

Highest Academic Achievement Awards: English, Julianna Hodson; Mathematics, Cora LeMay; Science, Michael Nevins; Social Studies, Julianna Hodson, the Arts, Aja Coulstring

Deans' Award for Immersion in the School and showing Initiative: Gwendolyn Clough

Career Readiness Recognition: Michael Nevins

DAR Good Citizen Award: Gwendolyn Clough

Pride-Honor-Spirit Award: Awarded by members of the Class of 2020, Julianna Hodson

U.S. Marine Corps Awards: Distinguished Athlete Award: Chandler Morris; Scholastic Achievement: Julianna Hodson and Michael Nevins; Semper Fidelis for Music: Gwendolyn Clough *Continued on page 6*

Barnstead Farmer's Market

Opens June 13, 9am - 1pm

The market is located at 96 Maple Street at the corner of Route 28 and Maple Street in Center Barnstead.

There are 6 new vendors this year, plus 6 returning vendors, 6 half season vendors, and the Barnstead Farmer's Co-Op. Also new this year, they will be selling fresh fish through the NH Community Seafood Co-Op. For fish, you can pre-order online no later than Friday the week before the Saturday event, at www.barnsteadfarmersmarket.club.

For the grand opening there will be live music from Chris Bonoli and an endless selection of products. There will be meats, seafood, vegetables, herbs, dairy and cheeses, syrup and honey, lotions and soaps, fresh cut flowers, tasty baked goods, homemade crafts, and more.

The market will follow state and national CDC guidelines for social distancing. Face masks and gloves will be provided, or plan to bring your own; free shopping bags will also be available. So grab your hat and mask, round up the kids or grandkids, and join the fun!

In addition, our local farmers have provided you an added service. FREE Door-to-Door Delivery to the following towns: Alton, Barnstead, Pittsfield, Gilmanton, Chichester, and Strafford. They are scheduled for Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays only! For more information email info@barnsteadfarmersmarket.club or call 603-269-2329. To place an order go to: www.barnsteadfarmersmarket.club Place your order by 10am Sunday for Monday Delivery, 10am Tuesday for Wednesday Delivery, 10am Thursday for Friday Delivery. All online credit card orders are subject to a 2.75% credit card processing fee.

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Friday, June 12 The last day of school is Fri, June 12 – Virtual versions of several end-of-year transition celebrations, as well as several special events, are being planned. The School is trying to include all the traditional elements of end-of-year celebrations to the greatest extent possible. Celebrations are scheduled as follows: (Zoom webinar links will be posted)
Kindergarten – 6pm, Mon, June 8; Fifth Grade – 6pm, Tues, June 9; Sixth Grade – 6pm, Wed, June 10; Eighth Grade – 6pm, Thurs, June 11; PES Whole School Morning Meeting – 8:30am, Fri, June 12; PMHS End-of-Year Assembly – 11:00am, Fri, June 12; and End-of-Year Staff Parade – 2:00pm, Fri, June 12. Happy Summer to All!!

June 15, 16, or 21 Pittsfield Middle High School Graduation ceremony at Fisher Cats Stadium, Manchester, NH. At press time details are still being worked out. Watch social media and the school district website for an announcement.

Sunday June 21, 10am The First Congregational Church, 24 Main Street, Pittsfield is pleased to announce the reopening for services. Please bring a face mask if you have one (or one will be provided) and remember to distance yourself and follow instructions given by the ushers. Please use the front entrance (Main Street) although you may park in the Chestnut Street lot. Those with wheelchairs or walkers may use the parking lot entrance. For more information, call the church office at 435-7471.

Monday June 22 The Josiah Carpenter Library summer reading program will begin. Visit the library from 10am to 6pm on Mondays or Thursdays to learn more and pick up activity packets. Check out the library facebook page for more detail and storytime with Miss Dunagin.

The Friday Night Kayaking Group has begun for the season. They launch at 6pm each Friday evening on local waterways. New members are always welcome. Go to huffnpuff.info for more information.

Tuesday, June 30 Deadline Pittsfield Citizen of the Year - We're looking for Pittsfield's next "Citizen of the Year." Now is the time to nominate the person whom you believe deserves to be honored for actions and

activities that benefit our town. Please send your nomination, with a short note explaining why this person should be honored, to Citizen of the Year, P.O. Box 173, Pittsfield, NH 03263. Nominations should be received by June 30.

If you are interested in joining the **Beautification Committee**, or to help plant, or maintain, the gardens, please email Carol Lambert at lamb_frog1950@yahoo.com If you would like to make a monetary donation, please mail a check payable to the Pittsfield Beautification Committee and mail to Tina Fife 1394 Upper City Rd, Pittsfield NH 03263.

The PYW Pantry is open on Thursdays from 12-3pm for the next few weeks. As always, if you have any special requests please feel free to reach out to Zach or Paula at 435-8272 or info@pittsfieldyouthworkshop.org

The PHS All Class Reunion will be held in 2021. We are still asking for Key Contact People from each class to contact their own classmates and collect contact information. For more information, please contact Andi Riel at 435-6346 or pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com.

The Old Home Day Committee invites EVERYONE to decorate their homes and businesses in the (what would have been the theme) RED-WHITE & BLUE! Start now and keep the decorations up through July!

Thank you to the Rolling Smiles Motorcycle group for coming to Pittsfield on Sunday, May 31 and putting smiles on a lot of kid's faces in the community!

Good Wishes Happy Birthday wishes to Dana Bishop this past Sunday. Happy Anniversary wishes to Cathy and Joe McHugh yesterday. Hope you both had a great day!

Josiah Carpenter Library Ready to Read Family Activity of the Week

Singing: Sing a favorite song. Then sing it again but make up new words.



A. Jean Eckhardt "Jeanie Girl"

A. Jean Eckhardt, 90, a long-time resident of Pittsfield, N.H. went home to be with the Lord on June 5, 2020. She joins her late husband Ralph F. Eckhardt, also a longtime resident of Pittsfield.

She is survived by Debbie Davis, Denise Hill, Duane and Cindy Elkins, and Tom and Dawn Welch. She was loved by many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Jean was born in Waltham, MA in 1930 and moved to New Hampshire in 1942. She was a graduate of Pittsfield High School and attended Margaret's Beauty School in Concord, NH. She loved curling our hair, #pinkrollers. Jean worked most of her years at Blue Cross/Blue Shield and retired after over 20 years.

Over the years, "Jeanie Girl" loved camping with Ralph; they traveled the State. Her highlight trip in life was to Hawaii in 1990. What a joy it was to see her so happy. Her love was sports. Basketball and football were her favorite. Can you hear her still cheering?

She also had a love for flowers. In her last days flowers brought her much joy. Thank you to all of her kind friends and neighbors who brought them to her house.

Friends and family will gather at a later date in the fall.

"Til we meet again and can say "Here we are all together again"



David A. Dansereau

David A. Dansereau, 75, of Barnstead, passed away on June 2, 2020 at the Pine Rock Manor in Warner after a period of declining health.

Born in Biddeford, Maine, David was the son of the late Leon and Margaret (Babcock) Dansereau. He was raised and educated in Biddeford and was a graduate of Biddeford High School. He later attended New Hampshire College in Manchester, where he obtained his MBA.

An honorably discharged Veteran, David proudly served his country during the Vietnam War. He served 2 overseas campaigns and was later discharged with the rank of Captain.

Prior to his retirement in 2007, David was employed as a Materials Manager for Collins & Aiken and also worked for Textron and Davidson Rubber Co. in Dover and Farmington.

An avid sportsman, David participated in Senior Olympics/Games through the U.S. He also played senior basketball in Penacook, Concord and Laconia. He was a member of the Suncook Valley Lions Club.

He was predeceased by his daughter, Beth Dansereau and his sister, Jane Verduin.

David is survived by his beloved wife, Marilyn A. (Worden) Dansereau, his daughter, Amy Dansereau of Barnstead, his grandchildren, Michael Schultz of Dover, Stephanie Dansereau of Concord and Nora Dansereau of Barnstead. He is also survived by 2 great grandchildren as well as his sister, Gail Tudor of Brewer, ME.

There will be no calling hours. A private family graveside service with Military Honors will be held in the Floral Park Cemetery in Pittsfield. In lieu of flowers, donations in David's memory may be sent to the charity of one's choice. Assisting the family with arrangements is the Still Oaks Funeral & Memorial Home in Epsom. To share a memory or offer a condolence, please visit www.stilloaks.com

Select Board Meeting May 26, 2020

The meeting began with mixed emotions- a drastically curtailed (compliments of Covid-19) "retirement party" for George Batchelder, commemorating 40 years of dedicated service to the highway department. The board voted to rename the road off Dowboro, previously Public Works Way, to George Batchelder Way, to serve as a lasting tribute to a man who has dedicated his career to Pittsfield. It's going to take a long time to get used to George not heading the highway dept.

We consider the town lucky to have another capable Pittsfield hometown "boy" step into George's position, contractor Scott Aubertin, whose contract we signed. We have every confidence that Pittsfield will continue to have roads that are the envy of our neighbors.

We voted to advance Dylan Sargent, from volunteer member of the Fire Department Support Company, to paid firefighter now that he has reached the age of 18. Dylan has nearly completed his EMT training, and once tested, can fill both positions. Seeing young people come up through the ranks and stay with Pittsfield is heartening, to say the least.

Restrictions on town buildings will remain in place another two weeks.

Like everywhere else, Pittsfield is struggling to accommodate the difficulties, forced on us by the pandemic, by trying to find alternative ways of doing business and carrying on, as near to normal, as circumstances allow. We may not be happy about the changes, but we are coping. *Carl Anderson*

To my constituents in Pittsfield,

This week, House committees continued working remotely. I met with the Criminal Justice committee on my HB 1580, regulating drones. They had many questions, but a friend on the committee told me they'd had no real issue with the penalties, which was their main responsibility, and they recommended it to pass.

I also met with the Judiciary committee on HB 1642, prohibiting face recognition programs. This was a lot tougher; one group was concerned that these programs would not be able to be used to identify victims; another that it might hamper police investigations (well, yes, that's the point!) Others just

didn't like the bill for some reason. I worked with the sponsor and some committee members on an amendment that greatly simplified the bill while keeping the main points: the police would need a warrant to use this technology, and the DMV database would not be used for any reason. I got drafted to replace a committee member who'd had a death in the family, so I got to argue with them about the amendment. With three of us in favor and five vocally opposed (the others were mostly silent), the vote was 8-11 on adopting the amendment, and 12-7 in favor of killing the bill. I did get some tips on improving it for next year, at least!

Anyone wishing more information can call or email me for my weekly newsletter, which has all the details. *Representative Carol McGuire,* carol@mcguire4house.com 782-4918

Pittsfield Players Postpone Fall Musical

Well, folks, because of the Covid-19 pandemic and all the subsequent necessary precautions we have to take, the Board of Directors of The Pittsfield Players have decided to postpone their fall production of *Seussical* until a later date, hopefully in the spring. While we have many great shows planned for our 2021 season, we just can't tell you exactly when they will be seen on the Scenic Theatre stage. We are keeping all our options open and waiting for the go-ahead from the State to restart our productions and continue to bring you the best live theater in the Suncook Valley. Stay tuned to our Facebook page and our website, www.pittsfieldplayers.com for updates.



Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains have created virtual individual and troop activities. Thru July 1 online virtual Open House events are being held at 3pm on Mondays and 6pm on Wednesdays. To register for an Open House go to bit.ly/GSGWMVirtualOpenHouse

Learn more about how Girl Scouts build skills today and success tomorrow at www.girlscoutsgwm.org

Cook's Corner

Shrimp Scampi

3 Different Ways!



1 lb large shrimp, raw, peeled & deveined
(SAVE THE SHELLS)
4 tsp garlic, minced
Salt & pepper
Olive oil
Crushed red pepper – a pinch
½ cup dry white wine
¼ cup Shrimp stock (SEE RECIPE BELOW)
1 Tbsp lemon juice
3 Tbsp cold butter
¼ cup fresh, chopped Italian flat leaf parsley

In a bowl, toss the shrimp with 1 tsp of garlic and ½ tsp kosher or sea salt.

Heat about a Tbsp of olive oil in a skillet, add shrimp and cook for about 2 minutes. Transfer to a plate and keep warm.

Reduce heat in the skillet, add 1 Tbsp garlic and a pinch of crushed red pepper flakes, cook for about 15 seconds.

Add the wine, heat to high, boil until reduced, about 2 to 3 minutes.

Add the shrimp stock and lemon juice, boil for about 30 seconds. REMOVE from heat. Stir in butter until melted. Return the shrimp to the sauce in the pan.

Season with salt & pepper and more lemon juice if desired.

Serve over pasta with extra lemon, fresh grated Parmesan, salad and crusty rolls. Mangia!

VARIATIONS

Caper & Tomato: Add 2 tsp drained capers and 1 cup halved cherry tomatoes and 1 Tbsp olive oil when sauteeing the garlic & red pepper.

Mustard & Thyme: When sauteeing the garlic, replace the red pepper flakes with 2 tsp of country style Dijon mustard and 1 tsp of minced fresh thyme. And replace the white wine with dry vermouth.

Shrimp Stock: Place shrimp shells and a whole clove of garlic in a saucepan.

Add 1 and ¼ cup of water and a little salt. Bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmer for 5 minutes. Strain the stock through a fine meshed sieve. Discard the solids. You can refrigerate the stock for up to 2 days, or freeze it for up to 3 months. *MP Christakos*

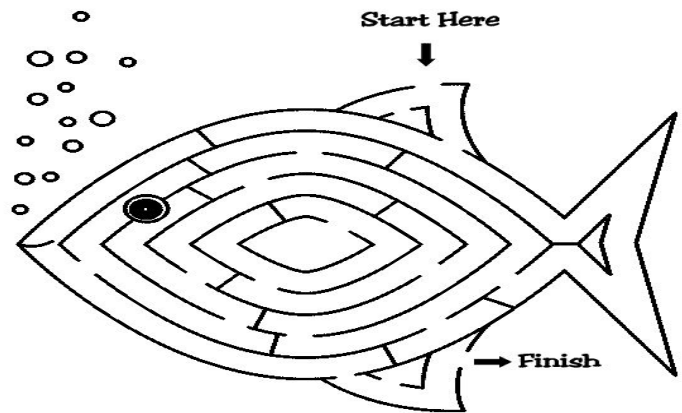
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Double Word Meanings by Diana Westgate

Instructions: Find the word that satisfies both definitions

1. Body part _____ Give weapons to
2. Not left _____ Not wrong
3. Sight improvers _____ Receptacle for liquids
4. Tree part _____ Bequeaths
5. Burrowing animal _____ Skin blemish
6. Flying animal _____ Sports equipment
7. Season _____ Water source
8. Supporter _____ Air circulator
9. Spinning toy _____ Highest Point
10. Celestial body _____ Lead actor

The answers are on the last page.

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Answers to the Double Word Meanings

1. Body part – **arm** – Give weapons to
2. Not right – **right** – Not wrong
3. Sight improvers – **glasses** – Receptacle for liquids
4. Tree part – **leaves** – Bequeaths
5. Burrowing animal – **mole** – Skin blemish
6. Flying animal – **bat** – Sports equipment
7. Season – **spring** – Water source
8. Supporter – **fan** – Air circulator
9. Spinning toy – **top** – Highest point
10. Celestial body – **star** – Lead actor

How and what are you doing during our new normal?

Send the *Pittsfield Post* your news

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Class of 2020 Awards (Con't from Page 1)

Career Readiness Awards for Completion of Years at the Concord Regional Technical Center:

Automotive Tech, Gregory Facella and Cody Hodgdon; Culinary and Pastry Arts, Joshua Paggi; Health Science, Paige Provencal, Rebecca Smith and Kinanna Vincelette; Criminal Justice, Julianna Hodson

College Credit in Abundance Awards for completion of Dual College and High School Coursework:

Courtney Butler, Abigail Cote and Bryana Morris

Yearbook Editor Awards:

Gwendolyn Clough and Aja Coulstring

Excellence in Yearbook:

Jolene Wood and Kianna Vincelette

Excellence in Business:

Aja Coulstring & Victoria Lee

Most Consistent Achiever in Senior Math:

Cody Hodgdon

Mathematics Inquisitiveness Award:

Cora LeMay

Determined Anatomist and Physiologist:

Julianna Hodson

Enthusiastic Anatomist and Physiologist:

Jolene Wood and Rebecca Smith

Most Improved Scientist:

Carolley Garvin

Enthusiastic Environmental Scientist:

Riley Duquette

Faculty Award in Physics:

Chandler Norris

Faculty Award in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics:

Michael Nevins

Always Reading:

Aja Coulstring and Scott Garrett

English Academic Excellence:

Carolley Garvin

English Awesome Attitude:

Joshua Paggi

Composition Excellence:

Aja Coulstring

Composition Awesome Attitude:

Gwendolyn Clough

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