# **PITTSFIELD POST**

A FREE NEWSLETTER BY COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

"Despite the forecast, live like it's spring." — Lilly Pulitzer

April 10, 2024

## **Roadside Litter Cleanup**

When: Saturday, April 20, 9am - noon

Rain or Shine

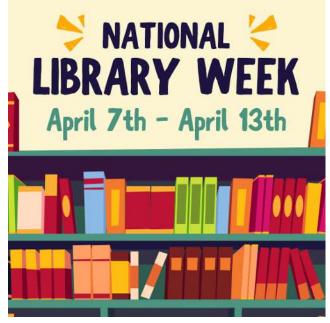
Where: Meet at the Drake Field gazebo

**Why:** To celebrate our planet in advance of Earth Day and to

help keep Pittsfield the beautiful place that it is!

**Other Details:** Please wear bright-colored clothing for visibility. Trash bags and disposable gloves will be provided to volunteers.

#### Hosted by the Pittsfield Conservation Commission



## Celebrate National Library Week, April 7-13, at Josiah Carpenter Library

Ready, set, library! National Library Week is April 7–13, and our library encourages everyone in the community to visit the library to take part in the festivities and explore all the library has to offer.

Libraries give us a green light to experience something truly special: a place to connect with others, learn new skills, and pursue our passions through book clubs, storytimes, movie nights, crafting classes, lectures, and more. We offer a wide array of programs, classes and resources, including our Library of Things. Libraries play a pivotal role in economic development by providing resources and support for job seekers, entrepreneurs, and small businesses.

No matter where you find yourself on the roadmap through life's journey—preparing for a new career, launching a

business, raising a family, or settling into retirement—our library offers the resources and support you need and an inclusive and supportive community where you will feel welcome.

So, get ready to explore, become inspired, and connect with others this National Library Week. Josiah Carpenter Library is here for you, all the way to the finish line.

First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association and libraries of all types across the country each April.

We look forward to seeing you!

Melissa Babcock, Director; staff, Library Board of Trustees, and Friends of the Library

## **Pittsfield Town Crier**

To have an event included cintact Andi Riel pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com 603-435-6346

**Thursday**. April 11, 9am: At the Senior Center - "Better Balance Better You"- Learn the importance of balance and how it affects our physical and social well-being. Discover ways to incorporate balance training in your daily routine. People who participate in this program will get a free coupon for lunch that day.

**Saturday**, April 13, 8:30-9:30am, FREE Community Breakfast at Joy Church. All are welcome and cost is a donation only.

**Monday**, April 15 - Thursday, April 18 - PES Scholastic Bookfair is coming to school. Mon - 9am-3pm, Tues -9am-3pm, Wed - 8am-1pm and Thurs - 9am-6:30pm.

**Monday**, April 15, 5:30-7pm - Community Supper at the First Congregational Church. All are welcome and cost is a donation.

#### Save the Date for the Multi Town Yard Sale,

sponsored by the Greater Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce, on Sat, June 1, from 8am-3pm - rain or shine. Registration closes on May 30. Both digital and printed maps will be available Friday, May 31. Digital maps will be available on the Greater Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce <u>Facebook page</u>, or their website <u>pittsfieldchamber.org</u> Registration fee is \$10 and can be dropped off at the Epping Well & Pump office - 26 Main St., Pittsfield. Checks should be made out to: Greater Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce. For more information, call or text Kathy at (603) 833-1434.

**BINGO** hosted by Pittsfield Youth Baseball/Softball Association is held every Sunday. They have a great menu of food items along with their games and it all benefits the children of Pittsfield for their baseball/softball programs. Doors open at noon and bingo starts at 2:30pm at 48 Airport Road, Concord.

**Updated Wish List** - Josiah Carpenter Library is in need of the following items throughout the year and would greatly appreciate any and all donations from patrons and town residents: Clear contact paper, small reward stickers, small (6-inch) paper plates, cotton balls, small prizes/party favors, buttons, paper napkins, glue dots, dish soap, colored cupcake liners (mini and regular), apple juice, powdered lemonade mix, and fruit snacks. All of these items go to benefit the staff and visitors who participate in various adult and children's programming provided by the library. Donations from you would allow for the annual budget to provide more for patrons throughout the year.

**Effective** Friday, March 1 - there will be a 6-ton weight limit. There will be special exceptions on colder mornings. Please call the DPW at 603-435-6151 for updated info or to arrange for deliveries.

**Pittsfield Town Clock** Many of you may not be aware that our town clock, owned by the Town and housed in the First Congregational Church, requires a weekly winding. The current volunteer is ready to retire which leaves us in need of a dependable individual to take over this weekly task. The clock is currently wound on Thursdays, and while the day of the week can be changed, it must remain consistent. If you are interested please contact Town Administrator Cara Marston by email at cmarston@pittsfieldnh.gov

**Pittsfield Budget Committee** There are several vacancies on the Budget Committee. Please contact Town Moderator Jackson Marston or the town hall if interested or have any questions. The volunteer application can be found on the town website www.pittsfieldnh.gov

The Pittsfield Food Pantry is in need of volunteers. Hours would be Monday and/or Thursday, 11am-2 pm. There is some lifting required. You would be filling orders for clients as they come in or taking orders from clients when they come in, which does not require lifting. Come to the pantry if you are interested. If you would like to make an appointment to talk about volunteering, our phone number is 603-435-7300, email address: FoodinPittsfield@hotmail.com

Attention PHS Class of 1984 - it's our 40<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion this year! Save the date, Sat, Sept. 14, at Murphy's Tap Room in Bedford. More info and invitations will be out soon.

**Happy Birthday** wishes to Stephanie Lamere, Jaime Netzley and to my youngest sister, Robin Grainger Blais on Wed, April 10. I hope you all enjoy your special day!

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#### **Cooks Corner**

# Gluten Free Cornbread Muffins and BBQ Cornbread Muffins

Thanks to our friend and Post colleague,

Jessica Drouin, we have two delightful gluten free recipes that we know you'll want to make on repeat. Jessica says, "the cornbread muffins are best served warm with local honey drizzled on top, and they'll likely vanish before they cool." The BBQ cornbread muffins are a great 'grab & go' for lunch or dinner on the run. ENJOY!

#### **Gluten Free Cornbread Muffins**

1 cup gluten free flour (use King Arthur's brand gluten free, 1:1 measure to regular flour)

- 1 cup gluten free cornmeal
- <sup>1</sup>⁄<sub>4</sub> cup white sugar
- 2 tsp baking powder
- ½ tsp salt
- 2 eggs

1 cup dairy free milk (such as oat milk) ¼ cup vegetable oil

Heat oven to 350. Move the oven rack to the middle / center position. In a bowl, add flour, cornmeal, sugar, baking powder and salt. In another bowl, beat eggs, milk and oil until well combined. Add the dry mixture to the wet mixture and stir until blended. Spoon the batter into an 8x8 inch pan or muffin pan. If using muffin pan, only fill the cups 2/3 full. Bake 8x8 pan for 25 to 30 minutes. Bake muffins for 20 minutes.

#### **Gluten Free BBQ Cornbread Muffins**

- 1 lb ground beef (80/20 mix)
- ¼ cup diced onion

<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup gluten free BBQ sauce, such as Sweet Baby Ray's or Stubbs Legendary

1 (8.5 oz) package gluten free cornbread muffin mix, OR make the GF muffin mix recipe shown above ½ cup shredded Cheddar cheese

Heat oven to 350. Grease a muffin pan. Combine ground beef and onion in a skillet and cook until beef is no longer pink. Drain off fat and return beef to the skillet. Add the BBQ sauce and coat the mixture well.

Prepare cornbread muffin batter, either using directions on the package, or according to the recipe above. Once the batter is made, add 2 TBSP of batter to each muffin cup, creating a well in the center of each. Add the meat mixture into the well of each muffin cup, then top with remaining cornbread batter.

Bake for 15 minutes. Remove from oven, top each muffin cup with cheese. Put the pan back in the oven for another 5 minutes, until the cheese is melted. PITTSFIELD INSURANCE AGENCY

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## **HELP WANTED**

The Pittsfield Parks & Recreation Commission is now accepting applications for lifeguards, beach attendants, and gate keepers for the 2024 summer season at the Forrest B. Argue Recreational Area.

Applications are available on the town website www.pittsfieldnh.gov or can be picked up at the Town Hall at 85 Main St.

Deadline - Friday, May 3



#### Post-It in the Post

Community groups, businesses, and individuals, please send us your news, opinions, and creative work! Deadline is noon on Friday.

Email: <u>pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org</u> Info: <u>www.PittsfieldNHCommunity Center.org</u>

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