

# PITTSFIELD POST

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"What good is the warmth of summer, without the cold of winter to give it sweetness." - John Steinbeck

JANUARY 12, 2022

## Pittsfield Elementary School Fall Update

This past fall, students in the third and fourth grades have had the opportunity to explore and learn beyond our standard curriculum. Students have engaged in hands-on, active and creative lessons to bring learning to light.

Nature's Classroom - On Wednesdays, students have participated in a variety of lessons that bring learning outside. Students have been active learners on the nature trail and around the school campus. Lessons have been taught both inside and outside to engage students in the wonder of NH nature while connecting other curriculum areas as well (poetry, science, cause and effect, writing, etc). Teachers have continued to expand on their training from the summer of 2020 to plan these lessons.

Mr. McNeil "The Science Guy" - Scott McNeil, P.E. (Professional Engineer) Aerospace Technical Development Manager for RBC Bearings has been coming into school this year and remotely last year to present holiday themed STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) lessons. The goals are to get students excited about science and to



encourage them to continue to learn about STEM and maybe see STEM as a future career. Some lessons include Boo Bubbles with Dry Ice, Dancing Popcorn Science Lab, Exploring Chemistry with Exploding Pumpkins, Who is an Inventor?, and Understanding Patents.

Operation Stockings for Soldiers - We sent 70 holiday stockings to U.S. soldiers who are stationed in Kosovo, Serbia. Students wrote individual letters following a traditional letter format and drew colorful holiday pictures. Teachers supplied stockings, lip balm, gum, and candy to go along with the letters. Students were excited to make a difference and to thank the soldiers who are currently protecting our country and will be far away from their families and friends during the holiday season. *Maryann McNeil, Pittsfield Elementary School*



### Budget Committee Public Hearing

Will be held at 7pm, Thursday January 13, 2022 in the PMHS Lecture Hall . The purpose of the hearing is to gather public input about the proposed 2022 Town and School District budgets.

(Snow Date: 7pm, Friday January 14, 2022)



### 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: [pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org](mailto:pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org)

Guidelines: [www.PittsfieldPost.org](http://www.PittsfieldPost.org)

**Town Crier** Andrea Riel 603-435.6346  
[pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com](mailto:pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com)

**Pittsfield Youth Workshop** has Drop-In hours from 3-6pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday and from 1-6pm on Wednesday. Lots of fun activities are happening – stop in and check it out. Please contact Laurie Sweeney or Zach Powers at [info@pittsfielddyouthworkshop.org](mailto:info@pittsfielddyouthworkshop.org) or 603-435-8272 for more information.

**Friends of the Suncook River (FOSR)**, founded nearly 20 years ago, is a non-profit 501 (c)(3) corporation based in the Barnstead - Pittsfield area but covering the entire length of the river, 35.7 miles. The Suncook River is a tributary of the Merrimack River. The focus of the Friends of the Suncook River has varied under the changing interests of its past directors and officers but in general terms the mission of the Friends of the Suncook River is to maintain a healthy Suncook River watershed by educating and engaging citizens in its history, recreation, and protection. On a more personal level is "To enjoy the Suncook River and share in the experience with like-minded friends, family, and associates." The FOSR has been inactive since before the outbreak of the Covid-19 virus and needs to be rebuilt from the ground up. Officers, directors, and members are needed as per the requirements of non-profit corporations. Please step forward and help save this non-profit New Hampshire organization. Contact Paul Oman in Pittsfield at [pauloman555@yahoo.com](mailto:pauloman555@yahoo.com)

**Snowmobile and ATV registrations** may be purchased at the Pittsfield town clerk's office.

**The Pittsfield Historical Society's 2022 calendars are still available.** The theme of the 2022 calendar honors the men and women of Pittsfield who have served in the Armed Forces. It contains 26 wonderful photographs of servicemen, servicewomen, and various memorials located throughout Pittsfield, and

provides a brief history of our loyal soldiers who fought for their country. Although there were soldiers from Pittsfield who fought in the Revolutionary War, the earliest image available to the Society is of Asa Bartlett, a captain in the Civil War. The calendar ends with Richard A. Brooks, a corporal in the Vietnam War. In between you'll find history, insight, and perhaps even a relative! This year, give the gift of local history! Calendars are available for sale at the Town Hall, Josiah Carpenter Library, and at the Historical Society's new museum on Oak Street on most Tuesday mornings (9-noon). You may also call or text Fuzz Freese at 603-848-4488, to arrange a purchase. The cost is \$15, payable by check or cash.

**Delivery of Library Materials** - The library would like to remind people that they continue to offer delivery of library materials. If you're homebound for any reason, or are simply avoiding all the cold, flu, and Covid germs swirling around, the library can come to you! For more information call 603-435-8406.

**Pittsfield Senior Center** is now located at Joy Church, 55 Barnstead Rd. in Pittsfield. Bingo will be every Monday and Thursday at 10am. On Wednesdays 10am: Cribbage and other games. Please contact Carol Schiferle at 603-435-8482 if you have any questions or if you need information. We will be serving community lunches on Mondays (for the month of January) at 12pm. Please remember reservations are required to help with planning the meal.

**Come Cheer on The Panthers at PMHS Gym!** Friday, January 14 at 5pm – JV Girls, and at 6:30pm - Varsity Boys vs Holy Family Academy; Saturday, January 15 at 11am - JV Girls, and at 12:30pm - JV Boys vs Newmarket.

**Happy Birthday** wishes to Tammy Colby on January 9, Joe McHugh on Wednesday, and Lyn Ward on Friday. I hope you all enjoy your special day.

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# Winterfest 2022

## January 12 - January 17, 2022

(All activities weather dependent)



**Wednesday, January 12** *Sledding with Cookies and Cocoa*

Early Release Day PMHS Hill 1 - 3 PES PTO

**Thursday, January 13** *Cookie Decorating*

Community Center Function Room 3 - 5

Aunties Treats



**Friday, January 14** *Family Movie Night*

**Boss Baby Two** Joy Church 6:30

Snacks and candy

**Saturday, January 15** *Snowman Building and Ice Skating*

F B Argue Recreation Area aka Town Beach 1 - 3

**PJ Story Hour** Carpenter Library 6:30



**Sunday, January 16** *WildLife Encounters*



Come see and touch Wild animals

Community Center Function Room 1 - 2



**Monday, January 17** *Candy Bar Bingo*

Pittsfield Community Center Function Room 1 - 3



**Masks suggested for indoor events**

## Cook's Corner

Pittsfield Post volunteer Jean Cram is a fan of no-bake yummy treats. She inspired the rest of the volunteers to thumb our noses at resolutions that forbid us from making and eating desserts! Do you have a favorite no-bake recipe? Email it to the Post at: [pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org](mailto:pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org) and we'll share your delicious inspiration with all our faithful readers! (Of course sugar is not a required ingredient, savory no-bake foods are also wonderful.)

Our friend and colleague Bill Miskoe shared this recipe for tasty, no-bake cookies. Nanaimo Bars are a traditional treat in Canada and are named after the city of Nanaimo, British Columbia. So gather up all the ingredients and mixing bowls and let's make some goodies, eh?

### Nanaimo Bars

½ cup butter, softened  
¼ cup white sugar  
5 TBSP unsweetened cocoa powder  
1 egg, beaten  
1 ¾ cups graham cracker crumbs  
1 cup flaked coconut  
½ cup finely chopped almonds  
½ cup butter, softened  
3 TBSP heavy cream  
2 TBSP custard powder, such as Bird's Custard Powder, OR you can use 2 TBSP of instant vanilla pudding powder  
2 cups confectioner's sugar  
4 (1 oz) squares of semisweet baking chocolate  
2 tsp butter

**Step One:** In the top of double-boiler, combine ½ cup butter, white sugar and cocoa powder. Stir occasionally until melted and smooth. Beat in the egg, stirring until thick, 2 to 3 minutes. Remove from heat and mix in the graham cracker crumbs, coconut and almonds. Press into the bottom of an ungreased 8x8 inch baking pan.

**Step Two:** For the middle layer, cream together ½ cup butter, heavy cream and custard powder (or instant pudding powder) until lightly fluffy. Mix in the confectioner's sugar until smooth. Spread over the bottom layer in the pan. Chill to set.

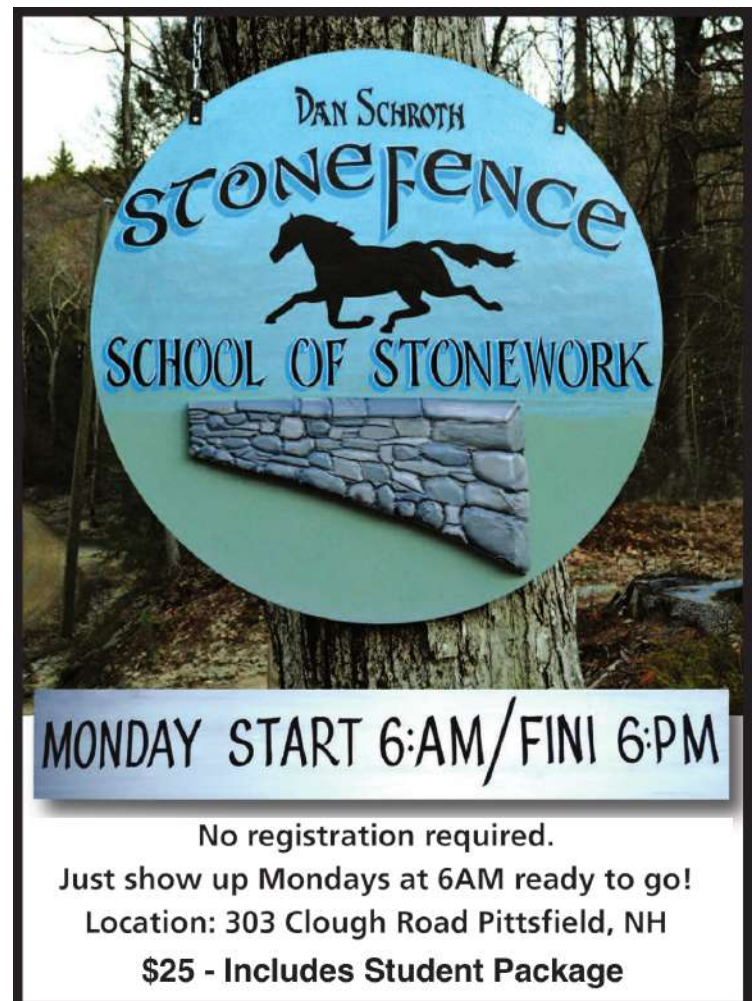
**Step Three:** While the second layer is chilling, melt the semisweet chocolate and 2 tsp of butter together in the microwave or over low heat. Spread over the chilled bars. Let the chocolate set before cutting into squares. Enjoy! *MP Christakos*

## Pittsfield Clothes Closet 2021

The Pittsfield Clothes Closet located at 26 Carroll St. and managed by Phyllis Conway has had a very successful year and they have been able to donate over \$4,900 to members and organizations of the Pittsfield Community. The following have benefited from the Pittsfield Clothes Closet's generosity: Food Pantry, CAP Meals on Wheels, Fire Victims, Hanging Flower Basket fund, Pittsfield Post, PMHS Scholarship, F.B. Argue Rec. Area, Old Home Day, School Supplies, Suncook Valley Soccer Club (SVSC), Harvestfest, Secret Santa Fund, Chamber of Commerce Christmas event, and the Senior Center. Please continue to support this wonderful shop either by donating clothes and items or by shopping there. Thank you to the Pittsfield Clothes Closet.

## Voter Registration Session January 18

Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session on Tuesday, Jan. 18, at the Town Hall from 7-7:30pm to make corrections and register new voters. Change of party registration will be accepted. *Roberta Maxfield*



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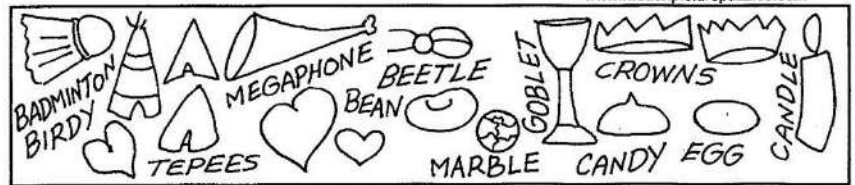
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No registration required.  
Just show up Mondays at 6AM ready to go!  
Location: 303 Clough Road Pittsfield, NH  
**\$25 - Includes Student Package**

**PITTSFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT FILING NOTICE**

Declarations of Candidacy for elected School District positions will begin on Wednesday, Jan. 19, and expire on Friday, Jan. 28, at 5pm. You may file at the office of the School District Clerk at the Town Hall, 85 Main St., during regular business hours. The office will remain open until 5pm on Jan. 28. The declaration form will also be available to download from the Town and School District websites – [www.pittsfieldnh.gov](http://www.pittsfieldnh.gov) and [www.pittsfieldnhschools.org/](http://www.pittsfieldnhschools.org/)

School Board Member 2 (3) year term  
 School Board Member 1 (1) year term  
 School District Clerk 1 (3) year term  
*Erica Anthony, School District Clerk*



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Selectman 2 (3) year term  
 Town Moderator 1 (2) year term  
 Supervisor of the Checklist 1 (6) year term  
 Trustee of Trust Funds 1 (3) year term  
 Library Trustee 1 (3) year term  
 Cemetery Trustee 1 (3) year term  
 Planning Board 1 (3) year term  
 Zoning Board of Adjustment 1 (3) year term  
*Erica Anthony, Town Clerk*

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