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"When eating fruit, remember the one who planted the tree." OCTOBER 6, 2021 Vietnamese Proverb

Sincere Thanks for Improvement to Pittsfield's Main Street

The Josiah Carpenter Library would like to express our deep appreciation for the donation that enabled the demolition of the barn located between the library and the Berry House. During the past five years, many of Pittsfield's citizens thought long and hard to think of a purpose for the barn, but, we were unable to think of a practical reason to keep it.

Due to the excellent work of Jim Parker and Daughters, Pittsfield, NH, the appearance of Main Street has significantly improved.

Thank you! Josiah Carpenter Library Staff and Trustees



Selectboard Meeting September 28, 2021

A hearing to consider accepting a donation to the town in excess of \$5,000 was the first order of business. There was no public comment and the board voted to accept the donation of \$38,000 for the purpose of covering the cost of demolition of the old barn next to the library and create a parking area for library use. By the time this hits the press, the building will likely be gone and one less blight on the looks of Main Street will have been accomplished. As a side note, a wildflower garden is going to be created across the street at 36 Main, also by donation. Combined with the Main Street grants that have already improved the look of downtown, we should truly have a Main Street we can be proud of.

We considered a number of potential Tax Deeds for properties with three years of taxes outstanding. We granted waivers for those taxpayers who entered into payment plans and have a good likelihood of being successful. Deeding of a property by the town we consider a "last resort;" however, it's not fair to expect other taxpayers to make up the difference.

Several volunteers were appointed to various committees- we thank them for their service.

Avatar, the sole bidder for our town assessing needs for the next 5 years, was approved.

Pinard Waste will continue to pick up our dumpsters, and Dead River Co. will continue as our fuel oil provider.

The sewer warrant was signed and bills will go out right away.

The board will start meeting weekly through "budget season" to complete what some of us consider the arduous task of projecting what we'll need to operate the town another year. *Carl Anderson*

PITTSFIELD SCHOOL BOARD POSITION

The Pittsfield School District is looking for interested candidates who are interested in filling a vacant School Board position. This position will be in effect from the date of appointment through the election of school board members in March of 2022. Being a resident of Pittsfield is a requirement for this position. Interested candidates should submit a letter of interest by October 15 to:

Bryan K. Lane- Superintendent of Schools Pittsfield School District- SAU 51 23 Oneida Street, Pittsfield, NH 03263

Town Crier435-8482Andi RielPittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com

Friday, October 8 The Pittsfield School District will be closed.

Friday, October 8, 1-6pm Joy Church (55 Barnstead Rd) is sponsoring an American Red Cross Blood Drive.

Saturday, October 23, 6-8:30pm The PES PTO is sponsoring **Trunk or Treat** at the Globe parking lot. Trunk Entry - pto@pittsfieldnhschools.org Baked goods and candy gladly accepted. Snacks and drinks will be available. Please consider a donation of a non-perishable food item for the PES Food 4 Kids. Prizes will be awarded for best trunk and best costume. Bring a pumpkin to be displayed.

Pittsfield Soccer - Come on down to Drake Field and support our local soccer teams. Games this week: PMHS Varsity Boys, Wednesday, Oct. 6 at 4:30pm; PMHS Varsity Boys, Saturday, Oct. 9 at 11am and PMHS Varsity Girls at 1pm.

The Pittsfield Youth Workshop is open and would love to have students grade 6 and up stop in and participate in the programs. Drop-in hours are Mon., Tues. and Thurs. from 3-6pm; Wed. from 1-6pm; and on Fri there is a trip planned to Beech Hill Farm with a corn maze. For a full calendar of activities please visit the website: www.pittsfieldyouthworkshop.org For more information or questions, please contact PYW at 435-8272 or info@pittsfieldyouthworkshop.org

The Friends of the Suncook River (FOSR), founded nearly 20 years ago, is a non-profit covering the entire length of the river. 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. 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

The Pittsfield Senior Center has moved to the Pittsfield Youth Workshop (PYW) at 5 Park Street. You may stop by and visit while we are there. Our phone number will remain the same. We are still working on our permanent location. We will send out e-mails as there are updates to the current situation.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Carol Schiferle at cshiferle@bm-cap.org or call 435-8482.

The Pittsfield Historical Society continues to raise funds for the new Museum and Headquarters. A commemorative garden on the Museum grounds has been installed, honoring people's loved ones.

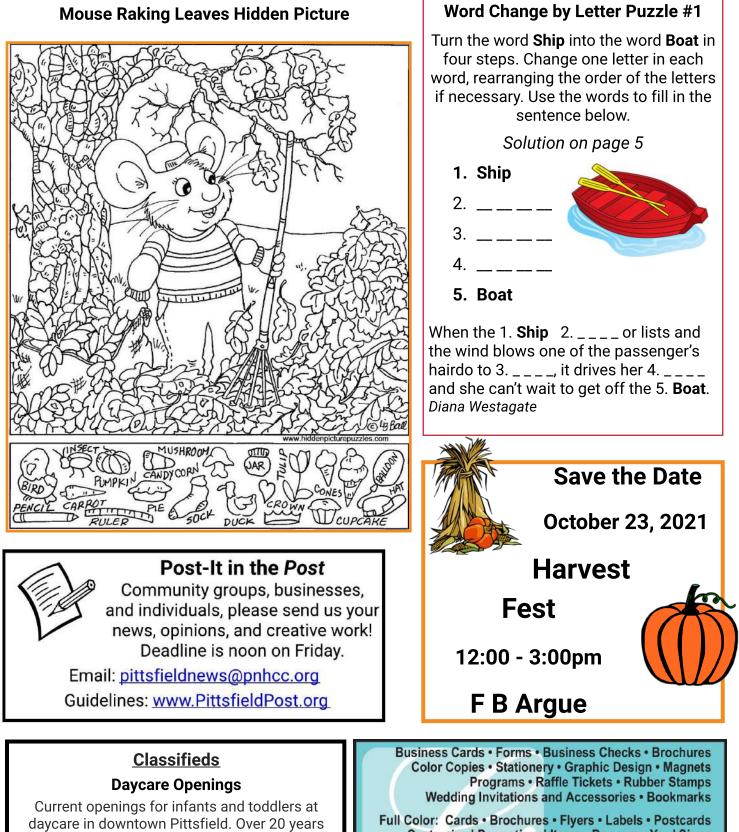
Why not "BUY-A-BRICK" to honor yourself or loved ones past or present. The 4x8-inch bricks are \$100 each and may be engraved with 3 lines of 18 characters. Visit www.pittsfieldhistory.com for a donation form and instructions. For more information, please call 798-3984.

Happy Birthday wishes to Laurie Vien last Sunday and to Alice Young on Wednesday. I hope you both enjoy your special day!

Thank You!!!

Pittsfield Celebrates Homecoming was wonderful and was made possible through the generous support of: Aunties Treats, Bell Brothers, Danis Supermarket, Jack's Pizza, Jitters, Joy Church, Kentek, Pittsfield Highway Department, Rustic Crust, Saint Stephen's Church, and Suncook Valley Rotary Club.

Activities provided by: Capital Area Public Health Network, Josiah Carpenter Library, MSA Globe, NH Liquor Enforcement Division, NH Homeland Security and Emergency Management, NH Department of Corrections K-9 Unit, Old Home Day Committee, Parks and **Recreation Committee, Pittsfield Fire** Department, Pittsfield Head Start, Pittsfield Historical Society, Pittsfield Police Department, Pittsfield Post, PMHS Advisory Council, PMHS Athletic Department, PMHS Class Advisors, Officers and Students, Pittsfield Youth Workshop, Suncook Valley Republicans, and Victory Workers 4-H.



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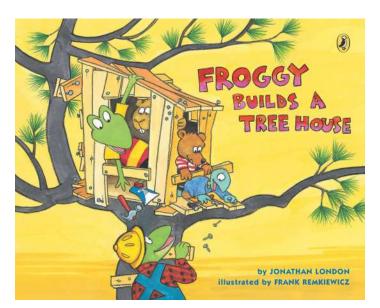
The Pittsfield Community Center is run and managed by a non-profit corporation, Pittsfield Center Development Corporation, NOT the town of Pittsfield. We own the Community Center building and two apartment buildings in Pittsfield. In the Community Center building, we have a karate studio on the third floor. On the second floor, we have a big auditorium room. The Main Street floor has two offices, the Bicentennial Room, bathrooms, and the PCDC office. In the basement, on Broadway, is another function room with a kitchen and bathrooms and its own entrance. The Function Room, Bicentennial Room, and Auditorium are available for private rentals, as are the two offices on the Main Street floor.

When the Community Center was rebuilt, a corporation was formed and the apartment buildings were supposed to help support the Community Center so that it would be available for youth and community groups to meet at minimal cost. This, unfortunately, has not been the case. The building needs some major repairs, like replacing all the toilets, dealing with some major water leaks during heavy rainstorms, new windows throughout the building to help with heating, floor stripping and waxing, painting, and general yearly upkeep. Unfortunately, we struggle to keep up with our monthly expenses, so many of these projects have been put on the to-do list. At this time, we are researching grants that we might gualify for to help complete some of these projects. Any donations of money, services, or time that anyone could give would be greatly appreciated. Also, if someone is knowledgeable in grant writing or fundraising, we would appreciate any help you could give us. We are trying to keep the Community Center open and available for town groups and activities.

Planning a party? Consider renting a room from us. Have a group who would like a place to meet? Contact us to see what we can work out. We also have two spaces open on the board of directors and many spaces on the advisory board. Any help you could offer would be appreciated.

At present, we have a karate class operating two nights a week on the third floor, a girl scout/brownie troop, the VNA nail clinic once a month, and WIC once a month. We offer rooms for rent for private functions, and space is available for youth and adult community meetings.

Contact information -603-435- 6729 or 603-290-4068 PCDC: Box 253 Pittsfield, NH 03263 (located at 74 Main Street)



New StoryWalk Display

The Josiah Carpenter Library's current StoryWalk® features Froggy and his friends as they build a tree house with the help from a surprise helper. The story, *Frog gy Builds a Tree House*, by Jonathan London, is now available for your viewing pleasure. Book pages have been mounted in 16 windows throughout the downtown area. Tie up your walking shoes, grab your water bottle, and enjoy a stroll through our beautiful little town. Families may pick up a map from the mailbox that is attached to the community bulletin board at Dustin's Park. As you return to the library on Main Street to read the last page of the book, stop in to pick up your FREE GIFT!

Please note that there are <u>no</u> book pages at Family Pizza this time, as they've been closed for vacation. However, there are extra pages on display at Main Street Grill and Bar. *Melissa Babcock*



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To The Pittsfield Post:

In 2020 the Pittsfield voters strongly approved a School District ballot article which required the School Board to 'investigate and pursue viable options for tuitioning all students grades 9 through 12 to another high school...'.

I believe that this was a clear instruction to the Board to change how Pittsfield educates its High School students. The Board did in fact establish a committee to look into options in this regard, but it has done nothing further.

Meanwhile in Northwood, Coe-Brown Academy is seeking students in order to keep its tuition costs down. Pittsfield students would be welcome there.

Coe-Brown is a highly rated school and it is geographically close to Pittsfield. It would be an ideal place for our students.

I cannot understand why our School Board continues to pass this problem around like an ugly baby, instead of taking advantage of the realities which clearly exist.

What are we waiting for? Bill Miskoe

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** Donations are tax-deductible. Donations above \$50.00 may be acknowledged as sponsor of the week.

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I would like to have sponsorship acknowledgement: Yes ___ No___

Text for Sponsorship:_____

Answer to the Word Change by Letter Puzzle #1

When the **ship tips** or lists and the wind blows one of the passenger's hairdo to **bits**, it drives her **bats** and she can't wait to get off the **boat**. (h>t, p>b, i>a, s>o)

Cook's Corner

Italian Sausage Soup with Tortellini

Oh yes, we're definitely heading into soup and stew season. Here's an easy idea that is super tasty and super satisfying. You can substitute the zucchini for a can (drained) of Great Northern beans if you prefer –or do both.

But you absolutely need a good quality crusty bread or hard rolls to soak up the goodness of this broth. We'll feature more soup & stew recipes soon. If you have some family favorites, we would love to feature them.

2 lbs Italian sausage, casings removed

- 1 cup chopped onion
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 5 cups low-sodium beef broth
- ½ cup water
- ½ cup red wine
- 2 cups canned diced tomatoes
- 1 cup carrots, chopped
- ¼ cup roughly torn fresh basil leaves
- ½ tsp dried oregano
- 1 (8 oz) can tomato sauce
- 1 & $\frac{1}{2}$ cups thinly sliced zucchini
- 3 Tbsp chopped fresh parsley
- 12 oz fresh or frozen tortellini

¾ cup grated, fresh Parmesan cheese

Brown the sausage in a heavy pot or skillet, with just a little oil. Transfer sausage to a plate or bowl and set aside. Drain the fat from the pot, but keep about 1 Tbsp of the pan drippings.

Saute onion and garlic in the pan drippings until tender, about 5 to 7 minutes. Stir in broth, water, wine, tomatoes, carrots, basil, oregano, tomato sauce, and sausage. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer, uncovered, for 30 minutes. Stir in zucchini and parsley. Simmer for 10 minutes. Add tortellini and simmer for 10 more...

Serve with freshly grated Parmesan cheese and warmed crusty bread. Add a simple green salad alongside, and you're good to go. Mangia! *MP Christakos*

PITTSFIELD, NH

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Special Knowledge, Skills and Abilities Required.

- · Able to speak, read and write English
- Have basic knowledge of computers or tablets
- Willing to learn
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- Able to sit and/or stand for long periods of time
- Able to lift approximately 30 pounds
- · Strong organization skills and high attention to detail

Candidates with experience in the following areas are encouraged to apply.

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- Machine Operation
- Assembly / Crafting / Knitting
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Cutting Room Associate

- Work in a fast paced environment preparing materials and fabrics used to create the firesuits / turnout gear
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- · Cut fabric into pieces using a Gerber Cutter
- · Place cut goods on rolling racks
- Prepare material for other areas of production
- + Bag goods

Special Knowledge, Skills and Abilities Required:

- Able to speak, read and write English
- . Have basic knowledge of computers or tablets
- · Able to use and understand a ruler and measurements
- Must be able to stand/walk, bend, reach and work with your hands for full shift
- Able to assist in team lifting of approximately 30 pounds
- · Strong organization skills and high attention to detail
- Previous experience in Quality Control and Inspection desirable
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