

# PITTSFIELD POST

A FREE NEWSLETTER BY COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

"A fallen leaf is nothing more than a summer's wave goodbye" - *Unknown*

September 27, 2023

## Harvest Fest Chili Cook Off



Do you enjoy making chili? Do you have a favorite recipe that you would like to share? Do you love chili and want to taste some hometown recipes? At Harvest Fest, we will be having a Chili Cookoff. We will be looking for the first 10 people to register to make chili. We will have power strips for contestants to plug in their crock pots. Please register by sending your name to [minnibump@gmail.com](mailto:minnibump@gmail.com). She will then email you a registration form for you to bring with your chili on the day of Harvest Fest. As part of the registration form there will be a section about known allergens, it is imperative that you circle any allergens that will be in your chili. Attendees will then be asked to sample the chili and pick their favorites. Each person who purchases a \$1.00 ticket, which you can only purchase once, will receive a voting card. Each person will choose their favorite chili recipe. The chili with the most votes will be the winners. It will be a blind contest where your name will be kept confidential until judging is over. We will announce each contestant and the name of their chili and then the winners will be announced. Prizes will be awarded for the favorites. Send us an email if you want to make chili for others to share. We are looking forward to celebrating some great Pittsfield area cooks. Again to get a registration form, email Minni at [minnibump@gmail.com](mailto:minnibump@gmail.com).

## Over the Moon Farmstead Chosen by *Yankee Magazine's New England Today* for **Best Fall Foliage Brews and Views**

I think Pittsfield residents agree that our town is beautiful, and now the staff of Yankee Magazine is sharing the news of our good fortune:

**"Best Foliage Brews and Views:** These New England breweries all offer top-notch brews with gorgeous foliage views. **Hidden Moon Brewing – Pittsfield, NH**

The scene: It doesn't get more quintessential than enjoying a beer in a hilltop post and beam barn, but with Applevue Orchards right across the street, this brewery offers an unparalleled opportunity to cross off a few items on your fall checklist in one perfect autumn afternoon! Timing: Mid- to Late-October"

Additional New Hampshire breweries in Littleton, North Conway and Portsmouth were included in the article, but we can save ourselves a drive and just head up Upper City! And, I would be surprised if the others can add on site hiking trails to their amenities. If hiking is your thing, the trails in our Sargent and Rocky Ridge town forests are also wonderful this time of year, and when you've finished hiking you can treat yourself to a well deserved refreshing drink at Over the Moon. *Leslie Vogt*

## Town Crier

To have an event included in this column, call Andi Riel at 603-435-6346 or email [pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com](mailto:pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com)

**Thursday, Sept. 28 at 7pm** at Town Hall the **Conservation Commission** will meet.

**PYW** has some exciting activities planned on their Fall Calendar and are actively accepting donations of the following items: picture frames (8x10 or smaller, not a deal breaker if there is no glass!), magazines, rocks (for painting), small smooth river rocks (for framed rock art), polyfill, journals, scrapbooking/journal decorating items. Thank you!! Please contact Ashley or Zach at 603-435-8272 or email at [info@pittsfieldyouthworkshop.org](mailto:info@pittsfieldyouthworkshop.org)

**Friday, Sept. 29 at 6:30pm Joy Church and the Pittsfield Senior Center** will have another joint event. Our second "Paint Night" with instructor Anne Morrell. Seats go quickly so please contact Darlene at Joy Church (755-6357) or Anne at the senior center (435-8482) to reserve your spot. Spots are \$20 per person.

**Monday, Oct. 2 at 6:30pm** at Town Hall the **American Legion Peterson Cram Post 75** will meet.

**Monday Oct. 2 at 6:30pm** at PES Gym the Victory Workers 4-H club will hold their monthly meeting.

**Tuesday, Oct. 3, from 9-11am First Congregational Church Infant Toddler Diaper Pantry** will be open for families to receive supplemental diapers. Financial donations, donations of diapers (including open packages) and donations of wipes are always welcomed. Please call 603-435-7471 with any questions.

**Thursday Oct. 5 9-12:30pm Manufacturing Day at MSA/GLOBE, 37 Loudon Rd, Pittsfield**– The public is invited to an Open House Come tour our facility and learn how MSA/GLOBE helps protect our Firefighters, Military Personnel and more. (\*\* Closed heel and toe shoes are required for factory tour). Door prizes and refreshments!

**Saturday Oct 7,2023. 11am-2pm**, Northwood Community Hall, 135 Main Street, Northwood

**RAIDERS OF THE LOST ART** - Braiding guild OPEN HOUSE. Please join us in celebrating this old art of rug braiding. Whether you just want to appreciate these hand-made heirlooms, have an interest in learning how to braid, or want to join our weekly Guild Evenings- All are Welcome!

**Tuesday, Oct. 10 at 5pm** –OPEN HOUSE at the Josiah Carpenter Library on we're hosting a delightful children's Halloween Book read-aloud of Ellie the Skelly by local author, Naomi Fredette, followed by creative coloring activities. Costumes are optional, but the more ghouls and ghosts, the merrier! Light refreshments will be provided.

**Senior Center** hours are Monday, Wednesdays, and Thursdays 8:00am –1:00pm. . For more information or if you have questions, call 603-435-8482.

**Saturday Oct 28, 5-6:30pm** South Pittsfield Community Club (SPCC) Turkey Supper will be held at the Clubhouse, 444 Dowboro Rd. All you can eat – Turkey, Stuffing, Butternut Squash, Mashed Potatoes, Coleslaw, Rolls, Drinks and Homemade Pies. Eat In or Take Out. Adults-\$12, Children ages 6-12- \$8 and under age 6 Free.

**Are you a Target shopper?** PYW has been chosen as a nonprofit partner and we could use your votes! A share of \$15,000 will be divided between five worthy nonprofits, based on the number of votes each receives. Vote by Sept. 30 More info can be found at [www.target.com/circle](http://www.target.com/circle).

**Sunday November 5 Catamount Womenaid 5K** <https://www.catamountwomenaid.org/catamount-5k> BEST swag bags, cool hat if you are on of the first 100 registered....great food and even some prizes!!! Come join the fun, run, walk and help our neighbors in need!

**The 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. Facial tissues, rolls of paper towels, unscented baby wipes, plastic spoons and forks, quart and gallon size zipper storage bags, printer paper, post-it notes, scotch tape refills, glue sticks, chunky toddler paint brushes, disposable tablecloths, craft pompoms, fine tip & broad tip markers, glue dots, jumbo craft sticks, sticky backed google eyes, white card stock, goldfish crackers, apple juice jugs, microwave popcorn, any individual serving size snacks.

**The Town** is in desperate need for volunteers for many of the committees – specifically mentioned were members are needed for the Budget Committee and the CDC (Community Development Committee). Please contact the Town Hall for information

**Happy Birthday** wishes to Mary-ellen Tuttle on Wednesday. I hope you enjoy your special day.

## Diomedes Restaurant -- From Big Screen & Prime Time to Pittsfield

Many of us anxiously awaited to see what would become of the former Dominick's Restaurant in Chichester on Route 28. The wait is over. Diomedes's opened in late July and is already enjoying good success and great reviews

Paul and Kim Diomedes spent most of their careers in the acting world. They met at Salve Regina University in Newport, Rhode Island where they both studied theater. They spent the next decade or more in New York City where their acting careers took off. Kim focused on live theater and taught acting. Paul has appeared in over a dozen films as well as the small screen, with numerous performances in *Law & Order* and *The Sopranos*, among other shows.

Living in Lower Manhattan, after the terrorists attacked The World Trade Centers on September 11, 2001, they decided to move to New Jersey. Paul is originally from Jersey City, New Jersey. While continuing their acting careers, Paul also began working for local celebrity entrepreneur and musician, Tim McLoone as a manager for one of McLoone's first restaurants. Together, Paul and Tim grew the business from one location to 14 restaurants. With that success under his belt, Paul and Kim started their own restaurant, The Sea Bright Fish Co., which included both a retail fish market as well as a casual seafood restaurant; and later opened the more upscale Restaurant Diomedes in Little Silver, New Jersey.

When the Covid pandemic hit, it became increasingly difficult to keep both restaurants operating. Paul's Aunt and Uncle had been lifelong residents of Pittsfield and Paul spent every summer here in his youth and was a hands-on help to them in their later years before they passed. In 2019, Kim and Paul decided to move to Pittsfield full time. This past Spring, they learned that Dominick's was for sale and with their real estate partner, Julian Pecorino, they bought the property. Paul recruited his former head chef, Donald Martin, who trained in highly regarded establishments in New York City; and together the team renovated and opened Diomedes's in July 2023.

Although they are recent arrivals to Pittsfield, they are already having an impact. Kim works at the Josiah Carpenter Library and is deeply involved as a volunteer with the Pittsfield Historical Society.



Together they have 3 sons, triplets, all enrolled in our local Pittsfield school. They are also focused on supporting the Pittsfield Scenic Players; and are in discussions with the theater group to identify specific ways they can support our local theater arts. One idea under consideration is for Diomedes's to offer a prix fixe dinner menu, on nights when a show is playing in town.

The menu is classic Italian fare. There are appetizers and salads, a variety of pasta dishes and entrees include chicken, seafood, steak and pork. All desserts are house-made and they have a children's menu. Every dish is made from only fresh ingredients and made to order. The décor, music and lighting all combine to create a lovely, upscale casual dining ambience. Paul and Kim plan to open the bar area soon and eventually plan to expand their hours to include lunch service. For now their hours are Wednesday through Sunday from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. The phone number is 603-435-4072 and reservations are recommended, particularly for Friday and Saturday nights. This reporter enjoyed a delightful meal recently, the food was absolutely delicious, the portions are very large and the service was outstanding. A special request from Paul and Kim, if you have any black and white photos of Pittsfield, please bring them to the restaurant. They would like to frame your photo for a spot in the dining room, and hear your story.

Diomedes's is a welcome addition to our area and best wishes to the Diomedes family for long term success!  
*MP Christakos*

## Select Board Review September 12, 2023

We heard a presentation from Community Power Coalition of NH about the price advantages to residents of Pittsfield if we joined. The CDC will be giving us their recommendation at our next meeting. They are the ones who've been sifting through the details of the proposals the town has received and have the most knowledge on the subject. I believe it's down to a couple of proposals that are offering Pittsfield better rates than Eversource.

A group of Laconia Rd. (Rt 107 north of town) residents petitioned the Town to lower the speed limit and place signage cautioning an intersection from the Barnstead line toward BCEP. It seems like a reasonable request, however, that road is State maintained and the town has no actual jurisdiction over those matters. That said, we can (and will) make the requested changes/additions to State DOT. We have successfully made similar requests in the past.

The Planning Board and the Conservation Commission have both reviewed the proposed sale of the vacant 36 Main St lot and agree it should be sold.

A letter of commendation for Officer Justin Bishop was seconded by the BoS in recognition for going 'above and beyond' the call of duty to recover stolen property which had ended up in Boscawen.

Mark Riel was appointed to the CIP committee and Larry Konopka was appointed Deputy Building Inspector to fill in, in the event our Code Compliance Officer Scott Lacroix is out. The town can use more volunteers such as these two men who have stepped up. We have several areas of need, so please contact the Town Hall for more information. Carl Anderson

### Express your Opinion!

Do you have opinions you would like to share?

#### Submission Guidelines

- ▶ Identify yourself and provide contact information.
- ▶ 300 words or less; exceptional information may exceed the word limit at the discretion of the Post Content Team.
- ▶ Topics may include events, issues, and opportunities about or affecting Pittsfield.
- ▶ Please be civil, factual, specific, and clear. No submission is guaranteed publication.

Deadline is noon on Friday via [pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org](mailto:pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org)

The Post Volunteers

### *Finer Touch Cleaning and Organizing:* **Fall Yard Clean Up**

We all love leaves but if left on the ground they mold, and don't let the good grass up. It's simple, you use that blower to pick up those leaf piles.

1. Blow leaves into a pile.
2. Pick them up into a bag that is recyclable. Home Depot sells them, and those people don't just stand around. Talk, ask, they know more than most. They love it. You can check at Maxfields store, our local hardware store.
3. Get rakes, but don't leave them outside. Use a small rake to get in under bushes. Make it a family affair.
4. Green funnels fit into the home depot bags. Ask about them in hardware stores. Or you can use a lawn mower that rides and has an attachment for a cloth bag. For a stand up lawn mower you can get a lawn bag for leaves.

Cut prune the bushes. I have been pruning since I was eight years old. Always be organized. One prunes, one blows, one rakes and have fun. Look at your work afterwards. Include the kids. Put your stuff on the peg board. Cheap, easy to put up and it's visual. *Lisa Savage*

### Advertising in the POST

Costs begin at \$4.00 for a brief classified ad.  
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## PUBLIC HEARINGS MEETING NOTICE

### TOWN OF PITTSFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN PUBLIC HEARINGS

Tuesday, September 26, 2023  
Sale of Town Property hearing #1

Tuesday, October 10, 2023  
Sale of Town Property hearing #2

The Board of Selectmen will hold two public hearings to accept comment on the proposed sale of land, in accordance with RSA 41:14-a, a statute, which gives the Board of Selectmen the authority to acquire and sell land and buildings through a public hearing process, that was adopted by Town Meeting on March 17, 2007.

The parcel being considered for sale is 36 Main Street, tax map U3, lot 83.

The first public hearing will be held at 6:15 p.m. on Tuesday, September 26, 2023, at the Town Office, 85 Main Street, Pittsfield, NH 03263. The second public hearing will be held at 6:15 p.m. on Tuesday, October 10, 2023, at the Town Office, 85 Main Street, Pittsfield, NH 03263.

More information is available, including the recommendations from the Planning Board and Conservation Commission, at the Town Office (85 Main Street, Pittsfield, NH) and on the town website ([www.pittsfieldnh.gov](http://www.pittsfieldnh.gov)).



Youth at Pittsfield Youth Workshop on an apple picking event at Applevue in Pittsfield.



We had an amazing summer at Pittsfield Youth Workshop but we are excited to be back to school! Our school year drop in hours are:

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 3-6PM and Wednesdays from 1-6PM** for early release days.



Youth at Pittsfield Youth Workshop enjoying the egg drop activity.

### Important Dates:

Upcoming trips: Seacoast Science Center 10/6/23, and Indoor Rock Climbing 11/10/23. Come by PYW for permission slips!

-High School Only Nights: 10/13/23 and 11/3/23

-For our full Fall calendar, visit <https://pittsfieldyouthworkshop.org>. Interested in volunteering at PYW? Email us at [info@pittsfieldyouthworkshop.org](mailto:info@pittsfieldyouthworkshop.org)



## Cook's Corner

### Two Apple Recipes – Your New Fall Favorites

Fall is upon us and that means it's apple season in the Granite State. Here are two recipes that I hope you will enjoy. One sweet and one savory. The Caramel Apple Crisp is a fun twist on the classic. Serve this dish of deliciousness warm with your favorite vanilla ice cream or whipped cream. The Apple Cider Fondue is easy to make and is a fun dish to put out for a Fall get together, or while watching an afternoon of football. Be sure to check with Leavitt's Cider Mill here in Pittsfield regarding availability for cider and their hours. Happy cooking, *MP Christakos*

#### Caramel Apple Crisp

- ½ cup caramel ice cream topping
- ½ tsp ground cinnamon
- 6 large baking apples, peeled and cut into ½-inch thick slices
- 2/3 cup flour
- ½ cup packed brown sugar
- ½ cup cold butter, cut into pieces
- 2/3 cup quick-cooking oats
- Vanilla ice cream for serving

Heat oven to 375. Stir together caramel topping and cinnamon in a large bowl. Add apples, stirring until evenly coated. Spread the apple mixture, evenly, into a 9x13 baking dish.

In the same bowl, stir together flour and sugar. Using a pastry blender or 2 forks, cut butter into the flour until coarse crumbs form. Stir in oats until well combined. Crumble oat mixture over the apples. Bake until apples are tender and the topping is light golden brown, 45 to 50 minutes. Let cool for 10 minutes.

#### Apple Cider Fondue

- 16 oz Gruyere or Swiss cheese, grated and at room temp (about 4 cups)
- 1 & ½ TBSP cornstarch
- 1 & 1/3 cups fresh apple cider
- TBSP apple cider vinegar
- Fresh ground black pepper
- Pinch of nutmeg

1 TBSP Calvados (apple brandy), optional

Sliced apples, pears and baguette bread for dipping  
Stir together cheese and cornstarch in a large bowl. Combine apple cider and the vinegar in a medium sized sauce pan. Bring to a boil, reduce heat to simmer. Whisk in cheese mixture, by the handful, until smooth, well blended and creamy. Whisk in pepper and nutmeg.

Serve immediately with cut fruit and bread slices for dipping.

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 To Benefit **IBEW Local 490**  
**KIDS FIRST** **48 Airport Road**  
**Pittsfield Concord**  
**Youth Baseball Association** **DOORS OPEN AT 12:00PM**  
 www.facebook.com/pybabingo

**To the good citizens of Pittsfield.**

It is well understood that the only decent future for those of us living in America now is through a rediscovery of our environment. We need to establish a right relationship with the land and its resources. Otherwise the destruction of the Indian will be followed by the destruction of nature, and in the destruction of nature will follow the destruction of ourselves. From the book Touch the Earth compiled by T C McLuhan So in Pittsfield when making a decision, keep nature in mind. I have spoken. *Dan the Stoneman*

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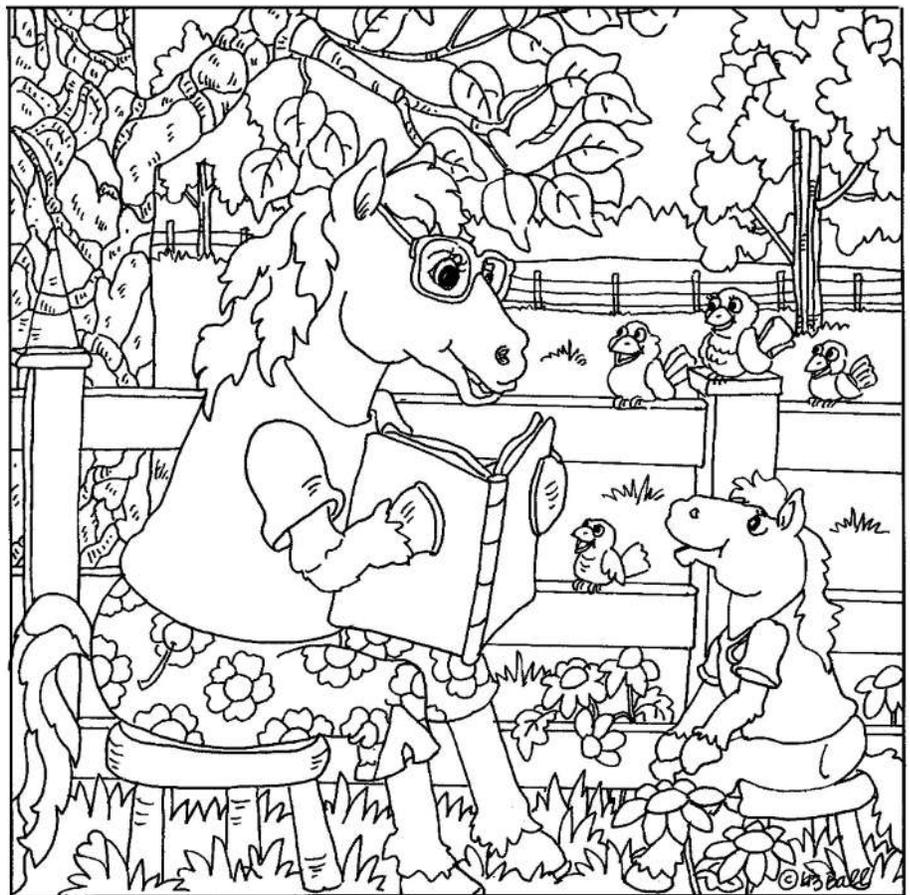
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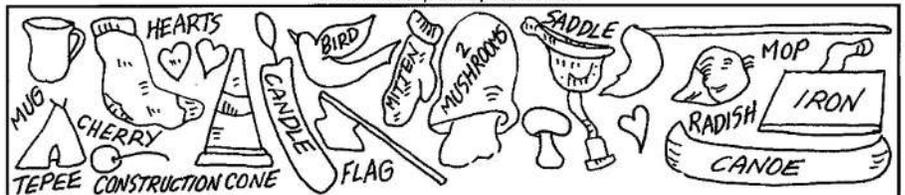
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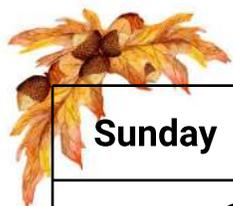
Use family photos to tell different stories. Encourage your child to tell a story.



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# October



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 6:30pm American Legion , Town Hall 4pm, PMHS Boys Soccer vs Somersworth, Girls vs Concord Christian -- Drake Field	<b>3</b> 9-11 am, Diaper Pantry, First Congregational Church	<b>4</b> 6:30pm Rotary Club, Historical Society 6:30pm NH One-Room Rural Schools, by Stephen Talylor, Josiah Carpenter Library	<b>5</b> 9am-12:30pm MSA/Globe Manufacturing Day 4:30pm Boys Soccer vs. Concord Christian, Drake Field 5:30pm School Board, PMHS 6pm Zoning Board, Town Hall	<b>6</b> 4pm, PMHS Girls Soccer vs. Sunapee, Boys vs Portsmouth Christian -- Drake Field 6:30pm Family Movie Night, Joy Church	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> 1-4pm, Museum Open, Pittsfield Historical Society	<b>9</b> 6:30pm Josiah Carpenter Library Mead and Read Book Club, Over the Moon Farmstead	<b>10</b> 6pm Select Board, Town Hall 5pm <i>Elly the Skelly</i> Read Aloud, Josiah Carpenter Library 7:15pm Parks and Recreation, Community Center	<b>11</b> 4pm, PMHS Girls Soccer vs. Newmarket, Drake Field 5pm Community Development, Town Hall 7pm <i>Victory Workers 4-H Club</i> program, Historical Society	<b>12</b> 9-10am VNA Flu Shot Clinic, Senior Center 7pm Planning Board, Town Hall	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 8:30am Free Breakfast, Joy Church 10am-4pm 4-H Fall Festival, 615 Dowboro Road 11am-4pm Oktoberfest, Little Red Hen 1-3pm Arts and Crafts, Joy Church/Senior Center
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 4pm, PMHS Varsity Boys Soccer vs. Portsmouth Christian -- Drake Field 5:30pm Community Supper, First Congregational	<b>17</b> 6pm PES Parent Teacher Organization, PES	<b>18</b> 10:30am Library Trustees, Josiah Carpenter Library 6:30pm Suncook Valley Rotary Club, Historical Society	<b>19</b> 5:30pm School Board, PMHS	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Noon-3pm Harvest Fest, FB Argue Recreation Area, Clark Street
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 9am-3pm, VNA Senior Health Clinic, Community Center, 603-224-4093 ext. 5815 for appointment	<b>24</b> 6pm Select Board, Town Hall	<b>25</b> 5pm Community Development, Town Hall	<b>26</b> 7pm Conservation Commission, Town Hall	<b>27</b> 4-6pm Bingo and Supper Celebration for Bonnie Chagnon, Senior Center	<b>28</b> 5-6:30pm Turkey Supper, South Pittsfield Community Club 6:30-8pm PESPTO Trunk or Treat, MSA Globe
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 9am Senior Center Harvest Party	<b>31</b> 5:30-7:30pm Trick or Treat	<p><b>Senior Center Hours</b> Mon, Weds, &amp; Thurs 8am to 1pm</p> <p><b>Historical Society Hours</b> Tues, 9am-Noon</p>		<p><b>Pittsfield Youth Workshop</b> Drop In Hours Mon, Tues, Thurs, &amp; Fri from 3pm-6pm Weds: 1pm to 6pm</p>	