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"We do not need magic to transform our world. We carry all the power we need inside us already. We have the power to imagine better," -J.K. Rowling



Dear PMHS Class of 2020:

Congratulations to the seniors of Pittsfield Middle High School on a job well done. Although you have missed out on a lot of your senior year activities, you have stayed strong and done what needed to be done to graduate. As you look forward to a variety of college and career choices, remember the values you have learned from living in a small town that cares deeply about its people. Strive to be the best that you can personally be and you will be successful in the future. Remember that even though you had to homeschool in your senior year, and missed out on the daily comradery of your classmates, you made it through. This too will pass. Hopefully you are now stronger, and know that you can face whatever your future brings. Again, congratulations to you all and best of luck in your future endeavors.

- The Pittsfield Post Volunteers

Pittsfield Class of 2020,

You did it! Be proud of yourself! Best wishes for a life filled with love, happiness, and success.

- Mrs. Drew

Dear members of the Pittsfield Middle High School Class of 2020:

"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness, it was the epoch of belief, it was the epoch of incredulity, it was the season of Light, it was the season of Darkness, it was the spring of hope, it was the winter of despair."

These words from "A Tale of Two Cities" by Charles Dickens, published in 1859, certainly apply to all of us more than 160 years later. Seniors in the Class of 2020, this spring should've been the greatest time of your lives until a tiny little virus went and interrupted it all. Those of us in the Pittsfield High School Alumni Association certainly feel your pain, because we all had the chance to go to the prom, play spring sports, sign yearbooks -- all of the things seniors look forward to all year, if not all four years of high school. We're sorry you've missed out on those things.

But just as "A Tale of Two Cities" is about a country that would be reborn into glory and made "illustrious," take heart in knowing that your background at PMHS has shown you that you can work together -- remotely now, but more closely at a later time -- to emerge stronger and more resilient.

The Alumni Association has worked for many years on behalf of the students of PMHS to help them on their journey and beyond. Membership is automatic, and if you would be so kind as to email your names and addresses to Sandy Bucknam, Class of 1973, so we can add your information to our alumni database, we would appreciate it. His address is sandybucknam@hotmail.com.

- Sincerely, The Pittsfield High School Alumni Association Executive Board

Dear Class of 2020,

Greetings from one of your fifth grade teachers! I am so proud of your journey to this point and the accomplishments you have made along the way. You have many great adventures ahead of you. Keep being strong, persistent, and joyous as your story unfolds.

- Ever yours, Mrs. Jean-Gilles a.k.a. Miss Allen

To the Graduates of 2020

We heartily welcome you to the real world of adulting and responsibility. If you've made it this far, you definitely have what it takes to continue, and you are now the best hope for our society, our planet, our very existence. It is your turn to make the decisions and choices that will determine the future of us all. Use your opportunity wisely. We support you all the way. Congratulations on taking the first step!

- A proud Pittsfield citizen

The Pittsfield, New Hampshire High School Class of 2020

Congratulations to you and those who have supported you all these many years to obtain your high school credentials. Your entire Pittsfield community has also been a supporting association for the school and you the 2020 graduates.

Now you enter the world of adults, at eighteen you may vote and should vote as an obligation to maintaining an orderly society. Our society grants everyone rights to freedoms but we all pay for these freedoms. Our payment is our paying attention to those we elect making sure they are acting responsibly and in the best interests of our citizens and communities. If you are not paying attention those freedoms can easily disappear like in so many other states and countries in our world and nation.

So, register to vote when you are eighteen. Pay attention to what those running for election promise to do. Then after elections watch and question those who have promised to represent you. Compare their promises to their actions. It is fair to seek explanations for actions not making sense to you. You are tomorrow's taxpayers and parents and elected officials. We are watching to see if all this expensive education was worth the sacrifices made by your fellow adult citizens. We are proud of this goal you have attained and will be proud neighbors of yours in the future.

Your future has started. Good fortune and best wishes!

Sincerely yours
Your Senator,



John Reagan

Congratulations, Pittsfield Class of 2020!

Graduations always mark a turning of the wheel of history. They ceremonially release new energy, talents, and ambitions into the world, and it will be the same for the Class of 2020. Adversity threw your class a pop quiz in the spring term and you aced it. You met the challenges and showed that you are ready to go wherever your hearts and your abilities may take you. You will not forget your association with this Coronavirus pandemic, but you will not be bowed by it. Your future reunions will be characterized by your justifiable pride in overcoming obstacles, and this class will be known for what it achieved, not what it lost. Your imagination and determination promise a brighter tomorrow for Pittsfield, for New Hampshire, and for America. Well done, Panthers 2020.

- J. C. Allard Pittsfield Select Board

Congratulations to the PMHS Class of 2020!

Most commencement speeches have stirring messages and ringing phrases about what the future holds for you, the graduates, as you begin the next phase of your life beyond the confines of home and school. There are cautions about what life might hold, stumbling blocks, or disappointments as you work toward your goals, whatever they may be. The Class of 2020 does not need those warnings. Just as you were planning the celebrations that mark the end of your high school experience, the recognition of your achievements, the special senior days, the ceremony itself and the fun: the world as we knew it changed drastically. The challenges, setbacks, and disappointments mentioned by speakers became reality for you, your friends, your family, your teachers, and your community. This is a graduation like no other. One thing that has not changed is how immensely proud we are of you and your accomplishments. The way we can publicly express the pride we feel is somewhat unconventional because of the need to protect the health of all our citizens, but we are proud of you. You have had to adapt to remote learning, not being with your friends, and the loss of so many high school senior traditions; yet you have prevailed! The world is an uncertain place at the moment. No one can give you a firm answer about colleges reopening campuses in the fall, what the

job market will look like over the next year, or if, to prevent wider spread of the virus, we will again be asked to protect each other by staying home. You have persisted. You have pushed past obstacles we did not envision would be in your path and earned your diploma as well as our collective admiration for your hard work in the face of adversity. Congratulations!

- The people of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

To the Pittsfield High graduates:

Congratulations! You have reached a milestone in life, and are starting your adult lives. The next steps are up to you, whether a job, more education, travel, or raising a family. I wish you the best for this step, and for the many different adventures you will have.

The coronavirus pandemic, and the restrictions put in place to deal with it, has eliminated many of the traditions of graduating high school. I'm sorry that you were forced to miss them, and very appreciative of your sacrifices. These sacrifices are not really for your safety, but for the safety of your parents, your grandparents, and your friends and neighbors struggling with weaknesses and disability.

Congratulations again, and best wishes for whatever you chose to do.

- Representative Carol McGuire



(Standing) Devin Bedell, Cora LeMay, Nyah Straight, Haylee Gileney, Victoria Lee(top), Joe-Ann Aldridge, Brooklynn Kelley(top), Nel Boguszewska, Gwendolyn Clough(top), Rebecca Smith, Jolene Wood(top), Bryana Morris, Abigail Cote, Bree Roy, Kaylee O'Blenes (Not a Graduating Senior), Carolley Garvin

(Sitting) Kianna Vincelette, Tyler Prentice, Chandler Norris, Courtney Butler, Paige Provencal, Amber Ash, Julianna Hodson



CONGRATS!!!



Joe-Ann Aldridge



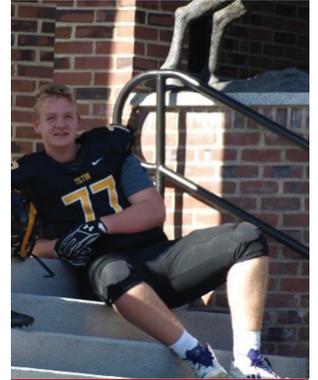
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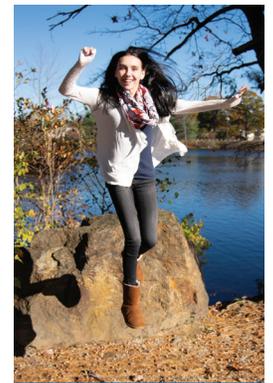
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Abigail Cote



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Riley Duquette



Gregory Facella



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CLASS OF 2020



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Victoria Lee



Cora LeMay



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Michael Nevins



Christopher Nilsson



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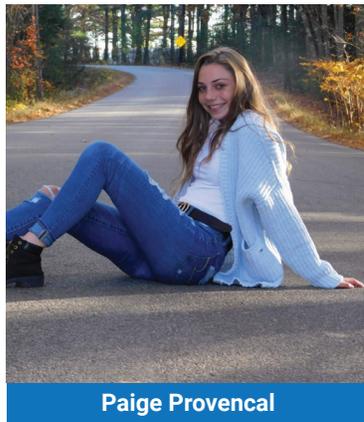
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Kianna Vincelette



Jolene Wood



GRADUATES
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congrats!

Joe-Ann Aldridge
Amber Ash
Zachary Barnowski
Devin Bedell
Quinn Bissonnette
Nel Boguszewska
Courtney Butler
Gwendolyn Clough
Abigail Cote
Aja Coulstring
Riley Duquette
Gregory Facella
Scott Garrett

Cyrus Gates
Haylee Gileney
Cody Hodgdon
Julianna Hodson
Carolley Garvin
Brooklyn Kelley
McKenzie Landry
Victoria Lee
Cora LeMay
Bryana Morris
Micael Nevins
Christopher Nilsson
Chandler Norris

Ariana O'Neil
Josua Paggi
Tyler Prentice
Paige Provencal
Bree Roy
Rebecca Smith
Spencer Strouth
Nyah Straight
Richard Vien
Kianna Vincelette
Jolene Woods



**Graduates: My apologies to those of you with mistakes in the spelling of your name; I sent an incorrect list to the Globe MSA. - Sincerely, Leslie Vogt

Town Crier Andi Riel @ 435-6346
pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com

Josiah Carpenter Library building is open for drop-in visits on Monday and Thursday, 10am - 4pm. Families and individuals may visit by appointment on Monday and Thursday, 4pm - 6 pm. If you would like to request outdoor delivery of library materials, phone or email: 435-8406 lvogt@pittsfieldnh.gov

Beautification Committee encourages anyone who would like to join our group and help us plant and maintain our gardens, experienced or not experienced, to email Carol Lambert at lamb_frog1950@yahoo.com

Pittsfield Youth Workshop (PYW) Pantry hours have been adjusted for the next few weeks in order to accommodate families who are already out and about, picking up meals or supplies at the school. The PYW Pantry will be 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.

Saturday, June 6, 5pm PMHS Senior Parade! All graduating seniors are invited to participate in a celebratory parade starting at 5:00 p.m. Vehicles may start lining up on Bow Street at Pittsfield Elementary School at 4:30 p.m. The parade will depart from Bow Street at 5:00 p.m. and follow the Old Home Day route, which goes through Clark Street (by the Town Pool), down Main Street, to Elm and Depot Street, and will proceed down Catamount Road. The parade will end on Oneida Street at Pittsfield Middle High School. The COMMUNITY is invited to cheer, congratulate and honor our graduates along the route. We ask that you respect social distancing rules during the parade so everyone

can feel comfortable coming out to celebrate the class of 2020!

The Old Home Day Committee invites and encourages 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!

Congratulations to the PMHS Class of 2020.

Best wishes to all of you in your future endeavors. Thanks to all of you for powering through the challenging end of your Senior Year. We, the Pittsfield Community, are all very proud of you!

How and what are you doing during our new normal?

Send the Pittsfield Post your news

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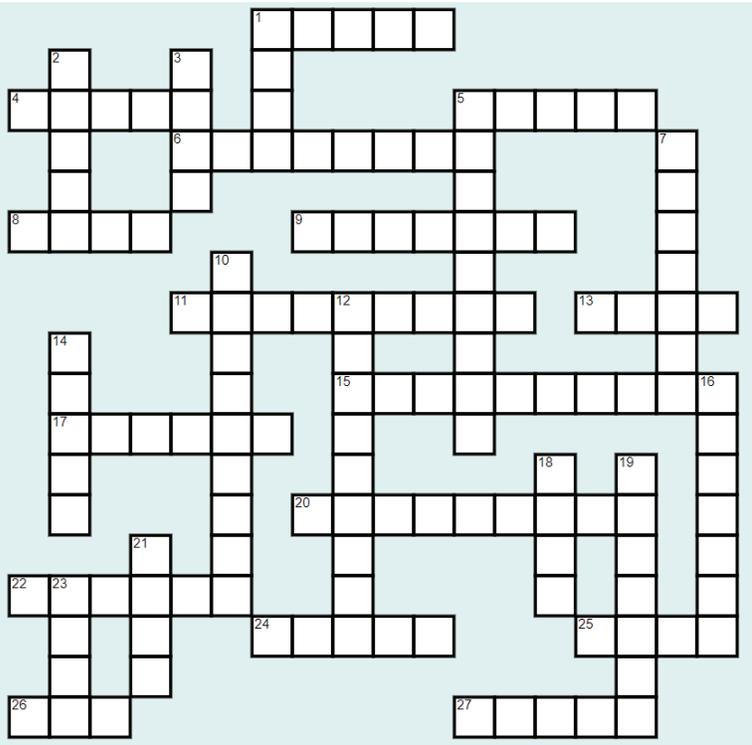
*You've worked hard to achieve
your goals and now you're on
your way to seek new vistas,
dream new dreams, embark on
who you are, embrace life with
passion and keep reaching for
your star.*

Go For It!

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Living The Good Life



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| Across | Down |
| 1. Spontaneous sounds of happiness | 1. Deep affection |
| 2. Enjoy completely | 2. Move to the music |
| 5. To go up | 3. Increase to maturity |
| 6. Solve a problem | 5. Honor through enjoyable activity |
| 8. Come together | 7. Endure the longest |
| 9. Attain a goal | 10. Enjoyable recollection |
| 11. Continue in the face of difficulty | 12. Provide support |
| 13. Activity during recess | 14. Construct something permanent |
| 15. Provide something helpful | 16. Examine or travel through the unfamiliar |
| 17. Design something new | 18. Expectation |
| 20. Thorough change | 19. Form an idea or concept |
| 22. Cause something to happen or exist | 21. Courage to do something |
| 24. Cherished ambition | 23. To go up and restore |
| 25. Freely donate | |
| 26. Become aware, perceive | |
| 27. Look happy | |

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