

PITTSFIELD POST

A FREE NEWSLETTER BY COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

"By all these lovely tokens, September days are here. With summer's best for weather and autumn's best of cheer." - Helen Hunt Jackson

September 13, 2023



Thank you to the dedicated volunteers on the Beautification Committee and the Hanging Basket Group! All of the garden plots and hanging flower baskets around town were beautiful this year, bringing a smile and a special shot of joy. We all appreciate you volunteering your time to keep Pittsfield beautiful.

Organist Mark Thallander Returns

The First Congregational Church, 24 Main St., will welcome back organist Mark Thallander for the Sept. 17 Sunday service at 10am. Mark is best known for his long and distinguished music ministry career at the Crystal Cathedral, Garden Grove, CA. This August marked 20 years that he was involved in a terrible car accident that almost took his life, and ultimately took his left arm. Come to hear the music that bursts from the church's 1877 organ under Mark's genius! All are welcome. Parking and wheelchair accessible entrance are available at the parking lot door, Chestnut Street. For more information, call the church office at 603-435-7471.



Town Crier

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

The Dowboro Farm Farmstand is OPEN! The kids from the Victory Workers 4-H club and others have had a couple of months off and are ready to get back at it. They'll be bringing back some of your favorite items and have been working on some new surprises, too. Stop in at 615 Dowboro Road, Pittsfield. Hours are Thurs-Sat- 9:30am-6pm & Sun- 10:30am-4pm.

Wednesday, Sept. 13 at 7pm in the PMHS Lecture Hall. The Pittsfield Historical Society presents the program, Remember When? The start of a new school year brings back memories of beginning a new grade level, playing sports, joining a club, and the anticipation of seeing favorite teachers and friends once again. Our friends Jonas and Elaine Glidden, teachers at PMHS from the 1970s to 2005, are back in town and ready to stroll down memory lane with a program on the "good old Golden Rule days" of school. Jonas will present What Made Pittsfield Schools Different and Unique and Elaine will discuss Technology in the Schools and the Difference It Made. Many of you know the Gliddens through their activities in the school and the community. The rest of you probably know them by reputation! This is an opportunity to hear two beloved teachers as they enjoy sharing and hearing stories of the school and its people "back when," so be prepared to do some reminiscing. This program is free and open to the public.

Also, the Society's 2024 Calendar is now available for purchase at the Town Hall, Library and the Museum, \$15. The theme is "Hotels, Boarding Houses, Resorts, Retreats and Summer Camps.

The "BUY-A-BRICK" project is also still going on. Stop by at the museum, 4 Oak St., to see the current garden and the surrounding grounds. Go to: www.pittsfieldhistory.com for a donation form and instructions, or call 603-435-8004.

Thursday, Sept. 14 at 5:30pm at the Library the PES PTO meeting will be held. All are welcome. New members are needed.

Monday, Sept. 18 at 5:30pm a Community Supper will be held at the First Congregational Church, cost by donation. ALL are welcome. A chance to have a delicious supper and meet some wonderful people.

Pittsfield Youth Workshop (PYW) is back to its school year Drop-In hours – Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri 3-6pm and Wed 1-6pm. Stop in and check out all the fun things happening. We have some exciting activities planned on the 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 info@pittsfieldyouthworkshop.org.

Are you a Target shopper? PYW was chosen as a nonprofit partner and we could use your votes! A share of \$15,000 will be divided between the 5 highest vote getters. **Vote by Sept. 30** More info... www.target.com/circle.

Pittsfield Senior Center hours are Monday, Wednesdays, and Thursdays 8am-1pm.

Saturday, Sept. 23 8am-3pm

The Joy Church Community Yard Sale sponsored by the Joy Church Youth, 55 Barnstead Road. A 10x10 space is \$20; a larger spot is \$40. Contact Kelley Gaskin at 603-312-7695 or Kelley@joychurchnh.com. The youth will be selling bag lunches for \$5 (hamburger/hotdog, chips, cookies and water). This event will help support Joy Church Youth and Kids Camp

Happy Birthday to my sister, Lisa Fries on Sept. 11; Owen Chase on Sept. 12; Tara Cabral and Paula Martel on Sept. 16. Happy Anniversary to Crystal & Sean Foster on Sept.10; Robin & Joe Davis, Sept. 11; Diane & Dana Bishop, Sept. 14 and Dave & Dawna Jonhonnott, Sept. 15.

Chicken Enchiladas

Get your Mexi on! These enchiladas are a quick and easy option to get dinner on the table fast, thanks to shredded rotisserie chicken. If a trip to the store to get a rotisserie chicken isn't on the schedule, just boil 3 or 4 boneless chicken breasts until done, or roast bone-in chicken breasts in the oven, and shred the meat while it's still warm. These are great as-is, but adding the toppings takes this meal up a notch. Nice sides are Spanish rice, corn and a salad. Ole mi amigos!



Cooking spray

2 (10 oz) cans mild enchilada sauce, divided

3 to 4 cups shredded rotisserie chicken

1 (10.5 oz) can Cheddar cheese soup

½ cup thick & chunky salsa

1 (4 oz) can diced green chilies

8 (8") flour tortillas

2 cups shredded Mexican blend cheese

Toppings for serving: diced avocado, chopped cilantro, sour cream, lime wedges.

Heat oven to 425. Spray a 12x8" baking dish with cooking spray and spread ½ cup enchilada sauce on bottom of dish. In a large bowl, combine chicken, soup, salsa and green chilies.

Spoon ½ cup chicken mixture along center of flour tortillas. Roll up and place seam side down in the baking dish. Pour remaining enchilada sauce on top and sprinkle with cheese.

Cover with foil and bake 15 minutes. Remove foil and continue baking another 10 minutes or until lightly browned and bubbly. Serve with toppings.

Enjoy!

The Suncook Valley Sno Riders Annual Mum Sale is Back!

The club will have five different colored mums on display at Earth Mechanics at the intersection of Route 107 and Route 28 in Pittsfield on **Saturday, Sept. 16, and Sunday, Sept. 17, from 9am-3pm** on each day, or until sold out. We will have 9 inch pots at 1 for \$9.00, or 3 for \$25.00. We are also hoping to have some cornstalks, pumpkins and hay bales on display for sale. What a perfect way to bring color to your home this fall season!

The Post is Counting on You!

Dear Readers:

The *Post* needs your help to keep printing this weekly publication. When you're thinking about supporting our community, please send us a donation! **Thank you**, The *Post* Volunteers



F.B. Argue Recreation Area workers did a great job of keeping our patrons safe during the 2023 swim season.

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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

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.

Many thanks in advance, *Friends of the Library*

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www.pittsfieldnhcommunitycenter.org



Parks and Recreation Update

The Pittsfield Parks and Recreation Commission is planning the annual Harvest Fest celebration for Oct. 21 from 12-3pm (Rain date Oct. 28)

at the F.B. Argue Recreation Area on Clark Street.

Save the date for this fun family time! We will have the horse drawn wagon ride, cookout items, and a chili cook off again this year. We are planning on having a costume contest and pumpkin carving if we are able to find pumpkins. We are looking for vendors and or groups who would like to participate with this celebration of fall. Games and activities would be welcome. Contact any Parks Rec committee member if you would like to participate. If you have questions, please call Minni Plante at 603-290-4068

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FREE Preschool for ages 3-5 years old!

Pittsfield Head Start is located next to the middle school and serves surrounding towns.

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Two meals provided daily at no cost to families.

Enrolling now for the 2023-2024 school year.

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Select board review August 23, 2023

Fairly light load this week. Voted to accept 2022 financial report, 2023 revised estimated revenues and summary inventory of valuation.

An \$800 donation for Winterfest was accepted from the Clothes Closet, with many thanks. We also accepted a 2nd donation of \$290 for Old Home Day face painting (a clear kid's favorite!) from NH Water Solutions, again, thanks for their generosity.

A veteran's tax credit was approved.

The Select Board is putting out an All Points Bulletin! The town is in dire need of volunteers for some of our committees. The CDC is soliciting volunteers to work on commercial promotion and enhancements to spur the town's business community. There's never a shortage of people who fault "the town" for empty store fronts and failing businesses, however, there's a definite shortage of people who will step up to try to find solutions to the issue. If you're one of the former, how about becoming one of the latter? A flourishing downtown would help us all.

We also need more members to volunteer for the Budget Committee. This is a committee that was voted into existence specifically to be the impartial voice of the town and taxpayers when it comes to budgeting for the upcoming year. Their careful consideration to the needs of the town, their ability to separate those from the wants, and just as importantly the depth of taxpayer's pockets is vital to come up with a reasonable balance. This committee is really only active for a month to 6 weeks a year, in the fall. Town Moderator Carole Dodge appoints Budget Committee members.

Call Cara for help volunteering for either committee, and thanks in advance. *Carl Anderson*

Senior Center News

Thursday, Sept. 21, 8:30am-12pm Open House

If you have questions and want to see what the center has to offer this is the time to come in. There will be crafts that have been done on display, and people here to answer your questions. Music will be played and lunch will be served. If it is your first time eating at the center or you bring a friend who has never been to the center before, the meal will be free. So there is no risk - come on in and check the center out. The schedule of events is: 8:30-9:30am - Coffee and chit chat, 9:30-11am - Bingo and 50/50, 11am - Music starts, 11:30am - Lunch. Join us for part or all of our day!

Friday, Sept. 29, 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 or Anne at the senior center to reserve your spot. Spots are \$20 per person.



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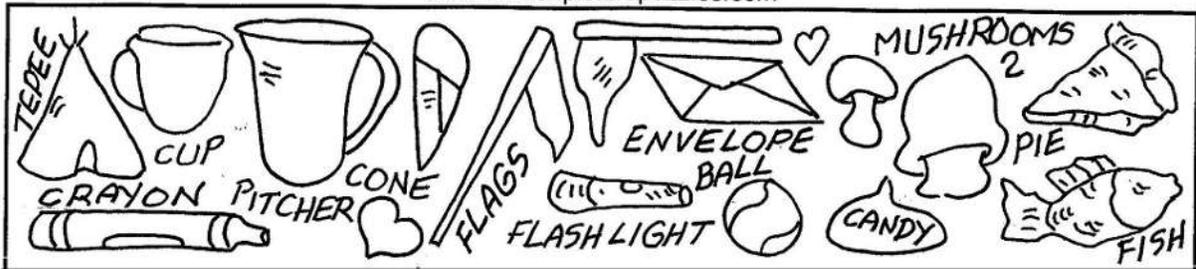


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