

# PITTSFIELD POST

A FREE NEWSLETTER BY COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

"Thanksgiving: when the people who are most thankful are the ones who didn't have to cook." *Melanie White, The Today Show*

November 20, 2024

## Gabriel Douglas Anthony 21 Foundation

### Launches First Roadside Safety Presentation

The Gabriel Douglas Anthony 21 (GDA 21) Foundation recently held its inaugural roadside safety presentation with the Tri-City Drivers' Education Class in Rochester, New Hampshire. Rick Anthony, CEO and spokesperson for the foundation, led the presentation which focused on safe practices during vehicle breakdowns.

As a gesture to help young drivers, each student received a free three-pack of LED roadside flares to ensure they have emergency tools on hand.



**Tri-City Drivers' Education Class shows off LED roadside flares.**

The foundation was established in memory of Gabe Anthony, who tragically lost his life when his vehicle broke down on Route 93 and was struck by another car. The GDA 21 Foundation's mission is to equip high school drivers with essential roadside safety gear and empower them to make safe decisions on the road.

"Our goal," Rick Anthony shared, "is to make sure that no other family has to experience the grief and pain we've gone through. If this foundation can prevent even one family from facing a similar tragedy, Gabe's death will not have been in vain."

The foundation has committed to providing its roadside safety program to seniors at eight high schools in New Hampshire, including Pittsfield Middle High School, Prospect Mountain High School, and Coe-Brown Northwood Academy. Throughout this year, the foundation plans to distribute over 1,000 three-packs of LED roadside flares to students. As a nonprofit organization, the GDA 21 Foundation raises funds and accepts donations to further its mission of making roads safer for all drivers. To support or learn more about the foundation's work, visit [www.GDA21Foundation.org](http://www.GDA21Foundation.org)

## Annual Decorated Wreath Contest

The Greater Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce and Pittsfield Youth Workshop are sponsoring a Decorated Wreath Contest at the Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration on Saturday, December 7. Bring a decorated wreath to be displayed. The public will have a chance to vote for their favorite and select the winners. This year we have a YOUTH DIVISION (ages 18 and younger) and an ADULT DIVISION. The winners will be announced at 6pm after the Tree Lighting and will receive a \$50 CASH PRIZE for Adults, or a Special Prize for Youth, donated by PYW. Drop your wreath off Sat, Dec. 7 by 3:45pm at PYW (Pittsfield Youth Workshop, 5 Park St.) and pick up your wreath by 6:15pm. Wreaths that are not picked up will be donated. Get in the Holiday Spirit and show off your creativity.

Contact Andi Riel at 435-6346 or [pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com](mailto:pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com) *Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce*

## **Pittsfield Town Crier**

Would you like an event listed? Contact Andi Riel at [pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com](mailto:pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com) or 603-435-6346

The **Pittsfield Budget Committee** needs you. Please contact Town Moderator Jackson Marston at [jmarston@pittsfieldnh.gov](mailto:jmarston@pittsfieldnh.gov) or 603-396-3793, or town hall if interested or you have any questions. The volunteer application may be found on the town website: [www.pittsfieldnh.gov](http://www.pittsfieldnh.gov)

**Secret Santa Program** is accepting applications and donations until **Nov 30th**. Call the fire station 603-435-6807 (9am-4pm). To be eligible, children must be ages birth -14 years. The person signing them up must be a resident of the town of Pittsfield, must have custody of the child, and must be the child's parent or legal guardian. Please have patience when calling as the duty crew may be out assisting with an emergency and unavailable to answer phones at that time. We are also still accepting donations of new, unwrapped toys, winter outerwear and warm clothing. If you would like to make a donation, please call the fire station at the above number and we will arrange to meet up with you. Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated. Please make your check payable to Pittsfield Secret Santa and mail to: Pittsfield Secret Santa, PO Box 392, Pittsfield NH 03263.

The **Pittsfield Food Pantry** is accepting sign ups for Christmas vouchers. You must live in Pittsfield, provide a street address, and have a working phone number. The Food Pantry is located at 55 Barnstead Rd.

The **Pittsfield Players** proudly present: "Into the Woods!" Show dates Nov 22 & 23, 7:30pm at the Scenic Theater, Depot St. To purchase your tickets, visit our website at [www.pittsfieldplayers.org](http://www.pittsfieldplayers.org) or call 603-435-8852 to reserve your tickets.

**Wed, Nov 20, 12pm** at the Senior Center.

**Thanksgiving Lunch** - The Thanksgiving meal with all the fixings.

**Thurs, Nov 21, 6pm** PUBLIC NOTICE The Pittsfield School Board will be holding a Public Hearing on Thursday November 21 at 6:00 PM in the Pittsfield Middle High School Media Center. The purpose of the hearing will be to discuss the release of funds from the Special Education Trust Fund due to increased costs for Special Education Services. This will be followed at 6:30 with a Public Workshop discussing

the 2025-26 School District Operating Budget.

**Sat, Nov 23, 9am - 2pm** - The Dorcas Guild of the First Congregational Church, 24 Main Street, will hold its **2024 Christmas Fair, Bake Sale and Silent Auction**. There are knits, crafts, ornaments, baked goods, the "Unique Boutique," and more! Wheelchair accessibility is through rear door. For more info, call the church office at 603-435-7471.

**Mon, Nov 25, 5:30-6:30pm - Soup Night** at the First Congregational Church. All are invited and welcome to attend. Cost is a Donation.

**Wed, Nov 27, 9am to when Sold Out** - Victory Workers 4-H Club annual **Thanksgiving PIE SALE** will be held at Dowboro Farm, 615 Dowboro Rd. Come early - they sell out quickly!

**Fri, Dec 6, 7pm** - The PMHS Drama Club is hosting a **Talent Show** to benefit the GDA21 Foundation. The goal of the Foundation is to put emergency roadside safety lights in every new driver's car. All proceeds from this event will go towards this effort. **\*\*\*We are looking for performers\*\*\*** Do you sing, play an instrument, dance, have a special talent worthy of performing in front of an audience? Please reach out or send us an email at [pantherdrama@sau51.org](mailto:pantherdrama@sau51.org) to be included.

The **Pittsfield Youth Workshop Hours**: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday - 3pm-6pm, and Wednesday - 1pm-6pm, The food pantry at PYW continues to be stocked with snacks, beverages, mealtime essentials, and basic toiletries/self care products for PYW youth.

**PYW Youth** will be creating gift bags for **Meals on Wheels** recipients in the Pittsfield area again this year! We are currently accepting donations of the following items: Crossword puzzles, brain teasers, travel sized toiletries, tissues, prepacked snacks and candies. We appreciate the community's help to make this possible! Email Ashley if you have any questions: [ashley@pittsfieldyouthworkshop.org](mailto:ashley@pittsfieldyouthworkshop.org)

**Dowboro Farm**, 615 Dowboro Rd is open for the season - Thurs - Sat, 9:30am - 6pm, and Sun, 10:30-4pm.

**Every Saturday** at Circle 9 Ranch in Epsom for **BINGO** hosted by [Pittsfield Youth Baseball/Softball Association BINGO](http://Pittsfield Youth Baseball/Softball Association BINGO). They have a great menu of food items along with their games and it all benefits the children of Pittsfield for their baseball/softball program. Doors open at 3:30, Bingo at 6pm.

Come down to **LEAVITT'S CIDER MILL** and get some delicious fresh cider! This year marks 94 years of business! The mill will be open Saturday and Sunday, 10-4pm until Thanksgiving. 49 South Main Street, Pittsfield. (603)435-8750.

**SAWYER'S HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE**, 520 North Barnstead Rd., Barnstead. Country farm home filled with New Hampshire handmade items just in time for holiday shopping! **Open Hours: Fri, Nov 29th & Sat, Nov 30 - 9am-6pm, and Sun, Dec 1 - 9-4pm.** Credit card, cash and checks accepted. Daily door prizes. Buy local - start your holiday shopping in our warm farm house. 603-496-9086

**Sat, Dec 7, 4-6pm - Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration** in Dustin Park! There will be FREE horse & wagon rides, cookies & cocoa, popcorn and candy canes, holiday music, caroling, visits with Santa, gingerbread house raffle, Decorated Wreath Contest (Youth and Adult Divisions) and a chance to win a free live Christmas tree. Don't miss the Holiday Story Time and Holiday Village & Train Display at the Library. Hot soups and chili will be available for the donation of a non-perishable food item or a few dollars. The TREES will be lit at 6pm. Sponsored by the Greater Pittsfield Chamber of Commerce - be sure to come join the fun and kick off the holiday season.

**Sat, Dec 7, 7:30-10am** - The PES PTO will sponsor a **Breakfast with Santa** at PMHS Cafe. Pancake Breakfast - includes pancakes, sausage and drink (\$4 each and \$3 for additional meal). Visit and pictures with Santa.

**Sat, Dec. 7, 9am-2pm** - The PES PTO **Holiday Craft/Vendor Fair** will be held at the PMHS Gym. Spaces are still available at \$40 for 8x8 space. Please contact [pittsfieldnhptoendorfair@yahoo.com](mailto:pittsfieldnhptoendorfair@yahoo.com) for information and to secure a spot.

**Sat, Dec. 7 from 9-11am - The Children's Store - Kids Only Shopping** - will be held at PMHS Gym. Kids can shop at kid-friendly prices and have their gifts wrapped for free. The Children's Christmas Store donation bins are out at the post office and town hall! Thank you for your new/gently-used items for kids to shop for the ones on their list. We especially need men's/adult items. Please, no clothes. We have plenty of wrapping items at this time.

**PYAA (Pittsfield Youth Athletic Assoc)** is looking for head coaches for the following upcoming Recreational Basketball teams: 1st/2nd Grade (3

Head Coach Positions), 3rd/4th Grade GIRLS team, 3rd/4th Grade BOYS team, 5th/6th Grade GIRLS team, You MUST be able to pass a background check, and coaching experience is preferred but not required. Please reach out to us on Facebook, or send us an email at [pittsfieldyouthathletics@gmail.com](mailto:pittsfieldyouthathletics@gmail.com)

Happy Birthday wishes to my fabulous father-in-law, Leon Miller on Mon, Nov. 18; and to Liz Dimmick on Wed, Nov. 20. I hope you both enjoy your special day!

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## What's Up At The Josiah Carpenter Library?

The Trustees are pleased to announce the establishment of a Charitable Donation account to fund the replacement cost of the library's elevator.

The elevator is necessary to keep the library in compliance with ADA handicap accessibility standards. Currently the elevator is non-operational and unable to be repaired.

The new elevator project will be funded solely through donations. No taxpayer dollars will be used. All monies collected will be used exclusively on the elevator project. The estimated cost, currently, is \$45,000. As soon as funds have been collected, the project will move forward.

If you are interested in donating, please make your check payable to – "Josiah Carpenter Library" with notation "Elevator Fund" on the memo line. Mail your check to Josiah Carpenter Library, 41 Main St., Pittsfield, NH 03263. Your donation qualifies as a Charitable Tax Donation. For smaller donations, there is a collection box at the main desk in the library.

We appreciate your support! *Paula M. Belliveau*, Library Supporter

### PITTSFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY 2025 CALENDAR

#### A HOLIDAY GIFT FOR EVERYONE ON YOUR LIST!

The Pittsfield Historical Society's 2025 calendar, titled *From the Womb to the Tomb*, is the ideal gift for others or even yourself. Twelve months of holiday giving in one gift! It features a snapshot of Pittsfield's professional community, primarily in the health and medical arenas, and the men and women who played significant role in it. From the establishment of birthing or maternity homes and nursing homes, to the doctors and druggists, nurses and undertakers, dentists and health officers, Pittsfield boasts a remarkable history of catering to the well-being of its residents and those of surrounding towns. This calendar has 25 images of people and places, some of whom you may recognize. It is available for \$15 at the Town Hall, at the Museum at 4 Oak St., and by contacting Fuzz Freese at 603-848-4488.

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## Save the Date

# CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION



## Sat. December 7

PES PTO Breakfast with Santa 7:30-10

PES PTO Vendor Craft Fair 9-2pm

Children's Store 9-11am

Tree Lighting 4-6pm Dustin Park



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# December



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 <b>6:30pm</b> Victory Workers 4-H meeting, PES <b>6:30pm</b> American Legion, Town Hall	3 <b>9-11am</b> , Diaper Pantry, First Cong. Church	4 <b>6:30 pm</b> Rotary Club, Hist.Society <b>7pm</b> Suncook Valley Sno-Riders meet., Fire Station	5 <b>5:30pm</b> School Board meeting, PMHS Media Center <b>6pm</b> ZBM, Town Hall	6 <b>7pm</b> Community Talent Show GDA21 Foundation, PMHS	7 <b>9am-2pm</b> PES PTO Holiday Craft Fair 4pm-8pm Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration
8 <b>1-4 pm</b> Pittsfield Historical Society Open House	9 <b>6:30pm</b> JCL Mead & Read Book Club <b>7pm</b> Chamber of Commerce, Community Center	10 <b>6pm</b> Selectboard meeting, Town Hall <b>7:15pm</b> Parks & Rec meeting, Community Center	11 <b>9:30am</b> J. Carpenter Library Trustees meeting, Library <b>4pm</b> Community Development Committee meeting, Town Hall	12 <b>7pm</b> Planning Board meeting, Town Hall	13 <b>7:30pm</b> Pittsfield Players present <i>It's a Wonderful Life</i> , Scenic Theatre	14 <b>7:30pm</b> Pittsfield Players present <i>It's a Wonderful Life</i> , Scenic Theatre
15 <b>2:00pm</b> Pittsfield Players present <i>It's a Wonderful Life</i> , Scenic Theatre	16 <b>5:30pm</b> Community Supper, Congregational Church	17 <b>6pm</b> PES PTO meeting, PES,	18 <b>6:30 pm</b> Rotary Club, Historical Society	19 <b>5:30pm</b> School Board meeting, PMHS Media Center <b>7pm</b> Conservation Commission meeting, Town Hall	20	21
22	23 <b>5:30pm</b> Soup's On, Congregational Church	24 <b>6pm</b> Selectboard meeting, Town Hall  BCEP closed	25 	26	27	28
29	30	31 Happy New Year!	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;"> <b>Senior Center Hours</b>            Monday &amp; Thursday            8am -1pm            Wednesday            7:30am-1pm         </div>		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: auto;"> <b>Food Pantry</b>            11am - 2pm            4pm - 6pm         </div>	



## NH 4-H Communications Team Presentation

On October 30th, the New Hampshire 4-H Communications Team was given the opportunity to speak at the commissioners' meeting at the Fish and Game New Hampshire Headquarters about how the 4-H program always helps to make the best better. This group consisted of seven presenters (in addition to multiple volunteers and leaders) from the Granite State—two of whom call Pittsfield home, and are a part of the local Victory Workers 4-H club right here in town. Two members, Addison Babcock and Michaela St. George, got to speak with Governor Sununu, the Secretary of State, the Attorney General, and members of the Executive Council.

This was another great experience provided for the Communications Team to represent 4-H in New Hampshire. Respectfully submitted by, *David St. George*



## High School Sophomores May Apply to CASL

CONCORD, NH (November 2024) – Capital Area Student Leadership (CASL) is an immersive program that encourages students to learn more about their community and their own unique skills and strengths as leaders. Presented by the Greater Concord Chamber of Commerce, and generously underwritten by Northeast Delta Dental, CASL has been in existence for more than 25 years, graduated over 700 leaders, and is the only regional student leadership program in the state.

The program includes three day-long sessions in March 2025 that feature activities in public speaking, mindfulness, networking, teamwork and creative problem-solving. CASL students interact with professionals from diverse industries including civic leaders. "I loved getting to meet some business owners in Concord who all had different experiences and knowledge. They were incredibly helpful and gave excellent advice on what to expect while pursuing something difficult and what to do in a work environment, whether you are an employer or employee. I appreciated the fact that each person had a different job and experience in their life; it truly showed how there is not one right way to do things, but it is necessary to try things out your own way for the first time," said a member of the CASL Class of 2024.

All area high school sophomores are invited to apply; the CASL class of 2025 will include students with unique backgrounds and skills who are curious about their local community, developing real-world skills, and exploring career opportunities by connecting with local leaders. "I learned that I thought I was very shy and quiet, however I am capable of speaking in front of large groups of people, sharing my own ideas and opinions, and interacting with others who I do not know," said a CASL graduate. "I have learned that I am capable of so much more than I originally had thought."

Students may learn more and apply online by Wednesday, December 11. For more information, please visit [concordnhchamber.com](http://concordnhchamber.com) *Emily Marsh*, Creative Director

### PITTSFIELD POST [www.PittsfieldNHCommunityCenter.org](http://www.PittsfieldNHCommunityCenter.org)

The *Pittsfield Post* is a non-profit, free newsletter that serves Pittsfield citizens, businesses, town government, town schools and charitable organizations. The newsletter publishes relevant and important news, information, and special interest stories that impact residents, keeping the community informed and providing a forum for dialogue.

The *Pittsfield Post* is published bi-weekly, in both print and digital formats, through the efforts of a volunteer team of residents.

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**Send us your news!** Individuals, community groups and businesses, email us your news, opinions and creative work. Details about submissions are on our website. Deadline is 9am on Friday.

[Pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org](mailto:Pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org)

## Santa's Kitchen

On Saturday, November 23, Santa's Kitchen will be open from 9 am to 2 pm at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 50 Main Street, Pittsfield (adjacent to Dustin Park). Please join us for a lunch of meatball hoagies, homemade soups (tomato or corn chowder), chips and beverages. Don't miss the goodies on our always popular Bake Sale Table. Come into the Undercroft, down the paved walkway to the right of the front entrance; wheelchair accessible. *St. Stephen's Church*

## Announcing Regina Maria Academy

Regina Maria Academy announces the final approval from the Diocese of Manchester and the NH Department of Education to establish a Catholic elementary school located at St. Joseph Parish Center in Northwood. Fall enrollment for children in grades K-6 will begin in January 2025, with middle school enrollment options in 2026. Preschool, childcare, and after school care are available through Little Blessings Preschool and Learning Center, also located in the Parish Center building.

Please stop by during our Open House Night as we celebrate Discover Catholic Schools Week on Tuesday, November 19, from 4:00-6:00 pm, or register for school updates at [reginamariaacademy.com](http://reginamariaacademy.com)

### *About Regina Maria Academy:*

Regina Maria Academy (RMA) of Northwood, NH, provides a complete education designed to challenge and motivate all students from Kindergarten to Grade 8 to reach their full potential in mind, body, and spirit. With the Blessed Virgin Mary as our model, RMA values its partnership with parents in the formation of their children. Welcoming students of all faiths, RMA is dedicated to maintaining a safe, caring, and respectful Catholic community in which each child's God-given talents are developed, nurtured, and challenged. *Mike Anderson* for Regina Maria Academy

A doctor and a bus driver are both in love with the same woman, an attractive girl named Sarah. The bus driver had to go on a long bus trip that would last a week. Before he left, he gave Sarah seven apples. Why?

An apple a day keeps the DOCTOR AWAY...

## Victory Workers 4-H Club

### Annual

## Thanksgiving Pie Sale



**Wednesday 11/27/2024**

**Dowboro Farm Store**

**615 Dowboro Road, Pittsfield**

**9:am – Sold Out**

## Future Events at Valley Artisans

Valley Artisans in Epsom will have four local artisans demonstrating their work during the National Buy Local Open House. We invite you to attend.

Saturday, November 30, 11-1pm Mike Driscoll, Watercolor techniques

Saturday, November 30, 2-4pm Jackie Nyberg, Whimsical Ceramics, Make-and-Take demo

Sunday, December 1, 11-1pm Sherry Wombolt, Repurposing flatware

Sunday, December 1, 2-4pm Kelly Coffin, Pine needle baskets

Light refreshments will be served. Over 50 artisans' work will be on display. Celebrating 43 years.

10 Goboro Road, 603-736-8200, FB Valley Artisans LLC

## Suncook Valley Sno-Riders OHRV Snowmobile Safety Course & Ham and Bean Supper, Saturday, November 23

On Saturday, November 23, from 8 am to 3 pm at the Pittsfield Community Center, the Suncook Valley Sno-Riders will be having a snowmobile/ATV course for children. They must be 11 years old in order to take the class, but the "license" cannot be used until they are 12. Lunch will be provided. Parents must pre-register their children and are encouraged to attend. Contact Joe Hough via Messenger; call or text at 603-608-6977 to register your child, or if you have questions.

**SVSR Ham & Bean Supper** - Saturday, November 23rd from 5 pm to 7 pm

This dinner is not only open to the public, but a free meal to our landowners as a "Thank You" for the use of their land for snowmobiling. The meal consists of ham, a variety of beans, mashed potatoes, coleslaw, roll, a drink, and an assortment of yummy desserts. This event will be held at the Pittsfield Community Center, 68 Main Street, and at 7 pm we will be giving away 3 frozen turkeys. So, be sure to fill out a "Turkey Slip" when you arrive. You may be the lucky winner of a turkey just before Thanksgiving!!! Adults \$10.00 each; Children 6 to 12 \$5.00 each; Ages under 6 are free. *Suncook Valley Sno-Riders*



### Meals on Wheels Gift Bags

PYW Youth will be creating gift bags for Meals on Wheels recipients in the Pittsfield area again this year!

We are currently accepting donations of the following items:

crossword puzzles, brain teasers, travel-sized toiletries, tissues, pre-packed snacks and candies.

We appreciate the community's help to make this possible.

Please email Ashley if you have any questions or to RSVP at:

[ashley@pittsfieldyouthworkshop.org](mailto:ashley@pittsfieldyouthworkshop.org)





## Cook's Corner

### Chipotle Pumpkin Soup Shooters and Pork Chops with Bourbon-Cherry Sauce and Sweet Potatoes

I have no doubt you've already planned out your Thanksgiving menu, whether you're hosting or traveling. Here are two other ideas that are both perfect for the season. The Chipotle Pumpkin Soup is the easiest thing in the world to make and I like to serve it in small shot glasses, as shooters; but it's just as tasty served in a small bowl. It's also terrific with leftover turkey sandwiches.

The pork chop recipe is a family favorite at our house. You can certainly serve this with mashed potatoes instead of sweet potato puree, but the sweet potatoes add a nice dimension of flavor. Wishing you a very happy Thanksgiving and bon appetit! *MP Christakos*

#### Chipotle Pumpkin Soup Shooters

1 cup canned pumpkin puree  
½ cup chicken broth  
¼ cup heavy cream  
2 TBSP chipotle hot sauce  
2 to 3 tsps bourbon  
2 TBSP fresh chives, chopped

Combine all ingredients in a pot. Bring to a simmer, stirring well. Simmer for about 3 to 4 minutes until heated through.

You can either serve this in small bowls, as a first course; or a fun idea is to pour the soup in small heat-proof cups or glasses. Either way, top with the chopped chives.



#### To the Readers of the Post

I would like to thank all the citizens of Chichester and Pittsfield who supported Sally Kelly and me in our recent run for seats in the New Hampshire House. Your kind words, hard work, wise counsel, and dedication were and will remain an inspiration. Ours was a long-shot attempt and unusual in many ways. It was a genuine partnership based on trust and commitment to service. Believing that, you never wavered and never failed to have creative, positive ideas for our campaign and the communities we all live in. The Suncook Valley is a better place to live because of you. You can be proud of the efforts of everyone involved, especially those workers who organized and ran our polling stations, and who helped to demonstrate that our system is sound and that the Union stands firm. It was an honor to run. It was an honor to work with you, to meet so many of our citizens, and to participate in this most important task. Again, thank you to everyone who participated in this almost 250-year-old process. My heartfelt thanks go out to all those who took a chance on the unconventional and embraced some new ideas.

Sincerely, *J.C. Allard*, Pittsfield

#### Pork Chops

2 lbs sweet potatoes, peeled and sliced ¼-inch thick  
1 cup chicken broth, divided  
7 TBSP butter, divided  
2 tsp salt, divided  
1 & ¾ tsp black pepper, divided  
4 (8 to 10 oz) bone-in pork chops, ¾ to 1 inch thick, trimmed  
¼ tsp pumpkin spice  
1 tsp cornstarch  
8 ounces frozen sweet cherries, quartered  
¼ cup bourbon  
1 TBSP orange marmalade

Combine potatoes, ½ cup chicken broth, 4 TBSP butter, ¾ tsp salt and ½ tsp pepper in a large saucepan. Cover and cook on medium heat, stirring occasionally, until potatoes are tender, about 20 minutes. Process with a blender or electric mixer until smooth. Set aside and keep warm.

Pat pork chops dry and sprinkle pumpkin pie spice, 1 tsp salt, 1 tsp pepper on top. Melt 1 TBSP butter in a 12 inch skillet over medium-high heat. Add pork and cook until well browned and registers 140 degrees, about 6 minutes per side. Transfer pork to a platter, tent with foil and keep warm.

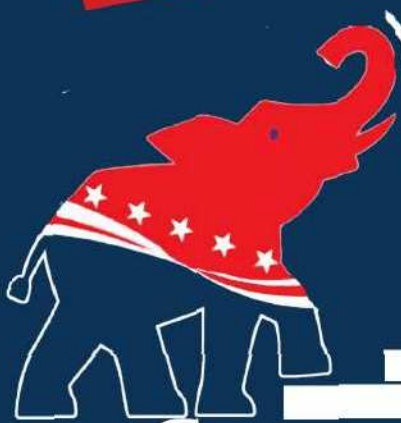
Whisk cornstarch and remaining ½ cup chicken broth together in a bowl. Combine cherries, bourbon, orange marmalade with the chicken broth mixture and remaining salt & pepper. Add this mix to the empty skillet, bring to a simmer and cook, stirring, until sauce thickens, about 3 minutes. Important step – turn off heat, stir in 2 TBSP butter to the sauce and stir well. Serve the pork chops with the sauce and the sweet potatoes.

# A "Clean Sweep" for SVGOP!

WINNING ALL their 2024 Election races!

A particular welcome to returning Rep Matt Pitaro who beat his opponent by about 50  
New Reps Ray Plante & Pete Mehegan who knocked out their opponents !!  
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