PITTSFIELD POST

A FREE NEWSLETTER BY COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

2024 TRIBUTE TO OUR GRADUATES

"YOU HAVE BRAINS IN YOUR HEAD. YOU HAVE FEET IN YOUR SHOES. YOU CAN STEER YOURSELF ANY DIRECTION YOU CHOOSE." — Dr. Seuss, "Oh, the Places You'll Go!" — JUNE 5, 2024 —



PMHS CLASS OF 2024

A Letter to the Graduates

Pittsfield Middle High School 23 Oneida Street • Pittsfield, NH 03263

Dear members of the Pittsfield Middle High School Class of 2024:

Your high school careers started during a pandemic. Does it seem long ago and far away? Because four years later, that long-sought goal of high school graduation is upon you.

The pandemic was full of fear, tragedy and the unknown - all of which you weathered admirably throughout your four years of high school. You entered PMHS in a world full of anxiety, and you proved to be strong and resilient. With that kind of background, you're more than ready for any challenges your life has to offer going forward.

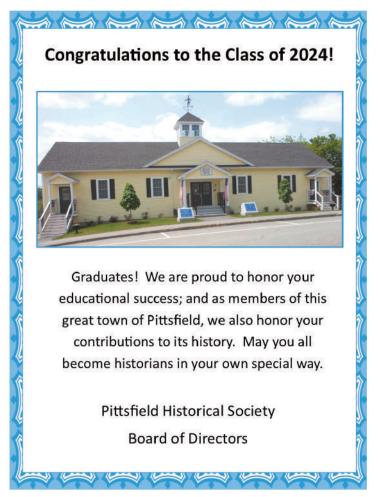
The Alumni Association has worked for many years on behalf of the students of PMHS. Congratulations from all of us, and best wishes as you take the next steps of your lives.

Sincerely, the PHS Alumni Association Executive Board





Congratulations To The Graduating Class of 2024



Dear 2024 Graduates:

I'm honored to give you a brief message of congratulations upon your graduation.

Today, I proudly stand as evidence that anyone who works hard day in and day out for a good cause will most definitely succeed. I've dedicated my life to maintaining my family farm and while it hasn't been easy, it has been rewarding. My hard work and commitment was also the basis for which I was elected to the New Hampshire State Senate. I'm grateful for my family's support and encouragement in this journey of life.

My message to you is simple: find your cause in life, commit yourself to it, work hard every day toward it, and you will have great success and feel a wonderful sense of accomplishment along the way.

Please accept my greatest wishes for success to the graduating class of 2024!

- Howard C Pearl. Senator District 17

Mucho Luck to the Pittsfield Class of 1984

Always remember, the reason they sent us to school is so we may be able to find the truth.

– Dan the Stoneman



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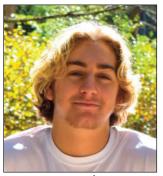
Hours Thursday - Saturday 9:30am - 6pm Sunday 10:30 - 4pm

CONGRATULATIONS, CLASS OF 2024!

"Your time is now. Start where you are.

use what you have, do what you can."

— Arthur Ashe



Casey Anderson

Student's Future Plans

(asey Anderson
Southern New Hampshire University



New England College, majoring in Criminal Justice



Brooke (Moe) Bogdan



Hailey Asdot

Emma Baker

New England College, to become a Kindergarten Teacher

Brooke (Moe) Bogdan College



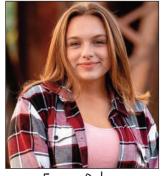
Go to work full time to explore different opportunities



Attend New Hampshire Technical Institute to get pre-nursing classes done, and then enroll into a nursing program



Tiffany Boucher



Emma Baker



Samantha Carney



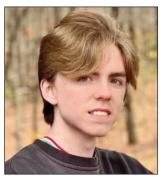
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Lillianna (ole



Logan Connor



Ryan Cox

Student's Future Plans

Michael Casey

Trade school to start working towards becoming a Master Electrician

Lillianna Cole

To get a full time job in Animal Care at a pet shelter or pet store, and start an apprenticeship in tattooing as a side job

Logan Connor

Ryan Cox

University of New Hampshire, for Political Science

Kylynn (ross

Adrian Dandeneau Go to work and have a car

Thomas Dunagin

Hopefully to get a job at the Concord Airport to be an apprentice in Aircraft mechanics, and work on flying lessons to fly as a corporate pilot

Aaron Dunn

Plymouth State University, to major in Cell and Molecular Biology

"The best way to predict your future is to create it."

— Peter Drucker



Kylynn (ross



Adrian Dandeneau



Thomas Dunagin



Aaron Dunn



Congratulations to the Class of 2024!

Best of luck in your future endeavors.



Evan Henninger



Kayla Marie Johns



Jesse (Violet) Johnson



Jackson Marston

Student's Future Plans

Evan Henninger
Trade school

Kayla Marie Johns
New Hampshire Technical Institute

Jesse (Violet) Johnson Work

Jackson Marston
Plymouth State University

Dylan Mills

Plymouth State University, to study Environmental Science and Policy

Kandace Mills

I plan to get a job in Sales Support

Winifred Morgan

University of Lowell Massachusetts, to earn a Bachelor degree in Marketing and Psychology

Jessica Nagle

Gap year to explore interests, work with a vocational rehab to find a suitable career path; maybe take some classes to explore interests and earn some credits

"The important thing is not to stop questioning. Curiosity has its own reason for existing."

- Albert Finstein



Dylan Mills



Kandace Mills



Winifred Morgan



Jessica Nagle

Congratulations to the Pittsfield Graduating Class of 2024!



The Board of Selectmen wish you all the best as you make your way into the world. Happiness and success are our hope for each and every one of you. Wherever life leads you, have faith in your roots.

You always have a home in Pittsfield.



Riley Nagle

Student's Future Plans

Riley Nagle

University of New Hampshire, majoring in Animal Science with a Pre-Vet focus



Plymouth State University, in their theatre program



Plymouth State University





Southern New Hampshire University, to study Secondary English Education

> Justin Rivera Attend college



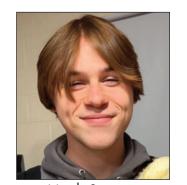
Micah Sayman Southern New Hampshire University, to study History



Melanie Rand



Andrew Ross



Micah Sayman

Angel Penney



Quen Pereira



Sydney Provencal

"Your life is your story, and the adventure ahead of you is the journéy to fulfill your own purpose and potential." Kerry Washington



Ethan Smith



Skyler Smith



Nevaeh Stebbins

Ethan Smith To find a job that I like

Skyler Smith Working and apprenticing as a dog trainer

Nevaeh Stebbins

New Hampshire Technical Institute

Brandin Weygand

New Hampshire Technical Institute, in Architectural Engineering Technology

Jadin Weygand

Build some experience working in the automotive field, find a trade school, and get an apprenticeship at a dealership or shop



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Letters from Alumni ...

Graduates!

Looking back on our high school years we now realize it was the best times of our lives. You are off to new adventures. Be kind, be aware, always remember to prepare and work hard, but save time for yourself. Look up and around.

- Allison Buttafuoco, PHS class of 1984

To the 2024 graduating class,

It has been a pleasure getting to know you all this year! I know just how wonderful and talented you all are, and I know you will succeed in all that you do! — Jeannie Belanger, PHS Class of 1984

To the Pittsfield Middle High School Class of 2024,

You Made It! Congratulations on your High School Graduation. Your hard work has paid off and now the opportunities are endless. I wish you all the best of luck in whatever is next in your life. Some of you will continue with schooling of some kind; some of you may travel and take some time off; some of you may join the military, and some of you may find a job. Wherever you go and whatever you do - give it your all. Be involved in your community and make wherever you are a better place! Cherish all your wonderful High School memories and have fun making new memories. Good Luck, Be Safe and Have Fun! — Sincerely, Andi Grainger Riel, PHS Class of 1984

Congratulations

Pittsfield Middle High School Class of 2024! Here's to a good summer, and a GREAT future!!



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"Believe you can and you're halfway there." - Theodore Roosevelt

June 5, 2024



Salute to the Stars & Stripes June 14, 7pm

The First Congregational Church, 24 Main St., will present a free patriotic concert, "Salute to the Stars & Stripes," Flag Day, Friday, June 14, 7pm. It will feature the Chancel Choir, JuBellation Handbell Choir and other talented musicians. Light refreshments will be served. Mark your calendar for this exciting event for all ages, bring a friend and wear your red, white and blue! Parking and wheelchair accessible

entry are available at the Chestnut Street entrance. Additional parking will be permitted at the Pittsfield Historical Society parking lot in unreserved spaces only, 4 Oak Street. For more information, contact the church office, 603 435-7471. God Bless America! *Nella Hobson for the Congregational Church*

F. B. Argue Recreation Area 2024 Opening

On Friday, June 14, the F.B. Argue Recreation Area will open for the 2024 summer season at 1pm. Parents need to provide contact information if their child/children will be coming to the pool without an adult. We will be open Monday - Friday from 12-5. Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult. There will be no lifeguard on duty, but we will have two attendants who will help enforce rules and assist with activities. Because of this, parents will be expected to watch their own children at all times.

Registration for swimming lessons will be held at the recreation area. We will run two 2-week sessions, and each lesson will run for about ½ hour. The cost for swimming lessons for Pittsfield residents will be \$15 per child, per session. The cost for non-residents will be \$30 per child, per session. The dates for the sessions will be as follows:

Session 1 Nighttime: June 24 – July 5 Session 2 Daytime: July 29 – August 9

The daily admission for residents is \$1.00 per person. A family season pass may be bought for \$50. Daily admission for non-residents will be \$1.50 per person. Children under 5 will be admitted free with a paid adult. Said paid adult will be responsible for supervision of said child/children. The concession stand will be open. A swim test will still be given for children to swim outside the ropes.

There will be a charge of \$40 for using the area on weekends this summer. A usage form will be required before such use. An extra \$10 will be charged if you want to use the grill. This extra swim time will be **swim at your own risk.** We will have 2 blocks of time each day. The first daily block will be 9am-1pm and the second block of time will be 1pm-5pm. If you have questions, please call 603 290-4068 or 435-7457 (during hours of operation).

Pittsfield Players present Evening of One Acts

Friday and Saturday, June 14 & 15, at 7:30pm, and Sunday, June 16, at 2pm - The Pittsfield Players present "Evening of One Acts" at the Scenic Theatre, 6 Depot St. Get ready for the most exciting theatrical event of the season.

We're bringing you an unforgettable evening filled with sensational performances. Our talented directors and actors are ready to take the stage and "wow" you with their creative vision. From heartwarming stories to gripping dramas, our "Evening of One Acts" promises to keep you on the edge of your seat. Join us as we celebrate the power of storytelling, imagination, and the vibrant spirit of our local theater community. Please visit the Players' website at www.pittsfieldplayers.org/tickets to purchase tickets. The Pittsfield Players

Pittsfield Town Crier

Would you like an event listed? Contact Andi Riel at <u>pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com</u> or 603-435-6343

Wed, June 5, 6:30pm - Suncook Valley Rotary Club will meet at the Pittsfield Historical Society, Oak Street.

Thurs, June 6, 9am - Scam Alert - At the **Senior Center** - The Pittsfield Police Department will be giving a talk about the scams that exist and what we can do to protect ourselves.

Fri, June 7, 7pm - The Pittsfield Middle High School Awards Ceremony will be held at the PMHS Gym.

Sat, June 8, 10am -The Pittsfield Middle High School Graduation Ceremony will be held at the PMHS Gym. Congratulations to the PMHS Class of 2024!!!

Sat, June 8, 8:30am - FREE Community Breakfast at **Joy Church**, 55 Barnstead Rd. All are welcome.

Sun, June 9, 1-4pm - **Pittsfield Historical Society** is open. Stop in at the museum on Oak Street and view all the wonderful artifacts from Pittsfield's history.

Tues/Wed, June 11-12, 5pm to 5pm - NH GIVES! Please save the date - **PYW** is once again participating in NH Gives! This is our biggest fundraiser of the year, and all funds raised go toward keeping PYW free for all the young people in our community! If you are interested in helping out, let us know, and feel free to share our posts! NHgives.org

Thurs, June 13 - Birthday Celebration at the **Senior Center** - We celebrate all the birthdays for the month! As we get older we start to realize that we have fewer and fewer birthdays left, so we need to celebrate together the ones that we do have.

Thurs, June 13, 6-7:30pm - **Eighth Grade** Achievement Night at PMHS Gym.

Wed, June 19 - The Senior Center will be CLOSED in recognition of Juneteenth.

It's time to nominate someone for **Pittsfield's**Citizen of the Year! Many people deserve to be honored for their actions and their commitment to Pittsfield. Their activities benefit our town. However, only one can be selected for 2024. Please submit (via mail) your nomination with a short note explaining why you think this person should be honored as Citizen of the Year for 2024.

Nominations may be sent to Citizen of the Year, P.O. Box 173, Pittsfield, NH 03263. Nominations should be received by Friday, June 21.

Dowboro Farm, 615 Dowboro Rd is open for the season. Thurs - Sat, 9:30am-6pm, and Sun 10:30-4pm. **The 4-H Young Entrepreneurs** have stocked up the store. Please come and check it out!

PYW is open for Regular drop-in hours: 3pm-6pm on Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri, and 1-6pm on Wed. Please contact Ashley or Zach at 603-435-8272, or email to info@pittsfieldyouthworkshop.org for more info about all the great things happening in the NEW year.

At the Senior Center - Breakfast Bingo! What a combination! Every other Wednesday the center will be serving breakfast at 9:30am, then bingo will follow from 10-11:45am. Our "Breakfast Bingo" dates will be June 5 and June 19. Cribbage players are still welcome. We have plenty of room for both groups to be going on at the same time.

At the Senior Center- Movie - We will be watching a movie every other Wednesday. The dates are June 12 and June 26. You will get to pick the movie from five different choices. Whoever shows up will vote on the movie for the day. During the movie we will snack on popcorn and have lunch. The movie starts at 10am. Cribbage and card players welcome during the movie at the back tables.

Join us **every Saturday** for **BINGO** hosted by 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 3:30pm and Bingo starts at 6 pm at Circle 9 Ranch in Epsom. ***NOTE NEW

LOCATION AND TIMES ***

If you are a 501(c)(3), have you heard about the Globe Community Fund? Established by the former fourth-generation family owners of Globe Manufacturing Company in Pittsfield, the donor-advised fund is administered by the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation. The fund's purpose is to enhance community well-being with a focus on the towns of Pittsfield, Barnstead, Epsom, Northwood, Gilmanton, and Chichester. For more information and an application, email the fund at GlobeCommunityFund@globefiresuits.com

Pittsfield Hoops 603 Heatwave Camp - Summer basketball camp for Grades 1-6 at the PMHS Gym. All skill levels are welcomed and encouraged. \$40. July 15-19, 9-1pm for Grades 1-3 and July 29- Aug. 2, 9-1pm for Grades 4-6. For more information or if you have any questions, contact Coach Stratton at 603-341-2691 or pittsfieldhoops603@gmail.com Sign up today on our website to reserve your spot in something great:

https://leagues.teamlinkt.com/pittsfieldhoops603

There are several vacancies on the **Pittsfield Budget Committee.** Please contact Town
Moderator Jackson Marston or the town hall
office if interested or you have any questions.
The volunteer application may be found on the
town website <u>www.pittsfieldnh.gov</u>

The Pittsfield Historical Society continues to raise funds for the commemorative garden on the museum grounds. The "BUY-A-BRICK" project affords an opportunity for people to buy a brick to honor yourself, loved ones past or present, or whomever you wish to remember. The bricks cost \$100 each and may be engraved with 3 lines of 18 characters each for a 4"x 8" brick. Stop by at the museum, 4 Oak St, to see the current garden and the surrounding grounds. Please visit www.pittsfieldhistory.com for a donation form and instructions. For more information, please call 603-435-8004.

Attention PHS Class of 1984 - It's our 40th Class Reunion this year!! Save the date: Sat, Sept. 14

at Murphy's Tap Room in Bedford. More info and invitations will be out soon! Contact Andi Grainger Riel at pittsfieldtowncrier@hotmail.com or 603-435-6346 for info.

Happy Birthday wishes to Sheila Holmes on Sun, June 2; to Nick Semales on Mon, June 3; and to Dana Bishop on Fri, June 7. **Happy Anniversary** wishes to Andy & Heather Davis on Sun, June 2.



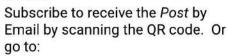
Post-It in the Post

Community groups, businesses, and individuals, please send us your news, opinions, and creative work!

Deadline is noon on Friday.

Email: pittsfieldnews@pnhcc.org
Info: www.PittsfieldNHCommunity Center.org

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*Eligibility guidelines do apply.

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Headstart@capbm.org for more information







Dear 2024 Graduates of PMHS,

On behalf of all the members of First Congregational Church of Pittsfield, I would like to express our congratulations on your accomplishment. Your graduation represents one of many milestones in your journey through life. It can certainly be considered a mountain-top experience. There will no doubt be other mountain tops to climb so when you do, I encourage you to consider the words from the song *Climb Ev'ry Mountain* from the movie "The Sound of Music."

Climb every mountain, search high and low, Follow every byway, every path you know. Climb every mountain, ford every stream, Follow every rainbow, 'til you find your dream. A dream that will need all the love you can give, Everyday of your life, for as long as you live.

You have the strength within you to conquer any challenge, no matter how daunting it may seem. Embrace your inner strength, follow your passions, and chase your aspirations with unwavering determination. Despite the difficulties that life may present, never give up on your dreams and always strive to reach new heights.

Once again, congratulations.

Reverend David Stasiak and your friends at First

Congregational Church of Pittsfield.

Congratulations to the PMHS Class of 2024,

The Pittsfield Fire Department & Association members would like to wish you all the best wishes and luck in your future endeavors. Spread your wings and be a positive influence on



our world.
Make the
residents
of
Pittsfield
proud of
you and
never
forget
where you
came
from.

Class of 2024

Congratulations and Best Wishes! Ann Cotton Carr, PHS Class of 1954

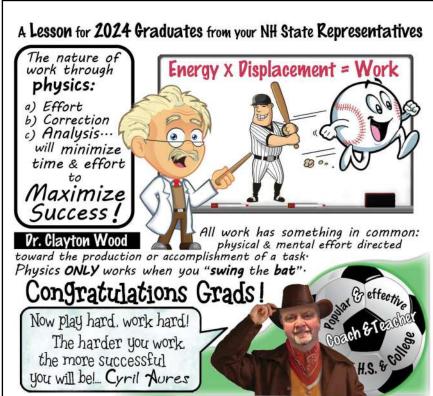


Congratulations,

Class of 2024 for finishing this chapter of your life! As you get ready to write the next one, a few tidbits of advice I've picked up since I walked out those doors twenty years ago:

- 1. Be Humble- let your actions speak for you. Encourage others in everything you do; don't worry about who gets the credit.
- 2. Make Good Choices- ask yourself, how does this affect others? Does it lift or bring down?
- 3. Be Thankful- thank the people who help you, show gratitude for the opportunities and situations that arise, and never take anything or anyone for granted.
- 4. Be Open to Opportunities- goal setting and planning are important, but be open to change. Go well in this next adventure!

 Rachel (Colby) McGill, PMHS Class of 2004





Tasty Marinades for Grilled Chicken

My dear friends, it's time to get your 'grill' on. Find it, clean it out, buy a new propane tank or a bag of charcoal, dig out your grill utensils and

get ready for the summer grilling season. To kick off your grilling season, we offer up a trio of super-tasty marinades that are particularly great for bone-in chicken (breast, thigh or legs). Marinate your chicken for at least 8 hours, or up to overnight. Cook the chicken on the grill until you have a good sear, then finish in the oven (at 275 degrees) for 20 minutes. Enjoy! *MP Christakos*

Cilantro Lime

Juice of 2 limes

2 TBSP olive oil

14 cup chopped cilantro

2 minced garlic cloves

1/2 tsp ground cumin

Ideas for Sides: Spanish Rice, corn, and a 'Mexi Salad' – romaine lettuce, a few spoonfuls of Pico de Gallo, a few squirts of Ranch dressing, 2 to 3 palmfuls of shredded Cheddar and some crispy tortilla strips (in the produce aisle).

Honey Dijon

14 cup olive oil

¼ cup soy sauce

14 cup whole grain Dijon mustard

2 TBSP honey

Ideas for Sides: roasted mini potatoes, wild rice, or baked potato. Also steamed carrots and broccoli.

Balsamic

½ cup balsamic vinegar

2 TBSP honey

2 TBSP whole grain mustard

3 cloves garlic, minced

Pinch of red pepper flakes

Ideas for Sides: cooked orzo pasta, or gnocchi with Alfredo sauce; steamed broccoli. Salad of romaine lettuce, cherry tomatoes, sliced red onion and a few chunks of fresh mozzarella cheese.

Drake Field Summer Recreation Program June 18 - July 26

Hours are from 8am until 12pm, Monday - Friday, unless there is a field trip. The program is free to Pittsfield children in grades 1-8, with a small charge for some field trips. Breakfast and lunch are provided free for those who want it. The program consists of sports, arts and crafts, games, and field trips. For more information contact Louise Sawyer at 603-267-6733. Drake Field Rec Program

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Victory Workers 4-H Club and the Dowboro Farm Stand

Continued from the May 22 Pittsfield Post
In 2019 our current leader, Pamela Clattenburg,
purchased her grandparents' home at 615 Dowboro
Road in Pittsfield. Her vision was to expand on the
hands-on learning experience previous members had
enjoyed. Now with all the members that were on the
original grant writing team gone off to the grown-up
world, we would start again. Dowboro Farm is the
home to Victory Workers 4-H Young Entrepreneurs.

Then Covid hit, so more members went off in the world and the 3 groups started over. We learned to write grants, make a business plan, name our business, and set goals for restocking inventory, a general fund and, of course, our savings account. We submitted our grants, and each member received a start-up grant for their business, which had an auditor come out and review us at 30, 60 and 90 days. They would give us advice on promotions, tagging, displaying and communication. We never knew who the auditor was; they came in like regular shoppers and even purchased. We would receive by mail the suggestions and comments. Did you know that counting money back, something our leader made us do, was really a GREAT thing? After our 1st season we received personalized letters from the grantors, who were out of state, telling us how wonderfully we had done. Some of the comments were that our products were a great hit at the company Christmas Party. So, we learned that the Pittsfield-, Epsom- and Barnstead-made items with our business cards had made an impression on folks from New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Connecticut and Massachusetts.

Our FARM STORE showcases many items such as produce, eggs, jams & jellies, recycled grain bags, goat milk soap, cutting boards, photo note cards, jewelry, table runners, recycled art, crafts, chicken, planners, and we have a number of state-approved baked items. Yes, we said "state approved." Did you know that part of the learning process is knowing about food safety? Members would take a sample of their baked item to the state, with the recipe, and it is tested for moisture content and sometimes you need to change your recipe a number of times before you receive a license to sell that product. We currently have 7 licenses. Did you know that before you can print a daily planner you need to learn about

copyrights, and you may have to change your planner a number of times before you have a 'clear' to print and sell? These are some of the things members have learned. As we man our farm store shifts, we learn so much from the public, some former 4-Hers have said - When I was in 4-H Leader Leon Miller taught me woodworking; Leader Pauline Wheeler gave me cooking lessons; Leader Pauline Wheeler talked me into giving a demonstration on hard boiled eggs; Leader Etta Whitter taught me how to tat; Leader Carolyn Davis taught me how to make a basket; Leader Paul Davis taught me woodworking and I made a fishing pole holder; Leader Corine Miller helped me with my public speaking; I helped at the Chicken BBQ with Leaders Richard & Holly Bickford; I cooked with Leader Clarence Tarbox at the Country Kitchen on Victory Workers Day at Hopkinton Fair; I learned to knit from Mrs. Gilman and Mrs. Burbank, who were leaders at the time; I did crafts with Leader Joan Fowler; Leader Emily Barton taught me to sew; Leader Mark Riel taught me not to put my hand too close to the saw blade; Leader Kip Riel taught me about compost worms and I still compost to this day; Leader Ray Webber taught me about bike safety and mountain biking, and I still have a spare tire hanging in my garage; I received my first safety vest for boating from a leader who taught boat safety (Richard Horner); Those were the days! I remember about a dozen of us all piled into Ruth's van, heading off to a County event. It is great to hear all the stories, even though most of the names I do not know. For the most part we hear, "I wish we had this when I was in 4-H! These are all life skills you will use when you are older!"

As our Farm Store got ready to open this year we added our greenhouse and, with the support of Pleasant View Gardens, will offer hanging baskets, window boxes, patio boxes, annuals & perennials. Our Young Entrepreneur Monty Hutson will be selling vegetable 4- and 6-packs he has started. Members will be planting the 2½ acres of garden to sell produce as it is ready: Fresh Lettuce in mid-May. We still will be selling: eggs, crafts, baked items, jams & jellies, knitted items, jewelry, soaps, crocheted and sewn items, to name a few.

Victory Workers has added a number of projects since opening the Farm Store, like our BEES! We will be selling fresh HONEY! We hope to have fresh strawberries, raspberries, apples, plums, pears, peaches this year if weather is on our side. Looking like the rhubarb will be ready in late May to early June.

Victory Workers will be hosting a Fall Festival on Saturday, October 19th for the public to come and see us at our best! Showcasing our fashion (sewing), public speeches, demonstrations, action exhibit (Make it, take it.), animals, foods, exhibits, games, shooting sports. And we are continually looking for educational exhibits and vendors.

The club is always in need of project teachers or helpers. If you are interested, please contact Leaders Corine Miller 435-5497, Pamela Clattenburg 435-0772, Melissa Babcock



496-3928. We are looking for helpers for the week of June 24 -28 for our Heritage Arts Week. This is a week of classes held at the South Pittsfield Community Club, Dowboro Road, Pittsfield. You do not need to teach, just be hands-on helper for basket making, quilting, rug braiding, penny rug making, needle work, weaving, chair caning, etc. We normally complete 60 projects during this week. Many hands make light work! Do you have a project or program you could share for 1 hour or more? We would love to hear from you. Are you a former 4-H er? Well maybe you would consider coming back to share your experiences and teach us younger members something. *Erica Hutson*, Victory Workers 4-H

Public Hearing Meeting Notice

TOWN OF PITTSFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN

PUBLIC HEARING Tuesday, June 11, 2024

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Selectmen will conduct a hearing to receive public comment concerning the town's existing Traffic Control Ordinance.

While not limited to these topics, the Board has had recent discussions on the following:

- Speed limit reductions
- Change in the no-parking areas of Main Street
- Increased signage and enforcement of parking regulations

The Traffic Control Ordinance can be viewed at the Town Office or on the town's website, www.pittsfieldnh.gov

The public hearing will be held at 6:15 p.m. on Tuesday, May 28, 2024, at the Town Office, 85 Main Street. Pittsfield. NH 03263.

Public Hearing Meeting Notice

TOWN OF PITTSFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN

PUBLIC HEARING Tuesday, June 11, 2024

The Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing to accept public comment on proposed revisions to the Wastewater Facility and Industrial Pretreatment Ordinance. The revisions include, but are not limited to, incorporating a remediation program for reducing non-wastewater from infiltrating the sewer system and updating the sewer user fee to meet budgetary requirements.

The proposed draft ordinance can be found at the Town Office or online at www.pittsfieldnh.gov

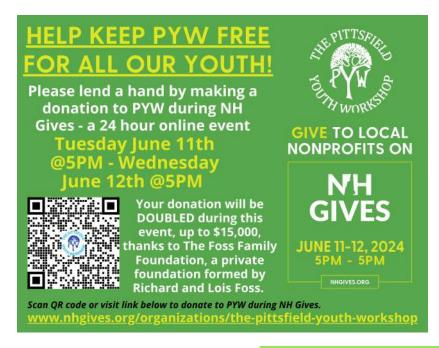
The public hearing will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 11, 2024, at the Town Office, 85 Main Street, Pittsfield, NH 03263.

Pittsfield American Legion Chapter 75

Local Pittsfield NH local Chapter 75 has an urgent need for new members, in order for the chapter to remain active. If you served at least one day of active military duty since December 7, 1941 and were honorably discharged, or if you are still serving active military duty honorably, you are eligible for membership with The American Legion.

In addition to the camaraderie and continuing service to our community, the American Legion provides VA benefit assistance. Accredited American Legion service officers are specially trained to provide expert assistance, free of charge, to veterans and their families. Your membership also helps support American Legion Department Service Officers nationwide who assist veterans in preparing claims and obtaining their full military healthcare benefits through the VA. The group meets once a month and sponsors the Veteran's Day ceremony in town and other special services.

For local Chapter 75 to remain active in the community, the post needs to expand membership. Currently our roster is slightly above the minimum criteria for remaining an active post and we need to increase our membership roster to continue to remain an important local resource for our veterans and their families. If you want to join, please contact John Christakos at <u>jc7717@gmail.com</u>

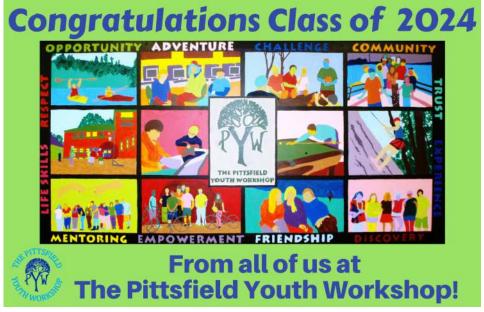


Congratulations Pittsfield High School Class of 2024

As you strive forward to build new memories and encounter new quests along the way, may your future hold happiness and fulfillment of your goals.

Volunteers of the Pittsfield Post





Select Board Review May14, 2024

A 3-year fireworks contract for Old Home Day celebrations was approved. Typically we go a year at a time, but with America's 250th anniversary in 2026 the provider asked for a commitment that would get us through that date to avoid any supply issues.

A Manchester St. resident came in with a sidewalk concern in front of her home and a proposed solution. We tabled the request pending Public Works and town counsel review.

Minni Plant was reappointed to Parks and Recreation. Katie Nikas was appointed to the Old Home Day Committee.

The town's Investment Policy was reviewed. The Sewer User Fee was also reviewed, and must be increased in order to have any hope of future solvency.

Charitable, religious, veteran's, and elderly tax exemptions were reviewed for eligibility and subsequently approved. 2 Notices of Intent to Cut Timber were signed and one timber tax bill for a completed cut was approved. An Excavation Tax for sand and gravel was assessed for one active pit. The first half real estate tax warrant was approved, so bills will go out soon.

Three Police Dept. employee evaluations were reviewed and steps approved for Anne Taylor, Devon Rego and Donald Bolduc. All three received exemplary ratings and comments from their superiors. Pittsfield is fortunate to have a competent, dedicated police force, especially considering the law enforcement shortages being experienced in literally every other department nationally and statewide, and speaks volumes about the leadership and cohesiveness found here.

Fire Chief Pete Pszonowsky brought forward a request to hire Rob Bartlett III as a call member and an appointment of Seth Lamontagne as deputy forest fire warden. Pete also asked for approval to obtain two dept. improvements that require no appreciable town funding. One is a gov't surplus high-water rescue/forest fire vehicle, and the other is a fire training building to be constructed at the town property off Dowboro Rd. Both these acquisitions will help keep Pittsfield one of the best trained and equipped fire departments in the area, without an effect on taxes. Pete also brought us up to speed on the Life Safety Code requirements that future use of the former Catholic nunnery on Fairview are subject to. He and code compliance officer Lacroix, accompanied by the State Fire Marshall and State Electrical inspector, met with the new owners to inspect and determine improvements that must be made to that building. This is the first time an owner of that property has shown a willingness to abide by State Life Safety Codes prior to occupying those areas that are in violation. We are hopeful that all issues will be satisfactorily addressed, as promised.

A number of other housekeeping issues were taken care of before wrapping up a long meeting. Carl Anderson



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Select Board Review May 28, 2024

Minni Plante came in with her swimming pool staff for this summer, to introduce them to us. She's got enough help and competent staff, with the exception of lifeguards, so swimming will once again be 'at your own risk.'
The pool opens June 14. Nicole St. George was reappointed to Parks & Recreation.

Charitable and Religious Exemptions were considered and approved for four churches and the Masonic Hall.

Donations of \$2000 for Parks and Recreation and \$3000 for Old Home Day were accepted, with appreciation, from Globe Foundation.

In police news, Life Saving Awards were presented to Pittsfield Officer Justin Bishop and Epsom Officer Kyle Johansson for their instant and decisive action in an incident with a suicidal and dangerous individual, at risk of their own peril. Also responding were Epsom Officer Joseph Mullins, Pittsfield Chief Joe Collins and Sgt. Devon Rego. Parents of the subject had reported the ongoing and deteriorating situation and should be credited with doing so before bad went to worse. Fortunately, the incident ended without bloodshed.

Also, Police Admin. Donna Stockman's excellent performance review was accepted and approved. Donna is an asset to the department and has been for many years.

Jonathon Swift of Barnstead was hired as Police Sergeant. He brings 18 years of experience to Pittsfield and we anticipate he'll be a valued member of an already excellent department. *Carl Anderson*



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www.pittsfieldnhcommunitycenter.org

Find the Hidden Objects





This dispatch covers the legislation from the floor debate of the May 23 session of the House.

The bill **SB418**, which aimed at increasing penalties for those who refuse testing in cases of aggravated driving while intoxicated, failed to pass with a vote of 101-253. **SB340** provided that the school district may provide information re a child's special education program by electronic mail. Passed 186-176.

The bill **CACR22**, which was about adding to the state constitution that NH will be the first presidential primary in the nation, did not receive the 3/5 vote to pass with a vote of 195-187.

SB373, regarding the state building code, grants the ability to overrule the Building Codes Review Board. It amends the state building and energy codes for the convenience of all people using them. It passed by voice vote.

SB134 re disability pensions for public safety employees who are victims of violence. This bill creates a new category of disability pensions relating to Group II members who are disabled due to a "violent injury" that is likely to be permanent before attaining retirement age. Passed by voice vote.

SB352 re early detection cancer screening pilot program for active and retired firefighters. Passed by a voice vote. **SB355** relative to newborn screening for cytomegalovirus. Passed by voice vote.

SB393 re \$ for the Department of Environmental Services to fund regional drinking water infrastructure. This bill gives \$6.5 million to the Department of Environmental Services for the fiscal year ending 6/30/25. This would enable towns that opt for the building of workforce housing to support it with water service. It passed by voice vote.

SB406 \$ to the Dept of Health and Human Services to increase rates for shelter programs. Passed by voice vote

SB409 re reimbursement for ambulance services under the state Medicaid plan. Passed by voice vote after **HB1593** was amended by 219-152. This bill adds \$ to the Department of Health and Human Services to support recreational activities for individuals with disabilities.

SB 453, a bill to establish a statewide voter registration system, and **HB 463**, a companion bill for a state-wide voting portal with \$450,000 allocated to the Secretary of State, were referred for an Interim Study.

SB476 to approve \$40 million for engineering, programming & design, and documents for a new State Prison, was connected to **HB1711**, authorizing the state to report mental health data for firearms background checks for the confiscation of firearms. Passed 212-155.

SB553 required that funds held by the public deposit investment pool be invested in NH. Failed 176-190.

SB591 added \$60 million to the youth development center settlement fund & claims administration. This bill extends the window by six months to allow for more out-of-court settlements. Passed 187-173.

SB604 provided a death benefit for NH security officer killed in the line of duty. Passed by voice vote.

SB527 opened up residential property to more than two occupants per bedroom and prohibited the enforcement of any such zoning ordinances in an attempt to provide more student housing. Passed 199-154. **SB358,** relative to invalidating out-of-state driver's licenses issued to undocumented immigrants. Passed by one vote, 176-175.

SB501, relative to driver licenses for non-citizens residing in NH and can be issued to non-citizens lawfully present in the United States. Passed 181-169. There was concern that this could allow non-citizens to vote since there were no stipulations to the provisions of that license.

If you have any questions, please contact Clayton or Cyril at info@claytoncyril4house.com Sincerely, your State Representatives Cyril Aures and Clayton Wood.

June 2024



Congratulations to Cam & Silas! In May they both were promoted to Joshu Sho Ban! (1st degree Junior Black Belts)

Shidokan USA invitational tournament was a huge success!

We had 19 students compete and earned 38 medals: 13 1st place, 6 2nd place, 9 3rd place, 9 4th place, and 1 courage. We had some first time and 2nd time competitors! Congratulations to all the students that competed! And congratulations to Waka-Shihan for his promotion to Shihan! Kyoshi Dave Patterson made the trip up from Virginia to promote him in Person at the tournament! It was a great day!

