



What's UP @ PYW?

"Empowering youth in the Pittsfield area since 1986"

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Quarterly Newsletter of the Pittsfield Youth Workshop • Spring 2024

Happy Spring!

As the weather turns warmer, and the days become longer, we are excited to see more of our friends that have been hibernating this winter. If you haven't stopped by PYW in a while, we hope you'll take a look at the calendar of activities and trips to find a day to come by and see us. If you've never taken the opportunity to check us out, we hope you consider giving PYW a chance!

As a reminder, PYW is 100% free for youth in grades 6-12; that includes all activities, trips and delicious daily meals and snacks. All activities are supervised by our amazing staff and volunteers, and our Drop-In center is warm, inviting and a safe space for all youth.

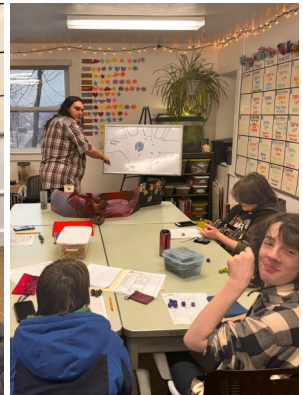
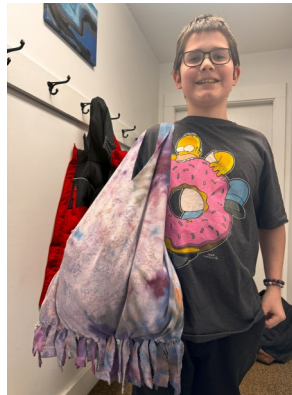
If you are a parent or community member interested in lending a hand, let us know! We are always looking for volunteers, donations of supplies, and day to day support for our organization.

We are looking forward to all the amazing adventures we have planned over the next three months, you don't want to miss out!

See you soon, Zach & Ashley!

**NH
GIVES
TOGETHER
WE GIVE.**

SAVE THE DATE! The Pittsfield Youth Workshop will be participating in NH gives on June 11th and 12th. We will be posting more as we get closer to June about this fundraising opportunity that connects donors to their favorite nonprofit organization.



Important Dates to Remember

Wednesday, March 6th: Service Learning Day! Join us and fill eggs for the town Easter Egg hunt!

Friday, April 19th: No School! PYW is open for Drop-in 2pm-6pm!

Monday, April 22nd: Service Learning Day! Join us clean up the park in honor of Earth Day!

Monday, April 22nd-Friday, April 26th: April Vacation week! Permission slips for trips will be posted early in April!

April Vacation Drop-in hours: Monday and Wednesday: 2pm-6pm. There will be no drop-in on Tuesday and Thursday (trip days) and we are CLOSED Friday, April 26th.

Friday, May 24th-Friday, May 31st: PYW is CLOSED for staff vacation.

Mission Statement

The Pittsfield Youth Workshop (PYW) is a nonprofit organization committed to providing programs and services that empower youth by helping them to develop useful skills, self-esteem and meaningful friendships, by involving them in activities that are interesting, challenging, and healthy avenues to self discovery.

Drop-in Hours:

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri:
3pm-6pm

Wed (Early Release):
1pm-6pm

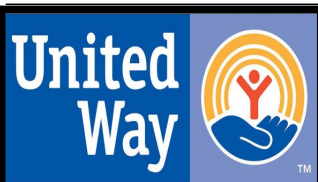
Membership is **free** and includes: our daily scheduled activity, all out-of-town excursions, and access to our drop-in center for a safe and warm place to hang out with friends. We also have daily meals and a food pantry stocked with basic necessities and pantry staples.



Upcoming High School Only Nights:

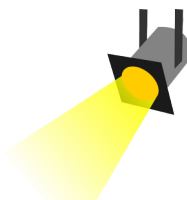
Join us on the following Friday Nights from 6pm-8pm here at PYW!

**March 8th April 5th
May 3rd**



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PYW Spotlight Presenting...



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Nora, grade 7

How long have you been coming to PYW?

"Almost 2 years."

What made you start coming to PYW?

"Hearing all about PYW in 6th grade and being old enough to go."

What do you like about PYW?

"Zach and Ashley! And being silly with Rayanne!"

...and...



Rayanne, grade 7

How long have you been coming to PYW?

"Since sixth grade, so almost 2 years."

What made you start coming to PYW?

"I knew a lot of good people that came here."

What do you like about PYW?

"The way that people treat me here. And being silly with Nora!"



PYW appreciates you both, Nora and Rayanne! Thank you for always making us laugh!

We've had a blast the last few months; from D&D with Ben, to an indoor rock climbing adventure, high school only trip to the mall, bowling and arcades at Funspot, and countless days of fun and laughter! We hope you'll join us on our next adventures!



THE PITTSFIELD
YOUTH WORKSHOP

PYW Spring 2024

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
<u>25</u> 	<u>26</u> 	<u>27</u> 	<u>28</u> 	<u>29</u> 	<u>1 MARCH</u> <u>PYW CLOSED</u> 	<u>2</u>
<u>3</u>	<u>4</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm Trading Card Games	<u>5</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm INTRO TO JUGGLING	<u>6</u> <i>Early Release</i> Drop-in: 1pm-6pm Homemade Playdough	<u>7</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm WILDCARD DAY	<u>8</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm Lego Challenge High School Only: 6pm-8pm	<u>9</u>
<u>10</u> 	<u>11</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm KARATE With Path of the Samurai	<u>12</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm Paracord Keychains	<u>13</u> <i>Early Release</i> Drop-in: 1pm-6pm SERVICE LEARNING DAY! Fill Eggs for Town Easter Egg Hunt	<u>14</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm Tapple	<u>15</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm St. Patty's Day Photo Booth and Shamrock Shakes	<u>16</u>
<u>17</u> 	<u>18</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm Knitting with Lorrie	<u>19</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm Dungeons and Dragons w/ Ben 	<u>20</u> <i>Early Release</i> Drop-in: 1pm-6pm "Send your Best" Challenge	<u>21</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm What's Cookin'?	<u>22</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm Codenames	<u>23</u>
<u>24</u>	<u>25</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm Snap Circuits	<u>26</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm Lava Lamps	<u>27</u> <i>Early Release</i> Drop-in: 1pm-6pm Egg Carton and Pipe Cleaner Animals	<u>28</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm JEOPARDY!	<u>29</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm  at PYW 	<u>30</u> Park & Rec Easter Egg Hunt @ Dustin Park
<u>31</u> 	<u>1 APRIL</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm Movies and Snacks	<u>2</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm Dungeons and Dragons w/ Ben	<u>3</u> <i>Early Release</i> Drop-in: 1pm-6pm Bingo	<u>4</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm WILDCARD DAY	<u>5</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm Paint Pouring High School Only: 6pm-8pm	<u>6</u>
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<u>14</u>	<u>15</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm Ping Pong	<u>16</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm Dungeons and Dragons w/ Ben	<u>17</u> <i>Early Release</i> Drop-in: 1pm-6pm Dream Catchers	<u>18</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm What's Cookin'?	<u>19</u> <u>NO SCHOOL</u> Drop-in: 2pm-6pm Blind Folded Hide and Seek	<u>20</u>
<u>21</u> <u>APRIL VACA</u>	<u>22</u> Drop in: 2pm-6pm SERVICE LEARNING DAY! Earth Day: Clean up the park!	<u>23</u> <u>No Drop-in</u> Trip: Movie (TBD) @ Smitty's in Tilton *Permission Slip Req'd	<u>24</u> Drop-in: 2pm-6pm Escape Room	<u>25</u> <u>No Drop-in</u> Trip: Visit KYC! *Permission Slip Req'd	<u>26</u> <u>PYW CLOSED</u> 	<u>27</u>
<u>28</u>	<u>29</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm Button Making	<u>30</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm Dungeons and Dragons w/ Ben	<u>1 MAY</u> <i>Early Release</i> Drop-in: 1pm-6pm Nail Painting	<u>2</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm WILDCARD DAY	<u>3</u> Drop-in: 3pm-6pm Team Trivia Challenge High School Only: 6pm-8pm	<u>4</u>
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PYW CLOSED FOR STAFF VACATION 5/27-5/31/24						