

## **Town Manager's Report: Town Council Meeting of 02/20/2018:**

**1. The FYI Folder:** FYI Folder which contains items that come in between the Town Council Meetings has the following this evening: READ List.

**2. Theatre Golden Ticket Sale:** Although Christmas is over with, we still have the Theatre Golden Tickets that can be a gift or even for yourself: Purchase a book of 10 Gift Certificates at \$55.00. Come and enjoy the Pittsfield Community Theatre!

**3. Date Night at the Theatre:**

WED: DATE NITE: 2 ADMISSIONS+ 2 MED FOUNTAIN DRINKS+ 1 LARGE POPCORN FOR \$18 + SENIORS \$14.

**4. Theatre Movie Line-Up:**

Feb. 23-March 1 12 Strong R, Matinee Sunday, Feb. 25 at 2 PM

March 2-8 THE COMMUTER, Matinee Sunday, March 4 at 2 PM

March 9-15 MAZE RUNNER: THE DEATH CURE, Matinee Sunday, March 11 at 2 PM

March 16-22 PETER RABBIT, Matinee Sunday, March 18 at 2 PM and  
Matinee Wednesday, March 21 at 10 AM and also plays at 7:30 PM

March 23-29 BLACK PANTHER, Matinee Sunday, March 25 at 2 PM

March 30- April 5 EARLY MAN, Matinee April 1 at 2 PM  
Matinee April 4 at 10 AM and also plays at 7:30 PM

**5. Maine Venture Fund: A Match Made in Maine:** A common theme among growing Maine companies is the difficulty in finding, attracting, and hiring talented employees. Some companies resort to hiring out-of-state remote workers, and have even opened offices in Boston and beyond. This is certainly a drag on Maine's economic growth, and a complex problem with no one solution. However, one program, aimed squarely at this problem is making a difference – the Innovate for Maine Fellows Program.

The program's goal is to match talented college students with Maine's growing companies for an internship of 400, 200, or 100 hours over the course of a summer. Companies are selected for the program based on their interest in innovation, a desire for scalable growth, and ability to provide fellows with a meaningful learning experience. Student interns must either be enrolled in a Maine-based college, or be a Maine resident attending school outside of Maine. All selected fellows are expected to live in Maine and work on-site during the internship.

The program is designed to add no extra burden to the companies. The Foster Center for Student Innovation at University of Maine handles all recruiting, screening, matching, payroll, and initial innovation and workplace training. This allows the company and paired fellow to focus on

achieving workplace goals. Several companies have successfully used this program which had a number of students intern with them, many of whom have later been hired on full-time. Companies are finding what worked best for them was to have the interns work alongside employees on real-time problems, as opposed to having them focus on independent work projects.

**6. Easter Egg Hunt:** Greater Pittsfield Area Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, March 31 at 9:00 am at the Pinnacle Ski Club at 271 Waverly Avenue, Pittsfield.

**7. Pinnacle Ski Slope is celebrating the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Pinnacle Fest:** Read Notice