



News & Reviews

January 8, 2020

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OUR 2020 PITTSFORD TOWN BOARD MEMBERS

Our new and re-elected Town Board members were sworn in at the January 7 Pittsford Town Board meeting. We welcome and congratulate Cathy Koshykar as a new Town Board member and congratulate Kate Bohne Munzinger in her re-election to Town Board and re-appointment as Deputy Supervisor, and congratulate Bill Smith as re-elected Town Supervisor. Pictured above: Councilmember Kevin Beckford, Deputy Town Supervisor Kate Bohne Munzinger, Town Supervisor Bill Smith, Councilmember Stephanie Townsend and Councilmember Cathy Koshykar.

**SUPERVISOR SATURDAY THIS WEEK WITH BILL SMITH |
JANUARY 11**

Town Supervisor Bill Smith will hold his next monthly community open house this Saturday, January 11 from 9:00 - 10:00am at the Pittsford Community Library. Stop by and join the conversation to catch up on current issues, Town projects and other topics you might wish to discuss.

This casual open house, held in the Library's Fisher Meeting Room, enables residents who can't stop by to see the Supervisor during the work week a chance to speak to him directly. Come and discuss what matters most to you! Drop in - no registration required. The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street.

Supervisor Smith keeps an open door policy and also welcomes visits from residents at Town Hall during regular business hours Monday to Friday. As always, he's available by phone at 248-6220 and by email at bsmith@townofpittsford.org.

MEET AN AMERKS PLAYER AND THE MOOSE AT THE LIBRARY TOMORROW (THURS.), 6:30PM

Hear one of Rochester's own hockey players read a book, demonstrate equipment, and sign autographs TOMORROW (this Thursday, January 9) from 6:30 - 7:15pm at the Pittsford Community Library. Check the Amerks website at www.Amerks.com to see which player will be appearing. Moose the Mascot will join us as well, so be sure to bring your camera! The program, held in the Fisher Meeting Room, is free and suitable for all ages; no registration required. The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street.

And be sure to save the date for the **Library's Preschool Fair on Saturday, 1/18** from 10-11:30am in the Fisher Meeting Room. Meet representatives and receive information from many local preschools; children are welcome to attend with supervision.

**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
EVENTS NEXT WEEK, JANUARY
14 - 18**

Community members have organized events in Pittsford to honor the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. These will include movies, discussions, storytelling and family activities.

**January 14: MOVIE &
DISCUSSION - 13th (Not Rated)**

Documentary that explores race, justice and incarceration in the United States. Location: Pittsford Community Library, Fisher Meeting Room | 6:00pm

January 15: PANEL DISCUSSION
- Update on living the dream in Pittsford. Location: Pittsford



**Supervisor
Saturday**

with Pittsford Town Supervisor

Bill Smith

9:00 - 10:00am, Fisher Meeting Room
Pittsford Community Library

**Come in & join
the conversation!**

Pittsford Celebrates
LIVE THE DREAM
MLK
Martin Luther King's Legacy

**EVENTS IN
PITTSFORD**

**JANUARY
14, 15, 16, 17
& 18**

Community Library, Fisher Meeting Room | 6:00pm

January 16: MOVIE & DISCUSSION - I am Not Your Negro (PG-13)

Documentary based on James Baldwin's unfinished manuscript about civil rights leaders Medgar Evers, Malcolm X and Martin Luther King, Jr.

Location: Pittsford Community Library, Fisher Meeting Room | 6:00pm

January 17: FAMILY EVENT sponsored by Friends of Pittsford Village

Location: First Presbyterian Church of Pittsford Fellowship Hall | 6:30pm

January 18: AFRICAN STORY TELLING EVENT - Almeta Whitis

Enjoy storytelling, songs, theater games and more in a family-oriented event.

Location: Kings Bend Park, North Lodge | 2:00pm

These events have been developed thanks to the efforts of a Martin Luther King, Jr. community group.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY MOVIE AT THE LIBRARY - GLORY | 1/20, 6:30PM

In honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, join us at the Pittsford Community Library on Monday, January 20 at 6:30pm for a screening of *Glory*, the story of the 54th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry Regiment.

Made up of all African-American soldiers - some Northern freemen, some escaped slaves - the regiment fought in one of the deadliest actions of the Civil War, serving with honor, strength, pride and courage in the face of racism and ignorance. Please note this movie is Rated R, due to language and battle violence.

The movie is free and open to the public; no registration required. The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street. For information about other upcoming Library programs, visit the [Library's online program calendar](#) or call 249-5481.

TOWN AND COUNTY 2019 PROPERTY TAX BILLS HAVE BEEN MAILED - DUE 2/10

Pittsford residents: if your property taxes are not in escrow, you should have received your 2020 Town and County tax bill in the mail by this time. If you have not received your tax bill please do one of the following to obtain a copy of your bill:

- 1) Download and print a copy directly from the Monroe County website at www.monroecounty.gov/apps/propertyapp.php, OR
- 2) Call the Town Tax Office at 585-248-6215 to have a copy of the bill emailed to you, OR
- 3) Email the Town Clerk/Tax Receiver at: ldillon@townofpittsford.org to receive a copy of your bill.

The interest-free Town and County property tax payment deadline is February 10; first installments are also accepted by or before February 10. Please be sure to read all the instructions and information written on the back of your bill carefully. Payments may be made at Pittsford Town Hall (11 South Main Street), [online](#), or at Canandaigua National Bank (18 State Street, Pittsford). Please note there is a 3% service charge for online payments.

It is also **strongly** advised that you do NOT pay by electronic check, as these payments do not receive a U.S. postmark and may arrive late. The payment stub (see page 2 of your tax bill) must accompany your payment. Please include a phone number on your check, if possible.

Please also note: If you are paying your tax bill with an online bill pay (electronic banking) system through your bank, please be aware that your bank still generates and mails a paper check to the Town and it may take as long as two weeks or more to reach the Town offices. This type of mail does not receive a USPS postmark. Therefore, the Town can only consider your payment received on the date it is physically received in our office.

UNITED CHURCH OF PITTSFORD PANCAKE BREAKFAST IS THIS SATURDAY, JANUARY 11

Proceeds benefit Pittsford Youth Services

The United Church of Pittsford's monthly "Rise & Shine" Community Breakfast program is this Saturday, January 11 from 8:00-10:00am at the church (123 South Main Street at Sunset Boulevard); proceeds will benefit the Pittsford Youth Services. Breakfast is \$5.00 per person and includes pancakes served with maple syrup, whipped cream and blueberry topping, sausage links, scrambled eggs, coffee, tea, and juice. The program is held on the second Saturday of each month from October through May, with the proceeds supporting local charities. For more information call 586-6870 or email ucpittsford@gmail.com.

REFUSE DISTRICT ENROLLMENT FOR 2021 UNDERWAY THROUGH APRIL 30

In response to interest expressed by residents, the Town has enabled residents to create refuse districts for their neighborhoods. Creating a refuse district means significantly lower cost to residents for trash collection and would reduce garbage truck traffic on residential streets to one visit, once a week. Setting up a Refuse District and setting the boundaries of the district are entirely up to the residents of a district - this is an optional program. The residents decide the boundaries of the district, then inform the Town of their decision. The Town will guide interested residents through the process. In 2019, five neighborhoods completed the process and enabled their refuse districts for 2020. **January 1 - April 30, 2020 is the enrollment period for setting up a refuse district that will begin service in 2021.** Find complete information about setting up a Refuse District at www.townofpittsford.org/refuse-districts.

SAVE THE DATE: SWEETHEART DANCE IS FEBRUARY 7

Be sure to save the date for the Pittsford Recreation Department's annual Sweetheart Dance to be held Friday, February 7 from 6:30 - 9:00pm at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center (35 Lincoln Avenue). Girls ages 5 to 13 can dance the night away with their father or a special someone, such as a grandfather or uncle, as their guest.

Music, refreshments and dancing will make this event a memorable evening! A professional DJ will provide music and fun activities. For an additional fee, a photographer will be available to capture the memory with a keepsake photo. You don't want to miss out on this special night so register early as space is limited (\$17 per person). To [register online](#) click the link and see the "Family and Youth" section, or stop by the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center to register in person.

SENIORS CLASSES FOR HEALTH AND FUN AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER

You may know about our special programs, speakers and luncheons for seniors held in the VanHuysen Community Room at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, but did you also know we offer a variety of ongoing seniors classes designed for healthy fun? Seniors can keep moving and have a great time with **non-impact aerobics, line dancing, Zumba** and **square dancing** - no experience necessary! Or try **Feldenkrais** for flexibility and pain alleviation, **Balance class** for strength and mobility, or a **special exercise class for those with arthritis**. Our **yoga** and **tai chi** classes are suitable for multiple levels of experience and ability.

Classes are free to Pittsford residents and most are \$3.00 per class for non-residents; Feldenkrais and Balance classes are free for all. For a complete schedule of our health and wellness classes for seniors, see our [Seniors Programs online information](#) or call the Senior Center at 248-6235.

The Town of Pittsford's Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. To learn more about all of our programs, activities and services for seniors [click HERE to visit the Seniors page](#) on the Town website or call our Senior Programs Office at 248-6235.

REMINDERS

CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING UNDERWAY

You can be green even in the winter - recycle your Christmas tree! Town of Pittsford crews will pick up trees placed curbside as long as all plastic bagging and all decorations are removed. Weather permitting,

Christmas trees are picked up each year from the week after Christmas through the end of January. Christmas trees may also be dropped off at the Highway Garage, 60 Golf Avenue, from 7AM until dark, Monday through Saturday. All trees gathered will be chipped and reused as mulch. The mulch will be available free to residents in the spring at the East Street storage site located just before the gate to the Town Parks Department office building (enter at 34 East Street).

SEASONAL PARKING RESTRICTIONS IN EFFECT THROUGH APRIL 1, 2020

In order to facilitate snow removal, Town of Pittsford seasonal parking restrictions are in effect from November 15 (this Friday) through April 1, 2020. Parking of any vehicle on public roads - including state highways and on the shoulder of all roads - is prohibited each year from November 15 through April 1 in all areas within the Town and outside of the Village. During this time, please don't park on or along public roads outside of the Village. Please note violators may be ticketed or towed.

When the snow flies, we need roadsides clear of vehicles so our plows can get through. This is especially true in neighborhoods, where the streets are narrower. Vehicles parked along the roadside can hinder plows accessing your neighborhood. Please help us keep our streets safe and accessible!

EMERGENCY CLOSINGS INFORMATION

In the case of major weather events or other emergencies, information about facility closings and program/event cancellations will be announced on the Town's website www.townofpittsford.org, [Facebook page Town of Pittsford](#), and [Twitter feed @pittsfordtown](#), as well as on local television and radio stations and Pittsford's [Cable TV 12 Channel 1303 government access station](#). TV-12 Channel 1303 announcements can be viewed live any time via the [TV-12 Channel 1303 page on the Town website](#).

ASL INTERPRETER AT TOWN BOARD MEETINGS

The Town of Pittsford provides an American Sign Language interpreter at every meeting of the Pittsford Town Board, to interpret for those who need this service.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD

- **Coats for Seniors Coat Drive** - donate new or gently worn coats to be distributed to seniors citizens in need across Monroe County; drop off at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center Senior Programs office, 35 Lincoln Avenue. For more information about donating and/or receiving a coat, stop by or call the Senior Programs Office at 248-6235; **coats are still being collected**.
- [United Church of Pittsford Rise & Shine Community Breakfast](#), Saturday, January 11, 8:00-10:00am, United Church of Pittsford, 123 South Main Street at Sunset Boulevard; all are welcome, breakfast is \$5.00 per person and includes pancakes served with maple syrup, whipped cream and blueberry topping, sausage links, scrambled eggs, coffee, tea, and juice; proceeds to benefit Pittsford Youth Services. The breakfast is held the second Saturday of each month from October through June, benefiting a different charity each time. More info 586-6870 or email ucpittsford@gmail.com
- **Supervisor Saturday with Bill Smith** - join the conversation with Town Supervisor Bill Smith at this casual open house, topics of discussion based upon attendee interest; Saturday, January 11, 9:00 - 10:00am, Fisher Meeting Room (first floor), Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street
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- [Sweetheart Dance](#) - for girls ages 5-13 and father or special someone (uncle, grandfather, etc.), Friday, 2/7, 6:30-9:00pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue; pre-registration required, \$17 per person, more info and [registration online](#) or at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center

TOWN OF PITTSFORD BOARD MEETINGS

- **Pittsford Community Library Board**, Wednesday, 1/8, 7:00pm, Fletcher Steele Meeting Room, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street
- **Parks and Recreation Board**, Thursday, 1/9, 6:30pm, Paul M. Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue
- **Design Review & Historic Preservation Board**, Thursday, 1/9, 6:45pm, Public Meeting Room, Town Hall (lower level), 11 South Main Street
- **Planning Board**, Monday 1/13, 7:30pm, Public Meeting Room, Town Hall (lower level), 11 South Main Street

COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

- [Women's Club of Pittsford](#), general meeting featuring documentary filmmaker Linda Moroney, Thursday, 1/9, 6:30pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, room 107, 35 Lincoln Avenue
- [Board of Education](#) meeting, Monday, 1/13, 7:00pm, Barker Road Middle School Board Room, 75 Barker Road
- [Village Board of Trustees](#), Tuesday, 1/14, 7:00pm, Village Hall, 21 North Main Street
- [American Legion Rayson-Miller Post 899](#) Tuesday morning breakfast and socializing, every Tuesday, 8:00-10:00am, Post 899, Pittsford Village Hall lower level, 21 North Main Street; open to all - meet and socialize with veterans; no charge but donations accepted. Eligible veterans welcome to join the Post; for [membership information](#) visit the [Rayson-Miller Post website](#)
- [Pittsford Rotary Club](#), Wednesdays (weekly), 7:00am, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street
- [Pittsford Art Group](#), first Thursday of the month, September through May (no meetings October and March), 7:00 - 9:00pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, room 19 (lower level, elevator available), 35 Lincoln Avenue; the group strives to be a teaching organization - all are welcome! For meeting details and membership, contact PAG president [Margie Mitchell](#)

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