

News & Reviews

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Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy Community

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Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings



ALL COVID-19 TEST KITS THE TOWN RECEIVED HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED

Town distributed 7,500 kits from County; no more available as yet

The Town of Pittsford has distributed all of the COVID-19 test kits provided by Monroe County for Pittsford residents. We're not yet aware of any plans by the County to provide more test kits. The Town distributed the 7,500 kits provided by Monroe County for Pittsford

residents via a drive through distribution event at Pittsford Mendon High School, by Town delivery to those unable to leave their homes, and by walk-in pickup at Town Hall. Should Monroe County provide the Town additional test kits, the Town will announce any availability and distribution details on the <u>Town website</u>, in the <u>Town eNews</u> and on the <u>Town Facebook page</u>.

For current Monroe County information on COVID-19 visit https://www.monroecounty.gov. For a COVID-19 Rapid Testing sites information, visit https://https://www.monroecounty.gov/health-covid-19-testing.

VOLUNTEER CROSSING GUARDS NEEDED

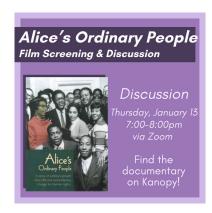
During the school year, RTS buses drop off and collect high schoolers and middle schoolers near the intersection of Sutherland Street and Monroe Avenue in the Village. With the volume of traffic there, especially in the afternoon when school lets out, it's a dangerous intersection to cross. The Town and Village plan to employ a crossing guard there soon.



Pending the hiring of a guard, volunteer crossing guards are needed on weekdays, from 2:15 to 4:00 pm each day. If you can help, please sign up at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0b49a4a623a2fc1-crossing.

The Town is expected to post the opening for a paid crossing guard in the next week.

The job posting will be listed on the Town website at www.townofpittsford.org/hr/pittsford-employment-opportunities and will be posted on social media.



ALICE'S ORDINARY PEOPLE: DISCUSSION WITH THE FILMMAKER THIS THURSDAY

Part of our month-long celebration of Martin Luther King's legacy

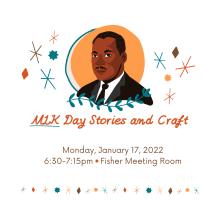
The Pittsford Community Library and the Town of Pittsford are commemorating Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s lasting impact with events and programs throughout the month of January. This Thursday, January 13 from 7:00 – 8:00pm, independent filmmaker Craig Dudnick leads a discussion via Zoom about his documentary "Alice's

Ordinary People." If you missed the recent screening at the Library, the film is available to stream online on a desktop, mobile device or smart TV via Kanopy. Please note you must be a Pittsford resident with a Library card to access Kanopy. The discussion is free and open to the public, but advance registration is required to receive the Zoom link, which will be sent on the day of the program. Register online here for the Alice's Ordinary People discussion.

To learn about all of the month's programs, including the MLK Living the Dream series, visit the <u>Library's online program calendar here</u> or find it under the Events tab on the Library home page at www.townofpittsford.org/library. The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street. Please note mask use is required in the Library.

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY STORIES AND CRAFT AT THE LIBRARY THIS MONDAY

Celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day this Monday, January 17 at the Pittsford Community Library with family-friendly stories and a craft! The activity is suitable for ages pre-K to 3rd grade but parents and siblings are welcome to join in. Children will hear stories and create artwork that will be displayed in the Children's Room at the Library. To be held from 6:30 – 7:15pm in the Fisher Meeting Room, the program is free and open to the



public, but advance registration is required. Register online here for MLK Day Stories and Crafts at the Library.

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MLK LIVING THE DREAM PANEL DISCUSSION WITH STUDENTS – THIS TUESDAY, 1/18

On Tuesday, January 18 from 6:30 – 8:00pm at the Pittsford Community Library, hear local Pittsford students discuss the role they play in living Martin Luther King, Jr.'s dream. Part of the "MLK Living the Dream" series, the program is free and open to the public but advance registration is required. Register online

here for the MLK Living the Dream Panel Discussion. The panel discussion will be held in the Fisher Meeting Room.

To learn about all of the month's MLK programs, visit the <u>Library's online program</u> <u>calendar here</u> or find it under the Events tab on the Library home page at www.townofpittsford.org/library. The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street. Please note mask use is required in the Library.

VOLUNTEER BOARD OPENINGS - RESUMES ACCEPTED THROUGH 1/31

Additional opening on Parks & Rec Advisory Board
The Town of Pittsford seeks applications from residents
who are interested in serving on our volunteer boards.
The following Town volunteer boards each have one
opening for appointment:



- Design Review and Historic Preservation Board: 2-year term (opening due to resignation)
- Environmental Board: 1-year term (full term)
- Parks and Recreation Advisory Board: 1-year term (full term)
- Planning Board: 7-year term (full term)
- Zoning Board of Appeals: 2-year term (opening due to resignation)

Town volunteer boards assist with the various functions of Town government and in many cases make decisions affecting key issues of importance to Pittsford's success as a community.

Selection Process: once candidate resumes are received, they will be distributed equally among Town Board members, who will then, along with the corresponding board chair, interview interested candidates. Interview questions will be consistent among candidates and responses rated against the same criteria. The highest-rated candidates will be selected; those not selected will be notified.

Any Pittsford resident with an interest in serving on one of the above volunteer boards should send a resume for consideration by January 31 to:

Supervisor's Office, Town of Pittsford, 11 South Main Street, Pittsford, New York 14534 or sreddick@townofpittsford.org.

Please indicate in your submission what board would be of interest to you. For complete information about each board's responsibilities and board member term lengths, click this link to Town citizen volunteer board information or visit the "Volunteer Boards" link under the "Government" tab on the Town website at www.townofpittsford.org.

SENIORS LUNCH CLUB 60 PROGRAM NOW "GRAB AND GO" AT COMMUNITY CENTER

Offered Monday, Wednesday & Friday; advance order required

The Monroe County Lunch Club 60 Senior Nutrition program has moved to a "grab and go" format with pickup at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center.



Lunches are available three days a week – on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. This convenient and nutritious pickup lunch program for seniors is provided by the Monroe County Office of the Aging. Meals are offered to anyone age 60 or over at a suggested contribution of \$3.50 each and **must be reserved in advance**. Pickup is at the bus loop behind the Community Center. For more information, and to order, call our Senior Programs office at 248-6235. The Spiegel Pittsford Community

Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue.

TOWN AND COUNTY 2022 PROPERTY TAX BILLS MAILED – DUE 2/10

Pittsford residents: if your property taxes are **not** in **escrow**, you should have received your 2022 Town and County tax bill by this time. **If you have not received** your tax bill you can 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 https://www.monroecounty.gov/apps/propertyapp.php, OR
- 2. Email the Town Clerk/Tax Receiver at: townclerk@townofpittsford.org or call the Town Tax Office at 585-248-6215 to have a copy of your tax bill emailed to you.

Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic situation we are encouraging residents to make payments by mail or by the mail slots (at the back door or to the right of the front door) at Pittsford Town Hall, 11 South Main Street, <u>online</u>, or at the drive-through depository at Canandaigua National Bank (18 State Street, Pittsford). This is for your safety as well as the safety of our staff. We ask that any cash payments be exact change and that you call ahead for an appointment if possible.

The interest-free Town and County property tax payment deadline is February 10; first installments are also accepted on or before February 10. The payment stub (see page 2 of your bill) must accompany payment. Please include a phone number on your check. Please be sure to read carefully all of the instructions and information written on the back of your bill. 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.

Please 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.



WOMEN'S CLUB OF PITTSFORD MEMBERSHIP AND MEETING INFO

Founded in 1984, the Women's Club of Pittsford (WCOP) is dedicated to serving the community through service projects and civic improvement. WCOP is a nonsectarian, nonpartisan, not for profit organization devoted to charitable, civic and educational

purposes. Membership is open to any woman living in Pittsford or the surrounding areas. With "helping hands," WCOP's goal is to support and assist local organizations through volunteerism and financial grant awards. Social activities and fundraising events are valuable ways to keep members informed and engaged while making a positive impact on our community. Meetings are held September through June on the third Thursday of the month. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, decisions to hold meetings in person or virtually are made on a month to month basis. Visit their website at https://www.womensclubofpittsford.org for more information, including membership and meeting and details.

REMINDERS



SENIORS CRAFT CLUB AT COMMUNITY CENTER - NEXT MEETING IS FRIDAY, 1/21

Our Pittsford Recreation Department has wonderful programs for seniors - and our seniors do wonderful things for others! The Seniors Craft Club, held at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, often makes items for donation to local charities. Craft Club is a fun opportunity to get creative, make friends and do something positive for others.

If you or someone you know enjoys making crafts, or would like to learn how, join our seniors this winter! Craft Club will meet once a month on Fridays: January 21, February 11 and March 11, from 9:30 - 11:30am. For more information, stop by the Senior Programs office at the Community Center or call 248-6235. The Town's Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. To learn more about our programs, activities and services for seniors, visit our Seniors page at www.townofpittsford.org/seniors, read our Seniors program info brochure online, or call our Senior Programs office at 248-6235.

TOWN BOARD MEETINGS ARE STREAMING LIVE

Pittsford Town Board meetings are being streamed live; the feed is accessible on any device. Town Board is typically held the first and third Tuesday of the month at 6:00pm at Town Hall. See www.townofpittsford.org/calendar for meeting dates. To view the livestream, click the Town Board Meeting live streaming link when the meeting begins. This link can also be found on page two of the meeting agenda. The meeting agenda is posted on the Town's minutes and agendas page at least two days prior to the meeting. Please note: if you try to log in too early (before the meeting feed is live) you will see an error message; refresh your screen just prior to or at 6:00pm when the board meeting starts and you will be able to view the meeting. As always, ASL interpretation is provided for every Town Board meeting.

ASL INTERPRETER ALWAYS AVAILABLE AT TOWN BOARD MEETINGS

The Town of Pittsford has an American Sign Language interpreter available at every Pittsford Town Board meeting, to interpret for those who need this service. Those who can't attend a Town Board meeting in person but are planning to watch the meeting's live stream can confirm their need for the interpreter by emailing comments@townofpittsford.org. Requests can be made in advance or can be emailed through the first ten minutes of the meeting. An on-demand Town Board meeting video with closed captioning will be available within 48 hours of the meeting; visit www.townofpittsford.org/channel12 and use the On-Demand links to view previously recorded meetings.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD

Town of Pittsford Zoning Code Update – comments made by Town of Pittsford stakeholders via email and mail being accepted; access the Comprehensive Plan, the Active Transportation Plan, the project timeline, a link to the Town's current Zoning Code, and other informational materials, on the Zoning Code Update website at www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate. Comments can be made to zoningupdate@townofpittsford.org or mailed to Doug DeRue, Town of Pittsford, 11 South Main Street, Pittsford, NY 14534; please indicate whether you are a Town or Village resident.

TOWN OF PITTSFORD BOARD MEETINGS

- Pittsford Community Library Board, Wednesday, 1/12, 6:00pm, Fisher Meeting Room, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street, current CDC guidelines will be followed; the meeting agenda is posted at least two days prior to the meeting on the Town website here: www.townofpittsford.org/minutes
- Design Review & Historic Preservation Board, Thursday, 1/13, 6:00pm, Public Meeting Room, Town Hall (lower level), 11 South Main Street, current CDC guidelines will be followed; the meeting agenda is posted at least two days prior to the meeting on the Town website here: www.townofpittsford.org/minutes
- Parks and Recreation Board, Thursday, 1/13, 6:30pm, Spiegel Pittsford
 Community Center room 206, 35 Lincoln Avenue, current CDC guidelines will
 be followed; the meeting agenda is posted at least 24 hours prior to the meeting
 on the Town website here: www.townofpittsford.org/minutes
- Zoning Board of Appeals, Monday, 1/17, 7:00pm, Public Meeting Room, Town Hall (lower level), 11 South Main Street, current CDC guidelines will be followed; the meeting agenda is posted at least two days prior to the meeting on the Town website here: www.townofpittsford.org/minutes
- Town Board, Tuesday, 1/18, 6:00pm, Public Meeting Room, Town Hall (lower level), 11 South Main Street, ASL interpretation provided, current CDC guidelines will be followed; the meeting agenda is posted at least two days prior to the meeting on the Town website here: www.townofpittsford.org/minutes
- <u>Town Board Zoning Code Update meetings</u> the Zoning Update meetings are tentatively scheduled for the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at noon, through the end of 2021. Find updated meeting listings at <u>www.townofpittsford.org/calendar</u> and find complete Zoning Update information at <u>www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate</u>.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

- 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; click this link for membership information or visit the Rayson-Miller Post website
- <u>Pittsford Rotary Club</u>, Wednesdays (weekly), 7:00am, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street mm
- Women's Club of Pittsford charitable organization serving the community through service projects and civic improvement; membership is open to any woman living in Pittsford or the surrounding areas. Meetings held the third Thursday of the month, September through June; due to the COVID-19

- pandemic, decisions to hold meetings in person or virtually are made month to month. Visit the website at https://www.womensclubofpittsford.org for more information
- <u>Pittsford Art Group</u> conducts monthly member meetings (via Zoom and in person) featuring a guest artist; new members are welcome! The PAG also hosts juried and non-juried shows and displays artwork at various locations throughout Pittsford. For further information or to become a member, please visit www.pittsfordartgroup.com and fill out a Contact Us form.

COVID-19 Access Updates

1/31/22 Update: Governor's mask mandate extended to February 1, 2022. 12/13/21 Update: By order of NYS Governor Kathy Hochul, until January 15, 2022 the Town must require all persons entering Town buildings to be masked, regardless of vaccination status. This applies to all Town indoor facilities, including Town Hall, the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, the Pittsford Community Library, Town Court and the Highway Department, Sewer Department and Parks Department offices.

On June 15, 2021, Governor Cuomo announced that COVID-19 restrictions are lifted immediately as 70 percent of New Yorkers aged 18 or older have received the first dose of their COVID-19 vaccination series. The State's health guidance and New York Forward industry specific guidelines—including social gathering limits, capacity restrictions, social distancing, cleaning and disinfection, health screening, and contact information for tracing—are now optional for retail, food services, offices, gyms and fitness centers, amusement and family entertainment, hair salons, barber shops and personal care services, among other commercial settings.

On August 2, 2021, Monroe County was designated as a County with a "substantial" COVID infection. Consequently, the CDC now recommends that people, regardless of vaccination status, wear a mask indoors. This is a recommendation, not a mandate. The guidelines are unclear at this point, as is the situation. Neither the State, the County or the Town has imposed a mask *requirement* at this stage.

Unvaccinated individuals continue to be responsible for wearing masks, in accordance with federal CDC guidance. Consistent with the State's implementation of the recent CDC guidance, masks are still required for unvaccinated individuals.

For information on the vaccine, on getting the vaccine, regional vaccination data and more visit the <u>Finger Lakes COVID-19 Vaccine Hub</u>.

Monroe County Services at Town facilities:

The County has suspended until further notice Passport Services at Town Hall and Mobile DMV service at Pittsford Town Court. Find updated information for Monroe County DMV here https://www2.monroecounty.gov/clerk-COVID-19.

Further information and updates can be found at www.townofpittsford.org/covid-19info.

COVID-19 Coronavirus Information Links

Further Town of Pittsford COVID-19 coronavirus information and updates can be found at www.townofpittsford.org/covid-19info.

Pittsford Central School District COVID-19 Coronavirus Updates.

You can find information on COVID-19 coronavirus at the County Health Department's website: https://https://www.monroecounty.gov/health.

Additional information about COVID-19 testing and health requirements throughout Monroe County can be found on the County's Website: https://www.monroecounty.gov

The CDC also has information on its website at https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/share-facts-stop-fear.html.

In addition, the CDC has information relevant to anyone planning to travel outside of the United States: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html? deliveryName=USCDC 2067-DM20785.

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