



News & Reviews

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Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings*

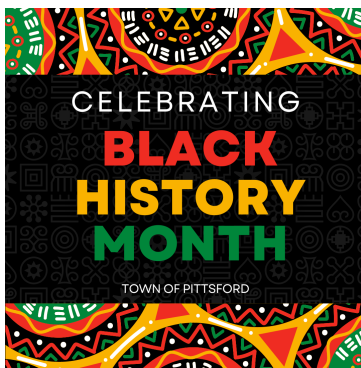
CPR AND AED CLASS OFFERED AT COMMUNITY CENTER TOMORROW, JANUARY 26

Recent events have proved the lifesaving importance of CPR and AED use during a health emergency. Many thanks to Pittsford Volunteer Ambulance for joining with us to host an American Heart Association Heartsaver CPR AED certification course **tomorrow,**

Thursday, January 26, from 1-4pm at the Spiegel Community Center.

The participant fee is \$35 for American Heart Association processing and certification cards. Space is limited; you can register for this class – and for future classes – through the Pittsford Volunteer Ambulance at

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeE-yHfh_NueiGGXKvS-yma4LZVPiVLQPCD2UoBuhlJwE0qFw/viewform.



SAVE THE DATES FOR BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAMS AT THE LIBRARY

The Town of Pittsford is celebrating Black History Month with a variety of informative and inspiring programs at the Pittsford Community Library. Be sure to save the dates! All programs are free and open to the public; in-person programs will be held in the Library's Fisher Meeting Room. Please note: advance registration is required for the two programs offered via Zoom.

The Little Rock Crisis of 1957

Thursday, February 2, 6:30-7:30pm

Brown v. Board of Education called for the desegregation of schools, and in the fall of 1957 the high school in Little Rock, Arkansas began that process by admitting nine Black students. Learn from Monroe Community College professor Mark Sample about this historic event. Held in the Fisher Meeting Room, no registration required.

Twice Forgotten: African Americans and the Korean War

Tuesday, February 7, 7:00-8:00pm

One of the most neglected stories of the Korean War is that of African Americans who

served just two years after Harry S. Truman ordered the desegregation of the military. David Cline's *Twice Forgotten* draws on oral histories of Black Korean War veterans. *The program will be presented via Zoom; [advance registration is required](#).*

In This Moment 2: Revolution, Reckoning, Reparation

Wednesday, February 8, 7:00-8:00pm

Amanda Chestnut, curator of *In This Moment 1* and *In This Moment 2*, will discuss the launch of the first two chapbooks in *In This Moment 2*. For this project, 10 teams of Black writers and photographers are paired with 10 Black leaders from Rochester. Amanda is joined by Reenah Golden, Founder, Executive & Artistic Director of the Avenue Blackbox Theatre, and Timothy James Johnson PhD, Minister at Asbury First United Methodist Church and Professor Emeritus at Roberts Wesleyan College. *The program will be presented via Zoom; [advance registration is required](#).*

Buffalo Soldiers

Saturday, February 11, 2:00-3:00pm

Following the Civil War, legislation passed to reorganize the military. This historic law called for the formation of two African-American regiments, known as the Buffalo Soldiers. Their history will be presented by members of the Pennington-Moye VFW Post 9251.

Films at Pittsford Community Library: *Till*

Tuesday, February 14, 6:30-8:30pm

130 minutes / PG-13 / 2022

The true story of Emmett Louis Till and the legacy of his mother Mamie Till-Mobley, who pursued justice for the brutal lynching of her son.

A Legacy Deferred: The Architecture of Thomas W. Boyde Jr.

Monday, February 27, 6:30-7:30pm

Thomas W. Boyde, Jr. was the first black architect in Rochester and the designer of hundreds of houses, offices, stores and community buildings throughout Monroe County. His work includes the charismatic façade of the Monroe Community Hospital, which he created shortly after arriving in Rochester in 1930. The buildings he designed during the 1930s-70s helped shape their respective communities, yet he would not have been welcome as a resident in many of the surrounding neighborhoods during that time. Learn more about this extraordinarily talented architect.

Throughout the month – and beyond – the Pittsford Community Library will have a variety of materials and resources available relevant to Black History Month. Be sure to stop by! The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street. To learn more about upcoming Library programs, visit the [Library's online program calendar](#).

SENIORS MOVIE MATINEE FEBRUARY 2:

THE HUNDRED-FOOT JOURNEY

Reservations required by this Tuesday, January 31

Seniors, join us on Thursday, February 2 for a free morning movie matinee featuring *The 100-Foot Journey* – a culinary culture-clash comedy! Have a light breakfast, enjoy the film, then stay afterward for pizza!

The film tells the story of Hassan Kadam (Manish Dayal), an extraordinarily talented and largely self-taught culinary novice. When he

and his family are displaced from their native India and settle in a picturesque French village, they decide to open an Indian eatery. However, Madame Mallory (Helen Mirren), the snobbish proprietress of an acclaimed restaurant just 100 feet away, strongly objects. How will the rivalry play out in this quaint but closed-minded village?

The movie begins at 10:30am in the VanHuysen Community Room at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center; enjoy coffee, breakfast pastries and popcorn while you watch. Pizza will be served after the movie.

Register by calling the Senior Center at 248-6235; reservations are due by this Tuesday, January 31. The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. To learn more about our programs, activities and services for seniors visit the [Seniors page on the Town website](#), read the [Seniors program info brochure](#) online, or call our Senior Programs Office at 248-6235.



GUIDED HIKE SATURDAY, 2/4 FEATURES MITCHELL TRAILS

Pittsford Recreation's next guided trail hike is Saturday, February 4 – get outdoors and meet other hikers as you explore the Mitchell Trails. The hike begins at 8:30am. This approximately 3 mile series of connecting trails is an easy, flat hike. Participants will meet at the trail head and will be provided with a packet of maps and area information. Bring your *Wegmans Hit the Trail Passport* and get credit for hiking the trail! The program is free but advance registration is required. Register online at www.townofpittsford.org/recreation or in person at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue. Free downloadable/printable maps are also

available in advance on the Town website at www.townofpittsford.org/trails_and_walkways.

PITTSFORD ROTARY FOOD DRIVE SATURDAY, 2/4

The next Pittsford Rotary Drive-Thru Food Drive is Saturday, February 4, 9:00am - 12noon, at the Pittsford Sutherland High School bus loop (55 Sutherland Street). The drive is collecting canned and packaged food and personal items to benefit the [Pittsford Food Cupboard](#), [Nazareth College Oak Tree Food Pantry](#) and [Mothers in Need of Others](#).



[Mothers In Need of Others](#) (MINO) collects and distributes maternity and baby items and cleaning products to meet the urgent needs of families in crisis. Working with social service agencies and church outreach programs, they help serve Rochester area

families most in need. They have a critical need for size 4 - 7 diapers, baby wipes, personal and feminine hygiene products such as soap, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste and deodorant, and cleaning products. Baby formula and other items are needed as well; find [a complete list of MINO needs here](#).

The [Nazareth College Oak Tree Food Pantry](#) connects Nazareth's students, staff and faculty to outside resources based on a number of needs including housing, food, community centers and transportation. Specific needs for the Oak Tree Food Pantry include items that can be easily prepared by students including soups, canned meats and vegetables, and sauces.

A variety of canned and other packaged goods and personal items are needed for the [Pittsford Food Cupboard](#), including coconut milk, plain oatmeal, Manwich, soups, 100% juice, taco shells, jalapenos, green chiles, tomato paste, olives, mushrooms, pizza sauce, collard greens and spinach. Also needed are body wash, conditioner and body lotion, as well as dry cat food and dry dog food. Find their complete list of needs at <https://www.pittsfordfoodcupboard.net/current-needs.html>.

Please help our Rotarians help those in need if you can!



HOME-COOKED LUNCH AND CHARADES FOR SENIORS - TUESDAY, 2/7

Seniors, join us at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center on Tuesday, February 7 for a fun program and a delicious lunch. Todd and Sue Long will be our guest chefs and we'll have a great time playing charades!

Whether you're acting out clues or guessing the answers, we bet you'll be smiling! Lunch features meat loaf, salt potatoes (without the salt), green beans, roll with butter and apple pie for dessert.

The lunch and program will be held at 12:00pm in the VanHuysen Community Room. The cost is \$6.00 per person and **advance reservations are due by Thursday, February 2**. For more information and to register, stop by the Senior Programs office at the Community Center or call 248-6235.

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TOWN AND COUNTY 2023 PROPERTY TAX BILLS MAILED – DUE 2/10

Pittsford residents: if your property taxes are not in escrow, you should have received your 2023 Town and County tax bill in the mail by this time. **If have not received your tax bill, you can obtain a copy of your bill by:**



1. Downloading and printing a copy directly from the Monroe County website at www.monroecounty.gov/etc/rp/, OR
2. Emailing the Town Clerk/Tax Receiver at: townclerk@townofpittsford.org or calling the Town Tax Office at 585-248-6215 to have a copy of your tax bill emailed to you.

Residents may make payments in person, 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, [online](#), or at Canandaigua National Bank (18 State Street, Pittsford). We ask that any cash payments be exact change and that you call ahead for an appointment to ensure proper staffing is available.

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.



CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING UNDERWAY THROUGH THE END OF JANUARY

Here's an opportunity to be green even in the winter - recycle your Christmas tree! Through the end of January, Town crews will pick up trees placed curbside as long as all plastic bagging and all decorations are removed. Christmas trees will be picked up as crews are out, weather permitting. Or you can drop them off at the Highway Garage,

60 Golf Avenue, from 7:00am until dark, Monday through Saturday (call ahead at 248-6270 if you'll arrive after 3:30pm weekdays or on a Saturday). All trees gathered will be chipped and reused as mulch. The mulch will be available in the spring – free to residents! – at the East Street storage site located just before the gate to the Town Parks Department office building at 34 East Street.

REMINDERS

SWEETHEART DANCE IS FEBRUARY 10

The Pittsford Recreation Department's annual Sweetheart Dance will take place Friday, February 10 from 6:30 - 9:00pm at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center.

Children ages 5 - 13, accompanied by an adult, can dance the night away at this memorable evening full of music, refreshments and fun. A DJ will provide the music and some fun activities. Don't miss out on this special night! Cost is \$20 per person. To [register online click this link](#), or stop by the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center to register in person. The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue.



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

- [Pittsford Rotary Food Drive](#), Saturday, 2/4, 9:00am - 12noon, Pittsford Sutherland High School bus loop, 55 Sutherland Street, collecting canned and packaged food items and personal hygiene items to benefit the [Pittsford Food Cupboard](#), [Nazareth College Oak Tree Food Pantry](#), and [Mothers in Need of Others](#) (click links for complete lists of needs); gently used recent (past 12 months) magazines are also needed.
- [Sweetheart Dance](#) - children ages 5 to 13 can dance the night away, accompanied by an adult as their guest, Friday, 2/10, 6:30-9:00pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue; music and activities, advance registration required, \$20 per person, [more info and registration online](#) or at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center
- [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

- **Design Review & Historic Preservation Board**, Thursday, 1/26, 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

COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

- [Village Board of Trustees](#) meeting, Thursday, 1/26, 6:30pm; more information and participation details will be listed on the Village website [here](#) as the meeting

date approaches

- **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, 2/4, 9:00 - 10:00am, Fisher Meeting Room (first floor), Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street. Current COVID-19 health guidelines will be followed.
- [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](#)
- [Pittsford Rotary Club](#), Wednesdays (weekly), 7:00am, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street, masks are required; meetings also can be accessed live via Zoom - check the Pittsford Rotary Facebook page for virtual meeting details
- [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
- [Pittsford Art Group](#) conducts monthly member meetings (in person and online) 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 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://www.monroecounty.gov/health>.

Additional information about COVID-19 testing and health requirements throughout Monroe County can be found on the County's Website: 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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