



News & Reviews

February 1, 2023

Town of Pittsford - a Clean
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Community

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Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings*

SUPERVISOR OPEN HOUSE WITH BILL SMITH THIS SATURDAY, 2/4

Town Supervisor Bill Smith will host his community open house meeting this Saturday, February 4 from 9:00 - 10:00am at the Pittsford Community Library. Stop by and join the conversation to catch up on current Town projects and other topics you might wish to discuss, such as local zoning for residential housing, our latest sustainability efforts, and other issues that affect your neighborhood. If you've got questions, ideas or comments for Supervisor Smith, be sure to join him this Saturday!

Supervisor Saturday

with Pittsford Town Supervisor

Bill Smith

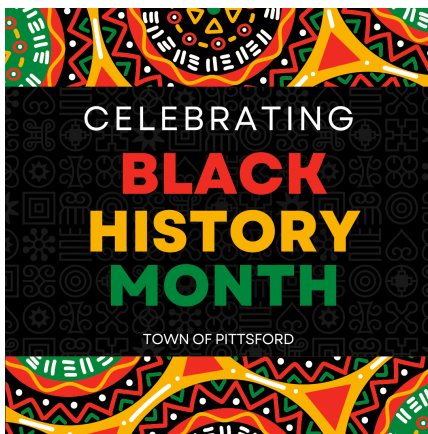
9:00 - 10:00am

Pittsford Community Library

**Stop by and join
the conversation!**

This casual open house will be in the Fisher Meeting Room. Supervisor Saturday 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 by – no registration required. The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street.

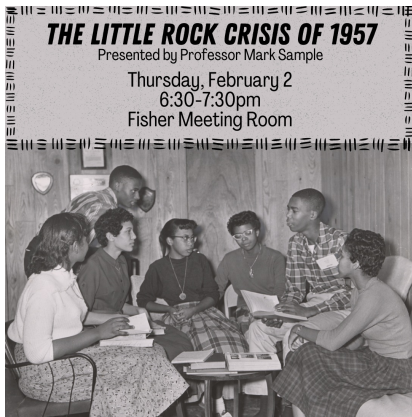
Supervisor Smith keeps an open door policy and also welcomes visits from residents at Town Hall during regular business hours Monday to Friday by appointment. As always, he's available by phone at 248-6220 and by email at bsmith@townofpittsford.org.



WE'RE CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH

February is Black History Month! Black History Month honors Black history and the many accomplishments of Black individuals. The Town of Pittsford is celebrating Black History Month with a variety of informative and inspiring programs at the Pittsford Community Library. 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 programs offered via

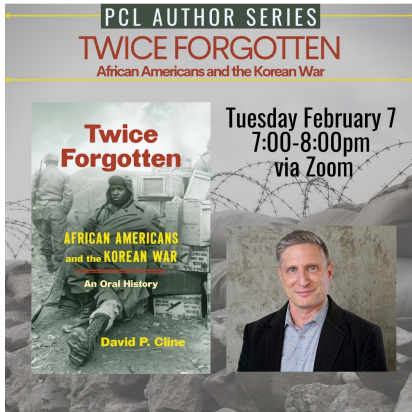
Zoom.



Meeting Room, no registration required.

LITTLE ROCK CRISIS OF 1957 – BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAM AT THE LIBRARY THURSDAY

Join us at the Pittsford Community Library this Thursday, February 2 at 6:30pm for "The Little Rock Crisis of 1957" - a discussion about a pivotal moment in Black history. *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



TWICE FORGOTTEN: AFRICAN AMERICANS AND THE KOREAN WAR – AT THE LIBRARY TUESDAY

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. Join us this Tuesday, February 7 at 7:00pm for an online discussion of this important part of Black history - David Cline's *Twice Forgotten* draws on oral histories of Black Korean War veterans. The program will be presented via Zoom; it is free and open to the public, but advance registration is

required to receive the Zoom link, which will be sent the day of the event. Use the following link to [register online via the Library calendar](#) or find the registration calendar under the Events tab at www.townofpittsford.org/library.



IN THIS MOMENT 2: REVOLUTION, RECKONING, REPARATION – FEBRUARY 8

Our Black History Month programming explores recent history and current accomplishments as well. On Wednesday, February 8 at 7:00pm the Pittsford Community Library will host an online discussion with Amanda Chestnut, curator of *In This Moment 1* and *In This Moment 2*, who will talk about 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 is free and open to the public, but advance registration is required to receive the Zoom link, which will be sent the day of the event. Use the following link to [register online via the Library calendar](#) or find the registration calendar under the Events tab at www.townofpittsford.org/library.

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](#).

SHINGLES VACCINES OFFERED TO SENIORS – SIGN UP UNDER WAY

Wegmans Pharmacy will provide vaccines at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center

Seniors can sign up for a Shingrix shingles vaccine offered by Wegmans Pharmacy at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center. The vaccine, which requires two doses, is covered by Medicare Part D. The first dose will be administered on Wednesday, February 22 from 9:30 – 11:30am. The second dose will be given the week of April 24. Those who have had the Zostavax vaccine should also receive the Shingrix vaccine. Please call the Pittsford Seniors Office at (585) 248-6235 to register and for more information. The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue.



American Red Cross
Give blood. Help save lives.

Blood Drive
Pittsford Library
Meeting Room
24 State Street
Pittsford, NY 14534
Friday, February 3, 2023
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

To schedule your life saving appointment please contact 1-800-Red-Cross or visit www.redcrossblood.org and use sponsor keyword: pittsfordlibrary

Maximize your blood donation. Help more patients.
If you are an eligible type O, B+ or A+ donor, consider making a Power Red donation. Red blood cells are the most commonly transfused blood component.

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.

Warm hearts. Warm thoughts. Give in February for a \$10 Gift Card by giving blood to donate. Give. www.redcrossblood.org

1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767 | redcrossblood.org | Download the Blood Donor App

BLOOD DRIVE AT THE LIBRARY THIS FRIDAY, 2/3

The Town of Pittsford will host a Red Cross blood drive this Friday, February 3, from 10:00am – 3:00pm at the Pittsford Community Library in the Fisher Meeting Room. The Library is located at 24 State Street in the Village of Pittsford. Donors can schedule an appointment by calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or using this online registration link: <https://rcblood.org/3yp218r>. The Red Cross will be following all current COVID-19 guidelines during the blood drive.

Donating blood is a simple thing to do, but it can make a big difference in the lives of others. The Red Cross needs the ongoing support of blood donors to help patients battling disease and facing the unexpected. If you are eligible and feeling well, please consider making an appointment for this Friday's blood drive at Library. Be the lifeline patients need!

PITTSFORD ROTARY FOOD DRIVE THIS SATURDAY

The next Pittsford Rotary Drive-Thru Food Drive is this Saturday, February 3, 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](#).

Rotary
Club of Pittsford
MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE
SATURDAY, February 4th
9:00 am -12:00 PM
Pittsford Sutherland High School

THIS FOOD DRIVE SUPPORTS
PITTSFORD FOOD CUPBOARD
NAZARETH COLLEGE
MOTHERS IN NEED OF OTHERS
Coconut Milk, Manwich, Canned Vegetables, Pizza Sauce
Olives, Mushrooms, Jalapenos, Green Chiles, Plain Oatmeal,
Taco Shells, Tomato Paste, 100% JUICE, Canned Meat, Dry
Petfood, Hygiene Products, Soups, Easy to Cook

CURRENT MAGAZINES & Wegmans Bags

[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](https://www.pittsfordfoodcupboard.net), 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!



FREE TAX PREPARATION FOR SENIORS 2/3 - 3/31, APPOINTMENT IS REQUIRED

AARP is offering a free volunteer-run tax assistance and preparation service for seniors at the Spiegel Pittsford Center that includes transmission of 2022 tax returns directly to the IRS. This quality service is available Fridays from February 3 through March 31, **by appointment only**. For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact Pittsford Seniors office at 248-6235.

The Town of Pittsford's Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. To learn more about all of our wonderful programs for seniors [click here to visit the Seniors page](#) on the Town website or [read our Seniors program info brochure online](#).

TOWN AND COUNTY 2023 PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS – DUE 2/10

Pittsford residents: The interest-free Town and County **property tax deadline is February 10**; first installments also are accepted on or before February 10.

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.



Please include the following with your tax payment:

1. The payment coupon (this is the second sheet of your bill); please note, the first installment and full payment are the same payment stub.
2. A filled out check with signature.
3. A contact phone number on your check.

If you need a copy of your tax bill, you can obtain it 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.

A reminder: 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. We **strongly** advise that you do **NOT** make your payment in this manner.



SENIORS VALENTINE'S LUNCH & PROGRAM BY CHRIS BENSCH – TUESDAY, 2/14

Seniors, celebrate Valentine's Day with us! Join us at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center on Tuesday, February 14 for a delicious lunch learn some lore about this not-always-sweet holiday. Chris Bensch from the Strong Museum of Play will offer some fascinating information in a presentation entitled "Sentiments and Sarcasm: Victorian Valentine Traditions." Lunch features beef on roll au jus, cheesy potato casserole, coleslaw, horseradish, and for dessert – chocolate cream pie.

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 9**. For more information and to register, stop by the Senior Programs office at the Community Center or call 248-6235.

And don't forget about our **home-cooked meatloaf lunch on February 7** – see details below and register by tomorrow (Thursday, February 2).

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

REMINDERS

GUIDED HIKE THIS SATURDAY, 2/4 FEATURES MITCHELL TRAILS

Pittsford Recreation's next guided trail hike is this 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.



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

LUNCH BY
TODD & SUE LONG
Tuesday, February 7

MEAT LOAF
SALT POTATOES (WITHOUT THE SALT)
GREEN BEANS & ROLL WITH BUTTER
APPLE PIE ALA MODE

PROGRAM:
CHARADES BY PARTICIPANTS

Reservations by February 2
248-6235
\$6.00

Reservations due this Thursday, 2/2

Seniors, join us at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center this 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.

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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.

Pittsford Schools **Come ride a bus!**

Bus Driver Hiring Event!

Meet the transportation team and interview on site.
Saturday, February 4, 2023
9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Pittsford Schools Transportation Office
100 Mendon Center Rd.

To register for the event and select your time slot, scan the QR code or call 267-1008 for more info.

Why become a PCSD bus driver:

- Paid training
- Part-time job with full-time benefits
- Paid sick leave
- \$500 attendance bonus
- NYS retirement benefits
- \$23.41 starting rate without experience for 23-24 school year

Full-time employment means driving 2 morning runs and 2-3 afternoon runs for a minimum of 4.5 hours per day.

SCHOOL DISTRICT BUS DRIVER HIRING EVENT IS THIS SATURDAY, 2/4

Do you like to drive? Are you interested in a rewarding part-time position with full-time benefits? Then [register to attend the Pittsford School District Bus Driver Hiring Event](#) to be held this Saturday, February 4. The event will be held from 9:00 a.m. to noon at the School District Transportation Office (100 Mendon Center Road). Learn more about a career in transportation – and if you're interested, you can interview for a job on-site! Pittsford Schools bus driver positions are part-time positions with full-time benefits and an hourly rate that starts at \$23.41 plus a \$500 attendance bonus.

All positions offer competitive pay and benefits – including paid training, paid sick-time, and NYS Retirement. You can enjoy a positive work environment and help make a difference for Pittsford school children – become a PCSD bus driver! [Register online](#) to attend the Pittsford Schools Bus Driver Hiring Event.

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

- [Red Cross Blood Drive at Pittsford Community Library](#), Friday, 2/3, 10:00am – 3:00pm, Pittsford Community Library Fisher Meeting Room, 24 State Street; [schedule an appointment in advance using this online registration link](#) or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767); the Red Cross will be following all COVID-19 guidelines during the blood drive, for more information visit www.redcrossblood.org.
- [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

- **Environmental Board**, Monday, 2/6, 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, 2/7, 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

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.
- [Board of Education](#) Budget Work Session (6:00pm) and meeting (7:00pm), Tuesday, 2/7, Barker Road Middle School McCluski Board Room, 75 Barker Road
- [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/index.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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