



# News & Reviews

**January 15, 2020**

***Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy Community***  
***See listings below for***  
***Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings***

## **VOLUNTEER BOARD PARTICIPANTS NEEDED - RESUMES ACCEPTED THROUGH JANUARY 31**

The Town of Pittsford is currently soliciting resumes from residents who wish to serve on the following Town of Pittsford volunteer boards:

- Design Review and Historic Preservation Board
- Environmental Advisory Board
- Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
- Planning Board
- Zoning Board of Appeals

These 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 January 31** to:

Supervisor's Office, Town of Pittsford, 11 South Main Street, Pittsford, New York 14534 or [sreddick@townofpittsford.org](mailto: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](http://www.townofpittsford.org).

## **MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. EVENTS: PANEL DISCUSSION TONIGHT, MOVIE THURSDAY, STORYTELLING SATURDAY**

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

**Wednesday, January 15:** PANEL DISCUSSION - Update on living the dream in Pittsford.

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



**Thursday, 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

**Friday, January 17:** FAMILY EVENT sponsored by Friends of Pittsford Village featuring an all-ages craft project, cider and hot cocoa. Bring a snack or appetizer to pass if you'd like! Location: First Presbyterian Church of Pittsford Fellowship Hall, 21 Church Street | 6:30 - 8:30pm

**Saturday, January 18:** AFRICAN STORY TELLING EVENT with 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 THIS MONDAY - 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.

**PRESCHOOL FAIR AT THE LIBRARY THIS SATURDAY, JANUARY 18**

Searching for the right preschool for your child? Meet representatives and receive information from many local preschools at the Pittsford Community Library's Preschool Fair this Saturday, January 18 from 10:00 - 11:30am in the Fisher Meeting Room at the Library (24 State Street). Children are welcome to attend with supervision. Stop in any time; 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.

**TAKE A STUDY BREAK WITH A THERAPY DOG AT THE LIBRARY THIS SUNDAY, 1/19**

Tweens and teens - a quick, comforting break with a therapy dog will help you power through an afternoon of studying! Stop by the Fisher Meeting Room at the Pittsford Community Library from 1:00 - 2:00pm this Sunday, January 19 for some furry snuggles, give-aways and grab-and-go snacks. The program is for students in grades 6-12; no registration required. The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street.

And be sure to save the date for an **Emergency Preparedness Training on Wednesday, 1/22** from 7:00-8:30pm in the Fisher Meeting Room. Participants will be advised on how to properly prepare for any disaster, including developing a family emergency plan and how best to stock up on emergency supplies. No registration required.

**FREE TAX PREPARATION FOR SENIORS 2/7 - 4/3 | 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 2019 tax returns directly to the IRS. This quality service is available Fridays from February 7 through April 3, **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 programs, activities and services for seniors see our [Seniors Programs online information](#) or [click HERE to visit the Seniors page](#) on the Town website.

## REMINDERS

### 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](http://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](mailto: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.

### PTSA HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP AWARD NOMINATIONS DUE FEBRUARY 14

The deadline for nominations for the Pittsford Central School District PTSA Honorary Life Membership Award is February 14. The award is given annually to community members who go above and beyond work or volunteer expectations in service to Pittsford's youth. It is a chance to recognize those who make our community a better place for our children - that special teacher or school counselor, the librarian who created a special program to reach reluctant readers, the coach who encourages more than just a kid's athletic skills. The award honors those who have outstanding personal qualities, thereby serving as a role model for youth, and have shown continued availability and willingness to serve, directly or in an administrative capacity, the needs of youth over an extended period of time. Nominees do not have to be PTSA members nor Pittsford Central School District employees.

To learn more or to make a nomination, visit the PTSA Honorary Life Membership Award webpage <https://www.pittsfordptsa.net/lifemembershipaward>. Preliminary nominations are due by February 15. Award recipients will be honored in a special ceremony on Tuesday, April 28 at 7:00 p.m. at the Mendon High School Auditorium. The ceremony is open to the public.

### 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](http://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**

- **Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Event - Panel Discussion: Update on Living the Dream in Pittsford**, Wednesday, January 15, 6:00pm, Pittsford Community Library Fisher Meeting Room (first floor), 24 State Street
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Event - Film and Discussion: I am Not Your Negro** [PG-13], Thursday, January 16, 6:00pm, Pittsford Community Library Fisher Meeting Room (first floor), 24 State Street
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Event - Family Event by Friends of Pittsford Village**, Friday, January 17, 6:30pm, First Presbyterian Church of Pittsford Fellowship Hall, 21 Church Street
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Event - Storytelling with Almeta Whitis**, Saturday, January 18, 2:00pm, Town of Pittsford King's Bend Park, North Lodge, 170 W. Jefferson Road
- [Sweetheart Dance](#) - girls ages 5 to 13 can dance the night away, accompanied by an adult as their guest, Friday, 2/7, 6:30-9:00pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue; advance 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

#### TOWN OF PITTSFORD BOARD MEETINGS

- **Zoning Board of Appeals**, Monday, 1/20 - **NO MEETING**
- **Town Board**, Tuesday, 1/21, 6:00pm, Public Meeting Room, Town Hall (lower level), 11 South Main Street; ASL interpretation provided

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