



# News & Reviews

**September 30, 2020**

***Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy Community***

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## **SUPERVISOR SATURDAY WITH BILL SMITH THIS WEEK - OCTOBER 3**

### ***Outdoor meeting at Thornell Farm Park pavilion***

Town Supervisor Bill Smith will hold his community open house meeting this Saturday, October 3 from 9:00 - 10:00am at the Thornell Farm Park picnic pavilion. Stop by and join the conversation to catch up on current issues, Town projects and other topics you might wish to discuss, such as issues in your neighborhood, Town reopening plans, sidewalk and roadway improvement projects and green energy initiatives.



This casual open house will be held outdoors; participants will be expected to follow appropriate health safety and physical distancing guidelines. 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. Thornell Farm Park is located at 480 Mendon Road.

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](mailto:bsmith@townofpittsford.org).

## **FOOD TRUCK WEDNESDAY TONIGHT FEATURES LE PETIT POUTINE & KONA ICE!**

By popular demand, the Pittsford Recreation Department's "Food Truck Wednesdays" are back at Thornell Farm Park each Wednesday evening from 5:00 - 8:00pm (or until menu items are sold out), September 16 through October 21.



**Food Truck Wednesdays are back!**

A different food truck will be featured each week offering items for sale at the park and Kona Ice will be there every week! **Le Petit Poutine** will be joining us TONIGHT, **September 30**, offering poutine - a Canadian comfort food featuring **French fries, cheese curds and hot gravy** with a range of made-to-order choices, from bacon to vegetarian. **Kona Ice** will bring the best **premium shaved ice in a variety of flavors**. Vendors and menus will be listed in advance each week on the Pittsford Recreation Facebook page, on the Town website and in the Town eNews. [Click here for this week's menus.](#)

Be sure to join us - it's a fun and easy dinner option! Please note all attendees are expected to observe appropriate physical distancing and health safety protocols - face coverings are required when placing and

picking up your order. Thornell Farm Park is located at 480 Mendon Road. We look forward to seeing you there!

### **ELECTRONICS RECYCLING & PAPER SHREDDING EVENT IN PERINTON THIS SATURDAY, OCT 3** ***Additional Appointments for Hazardous Waste Collection Not Available at This Event***

The Town of Pittsford's annual Electronics Recycling, Document Shredding and appointment-only Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection event held in collaboration with the Town of Perinton is this Saturday, October 3 at the Perinton Highway Garage, 100 Cobb's Lane, from 7:45am to 12:00pm. PLEASE NOTE: additional appointments for Household Hazardous Waste disposal are not available for this event.

Electronics recycling and certified document shredding (residential only) will be available at no charge. An appointment is NOT necessary for electronics recycling and/or document shredding. Those interested in Household Hazardous Waste drop off opportunities can visit the Monroe County's ecopark website at [www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark](http://www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark) for upcoming collection events and to make an appointment.

### **LIL ATHLETES - FALL FUN FOR TODDLERS AT PITTSFORD REC**

Our Recreation Department has a fall program sure to keep your little ones busy with healthy fun! Our **Lil Athletes** program for ages 3 - 4 is a fun and positive introduction to sports of all sorts (tennis, soccer, basketball, and more). All games and activities promote gross motor skills development and encourage engaging interactions with classmates in a safe and non-competitive environment. This is not a parent participation class, but parents are welcome to watch! Classes are held once a week at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center and begin October 29.

Both programs will follow State COVID-19 health and safety rules - we're committed to providing inspiring quality programming within these guidelines! To register for either class, or to learn more, visit our [online Preschool program info and registration page](#). You can also detailed program information in our [online Recreation Program brochure](#).

### **FRIENDS OF PITTSFORD LIBRARY MINI BOOK SALE IS THIS FRIDAY & SATURDAY, OCT. 2 & 3**

The next [Friends of Pittsford Library mini book sale](#) is this Friday and Saturday, October 2 and 3 from 10:00am - 5:00pm in the Library's Fisher Meeting Room. **The sale is open to all!** To ensure enough time and space for all to safely browse, **physical distancing and mask wearing will be required**, the number of shoppers in the room at a time will be limited, and shopping time will be limited to 20 minutes per guest. While there will be fewer tables, tables will be replenished throughout the sale so everyone has a chance to find some wonderful bookish buys. **Bags won't be available so please bring your own if you'd like.** All proceeds benefit our Pittsford Community Library!

### **PITTSFORD COMMUNITY LIBRARY CURRENT HOURS**

The Pittsford Community Library is currently open **Mondays and Wednesdays from 10:00am - 7:00pm, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 10:00am - 5:00pm, and Saturdays from 10:00am - 1:00pm.** Please note face coverings and appropriate physical distancing are required at all times when visiting the Library.

**Low contact pickup** of Library materials is offered during Library hours. Make pickup arrangements in advance via email at [pclreference@townofpittsford.org](mailto:pclreference@townofpittsford.org) or call the Library with your request at 248-6275. The Library also offers a **Virtual Reference Desk** and new online programs and resources are added frequently. Find complete information about Library hours, services, resources and guidelines at [www.bitly/pclupdates](http://www.bitly/pclupdates).

### **VILLAGE HISTORY WALK BY MAYOR CORBY OCTOBER 10 - MEET AT ST. LOUIS CHURCH**

Village Mayor Bob Corby will host another in his series of Village History Walks on Saturday, October 10. Participants can meet at 10:00am in front of St. Louis Church, 64 South Main Street; the tour will focus on the older and historic homes and churches of South Main Street and Stonegate Lane. Mayor Corby will also

discuss the history of the Hylgarth and Lomb estates. The tour is free and open to the public - all are welcome! Please note participants are asked to bring a mask and follow physical distancing guidelines.

### **BLOOD DRIVE AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER IS OCT 13 - OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY**

The Town of Pittsford will host a Red Cross blood drive on Tuesday, October 13, from 9:00am - 2:00pm at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center in Room 107. The Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue in the Village of Pittsford.

Donors can schedule an appointment by calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or can go online to do so at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) - just type in the Pittsford zip code 14534 in the search box and scroll to the October 13 blood drive. **Please schedule an appointment prior to your arrival to help ensure we can safely manage the flow of donors.**

**The Red Cross will be following all COVID-19 guidelines during the blood drive;** additional precautions in place include physical distancing protocols, face coverings, health screenings and enhanced cleaning procedures. Enhanced safety practices include:

- **Pre-Donation Donor Temperature Screening** - all donors must have their temperature taken onsite before entering the blood drive; those with a temperature greater than 99.5°F will be asked to donate at another time and will not enter.
- **Masks** - all donors, staff and volunteers are required to wear masks; those without a mask will be provided with one.
- **Enhanced Disinfecting** - hand sanitizer will be available in multiple areas and donor beds will be sanitized between every donor.
- **All staff** will be screened for temperature and symptoms before working; staff will wear gloves throughout entire blood drive, changing gloves between every donor.

Donors can save time using the RapidPass registration process. Just visit [www.redcrossblood.org/RapidPass](http://www.redcrossblood.org/RapidPass) the day of your donation, read the information, answer the questions, then print or email yourself the pass.

Donating blood is a simple thing to do, but it can make a big difference in the lives of others. **Current natural disasters and the complexities of COVID-19 mean your help is needed now more than ever.** The Red Cross has the ability to move blood around the country to wherever, and whenever, it is needed most. **All blood, platelet and plasma donations will be tested for COVID-19 antibodies as well.** The test may indicate if the donor's immune system has produced antibodies to this coronavirus, regardless of whether they developed symptoms.

As we continue to navigate this pandemic, blood donations remain essential to the health of our communities. The Red Cross needs the ongoing support of blood donors and blood drive hosts to ensure blood products are available for patients battling disease and facing the unexpected. If you are eligible and feeling well, please make an appointment today to give by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) or calling 800-RED-CROSS.

### **AS OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH COMES TO AN END, MAKE SURE YOU KNOW THE SYMPTOMS AND RISK FACTORS:**

In recognition of September as Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month, [Turn the Towns Teal](#) encourages all to learn the sometimes silent symptoms of ovarian cancer and help spread the word - you could help save a life!

#### **Potential Symptoms of Ovarian Cancer:**

- Pelvic or abdominal pain
- Vague but persistent gastrointestinal upsets such as gas, nausea, or indigestion
- Difficulty eating OR feeling full quickly

- Urinary symptoms (urgency or frequency)
- Unexplained changes in bowel habits
- Unexplained weight gain/loss
- Ongoing unusual fatigue
- Back Pain
- Menstrual changes
- Pain during intimacy

If these symptoms persist for 10 days to two weeks, consult your gynecologist, physician, or a gynecological oncologist.

### **Risk Factors Linked to Ovarian Cancer:**

- Genetic predisposition (BRCA1/BRCA2 gene)
- Personal or family history of breast, ovarian or colon cancer
- Increasing age
- Reproductive history and infertility
- Hormone replacement therapy

Find more information at [www.turnthetownsteal.org](http://www.turnthetownsteal.org). Many thanks to local residents Ginger Ruff and Angelina Shimkus for turning Pittsford teal with ribbons to be displayed throughout the month.

### **REMINDERS**

#### **SCHOOL TAXES FULL PAYMENTS DUE BY OCTOBER 1**

Full payments of School Taxes without interest will be accepted through Thursday, October 1. Consistent with our practice since the onset of the pandemic, the Town will continue to accept payments by mail, by the secure mail slot located to the right of the front door of the Pittsford Town Hall, 11 South Main Street, and online by a link from the Town's website to the County's online payment portal. Visa and MasterCard will be accepted for online payments, **and for this tax season only**, the customary 3% service fee to use the online payment service is waived. To pay first installments and full payments online, click [here](#). Full payments of School tax may also be paid at Canandaigua National Bank, 18 State Street. Canandaigua National Bank will continue to accept **full payments ONLY** through October 1.

Please Note: **we strongly discourage paying your tax bill via Electronic Checking directly from your bank account.** If you do this, it means that your bank mails us a paper check - without a postmark. Experience has shown that this can take as long as two weeks to reach our office. Therefore, we cannot consider your payment received until we physically receive the paper check, and you risk having to pay interest on the late payment, which is mandated by the State and that the Town has no authority to waive. **We do not recommend sending payment in this manner.**

#### **REMINDER: PITTSFORD ROTARY FOOD DRIVE IS THIS SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3**

##### ***Donations will go to Pittsford Food Cupboard to help neighbors in need***

The [Rotary Club of Pittsford](#), in collaboration with the Town of Pittsford, will conduct a [drive-through packaged food drive](#) to benefit the Pittsford Food Cupboard this Saturday, October 3 from 9:00am to noon at Spiegel Pittsford Community Center. Rotarians will be collecting canned and other packaged foods, rain or shine. Click this link for a [list of current Food Cupboard needs](#).

Volunteers working will be taking COVID-19 precautionary measures, including wearing face coverings and gloves and maintaining safe distances. The Pittsford Food Cupboard is among the many organizations that benefit from Pittsford Rotary's mission of service to our community and beyond. Please help our Rotarians help those in need if you can. The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue in the Village of Pittsford.

## **THIS YEAR, JOIN THE PTSA "SUPER SALE TRAIL" TO SUPPORT OUR STUDENTS!**

### ***Host your own garage/yard sale October 17 and donate the proceeds to PTSA***

The 57th Annual PTSA Super Sale will look a bit different this year, and you can help make it a success! COVID-19 safety precautions mean PTSA can't hold their traditional Super Sale, so they're inviting anyone in the Pittsford community to **sign up by October 9 and host their own part of the Super Sale** on Saturday, October 17 from 9:00am - 3:00pm. After the sale, donate the proceeds via Pay Pal or check. To be a part of the [Super Sale Trail](#), find more information and sign up here: [www.pittsfordptsanet.net/super-sale](http://www.pittsfordptsanet.net/super-sale)

Not interested in hosting a sale? You can still help by saving the date to **shop the Super Sale Trail on October 17!** The PTSA Super Sale provides the majority of funding for PTSA enrichment grants, the Student Opportunity Fund, and a variety of programs and activities to benefit students. Whether you shop or sell, you'll be supporting our Pittsford students!

## **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](mailto: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/home-channel12](http://www.townofpittsford.org/home-channel12) and use the On-Demand links to view previously recorded meetings.

## **UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD**

- [Food Truck Wednesdays at Thornell Farm Park](#), Wednesday, 9/30, 480 Mendon Road, featuring poutine (French fries, cheese curds and hot gravy with a range of made-to-order choices, from bacon to vegetarian) by [Le Petit Poutine](#) and premium shaved ice from [Kona Ice](#), 5:00 - 8:00pm (or until menu items are sold out), Thornell Farm Park, 480 Mendon Road. A different food truck is featured each week offering items for sale, [click here for this week's menus](#); vendor schedule at [www.townofpittsford.org/community-events](http://www.townofpittsford.org/community-events). The event continues each Wednesday through October 21. Please note all attendees are expected to observe appropriate physical distancing and health safety protocols - face coverings are required when placing and picking up your order.
- [Friends of Pittsford Library mini book sale](#), Friday and Saturday, October 2 & 3, 10:00am - 5:00pm, Fisher Meeting Room, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street, sale is open to all; please note to ensure enough time and space to safely browse, physical distancing and mask wearing required, the number of shoppers in the room at a time will be limited, shopping time will be limited to 20 minutes per guest, bags not available - please bring your own.
- **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, 10/3, 9:00 - 10:00am, Thornell Farm Park open-air pavilion, 480 Mendon Road; attendees expected to follow health safety and social distancing guidelines.
- [Pittsford Rotary Food Drive](#), Saturday, October 3, 9:00am - 12noon, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue; canned and other packaged goods needed, see [list of Food Cupboard needs here](#).
- [PTSA Super Sale Trail](#) - garage/yard sales throughout the community to benefit PTSA programs for students, Saturday, October 17, 9:00am - 3:00pm, various locations; deadline to sign up to participate (host a sale) is October 9, list of participating locations will be posted prior to the sale. Information at [www.pittsfordptsanet.net/super-sale](http://www.pittsfordptsanet.net/super-sale).

## TOWN OF PITTSFORD BOARD MEETINGS

- **Town Board**, Tuesday, 10/6, 6:00pm, Pittsford Community Library, Fisher Meeting Room, 24 State Street - **NOTE LOCATION**, ASL interpretation provided, COVID-19 mask use and physical distancing protocols required; MEETING ALSO WILL BE LIVE STREAMED, information for accessing and viewing the meeting can be found on page 2 of the meeting agenda; the meeting agenda is posted at least two days prior to the meeting on the Town website here: [www.townofpittsford.org/home-minutes](http://www.townofpittsford.org/home-minutes)
- **Environmental Board**, Monday, 10/5, 7:00pm, Town Hall - Town Board meeting room (Lower Level) - **NOTE LOCATION**, 11 South Main Street

## COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

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- [Board of Education](#) meeting, Tuesday, 9/30, 7:00pm, Barker Road Middle School Board Room, 75 Barker Road
- [American Legion Rayson-Miller Post 899](#) **TUESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST MEETINGS CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE** due to COVID-19 coronavirus social distancing requirements. Eligible veterans welcome to join the Post; for [membership information](#) visit the [Rayson-Miller Post website](#)
- [Pittsford Rotary Club](#), **WEEKLY IN-PERSON MEETINGS CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE** due to COVID-19 coronavirus social distancing requirements; check the Pittsford Rotary Facebook page for virtual meeting information.
- [Pittsford Art Group](#) **MEETINGS CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE** due to COVID-19 coronavirus social distancing requirements. For further information, contact PAG president [Margie Mitchell](#)

## Town Facility Closures

**Spiegel Pittsford Community Center** - building is open 8:00am - 5:00pm Monday through Friday and open during program hours evenings and weekends. Senior "Grab N Go" meals will continue every Wednesday and "Curbside Lunch" by Chef Julie is offered every Friday; pickup for both programs is at the bus loop behind the Community Center. Registration for low-risk activities and virtual programs begins in advance of each session. See Program Info & Registration link at [www.townofpittsford.org/home-recreation](http://www.townofpittsford.org/home-recreation). Programs will continue to open as we receive further guidance.

**Pittsford Community Library** - the Library is now open for limited hours and services; enter from the parking lot entrance. The Library also has many online resources, programs and activities for all ages to enjoy. For current Library hours, services, resources, and other updates, visit the Library's update page at [www.bit.ly/pclupdates](http://www.bit.ly/pclupdates). For virtual children's programming check the Library's Facebook page [www.facebook.com/PittsfordLibrary/](http://www.facebook.com/PittsfordLibrary/). The Book Drop return area is open; please only deposit returned books; for information on book sale donations visit [www.pittsfordlibraryfriends.com](http://www.pittsfordlibraryfriends.com). Regular due dates for all materials have resumed; check your receipt or your Library account for exact due dates. Low contact pickup of Library materials is available for Monroe County Library System cardholders.

**Town Hall** is open to residents by appointment only; in-person meetings will be limited and allowed only when absolutely necessary. Calls should be made to the department related to the inquiry. Town Hall remains staffed to handle business online and by mail, phone, email and the "drop slot" to the right of the front door of Town Hall.

**Town Clerk:** All services of the Town Clerk are available online, by mail, phone and email. If necessary, an appointment can be arranged. Contact at 248-6214 or [ldillon@townofpittsford.org](mailto:ldillon@townofpittsford.org), mail materials to Pittsford Town Clerk's Office, 11 South Main Street, Pittsford NY 14534. Services info at [www.townofpittsford.org/home-clerk](http://www.townofpittsford.org/home-clerk).

**Town Court:** Pittsford Town Court sessions are being scheduled on a limited basis. Town Court staff are available via phone and email Monday - Friday from 9:00am - 5:00pm; call (585) 248-6238 or email at [pdromgoole@townofpittsford.org](mailto:pdromgoole@townofpittsford.org). Visitors must follow appropriate health safety and social distancing requirements for Court appearances and Court Office visits.

**All Town Playgrounds:** residents may use Town playgrounds at their own risk, as it is not possible for the Town to keep equipment appropriately sanitized after every use. Those using Town playgrounds are expected to observe COVID-19 social distancing and hygiene protocols.

**All Town Parks:** all Town parks are open; all courts are open, all athletic fields are open to groups of 25 individuals or less, and all trails and walkways are accessible. Those using Town parks are expected to observe COVID-19 social distancing and hygiene protocols.

**Thornell Farm Park:** the park is open and per State requirements, all grass and turf sports fields are open to group activities of 25 individuals or less; the tennis courts, trails, walkways and the playground are open to residents. COVID-19 social distancing and hygiene protocols are required.

**King's Bend Park Lodges:** the lodges are open for reservations; per State and Federal governments all COVID-19 safety guidelines must be followed while at the lodges. Lodge capacities will adhere to New York State COVID-19 guidelines. Please note COVID-19 social distancing and hygiene protocols are required.

**The Mile Post School:** the building is closed to the public until further notice, as the site is being used as a Public Works crew operation center.

**Building Department:** As of May 15, 2020 the Governor has begun the phased reopening of New York State. The Town of Pittsford and the surrounding Finger Lakes region have met the criteria set by the Governor to reopen. Construction is included in Phase 1 of the reopening plan. As construction moves forward, all COVID-19 safety guidelines set by the State and Federal governments must be followed while on the job site. To protect the community and limit the spread of COVID-19, the Town of Pittsford has altered accordingly its inspection and permitting procedures. See the Town of Pittsford COVID-19 Building Inspection Procedures for details; additional information can be found here: New York State Construction Guidelines. For more information contact Town of Pittsford Building Inspector Mark Lenzi at [mlenzi@townofpittsford.org](mailto:mlenzi@townofpittsford.org) or call the Town Building Department at 585-248-6265.

**Town Public Works** - Highway, Sewer and Parks Departments: All operations continue. Crews in these departments are following hygiene and social distancing protocols in light of the COVID-19 threat.

**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. Per the NYS Department of Motor Vehicles, all driver licenses, learner permits, non-driver identification cards, vehicle registrations and vehicle inspections scheduled to expire on or after March 1, 2020 are extended until further notice and all temporary registration documents are valid until further notice. This extension does NOT apply to insurance coverage - motor vehicle liability insurance coverage must be maintained at all times during the extension period. 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](http://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](http://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://www2.monroecounty.gov/health-index.php>.

Additional information about business closure requirements throughout Monroe County can be found on the County's Website: [www.monroecounty.gov](http://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](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html?deliveryName=USCDC_2067-DM20785).

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