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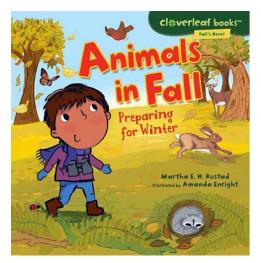
Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy Community

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Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings

"ANIMALS IN FALL" STORY STROLL Display will be up at Community Center through Sunday

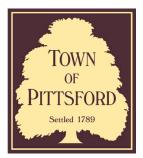
The time is right for a colorful story come to life – and some crafty fun! Stop by the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center this week, through this Sunday, November 21 and take a walk through our **"Animals in Fall: Preparing for Winter" Story Stroll in the Community Center field.** Take our Story Stroll and find out what animals do in fall to get ready for winter. From butterflies, deer, geese and rattlesnakes to bears, hares and whales – everyone has to prepare for the chilly weather to



come! Participants are asked to follow CDC physical distancing and mask guidelines as appropriate.

Once you have completed the walk, stop at the Community Center front desk and pick up a **themed craft pack to take home**! Craft packs are available Monday through Friday from 8:00am – 6:00pm and Saturday from 10:00am – 5:00pm.

The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. For more information about the event, call the Community Center at 248-6280.



CONGRATULATIONS TO NEWLY ELECTED AND REELECTED PITTSFORD OFFICIALS

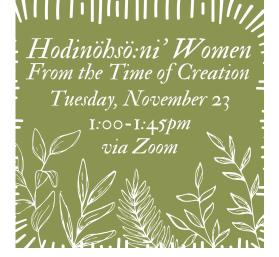
As absentee ballots have now been counted, we welcome and congratulate newly elected Pittsford Town Board member Kim Taylor and congratulate reelected Town Board member Stephanie Townsend. We extend our appreciation to all four Town Board candidates, each of whom ran a positive campaign.

Our congratulations as well to reelected Town Justice John Bernacki and reelected Town Supervisor Bill Smith, and to our two re-elected Monroe County legislators Howard Mafucci and Michael Yudelson.

HODINÖHSÖ:NI' WOMEN PROGRAM AT THE

LIBRARY THIS TUESDAY

The Pittsford Community Library offers another program in celebration of Native American Heritage Month on Tuesday, November 23 – Hodinöhsö:ni' Women: From the Time of Creation. For centuries Hodinöhsö:ni' women selected their chiefs, long before American women won the right to vote. Learn more during this virtual tour of the women's exhibit currently on display at Ganondagan, the only New York State Historic Site dedicated to a Native American theme and the original site of a 17th century Seneca town. The program will be



held at 1:00pm. It is free and open to the public, but registration is required to receive the Zoom link, which will be sent on the day of the program. Use this link to <u>register</u> <u>online via the Library calendar</u> or find the registration calendar under the Events tab at <u>https://www.townofpittsford.org/library</u>.

To learn more about upcoming Library programs, visit the <u>Library's online program</u> <u>calendar</u>. For complete Library information, including hours of operation, visit <u>https://www.townofpittsford.org/library</u>.



REMINDER: HAUDENOSAUNEE TALES AT THE LIBRARY THIS SATURDAY, 11/20

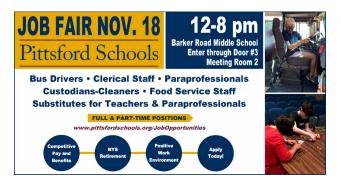
The Pittsford Community Library continues our celebration of Native American Heritage Month with a delightful all-ages program this Saturday, November 20 – Haudenosaunee Tales by Storyteller Howard Edmond. Enjoy the richness of Haudenosaunee (Iroquois) and other Native American tales, as told by engaging storyteller Howard Edmond. The program is free and open to the public, but registration is required. Use this link to <u>register online via the Library calendar</u> or find the

registration calendar under the Events tab at <u>https://www.townofpittsford.org/library</u>.

Per the CDC and Monroe County Health Department, masks are strongly recommended and encouraged in the Library, regardless of vaccination status. The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street. To learn more about upcoming Library programs, visit the <u>Library's online program calendar</u>. For complete Library information, including hours of operation, visit <u>https://www.townofpittsford.org/library</u>.

PITTSFORD SCHOOLS HOSTING JOB FAIR THIS THURSDAY, 12-8PM Many full and part-time positions available

The Pittsford Central School District is hosting a job fair tomorrow, Thursday, November 18, from 12:00-8:00pm at Barker Road Middle School (75 Barker Road, door #3). Pittsford Schools



offers competitive pay and benefits, NYS Retirement and a positive work environment. **Full and part-time positions are available, including:**

- Bus Drivers
- Clerical Staff
- Paraprofessionals
- Custodians-Cleaners
- Food Service Staff
- Substitutes for Teachers and Paraprofessionals

For job descriptions and employment applications, visit <u>www.pittsfordschools.org/JobOpportunities</u>.

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY HOURS

Town of Pittsford offices, facilities, and services including Town Hall, the Parks and Sewer departments, and Town Court will close at 1:00pm on Wednesday, November 24 and remain closed Thursday and Friday, November 25-26 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. The Town Highway Department will be closed on Thursday, November 25; regular Town leaf collection services will be provided on Friday, November 26.



The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center will close at 5:00pm on Wednesday, November 24 and remain closed on Thursday (11/25) and Friday (11/26).

The **Pittsford Community Library will close at 5:00pm on Wednesday, November 24** and will be closed on Thursday, November 25; it is open regular hours (9:00am - 6:00pm) on Friday, November 26.

In case of an emergency requiring Town of Pittsford services during holiday closure, please call (585) 248-6212.



TAKE THE GREENPRINT 25 SELF-GUIDED TOUR NOW THROUGH END OF NOVEMBER Visit all sites and enter drawing for a free week of Summer Camp!

The Town of Pittsford approved its award-winning "Greenprint for the Future" in 1996, preserving in perpetuity over 2,000 acres of open space in Pittsford, by

purchasing of development rights of 10 local farms. To mark its 25th anniversary year, we've put together a self-guided tour to celebrate the farms the Greenprint preserved and to honor those who farm them today. You'll find an interactive map of the tour at <u>https://gis.townofpittsford.org/greenprinttour</u>. If you complete the tour and fill out a **Greenprint 25 Passport sheet by November 30,** you'll be entered in a drawing to win a free week of summer camp! You'll find the <u>Greenprint 25 Tour Passport sheet online</u> or you can pick it up at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center. For the passport sheet and complete information about the tour and the drawing, visit our Greenprint 25 web page at <u>www.townofpittsford.org/greenprint25</u> or use the QR code above.

WOMEN'S CLUB GRANT APPLICATIONS DUE DECEMBER 31

The Women's Club of Pittsford offers endowment grants to charitable organizations and is **accepting grant applications through December 31** for 2022 endowment grants. Applications must be submitted for a specific project and be made on behalf of a 501c3 charitable organization in Monroe County or in surrounding counties that service Monroe County residents. The grant application can be found on the Women's Club website at <u>www.womensclubofpittsford.org</u>. The application can be filled out online or printed and returned by mail. Please note all applications must include a copy of the organization's IRS letter indicating 501(c)(3) status.



Since 1984, the Women's Club of Pittsford has contributed over \$350,000 to Greater Rochester Area organizations. More information and the grant application form can be found on their website at <u>www.womensclubofpittsford.org/apply-for-a-grant.html</u>. The deadline for submitting an application is December 31, 2021.

REMINDERS

DONATIONS NEEDED TO HELP PITTSFORD FOOD CUPBOARD PROVIDE THANKSGIVING MEALS

The <u>Pittsford Food Cupboard</u> needs your help to provide Thanksgiving dinner items to **200 local families in need**. **Thanksgiving food distribution is underway** and they **need turkeys, as well as other items**. Can you help PFC ensure each family in need receives a turkey for their Thanksgiving meal? **Items are being accepted up until this Saturday, November 20.** Some of our major local grocery stores have special pricing for turkey or have coupons - you can search online for the best deals. Financial donations are also welcome.

In addition to turkeys, the Food Cupboard especially needs these other Thanksgiving dinner items: gravy, stuffing, cranberry sauce, corn muffin mix and French fried onions.



The Pittsford Food Cupboard is located at 3800 Monroe Avenue (on the right, just after the canal bridge as you're heading out of the Village) and is open **Tuesdays and Fridays** from 9:30am to 1:30pm and the first and third Saturday of the month from 9:30am – 11:30am. Turkeys and other items may be dropped off this Friday (11/19) and Saturday (11/20). Use Door 27 to drop off donations. If you have a large donation to drop off, please call if a different drop off time is needed or for a pickup by a staff member. Call (585) 264-9860 with any questions and to make large drop off arrangements.

The PFC serves Pittsford, East Rochester, Mendon, Honeoye Falls, Brighton and some areas in the City of Rochester. In service since 1998, the PFC has grown to provide food supplies to over 4,000 households each year, totaling over 6,400 people. To find out more about who they serve and how you can help, visit www.pittsfordfoodcupboard.net or email pittsfordfoodcupboard@gmail.com.

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 <u>minutes and agendas page</u> 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 <u>comments@townofpittsford.org</u>. 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 <u>www.townofpittsford.org/channel12</u> and use the On-Demand links to view previously recorded meetings.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD

 <u>Town of Pittsford Zoning Code Update</u> – 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

- **Planning Board**, Monday 11/22, 6:30pm, 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: <u>www.townofpittsford.org/minutes</u>
- <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

- <u>American Legion Rayson-Miller Post 899</u> 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 <u>membership information</u> or visit the <u>Rayson-Miller Post website</u>
- <u>Pittsford Rotary Club</u>, Wednesdays (weekly), 7:00am, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street
- <u>Pittsford Art Group</u> conducts monthly member meetings 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 <u>www.pittsfordartgroup.com</u> and fill out a

Contact Us form.

COVID-19 Closure Updates

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 <u>https://www2.monroecounty.gov/clerk-COVID-19</u>.

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

COVID-19 Coronavirus Information Links

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

Pittsford Central School District COVID-19 Coronavirus Updates

You can find information on COVID-19 coronavirus at the County Health Department's website: <u>https://www2.monroecounty.gov/health-index.php</u>.

Additional information about business closure requirements throughout Monroe County can be found on the County's Website: <u>www.monroecounty.gov</u>

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

In addition, the CDC has information relevant to anyone planning to travel outside of

the United States: <u>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html?</u> <u>deliveryName=USCDC_2067-DM20785</u>.

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