

News & Reviews

April 13, 2022

Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy Community

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Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings*

MORNING MOVIE MATINEE FOR SENIORS TOMORROW, 4/14 – THE LONGEST WEEK

Then join us for pizza after!

Seniors, join us in the VanHuysen Community Room at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center tomorrow, Thursday, April 14 for our free Morning Movie Matinee featuring *The Longest Week*. Then stay afterward for pizza!

The movie begins at 10:00am and features light refreshments, including coffee, breakfast pastries and popcorn. Pizza will be served after the movie.



The Longest Week is a comedy-drama that tells the story of over-educated and under-employed hotel heir Conrad Valmont (Jason Bateman). He has been cut off from his allowance but fortunately, his old friend Dylan (Billy Crudup) takes him. Things get complicated when Conrad falls for Dylan's girlfriend Beatrice (Olivia Wilde). Will it take losing everything to make Conrad realize what he can truly become?

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 HERE 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.

Supervisor Saturday

with Pittsford Town Supervisor

Bill Smith

9:00 - 10:00am

Pittsford Community Library

**Stop by and join
the conversation!**

SUPERVISOR SATURDAY WITH BILL SMITH THIS WEEK – APRIL 16

Town Supervisor Bill Smith will host his community open house meeting this Saturday, April 16 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 the Town's Zoning Code Update, our latest sustainability efforts, ideas for utilizing ARPA funding, 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!

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.

ENSURING THE EFFICIENCY AND SECURITY OF TOWN TECHNOLOGY NEEDS

At our most recent Town Board meeting, our IT Director Joy Brown presented proposals for a range of necessary upgrades and tools to enhance the security and

efficiency of our IT infrastructure, processes and resources. The proposed items impact IT hardware, software, training and security, including moving some Town systems to the Cloud for improved performance, access and security. The Town Board approved all of the projects and improvements. They are listed below, but for more detail, please see the IT Department's proposal at www.townofpittsford.org/files/images/ARPA-funds-proposal-IT-Dept-2022.pdf.



Information Technology Improvements funded via ARPA:

- **Technology consulting services**, which include IT security threats and compliance assessment, cybersecurity vulnerability assessment, an IT Security Audit, a PCI Compliance audit for credit card transactions, and a Technology Policy consulting review
- **Purchase of a Security Information and Event Management (SEIM) system** to provide ongoing automated IT security analysis (identifying potential ransomware infections, etc.)
- **Cloud migration and upgrade** of the Town's Docuware document and workflow management software and of the Town's KVS financial software. Cloud migration offers improved data security and a more robust backup solution. The increased flexibility in access it offers also means data can be accessed in times of crisis - especially if on-site access is not possible. It does away with manual updates and the required downtime.
- **Backup Server purchase** with replication to the Cloud, which offers faster and more frequent backups, resulting in near continuous protection of key servers
- **Apple products purchase** for the Library - including Mac computers and MacBooks with software - which allow expanded access for educational and creative use
- **Interactive Display** for Town Hall meeting room - for improved and upgraded presentation materials display
- **Technology Training** - to meet required and necessary staff training needs through the end of 2024

The cost of these improvements is \$147,200. All of it is payable from the \$2.8 million in ARPA funds the Town has received from the federal government. Meant to mitigate the adverse effects of the COVID-19 pandemic sustained by local government, ARPA funds allow municipalities to recoup revenue losses, to complete deferred projects, programs and maintenance and pursue other projects related to municipal services.

As we did with these IT improvements and the previously approved Library and Parks improvements, we'll continue to post publicly future initiatives of Town departments that contemplate use of ARPA funds – you'll find them with our Town Board materials for each meeting where they will be discussed. This permits Pittsford residents to comment on the proposals both in person at the meeting or, if you like, by written comments to comments@townofpittsford.org. The Town Board meeting agenda is posted on our minutes and agendas web page at least two days prior to the meeting.



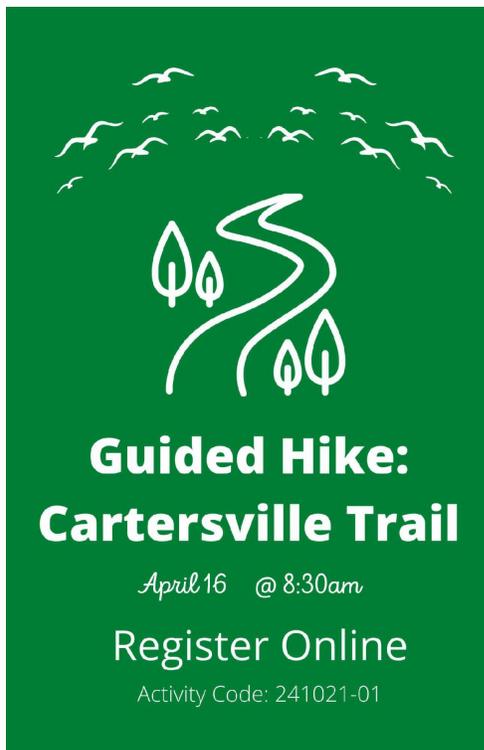
TOWN FACILITY HOURS FOR GOOD FRIDAY & EASTER HOLIDAYS

Town of Pittsford government offices, facilities, and services – including Town Hall and Town Court – will be closed this Friday, April 15 in observance of the Good Friday holiday.

The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center will be open for scheduled programs only this Friday, April 15. The Community Center will be open on Saturday, April 16 from 9:00am – 5:00pm and will be closed on Sunday, April 17 in observance of the Easter holiday.

The Pittsford Community Library will be open regular hours (9:00am – 6:00pm) on Friday, April 15 and closed on Saturday and Sunday, April 16 and 17 in observance of the Easter holiday.

In case of an emergency requiring Town of Pittsford services during holiday closures, please call (585) 248-6212. Best wishes for a safe and happy holiday to all those celebrating the Passover and Easter holidays!



**Guided Hike:
Cartersville Trail**

April 16 @ 8:30am

Register Online

Activity Code: 241021-01

GUIDED HIKE THIS SATURDAY, 4/16 FEATURES CARTERSVILLE/SIMON STONE'S MILL TRAILS

Pittsford Recreation's next guided trail hike is this Saturday, April 16 – enjoy the history and natural beauty of the Erie Canal Great Embankment as you explore the Cartersville/Simon Stone's Mill Trails. The hike begins at 8:30am. 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.

AFRICAN DRUMMING WITH BUILDING FAMILIES FIRST AT THE LIBRARY APRIL 20

Join us on Wednesday, April 20 at the Pittsford Community Library for an energetic drumming event that puts a modern spin on traditional African entertainment,

emphasizing the beauty in our diverse world. Building Families First presents African drumming from Zambia, an inspiring and entertaining program for all ages. Building Families First provides educational and interactive programs to the Greater Rochester community, and they are passionate about educating families and representing their rich culture. To be held in the Library's Fisher Meeting Room from 6:30 - 7:30pm, the program is free and open to the public. Registration is not required.



The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street. For more information about other great upcoming Library programs, visit the Library's online program calendar or call 249-5481.

FREE RABIES VACCINE DRIVE-THROUGH CLINIC IS THURSDAY, MAY 12 AT THE TOWN HIGHWAY GARAGE
The Town of Pittsford's annual Rabies Vaccine Free Clinic will be a drive-through event held on Thursday, May 12 from 4:30 - 7:30pm at the Town Highway Garage, 60 Golf Avenue. Update your pet's rabies vaccine for free - dogs, cats and ferrets are welcome! Although cats do not need to be licensed, NYS law does require they be rabies vaccinated. For safety, all dogs must be on a short leash; cats and ferrets must be in a secure carrier.



Three-year and one-year vaccines are available. A three-year vaccine will be available to those who present a prior rabies certificate; all others may receive a one-year vaccine. Advance registration is not required; please call Animal Control at 248-6240 with any questions. Many thanks to Dr. Larry Silberg from Doorbell Vet, who will be conducting our clinic this year. Our thanks also to the Monroe County Health Department for providing the free vaccines.



PITTSFORD ROTARY KIDS' TROUT FISHING DERBY IS MAY 14

The Rotary Club of Pittsford, in conjunction with the Town of Pittsford and the Monroe County Parks Department, will hold its annual [Kids' Trout Fishing Derby](#) on Saturday, May 14 in Powder Mills Park. The Derby is open to all children ages 15 and under. Registration will be at the Powderhorn Lodge and Shady Rest Pavilion from 8:00 - 9:00am and is free for all.

[Registration also is available in advance online.](#) The tournament runs from 9:00 - 11:00am and is followed by an awards ceremony at 11:15am and Fish Hatchery tours at 11:30am. Complimentary refreshments will be served.

Fish are being stocked by the Fish Hatchery at Powder Mills Park for this event and donations will be accepted on behalf of the Reidman Foundation. Special thanks are due to The Riedman Foundation for funding and operating the Hatchery and making the Pittsford Rotary Club Kids' Trout Fishing Derby possible. For more information, visit the [Pittsford Rotary website](#) or contact tournament chairperson Kevin O'Grady via [email](#) or phone at (585) 641-0668. The Pittsford Rotary Club Kids' Trout Fishing Derby is co-

REMINDERS

BIKE RODEO BIKE SAFETY PROGRAM AT COMMUNITY CENTER 4/30

Learn safety tips from Monroe County Sheriff and practice on obstacle course!

Save the date and be sure to register for our Bike Rodeo Bike Safety program to be held at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center on Saturday, April 30. Monroe County Sheriff Officers from Zone A will teach participants a variety of bike safety tips and help them safely practice bike riding skills. You also can bike through a fun obstacle course! Kids ages 5 - 17 are welcome to participate. Spots are available from 10:00 – 11:00am and from 11:00am – 12:00pm. Participants must bring their own bike and helmet. The program is free but registration is required. [Register online here](#) or in person at the Community Center. The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue.



11TH PITTSFORD COMMUNITY BICYCLE DROP

Have an Old Bike to Donate? HELP US REACH OUR GOAL OF 2638

2638

2398 Bikes Collected since 2010

Our goal is 2,603 Bikes Collected

Rotary 

Pittsford Rotary Club in conjunction with the Town of Pittsford will sponsor a collection of used bicycles on Saturday, May 7th, 2022 from 9am to 2 pm. The collection will take place in the parking lot at Pittsford Mendon High School.

DONATE USED BIKES TO THE ROTARY BIKE DROP | SATURDAY 5/7, PITTSFORD MENDON HS

The Rotary Club of Pittsford will hold its 11th annual "Bike Drop" on Saturday, May 7 from 9:00am - 2:00pm at Pittsford Mendon High School (472 Mendon Road, Pittsford). Bicycles or bike parts in any condition will be accepted for donation. The bicycles and bike parts will be collected by Pittsford Rotary and donated to [R Community Bikes, Inc.](#), a Rochester-based charitable organization that repairs and distributes bicycles free of charge to Rochester's needy children and adults. For

those in need, bikes are very frequently the most affordable means of transportation to jobs, schools, churches, rehabilitation and training programs, and meals at local social service agencies.

Take advantage of a great opportunity to spring clean your garage while you help people in need! Pittsford's Rotary Club has collected 2,398 used bikes since 2010 - can you help them ensure this year's drive is a success? For more information go to www.PittsfordRotaryClub.org or call (585) 733-5856.

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

- **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, 4/16, 9:00 - 10:00am, Fisher Meeting Room (first floor), Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street.
- **Earth Day Celebration at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center**, Friday, April 22, 1:00 – 3:00pm, 35 Lincoln Avenue; family-friendly activities and helpful information to strengthen your green skills and knowledge, free and open to the public, registration required, [register online](#) or at the Community Center
- **Auburn Trail Earth Month Cleanup**, Saturday, April 23, 10:00am; for more information and to register to volunteer [contact Recreation Leader Amanda Poulin via email](#)
- **Arbor Day Tree Planting Ceremony**, Friday, April 29, time TBD, Great Embankment Park, 632 Marsh Road – tree planting and proclamation, check Town website for details as the date approaches
- **Bike Rodeo Bike Safety program**, Saturday, April 30, 10:00 – 11:00am and 11:00am – 12:00pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue; bike safety tips, obstacle course, bike riding skills, free but registration required – [info and online registration here](#) or in person at Community Center.
- **Household Hazardous Waste/e-Recycling/Document Shredding event**, Saturday, 5/14, 7:45am-12:00pm, Perinton Highway Garage, 100 Cobb's Lane. Appointment needed for hazardous waste disposal only, no appointment needed for electronics recycling and/or document shredding; for HHW appointment Pittsford residents can call 248-6250, or go online to www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark. More information, including the list of hazardous materials and electronics accepted for collection, can be found [HERE](#).
- **Sweetheart Dance** - children ages 5 to 13 can dance the night away, accompanied by an adult as their guest, Friday, 4/29, 6:30-9:00pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue; music and activities, advance registration required, \$17 per person, more info and registration online or at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center
- **Pittsford Rotary Bike Drop**, Saturday, 5/7, 9:00am-2:00pm, Pittsford Mendon High School, 472 Mendon Road, Pittsford; drop off a used bike or bike parts in any condition, to be donated to [R Community Bikes](#) for repair and distribution to those in need for transportation and recreation
- **Pittsford Free Drive-Through Rabies Clinic**, Thursday, 5/12, 4:30-7:30pm, Pittsford Town Highway Garage, 60 Golf Avenue; update your pet's rabies vaccine for free – dogs, cats, and ferrets are welcome, dogs must be on a short leash, cats and ferrets must be in a secure carrier; no appointment needed, call Pittsford Animal Control at 248-6240 with any questions.
- **Pittsford Rotary Kids' Trout Fishing Derby**, Saturday, 5/14, 8:00am - 12noon, Powder Mills Park, registration online or begins 8:00am in person at Powderhorn Lodge; tournament runs 9:00-11:00am, followed by Awards Ceremony at 11:15am and Fish Hatchery Tours at 11:30am, [more info here](#) or [email Kevin](#)

[O'Grady](#).

- [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

- [Zoning Code Update Town Board meeting](#), Wednesday, 4/13 - **CANCELED**; find complete Zoning Code Update information at www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate. Updated meeting listings will be posted at www.townofpittsford.org/calendar
- **Pittsford Community Library Board**, Wednesday, 4/13, 6:00pm, Fisher Meeting Room, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State 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
- **Design Review & Historic Preservation Board**, Thursday, 4/14, 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
- **Parks and Recreation Board**, Thursday, 4/14, 6:30pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center – Room 207, 35 Lincoln Avenue, current CDC guidelines will be followed; the meeting agenda is posted at least 24 hours prior to the meeting on the Town website here: www.townofpittsford.org/minutes
- **Zoning Board of Appeals**, Monday, 4/18, 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, 4/19 – **NO MEETING**

COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

- [Village Board of Trustees](#) meeting, Thursday, 4/14, 6:30pm; more information and participation details will be listed on the Village website [here](#) as the meeting date approaches
- [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 (via Zoom and in person)

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 Access Updates

3/2/22 Update: the Statewide mask mandate for schools expired 3/1, mask use is now optional in Pittsford School District schools; for more information, visit www.pittsfordschools.org/COVID-19INFORMATION. The mandate remains in place for health care facilities, transportation and other related entities .

2/10/22 Update: the Statewide mask mandate has expired for indoor public spaces including grocery stores, shops and offices. The mandate remains for other settings such as health care facilities and schools.

1/31/22 Update: the Governor's mask mandate extended to February 10, 2022.

12/13/21 Update: By order of NYS Governor Kathy Hochul, until January 15, 2022 the Town must require all persons entering Town buildings to be masked, regardless of vaccination status. This applies to all Town indoor facilities, including Town Hall, the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, the Pittsford Community Library, Town Court and the Highway Department, Sewer Department and Parks Department offices.

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 [Finger Lakes COVID-19 Vaccine Hub](#).

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

Further information and updates can be found at 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.

[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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