

News & Reviews

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Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy Community

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Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings

"A WINDY DAY IN SPRING" STORY STROLL AT COMMUNITY CENTER THIS WEEK Display will be up at Community Center through

this Sunday Join us for a breezy and whimsical story to life – and some crafty fun! Stop by the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center this week, through this Sunday, May 22 and take a walk through our **"A Windy Day in Spring" Story Stroll in the Community Center field.** Lyrical, rhyming text takes readers on a fun journey with adorable animals frolicking in the springtime breeze.



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 Saturday from 8:00am – 5:00pm and Sunday from 10:00am – 5:00pm.



A Message from Supervisor Smith: THANKS AND REMEMBRANCE FOR OUR POLICE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

This week marks National Police Week – a time to recognize and honor all of the brave men and women who protect and serve us all with integrity, courage and dedication. It is also a time to remember and honor those officers who lost their lives in the line of duty.

We especially remember **retired Buffalo Police Officer Aaron Salter**, who stood up to protect the innocent just days ago in the May 14 mass murder in Buffalo, and who himself was gunned down. For him, his family and the other victims we grieve.

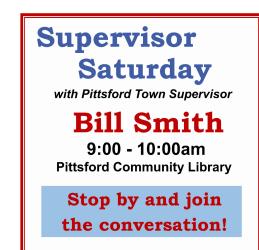
We remember **Sergeant Robert M. Skelton, Jr.**, of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office, who died June 23, 1972 after being struck while on patrol in Pittsford by a drunk driver. He was 33 and left behind an expectant wife and a 3-year-old son. We remember his service with gratitude.

Today and throughout this week we recognize and honor all those members of law

enforcement who protect and serve us selflessly. We thank you all. Special thanks to Monroe County Sheriff's Office Zone A Commander **Captain Scott Alberti**, to **Sheriff Todd Baxter** and to all of the deputies and civilian support staff who look after our community and who help to keep Pittsford safe.

SUPERVISOR SATURDAY WITH BILL SMITH THIS WEEK – MAY 21

Town Supervisor Bill Smith will host his community open house meeting this Saturday, May 21 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.



IT'S BIKE TO WORK WEEK & BIKE TO WORK DAY IS THIS FRIDAY, MAY 20

Did you know May is National Bike Month? There are plenty of ways to celebrate it – as transportation, as recreation, as essential to our well-being and everyday lives! If biking to work is practical for you, consider participating in **National Bike to Work Week** this week

(May 16-22) or **National Bike to Work Day** this Friday, May 20. You'll find more information at <u>https://nationaltoday.com/bike-work-week/</u>. For information about biking in Pittsford visit <u>www.walkbikepittsford.com</u>.

MOVIE NIGHT TONIGHT AT THE LIBRARY: BOLLYWOOD MEETS HOLLYWOOD – BRIDE & PREJUDICE

Join us for a movie night at the Pittsford Community Library tonight! Bollywood meets Hollywood in "Bride and Prejudice" – the story of an independent-minded Indian woman who resists attempts made by her parents to find a match for her. She insists on marrying for love, only to fall for a man who she initially loathes! The movie begins at 6:30pm tonight (Wednesday, May 18)



and will be shown in the Fisher Meeting Room. It's free and open to the public, and rated PG-13. Registration is not required.

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>www.townofpittsford.org/library</u>.





TEEN COMMUNITY SERVICE Tuesday, 5/24, 3:30-4:30pm Grades 6-12: 1 hr service credit Registration & mask required

LIBRARY SEEKS TWEEN & TEEN VOLUNTEERS -EARN COMMUNITY SERVICE CREDIT!

Tweens and teens, if you need to earn some community service credit, the Pittsford Community Library is a great place to do so! Students in grades 6-12 are needed to help straighten the Library's Teen Place and assist with other Library tasks this **Tuesday, May 24**, from 3:30 - 4:30pm. Registration is required; use this link to register

<u>online</u> via the Library calendar or find the registration calendar under the Events tab at <u>www.townofpittsford.org/library</u>.

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PITTSFORD GARDEN CLUB PLANT SALE IS THIS SATURDAY, 5/21

Proceeds to benefit civic beautification in Pittsford

Are you ready for the spring growing season? The Pittsford Garden Club will hold its annual Plant Sale this Saturday, May 21 from 9:00am - 12noon in the municipal parking lot behind the Pittsford Community Library (24 State Street). A variety of annuals, perennials, herbs, vegetables, and hanging baskets will be available for sale - it's a great way to get your gardening started for the season! All proceeds will benefit the club's civic beautification efforts throughout Pittsford.





REMEMBRANCE POPPIES TO HONOR THE FALLEN – SALE UNDERWAY

Memorial Day falls this year on May 30; it is a time to remember the servicemen and women who lost their lives during war-time service. Should you wish to make a donation for a **Remembrance Poppy** to wear in honor of our military members who made the ultimate sacrifice, members of Rayson-Miller American Legion Post #899 are currently offering them – along with **flag stars and stick flags** – at various locations around Town. Donations also can be made online – use the QR code or visit

www.raysonmillerpost899.org.

Funds raised from the annual poppy sale go to benefit veterans who are disabled, homeless or in severe financial crisis due to circumstances beyond their control -100% of the funds raised are used for these services; no funds are kept by the Rayson-Miller post.

HELP KEEP OUR ROADWAYS SAFE – TAKE THE 5 AND 5 CHALLENGE Stop speeding and save lives – allow 5 minutes extra, drive

5mph slower

The warmer weather means more activity on roadways and near them, especially in our neighborhoods. More people are out and about – biking, jogging, walking dogs. Being aware of your surroundings when driving is important, and driving at a slower speed can help you see and prevent potential accidents more easily. To help keep our roadways safe, take the 5 and 5 Challenge. Allow five minutes extra to drive anywhere you are going. And drive five miles per hour slower than you normally would. These simple steps will help you stop speeding and save lives!



MEET THE MACHINES THAT WORK AROUND TOWN – SATURDAY, JUNE 4 FROM 10AM – NOON

There are many machines – plow trucks, construction machinery, emergency service vehicles and more – that work to keep our town running safely and smoothly. Join us at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center on Saturday, June 4 from 10:00am – 12noon and meet them close up! This is a free family-friendly event open to all, registration is not required. Please stop by! The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. For information about other upcoming Recreation programs, pick up a program brochure at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center (35 Lincoln Avenue), access

our program brochure online, or visit our online Recreation registration page.

REMINDERS



PADDLE AND POUR FESTIVAL IS SATURDAY, 5/28 Location for this year is the parking lot behind the Library

Paddle and Pour is back for 2022! Join us on Saturday, May 28 from noon-10:00pm for the Town of Pittsford's <u>Paddle and Pour Art & Music Festival</u>. The location for

this year is in the municipal parking lot behind the Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street. We'll have **live music all day** - including a headlining performance by **Shine**! - and a **craft beer and wine tent** featuring local wineries and breweries, plus great food from local eateries. Definitely not your average festival fare!

You can browse (and buy!) the **works of local artists, artisans and photographers** (12:00-9:00pm) and see **live art demonstrations**. We'll have plenty of **family activities**. And of course, be sure to catch the exciting competition of the 2022 **Pittsford Regatta**!

Admission to the festival is free; food and drink is available for purchase. Complete information about the Paddle and Pour Art & Music Festival - including a schedule of events and information on activities and participating artists, wineries, breweries and food vendors, can be found <u>www.paddleandpour.org</u>. Be sure to look for #paddleandpourpittsford posts on our <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram</u> accounts.

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE AND REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY IS MAY 30

Remembrance Poppies on sale now to support veterans

The Town's annual Memorial Day parade and American Legion Remembrance Ceremony returns this year on Monday, May 30! The parade begins at 10:00am, stepping off from Pittsford Sutherland High School and continuing down Jefferson Road to Main Street, then on to the Pittsford Cemetery (Washington Road) and



culminating in a Remembrance Ceremony honoring those who gave their lives in wartime service to our country. Following the Remembrance Ceremony, the Rayson-Miller American Legion Post #899 will host a reception at the Legion Post headquarters (21 N. Main Street, in Village Hall). Don't miss this opportunity to show your gratitude for those who gave their lives in wartime service to our country and for all of our veterans.

<u>More information about the parade and ceremony can be found on the Town's</u> <u>Memorial Day web page</u> as the date approaches. Should you wish to make a donation for a remembrance poppy to wear in honor of our veterans, members of <u>Rayson-Miller</u> <u>American Legion Post #899</u> are currently offering them at various locations around Town, including at the Pittsford Dairy and Powers Farm Market. <u>You can make a</u> <u>donation online as well</u>. All proceeds will go to fund programs for our veterans.

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 <u>www.townofpittsford.org/calendar</u> for meeting dates. To view the livestream, click the <u>Town Board Meeting live streaming link</u> 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>American Legion Rayson-Miller Post 899 Poppy Drive</u> to honor fallen service members and raise funds to support veterans' services, held throughout the month of May; visit <u>www.raysonmillerpost899.org</u> for details. Legion members will also be offering poppies, flag stars and stick flags in person at locations around town - see their website for details.

- "A Windy Day In Spring" Story Stroll, May 16 22, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center field, 35 Lincoln Avenue; stop by the Community Center front desk after completing the walk to pick up a themed craft pack to take home; free and open to the public. Participants are asked to follow CDC physical distancing and mask guidelines as appropriate.
- 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, 5/21, 9:00 - 10:00am, Fisher Meeting Room (first floor), Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street.
- Pittsford Garden Club Plant Sale, Saturday, 5/21, 9:00am 12:00pm, municipal parking lot behind the Pittsford Community Library (24 State Street), featuring annuals, perennials, herbs, vegetables, and hanging baskets; proceeds to benefit club's civic beautification efforts throughout Pittsford pp pp
- <u>Memorial Day Parade and Remembrance Ceremony</u>, Monday, May 30; parade steps off from Sutherland High School at 10:00am, marches down Jefferson Road to Main Street and culminates at the Pittsford Cemetery (Washington Road) for a moving Remembrance Ceremony; reception to follow at Rayson-Miller American Legion Post #899, 21 N. Main Street
- <u>Paddle and Pour Art & Music Festival</u>, Saturday, May 28, 12noon 10pm, location for this year: parking lot behind the Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street; taste the best from local and upstate craft breweries and vineyards, variety of food and beverages throughout the day and evening, Children's Activities (12:00-7:00pm), Art & Artisans (12:00-9:00pm), live music all day, including headlining performance by Shine 8:00-10:00pm; complete schedule and information at www.paddleandpour.org
- Meet the Machines Family Event, Saturday, 6/4, 10:00am 12noon, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue; meet Town trucks, construction machinery, emergency vehicles and more, family-friendly free event open to all
- <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, 5/23, 6:30pm, Town Hall, Public Meeting Room (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>

COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

- 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, 5/21, 9:00 - 10:00am, Fisher Meeting Room (first floor), Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street.
- <u>Board of Education</u> meeting, Tuesday, 5/24, 7:00pm, Barker Road Middle School McCluski Board Room, 75 Barker Road
- <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, masks are required; meetings also can be accessed live via Zoom - check the Pittsford Rotary Facebook page for virtual meeting details
- <u>Women's Club of Pittsford</u> 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 <u>https://www.womensclubofpittsford.org</u> for more information
- <u>Pittsford Art Group</u> 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 <u>www.pittsfordartgroup.com</u> and fill out a <u>Contact Us</u> 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 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 <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://www.monroecounty.gov/health</u>.

Additional information about COVID-19 testing and health 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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