

News & Reviews

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Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy and Climate Smart Community

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Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings

FAMILY HALLOWEEN FEST IS THIS SUNDAY, 10/23

At the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, parking at Sutherland High School

Join us for the Town of Pittsford's <u>Family Halloween</u> <u>Fest</u> this Sunday, October 23 from 2:00 - 5:00pm at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue.

Enjoy crafts, games, and refreshments, with indoor and outdoor activities – including an Adventures in Climbing inflatable and visits from Olaf of *Frozen* and Chase of *Paw Patrol*. Plus, we'll have cider and donuts provided by Pittsford Wegmans!! It's sure to be an afternoon of great family fun. Admission is free but we request one canned good item per person to benefit the Pittsford Food Cupboard. Park at Pittsford



Sutherland High School, 55 Sutherland Street in the Village, and take our free hayride shuttle to the Community Center! Many thanks to our Family Halloween Fest sponsors Wegmans and Wilmorite, and our Family Halloween Fest event supporter Mathnasium Learning Centers. Find complete information on our Family Halloween Fest webpage at www.townofpittsford.org/halloweenfest. We hope to see you there!

CHAMBER STATE OF PITTSFORD PROGRAM IS THIS TUESDAY, 10/25

Free, but registration required
The Pittsford Chamber of Commerce
annual "State of Pittsford" breakfast is
this Tuesday, October 25 at The
Highlands of Pittsford Hahnemann Club.
Town Supervisor Bill Smith, Village
Mayor Alyssa Plummer and Pittsford
Schools Superintendent Mike Pero each
will provide updates on initiatives and



accomplishments of the past year and will discuss plans for the year ahead.

Doors open at 7:30am. The event begins with a light continental breakfast at 7:45am followed by presentations starting promptly at 8:00am and Q&A at 8:50am. The event is free to attend, but registration is required. The Hahnemann Club is located at 301 Stoutenburgh Lane.

For more information and to register, and to request American Sign Language

interpretation if needed during the meeting, contact Chamber Treasurer Matthew O'Connor at oconnormatthew1@gmail.com.

MULCH LEAVES FOR A HEALTHY LAWN

Instead of raking and disposing of your leaves, try mulching them with your mower and leaving them on the lawn. While a thick pile of leaves shouldn't be left on your lawn, mulched leaves act as a natural fertilizer as the leaves break down. It's an environmentally friendly way to strengthen your lawn for the winter ahead! Consider using the



leaves you do rake up as winter cover in your garden beds. They'll keep your plants protected during the winter and serve as a safe place for beneficial pollinating insects to survive the cold months so they can help your gardens grow in the spring.



FALL LEAF PICK UP UNDERWAY Separate collection schedules for leaves and yard debris

Fall leaf collection is here! See below for details about our leaf and yard debris collection schedule for the remainder of this year. Please remember to keep brush, branches and other yard debris separate from leaves and place piles at the road

edge, behind the curb. All leaves and yard debris should be placed away from utility poles, mailboxes, trees and pet waste.

Please note, our schedule may vary slightly due to weather conditions and volume of debris. We appreciate your patience!

LEAF COLLECTION

Beginning October 17, our crews will be in your neighborhood approximately every three weeks to remove **leaf piles** at the edge of roadways. Use our online <u>Leaf Collection App</u> to see when leaf crews will be in your area.

BAGGED/CONTAINERIZED YARD DEBRIS

Weekly collection of yard debris in paper bags and reusable containers continues through December 1. Use our online <u>Yard Debris Collection Map</u> to determine your weekly bagged/containerized yard debris collection day. After December 1 these items, as well as loose yard debris, will be picked up as needed but not on a set

schedule.

LOOSE YARD DEBRIS

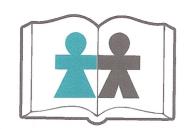
Loose yard debris currently is still being picked up but not on a set schedule.

In the event of wind storms or delayed collection due to snowfall, yard debris and leaf crews will continue pickups beyond the noted dates as weather allows (no set schedule).

Find complete information on our Leaf and Yard Debris Collection web page at www.townofpittsford.org/home-leaf collection.

THIS WEEK IS NATIONAL FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY WEEK – THANK YOU LIBRARY FRIENDS!

In honor of National Friends of the Library Week (October 16 – 22) we thank the <u>Friends of the Pittsford Library</u> for all they do to support our Library. The Friends of the Pittsford Library is a non-profit organization that helps promote and support our library programs and services, encourages Library volunteerism, supplements library materials, ar



volunteerism, supplements library materials, and more! Learn more at www.pittsfordlibraryfriends.com.



HONORING PCSD BOARD OF EDUCATION - SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION WEEK

The Pittsford Central School District celebrates its Board of Education members in honor of School Board Recognition Week (October 17 - 21), a statewide celebration of school board members and their commitment to students and communities.

The NYS School Boards Association (NYSSBA) sponsors School Board Recognition Week to

recognize school board members for their commitment to New York public school children. School Board Recognition Week is an opportunity to raise community awareness and understanding about the crucial role school board members have within a school district.

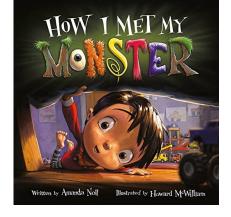
The Pittsford Central School District recognizes and thanks its Board of Education members: President Ted Aroesty, Vice President Robin Scott, and members Dave Berk, Jeffrey Casey, Emily Kay, Sarah Pelusio and René Sanchez-Kazacos. Our thanks for their service to the Pittsford community and its students!

"HOW I MET MY MONSTER" STORY STROLL AT COMMUNITY CENTER STARTS MONDAY

Take a story stroll through Amanda Noll's "How I Met My Monster" - available all week (Monday, October 24 through Sunday, October 30) at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center field. Follow shy and nervous Noah Bienstock and his best friend Lissa Gardener as the classmates and neighbors hang out together. Meet the monsters under Noah's bed that keep him giggling

and shivering! This spooky and yet silly story is sure to be entertaining.

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.





PTSA SUPER SALE IS TODAY THROUGH FRIDAY, 10/19 - 21

The 59th annual Pittsford District PTSA Super Sale is underway today through Friday (October 19 - 22) at Pittsford Mendon High School (472 Mendon Road). Shop for a variety of great items - toys and games, sports equipment, winter gear, holiday gifts and decorations, home decor and furniture, garden and outdoor items, clothes, jewelry, and more! All of the funds raised support enriching programs and events in all 9 Pittsford schools.

The sale hours are 9:00am - 7:00pm. Thursday is the 50% Off Sale and Friday features the Bag it/Let's

Make a Deal sale. There will be a wide range of items for sale - for complete information, see the PTSA Super Sale page www.pittsfordptsa.net/super-sale.

WOMEN'S CLUB GARAGE SALE & BAKE SALE IS THIS FRIDAY & SATURDAY

The <u>Women's Club of Pittsford</u> garage sale and bake sale is this weekend! The sale is Friday and Saturday, October 21 and 22 from 9:00am – 4:00pm at King's Bend Park. This fabulous sale features varying items from numerous households – and delicious baked goods too. Proceeds from the sale will benefit the group's many charitable efforts.



The Women's Club of Pittsford supports a variety of community service projects, educational programs and fund-raising activities to the benefit of those in the Pittsford community and beyond. Throughout the Club's 38-year history, making a positive difference has been of the utmost importance. They've contributed \$370,000 to Rochester area nonprofit organizations serving those in need. Stop by – you never know what unexpected treasures you might find and you'll be supporting a great cause! King's Bend Park is located at 170 W. Jefferson Road.



ROTARY CLUB'S ANNUAL ELECTION DAY DRIVE-THRU BBQ SUPPER IS NOVEMBER 8

On November 8 from 4:00 - 7:00pm The Rotary Club of Pittsford will continue a Pittsford tradition and host an Election Day Supper. This year they'll be serving chicken BBQ dinners prepared by Mission BBQ. Dinners can be picked

up via the drive-thru located at Thornell Farm

Park, 480 Pittsford-Mendon Road (just south of Mendon High School). Each meal is \$18 and includes a half a chicken, coleslaw, corn bread and a cookie. Tickets are available on The Rotary Club of Pittsford's website <u>click here</u>, or from any Pittsford Rotarian. A limited number of tickets will also be available at the gate via cash or credit card. Now in its 56th year, this popular annual charity fundraiser will donate a portion funds raised to benefit the Rochester Veterans Outreach Center, Honor Flight and other community organizations.

REMINDERS

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

- <u>PTSA Super Sale</u>, 9:00am 7:00pm Wednesday through Friday, 10/19 21, Pittsford Mendon High School, 472 Mendon Road; Thursday is half-price day, Friday features the Bag It Sale. For more info see the <u>Super Sale FAQ page</u>.
- Women's Club of Pittsford Garage Sale and Bake Sale, Friday and Saturday, 10/21 & 22, 9:00am – 4:00pm, King's Bend Park, 170 W. Jefferson Road; a variety of items from many households, plus delicious baked goods, proceeds to benefit charitable efforts including community service and educational programs.
- Town of Pittsford Family Halloween Fest, Sunday, 10/23, 2:00-5:00pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue, indoor and outdoor activities, event parking at Sutherland High School, 55 Sutherland Street; games, crafts, refreshments, requested donation one canned good per person, to benefit Pittsford Food Cupboard.
- "How I Met My Monster" Story Stroll, 10/24 30, 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.

- Pittsford Chamber State of Pittsford presentation, featuring updates by Town Supervisor Bill Smith, Village Mayor Alyssa Plummer and School District Superintendent Mike Pero; Tuesday, 10/25, doors open 7:30am, 7:45am light breakfast, 8:00am presentations, 8:50am Q&A, The Highlands of Pittsford Hahnemann Club, 301 Stoutenburgh Lane. Free and open to the public but advance registration required; email oconnormatthew1@gmail.com to register and for additional information.
- Community Center Jack-o'-Lantern Walk, Friday, 10/27, 6:00pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue; drop off painted or carved pumpkins from Thursday, 10/26 to noon on Friday, 10/27 to be displayed, take your pumpkin home at the end of the event, more info 248-628.
- 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, 11/5, 9:00 - 10:00am, Fisher Meeting Room (first floor), Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street. Current COVID-19 health guidelines will be followed.
- <u>Pittsford Rotary Food Drive</u>, Saturday, 11/5, 9:00am 12noon, Pittsford Sutherland High School bus loop, 55 Sutherland Street, collecting canned and packaged food items to benefit the <u>Pittsford Food Cupboard</u>, and other local charities (click link for complete lists of needs); gently used recent (past 12 months) magazines are also needed.
- 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

• Planning Board, Monday, 10/24, 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: www.townofpittsford.org/minutes

COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

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- 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
- <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
- 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

 <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 <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 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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