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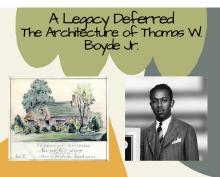
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See listings below for

Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings

# AT THE LIBRARY THIS MONDAY: THE ARCHITECTURE OF THOMAS W. BOYDE, JR.

We round out our Black History Month programming with a program about an extraordinarily talented Rochesterian. Join us at the Pittsford Community Library this Monday, February 27 at 6:30pm for an enlightening presentation: *A Legacy Deferred: The Architecture of Thomas W. Boyde Jr.* Thomas W. Boyde, Jr. was the first black architect in Rochester and the designer of hundreds of houses, offices, stores and community buildings throughout Monroe County. His work includes the



Monday, February 27: 6:30-7:30pm Fisher Meeting Room

charismatic façade of the Monroe Community Hospital, which he created shortly after arriving in Rochester in 1930. The buildings he designed during the 1930s-70s helped shape their respective communities, yet he would not have been welcome as a resident in many of the neighborhoods where he worked during that time.

The presentation, delivered by three experts on the subject, explores Boyde's life and his prolific career, challenges in documenting the work of African American architects practicing in the mid-twentieth century, and ways to bring new appreciation to the work of this tremendously talented architect who left a remarkable legacy in the greater Rochester area. Held in the Fisher Meeting Room, the program is free and open to the public, no registration required.

Throughout February and beyond, the Pittsford Community Library has a variety of materials and resources available relevant to Black history and the many accomplishments of Black individuals. Be sure to stop by! The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street. To learn more about upcoming Library programs, visit the Library's online program calendar.

TAX BILL REDUCTION POSSIBLE FOR SENIORS WHO QUALIFY Application filing deadline is March



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Those who will be **65 years of age** or older by December 31, 2023 and have a 2021 gross income of less than **\$58,400** may be eligible for an exemption which could reduce their future tax bills. The filing deadline for this tax exemption is March 1, 2023.

If you think you may qualify, you can find the Partial Tax Exemption for Seniors form (RP-467) application with instructions on the Assessor's web page of the Town of Pittsford website at <a href="http://www.townofpittsford.org/assessor/exemption-information#SENIOR">www.townofpittsford.org/assessor/s web page of the Town of Pittsford website at <a href="http://www.townofpittsford.org/assessor/exemption-information#SENIOR">www.townofpittsford.org/assessor/exemption-information#SENIOR</a>. If you have further questions, please contact the Town Assessor's at 248-6230 office by March 1, 2023.

Gross income includes your total salary and wages, total social security payments, total pension or retirement payments, interest, dividends, interest from estates or trusts, disability payments, worker's compensation, earnings on IRAs, alimony, annuity payments representing a return on capital, and unemployment payments.

# HALLWAY BOOK SALE AT THE LIBRARY UNDERWAY THROUGH SUNDAY

Book Selections feature topics about U.S. presidents and U.S. historical events The Friends of the Pittsford Library's annual President's Week hallway book is underway and runs through this Sunday, February 26. Stop by and browse through a variety of books about U.S. presidents and U.S. history. There is a huge selection and the shelves will be



restocked with more great books throughout the sale!

The Pittsford Community Library is located 24 State Street. For current Library hours, visit the Library web page at www.townofpittsford.org/home-library.



# GUIDED HIKE MARCH 4 FEATURES HISTORIC ERIE CANAL TRAILS

Pittsford Recreation's next guided trail hike is Saturday, March 4 – get outdoors and meet other hikers as you explore the Historic Erie Canal Trails! The hike begins at 8:30am and will last 1.5 - 2 hours. It encompasses the

Auburn Trail and the Lock 62 Trail. History and points of interest discussed along the hike will include the Odenbach Shipyards, the Auburn Railroad, Lock 62, and the frog ponds of the Town's Erie Canal Nature Preserve. This approximately 4.5 mile hike is on a natural surface, primarily flat trail with some elevation gains

Participants will receive 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 to receive the trail head meeting details. Register online at <u>www.townofpittsford.org/recreation</u> 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 <u>www.townofpittsford.org/trails and walkways</u>.

# PYS "THRIVE: FINDING YOUR EMOTIONAL STRENGTH" TEEN WORKSHOP DAY IS APRIL 29

Pittsford Youth Services will offer a free, one-day series of peer group workshops for teens in grades 9-12 on Saturday, April 29 entitled "THRIVE: Finding Your Emotional Strength." The THRIVE workshops will provide a supportive environment where participants can discuss mental health issues affecting teens. They'll share experiences and learn to better understand their own, and their peers', feelings and struggles. Various therapies and relaxation techniques will be shared, as will information about accessing teen support resources in schools and in the community. THRIVE will be held from 9:00am – 5:00pm at Calkins



Road Middle School; lunch will be provided. Registration is required. To register or for more information about PYS, visit <u>www.pittsfordyouthservices.org</u>, email PYS at <u>info@pittsfordyouthservices.org</u> or call 264-0604.

#### REMINDERS



## PET CPR/FIRST AID CLASS MARCH 4 – HELP YOUR FURRY FRIENDS STAY SAFE AND HEALTHY!

Learn first aid basics and CPR for dogs and cats in our Pet CPR/First Aid class to be held Sunday, March 4 from 2:00 – 4:00pm at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center. Learn how to handle the accidents and small injuries that may happen to your pet. Instead of panicking and feeling helpless, you can help your pet in distress by taking control of the situation and acting in a proactive manner. The course is appropriate for the whole family (ages 5 and

up) but please note attendees under age 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Registration is required – register as an individual, a couple, or a family. <u>Find more information and register online here</u> or register at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center. **Be sure to sign up soon – Recreation classes without enough advance registration run the risk of being canceled.** The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. For more information call the Community Center at 248-6280.

#### SUMMER FUN DAY CAMP REGISTRATION BEGINS MARCH 6 AT 12AM

Our Pittsford Recreation team has lots of fun in store for our pre-K and school age Summer Fun Day Camps! The camps will run June 26 – August 18 and **online registration begins Monday, March 6 at 12:00am** for Pittsford residents. Outdoor fun, games, arts and crafts, special events, theme days and field trips make up an awesome day camp experience. Our summer camps fill up quickly so be sure to sign up as soon as you can.

Program details for our Summer Fun Day Camps can be found online – visit our online registration page then at <u>https://bit.ly/Pittsford-Rec-programs</u>. Our Pittsford Recreation Programs brochure will have complete details too – find it online at <u>www.townofpittsford.org/recreation</u> and in your mailbox this week. Should you have questions about our Day Camp programs, contact Amanda at (585) 248-6283 or <u>apoulin@townofpittsford.org</u>.



#### 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

- Friends of Pittsford Library President's Week Hallway Book Sale, Thursday, 2/16 at 11:00am through Sunday, 2/26, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street; featuring a variety of books about U.S. presidents and U.S. history, large selection, shelves will be restocked with more books throughout the sale
- <u>Red Cross Blood Drive at Pittsford Community Library</u>, Friday, 3/3, 10:00am 3:00pm, Pittsford Community Library Fisher Meeting Room, 24 State Street; <u>schedule an appointment in advance using this online registration link</u> or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767); the Red Cross will be following all COVID-19 guidelines during the blood drive, for more information visit www.redcrossblood.org.
- 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, 3/4, 9:00 - 10:00am, Fisher Meeting Room (first floor), Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street.
- <u>Pittsford Rotary Food Drive</u>, Saturday, 3/4, 9:00am 12noon, Pittsford Sutherland High School bus loop, 55 Sutherland Street; canned and packaged

food items and non-food items such as cleaning sprays/disinfectant wipes, laundry detergents, paper goods, soaps, shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes and toothpaste, needed for Pittsford Food Cupboard and various charities each month on the first Saturday (see current <u>list of Pittsford Food Cupboard needs</u> <u>here</u>).

 <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

- Design Review & Historic Preservation Board, Thursday, 2/23, 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: <a href="http://www.townofpittsford.org/minutes">www.townofpittsford.org/minutes</a>
- Planning Board, Monday, 2/27 MEETING CANCELED
- Town Board, Tuesday, 2/28, 6:00pm, Public Meeting Room, Town Hall (lower level), 11 South Main Street, ASL interpretation provided, 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> - NOTE REVISED DATE

#### **COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR**

- <u>Village Board of Trustees</u> meeting, Thursday, 2/23, 6:30pm; more information and participation details will be listed on the Village website <u>here</u> as the meeting date approaches
- <u>Board of Education</u> Budget Work Session (6:00pm) and meeting (7:00pm), Tuesday, 2/28, Barker Road Middle School McCluski Board Room, 75 Barker Road
- 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, 3/4, 9:00 - 10:00am, Fisher Meeting Room (first floor), Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street.
- <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 (in person and online) 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** 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/index.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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