NEXT SUPERVISOR OPEN HOUSE WITH BILL SMITH IS THIS SATURDAY, 9/2

Town Supervisor Bill Smith will host his next community open house meeting this Saturday, September 2 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, including our new Food Scraps Recycling partnership with Monroe County. If you’ve got questions, ideas or comments for Supervisor Smith, mark your calendar and be sure to join him!

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 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.

TOWN FACILITIES & SERVICES CLOSED 9/4 FOR LABOR DAY HOLIDAY

library closed Saturday - Monday

Pittsford Town Hall will close at 3:00pm on Friday, September 1 and all Town of Pittsford offices, facilities, and services - including Town Hall, the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, the Pittsford Community Library, and Town Court - will be closed on Monday, September 4 in observance of the 2023 Labor Day holiday. The Library also will be closed on Saturday and Sunday, September 2 and 3. The Community Center is closed Sunday

Happy LABOR DAY
and Monday, September 3 and 4. Town brush collection will be delayed one day during the week of September 4 due to the holiday closure.

In case of an emergency requiring Town of Pittsford services during the holiday, please call (585) 248-6212. On behalf of Supervisor Smith, the Pittsford Town Board members and all our staff and volunteer board members, we wish you a happy and safe holiday!

**Message from Supervisor Smith:**

**FOOD SCRAPS RECYCLING PROGRAM BEGINS 9/18 – SIGN UP TO RECEIVE YOUR BUCKET**

My thanks to those who have signed up already to participate in the Town of Pittsford Food Scraps Recycling pilot program, in partnership with Monroe County. You’re helping us turn food waste into renewable energy! This new program fits right into Pittsford's environmental agenda. It’s in sync with our interest not just in climate action planning but in actual climate actions – actions for a healthier environment.

Our food waste buckets for the program have arrived. I’ve signed up myself and look forward to the program starting on September 18. **Beginning this Tuesday, September 5 those who have registered can pick up their Food Scraps Recycling bucket at Town Hall** between 8:00am and 4:00pm, Monday through Friday. Town Hall is located at 11 South Main Street; parking is available in the lot behind the building or on-street in front of the building. **If you haven’t signed up yet, you can do using our online registration form.** A reminder that participants must be registered through the online form to receive a bucket.

Collection buckets can be emptied at the Town’s Dog Park at 34 East Street beginning September 18. The collection bins are located near the rear of the parking lot where you’ll see signs indicating the drop-off point. We’re asking participants to scan a QR code when they drop food scraps off, to fill in drop-off date, time, and amount of scraps. This will help us track our progress.

Thanks to all who will participate in this program – you’re supporting our sustainability efforts here in Pittsford. For further details about our Food Scraps Recycling program, including a list of food waste items that may be recycled, visit [www.townofpittsford.org/food-scraps-recycling](http://www.townofpittsford.org/food-scraps-recycling).

*Bill Smith, Pittsford Town Supervisor*

**LLAMA LLAMA BACK TO SCHOOL STORY STROLL AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER THROUGH SATURDAY**

Families can take a Story Stroll to read "**Llama Llama Back to School**" now through this Saturday, September 2 at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center field. Then, stop at the front desk for a themed craft pack to take home!
Llama Llama is getting ready for his first day of school. But he doesn't want summer to end and feels anxious about starting a new school year. Not to worry – Mama Llama and his friends are there to help him through it! Enjoy a lovely story to help children transition from summer days to school days.

Craft packs are available at the Community Center front desk from 8:00am – 5:00pm through Saturday. The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue.

LIBRARY REGULAR HOURS RESUME TUESDAY, 9/5 | OPEN SATURDAYS 10AM-5PM, SUNDAYS 1-5PM

Beginning Tuesday Sept 5, the Pittsford Community Library will return to its regular hours for the school year. The Library will be open Saturday 10:00am - 5:00pm and Sunday 12:00 - 5:00pm. Complete library hours are: Monday - Thursday, 9:00am - 8:00pm; Friday, 9:00am - 6:00pm Saturday 10:00am - 5:00pm and Sunday 12:00 - 5:00pm. The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street. For information about upcoming Library programs visit the Library's online program calendar or call 249-5481.

KIDS WILL SOON BE BACK TO SCHOOL – PLEASE DRIVE CAREFULLY

Pittsford schools will welcome their students back on Wednesday, September 7. Please be aware of students walking and bicycling to school. Obey speed limits and take careful notice of school zones, stop signs, and crossing guard instructions. If the red lights on a school bus are flashing, stop and don’t proceed unless red lights cease flashing or the bus driver signals that it’s okay for vehicles to pass. Always err on the side of caution. Together, we can help ensure students’ travels to and from school are as safe and easy as possible. Best wishes to our teachers, school staff and students for a successful school year!

SCHOOL TAX 2023-2024 INFORMATION

Town of Pittsford residents will receive their 2023-2024 school tax bills in the mail by or after September 1, 2023. If your bill does not arrive by Monday, September 11, please contact the tax office by email at townclerk@townofpittsford.org or by calling 585-248-6215.

Important Tax Collection Dates:
- Friday, 9/1 – First day of tax collection. Legally, we cannot accept any payments prior.
- Friday, 9/15 – First installments are due by this date.
- Sunday, 10/1 – Full payments are due by this date.
Payments may be made in person, by mail or by secure drop box available 24/7; drop boxes are located at both the front and back entrances of the Pittsford Town Hall, 11 South Main Street. If you will be sending your payment by mail or drop box, please include your payment coupon and a contact phone number on your check. Failure to do so increases processing time. Payments can be made online through Monroe County; there will be a 2.75% fee to use this online payment service. To pay online, click HERE.

On-time first and full payments only may also be paid at Canandaigua National Bank, 18 State Street, in the Pittsford Village.

Please Note: We strongly discourage paying your tax bill via your banking Electronic Checking/Online bill pay system. If you are paying your bill with an online bill pay system, please be aware that your bank still mails us a paper check without a USPS postmark and it may take as long as two weeks to reach our office. Therefore, your payment is not considered received until we physically receive the payment in our office. We do not recommend sending payment in this manner.

BLOOD DRIVE AT THE LIBRARY THIS FRIDAY, 9/1
The Town of Pittsford will host a Red Cross blood drive this Friday, September 1, from 10:00am – 3:00pm at the Pittsford Community Library (24 State Street) in the Fisher Meeting Room. Give hope, get a free tee! Anyone who gives blood through the Red Cross from 9/1 to 9/18 will receive a free t-shirt! Schedule a time to give blood through this online registration link or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). The Red Cross will be following all current COVID-19 guidelines during the blood drive.

Donating blood is a simple thing to do, but it can make a big difference in the lives of others. The Red Cross needs the ongoing support of blood donors to help patients battling disease and facing the unexpected. If you are eligible and feeling well, please consider making an appointment for this Friday’s blood drive at Library. Be the lifeline patients need!

PITTSFORD ROTARY FOOD DRIVE THIS SATURDAY, 9AM – 12PM
The Rotary Club of Pittsford’s first drive-thru food drive of the fall season will be September 2 from 9:00am to 12:00pm in the bus loop of Pittsford Sutherland High School. Rotarians and students from the Interact Club will be collecting items, rain or shine. Gently used recent issues (past 12 months) of magazines will also be collected for distribution to various social agencies in the Rochester area. Food supplies collected at the drive will be delivered to the Pittsford Food Cupboard and St. Joseph’s Neighborhood Center. St. Joseph’s provides comprehensive physical and mental health services to uninsured and under-insured people in and around Rochester. Food items of all kinds are needed at the food cupboard, but they especially need canned goods, dry pasta, pet food, household items, boxed meals, and easy to prepare items. In addition to food items, hygiene products are particularly needed for St. Joseph’s Neighborhood Center. Clean reusable
The Pittsford Food Cupboard and St. Joseph’s Neighborhood Center are among the numerous organizations benefiting from Pittsford Rotary’s mission of service.

The club has scheduled drives for the first Saturday of each month through next spring at Sutherland High School. Additional information is available at pittsfordrotaryclub.org.

FIREWORKS COURTESY NOTIFICATION FOR THIS SATURDAY (9/2)
Public and private fireworks events in the Town of Pittsford require a permit issued by the Town. As a courtesy, notifications for public and private fireworks events held within the Town are posted on the Town website, the Town Facebook page and in the Town's eNews. Courtesy notifications also can be mailed in advance to those in the immediate area of a permitted fireworks event (public or private) who request them. To request a mailed Fireworks Notification, please contact Meghan Brooks in the Department of Public Works at mbrooks@townofpittsford.org or 248-6250. Please see below the current fireworks event permit notification.

Current Fireworks Event Notifications:

Saturday, September 2, 2023 - private fireworks event at Oak Hill Country Club - approximately 9:00pm
Saturday, September 9, 2023 - public fireworks event (after Pittsford Food Truck & Music Fest), over the canal near Carpenter Park - approximately 9:00pm

All current Fireworks Event Courtesy Notification listings can be found on the Town website at www.townofpittsford.org/fireworks-notifications.

FRIENDS OF PITTSFORD LIBRARY FALL SALE IS 9/14 - 16
The annual Friends of Pittsford Library Fall Book Sale is Thursday through Saturday, September 14 – 16 at the Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street. You’ll find an array of gently used books for all ages (including hardcover and paperbacks) plus games, DVDs, and CDs – all at the great prices! Items will be replenished throughout the sale, so everyone has a chance to find some wonderful buys. Hours are Thursday, 9/14 from 4:00 - 8:00pm, Friday, 9/15 from 10:00am – 5:00pm, and Saturday, 9/16 from 10:00am – 4:00pm. The sale is open to all. Bags will be in short supply so please bring your own. Credit cards will be accepted. All proceeds benefit programs and materials for our Library!

FOOD TRUCK AND MUSIC FEST – GREAT MUSIC ALL DAY & EVENING, FUN FOR EVERYONE!
Saturday, September 9 on Main Street at the Four Corners

The Town’s annual Food Truck & Music Fest is just a little over a week away! Join us Saturday, September 9 from 12:00-9:00pm on South Main Street (Four Corners to
Locust Street) for food and drink, family activities, and live music all day. Highlights include culinary options from mobile cuisine vendors and local eateries, a wine and beer garden, amusement rides, children’s entertainment, and shopping at Village boutiques. We’ll close the event with a spectacular firework display over the canal! Enjoy music from the Americana band A Girl Named Genny; the classic roots-rock oriented Mud Creek; the Southern soul group, Miller and the Other Sinners; and headlining the event, Rochester’s very own The Skycoasters.

The Pittsford Youth Services Duck Drop will take place during the festival at the Port of Pittsford (22 North Main Street) at 4pm. Visit the Pittsford Youth Services Website to buy tickets.

For complete details about the festival, including live music schedules, food vendors, activities, and more, visit our Food Truck & Music Fest web page on the Town website.

REMININDERS

PYS DUCK DROP TICKETS NOW ON SALE - DUCK DROP IS SEPT. 9 AT FOOD TRUCK & MUSIC FEST

Pittsford Youth Services’ Duck Drop Derby tickets are currently on sale! The annual rubber duck race on the canal will be held on Saturday, September 9 at 4:00pm in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, during the Town’s Main Street Food Truck & Music Fest. Funds raised from this event go directly toward providing vital professional, confidential and affordable social work and counseling services to youth and their families in our community. This year’s Master of Ceremonies will be local comedian Todd Youngman.

The Duck Drop is Pittsford Youth Services’ largest fundraiser. Contributions go directly toward services for youth and families in need right here in our community. PYS has been providing affordable, accessible and confidential counseling and support services since 1969 - for over 50 years! It’s the perfect opportunity to be part of a fun community tradition while supporting the good work PYS does for our youth.

Admission to the Duck Drop is free and open to the public but if you want a duck to race, you have to buy a ticket! Buy your tickets now and take advantage of the special “family of four” for $30, or you can buy a “flock” of 8 for $50. Individual tickets are $10 each. In addition to prizes for the winning ducks, there will be raffle and silent auction opportunities for some special prizes!

Tickets for the Duck Drop are being sold at various locations around Town, including the Pittsford Dairy, along Schoen Place and at other locations around the Village. You can purchase your tickets online at www.pittsfordyouthservices.org using PayPal or debit/credit card, by calling at 264-0604, or stopping at the PYS office at 4 South Main Street (enter on side of building). To learn about how PYS helps youth and families with counseling, advocacy, educational programs and informational services, visit the PYS website.

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
- "Llama Llama Back to School" Story Stroll, now through Saturday, September 2, 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.
- Red Cross Blood Drive at Pittsford Community Library, Friday, 9/1, 10:00am – 3:00pm, Pittsford Community Library Fisher Meeting Room, 24 State Street; schedule an appointment in advance using this online registration link 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.
- Pittsford Main Street Food Truck & Music Fest, Saturday, 9/9, 12-9pm, South Main Street (Four Corners to Locust Street) with PYS Duck Drop at 4:00pm in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, 22 North Main Street; food and drink, family fun, live music all day and fireworks to end the night! Detailed info and updates at www.townofpittsford.org/foodtruckmusicfest
- Pittsford Youth Services Duck Drop Derby, Saturday, 9/9, 4:00pm, Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, 22 North Main Street - annual rubber duck race on the canal to raise funds for youth and family services, part of the Town of Pittsford Food Truck & Music Fest; tickets and volunteer/sponsorship info at www.pittsfordyouthservices.org. Purchase tickets by calling 264-0604 or stopping by the PYS Office at 4 South Main Street, or at various locations around Town.
- Friends of Pittsford Library Fall Book Sale, Thursday, 9/14 from 4:00 - 8:00pm, Friday, 9/15 from 10:00am – 5:00pm, and Saturday, 9/16 from 10:00am – 4:00pm, Pittsford Community Library, Fisher Meeting Room, 24 State Street; sale is open to all, funds raised to support programs and materials for the Library. Items will be replenished throughout the sale; bags will be in short supply – please bring your own.
- 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

- **Environmental Board**, Monday, 9/4 – NO MEETING due to Labor Day holiday
- **Town Board**, Tuesday, 9/5, 6:00pm, Public Meeting Room, Town Hall (lower level), 11 South Main Street, ASL interpretation provided; 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

- **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, 9/2, 9:00 - 10:00am, Fisher Meeting Room (first floor), Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street.
- **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; 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, new members always welcome! Meetings are usually held the second Thursday of the month, September through June, at 6:00pm at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue; Visit the website at https://www.womensclubofpittsford.org for more information
- **Pittsford Art Group** 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 www.pittsfordartgroup.com and fill out a Contact Us form.

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