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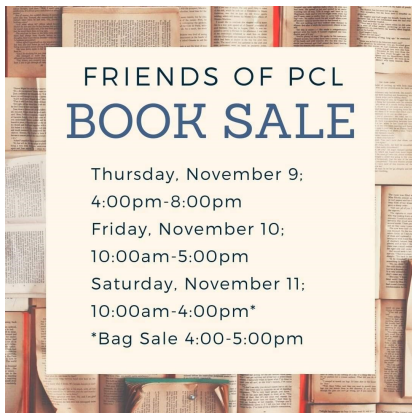
Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings

AMERICAN LEGION VETERANS DAY CEREMONY IS THIS SATURDAY, 11/11

The Town of Pittsford will join with the [Rayson-Miller American Legion Post 899 on Veterans Day](#) this Saturday, November 11 at 11:00am to honor all those who serve, or have served, in our country's military forces. The Legion's Veterans Day Ceremony will take place at the Veterans Monument in William A. Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, 22 North Main Street. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend this moving tribute, which includes a presentation of colors, the placement of wreaths, a rifle salute and the playing of Taps. Click the link to view the Rayson-Miller American Legion Post 899 [2023 Veterans Day Ceremony program](#).



A reception, also open to the public, follows at the Rayson Miller American Legion Post in the lower level of Village Hall, 21 North Main Street. The Post is handicap accessible.



FRIENDS OF PITTSFORD LIBRARY BOOK SALE THIS THURSDAY – SATURDAY

The [Friends of Pittsford Library Fall Book Sale](#) begins this Thursday, November 9 and runs through this Saturday, November 11 in the Pittsford Community Library's Fisher Meeting Room, 24 State Street. This special sale will feature fine and rare books! You'll also find an array of gently used books for all ages (including hardcover and paperbacks) plus games, DVDs, and CDs – all at fantastic prices. Hours are Thursday, 11/9 from 4:00 - 8:00pm, Friday, 11/10 from 10:00am – 5:00pm, and Saturday, 11/11 from 10:00am – 4:00pm, plus a \$3 bag-it sale from 4:00pm – 5:00pm.

The sale is open to all. Items will be replenished throughout the sale, so everyone has a chance to find some wonderful buys. **Bags will be in short supply so please bring**

your own. Credit cards accepted. All proceeds benefit programs and materials for our Library!

TURKEYS & FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED TO PROVIDE THANKSGIVING MEALS – DISTRIBUTION STARTS THIS FRIDAY

The Pittsford Food Cupboard needs your help to provide Thanksgiving dinner items to 250 local families in need. Thanksgiving food distribution begins this Friday, November 10. The PFC needs a total of 30 turkeys by this Friday and 50 more by this Tuesday, November 14, as well as other Thanksgiving food items. They plan to give away a total of 250 turkeys with Thanksgiving meal items by

November 21 Can you help PFC ensure each family in need receives a turkey for their Thanksgiving meal? Thanksgiving items will be distributed to families beginning this Friday. Some of our major local grocery stores have special pricing for turkey or have coupons – you can search online for the best deals. Financial donations are also welcome.



In addition to turkeys, the Food Cupboard especially needs these other Thanksgiving dinner items: **gravy, boxed potatoes, cream of mushroom soup, canned pumpkin, evaporated milk, chicken broth and French fried onions.**

The Pittsford Food Cupboard is located at 3800 Monroe Avenue (on the right, just after the canal bridge as you're heading out of the Village) and is open **Tuesdays and Fridays from 9:30am to 1:30pm** and the first and third **Saturday** of the month from **9:30am – 11:30am**. **Turkeys and other items may be dropped off this Friday (11/10), and next week on Tuesday (11/14) and Friday (11/17).** Non-perishable items can be left in the lobby area drop off bins when the building is open, Monday – Friday, 9:00am – 5:00pm. Use Door 26 to drop off donations. If you have a large donation to drop off, please call if a different drop off time is needed or for a pickup by a staff member. Call (585) 264-9860 with any questions and to make large drop off arrangements.

The PFC serves Pittsford, East Rochester, Mendon, Honeoye Falls, Brighton and some areas in the City of Rochester. In service since 1998, the PFC has grown to provide food supplies to over 4,000 households each year, totaling over 6,400 people. To find out more about who they serve and how you can help, visit www.pittsfordfoodcupboard.net or email pittsfordfoodcupboard@gmail.com.



HOLD YOUR SPECIAL OCCASION AT KING'S BEND PARK

Resident reservations open for the 2024 season

The Town of Pittsford is now accepting 2024 King's Bend Park reservations online. Residents now have the ability to reserve any date at the King's Bend Park lodges in the 2024 calendar year by visiting the Town of Pittsford website at

<https://web1.myvscloud.com/wbwc/nypittsfordwt.wsc/splash.html>

Find more information as well as lodge facilities details on our [Facilities Information web page](#).

Those who are unable to complete a reservation online may drop off or mail in a reservation request form. Please note payment is due at the time of the request. Any hard copy request (dropped off or mailed in) should indicate a first priority and second priority date. Forms dropped off or mailed in are not guaranteed to receive the requested date(s), as reservation requests require processing time.

In-person reservations will be accepted during regular office hours (Monday - Friday from 8:00am - 5:00pm). Any requests received outside of office hours will be processed on the next business day.

Lodge reservations for non-residents will begin on Tuesday, January 2, 2024, after 12:00pm.

SENIORS THANKSGIVING FEAST WITH MUSIC BY MIKE KORNICH 11/14

Reservation deadline is this Thursday, 11/9

Seniors, join us for a fabulous Thanksgiving Feast at 12noon in the VanHuysen Community Room at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center on Tuesday, November 14. After lunch, enjoy music by "swingin' jazzy blues" musician, Mike Kornich! The Thanksgiving spread menu includes roasted turkey with gravy, green bean casserole, mashed potatoes, stuffing, squash, jellies cranberry, and a dinner roll. And what would a Thanksgiving meal be without pumpkin pie with whipped cream for dessert? The cost for lunch is \$15.00 per person (note corrected cost); advance registration is required by Thursday, November 9. For more information and to register, stop by the Senior Programs office at the Community Center or call 248-6235. *Please note the cost listed in last week's eNews was incorrect; advance payment is not required.*



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 the link 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.



WE'RE PLANNING TO CELEBRATE TOTAL ECLIPSE 2024!

The Rochester area will be directly in the path of a total solar eclipse on April 8, 2024 and we are going to be celebrating it! Plans are in the works for a variety of programs and activities centered around the fun and science of this extraordinary event. We'll begin announcing our plans at the end of this year. You'll find updates in our weekly Town eNews and on our Town of Pittsford Facebook page and Town website.

Be sure to check back then!

SPOTS REMAIN FOR PITTSFORD RECREATION'S BREAK CAMP ON 11/10

There are still spots open for Pittsford Recreation's Break Camp this Friday, November 10th! Looking for a fun place for your child to go during school recess? They'll LOVE a full day of fun and movement at Busy Bodies Break Camp! Break Camp runs from 8:30am-5:30pm at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center. Please send your child with a non-perishable lunch, an afternoon snack, and dressed for outdoor weather. Registration is required but do it soon! This program is sure to fill up.



The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. To register for Busy Bodies Break Camp, visit the [Town of Pittsford Recreation Department registration page](#). The activity code is: 411401-4. Call Amanda at 348-6283 for more information.



FALL GARDEN TIPS TO HELP POLLINATORS

Whether you're working on becoming part of the Pittsford Pollinator Pathway program or just want to have a beautiful, healthy, and low-maintenance garden, native plants are the way to go! You can find garden ideas and seasonal tips on our www.townofpittsford.org/pollinator-pathway web page. Below are some gardening tips for the fall that can help you create a welcoming habitat for butterflies, moths, bees and other pollinating insects and wildlife.

Plant in the fall to see spring blooms. The combination of cool fall air and still-warm soil stimulates root growth. Early emerging bees will appreciate the springtime food source!

Use cardboard to keep in moisture and block weeds. Putting down a layer of cardboard when creating a garden retains moisture to keep your soil healthy, keeps any existing weed seeds from sprouting, and will eventually break down as beneficial organic matter for your soil. Remove all labels from the cardboard, lay it flat, saturate it with water, and add a thick layer of compost and/or mulch on top. Then dig down through the cardboard to plant your plants.

Keep pollinators safe through the winter. If you're planting a native tree or shrub, double its value to insects by adding native shade plants under or close to the tree/shrub. Examples include Woodland Phlox (*Phlox divaricate*), Virginia Anemone (*Anemone virginiana*), and Black Cohosh (*Actaea racemosa*). These plants will provide critical shelter and habitat for one or more life cycle stages of moths, butterflies, and beneficial insects such as bumblebees, fireflies, lacewings, and beetles and are a safe over-wintering place for them.

Planning now means better garden success – and more beneficial pollinating insects – in the spring!

TOWN DOG PARK IS FUN FOR PUPS AND

PEOPLE

Looking for a fun place to spend time with your canine companion this fall? Get out and enjoy the Pittsford Town Dog Park together! Our Dog Park features two off-leash areas, one each for large and small dogs. Dogs have access to play structures and owners can relax on benches and at picnic tables. From spring through fall, the park also has drinking fountains available for thirsty pups and a dog washing station to hose off muddy paws.



In keeping with the Town's commitment to walkability and bikeability, the park is connected to two Town trails as well. *As our Dog Park is part of the Monroe County Dog Park system, dogs must be registered with the County to participate.* Find registration information on the County website at www.monroecounty.gov/parks-DogParks. The Pittsford Town Dog Park is located at 34 East Street. It's open year-round from 7:00am until dusk.



PITTSFORD ART GROUP JURIED SHOW AND SALE AT THE FRIENDLY HOME THROUGH DECEMBER 29

Open to the public! The Pittsford Art Group will hold their fall juried show and sale of original art at The Friendly Home Memorial Art Gallery, located at 3156 East Avenue in Brighton from Sunday, November 5 through Friday, December 29. View artwork any day between 9:00am – 5:00pm. Admission is free. Inquire at the front desk for works on sale.

Pittsford Art Group has been a part of our community for over 50 years. They're dedicated to promoting fine art education, appreciation, enjoyment, and distribution. The group hosts juried and non-juried art shows and displays artwork at various locations

throughout Pittsford. PAG also holds monthly member meetings, in person and online, featuring a guest artist; new members are welcome! For more information or to become a member, visit www.pittsfordartgroup.com.

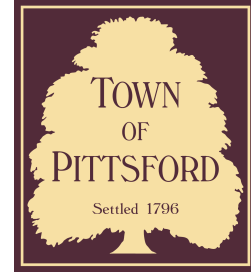
The Friendly Home is a non-profit, non-denominational nursing home, offering 24-hour skilled nursing care, short-term rehabilitation, specialized memory care, and hospice care. The Friendly Home is ranked the #1 nursing Home in Monroe County and Upstate New York by [Newsweek](#). The Friendly Home is part of the Friendly Senior Living continuum of caring communities, which also includes Cloverwood Senior Living, Glenmere Assisted Living and Memory Care, Linden Knoll Senior Living Apartments, and the Lovejoy Transitional Care Center.

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

- [Friends of Pittsford Library Fall Book Sale](#), featuring fine and rare books, Thursday, 11/9 from 4:00 – 8:00pm, Friday, 11/10 from 10:00am – 5:00pm, and Saturday, 11/11 from 10:00am – 4:00pm; bag-it sale from 4:00pm – 5:00 pm, 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.
- [American Legion Veterans Day Ceremony](#), Saturday, 11/11, 11:00am, Veterans Monument, William A. Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, 22 North Main Street. Ceremony includes presentation of colors, wreath placement, rifle salute and taps; reception, also open to the public, follows at Rayson-Miller American Legion Post 899, 21 North Main Street
- [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

- **Pittsford Community Library Board**, Wednesday, 11/8, 6:00pm, Fletcher Steele Room, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street; the meeting agenda is posted at least two days prior to the meeting on the Town website here: www.townofpittsford.org/minutes
- **Environmental Board**, Wednesday, 11/8, 7:00pm, Public Meeting Room, Town Hall (lower level), 11 South Main Street; the meeting agenda is posted at least two days prior to the meeting on the Town website here:

www.townofpittsford.org/minutes – **NOTE REVISED DAY AND DATE**

- **Design Review & Historic Preservation Board** , Thursday, 11/9, 6:00pm, Public Meeting Room, Town Hall (lower level), 11 South Main Street; 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, 11/9, 6:30pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center – Room 206, 35 Lincoln Avenue; the meeting agenda is posted at least 24 hours prior to the meeting on the Town website here: www.townofpittsford.org/minutes
- **Planning Board** , Monday, 11/13, 6:30pm, Town Hall, Public Meeting Room (lower level), 11 South Main Street; 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

- [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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