

News & Reviews

January 10, 2024

Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy and Climate Smart Community

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Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings

OUR 2024 PITTSFORD TOWN BOARD MEMBERS

Our new and re-elected Town Board members were sworn in at the January 4 Pittsford Town Board meeting. We welcome and congratulate Naveen Havannavar as a new Town Board member and congratulate Cathy Koshykar in her re-election to Town Board, and congratulate Bill Smith as re-elected Town Supervisor. Pictured: Councilmember Naveen



Havannavar, Councilmember Kim Taylor, Town Supervisor Bill Smith, Councilmember Stephanie Townsend and Councilmember Cathy Koshykar.



2024 TOWN & COUNTY TAX BILLS HAVE BEEN MAILED – DUE 2/10

Pittsford Town residents: if your property taxes are not in escrow, you should have received your 2024 Town and County property tax bill in the mail by this time. If you have not received your bill, you can obtain a copy of your bill by:

- 1. Downloading and printing a copy directly from the Monroe County website OR
- 2. Calling the Town Tax Office at 585-248-6215 or emailing the Town Clerk/Tax Receiver at: townclerk@townofpittsford.org and they will email a copy of the bill to you

The interest-free Town and County property tax payment deadline is February 10; first installments are also accepted on or before February 10. Please be sure to read all the instructions and information written on the back of your bill carefully. *Please include your payment coupon (page 2 of your tax bill) and a contact phone number on your check.* Failure to do so increases processing time.

You can make your payment by:

- Via mail to: Renee McQuillen, Receiver,11 South Main Street, Pittsford NY 14534
 - In person Monday through Friday, 8:00am to 4:00pm at Pittsford Town Hall, 11 South Main Street, or through the mail slots (into locked boxes) available 24/7, located at both the front and back entrances of Town Hall
 - For **cash payments**, we ask that you bring the exact amount and please call ahead for an appointment to ensure we have proper staffing
 - First Installments and full payments can also be made at Canandaigua National Bank, 18 State Street, in Pittsford Village through February 10, 2024
 - Online through Monroe County by credit card or check debit. Please note there is a 2.75% fee to pay by credit card and a sliding scale fee to pay by check debit. To pay online, click <u>HERE</u>.

As in the past we **strongly** advise that you do NOT pay your taxes by electronic check, as these payments do not receive a U.S. postmark and may arrive late.

Please note: If you choose to pay your tax bill with an online bill pay (electronic banking) system through your bank, please be aware that your bank still generates and mails a paper check to the Town and it may take as long as two weeks or more to reach the Town offices. This type of mail does not receive a USPS postmark. Therefore, the Town can only consider your payment received on the date it is physically received in our office. If the payment is received past the deadline will be considered late and accrue interest penalties.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

There are many programs and events this month in Pittsford and area-wide to celebrate the legacy and impact of Martin Luther King, Jr. Find a list we've compiled here.

Our Pittsford Community Library has a variety of books, films and other resources available this month and throughout the year, for youth and adults, that highlight the life, accomplishments and impact of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Be sure to stop



by and check them out! The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street.



KIDS CAN SHOW THEIR TALENT AT REC BREAK CAMP, 1/15

Looking for something fun and exciting for your child to do during school recess? Join us at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center for a day when everyone will have the opportunity to showcase their talent! Break Camp — Camp's Got Talent takes place this Monday, January 15 from 8:30am-5:30pm. It's a fun day for children ages 5-13 to get creative and show off what they love doing best. For more information and to register online, visit www.bit.ly/Pittsford-Rec-

<u>programs</u>. Or register in person at the Community Center. Register early as this program does fill quickly! For more information, call Amanda at 585-248-6283.

The Town's Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. To learn more about our programs, activities and services, visit our Recreation

<u>Department web page</u>, <u>email the Recreation Department here</u>, or call the Community Center at 585-248-6280.

STUDY HALL FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AT THE LIBRARY JANUARY 15 - 22

Does your high school student need a quiet place to study free of distractions? The Fisher Meeting Room at the Pittsford Community Library will serve as a study hall for students, grades 9-12, preparing for upcoming exams. Study Hall will be open during the following times:

- Monday, January 15, 11:00am 8:00pm
- Tuesday, January 16, 2:00pm 8:00pm
- Wednesday, January 17, 2:00 8:00pm
- Thursday, January 18, 2:00pm 8:00pm
- Friday, January 19, 2:00pm 6:00pm
- Monday, January 22, 2:00 8:00pm



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> or call (585) 248-6275. For complete Library information, including hours of operation, visit <u>www.townofpittsford.org/library</u>.



VOLUNTEER FAIR AT THE LIBRARY JANUARY 20

Interested in learning more about volunteer opportunities in your community? Save the date for the upcoming Pittsford Volunteer Fair at the Pittsford Community Library on Saturday, January 20 from 11:00am – 1:00pm. Come and meet the people behind a number of Pittsford organizations seeking volunteer help. Gather information, make a connection and sign up to help a cause that means something to you! The Volunteer Fair

will take place in the Fisher Meeting Room. The Pittsford Community Library, located at 24 State Street.

REFUSE DISTRICT ENROLLMENT UNDER WAY THROUGH APRIL 30

The Town in 2019 enabled residents to create refuse districts for their neighborhoods. To date we have 37 neighborhood refuse districts in Pittsford. Creating a refuse district means potentially lower cost to residents for trash collection and reduces garbage truck traffic on residential streets in your neighborhood to one visit, once a week. Setting up a Refuse District and setting the boundaries of the district are

Town of Pittsford Refuse District Enrollment January 1 - April 30, 2024

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is the enrollment period for setting up a
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entirely up to the residents of a district – it is an optional program. The residents decide the boundaries of the district, then inform the Town of their decision. Our Town staff members guide interested residents through the process. January 1 - April 30, 2024 is the enrollment period for setting up a refuse district that will begin service in

2025. Find complete information about setting up a Refuse District at www.townofpittsford.org/refuse-districts.



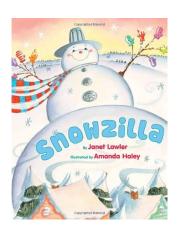
FREE TECHNOLOGY HELP FOR SENIORS

Seniors – do you need help with your electronic devices? Sign up for a one-on-one "Tech with Ginny" session at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center. Bring your cell phone, tablet, iPad, laptop or other electronic device and Ginny will work with you to resolve your tech problem. These 30-minute sessions are available from 9:30am to noon each Thursday.

Reserve your time slot by calling the Senior Programs office at 248-6235. This program is free and open to everyone over the age of 50!

The Town's Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. To learn more about our programs, activities and services for seniors <u>click here to visit</u> <u>the Seniors' page</u> on the Town website, <u>read our Seniors program info brochure</u> <u>online</u>, or call the Senior Programs Office at 248-6235.

REMINDERS



"SNOWZILLA" STORY STROLL UNDER WAY AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER

Our Story Strolls have moved inside to the second floor of the <u>Spiegel Pittsford Community Center</u> for the winter! This week through Sunday (1/14), families can take a story stroll through "*Snowzilla*" by Janet Lawler at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center. Cami Lou has a fantastic idea: she and her brother are going to build a huge snowman like no other! They create Snowzilla, who immediately becomes a winter sensation, drawing hundreds of tourists to their small town. Some people think the giant snowman comes with giant

problems, and a judge orders that Snowzilla must be removed. Can Cami Lou and her brother save their snowy friend?

Once you have completed your Story Stroll, stop by 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.

The Town's Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. To learn more about our programs, activities and services, <u>click here to visit the Town</u> of Pittsford's Recreation page on the Town website, <u>email the Recreation Department here</u>, or call the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center at 585-248-6280.



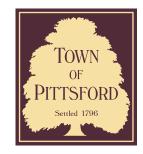
CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING UNDER WAY

You can be green even in the winter — recycle your Christmas tree! Town of Pittsford crews continue to pick up trees placed curbside that have all plastic bagging and decorations removed. Weather permitting, the Town will pick up Christmas trees through the end of January. You may also drop off your tree at the Highway Garage, 60 Golf Avenue,

from 7:00am until dark, Monday through Saturday (call ahead at 248-6270 if you will arrive after 3:30pm weekdays or on a Saturday). All trees gathered will be chipped and recycled into mulch. The mulch will be available in the spring – free to residents – at the East Street storage site located just before the gate to the Town Parks Department office building (enter at 34 East Street).

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

- "Snowzilla" Story Stroll, 1/8 14, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, second floor, 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
- Volunteer Fair at Pittsford Community Library learn about volunteer opportunities in Pittsford, Saturday, 1/20, 11:00am-1:00pm, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State 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, 1/10, 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
- Design Review & Historic Preservation Board, Thursday, 1/11, 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 Advisory Board , Thursday, 1/11, 6:30pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center – Room 207, 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
- Zoning Board of Appeals, Monday, 1/15, 6:30pm, 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
- Town Board, Tuesday, 1/16, 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

- 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; 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
- <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 www.pittsfordartgroup.com and fill out a Contact Us form.

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