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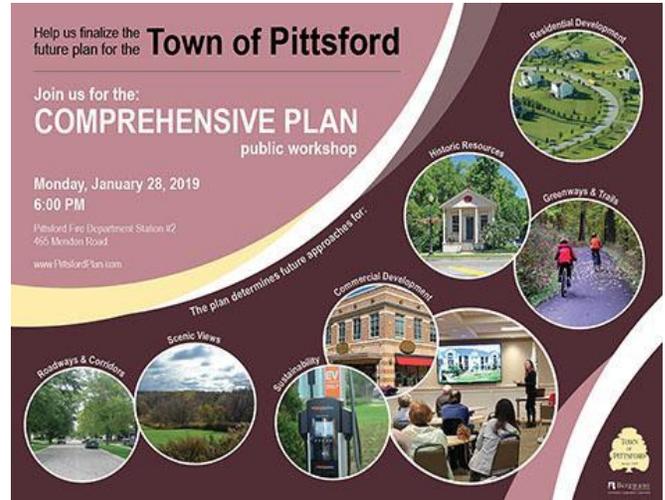
Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy Community

***See listings below for
Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings***

TOWN COMPREHENSIVE DRAFT PLAN ONLINE, PUBLIC WORKSHOP IS THIS MONDAY, 1/28

The draft of the Town's Comprehensive Plan Update can be found online at www.PittsfordPlan.com. The community workshop for the Town of Pittsford's Comprehensive Plan process will take place this Monday, January 28 from 6:00 - 9:00pm at the Pittsford Fire Department Station #2, 465 Mendon Road.

The Town's Comprehensive Plan Committee and its consultant, Bergmann Associates, will present the draft Comprehensive Plan for public comment. Residents should receive this week the information postcard the Town has mailed to every household in Pittsford. For complete information about the draft plan and the comprehensive plan process, please visit www.PittsfordPlan.com.



The Comprehensive Plan Workshop is an opportunity for residents to share views and ideas about the Town's draft Comprehensive Plan. The draft plan was shaped by community input at public workshops held at the beginning of the process. The plan's Citizen Committee took this input and worked with the consultant to create the draft plan. The public workshop is to solicit views of residents on the draft before it goes to the Town Board for consideration and adoption.

Community engagement in comprehensive planning is indispensable to getting the plan right and applying it successfully over time, with public support. If you can't make the meeting you can comment online. However we value hearing from residents in person and from a variety of viewpoints. We hope you can join us for this important meeting, as we bring a very thorough public process to its conclusion.

GREENLIGHT INTERNET SERVICE UPDATE - INFO MEETING TODAY | WEDNESDAY, 1/23

Many residents have expressed a desire for expanded internet service provider choices. For this purpose, Supervisor Smith and Town staff members have stepped up communication with Greenlight Networks over the past year. There will be a presentation by Greenlight representatives today (Wednesday, January 23) at the Village Bakery, at 5 State Street, from 3:00 - 5:00pm. Greenlight representatives will discuss additional plans for Pittsford and answer questions. Those interested may petition Greenlight to extend service into their neighborhoods.

PITTSFORD SENIORS COLLECT 100 COATS FOR SENIORS IN NEED

Our Pittsford Seniors program participants collected 100 coats during Monroe County's "Coats for Seniors" campaign this past December. The coats are sent to area shelters where they are distributed to those in need. Thanks to partnerships with several community groups and organizations - including our seniors! - the Coats for Seniors Campaign has collected and distribute over 10,000 coats over its 15 year history.

CONCERT AT LIBRARY SUNDAY, SAVE DATES FOR BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAMS

Join us at the Pittsford Community Library this **this Sunday, January 27** from 2:00 - 3:30pm in the Fisher Meeting Room for a **concert with LumenEssence**. Enjoy wonderful music from the golden age of song in close, three-part harmony. The program is free and open to the public; no registration required.

Then be sure to save the dates for our **Black History Month programs at the Library in February**, including **Movie Matinees** on February 1, 8 and 15, a "**Frederick Douglass in Ireland**" presentation on February 12 by St. John Fisher College professor and Chair of Philosophy Dr. Tim Madigan, and a program on February 24 with Pittsford Town Board member Kevin Beckford entitled "**Why Diversity and Inclusion is Critical for Business Today.**" All programs are free and open to the public; no registration required; visit the [Library's online program calendar](#) for more information or call the Library at 249-5481.

The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street. For information about other upcoming Library programs, visit the [Library's online program calendar](#) or call 249-5481.

FREE TAX PREPARATION FOR SENIORS 2/1 - 4/5 | APPOINTMENT IS REQUIRED

AARP is offering a free volunteer-run tax assistance and preparation service for seniors at the Spiegel Pittsford Center that includes transmission of 2018 tax returns directly to the IRS. This quality service is available Fridays from February 1 through April 5, **by appointment only**. For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact Pittsford Seniors office at 248-6235.

The Town of Pittsford's Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. To learn more about all of our wonderful programs for seniors [click here to visit the Seniors page](#) on the Town website or [read our Seniors program info brochure online](#).

PINK THE RINK RESCHEDULED TO THIS THURSDAY AT RIT'S RITTER RINK | JANUARY 24

Due to the winter storm last week, the Pittsford Central School District's "Pink the Rink" charity hockey games have been rescheduled to a new date and location. The games will now take place this Thursday, January 24 (tomorrow) at the Frank Ritter Ice Arena at Rochester Institute of Technology. The Pittsford JV and Varsity Panthers ice hockey teams will battle the Webster Schroeder Warriors in the **10th annual Pink the Rink games to benefit cancer research**. The JV game begins at 5:00pm, followed by the Varsity game at 7:00pm. As is tradition, the Pittsford athletes will wear special pink jerseys!

Pink the Rink has been a Pittsford School District tradition since 2010 and has raised \$56,829 for the Breast Cancer Coalition of Rochester. Friends of Pittsford Hockey Board Member Celeste Frohm proposed the idea for Pink the Rink after watching her son play in a similar event at the State University of New York at Fredonia. Frohm believed it would be an effective way to bring the Pittsford community together for a worthy cause.

Tickets can be purchased for \$5.00 at Pittsford Mendon and Pittsford Sutherland High Schools, the Pittsford School District Athletic Office, and at the door. The Frank Ritter Ice Aarena at Rochester Institute of Technology is located at 51 Lomb Memorial Dr., Rochester. For more information go to www.pittsfordhockey.org.

UNITED CHURCH OF PITTSFORD PANCAKE BREAKFAST IS SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

Proceeds benefit Elderberry Express ride service for seniors

The next United Church of Pittsford monthly "Rise & Shine" Community Breakfast program is Saturday, February 9 from 8:00-10:00am at the church (123 South Main Street at Sunset Boulevard); proceeds will benefit Elderberry Express, Pittsford's free ride service for seniors. Breakfast is \$5.00 per person and includes pancakes served with maple syrup, whipped cream and blueberry topping, sausage links, scrambled eggs, coffee, tea, and juice. The Rise and Shine Community Breakfast is open to all and is held on the second Saturday of each month from October through May, with the proceeds supporting local charities. For more information call 586-6870 or email ucpittsford@gmail.com.

REMINDER: CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING UNDERWAY

Weather permitting, the Town of Pittsford's Highway Department continues to pick up Christmas trees that have not been taken by residential services. Please place your tree curbside and remove any plastic bagging and all decorations. Christmas trees may also be dropped off at the Highway Garage, 60 Golf Avenue, from 7:00am until dark, Monday through Saturday. All trees gathered will be chipped and reused as mulch. The mulch will be available free to residents in the spring at the East Street storage site located just before the gate to the Town Parks Department office building (enter at 34 East Street).

PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS DUE BY 2/10, EXTENDED OFFICE HOURS ON FEBRUARY 8

The interest-free Town and County property tax payment deadline is February 10; first installments or full payment of your Town and County property taxes are due at this time. To assist taxpayers, the Town Clerk will **extend office hours, for tax payments only, from 8:00am to 6:00pm on Friday, February 8.** For residents paying property tax bills at Town Hall (11 South Main Street), 10 minute parking will be available in the parking lot behind the building on Friday, February 8. The payment stub (see page 2 of your tax bill) must accompany payment.

First installment payments and full payments also may be made at Canandaigua National Bank (18 State Street, Pittsford) through Saturday, February 9 only.

February 10 falls on a Sunday (when Town Hall is not open), therefore, payment will be accepted as received "on-time" if received in person at Town Hall on Monday, February 11 or with a U.S. postmark of Monday, February 11, 2019. Payments may be made [online](#) by February 10 using Visa or MasterCard only; please note there is a 3% service charge for online payments. [To pay online click this link](#), which directs to the Monroe County Property Tax portal.

It is also **strongly** advised that you do NOT pay by electronic check, as these payments do not receive a U.S. postmark and may arrive late. The payment stub (see page 2 of your tax bill) must accompany your payment.

Please also note: If you are paying 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.

REMINDERS

SEASONAL PARKING RESTRICTIONS IN EFFECT THROUGH APRIL 1, 2019

In order to facilitate snow removal Town of Pittsford seasonal parking restrictions are in effect from November 15 (this Thursday) through April 1, 2019. Parking of any vehicle on public roads - including state highways and on the shoulder of all roads - is prohibited each year from November 15 through April 1 in all areas within the Town and outside of the Village. Please note violators may be ticketed or towed. Help us keep our roadways safe - during this time, please don't park on or along public roads outside of the Village.

EMERGENCY CLOSINGS INFORMATION

In the case of major weather events or other emergencies, information about facility closings and program/event cancellations will be announced on the Town's website www.townofpittsford.org, [Facebook page Town of Pittsford](#), and [Twitter feed @pittsfordtown](#), as well as on local television and radio stations and Pittsford's [Cable Channel 12 government access station](#). Channel 12 announcements can be viewed live any time via the [Channel 12 page on the Town website](#).

ASL INTERPRETER AT TOWN BOARD MEETINGS

The Town of Pittsford provides an American Sign Language interpreter at every meeting of the Pittsford Town Board, to interpret for those who need this service.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD

- [Pittsford Panthers Pink the Rink Varsity and JV hockey games](#), Thursday, 1/24, 5:00PM (JV) & 7:00PM (Varsity), Frank Ritter Ice Arena at RIT, 51 Lomb Memorial Dr., Rochester; admission \$5, more info www.pittsfordhockey.org - **NOTE REVISED DATE AND LOCATION**
- **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, February 2, 9:00 - 10:00am, Fisher Meeting Room (first floor), Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street
- [Sweetheart Dance](#) - for girls ages 5-13 and father or special someone (uncle, grandfather, etc.), Friday, 2/8, 6:30-9:00pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue; pre-registration required, \$17 per person, more info and [registration online](#) or at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center
- [United Church of Pittsford Rise & Shine Community Breakfast](#), Saturday, 2/9, 8:00-10:00am, United Church of Pittsford, 123 South Main Street at Sunset Boulevard; all are welcome, breakfast is \$5.00 per person and includes pancakes served with maple syrup, whipped cream and blueberry topping, sausage links, scrambled eggs, coffee, tea, and juice; proceeds to benefit Elderberry Express, Pittsford's ride service program for seniors. The breakfast is held the second Saturday of each month from October through June, benefiting a different charity each time. More info 586-6870 or email ucpittsford@gmail.com

TOWN OF PITTSFORD BOARD MEETINGS

- **Design Review & Historic Preservation Board**, Thursday, 1/24, 6:45PM, Public Meeting Room, Town Hall (lower level), 11 South Main Street - **NOTE TIME CHANGE**
- **Planning Board**, Monday 1/28, 7:45PM, Public Meeting Room, Town Hall (lower level), 11 South Main Street

COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

- [Town of Pittsford Comprehensive Plan Community Workshop](#): public comment on Draft Plan, Monday, 1/28, 6:00pm, Pittsford Fire Department Station #2, 465 Mendon Road Pittsford (across from Pittsford Mendon High School)
- [Board of Education](#) meeting, Monday, 1/28, 7:00pm, Barker Road Middle School 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, February 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; for [membership information](#) visit the [Rayson-Miller Post website](#).
- [Pittsford Rotary Club](#), Wednesdays (weekly), 7:00am, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State St.
- [Pittsford Art Group](#), first Thursday of the month, September through May (no meetings October and March), 7:00 - 9:00pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, room 19 (lower level, elevator available), 35 Lincoln Avenue; the group strives to be a teaching organization - all are welcome! For meeting details and membership, contact PAG president [Margie Mitchell](#).

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