

News & Reviews

February 5, 2020

Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy Community

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SUPERVISOR SATURDAY THIS WEEK WITH BILL SMITH

Town Supervisor Bill Smith will hold his regularly scheduled community open house this Saturday, February 8 from 9:00 - 10:00am at the Pittsford Community Library. Stop by and join the conversation to catch up on current issues and Town initiatives, including the Town's Greenprint 2.0 program that would preserve additional expanses of countryside and open land in its natural state, and other topics you might wish to discuss.

This casual open house, held in the Library's Fisher Meeting Room, 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 in - no registration required. The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street.

Supervisor Smith keeps an open door policy and also welcomes visits from residents at Town Hall during regular business hours Monday to Friday. As always, he's available by phone at 248-6220 and by email at bsmith@townofpittsford.org.

SWEETHEART DANCE IS THIS FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7!

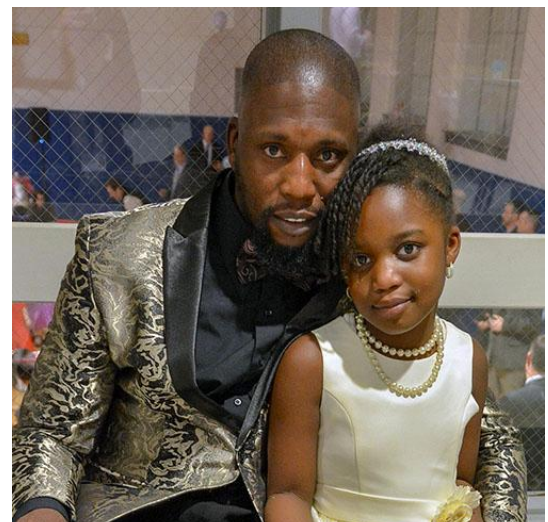
The Pittsford Recreation Department's annual Sweetheart Dance is this Friday, February 7 from 6:30 - 9:00pm at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center (35 Lincoln Avenue). Girls ages 5 to 13 can dance the night away, accompanied by an adult as their guest. There is still time to register!

Music, refreshments and dancing will make this event a memorable evening! A professional DJ will provide music and fun activities. For an additional fee, a photographer will be available to capture the memory with a keepsake photo. You don't want to miss out on this special night. Cost is \$17 per person.

To [register online](#) click the link and see the "Family and Youth" section, or stop by the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center to register in person.

**Supervisor
Saturday**
with Pittsford Town Supervisor
Bill Smith
9:00 - 10:00am, Fisher Meeting Room
Pittsford Community Library

**Come in & join
the conversation!**



Our Sweetheart Dance is this Friday at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center!

PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS DUE THIS MONDAY, EXTENDED OFFICE HOURS THIS MONDAY, 2/10

The interest-free Town and County property tax payment deadline is February 10; first installments or full payments 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 this Monday, February 10**. 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 Monday.

First installment payments and full payments can also be paid at Canandaigua National Bank, 18 State Street, through Monday, February 10 only. Payments may be made [online](#) by February 10, using Visa and 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 on the Monroe County website.

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 include a phone number on your check, if possible.

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.

NEW 20 MPH SPEED LIMIT ON SOUTH STREET IN VILLAGE

Drivers, please be advised that a new Village local law reducing the speed limit on South Street to 20 mph will take effect soon. South Street is a .5 mile two-way, two-lane residential street that connects State Street (Rt. 31) to E. Jefferson Road (Rt. 96), and is frequented by students and families walking and biking to Jefferson Road Elementary School. Once the new law is in effect, the Sheriff's Department will give South Street special attention.

BUFFALO SOLDIERS PROGRAM AT THE LIBRARY THIS SUNDAY, 2/9

The Pittsford Community Library is celebrating Black History Month in February with a variety of outstanding programs. This **Sunday, February 9** from 2:00 - 3:00pm features a **history of the "Buffalo Soldiers."** Following the long and bloody Civil War, Congress passed legislation to reorganize the military for peacetime service. An historic part of this law called for the formation of two African-American cavalry regiments, the 9th and 10th, known as the Buffalo Soldiers. Bing Reaves and other members of the Pennington-Moye VFW Post 9251 will present the storied history of the Buffalo Soldiers. The program, sponsored by Historic Pittsford, is free and open to the public and will be held in the Library's Fisher Meeting Room; no registration required.

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

SENIORS LUNCH BY DEPUTY SUPERVISOR KATE BOHNE MUNZINGER THIS TUESDAY, 2/11 *Plus Victorian Valentine Traditions presentation by the Strong's Chris Bensch*

Seniors, join us at 12noon in the VanHuysen Community Room at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center this Tuesday, February 11 for lunch prepared by Deputy Town Supervisor Kate Bohne Munzinger and a special Valentine's Day program. Kate will be cooking up a delicious comfort-food lunch of meatloaf, mashed potatoes, peas, and red velvet cupcakes with cream cheese frosting for dessert. Chris Bensch from the Strong Museum of Play will offer some fascinating information in a presentation entitled "Victorian Valentine Traditions." Cost is \$6.00 per person; advance registration and payment is required. For more information and to register, stop by the Senior Programs office at the Community Center or call 248-6235.

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 HERE 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.

FEBRUARY IS AMERICAN HEART MONTH - WEAR RED DAY IS THIS FRIDAY

February is American Heart Month. American Heart month is dedicated to raising awareness about heart disease. Heart disease is the leading cause of death for men and women in the United States; every year one in four deaths are caused by it. **This Friday, February 7 is "National Wear Red Day,"** which was first observed 18 years ago to bring attention to the fact that heart disease is the number one killer of women and to raise awareness for women's health issues. You can show your support in the fight against heart disease this Friday - wear red, and encourage everyone you know to wear red, raise their voices, know their cardiovascular risk, and take action to live longer, healthier lives!

Heart disease and stroke kill one in three women, yet 80 percent of cardiac events can be prevented with education and lifestyle changes. To save lives and raise awareness of this serious issue, the American Heart Association launched Go Red For Women - held the first Friday each February - and the red dress has become the iconic symbol of the battle against heart disease and stroke in women. For more information visit: www.GoRedForWomen.org.

UNITED CHURCH OF PITTSFORD PANCAKE BREAKFAST IS THIS SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8 ***Proceeds benefit Elderberry Express ride service for seniors***

The next United Church of Pittsford monthly "Rise & Shine" Community Breakfast program is this Saturday, February 8 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.

NYS DOT MEETING ON PROPOSED RT 31/STATE STREET BRIDGE PROJECT IS FEBRUARY 13

The NY State Department of Transportation will host a second public information meeting on February 13 regarding their proposed Route 31/State Street bridge rehabilitation project. The content and information will be the same as that shared at the NYSDOT's public meeting held December 17, 2019.

The NYSDOT project includes work on the State Street Bridge, paving work on Main Street and State Street, and significant pedestrian safety improvements. The open-house style meeting will be held on Thursday, February 13 from 5:00 - 6:30pm at the Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street. Those interested in attending may arrive at any time during the meeting to review the project details, which will include the scope of work and planned traffic detours during construction. NYSDOT staff will receive public comments and answer individual questions. No formal presentation will be made during the meeting.

For further information, or to request a sign language interpreter or assistive listening system, please contact Katherine Fragale at (585) 371-9245 or Katherine.Fragale@dot.ny.gov.

REMINDERS

PINK THE RINK IS FEBRUARY 8 - SUPPORT THE FIGHT AGAINST CANCER!

The Pittsford JV and Varsity Panthers ice hockey teams will face off against the Fairport Red Raiders in the 11th annual **Pink the Rink games to benefit cancer research** on Saturday, February 8 at Rochester Institute of Technology's Frank Ritter Ice Arena. The JV game begins at 5:30pm, followed by the Varsity game at 7:00pm. As is tradition, the Pittsford athletes will wear special pink jerseys to honor all those affected by breast cancer.

Pink the Rink has been a Pittsford School District tradition since 2010 and has raised over \$60,000 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 are \$5.00 and will be available beginning February 4 at the School District Athletic Office (42 W. Jefferson Rd.). If the event is not sold out, tickets will also be sold at the door. The Frank Ritter Ice Arena at Rochester Institute of Technology is located at 51 Lomb Memorial Dr., Rochester. For more information visit www.pittsfordhockey.org and click the "Pink the Rink" tab.

SEASONAL PARKING RESTRICTIONS IN EFFECT THROUGH APRIL 1, 2020

In order to facilitate snow removal, Town of Pittsford seasonal parking restrictions are in effect from November 15 (this Friday) through April 1, 2020. 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. During this time, please don't park on or along public roads outside of the Village. Please note violators may be ticketed or towed.

When the snow flies, we need roadsides clear of vehicles so our plows can get through. This is especially true in neighborhoods, where the streets are narrower. Vehicles parked along the roadside can hinder plows accessing your neighborhood. Please help us keep our streets safe and accessible!

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 TV 12 Channel 1303 government access station](#). TV-12 Channel 1303 announcements can be viewed live any time via the [TV-12 Channel 1303 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

- [Sweetheart Dance](#) - girls ages 5 to 13 can dance the night away, accompanied by an adult as their guest, Friday, 2/7, 6:30-9:00pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue; advance registration required, \$17 per person, more info and [registration online](#) or at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center
- [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, 2/8, 9:00 - 10:00am, Fisher Meeting Room (first floor), Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street
- [United Church of Pittsford Rise & Shine Community Breakfast](#), Saturday, 2/8, 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 free 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
- [Pittsford Panthers Pink the Rink Varsity and JV hockey games](#), Saturday, 2/8, 5:30pm (JV) & 7:00pm (Varsity), Frank Ritter Ice Arena at RIT, 51 Lomb Memorial Dr., Rochester; admission

\$5.00, advance tickets at School District Athletic Office or at door if not sold out; more info www.pittsfordhockey.org

TOWN OF PITTSFORD BOARD MEETINGS

- **Pittsford Community Library Board**, Monday, 2/10, 7:00pm, Fletcher Steele Meeting Room, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street - **NOTE DAY/DATE**
- **Planning Board**, Monday 2/10, 7:30pm, Public Meeting Room, Town Hall (lower level), 11 South Main Street

COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

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- [Board of Education Budget Work Session](#) (6:00pm) and meeting (7:00pm), Monday, 2/10, Barker Road Middle School Board Room, 75 Barker Road
- [Village Board of Trustees](#), Tuesday, 2/11, 7:00pm, Village Hall, 21 North Main 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 Street
- [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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