

News & Reviews

December 18, 2019

Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy Community

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Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings

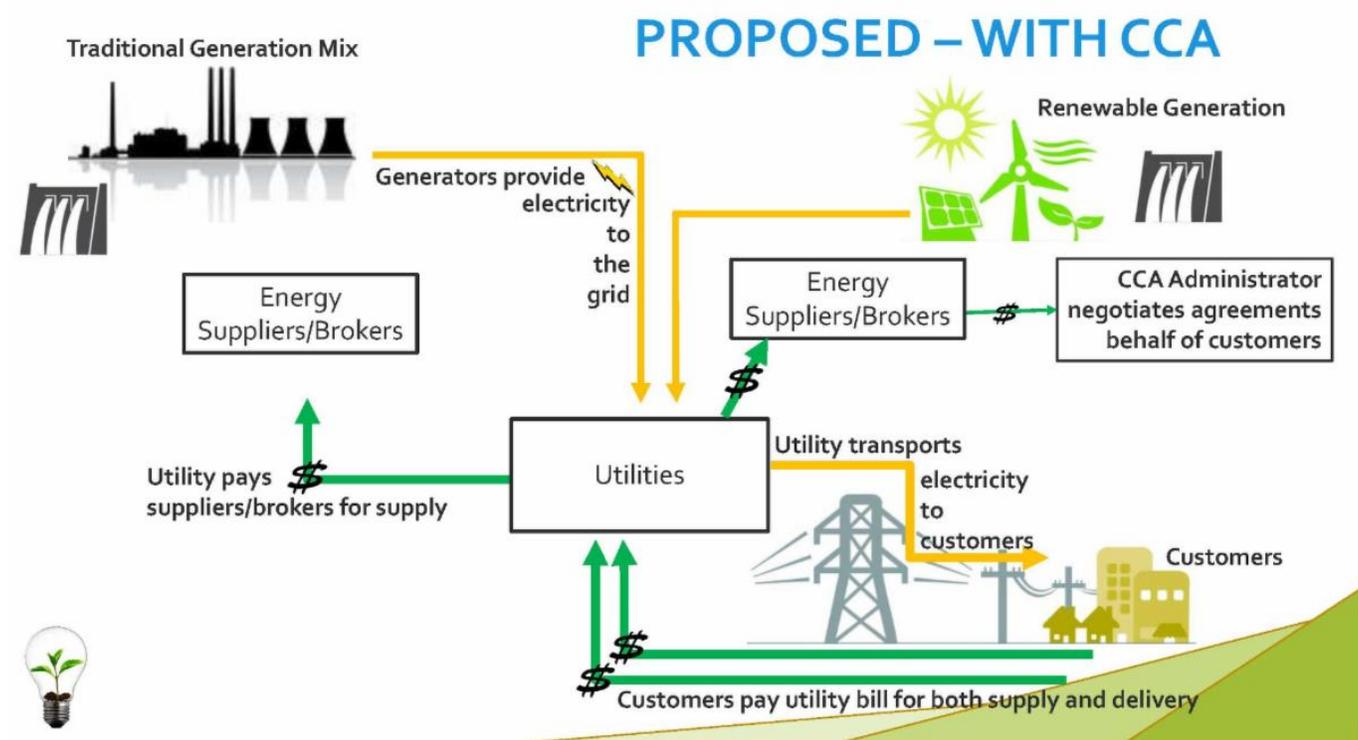
COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION PUBLIC INFO MEETING IS THURSDAY, 12/19 AT LIBRARY

If implemented, the program will affect all Town residents and small businesses

Roctricity, the administrator for Pittsford's Community Choice Aggregation program, will hold its second **Town CCA public information meeting** about Pittsford's CCA program this Thursday, December 19 at 6:00pm in the Fisher Meeting Room of the Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street. Representatives from Roctricity also will discuss additional options for participation in a Community Solar program. The meeting is open to all Pittsford Town and Village residents.

If the Town receives a bid for electricity from 100% renewable sources that is less than the RG&E rate, the Town will move forward with implementing the Community Choice Aggregation program. This will affect every resident and small business in the Town of Pittsford; it is therefore in everyone's best interest to attend one of Roctricity's CCA public information meetings.

For **more information about the Town and Village public information meetings**, contact Roctricity, Pittsford's CCA administrator, at (585) 244-0244 or info@roctricity.com. For general information about the Town of Pittsford's CCA program, visit www.townofpittsford.org/content/community-choice-aggregation-information.



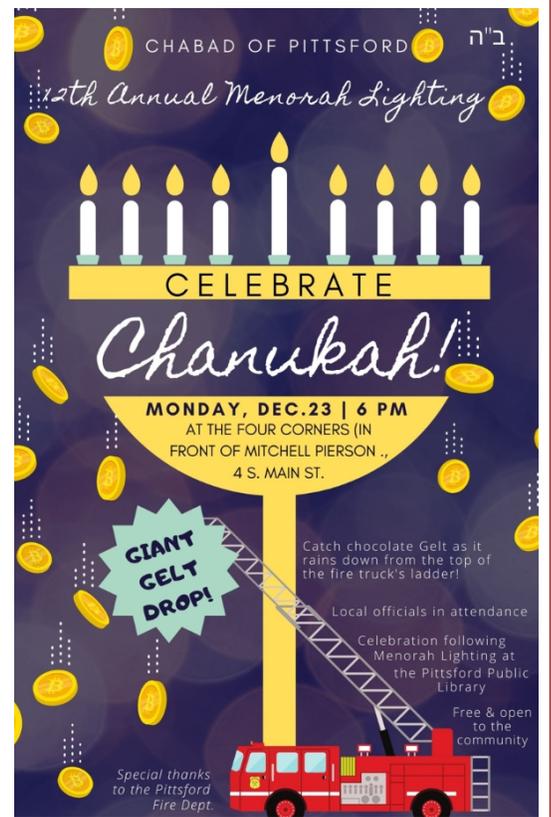
COMMUNITY MENORAH LIGHTING & CHANUKAH CELEBRATION IS THIS MONDAY, 12/23

The Chabad of Pittsford annual Giant Outdoor Menorah Lighting and Chanukah Celebration is this Monday, December 23 - the second night of Chanukah!

Free and open to the community, the celebration begins at 6:00pm with the outdoor menorah lighting at the Four Corners of Pittsford (Main and State Streets) in front of the Phoenix Building.

After the lighting, all are invited to walk over to the Pittsford Community Library for a Chanukah celebration featuring a giant gelt drop from the Pittsford Volunteer Fire Department's ladder truck, fresh jelly donuts, hot potato latkes, Chanukah music, goodie gelt bags for the kids, hot chocolate, and a Chanukah raffle. The event is free and open to the public - all are welcome!

The Chanukah Celebration will be held in the Library's Fisher Meeting Room. The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street. For more information visit the Chabad of Pittsford website at www.JewishPittsford.com.



Congratulations Nedda and Kate, and congratulations to the Pittsford Parks Department!

RECREATION STAFF, PARKS DEPARTMENT RECEIVE PARKS SOCIETY AWARDS

We are proud to announce two Town of Pittsford Recreation Department staff members were recognized and the Pittsford Town Parks Department received a landscaping excellence award at the annual Genesee Valley Recreation and Parks Society conference.

Recreation Supervisor **Kate Disbrow** received the 2019 **Young Professional Award**. The award acknowledges a current parks and recreation professional who exhibits the attributes of an emerging leader as displayed through their initiative, innovation and contributions to the park and recreation field. Recreation Assistant **Nedda Howk** received the **ABCD Above and Beyond the Call of Duty Award**. This award recognizes volunteers and part time employees who have made an outstanding contribution to the field of public recreation and parks. Congratulations and very well deserved Nedda and Kate!

The Town of **Pittsford Parks Department** received the **Excellence in Landscape Design for the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center Project**. Our Parks Department team partnered with BME Associates to design a beautifully landscaped space that accommodates the Community Center's parking

needs, retains a large green space, and includes a new playground. These elements, along with many new plantings of native trees and bushes, were designed to complement the residential and historic character of the facility's location in the center of Pittsford Village. Congratulations to our dedicated and creative Parks team!

REFUSE DISTRICT ENROLLMENT FOR 2021 WILL BE UNDERWAY JANUARY 1 - APRIL 30, 2020

In response to interest expressed by residents, the Town has enabled residents to create refuse districts for their neighborhoods. Creating a refuse district means significantly lower cost to residents for trash collection and would reduce garbage truck traffic on residential streets to one visit, once a week. Setting up a Refuse District and setting the boundaries of the district are entirely up to the residents of a district - this is an optional program. The residents decide the boundaries of the district, then inform the Town of their decision. The Town will guide interested residents through the process. Earlier this year, five neighborhoods completed the process and have enabled their refuse districts for 2020. **January 1 - April 30, 2020 is the enrollment period for setting up a refuse district that will begin service in 2021.** Find complete information about setting up a Refuse District at www.townofpittsford.org/refuse-districts.

SAVE THE DATES: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. LIVING THE DREAM SERIES JANUARY 14 - 18

Pittsford's second annual Martin Luther King, Jr. series is designed to bring the community together to celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. through several events, including movies (1/14 and 1/16), discussions (1/15), and storytelling and family activities (1/17 and 1/18). Details to follow as each event nears - be sure to save the dates!

PYS GIFT DONATIONS FOR PITTSFORD FAMILIES IN NEED DUE TODAY, 12/18

Today is the deadline: if you would like to help a family in the Pittsford community that needs a little extra support this holiday season, please consider donating to the Pittsford Youth Services (PYS) 'Giving Tree' at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center and at the Pittsford Community Library. **The deadline for donations is today, Wednesday, December 18.** Your contribution will benefit families in the Pittsford community who are unable to afford basic items such as food, clothing, toiletries, and gifts for their families. A community service project of the PYS Youth Advisory Board, each tree features ornaments, each with a simple gift request such as gift cards for food, clothing, toys, and other basics to help these families enjoy the holidays. There is still time to donate! **You can pick up a request from either tree and return the requested gift card to the Community Center, which is open until 10:00pm tonight.**

Donors may take an ornament with the listed request and return it, along with the requested donation, to the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center Information Desk (35 Lincoln Avenue) or to the Pittsford Youth Services office at 4 South Main Street, Pittsford. PYS social workers will deliver the donations to the families in time for the Christmas holiday school break. The trees are located on the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center main floor and in the hallway of the Pittsford Community Library (24 State Street). If you can help make the holidays a bit brighter for our neighbors in need please consider participating.

Pittsford Youth Services provides counseling and social work services for our schools and the greater Pittsford community, and has been serving the families of Pittsford since 1969. If you would like more information about PYS programs and services, visit their website: www.pittsfordyouthservices.org or email info@pittsfordyouthservices.org.

PITTSFORD SENIORS NEW YEAR'S LUNCHEON IS JANUARY 7 - RESERVATIONS DUE BY JAN. 2

Seniors, be sure to make your reservation for our **New Year's luncheon catered by Chen Garden** to be held Tuesday, January 7 at 12noon in the VanHuysen Community Room of the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center. Join us for a delicious lunch and a **program by Beth Brancato entitled "Celebrating the New Year Around the World."** Cost is \$8.00 per person; **advance registration and payment is required by Tuesday, December 31, 2019.** For more information and to make your reservation, stop by the Pittsford Seniors Office in the Community Center or call 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](#).

HOLIDAY HOURS FOR TOWN FACILITIES

In observance of the **Christmas** holiday, **all Town offices** (including Town Hall, Parks, Sewer, and Highway departments), the **Spiegel Pittsford Community Center**, the **Pittsford Community Library**, and **Town Court** will be **closed Tuesday, 12/24 and Wednesday, 12/25** and reopen for regular hours on Thursday, 12/26.

In observance of the **New Year's** holiday **all Town offices**, including Town Hall, the Parks, Sewer, and Highway departments, Town Court, and the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center administrative offices, **will close at 1:00pm on Tuesday, 12/31 and remain closed on Wednesday, 1/1/20.**

The Spiegel Pittsford **Community Center building will close at 5:00pm on Tuesday, 12/31 and remain closed on Wednesday, 1/1/20.**

The Pittsford Community **Library will close at 5:00pm on Tuesday, 12/31 and remain closed on Wednesday, 1/1/20.**

In case of an emergency requiring Town of Pittsford services during holiday closures, please call (585) 248-6212.

Please see the complete daily schedule below:

Tuesday, 12/24

CLOSED ALL DAY

All Town offices (including Town Hall, Parks, Sewer, and Highway departments), Town Court, the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center and Seniors programs, and the Pittsford Community Library

Wednesday, 12/25

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All Town offices, including Town Hall, the Parks, Sewer, and Highway departments, Town Court, and the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center administrative offices

CLOSING AT 5:00pm

The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center Building
The Pittsford Community Library

Wednesday, January 1, 2020

CLOSED ALL DAY

All Town offices and facilities, including Town Hall, the Parks, Sewer, and Highway departments, Town Court, the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center and Seniors programs, and the Pittsford Community Library

FIREWORKS COURTESY NOTIFICATION FOR DECEMBER 31

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 Town Fire Marshal and Code Enforcement Officer Kelly Cline at kcline@townofpittsford.org or 248-6250. **To sign up for the Town eNews**, visit www.townofpittsford.org/enews. The eNews, which contains the most updated information about Town meetings, projects, programs, services and events, is sent once weekly or for urgent or emergency Town notifications; **email addresses are never shared for any other purpose**. Please see below current fireworks event permit notifications.

Current Fireworks Event Notification:

December 31, 2019

Private fireworks event at Oak Hill Country Club - approximately 8:15pm

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

REMINDERS

PITTSFORD BALLET PRESENTS EXCERPTS FROM THE NUTCRACKER | THIS SATURDAY, 12/21

Here's an opportunity to see the perfect show for the holiday season! The Pittsford Ballet School will present Act 1 and excerpts from Act 2 of the Nutcracker this Saturday, December 21 at the Calkins Road Middle School Auditorium (1899 Calkins Rd). Performances are at 1:00pm and 7:00pm. Tickets are available at the door the day of the show or in advance (cash only) at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center (35 Lincoln Avenue). Cost is \$12 for adults, and \$10 for children 12 and under and senior citizens (55 and up). Be sure to gather the family to see this popular ballet! For more information call 248-6280. Pittsford Ballet is a program of the Pittsford Recreation Department.

INCLUSIVE BASKETBALL CLINIC AT PITTSFORD COMMUNITY CENTER BEGINS JANUARY 5

The Town of Pittsford Recreation Department is partnering with the Autism Council of Rochester to offer an Inclusive Basketball Clinic beginning in January. The clinic runs for five sessions to be held Sunday mornings from 10:30 - 11:15am at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center. The program is open to all boys and girls ages 11 - 15 and all abilities are welcome.

Sessions will cover basketball fundamentals including dribbling, shooting, passing, teamwork and sportsmanship. Session dates are January 5, 12, 19, 26 and February 2, 2020. For more information and to register, contact the Autism Council at info@theautismcouncil.org. The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue.

TOWN LEAF COLLECTION CONTINUES - PLEASE KEEP LEAVES OUT OF ROADWAYS

The recent snowfall means wet and frozen leaves will take a bit more time to gather but Town leaf collection will continue as long as is needed. Our crews will be in your neighborhood to remove leaf piles placed at the edge of roadways - please do not place leaf piles on the shoulder of the road. Use our online [Leaf Collection App](#) to see when leaf crews will be in your area. Find it, and more information, on our Leaf and Yard Debris Collection web page at www.townofpittsford.org/home-leaf_collection.

Please remember: State and Town law both prohibit placing leaves and yard debris in the road and its shoulder. Please be sure to place leaf piles and yard debris (separated from leaves) at the edge of the road but not in it and not on the shoulder of the road. Leaves and debris on the shoulder can blow or be pushed into the road by snow plows and become a hazard for pedestrians, bicyclists and drivers, and can clog storm water drains, causing flooding.

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

- [Pittsford Youth Services Giving Tree](#), through 12/18 at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center (35 Lincoln Avenue) and the Pittsford Community Library (24 State Street); take an ornament with a gift request and return it to the Community Center or the PYS Office at 4 South Main Street with the requested donation; **donations due 12/18**. Donations benefit families in the Pittsford community who are unable to afford basic items such as food, clothing and gifts for their families.
- [Rainbow Classic Mendon vs. Sutherland Basketball Games](#), Friday, 12/20, University of Rochester Palestra; Varsity Girls game at 6:00pm, Varsity Boys game at 8:00pm; tickets are advance-sale only, visit the Pittsford Central School District [Rainbow Classic web page](#) for more information. All proceeds to support Golisano Children's Hospital.
- **Pittsford Ballet Excerpts from the Nutcracker**, a Pittsford Recreation program, Saturday, December 21, performances at 1:00 and 7:00pm, Calkins Road Middle School (1899 Calkins Road); tickets available at the door the day of the show or in advance at Spiegel Pittsford Community Center (cash only), 35 Lincoln Avenue, \$12/adult, \$10 for senior citizens and children age 12 and under
- **Chabad of Pittsford Community Menorah Lighting & Chanukah Celebration**, Monday, 12/23, 6:00pm giant menorah lighting at Four Corners of Pittsford (Main and State Streets), followed by Chanukah celebration and refreshments at Pittsford Community Library, Fisher Meeting Room, 24 State Street; free and open to the community
- **Coats for Seniors Coat Drive** - donate new or gently worn coats to be distributed to seniors citizens in need across Monroe County; drop off at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center Senior Programs office, 35 Lincoln Avenue. For more information about donating and/or receiving a coat, stop by or call the Senior Programs Office at 248-6235; **coats are being collected through January 2, 2019**.

TOWN OF PITTSFORD BOARD MEETINGS

- **Town Board Year-End Meeting**, Monday, 12/23, 10:00am, Town Hall, 11 South Main Street; ASL interpretation provided
- **Planning Board**, Monday, 12/23 - **NO MEETING**
- **Design Review Historic Preservation Board**, Thursday, 12/26 - **NO MEETING** due to Christmas holiday

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; 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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