



News & Reviews

December 29, 2021

Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy
Community

See listings below for

Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings

NEW YEAR'S HOURS FOR TOWN FACILITIES

In observance of the **New Year's holiday** all Town offices (including Town Hall, Town Court, and the Parks, Sewer, and Highway departments) will be closed on Friday, 12/31.

The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center will close at 3:00pm on Friday, 12/31, will be closed all day on Saturday, 1/1/22, and will be open for open basketball hours only from 12:00-5:00pm on Sunday 1/2/22.

The Pittsford Community Library will close at 3:00pm on Friday, 12/31, will be closed all day on Saturday, 1/1/22, and will be open for regular hours (1:00 – 5:00pm) on Sunday, 1/2/2022

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:

Friday, 12/31

CLOSED ALL DAY

All Town offices, including Town Hall, Town Court, and the Parks, Sewer, and Highway departments.

CLOSING AT 3:00PM

The Pittsford Community Library

The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center

Saturday, January 1, 2022

CLOSED ALL DAY

The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center and Seniors programs, and the Pittsford Community Library.

Sunday, January 2, 2022



OPEN FOR OPEN BASKETBALL ONLY 12:00 – 5:00pm
Spiegel Pittsford Community Center

OPEN REGULAR HOURS

The Pittsford Community Library will be open regular hours, 1:00am – 5:00pm.

We wish all a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year!



Movie & Discussion: Another Way of Living
Tuesday, January 11; 6:30-8:30pm
Fisher Meeting Room

Panel Discussion with Local Students
Tuesday, January 18; 6:30-8:00pm
Fisher Meeting Room

Movie & Discussion: Touch the Sky
Tuesday, January 25; 6:30-8:30pm
Fisher Meeting Room

MLK Youth Choir, Spoken Word & Speech Reenactment
Saturday, January 29; 2:00-4:00pm
Fisher Meeting Room

SAVE THE DATES: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. PROGRAMS AT THE LIBRARY

Programs throughout the month of January

The Pittsford Community Library will host a variety of programs celebrating Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in January, including our "MLK Living the Dream" series. See below for details and be sure to save the dates! The programs are free and open to the public, but advance registration is required. To register, [visit the Library's online program calendar here](#) or find it under the Events tab on the Library home page at www.townofpittsford.org/library.

MLK Living the Dream Series

Movie & Discussion: *Another Way of Living*

Tuesday, January 11; 6:30-8:30pm

Fisher Meeting Room

69 minutes / NR / 2015

In the early 1960's, Robert Simon set out to build a new kind of walkable suburban community that integrated citizens across racial, economic, and religious divides. His vision was realized in Reston, Virginia. Discussion facilitated by Kevin and Linda Beckford. **Registration required.**

Panel Discussion with Local Students

Tuesday, January 18; 6:30-8:00pm

Fisher Meeting Room

Hear local students discuss what role they play in living MLK's dream. **Registration required.**

Movie & Discussion: *Touch the Sky*

Tuesday, January 25; 6:30-8:30pm

Fisher Meeting Room

55 minutes / NR / 2016

This documentary celebrates the progress African Americans have made toward equality and asks questions about remaining obstacles. Discussion facilitated by Kevin and Linda Beckford. **Registration required.**

MLK Youth Choir, Spoken Word & Speech Reenactment

Saturday, January 29; 2:00-4:00pm

Fisher Meeting Room

Enjoy music from a youth gospel choir, a spoken word performance, and a reenactment of the famous words of MLK. All ages welcome. **Registration required.**

Additional MLK Library programs

***Alice's Ordinary People*: Film Screening**

Thursday, January 6; 6:30-8:00pm

Fisher Meeting Room

Learn about the life of Alice Tregay—a woman who stood against injustice. Her story

spans from the marches of Dr. King to the election of Barack Obama, and her contribution to the field of politics connects the two. Join us on January 13 for a discussion with the filmmaker.

Alice's Ordinary People: Discussion
Thursday, January 13; 7:00-8:00pm
via Zoom

Independent filmmaker Craig Dudnick leads a discussion about his documentary, *Alice's Ordinary People*. All are encouraged to view the documentary, which will be screened at PCL on January 6 and is also available on Kanopy, prior to the event. **Registration required.**

MLK Day Stories and Craft
Monday, January 17; 6:30-7:15pm
Fisher Meeting Room

Celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. at PCL! Hear stories and create artwork that will be displayed in the Children's Room. For grades Pre-K - 3. Parents and siblings are welcome. **Registration required.**

Please note mask use is required in the Library. The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street.



SENIORS LUNCH & "HISTORY OF PITTSFORD SCHOOLS" PROGRAM IS 1/11

Reservation deadline is this Tuesday, January 4

Seniors, join us at 12noon in the VanHuysen Community Room at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center on Tuesday, January 11 for a **home cooked lunch by Chef Julie** and a **special program about the History of Pittsford Schools**, presented by Town and Village Historian Audrey Johnson and Deputy Historian Vicki Masters Profitt. Lunch will include "Not your Mama's meatloaf," mashed potatoes and gravy, glazed carrots, delectable dessert. Cost is \$6.00 per person; **advance registration and payment is required by Tuesday, January 4**. 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 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 .

FIREWORKS COURTESY NOTIFICATION FOR THIS FRIDAY, 12/31

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 April Zurowski in the Department of Public Works at azurowski@townofpittsford.org or 248-6249. Please see below the current fireworks event permit notification.



Current Fireworks Event Notification:

Friday, December 31, 2021 - 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.



CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING UNDERWAY

You can be green even in the winter - recycle your Christmas tree! Town of Pittsford crews will pick up trees placed curbside as long as all plastic bagging and all decorations are removed. Christmas trees are picked up, weather permitting, through the end of January. Christmas trees also may 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 in the spring 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 BILLS AND INFORMATION

The 2022 Town and County tax bills will be mailed to residents on December 31. Your property tax information may be obtained through the Monroe County website on December 31



at: <http://www.monroecounty.gov/apps/propertyapp.php>. We recommend that you consult with your accountant if you are considering prepayment of your 2022 Town and County taxes. Doing so can assist you with determining if prepayment would be a beneficial action for you to take, given the federal and state tax laws that are in effect. [For prepay instructions, click here](#). Please notify the Town Tax office (585-248-6215) if you are mailing in a prepayment with a U.S. postmark of December 31, 2021, so you are correctly receipted for this payment. The earliest that the Town Tax Office *may* have the 2022 property tax amounts from the County will be December 30. **Please note Town Hall will be closed on December 31.**

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

- [Pittsford Rotary Food Drive](#), Saturday, 1/8, 9:00am - 12noon, Pittsford Sutherland High School bus loop, 55 Sutherland Street, collecting canned and packaged food items, personal hygiene items and cleaning supplies to benefit the [Pittsford Food Cupboard](#) and the [People's Pantry of Rochester](#) (click links for complete lists of needs).
- [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

- **Town Board Year-End Meeting**, Wednesday, 12/29, 4:00pm, Public Meeting Room, Town Hall (lower level), 11 South Main Street; ASL interpretation provided, current CDC guidelines will be followed; the meeting agenda is posted at least two days prior to the meeting on the Town website here: www.townofpittsford.org/minutes
- **Environmental Board**, Monday, 1/3, 7:00pm, Town Hall – 2nd Floor Conference Room, 11 South Main Street, current CDC guidelines will be followed; the meeting agenda is posted at least two days prior to the meeting on the Town website here: www.townofpittsford.org/minutes
- [Town Board Zoning Code Update meetings](#) – the Zoning Update meetings are tentatively scheduled for the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at noon, through the end of 2021. Find updated meeting listings at www.townofpittsford.org/calendar and find complete Zoning Update information at www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

- **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, 1/8/22, 9:00 - 10:00am, Fisher Meeting Room (first floor), Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street. Current COVID-19 health guidelines will be followed.
- [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
- [Pittsford Art Group](#) conducts monthly member meetings 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.

COVID-19 Closure Updates

12/13/21 Update: By order of NYS Governor Kathy Hochul, until January 15, 2022 the Town must require all persons entering Town buildings to be masked, regardless of vaccination status. This applies to all Town indoor facilities, including Town Hall, the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, the Pittsford Community Library, Town Court and the Highway Department, Sewer Department and Parks Department offices.

On June 15, 2021, Governor Cuomo announced that COVID-19 restrictions are lifted immediately as 70 percent of New Yorkers aged 18 or older have received the first dose of their COVID-19 vaccination series. The State's health guidance and New York Forward industry specific guidelines—including social gathering limits, capacity restrictions, social distancing, cleaning and disinfection, health screening, and contact information for tracing—are now optional for retail, food services, offices, gyms and fitness centers, amusement and family entertainment, hair salons, barber shops and personal care services, among other commercial settings.

On August 2, 2021, Monroe County was designated as a County with a “substantial” COVID infection. Consequently, the CDC now recommends that people, regardless of vaccination status, wear a mask indoors. This is a recommendation, not a mandate. The guidelines are unclear at this point, as is the situation. Neither the State, the County or the Town has imposed a mask *requirement* at this stage.

Unvaccinated individuals continue to be responsible for wearing masks, in accordance with federal CDC guidance. Consistent with the State's implementation of the recent CDC guidance, masks are still required for unvaccinated individuals.

For information on the vaccine, on getting the vaccine, regional vaccination data and more visit the [Finger Lakes COVID-19 Vaccine Hub](#).

Monroe County Services at Town facilities:

The County has suspended until further notice Passport Services at Town Hall and Mobile DMV service at Pittsford Town Court. Find updated information for Monroe County DMV here <https://www2.monroecounty.gov/clerk-COVID-19>.

Further information and updates can be found at www.townofpittsford.org/covid-19info.

COVID-19 Coronavirus Information Links

Further Town of Pittsford COVID-19 coronavirus information and updates can be found

at www.townofpittsford.org/covid-19info.

[Pittsford Central School District COVID-19 Coronavirus Updates](#)

You can find information on COVID-19 coronavirus at the County Health Department's website: <https://www2.monroecounty.gov/health-index.php>.

Additional information about business closure requirements throughout Monroe County can be found on the County's Website: www.monroecounty.gov

The CDC also has information on its website at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/share-facts-stop-fear.html>.

In addition, the CDC has information relevant to anyone planning to travel outside of the United States: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html?deliveryName=USCDC_2067-DM20785.

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