

# News & Reviews

October 2, 2024

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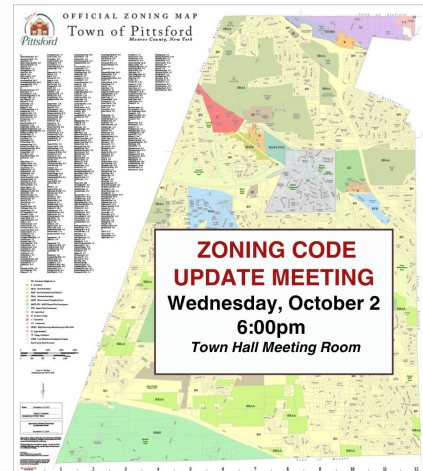
*See listings below for  
Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings*

## ZONING CODE REVISION MEETING TONIGHT – WEDNESDAY, 10/2

The Town Board's next meeting to continue its revision of our Zoning Code is **tonight** – **Wednesday, October 2, at 6:00pm** in Town Hall, 11 South Main Street.

Items for consideration will be:

- Revision of Residential Use Regulations regarding keeping chickens
- Parking Regulations
- Nonresidential Districts Regulations



You will [find draft regulations for keeping chickens here](#).

You will [find the draft Parking Regulations here](#).

You will [find the draft Nonresidential Districts Regulations here](#).

**Public participation in these sessions is important!** The meetings are open to the public and will be live streamed. Pittsford residents and business owners can **offer comments at the meeting** or can submit comments by email to [zoningupdate@townofpittsford.org](mailto:zoningupdate@townofpittsford.org).

Videos of the Zoning Revision meetings are posted in the days following each meeting. To see them, and to learn more, visit our **Zoning Code Update website** at [www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate](http://www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate).

## **SUPERVISOR OPEN HOUSE WITH BILL SMITH THIS SATURDAY, 10/5**

Town Supervisor Bill Smith will host his next community open house meeting this Saturday, October 5 from 9:00 - 10:00am at the Pittsford Community Library. If you have questions, ideas, or comments for Supervisor Smith, be sure to stop by and join the conversation!

# Supervisor Saturday

with Pittsford Town Supervisor

**Bill Smith**

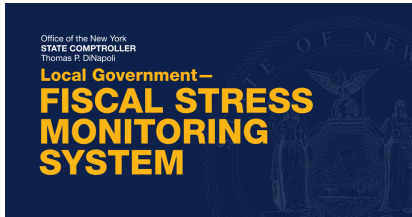
9:00 - 10:00am

Pittsford Community Library

**Stop by and join  
the conversation!**

This casual open house will be held in the Fisher Meeting Room. Supervisor Saturday enables residents who can't stop by to see Supervisor Smith 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 welcomes visits from residents at Town Hall during regular business hours Monday to Friday by appointment. As always, he's available by phone at 248-6220 and by email at <https://bsmith@townofpittsford.org>.



## **Message from Town Supervisor Bill Smith:**

### **REPORT CARD FROM THE STATE COMPTROLLER**

The State Comptroller's office has sent me its annual evaluation of the Town of Pittsford's fiscal stress. The Comptroller rates each town on a scale of 1 to

10. The more stress, the higher the number. So it's like a golf score. The lower the number, the better you've done.

On the scale of 1 to 10, Pittsford's number? Zero.

On a fiscal stress scale of 1 to 10, we're not on the scale at all. No fiscal stress whatsoever.

You may rely upon me to continue the approach to Town budgeting – and to Town policy – that gets us report cards like these.

### **TOWN CLOSURES FOR STAFF MEETING THIS FRIDAY, 10/4**

***Town Hall Closing at Noon, Library closed all day, Community Center will Remain Open***

Due to the annual Town of Pittsford staff meeting, **Town Hall will close at noon this Friday, October 4;** please note **this includes the Town Clerk/Tax Office.**

The Town Highway, Parks and Sewer departments also will close at noon. The Pittsford Community

**Library will be closed all day** for staff training and the

staff meeting. The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center will be open regular hours.

### **Town Staff Meeting Closures for Friday, October 4**

**TOWN HALL CLOSSES AT NOON**

**LIBRARY CLOSED ALL DAY**

**COMMUNITY CENTER OPEN  
REGULAR HOURS**

TOWN OF PITTSFORD



### **UPDATE – TOWN HISTORIAN'S OFFICE OPEN THIS THURSDAY, CLOSED 10/10**

We have an update regarding upcoming hours for the **Town Historian's Office** – the office will be **open this Thursday, October 3** and will be **closed next Thursday, October 10.**

Regular hours (11:00am - 3:00pm) will resume on Thursday, October 17. Visit the [Historian](#) page on the Town website for more information about our Town



## FAMILY HALLOWEEN FEST IS SUNDAY, 10/20

**At the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center,  
parking at Sutherland High School**

Be sure to join us for the Town of Pittsford's [Family Halloween Fest](#) to be held Sunday, October 20 from 2:00 - 5:00pm at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue.



Enjoy crafts, games, and refreshments, with indoor and outdoor activities! It's sure to be an afternoon of great family fun. **Admission is free but we request one canned good item per person to benefit the Pittsford Food Cupboard.** Park at Pittsford Sutherland High School, 55 Sutherland Street in the Village, and take our free hayride shuttle to the Community Center. Details are being finalized; find updates on our Family Halloween Fest webpage at [www.townofpittsford.org/halloweenfest](http://www.townofpittsford.org/halloweenfest) as the date approaches. We hope to see you there!

A poster for the Living Healthy Workshop by LifeSpan. It features a collage of words related to health and stress management, a heart-shaped bowl of fruit, a photo of people exercising, and a photo of the Pittsford Senior Center building. The text reads: "LIVING HEALTHY Workshop by LifeSpan", "Tuesdays", "October 15 - November 19", "12:30 - 3:00pm", "at the Pittsford Senior Center".

## LIVING HEALTHY WORKSHOP FOR SENIORS BEGINS OCTOBER 15

Join us for a six-week Healthy Living Workshop taught by Lifespan for adults with a chronic or limiting health condition and their caregivers. Taught by Lifespan facilitators, sessions focus on the physical, emotional and social impacts of living with or caring for someone with a chronic health condition. Attendees will discuss healthy living strategies, including nutrition, managing stress, exercise, sleep, problem solving and managing difficult emotions.

The Living Healthy Workshop will take place 12:30 to 3:00pm on Tuesdays from October 15 through November 19 at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center (room 204). A suggested contribution of \$20 includes textbooks, a relaxation CD, and refreshments. **Spots are limited; call 248-6235 to reserve your space!**

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 the Senior Programs Office at 248-6235.

## DONATE "COATS FOR SENIORS" AT SPIEGEL PITTSFORD COMMUNITY CENTER

The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is again participating in the Monroe County Office for the Aging and Medical Motor Service of Rochester's annual Coats for Seniors coat drive. The Community Center, located at 35 Lincoln Avenue, is a drop-off location for new and gently worn coats that will be distributed to seniors in need across Monroe County. **They're also accepting other winter accessories, including hats, scarves, mittens, and gloves.**



Seniors who would like to request a coat can call any participating senior center in Monroe County or the Monroe County Office for the Aging at 753-6280. For more information, stop by or call the Pittsford Senior Programs office at 248-6235. The Senior Center will collect coats and other winter accessories through October 31, 2024.

If you're holiday shopping and get a great deal on a new coat, please consider donating the gently worn coat you're replacing. Of course, if you'd like to purchase a new coat to donate, that would be greatly appreciated! Drop off coat donations any time throughout the month of October. The Town's Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue.



### **PITTSFORD ROTARY FOOD DRIVE THIS SATURDAY, 9AM – 12PM**

The Rotary Club of Pittsford's next food drive is scheduled for this Saturday, October 5, from 9:00am-noon at the Pittsford Sutherland High School bus loop. In addition to the **Pittsford Food Cupboard**, donations will support Rochester's **St. Joseph's Neighborhood Center** and the Nazareth University **Oak Tree Food Pantry**. *Gently used recent issues (past 12*

*months) of magazines will also be collected for distribution to various social agencies in the Rochester area.*

The [Pittsford Food Cupboard](#) plays a crucial role in addressing food insecurity within our community. Donations help ensure that local families have access to essential food items that will promote well-being and stability. The pantry is currently in need of protein in a can (tuna, chicken, Vienna sausage, sardines, beef chili, hash, Spam, hearty soup with 6 grams of protein or more). They're also in need of dog and cat food. They currently have no room for corn or any type of canned beans and they do not accept perishables.

[St. Joseph's Neighborhood Center](#) is a small food pantry serving residents in the Cathedral neighborhood of Rochester. It is a client choice food pantry, meaning each guest can make individual food choices according to distribution guidelines. In addition to food items, the center is also in need of hygiene and cleaning products, such as soap, shampoo, toothbrushes and toothpaste, and deodorant, hand sanitizer and disinfectant wipes. New gloves, mittens, hats, socks and scarves are also welcome in anticipation of the cold months ahead.

[The Oak Tree Pantry](#) serves those with food insecurity in the Nazareth University community. Specific needs for the Oak Tree Food Pantry include items that can be easily prepared by students, including soups, canned meats and vegetables, and sauces. The pantry has an ongoing need for granola bars, pasta, peanut butter, soap and other hygiene products.

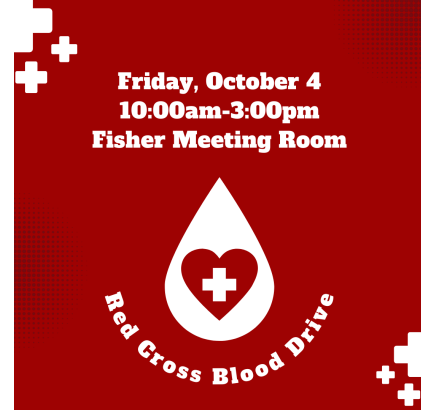
The Pittsford Rotary Club has scheduled food drives the first Saturday of the month through next spring. Additional information is available at [pittsfordrotaryclub.org](http://pittsfordrotaryclub.org) or contact David Irwin by email ([driwin8@gmail.com](mailto:driwin8@gmail.com)) or phone (585-269-2132). Please help our Rotarians help those in need if you can!

**BLOOD DRIVE AT THE LIBRARY THIS FRIDAY,  
OCTOBER 4**



***Emergency platelet shortage! Without immediate donations, lifesaving medical treatments for cancer patients and others are at risk.***

The Town of Pittsford will host a Red Cross blood drive this Friday, October 4, from 10:00am-3:00pm at the Pittsford Community Library in the Fisher Meeting Room. The Library is located at 24 State Street in the Village of Pittsford. All who give blood in October will receive a \$10 Amazon.com Gift Card by email and will be entered for a chance to win one of three \$5000 gift cards!



Maximize your blood donation and help more patients! If you are an eligible type O, B, or A donor, consider making a Power Red donation. Red blood cells are the most transfused blood component.

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting [www.redcrossblood.org/donate-blood/manage-my-donations/rapidpass](http://www.redcrossblood.org/donate-blood/manage-my-donations/rapidpass) to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.

Donating blood is a simple thing to do, but it can make an enormous difference in the lives of others. If you are eligible and feeling well, please make an appointment today to give by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) or calling 800-RED-CROSS.



### **THE LITTLE HOUSE OPEN THIS SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5**

The Little House, Historic Pittsford's headquarters and museum, **will be open to visitors this Saturday, October 5, from 9:00-12:00pm.** Stop by to meet the Town and Village Historian, Vicki Profitt, and other board members! Enjoy cider and donuts while you check out the new historic exhibits and displays for fall. If you have an interest in local history, would like to know more about Historic Pittsford and the Little House, or are curious about an early Pittsford family

or property, let them know.

The Little House is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, volunteer organization incorporated in 1965 and chartered under the New York State Department of Education. It serves as Historic Pittsford's office, has a resource room for historic research and exhibits of interest to all ages. The Little House is open the first Saturday of each month and by appointment. Call (585) 381-2941 or email [HistoricPittsford@gmail.com](mailto:HistoricPittsford@gmail.com) to schedule a time to visit. The Little House is located at 18 Monroe Avenue, right next to the fire station. Visit [HistoricPittsford.com](http://HistoricPittsford.com) for more information.

### **THE WOMEN'S CLUB OF PITTSFORD GARAGE SALE & BAKE IS OCTOBER 11 & 12**

The [Women's Club of Pittsford](http://Women's Club of Pittsford) garage and bake sale is coming up on Friday, October 11 through Saturday, October 12! The sale will be held from 9:00am to 4:00pm each day at King's Bend Park in the North

Lodge. This eclectic sale features a variety of items from numerous households, including books, puzzles, antiques, jewelry, pictures, household items, linens, garden supplies, small appliances, furniture, dishes, toys, tools – and delicious baked goods too! Proceeds from the sale will benefit the group’s charitable efforts.

The Women’s Club of Pittsford supports a variety of community service projects, educational programs, and fund-raising activities to the benefit of those in the Pittsford community and beyond. The Club has received various awards and accolades for its charitable efforts throughout its 40-year history. Stop by their sale – you never know what unexpected treasures you might find, and you’ll be supporting a great cause! King’s Bend Park is located at 170 West Jefferson Road.



### **PITTSFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE IS SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12**

Our Pittsford Fire Department provides an invaluable service to our community. On October 12, you’ll have an opportunity to meet these dedicated volunteers in person and learn about what it takes to be a firefighter!

Come to the Pittsford Fire Department’s Community Open House on Saturday, October 12 from 9:00am – 11:00am at Fire Station #1, 8 Monroe Avenue (near the Main Street Four Corners). Learn about your local volunteer fire department and the importance of fire safety and fire prevention. Take a tour of the station,

enjoy fun family activities, and get an up-close look at the firetrucks, tools and equipment. And be sure to chat with our volunteer firefighters – they’ll be available to provide information, answer questions, and discuss all things related to firefighting! Enjoy donuts and cider too. The event is free and open to the public.

First-responders and representatives from the Monroe County Sheriff’s Office, Pittsford Volunteer Ambulance, the Monroe County Office of Traffic Safety, and the STOP-DWI program will be on site as well providing additional health and safety information.

As the number of calls for service continues to grow, so does the need for volunteers. The Pittsford Volunteer Fire Department is always looking for members of the community interested in joining their ranks. If you would like to find out more about how you can make a vital contribution to our community as a volunteer firefighter, stop by the open house on Saturday, October 12.

### **REMINDERS**

#### **TOWN COURT CLOSED THROUGH TODAY, 10/2 FOR CLERKS’ CONFERENCE**

The Pittsford Town Court offices will be closed through Wednesday October 2 for the 2024 New York State Association Magistrates Court Clerks Annual



## TOWN COURT CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING

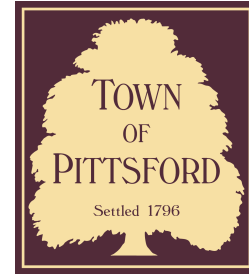
*Pittsford Town Court offices  
will be closed Monday,  
September 30 through  
Wednesday, October 2 for  
staff training.*



Business Meeting. If you have a court inquiry during this time, please call 585-248-6238 and leave a message or [send an email](#) to our Court Administrator. You will receive a response to inquiries when the Court offices reopen on Thursday October 3.

## 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](http://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](mailto: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](http://www.townofpittsford.org/channel12) and use the On-Demand links to view previously recorded meetings.

## UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD

- [Red Cross Blood Drive at Pittsford Community Library](#), Friday, 10/4, 10:00am-3:00pm, Pittsford Community Library Fisher Meeting Room, 24 State Street; [schedule an appointment in advance using this online registration link](#) or call 1800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).
- [Pittsford Rotary Food Drive](#), Saturday, 10/5, 9:00am - 12noon, Pittsford Sutherland High School bus loop, 55 Sutherland Street, collecting canned and packaged food items and personal hygiene items to benefit the [Pittsford Food Cupboard](#), [Nazareth College Oak Tree Food Pantry](#), and [St. Joseph's Neighborhood Center](#) (click links for information and lists of needs); gently used recent (past 12 months) magazines are also needed.
- **Coats for Seniors Drive at Community Center** – donate new or gently worn coats and winter accessories, to be distributed to senior citizens in need across Monroe County; drop off at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 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 October 31, 2023.

- [PTSA Super Sale](#), 9:00am - 7:00pm, Saturday and Sunday, 10/19-20, Nazareth University Golisano Training Center, 4245 East Avenue; Sunday is 50% off sale 9:00am – 2:00pm and “Make a Deal” 2:00 – 7:00pm. For more info see the [PTSA Super Sale web page](#)
- [Town of Pittsford Family Halloween Fest](#), Sunday, 10/20, 2:00-5:00pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue, indoor and outdoor activities, event parking at Sutherland High School, 55 Sutherland Street; games, crafts, refreshments, requested donation one canned good per person, to benefit Pittsford Food Cupboard.
- [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](http://www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate). Comments can be made to [zoningupdate@townofpittsford.org](mailto: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

- **Zoning Code Update Town Board meeting**, Wednesday, 10/2, 6:00pm, Town Hall lower level meeting room, 11 South Main Street. Meeting will be live-streamed and recorded; comments can be submitted in advance (mail or email) or at the meeting (email or in person). Find [comment/viewing info here](#); find complete Zoning Code Update information at [www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate](http://www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate). Find [links to the documents for discussion here](#). Updated meeting listings will be posted at [www.townofpittsford.org/calendar](http://www.townofpittsford.org/calendar).
- **Pittsford Community Library Board**, Monday, 10/7, 6:00pm, 2nd Floor Learning Center, 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](http://www.townofpittsford.org/minutes) – **NOTE DAY, DATE AND ROOM CHANGE**
- **Environmental Board**, Monday, 10/7, 7:00pm, 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](http://www.townofpittsford.org/minutes)

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- **Village Board of Trustees Meeting**, Tuesday, 10/8, 5:00pm; more information and participation details will be listed on the Village website [here](#) as the meeting date approaches
- **Village Board of Trustees** meetings are generally the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 5:00pm, Village Hall, 21 North Main Street; more information



and participation details will be listed on the Village website [here](#) as the meeting date approaches

- [American Legion Rayson-Miller Post 899](#) Tuesday morning breakfast and socializing, every Tuesday, 8:00-9:30am (kitchen closes at 9:15am), 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; 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 [www.womensclubofpittsford.org](http://www.womensclubofpittsford.org) for more information
- [Pittsford Art Group](#) 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](http://www.pittsfordartgroup.com) and fill out a [Contact Us](#) form.

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