

News & Reviews

January 22, 2025

Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy and Climate Smart Community

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Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings

KEEP ON COMPOSTING! Impact Earth Offers Discounts to Pittsford Residents Who Participated in Pilot Food Scraps Program Our Pilot Food Scraps Collection Program ended when County funding stopped, but your composting doesn't have to end! Local organization Impact Earth has a food scraps recycling program that offers both curbside pickup and drop-off options. Impact Earth is offering participants of

the Pilot Food Scraps Collection the following incentives for subscribing to one of their services:



- Waiver of the initial start-up fee.
- A free month of service for participants who sign up for a one-year subscription. (The free month will appear as a credit upon payment.)
- The opportunity to pool together with neighbors for a communal toter, the cost of which can be split by each family/user.

*** To receive these discounts, you must inform Impact Earth you are a Pittsford resident who participated in the Pilot Food Scraps Collection Program. ***

To learn more about **Impact Earth** and the services they offer, visit <u>www.impactearthroc.com</u>.

To sign up for **composting services**, visit <u>https://www.impactearthroc.com/composting-services</u>

If you have questions to ask before subscribing, direct them to support@impactearthroc.com, or call Impact Earth at 585-315-0160.

All residents interested in the future of organics recycling in our community are encouraged to **participate in a survey** offered through the County online: <u>https://bartonloguidice.mysocialpinpoint.com/monroe-county-omp/share/df4c22cd</u>

The County is gathering responses as part of the development of their Monroe County Organics Management Plan. All questions are optional, unless otherwise noted. At the end of the survey, there is an opportunity to enter your name to win a \$50 gift card!

Thanks again for participating in the Pilot Food Scraps Collection Program! Your participation and feedback provided valuable information. Stay tuned for future environmental initiatives within the Town of Pittsford!

2025 TOWN AND COUNTY TAX BILLS HAVE BEEN MAILED – DUE 2/10

If you are not in escrow, you should have received your 2025 Town and County property tax bill in the mail by this time. If you have not, please do one of the following:

1. Download and print a copy directly from the <u>Monroe County website</u>



2. Call the Town Tax Office at 585-248-6215; or email the Town Clerk/Tax Receiver at: townclerk@townofpittsford.org and they will email a copy of the bill to you.

The interest-free Town and County property tax payment deadline is 2/10; first installments are also accepted on or before 2/10. Please be sure to read all the instructions and information written on the back of your bill carefully. *Please include your payment coupon (page 2 of your bill) and a contact phone number on your check.* Failure to do so increases processing time.

You can make your payment by:

- By mail to: Renee McQuillen, Receiver, 11 South Main Street, Pittsford NY 14534
- In person, Monday through Friday 8 AM to 4 PM at Pittsford Town Hall, 11 South Main Street, or through the mail slots (into locked boxes) available 24/7, located at both the front and back entrances.
 - For cash payments, we ask that you bring the exact amount and please call ahead for an appointment to ensure we have proper staffing.
- First Installments and full payments can also be made at Canandaigua National Bank, 18 State Street, in Pittsford Village through February 10, 2025.
- Online through Monroe County by credit card or check debit. Please note there is a 2.75% fee to pay by credit card and a sliding scale fee to pay by check debit. To pay online, click <u>HERE</u>.

As in the past we **strongly** advise that you do NOT pay by electronic check, as these payments do not receive a U.S. postmark and may arrive late. If you choose to pay 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. If the payment is received past the deadline, it will be considered late and accrue interest penalties.

PITTSFORD RECREATION'S SWEETHEART DANCE IS FEBRUARY 9 The Pittsford Recreation Department's annual Sweetheart Dance will take place Friday, February 7 from 6:30 – 9:00pm at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center.

Children ages 5-13, accompanied by an adult, can dance the night away at this memorable evening full of music, refreshments, and fun! A DJ will provide lively music and fun activities. Don't miss this special night! Cost is \$20/\$25 per person. Register early as space is limited through the <u>Town of Pittsford website</u>, or stop by the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center to register in person.



The Town's Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. To learn more about our programs, activities and services, <u>click here to visit the Town</u> of Pittsford's Recreation page on the Town website, <u>email the Recreation Department</u> <u>here</u>, or call the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center at 585-248-6280.

PITTSFORD COMMUNITY LIBRARY NOW OFFERS PITTSFORD RESIDENTS DIGITAL ACCESS TO THE *DEMOCRAT AND CHRONICLE* AND *USA TODAY* The Pittsford Community Library is excited to announce that **patrons can now access the** *Democrat & Chronicle* and *USA Today*, papers that

will provide even more national and global news coverage while also sharing a look at what's happening here at home. To learn more and to access both papers, <u>visit the Library website</u> and login using your library card and *USA Today* account. *This service is only available to Pittsford residents with library cards.



The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street. To learn more about upcoming Library programs, visit the sign up for the <u>Library's weekly eNewsletter</u>, visit the <u>Library's online program calendar</u>, or call (585) 248-6275. For complete Library information, including hours of operation, visit <u>www.townofpittsford.org/library</u>.

UPCOMING EVENTS & PROGRAMS AT THE PITTSFORD COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Preserve Treasured Family Memories with digital archiving, a free DIGITAL SAT practice exam, Coding for Beginners for ages 8-12, and a presentation entitled: The Tuskegee Airmen: Keeping an MIA Redtail Pilot's Story Flying.

Check out this selection of diverse programs and events for all ages at the Library this upcoming week! As



For a complete schedule of programs & events at the Pittsford Community Library, please visit their online calendar! always, be sure to look at the Library's <u>online calendar</u> for complete information about upcoming programs that inspire, inform, and enrich.

Most families have treasured video, audio, and still images they want to preserve but they don't know how. John Schroth, owner of Media Transfer Service, LLC, will tell you how to safely store original media, what to consider when deciding how to digitize, which formats are best for specific needs, and how to ensure that you will not lose your digital media. **Preserve Treasured Family Memories** will take place in the **Pittsford Community Library's Fisher Meeting Room** on **Friday, January, January 24**, from **3:00 - 4:00pm**. This event is free and open to the public; no registration required.

Join the staff from Code Ninjas as you code your own video game using the popular block coding platform Scratch! For ages 8-12, Coding for Beginners classes will take place Thursday evenings from 6:00-7:00pm, January 23 through February 14. Registration is required and is for all sessions. <u>Click here to register for Coding for Beginners</u>.

Teens, get ready for the new DIGITAL SAT by taking a free exam on **Sunday, January 26, from 12:00-3:00pm**. *Bring your fully charged testing device with the Bluebook*[™] *application installed* (see detailed device requirements) and a registered student account, a charging cable, a calculator, and pens/pencils. For students in grades 9-12. The exam takes place in the **Pittsford Community Library's Fisher Meeting Room.** Registration required. <u>Click here to register for Practice Exam: SAT.</u>

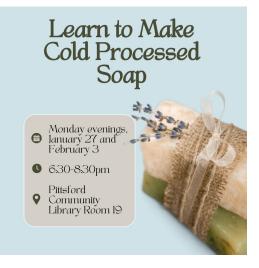
On April 21, 1945, Tuskegee Airman Leland "Sticky" Pennington took off on a flight in his p-51 Mustang Lucy Gal, but en route, the Rochester pilot when missin in action and has never been found. **The Tuskegee Airmen: Keeping an MIA Redtail Pilot's Story Flying** takes place in the Pittsford Community Library's Fisher Meeting Room on Saturday, February 1, from 2:00-3:00pm. This event is free and open to the public; no registration required.

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LEARN TO MAKE COLD PROCESS SOAP WITH PITTSFORD RECREATION - 1/27 & 2/3

Learn to make real soap using the popular cold process method! This is a two-class course. You will learn theory and safety precautions in the first class and receive a list of items to bring to the second class. In the second class, make an actual batch of soap to take home!

"Learn to Make Cold Process Soap" takes place Monday evenings, January 27 and February 3, from 6:30-8:30pm at the Pittsford Community Center. Registration is required; register online through the <u>Town of Pittsford website</u>.



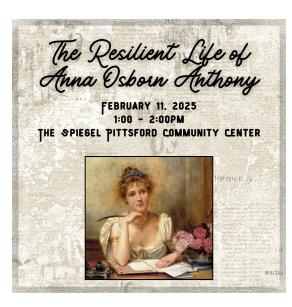
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learn more about our programs, activities and services, <u>click here to visit the Town</u> of Pittsford's Recreation page on the Town website, <u>email the Recreation Department</u> <u>here</u>, or call the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center at 585-248-6280.

"THE RESILIENT LIFE OF ANNA OSBORN ANTHONY" PRESENTATION AT PITTSFORD SENIOR CENTER - 2/11

Seniors, join local author Jeanne Gehret as she presents true stories and "scrapbook" images from the life of Susan B. Anthony's sister-in-law Annie. Her presentation, entitled **"The Resilient life of Anna Osborn"** will take place at the **Spiegel Pittsford Community Center** on *Tuesday,* **February 11, from 1:00 - 2:00pm.** This event is free and open to the public.

Jeanne Gehret draws inspiration from her hometown hero, Susan B. Anthony, for



much of her writing. Her new series of books, the Daunltess series, focuses on Susan B. Anthony's brother Daniel and his wife, Anna. Gehret was a docent for several years at the Susan B. Anthony House and has been performing historic re-enactments of Susan for twenty-five years and has the largest continuous Anthony family blog on record. She is also the author of several children's books. Visit her website at <u>www.jeannegehretauthor.com</u>.

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.

SENIOR CENTER OPEN FOR EUCHRE, OPEN-PLAY CARDS, CANASTA, & MAH JONGG The Senior Center is open for card games on Mondays, Tuesday, and Thursday. Bring a friend, meet new people, and if you don't know how to play, learn in a friendly, welcoming environment! Card games are played at the Pittsford Community Center in room 113. All are welcome!

Senior Center Card Playing Schedule: Euchre: Mondays, 12:00-3:00pm Cards: Open Play, 12:30-3:30pm Canasta, Open Play, Thursdays, 12:00-3:00pm Mah Jongg, Fridays, 1:00 - 4:00pm

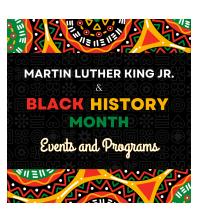


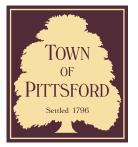
For more information regarding senior card games, call 248-6235. The Town's Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. To learn more about our programs, activities and services for seniors <u>click here to visit</u> the Seniors' page on the Town website, <u>read our Seniors program info brochure</u> online, or call the Senior Programs Office at 248-6235.

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. AND BLACK HISTORY MONTH EVENTS & PROGRAMS

Martin Luther King Jr. Day is on January 20, and February is Black History Month. Here are Martin Luther King Jr. and Black History Month programs and events to be held in Pittsford, and locally, compiled in an interactive PDF for your convenience:

www.townofpittsford.org/files/2025-01/MLK and Black History Month Events-2025 1.pdf





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 <u>www.townofpittsford.org/calendar</u> for meeting dates. To view the livestream, click the <u>Town Board Meeting live streaming link</u> 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

<u>minutes and agendas page</u> 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 <u>comments@townofpittsford.org</u>. 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 <u>www.townofpittsford.org/channel12</u> and use the On-Demand links to view previously recorded meetings.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD

- Sweetheart Dance children ages 5 to 13 can dance the night away, accompanied by an adult, Friday, 2/9, 6:30-9:00pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue; music and activities, advance registration required, \$20 per person, <u>more info and registration online</u> or at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center
- <u>Town of Pittsford Zoning Code Update</u> 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

- Zoning Board of Appeals, Monday, 1/20, 6:30pm, 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
- Design Review & Historic Preservation Board, Thursday, 1/23, 6:00pm, 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
- Planning Board, Monday, 1/27, 6:30pm, Town Hall, Public Meeting Room (lower level), 11 South Main Street; the meeting agenda is posted at least two days prior to the meeting on the Town website here: <u>www.townofpittsford.org/minutes</u>

COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

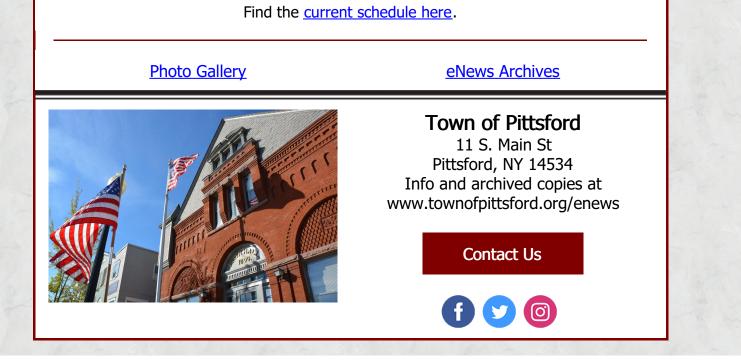
- <u>Village Board of Trustees</u> meetings are generally the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 5:00pm, Village Hall, 21 North Main Street; more information and participation details will be listed on the Village website <u>here</u> as the meeting date approaches
- <u>American Legion Rayson-Miller Post 899</u> 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 <u>membership information</u> or visit the <u>Rayson-Miller Post website</u>
- <u>Pittsford Rotary Club</u>, 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
- <u>Women's Club of Pittsford</u> 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 <u>www.womensclubofpittsford.org</u> for more information
- <u>Pittsford Art Group</u> 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 <u>www.pittsfordartgroup.com</u> and fill out a <u>Contact Us</u> form.

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