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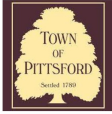
SUPERVISOR OPEN HOUSE WITH BILL SMITH THIS SATURDAY, 3/1

Town Supervisor Bill Smith will host his next community open house meeting this **Saturday, March 1**, 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!

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 by appointment during regular business hours, Monday to Friday. As always, he's available by phone at 248-6220 and email at bsmith@townofpittsford.org.

Supervisor Saturday
with Bill Smith



9:00 - 10:00am
Pittsford Community Library

*Come and join the
conversation!*

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Call **585-720-0978**
or email office@seyrekdisposal.com to
receive delay or cancellation notices by
phone.



TO RECEIVE SERVICE UPDATES FROM SEYREK DISPOSAL, REFUSE DISTRICT PARTICIPANTS MUST SUBMIT PHONE NUMBERS

Are you a Town of Pittsford resident participating in a refuse district? If so, you would probably like to receive service updates by phone, including service delays or cancellations. Seyrek Disposal may not have your phone number. **Ensure you're on their phone notification list by calling (585) 720-0978 or emailing them at office@seyrekdisposal.com.**

CELEBRATING NATIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

*A Messenger from Supervisor Bill Smith
Dear Pittsford Community,*

As we observe **National Public Schools Week**, I want to take a moment to celebrate the incredible educational opportunities that Pittsford schools provide, to acknowledge the exceptional efforts of our teachers, staff, and school board, and to recognize the outstanding successes of Pittsford students. This week, we honor the commitment and passion that makes our Pittsford Central School District – ranked among the top 1% of school districts in America by Niche.com – one of the finest in New York State.



Our community understands the importance of education in shaping the future of our children and our community.

Thank you for your ongoing support and dedication to the future of our students. Together, we continue to make Pittsford a place where excellence in education is a shared priority.



SENIORS MARDI GRAS LUNCH AND MUSIC BY THE SMUGTOWN STOMPERS ON TUESDAY, MARCH 4

Reservations due Thursday, 2/27

Seniors, join us for a delicious Mardi Gras-themed lunch with musical entertainment by the Smugtown Stompers, upstate New York's premiere Dixieland band, on **March 4 at 12:00noon**. A multicolor slaw salad, chicken and sausage gumbo (stew), hurricane punch, and a slice of Kings Cake for dessert are on the menu. The Smugtown Stompers will provide musical entertainment.

The lunch and the program will be held in the VanHuysen Community Room, costing \$8.00 per person. **Advance registration is required by**

February 27. 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 the Senior Programs Office at 248-6235.

SENIORS MOVIE MATINEE MARCH 6: *JULIE & JULIA*

Reservations required by this Monday, March

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Seniors, join us on **Thursday, March 6**, for a free morning movie matinee featuring *Julie & Julia* – the 2009 biographical comedy-drama featuring Amy Adams and Meryl Streep as Julia Child! Enjoy a complimentary selection of coffee, breakfast pastries, and popcorn while you watch the film, and then stay afterward for a lunch of pizza, salad, and dessert if you'd like!

The movie begins at **10:30am** in the **VanHuysen Community Room at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center**. The movie and snacks are free; the cost for the optional lunch is \$6.00 per person. So that we can plan accordingly, please register for the movie and the optional lunch by **March 3** by calling **(585) 248 - 6235**.



Julie & Julia is a 2009 biographical comedy-drama film that intertwines the lives of two women: Famous chef Julia Child and contemporary New Yorker Julia Powell. The film beautifully tells their stories, highlighting their passion for cooking, challenges, and personal growth.

The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. To learn more about our programs, activities, and services for seniors, visit the [Seniors page](#) on the Town website, read the [Seniors program](#) info brochure online, or call our Senior Programs Office at 248-6235.



PLANT A TREE WITH NEIGHBORHOOD FOREST

**Registration begins this Saturday, March 1*
Kids can receive a FREE tree seedling to plant at home, thanks to [Neighborhood Forest](#), a nonprofit organization whose mission is to "give every child the priceless joy of planting and watching trees grow." Each participant will receive planting instructions and species information about their tree upon pick up. **Seedlings will be available for pickup at the Library beginning April 21**, just in time for Earth Day, April 22. Further details on pickup to follow. **Registration begins THIS**

Saturday, March 1. Register online through the [Pittsford Library Calendar](#).

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

PITTSFORD ROTARY FOOD DRIVE THIS SATURDAY, MARCH 1, 9AM – 12PM

The Rotary Club of Pittsford's next food drive is scheduled for this Saturday, March 1, from 9:00am-noon at the Pittsford Sutherland High School bus loop. In addition to the **Pittsford Food Cupboard**, donations will support Rochester's **Dimitri House** 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.* Rotarians and Interact Club members will collect at the drive, rain or shine or snow!



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. Food pantry items especially needed include canned peaches and pineapples (no small cups, please), rice sides, crushed, whole, or pureed canned tomatoes (no diced), flour, sugar, oil, and coffee. The cupboard has no room for corn, black beans, white beans, OR green beans.

[The Dimitri House](#) provides food and affordable housing for its neighbors who need support in their journey toward self-sufficiency.

[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 students can easily prepare, including soups, canned meats and vegetables, and sauces. The pantry also needs granola bars, pasta, peanut butter, soap, and other hygiene products.

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



THE LITTLE HOUSE OPEN THIS SATURDAY, MARCH 1

The Little House, Historic Pittsford's headquarters and museum, will be open for visitors this **Saturday, March 1, from 9:00-12:00pm**. There will be fun for the whole family! Stop by, talk with Historic Pittsford Board members, and meet Margot Fass, activist, author, speaker, psychiatrist, and founder of A Frog House. Endangered species, especially frogs, are Margot's passion. She says, "*Like The Little House and frogs themselves, A Frog House is small but mighty! Thanks to many generous*

souls, a dream is coming true in the Village Arboretum." Don't miss this opportunity to meet Margot and learn about an exciting new community initiative – installing vernal ponds and garden spots in the Robert C. Corby Arboretum and Wildlife Sanctuary.

Located at **18 Monroe Avenue** next to Pittsford's Fire Station, the Little House is a historic gem in the heart of the Village of Pittsford. It serves as Historic Pittsford's office, has a resource room for historic research, and exhibits of interest to all ages.

If you are interested 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, stop in and talk with the historian and Historic Pittsford board members. The Little House is also open by appointment. Call (585) 381-2941 or email HistoricPittsford@gmail.com to schedule a time to visit. Visit HistoricPittsford.com for more information.



Pittsford Fights Again Invasive Species
It's National Invasive Species Awareness Week! **National Invasive Species Awareness Week (NISAW)** is an international event to raise awareness of invasive species, their threat, and what can be done to prevent their spread.

Combatting invasive species is crucial for preserving our region's biodiversity and overall ecological health. These aggressive, non-native species disrupt natural ecosystems by out-competing native species, destroying habitats, disrupting food chains, altering soil and water chemistry, and spreading diseases and

parasites.

The Town of Pittsford, a nationally recognized eco-conscious town, works hard to mitigate the damage incurred by invasive species in the Town's community spaces by controlling their spread and planting native plants and trees.

Recently, two community members, Sarah Sutton and Laurie Konte, came to a town board meeting with a plan to **restore an section of Pittsford's De Blasé Green by removing invasive trees and planting native ones in their place.** The Board approved the initiative and agreed that the Town should partner with the volunteers to help them achieve success.

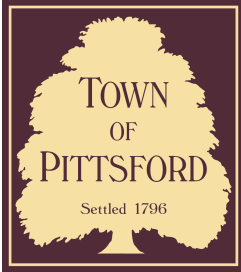
Every native tree planted tremendously impacts biodiversity by supporting a wide range of organisms, from insects and birds to fungi and mammals. Trees act as a corridor for wildlife, linking fragmented habitats and providing a resting spot for migratory species. **One native tree is an anchor for an entire web of life.**

The Town is proud to support initiatives that serve our human and animal neighbors. **Thank you, Ms. Sutton and Ms. Konte, for the time, energy, and hard work in planning and implementing this project.**

Learn how you can combat invasive species! Follow [Color Pittsford Green](#) and the [Town of Pittsford](#) for practical tips to help support our surrounding environment.

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

- [Taste of Pittsford](#), Monday, 3/17, 6-8:30pm, Nazareth College's Shults Center, 4245 East Avenue; featuring a variety of tastings from area restaurants, caterers, wineries and breweries plus a silent auction featuring a variety of items; proceeds to benefit Rotary's many local charitable efforts. Advance ticket sales only; more information and tickets online at www.pittsfordrotaryclub.org.
- [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**, Wednesday, 2/26, 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 – **UPDATED DATE**
- **Design Review & Historic Preservation Board**, Thursday, 2/27, 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
- **Environmental Board**, Monday, 3/3, 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
- **Town Board**, Tuesday, 3/4, 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

COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

- [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 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 and fill out a [Contact Us](#) form.

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