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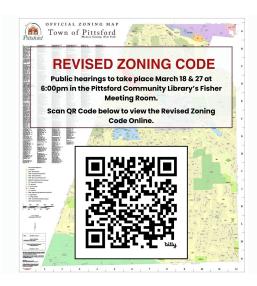
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See listings below for

Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings

## PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR THE PROPOSED REVISED ZONING CODE SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 18 & 27

The Zoning Code revision process is wrapping up! The Town Board will hold public hearings on the proposed revised Zoning Code on Tuesday, March 18, and Thursday, March 27, with a final vote anticipated for the meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup>. Both meetings begin at 6:00PM in the Fisher Room at the Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street. By law, the Zoning Code must be in accordance with the Town's Comprehensive Plan.



Your voice is essential! Please attend the hearings if possible. The hearings are open to the public and will be live-streamed. Pittsford residents and business owners can offer comments during the hearings. Those unable to attend the hearings can submit comments before or during the hearing to zoningupdate@townofpittsford.org.

Review the proposed revised Zoning Code here:

https://bartonloguidice.mysocialpinpoint.com/town-of-pittsford/final-draft-for-public-review or by scanning the QR Code on the above graphic.

# SPRING RECREATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION UNDERWAY

Our Pittsford Recreation team has a spectacular spring program season planned just for you! Program registration for residents is currently underway and opens for all others on March 10. New programs include Dance With Me (18 months to 3 years with a caregiver), Bloom and Breathe Kids Yoga (ages 3 to 5), and Akido – Martial Art of Peace (ages 6 to 13).



For details about our Recreation programming for all ages, see your Spring Recreation Program brochure (mailed to all residents) or view it online at <a href="https://bit.ly/pittsford-rec-brochure">https://bit.ly/pittsford-rec-brochure</a>. Register for programs <a href="mailto:online">online</a> or in person at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue. Sign up for a favorite program or try something new!

## "SPRING FORWARD" – TURN CLOCKS AHEAD THIS SUNDAY, 3/9, & CHECK YOUR SMOKE DETECTOR

So it begins ... Daylight Saving Time arrives this Sunday, March 9, at 2:00am - time to "spring forward" and set your clock ahead one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night. Remember that fire and safety folks like to remind us to use Daylight Saving Time to change the batteries and ensure our smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors are in working order.





# EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: BUILDING DEPARTMENT ASSISTANT

\*Application Deadline March 24

The Town of Pittsford's Department of Public Works has a **full-time Building Department Assistant opening.** This position is responsible for front-line service to walk-in and phone-in residents, builders, contractors, professionals, and volunteer members. The Building Department Assistant works directly under the Fire Marshall, with the Building Inspectors, and Planning Assistant.

This position is 35 hours per week, Monday- Friday from 8:00am-4:00pm, with two to three evening meetings per month. The application deadline is March 24, 2025. Please visit the Town of Pittsford website's <a href="https://example.com/Human Resources">Human Resources</a> page for the complete job description and application information.

## SENIORS CRAFT CLUB AT COMMUNITY CENTER – NEXT MEETING THIS FRIDAY, 3/7

Our Pittsford Recreation Department has excellent programs for seniors - and our seniors do wonderful things for others! The Seniors Craft Club, held at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, makes items for our Senior lunch giveaways and for local charities. Craft Club is a wonderful opportunity to get creative, make friends, and do something positive for others. If you or someone you know enjoys crafting or wants to learn something new, join us! Craft Club meets once a month on Fridays from 9:30 to 11:30am. The next meeting is this Friday, March 7. To get an idea of how many supplies we need, reservations for Craft Club are required; call 248-6235 to reserve your spot!



For more information, 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, visit our Seniors page at <a href="https://www.townofpittsford.org/seniors">www.townofpittsford.org/seniors</a>, read our <a href="mailto:seniors">Seniors</a> program info brochure online, or call our Senior Programs office at 248-6235.



# "MEET MARCH" STORY STROLL BEGINS THIS MONDAY AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER

Our next Story Stroll is this Monday, March 10, through Sunday, March 16. Families can take a leisurely Story Stroll inside the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center while reading "Meet March!" by April Martin. "Meet March" follows the character March as he eagerly anticipates the arrival of spring. But when a late winter freeze occurs, March's pet guinea pig, Goldie, goes into hiding. March and his friends embark on a quest to find the first signs of spring, hoping to find Goldie as they search. The book tells a charming story about

the transition of winter to spring that is filled with themes of friendship, observation, and the joy of nature's renewal.

Once you have completed your Story Stroll, stop by the Community Center front desk and pick up a **themed craft pack to take home!** Craft packs are available Monday through Saturday from 8:00am to 5:00pm and Sunday from 10:00am to 5:00pm. Our next Story Stroll featuring the book "Meet April" will take place April 21 through April 27.

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

UPCOMING EVENTS & PROGRAMS AT THE PITTSFORD COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Irish entertainment, how to have happy, healthy feet, a virtual trip to the Antarctic coastline, and an inspiring talk about political trailblazer Jeannette Rankin! The Library's March schedule includes St. Patrick's Day-themed entertainment, interesting and educational content, and a virtual trip to the "end of the earth!" Check out the Library's online <u>calendar</u> for complete information about upcoming programs for all ages that inspire, inform, and enrich. Here are some of the wonderful programs coming up:



All of the above programs will take place in the Fisher Meeting Room at the Pittsford Community Library. For a complete schedule of programs & events at the Pittsford Community Library, please visit the Library's online calendar!

The Monroe County Irish presents

"Siamsa: An Evening of Irish Entertainment" on Wednesday, March 5, from 6:00 to 7:30pm in the Fisher Meeting Room. Join in commemorating Irish American Heritage Month while enjoying traditional cultural music, dancing, historical stories, and—of course—some traditional soda bread. This event is free and open to the public.

Join us for an **Irish Dance Performance** by students from Rince Na Tiarna! The performance will take place **Sunday, March 9**, from **2:00 to 3:00pm** in the **Fisher Meeting Room**. This event is free and open to the public.

Your feet do a lot for you, so you should do something nice for them! Certified podologists from Andrea's Foot Care & Nails will lead a fun presentation and share information about foot care. "The Happy, Healthy Feet Show" will take place on Thursday, March 6, from 1:00 to 2:00pm in the Fisher Meeting Room. This event is free and open to the public.

Kirk Miller returns to the Pittsford Community Library as your travelogue host for a trip to South America and the end of the earth. "Cruising the Antarctic Coast" takes place on Saturday, March 8, from 2:00 to 3:00pm in the Fisher Meeting Room. This event is free and open to the public.

Mark Sample, professor of history at MCC, will tell the fascinating story of the first woman in U.S. history to be elected to the House of Representatives! "Jeannette Rankin: Political Trailblazer" will take place Monday, March 10, from 6:30 to 7:30pm in the Fisher Meeting Room. This event is free and open to the public.

The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street. To learn more about upcoming Library programs, 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>.

COMMEMORATE NATIONAL RED CROSS MONTH BY DONATING BLOOD AT THE LIBRARY THIS FRIDAY, MARCH 7 As a thank you for stepping up to help patients in need, receive a \$10 Amazon.com gift card



by email when you donate blood in March.
The Town of Pittsford will host a Red Cross blood drive this Friday, March 7, from 10:00am to 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.

National Red Cross Month, observed every March, is a time to recognize and honor the vital work of the American Red Cross. This

organization provides critical aid in disaster, supports our armed forces, and offers lifesaving health services.

A key component of their mission is ensuring a stable blood supply. Giving blood is an act of profound generosity that can make a life-or-death difference for hospital patients every day. Whether it's for accident victims, surgery patients, or those battling chronic illnesses, your blood donation can be a lifeline. This March, consider participating in this essential act of humanitarianism.

There is currently an emergency shortage of Type O Blood and Platelets. According to the Red Cross, "Severe weather has forced thousands of blood donations to go uncollected. Currently, there is an emergency shortage of platelets and type O blood. Donors are needed TODAY!"

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting <a href="https://www.redcrossblood.org/donate-blood/manage-my-donations/rapidpass">www.redcrossblood.org/donate-blood/manage-my-donations/rapidpass</a> 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 by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org, or calling 800-RED-CROSS.

# PITTSFORD ART GROUP SPRING SHOW AT BARNES & NOBLE THROUGH MARCH 29

The Pittsford Art Group (PAG) Spring Art Show is currently underway at Barnes & Noble in Pittsford Plaza. The show features the talent of local artists in various single and combined media, including acrylic, oil, watercolor, pastel, gouache, and graphite. Many works are for sale. The juried show runs through March 29 and takes place in the Barnes & Noble second-floor gallery during open hours. Pittsford Plaza is located at 3349 Monroe Avenue. The public is welcome; admission is free.

Pittsford Art Group has been a part of our community for over 50 years. They're dedicated to



promoting fine art education, appreciation, enjoyment, and distribution. The group hosts juried and non-juried art shows and displays artwork in various locales

throughout Pittsford. PAG also holds monthly member meetings, in person and online, featuring a guest artist. New members are welcome! For more information or to become a member, visit <a href="www.pittsfordartgroup.com">www.pittsfordartgroup.com</a>.



## PIANO CONCERT IN HONOR OF WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH AT THE UNITED CHURCH OF PITTSFORD ON MARCH 11

In honor of Women's History Month, pianist John Williams is presenting a concert entitled "Great Ladies of Song," a narrated tribute to great female singers of popular music over the last 100 years! The concert will take place on March 11, 7:00pm, at the United Church of Pittsford, 123 South Main Street. This concert is free and open to the public.

# ORDER DEADLINE FOR MONROE COUNTY'S TREE, SHRUB, AND PLANT PRE-ORDER PROGRAM IS THIS FRIDAY, MARCH 7

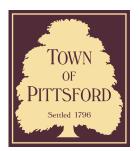
Spring arrives this month, so it's time to plan your spring native planting project – and you can help conservation efforts in our area while you do! The Monroe County Soil & Water District is selling tree seedlings and transplants to landowners to establish windbreaks, reforest land, prevent soil erosion, create suitable wildlife habitats, and add value to their properties. But hurry! The pre-order deadline is THIS Friday, March 7!



The Monroe County Soil and Water (MCSW) Conservation District's annual Conservation Tree, Shrub, and Plant offers a wide variety of evergreens, hardwood trees, shrubs, wildflowers, ground covers, seed mixes, plant variety conservation packs, and even enhancement items like bluebird nesting boxes and bat roosting boxes! Proceeds from the annual sale will benefit the MCSW Conservation District's education and preservation programs.

Orders are due by 4:00pm on March 7 and will be **ready for pick up on April 24 and April 25 from 9:00am - 5:00pm** at Monroe County's Eco park facility (10 Avion Drive, Rochester 14624). To find the 2025 catalog, fillable online and printable order forms, a plant fact sheet, and planting tips, visit the Monroe County Soil and Water Conservation District's **Tree and Shrub Program webpage**.

A Tree & Shrub Overstock Sale will take place on Saturday, April 26, from 9:00am to 11:00am or until all species are sold out, at Monroe County Eco Park (10 Avion Drive). Note that not all species may be available at that time. Items are sold on a first come, first served basis. For further information, visit the MCSW Conservation District website at <a href="https://www.monroecountyswcd.org">www.monroecountyswcd.org</a>, email <a href="mcswcd@monroecounty.gov">mcswcd@monroecounty.gov</a> or call the MCSW Conservation District office Monday - Friday, 8:00am-4:00pm, at (585) 753-7380. Improve the environmental health of your property and support local conservation



#### 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 <a href="https://www.townofpittsford.org/calendar">www.townofpittsford.org/calendar</a> for meeting dates. To view the livestream, click the <a href="Town Board Meeting live streaming link">Town Board Meeting live streaming link</a> 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 <a href="mailto:comments@townofpittsford.org">comments@townofpittsford.org</a>. 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 <a href="www.townofpittsford.org/channel12">www.townofpittsford.org/channel12</a> and use the On-Demand links to view previously recorded meetings.

### UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD

- <u>Taste of Pittsford</u>, 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 <a href="https://www.pittsfordrotaryclub.org">www.pittsfordrotaryclub.org</a>.
- 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 <a href="www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate">www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate</a>. 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

- Planning Board, Monday, 3/10, 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
- Pittsford Community Library Board, Wednesday, 3/12, 6:00pm, Fletcher Steele Meeting Room, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street; the meeting agenda is posted at least two days prior to the meeting on the Town website here: <a href="https://www.townofpittsford.org/minutes">www.townofpittsford.org/minutes</a>

- Design Review & Historic Preservation Board, Thursday, 3/13, 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: <a href="https://www.townofpittsford.org/minutes">www.townofpittsford.org/minutes</a>
- Parks and Recreation Board, Thursday, 3/13, 6:30pm, Room 207, Spiegel
  Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue; the meeting agenda is posted
  at least two days prior to the meeting on the Town website here:
   <a href="https://www.townofpittsford.org/minutes">www.townofpittsford.org/minutes</a>

#### **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 <a href="here">here</a> 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
- <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
- 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 <a href="https://www.womensclubofpittsford.org">www.womensclubofpittsford.org</a> 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 <a href="https://www.pittsfordartgroup.com">www.pittsfordartgroup.com</a> and fill out a <a href="https://www.pittsfordartgroup.com">Contact Us</a> form.

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