



News & Reviews

January 29, 2020

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JOB OPPORTUNITY:

CHILD WATCH COUNSELOR, RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Applications due February 21

The Town of Pittsford's Recreation Department is seeking candidates to fill a part-time Child Watch Counselor position.

This is an aide position that assists recreation staff with program activities for Child Watch participants (ages 18 months - 5 years). Responsibilities include assisting with supervision and instruction for games and arts and crafts. Experience working with children is preferred.

Candidates must have completed at least two (2) years of high school and should have a working knowledge of a variety of recreational games, arts and crafts, and sports. Program hours are Monday - Friday, 8:30am - 1:00pm; with working hours one to two days per week, as needed. Find a complete [job description and application information here](#) or visit the [Employment Opportunities page](#) link under the "Contact Us" tab on the Town website, www.townofpittsford.org. The application deadline is February 21.



VOLUNTEER BOARD PARTICIPANTS RESUMES DUE BY THIS FRIDAY, JANUARY 31

The Town of Pittsford is currently soliciting resumes from residents who wish to serve on the following Town of Pittsford volunteer boards:

- Assessment Review Board
- Design Review and Historic Preservation Board
- Environmental Advisory Board
- Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
- Planning Board
- Zoning Board of Appeals

These boards assist with the various functions of Town government and in many cases make decisions affecting key issues of importance to Pittsford's success as a community.

Selection Process: once candidate resumes are received, they will be distributed equally among Town Board members, who will then, along with the corresponding board chair, interview interested candidates. Interview questions will be consistent among candidates and responses rated against the same criteria. The highest-rated candidates will be selected; those not selected will be notified.

Any Pittsford resident with an interest in serving on one of the above volunteer boards should **send a resume for consideration by this Friday, January 31** to:

Supervisor's Office, Town of Pittsford, 11 South Main Street, Pittsford, New York 14534 or sreddick@townofpittsford.org

Please indicate in your submission what board would be of interest to you. For complete information about each board's responsibilities and board member term lengths, click this link to [Town citizen volunteer board information](#) or visit the "Volunteer Boards" link under the "Government" tab on the Town website at www.townofpittsford.org.

CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING CONTINUES THROUGH JANUARY 31

You can be green even in the winter - recycle your Christmas tree! Town of Pittsford crews will pick up trees placed curbside **through this Friday, January 31** as long as all plastic bagging and all decorations are removed. Weather permitting, Christmas trees are picked up each year from the week after Christmas through the end of January. Christmas trees may also 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 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).

WIN A LIBRARY TOTE BAG!

Drawings every Friday, through February 28

Wegmans stopped using plastic grocery bags this past Monday, and the New York State plastic bag waste reduction law banning plastic bags takes effect March 1. Now is the perfect time to stop by the Pittsford Community Library's circulation desk and enter their free drawing for one of the Library's tote bags!

The Library is raffling off its reusable cloth tote bags every Friday through the end of February. Stop by, sign up and you could win a stylish bag that's handy to use and better for the environment!



NEXT SUPERVISOR SATURDAY WITH BILL SMITH IS FEBRUARY 8

Town Supervisor Bill Smith will hold his next monthly community open house on Saturday, February 8 from 9:00 - 10:00am at the Pittsford Community Library. Stop by and join the conversation to catch up on current issues, Town projects and other topics you might wish to discuss.

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

PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS DUE BY 2/10, EXTENDED OFFICE HOURS ON MONDAY, 2/10

The interest-free Town and County property tax payment deadline is February 10; first installments or full payments of your Town and County property taxes are due at this time. To assist taxpayers, the Town Clerk will **extend office hours, for tax payments only, from 8:00am to 6:00pm on Monday, February 10**. For residents paying property tax bills at Town Hall (11 South Main Street), 10 minute parking will be available in the parking lot behind the building on Friday, February 10. The payment stub (see page 2 of your bill) must accompany payment.

First installment payments and full payments can also be paid at Canandaigua National Bank, 18 State Street, through Monday, February 10 only. Payments may be made [online](#) by February 10, using Visa and MasterCard only; please note there is a 3% service charge for online payments. [To pay online click this link](#), which directs to the Monroe County Property Tax portal on the Monroe County website.

It is also **strongly** advised that you do NOT pay by electronic check, as these payments do not receive a U.S. postmark and may arrive late. The payment stub (see page 2 of your tax bill) must accompany your payment. Please include a phone number on your check, if possible.

Please also note: If you are paying 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.

TOWN SUPERVISOR'S COLUMN: 2019 YEAR IN REVIEW

Town Supervisor Bill Smith discusses the Town's projects, programs and accomplishments of 2019 in his most recent Supervisor's column entitled *A Year in Review*. You can [find it here](#) and read past columns on the Town's [Supervisor Columns webpage](#).

BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAMS AT THE PITTSFORD COMMUNITY LIBRARY

The Pittsford Community Library will celebrate Black History Month in February with three outstanding programs. On **Sunday, February 9** from 2:00 - 3:00pm the Library presents a **history of the "Buffalo Soldiers."** Following the long and bloody Civil War, Congress passed legislation to reorganize the military for peacetime service. An historic part of this law called for the formation of two African-American cavalry regiments, the 9th and 10th, known as the Buffalo Soldiers. Bing Reaves and other members of the Pennington-Moye VFW Post 9251 will present the storied history of the Buffalo Soldiers. The program, sponsored by Historic Pittsford, is free and open to the public; no registration required.

On **Saturday, February 15** from 2:00-3:30pm the Library presents **Slave Experience and the Underground Railroad**. Underground Railroad enthusiast Jerry Bennett will share his maps, songs, books, handouts, stories and visual aids in a unique presentation about the slave experience. The program is free and open to the public; no registration is required.

Then on **Sunday, February 23** enjoy the cheery and high-energy singing, drumming and dancing of **Womba African Drumming** - wonderfully talented artists from Ghana! The program will be held from 2:00 - 3:00pm.

All three Black History Month programs will be held in the Library's Fisher Meeting Room and are free and open to the public, no registration required.

For more information about these and other Library programs, visit the [Library's online program calendar](#) or call 249-5481. The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street.

PINK THE RINK IS FEBRUARY 8 - SUPPORT THE FIGHT AGAINST CANCER!

The Pittsford JV and Varsity Panthers ice hockey teams will face off against the Fairport Red Raiders in the 11th annual **Pink the Rink games to benefit cancer research** on Saturday, February 8 at Rochester Institute of Technology's Frank Ritter Ice Arena. The JV game begins at 5:30pm, followed by the Varsity game at 7:00pm. As is tradition, the Pittsford athletes will wear special pink jerseys to honor all those affected by breast cancer.

Pink the Rink has been a Pittsford School District tradition since 2010 and has raised over \$60,000 for the Breast Cancer Coalition of Rochester. Friends of Pittsford Hockey Board Member Celeste Frohm proposed the idea for Pink the Rink after watching her son play in a similar event at the State University of New York at Fredonia. Frohm believed it would be an effective way to bring the Pittsford community together for a worthy cause.

Tickets are \$5.00 and will be available beginning February 4 at the School District Athletic Office (42 W. Jefferson Rd.). If the event is not sold out, tickets will also be sold at the door. The Frank Ritter Ice Arena at Rochester Institute of Technology is located at 51 Lomb Memorial Dr., Rochester. For more information visit www.pittsfordhockey.org and click the "Pink the Rink" tab.

SENIORS LUNCH AND SUSAN B. ANTHONY PROGRAM THIS TUESDAY, 2/4

Seniors, join us for lunch and a special Susan B. Anthony program this Tuesday, February 4 at 12noon in the VanHuysen Community Room at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center. Dennis Carr will present "The Arrest and Trial of Susan B. Anthony." Lunch will feature Parmesan baked chicken with a side of spaghetti, Caesar salad, rolls, and Italian Ice and biscotti for dessert. Cost is \$6.00 per person; advance registration and payment is required. 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 our Senior Programs Office at 248-6235.

REMINDERS

TAKE YOUR CHILD TO THE LIBRARY DAY IS THIS SATURDAY, 2/1 - WITH AIRIGAMI BALLOON FUN!

Celebrate "Take Your Child to the Library Day" **this Saturday, February 1** with Airigami as they use balloons to construct a Rube Goldberg-style mousetrap to catch a mouse on the loose at the Pittsford Community Library! Join us at 2:00pm on Saturday, February 1 in the Fisher Meeting Room for this enjoyable, interactive stage show. The program is free and suitable for all ages; no registration required.

The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street. For more information about other great upcoming Library programs, visit the [Library's online program calendar](#) or call 249-5481.

SWEETHEART DANCE IS FEBRUARY 7

The Pittsford Recreation Department's annual Sweetheart Dance is Friday, February 7 from 6:30 - 9:00pm at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center (35 Lincoln Avenue). Girls ages 5 to 13 can dance the night away, accompanied by an adult as their guest.

Music, refreshments and dancing will make this event a memorable evening! A professional DJ will provide music and fun activities. For an additional fee, a photographer will be available to capture the memory with a keepsake photo. You don't want to miss out on this special night so register early as space is limited (\$17

per person). To [register online](#) click the link and see the "Family and Youth" section, or stop by the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center to register in person.

FAMILIES ADVOCATING FOR MUSIC EDUCATION (FAME) CABARET NIGHT THIS SATURDAY, 2/1
Mendon High School's FAME (Families Advocating Music Education) parent organization presents ***Cabaret 2020: That's Entertainment!*** this Saturday, February 1, from 7:00 to 10:00pm in the Mendon High School Commons. Brett Davidsen from WHEC-News10NBC will once again emcee this annual cabaret style event featuring performances by many of the school's talented vocal and instrumental ensembles, including Mendon High School's Jazz Band, Bella Voce, Viking Voices, Jazz Choir, Jazz Ensemble, and Show Choir plus special guest performers from Barker Road Middle School.

Socialize, enjoy light desserts and beverages and bid at the fabulous silent auction while enjoying these great performances. Families Advocating Music Education (FAME) sponsors this annual fundraiser each February to benefit the music and drama department at Mendon High School and students pursuing music education and performance art in college. Tickets are \$6.00 in advance and \$7.00 at the door. For additional information and to purchase advance tickets, please contact via email mhsfame@gmail.com.

SEASONAL PARKING RESTRICTIONS IN EFFECT THROUGH APRIL 1, 2020

In order to facilitate snow removal, Town of Pittsford seasonal parking restrictions are in effect from November 15 (this Friday) through April 1, 2020. Parking of any vehicle on public roads - including state highways and on the shoulder of all roads - is prohibited each year from November 15 through April 1 in all areas within the Town and outside of the Village. During this time, please don't park on or along public roads outside of the Village. Please note violators may be ticketed or towed.

When the snow flies, we need roadsides clear of vehicles so our plows can get through. This is especially true in neighborhoods, where the streets are narrower. Vehicles parked along the roadside can hinder plows accessing your neighborhood. Please help us keep our streets safe and accessible!

EMERGENCY CLOSINGS INFORMATION

In the case of major weather events or other emergencies, information about facility closings and program/event cancellations will be announced on the Town's website www.townofpittsford.org, [Facebook page Town of Pittsford](#), and [Twitter feed @pittsfordtown](#), as well as on local television and radio stations and Pittsford's [Cable TV 12 Channel 1303 government access station](#). TV-12 Channel 1303 announcements can be viewed live any time via the [TV-12 Channel 1303 page on the Town website](#).

ASL INTERPRETER AT TOWN BOARD MEETINGS

The Town of Pittsford provides an American Sign Language interpreter at every meeting of the Pittsford Town Board, to interpret for those who need this service.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD

- [Take Your Child to the Library Day, featuring Airigami](#) balloon fun, Saturday, 2/1, 2:00pm, Pittsford Community Library Fisher Meeting Room, 24 State Street; free and suitable for all ages.
- [FAME Cabaret 2020: That's Entertainment!](#) - Saturday, 2/1, 7:00 - 10:00pm, Mendon High School Commons, 472 Mendon Road; annual cabaret style event featuring performances by many of the school's vocal and instrumental ensembles, funds raised benefit music and drama department at Mendon High School and students pursuing music education and performance art in college. Tickets \$6.00 in advance, \$7.00 at the door; for more info and advance ticket purchases contact mhsfame@gmail.com.
- [Sweetheart Dance](#) - girls ages 5 to 13 can dance the night away, accompanied by an adult as their guest, Friday, 2/7, 6:30-9:00pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue; advance registration required, \$17 per person, more info and [registration online](#) or at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center

- [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, 2/8, 9:00 - 10:00am, Fisher Meeting Room (first floor), Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street
- [United Church of Pittsford Rise & Shine Community Breakfast](#), Saturday, 2/8, 8:00-10:00am, United Church of Pittsford, 123 South Main Street at Sunset Boulevard; all are welcome, breakfast is \$5.00 per person and includes pancakes served with maple syrup, whipped cream and blueberry topping, sausage links, scrambled eggs, coffee, tea, and juice; proceeds to benefit [Elderberry Express](#), Pittsford's free ride service program for seniors. The breakfast is held the second Saturday of each month from October through June, benefiting a different charity each time. More info 586-6870 or email ucpittsford@gmail.com
- [Pittsford Panthers Pink the Rink Varsity and JV hockey games](#), Saturday, 2/8, 5:30pm (JV) & 7:00pm (Varsity), Frank Ritter Ice Arena at RIT, 51 Lomb Memorial Dr., Rochester; admission \$5.00, advance tickets at School District Athletic Office or at door if not sold out; more info www.pittsfordhockey.org

TOWN OF PITTSFORD BOARD MEETINGS

- There are no Town of Pittsford board meetings scheduled for this week.

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, 2/8/20, 9:00 - 10:00am, Fisher Meeting Room (first floor), Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street
- [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; for [membership information](#) visit the [Rayson-Miller Post website](#)
- [Pittsford Rotary Club](#), Wednesdays (weekly), 7:00am, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street
- [Pittsford Art Group](#), first Thursday of the month, September through May (no meetings October and March), 7:00 - 9:00pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, room 19 (lower level, elevator available), 35 Lincoln Avenue; the group strives to be a teaching organization - all are welcome! For meeting details and membership, contact PAG president [Margie Mitchell](#)

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