

News & Reviews

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Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy Community

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COMMUNITY SURVEY UNDERWAY - MAILED PARTICIPATION CODES RECEIVED THIS WEEK

The Town of Pittsford's Community Survey is now underway. Those who pre-registered online should have received an email with their household's participation code. The email notification includes a direct link to the survey. All others will receive their code via mail by the end of this week. Once you receive your code, you may complete the survey online at www.PittsfordSurvey.com.

In order to ensure that our survey was only completed by Pittsford residents, and to ensure the privacy of those completing the survey, our consultant has mailed to every household a unique code to be used when

filling out the survey. This code can be used by anyone over 18 in your home. Please note this code will not be associated with survey responses. Because there is a private third party administering the survey, and based on the legally binding contract it has with the Town, survey results cannot be distributed back to the Town by singular address or unique code.

Online access to the survey will also be available at the Pittsford Community Library and the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center. Paper surveys, for those who don't have a computer or don't want to take the survey online, will be made available as well.

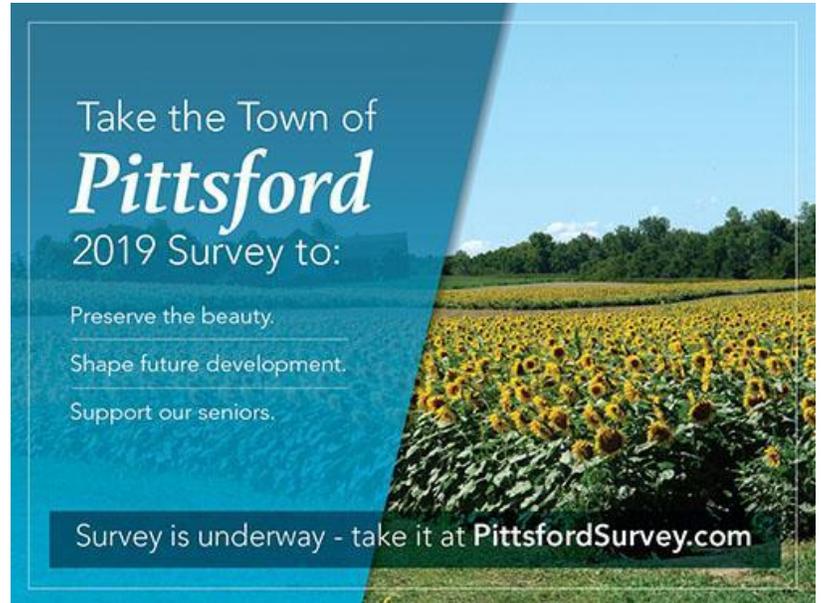
Your responses to the survey will be completely anonymous. This was one of the requirements that the Town insisted upon in selecting a consultant to do the survey. Complete anonymity for responses to the survey is critically important to residents feeling comfortable in telling us what they really think. Understanding what you really think is the whole point of the Community Survey.

We recognize that few people have the time, or often even the interest, to reach out to the Town government to express an opinion. This Community Survey will provide an easy opportunity to do so.

We hope you will set aside the 7-10 minutes needed to complete Town Community Survey. Your participation will help determine community priorities and aid us as we pursue continual improvement for our residents.

PITTSFORD ARBOR DAY & ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS DAY IS APRIL 27

The Village and Town of Pittsford will present an Arbor Day & Environmental Awareness Day in front of Village Hall on Saturday, April 27 from 11:00am - 1:00pm. Attendees can take home a free tree seedling to



plant! The event is free and open to the public and includes family-friendly activities, live music with Swamp Moose and food available for purchase.

To encourage litter clean-up, the Town will have available - free for residents - 13 gallon heavy-duty biodegradable trash bags as well as biodegradable disposable gloves. Town staff also will provide responsible lawn care tips and information on Town sustainability initiatives. The Pittsford Art Group will display tree-themed paintings and Kidical Mass will host a bike ride through the Village.

TOWN FACILITY HOURS FOR GOOD FRIDAY & EASTER HOLIDAYS

Town of Pittsford offices, facilities, and services - including Town Hall, the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, the Pittsford Community Library and Town Court - will be **open regular hours on Friday**, April 19 (Good Friday). The **Pittsford Community Library will be closed on Saturday and Sunday**, April 20 and 21 in observance of the Easter holiday.

The **Spiegel Pittsford Community Center will maintain regular hours on Saturday (4/20) and will be closed on Sunday (4/21)** in observance of the Easter holiday. Regular hours will resume at all Town facilities on Monday, April 22. In case of an emergency requiring Town of Pittsford services during holiday closures, please call (585) 248-6212. Best wishes for a safe and happy holiday to all those who will be celebrating it!

TREE, SHRUB & PLANT PRE-ORDER PICKUP THURS. & FRI., OVERSTOCK SALE SATURDAY

Pre-order pick-up for the Monroe County Soil and Water (MCSW) Conservation District's Tree, Shrub and Plant Program is this Thursday and Friday, April 18 and 19, from 9:00am - 5:00pm at Monroe County's ecopark facility (10 Avion Drive, Rochester 14624). **For those who did not have a chance to pre-order, there will also be an overstock sale this Saturday, April 20 from 9:00am - 2:00pm** during which remaining plant stock will be sold on a first come, first served basis. It's a great way to celebrate the weekend before Earth Day! Please note some species may not be available at the overstock sale. For more information on the ecopark facility, location, and directions please visit the ecopark website at www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark.

ZOOMOBILE THIS THURSDAY, RECYCLING RIGHT THIS MONDAY - AT THE LIBRARY

You can have a "wild" time when the **Wegmans ZooMobile from Seneca Park Zoo** stops by the Pittsford Community Library this Thursday, April 18 from 10:00 - 11:00am! Learn about what animals need to do to survive in their natural ranges, and how their adaptations help them along the way.

Then, join us this Monday, April 22 - on Earth Day! - from 7:00 - 8:00pm for "Recycling Right." Recycling is more important now than ever. Join Monroe County's Environmental Educator, Tina Stevens, and learn the why and how of the "3R's" in Monroe County. Bring your recycling questions to be answered!

Both programs are free, open to the public, and suitable for all ages. The programs will be held in the Fisher Meeting Room; no registration is required. Visit the [Library's online program calendar](#) for more information or call the Library at 249-5481.

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

SENIORS' PIZZA PARTY WITH FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS IS THIS TUESDAY, 4/23

Seniors, join in the VanHuysen Community Room at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center this Tuesday, April 23 at 12noon for a Pizza Party complete with salad, ice cream sundaes, and a visit from our local ATAD program foreign exchange students. It's a great mix of casual, fun food and an interesting topic - the foreign exchange students will share their experiences as guests in our community. Cost is \$6.00 per person and advance reservation and payment is required. Stop by the Pittsford Seniors office in the Community Center or call 248-6235 for more information and to register.

The Town of Pittsford's Spiegel Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. To learn more about all of our wonderful programs for seniors [click here to visit the Seniors page](#) on the Town website or [read our Seniors program info brochure online](#).

RULES FOR KEEPING CHICKENS IN THE TOWN

If you are considering keeping chickens, please be aware of code enforcement rules before you purchase them. In the Town of Pittsford (outside of the Village), chickens must be **kept in a roofed and walled building** (a coop, shed, etc.) and the structure for your chickens must be **located at least 150 feet from all boundary lines** of your property. Please note **a property must be at least 2 acres in size to have 150 foot setbacks from all boundaries**. If you have any questions or need further clarification you can contact the Town of Pittsford Department of Public Works at 248-6250. **The Village of Pittsford has separate rules** and restrictions regarding keeping of chickens. If you live in the Village, contact Village Hall at 586-4332 for information.

DONATE USED BIKES TO THE ROTARY BIKE DROP | SATURDAY 5/4, PITTSFORD MENDON HS

The [Rotary Club of Pittsford](#) will hold its 10th annual "Bike Drop" on Saturday, May 4 from 9:00am - 2:00pm at Pittsford Mendon High School (472 Mendon Road, Pittsford). Bicycles or bike parts in any condition will be accepted for donation. The bicycles and bike parts will be collected by Pittsford Rotary and donated to [R Community Bikes, Inc.](#), a Rochester-based charitable organization that repairs and distributes bicycles free of charge to Rochester's needy children and adults. For those in need, bikes are very frequently the most affordable means of transportation to jobs, schools, churches, rehabilitation and training programs, and meals at local social service agencies.

Take advantage of a great opportunity to spring clean your garage while you help people in need! Pittsford's Rotary Club has collected 2,176 used bikes since 2010 - can you help them ensure this year's drive is a success? For more information go to www.PittsfordRotaryClub.org or call (585) 733-5856.

PITTSFORD'S RABIES FREE CLINIC IS THURSDAY, MAY 9 AT THE TOWN HIGHWAY GARAGE

The Town of Pittsford's 24th annual Rabies Free Clinic is Thursday, May 9 from 4:30 - 7:30PM at the Town Highway Garage, 60 Golf Avenue. Update your pet's rabies vaccine for free - dogs, cats and ferrets are welcome! Town staff will also be on hand to issue dog licenses to Pittsford residents. Although cats do not need to be licensed, NYS law does require they be rabies vaccinated. **For safety, all dogs must be on a short leash; cats and ferrets must be in a secure carrier.**

Three-year and one-year vaccines are available. A three-year vaccine will be available to those who present a prior rabies certificate; all others may receive a one-year vaccine. Advance registration is not required; please call Animal Control at 248-6240 with any questions. Many thanks to Dr. Larry Silberg from Doorbell Vet, who will be conducting our clinic this year. Our thanks also to the Monroe County Health Department for providing the free vaccines.

HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION & eRECYCLING IS SATURDAY, MAY 11

The Town of Pittsford's annual appointment-only Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection event will again be combined with our Electronics Recycling and Document Shredding program and held Saturday, May 11, in collaboration with the Town of Perinton at the Perinton Highway Garage, 100 Cobb's Lane, from 7:45am to 12:00pm. Up to 30 gallons of allowed HHW materials per appointment will be accepted at no charge.

Certified document shredding (residential only) will also be available at no charge. **To ensure safety and reduce waiting times, appointments are required for hazardous waste disposal; no appointment is necessary for electronics recycling and/or document shredding.** Pittsford and East Rochester residents can make an appointment by calling 248-6250, or by going on-line to <http://www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark>. Appointments must be reserved by Friday, May 10. Please note, waste from businesses will not be accepted.

Please note the following fees will be charged (cash only) for recycling televisions and computer monitors with CRT screens: Computer Monitor - \$10.00; CRT Television under 27" - \$20.00; CRT Television over 27" - \$40.00; Oversized (Console, Rear-Projection) CRT Televisions - \$50.00. Fee payments will be accepted in cash only. More information, including the list of hazardous materials and electronics accepted for collection, can be found [HERE](#).

REMINDERS

LIBRARY FRIENDS SEEK CHILDREN'S BOOKS FOR BOOK SALE | DONATIONS NEEDED BY 4/21

The Friends of the Pittsford Community Library are getting ready for their Spring Book Sale to be held May 3-5 at the Library (see info above) and need children's books donated for the sale. Children's books are very popular and help contribute to a successful sale to support our Library. Books for all age ranges of children are needed. To donate, drop books off at the donation box in the Library hallway or if you need a donation pickup, please leave your contact information at the Library's Information Desk, 249-5481. The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street.

HONOR A PITTSFORD VETERAN | COMMEMORATIVE BRICK ORDERS DUE APRIL 26

If you would like to honor a Pittsford veteran, please consider purchasing a brick at the Pittsford Veterans Monument. **The order deadline for the next brick installation at the Pittsford Veterans Monument is Friday, April 26.** The monument, located at 22 North Main Street at the entrance to Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, provides a space for citizens to recognize residents who have defended the cause of freedom through their American military service. The walkway surrounding the dedication plaque accommodates personalized bricks to pay tribute to family members and friends.

Each brick allows room to include name, rank and details of military service, and may be purchased at a cost of \$50. An 8½" x 11" certificate, suitable for framing, is also included with the purchase. The installation of the bricks is completed twice a year, just prior to Memorial Day and then again before Veterans Day. Orders must be received by April 28 to be included in the installation for Memorial Day. Information and order forms are available at Town Hall (11 South Main Street) or online; [click HERE for more information and order form](#).

HISTORIC PITTSFORD JEAN FRANCE SCHOLARSHIP - APPLICATION DEADLINE MAY 1

Historic Pittsford is seeking applicants for its [Jean France Historic Preservation Scholarship](#). The \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a Pittsford resident who is currently enrolled or has been accepted into a college program which may lead to a career in historic preservation, architectural history, cultural landscape protection, or other related field. An [application form and additional information](#) is available on the Historic Pittsford website www.historicpittsford.com. The application deadline is May 1, 2019.

The scholarship was established in 2016 in honor of Jean France, a founding member of Historic Pittsford. Mrs. France is a highly respected architectural historian, a vastly knowledgeable preservation consultant, and a tireless advocate for preserving the built environment. A former professor at the University of Rochester, she has championed the importance of architectural preservation as a lecturer, researcher and author.

The Jean France Historic Preservation Scholarship honors Mrs. France's commitment to the growth, development and mission of Historic Pittsford and to the preservation of historic architectural and cultural resources in Pittsford. With this scholarship, Historic Pittsford hopes to advance the careers of students from Pittsford with demonstrated interest in historic preservation, thus perpetuating the work of Jean France and the mission upon which Historic Pittsford was founded.

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

- **Pittsford Arbor Day & Environmental Awareness Celebration**, Saturday, 4/27, 11:00am - 1:00pm, Village Hall, 21 North Main Street; Village event co-sponsored by Town of Pittsford, free and open to the public, includes family-friendly activities, food available for purchase and sustainable landscaping info. Attendees can also take home a free tree seedling to plant.
- [Friends of Pittsford Library Spring Book Sale](#) - books, games, DVDs, & CDs at great prices, credit cards accepted; Friday, 5/3, 5:00 - 8:30pm (members only, join at the door for only \$5, \$3 for youth under 18 and ages 60+), open to public Saturday, 5/4, 10:00am - 5:00pm, Sunday, 5/5, 10:00am - 4:00pm half-price, 4:30 - 5:00pm children 12 & under with a parent or guardian may fill one bag per family (young adult & children's books only) for \$3, all others fill a bag for \$3 from 5:00 - 6:00pm; Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street. **Volunteers and donations needed** Funds raised support programs and materials for our library; more info www.pittsfordlibraryfriends.com or call the Library at (585) 248-6275
- [Pittsford Rotary Bike Drop](#), Saturday, 5/4, 9:00am-3:00pm, Pittsford Mendon High School, 472 Mendon Road, Pittsford; drop off a used bike or bike parts in any condition, to be donated to [R Community Bikes](#) for repair and distribution to those in need for transportation and recreation.
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TOWN OF PITTSFORD BOARD MEETINGS

- **Planning Board**, Monday 4/22, 7:30PM, Public Meeting Room, Town Hall (lower level), 11 South Main Street

COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

- [Board of Education Budget Adoption and regular meeting](#), Tuesday, 4/23, 7:00pm, Barker Road Middle School Board Room
- [Village Board of Trustees](#), Tuesday, 4/23, 7:00pm, Village Hall, 21 North Main Street
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- [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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