

News & Reviews

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MESSAGE FROM SUPERVISOR BILL SMITH

UPDATE: SUMMER PROGRAMS, PLAYGROUNDS AND PARKS

The Town's **Recreation brochure** for the summer is now online; find it [here](#) or visit our Recreation Department page on the Town website. You should know that our ability to offer all of the listed programs depends on progress of the State's phased re-opening of our region. As we learn more about our reopening timeline we will announce a summer program registration date. Please note registration is currently open for June online programs, Summer Fun Day Camp and Summer Theatre Camps.

We welcomed the news, as we announced last week, that **Summer Camp** can go forward effective June 29. My thanks to our recreation staff for all of the planning and organization that's brought us to this point, and that makes summer camp possible again this year.

As a reminder, last week I authorized reopening the Town's **playgrounds**. Please understand that the Town can't possibly sanitize every piece of play equipment after each child. So please use your judgment when it comes to playgrounds and remember to maintain adequate physical distancing.

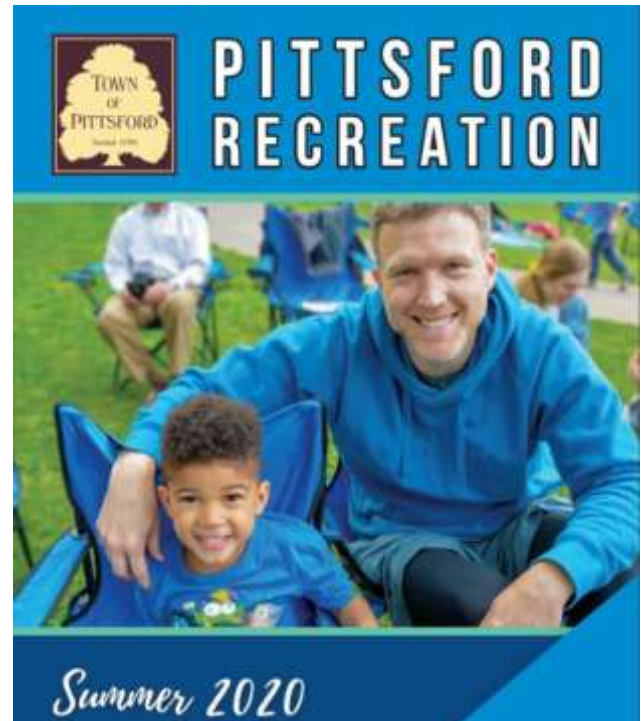
Parks and trails are open, too, though still with state-mandated restrictions on the use of fields for group sports. I hope you and your families can get out there to enjoy our wonderful, trails, parks - and our recent beautiful weather!

Updates about our **Recreation programs and special events** will be posted on the Town website at www.townofpittsford.org/home-recreation and on the Pittsford Recreation Facebook page. Please check the Town website at www.townofpittsford.org/covid-19info for the most current Town updates regarding programs, services and facility reopening plans.

TOWN HALL LIMITED APPOINTMENTS, CALL RELATED DEPARTMENT

Business continues via online and by mail, email, phone and front door drop slot

Town Hall is currently open to residents by appointment only; in-person meetings will be limited and allowed only when absolutely necessary. Calls to make an appointment should be made to the department related to the inquiry. Find a [department list here](#). Those coming to Town Hall for a scheduled appointment will be



required to wear a mask and observe posted physical distancing requirements. Town Hall remains staffed to handle business online and by mail, phone, email and the "drop slot" to the right of the front door of Town Hall.

CURRENT TOWN JOB OPENINGS CAN BE FOUND ON THE TOWN WEBSITE

The Town of Pittsford has several [current job openings](#) including Director of Finance, Data Entry Cashier, aquatics instructor assistants, lifeguards, and Summer Fun Day Camp counselors. For complete job descriptions and application information, visit the Town's job listings web page at www.townofpittsford.org/home-pittsford-employment-opportunities. You may also stop by the Spiegel Community Center (35 Lincoln Avenue) for Recreation Department positions information.

TOXIN FREE CHALLENGE AND RESPONSIBLE LAWN CARE

Did you know the 3,100 acres of land maintained by the Town of Pittsford and its contractors use less chemical herbicides and pesticides each year than 2 - just 2! - residences with average-sized yards (half an acre) that use a lawn service?

This is why, last year, Supervisor Smith started Pittsford's Toxin-Free Lawn Challenge.

Many residents forego chemical treatments in favor of organic lawn care. Whether you go completely organic or are seeking to minimize use of synthetic chemicals on your lawn, the Town's Toxic-Free Team has compiled a list of tips that can help you cultivate a healthy lawn that's healthy for the environment as well.

If you decide to go toxin-free, please get and display our "Organic Yard" lawn sign. While Town Hall remains closed due to COVID-19, you can find them outside the front door of Town Hall at 11 South Main Street, next to the door. We'll make them available through other channels as well.

You'll find information and tips on maintaining a good-looking lawn without chemicals on the Town website at www.townofpittsford.org/toxin-free and www.townofpittsford.org/responsible-lawn-care.

Many thanks to the engaged residents who worked with the Town to plan the Toxin-Free Challenge and make it a reality!

REMINDERS

PITTSFORD RESTAURANTS CAN APPLY FOR TEMPORARY OUTDOOR SEATING

State social distancing and health safety restrictions have been enacted in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Town of Pittsford recognizes that restaurants are operating under challenging constraints. Therefore, under these exceptional circumstances, and to allow for adequate social distancing as they reopen for on-site service, restaurants located in the Town of Pittsford may apply for use of outdoor seating. The Town is prepared to assist with seating plans and provide guidance if needed. Click the link for the Restaurant Temporary Outdoor Seating Application. For more information contact the Fire Marshal or Director of Planning at 248-6250.

JUNE SUMMER CONCERTS CANCELED

July and August concerts remain tentatively scheduled

In accordance with State COVID-19 social distancing and health safety protocols, and NY Forward reopening guidelines, the Town of Pittsford has canceled the June performances for its Friday night Summer Concert Series. The concert series is typically held along the canal in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford. Concert dates in July and August remain tentatively scheduled. Updates will be posted on the Town events page www.townofpittsford.org/community-events once we receive guidance from the State.

LIBRARY NOW OFFERING CURBSIDE PICKUP MONDAY - SATURDAY, 10AM - 2PM

The Pittsford Community Library is offering curbside pickup of Library materials for all Monroe County Library System cardholders. The quick and easy curbside pickup process ensures the safety of patrons and employees.

Curbside Schedule

- Curbside pickup will be offered Monday - Saturday from 10:00am - 2:00pm.
- Staff will be available by phone (585-248-6275) from 9:30am - 2:30pm for pickup requests and other reference questions.

How to Request Materials

- All library materials currently available on our shelves are eligible for pickup.
- Request a maximum of 10 items per household per week.
- Email us your request at pdreference@townofpittsford.org or call in your request at 585-248-6275.
- Include or have ready:
 - your library card number
 - essential information about the items, such as title, author, format, and publication date
 - three (3) preferred pickup times. Pickups are scheduled Monday - Saturday up to one week in advance. Possible pickup times are 10:00am, 10:30am, 11:00am, 11:30am, 12:00pm, 12:30pm, 1:00pm, 1:30pm, and 2:00pm.

Pickup Instructions

- Bring your photo ID or library card.
- Pickup will be in the vestibule of the parking lot entrance.
- Follow the posted instructions: enter the vestibule, show your ID or library card to staff through the window, and then wait for staff to indicate that you can pick up your materials.
- To ensure the safety of our staff and community, there can be one (1) person at each line marker and in the vestibule at a time. Surfaces will be wiped down between pickups.

We hope you will take advantage of our curbside service in addition to the many online resources our Library has continued to offer throughout State's COVID-19 pandemic shutdown. Find details at www.bit.ly/your-library-at-home.

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

- **June performances** for the [Town Summer Concert Series](#) have been **CANCELED** due to COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic health and safety protocols; the concert series is typically held along the canal in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford. Concert dates in July and August remain tentatively scheduled. Updates will be posted on the Town events page www.townofpittsford.org/community-events

TOWN OF PITTSFORD BOARD MEETINGS

- **Pittsford Community Library Board**, Wednesday, 6/10, 7:00pm, ONLINE ACCESS via Zoom video conferencing; Virtual meeting instructions can be found on the Town website's Agendas and Minutes page here: www.townofpittsford.org/home-minutes

- **Design Review and Historic Preservation Board**, Thursday, 6/11, 6:00pm, ONLINE ACCESS via Zoom video conferencing; information for accessing and viewing the meeting can be found on page 2 of the meeting agenda; the meeting agenda is posted on the Town website here: www.townofpittsford.org/home-minutes - **NOTE REVISED TIME**
- **Planning Board**, Monday, 6/15, 7:00pm, ONLINE ACCESS via Zoom video conferencing; information for accessing and viewing the meeting can be found on page 2 of the meeting agenda; the meeting agenda is posted at least two days prior to the meeting on the Town website here: www.townofpittsford.org/home-minutes
- **Town Board**, Tuesday, 6/16, 6:00pm, ASL interpretation provided, **ONLINE ACCESS** - access information to be posted on Town website home page by Friday, 6/12 at

COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

- [American Legion Rayson-Miller Post 899](#) **TUESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST MEETINGS CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE** due to COVID-19 coronavirus social distancing requirements. Eligible veterans welcome to join the Post; for [membership information](#) visit the [Rayson-Miller Post website](#)
- [Pittsford Rotary Club](#), **WEEKLY IN-PERSON MEETINGS CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE** due to COVID-19 coronavirus social distancing requirements; check the Pittsford Rotary Facebook page for virtual meeting information.
- [Pittsford Art Group](#) **MEETINGS CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE** due to COVID-19 coronavirus social distancing requirements. For further information, contact PAG president [Margie Mitchell](#)

Town Facility Closures

Spiegel Pittsford Community Center - building is closed and all programs canceled until further notice except Senior Meals to Go and Summer Fun Day Camps.

Pittsford Community Library - building is closed and all programs canceled until further notice, online resources available at www.townofpittsford.org/home-library-resources. For virtual children's programming check the Library's Facebook page www.facebook.com/PittsfordLibrary/. The Book Drop return area is now open; please only deposit returned books, donations are not being accepted at this time. All items checked out after February 3 will now have a due date of June 29 and can be returned then. Curbside pickup of Library materials is available for Monroe County Library System cardholders. For details, and other updates, visit the Library's Updates page at <https://tinyurl.com/vq242of>.

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Town Clerk: All services of the Town Clerk are available online, by mail, phone and email. If necessary, an appointment can be arranged. Contact at 248-6214 or ldillon@townofpittsford.org, mail materials to Pittsford Town Clerk's Office, 11 South Main Street, Pittsford NY 14534. Services info at www.townofpittsford.org/home-clerk.

Town Court: By order of the Chief Administrative Judge of the State of New York, Town Court is closed until further notice. The Pittsford Town Court staff are available to answer phone calls and emails Monday - Friday, from 9:00am - 5:00pm. The Town Court remains closed to the public; the Court Office is open by appointment only. All court cases have been administratively adjourned until further notice and no future court dates have been set at this time. Court staff may be reached at (585) 248-6238 or (585) 248-6239, or by email at pdromgoole@townofpittsford.org. Those with pending matters scheduled before Pittsford

Town Court will not be penalized for failure to appear or pay fines during this period of time. Once the Town Court office reopens, Court personnel will contact all individuals with pending business before the court to reschedule appearances and address fine payments. Other essential court matters (new arraignments) will be handled at the Monroe County Courthouse, Hall of Justice, 99 Exchange Blvd #545, Rochester, NY 14614, which is the designated central location for Monroe County. For more information, see <http://ww2.nycourts.gov/courts/7jd/index.shtml> or call (585) 371-3848.

All Town Playgrounds: residents may use Town playgrounds at their own risk, as it is not possible for the Town to keep equipment appropriately sanitized after every use. Those using Town playgrounds are expected to observe COVID-19 social distancing and hygiene protocols.

All Town Parks: all athletic fields and courts are closed to all groups of any size; the trails remain accessible.

Thornell Farm Park: the park is open but per State requirements, all grass and turf sports fields remain closed to group activities. The tennis courts, trails, walkways and the playground are open to residents, COVID-19 social distancing and hygiene protocols are required.

King's Bend Park Lodges and the Mile Post School: are closed to the public until further notice, as these sites are being used as Public Works crew operation centers.

Building Department: As of May 15, 2020 the Governor has begun the phased reopening of New York State. The Town of Pittsford and the surrounding Finger Lakes region have met the criteria set by the Governor to reopen. Construction is included in Phase 1 of the reopening plan. As construction moves forward, all COVID-19 safety guidelines set by the State and Federal governments must be followed while on the job site. To protect the community and limit the spread of COVID-19, the Town of Pittsford has altered accordingly its inspection and permitting procedures. See the Town of Pittsford COVID-19 Building Inspection Procedures for details; additional information can be found here: New York State Construction Guidelines. For more information contact Town of Pittsford Building Inspector Mark Lenzi at mlenzi@townofpittsford.org or call the Town Building Department at 585-248-6265.

Town Public Works - Highway, Sewer and Parks Departments: All operations continue. Crews in these departments are following hygiene and social distancing protocols in light of the COVID-19 threat.

Monroe County Services at Town facilities:

The County has suspended until further notice Passport Services at Town Hall and Mobile DMV service at Pittsford Town Court. Per the NYS Department of Motor Vehicles, all driver licenses, learner permits, non-driver identification cards, vehicle registrations and vehicle inspections scheduled to expire on or after March 1, 2020 are extended until further notice and all temporary registration documents are valid until further notice. This extension does NOT apply to insurance coverage - motor vehicle liability insurance coverage must be maintained at all times during the extension period. Find updated information for Monroe County DMV here <https://www2.monroecounty.gov/clerk-COVID-19>.

Further information and updates can be found at www.townofpittsford.org/covid-19info.

COVID-19 Coronavirus Information Links

Further Town of Pittsford COVID-19 coronavirus information and updates can be found at www.townofpittsford.org/covid-19info.

[Pittsford Central School District COVID-19 Coronavirus Updates](#)

You can find information on COVID-19 coronavirus at the County Health Department's website: <https://www2.monroecounty.gov/health-index.php>.

Additional information about business closure requirements throughout Monroe County can be found on the County's Website: www.monroecounty.gov

The CDC also has information on its website at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/share-facts-stop-fear.html>.

In addition, the CDC has information relevant to anyone planning to travel outside of the United States: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html?deliveryName=USCDC_2067-DM20785.

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