



News & Reviews

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Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy Community
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LIBRARY'S SUMMER READING PROGRAM FOR ALL AGES - IMAGINE YOUR STORY!

Summer is nearly here, which means the Pittsford Community Library's Summer Reading Program is just around the corner!

Access to the program is easy - it's all online via Beanstack, which provides a fun and inspiring way to encourage and track reading. This year's theme is Imagine Your Story. Our Library is exploring the imaginative world of fairytales and folktales. All are invited to participate - there are programs for every age group: adults, teens, children, and even one for babies and toddlers. Enrich your summer with reading, activities, challenges - and earn prizes too!

The Summer Reading Program kicks off on June 29, but registration is currently underway. Sign up at

<https://pittsfordcommunitylibrary.beanstack.org/reader365>.



REGISTRATION OPENS THIS FRIDAY FOR COLLEGE APPLICATION ESSAY COURSE

Pittsford Recreation's very popular *Write Your College Application Essay* course is moving to an online format this summer. Registration for this program only will open this Friday, 6/19 at 12:00pm for Pittsford residents. The course is offered in July and August as a one-week session held Monday - Friday from 1:00 - 3:00pm. It's open to high school students entering their senior year in the 2020-2021 school year.

Every college-bound high school senior will write an essay for college applications - sometimes more than one. This course will discuss what colleges expect from student essays and go over the application process in general. Participants will look at model essays and study the Common Application. The primary focus of the class is writing the application essay. Students will have one-to-one conferences with the teacher during class; draft essays will be carefully reviewed multiple times. By the end of the week, each student will complete at least one application essay. Visit the Education section of our [Recreation Program Registration web page](#) this Friday, June 19 to register.

COUNTY'S MOBILE DMV IN PITTSFORD CLOSED; MOBILE PASSPORT ALSO CLOSED

A reminder that the County has suspended until further notice Mobile DMV service at Pittsford Town Court and Passport Services at Town Hall. County Mobile services in Pittsford are expected to remain closed through the end of the year. 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>.

PAVING WORK ON JEFFERSON RD/RT 96 FROM MITCHELL RD, PITTSFORD TO GARNSEY RD, PERINTON

The NY State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) began night time milling, paving and minor repair work on Jefferson Road (Route 96) as of June 15. The work will take place from Mitchell Road in Pittsford to Garnsey Road in Perinton. The project is expected to have very little impact on traffic as the most intensive work will be completed at night. Milling and paving is scheduled to take place through mid-July. Restoration, replacement signage and guiderail replacement is expected to be completed from mid-July to August, and tree planting is scheduled for October.

JUNE PRIMARY/SPECIAL ELECTION VOTING INFORMATION

Early voting for the June 23, 2020 Primary and Special Election is June 13 - June 21. Click the link for [June 2020 Primary/Special Election Early Voting sites, dates and times](#). Official Primary Election Contests information can be found [here](#).

Tuesday, June 23 is Primary/Special Election Day. Voting is open from 6:00am - 9:00pm at one of two locations in Pittsford. Those eligible to vote will have received information from the Board of Elections confirming at which consolidated district voting location they can vote. If you do not know at which location you are assigned to vote, check the check the Monroe County Board of Elections webpage at this link: <https://www.monroecounty.gov/etc/voter/index.php>. Voting locations in Pittsford include the Town Court (3750 Monroe Avenue) or the Pittsford Fire Hall No. 2 - Lower Level (465 Mendon Rd). **If you do not know at which location you've been assigned to vote, check the Monroe County Board of Elections webpage at this link: <https://www.monroecounty.gov/etc/voter/index.php>.**

Please note: for the safety of our Election Inspectors and others in the building, you must wear a mask or cloth face covering to enter the building to vote.

PITTSFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT RANKED #1 AMONG ROCHESTER AREA DISTRICTS

For the tenth year in a row, the Pittsford Central School District is the top school district in Business First's academic rankings of the Rochester area's 67 school districts. Pittsford has earned the number one spot every year since Business First debuted the eight-county Rochester Area rankings in 2010.

Our School District was also ranked as the region's top performer in English, math and science and was one of 10 school districts in the Rochester Area to receive Subject Awards in all four subject areas of English, math, science and social studies for ranking in the top 10 percent in those categories.

These recognitions come as no surprise - the outstanding achievements of our students and the dedication of those who serve them is well known and much appreciated in our community. But as we celebrate their achievements we should also remember these accolades came by way of a concerted effort among School District administrators, teachers, staff - and the students and their families. All working together with deep commitment to achieve excellence. Congratulations to you all!

REMINDERS

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.

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

- **Parks and Recreation Advisory Board**, Thursday, 6/18, 6:30pm, 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 DATE CHANGE**
- **Planning Board**, Monday, 6/22 - **NO MEETING**

COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

- [Board of Education](#) regular meeting, Monday, 6/22, 7:00pm, via Zoom video conferencing; the links to watch the Board meeting and participate in the public comment section will be posted on the [Pittsford Central School District website](#) in advance
- [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/vg242of>.

Town Hall is open to residents by appointment only; in-person meetings will be limited and allowed only when absolutely necessary. Calls should be made to the department related to the inquiry. 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.

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:

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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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