

# News & Reviews

June 19, 2024

Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy and Climate Smart Community

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# A Message from Town Supervisor Bill Smith: IN CELEBRATION OF JUNETEENTH

Today we commemorate an historic moment for America. "Juneteenth" – celebrated annually on 19th day of June – marks the ending of slavery in the southern states. It's the day in 1865 when Major General Gordon Granger arrived in Galveston, Texas with Union troops to read the federal order proclaiming emancipation in Texas, consequent to President Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation of 1863. Those still held in slavery learned of their



emancipation on that day. It's a moment to commemorate a triumph for human freedom and to celebrate our common humanity, our liberty and to re-commit to ensuring equal opportunity for all.



# BIRD HARBOR RIBBON CUTTING AND POLLINATOR CELEBRATION THIS SATURDAY

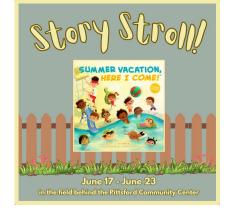
In 2022 we partnered with community group Color Pittsford Green to make plans for creating a Bird Harbor – an area of native plantings for food and shelter – at Great Embankment Park. And now it's ready for you to enjoy! Join us this Saturday, June 22 at 10:00am at Great Embankment Park as we cut the ribbon on Bird Harbor and our Pollinator Garden – a welcoming place for birds and pollinators and a place where you can learn more about how to help them

thrive. We'll have native planting information, some fun giveaways, and unveil some handy tips to help our pollinator friends. Volunteers from Color Pittsford Green will offer face painting and have free seedlings for attendees too. Great Embankment Park is located at 631 Marsh Road. This event is free and open to the public. We hope to see you there!

SUMMER VACATION, HERE I COME! STORY STROLL UNDERWAY AT THE COMMUNITY

### CENTER

Our current Story Stroll is under way through this Sunday, June 23. Families can take a leisurely Story Stroll behind the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center while reading *Summer Vacation, Here I Come!* by J.D. Steinberg. The story follows the adventures of Alex, who is eagerly anticipating the start of summer vacation, and captures the excitement and endless possibilities that come with summer break. Join Alex as he ventures on trips to the beach, camping adventures and visits to amusement parks. Along the



way, Alex learns valuable lesson about friendship, family and exploring the world. It's a delightful read for children looking forward to their own summertime adventures!

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 – 5:00pm and Sunday from 10:00am-5:00pm. **Our next Story Stroll** will take place August 26 through September 1.

The Town's Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. To learn more about our programs, activities and services, <u>click here to 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.



# CANALSIDE CONCERT THIS FRIDAY WITH WITH STEVE GRILLS AND THE ROADMASTERS!

The Town of Pittsford Summer Concert Series continues this Friday, June 21, when **Steve Grills and the Roadmasters** take the stage! Inspired by the music of Chuck Berry, Earl Hooker, Freddie King and Albert Collins, Steve Grills and the Roadmasters deliver electrifying performances that capture the essence of the blues, jazz and rock. Join us canalside in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford at 6:30pm for an evening of powerful, soulful music.

Our Summer Concert Series continues Friday evenings at 6:30pm through August 23 (no concert July 5). We've got a variety of great music this season – from from funk, jazz, pop, Americana and classic rock to southern soul, vintage country and Latin jazz, plus a Billy Joel tribute! Grab some friends, some lawn chairs, some snacks, and join us on the canal for the perfect start to your summer weekends. Find a complete schedule on our <u>Summer Concert Series Event page</u> on the Town website.

# REMINDER: TOWN OFFICES & COMMUNITY CENTER CLOSED TODAY FOR JUNETEENTH HOLIDAY

Town offices and services and the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center will be closed today (Wednesday, June 19) in observance of the Juneteenth holiday, which commemorates the end to slavery and celebrates Black and African American freedom and achievements. The Pittsford Community Library will be open regular hours, 9:00am – 8:00pm.





# SPIEGEL PITTSFORD COMMUNITY CENTER POLLINATOR GARDEN TOUR THIS SUNDAY, 6/23

Get an insider's tour of the Spiegel Pittsford
Community Center gardens, a prime stop on the
Pittsford Pollinator Pathway this Sunday, June 23,
from 9:30 – 10:30am! The tour will be led by our
Community Center gardener Jane McConnochie and
features information about several ecologically
important perennials and shrubs. You'll learn their role
in the landscape and ecosystem as well as some tips
and tricks for how to care for them. Jane will be glad

to answer any questions you have and will share tips to help you meet the <u>Pittsford</u> <u>Pollinator Pathway Challenge</u> in your garden! **Register for the garden tour through the** <u>Town of Pittsford's Recreation page.</u>

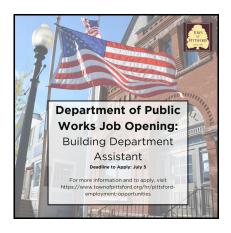
Here's a **pollinator gardening tip from Color Pittsford Green** just for you: Some native plants can get quite tall and flop over if not planted in a meadow with other tall grasses to keep them upright. Feel free to chop off the top half or event third of fall-blooming plants in June, which will keep their height at a minimum and encourage more blooms. Most asters, coneflowers, and false sunflowers all do well with this treatment.

Be sure to follow the <u>Town of Pittsford Facebook page</u> for daily tips on the planting and maintaining of pollinator gardens. And if you haven't taken the Town's <u>Pollinator Pathway Challenge</u> yet, there's no better time to do so! <u>Download the form online</u>, fill it out, and bring to the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center when completed. You will be given a sturdy, wooden Pittsford Pollinator Pathway sign to display in your yard!

# JOB OPENING: BUILDING DEPARTMENT ASSISTANT

### Application Deadline July 5, 2024

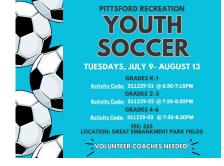
The Town of Pittsford's Department of Public Works has an opening for a **Building Department Assistant**. The Building Department Assistant is responsible for legal documentation of Board meetings and providing administrative support to the Public Works Department. This position works directly with the Town Building Inspectors, the Fire Marshal and the Planning Assistant and provides front-line service to



walk-in and phone-in residents, builders, contractors, various professionals and volunteer board members. Excellent customer service, organizational, verbal and writing skills are required.

The position is 35 hours per week, with regular working hours from 8:00am to 4:00pm plus two to three evening meetings per month. Find further information about the <a href="Building Department Assistant">Building Department Assistant</a> position on our website. The application deadline for this position is Friday, July 5, 2024.

To view all job openings, complete job descriptions and application information visit the <u>"Employment Opportunities"</u> page link under the "Contact Us" tab on the Town website.



### **BEGINS JULY 9**

Registration deadline this Friday, June 21
Pittsford Recreation is offering three sections of
Summer Youth Soccer on Tuesdays at Great
Embankment Park for grades K-1 (6:30-7:15pm),
grades 2-3 (7:30-8:30pm), and grades 4-6 7:308:30pm). This program emphasizes sportsmanship,
friendship and fun. Micro soccer (small-sided play on

scaled down field areas) sessions are used to

maximize each player's involvement in play. Games introduced are designed to be challenging, to build skills, and will help build your child's confidence – without them even realizing it's happening! Players must provide a water bottle, shin guards and a size 3 or 4 practice ball. Register online through the <u>Town of Pittsford's Recreation</u> page; the registration deadline is this Friday, June 21.

**Volunteer coaches are necessary for the success of this program** – no experience necessary! Volunteers will receive lesson plans and all pertinent program information prior to the start of the season. If you are interested in coaching, please contact Kate at 248-6281.

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# PITTSFORD COMMUNITY LIBRARY KICKS OFF SUMMER READING PROGRAMS WITH A PARTY THIS MONDAY

This summer, adventure begins at your Library! All ages are invited to join in the fun this summer by tracking their reading with one of our <u>summer</u> reading games. To celebrate, the Library is



throwing a Summer Reading Kick Off Party in the New Book Area this Monday, June 24 from 2:00 - 3:00pm. Come, have a piece of cookie cake (first come, first served), and sign up for one of the Children's, Teen, or Adult games!

The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street. For information about other upcoming Library programs, visit the <u>Library's program calendar</u> online or call 249-5481.



# NARCAN TRAINING & SERVICES INFO AT LIBRARY THIS TUESDAY, 6/25 - LEARN TO SAFELY STOP AN OPIOID OVERDOSE

The Pittsford Community Library will offer free public Narcan training and opioid awareness information this Tuesday, June 25 from 2:00pm- 5:00pm in the Library hallway. Stop by to receive a free Narcan training and a Narcan kit from the Monroe County Health Department. Narcan (Naloxone) is a nasal spray that can be administered immediately to treat an opioid overdose. The opioid crisis continues at an alarming

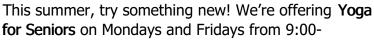
level. Approximately every other day, someone in Monroe County dies from an opioid overdose. There is no community immune to this crisis – learn how to save a life with

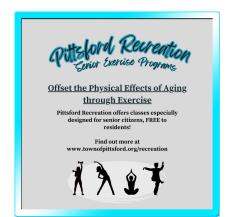
Narcan. This drop-in program is free; no registration required.

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# SUMMER EXERCISE PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS UNDERWAY

The Pittsford Recreation Department's Senior Exercise Programs are specifically designed to cater to the unique needs of seniors, focusing on improving balance, flexibility, strength and cardiovascular health. For ages 50+, these adaptable exercise programs make staying active fun. Join us!





9:50am, a FREE Online Balance Class every first, second, and third Monday of the month from 12:15 – 1:30pm, and the always-popular Zumba Gold, which will have you dancing each Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00-9:45am. And EVERYONE is invited to our weekly Square Dancing session on Fridays at 2:00pm. Our teacher, Jim Gotta, incorporates traditional and modern styles of square dancing.

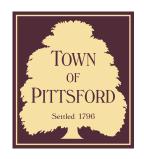
We're also offering Mind-Body-Spirit Fitness, Arthritis Senior Fitness, an in-person Balance Class, Tai Chi for Arthritis and Fall Prevention, Line Dancing, a FREE Feldenkrais Method Exercise Class and a class called Get Fit and Stress Less. Information about each of these options can be found in our <a href="mailto:online Summer Brochure">online Summer Brochure</a>.

The Town's Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. To learn more about our programs, activities and services for seniors <u>click here to visit the Seniors' page</u> on the Town website, <u>read our Seniors program info brochure online</u>, or call the Senior Programs Office at 248-6235.

### **REMINDERS**

### 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="https://www.townofpittsford.org/calendar">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



<u>minutes and agendas page</u> 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>Town Summer Concert</u> Series, featuring blues, jazz and rock with Steve Grills and the Roadmasters, Friday, 6/21, 6:30pm, canalside in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, 22 N. Main Street
- Pollinator Celebration and Bird Harbor Ribbon Cutting, Saturday, 6/22, 10:00am, Great Embankment Park, 631 Marsh Road, Pittsford; unveiling pollinator tips at Bird Harbor, fun and educational activities and give-aways, including face painting, free seedlings and kids pollinator activity sheets
- 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 <a href="zoningupdate@townofpittsford.org">zoningupdate@townofpittsford.org</a> 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, 6/24, 6:30pm, Town Hall, Public Meeting Room (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
- Zoning Code Update Town Board meeting, Tuesday, 7/9, 6:00pm, Town Hall lower level meeting room, 11 South Main Street. Meeting will be live-streamed and recorded; comments can be submitted in advance (mail or email) or at the meeting (email or in person). Find comment/viewing info here; find complete Zoning Code Update information at <a href="https://www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate">www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate</a>. Find links to the documents for discussion here. Updated meeting listings will be posted at <a href="https://www.townofpittsford.org/calendar">www.townofpittsford.org/calendar</a>.

### **COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR**

- <u>Village Board of Trustees Special Meeting</u>, Tuesday, 6/25, 6:00pm; more information and participation details will be listed on the Village website <u>here</u> as the meeting date approaches
- <u>Village Board of Trustees</u> meetings are generally the second and fourth Tuesday
  of the month at 5:30pm, Village Hall, 21 North Main Street; more information
  and participation details will be listed on the Village website <u>here</u> as the meeting
  date approaches
- <u>American Legion Rayson-Miller Post 899</u> 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 <u>membership information</u> 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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