

News & Reviews

September 15, 2021

Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy
Community

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Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings



FREE CONCERT THIS FRIDAY – SMOOTH JAZZ WITH JUDAH SEALY, 5:30PM

We're kicking off the weekend festivities with a free concert by [Judah Sealy](#) from 5:30 – 7:00pm in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford this Friday, September 17. If you missed him and his amazing band during our Summer Concert Series, now is your chance to enjoy an evening of smooth jazz along the canal. Bring your lawn chair or a blanket and relax! And be sure to check out the [Pittsford Art Walk](#) – it's underway from 4:00 – 8:00pm in the Village on Friday night. See below for details.

FOOD TRUCK AND MUSIC FEST THIS SATURDAY!

Pittsford's favorite end of the summer festival is back this Saturday, September 18 and it's bigger and better than ever! Our Main Street Pittsford Food Truck & Music Fest will have a variety of food, a wine and beer garden, live music all day, and fireworks display to end the night! There will be plenty to do for families too – including amusement rides, children's activities from local community groups, a magician, balloon twisting, the Willard Farm Stand, and the [Pittsford Youth Services Duck Drop](#)!



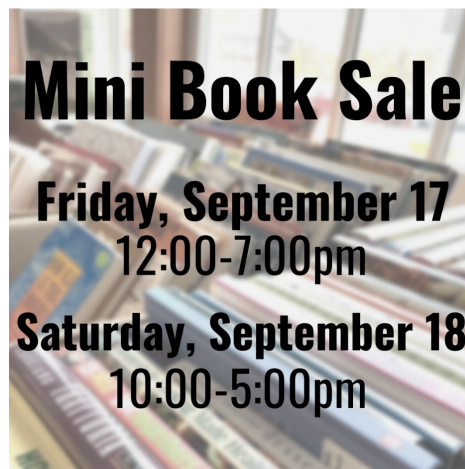
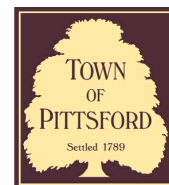
The Food Truck & Music Fest will be held from 12noon to 9:00pm and in addition to our usual festival activities, we'll be hosting a Pittsford Rowing Exhibition (10:00am - 2:00pm) on the canal and the Pittsford Youth Service Duck Drop will be held in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford from 3:30 – 4:30pm. There will be a [Pittsford Art Walk](#) and we'll also be celebrating the [25th anniversary of the Town's Greenprint](#). Be sure to stop by the [Greenprint 25 booth](#), held in partnership with Historic Pittsford, to learn about our new [self-guided tour of the Greenprint farms](#). Visit all of the farms and you can enter a drawing for a free week of summer camp with Pittsford Recreation! Historic Pittsford volunteers will have plenty of information on the Town's Greenprint - including a quiz game - and you can pick up free books on Pittsford's history.

Join us for a wide variety of great food from mobile cuisine vendors and local eateries, a wine and beer garden, family activities, amusement rides, children's entertainment, the Willard Farm Stand, shopping at Village merchants, and live music all day - plus fireworks over the canal to close out the night!

Food Trucks, Wine & Beer Garden, family activities and music will take place along South Main Street from the Four Corners (Monroe/State streets) to Locust Street. The PYS Duck Drop will take place in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, 22 North Main Street. The best viewing for the Pittsford Rowing Exhibition will be along Schoen Place or in Carpenter Park. Details, including a complete schedule and site map, are available on our [Food Truck & Music Fest event page](#) on the Town website.

TOWN COURT CLOSED TODAY, 9/15 DUE TO TRAINING

The Pittsford Town Court offices will be closed today (Wednesday, September 15) due to an annual staff training. If you have a court inquiry during this time, please call 585-248-6238 and leave a message, or send an email to pthurber@townofpittsford.org.



LIBRARY FALL BOOK SALE SEPTEMBER THIS FRIDAY & SATURDAY

The [Friends of Pittsford Library Fall Book Sale](#) is this Friday and Saturday, September 17 and 18 in the Pittsford Community Library's Fisher Meeting Room and features an array of books for all ages (including hardcover and paperbacks), plus games, DVDs, and CDs - all at great prices! Hours are 12:00 – 7:00pm on Friday and 10:00am – 5:00pm on Saturday. The sale is open to all! To ensure enough time and space for all to safely browse, physical distancing and mask wearing will be required, the number of shoppers in the room at a

time will be limited, and shopping time will be limited to 20 minutes per guest. While there will be fewer tables, tables will be replenished throughout the sale so everyone has a chance to find some wonderful bookish buys. Bags won't be available so please bring your own if you'd like. All proceeds benefit our Pittsford Community Library!

PITTSFORD ART WALK IS THIS FRIDAY & SATURDAY

Here's a great opportunity to enjoy some local art, support local businesses and maybe even win a unique prize! Pittsford Art Walk is this Friday, 4:00 – 8:00pm and Saturday, 11:00 – 5:00pm (September 17 and 18) and features an art-filled stroll among the Village's three fine art galleries and a gallery at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center. The galleries include an array of fine art and artisan pieces, including paintings, sculptures, prints, and handcrafted jewelry, metal art, glass and woodworking pieces. Weather permitting, there will live music, outdoor tents of art, and artists painting during the event. Stroll from gallery to gallery and have your passport (available at all 4 locations) stamped for a chance to win one of three great art prizes. Maps and Passports (prize entry forms) are available at each

PITTSFORD ART WALK
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 FROM 4-8 PM &
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 FROM 11 AM-5 PM

THIS IS YOUR PASSPORT to the 2021 Pittsford Art Walk. Fill out your contact information on the back of this form. Then have this passport stamped by any three locations, turning it in to the last gallery you make to be entered into a drawing for one of THREE prizes (one donated by each gallery). Have fun!

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| JEMBETAT |
| PITTSFORD FINE ART |
| SYLVAN STARLIGHT CREATIONS |
| SPEGEL COMMUNITY CENTER |

The map shows the route along South Main Street from the Village to Locust Street, with participating galleries marked: Jembetat, Pittsford Fine Art, Sylvan Starlight Creations, and Spiegel Community Center. It also shows other streets like Monroe, State, and Locust.

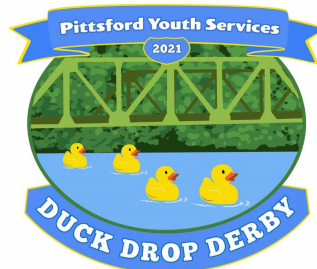
participating gallery:

- Jembetat Gallery, 12 Schoen Place
- Pittsford Fine Art, 4 North Main Street
- Sylvan Starlight Creations, 50 State Street
- Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue

Find more information about the Art Walk at www.pittsfordfineart.com/events.

PYS DUCK DROP IS THIS SATURDAY - TICKETS STILL ON SALE

Pittsford Youth Services' [Duck Drop Derby](#) is this Saturday, September 18 and tickets are still on sale! The annual rubber duck race on the canal will be held at 3:30pm in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, during the Town's Main Street [Food Truck & Music Fest](#). Funds raised from this event go directly toward providing vital professional, confidential and affordable social work and counseling services to youth and their families in our community. This year's Master of Ceremonies will be local comedian Todd Youngman.



The Duck Drop is Pittsford Youth Services' largest fundraiser. Contributions go directly toward services for youth and families in need right here in our community. PYS has been providing affordable, accessible and confidential counseling and support services since 1969 - for over 50 years! It's the perfect opportunity to be part of a fun community tradition while supporting the good work PYS does for our youth.

Admission to the Duck Drop is free and open to the public but if you want a duck to race, you have to buy a ticket! Buy your tickets online now and take advantage of the special "family of four" for \$30, or you can buy a "flock" of 8 for \$50. Individual tickets are \$10 each. **The first three ducks to cross the finish line will win cash prizes of \$1,000, \$500 and \$250!** There will be a **silent auction** too - held in front of the PYS offices at 4 South Main Street and featuring some special prizes!

Tickets for the Duck Drop are being sold at various locations around town, including the Pittsford Dairy, along Schoen Place and at other locations around the Village. The easiest way to purchase tickets is online at www.pittsfordyouthservices.org using PayPal or debit/credit card, by calling at 264-0604, or stopping at the PYS office at 4 South Main Street (Enter on side of building). To learn about how PYS helps youth and families with counseling, advocacy, educational programs and informational services, visit their [website](#).



CANAL TREE CUTTING PUBLIC INFO MEETINGS THIS MONDAY & TUESDAY

Save our Canal Trees – Make Your Voice Heard

The Canal Corporation/NY Power Authority are hosting four in-person public information sessions this Monday and Tuesday regarding their [Canal Corp/Power Authority Draft Environmental Impact Statement and proposed Embankment Maintenance Guidebook](#) and plans for

clearcutting trees along the canal. They will host two virtual meetings on September 30. Please see the details below.

The upcoming public information sessions are:

- Monday, September 20, 2021 at 11:00am and 6:30pm in the Town of Perinton Community Center, 1340 Turk Hill Road, Fairport.
- Tuesday, September 21 at 11:00am and 6:30pm, in the Town of Perinton Community Center, 1340 Turk Hill Road, Fairport.
- Thursday, September 30, 2021 - two virtual sessions, to be held at 11:00am and 6:30pm; register by emailing public.info@canals.ny.gov.

You can read here the [Town of Pittsford's comments on the Power Authority's Draft Environmental Impact Statement](#) and Draft Embankment Maintenance Guidebook, which summarizes the Town's position.

If you have not already done so, please make your voice heard. Attend a meeting or send along your comments. The Canal Corporation/Power Authority deadline for comments has been extended to October 15. You can submit your comments to NYSCC-Embankments@bergmannpc.com in response to the [Power Authority's Environmental Impact Statement](#), which outlines its rationale for clearcutting trees along the canal, and to its proposed Embankment Maintenance Guidebook.

You may also mail written comments to James Candiloro of the Power Authority at 30 South Pearl St. Albany, NY 12207. Comments must be submitted to the Power Authority by October 15, 2021.

Visit our Canal Tree Clearcut Information web page at www.townofpittsford.org/save-our-canal-trees for current updates and a timeline regarding the proposed canal tree cutting in Pittsford.

JOIN US FOR TOWN HISTORIAN OFFICE OPEN HOUSE SEPTEMBER 25

The Pittsford Town Historian office has moved to the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center. You're invited to visit the Historian office, located in Room 114, on Saturday, September 25 between 10:00am–12:00pm to see the new space and to learn more about our historian services. Town Historian Audrey Johnson and Deputy Town Historian Vicki Masters Profitt will be on hand with exhibits showcasing Pittsford's history. Light refreshments will be served. The Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. We look forward to seeing you!



SCHOOL TAXES DUE IN FULL BY OCTOBER 1

Full payments of school taxes for Town of Pittsford residents are due by Friday, October 1. Please include your stub and phone number with your payment. Consistent with our practice since the onset of the pandemic, the Town will continue to encourage payments by mail or by secure mail slots which are located at both the front and back of the Pittsford Town Hall, 11 South Main Street. Full payments may also be made online via a link from the Town's website to the Monroe County website, using Visa and MasterCard only; there will be a 3% fee to use this online payment service. To pay online, click [HERE](#).

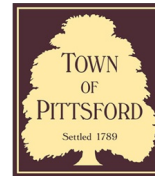
On-time first installments may be paid at Canandaigua National Bank, 18 State Street, in Pittsford Village. Canandaigua National Bank will continue to accept full payments only from September 16 through October 1.

Second and third installment payments cannot be accepted at Town Hall. Second and third installments will only be accepted at the Monroe County Office of the Treasury (39 West Main Street, Monroe County Office Building) and made payable to: Monroe County Treasurer; they are not payable at Town Hall. Full payments with 2% interest will be accepted from October 2 - October 31 and these payments can be mailed or placed in the secure mail slot at Pittsford Town Hall. If you need assistance in that calculation, please contact the tax office directly at 585-248-6215 for the correct amount due.

Please Note: **We strongly discourage paying your tax bill via Electronic Checking/Online bill pay system.** If paying your bill with an online bill pay system, please be aware that your bank still mails us a paper check without a USPS postmark and it may take as long as two weeks to reach our office. Therefore, we cannot consider your payment received until we physically receive the payment in our office. **We do not recommend sending payment in this manner.**

CHAMBER TO HOST STATE OF PITTSFORD ADDRESS

The Pittsford Chamber of Commerce will host a State of the Town, Village and School District address by Town Supervisor Bill Smith, Village Mayor Alyssa Plummer and Pittsford Schools Superintendent Mike Pero on Thursday, September 30 at The Highlands of Pittsford Hahnemann Club (301 Stoutenburgh Lane). Supervisor Smith, Mayor Plummer and Superintendent Pero will inform attendees of progress made in over the past year and provide insight about upcoming initiatives.



The event begins with a continental breakfast at 7:45am followed by presentations beginning promptly at 8:00am and Q&A at 8:50am. Cost is free for Chamber members and includes breakfast. Registration is required and space is limited. For more information contact Lisa Schwingle at info@pittsfordchamber.org or (585) 902-2297, or visit www.pittsfordchamber.org.

REMINDERS

FIREWORKS COURTESY NOTIFICATION FOR THIS SATURDAY, 9/18

Public and private fireworks events in the Town of Pittsford require a permit issued by the Town. As a courtesy, notifications for public and private fireworks events held within the Town are posted on the [Town website](#), the [Town Facebook page](#) and in the [Town's eNews](#). Courtesy notifications also can be mailed in advance to those in the immediate area of a permitted fireworks event (public or private) who request them. To request a mailed Fireworks Notification, please contact Town Fire Marshal and Code Enforcement Officer Kelly Cline at kcline@townofpittsford.org or 248-6250. Please see below current fireworks event permit notification.

Current Fireworks Event Notification:

Saturday, September 18, 2021 - public fireworks event during Main Street Food Truck and Music Fest in Pittsford Village - approximately 9:00pm

All current Fireworks Event Courtesy Notification listings can be found on the Town website at www.townofpittsford.org/fireworks-notifications.

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 www.townofpittsford.org/calendar for meeting dates. To view the livestream, click the [Town Board Meeting live streaming link](#) 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 [minutes and agendas page](#) 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 comments@townofpittsford.org. 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 www.townofpittsford.org/channel12 and use the On-Demand links to view previously recorded meetings.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD

- **Free concert featuring smooth jazz with [Judah Sealy](#)**, Friday, 9/17, 5:30pm, Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, 22 North Main Street
- **[Friends of Pittsford Library Fall Book Sale](#)**, Friday, 9/17 from 12:00 – 7:00pm and Saturday, 9/18, 10:00am – 5:00pm, Fisher Meeting Room, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street, sale is open to all; please note to ensure enough time and space to safely browse, physical distancing and mask wearing required, the number of shoppers in the room at a time will be limited, shopping time will be limited to 20 minutes per guest, bags not available – please bring your own.
- **Pittsford Crew Rowing Exhibition** along the canal at Schoen Place, part of the Food Truck & Music Fest, Saturday, 9/18, 10:00am - 2:00pm
- **[Pittsford Main Street Food Truck & Music Fest](#)**, Saturday, 9/18, 12-9pm, South Main Street (Four Corners to Locust Street) with PYS Duck Drop at 3:30pm in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, 22 North Main Street and Pittsford Rowing Exhibition on the canal at Schoen Place; food and drink, family fun, live music all day and fireworks to end the night! Detailed info and updates at www.townofpittsford.org/foodtruckmusicfest.
- **[Pittsford Youth Services Duck Drop Derby](#)**, Saturday, 9/18, 3:30pm, Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, 22 North Main Street - annual rubber duck race on the canal to raise funds for youth and family services, part of the Town of Pittsford Food Truck & Music Fest; tickets and volunteer/sponsorship info at www.pittsfordyouthservices.org.
- **Pittsford Chamber of Commerce State of Pittsford Address**, Thursday, 9/30, continental breakfast at 7:45am followed by presentations at 8:00am, Q&A at 8:50am, The Highlands of Pittsford Hahnemann Club, 301 Stoutenburgh Lane; registration required, free to Chamber members, for more information and to register contact info@pittsfordchamber.org
- **[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 www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate. Comments can be made to zoningupdate@townofpittsford.org 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

- **Zoning Board of Appeals**, Monday, 9/20, 7:00pm, Public Meeting Room, Town Hall (lower level), 11 South Main Street, current CDC guidelines will be followed; the meeting agenda is posted at least two days prior to the meeting on the Town website here: www.townofpittsford.org/minutes
- **Town Board**, Tuesday, 9/21, 6:00pm, Public Meeting Room, Town Hall (lower level), 11 South Main Street, ASL interpretation provided, current CDC guidelines will be followed; 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**, Wednesday, 9/22, Town Hall lower level meeting room, 11 South Main Street. Meetings will be live-streamed and recorded; comments can be submitted in advance (mail or email) or at the meeting (email or in person). Find [meeting schedule and comment/viewing info here](#); find complete Zoning Code Update information at www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate. Find complete Zoning Code Update information at www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate.
- **Town Board Zoning Code Update meetings** – the Zoning Update meetings are tentatively scheduled for the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at noon, through the end of 2021. Find updated meeting listings at www.townofpittsford.org/calendar and find complete Zoning Update information at www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate.

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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; click this link for [membership information](#) or visit the [Rayson-Miller Post website](#)
- **Pittsford Rotary Club**, Wednesdays (weekly), 7:00am, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street
- **Pittsford Art Group** conducts monthly member meetings 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 www.pittsfordartgroup.com and fill out a [Contact Us](#) form.

COVID-19 Closure Updates

On June 15, 2021, Governor Cuomo announced that COVID-19 restrictions are lifted immediately as 70 percent of New Yorkers aged 18 or older have received the first dose of their COVID-19 vaccination series. The State's health guidance and New York Forward industry specific guidelines—including social gathering limits, capacity restrictions, social distancing, cleaning and disinfection, health screening, and contact information for tracing—are now optional for retail, food services, offices, gyms and fitness centers, amusement and family entertainment, hair salons, barber shops and personal care services, among other commercial settings.

On August 2, 2021, Monroe County was designated as a County with a “substantial” COVID infection. Consequently, the CDC now recommends that people, regardless of vaccination status, wear a mask indoors. This is a recommendation, not a mandate. The guidelines are unclear at this point, as is the situation. Neither the State, the County or the Town has imposed a mask *requirement* at this stage. pp

Unvaccinated individuals continue to be responsible for wearing masks, in accordance with federal CDC guidance. Consistent with the State's implementation of the recent CDC guidance, masks are still required for unvaccinated individuals.

For information on the vaccine, on getting the vaccine, regional vaccination data and more visit the [Finger Lakes COVID-19 Vaccine Hub](#).

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. 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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