

# News & Reviews

July 6, 2022

Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy  
Community

*See listings below for  
Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings*

## **SMOOTH JAZZ WITH JUDAH SEALY THIS FRIDAY ALONG THE CANAL**

Enjoy an evening of smooth jazz with Judah Sealy this Friday, July 8 at 6:30pm along the canal at Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford. A Rochester-based national recording artist and an accomplished saxophonist, pianist, and music producer, Judah recently performed at the Rochester International Jazz Festival. We're so glad to have him and his band back again for our Summer Concert Series!

Bring your lawn chair or a blanket and enjoy a wonderful concert along the canal. Harladay Hots will be site with hotdogs, burgers and chicken sandwiches available for purchase. Or grab a bite to eat from one of the nearby Village restaurants.



Our Summer Concert Series continues Friday evenings at 6:30pm through August 26. We've got a variety of outstanding music this season – from jazz, pop, blues and big band to bossa nova, gospel, Celtic and folk – plus tributes to Billy Joel and the Beatles! It's the perfect way to start your weekend. Carpenter Park is located at 22 North Main Street. Find a complete concert schedule on our Summer Concert Series Event page at [www.townofpittsford.org/summerconcerts](http://www.townofpittsford.org/summerconcerts).



## **BOOKS BY BIKE LIBRARY POP-UP AT SCHOEN PLACE THIS FRIDAY!**

This summer, watch for Pittsford Community Library pop-ups at Schoen Place on select Friday afternoons with *Books By Bike* – there's one this Friday, July 8 from 3:00 – 5:00pm! Meet your neighborhood librarians, browse, and check out ocean-themed books. Play games to win prizes and learn about all of the fun Oceans of

Possibilities Summer Reading activities and events happening at the Library over the next two months. *Books By Bike* is a program of the Monroe County Library System. Please note appearances are held as weather permits. To learn more about Pittsford Community Library programs and services, visit the [Library's online program](#)

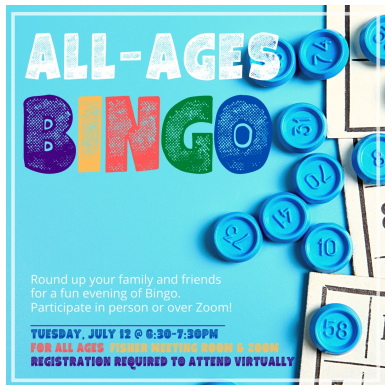
[calendar](#). For complete Library information, including hours of operation, visit [www.townofpittsford.org/library](http://www.townofpittsford.org/library).

## NEW ACCESSIBLE KAYAK LAUNCH RIBBON CUTTING IS THIS MONDAY – PUBLIC INVITED

We're celebrating our new handicap-accessible kayak launch with a ribbon cutting this **Monday, July 11 at 11:00am** – please join us! The launch is located on the Canal path in front of the Pittsford Sewer Department offices, at 3899 Monroe Avenue.

The launch is convenient for a range of abilities, including kayakers with limitations on their mobility. It's designed to make it easier to get on the water and enjoy the beauty of our canal. The gangway and docking area are appropriately sloped for wheelchair use. Guiderails and handrails make the launch easy to navigate. The launch also includes a nylon kayak slide to provide access and stability when launching and docking.

The accessible launch and dock project represents the culmination of nearly three years' work by our Town staff through the extensive and detailed permitting and approval process. The State Canal Corporation, the Army Corps of Engineers, the State Historic Preservation Office and the State Department of Environmental Conservation all were involved in granting approvals necessary to make this project a reality. A very involved project but well worth the effort!



## LIBRARY OFFERS ALL-AGES BINGO IN PERSON & ON ZOOM THIS TUESDAY

Join our Pittsford Community Library staff for a fun night of Bingo in person or via Zoom this Tuesday, July 12. The program will run from 6:30 - 7:30pm and features prizes! Bingo boards can be picked up at the Library during open hours. For virtual participation, a Zoom link will be sent the day of the program, and the email used for registration will be used to contact prize winners. This family-friendly program is suitable for all ages; it is free and open to all, but registration is

required to receive the Zoom link. Use this link to [register online for All-Ages Bingo via the Library calendar](#) or find the registration calendar under the Events tab at [www.townofpittsford.org/library](http://www.townofpittsford.org/library).

## MORNING MOVIE MATINEE FOR SENIORS JULY 14 – MAMA MIA

Seniors, join us in the VanHuysen Community Room at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center on Thursday, July 14 for our free Morning Movie Matinee featuring *Mama Mia*. Then stay afterward for pizza!

Register by calling the Senior Center at 248-6235. The movie begins at 10:30am and features light refreshments, including coffee, breakfast pastries and popcorn. Pizza will be served after the movie. *Mama Mia* tells the story of a



bride-to-be who, unbeknownst to her mother, is trying to learn which of three men might be her real father. The story unfolds using hit songs by the popular 1970s group ABBA. Starring Meryl Streep, Amanda Seyfried, Pierce Brosnan, Colin Firth and Stellan Skarsgard, it's a fun musical romantic comedy set on a colorful Greek island - and may have you singing along!

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



### **BLOOD DRIVE AT THE LIBRARY THIS FRIDAY**

The Town of Pittsford will host a Red Cross blood drive **this Friday, July 8 from 10:00am – 3:00pm** at the Pittsford Community Library in the Fisher Meeting Room. The Library is located at 24 State Street in the Village of Pittsford.

Donors can schedule an appointment by calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or using this [online registration link](#). Please schedule an appointment prior to your arrival to help ensure we can safely manage the flow of donors.

The Red Cross will be following all current COVID-19 guidelines during the blood drive. Donors can save time using the RapidPass registration process. Just visit [www.redcrossblood.org/RapidPass](http://www.redcrossblood.org/RapidPass) on the day of your scheduled donation, read the information, answer the questions, then print or email yourself the pass.

Donating blood is a simple thing to do, but it can make a big difference in the lives of others. **The complexities of COVID-19 mean your help is needed now more than ever.** The Red Cross has the ability to move blood around the country to wherever, and whenever, it is needed most. **All blood, platelet and plasma donations will be tested for COVID-19 antibodies as well.** The test may indicate if the donor's immune system has produced antibodies to this coronavirus, regardless of whether they developed symptoms. This also will allow the Red Cross to identify COVID-19 convalescent plasma, which is being used by hospitals to help treat immunocompromised COVID-19 patients.

As we continue to navigate this pandemic, blood donations remain essential to the health of our communities. The Red Cross needs the ongoing support of blood donors and blood drive hosts to ensure blood products are available for patients battling disease and facing the unexpected. If you are eligible and feeling well, please make an appointment today to give by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) or calling 800-RED-CROSS.

### **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 [www.townofpittsford.org/calendar](http://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](mailto: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](http://www.townofpittsford.org/channel12) and use the On-Demand links to view previously recorded meetings.

### **UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD**

- [Pittsford Community Library Books By Bike Pop-up](#), Friday, 7/8, 3:00 – 5:00pm, outdoors at Schoen Place; meet librarians, check out books, play games and win prizes. Date is weather-dependent.
- [Town Summer Concert Series](#), featuring smooth jazz with Judah Sealy, Friday, 7/8, 6:30pm, canalside in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, 22 N. Main Street
- [Red Cross Blood Drive at Pittsford Community Library](#), Friday, 7/8, 10:00am – 3:00pm, Pittsford Community Library Fisher Meeting Room, 24 State Street; [schedule an appointment in advance using this online registration link](#) or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767); the Red Cross will be following all COVID-19 guidelines during the blood drive, for more information visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org).
- [Town Family Outdoor Movie Night](#), featuring *Encanto*, Thursday, 7/14, food trucks begin serving at 5:00pm, movie begins just after sunset, Sutherland High School field, 55 Sutherland Street - please note, no pets allowed at this location; free and open to the public, [Marty's Meats](#), [Powers Farm Market](#) (kettle corn), and [Kona Ice](#) will be on-site with items available for purchase from 5:00pm until the movie starts.
- [Concerts for Kids](#) – kids' rock with [Mr. Loops](#), Wednesday, 7/20, 6:30pm, outdoors at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue
- [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](http://www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate). Comments can be made to [zoningupdate@townofpittsford.org](mailto: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**

- **Planning Board**, Monday, 7/11, 6:30pm, Town Hall, Public Meeting Room (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](http://www.townofpittsford.org/minutes)
- **Pittsford Community Library Board**, Wednesday, 7/13, 6:00pm, Fisher Meeting Room, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State 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](http://www.townofpittsford.org/minutes)

## COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

- [Board of Education](#) Reorganization and regular meeting, Tuesday, 7/12, 5:00pm, Barker Road Middle School McCluski Board Room, 75 Barker Road
- [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, masks are required; 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. Meetings held the third Thursday of the month, September through June; due to the COVID-19 pandemic, decisions to hold meetings in person or virtually are made month to month. Visit the website at <https://www.womensclubofpittsford.org> for more information
- [Pittsford Art Group](#) conducts monthly member meetings (via Zoom and in person) 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](http://www.pittsfordartgroup.com) and fill out a [Contact Us](#) form.

## COVID-19 Access Updates

3/2/22 Update: the Statewide mask mandate for schools expired 3/1, mask use is now optional in Pittsford School District schools; for more information, visit [www.pittsfordschools.org/COVID-19INFORMATION](http://www.pittsfordschools.org/COVID-19INFORMATION). The mandate remains in place for health care facilities, transportation and other related entities.

2/10/22 Update: the Statewide mask mandate has expired for indoor public spaces including grocery stores, shops and offices. The mandate remains for other settings such as health care facilities and schools.

1/31/22 Update: the Governor's mask mandate extended to February 10, 2022.

12/13/21 Update: By order of NYS Governor Kathy Hochul, until January 15, 2022 the Town must require all persons entering Town buildings to be masked, regardless of vaccination status. This applies to all Town indoor facilities, including Town Hall, the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, the Pittsford Community Library, Town Court and the Highway Department, Sewer Department and Parks Department offices.

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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.

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](http://www.townofpittsford.org/covid-19info).

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## COVID-19 Coronavirus Information Links

Further Town of Pittsford COVID-19 coronavirus information and updates can be found at [www.townofpittsford.org/covid-19info](http://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://www.monroecounty.gov/health>.

Additional information about COVID-19 testing and health requirements throughout Monroe County can be found on the County's Website: [www.monroecounty.gov](http://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](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html?deliveryName=USCDC_2067-DM20785).

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