

News & Reviews

August 3, 2022

Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy
Community

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Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings*

CONCERT FOR KIDS TONIGHT!

Paulsen & Baker, with special guest Warren Paul
Our next Concert for Kids is tonight (Wednesday, August 3) and features good time family music!



Paulsen and Baker, along with special guest Warren Paul, will entertain the whole family with guitars, fiddle, banjo, mandolin, harmonica, rhythm instruments and vocal harmony. Come and enjoy their talent, music and good humor! Our Concerts for Kids take place outdoors behind the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center.

The concert begins at 6:30pm. We'll have the **Macarollin** and **Kona Ice food trucks** on-site as well with items available for purchase from 5:00 - 8:00pm. The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. Visit our [Concerts for Kids web page](#) for complete information.



BOOKS BY BIKE LIBRARY POP-UP AT VILLAGE ERIE CANAL PARK FRIDAY!

Our next Pittsford Community Library pop-up with *Books By Bike* is this Friday, August 5 from 3:00 – 5:00pm at the Village of Pittsford Erie Canal Park in Schoen Place. You can meet your neighborhood librarians, browse, and even check out books. Play games to win prizes too! *Books By Bike* is a program of the Monroe County Library System. Please note the appearance is weather dependent. 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.

THIS FRIDAY: BLUES, JAZZ & GOSPEL WITH THE DEBBIE KENDRICK PROJECT

The Debbie Kendrick Project brings a mix of blues, jazz, gospel and soul to our Summer Concert Series this Friday, August 5. Join

us at 6:30pm in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford for an inspiring evening of music along the Canal!

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.



BLOOD DRIVE AT THE LIBRARY THIS FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

The Town of Pittsford will host a Red Cross blood drive this Friday, August 5 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 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 or calling 800-RED-CROSS.



SENIORS SUMMER LUNCH & CANAL SONGS WITH JOHN DADY ON 8/16

Reservation deadline is this Tuesday, August 9

Seniors, join us at 12noon in the VanHuysen Community Room at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center on Tuesday, August 16 for a home cooked "Summer Sunshine" lunch by Chef Linda and a wonderful performance of canal-related songs by one of our favorites – John Dady! Town Historian Audrey Johnson also will give a brief overview of the Town's Erie Canal: 200 Years in Pittsford events and programs scheduled for August. Lunch will include chicken Cobb salad with

roll, Pineapple Sunshine cake for dessert, and a signature summer drink. The cost for lunch is \$6.00 per person; **advance registration and payment is required by this Tuesday, August 9.** For more information and to register, stop by the Senior Programs office at the Community Center or call 248-6235. An *Erie Canal: 200 Years in Pittsford* event.

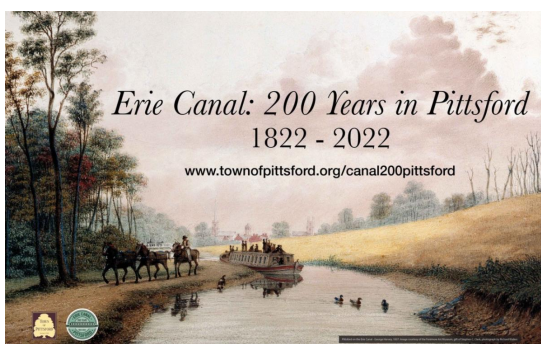
The Town's Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. To learn more about our programs, activities and services for seniors click the link to visit the [Seniors page on the Town website](#), read our [Seniors program info brochure online](#), or call our Senior Programs Office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

FAMILY OUTDOOR MOVIE 8/11: SING 2

Our third of four Thursday evening Family Outdoor Movie Nights is August 11 and features *Sing 2* [rated PG]. In this animated musical comedy sequel, Buster Moon and his friends – new and old – put on a show while working to impress an entertainment mogul and enlist a reclusive rock star to perform. Shown on a giant inflatable screen at the Sutherland High School fields (55 Sutherland Street), the movie will begin at dark (approximately 9:45pm). It's free and open to the public. Food and beverages will be available for purchase from **Power's Farm Market** (kettle corn) **Kona Ice** (shaved ice), and an additional food truck (to be announced) from 5:00pm until the movie begins. Please note, pets are not allowed at this location. It's a great time with family and friends - bring your lawn chairs or a blanket and join us!



Our [Family Outdoor Movie Nights](#) features one more great movie to enjoy this summer! Join us on August 25 for *Space Jam: A New Legacy* [rated PG]. Pittsford Sutherland High School is located at 55 Sutherland Street.



WE'RE CELEBRATING 200 YEARS OF THE ERIE CANAL IN PITTSFORD!

Programs & Events underway!

The original Erie Canal was constructed from 1817 – 1825. It reached Pittsford in 1822 – making this year the bicentennial of the Erie Canal in Pittsford. In celebration, **join us for historic walking tours, canal story times, history programs, trivia, music and more -**

even a picnic! The Pittsford Town Historian Office has planned a series of events and programs in the month of August to commemorate this milestone in our community's history. They've partnered with the Pittsford Community Library, the Pittsford Recreation Department, Historic Pittsford and the Village of Pittsford to offer fun and informative activities to help you learn more about Pittsford's canal history. Find a complete schedule and details at www.townofpittsford.org/canal200pittsford.

FREE DRIVE-THROUGH RABIES VACCINE CLINIC AUGUST 11 AT THE TOWN HIGHWAY GARAGE

The Town of Pittsford's annual Rabies Vaccine Free Clinic will be a drive-through event held on Thursday, August 11 from 4:30 - 7:30pm at the Town Highway Garage, 60 Golf Avenue. Update your pet's rabies vaccine for free - dogs, cats and ferrets are welcome! Although cats do not need to be licensed, NYS law does require they be rabies vaccinated. For safety, all dogs must be on a short leash; cats and ferrets must be in a secure carrier.

Three-year and one-year vaccines are available. A three-year vaccine will be available to those who present a prior rabies certificate; all others may receive a one-year vaccine. Advance registration is not required; please call Animal Control at 248-6240 with any questions. Many thanks to Dr. Larry Silberg from Doorbell Vet, who will be conducting our clinic this year. Our thanks also to the Monroe County Health Department for providing the free vaccines.



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 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

- [Concerts for Kids](#) – good time family music with [Paulsen and Baker](#), with special guest Warren Paul, Wednesday, 8/3, 6:30pm, outdoors at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue
- [Pittsford Community Library Books By Bike Pop-up](#), Friday, 8/5, 3:00 – 5:00pm, outdoors at Schoen Place; meet librarians, check out books, play games and win prizes. Date is weather-dependent.
- [Red Cross Blood Drive at Pittsford Community Library](#), Friday, 8/5, 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.
- [Town Summer Concert Series](#), featuring blues, jazz, gospel and soul with the [Debbie Kendrick Project](#), Friday, 8/5, 6:30pm, canalside in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, 22 N. Main Street
- [Lemonade on the Lawn](#), with canal-related children's stories read by Mayor Alysa Plummer, Wednesday, 8/10, 4:00pm, Village Hall, 21 North Main Street; an *Erie Canal: 200 Years in Pittsford* event
- [Canalside Storytime](#), Thursday, 8/11, 9:30am - stories, songs and fun for ages 1-6, at the gazebo in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, 22 North Main Street; an *Erie Canal: 200 Years in Pittsford* event
- [Town Family Outdoor Movie Night](#), featuring *Sing 2*, Thursday, 8/11, 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, [Powers Farm Market](#) (kettle corn), [Kona Ice](#) and an additional food truck will be on-site with items available for purchase from 5:00pm until the movie starts.
- [Seniors Summer Lunch featuring canal songs with John Dady](#), Tuesday, 8/16, 12:00pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, VanHuysen Community Room, registration required by 8/9, call Pittsford Senior Programs Office at 248-6235 to register; an *Erie Canal: 200 Years in Pittsford* event
- [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

- **Planning Board**, Monday, 8/8, 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
- [Zoning Code Update Town Board meeting](#), Wednesday, 8/10, 4:00pm, 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 [comment/viewing info here](#); find complete Zoning Code Update information at www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate. Updated meeting listings will be posted at www.townofpittsford.org/calendar.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

- [Board of Education](#) meeting, Tuesday, 8/9, 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 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. 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.

 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.

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://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

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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