

# News & Reviews

March 20, 2024

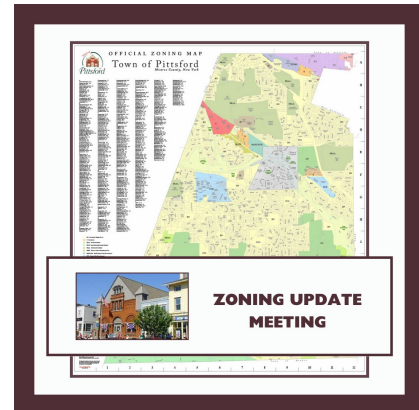
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*See listings below for  
Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings*

## **ZONING CODE UPDATE MEETING IS MARCH 27 at 12:00PM**

***Neighborhood Residential Zoning changes to be  
discussed; public participation needed***

The Pittsford Town Board continues to conduct meetings to discuss the Town's Zoning Code Update! The next meeting is Wednesday, March 27 at 12:00pm in the lower-level meeting room at Pittsford Town Hall, 11 South Main Street. The Board will discuss potential residential zoning changes that could affect every neighborhood. Public participation is important! The meeting is open to the public and will be live streamed.



Comments for the meeting may be submitted in advance via mail or email and may be submitted during the meeting either in person or via email. The meeting will be recorded and live streamed via the Town website. Visit our online calendar at [www.townofpittsford.org/calendar](http://www.townofpittsford.org/calendar) and click the meeting date listing for information about how to submit comments and how to view Zoning Code Update meetings.

A link to the [Zoning Code Update meeting info and schedule for 2024](#) can be found on the calendar listing as well. Please note dates and times are subject to change; check [www.townofpittsford.org/calendar](http://www.townofpittsford.org/calendar) for the most current updates as meeting dates near.

To learn more about the Zoning Code Update, and find links to the Town's Comprehensive Plan, Active Transportation Plan, current Zoning Code and other informational materials, visit our Zoning Code Update website at [www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate](http://www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate).



## **ECLIPSE PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND TEENS THIS WEEK AND NEXT**

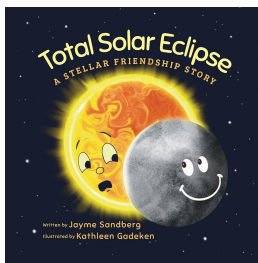
There are less than three weeks until the Total Solar Eclipse on April 8 and we are celebrating with eclipse-themed programs! Here are some upcoming programs for children and teens:



**Eclipse Story and Craft:** Join our Library staff for an eclipse-themed story time and craft! Learn about the solar eclipse occurring in April and make a fun craft after. There will be stickers, crayon, glue sticks, and paper for your kids to use. The Eclipse Story and Craft takes place **today, March 20, and Wednesday, March 27**, from 9:30 to 10:30am in the Fisher Meeting Room at the Pittsford Community Library. Best for ages 2-5. Caregivers and siblings welcome! Registration is required. [Register online for March 20 here](#), [register online for March 27 here](#) – or register in person for either program at the Pittsford Community Library. The Library is located at 24 State Street.



**Eclipse Activity Box:** our Pittsford Recreation team has created a box of eclipse-themed activities for your child to do at home! Each Activity Box is \$15 and includes all the supplies your child needs to create crafts, activities and experiments. **The registration deadline is tomorrow – Thursday, March 21.** [Register online here](#) by tomorrow. Register in advance and pick up your box at the Pittsford Community Center any time after March 27. Contact Cassie at 248-6288 for more information. The Town's Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue.



**Eclipse Story Stroll:** Join us for a special eclipse-themed story in the field located at the Pittsford Community Center. Walk around and read "Total Solar Eclipse: A Stellar Friendship Story" at your leisure! Once you have finished the story, come to the front desk to receive your fun craft bag! The Eclipse Story Stroll takes place from **March 25 to April 9** at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center.



**Eclipse Teen Community Service:** Teens, come and make protective envelopes for eclipse viewing glasses while earning one hour of service credit! The program is for those in grades 6-12; [registration is required](#). Teen Community Service takes place Tuesday, **March 26**, from 3:30-4:40pm in the Learning Center at the Pittsford Community Library.

Pittsford sits squarely in the path of totality for the April 8 total solar eclipse and we're continuing to celebrate with programs and activities highlighting the science behind the event and the wonder of learning about the natural world! To learn more about our upcoming [Total Eclipse activities](#) featuring eclipse-themed offerings – including our "Out-of-This-World" Film Panel on March 28 at the Library – visit our [Total Eclipse 2024 web page](#).

### **CELEBRATE PITTSFORD'S PIONEERING WOMEN – PROGRAM 3/27**

Join Pittsford Town and Village Historian Vicki Masters Profitt on Wednesday, March 27 from 6:30 to 7:30pm as she introduces you to some of Pittsford's pioneering women of the past. Take a step back in time to hear about the perseverance of our female settlers! Discover the ladies who organized the Pittsford Political Equality Club in 1902. Learn about the doctors, pharmacists and

businesswomen who called Pittsford home at the turn of the 20th century. This event is co-hosted by [Historic Pittsford](#) and is free and open to the public, no registration required.

[Celebrating Pittsford's Pioneering Women](#) takes place in the Fisher Meeting Room at the Pittsford Community Library, located at 24 State Street. To learn more about upcoming Library programs, visit the [Library's online program calendar](#) or call (585) 248-6275. For complete Library information, including hours of operation, visit [www.townofpittsford.org/library](http://www.townofpittsford.org/library).



## GUIDED HIKE THIS SATURDAY THROUGH HISTORIC ERIE CANAL TRAILS

Pittsford Recreation's next guided trail hike is this Saturday, March 23. Get outdoors, meet others, and learn about the Erie Canal and some of its landmarks while hiking the [Historic Erie Canal Trails](#). The five-mile hike begins at 8:30am and is approximately two hours long, covering primarily flat walking paths. Along the way, we will discuss canal landmarks

including Lock 62, the Odenbach Shipyard, the Auburn Railroad, the Village of Pittsford, the Pickle Factory and Oak Hill.

Participants should dress appropriately for the weather. Layer up and wear sturdy boots that you don't mind getting a little muddy. The Recreation Department will contact participants in advance with a meeting place and extra information prior to the hike date. They will also provide a trail map at the beginning of the hike. Bring your Wegmans Hit the Trail Passport and get credit for hiking the trail! The program is free but registration is required. [Register online](#) or in person at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue. Free downloadable/printable maps are also available in advance on the Town website at <https://www.townofpittsford.org/trails-and-walkways>.

## SPRING RECREATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION UNDER WAY

Our Pittsford Recreation team has a spectacular spring program season planned just for you! Program registration for residents and all others is currently underway. New programs include Accidental Social Skills Comedy Improv (ages ten and up), Mindfulness for Moms, Stand-Up Comedy (ages eighteen and up), and a new addition to our adult fitness schedule, Cyclic Yoga for Osteoarthritis.



For details about our Recreation programming for all ages, see your Spring Recreation Program brochure (mailed to all residents) or view it online at <https://bit.ly/pittsford-rec-brochure>. Register for programs [online](#) or in person at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue. Sign up for a favorite program or try something new!

**ROCK YOUR SOCKS AND SPREAD AWARENESS –  
WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY IS THURSDAY**



World Down Syndrome Day is a time to recognize and support the rights, inclusion and well-being of those with Down Syndrome. On March 21 each year, advocates across the globe come together to help break down stereotypes and to spread awareness about people with Down syndrome – reminding everyone that those with DS deserve the same respect, opportunities and support afforded to us all.

And each year people all around the world wear brightly colored or mismatched socks on March 21 to celebrate those with Down Syndrome. Why socks and why March 21? March 21 is symbolic as people with Down Syndrome have three copies of their 21st chromosome. And socks, because chromosomes (when viewed by microscope) happen to look like pairs of socks!

So tomorrow, consider wearing your wackiest, most colorful socks to work! When someone notices your colorful or mismatched socks, you can fill them in on World Down Syndrome Day and encourage all to celebrate and recognize the unique gifts and achievements of those with DS.

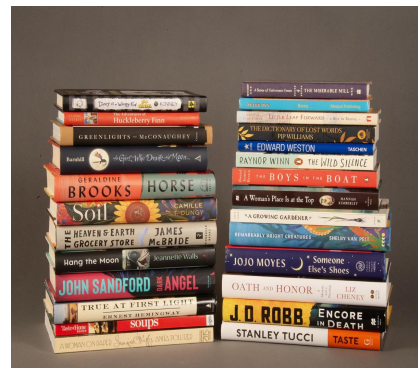
Learn more about World Down Syndrome Day [here](#).

### FRIENDS OF PITTSFORD LIBRARY SPRING BOOK SALE TOMORROW - SATURDAY

The [Friends of Pittsford Library Spring Book Sale](#)

begins Thursday, March 21 through Saturday, March 23 in the Pittsford Community Library's Fisher Meeting Room, 24 State Street. Unleash your inner bookworm and stop by the Pittsford Community Library's book sale for a treasure trove of gently used books (including hardcover and paperbacks) plus games, DVDs, and CDs – all at incredible prices! Find

hidden gems for all ages and interests, from fiction to self-help, and support your local Library at the same time. Hours are Thursday, 3/21 from 4:00 - 8:00pm, Friday, 3/22 from 10:00am – 5:00pm, and Saturday, 3/23 from 10:00am – 4:00pm.



**The sale is open to all.** Items will be replenished throughout the sale, so everyone has a chance to find some wonderful buys. **Bags will be in short supply so please bring your own.** Credit cards accepted. All proceeds benefit programs and materials for our Library!



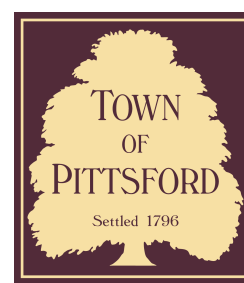
### PITTSFORD SPRING BUCKET LIST CHALLENGE

It might not have felt like it, but March 19 was the first day of spring! Warmer days are coming, and we're here to help you make the most out of the season of rebirth. Seasonal bucket lists are a fantastic way to live intentionally, to put loved ones first, and to create wonderful memories. Here are 10 bucket list items – plus a once-in-a-lifetime bonus item – to get through this spring right here in Pittsford. What would you add to the list? Download a printable copy [here](#).

### 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

- [Total Eclipse 2024 in Pittsford](#) celebration featuring eclipse-themed programs and activities, February – April, 2024; find details on our web page at [www.townofpittsford.org/eclipse-2024](http://www.townofpittsford.org/eclipse-2024)
- [Friends of Pittsford Library Spring Book Sale](#), Thursday, 3/21 from 4:00 - 8:00pm, Friday, 3/22 from 10:00am – 5:00pm, and Saturday, 3/23 from 10:00am – 4:00pm, Pittsford Community Library, Fisher Meeting Room, 24 State Street; sale is open to all, funds raised to support programs and materials for the Library. Items will be replenished throughout the sale; bags will be in short supply – please bring your own.
- **Zoning Code Update Town Board meeting**, Wednesday, 3/27, 12:00pm, 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 [www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate](http://www.townofpittsford.org/zoningupdate). Updated meeting listings will be posted at [www.townofpittsford.org/calendar](http://www.townofpittsford.org/calendar).
- [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.

- **Planning Board**, Monday, 3/25, 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](http://www.townofpittsford.org/minutes)
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## COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

- [Village Board of Trustees](#) 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 [here](#) as the meeting date approaches
- [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; 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 [www.womensclubofpittsford.org](http://www.womensclubofpittsford.org) for more information
- [Pittsford Art Group](#) 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 [www.pittsfordartgroup.com](http://www.pittsfordartgroup.com) and fill out a [Contact Us](#) form.

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