

News & Reviews

June 25, 2025

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Energy and Climate Smart
Community

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Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings*

"BITES AND BEATS" SERIES LAUNCHES TONIGHT AT COPPER BEECH PARK WITH FOOD, MUSIC AND A DEDICATION CEREMONY
Get ready for a summer evening full of great music, tasty food, and community fun! The Town of Pittsford is celebrating the opening of the new Copper Beech Park with their new Summer event series: **Bites & Beats**. Tonight, **June 25th**, features a live acoustic performance by **Son Henry** from **6:00-7:30pm** and food from **Harladay Hots** from **5:00-8:00pm**. A **5:00pm** dedication ceremony will kick off the night's fun!



Whether you're looking to relax with friends, enjoy a family outing or just grab some **BITES & BEATS** in the Village, this series is for you! Bring a blanket or lawn chair, and soak in the sounds and flavors of the season at one of the community's most scenic spots. **SPACE IS LIMITED.**

Come hungry, stay for the music and enjoy the vibe!

The newly expanded and improved Copper Beech Park is located at **10 N. Main Street, Pittsford, NY 14534**. Can't join us this week? Don't worry, we have two more Bites & Beats on Wednesday, July 23 & Wednesday, August 27!

CONCERT SERIES CONTINUES ALONG CANAL THIS FRIDAY WITH JUMBOSHRIMP

The Town of Pittsford's 2025 Summer Concert Series continues this **Friday, June 27**, when **JUMBOshrimp** takes the stage. Join us in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford at 6:30pm for the **BIGGEST** little band in Rochester! Their goal is to play good music, have fun and make



sure their audience is having a great time, too. Harladay Hots will be on site with hot dogs and snacks!

Our Summer Concert Series continues **Friday evenings from 6:30pm to 8:00pm through August 22** (no concert on July 4). We have a variety of great music this season, including folk, rock, pop, the 198th Army Marching Band, a Carlos Santana tribute band, a swing orchestra and a Billy Joel cover band! Grab some friends, some lawn chairs, and dinner at a food truck on location or at one of Pittsford's many local eateries and join us on the canal for the perfect start to your summer weekends. Find a complete schedule for our [Summer Concert Series](#) on the Town's website.

SUMMER HOURS START SATURDAY FOR SPIEGEL COMMUNITY CENTER AND PITTSFORD COMMUNITY LIBRARY
 Summer hours for the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center's and the Pittsford Community Library begin this Saturday, June 28. Please see the schedule below:

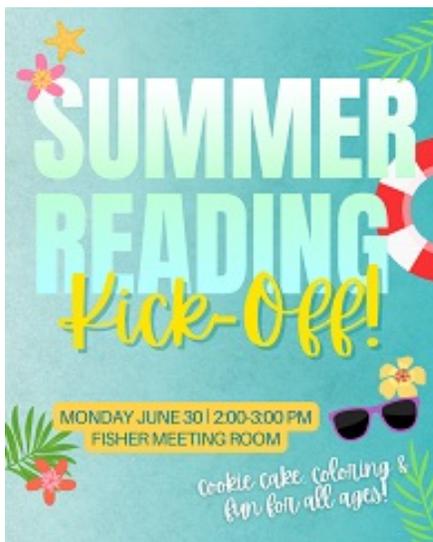
Spiegel Pittsford Community Center Summer hours:

Monday-Thursday: 8:00AM-9:00PM
Friday: 8:00AM-6:00PM
Saturday: 9:00AM-4:00PM
Sunday: CLOSED

Pittsford Community Library Summer Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 9:00AM-8:00PM
Friday: 9:00AM-6:00PM
Saturday: 10:00AM-3:00PM
Sunday: CLOSED

TOWN OF PITTSFORD SUMMER HOURS	
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Sunday CLOSED	Sunday CLOSED



SUMMER READING KICK-OFF CELEBRATION IS THIS MONDAY, JUNE 30, AT THE LIBRARY
 Celebrate the start of summer reading with cookie cake, coloring and fun! The Library's Summer Reading Kick-off Celebration is open to all ages and will be held this **Monday, June 30**, in the **Pittsford Community Library's Fisher Meeting Room**. It's the perfect opportunity to register for a [summer reading program](#) if you haven't done so already!

The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street. To learn more about upcoming Library programs, sign up for the [Library's weekly eNewsletter](#), 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.

BALLROOM DANCE INTRODUCTORY CLASS BEGINS JULY 15 AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER

Discover the joy of movement, connection, and rhythm! Our ballroom dancing class offers a fantastic opportunity to learn this classic dance form, rich in history and expression, meet new people, and enhance your overall well-being. **Ballroom Dance** will take place **Tuesdays, July 15 through August 19, from 7:30 to 8:30pm** in Room 216 at the Spiegel Community Center.

Ballroom Dance is a beginner program where students will learn different ballroom and Latin dances each week. Participants will learn a mix of step patterns, how to lead and follow and fundamental technique and styling.

It's a fantastic way to meet new friends, get exercise, boost self-confidence, overcome shyness and improve posture and relaxation, among other benefits.

Students do not need to come with a partner, as we will rotate partners during the class. Feel free to come with a friend, a significant other, or on your own! The program fee is per person. We hope to see you there! [Register online HERE](#) or in person at the Community Center.

The Town's Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. To learn more about our programs, activities and services, [click here to visit the Town of Pittsford's Recreation page](#) on the Town website, [email the Recreation Department here](#), or call the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center at 585-248-6280.

NEW!

BALLROOM DANCE

ALEXANDRA ROTH, INSTRUCTOR



TUESDAYS, JULY 15- AUGUST 19
7:30-8:30PM

ACTIVITY # 320407-01
FEE: \$120
AGES 18 & UP
PCC ROOM 216

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Four Points of Helmet Safety

1

Correct size:

Helmet sits level on head, covering the forehead without tilting back. It isn't too tight or too loose.

2

Proper position:

Helmet should sit low on forehead, with the front rim no more than two finger-widths above eyebrows.

4

Final fit:

After helmet is buckled securely, perform the yawn test: open your mouth wide. The helmet should pull down slightly on your head if it doesn't or if it feels loose, re-adjust the straps. A properly-fitted helmet firmly stays in place, even with vigorous head movements.



3

Secure straps:

Side straps should form a "V" shape just below the ears when adjusted. The chin strap should be snug, allowing only one finger to fit comfortably between the strap and chin.

EMBRACE THE RIDE: TIPS FOR SAFE CYCLING

Cycling offers a fantastic blend of exercise, eco-friendly transportation, and outdoor enjoyment for everyone, from little ones on tricycles to seasoned adult riders. From leisurely rides along scenic paths to invigorating commutes, the benefits of cycling—improved cardiovascular health, stronger muscles, reduced stress, and a smaller carbon footprint—far outweigh any inherent risks. By taking a few simple precautions, you can ensure your family's cycling experience is both safe and immensely rewarding.

Helmets: Your Family's Brain Protection

One of the most crucial elements of bicycle safety for both kids and adults is a **properly fitted helmet**. Helmets are designed to absorb impact and protect you in case of a fall, but they can only do their job if they fit correctly. Here's how to ensure everyone's helmet is providing optimal protection:

- **Eyes, Ears, Mouth Method:** The helmet should sit level on your head (or your child's head), covering the forehead without tilting backward. You should be able to see the front rim of the helmet when you look up. The straps should form a "V" shape just below your earlobes. Finally, when you open your mouth wide, you should feel the helmet pull down slightly on your head. If it doesn't, tighten the chin strap.
- **Snug, Not Tight:** The helmet should fit snugly all around the head, without significant gaps. It shouldn't move from side to side or front to back. Many helmets come with adjustable pads or a dial-fit system to help you achieve the ideal fit.
- **Strap Check:** The chin strap should be snug enough that you can fit only one or two fingers between the strap and your chin. If it's too loose, the helmet can shift during an impact; if it's too tight, it can be uncomfortable. For kids, always double-check their straps before each ride.

Beyond the Helmet: Safety for All Ages

Once helmets are properly fitted, keep these key safety tips in mind for every family cyclist:

Be Visible: Wear bright colors and reflective gear. All bikes require front and rear lights, even for daytime rides, as unexpected delays can happen.

Obey Traffic Laws: Cyclists have the same rights and are subject to the same laws as vehicles. Teach kids from an early age to follow all traffic signs and signals. Use hand signals, and adults should always model good behavior.

Stay Alert: Be aware of your surroundings, anticipate hazards, and make eye contact with drivers and pedestrians. Teach children to focus and avoid distractions.

Ride Predictably: Teach kids to ride in a straight line without sudden swerves. Adults should also ride predictably, clearly indicating their intentions.

Maintain Your Bike: Regularly check the brakes, tire pressure, and chains on all family bikes. A well-maintained bike is a safe bike.

Choose Safe Routes: For younger riders, stick to bike paths or quiet streets. Gradually introduce older, more skilled kids to more complex environments under supervision.

By following these proactive steps, you and your family can confidently enjoy all the incredible benefits cycling offers, riding responsibly and safely. So, gear up, embrace the open road, and pedal your way to a healthier, happier family!

FREE TECHNOLOGY HELP FOR SENIORS

Seniors, do you need help with your electronic devices? Sign up for a one-on-one "Tech with Ginny" session at the Spiegel

Pittsford Community Center. Bring your cell phone, tablet, iPad, laptop, or other electronic device, and Ginny will work with you to resolve your tech problem.

These 30-minute sessions are available from 9:30am to noon each Thursday. Reserve your time slot by calling the Senior Programs office at 248-6235. This program is free and open to everyone aged 50 and above.

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

Tech with Ginny

Free assistance with electronic devices for seniors.
Call 248-6235 to make an appointment.



**Town of Pittsford
Recreation Department**
Playground Passport
HOW IT WORKS:

- Visit all 5 playgrounds in the Town of Pittsford before August 31.
- Record the date of each visit in your passport.
- Return your completed Playground Passport to the Pittsford Community Center in exchange for a prize!

Completed passports will be entered into a grand prize drawing! Winner announced the first week of September!

GRAND PRIZE: FREE WEEK OF SUMMER FUN DAY CAMP 2026!

Town of Pittsford Playgrounds	
Great Embankment Park 631 Marsh Road	
Hopkins Park 5 Barker Road	
King's Bend Park 170 W. Jefferson Road	
Pittsford Community Center 35 Lincoln Ave	
Thornell Farm Park 480 Pittsford-Mendon Road	

PITTSFORD PLAYGROUND PASSPORT PROGRAM UNDERWAY!

Visit all five playgrounds and get a prize and a chance for a free week of Summer Camp!

Are you looking for something to keep the kids busy this summer? Join the **Pittsford Recreation Department's Playground Passport Program**. You can pick up your Playground Passport at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center front desk at any time throughout the summer. Then, visit each of our five Town playgrounds by August 31 and record the date of each visit in your passport. Once you've completed it, return your passport. Each participating child will receive a prize and will be entered into a grand prize drawing for a free week of Summer Camp in 2026! Here are the details for this fun program:

- **Town of Pittsford Playgrounds:**
- **Great Embankment Park** (631 Marsh Rd)
- **Hopkins Park** (5 Barker Rd)
- **King's Bend Park** (170 W. Jefferson Rd)
- **Pittsford Community Center** (35 Lincoln Ave)
- **Thornell Farm Park** (480 Pittsford-Mendon Rd)

How it works:

- Visit all five playgrounds in the Town of Pittsford before August 31, 2025.
- Record the date of each visit in your passport.
- Return your completed Playground Passport to the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center in exchange for a prize! (Monday – Thursday 8:00am-9:00pm, Friday 8:00am-6:00pm or Saturday 9:00am-4:00pm).
- Completed passports will be entered into a grand prize drawing (free week of

Summer Fun Camp - 2026). The winner will be announced the first week of September 2025.

Playground Safety Tips:

- An adult should always be present when children are using playground equipment.
- Choose age-appropriate playground equipment.
- Wear appropriate footwear.
- Stay hydrated; don't forget to bring a water bottle!

When your passport is completed, drop it off at the Community Center front desk, and each child will receive a prize! For more details, call the Community Center at 248-6280. The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. See the [Community Center current hours of operation here](#).

PITTSFORD'S FIREWORKS REGULATIONS: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

As summer approaches—the season most associated with fireworks—we would like to remind residents about the local regulations governing fireworks displays to ensure everyone's safety and enjoyment.

Permit Required for Fireworks Displays

Chapter 89 of the [Town of Pittsford Town Code](#) states that the discharge of fireworks within the corporate limits of the Town of Pittsford (outside of the Village of Pittsford) is prohibited unless a fireworks permit has been obtained.

Furthermore, the use of pyrotechnic devices in assembly occupancies (such as public gatherings or venues) also requires a specific operating permit, as outlined in [Article VI of Chapter 64](#) of the Town Code.

Who Issues Permits?

The Town Clerk of the Town of Pittsford has been designated as the permit authority for the issuance of fireworks permits in the Town (outside of the Village of Pittsford). This authority is granted by [§ 405.00 of the Penal Law](#) of the State of New York. For more information or to inquire about obtaining a fireworks permit, please contact the Town Clerk's office at 249-6200.

The Town of Pittsford Offers Courtesy Notifications for Upcoming Fireworks Events

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](#). The Town can mail courtesy notifications 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 our Department of Public Works at 248-6250

Monroe County and the Use of Sparkling Devices

Monroe County, New York, distinguishes itself from some other parts of the state by permitting the sale and use of "sparkling devices." Monroe County residents can legally purchase and use ground-based or handheld devices that produce colored sparks, flames, crackling, whistling, and smoke, provided these effects do not involve explosions or projectiles that launch into the air. Examples include cylindrical and cone-shaped fountains, as well as wood sparklers (but not metal wire ones).

Sales are restricted to designated periods around the Fourth of July and New Year's Eve, and purchases are only available to individuals 18 years of age or older. However, all other traditional consumer fireworks, such as firecrackers, bottle rockets, Roman candles, and any aerial devices, remain illegal throughout Monroe County, consistent with statewide prohibitions. Violating these laws can result in fines and criminal charges.

Here are key safety measures for handling sparkling devices:

- **Outdoor Use Only:** Always use sparkling devices outdoors in a clear, open area.
- **Clear Surroundings:** Ensure you are far away from people, buildings, dry vegetation, and any flammable materials.
- **Water Nearby:** Keep a bucket of water or a garden hose readily accessible for emergencies.
- **Proper Disposal of Duds:** Never attempt to relight a "dud" device. Instead, soak it thoroughly in water before disposal.
- **Adult Supervision Required:** Children should never handle sparkling devices, including sparklers. Adult supervision is always mandatory.
- **Wear Eye Protection:** Always wear eye protection when lighting or being near sparkling devices.
- **Light One at a Time:** Light only one sparkling device at a time.
- **Do Not Hold While Lighting:** Never hold a sparkling device in your hand while lighting it.

Prioritizing safety precautions can prevent serious injuries and ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone.

For further information, check out these online resources:

[New York State Sparkling Devices Information](#)

[NYS Code Section 5610: Sparkling Devices](#)

[Fireworks in New York State: What's legal, what's not \(Updated June 4, 2025\)](#)

[National Safety Council: Fireworks Safety Tips](#)

UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD

- **Copper Beech Dedication Ceremony**, Wednesday, 6/25, 5:00-7:00pm, Copper Beech Park, 14 State Street N. Main Street, ribbon cutting ceremony with food and a music from Son Henry
- [Town Summer Concert Series](#), music from JUMBOShrimp, Friday, 6/27, 6:30pm, canalside in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, 22 N. Main Street

TOWN OF PITTSFORD BOARD MEETINGS

- **Design Review & Historic Preservation Board**, Monday, 6/26, 6:00pm, Town Hall (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
- **Town Hall**, Tuesday, 7/1, 6:00pm **CANCELED**

COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

- [Village Board of Trustees](#) meetings are generally the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 5:00pm, 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, 8:00-9:30am (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 [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 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 and fill out a [Contact Us](#) form.

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