ELDERBERRY EXPRESS NEEDS VOLUNTEER DRIVERS AND DISPATCHERS

Volunteering just a few hours a month makes a big difference to our seniors

Elderberry Express is in need of volunteer drivers willing to help provide transportation, from one to a few times per month, to seniors in Pittsford. Each trip takes between one to two hours. This small time commitment makes a big difference to seniors who can get out and about but can no longer drive.

The Elderberry Express is a free transportation service for Pittsford residents age 55 and older. Volunteer drivers transport seniors to and from medical appointments, banking activities, visits to friends and family, prescription pickups, hairdresser/barber appointments and grocery shopping. The volunteer hours are very flexible and the time you choose to commit is up to you!

Volunteer drivers attend a one-time, three-hour training session at Lifespan (at Brighton Plaza on South Clinton Avenue). This session affords drivers the opportunity to know what is involved in providing transportation to seniors; drivers who complete this training session receive additional liability insurance.

By volunteering your time you can give others the gift of continued independence. Can you help? Call or stop by the Elderberry Express office in the Senior Programs Office at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue, telephone 248-6237.

SPRING CLEANUP YARD DEBRIS COLLECTION

As the weather warms and residents get out to do some yard work, Town crews will be out in our neighborhoods picking up yard debris. By the end of March you will have received our annual Yard Debris information mailer. You can also find complete information, including collection schedules, on the Town website at www.townofpittsford.org/home-yard_debris. For Spring Cleanup, we collect loose piles of leaves, thatch, brush and branches. That begins April 1. Please note this collection is not on a set schedule - crews make their way through the Town repeatedly during April. Regular collection of both loose brush and branches and bagged/containerized debris will begin on your scheduled collection day the week of May 6.
As we do each year, we'll grind into mulch all yard debris and leaves collected and make it available to Pittsford residents free of charge.

SENIORS LUNCH PROGRAM: HISTORY OF IRONDEQUOIT CREEK, MARCH 26
Seniors, come out for lunch and brush up on your local history this Tuesday (March 26) at 12noon in the VanHuysen Community Room at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center. East Rochester Historian Jim Burlingame will lead an interesting and informative program about the history of Irondequoit Creek. Lunch will feature stuffed shells, salad, bread and cake for dessert. Cost is $6.00 per person; registration and payment is required in advance. For more information and to make your reservation, stop by the Pittsford Seniors Office in the Community Center or call 248-6235.

The Town of Pittsford's Spiegel Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. To learn more about all of our wonderful programs for seniors click here to visit the Seniors page on the Town website or read our Seniors program info brochure online.

POETRY READING & DISCUSSION WITH SUPERVISOR SMITH AT THE LIBRARY APRIL 6
Town Supervisor Bill Smith celebrates National Poetry Month, and the start of National Library Week, with a reading at the Library on Saturday, April 6 at 2:00pm in the Fisher Meeting Room. Supervisor Smith will read selected poetry and discuss some of his favorite poets. The program is free and open to the public.

The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street. For information about other upcoming Library programs, visit the Library's online program calendar or call 249-5481.

SPRING RECREATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION UNDERWAY
Healthy activities, new experiences, sports for youth and adults, guided hikes, exercise, education, and enrichment programs - get inspired this spring with fun and rewarding programs from the Town of Pittsford's Recreation Department. We've got something for everyone, from preschoolers to senior citizens!

Spring program registration is currently underway. For details about all of our Recreation programs, pick up a program brochure at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center (35 Lincoln Avenue), access our program brochure online, or visit our online Recreation registration page.

PITTSFORD PARTNERSHIP FOR COMMUNITY EDUCATION PARENT WORKSHOPS APRIL 2
"EDUCATE U: Informative Sessions for Parents of Pittsford Youth" is an interactive evening of workshops designed to explore some of the concerns and challenges facing parents and youth today. The program will be held on Tuesday, April 2 from 6:30 - 8:30pm at Pittsford Mendon High School (registration begins at 6:00pm).

Attendees will learn about how to recognize the signs and symptoms of problematic behaviors in teens, and what parents and schools can do together to address them. Topics include "Hidden In Plain Sight" (a walk through a simulated teen bedroom looking for signs of drug/alcohol use), "Vaping: What You Should Know," "Practicing Difficult Conversations," and a mental health discussion panel. The program is presented by the Pittsford Partnership for Community Education, a collaborative of the Pittsford Central School District, the PTSA and Pittsford Youth Services. Find complete details in the Educate U information flyer. Pittsford Mendon High School is located at 472 Mendon Road in Pittsford. For more information or to request interpreter services call 585-267-1023.

SUTHERLAND HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL "EVITA" IS APRIL 4 - 6
Sutherland High School students will present the Tony-award winning musical "Evita" on April 4 - 6. Performances include three evening shows at 7:00pm and a matinee on Saturday, April 6 at 2:00pm. This Broadway spectacle details the life of the First Lady of Argentina, Eva Peron. Enjoy action-packed choreography and glorious music! There are several appearances by Calkins Road Middle School students.
who make up the featured Children's Choir. Tickets can be purchased at the door or through www.showtix4u.com. Cost is $10 each for students, senior citizens, and children under 12, $12 each for adults.

HISTORIC PITTSFORD JEAN FRANCE SCHOLARSHIP - APPLICATION DEADLINE MAY 1
Historic Pittsford is seeking applicants for its Jean France Historic Preservation Scholarship. The $500 scholarship will be awarded to a Pittsford resident who is currently enrolled or has been accepted into a college program which may lead to a career in historic preservation, architectural history, cultural landscape protection, or other related field. An application form and additional information is available on the Historic Pittsford website www.historicpittsford.com. The application deadline is May 1, 2019.

The scholarship was established in 2016 in honor of Jean France, a founding member of Historic Pittsford. Mrs. France is a highly respected architectural historian, a vastly knowledgeable preservation consultant and a tireless advocate for preserving the built environment. A former professor at the University of Rochester, she has championed the importance of architectural preservation as a lecturer, researcher and author.

The Jean France Historic Preservation Scholarship honors Mrs. France's commitment to the growth, development and mission of Historic Pittsford and to the preservation of historic architectural and cultural resources in Pittsford. With this scholarship, Historic Pittsford hopes to advance the careers of students from Pittsford with demonstrated interest in historic preservation, thus perpetuating the work of Jean France and the mission upon which Historic Pittsford was founded.

REMINDEERS

INFO MEETING FOR WOMEN’S SOCCER LEAGUE IS THIS FRIDAY, MARCH 22
All teams interested in learning more about participation in the Town of Pittsford's 2019 Pittsford Recreation Women's Adult Soccer League may attend a meeting at 6:00PM this Friday, March 22 at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center. The meeting will cover league details including registration, rosters, rules, scheduling, deadlines, etc. The Adult Women's Soccer League will run from June to August on Monday nights; the cost is $600 per team. Participants must be age 18 or older. If you plan on attending the meeting or want more information, please contact Kate Disbrow at (585) 248-6281 or kdisbrow@townofpittsford.org.

SCHOOL-COMMUNITY SAFETY NIGHT IS NEXT WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27
The Pittsford Central School District will host a School-Community Safety Night on Wednesday, March 27 from 6:30 - 8:30pm in the Calkins Road Middle School Auditorium. Families and the community are invited to learn about the Pittsford School District's approaches to crisis prevention and preparation. Learn about law enforcement, school, and community partnerships. Hear about the "See Something, Say Something" efforts in place. The evening will also feature a panel discussion and Q&A opportunities. Panel members include Lt. Joshua DeRuyter of the Monroe County Sheriff's Office, Pittsford Schools Superintendent Michael Pero, Town of Pittsford Fire Marshal Kelly Cline, PCSD Director of Operations, Maintenance & Security Jeff Beardsley, and Patricia Vaughan-Brogan, PCSD Director of Student Services. Please call 267-1023 with questions or to request interpreter services. Calkins Road Middle School is located at 1899 Calkins Road.

SEASONAL PARKING RESTRICTIONS IN EFFECT THROUGH APRIL 1, 2019
In order to facilitate snow removal Town of Pittsford seasonal parking restrictions are in effect from November 15 through April 1, 2019. Parking of any vehicle on public roads - including state highways and on the shoulder of all roads - is prohibited each year from November 15 through April 1 in all areas within the Town and outside of the Village. Please note violators may be ticketed or towed. Help us keep our roadways safe - during this time, please don't park on or along public roads outside of the Village.
EMERGENCY CLOSINGS INFORMATION
In the case of major weather events or other emergencies, information about facility closings and program/event cancellations will be announced on the Town's website www.townofpittsford.org, Facebook page Town of Pittsford, and Twitter feed @pittsfordtown, as well as on local television and radio stations and Pittsford's Cable TV-12 Channel 1303 government access station. TV-12 Channel 1303 announcements can be viewed live any time via the TV-12 Channel 1303 page on the Town website.

ASL INTERPRETER AT TOWN BOARD MEETINGS
The Town of Pittsford provides an American Sign Language interpreter at every meeting of the Pittsford Town Board, to interpret for those who need this service.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD

- Pittsford School District School-Community Safety Night, Wednesday, 3/27, 6:30-8:30pm, Calkins Road Middle School Auditorium, 1899 Calkins Road. More info at on the PCSD website.
- Educate U: Informative Sessions for Parents of Pittsford Youth (workshops), Tuesday, 4/2, 6:30 - 8:30pm (registration begins at 6:00pm), Pittsford Mendon High School, 472 Mendon Road, free and open to the public; for complete information see the Educate U information flyer or call 585-267-1023
- Evita, Pittsford Sutherland High School musical, Thursday - Saturday, 4/4-6, 7:00pm and Saturday, 4/6, 2:00pm; Pittsford Sutherland High School, 55 Sutherland Street; tickets $10 for students, senior citizens and children under 12, $12 for adults - purchase online at www.showtix4u.com
- National Poetry Month reading with Town Supervisor Bill Smith, Saturday, 4/6, 2:00pm, Fisher Meeting Room, Pittsford Community Library, 24 State Street; free and open to the public

TOWN OF PITTSFORD BOARD MEETINGS

- Planning Board, Monday 3/25, 7:30PM, Public Meeting Room, Town Hall (lower level), 11 South Main Street

COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

- Village Board of Trustees, Tuesday, 3/26, 7:00pm, Village Hall, 21 North Main Street
- Pittsford School District School-Community Safety Night, Wednesday, 3/27, 6:30-8:30pm, Calkins Road Middle School Auditorium, 1899 Calkins Road. More info at on the PCSD website
- 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; for membership information visit the Rayson-Miller Post website
- Pittsford Rotary Club, Wednesdays (weekly), 7:00am, NOTE REVISED LOCATION FOR THIS WEEK ONLY (3/20) - Spiegel Pittsford Community Center VanHuysen Community Room, 35 Lincoln Avenue
- Pittsford Art Group, first Thursday of the month, September through May (no meetings October and March), 7:00 - 9:00pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, room 19 (lower level, elevator available), 35 Lincoln Avenue; the group strives to be a teaching organization - all are welcome! For meeting details and membership, contact PAG president Margie Mitchell

TV-12 PITTSFORD CABLE CHANNEL 1303 is on seven days a week. Click HERE for schedule.