

# News & Reviews

# April 19, 2023

Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy and Climate Smart Community

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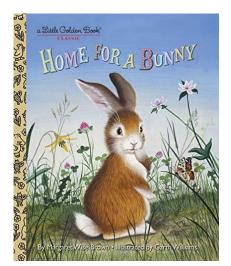
Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings

#### CELEBRATING OUR ENVIRONMENT – EARTH DAY EVENT AT KING'S BEND PARK THIS SATURDAY, 4/22

Join the Town of Pittsford's Recreation Department team for a free event this Saturday, April 22 to celebrate Earth Day and strengthen your green skills and knowledge! Visit us at King's Bend Park between 10:00am and 12:00pm. The first 30 families to visit will be able to assemble a birdhouse built by students from Sutherland High School. Everyone will



have the opportunity to enjoy a Story Stroll, partake in arts and crafts, visit vendor booths, and more. Kona Ice will be there too! **The event is free and open to the public but to ensure adequate supplies, registration for each child participating is required.** <u>Register online</u> or at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center. Please note children must be accompanied by an adult. King's Bend Park is located at 170 West Jefferson Road. For more information about our Earth Day Celebration call Amanda Poulin at 248-6283 or email her at <u>apoulin@townofpittsford.org</u>.



#### "HOME FOR A BUNNY" STORY STROLL IS UNDERWAY AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER

Families can take a story stroll through "Home for a Bunny" – this week, through Sunday, April 23 at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center field. A bunny searches for a home, meeting a variety of the other forest animals along the way. Will he find a place that suits him best? Follow Margaret Brown's furry, lovable bunny on his springtime journey and enjoy bright and beautiful illustrations by Garth Williams. A classic story since 1956!

Once you have completed your Story Stroll, stop at

the Community Center front desk and pick up a **themed craft pack to take home**! Craft packs are available Monday through Saturday from 8:00am – 5:00pm and Sunday

from 10:00am – 5:00pm. The Spiegel Pittsford Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue.

### LIBRARY PROGRAM WITH AUTHOR SUSAN ORLEAN IS THIS MONDAY, 4/24

The Pittsford Community Library will present "Susan Orlean in Conversation with Adam Chodak" this Monday, April 24 at 7:00pm at the Pittsford Sutherland High School auditorium. Susan Orlean, New York Times bestselling author, will be joined by WROC-TV Emmy Award-winning evening News 8 anchor and managing editor Adam Chodak to discuss her work, including *On Animals* and *The Library Book*. The program is free, but registration is required.



Susan Orlean's deeply moving explorations of American stories, both familiar and obscure, have earned her a reputation as one of America's most distinctive journalistic voices. The conversation will be followed by an audience Q&A and book signing. Many thanks to Senator Samra Brouk for sponsoring a grant to contribute funding for the program, which also is funded by the Friends and Foundation of the Rochester Public Library. A limited number of books will be available free of charge at the signing, compliments of the Friends of the Pittsford Community Library.

To attend, register online at <u>www.bit.ly/pclsusanorlean</u> or visit www.townofpittsford.org/library and use the Library Program Registration link. Pittsford Sutherland High School is located at 55 Sutherland Street.



#### TRY NATIVE PLANTINGS – EASY TO GROW, GOOD FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

The Town is committed to planting species native to this area – and you can be too! Including native flowers, grasses, trees and shrubs in the landscaping for your property benefits your home and the environment. Native plants are more tolerant of local insects, fungi, and other pests in our area. This means they're less likely to need synthetic sprays and

chemicals to keep them healthy. And because they're more adapted to our climate and more resistant to damage from local pests, native plants generally require lower maintenance than exotic species. They also provide food and habitat for the wildlife in our region, thereby offering a great way to observe birds, butterflies, and other pollinators in action.

Spring is an excellent time to improve your lawn and garden with native plantings. For tips and information about which plants to choose, best planting conditions and the birds and pollinators you might expect to attract, the DEC and the Audubon Society have helpful resources. Visit <u>www.dec.ny.gov/docs/lands\_forests\_pdf/factnatives.pdf</u> or <u>www.audubon.org/native-plant</u> for more information.

## HISTORIC PITTSFORD SEEKING STUDENT APPLICANTS FOR JEAN FRANCE PRESERVATION SCHOLARSHIP

Historic Pittsford is seeking student applicants for its Jean

France Historic Preservation Scholarship. A \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a student who is enrolled in, applying to, or accepted into a college program that may lead to a career related to historic preservation. College programs may include but are not limited to architecture, history, museum studies, landscape architecture, environmental studies, or other related field.

The scholarship award is open to a high school senior or college student who is:



- a Pittsford resident (attending any high school or college), OR
- a non-resident attending Pittsford Sutherland High School, Pittsford Mendon High School, or a college or university in Monroe County.

An <u>application form</u> and additional information is available on the Historic Pittsford website at <u>www.historicpittsford.com/preservation-awards</u>. The application deadline May 15, 2023.

The Jean France Historic Preservation scholarship was established by Historic Pittsford in 2016 to honor Jean France, a founding member of Historic Pittsford. Mrs. France was 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 championed the importance of architectural preservation as a lecturer, researcher and author.

The 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 with demonstrated interest in historic preservation, thus perpetuating the work of Jean France and the mission upon which Historic Pittsford was founded.

#### 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 <u>www.townofpittsford.org/calendar</u> for meeting dates. To view the livestream, click the <u>Town Board Meeting live streaming link</u> 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 <u>minutes and agendas page</u> 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 <u>www.townofpittsford.org/channel12</u> and use the On-Demand links to view previously recorded meetings.

#### UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD

- "Home for a Bunny" Story Stroll, April 17 23, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center field, 35 Lincoln Avenue; stop by the Community Center front desk after completing the walk to pick up a themed craft pack to take home; free and open to the public.
- Earth Day Celebration at King's Bend Park, Saturday, 4/22, 10:00am 12:00pm, 170 West Jefferson Road; family-friendly activities and helpful information to strengthen your green skills and knowledge, free and open to the public, registration required, <u>register online</u> or at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue
- <u>Susan Orlean in Conversation with Adam Chodak</u>, Monday, 4/24, 7:00pm, Pittsford Sutherland High School auditorium, 55 Sutherland Street; Susan Orlean, New York Times bestselling author, will be joined by WROC-TV Emmy Award-winning evening News 8 anchor and managing editor Adam Chodak to discuss her work, including *On Animals* and *The Library Book*. The program is free, but registration is required; more info and register at www.bit.ly/pclsusanorlean.
- <u>Bike Rodeo Bike Safety program</u>, Saturday, 4/29, 10:00 11:00am and 11:00am – 12:00pm, Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue; bike safety tips, obstacle course, bike riding skills, free but registration required – <u>info and online registration here</u> or in person at Community Center.
- <u>Pittsford Rotary Bike Drop</u>, Saturday, 5/6, 9:00am-2:00pm, Pittsford Mendon High School, 472 Mendon Road, Pittsford; drop off a used bike or bike parts in any condition, to be donated to <u>R Community Bikes</u> for repair and distribution to those in need for transportation and recreation.
- <u>Household Hazardous Waste/e-Recycling/Document Shredding event</u>, Saturday, 5/13, 7:45am-12:00pm, Perinton Highway Garage, 100 Cobb's Lane. Appointment needed for hazardous waste disposal only, no appointment needed for electronics recycling and/or document shredding; for HHW appointment Pittsford residents can call 248-6250, or go online to <u>www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark</u>. More information, including the list of hazardous materials and electronics accepted for collection, can be found <u>HERE</u>.
- <u>Town of Pittsford Zoning Code Update</u> 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, 4/24, 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: <a href="https://www.townofpittsford.org/minutes">www.townofpittsford.org/minutes</a>

#### COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR

<u>American Legion Rayson-Miller Post 899</u> 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 <u>membership information</u> or visit the <u>Rayson-Miller Post website</u>

- <u>Pittsford Rotary Club</u>, 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
- <u>Women's Club of Pittsford</u> 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 <u>https://www.womensclubofpittsford.org</u> for more information
- <u>Pittsford Art Group</u> 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 <u>www.pittsfordartgroup.com</u> and fill out a <u>Contact Us</u> form.

# COVID-19 Coronavirus Information Links

Further Town of Pittsford COVID-19 coronavirus information and updates can be found at <u>www.townofpittsford.org/covid-19info</u>.

Pittsford Central School District COVID-19 Coronavirus Updates.

You can find information on COVID-19 coronavirus at the County Health Department's website: <u>https://www.monroecounty.gov/health</u>.

Additional information about COVID-19 testing and health requirements throughout Monroe County can be found on the County's Website: <u>www.monroecounty.gov</u>

The CDC also has information on its website at <u>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html</u>.

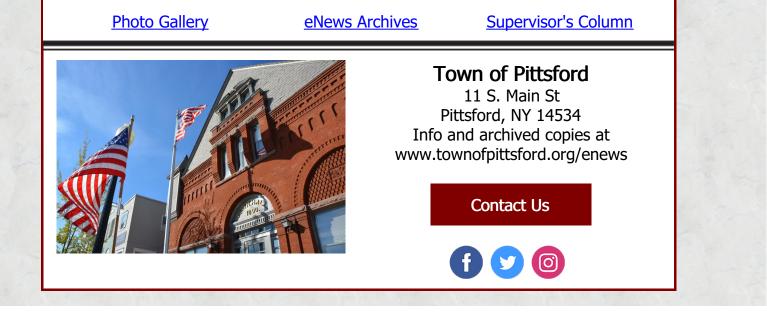
In addition, the CDC has information relevant to anyone planning to travel outside of the United States: <u>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html?</u> <u>deliveryName=USCDC\_2067-DM20785</u>.

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