

## **News & Reviews**

April 16, 2025

Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy and Climate Smart Community

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Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings

## TOWN FACILITY HOURS FOR GOOD FRIDAY AND EASTER

Here are the Town of Pittsford's closures for the upcoming holiday weekend:

#### Friday April 18

All Town Facilities, including Town Hall & Town

Court: Closed

Spiegel Community Center: Closed

Pittsford Community Library: Open 9:00am to

6:00pm

# Town of Pittsford Good Friday & Easter Holiday Closings

#### Saturday, April 19

Spiegel Community Center: Open 8:00am to 8:00pm Pittsford Community Library: Open 10:00am to 5:00pm

#### Sunday, April 20

Spiegel Community Center: Closed Pittsford Community Library: Closed

All Town Facilities, including Town Hall and Town Court, The Spiegel Community Center and the Pittsford Community Library, will resume their regular hours on Monday, April 21.

Have a safe and enjoyable holiday from all of us at the Town of Pittsford!

#### EARTH DAY CELEBRATION - 4/22

Join the Town of Pittsford's Recreation
Department team and celebrate Earth Day with
our community on Tuesday, April 22. Visit us at
the Spiegel Community Center between 5:00 and
7:00pm for our family-friendly Earth Day event
featuring a variety of activities for all ages!

Read a story to receive a complimentary takehome activity, learn about our community's parks and trails, connect with local environmental resources, create nature-themed crafts, and embrace the spring weather with Kona Ice! The event is free and open to the public; no registration is required!

Please note that an adult must accompany children. The Spiegel Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue. For more information about our Earth Day Celebration, contact Meghan at <a href="MBrooks@townofpittsford.org">MBrooks@townofpittsford.org</a> or call 248-6288.



Town of Pittsford

## Refuse District Service Provider Update



# REFUSE DISTRICT SERVICE PROVIDER UPDATES

On April 8, the Town learned that our current Refuse District Contractor, Seyrek Disposal, has been acquired by Casella Waste Systems. We understand that this news may raise questions, and we want to assure you that the Town is taking proactive steps to maintain the high level of service you have come to expect from Seyrek.

On April 17, Supervisor Smith will meet with Casella's Vice President of Operations to discuss several key priorities. Our primary focus will be ensuring that Casella upholds the consistently high standard of service and competitive pricing that Seyrek Disposal has provided to our residents.

Notwithstanding the change in ownership, our Refuse District program will continue without interruption. Casella Waste Systems is committed to honoring all terms of our existing contract with Seyrek Disposal, including the extension of the contract to December 31, 2027. Neighborhoods in the process of creating a Refuse District should continue. Remember, you have until April 30 to submit petitions.

#### To summarize the current situation:

- Current Cost: The annual cost for residents in a Refuse District remains \$256.43. This price is fixed through the end of 2025 and is subject to a maximum yearly increase of 2% beginning January 1 of each renewal year.
- Staff and Schedules: Current Seyrek staff will remain in place, and your pickup schedules will stay the same. You will continue using the same toters. Any existing special services, such as door-side pickup, will also continue.
- **Customer Service:** The customer service contact information for your trash collection remains unchanged.
- Service Continuity: Subject to our ongoing monitoring of service quality, nothing changes for our Refuse District residents at this time.

The Town is committed to ensuring that our residents continue to receive high-quality and cost-effective trash collection services. We will keep you informed of any significant developments as they occur.



#### TOWN OF PITTSFORD COMMUNITY RECYCLING DAY - MAY 17

Monroe County Department of Environmental Services (DES), the towns of Pittsford and Perinton and the villages of East Rochester, Fairport and Pittsford have joined forces to hold a Community Recycling Day at the Perinton Highway Garage, 100 Cobb's Lane, on Saturday, May 17, 2025, from 7:45am to 12:00pm.

To ensure safety and reduce waiting times, appointments are required for

Hazardous Waste collection; an appointment is NOT necessary for electronics recycling and/or document shredding only. Hazardous Waste appointment scheduling is now underway. Pittsford and East Rochester residents can make an appointment by calling 248-6250 or visiting <a href="www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark">www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark</a>. Hazardous Waste appointments must be reserved by Friday, May 16, but please note appointments may fill up well before the event, so early registration is encouraged. If appointments are full, please check back, as additional appointments may become available. Please note that waste from businesses will not be accepted.

Most household hazardous waste (paint, flammables, and other chemicals from home) is safe when used and stored correctly. However, when they become unwanted and are disposed of improperly, these household wastes can become environmental hazards.

# Up to 30 gallons of the following materials will be accepted per appointment at no charge:

- Oil-based & latex Paint (for 1/3 gallon or less of latex paint: discard lid, add kitty litter, let dry, place can in trash)
- Wood stain & preservatives
- Automotive fluids (antifreeze, brake, power steering, and transmission fluids)
- Pesticides & fertilizers
- Flammable products (gasoline, kerosene, thinners, strippers, solvents)
- Household cleaners (liquid soaps & waxes, drain cleaners, etc.)
- Driveway sealer
- Pool & photo chemicals
- Rechargeable (Ni-Cad) & button batteries
- Mercury (thermometers, thermostats)
- Syringes/sharps (safely packaged)

**Do Not Bring:** used motor oil & vehicle batteries (contact service station or retailer); prescription drugs, propane tanks (permanent Hazardous Waste facility only), cans with dried paint (if it rattles when shaken, remove lid and place in trash); empty containers (trash or recycle); everyday alkaline batteries (trash); glazing/spackle & joint compounds (trash).

No appointment is **needed for electronics recycling**, which is also free of charge. **Accepted items include** computers and computer equipment, printers, cell phones and mobile devices, televisions, GPS units, video and audio equipment, wiring and cabling, microwaves, and other electronics. *Please do not bring* small appliances (toasters, vacuum cleaners, coffee makers, irons, hair dryers, etc.), items containing freon (air conditioners, humidifiers), carbon monoxide detectors, smoke detectors, and large appliances (refrigerators, ovens, etc.).

**Certified document shredding** (residential only, 4-5 box limit, no need to remove staples/paper clips) will also be available at no charge. No appointment is needed for document shredding.

You can dispose of Hazardous Waste throughout the year by appointment with the County ecopark. For more information or business waste disposal options, go online at <a href="https://www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark/">https://www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark/</a>

#### SENIORS EARTH DAY CELEBRATION LUNCH WITH PROGRAM BY MARGOT FASS — APRIL 22

\*Reservations are due Friday, 4/18
Seniors, join us on April 22 at noon for a spring luncheon featuring a special program by Margot Fass. Lunch includes tomato soup, crispy chicken mixed green salad, honey mustard dressing, and a roll. For dessert, enjoy "dirt" chocolate pudding! Margot Fass will give an Earth Day-themed presentation entitled "Vernal Ponds in Pittsford, NY."

The luncheon and program will cost \$8.00 per person and will take place in the Community Center's VanHuysen Community Room.

Advance registration is required by Friday,

April 18. For more information and to

Tomato Soup
Crispy Chicken Mixed Green Salad,
Honey Mustard Dressing & Roll
DESSERT
"Dirt" Chocolate Pudding
PROGRAM BY
Margot Fass
"Vernal Ponds in Pittsford, N.Y."

RESERVATIONS BY APRIL 18
248-6235 \$8.00

tt the Community Center or call 248-6235.

**April 22** 

12:00 PM

register, stop by the Senior Programs office at the Community Center or call 248-6235.

The Town's 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 our Seniors program information brochure online, or call the Senior Programs Office at 248-6235.

#### SENIOR CENTER OPEN FOR EUCHRE, OPEN-PLAY CARDS, CANASTA, AND MAHJONG

The Senior Center hosts open card game play on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays! Bring a friend, meet new people, and if you don't know how to play, learn in a friendly, welcoming environment! Card games are played at the Pittsford Community Center in room 113.

#### Senior Center Card Playing Schedule:

Euchre: Mondays, 12:00-3:00pm Cards: Open Play, 12:30-3:30pm Canasta: Thursdays, 12:00-4:00pm Mahjong: Fridays, 1:00-4:00pm

For more information about senior card games, call Carlos at 248-6235. The Town's Spiegel Pittsford 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, <u>read our Seniors program info</u> <u>brochure online</u>, or call the Senior Programs Office at 248-6235.



#### "MEET APRIL" STORY STROLL BEGINS THIS MONDAY AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER

\*Story strolls are back outside in the field behind the Community Center!

Our next Story Stroll takes place from Monday, April 21, to Sunday, April 27.

Families can enjoy a leisurely Story Stroll behind the Spiegel Community Center while reading "Meet April!" by April Martin.

"Meet April" is a children's book that introduces young readers to the month of April through the eyes of a cheerful character also named April. The story



explores various aspects of the month, including April Fools' Day and its pranks, Earth Day and its lessons, the arrival of baby animals, and the concept of life cycles. The book aims to educate children about the unique events and themes of April in an engaging and imaginative way!

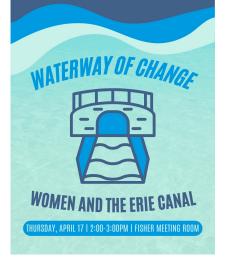
After completing your Story Stroll, stop by the Community Center front desk to pick up a **themed craft pack to take home!** Craft packs are available Monday through Saturday from 8:00am to 5:00pm and Sunday from 10:00am to 5:00pm.

"Meet May" during our next Story Stroll, which will take place from May 19 to May 25!

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

## UPCOMING EVENTS & PROGRAMS AT THE PITTSFORD COMMUNITY LIBRARY

There are a variety of fantastic programs for all ages



this week and next at the Library! Check out the Library's online calendar for complete information about upcoming programs for all ages that inspire, inform, and enrich. Here are some of the outstanding programs being offered:

Waterway of Change: Women and the Erie Canal Did you know the Erie Canal helped facilitate women's rights in the United States? Learn how this Thursday, April 17, from 2:00 to 3:00pm at a special Pittsford Community Library event to hear a presentation entitled "Water Way of Change: Women and the Erie Canal," which will explore how the fight for women's rights grew out of the changes brought about by the

Erie Canal and the movement's dependence on networks that the Canal facilitates. The event takes place in the Library's Fisher Meeting Room and is free and open to the public; no registration is required.

#### Early Bird Bingo for Seniors

Seniors, enjoy an afternoon of Early Bird Bingo this Friday, April 18, from 3:00 to 4:00pm. Winners will take home prizes! Early Bird Bingo will be held in the Library's Fisher Meeting Room.

#### Seussical the Story Time

Families, join us this Saturday, April 19, for a meet-and-greet story time with the stars of Pittsford Musicals' "Seussical the Musical!"

Seussical the Story Time takes place in the Library's Fisher Meeting Room from 11:00am to 12:00pm. It is suitable for all ages, free, and open to the public.

#### **STEM Story Time**

April 21, from 11:00 to 11:45am in the Library's

Fisher Meeting Room. Designed to introduce important science and math concept, STEM Story Time incorporates stories, songs, and activities. Best for ages 3-5. This

event is free and open to the public; no reservation required.

Saturday, April 19 1:00am-12:00pm Fisher Meeting Room us for a meet and greet story time with he stars of Pittsford Musicals' Seussical the STEM Story Time will take place this Monday, Musical. For all ages, no registration required.

Sprig of Lilac: The Department of Rare Books, Special Collections, and Preservation Poetry lovers – this is a must-attend event! Come hear a presentation entitled Sprig of Lilac: The Department of Rare Books, Special Collections, and Preservation. This special department at the University of Rochester has been acquiring poetry for over 100 years. Its collection includes local poets and poetry societies, thematic collections from single collectors, and poetry broadsides. Curator Autumn Haag will discuss the history of these collections, current acquisitions, and how members of the public can access them. This event is takes place this Monday, April 21, from 6:30 to 7:30pm to the Library's Fisher Meeting Room. It is free and open to the public; no reservation required.

> Sing, Play, & Move with Naz Families, join Nazareth University students for a



musical evening that will get the whole family moving. Sing, Play, & Move with Naz takes place this Monday, April 21, from 6:30 to 7:15pm, in the Library's Storytale Room! For kids in pre-K to grade 2. This event is free and open to the public; no reservation required.

The Pittsford Community Library is located at **24 State Street.** To learn more about upcoming Library programs, sign up for the <u>Library's weekly eNewsletter</u>, visit the <u>Library's online program calendar</u>, or call (585) 248-6275. For complete

Library information, including hours of operation, visit <a href="https://www.townofpittsford.org/library">www.townofpittsford.org/library</a>.

#### HISTORIC PITTSFORD SEEKS PRESERVATION AWARD NOMINATIONS BY MAY 15

Historic Pittsford is now accepting nominations for 2025 Preservation Achievement Awards. Nominations are due May 15. Historic Pittsford encourages both its members and the Pittsford community to nominate those whose efforts made a significant contribution to historic preservation in the town or village. Nominations may be submitted for a Preservation Achievement Award in any of the following categories: Stewardship, Advocacy, Education, and Public Policy.



Last year's recipients included homeowners who completed a sensitive remodeling; an interior design group that restored a number of properties; and a Fourth-grade teacher who incorporated preservation into the curriculum. Eligible candidates include individuals, groups, organizations, businesses, students, scouts, public and government officials, and others.

Category descriptions and a nomination form are available on Historic Pittsford's website at www.historicpittsford.org/preservation-achievement-awards.

Historic Pittsford is also accepting nominations for its annual <u>Jean France Historic Preservation Scholarship</u>, also due May 15.

JEAN FRANCE HISTORIC PRESERVATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE MAY 15

Historic Pittsford is seeking student applicants for its Jean France Historic Preservation Scholarship. Applications for the \$500 2025 award are due May 15. Historic Pittsford offers this award to encourage and support students who demonstrate an interest in a career related to historic preservation. The



award is open to eligible high school seniors and college students. Related careers may include history, architecture, museum studies, and other areas.

Recent recipients listed on our website include seniors at both Pittsford high schools and students at Nazareth and SUNY Brockport. Eligibility criteria and an application form are available on Historic Pittsford's website:

#### https://www.historicpittsford.org/preservation-awards.

The scholarship honors Jean France, a founding member of Historic Pittsford, who was an architectural historian, preservation advocate, teacher, mentor, and Pittsford resident who worked tirelessly to preserve historic architectural resources.

Historic Pittsford is also accepting nominations for its annual Preservation Achievement Award, also due May 15.

#### PTSA "MEET THE BOARD OF EDUCATION CANDIDATES" NIGHT IS MAY 6

In preparation for the May 20 budget vote and board election, the PTSA will host a "Meet the Candidates" Night from 7:00 to 9:00pm in the Barker Road Middle School McCluski Room. Barker Middle School is located at 75 Barker Road, Pittsford, NY, 14534.

A Budget Hearing and Regular Board of Education Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 13, from 7:00 to 9:00pm. The Public Budget Hearing is the formal presentation which residents will later vote on at the

annual Budget Vote and Board of Education Election.

of the Board of Education's adopted budget,

# "Meet the Board of Education Candidates" Night May 6 7:00 to 9:00pm Barker Road Middle School McCluski Room, 75 Barker Road, Pittsford, 13534 **Pittsford District**

PTSA

The Pittsford Central School District 2025-2026 School Budget Vote and Board Election will take place Tuesday, May 20, at the Calkins Road Middle School gymnasium. Due to construction related to the Capital Project at Barker Road Middle School, the vote has been moved to Calkins Road Middle School, which is located at 1899 Calkins Road. For more information about the Budget Vote and Board Election, view the PCSD Budget Information web page.

#### FREE DRIVE-THROUGH RABIES VACCINE **CLINIC MAY 8**

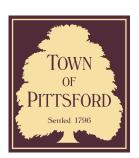
Save the date – our annual Rabies Vaccine Free Drive-thru Clinic will be held on Thursday, May 8 from 4:30 - 7:00pm at the Town Highway Garage, 60 Golf

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 requires rabies vaccination. For safety, all dogs must be on a short leash (even if they're inside a vehicle); 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. Sam Kalis, DVM, who will conduct our clinic this year, and the Monroe County Health Department for providing the free vaccines.



#### 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 <a href="https://www.townofpittsford.org/calendar">www.townofpittsford.org/calendar</a> for meeting dates. To view the livestream, click the <a href="Town Board Meeting live streaming link">Town Board Meeting live streaming link</a> 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 <a href="mailto:comments@townofpittsford.org">comments@townofpittsford.org</a>. 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 <a href="www.townofpittsford.org/channel12">www.townofpittsford.org/channel12</a> and use the On-Demand links to view previously recorded meetings.

#### UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD

- "Meet April" Story Stroll, 4/21 4/27, field at the Spiegel Community Center, 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 the Spiegel Community Center, Tuesday, April 22, 5:00 to 7:00pm, 35 Lincoln Ave; family-friendly activities and helpful information to strengthen your green skills and knowledge, free and open to the public
- <u>Pittsford Free Drive-Through Rabies Vaccine Clinic</u>, Thursday, 5/8, 4:30-7:30pm,
   Pittsford Town Highway Garage, 60 Golf Avenue; update your pet's rabies

- vaccine for free dogs, cats, and ferrets are welcome, dogs must be on a short leash, cats and ferrets must be in a secure carrier; no appointment needed, see details at link and call Pittsford Animal Control at 248-6240 with any questions.
- Community Recycling Day, Saturday, 5/17, 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 <a href="https://www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark">www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark</a>. More information, including the list of hazardous materials and electronics accepted for collection, can be found <a href="https://www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark">HERE</a>.

#### TOWN OF PITTSFORD BOARD MEETINGS

• **Zoning Board**, Monday, 4/21, 6:30pm, 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: <a href="www.townofpittsford.org/minutes">www.townofpittsford.org/minutes</a>

#### **COMMUNITY MEETINGS CALENDAR**

- <u>Village Board of Trustees</u> 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 <a href="here">here</a> 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
- <u>Pittsford Rotary Club</u>, 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 <a href="https://www.womensclubofpittsford.org">www.womensclubofpittsford.org</a> 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 <a href="https://www.pittsfordartgroup.com">www.pittsfordartgroup.com</a> and fill out a <a href="https://www.pittsfordartgroup.com">Contact Us</a> form.

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