



News & Reviews

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Community

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CONCERT FOR KIDS KICKS OFF TONIGHT *Outdoors behind the Spiegel Community Center*

Our first Concert for Kids of the season is tonight! Join us **outdoors** behind the Spiegel Community Center at 6:30pm for a fun-filled evening of music with **John Dady and John Ryan**. This talented duo brings a lively mix of folk and family-friendly tunes perfect for singing, dancing, and smiling along. Their warm harmonies and playful energy make them a hit with audiences of all ages.

We'll have the **Kona Ice** food truck on site for cool treats on a warm evening! Don't miss this evening of music and memories for the whole family!

Our Concerts for Kids Series continues throughout the summer. Come see **Mr. Loops** on Wednesday, July 30, and **Mike Kornrich** on Wednesday, August 13. All concerts begin at 6:30pm and take place at the Spiegel Community Center field. Visit our [Concerts for Kids web page](#) for more information. The Spiegel Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue.

SANTANA TRIBUTE CONCERT WITH EUROPA THIS FRIDAY

The Town of Pittsford's 2025 Summer Concert Series continues this Friday, **July 18**, with a Carlos Santana tribute by Europa. Join us in **Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford** at 6:30pm for an evening of patriotic and popular music by one of the U.S. Army's premier musical units. Europa NY is a high-energy, seven-piece band that celebrates the iconic sound and spirit of Carlos Santana with powerful Latin percussion,



soaring guitar lines, and dynamic improvisation.

Harladay Hots will be on site with hot dogs, hamburgers, sandwiches and snacks! Our Summer Concert Series continues every Friday evening from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. through **August 22**. We have a variety of great music this season, including folk, rock, pop, 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](#).



"MEET JULY" STORY STROLL BEGINS THIS MONDAY AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER

Our next **Story Stroll** takes place this **Monday, July 21** through **Sunday, July 27**. Families can take a leisurely Story Stroll behind the Spiegel Community Center while reading **"Meet July!"** by April Martin.

"Meet July" by April Martin is a children's picture book that introduces readers to July, our next character in "The Calendar Kids" series. Summer is July's favorite season. He loves swimming, eating watermelon, and especially the Fourth of July Parade! However,

July has one major dislike: the sudden afternoon thunderstorms that often interrupt his summer fun. As the big Fourth of July celebration approaches, July and his friends are excited, but a looming storm threatens to ruin the festivities. The story follows July as he learns to cope with his fear of storms and discovers important lessons about hope, resilience, and the enduring power of friendship, especially when facing unexpected challenges.

Once you have completed your Story Stroll, stop by 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 to 5:00pm and Sunday from 10:00am to 5:00pm. Our next Story Stroll will take place August 18 through August 24.

The Town's Spiegel 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 Community Center at 585-248-6280.

HIKE THIS SATURDAY, 7/19, THROUGH CARTERSVILLE/SIMON STONE'S MILL TRAILS

Join us on a guided hike by our Recreation staff along the **Cartersville/Simon Stone's Mill Trails**. Get outdoors, meet fellow hikers and enjoy the natural beauty of our area! **The hike begins promptly at 8:30am** and will take place along a primarily flat,

natural surface trail with some elevation gains. Sneakers or hiking boots are recommended. We will walk at a brisk pace while discussing recreation opportunities, the Great Embankment, the Simon Stone mill, area ecology and more!

Be sure to dress appropriately for the weather and bring a water bottle. Our Recreation Department team will contact participants in advance with the meeting location and additional information before the scheduled hike date. Hikers will receive a trail map at the beginning of the hike.

Bring your Wegmans Hit the Trail Passport

to get credit for hiking the trail! Extra passports will be on hand for anyone who doesn't yet have one.



The program is free, but registration is required. Register online on the [Town's Recreation page](#) or in person at the Spiegel Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue. If you have already registered, please let us know if you have a conflict and cannot attend so we can plan accordingly. Free downloadable/printable maps are also available in advance on the Town website at www.townofpittsford.org/trails-and-walkways.



Historic Pittsford seeks painting and illustration donations featuring iconic Pittsford, NY scenes for its 60th Anniversary Gala's Art of Preservation Auction on September 20.

HISTORIC PITTSFORD SEEKS ART DONATIONS FEATURING PITTSFORD SCENES

Historic Pittsford is seeking donations of paintings or illustrations that feature iconic scenes of Pittsford, NY, for its 60th Anniversary Gala's *Art of Preservation* Auction on September 30. All auction proceeds will help support [Historic Pittsford](#), a volunteer-run, non-profit organization dedicated to preserving Pittsford's rich heritage and historic

resources.

Consider using your artistic talents to support Historic Pittsford's mission and vision by creating a new painting or illustration, or by donating an existing piece of art that features an iconic Pittsford building, location, scene, or landmark.

Donating artists will be featured in gala-related social media posts!

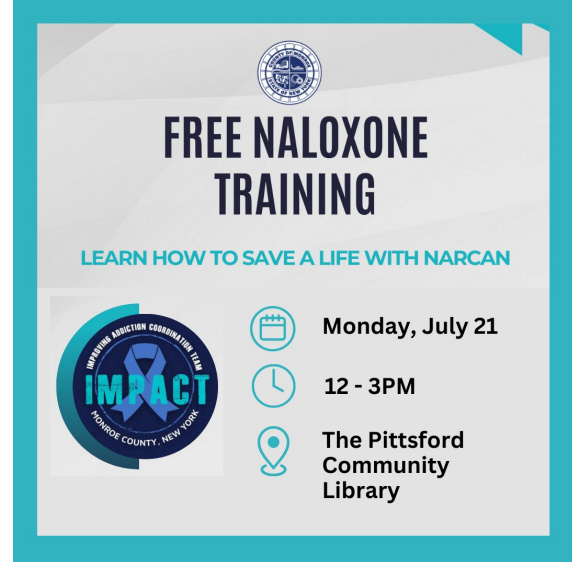
Artists and collectors interested in donating should contact Katie Andres by July 20 via email at katieasellshome@gmail.com.

NARCAN TRAINING & SERVICES INFO AT LIBRARY THIS MONDAY (7/21) - LEARN TO SAFELY STOP AN OPIOID OVERDOSE

The Pittsford Community Library will offer **free public Narcan training and opioid awareness information this Monday, July 21**, from 12:00 - 3:00pm in the Library hallway. Stop by to receive a free Narcan training and a Narcan kit from the Monroe County Health Department. Narcan (Naloxone) is a nasal spray that can be administered immediately to treat an opioid overdose.

The opioid crisis continues at an alarming level. **Approximately every other day, someone in Monroe County dies from an opioid overdose.** There is no community immune to this crisis – learn how to save a life with Narcan. This drop-in program is free; no registration required.

The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street. To learn more about upcoming Library programs, visit the 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.



"BITES AND BEATS" MUSIC AND FOOD NEXT WEDNESDAY AT COPPER BEECH PARK

Get ready for another summer evening filled with great music, delicious food and community fun! Next Wednesday, **July 23**, will be Pittsford Recreation's second **Bites & Beats** event of the season! The evening begins at 5:00pm with food by Marty's Meats available from 5:00-8:00pm and will feature a **live acoustic performance by Ray Mahar**, guitarist for A Girl Named Genny, from 6:00-7:30pm.

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**. Can't join us next week? Don't worry, we have one more Bites & Beats on Wednesday, August 27!

**FAMILY OUTDOOR MOVIE AT 7/24
COMMUNITY CENTER – IF**
*This year, all outdoor movies will be held at
the Spiegel Community Center field.*

Our next Family Outdoor Movie Night is **Thursday, July 24**, at the Spiegel Community Center field and features *IF* [PG].

What if all the imaginary friends you ever created were real? And what if they needed your help? From the mind of John Krasinski comes *IF*, a magical adventure where forgotten friends find a new chance to be seen.

The movie starts just after sunset and is free and open to everyone. **Food is available for purchase beginning at 7:00pm** and features assorted snacks from Z Best Foodz and shaved ice from Kona Ice. It promises to be a fun time with family and friends, and a perfect way to enjoy a summer evening – bring your lawn chairs or a blanket and join us!

Don't forget to mark your calendar for our other Family Outdoor Movie Nights. We'll feature *Inside Out 2* [PG] on August 7, and *Sonic 3* [PG] on August 21.

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ELDERBERRY EXPRESS TAKES SENIORS WHERE THEY NEED TO GO

Elderberry Express is a **free transportation service for Pittsford residents, ages 55 and older**. Volunteer drivers transport seniors to and from medical appointments, the pharmacy, bank, hairdresser, grocery store, and of course, events at the Senior Center! Transportation is available Monday to Friday, 9:00am to 3:00pm. Services must be scheduled at least three business days in advance by 10:00 am to ensure driver availability. The service is free; however, donations are welcome. To schedule a ride, please call Elderberry Express at 248-6237.

Elderberry Express needs volunteer drivers willing to help provide transportation, from one to a few times per month. Each ride typically lasts two to three hours. By volunteering, you give others the gift of independence. Can you help? Call Elderberry Express at 248-6237.

LIBRARY OFFERS SMALL SPACE GARDENING ONLINE CLASS THURSDAY
You can optimize your current gardening space, no matter its size. **Join us online**

tomorrow, July 17, from 1:00 to 2:00pm, and learn from the Cornell Cooperative Extension how to use every inch of your gardening area, whether you're growing herbs, vegetables, or flowers. Find suggestions for container plantings and DIY projects as well.

This program is made possible through a consortium of MCLS libraries that share resources and connect communities. This is an online event, and registration is required; register through the [Library's online calendar](#) of programs. The event URL will be sent via a registration email.



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SENIORS MATINEE AT THE LIBRARY THIS FRIDAY, JULY 18

Seniors, join us this **Friday** at **3:00pm** in the Library's Fisher Meeting Room for a matinee featuring *Shadow of the Thin Man* (1941)! This event is free and open to the public; no registration is required.

The cocktail-loving couple is back at it! *Shadow of the Thin Man* is the fourth film in the Thin Man series. A jockey has been murdered at the racetrack. Famous detective Nick Charles and his wife Nora happen to be nearby, and Lt. Abraham asks for Nick's expert help. As always,

his wife Nora tags along. Laughter and skilled sleuthing follow.

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EMBRACE PLASTIC FREE JULY: SMALL CHANGES, BIG IMPACT!

It's Plastic Free July! Disposable plastics have become an everyday part of our modern lives. However, we are increasingly learning about the harm caused by these items, not only to our environment and the surrounding wildlife, but also to our own personal health.

The **Plastic Free July** challenge gives us all an opportunity to reflect on our plastic use and find ways to reduce the number of plastics in our lives, whether by choosing a reusable water bottle, ditching the plastic-coated detergent pods in favor of liquid or powder, replacing plastic snack and sandwich bags with reusable, nontoxic silicone, or skipping the plasticware that comes with takeout orders.



There are 31 days in July. Here are ten ways to reduce plastic waste. Can you think of 21 more? (This would be a TERRIFIC summer project to do with your kids!)

- Use Reusable Bags
- Ditch single-use water bottles and coffee cups! Invest in a quality, plastic-free, reusable water bottle and/or coffee mug.
- At the grocery store, opt for products packaged in paper, cardboard, or other materials instead of plastic.
- Use glass jars and containers instead of plastic for food storage.
- Say "no, thank you" when handed a plastic straw.
- Use a bamboo toothbrush instead of a plastic one.
- Recycle unused plastic toys instead of discarding them.
- When hosting a social gathering, use real plates and cups instead of plastic ones.
- When you go out for ice cream, choose a cone over a cup!
- When gardening, try to use old cans or cardboard egg cartons to start seeds instead of plastic pots.

Every small swap makes a difference, so let's make this Plastic Free July a stepping stone to a more sustainable future for everyone. Visit www.plasticfreejuly.org for more information.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD

- [Concerts for Kids](#) - Americana kids music with [John Dady and John Ryan](#), Wednesday, 7/16, 6:30pm, outdoors at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue
- [Town Summer Concert Series](#), music from [Europa](#), Friday, 7/18, 6:30pm, canalside in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, 22 N. Main Street
- [Bites & Beats at Copper Beech Park](#), Wednesday, 7/23, 10 N. Main Street, featuring food from Marty's Meats and music from [Ray Mahar](#)

TOWN OF PITTSFORD BOARD MEETINGS

- **Zoning Board**, Monday, 7/21, 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: www.townofpittsford.org/minutes

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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