



News & Reviews

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Town of Pittsford - a Clean
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Community

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"BITES AND BEATS" MUSIC AND FOOD TONIGHT AT COPPER BEECH PARK

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

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 this week? Don't worry, we have one more Bites & Beats on Wednesday, August 27!

FAMILY OUTDOOR MOVIE TOMORROW – **NOTE** **NEW LOCATION**

*This year, all outdoor movies will be held at the
Spiegel Community Center field.*

Our next [Family Outdoor Movie Night](#) of the season is tomorrow, Thursday, July 24, featuring *IF* [PG].

What if those imaginary friends you had as a kid had actually been real? And what if you could

see them? 'IF' is a heartwarming and hilarious adventure about a young girl who discovers she can see everyone's forgotten IFs. Together, they go on a magical journey to reconnect these lovable, lonely creatures with the kids who once imagined them. It's a movie that reminds us never to stop believing in the power of imagination and the friends — real or imaginary — who make life extraordinary.

The movie starts just after sunset and is free and open to everyone. **Starting at 7:00pm**, Z Best Foodz (assorted snacks) and Kona Ice (shaved ice) will be on site with items for sale. 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. The Spiegel Community Center field is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue.



HISTORIC HOWITZER RETURNS TO PITTSFORD: REDEDICATION CEREMONY IS THURSDAY
Join the Pittsford American Legion Rayson-Miller Post 899 tomorrow, July 24, when they will rededicate a 1918 World War I howitzer captured from the Germans! A howitzer, which looks similar to a

cannon, is in fact a short gun for firing shells on high trajectories at low velocities. The name is derived from the German term for the weapon, "Haubitze," which translates to "sling" or "basket."

A brief history of the howitzer

In early 1932, World War I veterans from the Rayson-Miller American Legion Post brought a German 105mm howitzer to Pittsford as a war memorial, probably seeing it as a companion to the Civil War-era cannon in Pittsford Cemetery. Captured by the U.S. Army's 27th Division from western New York in France during October 1918, the Krupp-made howitzer arrived by train in the spring of 1932 and was cleaned at Pete Thornell's Garage. That summer, it was installed in a triangular park at the intersection of East Avenue and Washington Road, with a flagpole added to enhance the site. Its dedication on September 10, 1932, included a grand parade and remarks by Congressman James L. Whitley, who emphasized the importance of military preparedness. For years, the gun served as a Village landmark and a focal point during Memorial Day parades.

Read more about the history of the howitzer, including the short-lived sensation caused by a fake German diary supposedly found within it, on the [Town of Pittsford website](#).

The howitzer has been beautifully restored and will now be displayed in front of the Pittsford Veterans Monument. The rededication is scheduled for **tomorrow, Thursday, July 24**, at the **Veterans Monument in Carpenter Park at 22 North Main Street**. A brief ceremony will take place at 11:00am and will be followed by a reception at Village Hall, 21 North Main Street.

SENIORS SUMMER PARTY WITH MUSIC BY THE BRADLEY BROTHERS – TUESDAY, JULY 29

Reservations due tomorrow, 7/24

Seniors, join us for a summer party with delicious food, our fabulous staff, and entertainment from The Bradley Brothers! **The Summer Party** will be held on **Tuesday, July 29**, at **12:00pm** at the **Spiegel Community Center**. The menu features a lettuce wedge salad with crumbled bacon, tomatoes, and blue cheese dressing; BBQ pulled chicken sandwich; macaroni salad; cornbread; peach cobbler; and a pina colada spritzer. The Bradley Brothers will perform Brazilian jazz-inspired bossa nova classics, perfect for that relaxed summer vibe!



Advance registration for the Summer Party is due by tomorrow, July 24. For more details and to sign up, visit 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, [click here to visit the Seniors' page](#) on the Town website, [read our Seniors program info brochure online](#), or call the Senior Programs Office at 248-6235.



CONCERT SERIES CONTINUES THIS FRIDAY WITH FRANK TORCHIO AND THE SCARBROUGH ORCHESTRA

The Town of Pittsford's 2025 Summer Concert Series continues this Friday, **July 25**, with a "Sinatra and Friends" concert by Frank Torchio and the Scarbrough Orchestra. Join us in **Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford at 6:30pm**. Frank Torchio and the Scarbrough Orchestra will be performing the songs of Sinatra, Dino, Darin, Satchmo, Durante and more. Go back in time with classic tunes and big

band sounds.

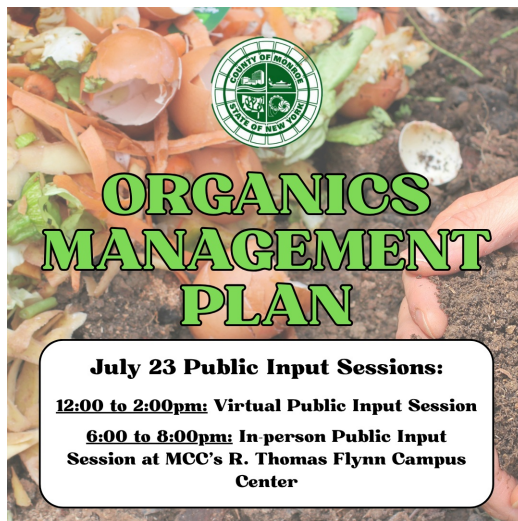
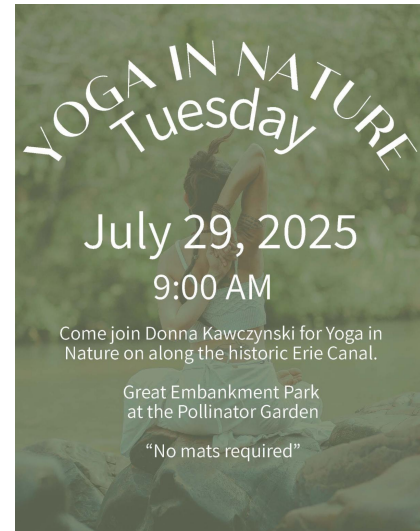
Harladay Hots will be on site with hot dogs, hamburgers, sandwiches and snacks! Our Summer Concert Series continues every Friday evening from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. through **August 22**. We have a variety of great music this season, including country, rock, pop, folk, and a Billy Joel cover band! Grab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

YOGA IN NATURE - FREE CLASS THIS TUESDAY AT GREAT EMBANKMENT PARK

Join yoga instructor Donna Kawczynski for a relaxing and inspiring free yoga class this **Tuesday, July 29**, from **9:00 - 9:30am** in the **Pollinator Garden at Bird Harbor in Great Embankment Park**. All ability levels are welcome. The class will include yoga body movement and breathing techniques in the natural beauty of the Town's canalside garden dedicated to native plants and local pollinators. A mat is not required. Join us in the grassy area between the Pollinator Garden and the Canal path. **Enter the park at 631 Marsh Road**. Take the first left and follow the driveway up to the upper parking lot. A greeter will guide you to the class location. The class is free; no registration required. Donna has been a certified yoga instructor since 2009 and has taught yoga for seniors at the Spiegel Community Center since 2011.



HELP SHAPE MONROE COUNTY'S ORGANICS MANAGEMENT PLAN: PUBLIC INPUT SESSION IS TODAY

Monroe County is developing an **Organics Management Plan (OMP)** to reduce food waste and yard trimmings, lower greenhouse gas emissions, and enhance composting and recycling efforts. As a Climate Smart Community, the Town of Pittsford supports this initiative, and your input is crucial in helping to develop practical, community-centered solutions.

Residents are encouraged to participate by completing a [short online survey](#), providing feedback on the draft plan (available in September), and attending a **public input session today or this evening**. Sessions are available virtually from 12:00 to 2:00 pm or in person at Monroe Community College from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. These sessions will feature a brief presentation and provide opportunities for you to share your ideas.

- **Virtual Public Input Session: TODAY, July 23, from Noon to 2:00pm.** This event will include a brief presentation outlining the goals and framework of the Monroe County Organics Management Plan, followed by breakout room discussions where participants can share their thoughts, ideas, or concerns related to the study. **Pre-registration is required to receive the meeting link. Please register by 11 a.m. on 7/23/25 using the following form:** <https://form.jotform.com/251526401786155>
- **In-Person Public Input Session: TODAY, July 23, from 6:00 to 8:00pm.** This event will begin with a short presentation outlining the goals and proposed

direction of the Organics Management Plan. Following the presentation, attendees will be encouraged to visit a series of topic-specific stations staffed by subject-matter facilitators. These stations will provide an opportunity for informal conversation and feedback on a range of key focus areas. **Pre-registration is optional but encouraged to help with event planning. You can register here:** <https://form.jotform.com/25152640178615>. The in-person session will take place at the **R. Thomas Flynn Campus Center**, MCC Brighton Campus, 100 East Henrietta Road, Rochester, NY 14623

Visit the project site at [monroe-county-omp](#) to take the survey, register for a session, or learn more. Let's work together to reduce waste and build a more sustainable future for Pittsford and our region.

PITTSFORD RESIDENTS CAN SIGN UP FOR EMERGENCY ALERT NOTIFICATIONS

Monroe County offers localized emergency notifications to Pittsford residents through its Hyper-Reach service. New York State also offers a mass notification system to Pittsford residents through its NY-Alert program. See details below about these alert programs and how to sign up for them.

Monroe County Hyper-Reach Emergency Notifications

Pittsford residents can sign up to receive local emergency alerts through Monroe County's Hyper-Reach Emergency Notification service. Signing up allows your cell phone, email and/or TDD to be notified for local emergencies and community alerts as well. The program uses your address to provide alerts targeted to your specific geographic area. Home phone (landline) numbers are automatically registered with Monroe County's 911 Center for emergency alerts; registering for Hyper-Reach allows notifications to be sent to your mobile phone. Sign up is simple and free. Register at bit.ly/hyper-reach-signup.

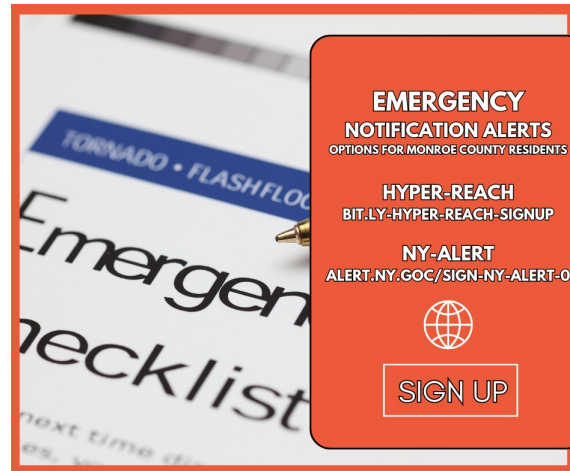
NY Alert Emergency Notification System

NY-Alert is New York State's Mass Notification System. By signing up for NY-Alert, you can receive alerts, warnings and emergency information via the web, your cell phone, email and other technologies, based on the geographic location you select. Users create an account and then subscribe to choose the types of alerts they wish to receive.

NY-Alert contains public alerts and critical, emergency-related information, including real-time instructions and recommendations from emergency personnel. Information may include severe weather warnings, significant highway closures, hazardous material spills and other emergency conditions. Notifications can also include AMBER and missing children alerts, as well as alerts regarding consumer protection, public health, and sex offender relocation. You can receive alerts by phone, text message, email and fax machine, and you may select multiple ways to be notified.

Visit <https://alert.ny.gov/sign> to sign up.

Staying informed during an emergency can help keep you and your loved ones safe. By signing up for these alert systems, Pittsford residents can ensure they receive



timely, location-specific alerts and critical information as situations unfold. Don't wait—take a few minutes to register today.



CONCERT FOR KIDS SCHEDULED FOR NEXT WEDNESDAY, JULY 30

Outdoors behind the Spiegel Community Center

Our second concert for kids is next Wednesday, July 30! Join us **outdoors** behind the Spiegel Community Center at 6:30pm for a fun-filled evening of music with **Mr. Loops!** Mr. Loops gives dynamic shows that have kids singing, dancing, and laughing!

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 final kids' concert featuring Mike Kornrich is set for Wednesday, August 13. All kids' concerts start at 6:30pm and are held at the Spiegel Community

Center field. Visit our [Concerts for Kids webpage](#) for more details. The Spiegel Community Center is located at 35 Lincoln Avenue.

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

The Senior Center hosts open card game sessions 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: Tuesdays, 12:30-3:30pm

Canasta: Thursdays, 1:00-4:00pm

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, [read our Seniors program info brochure online](#), or call the Senior Programs Office at 248-6235.

LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD PUPPET SHOW AT LIBRARY THIS MONDAY, JULY 28

Families, join us at the Pittsford Community Library this Monday for a wacky rendition of a classic children's tale! Omnipresent Puppet



Theater presents **Little Red Riding Hood**, the story of a spunky girl walking through the forest, her Tae Bo master grandmother, the Bad Bad Wolf and a swarm of pesky bees! The show is hilarious, fast-paced and great fun for all ages! Little Red Riding Hood will take place from 2:00 to 3:00pm on **Monday, July 28**, in the **Library's Fisher Meeting Room**. This event is free and open to the public! No registration is required.

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.

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS 101: GET EXPERT ADVICE FROM A FORMER DEAN – JULY 29

Parents, guardians, and students! Take advantage of the opportunity to learn essential information about the college admissions and application process from an admissions professional with over 38 years of direct experience as a dean of admissions.

College admissions have become increasingly complex due to numerous changes in the higher education landscape over the past three to five years. This presentation will include the latest insights into what colleges look for in their applicants and how admissions decisions are made. Key topics to be covered include college essays, demonstrated interest, standardized test scores, recommendations, scholarships, early decision, early action, financial aid and more. **College Admissions 101** is scheduled for **Tuesday, July 29**, from **7:00 to 8:30pm** at the **Spiegel Community Center, Classroom 208**. Bring paper and a pen! You'll want to take notes! Registration for College Admissions 101 is open to anyone aged 16 and above. Registration is required. Please visit the [Town of Pittsford's Recreation page](#) for complete information and to register.

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www.townofpittsford/recreation
 + (585) 248-6280



SUPPORT REFUGEES AT THE SAINT'S PLACE SUPER SALE AUGUST 5 - 8

One of Pittsford's most popular charity events returns this August! The annual **Saint's Place Super Sale** will be held from **August 5 – 8** at the **St. John of Rochester Parish Center gym**, located at **10 Wickford Way** in Fairport. The sale, which previously took place at St. Louis Church in Pittsford, is now in its second year at the current location.



August 5th - August 8th



Saint's Place
St. John Parish Center Gym
10 Wickford Way in Fairport

Don't miss this chance to shop for a cause and support refugees building new lives in our community.

Tuesday, Aug. 5 (10:00am to 7:00pm): First Chance Sale, \$10 admission

Wednesday, Aug. 6 (10:00am to 6:00 pm): Free admission begins

Thursday, Aug. 7 (10:00am to 6:00pm): Half-Price Day

Friday, Aug. 8 (9:00am until sold out): Bag Sale - \$15 for first bag, \$5 each additional (five-bag limit; Saint's Place bags only)

This large indoor sale features thousands of high-quality new and gently used items, including clothing, jewelry, electronics, toys, furniture, sporting goods, home décor and more, all donated by the community. Proceeds support [Saint's Place](#), a local nonprofit that assists legal refugees with essential items, including beds, warm winter clothing, household furnishings, and educational support.

Funds from the sale also fuel the [Saint's Place Educational Initiative](#), which has provided nearly \$300,000 in tuition

assistance, computers, driving lessons, and English tutoring for almost 300 refugees since 2018.

"Helping refugees, especially women, gain education and employment has a powerful ripple effect on families and communities," said Michele Quinn, Executive Director.

Super Sale Schedule

Held in the air-conditioned gym with ample free parking:

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UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD

- [Bites & Beats at Copper Beech Park](#), Wednesday, 7/23, 10 N. Main Street, featuring music from [Ray Mahar](#) from 6:00 - 7:30pm and food from Marty's Meats from 5:00 - 8:00pm
- **WW1 Howitzer Rededication** by Rayson-Miller American Legion Post 899, Thursday, 7/24, 11:00am, Pittsford Veterans Monument in Carpenter Park, 22 North Main Street; reception to follow at Village Hall, 21 North Main Street
- [Family Outdoor Movie](#), featuring *IF* [PG], Thursday, 7/24, movie begins just after sunset, outdoors at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue
- [Town Summer Concert Series](#), music from [Frank Torchio and the Scarbrough Orchestra](#), Friday, 7/25, 6:30pm, canalside in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, 22 N. Main Street
- [Concerts for Kids](#) - Music and entertainment with [Mr. Loops](#), Wednesday, 7/30, 6:30pm, outdoors at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center, 35 Lincoln Avenue

TOWN OF PITTSFORD BOARD MEETINGS

- **Design Review & Historic Preservation Board**, Thursday, 7/24, 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

- **Planning Board**, Monday, 7/28, 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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