

# News & Reviews

## June 18, 2025

Town of Pittsford - a Clean Energy and Climate Smart Community

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*Upcoming Activities, Town Board Meetings & Community Meetings*

### CONCERT SERIES CONTINUES FRIDAY ALONG CANAL WITH A GIRL NAMED GENNY

The Town of Pittsford's 2025 Summer Concert Series continues this **Friday, June 20**, when **A Girl Named Genny** takes the stage. Join us in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford at 6:30pm for this high-energy Americana band that blends traditional folk instruments with jazz, bluegrass and rock influences.



Our Summer Concert Series continues **Friday evenings from 6:30pm to 8:00pm through August 22** (no concert on July 4). We have a variety of great music this season, including folk, rock, pop, the 198<sup>th</sup> Army Marching Band, a Carlos Santana Tribute, 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.

Juneteenth  
**CLOSURES**

Town of Pittsford offices and facilities, including the Spiegel Community Center, will be closed tomorrow, Thursday, June 19, in observance of the Juneteenth holiday. Regular hours will resume on Friday, June 20. The Pittsford Community Library will maintain regular hours from 9:00am to 8:00pm.

### JUNETEENTH CLOSURES FOR TOMORROW, JUNE 19

**Town of Pittsford offices and facilities**, including the Spiegel Community Center, will be closed tomorrow, Thursday, June 19, in observance of the Juneteenth holiday. Regular hours will resume on Friday, June 20.

**The Pittsford Community Library** will maintain regular hours from 9:00am to 8:00pm.

In case of an emergency requiring Town of Pittsford services during the holiday closure, please call (585) 248-6212.

On **Juneteenth**, we celebrate the enduring spirit of freedom and the official end of slavery in the United States, reminding us of the progress we've made and to keep striving for equality for all.

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**"BITES AND BEATS" SERIES LAUNCHES AT NEWLY EXPANDED COPPER BEECH PARK**

Get ready for summer evenings filled with great music, delicious food and community fun! The Town of Pittsford is celebrating the opening of the New Copper Beech Park with a new Summer event series: **Bites & Beats**. This monthly series will take place on Wednesdays, **June 25, July 23 and August 27** and will feature live performances from local bands and favorite food vendors. At each event, a food truck will be available from 5:00 to 8:00pm, and musical performances will take place from 6:00 to 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.

**Wednesday, June 25:**  
Harladay Hots (Food)  
Son Henry (Music)

**Wednesday, July 23:**  
Marty's Meats (Food)  
Ray Mahar (Music)

**Wednesday, August 27:**  
Macarollin (Food)  
Matt Beeman of Acoustic Brew (Music)

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, Pittsford, NY 14534**. A dedication ceremony is scheduled for our first event on June 25. (See details in the article below.)

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**PITTSFORD'S SUMMER 2025 PROJECT LINEUP:  
CONTINUING IMPROVEMENT**

The Town of Pittsford's Department of Public Works is preparing for a busy summer in 2025, with a detailed schedule of capital improvement and maintenance projects aimed at improving our

# Town of Pittsford 2025 Department of Public Works Project Lineup



infrastructure and public spaces. All projects are subject to change. From vital road upgrades to essential storm sewer and park maintenance, these initiatives embody the town's dedication to continuous improvement.

Here's a look at the key projects slated to occur across Pittsford this summer:

## **Roadway Enhancements: Gutter, Milling, and Paving**

A sizable portion of the summer's work will focus on improving our roadways. There will be milling,

paving and gutter replacement throughout various neighborhoods.

## **Storm Sewer Improvements**

Maintaining our storm sewer system is essential for environmental protection and preventing localized flooding. This summer, ongoing storm sewer work will involve routine inspections of stormwater infrastructure, including catch basins, pipes, and outfall structures, as well as cleaning, debris removal, preventative maintenance, repairs, restoration, regulatory compliance and vegetation management.

## **State Street Median**

We expect to receive approval for the plans for a median on State Street from the State very soon. Once we obtain approval, the project will be put out to bid. The project involves creating a median near the entrance to Wood Creek Drive that will help calm traffic entering the village. The median will also provide safer pedestrian access to the canal pathway opposite Wood Creek Drive. We hope to see work on the median begin this summer.

These projects directly enhance water quality and the recreational use of our waterways.

## **Highway, Parks, Sewer, and Building Maintenance**

Beyond roads and storm sewers, the Department of Public Works is also engaged in various ongoing projects that will continue through the summer months:

- **Parks Department Projects** include routine trail maintenance, integrated pest management, overseeding, aeration, fertilizing, and the installation of new trail markers and kiosks.
- **Routine Maintenance** efforts across the town include tree canopy thinning, crack filling, patching, pothole repairs, street sweeping and catch basin cleaning, along with sewer televising and flushing.
- **Miscellaneous Work** will involve sealing the parking lots at Kings Bend Park and Hopkins Park, alongside necessary catch basin crossover repairs.
- **Sewer Department Projects** will continue with the relining of sanitary sewers constructed in the late 1950s and upgrades to pump stations, specifically at Lehigh Station.
- **Building maintenance** projects are planned for various town facilities, including new paint and carpet in the Library's Fletcher Steele and Fisher Meeting Rooms, a new tankless water heater in Town Hall, and sealing the floors and staining the exteriors of lodges in King's Bend Park.

These comprehensive projects demonstrate the Town's commitment to maintaining well-maintained infrastructure and public amenities for all residents and visitors! See

the full [2025 Department of Public Works Project Update](#) on the Town of Pittsford website.

**"MEET JUNE!" STORY STROLL BEGINS THIS MONDAY AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER**

Our next Story Stroll takes place this Monday, June 23, through Sunday, June 29. Families can take a leisurely Story Stroll behind the Spiegel Community Center while reading "Meet June" by April Martin. "Meet June," a part of April Martin's Calendar Kids Series, follows young June as she celebrates the start of summer vacation and plans for Father's Day. Despite some accidental mishaps, June learns valuable lessons about problem-solving, friendship and the importance of appreciating family time.



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 from July 21 to July 27.

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.



**TEEN SUMMER COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES AT THE LIBRARY EACH TUESDAY**

Teens – looking for a way to earn service credits over summer break? The Pittsford Community Library has two opportunities for you to serve your community: Teen Community Service and a Teen Program Assistant opportunity.

**Teen Community Service** runs from 3:30 to 4:30 each Tuesday (and once a month on Wednesday throughout the

summer) and is open to all students entering grades 6-12. You must register for each date individually, but hurry – sessions are filling up fast! To register, visit the [Pittsford Community Library's online calendar](#) to find the dates for which you'd like to register. The next Teen Community Service hour is [this Tuesday, June 24](#).

Teen Program Assistance is available for students in grades 9 through 12. TPAs support staff and patrons during library programs and special events like Bingo and children's activities. Interested? First, fill out a [Teen Program Assistant Application](#), which can be found online. Next, register for one of our monthly Teen Program

Assistance orientations via the Library's [online calendar](#) and be sure to bring your completed application with you. Our [next orientation](#) is this Tuesday, June 24.

The Pittsford Community Library is located at 24 State Street. To learn more about upcoming Library programs, 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](http://www.townofpittsford.org/library).

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**BEGINNER JAZZ CLASS KICKS OFF TONIGHT AT SPIEGEL COMMUNITY CENTER**  
Aspiring dancers ages 18+ can take their first steps into the world of jazz tango tonight as a new beginner class kicks off at the **Spiegel Community Center**. Through a combination of warm-up exercises, basic jazz techniques, and the practice of simple choreography, students will develop physical, creative, and expressive skills. Students will also engage in improvisation over a variety of musical styles. The class not only introduces students to the world of jazz, but also promotes confidence, creativity, and fun through dance.

**Beginner Jazz** classes begin **tonight, June 18**, and will run each **Wednesday through July 23**. The class takes place from **6:30 to 7:30pm** at the **Spiegel Community Center**. Registration is required. Please register online through the [Town of Pittsford Recreation web page](#).

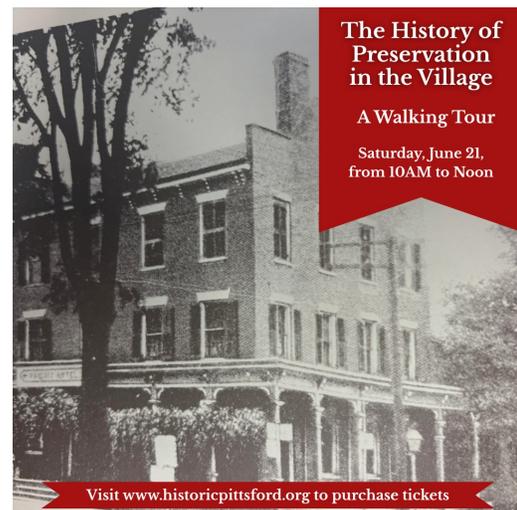


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### **PRESERVATION TOUR SATURDAY IN PITTSFORD VILLAGE**

This Saturday, take a walking tour in the center of the Village during which Robert Corby will discuss several key preservation projects that have changed the direction of community planning, resulting in many positive amenities and characteristics appreciated by both residents and visitors. "The History of Preservation in the Village" walking tour will take place this **Saturday, June 21**, from **10:00am to 12:00pm**. The walking tour is free for Historic Pittsford members and \$10.00 for adult non-members.



The tour will begin at the **Little House**, located at **18 Monroe Avenue**, and conclude at Pittsford Farms Dairy. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended. The tour is wheelchair accessible. Participants must be able to climb three flights of stairs. Dress for the weather; the tour will take place rain or shine.

The Little House, Historic Pittsford's headquarters and museum, will also be open this Saturday from 9:00am to noon.

To learn more about the tour and to purchase tickets, visit:

[www.historicpittsford.org/event-details/history-of-preservation-in-the-village](http://www.historicpittsford.org/event-details/history-of-preservation-in-the-village).

**The Little House**  
Pittsford, NY



Celebrating 60 Years of historic preservation at the Little House!

**LITTLE HOUSE OPEN JUNE THIS SATURDAY FROM 9:00AM TO NOON**

The Little House, headquarters of Historic Pittsford, will be open this Saturday, June 21, from 9:00am to noon. Stop by to talk with board members, check out the exhibits, and take a tour of this amazing 200+ year-old historic building. Grab a *Pittsford on the Erie Canal* sweatshirt while they're available so you'll be ready for the events celebrating the Erie Canal's 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary later this year.

The Little House will serve as the starting point for participants in the June 21 History of Preservation in the Village Walking Tour. The walking tour is free for Historic Pittsford members and costs \$10.00 for adult non-members. For details and to register for the tour, click here. <https://www.historicpittsford.org/events>

Situated at 18 Monroe Avenue, next to the Fire Station, the Little House serves as the office, mini-museum, and resource center for Historic Pittsford's local historic research. Look for the big red banner celebrating Historic Pittsford's 60th year of preservation activity.

**NOTE:** The Little House will be closed on Saturday, July 5, due to the Independence Day holiday. The Little House will be open by appointment during the month of July. Call 381-2941 or send a message to [historicpittsford@gmail.com](mailto:historicpittsford@gmail.com) to schedule an appointment.

**Donate Blood  
In Memory of  
Nedda Howk**

Nedda dedicated over 40 years to blood banking, working at Strong Memorial Hospital, Rochester General Hospital, and the American Red Cross. She was known for her deep knowledge, commitment to quality, and passion for teaching, which impacted countless medical residents and students. As a national auditor for the Red Cross, she helped improve blood banking systems across the country. Colleagues admired her meticulousness, expertise, kindness, and dedication. Even in retirement, she continued serving the community through her work at the Spiegel Pittsford Community Center.



**Spiegel Pittsford Community Center  
Blood Drive**

Gymnasium  
35 Lincoln Ave  
Pittsford, NY 14534



**Monday, June 23, 2025  
1:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

**TOWN TO HONOR BELOVED  
EMPLOYEE WITH BLOOD DRIVE THIS  
MONDAY, 6/23**

In memory of Nedda Howk, a former Pittsford Recreation employee who dedicated over 40 years to blood banking, the Town is hosting a special blood drive this Monday, June 23, from 1:00 to 6:00pm, at the Spiegel Community Center.

Throughout her lifetime, Nedda worked in blood banks at Strong Memorial Hospital, Rochester General Hospital, and the American Red Cross.

She was known for her deep knowledge, commitment to quality, and passion for teaching, which impacted countless medical residents and students. As a national auditor for the Red Cross, she helped improve blood banking systems across the nation. Colleagues admired her meticulousness, expertise, kindness, and dedication. Even in retirement, she continued to serve the community through her work at the Spiegel Community Center, having twice received the Town's Most Valuable Employee award.

Nedda passed peacefully on Sunday, April 13, 2025. Her colleagues can think of no better way to honor her memory than by organizing a blood drive, offering others the gift of life while commemorating hers.

The Blood Drive will take place in the Community Center's gymnasium. Appointments can be made through the following link: [www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=SpiegelCommunityCenterPittsford](http://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=SpiegelCommunityCenterPittsford).

Please consider honoring a beloved Town of Pittsford employee by giving the gift of life-saving blood on June 23.

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### COPPER BEECH PARK DEDICATION IS JUNE 25

Our Copper Beech Park, located at 14 State Street in the heart of the Village, is still the Town's smallest park, but we've made some exciting changes! A beautiful, newly expanded area off North Main Street is connected by a walkway to the original Copper Beech Park on State Street. We'll be celebrating with a **ribbon-cutting ceremony** and a **food and music event** a week from today on **Wednesday, June 25**, from **5:00pm to 7:00pm**.



The new Copper Beech Park area features a pergola for shade, as well as game tables and café tables. New lampposts complement the Village's traditional streetlamps. The plaza patio is screened with native plantings, and multiple garden areas with native shrubs, grasses, and flowering plants are located throughout the park. The new space carries on the legacy of our original, iconic copper beech tree. A tree cultivated from the original copper beech has been positioned in a place where it will thrive, providing enjoyment, shade and beauty for generations to come.

Join us on June 25 and check our eNews and website for more pop-up events at the park this summer!



### ALL AGES LIBRARY BOOKMARK DESIGN COMPETITION – DEADLINE IS 6/30

Design a bookmark inspired by the summer reading theme "Color Our World™" for a chance to **have your artwork featured on a bookmark!** Winners will receive a \$15 gift card to Michaels and 10 copies of their bookmark. Please find the entry form located under

our "Events" tab or [HERE](#).

All ages are encouraged to participate, and one winner will be selected from each of five age groups: PreK-Grade 1, Grades 2-5, Grades 6-8, Grades 9-12, and adults. Entries are due by June 30 and can be turned in at the second-floor Reference Desk. Click the following link for [official rules and a printable entry form](#). Get creative, have fun and send in your submission!

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## UPCOMING COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN PITTSFORD

- [Town Summer Concert Series](#), music from A Girl Named Genny, Friday, 6/20, 6:30pm, canalside in Carpenter Park at the Port of Pittsford, 22 N. Main Street
- **Copper Beech Dedication Ceremony**, Wednesday, 6/25, 5:00-7:00pm, Copper Beech Park, 14 State Street N. Main Street, ribbon cutting ceremony with food and a music from Son Henry

## TOWN OF PITTSFORD BOARD MEETINGS

- **Planning Board**, Monday, 6/23, 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](http://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](http://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](http://www.pittsfordartgroup.com) and fill out a [Contact Us](#) form.

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