

An Invitation



Historic Pittsford



Our Mission

Historic Pittsford is a non-profit volunteer organization chartered and incorporated (1965) under the New York State Department of education. The organization promotes the preservation and restoration of Pittsford's history and historic resources through community education and advocacy. Historic Pittsford recognizes and values the uniqueness of Pittsford's agricultural, cultural, architectural and commercial heritage.

To
Preserve and Support
the Best of the Past
and Foster Success
for the Future



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An Introduction

Pittsford's place in the chain of communities which surround urban Rochester is a very special one. From our 19th century settlers, Pittsford residents have inherited a legacy of architecturally fine homes, a vital village core, rich farmland, and the lively and colorful heritage of the Erie Canal. Newcomers and old-timers alike enjoy a special feeling of neighborliness that springs from a shared pride in the Pittsford community.

But community pride doesn't just happen; it grows and flourishes best when neighbors and friends can share a common forum.

Since 1965, Historic Pittsford has provided that forum. Today we continue our dedication to the preservation of Pittsford's architecturally and historically significant environment. Our community faces the complex challenges of life in the 21st century and it needs the input and support of its residents to help preserve our past as we look to the future.



The Little House

Historic Pittsford owns and maintains the Little House, originally built in 1819 and restored as a mid 19th century lawyer's office. It is located at 18 Monroe Avenue in the heart of the village. We invite you to visit and view the pictorial history of Pittsford. The Little House is available for special tours for school classes, scout programs, etc.

Open to the public Wednesdays and Saturdays from 9:00 am until noon.

Also available in the Little House and other village shops are various books, maps, stationary, posters and postcards featuring Pittsford.

Programs and Services Historic Pittsford...

... Is a 501(c)3 non-profit volunteer organization.

... Underwrites free consultations with an architect who specializes in historic buildings. This service is provided to village and town property owners considering external changes to buildings or needing solutions to basic structural problems. This program received the 1988 Commissioner's Award from the NYS Department of Parks, Recreation and Preservation.

... Has compiled architectural surveys of both the town and the village, resulting in applications written and several individual homes and farms being listed on the State and National Registers of Historic Places. A large portion of the village was listed in 1984 and designated a Multiple Resource District on the State of New York National Register.

... Encourages options for the preservation of farmland and open space in the Town of Pittsford.

... Monitors, advocates for and supports historic preservation as changes to the community take place.

... Collaborates with the Pittsford Historian as a community resource for historic preservation subjects.

... Meets throughout the year, offering programs both educational and entertaining. The annual picnic supper meeting is usually held at a landmark location.

... Presents an annual Preservation Award to individuals and/or organizations in the community who have significantly contributed to supporting the mission and goals of the organization.

... Publishes a bi-annual newsletter with information on our historic resources and current activities

Memberships

The continuous efforts of Historic Pittsford stem from the belief that the beauty, integrity and strong heritage of Pittsford make an invaluable contribution to our community. Won't you help us maintain our efforts with a renewed or new membership?



Student	\$10
Senior (Individual or Couple)	\$25
Individual.....	\$25
Family (2+ people)	\$30
Patron*	\$100
Business* *	\$75
* Includes a copy of a Pittsford Scrapbook issue	
** Includes company name on our website	

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Historic Pittsford is a member of

The National Trust for Historic Preservation
The Preservation League of New York State
The Landmark Society of Western New York
...and has access to information and resources provided by these organizations

Join one of our committees:

Awards – Accepts nominations and selects recipient/s of the annual Preservation award.

Community Relations – Provides information about Historic Pittsford to media outlets.

Educational Outreach – Furthers our mission through education programs at the Little House, traveling exhibits, working with school administrators and officers of other organizations, and by connecting with members of the community to foster a sense of history and knowledge of preservation.

Finance – Works with the Treasurer to review HP's financial reports, guides the HP Board and its committees to develop an annual budget. Investigates grant opportunities and other avenues to supplement dues revenue.

Issues – Responsible for identifying issues in the community that may be of interest or concern to HP, gathering data and presenting information to the HP Board for discussion and possible action.

Little House – Works to ensure the smooth operation of the Little House. The Technology sub-committee provides technical services with regard to membership, website, inventories and digital displays.

Membership – Works to recruit and develop new members, in addition to maintaining the current membership base.

Nominating – Researches and recommends prospective new members for the Board of Directors.

Programs – Engages speakers for presentations, assists with special event planning and makes arrangements for the annual meeting.

Strategic Planning – Develops and monitors the Historic Pittsford's Strategic Plan.