



INTERSECTION

The Finger Lakes Justice Partnership Weekly Newsletter

June 7, 2026

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monthly Fightback, Saturday, June 20, 3:00 p.m. on the Yates County Courthouse lawn (Main & Court St., Penn Yan). All are welcome to join us in lifting their voices about the issues and causes that impact our world and the people in it. Bring signs and good will. These rallies are held to express our collective opposition to or grief about injustices on the local, state, national, or global stage, or to express our support for and solidarity with justice-promoting movements and events. Rallies may include chants, songs, speeches, and marches, depending on conditions and recent current events. Presented by Finger Lakes Justice Partnership.

Community Skillshare: Creating a Healthy Backyard Ecosystem with Birds, Compost and Gardens Saturday, June 20, 4:00 p.m.; location shared on registration. When neighbors choose to freely share their skills, and others choose to make time to learn them, our communities grow stronger, more resilient, and better prepared for potential disruption! Avid backyard ecologist Kenn Walker shares his process for creating a thriving local ecosystem through the power of hot composting, raised bed gardening, and the feeding and nesting of birds. Learn how these three elements can create a symbiotic environment incorporating pest management, the reuse of resources, and the joy of birdwatching! Register at <https://tinyurl.com/2kmv8smd>. Have a skill to share? Let us know at <https://tinyurl.com/mr4965v9>! Presented by the Keuka Resilience Community.

GOOD NEWS

Demonstrators in Albania protested a billion-dollar resort development linked to Jared Kushner and Ivanka Trump all week, citing disruption to wildlife habitat in the previously protected area.

The SAVE America Act, the regime's attempt to thwart voters, officially failed in the Senate.

Eighteen Republicans voted with Democrats as the US House passed a measure to provide almost \$2 billion in aid to Ukraine and impose new sanctions against Russia. The bill now goes to the Senate.

The natural world still holds wonders and surprises! In another win for citizen-science platform iNaturalist, a rare shrub was rediscovered and photographed in the Australian outback. Botanist Anthony Bean immediately recognized it as *Ptilotus senarius*, a species not seen in the wild since 1967.

TAKE ACTION

If you have family and friends who live in Webster, NY, urge them to contact members of the town council and express their support for flying the Pride flag at the town hall and their opposition to the resolution that says only the US and NYS flags can be raised there. The resolution to remove the flag was passed 3-2 on party lines – Republicans in favor of removal, Democrats against -- on June 4, 3 days after the Town Supervisor raised the Pride flag. There was no opposition to the POW-MIA flag or the Ukrainian flag, which have both flown below the US flag at the town hall in the past. Anti-LGBTQ+ commenters have been very vocal in the responses on social media to reporting about the incident; some expressed outright hate, ignorance, and bigotry, and others hid theirs behind the fig leaves of maintaining neutrality or avoiding division. Contact information for Webster town officials can be found at: websterny.gov/Directory.aspx?did=19

Join All of US 250 at a nationwide mobilization for truth, equality & freedom on Saturday, June 27, from 1 to 3PM at the Women's Rights National Historical Park, 136 Fall Street, Seneca Falls, NY 13148. All of US celebrates truth, equality, and freedom and is fighting the MAGA regime's whitewashing of history. You can find and register for this event at allofus250.org/

5 Calls can help you voice your opposition to Trump's illegal war in Iran and his unethical and dangerous appointment of Housing Secretary Bill Pulte to the position of Acting Director of National Intelligence. On June 3, the House passed the War Powers Resolution to rein in Trump's warmongering actions, and now the resolution moves to the Senate. Also last week, Trump appointed a real estate mogul and MAGA loyalist to oversee our 18 intelligence agencies. Not only is Bill Pulte unqualified to fill the role of DNI, he is likely to use his newly acquired access to intelligence information to meddle in the midterm elections. 5 Calls has all the information you need to call your elected officials and tell them to support the War Powers Resolution and oppose the appointment of Bill Pulte as Acting DNI. Visit 5calls.org/



STOP THE BUILD

COMMUNITY ACTION TO STOP AN ICE DETENTION CENTER IN ROC!

5pm Tuesday June 9th

Kenneth B. Keating Federal Building

Bring a sign. Bring a friend. Bring your voice.
Join us for music, dancing, community, and
action as we unite and build people power.



MEDIA RECOMMENDATIONS

"Fighting Back Against the Surveillance State." It Could Happen Here podcast. Access: <https://tinyurl.com/5vue5mrc>

"The EFF [Electronic Frontier Foundation] on Phone Security." Live Like the World is Dying podcast. Access: <https://tinyurl.com/3by5uhj9>

"Tradwives and the pressures of modern motherhood." Code Switch podcast. Access: <https://tinyurl.com/mr3s8emf>

"Young men's religious revival is a myth." Amanda Marcotte, Salon. Access: <https://tinyurl.com/4sstbwh>

"Jake Gyllenhaal's masculinity crisis." Coleman Spilde, Salon. Access: <https://tinyurl.com/4m5hsf8c>

"The Complicit Lens: The US Establishment Media's Role in the Gaza Genocide / Robin Andersen." Last Born in the Wilderness podcast. Access: <https://tinyurl.com/44mm5a8c>

PENN YAN PRIDE PICNIC

Sunday, June 14 at 1 p.m.
Indian Pines Park
(69 Old Pines Trail, Penn Yan)

Members of the LGBTQ+ community and allies are invited to come together for the PY Pride Potluck Picnic. Expect good food, games, great conversation, and lots of pride. Whether coming to meet new people, connect with friends, or just relax in a welcoming space, anyone ready to be supportive and affirming is joyfully invited. If you wish you may bring a dish, snack, or drink to pass, and can sign up with your selection here: <https://tinyurl.com/6ee9k3fd>.

QUEENS ON QKA DRAG SHOW

Saturday, June 27 at 6 p.m.
LyonSmith Brewing Company
(2597 Assembly Ave., Keuka Park)

Join us for our second annual, family-friendly Queens on QKA drag show! Featuring performers Juliette Stark, Noah Wood, Diana Ditch, Queentessential, and our fabulous host Anna Crew-sis. 100% free, thanks to our gracious sponsors, but donations always appreciated. Organized by Keuka Compass and Penn Yan Pride Coalition, and sponsored by Finger Lakes Justice Partnership, PYA Drama Club, PYA Alliance, and generous friends, including Compass community member Kerry Cater.

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Community In Color!

PRIDE

6.20.2026

12-6 PM

Ontario County
Fairgrounds
2820 Co Rd 10
Canandaigua, NY

Free Admission ~ Donations Welcome
Food trucks ~ Drag show ~ Music ~ Activities



Pittsford PRIDE

June 13, 2026

2pm-4pm

2:00PM Sharp- 35 Lincoln Avenue - Step off for Parade

All are welcome to March in 0.4 mile Parade to Park

2:30- 4pm - 22 N. Main Street - Carpenter Park Gazebo

Music by: Flower City Pride Band

Photo Booth, Kids Activities, Cotton Candy, Resource Tables



Free Family Friendly Event Rain or Shine
Hosted by:

Pittsford Community

Website: pittsfordcommunity.org

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CELEBRATE PRIDE & FLAG DAY RALLY



JUNE 14, 2026
1-3 PM
136 FALL ST
SENECA FALLS, NY



Pop-Up Pride!

Pride Day at Seabreeze



Saturday, July 11, 2026

12:00 - 4:00pm

(Ticket Pickup: 11:00am - 12:00pm)

Seabreeze Amusement Park
4600 Culver Rd, Rochester, NY 14622

Limited Group Rate Tickets Available!

Special \$40.00 Pop-Up Pride Day Ticket Includes:
All-You-Can-Eat Picnic Buffet Lunch, Pride Pavilion Access,
Ride & Slide Day Pass, and Tabletop & Lawn Games

www.tinyurl.com/SeabreezePride2026



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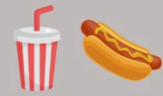


Rochester LGBTQ+ Together

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Note: Event will be held rain or shine, unless park closes. Alcohol, smoking & vaping strictly prohibited.

Questions? Contact us at RocLGBTQTogether@gmail.com.

BEING BLACK IN AMERICA: SCREENING & DISCUSSION

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17
6 PM - 8 PM
DOORS OPEN AT 5:30 PM

ROCHESTER CITY HALL
30 CHURCH STREET

Celebrate Juneteenth with Black artists, community-engaged entrepreneurs, leaders, creatives, and educators for a film screening of our award-winning documentary, *Being Black in America*, followed by a panel discussion focusing on how we support Black artists. This event is free and open to the public.



The Intersection

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ZERO WASTE ITHACA

THE MOVE-OUT COMMUNITY GIFT EXCHANGE: MUSIC, POTLUCK & RAFFLE

Community Orgs
10 AM - 12 PM

Open to Public
12 PM - 3 PM

JUNE 13, 2026



Just Be Cause Development Center
1013 W State St, Ithaca, NY 14850



OUR MISSION

The Finger Lakes Justice Partnership will help weave together the efforts of the region's diverse justice-seeking individuals, organizations, and institutions. Rooted in the humble knowledge that we are continually learning, we will seek to coordinate resources and knowledge, respond to acts of injustice, and raise awareness around local threats and opportunities. Through advocacy for members of historically marginalized groups of all kinds, we will help move the Finger Lakes away from passive acquiescence to injustice, and toward an active embrace of anti-racism, community-building, mutual aid, and understanding.