ing emergency dispatchers, "The fire was quickly which helped prevent sigbrought under control and nificant damage. units spent several hours "The fire started after putting out hot spots and straw went through our cleaning up hoses," he conbale chopper," Sutherland tinued. "Genesee County said. "Our team began **Emergency Management** smothering the fire with

"The fire was mostly is thankful for the efforts by

contained to large bales of the responding fire depart-

hay and feed for cows," he ments, which she said is a

assisted at the scene. Le Roy Ambulance Service and fire police provided additional support. Damage was minimal and no animals were

An errant stone is be-

The fire was reported

shortly before 4 p.m. in a

barn at the farm on Gully

Road. It's believed a spark

was created by a stone that found its way into a bale

chopper, igniting some

employee of Stein Farms,

said that the staff on sight

got to work immediately

to try and prevent the fire

from spreading while call-

Natasha Sutherland, an

lieved responsible for a fire

Monday afternoon at Stein

Farms.

straw nearby.

snow and front-end loaders. Once the flames hit the rafters, we knew we made the right call notifying 911." Assistant Chief Josh BEST TASTING PIZZA • QUALITY INGREDIENTS • SERVICE WITH A SMILE

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The Irish in Le Roy By LYNNE BELLUSCIO whether he stayed in LeRoy after the LeRoys left in 1837. Special to the Le Roy Weekend Gazette Within a few years, Irish im-In 1830, an Irishman by migrants began immigratthe name of Florence Mcing into the United States Carthy, arrived in LeRoy. He may have been one of the because of the potato fam-

earliest Irish immigrants

to LeRoy, although it's not

known exactly when he

came to the United States.

He had been a gardener for

Jacob LeRoy's father in New

York City. McCarthy traveled

to LeRoy on a packet boat on

the Erie Canal and the sto-

ry is told that he got off the

canal east of Rochester and

walked to LeRoy. A former

curator of the LeRoy House,

Mrs. Kenny, had a copy of the

garden notes which McCar-

thy kept but those notes have

never been found. Howev-

er, Mrs. Kenny shared some

information from the notes,

and she said that he import-

ed plants from the South

so that the gardens had the

feel of the South. There was

a rose trellis and a hedge.

Beyond the trellis was a veg-

etable garden which was

surrounded by a tall brick

wall. On the top of the wall

were huge pieces of broken

glass to keep poachers from

helping themselves. Against

the wall were trained grape vines, pears, and peaches.

Not much more is known

about Mr. McCarthy and

ine. Thousands were dying

of disease and starvation in

Ireland. The February 17,

1845 LeRoy Gazette noted:

"Every arrival from Europe

brings addition of evidence

of the horrid state of starva-

tion which exists in Ireland

and parts of Scotland, with

details of the sufferings of

the dying and of the terrible

tribulations of those whom

hunger has already con-

signed to a coffinless tomb

. . . Ireland has a population

of about nine million, nine

tenths of which are now

suffering for the necessities

of life . . . citizens of Gene-

see, shall the cries to you for

alms be in vain?" There was

an effort in Genesee County

to raise money for the Irish.

A meeting was held at the

Presbyterian Church in Le-

Roy to raise relief funds. Eli-

jah Stanley and A.F. Bartow,

and the Reverend Crawford,

collected \$150. A commit-

tee of Joshua Lathrop, Miles

Lampson, and A.P. Hascall

was formed to collect the

donations. The town was

heritage, and to make sure that not only are the people from LeRoy aware of our rich history, but to also share our history with the many visitors who come to visit the Jell-O Gallery. But - and this is the reason for writing - YOUR support is needed to accomplish what we need to do. Your membership will support our education programs and the preservation of important photos and historical artifacts and to preserve the historic Le-Roy House... In addition to providing valuable support, membership in The LeRoy Historical Society entitles you to: Quarterly Newsletter
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Special Events • Free Admission to the LeRoy House & JELL-O Gallery • Guest Passes • Gift Shop Discount THE LE ROY HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP Individual or Senior Citizen Sustaining Supporting Life (Individual) NAME: _

a group effort by Le Roy

firefighters and farm staff,

along with help from the

Le Roy Ambulance Service

and other area fire depart-

said. "Arriving units from

Le Roy, Caledonia, Bergen,

Stafford, Mumford and City

of Batavia assisted with fire

suppression. Farm workers

used heavy equipment to

remove the bales from the

barn reducing the spread

and damage.

Blue

Quarters

The extent of the dam-

age is contained to the

farm's commodity barn

and mainly impacted the

front bay of the 40 x 100 ft

barn, Sutherland said. She

real testament to the nature

Along with thanking the

help, Sutherland also want- said.

fire department for their reciprocate one day," she

of rural communities.

Paddy's

ty for their support during

community as well," she

said. "The physical support

of neighbor's equipment,

the offers of feed and sup-

plies, the calls to make sure

we were all good later — all

appreciated, and we hope if

ever there is a need we can

"Thank you to our ag

and after the fire.

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Times noted that a similar

meeting was held in Batavia

and collected \$136.50 for the

starving Irish. They hoped

to raise over \$1000. Two

years later, in 1847, the situ-

ation had not changed. The

newspaper noted that con-

tributions were being col-

lected in New York, Albany,

Utica, Syracuse, Rochester,

and Buffalo, and that many

smaller towns were contrib-

uting to the effort. "In LeRoy,

on the evening of the meet-

ing, \$170 in cash was collect-

ed." The article went on to

mention that "millions who

have been impoverished by

English legislation, should

serve as a check of their arro-

gance and self-complacency

in the future." In March it was

reported that LeRoy had col-

Main Street which had been lected \$425 which included ½ barrel of salt pork donated turned into a school. Father by Austin Phelps. The money Dillon offered to return once collected for the Irish relief a month to say Mass. Denfund was sent to New York nis Butler offered his home to purchase kiln dried corn on Pleasant Street. Three meal, that was to be distribmonths later, in July, the uted in remote villages in Timon came to LeRoy to give The famine continued support to the small group, divided up into districts to for several years, and it was and on Christmas Eve, 1849, 23, 1864, near Petersburg have given their lives to prebe canvased. The Batavia during this time that some of the congregation met at the and died of his wounds in a serve the United States. HISTORICAL SOCIETY **2025 Annual Membership Drive**

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Pvt. Dennis O'Connor, 8th Heavy Artillery, who died in the Civil War, fighting for his adopted country.

to LeRoy. John Fay arrived in

October 1849 when he was

13. He arrived with his sister,

Catherine who was 15. They

arrived first in New York City

and then took the railroad to

Albany. The trip to Albany

took three days. Then they

took a canal packet boat to

Holley - a trip of thirteen

days. And then they walked

to LeRoy. The few Irish fam-

ilies in LeRoy at that time in-

cluded Charles Hogan, John

Ripton, Dennis Butler, and

Joseph Tully. It was in 1849,

that a group of Irish immi-

grants in LeRoy met a Cath-

olic priest from Batavia. Fa-

ther Edwin Dillon held mass

in the "Round House" which

was the former Mason-

ic Temple located on West

Groups sue feds over ICE mail privacy NYCLU argues inspections in Batavia violate First Amendment By MATT SURTEL msurtel@batavianews.com Our mission is to preserve and protect our community's unique Amendment.

avia now requires officers to BATAVIA — Three civil hold the original copy in a rights organizations are sustaff-only area of the jail, and ing the federal government provide only a copy to the reover mail privacy at the Bufcipient, the NYCLU said. The plaintiffs argue the new polfalo Federal Detention Facilicy gives ICE officers unfet-The lawsuit was antered access to privileged legal mail, which often contain nounced Monday afternoon by the New York Civil Libersensitive information about ties Union, Prisoners' Legal the recipients' immigration Services of New York, and cases, infringing on their right to secure, confidential Robert F. Kennedy Human legal counsel. The organizations are "Batavia's mail policy their attorneys by mail," said suing the U.S. Department gives officers free rein to of Homeland Security, Imread people's privileged lemigration and Customs Engal mail — violating the First forcement, DHS Secretary Amendment's guarantee Kristi Noem, and the Buffalo that lawyers and their clients can confidentially commu-Federal Detention Facility nicate," said Amy Belsher, in Batavia. They allege the facility has failed to protect Director of Immigrants' the confidentiality of legal Rights Litigation at the New York Civil Liberties Union in mail, in violation of the First a statement. "The policy pre-ICE officers were previvents people in immigration ously required to open mail detention, and lawyers like in the presence of the person us, from relying on the written communications necesdetained, and to give recipients the original copy of their sary to relay important and mail, NYCLU officials said in deeply personal information a news release. The practice about their immigration caswas meant to preserve pries — greatly increasing their vate communications. risk of prolonged deten-**HEATHER A. ZERILLO** hzerillo@batavianews.com

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Sanitary Products, Razors "Crafting Community" with 1,200 coming back on On every Sunday in March Monday, the deadline after & Shaving Cream, Soaps, which the state told striking Toilet Paper, Paper Towels from 2pm to 4pm we are officers they would be ter-& Napkins, Hair Brushes, having a "Drop In" sponminated. Combs & Hair Ties, Adult sored by our Crafty Women The remaining 2,000 who Diapers. *No Food. Quan-& Friends group. Bring were fired will be unable to tity restrictions apply. along a project to work on or seek other state jobs, after While supplies last. just come by and see what Gov. Kathy Hochul issued Our Lady of Mercy we're making. Yarn work, an executive order Monday **Parish Center** embroidery, scrapbooking, modifying the Civil Service, 44 Lake St., Le Roy painting; you never know County, Municipal Home what will be happening at Rule, Corrections and Criminal Procedure laws. 7 - 10pm the table. The order also recom-1st Annual Meat Raffle Hope Center of Le Roy mends that the fired offi-**Fundraiser** 42 Main St., Le Roy

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small 9-box square contains all of the

numbers from one to nine.

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◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging

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A6 Saturday, March 15, 2025

By JAYME QUTERMOUS

against 197 teams!

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true reflection of the hard

work, perseverance, and

dedication of our wrestlers, coaches, and the entire

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one gave their all, and we Us"

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that LeRoy Wrestling placed an impressive 13th overall at the NYWAY State

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bage Dinner with Irish

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ey Raffle to be drawn on

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Sat., March 29

12 - 2pm

Mother Teresa Outreach

We are inviting local

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strators remained at area

prisons Tuesday, after the

state Department of Cor-

rections and Community

Supervision fired the 2,000

corrections officers who re-

mained on an illegal "wild-

cat" strike after a Monday

Six demonstrators re-

mained outside Attica

Correctional Facility on

Tuesday, a sharp contrast

from the large crowds who

filled the protest camp for

more than three weeks. At

Groveland Correctional Fa-

cility, only crows remained

to pick over the piles of gar-

More than 5,000 striking

officers returned to work

over the course of the strike,

cers be removed from the

Central Register of Police

and Peace Officers, pre-

venting local or state police

departments from hiring

The state and correc-

tions officers' union, the

New York State Correc-

tions Officers and Police

Benevolent Association,

negotiated concessions to

returning workers, includ-

ing suspending portions of

the HALT Solitary Confine-

ment Act for 90 days, rein-

stating health insurance

for returning officers and

establishing committees

to make recommendations

regarding the HALT Act and

to "analyze each facility's

staffing and operational

inefficiencies with the goal

of providing more relief to

existing staff," Hochul said

those whose jobs were ter-

That's not the case for

Representatives for Ho-

chul's office and the state

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1. TELEVISION: Which 1960s sitcom was about a TV comedy writer,

2. AD SLOGANS: Which candy

3. COMICS: Which superhero gets

4. GEOGRAPHY: Which country

5. MEASUREMENTS: How many

6. MOVIES: Which scary 1980 mov-

7. ANATOMY: What is the outer-

the first president to ride in a car to his

9. HISTORY: When did India gain

10. CHILDREN'S LITERATURE:

its independence from Great Britain?

Who lives at 32 Windsor Gardens?

most layer of human skin called? 8. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was

ie contained the phrase "red rum" and

slogan urges consumers to "Taste the

his job and his family?

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what does it mean?

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23 Boston \mathbf{F} D solve 29 How- \mathbf{H} 40 Pre-(replace) 44 What's Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all allotted in directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally soccer when Unlisted clue hint: NAILED TO A HORSE'S HOOF a player is Weed 46 Sell in stores

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Le Roy Youth Wrestler Wins State Championship statement regarding her down in the 2nd period and was able to get a reversal son's incredible championship win: "Augie McGinnis" and climb ahead by 1 point. (6 years old) who wrestles Neither of them scored in for the Leroy Youth Wresthe 3rd period, Augie rode tling Club traveled to Syrathe kid out and never alcuse Sunday to compete at lowed him to escape taking the NYWAY State Champithe win by again 1 point (4onship for the first time. He 3) and was named the D2 was in the D2 division 41lb 41lb NYWAY State Champ!" weight class. It was a 7-man "He (Augie) said, 'This

State Qualifiers just a couthat volunteer their time to ple weeks earlier and Authese kids, his teammates gie won by 1 point (12-11). and practice partners and The match for 1st and 2nd all his family and friends was a nail biter it could go that have supported him all to either one of them. Augie season, Thank you all!" We would all like to extend our heartfelt congratulations to Augie for this remarkable achievement. His 12 Bank Street, LeRoy, NY performance at the state championships has made Starting Friday, February 28th, and every Friday thru Good Friday, fish fries will be available 4PM until sold out us all incredibly proud, and we look forward to seeing Featuring fresh fish delivered weekly what his future holds!

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> gathered around 11 a.m., decorated their cars with American flags, "Back the Blue" and "Hold the Line" signs, and in some cases explicit messages denouncing Gov. Kathy Hochul. They then drove past Groveland Correctional, waving at the roughly 50 striking officers and their families who stood outside holding protest signs and returning the greeting. After the parade, many attendees headed to American Legion Post 1341 in Sonyea for a fundraiser benefiting the officers and their families. Jay Coleman, a Hornell resident who worked for 24 years at Groveland, said he believes the HALT Act has contributed to an increase 'Unfortunate, but not in assaults on staff. unexpected' "Back then, we had con-

The strike and subse-

quent firings represent a

"failure at the bargaining

table," but the firings are ul-

timately justified, says Art

Wheaton, director of labor

studies at Cornell Universi-

ty's School of Industrial and

Taylor Law, public sector

workers are not allowed

to strike," Wheaton wrote

Tuesday. "In this case, the

union did not go on strike,

individual members chose

to walk out without union

approval. It must have been

known they were violating

the no strike clause and dis-

He noted that while the

"It is very unfortunate

state and union agreed on

terms, individual officers

to fire thousands of work-

ers when there is already a

shortage," Wheaton wrote.

"After multiple attempts to

reach an agreement, calling

in the national guard and

mediation; the Governor

felt justified in upholding

the Taylor Law and collec-

tive bargaining agreement.

Hopefully this will not de-

rail attempts to make cor-

chose to continue striking.

cipline could result."

"Under the New York

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bracket with kids from all was the best day ever' after over New York State." his win. He Finished this "He won his first match season 25-3 with 9 pins. 11-9. His second match was None of this would have a 9-0 shut out which put been possible without him into the finals! Augie's his Coach Matt Wojo and opponent and him met Coach Rob Stiles, all the at the Western Regional other coaches at practice

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Scanlan was born in Ireland

in 1844 and came to America

in 1857. He was a member of

the 8th New York Heavy Ar-

born in Ardee County,

Louth, on August 30, 1841.

He came to America when he

was a young boy. He was 22

when he enlisted on January

4, 1864 and was mustered in

Artillery to serve for three

years. He was wounded June

Catholic Bishop, John as a private in the 8th Heavy

Dennis O'Connor was

Baby Carrots

PHOTO PROVIDED BY LYNNE BELLUSCIO the first Irish families came new St. Francis Catholic hospital in New Rochelle, Church. Slowly the congre-New York on July 10. His body was returned to LeRov gation grew. Finally in 1870, the cornerstone for St. Peters and was buried in St. Francis Cemetery. His tombstone Church on Lake Street was laid. It was built of local limereads "He died in the service stone and the church was of his adopted country, July dedicated in 1873. 10, 1864' Many of the men who ar-Even though many Irish rived from Ireland answered men fought in the Civil War the call for volunteers for the to protect the Union, they Union Army during the Civil were not always welcome War. A newspaper clipping back home and were ofwhich includes the names ten stereotyped in the loof Irish men from LeRoy incal newspapers. the LeRoy newspaper made a note that cludes Peter Tracey who was born in Ireland in 1826 who a group of Irish boys "passed

Church Street Corner on

Sunday afternoon using the

most profane and blasphe-

mous language evidence

of culpability on the part of

joy some Irish soda bread

or corned beef & cabbage

and wave some green flags

for the St. Patrick's Day Pa-

rade in Rochester, it should

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rections facilities safer for

Strike supporters parade

On Saturday, before the

A line of about 50

strikes ended, supporters

paraded by car from Dans-

flag-waving, sign-laden ve-

hicles rumbled out of the

Big Lots parking lot Satur-

trol." Coleman said. "I'm

sorry, but the guys today

with this HALT program,

people are getting hurt. My

brothers and sisters are get-

ting injured. It's ridiculous."

should do more to improve

safety, saying, "If she just

made it a safer place for

these guys to go into-I

wouldn't go in there today

if I knew what was going on

ticipant, said he recently

brought donuts to striking

officers at Groveland. "The

safety of these officers and

where they have to work

is just terrible," Cole said.

"The inmates can attack

them at any time. It's just

remain anonymous, for

fear of retaliation, said the

car parade lifted his spirits.

"It means the world to see

we've got the community

backing us up," he said. "It

was very uplifting seeing so

many people who have our

Matt Surtel and Mark Gut-

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An officer who asked to

Terry Cole, another par-

right now."

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He added that Hochul

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officers wasn't enoughday morning, honking and now she's blacklisting them cheering in support of corfrom state and municipal rections officers striking iobs at Groveland Correctional "These men and women Facility. weren't criminals or cor-Participants, who had rupt," he said. "They were public servants driven to the breaking point by dangerous policies and the outright disregard for their pleas for help. Now, Hochul is punishing those who stood up for their safety and their families." Hochul's actions weren't leadership but political but political retribution at its worst, he said. "A governor who silences dissent rather than exercising leadership by addressing profound safety failures is not fit to lead," Borrello said. "To the officers impacted by this disgraceful action: you are not forgotten. I will keep fighting for you and pushing back against this abuse of power. This fight is far from over."

State Sen. George Bor-

ed the executive order in a

statement issued Tuesday

ecutive order banning is

nothing short of vindictive

and authoritarian," he said.

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