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## 'Rainbow Bridge' Dedicated in Le Roy VIP K9 creates memorial for public use

**Bv SAMUEL ZERILLO** "My intention, and what other people had as much The Le Roy Weekend Gazette I hope people gain from enthusiasm about this as I A new memorial to this, is a place to remember did." deceased pets official- their dogs, or their cats, or Lee said it was about a ly opened to the public whatever their beloved pet four-month process to colduring a special ceremony is, and be able to just have lect all the pieces for the Friday at VIP K9 some quiet moments of rainbow bridge and put The ceremony outside just remembering and be them together after she had the gate at the West Main happy about the time they a idea and plan in place to Road facility saw business had with them," she contin- do so. owner Cindy Lee give a ued. speech and show off the The process to accu- ceremony, where the new memorial: a rainbow mulate all the memorial's months of planning and bridge where people can pieces was an interesting, putting the pieces togethleave the collars, leashes, Lee said, since each of the er culminated in the grand pieces came together from opening of the new rainor toys of deceased pets. The bridge features a rail different places around the bow bridge. to which people can tie or area. She got a lot of supbuckle their deceased pets' port from friends and comitems, while a mailbox ofmunity members. "I'm scrolling around on fers visitors a way to leave notes or letters to their de- (Facebook) marketplace her family

ceased pets. and that bridge was at a Lee got the idea of the landscaping business in rainbow bridge, and the Buffalo, and it was perfect," accompanying mailbox, Lee said. After a friend helped her from two pet memorials in North Carolina. The origi- move and place the bridge nal rainbow bridge was lost in its permanent locaduring Hurricane Helene tion for the memorial, Lee "And then the bench, another local company made "I melded those two that bench for me and so I

in 2024, which was part of pained it herself. the inspiration to recreate it in Le Roy. ideas from the rainbow panted that too," Lee said. bridge and the kindred "And then, my other

spirit mailbox in North friend came and said 'you

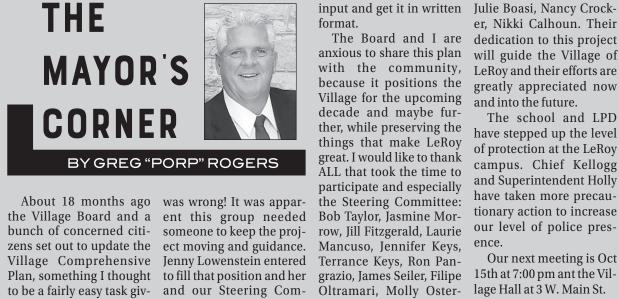
Carolina, and I did that be- need pavers there' so peocause my son had lost his ple aren't sitting in mud," dog and was really sad, and she continued. "So, he I was sad that all these peo- did the pavers under the ple lost all their memories bench, and then the pavers (in Hurricane Helene)," on either end of the bridge. **ROLL-OFF SERVICE** LEROY, N.Y. 585-768-7806







to 1:30 p.m. Oct. 18 at the David M. McCarthy Memorial Ice Arena on 22 Evans St. All that's needed is a hockey or bike helmet; sweatpants or snowpants; and winter gloves. Genesee Amateur Hockev Associa tion officials said in a news release. Skates are available at the rink if needed, with free rental skates provided will be provided by A free jersey will be provided by USA Hockey. Check www.TryHockeyForFree.com (Zip Code 14020) to register. Email svgray@ rochester.rr.com or call (585) 344-2248 for more information. Matt Gray said it took a few days longer to run clear and be rid of the sediment. "The compressor is on and running. We're stet to start making ice tomorrow (today)," he said Wednesday. "We're ready to go as soon as the conditions are right. It takes a little bit to get the building down to temperature. We go based on slab temperature. We shoot for slab temperature of 16 degrees (Fahrenheit)," he said. "We're planning on opening this coming Monday." The two programs waiting to use the ice are GAHA and the Batavia Ramparts pro-



en how well the existing mittee made great strides man, Ray Yacuzzo, Kristi

plan was. Once again, I quickly to get community Walter, Lynne Belluscio, body would do it."

September is Suicide Prevention Month September is National to the National Suicide Pre- make up 50% of the pop- as driving extremely fast; Suicide Prevention Month vention Lifeline. Services ulation but nearly 80% of displaying extreme mood - a time to remember the are available 24/7 and re- suicides. People ages 85 swings; eating or sleeping lives lost to suicide, ac- main confidential. knowledge the millions According to the CDC, rates of suicide in 2022. more who have experi- over 49,000 people died by Everyone can play a role enced suicidal thoughts, suicide in 2022. That is one in helping by learning to apply to you or someone and the many individuals, death every 11 minutes. recognize warning signs families and communities Suicide is one of the lead- and showing compassion. that have been impacted by ing causes of death in the According to the National suicide. It is also a time to United States. Suicide rates Institute of Mental Health,

raise awareness about sui- increased 37% between warning signs in individ-2000-2018 and decreased uals who are contemplat-As a society, we tend to 5% between 2018-2020. ing suicide may look like tiptoe around topics such However, rates returned to them talking about death as suicide, but talking their peak in 2022. The ra- or sharing feelings of you should always be kind about it and bringing cial/ethnic groups with the hopelessness, emptiness, awareness is a way to bring highest rates in 2022 were sadness, anxiousness, your loved ones. Reach out help to those that need it. If non-Hispanic American feeling trapped, or having you or someone you know Indian and Alaska Native unbearable emotional or show them that you care. is struggling or in crisis, people and non-Hispan- physical pain. Look out for Small gestures will make a help is available. Call or ic White people. The sui- changed behavior such as big difference. text 988 or chat 988 lifeline. cide rate among males in withdrawing from friends, org, which is designated as 2022 was approximately saying goodbye or giving gency line is 716-674-2280 the new three-digit dialing four times higher than the away important items; tak- - but in case of emergency, code that will route callers rate among females. Males ing dangerous risks such call 911. Sandra A. Sellhorst

**OBITUARIES** Sandra A. Sellhorst, Yingling; ex-husband, Al-64, formerly of York Road, len Sellhorst; close friend, passed away peacefully Joanne Huenemoerder-Dohse; along Saturday morning, Sept. 20, 2025. with many nieces and nephews. She was born Oct. 6, 1960, in Sandy was pre-Rochester, N.Y., a deceased by her daughter of the late daughter, Amy Re-George and Rebecbecca Sellhorst, in ca Foy Makosy. 2022. Sandy will be Family and remembered as a riends may call on kind and caring per- **Sellhorst** Thursday, Sept. 25 from 3-7 p.m. son, who enjoyed time spent with family and at the Falcone Family Fufriends, whether it was neral & Cremation Service for shopping, traveling or Inc., 8700 Lake St. Rd., Le watching movies. She was Roy, where her funeral servery ambitious and loved vice will be held at 7 p.m. spending time gardening, Interment at the Wyoming Cemetery will take place on Friday, Sept. 26, at 1 p.m.

reading or sewing. Her career was also very important to her as she dedicated In lieu of flowers, meover four decades to Komorials are suggested to dak and L3Harris, working either Hope Dealers BTC Inc., P.O. Box 64264, Rochin the field of configuration ester, NY 14624 or St. Jude She will be sadly missed Children's Hospital. 501 St. by her daughter, Heather Jude Place, Memphis, TN Sellhorst: grandchildren, 38105. Aiden Dyer and Stevie Your memories and con-Rebecca Panek; siblings, dolences may be shared Charles (Carla) Makosy, with Sandy's family at Stephen (Robin) Mako- www.falconefuneralhome. sy and Anna Mae (John) com

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Sunday, Oct 5

12pm Noon

A Blessing of the An-

imals

St. Mark's second

Animals is coinciding

with the Feast of St.

Francis (Oct. 4)



never a good thing. And he A crowd gathered to hear was calling to let me know Lee speak about the bridge, that he had to put his dog and she discussed what the down. And he was devasbridge meant to her and tated," Lee said during her remarks at the ceremony. "I was sound asleep at When Lee's son lost 11 o'clock one night, and his dog Cyto, it was also a my phone rings. And any of



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Saturday, September 27, 2025 A3





have stepped up the level

of protection at the LeRoy

campus. Chief Kellogg

and Superintendent Holly

have taken more precau-

tionary action to increase

Our next meeting is Oct

"If it was easy, every-

or alcohol more often.

If these warning signs

you know, get help as soon

as possible, particularly if

the behavior is new or has

increased recently. You

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is going through, which

makes it imperative that

to strangers or check in on

to someone you know and

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and older had the highest more or less or using drugs

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8703 Lake Street Road, Le Roy www.calvarybaptistLe Roy.org Sunday worship service begins at 10:15 a.m. If you do not already have a church that you attend regularly, we would like to invite you to give Calvary Baptist Church a try. We have Sunday School for all ages at 9am and our Sunday worship service typically includes singing a mix of both traditional and contemporary songs and hymns, a children's message, and a sermon from the Word of God. First Baptist Church of Le Roy 5 E. Main St., Le Roy (585) 768-7600 fbcLe Roy1@gmail.com Our Sunday Worship Service is at 10am. We have a Wednesday Night Bible Study at 5:30pm First Presbyterian Church of Le Roy

(585) 768-8700 All are welcome to attend our weekly service each Sunday at 10:00am, ministered by Rev. David Pepper. The Thrift Shop is now open on Saturdays 10:00am - Noon. Donations may be brought to the church on Monday, Wednesday, or Thursday from 9:00am - Noon. **Le Roy United Methodist Church** 10 Trigon Park, Le Roy (585) 768-8980 office@Le Royumcny.org www.Le Royumcny.org Worship on Sundays at 10:30am Watch our livestream on FB: facebook.com/villageofLe Roy/ **Living Waters Church** 

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30 Main St., Le Roy (585) 768-7570 livingwatersLe Roy.org Sunday service is held at 10:00am each week. Fully-staffed Nursery and Children's Ministries are available at every service. Watch live on Facebook: www.facebook.com/livingwatersLe Royny YouTube Livestream: www.youtube.com/@livingwaterschurch3612 Our Lady of Mercy & St. Brigid's **Roman Catholic Family** 44 Lake St., Le Roy (585) 768-6543 ourladyofmercyLe Roy.org Mass Times @ OLM: Saturday Vigil 4:30pm Sunday: 7:30am, 9:30am, 5:30pm Weekday: 7:30am M-F, 9:00am Sat. Mass Times @ St. Brigid's:

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their magical and medicinal properties, and how a modern-day gardener might use them. Le Roy New York Garden Club 7 Clay St., Le Roy annual Blessing of the Wednesday, Oct 18 10am - 2pm Women's Day of Recollection Featured speaker Betsy MacKinnon comes to us from Rochester, NY where she works as a mental health therapist for teens and adults.

Also featuring

Wednesday, Oct 8

6:30pm

**Open Club Meeting** 

Learn about plants

Fr. Scottston F. Brentwood, O de M. Speaking on "We have our hope in Jesus." \$10 Admission Includes Lunch For registration please contact Patty Fernaays at (585) 813-3583 Our Lady of Mercy and St. Brigid parishioners may sign up in the back of the church. **Our Lady of Mercy** Parish 44 Lake St., Le Roy bubbles! Children 1 - 5 Saturday, Dec 13 years old, but siblings 3 - 7pm of all ages are wel-

50 Blow it when 109 La.-to-Mich. 1 Dish list 5 Attorney very close 10 Tidies up with 57 Bitter 59 Totally wreck 116 New word 16 Even score 61 "Ararat" actor 122 View with 20 Stock market 123 Autumn 64 Indian gueen 21 Audrey of 66 Escargot 67 Poking tools 22 Hostelry 23 Arrive like noticed **75** Spyro — 25 Goof-ups (jazz group) in this 26 Many a **76** Pipeline puzzle? 78 Boat deck (sharp fights)

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Mondays during our business Until October 6th hours (1-7pm) and play free play. Sign up 10:30 - 11am for the event through **Monday Storytime** Join Miss Melissa for the WPN event link website. People are stories and songs of a new theme each week. welcome to do this any day (Mon-Sun) plus a mix of flannel board activities, between 1-7pm. D&D instruments, and/or Pokémon, YuGiOh, bubbles! Children 1 - 5 or any other family years old, but siblings friendly game play also welcomed in our of all ages are welgame room! "Free Pack Friday" Bring a friend and Sign up here: play at least one round

come to join. Registration is appreciated!\* https://woodwardmemoriallibrary.libcal. logged in through WPN and recieve one com/event/15173402 free pack per person! Woodward Contact us via call or **Memorial Library** 7 Wolcott St., Le Roy text if you have any questions (585) 356-7579 Tuesdays Dio's Treasures Until October 7th 8 Lake St., Le Roy 5:30 - 6pm **Tuesday Storytime** Have an Join Miss Melissa for upcoming stories and songs of a event you'd new theme each week, like to see plus a mix of flanfeatured? nel board activities, Send it to instruments, and/or

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**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆** 

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging

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By KYLE GOODENOUGH

come Adversity in 33-12 Win

The Le Roy Beginner Knights

were left with just 12 healthy

livered a complete team effort.

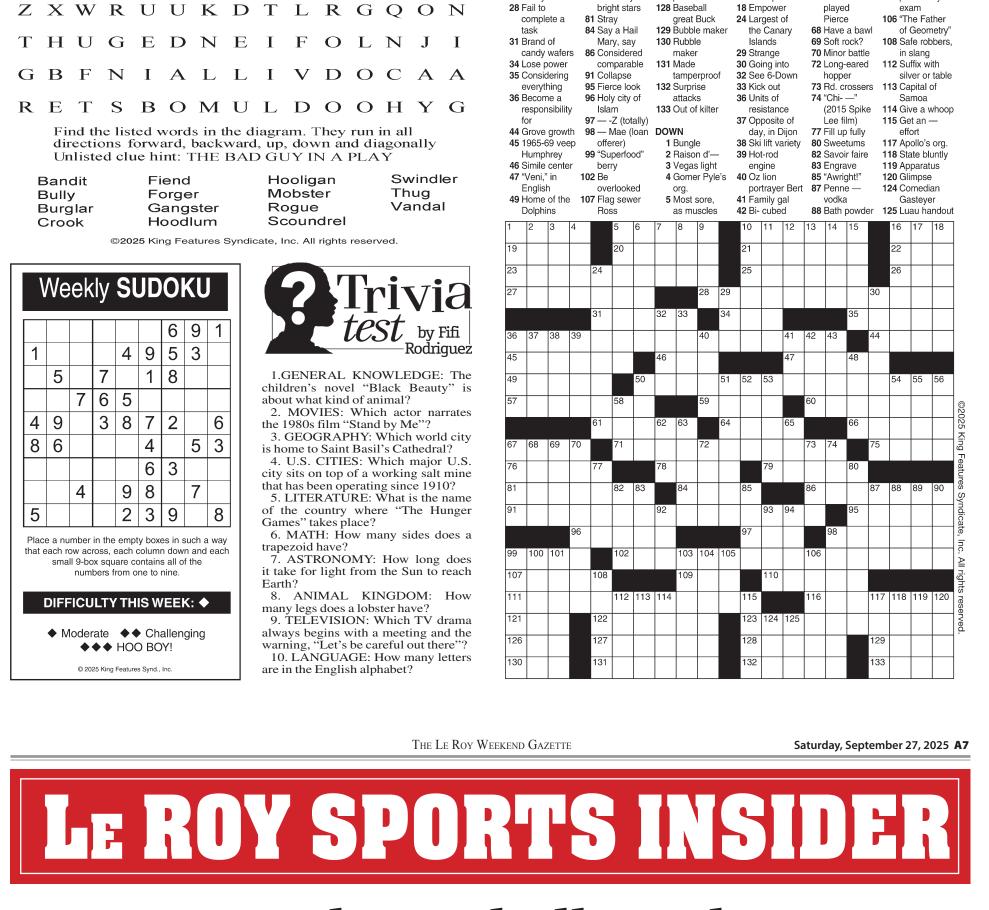
The return of Hunter Man-

sfield proved pivotal, as his

Le Roy Youth Football & Chee

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5. LITERATURE: What is the name of the country where "The Hunger Games" takes place? 6. MATH: How many sides does a trapezoid have? 7. ASTRONOMY: How long does it take for light from the Sun to reach Earth? 8. ANIMAL KINGDOM: How many legs does a lobster have? 9. TELEVISION: Which TV drama always begins with a meeting and the warning, "Let's be careful out there"? 10. LANGUAGE: How many letters are in the English alphabet? THE LE ROY WEEKEND GAZETTE Le Roy Youth Football Week 5 Recap terior. Fresh legs from Dylan Vogt, Josh Cruz, Apollo Ash-Beginner Knights Over- ley, and Colton Green helped keep the defense energized



and defensive stops. Behind gain the lead at 18–12. Le Roy lan Dejesus fueling the surge. ing, the Beginners will look to week's matchup against the Batavia Blue Dawgs. Saturday but came up just short in an 18-12 road loss.

that strong line play, Le Roy's had one final chance in the offense found its rhythm, with closing seconds but ran out of touchdowns from Rhett Leh- time before reaching the end The performance was a from start to finish, with the testament to the Knights' Minis showing resilience on toughness, discipline, and both sides of the ball. They'll commitment to one another. look to bounce back next week With momentum now build- at home against Batavia. carry their hard work into next fane Mini Knights Fall in 18-12 contest to the Newfane Pan-The Le Roy Mini Knights and a strong Panther passing battled the Newfane Panthers attack proved to be the differdown to the final seconds on ence The game was a defensive them to control the tempo and struggle early, with both teams set up the game's only touchtrading stops until Newfane down. The Panthers' aerial atbroke through in the second tack consistently pressured the quarter with a touchdown Knights' secondary, keeping Le pass. A pair of costly fumbles Roy's defense on the field for stalled Le Roy's offensive mo- much of the afternoon. mentum, and the Panthers Despite the offensive miscapitalized on one of them cues, the Knights' defense with another touchdown strike showed plenty of grit, coming just before halftime to take a up with several key stops to Le Roy's defense kept the Offensively, Le Roy moved the Knights in the game, with ball at times, but each drive strong play from linebackers was ultimately cut short by Max Gavin, Aiden Costa, Evan turnovers or stalled by New-

throughout the afternoon.

battled through adversity on the second half. After a defen-

Saturday to earn a hard-fought sive stop keyed by a fourth-

33-12 victory over the Newfane down tackle for loss from Sae-

Panthers. With several players va, Greyson Nichols broke free

sidelined by illness, the Knights on a reverse for a long touch-

athletes, but the short-handed 12–6. Later, a 35-yard run from squad came together and de- Gavin set up another score, this

presence on both the offensive ensuing possession, putting

and defensive lines created op- together a balanced drive that

The Knights came alive in

down run to cut the deficit to

time from Biggins, bringing the

Newfane responded on the

game to a 12-12 tie.

It was a hard-fought contest JV Knights Fall 10-0 to New-The Le Roy JV Knights dropped a hard-fought 10-0 Newfane capitalized on three Le Roy turnovers, using keep the game within reach.



## Saeva, Zac Lawrence, and Jax fane's defensive pressure. Lathan. Greyson Biggins and With the loss, the JV Knights Juddy Reed anchored the ends, fall to 3-2 on the season. They'll while Ira Canfield, Beau Da- look to bounce back in a key vis, Emmett Shaughnessy, and matchup next week against Phoenix Smith worked the in- Batavia. Rivals JV Boys Soccer Blanks Hornell, 3-0



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game Tuesday against Hor- game's first score. nell at Hartwood Park. Sherwood scored his goal The 3-0 victory ran the after receiving a crossing Rivals win streak to four pass from the left sideline straight and improved the teams overall record to 5-1. Carter Wiley led the Rivals with two goals, including a penalty kick. Ryker Sherwood also scored. David Preston and Andrew Doll each recorded as-The games was scoreless offenses at bay. scoring early in the second





### The Rivals played a road game Thursday against Livonia after this week's edition of the Weekend Gazette had Next week, the Rivals trav-

in front of the goal for the







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III EMPIRE

**Gregory "Porp" Rogers** 

field with the ball as Hornell's Zack Beebe, right, gives

chase during Tuesday's boys JV soccer game at Hart-

wood Park in Le Roy.

A2 Saturday, September 27, 2025 **RAINBOW** vide a place of peace and time, or write a note," Lee healing for anyone who said.

From A1

his deployments, and she

wants to remember their

Lee welcomes anyone

looked at Cyto as a member from the community to hear people's reactions to

of her dog pack as well. stop by anytime if they the bridge was that: "That really got me want to leave something "The relationship bethinking about all of us who to remember their pet by tween people and their are animal lovers and have at the bridge. It was conpets, is just as powerful as pets that just provide such structed outside the MVP the relationship between loyalty and comfort for us K9 facility fence so that two human beings. And when we need it," she said. community would always "Silent comfort. And I de- have easy access to it. cided I was going to create "After today, the public is and it really never ends, (the rainbow bridge) here, welcome to come anytime even when your pet moves





**SAMUEL ZERILLO/**THE LE ROY WEEKEND GAZETTE **SAMUEL ZERILLO/**THE LE ROY WEEKEND GAZETTE The rainbow bridge, which is located at the VIP K9 facility on West Main Road in Le Attendees to the ceremony were given an opportunity to place collars, leashes, or Roy, has opened as a place where people can honor their deceased pets. other items on the bridge to honor any pets they have lost. **Genesee STOP-DWI Working to Keep Program Viable** 

### By BRIAN QUINN mittee member Gary Maha Ferringer noted that this asked what the program's BATAVIA — Genesee June, when STOP-DWI partfund balance is. Farringer County STOP-DWI says it is ners submit requests for working closely with law en- STOP-DWI funding, the Le forcement agencies to com- Roy Police Department did bat staffing issues to ensure not submit a request. She

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At the end, Lee said her

take away after the ceremo-

ny and getting to see and

the program remains viable said that in July, she asked Police Chief Greg Kellogg in the community. "The sheriff did comabout the status of a request. "Administrative duties mit to staffing every single weekend this summer with related to reporting and an extra patrol using STOP- claiming expenditures were DWI funds and they were pointed to as the reason for successful in doing so. There declining funds," she said. was a return on that invest-Ferringer said that for ment," Deputy County Man- 2025, Le Roy police received ager Tammi Ferringer said \$2,900 for 2025 special while giving her report to enforcement details and the county Ways and Means \$2,000 for High Visibili-"\$2,257 of special enat Dwyer Stadium in July. ourden exceeded the funding benefit.

According to data from (HVEC) activity covering Traffic Safety Management Oct. 1, 2024 to Sept. 30, 2025. & Research, there have been 157 total DWI or DWAI tick-forcement and \$1,257 HVEC ets issued for 2025, though was unclaimed," she said. that the data is delayed and "Both of those allocations doesn't cover the first eight are for overtime expense months of this year. The 157 to staff additional patrols includes 82 DWI tickets and targeted at DWI/DWAI en-37 tickets for driving with a forcement. LPD continues blood-alcohol content of to be a valued partner in all activities but understand-For all of 2024, there were ably does not have the ex-427 tickets issued — 216 tra staff to dedicate to the for DWI and 113 for driving administrative burden aswith a blood-alcohol con-sociated with receipt of the tent of .08% or higher. The funds." 2024 and 2025 figures in-Ferringer said she apclude arrests by Batavia po- plauds Kellogg for recoglice, the sheriff's office, Le nizing the department had available to officers in order counseling program, re-

Roy and Corfu police, and reached its break-even Seniors Helping Seniors With Technology **Don Dessert Consulting 1** 585-356-3179 info@dondessertconsulting.com Do you or someone you know need help with: Computers, Smart TV, Video Calls & more? One-on-one in-home personalized help with technology www.dondessertconsulting.com



A4 Saturday, September 27, 2025



LPD remains otherwise un- (non-aggravated). These Ferringer said. In education and prevenchanged, as I am sure LPD's offenders have received a conditional discharge on tion, the major highlight commitment to getting imthe condition that they par- was the efforts of the Youth paired drivers off their roadways is as strong as it's ever ticipate in a one-year mon-"They connected with itoring program which inbeen," she said. every single area school The amount of time it cludes reporting regularly district to ensure that the takes to process an arrest to a caseworker, undergoing traveling display was at the has limited the resources an alcohol screening and

hol and an intense program

One full-time and one

said. "The fact that they're vised an average of 59 conable to staff extra, that al- ditional discharge cases per lows them to make these month. traveling display. arrests." Genesee Justice's total Genesee County STOPactive caseload reached DWI partners with the Gen- an averaged 144 cases per drew less attendance than esee County Sheriff's Office, month during this reporting it had in previous years, Batavia, Le Roy and Corfu year, an increase from 133 in something Farringer said police departments. This the prior reporting year and frustrated her. vear, each agency's alloca- the highest reported level tion was limited to overtime post-pandemic. expenses for staffing addi-"Genesee Justice is contional patrols targeted at tinuing to report high levels Whether you're a small business or a big brand, I am here to help you Ready to get started? Reach out today and let's talk about how we can take your business to the next level. 🧱 

to make an arrest, Ferringer fraining from drinking alco-

road for another four hours, on drinking and driving.

those extra resources," she part-time counselor super-

so it's important to have

"Once they make an ar- for behavior modification rest, they're likely off the aimed at changing attitudes

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said it's just over \$100,000, the amount an independent auditor said the program should use to sustain in case something happens. "It's not a lot of money to work with," Legislature Chairman Rochelle Stein Farringer said law enforcement officers' salaries have increased, but allocations for STOP-DWI campaigns haven't. "It costs more to do less," she said. Maha asked wheth er courts are still having a problem collecting DWI fines from those who owe Farringer said she, Jail Administrator Diana Prinzi and District Attorney Kevin Finnell met with judges a number of times. "It seems to have had an

impact," she said, "I had a discussion with city judges and that had a significant impact. We really saw, almost within a couple of months, a spike in fine collections, specifically from the city. The income from the towns and villages. we're still working on." school, either the week of or the week before the prom, which was a different initiative this year," Farringer She noted some of the proms were the same week. "We were able to utilize multiple resources in order ents, local businesses, and more to ensure that occurred," **Group Publisher** Farringer said of getting the HEATHER A. ZERILLO hzerillo@batavianews.com This year's annual STOP-Regional Managing Editor DWI Night at the Ballpark

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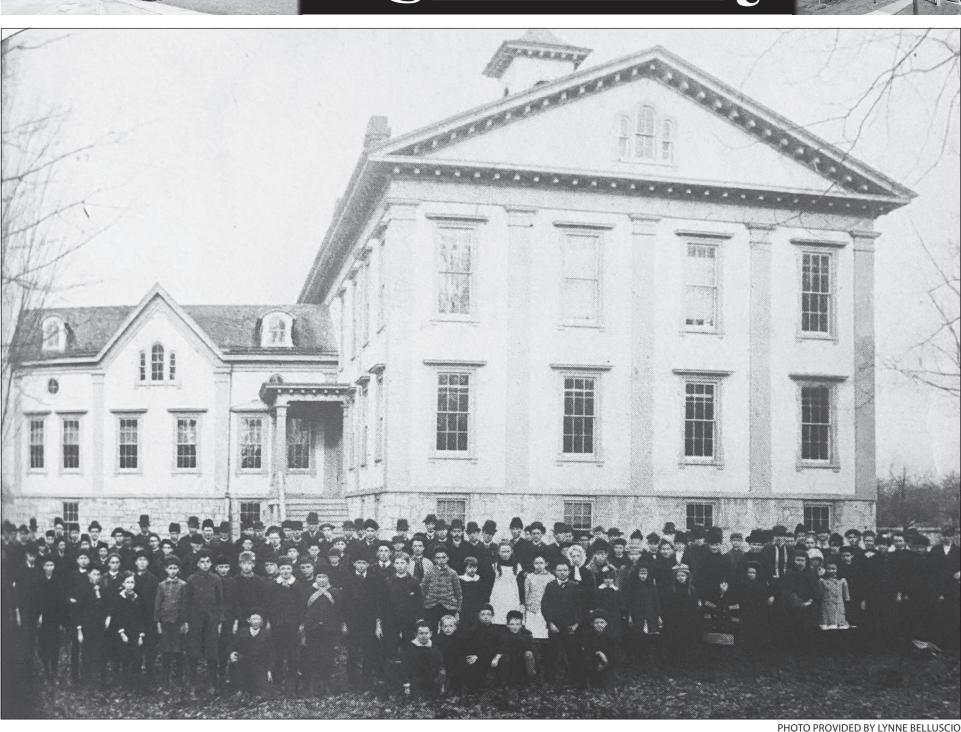
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"It was a very hot night, so we attribute some to that," How to reach us she said of the reason for the 8 E. Main St., Batavia NY 14020 lower turnout. "We're look-PHONE: 585-250-0555 ing at creative ways to get E-MAIL: the tickets out to make sure gazette@batavianews.com that more people are in at-**ADVERTISING:** tendance.' sales@batavianews.com At a Ways and Means COPYRIGHT 2025 SMG-BATAVIA, LL Committee meeting, com-Residential/Commercial FREE ESTIMATES 8040 Telephone Rd., w.OlSmokeyTrucking.com -Trucking & Excavation, LLC *585-245-3226* Gravel Driveways • Land Cleaning • Utilities

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The Le Roy Union Free School, located on the site of the parking lot behind the Le Roy House. It was razed in the early 1950s.



Looking

Back

was not mandatory for chil- of 4 and 5 who were eligible that there were 729 children "The attendance of those needed to play in order to and shapes, to study nature, Louis, she coming under the laws that learn. The word "kinder- learn manners and how to

burned. However, his ideas the alphabet and to read door garden, and her classes all-day kindergarten classcame to the United States in numbers and to write their were considered much more es. In 2001, Le Roy changed 1856 and were adopted by names. cheerful than the upper from half-day kindergarten Margarethe Schurz in a Ger-In 1868, Conrad Poppen- grades. Within three years, to full day kindergarten and man-speaking school in Wa- husen, a German indus- her kindergarten system at that time, some classes tertown, Wisconsin. Three trialist and philanthropist, had fifty teachers and over had to be held in trailers years later, encouraged by settled in Queens, New York 1000 students. By 1883, ev- behind the Wolcott Street Schurz, Elizabeth Peabody and established the Poppen- ery public school in St. Louis School while renovations opened an English-speaking husen Institute which of had a kindergarten. In 1884, were being made to classkindergarten in Boston on fered free kindergarten pro- the National Education As- rooms. The 2025 New York Beacon Hill. Peabody was a grams. The original charter sociation established a De- State curriculum for kindervery interesting person. She clearly stated that the school partment of Kindergarten garten is much more than owned a bookstore and pubwas to be open to all, regard- Instruction. lished books from Nathaniel In Le Roy, Professor Rus-terns and learning how to less of race, creed, or reli-Hawthorne. She was an adgion. The Institute continues sell who was the Principal play games and sing songs. vocate of anti-slavery and today and offers a wide vari- of the Le Roy Academic There are reading standards, Transcendentalism. She led ety of classes and programs Institute, is credited with such as "creating new words efforts for the rights of the - including kindergarten introducing kindergarten by manipulating the pho-Paiute Indians and translat- — to people in the commuto Le Roy. He came from nemes orally in one-syllable class in Le Roy began in the be arrested for not sending ed the Buddhist writings of nity. The Institute building Boston where it is assumed words." The mathematics the Lotus Sutra from French was listed on the National that he learned about Eliza- standards include: "Develinto English. The Elizabeth Register on Historic Places beth Peabody's school, Rus- op understanding of ordinal sell believed that students numbers to describe the rel-Peabody house continues in 1976. today offering childcare pro-In 1872, the concept of should look forward to going ative position and magnilocated where the parking lot It was noted that there were grams for low-income and offering kindergarten pro- to school and that school tude of whole numbers." The is now.) At that time, school 56 children between the ages migrant families in Boston. grams in the United States was a pleasure rather than curriculum includes social All the advocates of kingained support from the a penance. In an article in studies, science, technology, dren under 8. An article in to attend kindergarten, but it dergarten and early educa- National Education Associa- the 1906 Le Roy Gazette, it the arts, and physical edution believed that young stu-

garten" is German for "chil- interact with other children. two students. Her students shortfall which was \$1000

dren's garden" because It was important to learn learned games and songs more than the previous year

Froebel said children were how to take turns and follow that she had translated from and taxes were levied to

like plants who needed to directions and how to play German. They played with make up the difference. At

be nurtured to grow and de- well with other children. As different shaped blocks, the annual school meeting

velop. Many people thought the concept of kindergarten paper and clay, and tried to review the budget, only 12

about child education were and children were taught dren planted seeds in an out-dergarten students in five

exploring shapes and pat-

that his ideas were ridicu- changed, schools became weaving and modeling to people showed up to vote.

lous and some of his books more education oriented, improve dexterity. The chil-

tion. A year later, in 1873, the mentions that Rinna Pinner cation. Today's kinderga Le Roy was not a pioneer dents learned through play. first publicly financed kin- was the first kindergarten ten is much more than what between the ages of 5 and in offering kindergarten for They believed that children dergarten was established teacher. The school budget Froebel imagined in 1835 18 of which 344 were boys young students. In fact, the should look forward to go- in St. Louis by Susan Blow. was \$12,303 which would be Never-the-less, there is still and 385 were girls. Children idea of kindergarten was ing to school and that school She had spent a year in New about \$440,000 today. The a feeling of excitement on between the ages of 8 and introduced in Germany in was a pleasure and not a York City at the New York \$12,303, included \$8700 for the first day of school when 16 were subject to the com- 1837 by Friedrich Froebel. penance. Students were en- Normal Training Kindergar- teachers' salaries. Insurance kindergarten students head pulsory law to attend school. He believed that children couraged to look for patterns ten. When she returned to St was \$178.50 and the truant off to school for the first time, officer was paid \$90. Apparand have their picture taken taught a class of forty- ently, there was a \$4503.50 by mom. . Question of the Week ? Question from The Le Roy Weekend Gazette staff Favorite thing to get at the farmers market? HAVE AN ANSWER? SHARE IT WITH US IN THE COMMENTS OF OUR FACEBOOK POST! BRAD S.



#### Leave a note about how what people notice they can the "four corners" in a town get. or village should be devel-Pautler said among the acoped. Maybe create a collage tivity stations he visited was that best represents the couna collage people could conty as a welcoming, beautiful tribute to and show what they and peaceful destination. would like to see in Genesee Those were among the stations to which people could "I pretty much hit every contribute their input during station," he said. Tuesday's Brand Genesee Nur Asri said people proworkshop. The session invitvided plenty of input Tues-

ed the public to voice opinions and ideas to help inform "It's going to be really help-Genesee County's brand, ful to layer tonight's input to tourism strategy, and future the stuff that we got from the visitor experience. Peggy Tyrrell, owner of morning to see if there's any Darien Country Cottage in differences," she said. "This Darien, about a mile south of morning was decision-mak-Darien Lake, said she particiers that operate and manage pated in pretty much all of the the assets. Their perspectives activity stations organized for differ from the local, general the workshop. resident sentiment. We'll be Tyrrell said she contributreally interested to see the ed a lot of input and that pardifferences between the two. ticpating it was worth it. Overall, everyone was very One workshop station forthcoming with providing asked about ideas of things that might draw people and Chamber of Commerce Tyrrell suggested doing Tourism Director Kelly something more at the West-Rapone said the workshop ern New York Gas & Steam had nice representation from Association site in Alexander. "Why not host an art show? organizations, businesses and residents. County and Why not host a small concert municipal leaders had partic-— not a concert like a Darien ipated that morning. Lake concert, but a folk concert?" she asked. "That would Rapone said there were activities designed around cerbe ideal to bring a lot of people to the county ... sometain themes, including: outthing more family oriented door recreation; downtowns that the entire family, old and and the "four corners"; event young, could enjoy." venue and the groups or The county needs more art people who may want to use shows and art fests, accordthem; historical operations. ing to Tyrrell. "All of the information that "We need fun things like is collected here today will be a bakeoff competition in the compiled. The steering comregion," she said. "Wouldn't mittee will get a report back that be a great thing?" on the findings of this," she The county could use a said. "That will also be added good arts and crafts festival,

recreation options you would

like to see in Genesee County.

ing people, making sure that

everything that's available is

to visitors surveys, residents surveys, one-on-ones, focus "We don't have anything like that here in Genesee groups, site tours — all of the work that we've done this County," she said. "There are small shows, maybe, at year. This really culminates the last part of input." the churches and schools, Rapone said branding and but I mean something in the summer that would draw a a five-year tourism plan will lot of people to an outdoor come from all of this input. arena like the Western New The creative team that will York Gas (& Steam Associacome up with the county tion) grounds. It's quite a big branding is Black Dog Agency. Nur Asri and her compa-The Genesee County Fairny, Think Place Agency has grounds would be another led diagnostics, research and great site for an arts and crafts data analysis, and will work festival, Tyrrell felt. on the strategy for the five-Josh Pautler, an account year tourism plan, Rapone executive for Spectrum Business in Batavia, said he liked "We're also working on the idea that the communiphotography, videography, ty has feedback on what it building up new image galthinks should go in certain leries for the county," she said. Once the branding and "They have beautiful, map county identity is ready, in printouts of the area. They're trying to get the right com- the first couple of quarters of merce in there, make sure next year, that information that it brings tourism and will integrated into print pubstuff," Pautler said. "I love lication and digital websites.

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At left, Peggy Tyrrell of Darien and Anne Miller of Alexander participate in Tuesday's branding workshop.





liams with 10 kills. For Churchville-Chili, the team was led by Aver Jehlen, Alexa Hogan with 10 kills, and Olivia Briggs with 13 assists. The Le Roy girls volleyball team remained undefeated at 9-0 after this game, and played their next game on the road Wednesday against Avon. Rivals Football Falls to Hornell/Arkport-Canaseraga After Close Road Battle By SAMUEL ZERILLO szerillo@batavianews.com The Le Roy/Cal-Mum Rivals traveled for a road

matchup against Hornell/

Arkport-Canaseraga last

Friday. Despite the com-

petitive matchup through-

out, the Rivals picked up

their first loss of the sea-

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son, falling 18-21.

during the course of Tuesday's game.

Kanaley finished the night with seven

service points and 18 assists, once again

contributing a big performance to help

Other top performers for Le Roy in-

cluded Chloe Moran with 11 service

points, four assists, two kills, and 10 digs, Kylie Wilson with four service points,

two aces, and nine digs, and Shea Wil-

lead her team to victory.

picked up 25 yards rushing Halladay with four tackles, Both passing touchdowns from McClurg came on big plays, with the team Rivals now drop to 2-1 on striking on 40-yard and 68yard passes for scores. Rushing leaders for the game this coming Friday Rivals were Cameron Riggi on the road against ER/Gawho got 74 yards and a TD, nanda, Kickoff at 7 p.m. Jude Christ with 18 yards, and Connor Elmore with 17 naseraga moves to 1-2 on Brady McClurg had an- yards.

and Connor Elmore with four tackles. The Le Roy/Cal-Mum the year, and will look to bounce back in their next Hornell/Arkport-Cathe year, and will play their other big day at QB, going On defense, the Rivals next game against Letchand 2 passing TDs, and also with six tackles, Colton Friday, starting at 7 p.m.

Le Roy player Evy Kanaley surpassed 1,000 career assists during Tuesday's road victory against Churchville-Chili.





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