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Months-Long Search Reveals Original 13-Star Flag at Le Roy House

Unique centerpiece highlights new America 250 exhibit

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An original 13-star American flag was recently re-discovered in Le Roy, and now serves as the centerpiece of an exhibit celebrating the 250th birthday of the nation.

Tyler Angora, Curator of the Le Roy Historical Society, recently unveiled a new attraction in the Le Roy House called "Remembering the American Revolution: Celebrating the 250th," with the 13-star flag, created in 1791, at its core.

It was a long journey to get here for Angora, who spent months searching for the flag after finding only a record of its existence early in his tenure as curator.

"We had been scouring to find physical objects to show (for the America 250 exhibit), because we do have 19 patriots buried in the town and village of Le Roy combined," Angora said. "We were flipping through our books and all of a sudden, a sheet popped up: '13-star flag, 1791, from Isabel Le Roy-Brown.' Where is it?"

Isabel Le Roy-Brown was the great-great-great granddaughter of Herman Le Roy, the namesake of the town. The record showed she made a donation of the flag to the Le Roy Historical Society in 1958, however it was not properly catalogued and was lost within the archive.

With the 250th birthday of America fast approaching, and a planned exhibit already set in stone, Angora made it his mission to locate this flag to serve as the keypiece to the attraction.

After a long search, the flag was eventually found tucked away in an unsuspecting place: wrapped within another flag.

"We had (the flag) in the back of our minds for probably since, November (of 2025). Couldn't find it, couldn't find it," Angora said. "All of a sudden, we unravel a (different) flag, and it's in that flag. It was tucked in a different flag. We would have never found it if we didn't take the whole flag collection apart, basically."

Once the flag was located, though, a new quirk about it was discovered.

The star pattern on of the flag is unlike any seen by Angora before, organized with nine stars forming a rhombus shape in the center, and the four other stars dotting the corners around it.

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Le Roy Historical Society Curator Tyler Angora standing in front of the original 13-star flag on display as a part of the America 250 exhibit at the Le Roy House.

Parade, Ceremony Welcomes in 75th Anniversary Season of Le Roy Little League Baseball

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Many things have changed around Le Roy over the past 75 years, but the presence of Little League baseball has remained the same.

It was August 10, 1952, when the first games of Little League baseball were played in the village, with the season getting welcomed in by both a parade and two games being played on that rainy afternoon.

The first pitch was thrown out by then Le Roy Mayor Ellsworth Bradbury, and was followed by the inaugural contest between the White Sox and Indians.

A homer by player Allen Cohen that scored two runs highlighted what was a 9-7 White Sox win, beginning what would turn into a staple part of the spring and summertime culture in Le Roy.

Now, 75 years later in 2026, the Village of Le Roy once again kicked off a new season of Little League baseball on May 2 in the exact same fashion, starting with a parade that made its way to the baseball field at the Le Roy Historical Society.

A first pitch was also ceremoniously sent from the mound, this time delivered by Bilko Pangrazio, who has had a long tenured history of playing and coaching with the Little League programs in both Le Roy and Geneseo.

Pangrazio first entered the Le Roy Little League scene at nine years old, joining during just its third year in existence. After four years of play, he moved on to the Babe Ruth League that used to exist for players who aged out of regular Little League.

After growing up and having two sons of his own, he made his way back to baseball as a coach in the T-shirt League (for players who were not old enough for Little League yet), Le Roy Little League and then the Babe Ruth League as well.

Then when his own kids grew up and had children of their own, his youngest son, Brian, asked him to join in with coaching his grandchildren who were playing in Geneseo, putting his involvement with Little League at well over 50 years now.

For Pangrazio, the best part of all those years involved with youth baseball was watching the kids grow up right before his eyes.

"On the Little League end of it, it was great to see the progression of the kids from when they were five to six, you could see them growing and learning and loving the sport. And that's what you get the most fun out of. You made it fun for the kids. And not only was it fun, but they learned the intricacies of the game," Pangrazio said.

Pangrazio is set to turn 81 in September, and all the people he met along the way during his journey through Little League have a continuing impact on him to this day.

"It is a small world with Le Roy baseball," Pangrazio said. "The guys that I coached against, still good friends today. Rick Rapone, if I'm sitting out in the porch, he lives around the corner from me. He sits and we reminisce about his dad playing semi-pro baseball with me. It's just, it's a family tree."

Speaking of Rick Rapone, his son, Joe Rapone, is now the current President of Le Roy Little League baseball.

Joe Rapone shares a similar story to Pangrazio, as his grandfather played and coached, his father played and coached, he played and is now coaching, and now his sons are currently playing as well.

That ability to share Little League baseball in a multi-generational way is something that Rapone finds very special.

"We're a baseball family; we're a coaching fam-

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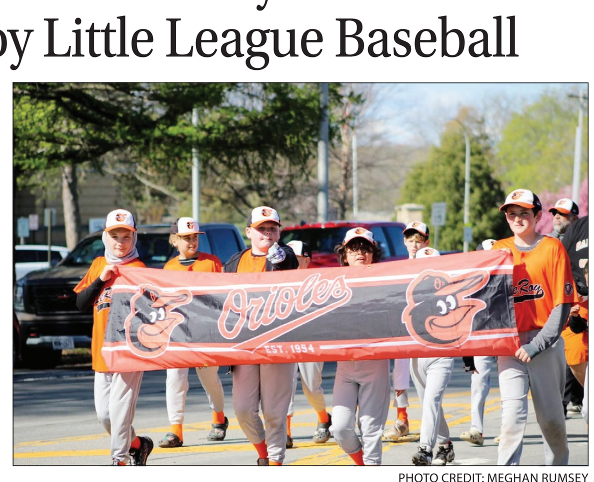

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This year's Le Roy Little League Orioles team during the 75th anniversary season opening parade.

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DOT Preparing for Culvert Replacement in Stafford

Installs temporary traffic signals on Route 5

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The state Department of Transportation has erected temporary traffic signals on the east side of Route 5 in the town of Stafford.

The lights were set up at the end of last week ahead of a culvert project that is planned to be undertaken later this summer.

The lights will allow for alternating one-way traffic, said Mare Millow, spokesperson for the state Department of Transportation.

The road will not be closed, Millow said.

The culvert to be replaced is just west of A.D. Call & Sons Trucking Inc., 6380 Main St., Stafford, between the curve and the trucking company's entrance.

A start date and timeline for the project is not yet available as DOT adds additional crews and works through other culvert projects, Millow said.

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A tractor-trailer drives beneath a set of traffic lights Monday afternoon on Route 5 in Stafford. A culvert replacement is slated for summer in the area.

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Edmund Beach: The Drummer

By LYNNE BELLUSCIO
Special to The Le Roy Weekend Gazette

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The Battle of Lexington, painting by William Barnes Wollen from 1910 depicting the battle that took place in 1775.

On May 1, 1775, two weeks after the Battle of Lexington and Concord, sixteen-year-old Edmund Beach enlisted in Captain John Sedgwick's Company under the command of Colonel Hineman in the 14th Regiment of the Connecticut militia. The record shows that he served seven months with Captain Sedgwick and then was assigned to other units as the war progressed. When he was eighteen, he enlisted as a Private with Major Thomas Bull's Regiment. Major Bull was a prominent officer who had served as Lieutenant Colonel in William Montgomery's Pennsylvania "Flying Camp." Beach was listed as a "drummer." It would be the equivalent of the Army Signal Corps, which wasn't formed until 1865. Drummers were essential for military communication. They relayed commands between the soldiers and the commanders. The drummers played on large wooden rope-sprung drums. There are a couple Revolutionary War Drums on exhibit. The Museum of Fife and Drum in Ivoryton, Connecticut displays a collection of drums and musical instruments from the era. The National Museum of the United States Army in Belvoir, Virginia has a drum with a pine tree motif from Massachusetts. The drum carries the words: "It is fitting and proper to die for one's country." The Museum of Connecticut History in Hartford, has a Revolutionary War era drum with the Connecticut state seal. It has been traced to one of the Connecticut regiments encamped at Verplank's Point. The drum which is missing its head is decorated with the coat of arms of Connecticut surrounded with a panoply of arms. The decoration matches an April 1775 description of drums carried by Connecticut regiments: "We fix on our Standards (flags) and Drums, the Colony Arms with t he motto 'Qui transtulit sustinet,' round in letters of gold, which we construe thus: 'God, who transplanted us hither, will support us.'"

By the middle of the 1800s drums were replaced by the bugle however the U.S. Army Infantry maintained fife and drum corps until they were abolished in 1917. Interestingly, drums are still a part of military parades and ceremonies. The 3rd U.S. Infantry known as the U.S. Old Guard Fife and Drum was raised in 1960. It is the only musical unit of the U.S. Armed Forces that the drum major salutes with his left hand. Musicians assigned to the Old Guard wear 18th century uniforms like those worn in the Revolutionary War. The members of the Old Guard are also the unit which places flags on the graves of the veterans in the National Cemetery in Arlington.

Drum rolls were used to regulate camp life, playing signals for wake-up and troop assembly as well as setting the cadence for marching. For long marches, the drum would set the pace, often 120 beats per minute. On the battlefield because voices could not be heard over the noise of battle, the drum was used to signal commands such when to fire or cease fire. A different cadence would tell the troops to advance or retreat. Drummers often went into battle unarmed and walked next to the officers to relay commands and to keep troops in formation. Their uniforms were often the reversed colors of their regiment, making them identifiable on the field.

Edmund Beach's name appears on the Soldiers Monument on Trigon Park. He is listed with the eleven Revolutionary War veterans who lived in LeRoy after the war. Two months ago, his name along with John Ganson and John Thwing, was submitted to the Pomeroy Foundation Revolutionary Patriots grant program. If approved, the grant would pay for a large metal marker to be placed near the entrance of Machpelah Cemetery where the three veterans are buried.

The proposals are first reviewed by the New York State Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution and then submitted to a panel at the Pomeroy Foundation. Two weeks ago, it looked like the Machpelah marker wouldn't include Edmund Beach's name because there was no proof that he was actually buried in the cemetery, even though there was a stone with his name. Edmund Beach died in 1837 which was before Machpelah Cemetery was established. We could not find an obituary to indicate where he was buried.

Searching through lists of other cemeteries in the area, his name did not appear. But finally, after Sandy, the superintendent at the cemetery did some sleuthing through old records and maps of burial plots, she found the old records and a map showing exactly where Edmund Beach and his wife are buried. The map was quickly emailed to the review committee, and today the Pomeroy Foundation has approved the request for the grant and in a couple of months, a memorial marker will be installed near the entrance to Machpelah Cemetery and important part of LeRoy's 250th anniversary celebration. The other cemetery that will be included in the grant program is the Myrtle Street Cemetery.

Edmond Beach's story is very interesting. He was born July 4, 1758, in Goshen, Litchfield Connecticut. After serving seven months in the spring of 1776, he spent 6 months with Colonel Fisher Gay of Farmington, Connecticut who commanded the 2nd Battalion of Wadsworth's Brigade which was raised in June 1776 to reinforce General Washington in New York. Colonel Gay led his regiment at the Brooklyn front during the Battle of Long Island on August 22. Beach was with the Wadsworth Brigade at the Battle of White Plains on October 28, 1776. It was another loss to the British and the Continental forces had to retreat under the cover of fog across the East River to Manhattan. Certainly, young Edmund Beach was involved in the retreat which saw hundreds of Continental soldiers killed or wounded.

In 1778, Beach served three months under Captain Stanley and General Sheldon of the Second Continental Light Dragoons, a cavalry unit which was particularly favored by General Washington. The regiment consisted of four troops from Connecticut, one troop largely from Massachusetts and New Jersey and two companies of light infantry. They had participated in the Battle of Brandywine, the Battle of Germantown, and the Battle of Yorktown. During 1778, the Dragoons served as Washington's personal bodyguard. Loyalist agents and British forces shadowed Washington for weeks with the intention of kidnapping him, but they abandoned their plans because the British noted that "The 2nd Dragoons were always with him." The 2nd Dragoons also guarded British Major John Andre while he was held and put to trial, and then executed.

After the war Edmund returned to Hartford, Connecticut where he lived for twenty-one years. He married Luzan Stanley, a daughter of Captain Timothy Stanley and they had a large family. Betsey was born in 1780. Althea was born in 1782. Four years later, their son Platt Smith Beach was born, and in 1797, Nancy was born. Althea married into the Taylor family and Candace married into the Stanley family, and it is midst the Taylors and the Stanleys that Edmund and his wife are buried.

In 1815, Edmund's daughter Candance wrote a diary:

"August 19, 1815 — Monday morning — — Today we expect to get to our home in LeRoy, we have made 8 miles this morning and we are now at Stephen Tinker's in West Bloomfield 9 miles from the Genesee river. Caledonia 10 oclock — when we were crossing the river, there was a gentleman came into the Boat and spake to my father and called him by name. Father inquired how he came to know him, and he said his son had described him and sent word that we must not cross such a bridge in the dark. We are now at a very elegant log house at Hosmers tavern, here we have called for a dinner, the first meat we have bought since we left Hartland. I now despair of getting home to night the roads are very bad. Monday eve we have got within four miles of home and put up for the night. Tuesday the 29th of August This morning we arrived at our home about 9 o'clock and a good one I believe. The family that we have bought of have not moved out of the house yet. We have found some cousins here I believe I shall like very much; (Candace eventually marries her cousin, Elisha) I have seen some of them. Cousin Elisha Stanley has been at our house and I have engaged to go and teach school in the district where he lives for seven or eight weeks. I feel very lonesome not being acquainted here." Candace's diary is very interesting. This is the year of "18 hundred and freeze to death" when there was a killing frost every month of the year. Unknown to them, all of the north east and even into Europe unusually cold weather was caused by the eruption of a volcano in the Pacific Ocean which three so much volcanic dust into the atmosphere, that it changed the climate. Candace does indeed to go on to teach. She describes how no students showed up because it had snowed and they had no shoes and could not go barefoot."

According to the 1820 Census of Stafford, Edmund and his wife were living in Stafford with their son Platt. Luzan, Edmund's wife died in 1826. On October 15, 1832, as a resident of LeRoy, Edmund Beach made application for a veteran's pension. His brother Jonathan who lived in Mt. Morris signed the affidavit and Edmund was granted pension No. S 10,367 on November 1, 1833. Revolutionary War pensions were granted by Congress beginning in 1776, initially for those disabled, but in 1818 and 1832, the pensions were extended to those veterans who had served. It granted full pay for life to officers and enlisted men who served at least two years. Pensions were prorated for shorter service. Edmund died in 1837. He was 79 years old. He is listed in the history of the LeRoy Presbyterian Church and also the First Congregationalist Society of Stafford. A lot of the information gathered for the Pomeroy grant application was gathered by Trish Riggi at the Woodward Library.

This year, as part of the walking/driving tour of Machpelah Cemetery, the story of Edmund Beach, as well as John Thwing and John Ganson will be told. The gravestones of these three men will be cleaned this year, and their graves will be marked with a Revolutionary flag marker that will hold a thirteen star and thirteen stripe flag. Also, as part of the Oatka Festival parade on October 18, Edmund Beach will be represented in the honor guard for the hand-sewn flag which will lead the parade. More information will be included in articles in the Le Roy Weekend Gazette.

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Work was started to find out more about where the flag came from, and the provenance of how it came into the possession of Le Roy-Brown was slowly revealed.

It is documented that Le Roy-Brown received the flag from her father, Francis, but from there, the trail dries up a bit, especially because the Le Roy family did not have any personal ties to the Revolutionary War.

However, through research done by Angora, he pinpointed the likely origin to be the family of Francis' first wife, as her family, the Tracy's, were heavily involved in the American Revolution.

While a likely answer to *where* the flag originated from was pieced together, Angola is still actively working to find out *why* the stars were arranged in the way that they were, with more answers hopefully on the horizon.

"We don't know where this style came from because we haven't been able to find this same configuration exactly," Angora said. "We just found this in the collection, like, a month before we put it out for the exhibit. So, we're still diving into what it all means."

Despite some lingering mysteries, the America 250 exhibit at the Le Roy House is an exciting moment for Angora, as all of his work to this point has led to the flag being displayed to the public for what is likely the very first time.

"It's very cool to have it for us and to display it, because I don't think it's ever been on display to our knowledge," Angora said.

It's also rare in Angora's eyes for a small-town historical society to have something like this, especially out in Western New York.

"We were keeping our minds open for anything that popped up, because for Western New York, we don't have a lot from the revolution because we weren't established," Angora said. "There's not a lot that exists for us in this area, or any small historical society, because most of the Revolutionary War stuff has been donated to bigger institutions, which they should be, because sometimes we can't take care of them the way that they should be. So, it's a very impressive thing."

While the 13-star flag is certainly the main eye-catcher of the exhibit, Angora and the historical society have put together an entire room of displays to celebrate America 250.

Other highlights include a list of every Revolutionary War patriots buried in the town and village of Le Roy, a painting study piece of George Washington done by Frank Eastman Jones, a graduate of Ingham University, and a Psalms of David book that belonged to Roswell Parmalee, who along with being a Le Roy patriot buried at Fort Hill Cemetery, is also the only known French and Indian War veteran that was laid to rest in the entire county.

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The 13-star flag on display in the Le Roy House.

The exhibit as a whole hopes to accentuate themes and imagery tied to the founding of this country, while keeping the displays tied to local Le Roy history.

The exhibit officially opened to the general public on Thursday, and Angora hopes that visitors will be inspired by the 13-star flag, and by seeing the names of patriots buried right here in Le Roy.

"It's going to be very exciting to see people's response to it, seeing the flag, because a lot of institutions don't have a 13-star original flag," Angora said. "That's what we were holding out on for months, having that as the centerpiece to the whole exhibit. It'll be exciting to have people come and see the American Revolution in this Americanism light, learn about the patriots that are here, and hopefully they go visit them (at the cemetery)."

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A look inside the new America 250 exhibit at the Le Roy House.

Editor's note: The term "patriot" as used within this article refers to anyone who served in the military on the American side of the Revolutionary War.

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EPA to Oversee Continued Cleanup Work at Lehigh Valley Railroad Superfund Site

Cleanup work is scheduled through the summer and fall

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The Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, LVRR, will begin several stages of soil cleanup and monitoring activities in May and June at the 56-year-old Superfund Site under the oversight of the EPA, according to a community update published to the EPA website in late April. The EPA finalized its cleanup plan for the site in 2023.

The cleanup work is scheduled to continue through the summer and into the fall of 2026.

The document states that LVRR will "remove aboveground piping from past cleanup activities to clear the way to take additional soil samples to determine how much contaminated soil needs to be removed in the former spill area."

After testing the rocky material in the area, LVRR will dig up and remove soil with elevated levels of trichloroethylene, or TCE, which was spilled there after two tank cars derailed in 1970, pouring 30,000 gallons of the highly toxic chemical over the ground.

They will send the contaminated material to "an approved off-site facility for disposal" and then install a cover on areas with lower levels of TCE "to prevent people from contacting the contaminated soil," the document says.

LVRR will monitor dust that is stirred up, also testing air particulates for TCE.

Both groundwater and surface water testing is planned for October, including any groundwater that is seeping into Mud Creek, a tributary of Oatka Creek, as well as "any vapors that may be coming from the groundwater." The EPA will oversee these tests, which are part of the long-term monitoring program for the site.

The cleanup plan also includes treating any groundwater that seeps into Mud Creek and placing gravel or rocky material over the area to "limit direct contact by people and wildlife with the creek water."

According to the CDC's Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, "trichloroethylene breaks down very slowly in soil and water and is removed mostly through evaporation to air. It is expected to remain in groundwater for long time since it is not able to evaporate."

TCE has been shown in lab trials to cause kidney and liver cancer, as well as malignant lymphoma.

EPA sources say that the spilled TCE spread into the aquifer near the site and has created a "plume" of pollution reaching as far east as the Village of Caledonia, with concentrations of TCE as high as five parts per billion in the groundwater.

This 5 pbb figure is much lower than the World Health Organization's recommended limit of 30 parts per billion, but it is the maximum contaminant level that was set for drinking water by the EPA in 2020.

The EPA has also found TCE in nearby bodies of water and in the indoor air of some residential structures located above the area where contaminants have spread in the groundwater.

For more information, see the EPA's 2023 "Record of Decision" at https://semspub.epa.gov/work/02/692958.pdf

Or, seek out one of the "information repositories" at Caledonia Public Library or Woodward Memorial Library in Le Roy.

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THE MAYOR'S CORNER

BY GREG "PORP" ROGERS

The village board will be holding a meeting on May 13 at 7 p.m. at the village hall, to discuss personal matters and upcoming changes to contractual obligation, the public is welcome.

Last week the Village DPW saw Charlie Snell leave after an almost 40-year career, Charlie's main duties were sewer infrastructure, plowing and heavy machine operator. The board and I wish Charlie a healthy and happy well-deserved retirement.

Last Thursday was also Mike Rise's last day as Code enforcement officer. Mike did an outstanding job and will be surely missed. On behalf of the village board and myself we would like to extend our deepest gratitude and wish him the best in the future.

Mike's departure will leave some holes to be filled, but we will work through them.

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Let your little ones be messy and creative at the art studio! Together you will make a unique painting on planters using your thumbprints! Projects are age appropriate and emphasize the importance of process art. We will also enjoy snacks. Recommended for ages 2 and up with help from a parent or guardian. Cost is $20 per painter. Ticket price includes 1 child and 1 (or more) helper. Must pre register.
The Art of Mandy
52 Main St., Le Roy

12:30pm - 2pm
Mothers Day Butterfly Partner Painting
Celebrate Mothers Day while being creative and paint this colorful, spring butterfly! Each pair will follow along to step by step instructions to create their own canvas painting! Recommended for Ages 5 & Up. Cost is $40 per pair. Must pre register to reserve your seat
The Art of Mandy
52 Main St., Le Roy

1:30pm
D&D Campaign @ Dio's
The first session of the Dio's Dungeons & Dragons campaign starts Saturday, Feb. 14th @ 1:30!! It will run bi-weekly from there. We're starting at level 1. Please use the standard array (15,14,13,12,10,8) for starting character stats. As always, please sign up with @plasticmav on our discord server. https://discord.gg/dTt-W7V8Ka
Dio's Eclectic Treasures
8 Lake Street, Le Roy

6 - 9pm
Damn the Flood @ VFW Veness-Strollo Post 1602
Damn the Flood returns to see our friends at Batavia VFW on Saturday, May 9, 6-9 PM!
Veness Strollo Post 1602
25 Edwards St., Batavia

Sunday, May 10

10am
Mother's Day
Our Mother's Day Brunch is a wonderful way to celebrate Mom's special day! With delectable brunch favorites, vegetarian/vegan/gluten-free options, a cash bar, and more, there's something for everyone to enjoy. Savor a delicious chef-inspired meal made in-house in the Museum's Meeting Center dining room, then head out into the Historic Village to explore all of the daily happenings!
On Mother's Day, interpreters in the Historic Village will showcase a number of tasks and activities reflective of what life was like for 19th-century mothers. Explore historic homes, kitchens, and heirloom gardens, and don't forget to treat mom to a traditional 19th-century pastry from the D.B. Munger Confectionery!
Genesee Country Village & Museum
1410 Flint Hill Rd., Mumford NY

Monday, May 11

10:30am
Rochester Lilac Festival
Get ready for Cruel Summer & Roses & Revolutions on the KeyBank Center Stage at the Rochester Lilac Festival! High-energy hooks and indie-pop vibes collide as Cruel Summer teams up with Roses & Revolutions to light up the KeyBank Center Stage.
As always, the Lilac Festival is a FREE EVENT with no ticket required to enjoy the music with the crowd! Visit RocLilacFest.com for more information on the festival!
Highland Park
1440 South Ave, Rochester NY

Friday, May 15

4 - 8pm
Pizza 151 Fundraiser
WOW! The Le Roy location of Pizza 151 is doing it again! They are hosting a "delicious dining" fundraiser! They will generously donate 20% of pre-tax sales to support the Hope Center of LeRoy's FREE community programs. We invite you to let our buddy Brandon and his team do the cooking and participate in this "Local Helping Local" event. Thank you with pepperoni on top!
Le Roy Pizza 151
127 W. Main St., Le Roy

Saturday, May 16

2pm
3rd Annual Witches Ball
Save the date!!! The 3rd annual witches ball is almost here. Bigger than ever!!! Live music!!! Vendors, Tarot readings, etc. Specialty drinks and cups!!! Pat's Pigs is coming back too!!!!
Tyson's Upper Deck
7311 E. Main St., Lima NY

6 - 9pm
Damn the Flood @ Tracy B's
We're back at Tracy B's! We'll play some tunes off our upcoming album and the usual acoustic covers of popular songs. Please join us!
Tracy B's Market and Farm Brewery
8041 E. Main Rd., Le Roy

9pm
Hindsight Live at Smokin' Eagle
Hindsight is bringing the heat to Leroy with your favorite 90's and 2000's rock, alternative and grunge music.
Smokin' Eagle BBQ
9 Main St., Le Roy

Tuesday, May 19

12 - 8pm
Woodward Memorial Library Budget Vote
Vote on the Library budget in the Wolcott Street School's Media Center! Voting will be held from 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm.
Woodward Memorial Library
7 Wolcott St., Le Roy

Saturday, May 23

9:45 - 11:45am
I Spy Nature Walk
Join us at Genesee County Park for a morning full of wonder, fresh air, and meaningful time together! This is a fun time for you and your little explorers (ages 3-12). A gentle, guided nature walk designed just for them! Along the trail, we'll play a fun game of I Spy, spotting all kinds of early summer treasures. Cost is $35 ($10 for a second child, 2 per adult). Includes: A guided, kid-friendly nature walk, all activity supplies, and a kid and adult friendly boxed lunch to enjoy together at the end. Pre-Registration is Required (by 5/18). To Register, Call (585) 768-8184, or our website https://hopecenterofleroy.org/
Genesee County Park & Forest
11095 Bethany Center Rd, East Bethany, NY

Sunday, May 24

7pm - 10pm
TRN @ Frost Ridge Campground
Come celebrate Memorial Day weekend with us!!! Gonna be a great time!!!
Frost Ridge Campground
8101 Conlon Rd., Le Roy

Thursday, May 28

6 - 7pm
Meal Planning with Craft
What's for dinner? Come plan your weeks worth of meals and take the stress away of having to figure out what's for dinner every night. After we plan our meals, we will be making wooden spoon garden stakes. Adult. Registration is required! Sign up here: https://woodwardmemoriallibrary.libcal.com/event/16735643
Woodward Memorial Library
7 Wolcott St., Le Roy

Sat-Sun, July 18-19

10am - 5pm both days
2026 Oatka Festival
Back again for year 36 and it's going to be even better than ever! Food, Music, Kids Activities, Vendors, Parade, and so much more!!! Free Entry for all
Knights of Columbus
15 W. Main St., Le Roy (Behind Save-a-Lot)

ONGOING:

Mondays

6 - 10pm
Modern Monday
$10 entry (includes 1 booster pack of current set)
Weekly event: Sign-ups begin at 5:00 pm. Round 1 begins promptly at 6 pm. Players entering after 6 pm will receive a round 1 loss. Format: Modern Constructed. 3 rounds. Prizes: Go 3-0 and get $15 in Store Credit! Go 2-1 and get $5 in Store Credit! Additional prizes will be awarded based upon 1st, 2nd, 3rd place running leader board for this event and set. Final day will be last Monday prior to pre-release of the next set.
Dio's Eclectic Treasures
8 Lake St., Le Roy

Tuesdays

6 - 8pm
Weekly Flesh & Blood Armory
We would love to offer the community FaB at our play space. We are open to hosting whatever people are interested in playing! Bring a friend or group on out and enjoy yourselves! Top 6 prizes.
Dio's Eclectic Treasures
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Fridays

1 - 7pm
Friday Night Magic the Gathering
People are welcome to come (in pairs or groups) anytime during our business hours (1-7pm) and play free play. Sign up for the event through the WPN event link website. People are welcome to do this any day (Mon-Sun) between 1-7pm. D&D, Pokémon, YuGiOh, or any other family friendly game play also welcomed in our game room! Contact us via call or text if you have any questions (585) 356-7579
Dio's Treasures
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MAGIC MAZE ● WORDS ASSOCIATED WITH MOTHER'S DAY

U Q N K I F D A S U P P O R T
X V T Q O M J H M F C A A O Y
E W U R S P N L E J H F E T F
D D B G E Z X V M T R F C C Q
O M U R E D I V O R P E I E K
I H A T H F D B R Z Y C F T W
V C T D I N S P I R A T I O N
R Q N O I T O V E D L I R R O
N O Y L I M A F S L O O C P K
B G N I R U T R U N V N A I H
F D C A Z X W V G S E S S I K

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
Unlisted clue hint: AFFECTIONATE EMBRACES

Affection, Bond, Care, Devotion, Family, Gratitude, Inspiration, Kisses, Love, Memories, Nurturing, Protector, Provider, Sacrifice, Support

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Weekly SUDOKU

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆
◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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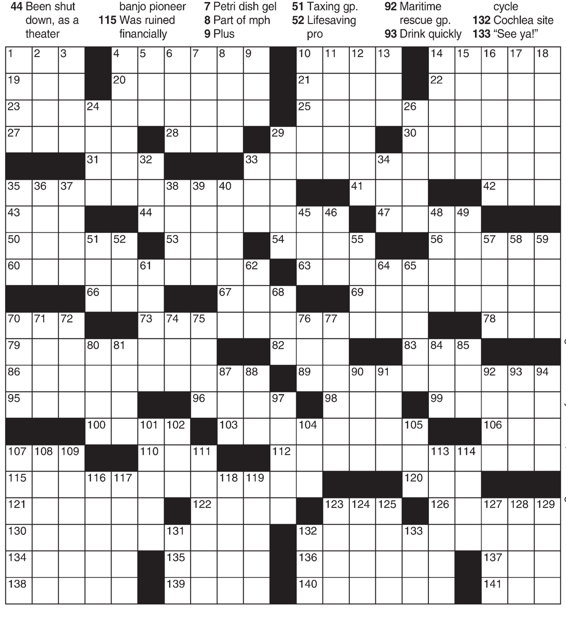
Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. MOVIES: What is the name of the blue diamond necklace in "Titanic"?
2. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president once said, "Speak softly and carry a big stick"?
3. GEOGRAPHY: What is New Zealand's national bird?
4. MATH: How many sides does a tridecagon have?
5. BIBLE: What is the first book in the Bible called?
6. SPACE: How long does it take the International Space Station to orbit the Earth?
7. MYTHOLOGY: Who is the Greek god of the sun?
8. ANATOMY: Where are the carpus and metacarpus located in the human body?
9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the largest hydroelectric power plant in the world?
10. LITERATURE: Who wrote the dystopian novel titled "The Testaments"?

Super Crossword — TRAPPED WATER

ACROSS
1 Spot's foot
4 Motorcycle maker
10 ATM output
14 Baffle
19 Driving hazard
20 Region in Spain
21 Actress Falco
22 Country singer Tucker
23 Kiting, e.g.
25 Is discovered doing a misdeed
27 Roomy auto
28 Bungle
29 Kind of pear
30 U.S. Shakers founder
31 Driving hazard
33 What a cyclist signals with an arm extended straight out
35 Attacked boxer-style
41 Boise is its cap.
42 Canon camera line
43 French assent
44 Been shut down, as a theater
47 Dropped a bit
50 Actor Davis
53 Focal point
54 Pull back (in)
56 Disney lion
60 Insulated drink cup
63 Bovine captured by Hercules
66 Actor Erwin
67 Chou En- —
69 Railroad or bus terminus
70 Clean air org.
73 Loyalty program
78 Duet number
79 Rover's rope
82 Hugs, in texts
83 "Carte" start
86 "Super work!"
89 1985 Kentucky Derby winner
95 Like some questions
96 Bug's feeler
98 "— found it!"
99 Japanese fish dish
100 Door fixture
103 Overindulges
106 Director's cry
107 — Fridays
110 Partakes of
112 Bluegrass banjo pioneer
115 Was ruined financially
120 That woman
121 Copious arrival
122 Talks shrilly
123 Hamm on a soccer field
126 Make — in (do some work on)
130 Not educated by others
132 Downs an omelet, maybe
134 Subway unit
135 Ark builder
136 "Will do, cap'n!"
137 Subway unit
138 Direct at, as a remark
139 Be inactive
140 Frolicked
141 What remains if you remove all the consonants from 13 long answers in this puzzle

DOWN
1 Photos
2 Hanker (for)
3 Yard eyesore
4 "Capeesh?"
5 Whelp's yelp
6 She-horse
7 Petri dish gel
8 Part of mph
9 Plus
10 Implore
11 Latin "that is"
12 Nutlike Chinese fruit
13 The, in Tours
14 Tolerate
15 Tease
16 Detach by dissolving an adhesive
17 Cry to a rescuer
18 Eucharist-holding plates
24 Bistro's kin
26 Gondola path
29 "The View" co-host Joy
32 Comic's joke
33 Certain PC readout
34 Paid spots
35 Horn honk
36 "Be silent!"
37 Escalate
38 Sci-fi writer Frederik
39 "E pluribus —"
40 Cosmic cloud
45 Fun activities, in brief
46 White wine aperitif
48 Lacks being
49 "I call that as mine!"
51 Taxing gp.
52 Lifesaving pro
55 Carter of sitcomdom
57 Mongrel
58 Hard hit
59 Rival of Iams
61 Special glows
62 Needlefish
64 Sorority "T"
65 Just — (equally undesirable)
68 Wedding vow
70 Nervous
71 Sweat source
72 Ripens
74 "C'— la vie"
75 Pummel
76 Distress call
77 Xerox product
80 Gangly
81 Alma mater of Wills
84 "Deck the Halls" syllables
85 — Dhabi
87 "Deck the Halls" syllables
88 Winter illness
90 Dastardly
91 Ensnares
92 Maritime rescue gp.
93 Drink quickly
94 Baby foxes
97 Makes ready, informally
101 Fictional belle Scarlett
102 Disallow
104 Pudgy
105 Educ. inst.
107 Coils
108 Biological subdivisions
109 Like live balls
111 Deity ruling the heavens
113 Brought up
114 Language of Islamabad
116 How clothes are tailored
117 Follower of "You'd think so ..."
118 1986 Indy 500 winner Bobby
119 Pick — pace
123 BLT addition
124 Bit of news
125 "PDQ!"
127 Suffix with exist or differ
128 Final Four gp.
129 By way of, informally
131 Lead-in to cycle
132 Cochlea site
133 "See ya!"



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RIVALS SPORTS INSIDER

Orioles, Twins Both Showcase Explosive Offense, Greene Gifts O's One-Run Win; Past Week of Le Roy Little League Action

By SAMUEL ZERILLO
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It was a high scoring affair when the Le Roy Little League Orioles and Twins met for a Monday afternoon matchup, with the team trading runs until Jackson Greene drove home the go-ahead run to gift the O's a 20-19 win.

There were a number of impressive stat lines in this one, with both sides showcasing great offense throughout.

For the O's, Zach Garner had a highlight play when he smashed an inside the park homerun, finishing 5-for-6 at the plate with two doubles and four RBIs.

Luke Barber Callan went 3-for-4 with a homerun and four RBIs of his own, while Axel Pridmore went 4-for-5 with a triple and another four RBI performance.

Greene ended the day 2-for-5, including his game winning hit that netted him an RBI.

Josh Cruz-Goebel finished the game 2-for-5 with an RBI and two great defensive plays, and Elliot Morrison would go 2-for-4 with four RBIs.

Both Garner and Barber Callan would combine for 10 strikeouts on the mound.

On the Twins side, Jayce Miller and Deacon Wojtaszczyk headlined the offense, with Miller going 3-for-5 with a double, triple and four RBIs, and Wojtaszczyk ending 4-for-5 with 4 RBIs as well.

Bryce Breemes went 3-for-3 at the plate, and also racked up eight strikeouts from the mound.

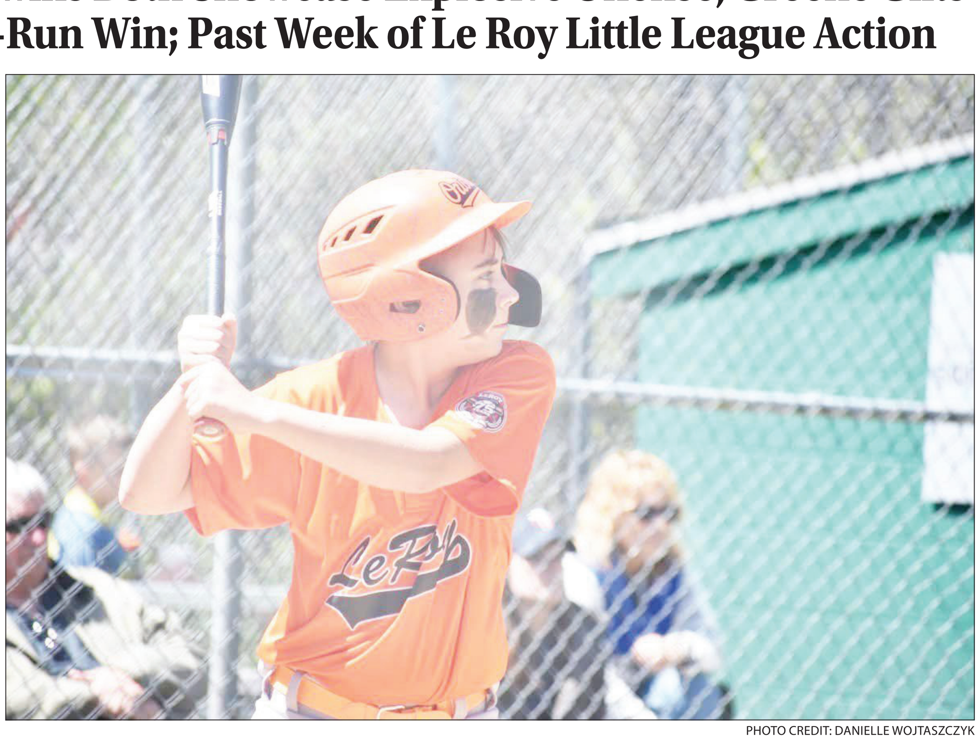

PHOTO CREDIT: DANIELLE WOJTASZCZYK
The Orioles defeated the Twins on Monday afternoon in a high scoring game.

Saturday's results
ORIOLES 27, ATHLETICS 6
Orioles: Logan Garner 2B, 3B, 4 RBI; Luke Barber-Callan 4 H, 2B, 4 RBI; Axel Pridmore 2 H, 4 RBI; Zack Garner 3 H, 2B, 3 RBI; Zack Ryder H, RBI; Donovan Jones RBI; Jackson Green H
Athletics: Cody Holler 2 H, 2B, 2 RBI; Dominic Kent H

WHITE SOX 11, RED SOX 3
White Sox: Aaron Bailey 4 H, 2B; 11 K, 4 H, 3 R; Austin Barnhardt 2 H, RBI; Luke Chappel RBI; Jaiden Biletskiy RBI
Red Sox: Carter Wood H, RBI; Sammy Rapone H, RBI; Brodie Stogsdill H; Nate Perkins H

TIGERS 8, YANKEES 4
Tigers: Trent Alford 2B, 3B, RBI; Pheonix Smith 2 H, 2B; Jax Lathan RBI; Frank Leahy RBI; Grace Biggins RBI; Carter Branton H, R; Greyson Biggins R; Austin Branton R; Tarick Vangalio R
Yankees: Tanner Morgan 2 H, RBI; Seth Przybyl 2B; Xander Parker R; Easton Fox R; Joseph Oliver R; Evan Saeva R; Lincoln Cook H

Sunday's results
YANKEES 8, ORIOLES 6
Yankees: Xander Parker 2 H; P 4 IP, 4 K, 2 H, 6 R; Tanner Morgan H, 3 RBI; Seth Przybyl 2 H
Orioles: Logan Garner H, 3 RBI; 3 IP, 7 K, 3 H, 2 R; Jackson Green H; Zach Ryder H

Tuesday's results
TWINS 8, RED SOX 6
Twins: N/A
Red Sox: Josh Tenney 3B; Carter Wood 3B

WHITE SOX 18, ATHLETICS 2
White Sox: Aaron Bailey 3 H, 4 RBI; Luke Chappel 3 H; Parker Page 3 H
Athletics: Dom Kent RBI; Cody Holler RBI; Amaeus Largeroy 2 H

Le Roy Tennis Sweeps All Sets to Defeat York/Pavilion

By SAMUEL ZERILLO
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YORK — Le Roy tennis had yet another dominant outing on Tuesday in a road matchup versus York/Pavilion, as the team went on to sweep all sets to take a 5-0 win.

In first singles, Jack Currin kicked things off with a 10-4 victory. This was followed by Matt Hockey notching a 10-1 win in second singles, and Dom Miller rounding things out with a 10-2 win in third singles.

In doubles, the Oatkan Knight duo of Dylan Loftus and Andrew Coniglio won first doubles by a score of 10-1, while Deacon Queal and Evan McAllister took second doubles 10-3.

The Oatkan Knights had a number of exhibition wins as well, with Natalie Royse taking fifth singles 6-2, Cam Thomas and Case Geitner coming out on top in third doubles 8-0, and Evan Nickerson and Dom Dieter winning 8-6 in fourth doubles.

Le Roy improves to 6-1 with the victory and will next prepare for the Section V individual championships at Pittsford Sutherland High School, starting 9 a.m. Saturday. York/Pavilion will next travel to face Bath-Haverling, beginning 5 p.m. Friday.

Tuesday's results:
CALEDONIA-MUMFORD 4, HORNELL 0
Cal-Mum (6-3): Austin Chenaille def. Zachary Fanton 6-0, 6-0 first singles; Nolan Comstock def. Rylee Haynes 6-0, 6-2 second singles; Matthew Doll def. Karabelo Thai 6-1, 6-0 third singles; Wesley McNear and Spencer Willgens def. Noah Fanton and Hussain Kazmi 6-1, 6-0 second doubles; Aaron Munnings and Laura Reynolds versus Aiden Miller and Davvyn Thompson 6-2, 3-2 first doubles stopped due to rain
Hornell: N/A

PHOTO CREDIT: TIFFANY KOTA
Le Roy's Jack Currin hits the ball.

Cal-Mum's McArdle Wins LCAA Title, Livonia's McDonnell, Le Roy's Tonzi Place Top 3

By MIKE ROSE
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The best golfers in the Livingston County League gathered to battle it out on Monday, and one golfer stood above the rest: Caledonia-Mumford's Liam McArdle.

McArdle shot an 81 and claimed the league title in 70 degrees and sunny conditions at Livingston Country Club.

Livonia's Tommy McDonnell finished close behind, shooting an 83 for second place. Rounding out the top three was Le Roy's Cole Tonzi, who shot an 88.

McArdle's teammate Christian Backus took fourth place, and Livonia's Max Traugott finished fifth. Rounding out the top 10 were Cal-Mum's Trent Kessler in sixth, Le Roy's Grady Gilligan in seventh, Cal-Mum's Keegan McArdle in eighth, Le Roy's Aidan Weaver in ninth and Cal-Mum's Doug Preston in 10th.

Cal-Mum claimed five of the top 10 slots in the field.

Several of these golfers will be in action on Tuesday in their teams' regularly scheduled matches. Hornell will face Wayland-Cohocton, Mount Morris will take on Keshequa and Cal-Mum in a tri-match, Dansville hosts Avon and Le Roy will take on Geneseo.

PHOTO PROVIDED: BRIAN STOUT
The top 10 golfers at the Livingston County League Championships on Monday. (l-r): Cal-Mum's Liam McArdle, Livonia's Tommy McDonnell, Le Roy's Cole Tonzi, Cal-Mum's Christian Backus, Livonia's Max Traugott, Cal-Mum's Trent Kessler Le Roy's Grady Gilligan Cal-Mum's Keegan McArdle Le Roy's Aidan Weaver, Cal-Mum's Doug Preston.

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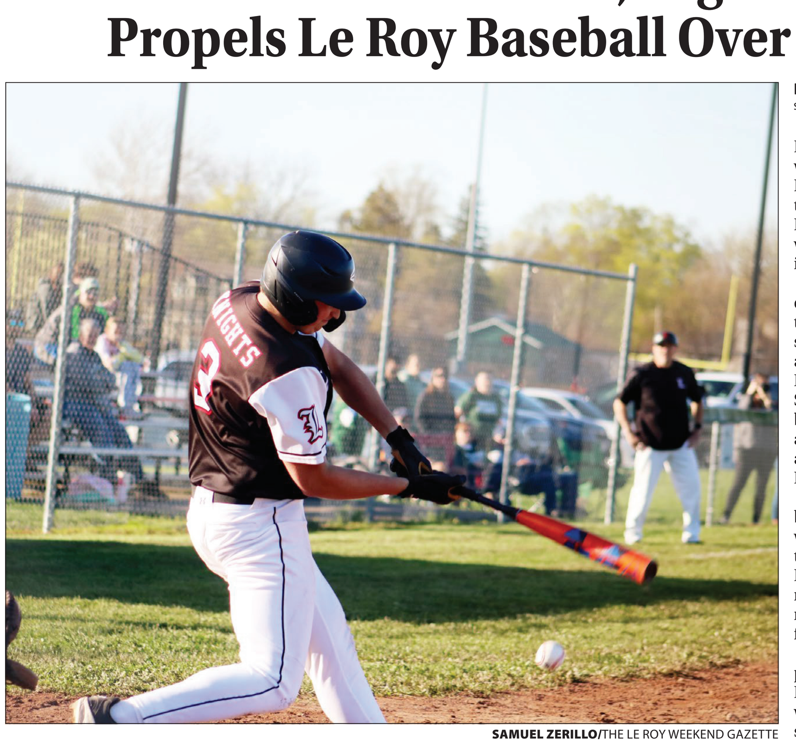
Greene Blasts Grand Slam, High-Powered Offense Propels Le Roy Baseball Over Letchworth



SAMUEL ZERILLO/THE LE ROY WEEKEND GAZETTE
Le Roy's Simon Greene swings into the ball.

By SAMUEL ZERILLO
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The full force of Le Roy baseball's offense was on display against Letchworth Tuesday afternoon, as the Oatkan Knights notched a 15-1 win over the Legends on its home field.

Despite the lopsided final score, it was actually Letchworth that struck first in this one, as a sequence that included Bryce Roche and Logan Schreoder each taking base after recording hits, and Logan Gath notching an RBI single, gave the Legends a quick 1-0 lead.

This would turn out to be the last time Letchworth would score, though, and the Oatkan Knights would go on to ring up 15 unanswered runs to end the game in five innings.

Highlighting the top performances from Le Roy during the outing was Simon Greene, who smashed a grand slam to dead center and finished the game with six total RBIs.

Greene also earned the win on the mound, pitching three innings while only giving up two hits and one earned run.

Also having big games for the Oatkan Knights were Jagger Smith with three hits and four runs scored, and Brady McClurg with three hits, three runs scored and two RBIs.

Jude Christ, Cam Wilson, Brayden Chase and Kade Olivani all hit singles for Le Roy.

Le Roy moved to 8-2 after the win, while Letchworth slid to 1-8.

Tuesday's results:
CALEDONIA-MUMFORD 8, KESHEQUA 4
Cal-Mum (6-7): Landon Sheehan 2 H, R, 3 RBI; Dillon Alcott 2 H, R, SB; Zach Boop H, R, RBI; Carter Wiley H, RBI; Tyler Potter H, R; 6 IP, 5 H, 2 R; Frankie Pabis H, R
Keshequa (5-5): No stats submitted.

Le Roy

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ily. My cousins and I, it's one sport we all played growing up, and just to know I'm on the same field that my grandpa coached on, and my dad played on, it just means a lot to me, and both my boys really appreciate that fact too," Rapone said.

"That's just another layer of how important the league is to our family, and I think lots of kids and families like the fact that this is the same field they played on when they were kids, and their uncles and aunts and dads and moms all played in the same spot. And I think for Le Roy, it's a tradition that, it's lasted generations. There's not many other organizations that can say they've gone 75 seasons in a small town in the same spot."

Joe Rapone and the Le Roy Little League board dedicated this 75th season to all the former players, coaches, parents and volunteers that helped make the league what it is today.

"There's so many other people that are part of that type of story that just transpired from 1952, when we had our very first season, to have our 75th season this year. And it's a testament to our community for that. These people want to volunteer year in and year out and keep something like this going," Rapone said.

Pangrazio shared a similar sentiment.

"The whole secret is the parents that take the time like I did to get involved. You have a great family tree of parents that care about it. And that's what's helped Little League be here for 75 years. You couldn't, you can't do it without the volunteers that put the time and effort in to make it as prosperous as it is," Pangrazio said.

Some other awards and recognitions were given out as well during this opening ceremony, with last year's champions, the Tigers, getting a moment back in the spotlight, and two players, Molly McNamara and Joey Wujcik, being awarded Most Improved Player and Spirit of Little League respectively.

Some additions for the 75th year were unveiled as well, including special patches that have been sewn onto each player's jersey.

Rapone hopes that with the 75th anniversary season and beyond, the Le Roy community will continue to uphold and grow Little League for many more generations to come.

"When lots of smaller communities around us have kind of left Little League and done their own thing, we've stayed true to the Little League values, and that's what we keep building on," Rapone said.

PHOTO PROVIDED: JOE RAPONE
Last year's Le Roy Little League champions re-united during the opening ceremony.

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The Le Roy Little League Twins during the opening parade.

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Le Roy Softball's Bryar Biracree Notches 300th Career Strikeout

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Le Roy softball pitcher Bryar Biracree recorded her 300th career strikeout on Saturday in a game against Mercy, during their Strike Out ALS game.