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Saturday, October 11th, 2025 / FREE www.thedailynewsonline.com/leroyweekendgazette The Le Roy Joy Project Prepares for Year Two

new center piece for the

event space, a multi-tiered

Christmas tree which will

feature a new model train

There is also a brand-

new stage that was built for

smaller Christmas themed

"I can tell you right now

tier of the tree.

By SAMUEL ZERILLO Associate Editor for The Le Roy Weekend Gazette The Le Roy Joy Project is preparing for its second year in operation, and is announcing multiple new additions and programs for the upcoming Christmas season. The Joy Project, created by Jim DeLooze, is a collection of dioramas, displays, and activities that are meant to mirror the magic

first time, and featured

of "The Cinnamon Bear"

meant to mirror depart-

Christmas themed photos.

by the Bloomfield Rotary the lead, so he rewrote 'A

Marks Episcopal Church in female lead."

Le Roy (the home of The Joy

Players and hosted by St. Christmas Carol' to have a

Project), is meant to bring aiming to raise money for

a unique spin on a classic two local Le Roy organiza-

Christmas story, "A Christ-tions, The Joy Project and

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The radio show will be

Le Roy Rotary. DeLooze

and fun that used to be at Sibley's Toyland in Rochester during the Christmas Last year, the project opened its doors for the

SAMUEL ZERILLO/THE LE ROY WEEKEND GAZETTE The Joy Project founder Jim DeLooze with wife Leslie DeLooze (right) and Kathleen Ruhland (left) standing they are setting up for this year.

in front of the brand-new centerpiece Christmas tree "Not every Scrooge is said that all money raised things such as a diorama male" is the theme of the will be split between the this year and will feature performance, and will two. The show will be tak-performances. radio show from 1937, a big feature a story about a femodel train village, a recre- male version of Ebenezer ing place on December ation of the enchanted tun- Scrooge based on the 13th at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. nel from Sibley's, displays Charles Dickens classic. "The show is going to be bought at the church, ment store windows, and be extremely exciting, I've Tompkins Community people can sit down and an area for families to take heard that the cast when Bank in Le Roy, and onthey went through the first line at https://leroyrotary/ have different people from Now coming into year rehearsal absolutely loved two, DeLooze was excited it," The Joy Project founder they have prepped for this live radio show.

what we are hoping to do, at St. Mark's. Tickets can is we will have old time Christmas radio shows that listen to, and we're going to "The director, he told me The first of these was to that every Christmas show announce this year's live that they've ever done or radio show fundraiser, a that he's ever seen is a male show titled "Her Christmas lead, and he said it was Carol." The show, being put time for a female to have

around the community The Joy Project is also reading children's stories," both the "Her Christmas plans for the new stage. **FALL CLEAN OUT** We Clean Out: Basements, Attics, Sheds, Houses, Garages, Barns, Estates, Hoarders also Tree Services We Tear Down: Garages, Fences, Sheds, Pools, Decks & More! (585) 719-8004

Carol" live radio show and The Joy Project also mas tree, anything that re-The Joy Project itself, and hopes to start collecting ally stood out to them as a if a local business is inter- and recording people dis- Christmas memory." ested in paying for a spon-cussing their personal sorship, they can contact Christmas memories, and Joan Ellison at jgellison80@ playing these recordings on excited to share all the new a television above the stage Along with the an- area. nouncement for this year's "We are trying to get the older generation, we want live radio show, The Joy Project was also happy to them to go on camera and share new additions to the tell us about their childhood Christmas memo-

about getting their Christ- day before Christmas.

DeLooze and the entire team at The Joy Project are additions and look forward to another successful year Opening weekend for The Joy Project this year is the first Saturday after Thanksgiving, November One such addition is a ries," DeLooze said. 29th. The event space will "Whether they had difthen be open from 10 a.m. ferent Christmas traditions, — 4 p.m. every Saturday maybe a special present they got for Christmas, speared and 12 p.m. - 4 p.m. every village that will go up each cial visitors, how they came Sunday until the last Sun-

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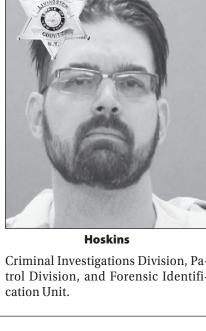
Saturday Vigil 5:00pm

Le Roy Man Accused of Avon Theft Police say Hoskins stole from a vehicle

Hoskins, after his arrest, was trans-AVON — A Le Roy man was ported to Livingston County Jail charged with a felony following an where he was turned over to Central

investigation into a reported larceny Booking Deputies for processing and in the town, reports the Livingston pre-arraignment detention. Jeremy Hoskins, 43, of Le Roy, ingston County Centralized Arraignwas arrested Oct. 1 in Lancaster by ment Part at Livingston County Jail Livingston County Sheriff's Inves- before Town of Nunda Justice David tigators James Merrick and Michael Wade, and charged with third-degree his own recognizance as the offense grand larceny, a class D felony, and did not qualify for bail under the state issuing a false financial statement. Bail Reform Act. The charges stem from an investigation that began Sept. 16 when fender's Office represented Hoskins Sheriff's Deputies responded to a as his arraignment. The Livingston business on Avon-East Avon Road in District Attorney's Office also apthe town of Avon for the report of a peared at the arraignment.

J. Morris who released Hoskins on Handling the investigation for the trol Division, and Forensic Identifilarceny that had occurred in a motor Sheriff's Office were members of the cation Unit. Hawley Sets Town Halls for Saturday BATAVIA — Assembly- "Speaking directly with 10:45 a.m. at the Genesee



The Livingston County Public De-

vehicle, the Sheriff's Office said.

man Steve Hawley will host my constituents is one of Country Village & Musethree town hall events on the most important parts of um in the Meeting Center Hawley will meet with said in the release. "I hope Rd. constituents and discuss people show up to share ■ Le Roy — 11 to the issues that matter to their thoughts and opin- 11:45 a.m. at Woodward them the most, his office ions on how we can make Memorial Library on 7 Wolsaid in a news release. The New York a better place to cott St. community the oppor- live, work and raise a famtunity to let their voices ily." be heard and share their thoughts and concerns clude: ■ Mumford — 10 to St. about New York state.

my job," Hawley, R-Batavia, Lounge on 1410 Flint Hill ■ Batavia — Noon to 12:45 p.m. at in the second The town halls will in- floor council room at Batavia City Centre on 102 Main



Emily McNamara Announces Candidacy for Le Roy Town Justice feel in this new role, though vou a little bit about my ca- and managing registered it may present itself differ- reer and the experiences sex offenders, the increase

I am very eager to share ently, I will continue to be I have had that I think will in mental health related issome news with you: af- able to know and see the greatly assist me in the role sues, and the importance ter more than twenty-one needs and I will continue of Town Justice. Over the of accountability in every years with the Le Roy Police to have the means, tools, past two decades with the aspect of Law Enforcement. Department I will be retirated and resources to assist with Le Roy Police Department ing in February and hop- whatever the needs may be. I have taken on many re- just about punishment, ing to continue my service This role also interests me sponsibilities, roles, and it's about fairness, safety, to our community in a new because strongly believe titles. For the first sever- and upholding the values with the ongoing challenges faced by the judicial

I am proud and excited fair and treats all individ- assigned to the Genesee As your Town Justice I will to officially announce my uals with dignity. At the County Drug Task Force, I bring the lessons I have candidacy for Le Roy Town very beginning of my Law served as the department's learned throughout my ca-Why am I running? I have dad gave me some advice, source Officer, I managed carefully, treat everyone asked myself this question he told me, "treat every- cases involving registered how I would want my famseveral times, especially one like you would want yourself or your family to be treated if they found system in this state. I have themselves in that situacome to the conclusion tion". That advice has stuck that there are several rea- with me for the duration of sons why I want to run and my career and something I why I hope to be the next Le believe I have successfully Roy Town Justice. To start, done (with the exception of the part of my career I have a few individuals that realenjoyed the very most is ly tested my patience, I am getting to truly know the only human). I believe this members of the community advice also applies to the and being able to build a re-role of Town Justice and I port with them (that is the look forward to having the wonderful part of working opportunity to implement in a smaller, very close-knit it in the court room. Lastly, community). In doing that over the past twenty-one you get a chance to know years I have gained many the real needs of the com-skills and perspective that I munity members and then feel has uniquely prepared have a unique opportuni- me to serve our community ty to really and truly help in this new role which only

and assist them. I have en- furthers my interest in the joyed being able to do this position. throughout my career and Have a news item you'd like to see featured in the LWG? Email it to szerillo@batavianews.com

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in a justice system that is al years of my career I was we share as a community. Enforcement career, my Domestic Violence Re- reer with me, I will listen school safety meetings, I consistently was responsible for over-

tions to Sergeant and later endorsements from both to Detective, roles that gave the Republican and Conme the opportunity to lead servative Committees. I apand serve in even greater preciate you taking the time I have seen first hand and what I would bring to the challenges we face, the role of Le Roy Town Jusdrug-related crime, do-tice, and I would be grateful mestic violence, the re- to have your vote on Elecsponsibility of monitoring tion Day. GO BILLS!

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YouTube Livestream: youtube.com/@ourladyofmercyLe Roy1890/streams St. Mark's Episcopal Church 1 E. Main St., Le Roy (585) 768-7200 www.stmarksLeRoy.org Facebook: stmarksLe Roy Worship on Sundays at 10:30 am Coffee hour following Sunday school for children & adults First Sunday of the month at 9:30 am All are welcome here! to read a little bit about me





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LE ROY SPORTS INSIDER **Knights Show Heart Across All Levels**

in Weekend Matchups vs. Attica **By KYLE GOODENOUGH** along the way. Later, he made a spectacular chase-It was a full weekend down tackle nearly 40 yards

against Attica. From gritty Knights football. Attica in 20-19 Nail-Biter Knights battled through a to earn a gritty 20–19 victory halftime to stop a potential

of football for the Le Roy downfield to prevent what Knights youth teams, as all looked like a sure touchthree levels took the field down. On offense, touchdowns goal-line stands to power- from Rhett Lehman, Harful ground attacks and an lan DeJesus, and Ezra Parovertime thriller, each squad menter provided the spark, showcased the determina- while the defense locked tion and pride that define in when it mattered most. It was a hard-fought battle that showcased the Knights' toughness, teamwork, and The Le Roy Beginner never-quitattitude. **Mini Knights Dominate** back-and-forth showdown in 27-0 Shutout The Le Roy Mini Knights delivered a commanding Harlan DeJesus came up 27-0 victory over Attica, conhuge on defense, making trolling the game from start a pair of game-changing to finish with a relentless tackles — one just before ground attack and a swarm-Le Roy's defense was fast score, and another at the and physical, led by linegoal line with only 12 secbackers Zac Lawrence, Max onds left to seal the win. Auggie McGinnis elec- Gavin, Aiden Costa, Grayson trified the crowd with a Nichols, Jax Lathan, and 100-yard return off an inter- Phoenix Smith. Down low, cepted extra-point attempt, linemen Dylan Vogt and Ira breaking multiple tackles Canfield were standouts,







Aiden Stenglein, Beau Davis, Reed, Gavin, and Lawrence. ta spread the ball around to a deep backfield. Biggins converted two extra points, while Reed added a third.

Tenney for a score, tying the Quarterback Aiden Cos- game 6-6 heading into the fourth quarter. Neither side could break found the end zone twice, through before regulation Gavin added another score, ended, forcing overtime. On and Reed punched in a their first possession, Tarick fourth touchdown. Nichols Vangalio found Przybyl in the end zone for a go-ahead touchdown, but the ex-Late in the game, Lawrence tra-point attempt came up and Colton Green helped short, giving Le Roy a 12-6 grind out the clock with lead. Attica answered with a strong runs to finish off the touchdown and converted their extra point to edge out Despite the tough loss, the

finish. The Mini Knights host JV Knights showed tremendous grit and competitiveness. They'll look to bounce back as they close out the regular season next week

versus Hornell, Livonia LE ROY — Carter Wiley a strike from Harrison Porter as a strong defensive effort scored goals in each half and that gave the Rivals a 2-0 half- limited the Rebels' scoring

the Cuba-Rushford/Hinsdale with goalkeeper Domanic scoring opponents 34 to 12. Rebels 5-0 in a boys' JV soccer Dieter getting an assist. Dieter, after making a save, made ford/Hinsdale goalkeeper, game at Hartwood Park. The win extended the Ri- a long punt that took a high made a number of difficult vals unbeaten streak to eight bounce on the hard field over saves while facing relentless games and improved their the heads of several players. Le pressure from the Le Roy/Calrecord to 8-1-1 with rematch- Roy/Cal-Mum's Ryker Sher-

ening half, taking a pass feet and score on a solid shot from Liam McCardle in the across the goal. avoid pressure from charging thew Doll. Cuba-Rushford/Hinsdale goalkeeper Conner Campbell out the scoring. Ian Ludwig and placed the ball through had the assist.

pair of assists as the Le Roy/

directed it with his head to an Matthew McClellan closed Caledonia. home games in Caledonia on Le Roy/Cal-Mum's Harrison Porter follows through on a goal-scoring shot during

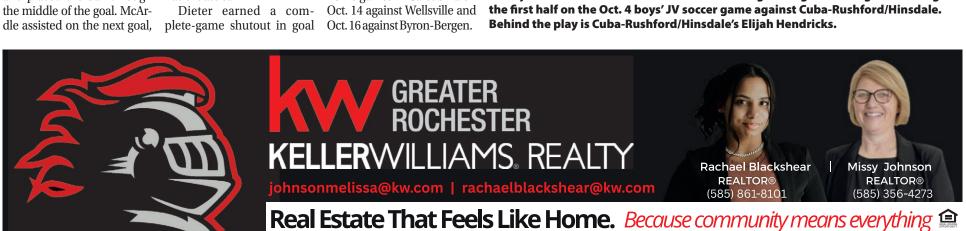
Cal-Mum Rivals powered past scoring in the second half, games this season, while out-Campbell, the Cuba-Rush-The non-league game Wiley opened the scoring open space where he was able came ahead of key rematches about 10 minutes into the to take possession with his against Rivals' rivals Hornell Le Roy/Cal-Mum was set middle of the penalty area. Wiley scored his second to travel to Hornell on Oct. 7 Wiley took a step to the side to goal on an assist from Mat- and host Livonia on Oct. 9 at Hamilton Sports Complex in The season concludes with

The Rivals continued the record six shutouts in its 10



It was a complete team the 13-12 victory. performance from start to Holley this Saturday, October 11, at Hartwood Park. JV Knights Fall in Overtime Thriller, 13-12

a sack, and a fumble recovery, and Dillon Alcott with five tackles and one for a loss, all played well for their team.





A2 Saturday, October 11, 2025

Le Roy's **Tree Stories**

By LYNNE BELLUSCIO in. The stumps remained of a huge white oak tree in The Le Roy Weekend Gazette in the ground because they what is now Geneseo. The When anyone mentions historic trees in Le Roy, ily, and for years the pio- until 1857 when it toppled usually the old Library Tree neers had to plow around over in a flood. The trunk is which people remember. the tree stumps. It was like of the tree was displayed The huge Copper Beech watching "ships navigating outdoors at the Livingston Store. When the Dutch Elm north of Fort Hill, there was which matures to a bright stood between the Wood- the coral reefs." Some logs County Museum in Genward Memorial Library were split into long wood- eseo. A few years ago, the and the Wolcott Street en rails for rail fences. The tree was moved inside the School. For years, people job of the municipal "fence museum and now is part of had carved their initials viewer" was very import- an exhibit about the treaty paper carried a cartoon it was a good sized tree. It in the bark. Students had ant, making sure that fenc- and the Genesee Valley. their pictures taken sitting es were maintained at a A visible remanent of Le

in the tree and it was a sad certain height to keep live- Roy's early pioneer days day when is succumbed stock within their bound- was a small log cabin on to a fungus disease. It was aries. When the trees were East Main Road. It was built transplanted in 1930 by felled, the treetops and in 1815 by Gilbert Hall. A the Woodward family and branches were piled up succession of families lived when it was cut down in and the buds and the leaves in the cabin and additions 2019 it was probably 100 provided food for the an- were added in later years. vears old. Sections of the imals. It was said that the It was condemned in 2005. tree were saved and Allen first crop of the pioneer was It was scheduled for dem-Guilford built a bench from black salts (also called pot-olition in 2009, but before the planks and the bench ash). The pioneers would it was to be razed, Carol is to the left of the fireplace pile the branches together Griggs a dendrologist from on the main floor. of the li- and burn them. The ash- Cornell University came es were collected and put to Le Roy and took borings

Trees have played an into a wooden hopper or from the logs. Her report important part in Le Roy's a barrel with a sieve in the showed that the roof plate history. When the early set-bottom. Water was poured tlers arrived in this region, through the ashes which they began felling trees produced caustic lye water. dent that the logs had been to clear the land. Some of The lye was then put into felled in the late spring the logs were hewn into huge potash kettles and the beams to build their log water was boiled off leaving which verified the histocabins. There is one inter- a deposit of potash. Potash esting story about a man was sold and used for ferwho lived in a hollow tree tilizer or it could be further

while he was clearing his refined at an ashery and II EMPIRE Nancy M. Crocker ell: (585) 314-7982 • crocker@rochester.rr.com 7133 W. Main Road, LeRoy, NY 14482



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Mark's, to share special

thoughts on Le Roy's

Backpack Program.

Jim is an enthusiastic

advocate of the Back-

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leavening agent in baking, in soap, glass making and for dying fabrics as well as making saltpeter for gunpowder. Maple trees were tapped in the early spring to provide sweet sap that was boiled down into maple sugar. Much later, many people used maple sugar as a protest against slavery because white sugar was made from cane sugar which was made by slave In 1797, the same year that Le Roy was settled, the "Treaty of the Big Tree" was signed between the Seneca Nation and the United States. The Seneca relinquished their rights PROVIDED BY LYNNE BELLUSCIC to nearly 3.5 million acres So he Village installed Supposedly, the tree was nist and nurseryman John west of the Genesee River. stone hitching posts in transplanted from the Bet- Bartram, Jr. In 1810. Jeffer-The treaty was signed un-

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made into pearl ash. This

chemical was used as a

der the sprawling branches

was maple and all the logs

were elm. She was confi-

and early summer of 1815

ry of the building and dis-

the cabin had been

standing during the War of

1812. Small sections of the

logs are preserved at the Le

Alfred Bartow planted a

double row of maple trees

along East Main Street

about 1860. The trees were

planted relatively close to-

gether because it was con-

sidered good practice just

in case some of the trees

died. In 1976, when New

York State rebuilt Route 5

through the Village, much

to the consternation of

many people in Le Roy,

one row of the trees was

cut down. Today, the re-

maining row of maples

have been trimmed to ac-

commodate telephone and

In 1870, James Ballard

transplanted elm trees

from North Woods to plac-

es along Main Street. To

protect the trees on Main

Street, the Village passed

an ordinance that prohib-

ited horses from being tied

to trees because the horses

ate the bark and killed the

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pelled the rumor that

many places and several sey Woodward gravel pit on son noted Cucumber tree remain in front of Le Roy East Main Street in 1837. seeds among the plantings House. Two elm trees stood Eventually Dutch elm dis- at Monticello's nursery. It could not be removed eas- tree remained standing near the Creekside Inn and ease infected the tree and it is the hardiest of the North there was one near the cor- was cut down in 1960. ner of Bank Street, near North of the village, on nolias. It is named for its green cucumber-like fruit

what was Willard's Grocery Lake Road about a mile Disease began destroying an "ancient oak tree" that the trees there was a lot of grew on the Kelsey farmdiscussion about cutting stead. In 1806, when Marthe trees down. The news- tin Kelsey came to the area, about the tree in front of survived until 1958 when Willard's store. The cartoon Route 19 was widened.

pink in the fall. The cu-

cumber magnolia has been

planted at many significant

locations such as the Bilt-

more Estate in Ashland,

the Frederick Law Olmsted

National Historic Site, and

the Violet Bank Museum

in Virginia. There are other

Cucumber Magnolias in Le

Roy. One stands at the cor-

ner of Church Street at the

edge of the St. Mark's park-

ing lot. Although Le Roy is

described as a quaint town

with tree-lined streets,

many of the trees no longer

standing. Trees along Lake

Street and Clay Street were

cut down in 1966, when the

State widened the highway.

A large grove of maple trees

stood out on West Main

Street around the old Grove

Motel. Those trees were re-

moved when construction

began for Dunkin' Donuts.

And the recent disease that

has killed hundreds of ash

trees has changed the land-

Trigon Park has some in-

teresting trees. The oldest

tree in the park is the huge

and is also called a larch

Trees affect our lives in

many ways. If you mention

poem. Others remember

storms or windstorms

Some remember sitting

the summer. There initials

carved in the bark of trees,

and what is a camping trip

without a campfire, or a

fireplace in winter without

a warm fire. And in the fall,

the golden colors of the

trees are part of our mem-

ory — — raking and jump-

ing into the huge heaps of

ents, local businesses, and more

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scape again.

was drawn by Mr. O'Mealia, According to a newspaper who is shown holding the article, an oil painting of shovel. The man in the the tree was given to Mr. Speiller junk wagon was and Mrs. Ralph Kelsey as Dr. Burton Speiller's father. a wedding present by Mr. Mr. Brust is on the left in Kelsey's aunt who lived the plaid suit. Behind him, in Michigan. The whereholding the stop, look and abouts of the painting is listen sign is Mr. McCulley. unknown. Captain John Mr. Murphy says," It throws Lent planted many trees more of a shadow than me." around his house on West Mr. Daggs in his baseball Main Street and some of uniform stands behind Mr. those trees may still be Willard with his apron on. standing. Frank Foreman

There were also huge elm attended the Centennial in Philadelphia in 1876 and trees around the Presbyterian Church on the corner returned home with severof Clay Street. They were al saplings which he plantplanted by Samuel Gil- ed in front of his house at lette. He owned 90 acres 28 West Main Street. of land in Stafford and in There are other trees 1848, established the first that are part of Le Roy's tree nursery in the area. history. Students of the In-His nursery also supplied gham University classes apple trees to the Johnson of 1878 and 1879 planted Farm and pear trees to the trees near the Art Conser-Hazelton Farm. Another vatory. Hattie Annin Baker, huge elm tree stood in the who was a member of the park on Summit Street. class of 1879, wrote about Sycamore tree. These trees George Platt who was an the trees. She remembered were often hollow and the

early settler in Le Roy re- that the class planted their settlers would cut them he was about 10 his father Two feet east from the base for barrels. There were sevpurchased property in the of the tree, they buried a tin eral large Sycamore trees area and they cleared the box with a potato and some on Mill Street. The park land but spared the young papers. (No one explained has locust trees which were elm tree and trimmed why there was a potato in often used to make fence around it. Platt explained the box.) According to Hat-posts because they do rot in that the center stalk of the tie, when these trees were the ground. There is a tamtree was trimmed out sev- planted, they were the only arack tree in the park. It is eral times which allowed trees on the Ingham cam- a conifer tree with needles the tree to branch out. The pus. branches spread some 175 There are some trees tree. It is the only pine tree feet across and the circum- that have survived disease that loses its needles in the ference of the trunk at the and construction. A huge winter.

ground was 24 feet. There oak tree stands on the edge was a story that deer had of the St. Mark's Cemeeaten part of the tree and tery on Church Street. It is trees, some remember the caused the huge hole in possible that it was plantthe center and it was the ed when the old St Mark's trees coming down in ice absence of the "heart" that Church was built in the caused it to grow so large. 1820s. In Machpelah Cem-It was one of the largest elmetery, is a record breaking trees in the state. The tree Cucumber Magnolia. It is became a tourist attrac- within inches of the New tion and post cards of the York State record. It stands tree were sold. A current in one of the oldest secbush grew from the crotch tions of the cemetery. The of the tree and residents history of these native trees nearby picked currents for is interesting. One was disjam and jelly. The bush was covered in 1736 by Virginia

removed when the health botanist, John Clayton, and of the old tree was threat- was recorded by Thomas ened. However, there is Jefferson in his 1781 jour-Vote for

another story about the nal. Jefferson requested elm tree on Summit Street. plants in 1786 from bota-**Laurie Mancuso Genesee County** Legislator Tuesday, November 4th **Bringing Business and Industry Leadership** to the County Legislature for LeRoy, District 5 My role in the County Legislature will be to serve my constituents and the residents of Genesee County.

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collection of quilts and pack Club, which has Ticket locations listed coverlets and admire been providing weekonline at end food for children the artistic abilities of https://leroyrotary. local quilters who have in need for about 20 seatyourself.biz shared their work for years. We'll be collect-St. Mark's this exhibit. ing food that day for **Episcopal Church** \$5 suggested donation. the club (single serve 1 E. Main St., Le Roy bigspringsmuseum. items, easy-to-make foods are appreciated!) **ONGOING:** More information at (585)538-9811

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People are welcome Sunday, to come (in pairs or groups) anytime November 2 during our business 12 - 4pm hours (1-7pm) and "The Vale of Elms" play free play. Sign up The public is welcome for the event through to come view the newly the WPN event link conserved 1872 Lewebsite. People are muel Maynard Wiles welcome to do this painting, "The Vale of any day (Mon-Sun) the Elms" between 1-7pm. D&D, This will be the first Pokémon, YuGiOh,

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Memorial Donation Presented at Le Roy Girls

Soccer Game in Honor of Burnie F. Spink Before Wednesday night's Le plays for Le Roy varsity girls soccer Roy girls soccer match versus War- and presented the checks to Offisaw, the Spink/Chase family made cers from Warsaw Sports Boosters generous memorial donations to and Le Roy Sports Boosters. Appro-

saw Sports Boosters. Burnie F. Spink passed away in First Annual Burnie Spink Memorial Golf Tournament last month. the sidelines of his children's and dren. grandchildren's sporting events. In the words of Burnie's daughand Le Roy Sports Boosters."

wholeheartedly thank the Spink "Since my father lived in War- ous donations, and will be working saw his entire life and was an avid with Le Roy Athletic Director Ja-



CALEDONIA — The Le Roy girls out victorious against Hornell, winvolleyball team traveled for a road ning 3-0. Set scores were 25-20, 25matchup against rival Cal-Mum on 16, and 25-24. Monday, coming away with a 3-0 Leading the way for Le Roy was victory on the road. Scores from Evy Kanaley with 24 assists, Chloe each set were 25-17, 25-14, and 25- Moran with 11 service points, 7 kills, and 13 digs, Kylie Wilson with 17 Leaders for the Knights included digs, Suri Woods with 8 blocks, and Evy Kanaley with 27 assists, Chloe Shea Williams 8 service points, 6

4 kills, and 13 digs, Kylie Wilson with For Cal-Mum, top performers 7 kills. included Shea Drazkowski with 10 with 10 assists and 5 digs.

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for 36 yards and a touchdown.

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CALEDONIA — The Le Roy/Cal-Mum

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Rivals hosted their homecoming game this past Friday against the Alexander/ Pembroke Defenders. Despite playing hard throughout, the Rivals fell to the Defenders by a score of 40-27. For Le Roy/Cal-Mum, the offense was again led by quarterback Brady McClurg, who went 13 of 15 on pass attempts with

receptions for 43 yards and a touchdown, and Connor Elmore with four receptions On defense for the Rivals, Joey Reschke with 11 tackles and five for loss, Cameron Riggi with eight tackles, a sack, and an interception, Thomas Crissy with six tackles, rushing for 60 yards on 11 carries and scoring two rushing touchdowns.





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call Shirley at (585) 330-0466 play at least one round **Our Lady of Mercy** House is scheduled to be open until Novem-**Parish** 44 Lake St., Le Roy teers available during Sunday, Oct 19 10:30 am **Special Guest** Jim Thompson We welcome Jim Thompson ("Mr. T"),

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sports fan and supporter mainly for mie Clark on a future purchase in his grandchildren in Le Roy, Derek Burnie's honor. His memorial doand I decided to split and donate nation will be used to benefit sports the proceeds back to the Warsaw programs at Le Roy HS, and our Le Roy Girls Volleyball Continues Winning Ways

Moran with 13 service points, 5 aces, aces, 13 kills, and 7 digs. 10 service points, and 8 digs, and cluded Trinity Ormisby with 19 digs, Shea Williams with 20 kills, and 8 Lila Dyring with 17 assists, 22 digs, digs and 10 kills, and Olivia Amorese moved to 15-1 after the victory The Knights moved to 14-1 after next matchup against Avon at home

155 yards and three passing touchdowns. Rushing leaders for the Rivals were Donovan Gaillard with 43 yards and a touchdown on one attempt, and Cameron Riggi with 13 yards on seven carries. Receiving leaders included Donovan Gaillard with five receptions for 61 yards and a touchdown, Dillon Alcott with two

return touchdown during the first half. game with 21 carries for 110 yards and two The Le Roy/Cal-Mum Rivals now TDs. Brett Maloney also had a big game drop to 3-2 after the loss, and will look to

PHOTO CREDIT: MELISSA BROOKS Alexander/Pembroke quarterback Bro-Top performers on defense for the Deracking up 101 yards rushing on nine carbounce back in their next game on the ries and also getting a rushing touchdown. road against Wellsville/GV-B (4-1), start-Maloney also scored on a 79-yard punt ing at 7 p.m. this Friday.

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starred Mayim Bialik before she got Where did the Minoan civilization Shakespeare's plays does the character 10. ANIMAL KINGDOM: In which

Le Roy Sports Boosters and War- priately, Le Roy was playing Warsaw in the game. Grandson Brayden Chase cur-October of 2023. His family held the rently plays on the Rivals Boys Soccer team. Knights Alumni Drew Spink, Madison Spink and Landen Burnie was always a fixture on Saeva are also Burnie's grandchil-The Le Roy Sports Boosters

For Hornell, top performers inand 3 aces, and Jordyn Dyring with The Le Roy girls volleyball team against Hornell, and will play their starting at 6:30 p.m. next Tuesday.

Rivals QB Brady McClurg drops back to dy Heckman also contributed to the big rushing night for the Defenders offence, fenders included Duke Snyder with six For the Defenders, the running game tackles, Jacob Johnson with six tackles, was a big factor, as two running backs ran Sean Pietrzykowski with a fumble recovfor over 100 yards. Ryder Reichert had a big ery, and Reichert with an interception.

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