The Leroy Weekend Gazette
Your hometown guide to news, events, local businesses, and more!
Volume 2, No. 36 | www.thedailywaterloo.com/leroyweekendgazette | Saturday, July 4th, 2026 | FREE

Wednesday 82°/68°
Thursday 84°/65°
Friday 85°/68°
Saturday 80°/65°
Sunday 80°/65°
Monday 80°/65°
Tuesday 80°/65°

Inside this week:

College Bound
LeRoy Grayson, Kaczanowski, Currin, Moran, Wojtaszczyk commit to play sports at collegiate level
Page 16

LEROY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

'Create A Life That Makes You Proud, A Life That Makes You Happy'

Le Roy High School graduates 2026 class during Saturday ceremony

By Samuel Zerillo
szerillo@batavianews.com

CALEDONIA — Faculty, administrators, students, parents, siblings, friends, neighbors, servicemembers, lawyers and graduates of all athletes have emerged from Le Roy.

Saturday morning, Le Roy High School held its ceremony for the graduating class of 2026 with students seated in the gym, covered their diplomas and wore one of its purpose their next chapter in life.

Things are kicked off with each graduating student walking through high school activities one by one, and after everyone made their way to the stage, senior Skylar Nole sang the national anthem.

Interim High School Principal Thomas Kopp gave the opening remarks, followed by the Le Roy Board of Education President Jeffrey Ward.

Whiting spent her time at the podium congratulating the senior class, while also reminding them of the journey to all of the hardships they have faced and overcome to the graduating student's success over the past four years.

"I hope everyone appreciates how blessed we are to have this class, who is working in our district. Their hard work and efforts have paid dividends in ensuring your children's and your students well-being and success," Whiting said.

She challenged the graduating class to keep the momentum and continue this pivot throughout all their future ventures.

"This has motivated me throughout your high school career and your ability to stay motivated," Whiting said. "Your ability to work with adversity, worrying, thinking, and critical thinking problems that are not actually solve the problem. Waiting around, hoping something changes.

"Ignore the anxiety. Save the excuses. Disregard the fear. Focus on what is in your control. Focus on what truly matters. You. Your happiness, your goals, your life. You have the power to create a life, create a life that makes you happy.

"Create a life that makes you proud. A life that makes you happy."

SAMUEL ZERILLO/THE LE ROY WEEKEND GAZETTE
The Le Roy graduating class of 2026 tosses their caps in the air after the ceremony concludes.

SAMUEL ZERILLO/THE LE ROY WEEKEND GAZETTE
Jug City Cemetery in Le Roy with a sign indicating that Revolutionary War veterans are buried there.

SAMUEL ZERILLO/THE LE ROY WEEKEND GAZETTE
St. Marks Cemetery in Le Roy with a sign indicating that Revolutionary War veterans is buried there.

Cal-Mum Grads Promote Grit and Taking Chances After High School

By Bob Fitts
bfitts@batavianews.com

CALEDONIA — Faculty, staff, and parents came together to celebrate Cal-Mum Spears Central Graduation on June 28 to celebrate the 48 graduates of the Caledonia-Mumford Central School Class of 2026.

More than 25 scholarships were presented during the ceremony and awards were heard speeches from valedictorian Jacob Wasko, salutatorian Jacob Wiley, and staff speaker Jessica Chapman.

In her speech, Wasko asked her classmates to remember a baby's first steps and the way that the child falls a lot. She suggested that life after high school will be similar.

"Life is what may seem like there's an outside expectation to be flawless in everything you do and that failure must be avoided at all costs, the reality of the situation is that more often than not, especially in the beginning, you're going to be a little bit of a mess, you're going to be a little bit of a mess, you're going to be a little bit of a mess