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Rapid Response and Critical Coordination Lead to Life-Saving Rescue in Le Roy

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Le Roy police and local dispatch saved an overdose victim's life Wednesday — after starting with only a name and a general description of where he might be.

A call arrived at the Le Roy Police Department from a person reporting that someone they knew was threatening to intentionally overdose and take his own life.

Responding officers William Riley and Cameron Petrie had very little information to work from — they only knew the man's name and the campground where he was staying in Le Roy.

The man's exact location, or the trailer he was in, were unknown.

"Really the only information we had was this guy's first name, his last name, and then where he was," Riley said. "He was at this campground. That's all we knew. This big, massive campground."

In order to help narrow the search, Riley and Petrie turned to help from dispatcher Jason Holman of the Genesee County Sheriff's Office Communications Center, who quickly got to work to provide them with more information on the person they were attempting to locate.

"The dispatcher was right in the money," Riley said. "As soon as we got the call, within three minutes, (Holman) had that guy's phone number in there that we didn't have.

"He looked at past records that he has access to as a dispatcher," Riley continued. "It was quick. We knew all the information he could provide us, in a very time efficient manner before we even got there."

Holman was able to get the officers all the necessary details to track down the distressed man within just five minutes, including critical information on what kind of car he drove, which was the much-needed piece to pick out the person's trailer in the sea of campsites at the grounds.

When officers Riley and Petrie arrived at the trailer, a few knocks at the door and a call to the man's phone got no response. The officers decided to make entry into the trailer, where they found the man unresponsive on his bed.

After quickly analyzing the situation, both officers immediately got to work performing life saving measures.

"We found him unresponsive in his bed," Riley said. "Immediately, officer Petrie checked for signs of life, checked to see if he was breathing, checked for a pulse, called his name out, shaking them, and got no response from any of it, just besides some shallow breathing.

"(Petrie) continued putting him in the recovery position," Riley said. "I ran out to my patrol vehicle and grabbed our AED and Narcan, since he said he was going to overdose on pills."

After administering Narcan, both officers continued to provide care, making sure the man was in the recovery position, continuously checking his pulse, and monitoring his breathing.

Le Roy EMS was waiting nearby and arrived within five minutes to the scene, taking over for Riley and Petrie.

The patient was eventually transferred to a hospital for further evaluation — stabilized and is recovering thanks to the actions of Riley, Petrie, Holman and the responding EMS personnel.

Every second is crucial in those situations. To Riley, the fast response and stellar coordination between all participating departments was critical in saving this person's life.

"It was definitely critically important," Riley said. "He said he was going to overdose some pills, and he took a large quantity of medications that we didn't know what it was. We found them unresponsive and shallow breathing. So, I think our response time, and the EMS response time and their actions they took, and the actions we took along with the assistance from the Genesee County dispatcher, Holman, that definitely really set (the patient) up for as much success as we could ask for based off the circumstances we got."

For Petrie, the fast actions both officers took that day was exactly what they signed up to do.

"This is the job we signed up to do, so it feels good to have saved a life," he said. "I'm just glad that he's getting another opportunity, and we can go forward with that. But in the end, we did sign up to do this, and this is our job, so (we) plan to keep on doing that."

The teamwork between local departments, and the willingness for LPD officers to respond to medical calls and jump in when needed, is something the village police pride themselves on.

"We take response to critical incidents, medical emergencies, everything super seriously," Riley said. "We train medical very routinely. We're very tight knit with the Le Roy Ambulance Service and the Le Roy Fire Department. But I definitely think, coming from our perspective and the way I like to look at it is, if my mom or grandparent was home alone and she was having a medical emergency, I would hope the first person to show up would be the closest cop, instead of just waiting for ambulance.

"I think a cop being at the scene first can definitely prolong and save someone's life, for sure. A lot of agencies throughout the country and a lot of cops don't show up to medical calls or anything like that. I think we're very fortunate and I'm proud of our department for that."

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Le Roy Police Officers Cameron Petrie and William Riley.

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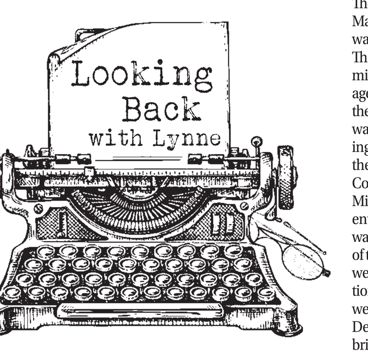


Water Over the Dam

By LYNNE BELLUSCIO
Special to The Le Roy Weekend Gazette

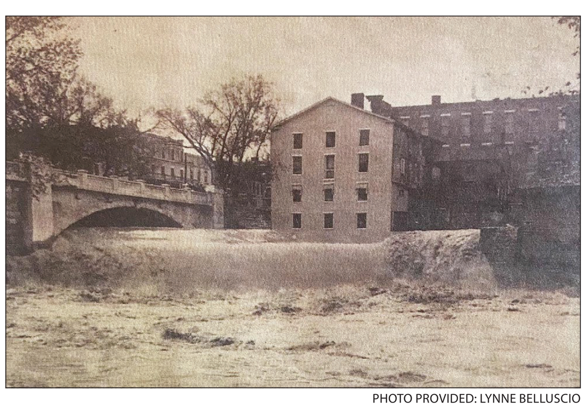
With the recent rainstorms, people have been asking about floods in the past. In 1916, the Le Roy Gazette noted that on Tuesday and Wednesday May 16 and 17, "Le Roy suffered the worst flood in its history." Photographs show a torrent of water surging under the Main Street bridge. It was noted that the water was nine feet over the dam, two feet higher than ever before. The dam at that time was on the north side of the bridge. It had been built to create headwater for the mill that was located about where the Mill Street playground is located now.

There are also photos of the iron bridge at Munson Street with the flood waters flowing over the bridge. A postcard shows people standing on the bridge. (The bridge would be carried away four years later in March 1920 when huge blocks of ice slammed into two of the spans.) According to newspaper articles, water over the spillway at the new dam at Lake Le Roy south of town, rose from 6 inches to 8 ½ feet in ten minutes. Wilbur Scott, the superintendent of the water plant at the Lake Le Roy dam, reported seeing a wall of water two feet high bearing down on the dam. The telephone lines were down, and he had to send engineer Rider to town to call the engineer in Rochester to come to Le Roy to monitor the situation. He arrived by train at 9 o'clock but had to walk into town from Limerock because a train was stalled in the water. He was driven to the dam and helped organize a group of men who would open the dike at the upper end of the lake if it was needed. Fortunately, it wasn't necessary, and the water receded.

The flooding in 1916 also did a lot of damage in the Village. The area on the west side of St. Mark's Church along the creek was completely submerged. The old cooper shop and sawmill on Mill Street were damaged beyond repair. Eventually they had to be torn down. Water was pouring over the retaining wall along Mill Street into the Le Roy Power and Milling Company. (The former Le Roy Mill located north of the present-day post office.) The flood water reached the engine shop of the Le Roy Cotton Mill on the west side of Church Street. Portions of the Le Roy Plow Works were flooded. (Behind the D&R Depot Restaurant). Numerous bridges in Pavilion and Caledonia were washed out. Students walking to school on Black Street reached the bridge just as it was swept away and they had to turn back and spend the night with friends. The quarries of General Crushed Stone were filled with water, and the Buffalo, Pittsburg, and Rochester Railroad switch had washed away. Trains coming into Le Roy from the south, through Pavilion could not get past the flood waters. A westbound train on the Erie Railroad line was due in Le Roy at 5:45 p.m. As it was approaching the Village it struck several wooden railroad ties that had floated onto the track. The engineer was injured. Water ran in the streets of Le Roy and filled many cellars. But just as quickly as the water rose, it receded, and the flood of 1916 became history.

Almost sixty years later, Hurricane Agnes in June 1972, left its mark on Le Roy and parts of Western New York. Between June 21 and 23, more than 15 inches of ran fell on Western New York. Flood water came within 6 inches of the top of Mt Morris Dam but the dam saved Rochester. In Letchworth Park, the Middle Falls disappeared in a torrent of water. Corning and Elmira were underwater. Water filled parts of the Corning Glass Museum and precious artifacts floated away. There were 128 fatalities. Governor Rockefeller called out the National Guard. President Nixon declared a National Emergency. Federal Emergency money became available. Ray Yacuzzo remembers that it was those funds that made it possible to move the interior components of Ellis' Candy shop on Le Roy to Corning. In Le Roy, the newspaper showed the Williams house on Oatka Trail completely surrounded by water.

So, by comparison, the "flood" of 2017 was a minor inconvenience in Le Roy. Rain had swelled the Oatka Creek in early July, just before the Oatka Festival. The annua Duck Derby had to be rerouted because it was too dangerous to put boats in the water to keep the ducks moving across the creek and to prevent them from going over the dam and over Buttermilk Falls. And the regatta had to be canceled. Folks in Le Roy have always enjoyed their "waterfront property," but there have been a few years when there's been too much water over the dam.



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Flood water in 1916.

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Munson Street bridge in May 1916.

Firefighters and Flambé

Firefighter chefs headline the 4th Annual FLX West Food Fest

By DAN FOLTS
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MUMFORD — Chefs love fire. Even the amateur backyard grillmaster feels that primal feeling when cooking with flame. And it makes sense — it might be one of the earliest tools that humans harnessed. It illuminates the dark, offers comfort in the cold and, most importantly for chefs, it cooks our food.

But the headlining demonstration chef at the 4th Annual FLX West Food Fest will take it to another level.

Chef Camille Le Caër hails from the Brittany region of France and brings his French style of cooking to the Genesee Country Village and Museum, 1410 Flint Hill Rd, Mumford, on Sunday, April 19, from noon to ... and prepare a beef tartare from Livingston County beef.

Chef RJ, who grew up in Avon, has a theory about why chefs might also be drawn to firefighting.

"I'm a glutton for punishment," Chef RJ joked. "But I think it speaks to the fact that you have to have precision."

Chef Joe Yantachka and Chef JT Thomas of Partyman Catering in Avon will transfer the heat of the flame through pots and pans, making pierogis from a recipe handed down from Chef Joe's Polish grandparents. Chef Joe also served for more than 15 years with the Livonia Fire Department, and Chef JT was an intern at the Kodak Fire Department, making them the third and fourth chefs in the demonstration kitchen with ...

... the French restaurant Bagatelle and Crêpe Sucre.

"That's what brought me in ... learned place settings and "the art of serving and pleasing people." ...

... skills," he joked.

Chef RJ works full time for the Henrietta Fire District at Station 7 on West Henrietta Road. He is also a municipal fire instructor, and he teaches firefighting skills for New York State and in Livingston County.

"I do in-service training for the department, and I also assist with the fire academies for the career firefighting staff in Monroe County. I also am privileged enough to be able to teach for the tech rescue branch and do water rescue and rope rescue," Chef RJ said.

Chef Joe from Partyman Catering was a volunteer fireman in Livonia for about 15 years. Now, he does his best to try to feed the firefighters when he can.

"I remember a fire at the Li- ...

... It can be too thick, too thin, but it's very forgiving and quick and easy to make versus pasta," Chef Joe said.

For fillings, the chefs at Partyman Catering use potato often, but also farmer's cheese.

"That's my favorite by far," said Chef Joe. "A little bigger curd than ricotta and drier, saltier. Not dry by any means, but it's almost like a ricotta, but a little saltier and firmer, a little more solid," Chef Joe said.

"Between a feta and ricotta, I would say," Chef JT said.

Other types of fillings include sauerkraut and — in Chef Joe's family — prune.

Chef JT sort of winced at this but Chef Joe just said, "there's a time and place for everything."

They will sear some of the pierogis at the demonstration, ...

... mother would say "Okay, I'll kill a rabbit."

His dad's was "a bit more fancy," he said. His relatives are doctors and lawyers on that side, and it was from his paternal grandmother that he ...

... they rotate cooking nights.

"We do a dinner rotation. So every third shift, I cook," Chef RJ said.

"And then when the other two are cooking, I usually am in the kitchen critiquing their ...

... Everyone loves them. Kids can do it. They're only a few ingredients," Chef Joe said.

"Joe and I are going to be giving the demo," Chef JT said. "From beginning to end, from making the dough to making the filling to building the pierogies."

The main ingredients in the recipe are flour, sour cream, egg, melted butter, and salt.

But JT made a clear distinction. "A pierogi dough is sour cream-based as opposed to ravioli. That's water and egg," Chef JT said.

"You're not working that gluten. When it comes together, let it mix for another minute and use a rolling pin. Roll it out.

... demonstration might be the highlight.

"I think it's like the two worlds in one — putting on the show with the fire, a nice beautiful rums, a beautiful caramel — and with that, an ice cream. It's simple, it's easy to replicate, and it's a nice show," Chef Camille said.

The FLX West Food Fest will feature much more than the demonstration meal. VIPs will arrive early to watch a competition, and all ticket holders can go to workshops, listen to bands, and sample food from more than 30 local vendors.

For more information, visit www.livingstoncountychamber.com/flx-west-food-fest

PHOTO PROVIDED BY CHEF CAMILLE LE CAËR
Chef Camille Le Caër is the headlining demonstration chef at the 4th Annual FLX West Food Fest. He will showcase his flambé technique while making Bananas Foster, the dessert of the demonstration meal.

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LeRoyan Rocco Sprague Receives Susan Sutton Smith Award for Academic Excellence

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SUNY Oneonta

ONEONTA — Rocco Sprague, of Le Roy, NY, was one of 233 SUNY Oneonta students recognized for academic excellence during the 2025-2026 Susan Sutton Smith event on Tuesday, April 7. The Susan Sutton Smith awards are given each spring to first-year students, sophomores and juniors who have earned a grade-point average of 3.9 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

Sprague is majoring in Communication Studies and is a member of the Class of 2029.

The on-campus event featured the annual Susan Sutton Smith Lecture, delivered this year by Professor William Walker. Dr. Walker received the faculty Susan Sutton Smith Award, and his lecture was titled "New York Storytellers and America's Folk Renaissance 1920-1940."

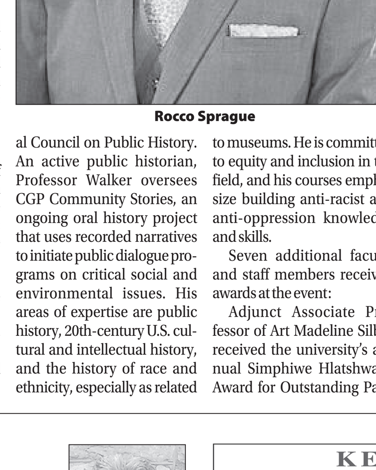
Dr. Walker is a professor of history at the Cooperstown Graduate Program. He is the author of A Living Exhibition: The Smithsonian and the Transformation of the Universal Museum and a founder and editor of The Inclusive Historian's Handbook (inclusivehistorian.com), which is co-sponsored by the American Association for State and Local History and the National Council on Public History. An active public historian, Professor Walker oversees CGP Community Stories, an ongoing oral history project that uses recorded narratives to initiate public dialogue programs on critical social and environmental issues. His areas of expertise are public history, 20th-century U.S. cultural and intellectual history, and the history of race and ethnicity, especially as related to museums. He is committed to equity and inclusion in the field, and his courses emphasize building anti-racist and anti-oppression knowledge and skills.

Seven additional faculty and staff members received awards at the event:

Adjunct Associate Professor of Art Madeline Silber received the university's annual Simphiwe Hlatshwayo Award for Outstanding Part-Time Instructor. Associate Professor of World Languages and Literatures Maria Montoya received the Innovative Pedagogy Award. Professor of Art Rhea Nowak received the Esther Hubbard Whitaker Award. World Languages and Literatures Lecturer Alejandra Escudero received the Outstanding Lecturer Award. Pedagogy Support Specialist, Faculty Center for Teaching, Learning and Scholarship Racheal Fest received the Academic Affairs Staff Award. The Award for External Grant Achievement and Faculty Research was given to Assistant Professor of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences Scott Maguffin, Associate Professor of Biology Kiyoko Yokota, and Dr. Walker.

This lecture and the awards for academic excellence are made possible by the generous gifts of SUNY Oneonta alumni to the Fund for Oneonta. The Susan Sutton Smith Faculty Prize for Academic Excellence is made possible by an endowment created through the generosity of Dr. Thomas and Mrs. Mary Smith in memory of their daughter, Susan, in honor of her commitment to academic excellence.

SUNY Oneonta is a public, four-year university in Central New York, enrolling about 5,300 students in a wide variety of bachelor's degree programs and more than a dozen graduate certificate and degree programs. The university is known as both an exemplary residential campus that values inclusion, service and sustainability, and a nurturing community where students grow intellectually, thrive socially and live purposefully.



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THE MAYOR'S CORNER
BY GREG "PORP" ROGERS

On April 18, Le Roy will be having a spring cleanup day, this is the idea of Danielle Borrelli and Michele Westfall Ownes.

You will be able to drop off your bag of garbage from 10 a.m. untill 2 p.m. at Trigon Park and the Village DPW will take care of it from there, no stickers needed. We however will not be taking oversized items. We will also have a designated area at the village barns on North St. for computers and electronics that need to be properly disposed of. We strongly encourage all to take advantage of this and start our Spring season looking better than ever.

The Village board would like to thank Danielle and Michele for bringing the idea to life and hopefully become a yearly event and keep growing.

On April 15 at 7 p.m. and the village hall at 3 West Main St. we will be holding our monthly meeting and public hearing for our proposed budget increase of 80 cent per thousand of assessed value. Open to the public.

"To me, teamwork is a lot like being part of a family. It comes with obligations, entanglements, headaches, and quarrels. But the rewards are worth the cost." — Pat Summit

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Question of the Week

Question from The Le Roy Weekend Gazette staff

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Previous question - ***"What's a must have in your Easter basket?"***

GARY B.	BARRETT F.	KATHLEEN W.
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Friday, April 10
6pm-7:30pm
Blackout Open Gym
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Saturday, April 11
9pm
Edge of Oatka Rocks The Smokin' Eagle
EoO is back at "The Eagle" with songs you know but no other bands play. Plus we've got some new songs.Come on out if you like Kansas, Zeppelin, Nirvana, Halestorm!!!
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Sunday, April 12
8am - 11am
Godfrey's Pond Second Annual Pancake Breakfast!
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Saturday, April 25
9:30 - 12:30am
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Trivia test

... believed to have been in what modern-day country?
2. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the name of the six-point blue star on emergency medical vehicles?
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5. LITERATURE: In what language was "The Odyssey" originally written?
6. TELEVISION: Where is the 1990s sitcom "Northern Exposure" set?
7. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of kangaroos called?
8. SCIENCE: What is the process called when a lizard loses and regenerates a tail?
9. U.S. STATES: Which state borders two oceans?
10. MUSIC: What was Taylor Swift's first song to make Billboard's Hot 100?

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RIVALS SPORTS INSIDER

Le Roy Among Five GLOW Region Teams That Participated in Buffalo Bills High School Girls Flag Kickoff

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Five GLOW region teams, Le Roy, Batavia, Avon, Geneseo and Livonia all ventured to Orchard Park from March 27-29 for the third annual Buffalo Bills High School Flag Kickoff.

A record 70 flag football teams from across Section V and Section VI were invited to participate in the event, which included preseason scrimmages, photo sessions on the Bills media day setup, and surprise appearances from Bills players and staffers.

Avon was part of the opening session on Friday night, Le Roy was part of the second session on Saturday morning, Batavia participated in the third session on Saturday afternoon and Geneseo and Livonia were part of Sunday morning's session.

"Our girls had the opportunity to scrimmage in the Bills' indoor training facility. They worked hard and had fun. The girls even got to meet Buffalo Bills linebacker and West Point Alum Jimmy Ciarlo (a fan favorite featured on the Bills season of HBO's Hard Knocks). It was a great experience," Livonia head coach Richie Welch said.

"The clinic went very well. We were able to test ourselves against some really good teams and build on some key learning experiences," Geneseo head coach Chris Pitre said.

Flag football continues to grow in Section V and in the GLOW region, with the expansion to four sectional classifications this season and six schools (Avon, Batavia, Geneseo, Hornell, Le Roy, Livonia) now having teams.

MIKAELA ENGSTROM/BUFFALO BILLS
Kendall Bunch runs with the ball for Le Roy.

Grading the Bills Free Agency Moves

What holes are filled and what remains two weeks from NFL Draft?

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Free agency in the NFL has all but concluded, as most major moves have been completed. Attention across the league has shifted to the NFL Draft, which begins on Thursday, April 23. For the Buffalo Bills, there were many roster shakeups and new pieces acquired, and it's time to take stock of what the Bills succeeded in doing and what holes remain that need to be plugged in the draft or the later waves of free agency that will follow.

Bills acquire WR DJ Moore and a 2026 fifth-round pick (No. 165) from the Chicago Bears for a 2026 second-round pick (No. 60)

The first big move was not a free-agent acquisition but a trade to add a new weapon for quarterback Josh Allen: wide receiver DJ Moore. Moore adds the alpha, No. 1 WR that the team has been missing since Stefon Diggs was shipped out of Buffalo.

The Maryland product has four career 1,000-yard seasons, including two in Carolina under the then-offensive coordinator and now current Bills head coach Joe Brady.

"I think I'm a combination of all different things," Moore said of the type of player he is during his introductory press conference via Zoom. "I play hard, play tough, nothing really bothers me to go out there and do. And just all around, just have fun and just go out there and make exciting plays."

After several other WRs were traded and signed to new deals around the league, the Moore deal looks better and better at cost. Moore's cap hit was lowered to $6.75 million following the trade, and his contract runs through 2029, with guarantees that run through 2028. While the price of a second-round pick to acquire the veteran WR was not cheap, his talent and proven track record far exceed what would've been available on the open market across the NFL.

Grade: A-

Bills sign OLB Bradley Chubb to three-year deal

The biggest outside signing of the offseason came in the form of a three-year, $43.5 million deal with $26.9 million in guarantees. In his first year back from a torn ACL, the veteran pass rusher recorded 8.5 sacks for the Miami Dolphins last season.

He is the latest swing from Bills GM Brandon Beane at acquiring an elite edge rusher. The two-time Pro Bowler has 48 career sacks in 90 games across his seven seasons.

"I've seen it. I've seen it the past, what three and a half years. Just a team that stays together through the hard times. Down in Florida, we would have some close games, but it's about how close these guys are, how they just know how to win and pull out those close games. And I feel like that's what it takes to get to the big stage. And, a few pieces, and I feel like I'm one of those pieces to help us get over the hump," Chubb said of why he came to Buffalo.

While Chubb seems to be trending up and is now two years removed from his injury, he is going to be 30 years old when the new season kicks off. That presents a concern, especially since, given the current roster construction, it seems he will be relied on heavily opposite Greg Rousseau to provide a pass rush for the Bills, who finished tied for 20th in the NFL with 36 sacks as a team last year.

The Bills have been down this road before with the signing of Von Miller, who was with Chubb in Denver during the early years of his career. That move ended on a sour note for the Bills, as Miller battled injuries during his time with the team. Chubb's injury history is lengthy as well, and the signing presents many of the same risks that Miller's did.

For that reason, there is a reason for skepticism, but if Chubb remains healthy, he should be a productive piece in Jim Leonhard's new-look Bills defense.

Grade: B-

Bills sign S CJ Gardner-Johnson to one-year deal

Gardner-Johnson received a one-year $6 million deal that will likely place him opposite Cole Bishop in the back end of the Bills' defense. It will be the veteran safety's fifth team in the last four seasons, as he has bounced around the league for various reasons.

"Ballhawk ability, physicality and ability to, you know, toe the line, but not cross it. I think people say, 'Oh, you cross the line plenty of times,' but over the course my career I have the tendency of, like, toeing the line, and having my teammate be able to toe with me, and really playing feisty, and going out there, understanding that you gotta play with that passion and that chip on your shoulder, playing for the city," Gardner-Johnson said of what he brings to the team.

The seven-year pro has 20 career interceptions and was part of the Philadelphia Eagles' Super Bowl win in 2024. He is known for his coverage ability and should present a good complement to Bishop. Gardner-Johnson has also worked in a nickel role in his career, some versatility that should prove welcome for the Bills.

Despite some stops in recent years that ended badly, the move presents a low-risk, high-reward opportunity for the Bills to help shore up the back end.

Grade: B

Bills sign CB Dee Alford three-year deal

Alford is primarily a nickel cornerback, which makes the move an interesting one after cutting bait on longtime nickel Taron Johnson. He locked up a three-year, $15.75 million deal with over $10 million in guarantees.

Alford has a great story, after he capped his fourth NFL season with the Alford. He made his way to the NFL after playing four years at the Division II level and a season in the Canadian Football League. The deal with the Bills was his first real payday in the NFL.

"From top to bottom, it's very family-oriented," Alford said of why he joined the Bills. When you walk into these doors, it's family. Everyone is family-oriented. There's so much love. There's great, positive energy in the building. One thing that stood out to me is winning. When you hear about Buffalo Bills football, it's all about winning, and I want to be a winner, so it was a no-brainer for me to decide to come to Buffalo."

Alford had a career year in 2024, recording 67 tackles, three interceptions, 13 pass breakups, two sacks and a forced fumble. One of those interceptions came in the Falcons' win over the Bills, picking off a Josh Allen attempt late in the half.

The grade here is less about the player and more about his fit in a new scheme that does not primarily utilize nickel cornerbacks. Alford will likely need to show an ability to play outside for this to be a worthwhile add.

Grade: C

Bills sign S Geno Stone, C Lloyd Cushenberry, WR Trent Sherfield, C/G Austin Corbett to one-year contracts, QB Kyle Allen to two-year deal

Grouping a chunk of minor additions here, as most of these guys will serve as depth pieces or camp bodies for the Bills.

Kyle Allen makes his return as the backup to Josh Allen after Mitch Trubisky departed in free agency. He spent the 2023 season in Buffalo but did not see any action, and Bills fans hope that remains the case this time around.

Cushenberry and Corbett line up to serve depth roles on the offensive line, and potentially push for the vacant starting left guard spot after David Edwards left for New Orleans this offseason.

Sherfield is another returning Bill and presents as an option to make the team as a special-teams piece.

Stone adds another ballhawk on the back end to the combination of Gardner-Johnson and Bishop. He has recorded 14 interceptions in the last three seasons playing with the Ravens and Bengals. He likely will be a rotational piece for the Bills' secondary and will surely make a splash play or two this season.

Overall, it's expected that at least one or two of this group won't even make the final 53-man unit, but there are no major negatives with this group.

Grade: C+

Bills re-sign C Connor McGovern, S Damar Hamlin, P Mitch Wishnowsky, restructure TE Dawson Knox

McGovern is the biggest re-signing of the group, signing a four-year deal worth $52 million. He would've entered free agency as the next best center option behind Tyler Linderbaum, who agreed to a three-year, $81 million deal with the Las Vegas Raiders once he hit the open market.

The numbers on the Linderbaum deal make McGovern look like a steal and a massive value for the Bills.

Keeping Knox, who has played an important, albeit diminished, role in the Bills' offense under Joe Brady, is big, and he now comes in at a much more reasonable cap hit with his deal restructured.

Hamlin and Wishnowsky also returned, and the Bills know what they'll get in both guys in the roles they will play. Wishnowsky did a solid job as the team's punter last season, and Hamlin will provide additional back-end depth at the safety spot.

Overall, the returns are solid, and the value of the McGovern deal drives this grade.

Grade: A

MATIAS J. OCNER/MIAMI HERALD
Miami Dolphins linebacker Bradley Chubb (2) runs on the field with his teammates before playing against the Buffalo Bills in their NFL game at Hard Rock Stadium on Sunday, Nov. 9, 2025, in Miami Gardens, Florida.

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Cal-Mum Softball Rolls Livonia

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MYRTLE BEACH, SC — Caledonia-Mumford rolled on Monday morning in Myrtle Beach, taking down Livonia 15-3 in six innings.

It was a complete team effort for the Raiders, with five hitters racking up two hits in the win.

Shea Drazkowski led the way with two hits, three runs and two RBIs. Tori Schumacher went 2-for-4 with two runs and two RBIs, and Mia Wilson had an RBI triple as part of her two-hit day.

Colleen Talty and Emma Wyskiel each added a pair of hits and an RBI. Audrey Padlick-Field scored three runs while Kylie Padlick-Field had a double and scored twice to help round out the offensive outburst.

Grace Beach secured the win in the circle, striking out six while surrendering four hits.

"It had been a while since we had played a real game, so I was happy with most of our execution today, especially the bottom of our order put the ball in play and made things happen offensively," Cal-Mum head coach Dan Dickens said. "Really nice to get down to Myrtle Beach to practice, play and continue to grow closer as a team. We have three scrimmages down here still and another official game with Alexander on Wednesday, so we look to keep improving throughout the week."

Clare Stephens led the Livonia offense with two of the four hits, smashing a double and a triple and driving in two runs. Madison Beach scored two runs for the Bulldogs.

Cal-Mum moves to 2-0 on the season and will play one more official contest in Myrtle Beach at 2 p.m. Wednesday against Alexander for the Trojans first contest of the season. Livonia slides to 1-3 and will play its next official game after returning north at 5 p.m. Monday against Keshequa (0-1).

PHOTO PROVIDED: DAN DICKENS
Cal-Mum softball opened up its trip to Myrtle Beach with a win on Monday.

MIKE ROSE/THE DAILY NEWS
Cal-Mum's Grace Beach pitches in a game last season. Beach threw her first career no-hitter on Wednesday in Myrtle Beach.

Beach twirls no-hitter in Cal-Mum win over Alexander

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MYRTLE BEACH, SC — Grace Beach and the Caledonia-Mumford Raiders softball team have enjoyed the trip south week.

The team capped things with another dominant showing on Wednesday, ...

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