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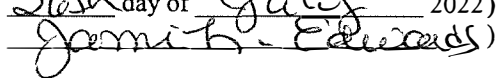
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Opinion

EDITORIAL



Ben Beagle/Livingston County News
Natalie Muscarella, who graduated June 26 from Mount Morris Central School, displays a message on her graduation cap.

Some sage advice for the Class of 2022

Each year graduation time brings a host of emotions that include the happiness of a loved one taking a major step on the road of life to the sadness knowing he or she is closer to leaving the safety net of home. It’s bittersweet, but everyone should take time to appreciate the moment.

Graduates must take the time to celebrate with family and friends, recognize you will never pass this way again and then take a deep breath. Your future is now and how well you succeed in life depends on how much effort you put into reaching your goals and don’t be afraid to aim high. But know that life is full of challenges and graduation means high school students will have to learn how to overcome a plethora of obstacles along their path.

Undoubtedly, graduates will get advice from parents, teachers and all the speakers at the graduation ceremony. Listen to that advice. Here we will give bits and pieces of sage advice to all you graduates and if you just follow a handful, it will help you navigate the road of life.

Always try to focus on the positives of a situation rather than the negatives. Too often something bad happens and all the focus is on how bad it is. Seek the positive in everything, such as what can be learned, what new path can you take or how can you avoid the pitfall in the future. Life is full of learning so embrace that concept. It’s not what happens to you, it’s how you respond that matters most.

Life will have its ups and downs, that is unavoidable. There will be good times and bad times. Remember not to dwell on either, when things are good enjoy them, but know things can get bad at any moment, and in similar fashion, don’t let bad times keep you down. It will get better. There is a constant ebb and flow and the only constant in life is change.

Take responsibility for your actions and don’t blame others. You cannot control the action of others, but you can control how you respond to them. Recognize when a situation is petty and move along. Don’t hold grudges and let small things bog you down.

There’s an old saying that things could be better but they can also be worse. Embrace that concept. Learn to appreciate the things you have rather than dwell on what you don’t have. Always know that there are people who have far less than you do. You are in control of your own destiny. It’s your life, but try not to burn bridges, you may have to cross that road again.

Appreciate your loved ones and family, even if you don’t get along. One day they won’t be around and you’ll think about things you could have done better. Having regrets is a heavy burden to carry.

Be curious about everything. Smile a lot, it actually spreads positive waves in your brain. Show empathy toward others and do not judge. You do not know what crisis or situation someone else has to deal with that impacts their behavior. Think before you act.

Don’t follow others who lead you down the wrong path. You will eventually lose touch with many of your high school classmates and peer pressure won’t be as high. The things that were important in high school may no longer matter. You’ll meet new friends and form new relationships. Some of you will move on to the college and the people you meet and connect with will become your new circle. Be excited about the new opportunities.

Make things happen. Don’t be afraid to fail. Remember, every failure is a success if you learn something from it. Some of the most successful people have a long list of failures, so don’t be afraid to take chances and explore every opportunity. The world is yours, but never forget your roots. It’s who you are.

Congratulations to the Class of 2022 of the GLOW region schools and remember, life is a journey, not a destination.



Karl Hanafin/Special to The LCN
Members of the York Central School Class of 2022 toss their graduation caps in front of the school entrance.

How to submit a letter to the editor

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Letters to the Editor

Quick work by Geneseo DPW crews is appreciated

This letter is a “shout out” of thanks and appreciation to our village workers led by Dan Quinlan. The June 16th windstorm was short lived; the damage was extensive. Within a couple of hours, trucks, the big loader, and other equipment were in our neighborhood, clearing debris from the streets. By Friday the 24, Indian Meadows had been pretty well cleaned up.

Many neighbors are impressed by the response to this terrible storm and recognize how hard the Village Team has worked.

I would be remiss if I did not also mention work done last year on drainage issues in Indian Meadows. I spoke with Dan and showed him pictures of water pooling up to the boulevard tree after a heavy rain. Within a day or two he put a camera down the storm sewer finding that the perforated pipe and the solid pipe were not aligned; hence, the flooding which had started



Ben Beagle/Livingston County News File Photo
A Village of Geneseo public works crew clears downed tree limbs from Lima Road, Geneseo, on June 16 after a strong storm passed through the area.

occurring in 2017. Dan next visited with Chris to discuss how to fix the problem. On Sept. 14, 2021, Chris, Bryan, Tim and Taylor worked diligently for several hours and like magic, the flooding has stopped!

The team also addressed another drainage issue up the

street and perhaps others as well.

We are fortunate to have Dan heading the streets, water and sewer operations. Thanks to these hard working men, our village is recovering from a very destructive storm.

KATHRYN “KAY” SHEFFIELD
Geneseo

Kiwanis Club continues to be essential part of Young at Heart

Geneseo Young at Heart recently celebrated its 50th anniversary thanks in large part to the Kiwanis Club of Geneseo.

In 1972, the year Dr. Phil Alley was president of Kiwanis, it was brought to his attention that Geneseo should have an organization for senior citizens (A place

and time when seniors could get together to socialize and share information.) Dr. Alley was receptive to the idea and formed a committee. The committee set a time, date and place where seniors could meet. Thirteen seniors attended that first meeting and a club was established.

Kiwanis in those early days

provided dinners, rides, programs and Kiwanis wives furnished refreshments. Some 50 years later the Kiwanis Club continues to be supportive through the exercise program.

Thank you Geneseo Kiwanis for your continued support for 50 years.

VERNICE PLATT
Geneseo

Gun control measure will save lives

President Joe Biden signed the Bipartisan Safer Communities Act into law in the Roosevelt Room of the White House on June 25, 2022, in Washington, D.C.

Congressman Chris Jacobs, R-Orchard Park, who voted for the legislation, issued the following statement after the law as signed:



Congressman Chris L. Jacobs

“Today is a historic day. For the first time in nearly three decades, the United States Senate and House of Representatives have reached a meaningful and bipartisan compromise to address the rising tide of gun violence plaguing our nation. Recently, we witnessed the racist massacre of 10 individuals in Buffalo and the senseless deaths of 19 children in Uvalde. Sadly, these events are not isolated. Gun violence has touched every state in our nation and too many families have been destroyed by it. The American people have rightfully demanded action and today Congress delivered.

“For too long, Congress has suffered from gridlock on this issue while both sides of the aisle faced intense backlash for even suggesting they were open to a compromise. We can honor our Constitu-

tion while also protecting our children and communities. We can protect the Second Amendment rights of every law-abiding American while also ensuring dangerous individuals do not access firearms. This legislation upholds these principles.

“The Bipartisan Safer Communities Act represents meaningful reforms that I believe will decrease gun violence and save lives. That is why the legislation is supported by the Fraternal Order of Police and other law enforcement organizations. Some of the significant measures are enhanced background checks for those under 21, funding for states who want to implement extreme risk protection

order laws, closing the ‘boy-friend loophole’ which will help keep firearms out of the hands of dangerous domestic abusers, and greater preventions against ‘straw purchases’ which is a major source of illegal firearms on our streets. Aside from gun safety, this package also provides significant funding for more mental health resources and school safety – major Republican priorities to keep our children safe.

“This legislation may not be perfect, and both sides may not have gotten everything they wanted, but it represents a major step forward in working across the aisle to accomplish meaningful and impactful change on the significant issues our country faces. It will save lives. I am proud to have supported this legislation and to be an advocate for action to decrease gun violence. I will continue to work to improve the quality of life and safety of every American in any way that I can.”

Congressman Chris Jacobs, R-Orchard Park, represents the 27th Congressional District that includes all of Orleans, Genesee, Wyoming, and Livingston counties and parts of Erie, Monroe, Niagara, and Ontario counties.

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Home & Garden

Cleanup from June windstorm to continue into August

BY BEN BEAGLE
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GENESEO – Clean up in the village from the June 16 windstorm is expected to continue through the first week of August, according to Dan Quinlan, superintendent of public works for the Village of Geneseo.

Residents are asked to lay all large brush parallel with the curb in piles not exceeding 10 feet in length, if possible, with small debris put in biodegradable bags or containers that can be dumped.

Damaged village-owned trees and remaining tree stumps will be removed after a third-party evaluation of all the damage. Those areas will be restored.

Village-owned trees with broken or hanging tree limbs over the sidewalk or roadway will be removed as soon as possible, Quinlan said.

If residents notice any immediate dangers they are asked to contact 911 of the Village Clerk’s Office at (585) 243-1177, ext. 100.

The Village Lend-A-Truck is available to all residents for removing brush or yard clippings from their property. The village will leave the truck at a resident’s property for use overnight during the week or the weekend and it will be picked up the following morning or Monday after the weekend. To request the Lend-A-Truck, contact the department of public works at (585) 243-0845.

Village property owners that sustained damage to trees are asked to email pictures of the damage to geneseowaterworks@geneseony.org

Quinlan, in an update on the continuing clean-up effort, thanked village residents for

their patience, generosity, “and making sure the crews were hydrated while performing the initial cleanup.”

Quinlan also thanked the Village of Avon and SUNY Geneseo for their assistance with personnel and equipment.

A little after 4 p.m. June 16 a storm brought a burst of heavy rain, hail and strong winds to Livingston County, passing through an area that included Geneseo, Lakeville, Conesus Lake and Livonia.

While wind and rain was widespread in Geneseo, the most significant damage occurred in an area described as the upper village, which included North Street, Lima Road, the Temple Hill area, including the cemetery, and Route 20A leaving the village toward Livonia.

Peak wind gusts were estimated at 100 mph, according to a preliminary report from the National Weather Service.

The storm lasted only a brief time, but brought down numerous trees – including more than 20 in Temple Hill Cemetery – and utility wires in its path. Cleanup began soon after the storm had passed.

The area was under a tornado watch due to anticipated bad weather at the time the storm struck, but a preliminary assessment from a survey team from the Weather Service that visited several locations in Livingston County the day after the storm determined the damage was the result of straight line winds, not a tornado.

The damage was in a line, not a spiral with radiating debris out in a circle. Doppler Radar of the storm did not display a classic hook echo that would indicate a tornado.



JEN MACNAUGHTON CLARK PHOTOGRAPH
A toppled tree on Seneca Avenue, Geneseo, is seen after the June 16 windstorm.

Rabid cat reported in Livonia

An adult feral cat in the town of Livonia tested positive for rabies, reports the Livingston County Department of Health.

The New York State Health Department laboratory confirmed the positive test on July 8, according to Livingston County Public Health Director Jennifer Rodriguez.

The county health department is in contact with the two people who had exposure to the cat, Rodriguez said.

Tips to prune spring blooming shrubs



MASTER GARDENER
JULIE BROCKLEHURST-WOODS

July Fourth has passed, our weather has been “abnormally dry” as rated by U.S. Drought Monitor, and plants are slowing their growth. Summer has arrived, and some of my gardening chores have slowed. It is getting late but I think not too late to prune shrubs that bloomed earlier this spring.

The ideal time to prune these shrubs is as soon as possible after they have finished blooming. The problem is, spring is a very busy time for planting and other garden preparation tasks. The result is that I rarely complete this task on schedule. My shrubs are pretty forgiving, but the longer you wait to prune past bloom time, the fewer blossoms you will likely have.

Most of my lilacs are mature sized, and haven’t been pruned in a few years. I like their natural informal shape in the back corners of my yard. Perfectly round isn’t a natural shape. I recently removed a few dead branches, a task that can be done at any time. The spent flower clusters will not reduce blooms the following year, they can remain. At some point, probably in late winter, I will remove a few oldest branches as close to the ground as possible, to promote new growth.

I have a deutzia shrub behind my garage that is covered with pure white blossoms in May. I did prune it for shape fairly soon after blooming. But, this month I plan to put on my canvas shirt and gloves to reach down inside to remove some older branches. This is a dense shrub, and cutting back several thicker branches will not only promote new growth, but also enable better air circulation, preventing fungal diseases in damp weather.

My mock orange shrub has just dropped its last blossoms, so it’s the perfect time to cut back this rangy bush. I grew it and a number of other shrubs from 4-inch pots I purchased online over the years. Following a summer in a pot



JULIE BROCKLEHURST-WOODS/SPECIAL TO THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY NEWS
The cloud-like inflorescences (clusters of small flowers) on this dwarf smoke bush last a couple of months.

on my patio, I planted it the fall next to a small dwarf smoke bush which was purchased at the same time. As they matured, I could see they were uncommonly closely spaced, but I liked the partnership. The pure white blossoms are incredibly fragrant, and it is an easy shrub to grow. The downside is that it’s not particularly attractive, and needs hard pruning every two or three years, at this time of year.

My smoke bush is the perfect cover to the mock orange. Its cloud-like inflorescences (clusters of small flowers) last a couple of months. They attract all the attention until fall.

I call this pruning approach two-step pruning: once on the outside, once on the inside. Either step can be done first. Interior pruning, when you

remove larger, older branches as far down as possible, can be done before the shrubs bloom, but the number of blooms will be reduced. I do this in March for my forsythia, which becomes too dense to manage once the leaves emerge.

Julie Brocklehurst-Woods has been a Master Gardener Volunteer with Cornell Cooperative Extension of Livingston County since 2002. She enjoys helping all gardeners become successful gardeners, especially helping people identify tools and strategies to prioritize and simplify their gardening tasks. She will answer gardening questions by email: JulieBW48@gmail.com.

Three free rabies clinics set for summer

The Livingston County Department of Health will host three free rabies clinics in the coming months for cats, dogs and ferrets belonging to Livingston County residents.

Sessions are scheduled for (all clinics run from 5 to 7 p.m.):

■ July 20: Groveland/Mount Morris, Livingston County Highway Department, 4389 Gypsy Lane, Hampton’s Corners.

■ Aug. 17: Livonia, Livonia Town Bams on Commercial Street across from the Town Hall.

■ Sept. 13: Dansville, Babcock Park on Morey Avenue.

Pre-registration is required and may be done online at <https://tinyurl.com/59wcvbne>, by calling (585) 243-7280 or (585) 335-1717, or via email to sbennett@coliv-

ingston.ny.us.

The clinics are for cats, dogs and ferrets. Animals must be at least 3 months old to be vaccinated. Ferrets must be vaccinated yearly.

Cats and ferrets must be in a carrier. Dogs must be on a leash.

Bring proof of any prior rabies shot to receive a 3-year certificate. Without proof, a 1-year certificate will be issued.

Special arrangements must be made if bringing more than five pets by calling or emailing the Department of Health.

The clinics are free, though donations are accepted to help with costs.

For more information, call the Department of Health at (585) 243-7280 or (585) 335-1717.

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Obituaries / Folks

Gerald Lee Gilman

SPARTA – Gerald Lee Gilman, 76, passed away unexpectedly on Thursday July 7, 2022, while on vacation with his family in South Carolina.

He was born in Buffalo on Sept. 8, 1945, a son of the late Raymond and Marion (Campbell, Stevens) Gilman. On July 1, 1978, he was married to Patricia Harriet (Gilbert) Gilman who predeceased him in 2019.

He was also predeceased by his brother Ramon Jansen Gilman, and his stepfather William Jay Stevens.



Gerald Lee Gilman

Gerald worked at Eastman Kodak in Rochester as a supervisor in the photochemical department for many years. He was a regular at Sparta Center United Methodist Church.

Jerry will be known for his attention to detail, especially when it came to his house or his love of older cars. He had a 1967 Corvette coupe that he loved to work on. He enjoyed growing

flowers and watching the birds. His family was very important to him, and he always loved going on beach vacations with them.

He is survived by his children, Keeley M. Chevrier, Lee G. Gilman, Jeffrey Scott Gilman; his sister, Patricia Ann Stevens Verbjar; his brother, Dr. Jack E. Gilman; several nieces, and nephews.

Friends called Wednesday, July 13, 2022, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Hindle Funeral Home Inc. 271 Main St., Dansville. Funeral services were the next day at 11 a.m. at Sparta Center United Methodist Church. Interment to follow with his wife Patricia in Kiehle Cemetery Sparta, Dansville.

In lieu of flowers please make memorial to Sparta Center United Methodist Church, 8455 Sparta Center Rd., Dansville NY 14437

Online memorials may be left at HindleFuneralHome.com.

Juanita P. Snyder

Juanita P. Snyder, longtime resident of Lake Panasoffkee, Fla., formerly from Nunda, N.Y., passed away July 1, 2022, at the age of 93. She was the daughter of Howard and Bertha Hoffman; wife of the late William (Buck) Snyder.

She was a graduate of Nunda Central School and had worked in food service and also the USPS.

She is survived by her daughter, Ann (Bob Proctor) of Bloomfield; and son, Thomas (Deborah) Snyder of Nunda, N.Y.;

sister, Virginia Cartwright, Angelica; brother, Nelson (Jean) Hoffman, Hornell, N.Y.; seven grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband, she was also predeceased by her brother, Howard Hoffman; sisters, Shirley Hoffman, Leota Gardner and Ellen Tisdale.

There will be no calling hours. A private family ceremony, in Bushnell, Fla.. National Cemetery, will be held, at a later date.

Gary L. Swift

A celebration of life for Gary L. Swift is scheduled from 1 to 4 p.m. Aug. 6 at the Lakeville Training Grounds, 5939 Stone Hill Rd., Lakeville.

Gary passed on Jan. 27, 2022, at the age of 79.

He is survived by his wife, Claire Swift; seven children; four sisters; five brothers; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; nieces; nephews; and great-nieces and great-nephews.

DEATH NOTICES

Elizabeth ‘Betty’ Caldwell

Elizabeth “Betty” Caldwell, 97, passed away peacefully Friday, July 15, 2022, at her home surrounded by family. Betty was predeceased by her parents, Ernest and Dorothy (Scott) Smith; husband, Stanley Kennedy Caldwell; son, David; four brothers, Lemuel, Van, Roy, and

Vernon; and two sisters, Minnie and Helen. She is survived by two daughters and sons-in-law, Cynthia and Dennis Muck, and Diane and David Baehre; daughter-in-law Kim Caldwell; seven grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; a brother; and nieces, nephews and cousins.

Arthur ‘Joe’ Perrine

CONESUS – Arthur “Joe” Perrine, 74, passed away on Thursday, July 14, 2022, at F.F. Thompson Hospital in Canandaigua. He was predeceased by his parents, John and Lorraine Perrine. He is survived by his wife, Donna L. (Lucas)

Perrine; children, Richard (Melissa) Perrine, Shawn Perrine, Tammy Perrine (John Carpenter); his siblings, Bruce Perrine, Mike (Sandy) Hermenet, Joyce (Mike) Hance, JR Hermenet; two grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Gillian M. Stumbo

LIVONIA – Gillian M. Stumbo, 37, passed away on Friday, July 15, 2022, at Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester. She is survived by her husband, William D. Stumbo; children,

Eli Jayden Stumbo and William John Stumbo; her parents, Kevin and Mary Anne Koket; and her siblings, John Koket, Storey (Amber) Koket, and Emily (Brandon) Dunn.

Julie L. Monacelli

LIVONIA – Julie L. Monacelli, 49, passed away Tuesday, July 12, 2022, at her home. She is survived by her husband, Bryan Monacelli; her children, Kelly Dollarhide, Tabitha Dollarhide, Jason Dol-

larhide and Felix Monacelli; her parents, Richard and Carol West; her sisters, Catherine West, Jaclyn West; her grandmother, Rae Hilsinger; and many, aunts, uncles, nieces, and cousins.

Yeng Inboune

LIMA – Yeng Inboune, 71, passed away July 11, 2022. She is survived by her husband, May Inboune; children, Anne Inboune, Bounmee (Sheila) In-

boune, Khan (Raymond) Kinney, Kong Inboune, Stacey Inboune (Tim Bradley), Kham (Jennilyn) Inboune; 12 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.



CHIP HOLT NATURE CENTER PHOTOGRAPH

One of the boats competing during a past Anything that Floats Regatta on Conesus Lake.



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One of the boats competing during a past Anything that Floats Regatta on Conesus Lake.

Recycled regatta returns to Nature Center

SPECIAL TO THE LCN

The sixth annual “Anything That Floats Regatta,” a race featuring boats made of recycled materials, returns July 30 to Conesus Lake.

Racing is slated to begin at 11 a.m. at the north end of the lake.

Chip Holt Nature Center in Vitale Park, 5828 Big Tree Rd., Lakeville, hosts the recycled boat regatta as its annual fundraiser. Trophies and prizes are awarded for the fastest boat, the best theme, fan favorite and the Titanic award for the boat that has the most epic loss.

Designed to raise awareness of the free programs being offered at the Nature Center, recycling, protection of our watershed, and protecting Conesus Lake, The Anything That Floats Regatta is family and community event. The rules are simple; boats must be made only of recycled materials. no boats, no hazardous materials, no motors. New this year, used pool toys can be used as part of

the boat. The toys would be items such as single person rafts or pool noodles. Paddles and sails must be made of recycled materials as well.

Crews of two to five people, ages 10 and older may race.

All rules, waivers and registration forms can be found on The Chip Holt Nature Center website chipholtnaturecenter.org. The registration fee is \$50 and is due by July 26.

The Conesus Lake Association will sponsor several youth teams. If chosen, the team’s registration fee will be refunded.

All proceeds benefit The Chip Holt Nature Center.

In addition to racing, there is also food, music, a 50/50 raffle and an open house at the Nature Center.

The event is co-sponsored by the Town of Livonia with support from the Conesus Lake Association.

The popular summer event has been on hiatus for two years due to COVID restrictions and the need for social distancing.

The last time the event was held about 200 people watched competitors attempt to cross Conesus Lake.

Organizers said they are looking forward to an even bigger and more exciting event this year.

The Chip Holt Nature Center is a non-profit organization that provides free nature-based programs for schools and community. Its “Nature

of Things” series is offered monthly. Topics in the past have included coyotes, bears, the health of Conesus Lake, a wreath-making class, butterfly gardens, Wild Wings, and more. Students from the Livonia Central School District have attended an annual Marsh Madness program at the Center, learning about the watershed and the walleye spawning. Fishing programs for Veterans are offered throughout the year. And the center’s Summer Nature Camp runs daily from July 6 through Aug. 16. The free camp is open to children ages 5 to 10 years old. All are welcome.

For more information, email chipholtnaturecenter@yahoo.com.

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The deadline for submissions is 9:30 a.m. Monday

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For the record

ARRESTS AND COURT

Unless otherwise noted, people listed below are innocent until proven guilty in court

Geneseo Police

July 18

Responded to Lakeville Road for a vehicle lockout.

Responded to Lakeville Road for a parking complaint of a vehicle taking up two parking spots at a restaurant.

Responded to Courtside Apartments for a vehicle lockout.

Responded to Main Street for found property.

Responded to Main Street for a welfare check from a 911 hang up call.

July 19

Responded to Main Street for a welfare check from an individual repeatedly calling the police.

Responded to Hawthorne Circle for a medical activation alarm.

Responded to 600 Country Lane Apartments for a medical issue.

Responded to Lakeville Road for an individual harassing customers.

Responded to Country Lane Apartments for a report of people dealing drugs out of a vehicle.

Responded to April Meadows Apartments to assist child protective services with an investigation.

Responded to Avon Road for a DMV equipment inspection.

July 20

Responded to Lakeville Road for a burglar alarm.

Responded to Clayton Heights Apartments for a welfare check of someone not answering the door.

Responded to Main Street for a funeral escort.

Responded to West Seneca Circle for a medical issue.

Responded to Geneseo Heights Apartments for an eviction.

Responded to Church Street for a funeral escort to St. Mary's cemetery.

Responded to East South Street for a parking complaint.

Responded to Prospect Street to assist child protective services with an investigation.

Responded to Main Street for a medical issue.

Responded to Walmart supercenter for a vehicle lockout.

Responded to Lakeville Road for a possible theft.

July 21

Responded to Avon Road for a burglar alarm.

Responded to Walmart supercenter for children left in a vehicle.

Responded to Walmart supercenter for a vehicle lockout.

Responded to Highlands Apartments for a juvenile out of control.

Responded to Chestnut Street and Second Street for a report of a fire hydrant taken out by a tractor trailer.

Responded to Mount Morris for a paper service.

Responded to Lakeville Road for a vehicle lockout.

July 22

Responded to the Walmart supercenter for an employee that was allegedly shoplifting. **Robin Barnhardt**, 57, of Warsaw was charged with petit larceny.

Responded to Rochester Regional on Gateway Drive for a report of a subject that struck a staff member.

Responded to South and Main Streets for the traffic light not working.

Responded to Walmart supercenter for a vehicle lockout.

July 23

Responded to Lakeville Road for a loud noise complaint.

Geneseo Police and Geneseo Fire responded to Main Street for a fire and carbon monoxide alarm.

Responded to Main Street for a funeral escort.

Responded to Mount Morris for a paper service.

Responded to Walmart supercenter for a welfare check.

July 24

Interstate 390 chase ends with felony charges for Spencerport man

BY THE LCN STAFF

A Spencerport man is facing multiple felony charges following a pursuit on Interstate 390 in which he allegedly intentionally drove at a deputy, reports the Livingston County Sheriff's Office.

Joseph V. Messina, 39, was charged with attempted aggravated assault upon a police officer, a class B felony; first-degree reckless endangerment, a class D felony; second-degree menacing, third-degree unlawful fleeing a police officer in a motor vehicle, fourth-degree criminal mischief, and several violations of state Vehicle and Traffic Law spanning several townships.

The charges stem from an incident that began about 5 p.m. July 8 when Deputy Gordon Truax, while assigned to the Sheriff's Office Operation Safe



Joseph V. Messina

Interstate Initiative, attempted to conduct a traffic stop on Interstate 390 of a vehicle that was allegedly in violation of state Vehicle and Traffic Law. Truax had responded to the area for a report of an erratic driver, the Sheriff's Office said.

The deputy activated the patrol vehicle's emergency lights and siren, at which point the suspect vehicle continued southbound on Interstate 390 at a high rate of speed. Multiple attempts were made to reach a safe resolution to the pursuit, which included the use of Stop Sticks, the Sheriff's Office said.

A deputy set up Stop Sticks, a tire deflation device, in an attempt to resolve the pursuit. While doing so it is alleged that Messina intentionally drove at the deputy, nearly striking him, according to the Sheriff's Office.

The pursuit then continued southbound on the Interstate into Steuben County where several additional agencies responded to assist. The vehicle then drove into the median, where it

came to a rest, the Sheriff's Office said.

Deputies approached the vehicle, made contact with the driver, and Messina was taken into custody without further incident.

Messina was transported and turned over to Central Booking deputies at Livingston County for processing and pre-arraignment detention. The Livingston County District Attorney's Office requested bail of \$25,000 cash or \$50,000 bond.

Messina was later arraigned at Livingston County Centralized Arraignment Part at Livingston County Jail before Town of West Sparta Justice Sue Mahany, who remanded Messina to the custody of the Sheriff on the requested bail.

The Livingston County Public Defender's Office represented Messina at the arraignment. The Livingston County District Attorney's Office appeared telephonically at the arraignment.

Responded to North Street for a medical issue.

Responded to Fox Run Apartments for a medical alarm activation.

Responded to Highlands Apartments to locate an individual who struck another person in Lakeville.

Responded to Ambassador Apartments for a motor vehicle accident.

Responded to Highlands Apartments for a custody issue.

Responded to South Street for a disabled vehicle.

Steven A. Beare, 73, of Conesus was charged July 9 with driving while intoxicated and violations of state Vehicle and Traffic Law. He will answer charges in Town of Mount Morris Court.

Dustin J. Houghton, 31, of Webster was charged July 10 with seventh-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance. He will answer charges in Town of Livonia Court.

Guido F. Hassig, 52, of Conesus was charged July 10 with second-degree menacing. He will answer charges in Town of Conesus Court.

Isabelle D. Parisien, 21, of Brooklyn was charged July 11 with petit Larceny. She will answer charges in Village of Geneseo Court.

Stephen E. Davenport, 56, of Webster was charged July 12 with failing to report an address change as a registered sex offender. He will answer the charge in Village of Geneseo Court.

Orlando Luciano, 57, of Rush was charged July 12 with

second-degree aggravated unlicensed operation, operating without a license and violations of state Vehicle and Traffic Law. He will answer charges in Town of Lima Court.

Christopher J. Oschsenhirt, 29, of Lakeville was charged July 12 with second-degree criminal contempt. He will answer charges in Town of Livonia Court.

Ronderrick H. Washington, 48, of Rochester was charged July 13 with third-degree aggravated unlicensed operation and violations of state Vehicle and Traffic Law. He will answer charges in Town of Groveland Court.

Victoria L. Willard, 40, of Alfred was charged July 13 with third-degree aggravated unlicensed operation and violations of state Vehicle and Traffic Law. She will answer charges in Town of Avon Court.

Shawn M. Schaeffer, 31, of Canandaigus was charged July 14 with seventh-degree criminal possession of a

controlled substance. He will answer the charged in Town of Avon Court.

Sherquan J. Dunham, 31, of Rochester was charged July 13 with second-degree criminal contempt, third-degree aggravated unlicensed operation, aggravated family offense and violations of state Vehicle and Traffic Law. He will also charges in Town of Avon Court.

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Kelly L. Frazer, 39, of Avon was charged July 18 in Groveland with second-degree forgery involving a medical prescription. The charge is a class D felony. Frazer was issued an appearance ticket.

Donald C. Fedrick, 33, of Sonyea, was charged July 19 with second-degree possession of prison contraband, tampering with physical evidence (attempting to conceal or destroy), a class E felony, seventh-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance, and fifth-degree criminal possession of a controlled substance, a class D felony.

Le Roy man charge after Livonia crash

BY THE LCN STAFF

LIVONIA – A Le Roy man is facing a felony driving while intoxicated charge following a two-vehicle crash on Richmond Mills Road, reports the Livingston County Sheriff's Office.

Deputies Michael Donals and Brock Allen, both assigned to the Sheriff's Office STOP DWI Unit, responded to the area of the reported crash about 9:30 p.m. July 17. They located the collision, with one of the vehicle operators sustaining minor injuries, the Sheriff's Office said.

Deputies spoke with the operator of one of the involved vehicles, identified as Charles W. Margeson, 53, of Le Roy. During the encounter, the deputies suspected that Margeson was under the influence of alcohol and attempted to conducted standardized field sobriety tests. All of the tests were refused. Due to several indicators of intoxication, Margeson was taken into custody for DWI at the conclusion of the investigation, the Sheriff's Office said.

Margeson was transported to the Sheriff's Office in Geneseo, where he was offered a Breathalyzer to determine his blood alcohol content. The test was also refused by Margeson, the Sheriff's Office said.

A records check revealed that Margeson had a previous conviction in 2018 for driving while intoxicated, which made the new charge a felony.

Margeson was charged with



Charles W. Margeson

felony DWI and is also facing additional violations of state Vehicle and Traffic Law.

Margeson was turned over to Central Booking deputies at Livingston County Jail for processing and pre-arraignment detention. The District Attorney's Office requested that Margeson be held on \$2,500 cash bail of \$5,000 bond.

Margeson was later arraigned at Livingston County Centralized Arraignment Part at Livingston County Jail before Town of Mount Morris Justice Robert Ossont, who released Margeson to return to court at a later date.

The Livingston County Public Defender's Office represented Margeson at his arraignment. The Livingston County District Attorney's Office did not appear at the arraignment.

State Police charge 2 after chase

BY THE LCN STAFF

Two people are facing charges after attempting to elude state police who were attempting to conduct a traffic stop.

John E. Slomka, 38, of Kenmore, Erie County, and Tina M. Bredt, 33, of Tonawanda, Erie County, were arrested July 18 after a vehicle pursuit on Interstate 390 in Livingston County, state police said.

Troopers had attempted to conduct a traffic stop of the vehicle operated by Slomka. The vehicle, a Dodge Caravan, displayed a stolen license plate, police said.

Slomka failed to comply with troopers and a pursuit began on Interstate 390 northbound in the town of Geneseo. Livingston County Sheriff deputies utilized a tire deflation device, and the vehicle came to a stop.

The subjects were taken into custody, with the assistance of the Livingston County Sheriff's

Office, after a brief foot pursuit, police said.

Troopers determined the vehicle was also reported stolen in July 2022, to the Niagara Falls Police Department.

Slomka was charged with third-degree criminal possession of stolen property, a class D felony; fifth-degree criminal possession of stolen property, and third-degree unlawful fleeing a

police officer.

Bredt was charged with third-degree criminal possession of a stolen property.

After records check it was determined Slomka had one active warrant and Bredt had eight total active warrants, all out of the Buffalo area, police said.

Both subjects were remanded to the Livingston County Jail pending centralized arraignment.

Avon man charged with criminal mischief in connection with May break-in

BY THE LCN STAFF

LIVONIA – An Avon man is facing felony criminal mischief charges following an investigation that began in May, reports the Livingston County Sheriff's Office.

Charles J. Sutton, 32, was arrested July 17 in Avon on an arrest warrant charging him with third-degree criminal mischief, a class E felony.

The charge stems from an investigation that began May 14 when deputies responded to an address on Stone Hill Road in the town of Livonia after receiving a call for someone breaking a door to gain entry to a residence. Deputies responded and took the male, identified as Sutton, into custody on unrelated charges that occurred



Charles J. Sutton

in another township. Sutton was processed on the unrelated charges while deputies continued their investigation into the damaged property, the Sheriff's Office said.

On May 15, deputies obtained an estimate for the damage that Sutton caused. Deputies began attempts to locate Sutton, with negative results. As deputies were unable to locate Sutton, a warrant for his arrest was issued.

Sutton was located by Sheriff's deputies on July 17 in Avon and taken into custody.

A person is guilty of third-degree criminal mischief if they intentionally damage another's property at the damage is greater than \$250, but not greater than \$1,500,

according to state penal law.

Sutton was turned over to Central Booking deputies at Livingston County Jail for processing and pre-arraignment detention. The District Attorney's Office requested that Sutton be released on his own recognizance as the charge does not qualify for bail under the state Justice Reform Act.

Sutton was later arraigned at Livingston County Centralized Arraignment Part at Livingston County Jail before Town of Avon Justice Dave Hoffman, who released Sutton to return to court at a later date.

The Livingston County Public Defender's Office represented Sutton at his arraignment. The District Attorney's Office did not appear at the arraignment.

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NEW YORK STATE GAS & ELECTRIC CORPORTATION (NYSEG) Arrears Relief Program

On June 24, 2022, New York State Electric & Gas Corporation filed tariff amendments, to become effective on a temporary basis July, 1 2022, with the New York State Public Service Commission to implement an Arrears Relief Program in compliance with the [Order Authorizing Phase 1 Arrears Reduction Program](#) issued in Case Nos. 14-M-0565 and 20-M-0266. Under the Arrears Relief Program, a low-income customer that had arrears as of May 1, 2022, may be eligible for a one-time bill credit. Additionally, the Company will implement an Arrears Relief Program Surcharge to recover the remaining program costs related to the arrears management plan after applying the allocated funds provided by the Utility Arrears Relief Program.

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