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“Nashville Boots & Bling” Sees Strong Turnout Despite April Showers

By Amanda Chambers

Rain interrupted several outdoor activities during the “Nashville Boots & Bling” Ladies’ Night Out on Friday, April 25, but the event continued indoors at alternate locations. Organizers reported handing out 128 punch cards to attendees, though Valerie Spreng, Executive Director of the Loudonville Chamber of Commerce, noted that not all participants picked one up. Outdoor line dancing and music planned for Water Street were halted due to the weather, but both were relocated to the American Legion. More than 20 downtown businesses participated in the themed event, offering various promotions and activities in line with the “Boots & Bling” theme. A food truck was also present. “We heard from a number of people who really appreciated how many businesses embraced the theme — it added a lot of energy and made the evening more enjoyable,” said Spreng.



Guests strike a pose at a photo booth during the “Nashville Boots & Bling” Ladies’ Night Out on April 25. Photo by Amanda Chambers

The Loudonville Chamber’s next scheduled events are the Mohican Arts and Crafts Festival on May 24 and the Memorial Day Parade on May 26.

Loudonville Track Team Scores Big at Plymouth Meet

By Kinah Yoder

The Loudonville track team put on an impressive display at the Plymouth Track Meet on Monday, April 28, securing top finishes across multiple events. The girls’ 4x800 relay team, featuring Sophie Shultz, Brynn Bitner, Kylar Staten, and Tess Shultz, dominated the competition, taking first place with a time of 10:12.00. The boys’ team—Brayson Youngen, Steven Ringler, Wyatt Denslow, and Lettie Wenell—secured third in the same event, finishing at 9:36.00. Loudonville continued to hold its own in relay races. The girls’ 4x100 relay team of Lina Brecheisen, Kate Frankford, Maggie England, and Kaylinn Freelon raced to second place, clocking in at 54.55. The girls’ 4x200 relay squad—Frankford, England, L. Brecheisen, and Jordyn Johnson—claimed third place with a time of 1:57.05, while the boys’ team—Cooper Sage, Zeb Brecheisen, Logan Finley, and J.J. Williams—matched that result with a 1:40.70 finish. The girls’ 4x400 relay team—L. Brecheisen, S. Shultz, Johnson, and T. Shultz—secured second place with a 4:27.19 finish.

Several Loudonville athletes made their mark in individual events. Johnson secured third in the 400-meter dash (1:04.39), while Freelon posted a strong performance in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 53.38 for third place. The 800-meter run was a major success for the Redbirds as Tess and Sophie Shultz finished first and second with times of 2:19.26 and 2:30.85, respectively. Distance runners also contributed to the team’s overall success. In the girls’ 3200-meter run, Nora Lance powered through for first place, finishing at 14:38.95, while teammate Phoebe FitzSimmons took third with a time of 16:20.15.

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Tessie’s tidbits...

Hi everyone! We’ll be celebrating Mother’s Day on May 11, and I hope you’re all making plans to treat your mom like a queen for the day. I came across the following story that I thought was worth sharing—it’s a beautiful reminder of what truly matters.

A Night to Remember

After 21 years of marriage, my wife asked me to take another woman out to dinner and a movie. She said, “I love you, but I know this other woman loves you too—and she’d really enjoy spending some time with you.”

The “other woman” my wife wanted me to take out was my mother, a widow for 19 years. The demands of work and raising three children had left me with little time to visit her. That night, I called to invite her to dinner and a movie.

“What’s wrong? Are you okay?” she asked. My mother is the kind of woman who suspects a late-night call or surprise invitation might mean bad news.

“I just thought it would be nice to spend some time with you—just the two of us,” I said.

She paused for a moment and replied, “I’d like that very much.”

That Friday, after work, I drove to pick her up. I felt a little nervous. When I arrived, I saw she was waiting by the door with her coat on. She’d curled her hair and was wearing

the same dress she’d worn on her last wedding anniversary. Her face lit up with a smile as radiant as an angel’s.

“I told my friends I was going out with my son, and they were impressed,” she said as she got into the car. “They can’t wait to hear all about it.”

We went to a cozy, simple restaurant—nothing fancy, but warm and inviting. My mother took my arm like she was the First Lady.

Once seated, I had to read the menu aloud—her eyes could only manage large print. Halfway through, I looked up and saw her smiling at me, a nostalgic expression on her face.

“I used to read the menu to you when you were little,” she said.

“Well, now it’s my turn to return the favor,” I smiled back.

We talked through dinner—not about anything extraordinary, just catching up on life. We were so engrossed in conversation that we missed the movie.

When I dropped her off later that night, she said, “I’d love to do this again—but only if I can invite you next time.” I smiled and agreed.

“How was your date?” my wife asked when I got home. “Wonderful. Much better than I ever expected,” I said.

A few days later, my mother died of a massive heart attack. It was sudden—I didn’t get a chance to do anything for her again.

Soon after, I received an envelope in the mail. Inside was a receipt from the restaurant where we’d eaten, with a handwritten note:

“I paid this bill in advance. I wasn’t sure I could be there, but just in case—I paid for two plates: one for you,

and one for your wife. You’ll never know what that night meant to me. I love you, son.”

In that moment, I truly understood the importance of saying “I love you”—and of giving our loved ones the time they deserve.

Nothing in life is more important than family. Spend time with them while you can, because some things just can’t wait for “some other time”.

-- Author Unknown

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There are many websites with “Spring Cleaning” ideas and tips, and each year I browse through them, wondering which one is best. Then, as the days fly by, nothing seems to inspire me to choose one—and before I know it, I’m back to the same old routine. Hit or miss!

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On May 6, area voters will be casting their ballots for issues that may or may not be of concern to them, but I urge each of you to vote!

When the election is over and the results are listed, there will be those who are happy, and others upset.

The important thing is to vote!

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Finally -- “Mothers were meant to love us unconditionally, to understand our moments of stupidity, to reprimand us for lame excuses while yet acknowledging our point of view, to weep over our pain and failures as well as cry at our joy and successes and to cheer us on despite countless start-overs. Heaven knows, no one else will.”

-- Richelle Goodrich

Tessie

Loudonville Police Calls

April 18, 3:28 p.m. Police cited a female juvenile from Danville for speed, 56/35, in the 300 block of South Mount Vernon Avenue.

April 18, 10 p.m. Police investigated a report of gunshots heard in the 100 block of Middle Drive. The village limits are located north of Middle Drive, and the gunshots may have originated from outside the village limits, where discharging firearms is legal. Police patrolled the area but found nothing unusual. They were called back to the area at 11:35 a.m. the next day for a similar report and spoke with a person involved. No arrests were made.

April 21, 3:14 a.m. Police assisted the Ashland County Sheriff in picking up three juvenile walkaways from the Mohican Young Star Academy at 200 W. Third St., Perrysville. The Sheriff returned the juveniles to the facility.

April 21, 7:31 p.m. Police investigated a report of a cooler found in the Black Fork under the Main Street bridge, believed to contain body parts. The cooler was determined to contain rotting deer remains.

April 21, 10:04 p.m. Police were advised of a red Ford truck performing burnouts in the 500 block of Kettering Drive. Officers were unable to locate the vehicle and observed no tire marks on the pavement.

April 22, 4:44 a.m. Police investigated a suspicious vehicle parked in a private lot in

the 800 block of South Market Street. The vehicle was occupied by an employee at the location who was waiting for assistance due to a vehicle breakdown.

April 23, 8:52 a.m. Police served an ordinance violation for trash and junk to a resident in the 900 block of Pearl Drive.

April 23, 9:50 a.m. Police responded to a report of several juveniles wearing black hoodies walking downtown, first near Taco Bell and later toward Riverside Park. All four youths were confirmed to be walkaways from the Mohican Young Star Academy. Arrangements were made to return them to the facility.

April 23, 12:58 p.m. Police investigated a report of trespassing at a residence in the 300 block of North Wood Street. It was determined that family members were cleaning the property for their mother.

April 23, 4:58 p.m. Security personnel reported a suspicious person and vehicle in a parking lot in the 500 block of North Market Street. The individual was a newly hired employee not yet recognized by security.

April 23, 6:32 p.m. Police assisted emergency medical personnel with the transport of a person for evaluation from a residence in the 700 block of North Market Street.

April 23, 7:01 p.m. Police responded to a report of juveniles gathering in the carport of a vacant house in the 200

block of South Brentwood Drive. No individuals were present when officers arrived.

April 23, 8:30 p.m. Police investigated a report of criminal mischief involving juveniles allegedly shooting at passing vehicles with a Nerf gun. The juveniles claimed they were aiming at a target, not vehicles. Police advised them to put the toy away for the night.

April 24, no time provided. Police cited a 25-year-old Akron female for driving with a non-compliance suspension. She was also warned for distracted driving.

April 24, 5:35 p.m. Police arrested a 24-year-old Massillon woman for operating a vehicle while intoxicated (OVI) on Wooster Road near the village limits. She was also cited for speeding and a seat-belt violation. She was taken to the Ashland County Jail.

April 24, 9:57 p.m. Police performed a welfare check in the 700 block of West Main Street. The person was okay.

April 25, Loudonville Police executed a search warrant at University Hospital’s Medical Center records division in connection with an April 20

call involving an unresponsive person.

April 25, 12:30 a.m. Police investigated a disturbance between housemates in the 500 block of Snyder Drive. Reports were forwarded to the Ashland County Prosecutor’s Office for review of possible charges.

April 25, 2:21 a.m. Police performed a welfare check in the 800 block of South Market Street. The individual was not present and was reportedly out of the area.

April 25, 2:48 a.m. Police were advised of a suspicious vehicle in the 900 block of South Market Street. The vehicle was parked legally in a lot.

April 25, 11:32 a.m. Police investigated a crash at the intersection of Main and Market Street. A 65-year-old male from Dunbar, WV, was cited for a marked lane violation that caused an accident.

April 25, 6:21 p.m. Police assisted in moving a disabled vehicle off the roadway at Wally Road and South Market Street.

April 25, 8:57 p.m. Police responded to a report of someone screaming for help

from the second floor of a building in the 200 block of West Main Street. Upon investigation, police learned the resident had been trying to put her children to bed.

April 26, 1:09 p.m. Police investigated a fraud report in the 300 block of North Jefferson Street. It was determined to be spam.

April 26, 5:07 p.m. Police cited a 43-year-old Mount Vernon female for speed, 50/35, in the 900 block of South Mount Vernon Avenue.

April 26, 9:39 p.m. Police investigated a report of suspicious individuals gathering near a public restroom in the 100 block of South Brentwood Drive. All subjects had left by the time officers arrived.

April 26, 10:13 p.m. Police assisted emergency squad and state patrol personnel in addressing a vehicle leaking fluids at South Market and East Bustle Streets. The spill was cleaned up.

April 27, 12:16 a.m. Police cited a 23-year-old Beach

City, OH male for failure to display plates at East Main at Madison Avenue. He was also issued a warning for no vehicle registration. The vehicle was towed.

April 27, 2:08 a.m. Police were notified of a runaway juvenile from the 200 block of South Wood Street. The juvenile was located and returned home. Those involved were advised of potential legal consequences in runaway cases.

April 27, 11:28 a.m. Police cited a 51-year-old Millersburg female for speed, 47/35, on East Main Street at Madison Avenue.

April 27, 6:40 p.m. Police issued a parking ticket for parking in a handicapped parking zone. The minimum fine for this violation is \$250.

Additional activity (April 18–27): Police conducted 13 additional traffic stops where warnings were issued and performed 10 residential or business checks at the request of property owners.

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LHS Seniors Raise \$6,676

By Jim Brewer

The Loudonville High School Class of 2025 raised \$6,676 for the Loudonville-Perryssville School Foundation through a series of fundraising projects held throughout the school year.

Their efforts culminated on Saturday, April 26, with the staging of the “Pickleball Palooza” at the Loudonville pickleball courts.

Earlier fundraising activities included the LHS Latrine — a bright red toilet that made its way to more than 40 homes across the school district — as well as six bake sales held throughout the school year.

The “Pickleball Palooza” alone generated over \$3,000.

The tournament featured five categories, with 27 two-person teams competing. Winning teams were:



Pictured from left to right are senior class advisor Jackie Arnold; senior class officers Taylor Garman (vice president), Macy Bernard (president), Hanna Porter (treasurer), and Sophie Lee (secretary); and class members Zoey Eades and CJ VanSickle. Historian Sydney Strouse was not present for the photo.

Submitted Photo

- Beginner Mixed Doubles: Larry Kauffman and Stephanie Edmonds
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- Senior Citizen (age 60+): Buzz Henley and Mary Davis
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- Intermediate/Advanced Men: Byron Burwell and Eric Gibson

The tournament was coordinated by senior class officers: Macy Bernard, president; Taylor Garman, vice president; Sophie Lee, secretary; Hanna Porter, treasurer; and Sydney Strouse, historian. Additional assistance came from class members Zoey Eades, CJ VanSickle, Rylee Kline, and Chloe Ganson, along with class advisor Jackie Arnold.

“The \$6,676 raised is the third-largest amount raised by a senior class in the 26-year tradition of the senior project,” reported Mike Bandy, president of the L-P School Foundation.

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Loudonville, Perryssville Host Annual Easter Egg Hunts

By Deb Sutterlin



Children gather Easter eggs in Central Park during the annual egg hunt hosted by the Loudonville Lions Club.

Photo by Dave Hunter

Despite intermittent rain, area Easter egg hunts went ahead as planned on Saturday, April 19. The Loudonville Lions Club hosted its annual event at Central Park in Loudonville, hiding 3,500 plastic eggs across age-based quadrants. Special numbered eggs awarded small prizes, and the Easter Bunny handed out candy and posed for photos.

The Perryssville VFW and Auxiliary held their egg hunt at Weltmer Park in Perryssville. Children 10 and under received treat bags and visited with the Easter Bunny before posing for pictures.

Two Junior High Track Athletes Set New Redbird Records

By Jim Brewer

Two Loudonville junior high track athletes have set new school records during this season.

Harrison Ross-Patrick has broken several records across this season and the previous

one. He currently holds the following school records:

- 200-meter dash: 54.62 seconds, breaking the previous record of 54.96 set by Jordan Wright in 2011

• 800-meter run: 2:10.18, surpassing the 2007 record of 2:12.75 held by Bryan Derr

• 1600-meter run: 5:00.54, breaking the 1980 record of 5:01.7 set by Craig Henderson

He is also part of the 4x800-meter relay team that set a school record with a time of 10:06.50.

Cama Skok set a new girls' high jump record by clearing 5 feet 1 inch. The previous record of 4 feet 10 inches was held by Shayla Edmondson and Sophie Shultz.

Both athletes are currently on track to qualify for the junior high state tournament— Ross-Patrick in the 800-meter and 400-meter events, and Skok in the high jump. To qualify, they must remain in the top 50 state-wide rankings through the end of the season.

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Keep Wildlife Wild: Observe Young Animals from a Distance This Spring

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It's best to observe young animals from a distance this spring. Submitted Photo

As young wildlife emerge this spring, hikers in areas like Mohican State Park may encounter baby animals along the trails. The Ohio Department of Natural Resources **WILD cont. to Pg.8**

MEET cont. from Pg.2

Loudonville athletes proved their strength in field events as well. Nicole Rooks placed third in the discus throw (93-11), joined by Austin Cawrse, who earned third in the boys' discus at 130-10. In the high jump, S. Shultz soared to a first-place finish with a mark of 4-10.

Other top ten finishes for the girls include: Freelon, 10th place in the 100-meter and 5th place in the 100-meter hurdles; Johnson, 7th place in the 200-meter; L. Brecheisen, 5th place in the 400-meter; FitzSimmons, 5th place in the 1600-meter; Bekah Carroll, 8th place in the 1600-meter; Sylvia Spangler, 10th place in the 100-meter hurdles and 9th in the 300-meter hurdles; Frankford, 4th place in the long jump; Natalie End-slow, 6th place in the long jump; Chloe Ganson, 4th place in the discus and 5th in the shot put.

For the boys, top ten finishes include: Elliott Strouse, 10th place in the 100-meter and 9th place in the discus; Guiliams, 4th place in the 200-meter; Sage, 7th place in the 200-meter; Finley, 5th place in the 400-meter and 4th place in the long



Preschoolers at Valley View Christian Preschool celebrated Earth Day by planting milkweed seeds to help Monarch butterflies. From left to right, Legend Roberts, Tripp Cline, teacher Jill Book, and Alaina Raubenolt plant their seeds, which they will take home once they sprout. Photo by Deb Sutterlin

jump; Denslow, 4th place in the 800-meter; Ethan Hess, 8th place in the 800-meter; Wenell, 4th place in the 1600-meter; Ringler, 7th place in the 1600-meter; Zach Manchester, 5th place in the 3200-meter; Franky Sanchez, 9th place in the 3200-meter; Josiah Hershberger, 5th place in the 110-meter hurdles, 7th place in the 300-meter hurdles, and 8th place in the long jump; Cawrse, 4th place in the shot put; Z. Brecheisen, 8th place in the shot put.

The Loudonville girls' team dominated the meet, finishing first overall in their category with 129 points, while the boys earned a solid fifth-place finish with 73 points.

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Obituary

Iona May Aams

LOUDONVILLE: Iona May Adams passed away peacefully on her 98th Birthday, Monday, April 28, 2025, in Sycamore Run Nursing Home in Millersburg.

She was born at home in Holmes County on April 28, 1927, to parents Earl & Forest (Sprang) Mutchler. Iona attended Loudonville High School with the class of 1945 and married Russell E. Adams on March 23, 1942. The couple was married for 50 years until Russell's passing in June of 1992.

Iona's work history includes seamstress work at Arnholt's, Ron Farquhar Insurance, Art Young Shoe Store, and Longstreth Monuments. She also retired as the clerk of the Village of Loudonville.

Iona was a lifetime member of the Zion Lutheran Church, where she developed a special church family and was very active in church activities. She was also very active within the Loudonville Community, participating in 4-H in many roles, including advisor, a Lioness of the Loudonville Lions Club, volunteering with Helping Hands and the Thrift Store, and was named Ashland County Woman of the Year in 2013. In her spare time, she enjoyed making candy, camping, cooking, genealogy, and sewing. Iona will be greatly missed for her incredible smile and contagious laugh.

She is survived by her children Tom (Karolyn) Adams, Ralph (Kathy) Adams, Sam (Jill) Adams, and Jolleen Hannahs; grandchildren Bill (Barb) Adams, Rusty (Carmen) Adams, Brandon (Nichole) Hannahs, and Ricki Jo (Jared) Rossiter; step-grandchildren Angela Hay and Tim Motter; 6 great-grandchildren; 3 step-great-grandchildren; and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Russell Adams; her daughter, Mary Ann Adams; her In-laws, Harry and Louise Adams; her brother, Charles Mutchler; and her sister, Marie Beck.

Iona's family would like to thank McMullen Assisted Care and Sycamore Run Nursing Home for the wonderful care they provided for Iona over the years.

Adam's family will receive friends Friday, May 2, 2025, from 2 to 3 p.m. in the Snyder Funeral Home—Lindsey Chapel, Loudonville. A funeral service will immediately follow at 3 p.m., with Pastor Debbie Pinnegar officiating. Burial will take place in Loudonville Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in Iona's memory may be made at the funeral home to Zion Lutheran Church or the Loudonville Street Fair.

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Redbirds Highlight Individual Performances Despite Series of Losses

By Kinah Yoder

Despite a tough battle on Monday, April 28, the Loudonville Redbirds softball team fell short playing against Northmor, losing 3-1. Loudonville’s Alesha Felix delivered a strong performance on the mound, allowing only three runs throughout the game. Helaina Gray scored the Redbirds’ lone run in the final inning.

On Tuesday, April 29, the Redbirds faced Cardington-Lincoln but suffered another defeat, falling 15-0.

Back at home on Wednesday, April 30, Loudonville hosted Northmor for a rematch. Addison Wolford and Brianna Seffens each scored, contributing to the team’s three runs across the first and third innings. However, Northmor secured the win once more, handing the Redbirds a 9-3 loss.

Despite the recent team results, several Loudonville players are posting strong individual statistics in the KMAC conference.

Coach Ann Stitzlein highlighted several standout performances that show potential. She pointed out that, though a sophomore, Gray has been a force at the plate, currently holding the second-highest batting average in the conference at .583. Freshman Jocelyn Kegley also stands out, ranking in the top ten with a .500 average. Gray’s defensive play has also been notable—she recorded no passed balls in a recent game, threw out a runner attempting to steal second, and made a clutch catch on a bunt.

The coach went on to say that senior pitcher Felix continues to make an impact from the circle, ranking in the top five in the conference with 44 strikeouts.

"It’s been a rough season," Stitzlein admitted, "but we have girls who want to get better every day."

The Redbirds were scheduled to play a doubleheader at Mount Gilead on Saturday, May 3, after the press deadline.

Upcoming games include: Tuesday, May 6, at 5:00 p.m. at Berlin Hiland; Thursday, May 8, at 5:00 p.m. at South Central; and a home game against Mapleton on Friday, May 9, at 5:00 p.m. for Senior Night.

Tough Week for Redbirds Baseball Team

By Kinah Yoder

The Redbirds baseball team continued to face challenges, losing 6–0 to Danville on Friday night, April 25.

Loudonville then hit the road on April 26 to take on Chippewa in a hard-fought contest. The Redbirds came out swinging, with Nic Buzzard setting the tone as the team scored two early runs in the first inning. Chippewa quickly answered, plating four runs in the bottom of the first to take the lead. Loudonville responded in

the second with two more runs, tying the game.

Loudonville’s Chayse Wright took the loss, allowing seven runs across the first two innings as Chip-pewa built a commanding lead. The Redbirds struggled to regain momentum in the third, while Chippewa added five more runs to widen the gap. Both teams went scoreless in the fourth inning.

Action resumed in the fifth, with Loudonville scoring two additional runs to stay within reach, but Chip-

pewa responded with one of their own, keeping the Redbirds at arm’s length. Loudonville managed one more run late in the game, but Chippewa’s offense remained strong, closing out the contest with four additional runs to secure a 17–7 victory.

Despite the loss, Loudonville’s roster had many offensive contributors. Buzzard, Dilan Wade, Chayse Wright, Judah Layton, Dakota Wright, Connor Whelan, and Trenton Gaines

each crossed the plate, with Gaines adding an RBI and Layton contributing two.

On Monday, April 28, the Redbirds lost to the Golden Knights at Northmor 10-0. Buzzard recorded the only hit of the night for the Redbirds, but the team was unable to score any runs.

In their rematch on Wednesday, April 30, the Redbirds hosted Northmor. Wade turned in a strong performance on the mound, allowing no runs through

the first five innings. Northmor finally broke through in the sixth, scoring the game’s first run. Loudonville answered with a run of their own to tie it 1–1. Both teams were scoreless in the seventh, pushing the game into the final frame, where Northmor took the win with two runs, resulting in a 3–1 loss for the Redbirds.

The Redbirds were scheduled for a doubleheader at Mount Gilead on Saturday, May 3, after press deadline.

Looking ahead, Loudonville will travel to Orrville on Monday, May 5, and to West Holmes on Friday, May 9. The Redbirds will return home to host Hillsdale on Monday, May 12.

Mohican Adventures Hosts ASWCD Mohican River Clean Up

Submitted

The Ashland Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) is partnering with Mohican Adventures Canoe Livery to clean up the Mohican River during its May 10th Conservation Chat.

The event will take place on Saturday, May 10, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. It will include a short trip down

the Mohican River to clean the river corridor through Loudonville, followed by a “lunch and learn” session at the livery, with free pizza provided.

“We have such a vibrant, river-based tourism economy in the southern part of the county, with visitors coming from all parts

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