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## Mayor brings license commission proposal

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AGAWAM – The Agawam City Council will be asked to establish a new license commission that could be aimed at taking on a lot of administrative work off the Agawam City Council's lap.

At the end of 2022, Councilor Robert Rossi, who heads the council's Administrative Sub-committee, spoke about the cumbersome process of going through various licenses granted to local businesses every year.

At the end of the year, the City Council agenda is typically riddled with numerous resolutions to renew licenses for a variety of permits.

The Administrative Subcommittee works through all of the licenses and make recommendations for approval by the full body.

Rossi has been in charge of the

subcommittee for many years, and commended his committee for their hard work going through so many licenses and permits so the various businesses in Agawam have them in place for the beginning of the next calendar year.

Among the permits are automatic amusement devices, weekly amusement, junk dealer, and used car dealers. Entertainment licenses are also approved by the city council.

Rossi said while the same process will remain in place through the remainder of this year to approve all licenses and permits for calendar year 2023, there may be a change to the process.

"I have to talk to the council president, but we may get some other boards involved in the process to take some of these off the council's plate," Rossi said. "Some

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The Agawam High School boys volleyball captured the Division 2 State Championship with a win over Westfield High School last Thursday at Worcester State University. The Brownies won their first state title in 10 years, and captured their first state title since the MIAA changed tournament formats. More details and photos are on page 7. SUBMITTED PHOTO

## AHS embraces new outdoor classroom

By Quinn Suomala  
Staff Writer

AGAWAM – After nearly 20 years of hard work and dedication, Agawam High School finally opened their outdoor classroom.

"We're here to recognize our wonderful outdoor classroom, finally. It's been in the works for maybe 20 years, was it? This started 18 years ago," Mayor William Sapelli said. "We're here to recognize the outdoor classroom but, more importantly, in my opinion, is to recognize an individual who was instrumen-

tal and did not give up hope for this project and kept coming back, coming back, coming back until it finally got completed. And that's Mr. Henry Kozloski."

Kozloski was instrumental in the completion of this classroom. It was through his leadership and perseverance that it was brought to fruition.

"It did take a team to pull this together, but every team needs a leader," Sapelli said. "Somebody has a vision and somebody is going to be persistent in pursuing something they truly believe in. Without that, the other people wouldn't have mattered. So,

[Kozloski] was the lynchpin for this whole thing and we greatly appreciate it."

Kozloski was proud to have this classroom dedicated to him. "It's an honor to have it named after me," Kozloski said.

The goal of this classroom is to give students a chance to get outside and learn more about the environment around them. Going in, Kozloski made sure to make the area completely accessible so it would be open to all students and community members.

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Agawam High School students and staff gather around Kozloski and Sapelli.

PHOTO BY QUINN SUOMALA

## Free meals coming to Agawam schools

By Quinn Suomala  
Staff Writer

AGAWAM – Elizabeth Moulton, the director of food services for Agawam schools, presented information on the district's past and upcoming meal plans and successes at the school committee meeting on June 13.

Moulton explained that Agawam schools were able to apply for Community Eligibility Provision, which will help families in Agawam have free meals at school.

"What that does is allow towns or cities whose free or reduced percentage of students are directly certified—meaning not through a paper application—if 40% or higher of those families are free or reduced, you qualify for the community eligibility program," Moulton said. "Agawam has recently been approved, we got the letter last week that for the next four years, all families in Agawam will receive one free breakfast and one free lunch, regardless of what the state decides to do."

Moulton and her team plan to run the direct certification list regularly, which helps to determine what families receive benefits from the state.

"That list takes all of the reasons anybody could receive any

benefits in the state, food stamps, MA help, whatever, and gives us a full, comprehensive list," Moulton said. "So, the higher our ISP, identified student percentage, the higher that is the higher the percentage of our meals are reimbursed at a free rate. So, currently, going into next year, of all of the meals we serve, 66% of them will be reimbursed at the free rate and the other part will be reimbursed at the paid rate."

Moulton and her team will also be shortly sending out letters to families further explaining what this procedure will look like but, for now, they are pleased with the progress that has been made so far.

"For us it's a good move and I think for the families of Agawam it's going to be very beneficial," Moulton said.

Moulton also took the time to give credit to all the cafeteria workers who serve Agawam students every day. As numbers for meals increase, these workers have grown more and more essential to the district.

"They serve 75% of the high school students a lunch every day," Moulton said. "It is the most incredible thing you'll ever see.

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## Scholarship awarded



Christopher is pictured here with Katy Krause, scholarship committee chair, and Sue Scantlen AHA President. Agawam Historical Association awards Scholarship. The Annual Membership Meeting for the Agawam Historical Association was held at the Captain Charles Leonard House on June 8. The program included the awarding of the Marilyn Curry Scholarship recipient for 2023, Christopher Rondinelli of Feeding Hills. Christopher was selected from a pool of 6 applicants from Agawam and Feeding Hills. He plans to attend Springfield College in the fall and will be enrolled in the Physician Assistant Program.

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## Spray Park will open June 23

AGAWAM – School Street Spray Park will be open Daily 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. from June 23 through Labor Day. Please respect the park and other users. Children under 12 must always be supervised by a parent or guardian. No glass containers, food or beverages. Pedestrians only, no skate-

boards, bikes, scooters, etc. Anyone with a communicable disease or illness is not permitted. No animals or pets in the Spray Park area. Large group field trips are not permitted. To report any problems please notify the Parks & Recreation Department at 413-821-0514.

## Perry Lane Pool opens June 26

AGAWAM – Perry Lane Pool Open Mon. June 26 through Sun., Aug. 20, the hours will be Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 5p.m.

The Public Swim Saturday & Sunday 12 to 5 p.m. Public Swim The pool schedule is subject to change. Daily Pool Passes are \$1 per person. Pool passes may be purchased at the pool from the lifeguard on duty.

These are the pool rules; An Adult must accompany children under the age of 16,

disposable diapers are not permitted in the pool at any time. A cloth diaper with rubber pants or swim diapers are recommended. Swimmers must shower before entering the pool. Anyone with a communicable disease is not permitted in the pool. The pool may be closed due to extreme weather, special events, or emergencies.

The Pool Director or Head Lifeguard on duty has authority over all pool rules and closures.

## Summer programs now available

AGAWAM – The Parks and Recreation Department announced this week the 2023 Parks and Recreation Summer Brochure is now available online. Go to [www.agawam.ma.us](http://www.agawam.ma.us) and visit the Parks and Rec page to

view the brochure and get information and sign-up for camps, clinics, and many other summer programs. Information on the Perry Lane Summer Camp and the Agawam Piranhas can also be found in the brochure.

## Agawam DPW applying fog seal from June 16 to June 22

AGAWAM – Between Fri., June 16 to Thurs. June 22, the Agawam Department of Public Works will be applying fog seal to the following streets.

Fri., June 16: Channell Drive, Florida Drive, Haskell St.

Mon., June 19: Albert St., Campbell Drive, Emerson Road, Wright St.

Tues., June 20: Cory St.

Wed., June 21: Beech Hill Road, High Meadow Road, Park St., Pleasant Valley Road, Ralph St., Windermere Drive.

Thurs., June 22: Forest Hill Road, Robin Ridge Drive.

Traffic will not be allowed on the above listed streets until the fog seal has been completely absorbed into the pavement and dried, a process which typically takes 1-3

hours. Travelling over a fog seal that has not properly dried may result in a black, oily residue on the undercarriage or side of a vehicle. If this occurs, the DPW suggests the use of an industrial strength oil cleaner to remove residue. If this does not work, residents are encouraged to contact the DPW.

The construction may cause traffic delays or detours, residents are encouraged to

plan accordingly. Please be aware that the construction schedule are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances such as inclement weather or necessary emergency work.

The DPW will make every effort to complete this work as quickly as possible. If you have any questions please contact the DPW at 413-821-0600.

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# Library announces activity schedule for June and July

June 29 3:00 p.m.  
Clini Community Room  
Find Your Voice Tea & Trivia

Test your wits once again with our monthly tea and trivia. This month's trivia questions will center around the theme 'Find Your Voice'. Join us for an afternoon of good-hearted competition and a cup of cold iced tea. Please register online or by phone.

Keep your trivia skills sharp this summer with our Kahoot trivia challenges themed around Find Your Voice. Each challenge will be posted on our website and our social media for 2 weeks so you can play at your own pace. Fulfill one of the Bingo and Beanstack challenges by joining our virtual trivia challenges.

July 3 - July 14  
Kahoot Trivia Challenge #1  
July 17 - July 28  
Kahoot Trivia Challenge #2  
July 31 - Aug. 11  
Kahoot Trivia Challenge #3  
Beginning June 26 While Supplies Last.  
Available at the Information Desk  
Adult Craft Take & Make: Tiny Art Supplies

This kit includes everything you'll need to create your own miniature masterpiece, including a 3"x3" canvas and easel, a paint

brush, acrylic paint in black, white, yellow, blue, and red, a color mixing guide, and images to help get you inspired!

Beginning July 10 While Supplies Last.  
Information Desk  
Adult Craft Take & Make: Needle Felted Sheep

Try your hand at needle felting. Each kit contains everything you'll need to create a felted sheep, including a barbed needle, wool roving in various colors, and detailed instructions. Happy crafting.

Beginning July 24 While Supplies Last.  
Information Desk  
Adult Take & Make: DIY Collage Bookmarks

Using old receipts as bookmarks is a thing of the past. Create your own custom collage bookmarks with this take and make kit, which includes patterned cardstock, stickers, ribbons, decorations, instructions and inspiration images, and a laminating sheet to hold it all together.

Beginning Aug. 7 While Supplies Last.  
Information Desk  
Adult Take & Make: Shrinky Dink Pins  
Create your own custom pins with this new take and make kits for adults. Each kit includes most of the supplies needed to create a set of handmade pins.

July 7 10 a.m.-1 p.m. (Rain date: July 14)

Agawam High School-Lower Parking Lot

Find Your Voice with Chalk Art.

Artists of all ages will have a unique opportunity to create their own outdoor chalk art masterpiece. Individuals can work alone, or teams/families can collaborate to transform a parking space into a chalk art design of their own choosing. Please register for each parking space you or your team needs. Spaces may be uneven or cracked, but brooms will be provided to remove dirt and dust. For complete Chalk Art Guidelines and more details, please visit our website beginning June 20.

July 10, 6:30 p.m. (rain date: July 17)

AHS Outdoor Classroom

Mindfulness Outdoor Exercise

Certified Koru Mindfulness instructor, Colleen Mollica leads participants in an outdoor mindfulness experience that will help connect participants to nature, encourage present-moment awareness and help manage stress. The program will take place in the outdoor classroom behind Agawam High School.

July 10, 7 p.m.

Clini Community Room

Open Mic Night for Adults

Use your voice to share a poem, a song, or a skit at our very first Open Mic Night.

Participants are invited to share a five-minute or less piece. This program is for 18+. Please register online or by phone.

July 19, 2:30 p.m.

Clini Community Room

Find Your Voice Tea & Trivia

Test your wits once again with our monthly tea and trivia. This month's theme will focus around the theme of 'Find Your Voice'. Join us for an afternoon of good-hearted competition and a cup of cold iced tea.

July 20, 6:30 p.m.

Clini Community Room

Silent Movie Play-Along with Richard Hughes

Pianist Richard Hughes will entertain our audience with musical accompaniment to the silent movie, Grandma's Boy from 1922. Grandma's Boy is a romantic/action/comedy/thriller about a boy who would do anything for his girl. Harold 'finds his voice' with the help of his Grandma and a "Zuni" charm and manages to fight off a rival and subdue a town tough who has been terrorizing the town.

Registration for Adult Programs begins June 20. Please register online [www.agawamlibrary.org](http://www.agawamlibrary.org) or by calling (413) 789-1550 X4.

## Women's Club holding rehearsals for entertainment

AGAWAM - The first rehearsal for the Catholic Women's Club of Agawam's entertainment will be held on June 22, in the St. John the Evangelist parish center gymnasium located at 833 Main St., Agawam, at 7 p.m.

All members are invited to be cast members and share their talent. Rehearsals will continue throughout July and August. Come with ideas for skits, songs or something you might want to present. Hope to see you there.

## AHS. Class of '68 celebrating its 55th reunion this summer

AGAWAM - On July 8, Joanne (Demont) and husband Frank Locke will be hosting the event at Deli Agawam, 141 Main St. Tickets will be \$20 per person.

This will be a casual summer affair, held outdoors rain or shine, between the hours of 4 to 9 p. m. Food, beer, and wine will be available. To learn more,

please visit the Deli's website where you can view the buffet menu and pricing. Tickets must be purchased in advance; the deadline to purchase is June 30. Tickets can be bought online through the website or by calling (413) 821-9881.

Anyone with questions should contact [jlocke1020@comcast.net](mailto:jlocke1020@comcast.net) or Janice DeFilipi @ [jdefilipi@gmail.com](mailto:jdefilipi@gmail.com).

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of these businesses may be better served that way."

He said forming a new commission focused on licenses could be a part of the plan, but it is still in the early stages.

Mayor William Sapelli is now proposing such a committee, as it appeared on the city council's agenda on June 20 under new business. It will require two readings to pass, so at a minimum, it will take until August to get established due to the council's summer schedule.

The town does have a Liquor Commission, but it means infrequently and usual-

ly only in the event of disciplinary actions being required for businesses with liquor licenses that have violations. The Commission also hears license transfers.

Rossi also said there is talk of getting inspection services more involved in the license process.

"We want to get more in-depth inspection services for some of our Class 2 dealers," Rossi said when he brought the subject up last year. "We need to come up with a plan to get a little more oversight on our Class 2 dealers."

The town has several used car dealerships throughout the community. Agawam has just one new car dealer, Sarat Ford.

## Registration for religious education program open

AGAWAM - Families are welcome to register for the 2023-2024 religious education program for youth at St. John the Evangelist Church, located at 833 Main Street in Agawam. A \$10 discount will be applied for families who register by June 30, 2023.

The youth program begins Sunday, Sept. 17, 9 to 10:15 a.m. for pre-K through seventh grades. A Confirmation preparation class will take place Sundays at 6 p.m.

for grades 8-12.

The registration fee is \$55 per student, or \$100 for a family with two or more registered children. For Sacramental Years (First Communion, Confirmation), there is an additional \$50 fee.

For more information, visit [stjohnagawam.com](http://stjohnagawam.com), or contact Roxanne Casiello, Director of Religious Education, 413-786-8105, extension 103, or [sje.religiouseducation@gmail.com](mailto:sje.religiouseducation@gmail.com).

## ACAA accepting applications for Pioneer Valley Art Festival

AGAWAM - The Agawam Community Artists and Artisans are accepting applications for the Pioneer Valley Art Festival that is being held at the Agawam Polish American Club, 139 Southwick Street, Feeding Hills. The Art Festival is Saturday, August 26 and Sunday, Aug. 27 from 10 a.m. to 4

p.m. Set up is Friday, Aug. 25 beginning at 8 a.m.

For General Information and the Registration form please contact Ceil Rossi, President ACAA, at email [tocarefree2@hotmail.com](mailto:tocarefree2@hotmail.com) or call 413 207-1247. Deadline is Saturday, July 1.

## Registration now open for girls youth field hockey league

AGAWAM - Registration for the Youth Field Hockey League starts June 21.

Players are restricted to Agawam residents only. Girls in grades 1-8 and have their own stick, goggles, shin guards, and

mouth pieces can sign up. The season is from Aug. to Oct.

For more information please contact Agawam Parks and Recreation located at 100 Suffield St. or call 413- 821-0513.

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# Opinion

## Guest Column



### Will work earnings affect my Social Security at age 80?

Dear Rusty:

I am 80 years old, and I receive monthly Social Security benefits, but I'm thinking about returning to work. At this age, am I limited in how much income I generate without affecting my benefit? If so, how much can I earn without affecting it?

Signed: Spry Octogenarian

Dear Spry Octogenarian:

Since you have already reached your Full Retirement Age for Social Security's purposes, you can earn as much income from working as you like without your monthly Social Security payment being affected. Social Security's earnings test applies only to those who collect benefits before reaching their full retirement age, which is somewhere between age 66 and 67, depending on year of birth.

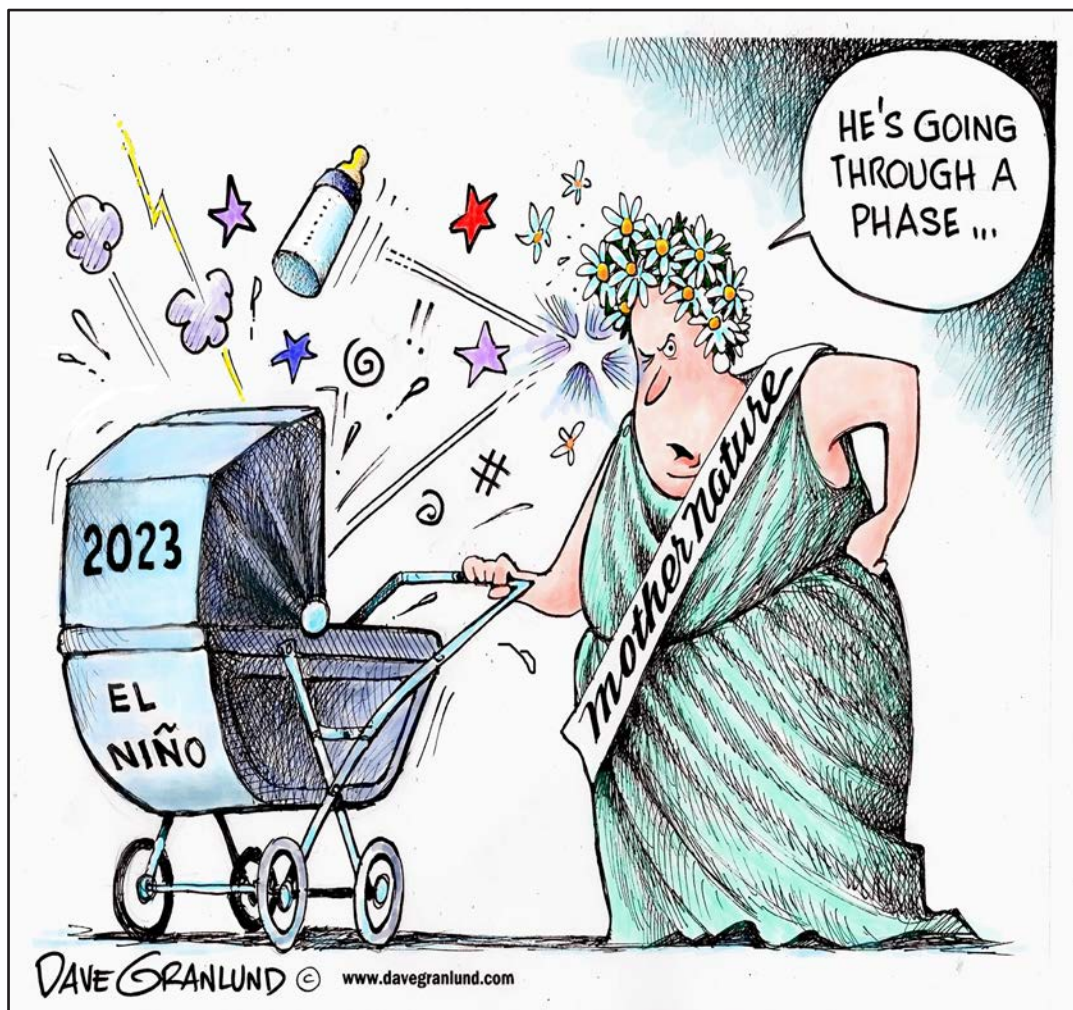
However, although the earnings test will not apply to you, it's important to know that Social Security benefits are subject to income tax if the annual combined income from all sources, also known as your "Modified Adjusted Gross Income" exceeds certain thresholds. The income tax filing status is an influencing factor - if filing as a single and the MAGI is more than \$25,000 or filing as "married/jointly" and the MAGI is more than \$32,000, then 50% of the SS benefits you received during the tax year becomes part of the overall taxable income. And if your MAGI as a single filer is more than \$34,000 or, as a married filer more than \$44,000, then up to 85% of the SS benefits you receive during the tax year becomes part of your overall taxable income at your standard IRS income tax rate. Thus, returning to work may result in Social Security benefits unexpectedly becoming taxable income.

For complete clarity, the "MAGI" is regular Adjusted Gross Income on income tax return, plus 50% of the Social Security benefits a person received during the tax year, plus any other non-taxable income (except Roth IRA withdrawals) they may have had.

So, while earnings from working at age 80 and beyond will not affect the monthly Social Security benefit payment, you may - depending on the total income or "MAGI" - find that your Social Security benefits will become taxable if the combined income from all sources exceeds the above thresholds. And if your benefits will become taxable, you may wish to consider having income taxes withheld from your monthly Social Security payments, which you can do by submitting IRS form W-4V to your local Social Security field office.

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## Guest Column

### It's all about the pie



In our family we get the privilege of requesting a special dessert to celebrate birthdays or other special occasions.

My husband asked for a strawberry pie for Father's Day. My oldest daughter made the crust while my youngest and I picked the strawberries.

After making a sauce with half the berries we mixed it with the other half of chopped fruit and poured it into the crust. Now to wait two hours while it chills.

We'll whip up some cream and, voila! The taste of summer in my opinion!

I love having a small patch of strawberries in my garden. I think I am in year four or five with this particular planting.

I've thinned and replanted but I am starting to worry that having them in close to the same spot for this length of time has lured a strawberry-specific bug to the garden. Let's learn about this bug and maybe figure out a game plan as to how to combat it.

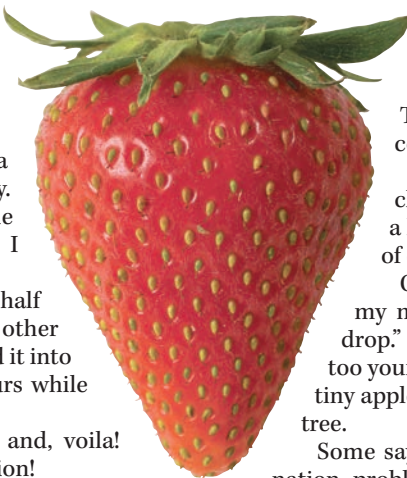
Many of my riper strawberries have damage consisting of circular holes, some of which go deep into the fruit. Occasionally there will be a beetle inside the strawberry, caught in the act.

Upon closer examination, I've determined them to be the strawberry sap beetle.

It's tiny, measuring less than one eighth of an inch long, brown, and oval shaped. They are drawn to ripe fruit and because of this, we can come up with creative ways as to how to catch them.

Pesticides are shown not to work - nor would we want to use them on fruit we are ready to eat!

Folks have had good luck with traps of stale beer, vinegar, fermenting juice, or a mixture of water, molasses and yeast.



Add a few inches of the liquid of your choice into a bucket or other deep container placed outside, but near the strawberry patch. Typically the insect will get lured in and drown.

This type of trap, albeit shallower, will also catch slugs.

Slug holes on strawberries are irregularly shaped, not circular, and most often they extend into the fruit as if the critter is eating its way through it.

A basin or saucer, even a pie plate buried to soil surface level will catch slugs when they come out of hiding to feed. Empty these types of traps every few days, replacing the liquid.

I'm a bit nostalgic today. Thinking of my own dad, of course!

If he were still alive his pie of choice would have been apple, not a la mode, but topped with a piece of cheese!

One thing I am experiencing in my mini orchard right now is "June drop." While my apple orchard is still too young to bear many apples, there are tiny apples at the base of my best bearing tree.

Some say that June drop is due to pollination problems; others surmise that it is caused by a competition for carbohydrates. Roots and shoots are competing with the newly formed apples and sometimes there isn't enough to go around.

I had always thought that insects were to blame. Regardless, June drop isn't necessarily a bad thing. We are taught to thin clusters of fruit so that individual fruits get to a respectable size. This is Mother Nature taking care of that for us.

Therefore, if you do plan on thinning, it is best to wait and see what happens between now and the first week of July before you thin down to one or two fruits per cluster.

Well, the strawberry pie was a big hit. I'm already thinking about the leftovers for tomorrow's dessert and what pie I'll have for my next big day. Blueberry, anyone?

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# Schools & Youth

## American International College awards 364 degrees

SPRINGFIELD – American International College in Springfield, MA, has awarded degrees to 364 undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral students in 2023. Congratulations to these recent graduates.  
The following local students have been awarded degrees from AIC:

Alessio Papallo of Agawam, Doctor of Physical Therapy  
Cherise Antoine of Agawam, Master of Science in Nursing  
Julie LaChappelle of Agawam, Master of Education  
Ariana Manzi of Agawam, Master of Arts

Gino Serra of Agawam, Master of Education  
Tommaso Decaro of Feeding Hills, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration  
Nicole Mercadante of Feeding Hills, Bachelor of Science  
Morgan Miller of Feeding Hills, Bachelor

of Science in Nursing  
Sarah Newsome of Agawam, Bachelor of Science in Nursing  
Matthew Talevi of Agawam, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration  
Pavel Taralunga of Agawam, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

## Holyoke Community College announces dean's list

AGAWAM – Each semester Holyoke Community College recognizes superior scholarship through the Dean's List. A student is placed on the Dean's List if their G.P.A. is 3.2 or higher. The students listed below have earned Dean's List honors for the Spring 2023 semester.

DeCoteau, Christian Michael Perez Dela Cruz, Anthony Ferraro, Patrick Michael Murphy, Chelsea Normand, Zachary Xavier Zollo.

### Feeding Hills:

Megan R. Farwell, Mia Rose Gonyer, Nick Edward Laviolette, Colin Timothy Malecki, Courtney Ann Matroni, Rowenn Stevens, Jessica Rae Taylor, Branden Matthew Wilbur.

### Agawam:

Alisson Nicole De La Fuente, Ashley May

## STCC students named to 2023 spring semester dean's list

SPRINGFIELD – Springfield Technical Community College Dean's List. To be considered, degree-seeking students must earn 12 or more college level credits in the current semester, or a total of 12 or more combined college-level credits earned during the fall and spring semesters and achieve a 3.3 or above grade point average. These students are from the Agawam area:

Jaden Couture, Justin Davis, Alicia Diciocio, Mohamed Elbakri, Mohsen Elsafty, Nicholas Esposito, Matthew Gorman, Joseph Higgins Vanessa Iodlovskaya, Mark Jackson, Jose Jimenez, Sinem Karaarslan, Shane Kendall, Alexandr Kicherman, Sumeyye Kirca, Nastasia Kirik, Pilip Kirik, Asude Kumas, Erin Lavoie, Eric LeDuc, Yeva Meleshko, Roger Parent, Lindsey Patenaude, Isabella Recchia, Antonio Romeo, Talal Soffan, Mariam Stepchuk, Uyen Vu, William White, Sulamita Yukhimets.

Memphis Acosta, Habiba Atanane, Kareem Baghdad, Evan Boutet, Shannon Cassidy, Jake Ciarcia, Leonard Cooperman,

## Russo honored



Antonio Russo received an Award presented by Chapter Faculty Adviser, Dr. David Baker. Antonio Russo Honored at the College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences Award Ceremony. Antonio Russo, of Agawam has been awarded at the 2023 College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences Award Ceremony. The award was presented by Chapter Faculty Adviser, Dr. David Baker. Russo graduated with a Doctor of Pharmacy.

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**CLUES ACROSS**

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26. '\_\_\_ death do us part
27. Fees
29. Takes with force

31. One-time Yankees rookie sensation
33. Gordon and Snider are two
34. Body parts
36. Arranges
38. Fiddler crabs
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41. Witnesses
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44. Lasso
46. Runs down
48. In response to
52. Bird-like dinosaur
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58. Ethereal
59. Boggy

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7. Intestinal inflammation
8. Spring back in fear
9. Owl genus
10. Girls
11. Unbeliefs
12. Force unit
14. Expired trade agreement
15. Went alone
18. Animal noises
20. Woman who graduated from a specific school
24. The very top
26. Organs in males
28. Earnings
30. Z Z Z
32. Reddish browns
34. A salt or ester of acetic acid
35. A place to get off your feet
37. More disreputable
38. Kidney condition
40. Cease moving
42. Quick
43. Extra seed covering
45. "Survivor: Panama" winner
47. Six
49. One who inspects lamps
50. Small parrot
51. Primordial matter of the universe
55. \_\_\_ fi (slang)

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The outdoor classroom dedicated to Henry Kozloski.



A crowd gathers outside Agawam High School to celebrate Henry Kozloski.

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“One of the things that [Kozloski] really wanted was he wanted it to be accessible,” Shawn Rumpalik, a teacher at Agawam High School, said. “Over and over again the planners said ‘that’s going to be really hard to do with the slope we’ve got’ and he said ‘no, that’s one of the requirements, it has to be accessible to everybody in the community and everybody in the school.’”

It took a lot of work, but the area is accessible to all those who would want to use it.

“Not only are the paths accessible, but this leads down, if you get a chance to go for a walk down to Threemile Brook, which is down there in the forest,” Rumpalik said. “There’s also a deck that overlooks Threemile Brook that is accessible so that

the students can take water samples overlooking the brook by just lowering a string and getting some water, which was [Kozloski’s] idea as well.”

Kozloski and the rest of the team working on this outdoor classroom wanted the students to be able to use this classroom in order to get outside and apply what they were learning in their science classes. Their wish came true.

“The Threemile brook that runs through this property is utilized by our environmental studies students who do water quality testing,” Rumpalik said. “Our bio students come out here and look at environmental concerns, we take a look at different aspects of ecology, symbiotic relationships, feeding relationships and, as mentioned, our survival science classes come back here. We build structures, we

do water purification. Just last week they were doing some bear bags, learning to keep food away from bears, so we use it for so many different things. This has become a great resource for our school and for the community.”



Agawam High School teacher Shawn Rumpalik explains how important the outdoor classroom is as Agawam High School Principal Jim Blain listens.



Teresa Kozloski, Henry Kozloski and Mayor William Sapelli stand proud at the dedication ceremony.

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I don’t know how these folks get the kids. The lines look long, you think they’re long, but they really get them out in about seven to nine minutes. There are three lunch services of about 250 meals. It’s a lot and they’re doing a really great job.”

The school committee also took the time to congratulate all the retirees in the Agawam school system.

With 13 total retirees, Agawam will be missing a lot of hard working, talented people in the year to come. The school committee made sure to thank all the retirees for the work they had put into helping Agawam schools.

“The skill and the leadership that the folks that were recognized tonight brought to our district, is insurmountable. It was amazing,” School Committee member Wendy Rua said.

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# SPORTS

## Volleyball sweeps Westfield in finals

By Tim Peterson  
Sports Correspondent

WORCESTER – Dave Stratton, who'll be retiring as the athletic director at Agawam High School at the end of June, will probably always remember his final sporting event.

The second-seeded Agawam boys' volleyball team captured the Division 2 state title with a hard fought 3-0 (29-27, 27-25, 25-20) victory over the top-seeded and archrival Westfield Bombers at Worcester State University, last Thursday night.

"This is my last athletic contest and to go out with a state championship is unbelievable," said Stratton during the post-match celebration. "I'm very happy for these kids. They're a talented group and they've worked very hard this season. The coaches are great, and the parents are also very loyal to the program. It was a very competitive match tonight, but it's a friendly rivalry with Westfield. All the kids know each other very well."

Back in the spring of 2013, Stratton watched the boys' volleyball team beat Central Mass. champion Milford, 3-1, in the state finals at Babson College.

"Mr. Stratton was the A.D. when we won our first state title ten years ago and this is a great way for him to go out," said Agawam boys' varsity volleyball coach Kevin Pender, who was an assistant coach in 2013. "I really appreciate everything that he's done for our volleyball program over the years. I also want to thank our principal, Jim Blain, for organizing the fan bus for tonight's match."

Agawam has won a couple of other state titles in the 13 years that Stratton has been the leader of the first class athletic program.

The Brownies ice hockey team won the Division 3 state champi-



Ezekiel NGuessan gets the spike.



Eric Nazarets goes for the serve.



Daniel Yovenko gets the back line set.

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Emil Zhmaidziak follows through on a hit during the state tournament held during the past two weeks.



Joseph Culhane winds up for a spike attempt.

onship title in 2015. The girls' wrestling team have brought home the state title trophy the past two years.

Pender realized on the first day of practice back in March that this would probably be a very special season for his team.

"When the coaching staff looked around on the first day of tryouts, we realized this could be a special season for us," Pender said. "Once we got on a roll early in the season, we started to see our potential and we were able to put all of the pieces together. This season was going to be memorable for us regardless of the outcome of tonight's match. This is just the cherry on top."

While it took a total team effort to get the job done, the Brownies (23-2) wouldn't have been celebrating their second state championship title without the outstanding performance of Daniel

Yovenko. He led the way with a game-high 22 kills in his final high school volleyball match. He also had eight digs and three aces.

"We've worked very hard to win the state title this year, and it's just an amazing feeling," said Yovenko while holding onto the championship trophy. "It has been ten years' since we've won a state title and winning it this year is very special for us."

Westfield head coach Tyler Wingate has a tremendous amount of respect for Yovenko.

"Dan is an unbelievable player," Wingate said. "I had the opportunity to coach him at the club level during the offseason. He's a tremendous person and I'm very

happy for him."

It was an extra special night for Agawam sophomore David Dzhenzherukha, who celebrated his 16th birthday.

"Winning the state title on my birthday is the best feeling in the

world," said Dzhenzherukha, who ended the match by combining for a block with junior Ezekiel Nguessan. "We're like one big family and I'm very happy for the seniors."

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## Brownies reach finals with sweep of O'Bryant

By Tim Peterson  
Sports Correspondent

MARLBOROUGH – While his family, friends, and teammates knew that Daniel Yovenko was 16 kills away from reaching 1,000 entering Agawam's Division 2 state semifinal volleyball match with O'Bryant, it was something that he was unaware of.

With the second-seeded Brownies trailing the sixth-seeded Tigers, 16-12 in the third set, Yovenko's history making kill sparked a 6-0 run, which gave the lead back to his team.

Agawam managed to hold onto the lead the rest of the way and they advanced into the state championship match for the first time since 2014 with a 3-0 (25-17, 25-21, 25-21) victory at Assabet Valley Regional Technical High School, last Tuesday night.

"I really didn't know how close I was to 1,000 career kills coming

into tonight's match. Everyone kept it very quiet, and it was a surprise to me," said Yovenko, who received his high school diploma a couple of weeks ago. "When my teammates started screaming and showing me the signs on the bench, it gave me a lot of encouragement to play harder. That kill also started a run, which helped us retake the lead in the third set."

Yovenko finished the state semifinal match with a team-leading 18 kills pushing his senior season total to an amazing 494.

"Dan has close to 500 kills this season, which is incredible," said Agawam head coach Kevin Pender. "Most high school volleyball players average between 175-200 kills per season. Dan has bailed us out of a lot of sticky situations this year."

Yovenko is the first Agawam volleyball player coached by Pender to reach 1,000 career kills.

"We've had three setters who

finished their high school careers with more than 1,000 career assists," said Pender, who has also coached the Agawam girls' volleyball team during the past eight years. "Dan is the first volleyball player that I've coached to have 1,000 career kills. It's a very impressive achievement for him."

Pender isn't going to be coaching the Agawam girls' volleyball team in the fall because he was named as the new women's volleyball coach at Anna Maria College in Paxton on June 7. He is, however, planning to return as the Brownies boys volleyball coach next spring.

"It's hard leaving the girls team, but I had the opportunity to coach the women's team at Anna Maria College. I'm looking forward to rebuilding that program," Pender said. "I am planning on returning as the boys' volleyball coach next year. Both the girls' and the boys' volleyball teams

at Agawam High School are very special to me."

Because the COVID-19 pandemic cancelled the 2020 high school spring sports season, Yovenko accomplished his elite milestone in only three years.

"I didn't get to play volleyball for the varsity team when I was a freshman, so it wasn't a very easy thing for me to achieve," he said. "It's a very exciting night for me and my teammates."

A couple of months before everything was shut down due to Covid, Yovenko played for a Pioneer Valley Junior Volleyball Club Team, which was coached by Pender.

"Before COVID broke out, I coached Dan's P.V. Juniors team," Pender said. "That's when I first realized that he was going to be a special weapon at the high school level. I also coached his older brother, Ben, in high school."

Dan Yovenko joined the vari-

ty squad as a sophomore. He finished that season with 195 kills.

The Brownies, who entered the 2021 Western Mass. tournament with a 7-5 record, lost to North Division rival Westfield in the quarterfinals.

Yovenko accumulated 317 kills during his junior season.

After losing to Ludlow, who's also a league rival, in the Western Mass. Class B championship match, Agawam's 2022 season came to an end following a loss to Wayland High School in the inaugural Division 2 state tournament round of 16.

They didn't miss a beat in this year's postseason tournament.

Agawam, who was the top-seeded team in the Western Mass. Class B tournament, swept Ludlow in the semifinals before defeating Minnechaug Regional,

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# Sports

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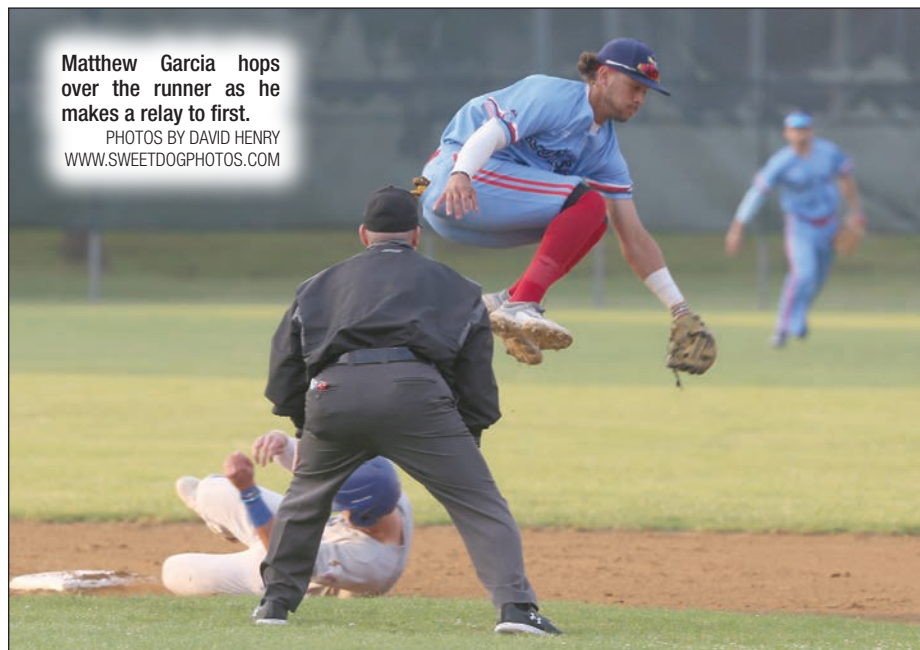
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ALL STARS



Matthew Garcia hops over the runner as he makes a relay to first.  
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## Blue Sox out to 6-3 start

HOLYOKE – The wins keep coming for the Valley Blue Sox in the early goings. The team defeated the Danbury Westerners last Saturday by a score of 8-6 to increase their lead in the West Division to two games. The Blue Sox now sit at 6-3 on the season.

Thomas Ballard started for the Blue Sox today, and pitched four innings with four strikeouts allowing three runs.

Greg Jeffries and James Vaughn both made their team debuts. Jeffries earned the win after he pitched a clean fifth inning with one strikeout. Vaughn pitched two innings and struck out three batters.

The bottom of the lineup was the story of the game for the Blue Sox. The seven, eight, and nine hitters combined for four RBIs in the ballgame.

Third Baseman Zach Ketterman went 2 for 3 with an RBI single. The Pennsylvania native boosted his average to .208 on the season.

Second Baseman Jeff Pierantoni went 2 for 2 with two singles and two RBIs. He was also hit by a pitch twice in this game, getting on base in each of his four plate appearances.

Catcher Efrain Correa Jr. went 1 for 2 with an RBI and a walk.

Danbury had a chance to come back in this game in the seventh and eighth innings, but hit into two double plays to minimize the damage. The defense was on full display tonight as AJ Guerrero made an excellent over-the-shoulder catch on the run to end the game in the top of the ninth inning.

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The other seniors listed on this year's Agawam boys' varsity volleyball roster are Carson Asselin, Colin Jorgensen, Niko Nuzzolilli, Dan Fronchkevich, Nick Uschmann, and Colin La.

Dzhenzherukha, who's a setter, was credited with 31 assists in the Division 2 state finals.

"I just put the ball up for Dan and he always puts it down," said Dzhenzherukha, who was also credited with 10 digs. "Dan is an amazing volleyball player."

Agawam and Westfield, who finished tied for first place in the North Division, split their two matchups during the regular season.

Yovenko set the tone early in the opening set of last Thursday's contest with a couple of kills, which helped his team build a 4-1 lead.

The Bombers (23-3), who are the defending state Division 2 champions, did take an 8-4 lead with the help of a 7-0 run.

The Brownies closed the gap to 9-8 before both teams kept trading points.

A combined block by Nguessan and Yovenko gave Agawam the lead back at 19-18.

The Bombers had four chances to win the first set, but the Brownies managed to tie the score each time.

The score was tied for the last time in the first at 27-27 following Yovenko's eighth kill. The set finally ended after Westfield made two unforced errors.

The Bombers held a 10-5 advantage in the second set before the Brownies came storming back.

A Nguessan kill started a 7-1 run. Another kill by Yovenko gave Agawam a 12-11 lead.

With the score tied 25-25, a Yovenko kill was initially ruled out of bounds by the officials, but after a lengthy discussion the call was reversed. A Westfield player had tipped the ball giving the Brownies a one point lead. Then an ace from Nguessan gave Agawam a commanding 2-0 lead in the match.

The momentum carried over into the third set as the Brownies never trailed and they were able to celebrate their second state title victory in school history.

"We just played our best game of the season tonight," Nguessan said. "We'll be losing some outstanding players, but we're looking forward to coming back here again next year. It was a very exciting season."

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who's another league rival, in the Western Mass. finals in straight sets.

The Brownies (22-2) advanced into the state semifinals after posting 3-0 home victories against 31st-seeded Greater Lowell, 15th-seeded Ludlow, and 7th-seeded Greater New Bedford.

They were scheduled to battle rival and top-seeded Westfield in the Division 2 state finals at Worcester State College last Thursday.

It was Agawam's first appearance in the state finals since they lost to Newton South in 2014. The previous year, the Brownies captured the state championship title for the first time with a 3-1 win over Milford.

The other seniors listed on this year's Agawam boys' varsity volleyball roster are Carson Asselin, Colin Jorgensen, Niko Nuzzolilli, Dan Fronchkevich, Nick Uschmann, and Colin La, who contributed with 21 assists against O'Bryant.

"The seniors really wanted to have an opportunity to compete for the state title," Pender said. "No matter what hap-

pens in the finals on Thursday, I'm very proud of them. Making the state finals was our goal this year and we achieved it."

Agawam was trailing, 10-7, in the first set against the Tigers (19-5) before putting together an 8-2 run, which began with a kill by Uschmann (11 kills). An ace by sophomore Joe Culhane, who also had a team-high 14 digs in the match, tied the score at 11-11.

Two other key players in the final four match for Agawam were sophomore Eric Nazarets, who had 10 digs, and David Dzhenzherukha, who contributed with 15 assists.

The score was tied once more before the Brownies managed to pull away in the opening set.

Agawam also fell behind early in the second set before storming back to take a 2-0 lead in the match.

Yovenko entered the third set two kills away from 1,000. His first kill of the third set gave the Brownies a 2-0 lead.

The Tigers would take over the momentum before Yovenko's milestone kill turned things around for the Brownies.



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**Also Known As:**  
**Joseph Enderle, Jr.**  
**Date of Death:**  
**May 11, 2023**  
**INFORMAL PROBATE  
PUBLICATION NOTICE**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Theresa Bachhuber of New Hartford, CT** a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

**Theresa Bachhuber of New Hartford, CT** has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve **without** surety on the bond.  
 The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition

the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.  
 06/22/2023

**Agawam MA  
North Street Culvert  
Replacement  
LEGAL NOTICE**

Town of Agawam, MA (Owner) invites sealed Bids for North Street Culvert Replacement, for replacement of existing culvert, construction of an additional culvert, installation of stormwater structures, and rehabilitation of existing roadway and surface conditions adjacent to the crossing culverts. Substantial Completion: within 60 days. Final Completion: within 75 days. Bidding is per MGL Chapter 30 s39M. Prevailing wage rates per MGL c149 s26 to 27D inclusive issued by Dept. of Labor Standards.

**Request electronic Bidding Documents (no cost):** 1:00 p.m., June 21, 2023 by email to MunicipalBids@woodardcurran.com with complete contact information & subject line Agawam MA - North Street Culvert Replacement. Official Bidding Documents will be available once registered. Documents from third parties are not considered official Bidding Documents.

Mandatory pre-Bid conference: 1:00 p.m. local time on June 28, 2023 at Department of Public Works conference room, located at 1000 Suffield Street, Agawam, MA, 01001.

**Receipt of Bids:** 1:00 p.m. on July 18, 2023. Submit to: Town of Agawam, MA, 1000 Suffield Street, Agawam, MA 01001, Attn: Jennifer Bonfiglio, Chief Procurement Officer with Bid security at 5% of total Bid.

**Project Funding:** in part with monies made available through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Compliance with Federal provisions is required.

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**Commonwealth of  
Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Hampden Probate and  
Family Court  
50 State Street  
Springfield, MA 01103  
(413)748-7758**  
**Docket No. HD23C0173CA**

**In the matter of:  
Marilyn Ann Racine-Shopey  
CITATION ON PETITION  
TO CHANGE NAME**

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by **Marilyn Ann Racine-Shopey of Feeding Hills, MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:

**Marilyn Ann  
Racine- Schlagel**  
**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: **Hampden Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 07/12/2023.**

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.  
 Date: June 12, 2023

**Rosemary A Saccomani**  
 Register of Probate  
 06/22/2023

**Commonwealth of  
Massachusetts  
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Family Court  
50 State Street  
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**Docket No. HD17P1385EA**  
**Estate of:**  
**Wayne Thomas Smith**  
**Date of Death: 02/10/2016**  
**CITATION ON  
PETITION FOR  
FORMAL  
ADJUDICATION**

To all interested persons:  
 A Petition for **S/A Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Dennis Smith of Grafton, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Dennis Smith of Grafton, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve on the bond in **unsupervised administration.**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
 You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 07/10/2023.**

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objec-

tion if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

**UNSUPERVISED  
ADMINISTRATION  
UNDER THE  
MASSACHUSETTS  
UNIFORM PROBATE  
CODE (MUPC)**

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.  
 Date: June 12, 2023

**Rosemary A. Saccomani**  
 Register of Probate  
 06/22/2023

**Legal Notice of Private Sale**

Notice is hereby given by USA Towing, 71 Garden St., Feeding Hills, MA 01030, sale of a motor vehicle pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. C. 255, Section 39A, that on July 10, 2023 at 8:00 a.m., at USA Towing, said motor vehicle will be sold at a private sale to satisfy the garage keeper's lien for towing, storage and costs of sale.

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 Khadijeh Hamdi  
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 06/22, 06/29, 07/06/2023

**Legal Notice  
Town of Agawam  
Planning Board**

The Agawam Planning Board will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, July 6, 2023 at 6:15 PM** at the Agawam Senior Center, 954 Main Street, Agawam, MA. The purpose of this hearing will be to hear the petition of Mayor Sapelli on a proposed amendment to the Code of the Town of Agawam Zoning Ordinance regarding use restrictions within Residence A-3 Districts (Chapter 180, Section 29). A copy of the proposal can be obtained from the Office of Planning and Community Development between

the hours of 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM at the Agawam Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA.

By Order Of:  
 Mark R. Paleologopoulos,  
 Chairman  
 Agawam Planning Board  
 06/22, 06/29/2023

**Commonwealth of  
Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Hampden Probate and  
Family Court  
50 State Street**

**Springfield, MA 01103**  
**Docket No. HD22D0964DR**  
**Lyudmila Y Shumeiko vs.**  
**Ruslan D Shumeiko**  
**DIVORCE SUMMONS  
BY PUBLICATION  
AND MAILING**

To the Defendant:  
 The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for **IRRETRIEVABLE BREAKDOWN.**

The Complaint is on file at the Court.  
 An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. **SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.**

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon:  
**Lyudmila Y Shumeiko**  
**2503 Mosby Ct. Apt. C**  
**Harrisonburg, VA 22801**

your answer, if any, on or before **07/05/2023.** If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court

WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M. Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.  
 Date: April 4, 2023

**Rosemary A. Saccomani**  
 Register of Probate  
 06/22/2023

**Please check the accuracy of your legal notice prior to submission (i.e., date, time, spelling). Also, be sure the requested publication date coincides with the purpose of the notice, or as the law demands. Thank you.**

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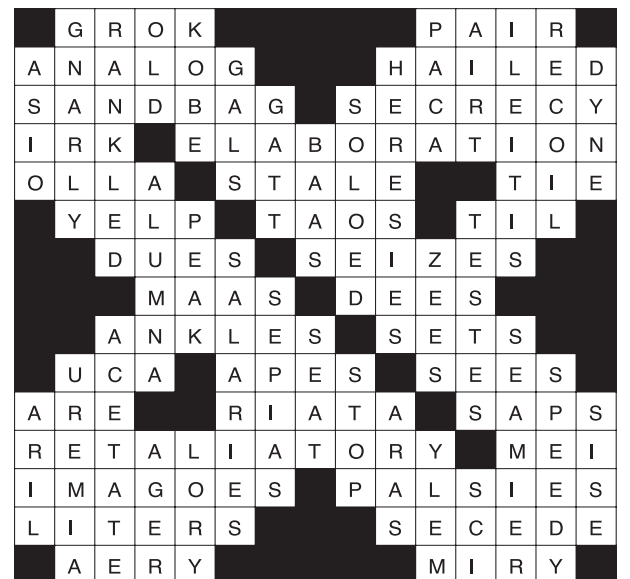
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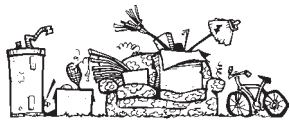
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Wednesday, June 28



Skid Marks

Wednesday, July 5



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Wednesday, July 12



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Wednesday, July 19



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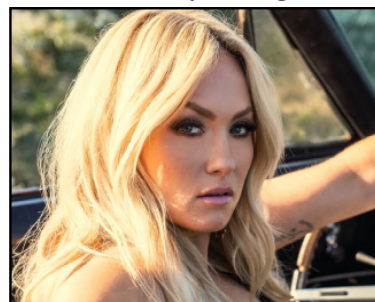
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Tuesday, August 1\*



Jimmy Mazz

Wednesday, August 9



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Wednesday, August 16



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\*Tuesday, August 1 National Night Out Celebration at School Street Park.

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## 2023 KidsFest

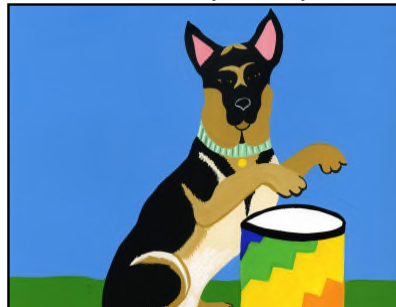
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