

CALENDAR

TUESDAY, JAN. 3

Please join us at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 3 at Sacred Heart Parish Center, 1061 Springfield St., Feeding Hills. We are blessed to have Fr. Douglas McGonagle from the Most Holy Redeemer Parish in Hadley, join us and share his most inspiring talk on the Holy Star and the Epiphany. This a wonderful way to learn more about our faith and hopefully many will make this a new tradition. Everyone will be receiving a gift to bring home. There is no monetary cost for the evening or reservations needed. We are requesting a donation for the Agawam/West Springfield Parish Cupboard either a monetary donation or a non-perishable food item and everyone is welcome to join us. There will be light refreshments at the end of the evening.

FRIDAY, JAN. 6

The second half of the Agawam Cultural Council's Applause Series Season 19 begins with a virtual performance of Sheryl Faye's "I Dissent" — her one-woman show based on the life of Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg. The performance will be broadcast on Agawam Comcast Channel 15 and streamed on www.agawammedia.tv at 7 p.m., Friday, Jan. 6.

Ruth Bader Ginsburg was an American lawyer and

jurist who served as an associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States from 1993 until her death in September 2020. She was the second woman and the first Jewish woman ever appointed to the Court and became the longest serving Jewish Justice. She championed fairness and equality and objected to different expectations for men and women, prejudice against minority groups, and women having fewer job opportunities than men.

Bader Ginsburg served on the national board of the ACLU (American Civil Liberties Union) launched The Women's Rights Project, and was a leading voice for gender equality, women's interests, civil rights and liberties. Her life was one of achievement: as a lawyer, professor of law, a judge, and Supreme Court justice; she stands out because she was unafraid to dissent, disapprove, and disagree with conditions of unfairness and inequality. This show is the inspiring story of how she changed her life—and ours.

Since 2003, Sheryl Faye has masterfully brought to life important historical women in performances across the United States. Her one-woman shows immerse the audience in a multimedia learning experience that captivates viewers and sparks their interest to explore more.

Production sponsors of Sheryl Faye's "I Dissent" are the Agawam Democratic Committee and V&F Auto. The Agawam Cultural Council would also like to thank bankESB,

Elaine Carlson, E. Cecchi Farms, OMG, Inc., PeoplesBank, Howie and Mary Jo Safford, Anthony Suffriti, TD Bank, Westfield Bank, and the Westfield Cultural Council for their generous support as Applause Series season sponsors. This event is free and open to the public.

MONDAY, JAN. 9

The Department of Public Works is pleased to announce that Republic Services will be providing a collection of Christmas Trees during the week of Jan. 9 to 13. Christmas trees will be collected on the same day as scheduled trash collection. Please be aware that the regular trash truck will not be collecting trees, a separate truck will be running for the collection of trees. Christmas trees 7-feet tall or larger must be cut in half and placed on the tree belt no earlier than 7 a.m. of the collection day listed above. Trees in plastic bags will not be collected. It is not the responsibility of the hauler to dig out trees buried in the snow due to plowing or excessive snowfall prior to the scheduled collection days. In the event of a snow delay during the scheduled collection week, residents should make alternative arrangements to recycle their trees at the Bondi's Island Landfill. Collection routes for trees will not be rescheduled. Residents may dispose of trees prior to or after the scheduled collection days at the Bondi's Island Landfill.

Public Notices

TOWN OF AGAWAM LEGAL NOTICE

The Town of Agawam requests Proposals pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 30B, §16 for the lease of a portion of municipally owned land, located on the Agawam DPW Annex 1000 Suffield Street for the designing, permitting, constructing, operating, maintaining and owning a wireless communications tower/monopole and related equipment. A lease of up to ten (10)-years with options to extend for four (4) additional and successive four (4)-year terms is being offered. On 12/28/22 the RFP will be made avail. through the Procurement Office via email to Jbonfiglio@agawam.ma.us. Proposals will be rec'd. until 1/27/23 at 11:00 AM.

12/29/2022, 1/05/2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758
Docket No. HD08P2639EA

Estate of:
Paulene L Paquette
Date of Death: 11/18/2008
CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT

A Petition for Order of Complete Settlement has been filed by **Scott Skolnick of Feeding Hills, MA** requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including the allowance of a final account and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.

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 **01/20/2023**.

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

WITNESS, Hon. **Barbara M. Hyland**, First Justice of this Court.
Date: December 14, 2022

Rosemary A. Saccomani
Register of Probate
12/29/2022

Obituary

Mary E. DeBarge

1938-2022



Mary E. DeBarge (Waldron) passed away peacefully in the early morning hours of Tuesday, December 20th. She was 84.

Born in the Pine Point section of Springfield on Nov. 1, 1938 (All Saints Day), she was the daughter of the late Edward and Margaret Waldron (Gereau).

She was raised in their family home on Dimmick Street with her parents, her older brother Edward who predeceased her, and her younger sister Sheila.

Mary married the love of her life Wally DeBarge on May 31, 1958, and they shared 59 wonderful years together in their home in Ludlow before Wally passed away on March 25, 2018.

Mary leaves her four children, John DeBarge (Penny) of Ludlow, Susan DeBarge of Hamden, CT, Sandra Ross (David) of Agawam, and Stephen DeBarge (Christine) of Belchertown. She also leaves many grandchildren who called her Crazy Gramma for good reason: Mary, John, Cynthia, Heidi, Andrew, Sarah, Adam, Michael, Matthew, and Jillian, and she was predeceased by her granddaughter Olivia in 2005. She leaves her great grandchildren Justin, Rachael, Liam, Ruby, Adam, Gage, Nick, and Mason, as well as her beloved niece Margaret Ann whom she loved like her own daughter.

Mary was a wonderful wife, mother, sister, grandmother, and friend within her close circle. She left this world exactly how she lived her life...on her own terms. Mary fiercely loved and stood by her family no matter what, and she never hesitated for a moment to let you know where you stood with her. She worked very hard as a waitress much of her adult life, working at the Homestead Inn, the Family Dining Room, and the Laddibuck Restaurant over the years, all in Ludlow.

Mary loved her home and always

strove to have it look nice both inside and out. She had a flair for decorating and loved shopping for different kinds of things that really made a house a home. After retiring, Mary and Wally spent much of their time watching their grandchildren. They loved reading, taking walks, doing jigsaw puzzles, and playing

cards and board games with them.

Mary loved watching any kind of movie and reading any kind of book or newspaper, often sharing ideas for both with her niece Margaret Ann. She also was a big fan of professional golf and football, watching both on Sunday afternoons. Like her mother, she was an avid crossword puzzle enthusiast, and she treasured her mother's dictionary that she kept to work on them. Mary also loved to cook and eat a fine meal, and she was known to drink a cocktail or two while dining, reading, or watching a movie.

Mary's children would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to the entire staff at Life Care Center in Wilbraham where Mary lived the last 16 months of her life after suffering a serious stroke in July 2021. They loved and accepted her for all that she was...stubborn, sassy, hard-working, and independent.

We personally thank the entire Rehab Team there along with many of the nurses and special aides that worked with her daily to provide her with the help and care she needed to the very end.

Mary's children have decided to have a funeral Mass and burial in the spring. She will be buried with Wally on May 31, 2023, 65 years to the day after they were married.

Colonial Forastiere Funeral Home, Agawam has been entrusted with arrangements.

For online condolences please visit www.forastiere.com.

Early Deadlines
for all LEGAL NOTICES...
Happy New Year!
All Papers Will Deadline
Thursday, Dec. 29
at Noon for
Publication Jan. 3-6

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Agawam Advertiser News

OBITUARY POLICY

Turley Publications offers two types of obituaries.

One is a free, brief **Death Notice** listing the name of deceased, date of death and funeral date and place.

The other is a **Paid Obituary**, costing \$100, which allows families to publish extended death notice information of their own choice and may include a photograph. **Death Notices & Paid Obituaries** should be submitted through a funeral home to: obits@turley.com.

Exceptions will be made only when the family provides a death certificate and must be pre-paid.

NEWS & FEATURES

As a paper of record, we attempt to cover all general news, personality profiles, and community features that we know about. This includes all selectmen and school committee meetings as well as spot planning board, board of health, finance, and other town meetings determined by the issue's relevance to our readers. There are the annual major community event features that we should always cover, but we are more than open to suggestions of other features to celebrate the fabric of our communities and their many interesting occupants. Our loyal advertisers provide funding for this paid staff coverage.

For more information on news or community features for the Agawam Advertiser News, please email aan@turley.com.