

Sports

Worcester Railers score win in overtime

RAPID CITY, SD — The Worcester Railers HC (23-19-5-1 pts) grabbed a 5-4 overtime victory over the Rapid City Rush (21-23-4-0) on Friday, February 20th at The Monument in front of a crowd of 3,409. The Railers will wrap up their three-game road series against the Rush on Saturday, February 21st, with puck drop at 7:05 p.m. MST.

Rapid City struck first with back-to-back goals from Briley Wood (2-0-2) in the opening half of the first period. Matt DeMelis (1-1-2) got Worcester on the board with a one-timer at 9:35 in the second. Drew Callin (3-0-3) kept it rolling for Worcester with two goals for the Railers, the latter of which was on the power play to put

the team ahead 3-2 heading into the final period of play. Rapid City's Ryan Chyzowski (1-1-2) tied the game for the Rush once more at three apiece early in the third. Linemate Blake Bennett (1-0-1) put Rapid City ahead for the second time of the evening with a power play shot atop the right circle to make the new score 4-3 at 10:31. Callin scored his first hat-trick as a Railer and pushed the night into overtime with a quick shot off from the left faceoff circle over the shoulder of Nathan Torchia (4-4). Anthony Repaci (1-1-2) lit the lamp for a final time for the Railers just fifty-nine seconds into OT and picked up the 5-4 victory off a pass from DeMelis.

Rapid City established an early two-goal lead for them-

selves with back-to-back unanswered goals at 7:05 and 9:43 in the first, both from Briley Wood. Wood (7th) deked out goaltender Tristan Lennox and created an opening along the right side of the Railers' net to score the Rush's first tally. Wood (8th) followed up the play with a second unanswered goal for the team three-and-a-half minutes later, a shot that snuck its way in between the pads of Lennox (0-2). Worcester was unable to respond to the new lead before the horn sounded. No penalties were called in the period. Worcester led in shots on goal with 13 to Rapid City's 6.

The second period was Worcester's turn to chase down the Rush's lead and take the game for them-

selves. In the span of six minutes and twenty-four seconds, Worcester went from trailing by two to a three-goal lead. Matt DeMelis (14th) got the scoring streak going with a quick one-timer assisted on by a pass through the crease from Riley Ginnell at 9:35 (1-2). Drew Callin (16th) capitalized on a center ice breakaway as Rush goaltender Nathan Torchia was unable to block the push (2-2). Khristian Acosta was then sent down to the ice on the next play as he collided with the Rush's net. The act put the Railers on their first extra-man advantage of the night as Mitchell Smith headed into the box for roughing. The two minutes with the man-advantage proved fruitful as Callin (17th) nabbed a

second tally, his fourth in two games. Amidst heavy traffic, Callin finished off a rebound and put the puck into a wide-open Rush net, which gave Worcester their 3-2 lead as the second frame of play came to a close. Shots on goal once again favored Worcester 15-9. Smith's penalty was the only one called for the period.

Rapid City quickly re-tied the game for the second time early in the third. The goal was tucked into the Railers net by Ryan Chyzowski (21st) at 4:18. Rapid City then reclaimed the game lead at 10:31 with a top-shelf shot atop the right circle from Blake Bennett (18th) (4-3). The play came from an man-advantage delivered by a tripping penalty called on Railers' defenseman Adam

Samuelsson at 9:35. Drew Callin (18th) kept a victory in the Railers sights with a late-game hat-trick as netminder Lennox was called to the bench to give Worcester the extra body. Callin drove the puck from the left faceoff dot over the shoulder of Torchia, and both teams skated into overtime, nodded up at four apiece. As the overtime clock began to count down, it was Anthony Repaci (15th) who claimed the game winner just fifty-nine seconds into play. Repaci tipped a backhanded pass from DeMelis out in front to claim the Railers' second victory in South Dakota with a 5-4 final score. Worcester put up 53 shots on goal to Rapid City's 20. Worcester and Rapid City each collected one penalty in the third.

Class of 1970 planning fall reunion

AGAWAM — Agawam High School Class of 1970 will be holding its class reunion in the fall. We are looking for our classmates. Please contact one of the

committee members listed below with your name and email address. Thank you and hope to see you all soon.

Gale Sullivan: GaleP-Sullivan@verizon.net

ly Cloran: PohnerHolly@gmail.com
 Scott Macey: mace1459@comcast.net
 Gail Donais: GCDonais@cox.net
 Shirley Porter: ShirleyPorter525@gmail.com

Chamber holding mayoral breakfast

AGAWAM — The VIP Mayoral Breakfast will be held on Mar. 4 from 7:30 to 9 a.m. at Tansey's Catered Table. The event is put on by the West of the River Chamber of Commerce.

The chamber believes the breakfast ought to be a celebration of flavors and a fun way to start the day with the mayors of Agawam and West Springfield. The event will feature updates from

both mayors and questions can be submitted to robin@westoftheriverchamber.com for a Q&A part of the event. Go to the West of the River's website to register for the breakfast.

Agawam Day in Florida tradition continues

ST PETERSBURG, FL — The 45nd annual "Agawam Day in Florida" will be held on Wednesday, March 4, 2026 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Former Agawam residents, old friends, classmates and relatives will meet at Fort DeSoto National Park, St. Petersburg, FL. for a reunion, picnic, raffles, hugs

and to share old memories. For more information, contact: Hank Drewnowski call/text 860-462-7273 or email - hdrew2452@gmail.com.

Registration now underway for QVBL

SOUTH HADLEY — Registration has opened for the Quabbin Valley Baseball League, an over-28 recreational league, held its first meeting of 2026 to prepare for the upcoming season.

For the 2026 season, the cost will be \$215 and will include a 16th game added to the regular season schedule.

During the 2025 season, the league experimented with playing on Mother's Day Saturday as well as a weeknight game to allow players an opportunity to play under the lights. While the night games were very successful, the Mother's Day Saturday games were rained out.

Those elements will return along with a 16th game with an opponent to be determine as the league's board explores possibilities for interleague matchups with another league in the region.

For returning players to the league, the deadline is Mar. 22 at 12 noon to be registered for the 2026 season in order to be guaranteed a roster spot. There will be open practices for all players but specifically targeted at new players scheduled for March 29 and April 4 at times and locations to be announced. The draft is currently scheduled to take place on April 4 following that practice.

The season is currently slated to start on Sunday, April 19 and following the success of the six-team fall league last year, the league will also have a fall league in September and October this

season.

The registration is live at www.quabbinvalleybaseball.org. Players must register and then pay the league dues via Venmo or contact the league leadership if an alternate form of payment is needed.

Aside from the weeknight and Mother's Day games, other games take place Sundays at 10 a.m. outside of Mother's Day, Memorial Day and July 4 weekends. Play-offs will be in August.

This is the 30th season for the league and league officials are looking to celebrate the anniversary with a couple of events.



Public Notices

TOWN OF AGAWAM
Public Hearing
Thursday, March 19, 2026
6:00 PM
Agawam Senior Center
954 Main Street
Agawam, MA 01001
Proposed FY 2026 CDBG
Application

The Town of Agawam, in association with the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, will conduct a public hearing regarding the FY26 Community Development Block Grant Program. The hearing will take place at 6:00 PM on **Thursday, March 19th, 2026, in person at the Senior Center, 954 Main Street, Agawam, MA 01001.**

The public is encouraged to attend this hearing to discuss the Town's FY26 application to the Massachusetts Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities for up to \$950,000 in available Community Development Block Grant Funds. All persons with questions or comments regarding the grant application will have an opportunity to be heard. Those unable to attend can send written comments to the Agawam Planning Department, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA 01001, Attn: Taryn Egerton, Planning Director & Conserva-

tion Agent, or via email at tegerton@agawam.ma.us.

The Town is encouraging input on community needs and projects which would benefit from grant funding. The project currently being considered is the next phase of comprehensive infrastructure improvements on Moore Street, roughly between the High Street and Maple Street intersections. Additional projects may be discussed and may be included in the grant application. Additional community needs that can be addressed through the Block Grant program will also be discussed.

Persons who require special accommodations for the hearing should contact the Town at least one week prior to the hearing date at (413) 786-0400. For further information contact Erica Johnson at PVPC at (413) 781-6045 or ejohnson@pvpc.org. 02/26/2026

Town of Agawam
Legal Notice

The **Agawam Planning Board** will hold a public hearing on Thursday, March 5, 2026 at 6:10pm and the **Agawam City Council** will hold a public hearing on Monday, March 16, 2026 at 7:00pm, both in the Veterans

Hall at the Agawam Senior Center, 954 Main Street, Agawam, MA. The purpose of these hearings will be to hear the petition of Dikan & Ashlaban for a zone change request for **515 & 533 Mill Street** from Business B & Agricultural to Residence A-2. City Council's public hearing will be livestreamed on the Town of Agawam's website at www.agawam.ma.us and will also be televised on Cable Access Channel 15 or Channel 1074. Copies of the proposed zone change can be obtained from the Planning Department between the hours of 7:30am and 3:30pm at the Agawam DPW, 1000 Suffield Street, Agawam, MA or by emailing the Office of the City Clerk for an electronic copy at vgioscia@agawam.ma.us

By Order Of:
 Violet Baldwin, Chair
 Agawam Planning Board
 Anthony Russo, President
 Agawam City Council
 02/19, 02/26/2026

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court

50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758
Docket No.
HD26P0344EA
Estate of:
Irene Marie Kulpinski
Date of Death: 04/20/2019
CITATION ON PETITION
FOR FORMAL
ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:
 A Petition for **Late and Limited Formal Testacy and/or Appointment** has been filed by **Richard M Kulpinski of Holyoke, 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 **Richard M Kulpinski of Holyoke, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **With Personal Surety** 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 03/12/2026.**

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.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE

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. **Claudine T. Stoudemire**, First Justice of this Court.
 Date: February 19, 2026
Rosemary A Saccomani, Register of Probate
 02/26/2026

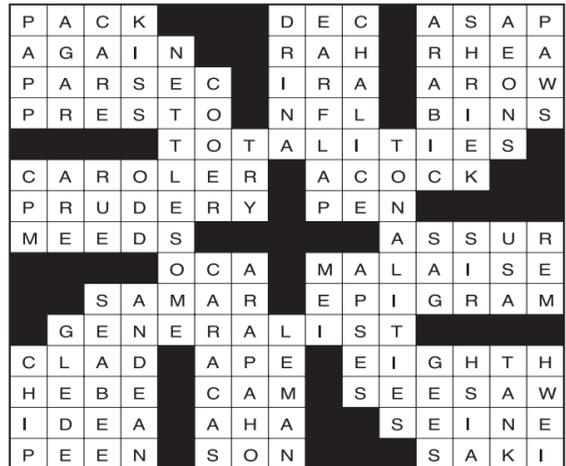
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758
Docket No.
HD23P0839EA
Estate of:

Joan Wollmershauser
Date of Death: 07/31/2022
CITATION ON PETITION FOR SALE OF REAL ESTATE BY A PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

To all interested persons:
 A Petition for Sale of Real Estate has been filed by: **Michelle J Martin of Feeding Hills, MA** requesting that the court authorize the Personal Representative to sell the decedent's real estate at a private sale.

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 03/23/2026.**

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, **Claudine T. Stoudemire**, First Justice of this Court.
 Date: February 17, 2026
Rosemary A Saccomani, Register of Probate
 02/26/2026



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 \$275, 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.