The staff of the Agawam Advertiser News wishes all of its readers a safe, happy, and healthy Thanksgiving holiday.
Police Arrest Pair For Housebreaks; Out On Bail Pending Grand Jury

by Kathy Cassaneli
News Editor

In the wake of a rash of housebreaks in the River Road area, the Police Department is asking residents to be alert to anyone acting suspiciously and to report any unusual activity in their neighborhoods to police.

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Property taken in the recent break-ins is estimated in the thousands of dollars. Macey said people should be looking for jewelry taken from a house on Trinity Terrace.

Public Needs To Be Observant

As the investigation into the break-ins continues, Macey said, "We've got to get the public to start to notice things and to start being the eyes and ears of the Police Department. We can't be everywhere at all times."

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Raymond E. Charest 

Raymond E. Charest of 57 Hastings Street, Feeding Hills, a long-time active Democrat and member of the Board of Registrars, died Sunday at home. He retired in 1978.

He was and will be sorely missed,” according to Town Clerk Richard M. Theroux. Theroux said Charest was his right-hand man on election day for years. The Board of Registrars oversees the election and Charest drove from polling site to polling site with Theroux during the State Primary on October 20th.

Sorely Missed On Election Day

But after the primary, Charest was stricken with a serious illness and never recovered. One of four members of the Board of Registrars (Mary Turner, Ronald Bennett, and Theroux), Charest was indeed sorely missed on one of the busiest election days in history on November 8th. The Board last week pulled an extra sheet from a voting machine and wrote “get well” messages on it for a man who had become a fixture in Agawam’s civic and municipal affairs.

Raymond E. Charest was born in Springfield and graduated from Springfield Schools and the University of Massachusetts in Amherst. A 51-year resident of Agawam, Charest was one of the following members and a communicant of St. John’s the Evangelist Church, was a member of the church council, and a former member of its Men’s Club. He was a member and former grand knight of the Agawam Knights of Columbus. Charest was his right-hand man on election day with a serious illness and never recovered. One of four members of the Board of Registrars (Mary Turner, Ronald Bennett, and Theroux), Charest had become a fixture in Agawam’s civic and municipal affairs.

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FIRE CHIEF DAVID PISANO (center) is the United Way chairperson for Agawam in 1994. He is pictured with Joseph Waken, a loaned executive (left); Mayor Christopher C. Johnson, and George Thompson, Fire Department secretary. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

LEGAL NOTICE
APPROVED ORDINANCE
TOR-94-8
AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TRESPASSING AND LOITERING IN SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL ZONES IN THE TOWN OF AGAWAM
WHEREAS, the School Committee has brought to the attention of the Agawam Town Council the concerns of its staff regarding the increased need for safety in the schools and school zones in the Town of Agawam; and
WHEREAS, the Town Council recognizes the need to protect its students and staff against trespassers and loiterers in schools and school zones; and
WHEREAS, the Town Council must address these concerns to assure the safety and well-being of its citizens while in schools and school zones;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE AGAWAM TOWN COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:
Amend the Code of the Town of Agawam by establishing and inserting the following chapter:
CHAPTER 140
SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL ZONES
S140-1. Unauthorized Persons in Schools or School Zones. §140-1. Violations and Penalties.
A. No person not being a student or employee of a school and not having a legitimate, specific reason for being there and not having written or oral permission from the school principal or his/her designee, shall remain in or about any school ground or any public property or way immediately adjacent thereto during school hours.
B. No person not being a student or employee of a school shall congregate or stand in or in front of a school playground or facilities thereon during school hours.
C. Persons shall not congregate or stand on any public way or public property, or in front of or in back of the side of any school playground or, without written or oral permission from the school principal or his/her designee, shall use any school playground or facilities thereon during school hours.
D. No person not being a student or employee of a school, while on school property or on public property adjacent to a school, shall distribute to students or throw, deposit, or discard any handbills, literature, brochures, or other papers or articles of any kind, unless such person has received written or oral permission from the school principal or his/her designee.
E. No person shall post or affix handbills, posters, political signs, or articles of any kind promoting business or organizations to any building, tree, fence or other structure on school grounds without written or oral permission from the school principal or his/her designee.
§140-2. Violations and Penalties.
Any person found in violation of this ordinance shall be punished by a fine not exceeding three hundred dollars.
DATED THIS TENTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1994.
PER ORDER OF THE AGAWAM TOWN COUNCIL
James D. Taylor, President
Agawam Town Council
APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY
Thomas S. Locks, Solicitor
Published: November 22, 1994

"Stop Signs" ERECTED
At Dangerous Spot
At Silver & Perry Lane

by Kathy Cassanelli
News Editor

At the Wednesday, November 9th meeting, Town Council unanimously approved a resolution establishing stop signs at the intersection of Silver Street, Perry Lane, and Pembroke Lane.

With little discussion and no debate, councilors upheld action taken by the Superintendent of Public Works John P. Stone in placing the signs in advance of official approval.

In a memo to Mayor Christopher C. Johnson dated October 6th, Stone explained that three personal injury accidents at the intersection prompted him to order the signs erected "with the knowledge and cooperation of the Police Department."

The accidents occurred within a week of the recent paving of Pembroke Lane, which intersects Silver Street (opposite Perry Lane).

According to Stone's memo, "Motorists traveling on Perry Lane and Pembroke Lane apparently are not recognizing the intersection with Silver Street as they can see the opposite street."

In a supporting document sent to the council by Johnson, the intersection is certified to meet the requirements of uniform traffic control established by the Massachusetts Department of Public Works.

Stop signs are warranted at the intersection of a less important road (with a main road) when the normal right of way rule is deemed unduly hazardous. Two cross-type accidents in the period of one year qualify an intersection as unduly hazardous.

OCTOBER 9, 1994
STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS
COUNTY OF HAMPSHIRE

AT WILBERFORCE, MASS., ON THE 9TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1994

I, Thomas H. Webster, the undersigned Clerk of the City of Wilberforce, do hereby certify that on the 9th day of October, 1994, at the regular meeting of the Wilberforce City Council at Wilberforce, Massachusetts, the following Ordinance was adopted and passed as an Ordinance of the said City:

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PERMANENT FIREFIGHTER Karl Schmaelzle (left) and Fire Chief David Pisano hold the new semi-automatic defibrillator for the EMT unit. The machine aids in restoring a heart rhythm. The new defibrillator will allow the Fire Department to have two ambulances equipped with semi-automatic defibrillators. This will prevent a delay in care for the cardiac arrest patient.

Firefighters Assoc. Helps With Purchase Of New Defibrillator

The Agawam Permanent Firefighters Association has recently purchased a new semi-automatic defibrillator for the Town of Agawam. The defibrillator aids in restoring a heartbeat to patients after cardiac arrest. The association made a pledge to pay 50 percent of the cost of the machine if the Town would match the amount and pay the other 50 percent. The new defibrillator will allow the Fire Department to have two ambulances equipped with semi-automatic defibrillators. This will prevent a delay in care for the cardiac arrest patient.

The Agawam Firefighters Association would like to thank all those who have donated to the Association Ambulance Fund. The fund makes purchases of equipment for the Fire Department ambulances possible.

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Historic Storrowton Village Transforms Into Winter Wonderland On Dec. 3rd-4th

Historic Storrowton Village Museum, on the grounds of the Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield, MA, will be transformed into a winter wonderland of beautifully decorated buildings during “Yuletide at Storrowton,” this season’s free Winter Holiday Festival, on December 3rd and 4th from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

According to event chairperson Pay Byrne of Storrowton Village, several area garden clubs and florists will donate their time, expertise, and natural materials to decorate the historic buildings for the holiday season. Participating clubs and florists include: Agawam, West Springfield, Westfield, and Hampden Garden Clubs; Wm. Burrows Florist and Longmeadow Flowers. Storrowton Village will also decorate The Schoolhouse and the Potter Mansion parlor and kitchen, as well as serve as costumed guides for the event.

The annual event will kick off each day with a “Winter Gift Wrapping” parade through the Village at 11:30 a.m. Adults and children alike may wrap themselves in their favorite holiday decorations, participate in a parade, and compete for prizes. The parade begins in front of the Meeting House, and there will be prizes for all participants.

The Village’s Meeting House will be the site of storytelling and musical performances by the Agawam Congregational Bell Ringers, the Farmington Valley Sweet Adelines, and several choral groups from area high schools. Choral groups performing in the Meeting House include the High School of Commerce Chorale, Cathedral High School Chorale, Alvirne High School Chorale, and the Springfield Central High School Chorale.

Dennis Picard, Storrowton Village program coordinator, will present a talk titled “Santa’s Little Helpers” in the Meeting House at 12:00 noon on Saturday, December 3rd, and at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 4th. Picard will tell the tales of “Santa’s Little Helpers” from many cultures and many lands, including the Northern European traditions of Belsnickel and Black Peter.

Ice sculpting demonstrations by Rich Gloster will also be featured during both days of the event from 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m. on the Village Green. On Saturday, December 3rd, Jerry Marchand will play the Celtic Harp in the Gilbert House from 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m.

The 19th century crafts of fireplace cooking, blacksmithing, and candle dipping take place daily, and there will also be craft demonstrators making brooms, quilting, spinning, coopering, and more. Caroling and a tree lighting ceremony will take place each day at 4:00 p.m. on the Gazebo.

Other holiday activities include a visit with Santa, a live pony carousel, and a petting zoo where farm animals will roam, awaiting a friendly pat from Village visitors. Holiday wreaths, trees, gifts, and other goodies will also be for sale. Stop by the Holiday Sweet Shoppe in Potter Mansion, and don’t forget to visit the Storrowton Village Gift Shop in the Phillips House for all your holiday gift-giving needs.

The beautifully decorated Village will also be open for free holiday House Tours from December 5th through December 9th, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. each day.

Also on the Exposition grounds on December 3rd will be the Yuletide Miniature Show, featuring doll house miniatures, in the New England Center. Show hours are Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Tickets are $3 for adults, $2 for seniors, and $1 for children, and children under six years of age will be admitted free. There is no charge for “Yuletide at Storrowton.”

For more information on Yuletide events, call the Village at (413) 787-0136, or the Eastern States Exposition at (413) 737-2443.
TOWN OF AGAWAM, CHAPTER 180, ARTICLE X,
LEGAL NOTICE

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE
TOWN OF AGAWAM, CHAPTER 180, ARTICLE X,
SECTIONS 180-55 AND 180-60 AND CHAPTER 180,
ARTICLE XI, SECTION 180-66

WHEREAS, the Town of Agawam, under
authority granted by Massachusetts General
Laws Chapter 40A, has enacted the Agawam Zon-
ing Ordinance for the purpose of promoting
health, safety, convenience, and welfare of its In-
habitants; and

WHEREAS, the ordinances were revised in 1986
to eliminate residential uses in industrial
districts; and

WHEREAS, Section 180-60 and Section 180-55
of Article X and Section 180-66 of Article XI were
inadvertently not removed from the ordinance or
amended at the time revisions were made;

WHEREAS, the Agawam Planning Board, in the
best interests of the Town, requests that the
Agawam Town Council amend said sections in
the Agawam Zoning Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND
ENACTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF AGAWAM
AS FOLLOWS:

Amend Section 180-60 of Article X of the
Agawam Zoning Ordinance, entitled "Industrial
District A" by deleting paragraph B which states:

"B. No building or other structure shall be
erected, altered or used for residential purposes
which shall accommodate or house more than
four (4) families. All four-family buildings or struc-
tures used for residential purposes shall be
erected on a parcel of land containing not less
than one (1) acre in area and having not less than
one hundred fifty (150) feet of frontage of a street;"

and insert in place thereof the following
paragraph B:

"B. All residential development is prohibited,
except that alteration, reconstruction, extension
or structural change to any existing residential
structure is permitted." 

Amend Section 180-66 of Article XI of the
Agawam Zoning Ordinance, entitled "Industrial
District B" by deleting paragraph D which states:

"D. No building or other structure shall be
erected, altered, or used for residential purposes
which shall accommodate or house more than
four (4) families. All four-family buildings or struc-
tures used for residential purposes shall be
erected on a parcel of land containing not less
than one (1) acre in area and having not less than
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and insert in place thereof the following
paragraph D:

"D. All residential development is prohibited,
extcept that alteration, reconstruction, extension
or structural change to any existing residential
structure is permitted." 

Amend Section 180-55 of the Agawam Zoning
Ordinance entitled "Industrial District A" by
deleting paragraph A which states:

"A. For residential purposes, provided that the
land so located in an industrial district is part of
a subdivision plan duly recorded prior to the enact-
ment of this section or if individual building lots
have been similarly recorded."

Amend Section 180-55 of the Agawam Zoning
Ordinance entitled "Industrial District A" by re-
lettering the existing paragraph B as paragraph A.

Amend Section 180-55 of the Agawam Zoning
Ordinance entitled "Industrial District A" by re-
lettering the existing paragraph C as paragraph B.

DATED THIS FIFTEENTH DAY OF NOVEMBER,
1994.

PER ORDER OF THE AGAWAM TOWN COUNCIL
James T. Taylor, President
APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY
Thomas S. Locke, Solicitor
Published: November 22, 1994

Area Mothers Against Drunk Driving To Hold
Annual Candlelight Vigil Of Hope Dec. 4th

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), Hamp-
den County Chapter will be holding its ninth an-
nual Candlelight Vigil of Remembrance and Hope
on Sunday, December 4th at 5:00 p.m. at the Old
First Church at Court Square in Springfield.

Victims' families from Hampden, Hampshire,
and Franklin County will be joining together to
remember their loved ones who were killed or in-
jured in drunk driving crashes. Hundreds of MAD
chapters across the country will be holding their
vigils at that time, to pay tribute to the thousands
of men, women, and children who were killed or
injured in alcohol-related traffic crashes.

Last year in the United States, an estimated
17,461 people died in alcohol-related traffic
crashes—an average of one person every 30
seconds, and an estimated 1.2 million people
were injured—an average of one person every 26
seconds.

"The pain we've experienced from these
tragedies never goes away, but the holidays are
an especially difficult time," explains chapter
president Barbara Griffin. "The vigil allows us to
share our grief and remind the community that
drunk driving is a violent crime which affects
thousands of people each year—many of them
right here in Western Massachusetts."

The public is invited to attend this poignant
ceremony of music, poems, and prayer. Families
may contact the MADD office at (413) 592-9953 if
they have lost a loved one in a drunk driving crash
and would like that person's name be read during
the ceremony. Persons who were injured in
alcohol-related traffic crashes may also be includ-
ed in the reading of names.

Check our classified pages every week!!!

Thanksgiving Wishes

The pilgrims who settled in Plymouth County almost 375 years ago faced
hardship and uncertainty. The promise of freedom and democracy led the
settlers to embark on this courageous journey. The holiday season is an
appropriate time to reflect on the blessings bestowed upon us as citizens of the
United States. We often take for granted the individual rights guaranteed under
the Constitution. Yet American soldiers have valiantly fought and died to bring
our democratic ideals to foreign countries longing to emulate our way of life. The
successful restoration of the freely elected leader of Haiti, Jean Bertrand
Aristide, represents the latest triumph over oppression and fear.

On this day of thanks and remembrance, I wish all
the residents of the Hampden District, best wishes
for a safe and joyous holiday.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Senator Linda J. Melconian
Ag. Senior Center’s Weekly Lunch Menu

Monday, November 28th: Grape juice, stuffed shells with extra sauce, tossed salad, Italian bread, fresh orange.

Tuesday, November 29th: Beef burgandy, egg noodles, carrot coins, Canadian oat bread, canned pears.

Wednesday, November 30th: Baked chicken breast, sweet potato, peas, whole wheat bread, canned prunes.

Thursday, December 1st: Pork cutlet, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, pumpernickel bread, tapioca pudding with whipped topping.

Friday, December 2nd: Corn chowder, tuna fish sandwich on rye bread, broccoli salad, canned peaches.

(Menu subject to change without notice.)

For glossy copies of photos in this edition, please contact Jack Devine at 789-0053.

"Getting The Most For Your Dollar" Program
At Noble Hospital

With the Christmas shopping season upon us, smart consumers want to be sure that they are getting the best product at the best cost possible. To help individuals learn how to spend their hard earned money wisely, Noble Hospital in Westfield will offer a free community presentation entitled Getting The Most For Your Dollar on Wednesday, December 7th, at 6:30 p.m. in Noble Hospital’s Auditorium A.

Pricilla Sykes, director of Materials Management at Noble, and Carole Nathan, purchasing manager, will teach participants how to be smart shoppers. Topics to be discussed will include food shopping; how to shop for desirable retail items in the home such as small appliances; tips for buying a car; catalog shopping; interpreting consumer buying guides; and whether or not service contracts and extended warranties are worth their cost.

To register for the program, call Noble Hospital’s HealthBEAT at 568-2328.

Agawam Rotary Club
To Hold Benefit Luncheon Auction

The Agawam Rotary Club announces that a Benefit Luncheon Auction has been planned for Wednesday, December 7th, between 12:00 noon and 2:00 p.m. at Storrowton Tavern, West Springfield.

Many items have been donated by Agawam Rotary members and local businesses. Prices will begin around $15. Robert Campbell, past president of the club, will be the auctioneer. The Rotary Club invites all to attend and have some fun and help raise money for charity. If you have an item you wish to donate (tax deductible), please call Kathy Ayre at 789-0812.

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James Bradford Thorpe, son of Bradford & Susan Thorpe, owners of Thorpe’s Office Supply on Main Street, was born on November 8th and all the world knew via this sign on the front lawn. Grandparents are William & Dorothy Thorpe of Agawam and Rudy & Barbara Szady of Worcester, and James & Linda Murray of Sunbury, Ohio.

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New Thorpe Born
Agawam Rotary Donates To Open Pantry

ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH, the Agawam Rotary Club collected canned goods and dollars to give to the West Springfield/Agawam Open Pantry. From left - Kathy Ayre, Agawam Rotary; Kevin Noonan, Open Pantry; Rosemary Sandlin, Agawam Rotary; and Lowell McLane. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Photos To Be Available At “Breakfast With Santa” On Dec. 4th

Bring the kids for photos with Santa at the annual “Pancake Breakfast with Santa & Mrs. Claus.” The breakfast will be held Sunday, December 4th, from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. at the Agawam Middle School on Main Street and is sponsored by the Agawam Junior Women’s Club. Once again, the Agawam Lions Club has offered to assist with the cooking.

Santa, Mrs. Claus, and an Elf will all be available for visits. Each child will receive a candy cane and Santa coloring page. Children can bring letters to Santa to put in Santa’s Mailbox; those including a return address will receive a reply from Santa in the mail. Photos with Santa will be available for purchase.

Tickets for the breakfast are $3.50 for adults and $2.50 for children under 12, and are available from any club member or by calling Ann at 786-1675 or Stephanie at 786-4578. Tickets will also be available at the door. Come and bring the whole family for some good holiday fun!

Heritage Hall Seeks Christmas Volunteers

Help spread some Christmas cheer! Heritage Hall Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, a Genesis Health Venture Facility, is seeking volunteers of all ages and interests for the Christmas season. Whether you play an instrument, sing, or are a whiz at holiday decorating, your talents are greatly needed. Groups of Christmas carolers are especially needed to visit bed and wheelchair bound residents.

So gather your friends, colleagues, and neighbors and help us bring smiles to the faces of our residents this Christmas. Call Kimberly George, Director of Volunteer Services, at (413) 786-8000 for more information.

Sgt. Michael Chavez Earns Medal In CT Army National Guard

Michael A. Chavez of Agawam, a sergeant in the Connecticut Army National Guard, has been awarded the Connecticut Long Service Medal for 10 years of faithful service in the armed forces of the state.

He is a member of the Headquarters Minus Detachment 715th Maintenance Company, in Windsor Locks.

Please remember that our classified pages bring FAST, FAST results. Please mail to Box 263, FH, MA 01030.
MR. & MRS. LON WINCHELL

Lisa Bruno Of Swk. Becomes Bride Of Lon Winchell

Lisa Bruno and Lon Winchell exchanged vows in a ceremony held at Our Lady of the Lake Church. Rev. Father James Paul Menge officiated. Serving as maid-of-honor was Mrs. Debbie Hersey and John Marcyniak, brother-in-law of the groom, was best man. Other members of the wedding party included Mrs. Darci Glynn and sisters of the bride, Cheryl Bruno and Myssie Bruno. Also, Jimmy Bruno, brother of the bride, Pat Glynn, Chuck Margarites, and Ray Leduc.

Flower girl was Melinda Gillespie (the groom’s niece) and Johnny Marcyniak (the groom’s nephew) served as ring bearer.

Following a reception at Oak Ridge Country Club in Agawam, Mr. & Mrs. Winchell honeymooned in Virginia Beach and the Poconos. The couple will make their home in Grafton, Massachusetts.

The bride and groom are graduates of Southwick High School. Mr. Winchell graduated from Becker College in Worcester and is employed at Western Mutual Insurance. The groom attended Westfield State College and is currently pursuing an engineering degree at Western New England College and is employed by AT&T.

Lisa Winchell is the daughter of James & Cheryl Bruno of Southwick and the granddaughter of Nancy Bruno of Agawam, and Mr. & Mrs. Robert Teece of Southwick.

Lon Winchell is the son of Gerry Klonski of Westfield and the grandson of Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Zanolli of Southwick.

Prime Fitness Helping Open Pantry

From November 25th through December 1st, Prime Fitness, Fitness and Aerobics Center, 188 Baldwin Center, West Springfield, will be having a can-raiser for the Agawam-West Springfield Open Pantry.

This program is called “Can for a Day.” Donation of one can of non-perishable food will allow the donor to use the complete facilities for one day.

Dry goods such as flour and sugar will also be accepted. The donor may continue to donate cans of food throughout the week. In this way, the donors can earn one free week’s membership for the price of seven cans of food.

These donations will be transported to the Open Pantry in time for the Christmas Holiday.

AGAWAM RESIDENT Laura Harrington, senior vice-president of VFW Ladies Auxiliary 6714, accepts donations for a roast pork dinner the Ladies Auxiliary held after their November meeting. Looking on are Annie Granger, chaplain (left) and new member Barbara Major.

E.B.’s Restaurant To Co-Sponsor Benefit For Easter Seals

Nationally-known Elvis impersonator, Ray Guilmette, Jr., A-Ray of Elvis, will be performing two shows on Monday, December 5th, at 5:30 and 7:45 p.m. at E.B.’s Restaurant, 385 Walnut Street Extension in Agawam, to benefit Easter Seals programs and services for people with disabilities.

Both shows are being sponsored by E.B.’s Restaurant and WWLP-TV22.

Tickets are priced at $22 per person (includes a full buffet). A cash bar will also be available.

Reservations are required and may be obtained by calling E.B.’s Restaurant in Agawam at (413) 789-3525.

The show will be on Monday, December 5th, for an evening of good food, great music, and fun galore, and help Easter Seals empower people with disabilities.

Check our classified pages each week!
AGAWAM GOLDEN AGE CLUB MEMBERS (Chapter I) at their 38th Anniversary Banquet, from left - Eva DeGrandpre (in charge of tables) and Jan Riberdy, Ways and Means chairwoman; Alice Ramponi and Claire Guidetti, party hostesses; and club members Jane Montagna, Kay Aldrich, and Janet Scannell enjoy the festivities.

Golden Agers Chapter I Holds 38th Annual Banquet

The Agawam Golden Age Club, Chapter I, held its 38th anniversary banquet at Shaker Farms, Westfield, on October 12th.

The club had its beginnings in 1956 and was sponsored by St. John Evangelist Church, First Baptist Church of Agawam, and Agawam Congregational Church. To set the club in motion, a group of women met in private homes to swap ideas regarding a social club for older citizens.

Mrs. John Pond signed in as the first member of the Agawam Golden Age Club at St. John's Church Hall. One hundred people gathered to launch the new club.

Fifty-seven Agawam seniors became charter members, and any member registering at the next two meetings would also become charter members.

Agawam Golden Age Club, Chapter I, boasts "one" charter member left of all who signed in at that time. She is America Rivers, now 103 years old and living at the Suffield House, Suffield, CT.

The first officers were selected in 1956 and they were:

- Levi Rivers, President; Roy Hamilton, Vice-President; Mrs. Susiebell Russell, Secretary; and Mrs. Edith Oberheim, Treasurer.

Their slogan was "Grow old with me—the best is yet to be."

Thirty-eight years later, 60 years old is still the magic number to join the club. Many officers have come and gone in these 38 years, but the basic tenets of the original club prevail—i.e., to bring together older citizens of Agawam for the purpose of companionship and to share common interests and experiences with old friends and new.

The following Golden Age poem was written in 1957:

"They come from every part of the town
To visit together awhile.
They meet with a hearty handshake
And a kindly, happy smile."  

Friends call us the Golden Age Club,
Some say 'senior citizens,' too.
But whatever the name, I'm glad I belong.
And so, I'm sure, do you.

For years we worked, we did our best
That our families might happy be.
Now there's time to go places, here and there.
Seeing things we wanted to see.
Yes, you have to reach the 60 mark.
To belong to this club of cheer.
I hope to attend the meetings
For many a happy year."  

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PHOTOS - CLOCKWISE - PARTICIPATING IN THE RECENT St. Theresa's Church Christmas Bazaar - Pat Benoit and Carolyn Cortis; Althea Cowles and Eloise Anderson; and Madeline Belisle, May Rosner, and Fran Berwald. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Church News
Annual Holiday Bazaar At St. Theresa's
Ham & Bean Supper Held At Valley Community

IN PHOTO LEFT, BEN FISH cuts ham for hungry folk who attended the November 12th Ham & Bean Supper at Valley Community Church; IN PHOTO RIGHT, Samantha Foucher and Juli Freniere enjoy their dinners. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

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2 lbs. Ground Round
3 lbs. Center Cut Boneless Pork Roast
3 lbs. Boneless Sirloin Steaks
3 lbs. Spoon Roast
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All for $52.95

Bundle No. 6

2 lbs. Ground Chuck
2 lbs. American Cheese
2 lbs. London Broll
2 lbs. Center Cut Pork Chops
2 lbs. Beef Franks
2 lbs. Bacon

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Bundle No. 3

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3 lbs. Split Chicken Breasts
3 lbs. Ground Chuck
3 lbs. Pork Sausage
3 lbs. Center Cut Pork Chops
3 lbs. Boneless Sirloin Steaks

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Midweek Service continues Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

Playgroup is every Wednesday and Thursday morning at 10:00 a.m. The Playgroup follows the school calendar year and is open to all infants through five years-old. Stop by to chat with other caring adults while your child enjoys special play time. For more information, call Sue Tapply at 786-1430.

Last chance! The Sr. High Youth Group will take orders for the gorgeous, full Christmas wreaths through Sunday, November 27th. Cost is only $10.

Returnable Bottle Drive—December 4th through 10th, sponsored by the Jr. High Youth Group. A large bin will be located in the church parking lot during the week for the bottles.

"Music Of Christmas" from Bach to contemporary arrangements of old church, will play a variety of music ranging through five years-old. Stop by to chat with other caring adults while your child enjoys special play time. For more information, call Sue Tapply at 786-1430.

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There will be three Christmas Eve services held Saturday evening, December 24th, to celebrate the birth of Jesus. A Christmas Pageant at 5:00 p.m.; a Carol & Candle Service at 7:00 p.m.; and the traditional Candlelighting Service at 11:00 p.m.

On Sunday, December 10th, the Jr. High youth will hold their 16th Annual Holiday Fair on December 3rd from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the church hall, 1552 Westfield Street, West Springfield.

The fair will feature local craft persons as well as traditional church shops. Interested crafters may obtain an application by calling the church office (734-9268) mornings from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

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For the candlelight vigil held in memory of Lisa Ziegert on the Veteran's Green that keeps alive the flame of Lisa's life and the hope for a just resolution to her tragic death, thank-you, Lord, for our community.

For the hardworking members of civic groups who volunteer much time to fight disease and sickness and who promote mental health, thank-you, Lord, for our community.

For the CROP Walk leaders and participants who walk 10 kilometers each October to eradicate hunger locally, nationally, and internationally, thank-you, Lord, for our community.

For the many Agawam schoolchildren who work in support of the Open Pantry through various fundraising efforts held in the schools, thank-you Lord, for our community.

For the Agawam Junior and Senior High School students who serve as peer leaders of their respective schools. These students set positive examples for younger children that drugs and alcohol do not have to be part of a teenager's life, thank-you, Lord, for our community.

For the several occasions when a local child or adult has been strucken with illness and townpeople have rallied to offer financial as well as moral support, thank-you, Lord, for our community.

For all those, who, day in and day out, offer their time and services in the spirit of volunteerism and comradeship to make our town a better place to live and work, thank-you, Lord, for our community.
Taking The Headache Out Of Relocating

Whether you're moving to a neighboring state or clear across the country, relocating to an unfamiliar area can be physically and mentally exhausting. Who will help you find the right home? What neighborhood is best for you? What about the cost of living? The questions seem endless. Simple things usually taken for granted, such as banking services, public transportation, and grocery stores, are suddenly major concerns. Although some individuals relocating because of job transfers or new employment opportunities are assisted by their employers, others may be on their own when investigating a new area.

When planning an out-of-town move, consult with an experienced professional real estate agent to determine your needs—including the sale of your present home and the elements desired in your future community and residence—to make your move a more pleasant experience. Top real estate organizations that offer highly trained agents and relocation networks, such as the CENTURY 21 System, can help you sell your old home and find a new property in almost any part of the world.

Daniel J. Lacienski recently received the 1994 NovaCare Chairman's Award, the highest honor bestowed on an employee of NovaCare, Inc., an industry leader in comprehensive rehabilitation services. The award, which was presented at a banquet held in King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, recognizes Lacienski for displaying his commitment to the Pursuit of Excellence in his professional and personal life.

Employed by NovaCare's Orthotics and Prosthetics Division, Lacienski has built and managed one of the most successful areas in the East Region. He has opened six new offices in markets that were previously unvisited, and is known for building a committed team and for his dedication to NovaCare.

In addition, Lacienski was recently promoted to Vice-President of Operations (effective November 15, 1994), and his area of coverage now comprises 52 facilities along the entire Eastern half of the United States.

A licensed respiratory care practitioner, Lacienski worked for 20 years in respiratory care prior to joining NovaCare O & P in 1992. His previous positions included assistant director of pulmonary medicine at Providence Hospital in Holyoke, MA, and most recently, general manager at Glassrock Home Health Care in Springfield, MA.

In regard to civic and community involvement, Lacienski has been chosen as the Agawam Democrat of the Year, as well as the Town of Agawam Citizen of the Year, has received the President's Award for Abby Medical, and served as the Vice-President of the Agawam City Council.

He earned his certificate in Respiratory Therapy from the Holyoke Hospital School of Respiratory Therapy in Holyoke, MA.

Daniel J. Lacienski and his wife, Lee, have one son, Mark, and two daughters, Anne and Beth.

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Several years ago, I came across the information listed below. Although my family has always strived to practice each of these commandments, I thought the wording was short and sweet... and to the point. Thus, I hung it up in our kitchen, and it’s been there ever since.

1. I shall be considerate at all times.
2. I shall respect the rights, privileges, sensibilities, freedom, and privacy of all others in the household.
3. I shall put my clothes where they belong and shall not clutter up any part of the house... and that which is done in my room shall not be the business of others unless it infringes on their rights.
4. That which I take out I shall put back immediately.
5. I shall not take anything which belongs to someone else without asking. I shall give advance notice of my comings and goings, especially if they will keep me away from mealtime.
6. I shall do my share of the work.
7. I shall attempt to do all things the way they were meant to be done.
8. I shall not waste heat, hot water, electricity, or anything else.
9. I shall give advance notice of my comings and goings, especially if they will keep me away from mealtime.
10. I shall not criticize others in my house, nor ridicule their views, nor prolong a dispute.

Taking the spirit of these rules, ours will be a happy home, whatever difficulties beset us.

Cut out these Ten Commandments and review them with each family member... it will give everyone a general set of guidelines to live by.

NAMEs AND NOTES

Looking to buy a house?... The best way to size up a neighborhood before signing the purchase and sale agreement is to approach the home facing all directions in a one-mile radius, at night as well as during the daytime. Check for access, activity, and lighting.

Financial Planning

by Howard A. Dickstein
Certified Financial Planner
IDS Financial Services
Whitney Place, 14 Bobala Rd.
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Holiday Season Budgeting

For many people, the real joy of the holiday season is watching others open the gifts we’ve carefully selected for them. But unless you’re careful, the care—and expense—you put into those gifts can come back and haunt you like the Ghost of Christmas Past.

We’re not advocating that you become a Scrooge. With the right amount of planning, you can continue to select thoughtful gifts without ruining your financial health.

When putting together a financial plan, it’s not uncommon to underestimate the amount you spend on gifts each year. Each gift you buy for a birthday, graduation, wedding, or anniversary may not cost much. But added together—with holiday gifts thrown in—they can add up. When you do your financial planning, it’s extremely important to add all your gift-giving so that it doesn’t throw the rest of your budget out of whack.

That happens most often during the Christmas season. We often make the trek to the local shopping mall with the names of our relatives and friends in our heads, but with no idea about what gifts might be appropriate or how much we want to give. It is a dangerous time of year, that seemingly harmless exercise often turns into just plain shopping.

To avoid problems, spend some time making a list—a complete list before you head out to the stores. While some spontaneity is not harmful (and, in fact, is necessary to make shopping more than just a chore), you should have a good idea about how much you want to spend, what you want to buy, and when you want to buy it.

Find what you want, buy it, and leave; window shopping may be fun, but during the holiday season, that seemingly harmless exercise often turns into just plain shopping.

The important thing to do is stick to your budget. Pay for your purchases with cash or check, not a credit card. Too often we rationalize buying an item that’s beyond our means if we use plastic to do it. The bill always comes due.

What makes it even easier to yield to the credit temptation is that merchants offer all kinds of incentives this time of year, most often allowing you to defer payments until spring. But like we said: the bill always comes due.

The holiday season is a time for joy. Don’t let uncontrolled spending ruin it for you.

To receive further information or if you would like to arrange a free 30-minute consultation, please contact me at my office, 534-3883.
Managing YOUR STRESS

by Dr. Stephen Sobel
M.S., S.M.C.

Dr. Sobel's Holiday Stress Tips

Each year I enjoy giving my readers my thoughts on how to deal effectively with the often seemingly endless demands and occurrences that take place at this time of the year.

There WILL be days when you feel less than your personal best, the idea is to help you create a healthy balance in your life. Please read these tips and share them with family members and those you care about.

I wish you all a healthy and fulfilling holiday season.

TIPS FOR HOLIDAY STRESS

(1) Don't over-commit yourself to a surplus of parties, obligations, or celebrations. Ask yourself the question often: “Am I heading towards overload?” An honest answer will allow you to make an intelligent decision.

(2) Don't be afraid to say “NO.” Saying “no” to people who ask you in good taste to show up at a gathering, is necessary. You can say no very politely and do not look to always please the other person.

(3) Be wary of the tremendous amount of advertising this at the time of the year. Buy what you determine you can afford and that’s it! Credit card mistakes will put a ball and chain on your feet in January if you are not careful. (And be sure to buy your pet a gift!)

(4) Try to invite someone over to your house or to your gathering who “has no one.” This type of person needs your support at this time of the year. Holiday time is not a happy time for quite a few people.

(5) Stay with your health routines that allow your mind and body to recharge. I also recommend that you do what you can to “lighten up,” such as watching a hilariously funny video (The Three Stooges are great!) or spending time with upbeat and positive people. Stay away from blood-sucking, toxic energy drainers!

(6) SING! Joining a Christmas chorus (especially if you haven't before) or caroling in the neighborhood is tremendously uplifting. Chanukah songs are also available to learn!

(7) Throw a few snowballs! (At trees and non-human objects!) Be a kid again. Belly-flop on a board down the nearest golf course hill!

(8) Bake cookies and give them to your friends - simple recipes which “guarantee” success are readily available. Who knows? You might find a new career here!

(9) Wait up at night for Santa and the reindeer. How are you so sure he won't come this time?

(10) Count your blessings! Not only now, but every day! ...


Dr. Sobel is a humorist and motivational speaker who travels throughout the United States.

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For Your Health

Alliance For Mentally Ill To Present Free Educational Meeting

On Thursday, December 1st, the Alliance for the Mentally Ill of Western Massachusetts will feature Dr. Jill Botie Taylor as the speaker at a free public educational meeting to be held at 7:00 p.m. at Mt. Marie Center in Holyoke.

Dr. Taylor is a neuorastomatologist in the Brain Tissue Research Center at McLean Hospital in Belmont, MA, where she works with Dr. Francine Benez, who is world-renowned for her pioneering work in postmortem research in mental illnesses.

In conjunction with her research role at McLean, Dr. Taylor offers a slide and lecture presentation to increase public awareness of recent advances in brain research such as cerebral structural differences related to schizophrenia and metabolic effects of antipsychotic medications.

Dr. Taylor is known as an animated, articulate educator who is able to explain complex neurological functions in understandable terms for lay people as well as professionals. She stresses the need for post mortem brain tissue in order that research progress may continue and suggests that the title of her presentation might be “Research Takes Brains.”

Dr. Taylor is an instructor of neuroscience at Harvard Medical School and serves on the National Board of the Alliance for the Mentally Ill, and is liaison to the Sibling and Adult Children’s Council (whose membership is over 100,000). Dr. Taylor’s undergraduate and graduate work were completed at Indiana University before she accepted a post-doctoral position within Harvard Medical School.

Her interest in research related to the functioning of the human brain has been personalized because her brother has been diagnosed with chronic schizophrenia.

The public is invited to hear Dr. Jill B. Taylor on Thursday, December 1st, at 7:00 p.m. Free parking is available at the Mt. Marie Center, located just off Route 5 at Ingleside in Holyoke.

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Flu Shots Given At Senior Center

WITH THE WINTER SEASON coming soon, senior citizens at the Agawam Senior Center were administered flu shots by town Nurse Marialyse L. Rivers to Ted Lizak (left) and Dr. James Doering gives a shot to Nurse Beth A. Monaco. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

Give The Gift Of Life At Mercy Hospital’s Blood Bank

This holiday season, give a gift to someone you might never meet. Give the “Gift of Life” by becoming a blood donor at Mercy Hospital’s Blood Bank. Blood donation at Mercy Hospital is also a good way to keep tabs on one’s own health. Donors are given a free mini-checkup that includes blood pressure, blood iron, and cholesterol testing.

And, as a special incentive in December, participants will receive a free ticket to StageWest, Springfield’s professional theater. The ticket is good for any performance except “A Christmas Carol.”

Donors must be at least 18 years of age (or 17 with parental consent) and weigh at least 110 pounds. Blood Bank hours are Monday, Tuesday, and Friday, 8:15 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., with Wednesday and Thursday hours extended until 7:00 p.m. Appointments are recommended; call (413) 746-9511 for more information.

Providence Hospital To Conduct Its Annual Light Display

Providence Hospital in Holyoke will brighten the holidays with the lighting of the third annual Holiday Display on December 5th at 6:00 p.m. Give a “Gift of Light” is the theme of the annual display, which encourages area residents to brighten the holidays by lighting a light for a friend, relative, or loved one. The display of white and colored holiday lights forms a tree based on the overhang of the main entrance and extending six stories to peak at the top of the hospital.

All money raised through the campaign will benefit the Providence Hospital Cancer Support Group, making the holidays a little brighter for persons with cancer and their families, said Sr. Madeleine Joy, S.P. Facilitator, Cancer Support Group.

The cost is $10 per light; to give the “Gift of Light,” contact the Fund Development office at Providence Hospital, 539-2465.

Breast Cancer Support Group To Meet At Mercy Hospital

The Breast Cancer Support Group, sponsored by the Women’s Pavilion at Mercy Hospital, will meet December 6th and 20th from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the Delta Conference Center.

The group, which meets the first and third Tuesday of each month, is open to women who have experienced mastectomy and other breast surgery, or who have been diagnosed as having breast cancer.

Family and close friends of the patient are welcome to attend and share their experiences and concerns.

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Examining Football Related Injuries

by Drs. Katherine M. and Joseph S. Schlaffer
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Football is one of the roughest, toughest sports and it attracts thousands of youngsters each fall. Unfortunately, the thrill it generates for spectators is often accompanied by injuries to the participants.

As chiropractic physicians, our interest in the game goes beyond the competition when there is an injury at the game, or the possibility that one has occurred.

An injury on the football field is very often the same type as that received in an auto crash. The body is struck or badly jarred, and the bones in the neck or back can be mislaid or sometimes fractured.

When this occurs in an arm or leg, the fractured bone is set and nature heals the break with time. But not so easily detected and more threatening from a medical standpoint is damage in the spinal column.

If one or more of these bones is even slightly out of line, it can mean pressure on the nerves inside the spinal column, and actual partial or complete paralysis of muscles and organs. And it can also cause permanent spinal curvature later, which shows up with starting problems in a number of patients.

While football is a fine builder of character and body, no football injury should be forgotten until after a competent consultation and examination.

Football, a part of an American tradition in education, and it is certainly here to stay. But unfortunately, it can mean pressure on the nerves in the neck or back, and the spinal cord.

For more information, call Baystate Medical Center at 800-LUNG-USA or 737-3506.

Stress Can Weigh You Down!

by Debra Morse, M.Ed.

With the holidays nearly here, you may already be thinking or worrying about what will be happening to your weight during and after the holidays. The extra stress, whether from happy anticipation or other less productive sources, can cause the stage for several self-defeating thinking patterns which may result in less use of self-control, which often leads to overeating and weight gain.

Perfectionist thinking is one kind of problem-thinking. You may be familiar with the all-or-nothing, black-and-white thinking, the trademark: "Since I ate that cheese puff, I'm not eating perfectly today, so I might as well eat this, that, and that, too."

Put simply, it is easy to see that there really is a lot of "gray area" in between! If you stop eating after a size-three steak, which has about 14 g. fat, and skip the New York cheesecake, you are 22 grams of fat ahead of the game!

How do you stop "perfectionist thinking"?

The first step is to recognize and acknowledge, 1) you do sometimes think this way, and 2) that it is self-defeating because it keeps you from accomplishing your goals, like losing or maintaining your weight.

Once you recognize these things, the next step is to give yourself permission to be human, that is, less than perfect. As Salvador Dali said, "Have no fear of perfection, you will never reach it."

Of course, don't fret about making mistakes, just try to look at them as opportunities for learning something that you didn't know before. Lastly, practice substituting "rational thinking" for perfectionist thinking.

Hot chocolate is a much more realistic, and always much more positive. Instead of "I ate that cheese puff, so I might as well eat with reckless abandon," you might say, "I ate a cheese puff, and it was a nice little treat. Now I will focus on eating the lean meats and vegetables, as I planned, so I will feel good about staying in control."

Holidays have special kinds of stresses, which can be managed by using a variety of strategies. Classes for Holiday Healthy Strategies are beginning soon on Monday evenings, 5:30 to 8:00 p.m., at 850 Springfield Street, Suite 4, Feeding Hills.

To register, or for more information about the classes or individual consultations, please call 789-2992.
Cat-In-A-Coop!
Catania "Coop," that is. Below are some bizarre requests I received from Jerry Catania and Mike "Coop." Cooper. Thanks for reading, guys.

I must say, you’ve selected some quality films. Thanks for your input.

• Pit and the Pendulum
  Edgar Allan Poe's horrific tale is superbly relayed by film in this classic tale of the macabre. Spooky film veteran Vincent Price leads the cast as the perfect nutcase.
  Although these scenes are well executed, there seems to be too much inconsistency. In other years and up.
  Adult filmmaking. The extreme violence seems to be the only minor flaw. It's not your typical American blockbuster, but it certainly is enthralling, nonetheless. 3 STARS. (16 years and up.)

• Akira
  Director: Katsuhiro Otomo. 1990. Not rated. 2 hours
  The story, based upon Otomo's famous comic book, deals with the member of a motorcycle gang who becomes a scientific experiment subject much against his will.
  For an unheard-of film, this displays some extremely high production values. There's strong acting, coherent dialogue, detailed editing, and grandiose photography (the later is especially true during the action sequences."
  Parents be warned—there is much violence in this film, so the kids should not be exposed to it. Adults, however, will be impressed.
  Akira is a worthy example of creative and quality filmmaking. The extreme violence seems to be the perfect balance.
  "I must say, you've selected some quality films. Thanks for the detailed feedback."

Agawam Cultural Council Still Has Few Seats Left For Trip To New York City

The Agawam Cultural Council has a few tickets left for the trip to New York City on Saturday, December 10th. The tickets, available at Agawam High School parking lot at 8:30 a.m. and return at approximately 5:30 p.m.

Anyone interested may call Linda Lazarus at 798-2338 for more information or send an e-mail to Pisano's Picks...On Video. Send your comments, suggestions, and even your letters of damnation to me in care of The Agawam Advertiser News, P.O. Box 283, Feeding Hills, MA 01030.

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Library & Museums
Plan Antiques Talk & Victorian High Tea

The genteel elegance of Victorian high tea will be a highlight of the Springfield Library & Museum's Victorian Holiday celebration on Saturday, December 3rd, at the Museum of Fine Arts at the Quadrangle. Orchestrating the event will be Carol Timpanelli of the Royal Tea Company of Trumbull, Connecticut, who has produced her high tea ceremonies for such celebrities as Martha Stewart and an increasing number of corporate clients. Dressed in Victorian costumes, Timpanelli and her staff will serve properly brewed tea to guests from elegant settings. A book signing will follow.

The event will begin at 3:00 p.m. with a slide lecture by Shella Chafetz, owner of the Country Dining Room Antiques in Great Barrington. Known for bringing her fashion consulting experience to the presentation of antiques, Chafetz, author of Antiques for the Table, will discuss the details that make table settings unique using affordable and collectible antiques. She will illustrate her talk with slides taken in famous and historic Berkshire settings. A book signing will follow.

The cost of the lecture and high Victorian tea is $25; for reservations, call (413) 739-3871, ext. 266.
Capt. Leonard House Plans Open House For This Holiday Season

The Trustees of the Captain Charles Leonard House will be holding a holiday open house on Sunday, December 4th, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Townspeople are cordially invited to stop in and enjoy the holiday hospitality and historic good cheer of the Captain Charles Leonard House, located at 663 Main Street, Agawam Center. The musical entertainment for this holiday open house will be provided by Carolyn Horstein on the harpsichord, and Megan Kortright on the flute.

Bay Path To Hold Auditions For The Musical Hello, Dolly!

The Theatre Arts Department of Bay Path College will be holding auditions for male actors, singers, and dancers on Monday and Tuesday, December 5th and 6th, at 7:00 p.m. in Mills Theatre, Carr Hall, on the Longmeadow campus. Needed are men to fill roles in the college's March 1995 production of the Jerry Herman musical hit, Hello, Dolly! Walk-ins are welcome. For more information, contact director Paul Norton at the college, (413) 567-0621.

Check our classified pages!!!

Tired of the Same Old Line?

AGAWAM STUDENTS who will be performing in “The Nutcracker” this weekend at Springfield Symphony Hall include, from left - Marcie Coogan, Courtney Megatsuki, Adam Witte, Jodie Plau, Jennifer Gildersleeve, Tara Witte, and Scott Harris. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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November 22, 1994
Recipes To Delight Armchair Football Fans

During football season, fresh-faced rookies and time-tested veterans alike are always looking for an edge—especially when it comes to snack chips. A balanced attack on any hungry fan’s appetite provides a savory balance and meaty richness, without overpowering the other ingredients.

Warm Cheddar Salsa: Prepare as above; spoon into V4 Inch slices. Bake at 375 degrees F for 12 to 15 minutes or until golden. Cool completely. Store in airtight container. Serve with sour cream for dipping if desired.

Cheddar Salsa

Makes 7 cups

1 cup sharp Cheddar cheese
1 (8 ounce) package reduced-calorie cream cheese
1 cup sharp Cheddar cold pack cheese
1/2 cup thick and chunky salsa
1/2 cup minced scallions
1/2 cup chopped fresh cilantro (optional)
1/2 cup finely chopped parsley
1 tablespoon dried onion flakes
1/4 teaspoon dried oregano leaves
1/4 teaspoon dried basil leaves

Combine all ingredients in a large bowl; mix well. Serve as a dip with chips, pretzel chips, Tater Crisps, or Mr. Phipps Pretzel Chips, Tater Crisps, or Nacho Tortilla Chips.

**Back To Basics Cooking**

Ease the normal rush of dinner preparation by using your microwave to cook "Vegetable-Beef Casserole." Combining ground beef, crook neck squash, onion, tomatoes, and rice, this one-dish meal takes only a half-hour to cook. It gets its rich flavor from the seasonings—garlic, basic and naturally, brewed Kikkoman Soy Sauce. The blend of brewed soy sauce is that it provides a savory balance and meaty richness, without overpowering the other ingredients.

**VEGETABLE-BEEF CASSEROLE**

1/4 pound ground beef
1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
2 medium crook neck squash, cut in half lengthwise, then cut crosswise into 1/4 inch slices
1 small onion, chopped
1/2 cup uncooked rice
1 cup Kikkoman Soy Sauce
1/2 teaspoons basil, crumbled

Crumble beef into 2-quart microwave-safe baking dish; sprinkle with garlic. Cover; microwave on High 3 minutes. Stir in squash, onion, tomatoes, rice, soy sauce, basil, and 1/2 cup water.

Cover and microwave on High 27 minutes, or until rice is tender; stir frequently. Makes 4 servings.

SPICY PARMESAN SNACK MIX

Makes 7 cups

2 tablespoons margarine, melted
1 tablespoon liquid hot pepper seasoning
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
2 tablespoons Parmesan cheese
1 tablespoon dried onion flakes
1/2 teaspoon dried basil leaves
1/2 teaspoon dried oregano leaves
2 cups Mr. Phipps Pretzel Chips
2 cups Mr. Phipps Nacho Tortilla Chips
2 cups Oriental medium wide noodles
1 cup unsalted mixed nuts
Sour cream (optional)

Combine margarine, hot pepper seasoning and Worcestershire sauce in separate bowl. In large bowl, combine pretzel chips, tortilla chips, Oriental noodles, and mixed nuts. Stir in margarine mixture and Parmesan mixture, tossing to coat well. Spread mixture onto baking sheet. Bake at 325 degrees F for 12 to 15 minutes or until golden. Cool completely. Store in air tight container. Serve with sour cream for dipping if desired.

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With the approval of Mrs. Audrey Geisel, wife of the late Theodore Geisel (a.k.a. Dr. Seuss), the famous feline appears holding a bunch of balloons, including some of the shapes which will join him Friday, November 25th, in downtown Springfield.

The sweatshirts, white or jade, will be available Wednesday, November 16th through Friday, December 23rd in all Springfield institutions for Savings branches. Made in America at Baystate West, or by mail order.

The cost for children’s sizes two through four, six through eight, and 14-16 is $12 and adults large and xlarge are priced at $18. For mail or telephone orders made through the Spirit of Springfield, Inc., 101 State Street, Suite 220, Sprinfield, MA 01103-2008 or (413) 733-3800, add $3 for the shipping of one sweatshirt and $1 for each additional.

Proceeds from the sale of the souvenir sweatshirts will be used to help offset the costs of the 1984 “Parade of the Big Balloons.

In December of 1993, Esprit de Corp was granted the exclusive license to produce Dr. Seuss apparel. In February of 1994, the Spirit of Springfield received “Exception to Exclusivity” to annually sell sweatshirts incorporating the likeness of the “Cat in the Hat” for the “Parade of the Big Balloons.” Restrictions include limited quantities.

The 1994 “Parade of the Big Balloons,” presented by the Spirit of Springfield, Inc., is sponsored by Springfield Institution for Savings and WWLP-TV22 with additional support provided by area businesses.

For more information about the holiday season kick-off, contact the Spirit of Springfield at (413) 733-3800.

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Victorian Holiday Festival Planned By Springfield Library & Museums

The Springfield Library & Museums will present "VICTORIAN HOLIDAY," a series of special exhibits and activities with a 19th-century theme. All activities are at the Central Library and four museums at the Quadrangle in downtown Springfield. Admission is $4 for adults, $2 for children ages six to 18, and free for children under six years of age. These prices include admission to all four museums; however, activities with a separate admission fee are so noted below.

EXHIBITIONS

Dollhouses and Room Boxes from Private Collections, December 1st through January 8th, at the George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum. Nearly a dozen collectors from throughout New England will exhibit their dollhouses and room boxes. They will range from a soft-sculpture Old Woman in the Shoe to a Sukkot (Jewish harvest festival) room box to a 15-room Victorian home.

The Exquisite Victorian Doll Collection of Maude Brewer Lang, December 1st through January 29th, at the Springfield Science Museum. When Maude Brewer Lang was a child, her stated ambition was to have more dolls in her collection than Queen Victoria did in hers. By the time she died in 1963, Lang's 700-plus dolls far surpassed the monarch's 132. Lang herself will reappear in the person of Science Museum volunteer Laurie McDonnell, who will speak to visitors about "her" dolls on Saturday and Sunday, December 3rd and 4th. McDonnell has been researching transcripts of Lang's actual lectures.

Victorian Gingerbread Houses, December 1st through December 4th, at the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum. Who says your holiday appetites with a look at Victorian homes created by area high school students and professional chefs amid traditional "Victorian Holiday" decorations. Westfield culinary artist Jenny Bycenski and her students are creating an entire Victorian village.

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

* Tuesday, November 29th
  * "Victorian Holiday" Gala Dinner ($75, $60 for members of the Springfield Library & Museums). Call (413) 739-3871, ext. 266, for reservations.
  * Wednesday, November 30th
    * "Christmas in the Nineteenth Century," a tree concert by the American Vocal Arts Quintet (Central Library).
  * Saturday, December 3rd
    * 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Mrs. Santa will be on hand to greet those who bring a scarf, hat, or pair of mittens for the Mitten Tree (Central Library).
    * 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. Display by artist Ann Chellis Wessel of Demi-Tasse Miniatures and Dolls in Northampton (George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum).

12:30 noon to 4:00 p.m.: Have your silhouette portrait done by artist Marion Harlaley of Amherst ($5 per portrait; Connecticut Valley Historical Museum).

12:30 p.m.: Gerwick Puppets will perform Midwinter Magic, the story of a little boy and girl who stay awake to experience all the magical fantasy on the longest night of the year (Science Museum; $1 for "Victorian Holiday" ticket holders).

12:30 p.m.: "The Ghosts of Springfield's Christmases Past." Historian Frances Gagnon will talk about Charles Dickens' visit to Springfield and other Victorian highlights of the city (George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum).

1:00 to 3:30 p.m.: Families can make a "countdown card" for their own tree (Connecticut Valley Historical Museum).

1:30 to 4:00 p.m.: "A Christmas Carol" video festival (George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum).

1:30 p.m.: Cile Bellefure Burbidge, nationally-acclaimed cake decorating artist, will share her techniques in a slide lecture (Museum of Fine Arts).

2:30 p.m.: Robert King will tell stories of Hanukkah, Christmas, and the Winter Solstice (Central Library).

3:00 p.m.: "Victorian Holiday" visitors can bring in hats, mittens, and scarves which will be donated to city shelters and public schools. The library will also display books on Victorian dollhouses, dolls, and holiday ornaments.

12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m.: Display by artisan Lee-Anne Chellis Wells of Demi-Tasse Miniatures and Dolls in Northampton (George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum).

SEE VICTORIAN - Page 35...
St. Martha Players Delight Patrons With Fun-Filled "Annie"

by Christine Plesyk
Advertiser News Staff

From the first poignant lyrics of "Maybe," the audience knew it had got something... It's got "Annie."

The St. Martha Players opened their 1994-95 season with a reprise of a show that was first done on this stage in 1984, and the perennially popular musical comedy was a hit today as it was 10 years ago.

The story—dreams from yesteryear's comic strips—is the story of curly-topped Little Orphan Annie (Laura Normand), her shaggy orphaned dog Sandy (Stevin Potvin), and Daddy Warbucks (Jerry Millette), who befriends and ultimately adopts her. The clutches of the villainous Miss Hannigan (Sue Vinick), mistress of the orphanage.

A gaggle of giggling girls pepper the cast from start to finish—a ragtag bunch that mixes talent and enthusiasm in equal doses, charming the daylighters from an audience of friends, family, and longtime fans of the St. Martha Players.

Laura Normand, in close-cropped bangs and straight auburn hair, lacked the carrot-colored look of the original Annie, but after one flash of her great smile and the first sadly optimistic notes of "Maybe" (when Annie speculates about finding her long-lost parents), who cares what color or cut her hair is? By the time she belts out "Tomorrow," she's got the audience in the palm of her hand.

Frolicking with a ragtag troupe of fellow orphans, Annie plots a getaway in a laundry bag and comes up on a street corner, where she meets up with another stray, Sandy, who's about to be bagged himself (by the dog catcher).

In the background is Miss Hannigan, the boozy, bamboozling, middle-aged matron who's driping with "Little Girls," one of the show-stopping numbers of this production. There's little doubt Sue Vinick had a whale of a time performing the Hannigan role; her energy talent, and sense of comedy radiate from within.

By the time Vinick pairs up with Robert Harrold, who's been bamboozling, middle-aged matron who's driping with "Little Girls," one of the show-stopping numbers of this production. There's little doubt Sue Vinick had a whale of a time performing the Hannigan role; her energy talent, and sense of comedy radiate from within.

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The numerous set changes were handled quickly, quietly, and with incredible teamwork in limited space. The St. Martha Players presented their trademark strong vocals, finely tuned performances, and a bounty of energy, which combined with the charm of the story, gets "Annie" top votes on our entertainment ballot.

My family took in a matinee performance for a reason; seeing such a show through the eyes of children makes it new again, even to seasoned theatre buffs. Sunday's audience was brimming with little girls and boys, many of whom were experiencing Annie and the world of musical comedy for the very first time.

The St. Martha Players, who produce musicals and only musicals, can be credited for keeping such works alive and well in southern New England, and for introducing family shows such as "Annie" to another generation of young listeners and fledgling performers. They make theater a family affair.

YOUNG PERFORMERS who strutted their stuff in the St. Martha's Players' recent production of the musical, Annie.

Agawam Poetry...

Thanksgiving Over At Grandpa's

by Agnes R. Neylon Smith

I loved it at Grandpa's on Thanksgiving Day, He lived in the country, on a mountain, far away; Grandma wasn't there anymore, baking pies.

And the logs from the wood-shed, burned brightly all day. And the children were all warned, to stay safely away; The aroma of the turkey, and the pies and the cakes. The sheep-dog kept his flock in control, with great care.

I knew; For he knew / always had veggies, I wanted to hide; But, the tarts filled with blackberries, had their own special charm.

When finished, it was the cleanest bowl, you ever had seen; And with reverence, offered praise to God for Thanksgiving; And the warming effect of the fire, made us drowsy,

And the chapel in the vale, would echo its peals; And the Grace Before Meals, "We gave thanks to the Lord, for our bountiful living, With all of His children, our blessings, we'll share."

Uncle Joe let me talk to the repast to share; Uncle Martin took us to the barn, when he milked the cows. And let us watch this miracle, as close as bossy allows;

And we quickly got spirit, and bright-eyed anew; And with all of His children, our blessings, we'll share; The sky was dappled by afternoon, and stenciled flakes from the sky.

The sky was dappled by afternoon, and stenciled flakes from the sky; The sky was dappled by afternoon, and stenciled flakes from the sky; And we tarried too long in the snow, and our fingers almost froze; The sky was dappled by afternoon, and stenciled flakes from the sky.

Well, Thanksgiving at Grandpa's was a memorable day, But the best is yet to come, for Christmas is on its way; We'll be thankful to God today, for His infinite care. And with all of His children, our blessings, we'll share; The Indians and the Pilgrims, gave us Thanksgiving, This should be the way of our every-day living; We nurture our soul when we generously give.

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Each year the Lung Association recognizes a local individual who has become a National celebrity. This year Ray Guillemette, Jr., "A-Ray of Elvis" from Chicopee, Massachusetts, will join the Fourth Annual Christmas Seal Ball during the social hour. Ray is the winner of the 1993 and 1994 National Elvis Impersonators Contest in Memphis. He has made appearances on ABC 20/20, CBS Entertainment T-Night, and ABC Day One. We are pleased to have this 25-year-old, well-liked performer at our premiere fundraising event.

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New Firearms Exhibit Recalls Springfield’s Role In U.S. History

The Connecticut Valley Historical Museum, located at the Quadrangle in downtown Springfield, has opened a new gallery which is dedicated to the significant role that greater Springfield played in the development of the American firearms industry.

The focal point of the exhibit is a case of guns made at the Springfield Armory, which developed a world-famous reputation for excellence. Firearms from the museum’s own collection, as well as from private collections, are displayed in three sections along with advertisements, bills, letters, and other documents tracing this important piece of American industrial history.

The first section covers the period prior to the American Revolution through the establishment of the Armory, including Shays’ Rebellion. Another section is devoted to the Springfield Armory (1794-1968), its contributions to the arms industry, and to industrialization. This section includes the area’s large and small private firearms manufacturers and those companies which produced arms-related products such as cartridge boxes, cannons, and swords. The popularity of sport shooting in Springfield in the late 19th-century is covered as well.

The final section surveys the years since the Armory stopped manufacturing, the re-use of its buildings, and (most recently) the relationship between Springfield and the Royal Armories. The exhibit is curated by Gail Colglazier, the museum’s interim director, and Smith & Wesson historian Roy Jinks.

The museum is open Thursday through Sunday from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. Admission is $4 for adults, $1 for children ages six to 18, and free for children under six, and provides entry into all four museums at the Quadrangle.

For further information, call (413) 739-3871, ext. 312.

Agawam Poetry
Thanksgiving Soliloquy
by Agnes R. Neylon Smith

Let’s all join together in prayer for Thanksgiving,
and thank God for His blessings of copious living;
He gave us life, and strength to survive,
and thank Him for the privilege of being alive;
Let’s gather in love on Thanksgiving Day,
and give thanks for our homes, warm and secure.

Give thanks for the glorious Wonders of Earth,
Revere His creation, and hold in high worth,
The songs of the birds, the mystical seas,
The snow-crested mountains, the magnificent trees;
All families together, with God as their guest,
Give thanks for their bounty, and a day, richly blest.

Let Thanksgiving Day live forever in our hearts,
Make sure our love for each other, never departs;
And give thanks every day, not just one day a year.

Writing’s Note:
We should all be as amicable, as in days of yore.
And all things of Earth, we should be thankful for;
Thanksgiving should be all days, of all of the ages.
Then America’s annals would be filled with proud pages.

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Education

Town's Teachers Air Grievances Over State's Educational Reform Act To Melconian

by Kathy Cassanelli

News Editor

Last Friday a group of Agawam teachers met with State Senator Linda J. Melconian (D-Springfield) in the Agawam High cafeteria to air their concerns over the recertification process mandated for teachers as part of education reform.

About 60 teachers gathered to vent their frustration over a system they claim will penalize teachers who have earned multiple teaching certifications, as well as forcing experienced teachers with advanced degrees to earn the equivalent of another college degree over the next five years.

AHS English teacher Sandra Hines set up the meeting with Melconian after she called the senator to discuss the recertification issue.

"You're not very good," AMS Principal Russell Furtado said.

Melconian said she wanted to work with teachers to develop solutions to the problem. She suggested a committee of teachers be appointed to work with her.

Melconian said she would be willing to file legislation on the teachers' behalf based on her work with the committee.

Several teachers spoke on the effect the recertification program would have on teachers who are certified to teach in more than one subject area.

Under the process developed by the state Department of Education, there isn't enough time for teachers to recertify in multiple education areas, the teachers charged. And some may not have opportunity available to them in some of the less popular content areas (for example, Russian language certification).

While many teachers have relied on having multiple certifications as a protection against being bumped out of a job during layoffs, in the past, teachers have been able to keep their jobs because they were certified in more than one content area.

Until the passage of the state's Education Reform Act in Massachusetts received lifetime certification upon completion of the required programs required by the Department of Education.

However, under education reform, teachers will be required to earn 120 hours of academic credit over the next five years in order to recertify themselves in their primary field. For teachers with multiple certifications, an additional 30 hours of credit will be required for each area of certification.

Demeans Whole Profession

Furtado said the new system devalues the whole profession. He pointed out that no other profession requires its members to recertify every five years.

"People are going to be cashing around these points (one academic hour equals one point in the recertification process) rather than doing what they do best - teaching," Furtado said.

According to him, most of the staff at AHS holds multiple certifications. Furtado said he would need 90 additional hours of credit to hold certification in the three academic areas he has taught - history, English, and geography. Furtado has nine certifications in administration and teaching.

Teachers have the option of earning their points by attending college courses (at their own expense), or by taking advantage of professional development workshops and conferences paid for by the School Department.

"It's a pity it practically took an 'act of God' (state's Education Reform Act) to put this program in place," Mrs. David said. "It's about time we got on track. I have seen situations where modifications in the classroom should have been done for years and weren't."

Cavaiio said many of the strategies formalized in the plan have been "going on for years and weren't done for years and weren't done for years and weren't done for years and weren't done for years and weren't done for years and weren't done for years and weren't done for years and weren't done for years and weren't done for years and weren't done for years and weren't."
Election Day Bake Sale At Two Elementary Schools

PTO MEMBERS at both PHELPS SCHOOL (left) and ROBINSON PARK SCHOOL held election day bake sales on November 8th. From left - Joanne Szymanski, Louise Pilegi, Donna Pereira, and Lynn Oakes (Phelps); Chris Demetrion, Cheryl Gregor, and Carolyn LaChappelle (Robinson Park School).

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In response to a question by School Committee Vice-Chairwoman Linda Galarneau, Cavallo said the principal of each school is responsible for making sure the modifications are being provided.

Mrs. Galarneau said she would like to see the assistant principals notify parents when a student is disciplined for skipping class. In this way, she said, parents will know there is a problem without having to wait until the first report card.

"I hope the monitoring will reduce the failure rate," Mrs. Galarneau said. According to Mrs. Galarneau, the failure rate ranges between 22 and 62 percent in some classrooms at AHS. "Sixty-two percent is totally unacceptable," she said.

Kim Hollinger
Member Of
Gold Key Soc.

Kimberly Hollinger, daughter of Sandra and Walter Hollinger, Jr. of Stony Hill Road, Feeding Hills, has become a member of the University of Massachusetts' chapter of Golden Key. Golden Key is a national academic honor society formed to recognize and encourage outstanding scholastic achievement in all fields of study. Membership is by invitation to juniors and seniors who have maintained at least a 3.5 cumulative average on a four-point scale.

Hollinger is a member of the class of 1996, majoring in wildlife biology at the University. She graduated from Agawam High School in 1988.

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STCC Announces Local Phi Theta Kappa Inductees At November 6th Ceremony

Area residents were inducted into the Phi Theta Kappa honor society at Springfield Technical Community College on Sunday, November 6th, according to STCC President, Dr. Andrew M. Scibelli. The ceremony was followed by a reception for the scholars, their families, faculty, and staff. Executive Vice President/Academic Affairs John H. Dunn presided at the candle-lit ceremony.

Among the inductees were the following local residents:

FROM AGAWAM: Robert Tremblay, Denise Gilbert, Cheryl Cavaugh, Nancy Rosner, Jane Travathan, Jennifer Cavanaugh, Cynthia Moore, and Linda Murray.

FROM FEEDING HILLS: Denise Von Marschall, Diane Circosta-Aspinall, Alice Bottasso, Daniel Breivoogel, Sean O’Clair, and Laurel Ross-Gormley.

The Alpha PhiSigma chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society of the Two-Year College was established at STCC in 1993. Membership in Phi Theta Kappa is earned by those students who have completed at least 30 graduation credits with a minimum quality point average of 3.0. Scibelli said that 100 students earned the right to join the society during the current fall semester, and 100 became eligible during the spring 1994 semester.
Internships

An important part of your learning experience can be an internship in which a student works for a private company or other organization outside a student's school organization. Internships can be used to gain experience in your particular field of interest.

By working as an intern, you gain practical, hands-on experience that can be helpful in your future career. Some internships are paid—these are usually known as externships or co-ops. Some types of internships pay for your room and board, usually through a stipend, while others you do for free.

The length of an internship may vary, most lasting for a semester. Typically, you receive academic credit for your internship. The best way to handle an internship is to treat it exactly as you would any real job—where punctuality and personal appearance are important and performance counts.

Don't worry about trying to secure an internship until you've enrolled in college. For now, it's best to look at what you can about the internship programs at the college you are considering. You'll want to know if there is a formal internship program, if any student can participate, and if participants receive credit toward graduation.

Try to talk to students who have completed internships—you'll want to know if they enjoyed their jobs, how far they traveled from the college, and if they found their internship on their own or through school.

IMPORTANT DATE

Financial Aid Night - Thursday, December 15, 1994, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., High School cafeteria.

GUIDANCE BULLETIN

COLLEGE REPRESENTATIVES

- If you are interested in attending any of the following colleges, representatives should sign up at least a day in advance in the guidance office.

November 28th: Bryant, 12:00 noon.
November 29th: Roger Williams, 10:00 a.m.

SCHOLARSHIPS - See your counselor for more information.

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The Springfield Day Nursery, established in 1883, is the oldest non-profit child care agency offering a variety of early childhood and family services in our community.

For more information, please call Andrea Luppi at 733-2181.

Junior High PTO Set To Meet November 28

The next Junior High School PTO meeting will be held on Monday, November 28th, in the cafeteria. The members of the PTO hope that parents of students in the seventh and eighth grades will make an effort to attend.

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Registration For Winter Session

Agawam Adult Education Program will be held on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings (November 28th, 29th, and 30th) from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Agawam High School guidance office. Registration will also be held on Wednesday, January 4th, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., and during the first week of classes on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday (January 9th, 10th, and 11th) from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Agawam High School guidance office.

Classes will begin on Monday, January 9th, and end in early April. The tuition charge is $55 per course and is payable at the time of registration. No refunds will be given after the second class meeting.

Tuition will be refunded if there is an insufficient number of students registered for a course. The administration reserves the right to cancel the course(s) for lack of registration.

The following is a list of courses and the nights they are being offered for the winter term:

**Mondays:**
- Academic courses for high school diploma
- Accounting I
- Word Perfect I

**Tuesdays:**
- Academic courses for high school diploma
- Algebra II
- Chemistry
- Word Perfect I
- Oil Painting
- Breadmaking & Pastrymaking
- Computer Concepts
  - Includes English 9, 10, 11, 12, US History, Psychology, General Math, Business Math, General Science, World History

**Wednesdays:**
- Accounting I
- Psychology
- General Math
- Business Math
- General Science
- World History

**Thursdays:**
- Typing I
- Typing II
- Intro to Investments & Financial Planning (Day subject to change)

**Tuesdays:**
- Lotus 1-2-3

**Fridays:**
- Lotus 1-2-3

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Multicultural Club
At AHS Celebrates
Cultural Diversity

by Kathy Cassanelli
News Editor

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MEMBERS OF THE Middle School's 6th grade intramural football winners (photo below) and 5th grade soccer winners.

TOP PHOTO: Back row - Mat O'Neill, Adam Tappley, Mat McGrath, Desiree Marelle, Amelia Conte, Courtney Newili, Fran Harrington, and teacher Tracee Tedziel. Front row - Mat Ligenza, Ricky Cilimbberg, Kelly Cassidy, Shannon Malanson, Elizabeth Perry, and Jim Powell.


THE SEPTEMBER ORANGE & BROWN "Outstanding Performance Award" goes to Sandy O'Keefe (right). Sandy is a lifelong resident of Agawam. After graduating from AHS, she went on to Westfield State College to become a certified English teacher. AHS was fortunate to have Sandy return here to practice teach with Joanne Brown. Sandy has been a substitute teacher for the town's schools since 1992. She has been recognized for her ability to deal with students effectively, maintain a strong discipline code, knows her material well, and is versatile enough to handle all aspects of teaching. Sandy is receiving the award from committee member Barbara Stevens. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Students On HCC Honors List

One hundred fifty-nine students were recognized recently for outstanding achievement at Holyoke Community College's Fall Honors Convocation. Students must have completed 30 or more semester hours and maintained a 3.5 G.P.A. to be honored at this event. They represent the top two percent of the total enrollment at the college. Area residents receiving recognition included:


From Feeding Hills: Karen M. Carrens, Donna L. Palivoda, and Roxanne Williams.
Head Start Program Opens In Old Center Library

by Kathy Cassanelli
News Editor

The Westfield Head Start Program recently showcased their expansion into Agawam with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and open house at their newly-remodeled quarters in the Old Center Library on Main Street, Agawam Center.

Parents, administrators, teachers, and town officials gathered to celebrate the program's new home in a building that has been vacant for many years. The federally-funded program serving preschoolers and their families first came to Agawam last March. It located in temporary quarters at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church.

Head Start provides pre-school education and comprehensive family support services at no cost to income eligible families in Westfield, West Springfield, and the lower hill towns. Superintendent of Schools Bernard Ryder said the Center Library was an ideal home for the program.

"It's a plus for us to have them here," Ryder said. "Anything they do to help the children get ready for school is a benefit to us."

Through the efforts of Mayor Christopher C. Johnson, the program found a permanent home in the vacant Old Center Library on Main Street. At Johnson's request last spring, Town Council approved leasing the vacant building to Head Start for a period of three years.

Under the terms of the lease, Head Start agreed to pay the town $15,000 to make repairs to the building, including making the bathrooms handicap accessible, installing a handicap accessible ramp and door at the rear of the property, updating and repairing the heating system, repairing the main entry door, and repairing or replacing windows.

Head Start also agreed to assume responsibility for upkeep of the building and grounds, as well as expenses for utilities.

Secretary's Position

Secretary to the Principal at James Clark School - 35 hrs. per week - school year. Send letter of application and resume by December 9, 1994 to: Agawam Public Schools, Mr. Donald J. Charest, Associate Superintendent, 1305 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, MA 01030.
Harlem Wizards
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No other attraction can stir up an entire community, city, or country like the Harlem Wizards, who'll be appearing at Agawam High School on December 8th at 7:30 p.m.

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This show is a delightful event, rim-rocking and dazzling dunking, trickery, and teamwork that will provoke you to "ooh and aah" and exciting and entertaining competitive moments against people from our town.

There will also be an audience participation, halftime show, a free postgame autograph session, and refreshments and Wizards souvenirs.

For tickets and further information, call Joann McGeogan at 786-1982 or Nancy Melbourne at 786-1418.

New Support Group Available
For Parents Of Children With Emotional & Mental Illness

A new support group for parents of children experiencing emotional and/or mental illness will meet on December 7th at 7:00 p.m. at Noble Hospital, 115 West Silver St., Westfield.

You will be greeted in the lobby and proceed to the conference room to the left of the Fowler Wing. It will be a regular caring and sharing meeting. If you have any questions, call Sandy Iserman at 562-2143.

All the local news with us, each week

The Shark Patrol from Cub Scout Pack 75 of Sacred Heart Church recently toured The Springfield Newspapers as part of a requirement for their Communicator Pin. The boys learned how the news was obtained, organized, and prepared for printing.

The World Famous Harlem Wizards will perform at Agawam High School on Thursday, December 8th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Delrio.

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GRANGER SCHOOL'S PTO recently concluded its fall fundraiser with an ice cream party. RAFFLE winners included (top photo) David Rosenberg, Raphaela Macciomei, Larry Rocke, Jacqueline Suadebra, Matthew Roberts, and Ashley Weir. TOP SELLERS included, from left -Daniel Normandeau, Anthony Sarnelli, and Chris Chaderjian. Missing: Jennifer Boch. Advertising News photos by Jack DeVine.

Annual Giving Tree Opens In Springfield

The 11th annual Children's Giving Tree kicks off the gift-giving season with a special opening ceremony on Wednesday, November 23rd at 10:00 a.m. at The Shops at Baystate West. Springfield Central High School's Madrigal Singers will perform Christmas carols while students from the Springfield Day Nursery and members of the Springfield Golden Age Club place the first handmade ornaments on the Tree. Now a local tradition, the Children's Giving Tree, sponsored by the Milton Bradley Company, has provided more than 180,000 holiday presents to disadvantaged children for the past 10 years. Three local charities benefit from the Giving Tree; the Community United Way of Pioneer Valley, the Salvation Army Toy for Joy and the Marine Corps Toys for Tots. Representatives from each organization will join Milton Bradley Chairman George Ditomasso for the opening-day festivities.

For more information, please contact Sharon Rolls at Milton Bradley Company at 525-6411, ext. 2800.

Springfield Museums Opening At Noontime On Friday, Nov. 25th

The four museums at the Quadrangle (the Springfield Science Museum, the George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum, the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum, and the Museum of Fine Arts) will be open from noon until 4:00 p.m. on Friday, November 25th, the day after Thanksgiving. Admission is free on Fridays with a current Springfield City Library card.

Several special activities have been planned: At the Science Museum: 1:00 & 2:00 p.m. - planetarium program: Sky Show; tickets: $1; 2:30 p.m. - science demonstration; at the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum: 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. - Children's Craft Workshop: Make your own pierced tin holiday ornaments, ages six through 12, ongoing 20-minute sessions; $1.25 materials fee; held in the education building across the driveway from the museum.

For information, call (413) 739-3871.
No team during the season is scouted more closely by the Agawam High Brownies than the Terriers of West Springfield. The reason, of course, is simple. This game is the most important contest of the year.

It's the Annual Thanksgiving Day donnybrook. Not only do the Brownie scouts attend the West Side games, they also watch tapes of the Terriers in action. The other day, the coaches were viewing a video of the West Springfield/ Northampton game.

Here's their take on the Turkey Day opponent. West Side runs off the old style, wing T, according to Agawam Head Coach Dean Vecchiarelli. "They just try to run the ball down your throat," Vecchiarelli noted. "They're also a hard-nosed, meat and potatoes type of team. They won't try to fool you with any trick plays. Vecchiarelli complimented one of them is Randy Miller. He's a 6'-2" and 250 pounds. Miller and Nunez run many of their plays to his side of the field. "It was a different game then," he said. "There was a lot less passing and the scores were lower." He noted that he ran behind big lines which led to more emphasis on the ground game. Also, the ball was a little less aerodynamic than it is today, which discouraged putting it up all that much.

"We ran a Notre Dame box formation on offense. We shifted around in the backfield several times before snapping the ball," Joe noted. That formation was perfect for a back with power and speed; two qualities Joe possessed. And he also noted that his coach back then, the venerable Harmon A. Smith (that's right, the man the Brownies' field is named after), knew how to use that formation to its fullest potential.

Joe lauded Smith for another aspect of the man's coaching talents. "I felt at the time that he was the best coach in the country. When he was being scored upon, he seemed to know just how to shift the ball," Lonnie noted. The zenith of Joe's high school career came in 1940, when, after four outstanding varsity seasons, he was named the most valuable gridder in Western Massachusetts. Part of the reason he won the prestigious award, aside from his running ability, was the fact that he smashed the old Western Mass. scoring record of 97 points. In that glorious season, he scored 152 points.

To put that achievement in perspective, three of today's top Western Mass. scorers, all running backs: Holbrook's Keshawn Dodes, and Agawam's Jason Votzakis, have 130, 120, and 98 points, respectively. Granted, they all have another game to play. But remember, back when Joe was a star, they played fewer games. He smiled when he thought about that award. "It was a big deal. They shut down the school for the day for the presentation ceremony," he remembered.

Interestingly enough, Joe's greatest memory of his playing days (other than the MVP award), isn't some great run for a score or a multiple touchdown game. "We played Norwich Free Academy. They were 10 point favorites. We beat them." Sounds like the words of a true team player.

The most important game of the season for any Brownie football player is the Thanksgiving Day game. In Joe's four seasons of football at Agawam, the Brownies beat West Springfield three of those years: 6-0, in 1937; 7-0 in 1938, and 27-0 in 1940. Their only blemish during that time came in 1938 when the Terriers squeaked out a 7-0 win. All Agawam players and coaches have a special memory of that game. For Joe, it was the fact that the 1940 game was played on a field that was a converted dog track and a muddy one to boot. The Brownies were the greyhounds that day with that 27-0 victory.

Joe impressed many colleges, but finally decided to head south to attend North Carolina State. NC State gave him a full ride. Joe smiled wryly, "and then some."

He remembers one memorable moment while playing for NC-State. "In 1942, we came up to play Holy Cross. I'll bet half the Town of Agawam came down to Worcester to see me play. We were driving for a touchdown and had reached their five yard line. They gave me the ball on the next play. I fumbled, killing the drive."

"As I was laying on the ground, I happened to look up into the stands, and who should I see, but Harmon Smith, shaking his head," Joe chuckled. "We lost the game." But you had the feeling that Joe Pisano was the type of player who was as tough in defeat as he was in victory.

In 1958, son Domenick came along. And while little Dom was growing up, father Joe was a regular at the Brownie football games, cheering NUMBER 31 is the number of the Pisano family. It is currently being worn with pride by AHS junior fullback Dom Pisano, Jr.
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"That strategy might be a little risky considering the fact that Agawam's sophomore quarterback, Mike Leung, is a fine passer. If they don't rattle him with all that pressure, he might put up some big numbers through the air," Libel said. "I'll play it by ear and see how the game goes." He didn't think they had to".

The Terriers will continue to run out of its multiple T Offense. As Vego noted, "If it ain't broke, don't fix it." But he did hint that they might have some trick plays up their sleeves, put in just for this game.

The coach also mentioned that some of his linemen are coming into their own now, just in time for this most important of games, including senior guard Matt Christy, junior tackle Derek Perry and junior tackle Dan Pellegre. "The offensive line will be in full swing," he said.

The buildup and anticipation for this game has been intense, as it is every year. "I won't pick a score this time around. But I will say this. As everyone has pointed out to me, the team that wants it the most will walk off the field around noontime Thursday with that W in the left land column and a turkey dinner waiting at home that will taste even better than usual."

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The two teams have some common opponents. Both lost to Northampton and South Hadley. Both beat Amherst. The Brownies beat Holyoke. The Terriers lost to the Purple Knights. Agawam is sporting its best record in years at 6-3 overall and 5-1 in the AA Conference. West Springfield is 3-5 and 3 in the Suburban League. That's quite a comeback from their 7-7-3 season of a year ago. There's also the pride factor working for West Side. They were last year's Super Bowl runner-up. They lost to Central in the championship.

As a son on either team or other side, coaches, trainers, fans, will tell you, the records all go out the window when they play this one. So, maybe analysis is not what's called for here. Vec agrees. "This game will be decided on emotion, pure and simple. That's the key," he says.

Dom thought for a moment. "He also taught me one very important aspect of sports. He taught me that you must never give up." Only three turkey day games. Couple that with Joe's three-out-of-four wins, and you can see that with five wins out of seven in that classic contest, the turkey tasted very good to the Pisanos family. Dom didn't go to college after high school. Instead, he married his lovely wife, Susan, and started a career and a family. They also started the next generation of Pisanos to wear the Agawam colors. Dom Jr. showed up in 1977. In the cycle that is as old as fathers and sons and footstepottowalkoffthefieldaroundnoontimeThursdaywiththatWintheleftlandcolumnandaturkeydinnerwaitingathomethatwilltasteevenbetterthanusual.

Dom Jr. expressed it simply when asked about his family's football tradition. "We're well known in West Side," he smiled, obviously looking forward to the Thanksgiving Day game.

As part of the family folklore, Dom Jr., Dom Sr., Joe have one special thing in common -- the number on the jersey. It's 31. It's a perfect running number on the jersey. It's 31. It's a perfect running

AGAWAM AND WEST SIDE football players trudge through the white stuff on a freezing Thanksgiving Day at Harmon A. Smith Field during the famous "Snow Bowl." Photo by Jack Deitner.
AHS-West Side Resumes Turkey Day

By Dave Rollins
Advertisor News Sports Editor

Since 1924 (with one exception in 1952), Agawam High School has ventured down the longest and hardest fought Thanksgiving Day rivalry. Thanksgiving Day has been a West Side-Westview (now Agawam) high school football game. It's THE game of the year, objective of the team, record or whether any post-season play is involved. The team that wins this game, leaves, good or bad, will last a lifetime. The team that loses, who in a most cases, most of whom at one time or another played in the game, are hard to forget. They too took some time out to remember the golden days. The team that didn't win the game. Head Coach Dean Vecchiarelli, who played on the West Side squad that lost in 1976, graduated in 1979, has his share. But first he said in all seriousness, "There are no records when the two teams played. No one could even tell you for the vast panorama of sport, it is one constant. This is the reason why sport is an age-old tradition. That tradition has overcome every negative and evil thing the world could conjure up. It's what this upcomming season will be about, trying to get some of it for the good. Some of it for the bad. But one thing has never changed.

Personal Perspective On Sports...

Tradition: An Age-Old Sports Formula!

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In our lifetimes, we've seen the world of sports go through immense and monumental change. Some of it for the good, like the 1960's on and off the field or in the stands that day, will ever forget. John Benjamin, assistant junior varsity coach, remembers the 1988 game. "It was an offensive and defensive tackle. He remembers how devastators he felt was called off with the score tied at the long end. "I've got a cut for holding. And, of course, it negated the touchdown. Nobody was the coach yelling at me, but so was my friend, Gary. That's how intense it got.

Luckily, the Brownies had too much firepower for the Terriers that year and went on to win, 42-6. "It was an unforgettable Snow Bowl." In 1989, Vecchiarelli was an assistant coach with the Brownies. It was the year of the famous "Snow Bowl" as it came to be called. "There were six inches of snow on the ground at game time and it was snowing," Vec said laughingly, "We scored to make it 6-6 and decided to go for the PAT. It was the hash mark on the 20-yard kick. So, remembering that Patriot's game where the Brownies scored to make it 12-12 and a guy came out in the little tractor and cleared off some of the good kicking ground, we called a timeout. "I had been caught off guard and could only watch as our guys got down of their knees and with their hands in the snow, they kicked the extra

Once, athletes got strong and competed on the juice God gave them, not something they got out of a bottle or a syringe. Remember when an athlete's loyalty to a team override other considerations? Remember when a team's loyalty to its athletes was equally honorable? There was also a time when high profile locker rooms shared the same space, with maybe a few Saturday's thrown in. We all remember when both baseball and football were played outdoors, under God's own sky and on his own green grass. But one thing has never changed.

One Constant

I suppose by now, some of you must be wondering what's the one thing that's still going strong. Thanksgiving Day represents. No, it's not the turkey. It's not the game itself. It's not the context of, it's that traditional game. Throughout the vast panorma of sport, it's one constant. Whether it's played once a year, or several times, it's the keynote of a season. It's the fuel that fires fans and athletes on any level. Yes, even the Brownie faithful, Gary Geiger, who is now his defensive coordinator (but not a fullback anymore), said, "I've got a cut for holding. And, of course, it negated the touchdown. Nobody was the coach yelling at me, but so was my friend, Gary. That's how intense it got.

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AHS Cheerleaders Still Seek Status As Team Sport

by Kathy Cassanelli
News Editor

If you think there's something glamorous about being a cheerleader, take a closer look at the team leading Agawam High fans in cheering for the Brownies on the sidelines and at courtside.

Like all of the young women athletes at AHS, the cheerleaders wear no make-up, no jewelry, and put their hair up for safety's sake when performing.

Like other athletes, the girls have a rigorous schedule of after-school practices to condition themselves to perform and to perfect their skills.

And like other athletes, they follow Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) rules governing participation in high school athletics and they follow a schedule of competitions.

Still Considered A Sport

What they don't have in common with the other athletes at AHS is the recognition that comes with being considered a sport rather than a club.

But Coach Kim Hebert will never give up trying to gain that recognition for her team. "This is a sport," Miss Hebert told us. "The girls work hard and deserve to wear a varsity letter just as much as someone who kicks a ball, hits a ball, or dribbles a ball."

Even though MIAA hasn't recognized cheerleading as a sport, Miss Hebert said there is nothing to stop the high school from including cheerleading as a sport (as many schools already do).

Because the team is not considered a sport, the cheerleaders cannot get scheduled time for use of the school's gym and receive no funding from the School Department (beyond a stipend for Miss Hebert as a club advisor).

While the girls normally practice three days a week in the gym, sports teams have priority over the use of the gym. Cheerleaders have to find another place to practice whenever weather prevents sports teams from practicing outdoors or whenever a coach decides to hold an indoor practice.

With no money from the School Department for uniforms or supplies, the cheerleaders rely on car washes, candy sales, bottle and can redemption, and donations to raise funds.

"The people of Agawam have been very generous when the girls stand in front of stores asking for donations," Miss Hebert said. Recently, the team's coffers got a boost from an afternoon of collecting donations at Ames and Foodmart.

Unlike other sports, cheerleading requires year-round commitment as the "season" is continuous.

The Season Runs All Year

Each spring tryouts are held with four certified cheerleading judges choosing the 16-member team. Starting the first week of summer, the team begins a practice schedule that runs through the summer and into the fall.

The cheerleaders follow the football and basketball schedules before moving into their own competition season in the spring.

In August, the entire team is required to attend a four-day cheerleading camp along with their coach.

Miss Hebert said she insists on the camp because the girls learn unity, cooperation, and determination (while polishing their technical skills).

"When you live together in a cabin for four days, you learn to work together as a team," Miss Hebert said.

The AHS team won first place in the camp's team competition and in the sideline and cheer divisions.

Captains Tara Florini, Kara Murphy, and Rosi von Hollander head up a team composed of four freshmen, three sophomores, four juniors, and five seniors.

In her second year as coach, Miss Hebert says she is more organized this year. As a result, the team has already shown more improvement across the board.

"You're only as good as your coach," Miss Hebert said. "I'm more organized and all the girls are willing to work with me."

We will be closed on Friday, November 25th for the weekend. Thanks.
Sportmen's Corner

By Bill Chiba—1003 No. Westfield St. F.H., MA 01030

Heating Hopes Of Hunters

A recent item in Outdoor Life, which states New Hampshire Fish and Game Department will issue extra deer tags, has heightened the hopes of hunters.

Fish and Game officials confirm that the New Hampshire legislature, during its 1994 season, did pass the legislation to issue an authority to issue an additional five deer tags to hunters who have already tagged and killed a deer. According to the Fish and Game Department, these tags are intended to aid hunters who have not yet achieved their first deer. The tags are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

No extra tags will be available in 1994, according to Steve Weber, director of Fish and Game's Region 1 office in Lancaster.

Weber explains that the Fish and Game Department has established a policy of issuing special permits to hunters who have not yet achieved their first deer. Each permit will allow the hunter to hunt for an additional deer in a special 200-acre area designated by the Fish and Game Department.

The permits will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis and will be available to hunters who have not yet achieved their first deer in the 1994 season. Hunters will be required to purchase a special permit at the time of application.

The permits will allow the hunter to hunt for an additional deer in a special area designated by the Fish and Game Department. The hunters will be required to follow all regulations and restrictions of the Fish and Game Department, including the time of day, days of the week, and the use of their personal firearms.

Since my column about Noel Brown and his problem, I have had several hunters ask me why Noel would post his land, since he has been a

Riverside Establishes Firemen's Fundraiser

Riverside Park Speedway's Race Director, Ben Dodge, Jr., has again established a unique program that will support the local community in an effort to raise money in a fundraiser fashion.

Fact is, any fire department (volunteer or full-time) in Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Vermont, Maine, New York, or New Jersey is eligible to have a team. These teams will compete in a 10-car team in the special Firemen's Fundraiser Team-Demo Derby.

The best news is this is a great way for the teams to win $500 which can be used by the winning fire department for whatever cause they choose. The money may be used to purchase a new truck, ambulance, building fund, jaws of life, or go to any of your choice.

There is no special entry; it costs nothing for the town and its fire department to enter. Each fire department may have the chief or person in charge send a letter of commitment listing the car number and make of each car. Also give the address of the fire station office, phone number, and contact information.

The events will run only on the following Sunday of the 1995 season: May 28th, June 11th, July 2nd, July 22nd, and August 26th. Send your entry to: Riverside Park Speedway, 307 Agawam, MA 01001 (Attn: Ben Dodge, Firemen's Fundraiser).

This is a chance to raise $3,000 if you win all six events. (Note: all contestants will have to buy a pit-insurance pass on race day for $15.)

Rules are simple. Each team supplies its own cars for the Team Demo. They must be parked at the pit area. Each car should have the fire department company painted in big, bold letters on both sides, as well as the names of the individuals that make up the team. Each car must be pre-wired, with the address of the fire department's telephone number.

The event consists of teams of the last car running representing the winning team. This is a full-insured event. The speedway has a contracted seatbelt and shoulder harness, as well as a trunk, and use single-digit numbers only. Running representing the winning team. This is how it shows like Dem-Duros, Enduros, and holiday specials.

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1994 Agawam Youth Cheerleaders

The Agawam Youth Cheerleading Program is ending its sixth season. The girls tryout in early April with practice beginning in August. Their practice gets them ready for the fall football season which consists of eight to 10 games. The girls work very hard to perform their stunts and halftime dance. On November 19th the cheerleaders attended an exhibition at Westfield High School. The season ended with a banquet on November 21st.

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Riverside Speedway Holds Awards Banquets
To Celebrate Great 1994 Season

Riverside Park Speedway has completed its most successful season ever in the NASCAR Winston Racing Series. The Special award winners were Edward Topping, the Pro 4 Modified driver; "Rookie of the Year" Ben Dodge; "Senior Citizen" Paul Lamonica; "Hard Luck" Renee Dupuis; and "Most Popular."... On Saturday, November 19th, it was time to celebrate the Riverside Winston Racing Series champions, Chris Kooke. For winning the title, he received in excess of $7,767.80. Second was Dan Avery, $3,375.00; Gary Fioramanti, $3,141.95; Doug Mosevery, $3,096.57; Ed Spiers, $3,043.63; and Bobby George Savary, $2,186.20. The top 15 totaled $21,161.65 plus awards and trophies. Special awards went to "Rookies" of the Year" Ben Dodge and Doug Mosevery; "Most Improved," Brian Schofield; "Professionalism," Chris Kooke; "Best Appearing," Doug Mosevery; "Hard Luck," Eric LeClair; and "Most Popular," Chris Kooke. It was another back-to-back title for Dave Caruso, who shared in the Pro Stock point fund of $13,825.44. Caruso earned $3,004.60 for his second Pro Stock Points Championship. First was John Lobo, $1,067.07; Tom Fear, $1,151.84; and Barry Gray, $1,604.29. Sixteenth through 20th in the Pro Stocks went to Ed Darcel, $717.38; Bill Lauridsen, $628.20; Jeff Horn, $600.13; Robert Wilson, $598.38; and Ed Carrol, $435.96. Eleventh through 15th shared in point money with 15th paying $363.07. Special Pro Stock awards included outstanding "Rookies" Sumner Chapman and Barry Gray; "Most Improved," Scott Neleber; "Professionalism," Tom Carey; "Best Appearing," Ed Carrol and Joe Barnes; "Hard Luck," Joe Barnes; and "Most Popular," Scott Bouley. The NAPA Auto Parts Champions were Dan Avery, Dave Caruso, Gee Perry, and Rob Valerio. Snap-On-Tools Champions were Scott Neleber, Chris Lamonica, "Hard Luck," Joe Barnes; and "Most Popular," Scott Bouley. Other special awards included the "Sue Dugan Award" to Deb Rowley; the "Gene Murphy Memorial" to Ted Chalmers; and the "Rollie Jacobs Class Award" to Rob Valerio. Speedway awards were given to track officials, as special major awards were given to Roy Hasty, Gene O’Nell, Matt Buckler, Lou Twining, Ron Roll, Bobby Richards, Bruce Boucher, and Charlie Mitchell. The evening ended with Ben Dodge announcing several new sponsorship programs. A new brochure was released, as well as the schedule for Riverside for 1995, which begins on Saturday, March 25, 1995.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing at the Agawam Public Safety Building, 786-9914, 443 Springfield St., Agawam, on THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1994, at 6:00 P.M. o’clock for all parties interested in the application of the Agawam Board of Appeals. Every person who intends to appear at the hearing, and present any information in support of the application, will be required to file a signed, sworn statement with the Board at least 10 days prior to the date of the hearing. Written statements may also be submitted for review. It is requested that interested persons attend the meeting to ensure the active participation of such persons' views. Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Ordinances, which would allow for the alteration of a building into a restaurant at the premises identified at 1 COOPER STREET, is currently under review by the Board of Appeals of the Town of Agawam. By order of the Board of Appeals

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Riverside Speedway Ready To Release Its 1995 Racing Schedule

Once again, the management team of Ben Dodge, Jr., and Riverside Park Speedway are wasting no time at all to get the jump on the competition for the 1995 NASCAR Winston Racing Series. The successful quarter-mile facility broke all-time attendance record in 1994 with 153,193 paid adults, and a weekly track point fund for five divisions of $61,860.68.

With no time to waste, Riverside Park Speedway—just three weeks after its 1994 season closed—already has its 1995 schedule of events and programs locked in and ready to go for the first event on Saturday, March 25.

Riverside’s 1995 NASCAR Winston Racing Series Schedule consists of 37 events of varying length at the quarter-mile track in Agawam, MA. The headline division will be one of five, the NASCAR Tour Type Modifieds, which will receive Winston Regional points, in addition to Riverside’s own Pro Stocks, Late Models, Strictly Stocks, and Pro Four Modifieds.

Sunday special events will include the Mad Maroon Endurance events; these races feature a full-size, amateur Enduro (figure eight style), a four-cylinder Enduro, Super Stocks, Mini Stocks, Legends cars, Pro Four Modifieds, half-ton truck races, amateur 4x4 Monster Car Crashing, plus the Demolition Derby. Riverside will host a mid-week NASCAR Modified Tour special and a Bush Grand National, plus special includes the Midwest IQ Midgets, antique races, and several other surprises to be announced.

Riverside Speedway is one of NASCAR’s most successful short tracks and features many creative concepts in its presentation of Saturday night races. It is one of the only tracks in the country to offer an a full-class schedule of events with the guarantee to get its race program over by no later than 10:15 p.m. Besides this, the track is located in New England, the largest amusement park, which offers over 100 rides and attractions at one low speedway admission price of $10.99 for adults, and $2.99 (at all times!) for children 12 years of age and under; both of these admission prices include a walk through the amusement park.

Meanwhile, the adult admission for special division events range from $12.99 to $14.99, and the Modified Tour and Bush Grand National events are priced at $22.99 for adults.

The speedway management is offering a free special color collector’s "Hero Type Schedule" to any seasonal pass holders, and that’s not all—the 1995, brand-new information brochure (in color) is also available.

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Riverside To Offer Variety For Its 1995 Racing Events

On March 25, 1995, Riverside Park Speedway will begin another season of premiere NASCAR Winston racing. The Budweiser "Big Chill" event is just the beginning of a 37-event season of motorsports.

In its 46th year, "The Park" still maintains its status as one of NASCAR's premiere short tracks, attracting over 168,000 fans in 1994. Variety is the key to the Riverside Speedway success story, as well as value and first-class motorsports entertainment.

Every Saturday from March 25th at 6:00 p.m. until Labor Day and the fall series, thousands of fans from Connecticut, Massachusetts, New York, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and New Jersey will visit Riverside Park Speedway. For a short, quarter-mile asphalt facility, the variety of race divisions is impressive.

Fact is, Riverside Park Speedway is one of the last weekly short tracks to feature premiere NASCAR tour racing on a weekly basis. The division now known as the Modified tour was the original Modified division, the oldest division in NASCAR. For the race fans, this means only one thing—it might not happen all the time, but it often has some great visitors which include Reggie Ruggiero, Rick Fuller, Satch Worley, Tom Baldwin, and many more. The weekly Modified tour favorites are just as impressive with Dan Avery, Marty Radewick, Ruby Dee, Chris Kopec, and Bruce Dell.

Still, "variety" is the key to all of this. Besides the weekly Modified tour, Riverside features full-bodied, ASA all-pro styled Pro Stocks. These sleek, scaled-down Grand Prix, Buick G.N., and Olds Cutlass vehicles are very popular with the younger race fans. Drivers like Ed Carroll, Tom Fearn, Mark Forino, and Dave Caruso are among the headliners.

Riverside's third division is 60 cars strong with a full-bodied, advanced Late Model program. These popular, mid-sized cars will include Mallius, Olds Cutlass, Buick Regals, and Pontiac Grand Prix. This is one of the most competitive and best-attended divisions at Riverside. Many a competitor has come from this division; Gee Perry is a prime example, along with Gary Fioramanti, Chuck Docherty, Glenn Griswold, and Marty Leary.

Pro Four Modifieds also call Riverside their home for 10 limited special events. The Pro Four Modified division is 1,500 pounds of four-cylinder, open-wheel Modifieds. It features top young drivers like Ken Hirt, Renee Dupuis, Ron Dell, and George Savary.

One of the most popular divisions is the Strictly Stock division. This is a full-bodied amateur division that is very popular with over 75 cars. The rules are simple and designed for amateur racing. Furthermore, the 1994 season at Riverside will also see competition in the Sunday Super Stock and Mini Stock divisions.

Speaking of Sunday events, the speedway will feature popular, full-size Enduro racing on several dates. For a free color schedule of the 1995 season, as well as rules and regulations, write to Riverside Park Speedway, P.O. Box 307, Agawam, MA 01001 (Attn: Mary).

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