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photo caption: Jeff Gavioli and his Bad News Jazz & Blues Orchestra will be the featured musical act at the third annual Agawam Cultural Council Benefit Dinner Dance Friday evening, May 19, 2017 at Crestview Country Club, 281 Shoemaker Lane, Agawam. All proceeds from the event will benefit the Agawam Cultural Council's "Give Back to the Community" Program.

BAD NEWS CONTINUES AT AGAWAM CULTURAL COUNCIL'S NEXT BENEFIT DINNER DANCE

Council's Third Annual Benefit Dinner Dance to once again feature Jeff Gavioli and his Bad News Jazz & Blues Orchestra. Proceeds of Evening Earmarked for Council's "Give Back to the Community" Program.

(Agawam, Mass.) In what is becoming a Springtime tradition, the Agawam Cultural Council will welcome Bad News at their upcoming May benefit dinner dance. Jeff Gavioli and his Bad News Jazz & Blues Orchestra will return once again as the featured musical act at the Friday, May 19, 2017 event, to be held at Crestview Country Club, 281 Shoemaker Lane, Agawam.

The evening will start with a social hour at 5:30 pm, followed by dinner at 6:30 pm and dancing until 10:30 pm to the sounds of one of the Pioneer Valley's most popular big band jazz groups. The 18-piece group, complete with vocalist, will provide original big band style jazz and swing music throughout the evening. **Free dance lessons will be provided at select times throughout the evening.**

Tickets to the Dinner Dance are \$45 per person, with tables of eight, ten, and twelve available. Tickets can be purchased by contacting Maryellen Sullivan at (413) 575-1759 or rudee38@comcast.net. Tickets may also be obtained by sending a SASE and check made out to Agawam Cultural Council to: Agawam Cultural Council, Agawam Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA 01001, Attention: Dinner Dance.

All proceeds from the event will benefit the Agawam Cultural Council's "Give Back to the Community" Program. The program, which is funded entirely by the council's own local fundraising efforts, has made possible such activities as productions by Shakespeare & Co. at the Agawam High School, the *Applause Series* - monthly events from September to May, free and open to the public, featuring a variety of performers, authors and lecturers; donations to support the Captain Charles Leonard House, the Agawam Public Library and the Friends of the Agawam Public Library Juried Art and Photo Show, donations to the libraries of all four elementary schools, Roberta G. Doering School, and the Perry Lane pre-school, and tickets to Majestic Theater Summer Programs for children participating in library-held contests.

The Agawam Cultural Council is an all-volunteer local partner of the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency, and is funded, in part, by the MCC. The ACC is charged with bringing engaging, entertaining, and educational events and opportunities in the arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences, to children and adults from Agawam and the surrounding communities.

Learn more about the Agawam Cultural Council at www.agawamcc.org.