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Hawkers and peddlers bring food to the streets of Somerville



More food trucks like Moe's B.B.Q Trolley will hit the streets after a new Mobile Food Vender Ordinance is okayed.

By Harry Kane

There may be a mobile food truck coming soon to a neighborhood near you.

The Committee on Legislative Matters approved the Mobile Food Vendor Ordinance after making significant modifications at the meeting on Oct. 23.

The final version of the proposal will be presented to the full Board of Aldermen on Thursday Oct. 25 and will be passed into law pending the Boards' decision.

As defined by the City of Somerville, the Mobile Food Vender is "any mobile operation that stores, prepares, packages, serves, sells, or otherwise provides for human consumption any prepared or packaged food or beverages from a truck or cart, including ice cream and non-ice cream food and beverage products."

On Tuesday evening, after much deliberation and negotiation, the committee clarified and amended the proposal with most of the Aldermen present.

In regards to the regulations: The ordinance allocates full autonomy to the board of Aldermen. In doing so, the

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Joe's Jazz & Blues Fest kicks off this weekend

By Jim Clark

The Fourth Annual Joe's Jazz and Blues Festival, presented by the Somerville Arts Council, is back for another round of great music and community camaraderie. The festival kicks off with a free outdoor concert on Saturday, October 27, from noon to 6 p.m. at Powderhouse Park. Additional performances will be given at various venues during the following week through November 3.

A perennial local favorite, the open-air concert at Powderhouse Park will feature a wide variety of top-notch musical acts, ranging from American Jazz to Delta Blues, including Agachiko, The Jellyrollers, Jeremy Lyons Trio, Sonic Explorers and The Tim Gartland Group.

The Somerville High School Jazz Ensemble, an eclectic group of High School students and teachers who perform American Jazz from Big Band to Contemporary, is scheduled to start off the proceedings with a performance at noon. Under the direction of Richard Romanoff, this distinguished group often has special guests from the community sit in

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Let the music play. Joe's Jazz & Blues Fest hits Somerville beginning this Saturday with a free open-air concert at Powderhouse Park.

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NEWTALK

The fourth annual Joe's Jazz and Blues Fest is returning for Fall 2012, beginning with a daylong concert at Powderhouse Park on Saturday, October 27 from noon-6:00 p.m. The festival will then make its way through local hotspots citywide through November 3, including performances at Cantina la Mexicana, Arts at the Armory Café, Sally O'Brien's, and Johnny D's Uptown. A full schedule and venue list can be found online at www.somervilleartscouncil.org.

The City of Somerville will host the final event in the 2012 SomerStreets series with a 2-mile celebration along Somerville Avenue, entitled "Monster Mashed-Up @ SomerStreets" on Sunday, October 28 from noon - 4 p.m. An Oktoberfest celebration, co-sponsored by Sally O'Brien's and Bull McCabe's, has also been planned in conjunction with SomerStreets, scheduled for 1:00 - 6:00 p.m. between Washington Street and Bow Street. Monster Mashed-Up is the longest of the four SomerStreets events, running from Washington Street to Beacon Street, and will include live entertainment on three stages, five 150-pound pumpkins carved by chainsaw artists, safe trick-or-treating, a costume parade, skateboard demonstrations, and much, much more. The popular "Ghosts of Milk Row Cemetery" tours will be held from 12:30 - 3:30 for a suggested donation of \$5.

The Somerville Office of Commissions and LGBT Liaison, Elizabeth Field, invite all interested community members to "Somerville's LGBT Halloween Skate Night" on Friday, October 26 at 6:00 p.m. at the Veteran's Memorial Rink, 570 Somerville Ave. Residents of all ages are invited to attend, and prizes will be given for best costume. Tickets are \$5 in advance (at www.somervillerec.com) and \$6 at the door. Skate rentals are \$5. This event is cosponsored by the Bisexual Resource Center, Shape Up Somerville, and the Somerville Council on Aging. The LGBT Liaison is an employee of the Somerville Office of Commissions as part of the Somerville Health Department. For more information on the event, or on LGBT issues and

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TheSomervilleNews.com Comments of the Week

Response to *The case for the Community Preservation Act*

A Moore says:

This city will probably pass this bill but if they didn't waste so much money over the years and kept these things up like one is supposed to we wouldn't have this problem. They had the money for these things and blew it. I am so glad I am exempt from paying into it regardless of whether they pass it or not. This city has got to get with the program. This country is trillions in debt and somewhere along the way it will hit home and it will be too late. We should be learning to be self sufficient and stop spending what we don't have and take care of the things that need fixing now and not reding things that don't have to be done. Such a waste.

Rob says:

This makes so much sense. It s such a minimal payment by each homeowner, and it amounts to a lot of money! Somerville has so many things (and people!) who could benefit from a program like this. CPA doesn t seem like just another tax so much as a smart system setup by the state to help cities like ours. The city budget can only do so much, and this sounds like it ll take care of what falls between the cracks. Im "4" it!

Jonah Petri says:

A Moore:

You're talking a lot about debt, but there's no debt associated with the CPA at all. Plus, you're exempt, as you say. So what's not to like? High-rolling developers and real estate moguls paying for our parks? Sign me up!

Log onto TheSomervilleNews.com to leave your own comments

TheSomervilleNews.com poll of the week

In addition to breaking news, sports and opinion, TheSomervilleNews.com also features a daily poll in which you, the reader, tell us where you come down on local issues. Last week's poll concerned your views on whether or not you support the proposed Community Preservation Act (CPA) for Somerville. If you don't agree with the results, simply log onto TheSomervilleNews.com.

Do you support the proposed Community Preservation Act (CPA) for Somerville?



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PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION
CITY OF SOMERVILLE
OFFICE OF BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS



Ordered:In Board of Aldermen

The Board of Election Commissioners is hereby directed to cause notice to be given in the manner prescribed by law that meetings of the qualified voters of this city will be held in the several polling places which have been designated by said Board for or within the voting precincts in which they respectively are qualified to vote, said polling places are located as follows, namely for;

WARD ONE	-----	WARD FIVE	-----
Precinct 1	A room in the MICHAEL E. CAPUANO SCHOOL, 150 Glen Street;	Precinct 1	A room in the DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS GARAGE, 1 Franey Road;
Precinct 2	A room in the EAST SOMERVILLE BRANCH LIBRARY, 115 Broadway;	Precinct 2	A room in the BROWN SCHOOL, 201 Willow Ave (Kidder Avenue Entrance);
Precinct 3	A room in the REILLY-BRICKLEY FIRE STATION, 266 Broadway;	Precinct 3	A room in the ENGINE 7 FIRE STATION, 265 Highland Avenue;
WARD TWO	-----	WARD SIX	-----
Precinct 1	A room in the POLICE DEPARTMENT, 220 Washington Street;	Precinct 1	A room in the JOHN F. KENNEDY SCHOOL, 5 Cherry St (Sartwell Avenue Entrance);
Precinct 2	A room in the ARGENZIANO SCHOOL at LINCOLN PK, 290 Washington Street;	Precinct 2	A room in the CIAMPA MANOR, 27 College Avenue;
Precinct 3	A room in LOWELL STREET FIRE STATION, 651 Somerville Avenue;	Precinct 3	A room in the HOLY BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH, 14 Chapel Street;
WARD THREE	-----	WARD SEVEN	-----
Precinct 1	THE ATRIUM, NEW WING OF SOMERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 81 Highland Avenue;	Precinct 1	A room in the SENIOR CENTER, 167 Holland Street;
Precinct 2	A room in the CUMMINGS SCHOOL, 42 Prescott Street;	Precinct 2	ENGINE 6 TEELE SQUARE FIRE STATION, 6 Newbury Street;
Precinct 3	A room in the DANTE CLUB, 5 Dante Terrace;	Precinct 3	VNA ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY, 405 Alewife Brook Parkway;
WARD FOUR	-----		
Precinct 1	A room in the MYSTIC ACTIVITY CENTER, 530 Mystic Avenue;		
Precinct 2	A room in the REILLY-BRICKLEY FIRE STATION, 266 Broadway;		
Precinct 3	A room in the WINTER HILL COMMUNITY SCHOOL, 115 Sycamore Street;		

ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2012

AT SEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING, when the polls shall open and there and then between that time and the closing of the polls, which shall be at EIGHT O'CLOCK in the evening, the said qualified voters will give their ballots for:

- Electors of President and Vice President, Statewide
- A Candidate for Senator in Congress for the Commonwealth,
- A Candidate for Representative in Congress for the Seventh Congressional District,
- A Candidate for Governor's Council for the Sixth Councillor District,
- A Candidate for Senator for the Second Middlesex Senatorial District, (To be voted for in all Precincts),
- A Candidate for Representative in the General Court for the Twenty-Sixth Middlesex District (To be voted for in all Precincts of Ward One and Precinct 1 of Ward Two Only),
- A Candidate for Representative in the General Court for the Twenty-Seventh Middlesex District (To be voted for in Precincts 2 and 3 of Ward Two, all Precincts of Wards Three, Five, and Six)
- A Candidate for Representative in the General Court for the Thirty-Fourth Middlesex District (to be voted for in all Precincts of Wards Four and Seven),
- A Candidate for Clerk of Courts for Middlesex County,
- A Candidate for Register of Deeds for the Middlesex Southern District.
- A Candidate for Sheriff for Middlesex County (to fill a vacancy).

QUESTION 1: LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives on or before May 1, 2012?

SUMMARY

This proposed law would prohibit any motor vehicle manufacturer, starting with model year 2015, from selling or leasing, either directly or through a dealer, a new motor vehicle without allowing the owner to have access to the same diagnostic and repair information made available to the manufacturer's dealers and in-state authorized repair facilities.

The manufacturer would have to allow the owner, or the owner's designated in-state independent repair facility (one not affiliated with a manufacturer or its authorized dealers), to obtain diagnostic and repair information electronically, on an hourly, daily, monthly, or yearly subscription basis, for no more than fair market value and on terms that do not unfairly favor dealers and authorized repair facilities.

The manufacturer would have to provide access to the information through a non-proprietary vehicle interface, using a standard applied in federal emissions-control regulations. Such information would have to include the same content, and be in the same form and accessible in the same manner, as is provided to the manufacturer's dealers and authorized repair facilities.

For vehicles manufactured from 2002 through model year 2014, the proposed law would require a manufacturer of motor vehicles sold in Massachusetts to make available for purchase, by vehicle owners and in-state independent repair facilities, the same diagnostic and repair information that the manufacturer makes available through an electronic system to its dealers and in-state authorized repair facilities. Manufacturers would have to make such information available in the same form and manner, and to the same extent, as they do for dealers and authorized repair facilities. The information would be available for purchase on an hourly, daily, monthly, or yearly subscription basis, for no more than fair market value and on terms that do not unfairly favor dealers and authorized repair facilities.

For vehicles manufactured from 2002 through model year 2014, the proposed law would also require manufacturers to make available for purchase, by vehicle owners and in-state independent repair facilities, all diagnostic repair tools, incorporating the same diagnostic, repair and wireless capabilities as those available to dealers and authorized repair facilities. Such tools would have to be made available for no more than fair market value and on terms that do not unfairly favor dealers and authorized repair facilities.

For all years covered by the proposed law, the required diagnostic and repair information would not include the information necessary to reset a vehicle immobilizer, an anti-theft device that prevents a vehicle from being started unless the correct key code is present. Such information would have to be made available to dealers, repair facilities, and owners through a separate, secure data release system.

The proposed law would not require a manufacturer to reveal a trade secret and would not interfere with any agreement made by a manufacturer, dealer, or authorized repair facility that is in force on the effective date of the proposed law. Starting January 1, 2013, the proposed law would prohibit any agreement that waives or limits a manufacturer's compliance with the proposed law.

Any violation of the proposed law would be treated as a violation of existing state consumer protection and unfair trade-practices laws.

A **YES VOTE** would enact the proposed law requiring motor vehicle manufacturers to allow vehicle owners and independent repair facilities in Massachusetts to have access to the same vehicle diagnostic and repair information made available to the manufacturers' Massachusetts dealers and authorized repair facilities.

A **NO VOTE** would make no change in existing laws.

QUESTION 2: LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives on or before May 1, 2012?

SUMMARY

This proposed law would allow a physician licensed in Massachusetts to prescribe medication, at a terminally ill patient's request, to end that patient's life. To qualify, a patient would have to be an adult resident who (1) is medically determined to be mentally capable of making and communicating health care decisions; (2) has been diagnosed by attending and consulting physicians as having an incurable, irreversible disease that will, within reasonable medical judgment, cause death within six months; and (3) voluntarily expresses a wish to die and has made an informed decision. The proposed law states that the patient would ingest the medicine in order to cause death in a humane and dignified manner.

The proposed law would require the patient, directly or through a person familiar with the patient's manner of communicating, to orally communicate to a physician on two occasions, 15 days apart, the patient's request for the medication. At the time of the second request, the physician would have to offer the patient an opportunity to rescind the request. The patient would also have to sign a standard form, in the presence of two witnesses, one of whom is not a relative, a beneficiary of the patient's estate, or an owner, operator, or employee of a health care facility where the patient receives treatment or lives.

The proposed law would require the attending physician to: (1) determine if the patient is qualified; (2) inform the patient of his or her medical diagnosis and prognosis, the potential risks and probable result of ingesting the medication, and the feasible alternatives, including comfort care, hospice care and pain control; (3) refer the patient to a consulting physician for a diagnosis and prognosis regarding the patient's disease, and confirmation in writing that the patient is capable, acting voluntarily, and making an informed decision; (4) refer the patient for psychiatric or psychological consultation if the physician believes the patient may have a disorder causing impaired judgment; (5) recommend that the patient notify next of kin of the patient's intention; (6) recommend that the patient have another person present when the patient ingests the medicine and to not take it in a public place; (7) inform the patient that he or she may rescind the request at any time; (8) write the prescription when the requirements of the law are met, including verifying that the patient is making an informed decision; and (9) arrange for the medicine to be dispensed directly to the patient, or the patient's agent, but not by mail or courier.

The proposed law would make it punishable by imprisonment and/or fines, for anyone to (1) coerce a patient to request medication, (2) forge a request, or (3) conceal a rescission of a request. The proposed law would not authorize ending a patient's life by lethal injection, active euthanasia, or mercy killing. The death certificate would list the underlying terminal disease as the cause of death.

Participation under the proposed law would be voluntary. An unwilling health care provider could prohibit or sanction another health care provider for participating while on the premises of, or while acting as an employee of or contractor for, the unwilling provider.

The proposed law states that no person would be civilly or criminally liable or subject to professional discipline for actions that comply with the law, including actions taken in good faith that substantially comply. It also states that it should not be interpreted to lower the applicable standard of care for any health care provider.

A person's decision to make or rescind a request could not be restricted by will or contract made on or after January 1, 2013, and could not be considered in issuing, or setting the rates for, insurance policies or annuities. Also, the proposed law would require the attending physician to report each case in which life-ending medication is dispensed to the state Department of Public Health. The Department would provide public access to statistical data compiled from the reports.

The proposed law states that if any of its parts was held invalid, the other parts would stay in effect.

A **YES VOTE** would enact the proposed law allowing a physician licensed in Massachusetts to prescribe medication, at the request of a terminally-ill patient meeting certain conditions, to end that person's life.

A **NO VOTE** would make no change in existing laws.

QUESTION 3: LAW PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION

Do you approve of a law summarized below, on which no vote was taken by the Senate or the House of Representatives on or before May 1, 2012?

SUMMARY

This proposed law would eliminate state criminal and civil penalties for the medical use of marijuana by qualifying patients. To qualify, a patient must have been diagnosed with a debilitating medical condition, such as cancer, glaucoma, HIV-positive status or AIDS, hepatitis C, Crohn's disease, Parkinson's disease, ALS, or multiple sclerosis. The patient would also have to obtain a written certification, from a physician with whom the patient has a bona fide physician-patient relationship, that the patient has a specific debilitating medical condition and would likely obtain a net benefit from medical use of marijuana.

The proposed law would allow patients to possess up to a 60-day supply of marijuana for their personal medical use. The state Department of Public Health (DPH) would decide what amount would be a 60-day supply. A patient could designate a personal caregiver, at least 21 years old, who could assist with the patient's medical use of marijuana but would be prohibited from consuming that marijuana. Patients and caregivers would have to register with DPH by submitting the physician's certification.

The proposed law would allow for non-profit medical marijuana treatment centers to grow, process and provide marijuana to patients or their caregivers. A treatment center would have to apply for a DPH registration by (1) paying a fee to offset DPH's administrative costs; (2) identifying its location and one additional location, if any, where marijuana would be grown; and (3) submitting operating procedures, consistent with rules to be issued by DPH, including cultivation and storage of marijuana only in enclosed, locked facilities.

A treatment center's personnel would have to register with DPH before working or volunteering at the center, be at least 21 years old, and have no felony drug convictions. In 2013, there could be no more than 35 treatment centers, with at least one but not more than five centers in each county. In later years, DPH could modify the number of centers.

The proposed law would require DPH to issue a cultivation registration to a qualifying patient whose access to a treatment center is limited by financial hardship, physical inability to access reasonable transportation, or distance. This would allow the patient or caregiver to grow only enough plants, in a closed, locked facility, for a 60-day supply of marijuana for the patient's own use.

DPH could revoke any registration for a willful violation of the proposed law. Fraudulent use of a DPH registration could be punished by up to six months in a house of correction or a fine of up to \$500, and fraudulent use of a registration for the sale, distribution, or trafficking of marijuana for non-medical use for profit could be punished by up to five years in state prison or by two and one-half years in a house of correction.

The proposed law would (1) not give immunity under federal law or obstruct federal enforcement of federal law; (2) not supersede Massachusetts laws prohibiting possession, cultivation, or sale of marijuana for nonmedical purposes; (3) not allow the operation of a motor vehicle, boat, or aircraft while under the influence of marijuana; (4) not require any health insurer or government entity to reimburse for the costs of the medical use of marijuana; (5) not require any health care professional to authorize the medical use of marijuana; (6) not require any accommodation of the medical use of marijuana in any workplace, school bus or grounds, youth center, or correctional facility; and (7) not require any accommodation of smoking marijuana in any public place.

The proposed law would take effect January 1, 2013, and states that if any of its part were declared invalid, the other parts would stay in effect.

A **YES VOTE** would enact the proposed law eliminating state criminal and civil penalties related to the medical use of marijuana, allowing patients meeting certain conditions to obtain marijuana produced and distributed by new state-regulated centers or, in specific hardship cases, to grow marijuana for their own use.

A **NO VOTE** would make no change in existing laws.

QUESTION #4

Shall the City of Somerville accept Sections 3 to 7, inclusive, of Chapter 44B of the General Laws, as approved by its legislative body, a summary of which appears below?

SUMMARY

The Community Preservation Act (hereinafter "the Act") establishes a dedicated funding source to enable cities and towns to: (1) acquire, create and preserve open space, including land for parks, recreational uses and conservation areas; (2) acquire, preserve, rehabilitate, and restore historic resources, such as historic community buildings and artifacts; (3) acquire, create, preserve, rehabilitate and restore land for recreational use, including parks, playgrounds and athletic fields; (4) acquire, create, preserve and support community housing to help meet local families' housing needs; and (5) rehabilitate or restore open space and community housing that is acquired or created as provided in this section.

In the City of Somerville, the funding source for these community preservation purposes will be a surcharge of 1.5% on the annual property tax assessed on real property beginning in Fiscal Year 2014, other local funds committed by the Board of Aldermen for community preservation purposes subject to the limitations in Section 3(b)(1)/2 of Chapter 44B, and annual distributions made by the state from a trust fund created by the Act. The Commonwealth provides these funds only to communities adopting the Act. If approved, the following will be exempt from the surcharge: (1) property owned and occupied as a domicile by any person who qualifies for low income housing or low or moderate income senior housing in Somerville as defined in Section 2 of the Act; (2) \$100,000 of the value of each taxable parcel of residential real property; and (3) \$100,000 of the value of each taxable parcel of class 3, commercial property and class 4, industrial property as defined in Section 2A of Chapter 59. A taxpayer receiving a regular property tax abatement or exemption will also receive a pro rata reduction in the surcharge.

Upon acceptance of the Act by the voters, a Community Preservation Committee will be established by ordinance to study community preservation needs, possibilities and resources, and to make annual recommendations to the Board of Aldermen for approval on spending the funds. At least 10% of the funds for each fiscal year will be spent or reserved for later spending on each of the Act's three community preservation purposes: (1) open space, (2) historic resources and (3) community housing.

QUESTION 5

THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING

Shall the state senator from this district be instructed to vote in favor of a resolution calling upon Congress and the President to: (1) prevent cuts to Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, and Veterans benefits, or to housing, food and unemployment assistance; (2) create and protect jobs by investing in manufacturing, schools, housing, renewable energy, transportation and other public services; (3) provide new revenues for these purposes and to reduce the long-term federal deficit by closing corporate tax loopholes, ending offshore tax havens, and raising taxes on incomes over \$250,000; and (4) redirect military spending to these domestic needs by reducing the military budget, ending the war in Afghanistan and bringing U.S. troops home safely now?

QUESTION 6

THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING

Shall the state senator from this district be instructed to vote in favor of legislation that would allow the state to regulate and tax marijuana in the same manner as alcohol?

QUESTION 7

THIS QUESTION IS NOT BINDING

Shall the state representative from this district be instructed to vote in favor of a resolution calling upon Congress to propose an amendment to the U.S. constitution affirming that (1) corporations are not entitled to the constitutional rights of human beings, and (2) both Congress and the states may place limits on political contributions and political spending?

Nicholas P. Salerno, Chairman; Anthony J. Alibrandi; Laurinda T. Bedingfield; Isaac M. Machado, BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS

ALL POLLING PLACES ARE ACCESSIBLE TO PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

THE WEEK IN CRIME

By Jim Clark

Wheelchair bound nun chased, assaulted

A reported case of an unwanted man at Little Sisters of the Poor on Highland Ave. brought police to the facility last Wednesday.

As responding officers arrived, a man, later identified as Shawn Byron, 45, was reportedly observed chasing a nun in a wheelchair towards the front entrance of the building. As the nun reached the main entrance, officers said they observed Byron kick her on her leg and the wheelchair as well.

As the main entry operated under an electronic locking system, police had to wait to be “buzzed” in before they could render assistance. The nun reportedly struggled to reach the door’s release button and nearly fell out of the wheelchair while doing so, police said.

Once inside, officers located Byron, who was reportedly screaming at his mother and causing a disturbance among residents. The nun who was assaulted reportedly pleaded with police to remove the man from the building.

As Byron was handcuffed and escorted from the building, he reportedly continued shouting at residents and police officers, using racial epithets and threatening officers with bodily harm, according to police.

While awaiting transport for booking, Byron reportedly bolted from police in an attempt to escape. He was subsequently captured and advised that pepper spray would be used if he did not calm down.

Once inside the police transport vehicle Byron reportedly thrashed around and remained emotionally violent.

Byron has been charged with resisting arrest, disorderly conduct, assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, and threat to commit a crime.

Alleged baby formula snatcher caught in the act

Police responded to a report of shoplifting at K-Mart last Thursday.

Officers en route were advised that store loss prevention personnel were chasing the suspected thief towards the rear of Middlesex Avenue running towards McGrath Highway.

As multiple units arrived on the scene the suspect was apprehended at the Bed, Bath, and Beyond store.

The loss prevention employees from K-Mart reportedly told officers that the suspect, Timothy Bennet, 28, of Medford, was observed on the video surveillance system taking various items off the shelves in the store. The employees reportedly saw Bennet placing several bottles of Enfamil formula in his pockets.

Bennet then reportedly went past the check out area and left the store without paying for the items, and the loss prevention employees gave chase.

Bennet reportedly told officers that he was unemployed and had babies that he had a young baby in need of the food.

Bennet’s wife arrived at the scene and reportedly told investigators that their child was six years old and did not need that type of nutrient.

Bennet was placed under arrest and charged with shoplifting by concealing merchandise.

Restraining order violator removed from home

Police were dispatched to an apartment on Canal Lane for a report of a mother wanting her son removed from the residence last week.

As officers arrived at the residence, Kwesi George, 21, son of the woman residing at the home in question, reportedly met them at the door and began walking towards them, whereupon he was advised that he was in violation of a restraining order and that he should place his hands behind his back to be handcuffed, police said.

George reportedly brushed aside the officers and ran down Canal Street and onto Memorial Road, but he was soon apprehended by backup police units.

As police instructed George to place his hands behind his back and lay on his stomach he reportedly resisted and made insulting remarks to the officers. George reportedly kicked at an officer in order to avoid being taken into custody.

George was then advised that if he did not comply he would be pepper sprayed, but he continued to resist, according to reports. A short burst of pepper spray was administered and officers were then able to get George on the ground. George reportedly continued to struggle and at one point elbowed an officer in an apparent attempt to break free, police said.

George reportedly continued to insult and harass officers at the scene until finally taken away by the transport vehicle.

George was placed under arrest and charged with assault and battery on a police officer, resisting arrest, and abuse prevention order violation.

SOMERVILLE POLICE CRIME LOG

Arrests: Kwesi George , 21, October 15, 9:42 a.m., arrested at 20 Canal La. on charges of assault and battery on a police officer, resisting arrest, and abuse prevention order violation. Kendell Bell , 29, of 43 Thurston St., October 15, 5:25 p.m., arrested at home on a charge of assault and battery. Alisha Damis-Salaam , 18, of 66 Marshall St., October 16, 3:56 p.m., arrested at 180 Somerville Ave. on a charge of shoplifting by asportation. Willyan Lacerda , 23, of 11 Flint Ave., October 16, 9:07 p.m., arrested at home on warrant charges of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle and reckless operation of a motor vehicle. Shawn Byron , 45, October 17, 4:20 p.m., arrested at 190 Highland Ave. on charges of resisting arrest, disorderly conduct, assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, and threat to commit a crime.	Timothy Bennet , 28, of 18 Chardon Rd., Medford, October 18, 7:24 p.m., arrested at 77 Middlesex Ave. on a charge of shoplifting by concealing merchandise. Joseph Frejuste , 21, of 8 Flint St., October 19, 10:03 a.m., arrested at home on a warrant charge of drug possession to distribute. Stanley Orantes , 19, of 198 Pearl St., October 19, 2:09 p.m., arrested at Broadway on a warrant charge of assault. Charles Gondola , 49, of 88 Gilman, October 19, 2:25 p.m., arrested at Craigie St. on warrant charges of marked lanes violation and operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license. Salvatore Ferro , 44, of 20 Kensington Ave., October 20, 9:00 p.m., arrested at Bonair St. on a charge of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon. Peter McCarthy , 33, of 47 High View Ave., Roxbury, October 21, 7:59 a.m., arrested at	79 Curtis St. on a charge of assault and battery. Incidents: Theft: October 16, 9:37 a.m., police reported a theft at Pearl St. October 16, 9:46 a.m., police reported a theft at Morrison Ave. October 16, 10:59 a.m., police reported a theft at 256 Elm St. October 16, 1:38 p.m., police reported a theft at Fairmount Ave. October 16, 3:56 p.m., police reported a theft at 180 Somerville Ave. October 17, 2:31 p.m., police reported a theft at Highland Ave. October 17, 2:48 p.m., police reported a theft at 106 Walnut St. October 18, 2:18 p.m., police reported a theft at 105 Middlesex Ave. October 18, 5:36 p.m., police reported a theft at Beacon St. October 18, 7:24 p.m., police	reported a theft at 77 Middlesex Ave. October 19, 9:17 a.m., police reported a theft at Liberty Ave. October 19, 2:14 p.m., police reported a theft at Powder House Sq. October 19, 10:45 p.m., police reported a theft at Hancock St. Breaking & Entering: October 17, 7:03 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Bonair St. October 17, 7:12 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Quincy St. October 18, 11:17 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Craigie St. October 18, 7:31 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Woodbine St. October 19, 2:43 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Whitfield Rd. October 19, 10:13 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Washington St. October 20, 10:08 a.m., police	reported a breaking & entering at Washington St. October 21, 8:42 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Chester St. Vehicle Theft: October 17, 1:29 p.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Webster Ave. October 18, 7:18 p.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Dartmouth St. October 21, 7:45 p.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Medford St. Assault: October 16, 6:59 p.m., police reported an assault at Highland Ave. October 20, 9:00 p.m., police reported an assault at Bonair St. October 20, 11:10 p.m., police reported an assault at Franklin St. October 21, 7:59 a.m., police reported an assault at Curtis St.
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'Somerville by Design' is off and running

By Cathleen Twardzik

Recently, a new initiative entitled "Somerville by Design" began. It will implement the urban design, as well as land use goals of the city's SomerVision Comprehensive Plan.

The program's kickoff occurred at the Center for Arts at the Armory, and it was the first of three free events to which the public is invited.

The event featured activities and exercises to assist community members and to discover their vision of the future of the neighborhoods that are located around Ball Square, Lowell Street and Magoun Square, as well as the Gilman Square Green Line stations.

Jeff Speck, author of *Walkable City: How Downtown Can Save America One Step at a Time*, which is the title of his upcoming book, is a nationally-recognized urban designer, as well as the former Design Director of the National Endowment for the Arts and co-author of *Suburban Nation: The Rise of Sprawl and the Decline of the American Dream* and of the *Smart Growth Manual*.

Speck participated in the City of Somerville's planning team to coordinate design work.

"These types of participatory neighborhood-based plans are a national best-practice, and we also have a local example. The City of Somerville worked with Davis Square neighbors in the early 1980's to prepare for the

arrival of the Red Line," said Brad Rawson of the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development (OSPCD).

Aside from Speck's presence, the kickoff event included activities such as providing residents with a chance to mark maps of neighborhoods to show areas that are functioning well, as well as the areas in which changes are needed.

"...anybody who lives or works in a neighborhood can provide valuable information about how a place functions."

Additionally, residents leafed through a stack of photographs of different types of buildings, and they decided if the photo they were looking depicted something that they wanted to see within the areas of business districts in Somerville around future Green Line stations.

"Based on the ideas that were shared and documented, city staff and its design consultants will prepare visual models and sketches of each neighborhood that community members will be asked to react to and critique at meetings on November 28 and 29," said Rawson.

"The physical design of streets, public spaces and buildings is a major factor influencing residents' quality of life and the



Photo by Cathleen Twardzik

The public was recently invited to attend the inaugural activities as the "Somerville by Design" initiative began in earnest.

character of the business environment. Physical design is also a great way to get residents involved in public policy, since anybody who lives or works in a neighborhood can provide valuable information about how a place functions," he said.

Somerville by Design will include the development of design-based Neighborhood Plans for future Green Line station areas, and it will help shape a planned update of the city's zoning ordinance. Neighborhood plans will allow members of the community to visualize a future in which a completed Green Line Extension will serve the

needs of thriving, stable and walkable neighborhoods.

The initiative will help implement SomerVision goals to conserve the character of existing residential areas while also ensuring context-sensitive growth around new Green Line transit stations. SomerVision and Somerville by Design are results of funding through a Challenge Grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Sustainable Communities Program.

Speck decided to become an author "because there was a very important story that I felt needed telling. I can only write well

about what I am most interested in and also, I hope, most expert in, which is the design of the built environment and its impact on the quality of our lives."

"My favorite part of writing is probably being afforded the opportunity to sit down and think carefully about the issues that concern me. Good writing is nothing more than good thinking, and it is rare today that we can take that pause to consider our lives deeply," said Speck.

Interested individuals who may have questions about the initiative may call planning at (617) 625-6600, or visit www.somervillebydesign.com.

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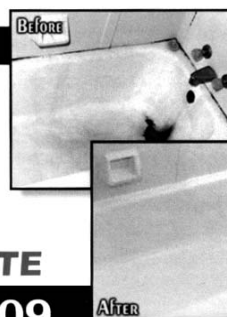
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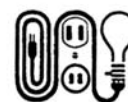
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ZBA approves Armory requests

By Jim Clark

Friends and operators of Arts at the Armory were thrilled, while certain neighbors of the arts and entertainment venue were dismayed, as the Zoning Board of Appeals approved the requests that were made to ease restrictions on hours of operation and alcohol consumption limitations at a meeting held last Wednesday.

The Armory pleaded with the Board to allow the changes in order to remain functioning as a viable venue for the arts in Somerville. The non-profit entity cited a need to extend their operating hours as well as their occupancy capacity from 390 to 495 persons. Additionally, they have sought permission to be able to cook on the premises both for the Café and the hall itself. The Armory is also looking to apply for a full liquor license.

After hearing from many local residents who opposed the requests as well as advocates for

the rules changes over the past several weeks, the ZBA finally voted last week to go along with planning board recommendations that granted most of the Armory's wishes.

A number of residents who live near the facility argued against the proposals, citing noise and drunkenness issues as strong arguments against the changes. Proponents of the plan argued that keeping the Armory in business was good for the community as a whole and was a necessary step in assuring the organization's survival.

Recent renovations intended to improve the building's noise abatement abilities were taken into consideration, as well as police testimony regarding the noise levels issue and regulation of alcohol sales.

While cautioned that city ordinances must not be violated, the Armory was ultimately presented with a green light to proceed with the proposed plans for improving its business model.

'Monster Mashed-Up @ SomerStreets' arises

The City of Somerville will host the final event in the 2012 SomerStreets series with a 2-mile celebration along Somerville Avenue, entitled *Monster Mashed-Up @ SomerStreets* on Sunday, October 28 from noon - 4 p.m.

An Oktoberfest celebration, co-sponsored by Sally O'Brien's and Bull McCabe's, has also been planned in conjunction with SomerStreets, scheduled for 1:00 - 6:00 p.m. between Washington Street and Bow Street.

Monster Mashed-Up is the longest of the four SomerStreets events, running from Washington Street to Beacon Street, and will include live entertainment on three stages, five 150-pound pumpkins carved by chainsaw artists, safe trick-or-treating, a



Folks who like chainsaws will send the pumpkin shards flying at this year's *Monster Mashed-Up @ SomerStreets* celebration.

costume parade, skateboard demonstrations, and much, much more.

The popular *Ghosts of Milk Row Cemetery* tours will be held from 12:30 - 3:30 for a suggested donation of \$5.

SomerStreets is the City's Open Streets Initiative, which closes sections of roadways one Sunday per month to promote and support active living - walking, biking, running, dancing, etc.

Happy Birthday to you, Alderman Heuston



Constituents of Ward 2 Alderman Maryann Heuston celebrated her birthday at the Mount Vernon Restaurant last Wednesday evening with a party in their main ballroom. Maryann has been a strong and effective voice in Ward 2 for the past twelve years and is still going strong.

- William Tauro



The Arts at the Armory achieved a major victory last week as it persuaded the Zoning Board of Appeals to ease restrictions on a number of important issues.

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COMMENTARY

TALES OF SOMERVILLE

Illustrated by Jim Clark



Some feel that many civic improvements are on their way if CPA is voted in.

The View From Prospect Hill



Question 4 on the November 6 ballot seems to be something of a hot-button topic for some Somerville voters. It asks residents whether or not the city should adopt the Community Preservation Act (CPA), initially enacted in 2000 by then-Governor Cellucci, allowing communities to create a Local Preservation Fund to raise money through a surcharge on property taxes of up to 3 percent for open space protection, historic preservation and the provision of affordable housing. The City of Somerville has proposed a surcharge of 1.5 percent, which, in accordance with the state law, will be assessed on each piece of taxable real estate in the city. The knee-jerk reaction by many of us when it comes to raising taxes and fees at any time is often terse and immediate: just say no. Very often this can be a justifiable response. In this case we ask our fellow voters to consider the pros and cons of this proposal carefully. While it is never a pleasant business to levy additional fees of any kind, there are times when the benefits may outweigh the negatives and are well worth the costs. The monies generated by the adoption of the CPA could provide much needed funding for programs that will greatly enhance the quality of life for all Somerville residents. This is something that should be considered carefully.

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programming, contact Elizabeth Field at 617-625-6600 ext. 2400 or lgbtissues@somervillema.gov.

From 10:30 a.m. until noon on Tuesday, October 30, just one week before voters head to the polls, the Somerville Council on Aging will host a non-partisan Voter Information Forum to provide information on Ballot Questions appearing on the November 6, 2012 Somerville ballot. The Council on Aging hopes to provide an opportunity for the city's voters to hear information from both supporters and opponents of each Question during the 90-minute forum moderated by the non-partisan League of Women Voters. For more information about the forum, please contact Lisa Heyison at (617) 625-6600, ext. 2300.

Tomes of Terror: New Arrivals is the Post-Meridian Radio Player's seventh annual Halloween show. The group performs live radio dramas. These are stage shows which use the style of the golden age of radio for the performance, including actors with scripts in

front of microphones and sound effects being created live. Performances of Tomes of Terror: New Arrivals will take place October. 25-26 at 8 p.m. On Saturday, October 27, there will be both a 2:00 p.m. matinee and an 8:00 p.m. evening show. Tickets are \$15 with discounts for students and seniors available. The show will be performed at Unity Church of Somerville, 6 William St. just near Davis Square. More information about the show is available at <http://tomesna.pmrp.org>.

Who's got the job of placing these bike racks and rental bikes around the city? It seems like the person or persons in charge haven't talked to the Ward Alderman and the local businesses along the way. Maybe they should do so. The lack of communications with area businesses around the city is upsetting to small businesses and many are crying out "Why?" We heard that many businesses along Beacon Street were up in arms over the lack of concern for businesses. Speaking of this, has anyone read the rental bike fees? Does the city make any money? Are bikes going to be charged

what cars get taxed for? It seems like a silly thing to hinder local small businesses with these racks out front.

Happy Birthday to many here in the 'Ville this week: A good friend of ours Dick "Richard" Hart, Marie Civello, our own Donald Norton, and Ginny Azulay Roche. Also Happy birthday to Mama Emily Tauro who is celebrating the joyous day with all her children and her twenty-one great and great great grand children! We wish her many, many more! We also wish the best to Sal DiMaggio from East Somerville. Sue Mackey is celebrating her birthday this week as well. A real good guy who writes for us is also celebrating this week, Harry Kane. Another good guy we want to mention is Corey McGlashing. Former Somerville City Solicitor John Gannon is having a birthday this week as well. A lot of us remember Nancy (Maloney) Humpheries, who resides now in North Carolina. Also this weekend is Shaun O'Brien as well.

So, a lot of people throughout the city

will be getting a pay raise including our elected officials, but we hear that a lot of people down at DPW are not very happy with this since some unions don't have a contract yet.

Good luck and speedy recovery to our own Jimmy DelPonte who this week underwent major surgery that will keep him off the streets for a few weeks. He will be missed around the city. We send him our best wishes.

Back by popular demand, another MAKE & TAKE Cake Decorating class. Runs for 10 weeks. \$150 plus frosting. Register @ Somerville High School Main Office, 81 Highland Ave., Tues. or Thurs. 6-9:00 p.m. Meets Nov. 13, 20, 27; Dec. 4, 5; Jan. 22, 29; Feb. 5, 12, 26. Also, Flower Arrangement Course. \$100. Beginning October 30th, November 6, 13, 27, & December 4. Make and Take home all your holiday centerpiece creations. Another Drivers Ed 5 week session begins October 30, meeting Tuesday and Thursday evenings. One must register soon.

COMMENTARY

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Three campaigns: One agenda



By Joseph A. Curtatone

No municipal offices are at stake on November 6: Somerville's next local election will be held in 2013. This is, nonetheless, an extremely important election cycle for our community right down to the neighborhood level. No one should sit this one out. That's why I have been giving as

much of my time as I can spare to three very different campaigns at the national, state and local levels.

Here in Somerville, I have given my strong personal support to the passage of Question 4, a ballot measure that would enable Somerville to participate in a state-sponsored program created under the Massachusetts Community Preservation Act (CPA). I am by no means alone in my support: this proposal has been endorsed by every local state and municipal elected official - our Aldermen and our entire statehouse delegation - as well as numerous local business and community leaders.

Question 4 will allow us to access a source of state funding that's been available for years to richer suburban towns, but

which cities like ours found less attractive until the legislature made a series of key changes last year (changes that were pushed hard by the Metro Mayors Coalition and other civic groups in the region). By establishing a local fund supported by a 1.5 percent surcharge on property tax bills (that's about \$33 annually for the average single-family homeowner; \$16 per year for the average condo owner; \$60 per year for the average two-family homeowner), Somerville will gain access to state matching funds. In the first year alone, we estimate (very conservatively) that the combined revenues would total more than \$1.7 million.

With this new funding, and guided by a special community preservation board acting with

the review and approval of the Board of Alderman, the City would be able to make significant new investments in parks and open space, in the preservation of historic city buildings like schools and libraries, in the creation and improvement of certain types of recreational facilities and in programs designed to keep local families from getting priced out of Somerville housing. (Contrary to the statements made by some opponents, Question 4 will NOT raise tax rates by 1.5 percent; the surcharge comes after the tax bill has been calculated.) The benefits will far exceed the modest cost and I ask every Somerville voter to say "Yes" to Question 4.

I've also been working when I can for Elizabeth Warren's

campaign to unseat Senator Scott Brown. The Warren campaign's state headquarters are right here in Somerville, and I can tell you from direct experience working with her on policy issues and campaign events that she has a deep appreciation of the opportunities and challenges faced by Massachusetts cities and towns. Her support for investments in infrastructure and transportation to jumpstart economic development, and her commitment to quality education and sound environmental policy make her by far the best choice in the U.S. Senate race. (By the way, we have invited Senator Brown to Somerville, but so far as we know he has yet to visit us in his official capacity.)

And, finally, it's been my privilege

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No, thank you, Mr. Kraft



By William C. Shelton

Some illusions shine so brightly that we will sacrifice our wellbeing to let them burn. Visions of prestige and economic benefit accruing to Somerville with construction of a major league soccer stadium at Assembly Square could be such an illusion.

The Kraft group is talking with Somerville and Revere offi-

cials about locating a 20,000-seat stadium for its New England Revolution team in those cities. Fall River's mayor wrote to Robert Kraft last week, pitching his city as well.

There is no doubt as to which would be the best location. Assembly Square is in the urban core, bestrides \$7 billion worth of transportation infrastructure, and is close to immigrant populations that love soccer. Its Orange Line station will directly connect to every other line and to key bus routes, unlike Revere's Blue Line station.

But major-league sports franchises extract major-league economic concessions

from the jurisdictions in which they locate. These involve subsidies for land acquisition and stadium construction, and/or tax abatements. The jurisdictions pay for these subsidies by issuing municipal bonds and taking on debt.

Such a deal might be good for Revere or Fall River. But for Somerville, it would be fiscal folly, and in one scenario, fiscal disaster.

There are two possible Assembly Square sites that a soccer stadium could locate on and around: the 12 acres that were slated for IKEA construction and the 9 acres at 5 Middlesex Avenue that host the shuttered

AMC theater, a fully-tenanted 200,000-square-foot office building, and their parking lots. I say "on and around" because a major league stadium would require more land than either site by itself.

The IKEA site is the size of six city blocks. Somerville's zoning ordinance would allow developers to build 5 million square feet of office or mixed-use buildings there. Using the rule of thumb of 4 permanent jobs for every 1,000 square feet of office space, this would translate into 20,000 new jobs.

At current construction costs of \$300 per square foot, such a development would produce

city property tax revenues of \$33 million per year. The city currently collects only \$100 million from all the taxable land in Somerville. A \$120-million stadium would generate property taxes of \$2.6 million per year, before accounting for any subsidies. And it would cost the city more in public safety expenses than would office or R&D space.

Buildings that were constructed on those portions of the Middlesex Avenue site that are beyond 1,000 feet of the Orange Line station could rise to only 125 feet, as opposed to the 250 feet allowed throughout the IKEA site.

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On The Silly Side by Jimmy Del Ponte

Way below minimum



This article originally appeared in The Somerville News on October 24, 2007.

Remember your first job? My first job was delivering newspapers. I used to pick them up at Abe's office (Davis Square News Agency) on Highland Avenue where the new cupcake place is. I had the "Francesca" route, which included my own street.

Balancing the papers in the basket on the front of the bike took some getting used to, but I mastered it pretty quickly. I didn't master getting the paper on people's porches though. I also took out a

couple of windows and dented a few screen door panels, which I had to pay for (remember, Mr. Larsen?).

On Sundays we had to fill these huge, old (and yes splintered), wood rolling wagons with the humongous Sunday papers. Pushing those monstrosities through the snow was especially grueling. If I was lucky I cleared about \$16.00 a week for all that work, but I developed some pretty strong forearms. My paperboy career ended when I got caught dumping 20 papers down the tracks. I forgot to deliver the Foscett St. papers and I thought they were extras. Instead of pushing them back to Abe's, I tried to make them disappear. One of the other

paperboys ratted me out.

Then I got a job taking tickets at the Dodge'em Cars on Revere Beach. That was a great gig. A buck an hour and all the re-rides I wanted. Clement Hurley hired a bunch of us kids from the Bay State Ave. corner. Because I was the smallest of the group, I used to have to crawl up onto the ceiling and fix the wire mesh that conducted the electricity that made the cars go.

My parents would have been shocked if they knew that. We caught the tail end of a wonderful, gone-by era, and I almost caught 10,000 or so volts.

One of my fondest memories was when Bob Sullivan hired me as stock boy at

Woolworth's in Davis Square. Soon after I was hired I graduated to the weekend luncheonette guy. I made hot dogs, grilled cheeses and frappes. Plus, I was one of the guys whose job it was to put those little slips of paper with different prices for banana splits into the balloons. You would burst a balloon and pay anywhere from 10 to 99 cents for your banana split. Yes, you can thank me for making them all 10 cents on the days I worked. And the best part of that job was eating my mistakes on the grille.

After that, my friend Dave Porzio got me a job working at Lyndell's Bakery, another place where I got to eat my mistakes. I was a flour

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THE HOUSE AND SENATE. There were no roll call votes in the House or Senate last week.

Our Legislators in the House and Senate for Somerville:



Rep. Denise Provost

DISTRICT REPRESENTED: Twenty-seventh Middlesex. - Consisting of precinct 3 of ward 2, all precincts of ward 3, precinct 3 of ward 4, and all precincts of wards 5 and 6, of the city of Somerville, in the county of Middlesex.



Rep. Carl Sciortino

DISTRICT REPRESENTED: Thirty-fourth Middlesex. - Consisting of all precincts in wards 4 and 5, precinct 1 of ward 7, and precinct 2 of ward 8, of the city of Medford, precincts 1 and 2 of ward 4, and all precincts of ward 7, of the city of Somerville, both in the county of Middlesex.



Rep. Timothy Toomey

DISTRICT REPRESENTED: Twenty-sixth Middlesex. - Consisting of all precincts of ward 1, precinct 1 of ward 2, precincts 1 and 2 of ward 3, and precinct 1 of ward 6, of the city of Cambridge, and all precincts of ward 1 and precincts 1 and 2 of ward 2, of the city of Somerville, both in the county of Middlesex.



Sen. Sal DiDomenico

DISTRICT REPRESENTED: MIDDLESEX, SUFFOLK AND ESSEX. - Cambridge, ward 3, precinct 2, wards 6 and 7, ward 8, precincts 1 and 2, ward 9, precinct 1, ward 10, precinct 2, Everett and Somerville, ward 1, precinct 1, ward 2, precinct 1, in the county of Middlesex; Boston, ward 2, ward 21, precincts 4, 6 and 7, ward 22, precincts 1, 2 and 5, Chelsea and Revere,

ward 6, in the county of Suffolk; and Saugus, precincts 2, 6 and 10, in the county of Essex.



Sen. Patricia Jehlen

DISTRICT REPRESENTED: SECOND MIDDLESEX. - Medford, Somerville, ward 1, precincts 2 and 3, ward 2, precincts 2 and 3, and wards 3 to 7, inclusive, Woburn, ward 2, and Winchester.

Beacon Hill Roll Call this week examines the voting records of local senators on Democratic Gov. Deval Patrick's 23 vetoes during the 2011-2012 session. A two-thirds vote is required to override a gubernatorial veto in the 40-member Senate that includes 36 Democrats and only four Republicans. The governor needed the support of 15 senators to sustain a veto when all 40 senators voted - and fewer votes if some members were absent. Patrick fell far short of that goal. Three votes were the most support he received on any veto. The Senate easily overrode all 23 vetoes including 20 that were overridden unanimously.

The vetoes had no support from the four GOP senators and very little support from the chamber's 36 Democrats. Only ten Democrats voted with Patrick to sustain any vetoes including Sen. Cynthia Creem (D-Newton), the senator who gave him the most support, siding with him on three vetoes. Nine other Democrats supported the governor on one veto while 26 did not give him any support.

Senate President Therese Murray followed Senate tradition and did not vote on any of the roll calls.

Here's how local senators fared in their support of Patrick on the 23 vetoes.

The percentage next to the senator's name represents the percentage of times the senator supported Patrick's vetoes.

The number in parentheses represents the number of times the senator supported Patrick's vetoes.

Some senators voted on all 23 roll call votes. Others missed one or more of the votes. Their records are based on the number of roll calls on which they voted and does not count the roll calls for which they were absent.

Sen. Sal DiDomenico	4.3 %	(1)
Sen. Patricia Jehlen	0 %	(0)

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

CHILD SEX ABUSE (H 4329, S 2409) - The House on July 25 and the Senate on July 31 approved different versions of a bill increasing the statute of limitations during which a person can file a civil lawsuit for child sexual abuse. Last week the House rejected the Senate version and appointed a three-member conference committee to work with yet to be appointed Senate conferees to hammer out a compromise proposal. Current civil law affords a victim up until the age of 21 to file a suit.

The House bill would increase the age to 43 while the Senate hikes it to 45. The Senate version does not include a House provision that allows any victims who were barred under current law from filing due to the expiration of the statute of limitations a one year window to file a suit retroactively.

RIGHT TO REPAIR - Ballot Question 1: In June, the Right to Repair Coalition, a group of independent auto repair shops, gathered and filed sufficient signatures to place a question on the November 6 ballot asking voters if they support a law that would require auto manufacturers to sell to non-dealer repair shops the complete repair information and diagnostic tools currently only provided to franchised dealer service centers. A few weeks later, the Legislature approved and Gov. Patrick signed into law a similar bill. The measure was a compromise agreed to by competing sides of the issue - the sponsoring independent repair shop owners and auto manufacturers, which initially opposed it. By that time, it was too late to remove the question from the ballot and both groups instead agreed to work together on an ad campaign telling voters to skip the ballot question.

That all changed last week when the coalition announced it has reversed course and decided to urge voters to approve rather than skip Question 1. The coalition's website explains, "What we found is that although our coalition, ballot committee members and consumers were pleased with the Legislature's action, they still overwhelmingly supported a 'Yes' vote for Question 1."

AAA Massachusetts last week decided to enter the fray. It announced a campaign urging voters to vote "Yes" on Question 1. AAA says the compromise bill is flawed because it doesn't allow automakers to share telematics, a growing technology that would allow car trouble to be diagnosed remotely by using information generated by the car. In a statement, AAA said, "Your vehicle produces valuable information about its health and condition. AAA thinks you should own this information, all of it, and should be free to share it as you see fit."

The ballot question, if approved, would supersede the current compromise law. However, the Legislature would still be allowed to make changes to the new law or even override it and reinstate the compromise law.

LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE (H 4348) - The House and Senate approved and sent to Gov. Patrick a lengthy 20-page bill regulating long-term care (LTC) insurance in Massachusetts. LTC insurance is very expensive and provides coverage for a wide range of long-term care services and facilities, including nursing homes, assisted living facilities and care at home.

Provisions include requiring the state to develop guidelines consistent with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners model; prohibiting unfair and deceptive sales practices; allowing a policyholder to cancel the policy up to 30 days after the effective date and receive a full refund; and requiring the employees of companies that sell LTC insurance to take a one-time training course and then continue training to keep up with any changes.

Supporters said the Bay State is one of only nine states that have not adopted these types of regulations for LTC insurance, which has become much more complicated over the years. They noted the law will protect consumers and ensure transparency.

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“STUDY” THESE BILLS - The Judiciary Committee recommended that proposals be shipped off to a “study committee,” in which measures are never actually studied and are effectively defeated. Here are some of the bills on their way to be studied:

PROHIBIT SPRAY PAINT (S 804) - Prohibits minors under the age of 17 from possessing spray paint if they intend to use it to create graffiti. Violators would be punished by up to two years in prison and/or a \$250 fine. The measure also imposes a \$500 fine on anyone who sells spray paint to a minor under 17.

HIGH SCHOOL JURORS (S 807) - Exempts full-time high school students from jury duty.

LIMIT EMINENT DOMAIN (S 856) - Prohibits the state or local cities and towns from taking away private land unless it is necessary for a public use - defined as the “possession, occupation and enjoyment of land by the public at large or by public agencies.”

POLICE SCANNERS (S 903) - Makes it a separate offense, punishable by up to a ten-year prison sentence, to use a police scanner during the commission of a crime.

QUOTABLE QUOTES

“It is my duty as State Auditor to ensure that MassHealth has the strongest possible safeguards in place to protect both the taxpayers and people in need. This audit today indicates that more needs to be done.” – Auditor Suzanne Bump on her findings that the process for verifying self-reported income and residency information of applicants for MassHealth needs improvements

and may be costing the state millions of dollars annually in Medicaid expenses.

“To say that I am deeply concerned and disturbed would be an understatement.” – House Speaker Robert DeLeo on the findings in Bump’s audit.

“We don’t think doctors should ever be under the influence of either money or alcohol when making decisions in the interest of their patients.” – Harvard Medical School student Kathleen Barnes at a Statehouse demonstration protesting what the demonstrators say are lax regulations that will allow salesmen to pitch their products to doctors by wining and dining them anywhere.

“Spying on church groups and peaceful, non-violent political gatherings violates civil liberties, wastes scarce police resources and doesn’t keep us safe.” – Carol Rose, Executive Director of the ACLU of Massachusetts, on the group’s allegations that Boston Police routinely spy on ordinary citizens engaged in peaceful, First Amendment-protected activity.

“Many of us have had the privilege of seeing first-hand Bill’s laser-like focus on results, whether working on behalf of his constituents or his private sector clients.” – Stephen Tocco, President and Chief Executive Officer of ML Strategies, on former Gov. William Weld’s decision to move from New York and join Boston law firm Mintz Levin’s and ML Strategies, the firm’s government relations and consulting affiliate.

HOW LONG WAS LAST WEEK’S SESSION? Beacon Hill Roll Call tracks the length of time that the House and Senate were in session each week. Many leg-

islators say that legislative sessions are only one aspect of the Legislature’s job and that a lot of important work is done outside of the House and Senate chambers. They note that their jobs also involve committee work, research, constituent work and other matters that are important to their districts. Critics say that the Legislature does not meet regularly or long enough to debate and vote in public view on the thousands of pieces of legislation that have been filed. They note that the infrequency and brief length of sessions are misguided and lead to irresponsible late night sessions and a mad rush to act on dozens of bills in the days immediately preceding the end of an annual session.

During the week of October 15-19, the House met for a total of one hour and one minute while the Senate met for a total of 45 minutes.

Mon. October 15	House 11:00 a.m. to 11:28 a.m. Senate 11:01 a.m. to 11:18 a.m.
Tues. October 16	No House session No Senate session
Wed. October 17	No House session No Senate session
Thurs. October 18	House 11:05 a.m. to 11:38 a.m. Senate 11:13 a.m. to 11:41 a.m.
Fri. October 19	No House session No Senate session

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No, thank you, Mr. Kraft CONT. FROM PG 9

But the maximum density permitted there would still produce tax revenues and jobs many times greater than a stadium would.

The city would need to amend its zoning code to accommodate a stadium, since it is not now a permitted use. And if the current landowners understand the true market value of their property, they will not sell for a price that makes stadium development economically feasible. So the city would have to take either property by eminent domain and sell it to the Kraft group.

The landowners could probably not legally prevent this. But they could go to court and demand to be paid their property’s true market value. The land portion of total development costs for a \$300-per-square-foot building is about \$50 per square foot. Assuming the maximum possible development of the IKEA site, this would put its land value at \$250 million.

Imagine that a court found the land value to be only half that. It would still be more than the value of a fully constructed stadium. To settle the judgment, the city would have to borrow the money, degrade its credit rating, and over multiple generations, pay amounts far greater than whatever taxes it would derive from the stadium.

This is a worst-case scenario, but it is well within the realm of possibility. What is almost a certainty is the negative impact that a stadium would have on the potential value of surrounding property. Examples of major league stadiums that work well within an urban fabric are rare. And those located next to taxable Class A office or R&D space are exceedingly rare.

The Comprehensive Plan that city officials presented earlier this year is a remarkable product of hard work, broad cooperation, and wisdom. Building a major league stadium at Assembly Square would make a mockery of the plan’s process and principles.



A soccer stadium would absorb more room than just the IKEA site.

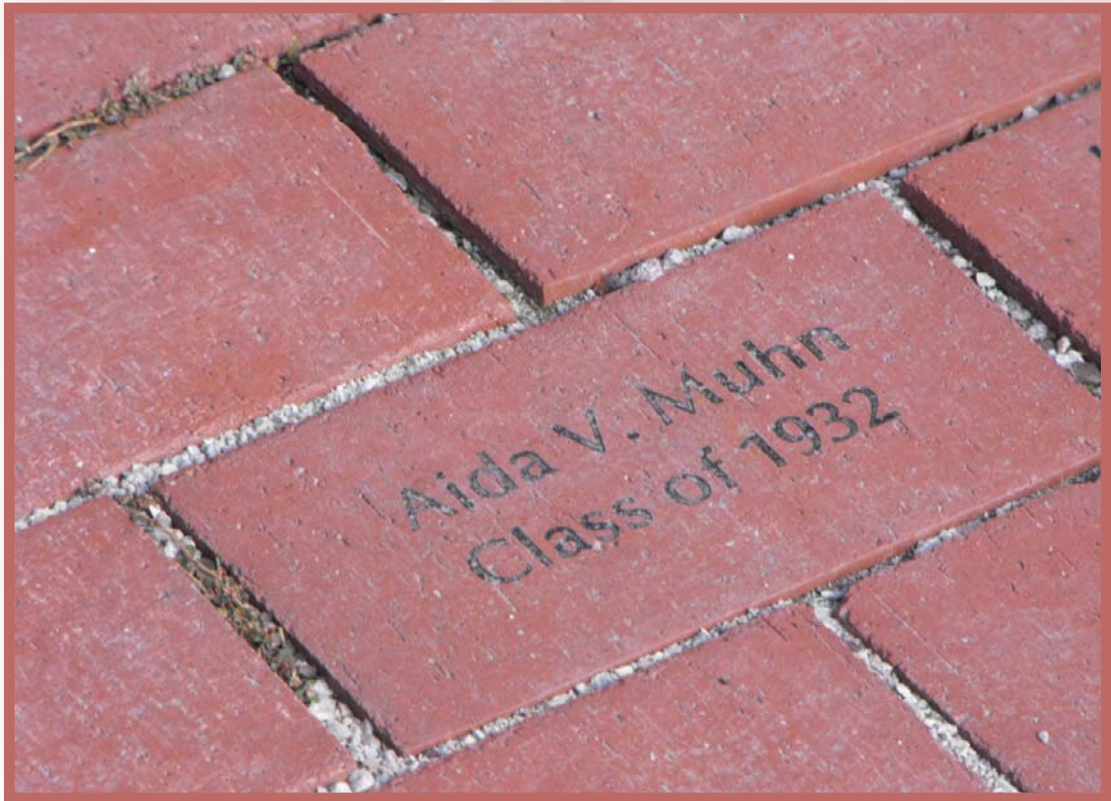
Last year I wrote a column asking whether the city’s issu-

ing of District Improvement Financing bonds to support private development in Assembly Square would be a risk or a gamble. There is no

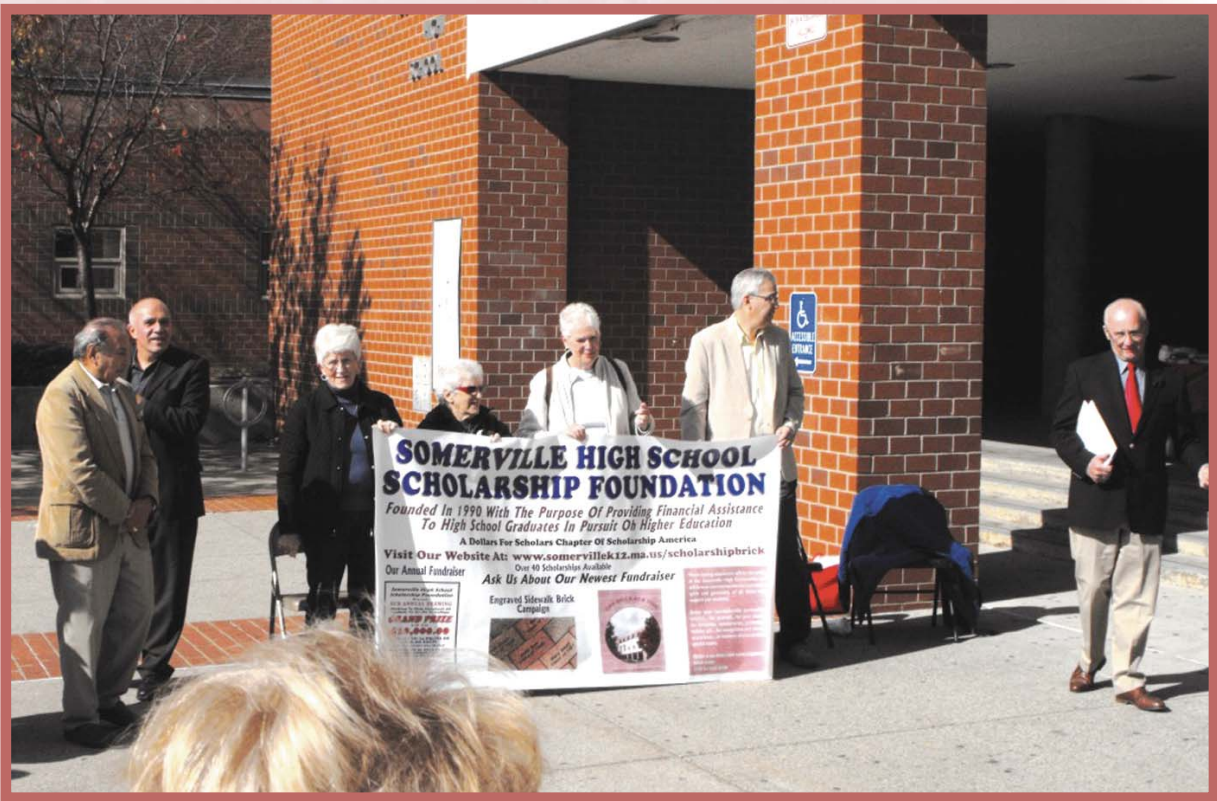
doubt that going on the fiscal hook to bring a soccer stadium here would be a gamble. The uncertainty is how much we would lose.

Somerville High Scholarship Foun

On Sunday October 21, the Somerville High School Scholarship Foundation unveiled the scholarship's brickwalkway. Engraved bricks line the main entrance of Somerville High School. The proceeds will be utilized for scholarships to help Somerville High School and Full Circle High Community and will forever commemorate the community spirit and generosity of all those who support the graduates. For more information visit <http://www.somerville.k12.ma.us/scholarshipbrick>.



Bricks from the Somerville High School Scholarship Foundation Engraved Brick Campaign graced the walkway leading to the atrium where seniors achieve their college and other post-secondary training goals. These lasting memorials will be the pride of the Somerville community. For more details about the campaign, as well as about the Somerville High School Scholarship Foundation, interested individuals may



SOMERVILLE SPORTS

COA's newest fitness options in the spotlight

Committing to a fitness regime is no easy task at any age. There's always the challenge of making time in a busy schedule. Add to that the expense that may be involved for gym memberships or some classes. For many, even getting to and from the class location and finding a place to park can be enough to discourage a regular routine.

The Somerville Council on Aging's array of affordable fitness options erase those challenges and make it very easy for the 55 and older set to exercise on a regular basis, and have fun doing it.

The COA's Holland Street Center, near Davis Square, offers evening classes, ample parking spaces, and classes at low cost. To accommodate the needs of older adults who may work or have other daytime

commitments, the COA offers three different fitness classes that meet in the late afternoon and early evening:

- Chair Yoga meets Mondays at 4:30
- Belly Dancing meets Tuesdays at 5 p.m.
- Zumba Gold meets at 5:15 on Wednesdays.

All of the classes are taught by certified instructors who encourage a challenging workout that is sensitive to the needs and concerns of older adults.

The cost is \$5 per class, payable by the week or in monthly installments. This minimal fee goes directly to the instructor, so participants are not paying for overhead or operational costs.

Parking at the Holland Street Center is ample and free. This allows people without a



It's never too late to get and stay in shape, especially when the Somerville Council on Aging offers so many opportunities to do so.

Somerville parking sticker to park near their class, saving valuable time and energy.

With the most common chal-

lenges and "excuses" erased, there is nothing to stop Somerville's older adults from participating. Come to one

class and see for yourself how easy and fun fitness can be when the traditional barriers are removed.

Joe's Jazz & Blues Fest CONT. FROM PG 1

as featured soloists.

Next up, Sonic Explorers presents its creatively spirited instrumental prowess with original compositions and arrangements of bandleader and trumpeter, Jerry Sabatini, whose highly improvisational style is sought after all over the Boston area. Many genres of American and global music traditions are explored.

The Jellyrollers continue the festivities with their own infectious brand of downhome blues, paying homage to the root music of Mississippi, New Orleans, and Chicago. Featuring the talents of J. Place on vocals and harmonica, Bertrand Laurence on guitar, Mickey Bones on percussion, Rob Rudin on percussion, Robbie Phillips on wombat bass and jaw harp and Mark Chênevert on clarinet. The combo has played at the Boston Blues Festival and the Lincoln Center (NYC).

The program continues with Agachiko, a 7-piece jazz ensemble whose repertoire includes original material as well as derivative works inspired by a diverse array of influences. The vocal stylings of Gabrielle Agachiko are complemented by Russ Gershon on tenor sax, Scott Getchell on trumpet, Ken Field on flute, Sam Davis on guitar, Blake Newman on acoustic bass, and Phil Neighbors on drums.

The Tim Gartland Group fol-



lows, providing audiences with a driving energy unmatched by any group of its kind. Master blues artist Tim Gartland shares his harmonica virtuosity alongside band-mates Rusty Scott on keyboards, Chris Rival on guitar, Paul Justice on bass and Forrest Pagent on drums.

The outdoor concert wraps up with a performance by the Jeremy Lyons Trio. Specializing in slide guitar and fast finger-picking, Lyons' group is sure to get the crowd on its feet as he and fellow musicians "Washtub" Robbie Phillips on (homemade) bass diddley bow and Jeff Allison on drums offers up its incomparable mix of Delta Blues, Surf Guitar, Rockabilly and Western Swing.

The festivities continue through the following week at various locales throughout the city. At Cantina la Mexicana,

247 Washington St, at 8:30 p.m., the Sarah Levecque Band will entertain. On Wednesday, October 31, at 7:30 p.m., at Arts at the Armory Cafe, 191 Highland Ave., Victor & Penny will be performing. The Stan Martin Band will be featured at Sally O'Brien's, 335 Somerville Ave, 6:00 p.m. There will be no cover charge for these shows. The festival wraps up at Johnny D's Uptown, 17 Holland St, at 7 p.m. with a rollicking performance by The Love Dogs.

A product of Mayor Joseph Curtatone's love of Jazz and Blues music - he himself played trumpet in the Somerville High School Jazz Band - the festival is a treat for fans of good music and fun festivities.

For more information about the event, contact Vera Vidal at artscouncil.somerville@gmail.com, or 617-935-7086.

Ms. Cam's

Olio

Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

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| 1. What special event occurred September 3 thru September 13, 1752? | 7. Where is Hearst Castle, built by William Randolph Hearst? |
| 2. What kind of formal education did George Washington have? | 8. What is the world's most commonly used spice? |
| 3. What were the two films that won 11 Oscars? | 9. What country's official currency is "ringgit"? |
| 4. Is the peanut a pea or a nut? | 10. To make a mink coat how many minks would have to die? |
| 5. What organization was George H. W. Bush the director of from 1976 to 1977? | 11. What number is represented in Bingo-caller slang as "a crutch and a duck"? |
| 6. Who was the Vice President that said, "Some newspapers dispose of their garbage by printing it"? | 12. What popular vegetable was first cultivated from bitter stalk of wild smallage |

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Tufts student presented with prestigious award

By Maria A. Cortes

Last Friday, Dr. Jeffrey Hoffman, ex NASA astronaut and a member of Astronaut Scholarship Foundation presented one of the Tufts students, Samuel Bashevkin, with prestigious \$10,000 Astronaut Scholarship. The event, held at the Alumnae Lounge on the Tufts campus, started with the short introduction by Tufts President Anthony Monaco and proceeded with the presentation of the award to Samuel Bashevkin, followed by his acceptance speech, and, finally, with Dr. Hoffman's talk about his career as an astronaut and the future of space exploration. Guests were invited to the luncheon that followed the presentation.

The Astronaut Scholarship Foundation was established by the six members of NASA's special group of astronauts referred to as the Mercury Seven astronauts. The purpose of Astronaut Scholarship is to award students who have shown academic excellence in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). The first Astronaut Scholarships, at \$1,000 each, were awarded in 1986. Now the Scholarship is awarded annually for 28 students in universities all over the country that are partners with the Astronaut Scholarship Foundation. Since other astronauts joined the foundation in order to keep awarding exceptional students, the Astronaut Scholarship has sufficiently grown and is now one of the largest awards in the country.

Dr. Jeffrey Hoffman, a member of the Foundation, presented the award this year

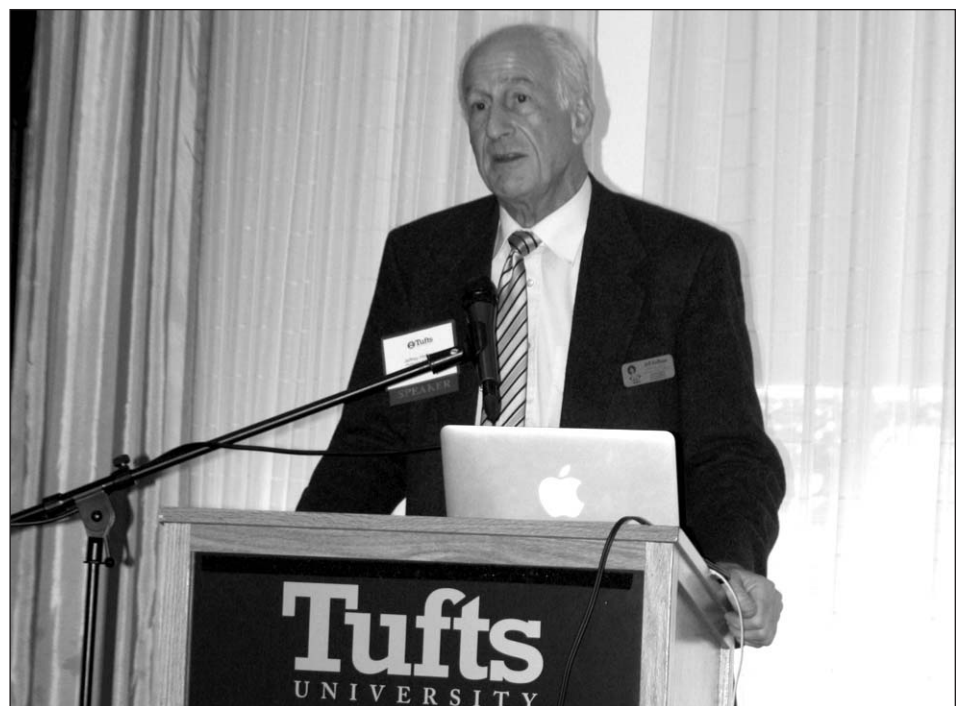
at Tufts University. A former NASA astronaut, Dr. Hoffman is currently teaching at the Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics at MIT. Throughout his career, Dr. Hoffman participated in five space missions. When asked about his flights, he calls it "an overwhelming experience." He describes the shuttle launch as "ground is shaking, vibration is hitting you in chest." He mentioned that the only thought he had in his head was, "I hope this thing holds together."

Dr. Hoffman is highly interested in the future exploration of the space, the moon and Mars in particular. He sees great opportunities in the private sector and for private space travel. At the event, he talked about the results that were already achieved in the private sector by people like Robert Bigelow (the founder of Bigelow Aerospace), Jeff Bezos (the founder and CEO of Amazon.com), Richard Branson (chairman of Virgin Group), and Paul Allen (co-founder of Microsoft Corporation). Paul Allen, for instance, invested money into building a "SpaceShipOne" private spacecraft and Jeff Bezos founded the "Blue Origin" human spaceflight company.

This year, one of the Astronaut Scholarships was awarded to Tufts student Samuel Bashevkin. Bashevkin is a junior at Tufts and is majoring in biology. For his outstanding academic achievements, he was nominated for Astronaut Scholarship by one of his professors and subsequently won the prestigious award. Bashevkin is planning to continue his studies in a doctorate program in marine biology.



Joanne Berger-Sweeney, dean of School of Arts and Sciences, Jeffrey Hoffman, Samuel Bashevkin, and Anthony Monaco, Tufts President, proudly display the scholarship check.



Dr. Jeffrey Hoffman addresses the crowd at Tufts.

Happy 91st Birthday Emily Tauro



A 91st birthday party was thrown in honor of Mama Emily Tauro this past Sunday afternoon. All of Emily's five sons, along with their wives, thirteen grandchildren with their spouses, and eight great grandchildren, as well as several nephews and nieces, were all in attendance for the joyous event.

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LEGAL NOTICE
OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Zoning Board of Appeals will meet on **Wednesday, November 7, 2012**, in the Aldermanic Chambers, 2nd Floor, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, at 6:00 p.m. to hear pending applications and to hold public hearings:

24-28 Dane St: (Case #ZBA 2012-85) Applicant, James Ward, and Owner, JWF, LLC, seek a special permit for shared parking under SZO §9.13.e between Demoulas Supermarket and the Ames Business Park property for 7 parking spaces. IA zone. Ward 2.


862 Broadway: (Case #ZBA 2012-86) Applicant, Amber Lee, and Owner, Charles Kostopoulos, seek a Special Permit under SZO §4.5.1 to change the nonconforming use from a message therapy medical office to a personal training studio and a Special Permit under SZO §9.13.a for relief from parking requirements. RB district. Ward 7.

Copies of these petitions are available for review in the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development, located on the third floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA, Mon-Wed, 8:30 am-4:30 pm; Thurs, 8:30 am-7:30 pm; and Fri, 8:30 am-12:30 pm; and at somervillema.gov/planningandzoning. As cases may be continued to later dates, please check the agenda on the City's website or call before attending. Continued cases may not be re-advertised. Interested persons may provide comments to the Zoning Board of Appeals at the hearing or by submitting written comments by mail to OSPCD, Planning Division, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA 02143; by fax to 617-625-0722; or by email to dpereira@somervillema.gov.

Attest: Dawn Pereira, Administrative Assistant

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LEGAL NOTICE
OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Somerville Planning Board will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, November 8, 2012** at 6:00 p.m. at the Visiting Nurse Association, 259 Lowell Street, 3rd Floor, Community Room, Somerville, MA.

47 Webster Ave: (Case #PB 2012-19) Applicant I.D. Graphics Group, Inc. and Owner Aliki Pishev, seek a Special Permit under SZO §6.1.22.D.5 to erect signage for a by-right auto glass business. CCD 55 zone. Ward 2.

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Attest: Kevin Prior, Chairman

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Tel: 617-354-4000, Fax 617-623-4287

2005	Dodge	Caravan	Vin # 2D4GP44L25R516916
1993	Honda	Accord	Vin# 1HGCB7658PA113610
2004	Saturn	Ion	Vin# 1G8AJ52F34Z212581
2001	Jeep	Grand Cherokee	Vin# 1J46W48S51C721029
1995	Chevy	Blazer	Vin# 1GNDT13W1S2230904
1998	Subaru	Forester	Vin# JF1SF6558WH770249
2001	Chevy	Cavalier	Vin# 1G1JC524117196833

Date of Sale: November 23, 2012
Time: 12:00 P.M.
Location: 160 Mc Grath Hwy. Somerville, MA 02143

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2002	Nissan	Maxima	Vin# JN1DA31D12T453999
1997	Toyota	Camry	Vin# 4T1BF22K5VU014005
1995	Honda	Accord	Vin# 1HGCD5552SA040596

Date of Sale: November 12, 2012
Time: 12:00 P.M.
Location: 160 McGrath Hwy. Somerville, MA. 02143

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Hawkers and peddlers bring food to the streets of Somerville

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Aldermen will allocate these licenses to the venders, therefore designating hours of operation and determining suitable locations for business.

The criteria for issuance of vendor licenses, under the Boards' ordinance, are based on the "general welfare and convenience of the community."

In other words, if the food trucks are negatively impacting the community the Board of Aldermen will revoke the license. For example, if food trucks, which may be designated to a loading zone, as allocated loca-

tions during non-operating hours, hinder existing restaurants, the Board of Aldermen is "free to deny applicants for public good or general welfare," according to Alderman Rebekah Gewirtz.

But most food trucks will be designated "locations and times to protect year-round businesses in all our squares," said Alderman John Connolly.

One of the most cherished and beloved food trucks is Moe's B.B.Q Trolley located next to Trum Field off Magoun Square. There you can find some of the

best burgers, sausages and hot-dogs plus a can of soda and chips for only \$6 dollars. Moe's B.B.Q Trolley is open for lunch 5 days a week until it gets too cold to cook. A staple in the community, the business has thrived for almost ten years.

Doug Kress, who is pursuing his Master's degree in Public Policy from Tufts University, has been drafting the Mobile Food Vendor Ordinance since April of this year. Kress stated that the license is "tied to a specific location unless they want to be roving ice cream trucks."

For a new mobile vendor applicant the issuance of a license is in the ballpark of \$750 dollars. There are additional fees associated with the license if the operator decides to work after-hours. All new applicants are required to have a public hearing before being granted the license.

Normal operating hours are from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. If the vendor decides to operate his food truck after the designated hours there is an additional \$500 dollar fee.

Those vendors who are renewing their licenses in the new-year

will pay \$390 dollars, according to the Board of Aldermen.

There are exceptions to the designated locations prescribed to the venders for operation. For instance, if there is an event like Summerfest or Riverfest the application process for the food trucks is all encompassing and therefore allows them to operate in those locations on that temporary basis.

According to Alderman John Connolly the Mobile Food Vendor Ordinance should go into effect in mid November, barring any further delays.

Three campaigns: One agenda

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to serve as part of the surrogate corps for the national Obama campaign. When it comes to getting elected officials out on the campaign trail to speak on his behalf, the President pretty much has his pick of mayors: his polices helped cities and towns survive the recent recession, and

his commitment to encouraging sustainable, transit-oriented development is helping attract billions in private-sector investment to Somerville and the entire Metro Boston region.

Wherever I go to campaign for Obama - Iowa, Virginia, Florida, Pennsylvania - I'm teamed with

local mayors who have shared my experience of the way that the Obama Administration has worked to revitalize cities across America. My particular contribution on the campaign trail is to talk about my firsthand experience with the way that then-Governor Mitt Romney pushed

costs off the state budget and on-to cities and towns from 2002 to 2006, forcing cuts in local services so he could balance his books while leaving communities like ours to take the heat and make the hard choices.

President Obama's reelection; Elizabeth Warren's run for U.S.

Senate; the broad-based community coalition to pass Question 4: They're three very different campaigns, but all three are vitally important to Somerville's future prosperity. I'm proud to back all three and I urge every Somerville resident to do the same.

Way below minimum

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and sugar stocker, a floor scraper and cleaner and a general bakery helper. My favorite job there was filling the jelly donuts until they almost exploded. That job lasted for about a year and a weight gain of nearly 10 pounds.

The great part about our first jobs was that we lived at home and our livelihood didn't depend on our paychecks. We didn't have car payments or insurance

to worry about and air for our bike tires was free then. I wish I could go back to the days when my parents took care of everything for me, don't you?

How many of you out there worked at Gorins or Parke Snow? Did anyone bus tables at The Venice? That was a great job. I think the busboys had to clean and feed the fish in the aquarium.

When I played in The Echoes

Band at Johnny D's, to supplement my income I worked on Johnny's horse farm up in Sudbury. It was the closest to nature I had ever gotten up to that point in my life.

The scariest job I ever had was when I was a substitute teacher at the old Trade High School. The students were using three-foot lengths of pipe as blowguns. The ammunition they used were

those little hard plastic twisty things that you put on spliced together wires. That gig lasted half a day.

The Dodge'em cars, Woolworth's and delivering newspapers gave me a few bucks and a lot of memories. The best part was that I could quit whenever I wanted and sponge off my parents.

Please send me your ideas for arti-

cles and stories. You can go to my Facebook page, email me at jimmydl@rcn.com or leave a message at 617-623-0554.

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You can email Jimmy directly at jimmydel@rcn.com.

Horrorpunk rules on the Day of the Dead

By Max Sullivan

On this year's Day of the Dead, the night will end with an evening of very heavy and possibly frightening horrorpunk at the Rosebud in Somerville next Thursday night.

Three local horrorpunk bands, along with a Rob Zombie/White Zombie Tribute group based out of Worcester, will play a show that, according to promoter, booker and performer Anderson Mar, will hopefully bring horrorpunk to the forefront of Boston's music scene.

Horrorpunk isn't like regular punk. Yes, it sounds the same, for the most part, but unlike regular old punk rock, everything on stage is a little bit spookier. The performers are often decked out in black, ghoulish outfits. The songs are often homages to the supernatural, or even just the terrifying. The Misfits, pioneers of the genre, dressed like Halloween characters and sang songs with lines like *Do You Remember Halloween?*

Mar, 35, a member of the band Sans Nomenclature and a promoter/booking agent for the past two decades, said the show is an attempt to resurrect interest in horrorpunk in the Boston area.

"The horrorpunk scene is really near and dear to my heart," Mar said, "Because I feel it's fun, and its campy, and I come from a theater background, and that was what really attracted me to

bands that have that kind of stage presence."

Mar and her fellow horrorpunk fans look enviously at other regions that have far more prevalent horrorpunk scenes. New Jersey and Ohio, Mar pointed out, are crawling with bands like theirs. They want to make that a reality in Boston.

"I've talked to bands out there [in Columbus and Cincinnati], and they say, 'Oh yeah, we'll play a gig on a Tuesday night and bring in 200 people,'" Mar said. "Even signed bands that come into Boston can't do that."

According to Mar, punk fans like herself see Boston as a city heavily infiltrated by "Indie-rock," a scene that she and other horrorpunk fans can't relate to. Mar feels there is not enough appreciation in the area for the dark, heavy and theatrical music that she and those in her circle love.

"I hate to say it, but we're almost totally against the whole indie-rock mind set," Mar said. "We're one of those bands that wants to get signed."

The bill will include four acts, including her own band, which she said sounds something like a mix of the Misfits and the Dresden Dolls; Jimi Halfdead and the Die Alongs, local veterans of the Salem horror punk scene; Mortuus Ortus; and American Hellbilly, a Rob Zombie/White Zombie tribute band based out of Worcester.

Part of what makes horrorpunk a draw, Mar said, is its



The horror. Sans Nomenclature will breath new life into the Day of the Dead on November 1 at the Rosebud.

appeal to more than just punk fans. Goth crowds are brought in by its dark and theatrical nature. Metal fans can also connect with it because the Misfits had many of their songs covered by Metallica. Rock fans across the board have a respect

for bands like the Misfits, and that consequently leads to a respect for horrorpunk.

"I think that it's a cross section of three genres that can come together for mutual enjoyment," Mar said. "It pulls from different sectors of music fans."

See Mar with her band, Sans Nomenclature, and the rest of the horror punk groups at the Rosebud next Thursday night, November 1, Day of the Dead. Doors open at 8:00 p.m. Cover is \$7, and the event is ages 21+.

Three-alarm tastiness at Tufts Chili Fest



Photo by Alonso Nichols/Tufts University

Somerville Police Department's Lt. Dan Cotter and Deputy Chief Mike Cabral have lunch at Carmichael Dining Hall on Wednesday, October 17, as Tufts University Dining Services hosted local Medford and Somerville firefighters and police officers for the annual Chili Fest.

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Wait Lists for One, Two and Three bedroom **accessible** units for the mobility impaired will remain open until further notice.



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FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH
Wednesday| October 24

East Branch Library
Preschool: Storytime
11 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|115 Broadway

West Branch Library
Preschool:Babygarten
11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.|40 College Ave

Veteran's Memorial Rink
Free public skating
12 p.m.-1:50 p.m.|570 Somerville Ave

Friday| October 26

Veteran's Memorial Rink
Free public skating
12 p.m.-1:50 p.m.|570 Somerville Ave

Monday |October 29

Central Library
Sing-along with Liza!
Cathy 29502
11 a.m.-12 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Tuesday |October 30

West Branch Library
Preschool Storytime
11 p.m.-11:45 p.m.|40 College Ave

Central Library
Homeschool Reading Group
Tammy McKanan|617-591-0216
10 a.m.-12 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Wednesday |October 31

East Branch Library
Preschool: Not-So-Spooky Storytime
11 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|115 Broadway

West Branch Library
Preschool:Babygarten
11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.|40 College Ave

East Branch Library
Bats at the Library!
3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.| 115 Broadway

Veteran's Memorial Rink
Free public skating
12 p.m.-1:50 p.m.|570 Somerville Ave

MUSIC
Wednesday|October 24

Johnny D's
Julien Kasper|Jim Kelly
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar
Free Poker, lots of prizes|8 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Pub Quiz 8-10
Comedy @10
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

PA'S Lounge
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

On The Hill Tavern
Sports Trivia
499 Broadway|617-629-5302

Orleans Restaurant and Bar
Trivia
65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Precinct Bar
3penny Open Mic
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

Bull McCabe's Pub
Funk Rock World Music From Special Guest Band-Secret Show
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Highland Kitchen
TJ The DJ Presents The People's Karaoke
10 p.m.|150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Samba Bar & Grille
608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

Rosebud Bar
Free pool|Game Night|Interactive Trivia
381 Summer St

Radio Bar
379 Summer St

Cantina la Mexicana
Salsa Dance Night
7 p.m.|247 Washington St.

Arts at the Armory
Ellen Band and Jeremy Flower
8 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Thursday|October 25

Johnny D's
Los Fletcheros
17 Holland St.|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's
Tom Hagerty Acoustic Band
grassy Thursdays |7:30 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Scattershot 80's Night
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

PA'S Lounge
Run Gazelle Run|Mission South|Jolly Big Head
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

On The Hill Tavern
Live DJ Music
499 Broadway|617-629-5302

Orleans Restaurant and Bar
65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Precinct Bar
Will Dailey & The Rivals
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

Bull McCabe's
Dub Down Featuring The Scotch Bonnet Band
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Joshua Tree
256 Elm St. |617-623-9910

Samba Bar & Grille
608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

Rosebud Bar
Unregular
381 Summer St.

Somerville Theatre
Awkward Compliment's Thursday Night Comedy Night
8 p.m.|55 Davis Square

Radio Bar
Radio-Down: Sic Alps|Bent Shapes
Upstairs: The Crushing Low,
Ashpark 8pm
379 Summer St

Arts at the Armory
An Evening with Guitarist Claude Bourbon
7:30 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Cantina la Mexicana
247 Washington St.

Friday|October 26

Johnny D's

The Weisstronauts|The HeyGoods|Duppy Conquerors
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's
Radioactive Rustlers |6 p.m.
Birds of Play & guests |9 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Spike The Punch
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

Orleans Restaurant and Bar
DJ
10 p.m.|65 Holland St

Precinct Bar
"Halloween Hangover" '12|Skinny Cleveland|School For Robots|Ryan Jackson Troika|Left Hand Does|Bent Knee
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

PA'S Lounge
DJ Vizzie|Culprit Policy|Klugman|Strange Ways
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

On The Hill Tavern
499 Broadway |617-629-5302

Orleans Restaurant and Bar
DJ starting at 10 p.m.
65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Bull McCabe's
Jess Tardy Band
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Joshua Tree
256 Elm St. |617-623-9910

Samba Bar & Grille
Live music
9 p.m.|608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

Rosebud Bar
Cal Cal's New Experience|James Streight and the Wide Stance|My Own Worst Enemy|Sticky Business
381Summer St

Casey's
Entertainment every Friday
173 Broadway|617- 625-5195

Cantina la Mexicana
Private Party
247 Washington St.

Radio Bar
Up: Tiger Mountain Halloween Party
Down: The Spearmint Sea| Sand Machine| The Displayers 9pm
21+ \$7
379 Summer St

Saturday|October 27

Johnny D's
Rodriguez|Booty Vortex
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's
Patsy Hamel Band |6 p.m.
Deadbeat Halloween Party \$5 cover cash prizes for best costumes! |9 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Swerve
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

Precinct Bar
"Halloween Hangover" '12|Effzero|Waves|Semi-Good Looking|Shotgun Waltz|Ways To fall
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

Orleans Restaurant and Bar
Karaoke
65 Holland St

PA'S Lounge
The Dying Falls|Steight Angular
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

On The Hill Tavern
Live DJ Music
499 Broadway|617-629-5302

Bull McCabe's
Summer Villains Annual Halloween Party
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Joshua Tree
256 Elm St. |617-623-9910

Samba Bar & Grille
608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

Rosebud Bar
Massmouth Story Slam|Rockabilly|The Caught Flies
381 Summer St

Casey's
Entertainment every Saturday
173 Broadway|617- 625-5195

Cantina la Mexicana
The Sarah Levecque Band
247 Washington St.

Radio Bar
Radio Up: Eldridge Rodrigeuzv
379 Summer St

Arts at The Armory
Harvest Fest 2012
2 p.m.- 10 p.m.|Café David Tanklefsky Residency
7 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

Somerville Theatre
Eric Hutchinson
8 p.m.|55 Davis Square

Sunday|October 28

Johnny D's
Open Blues Band 4 p.m.
Lizz Winstead|8 p.m.
17 Holland St.|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar
Frank Drake Sunday Showcase |5 p.m.
Natalie Flanagan Band, Trusty Sidekick, Fireking |8 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Burren Acoustic Music Series
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

PA'S Lounge
Ette|Turning Plates|Strange Mangers|The Weeds
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

Precinct Bar
Marc Pinansky(front Bar)|Truezoos|as the sparrow|Life on hold|The one and onlys
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

Bull McCabe's Pub
Dub Apocalypse
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Highland Kitchen
150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Rosebud Bar
Karoake
381 Summer St

Orleans Restaurant and Bar
Game Night
65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Radio Bar
Up: show starts at 7:30p Light Keeper|Polluted Remains|Virus Cycle|No hero Down-PJ Westin
comedy show 7:30p-9:30p
379 Summer St

Arts at The Armory

Café Rags
7 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

Somerville Theatre
Acoustic Africa: Afropean Women
7 p.m.|55 Davis Square

Monday|October 29

Johnny D's
Team Trivia|8:30 p.m.
17 Holland St | 617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar
Cheapshots Comedy Club open mikel|7 p.m.
Marley Mondays with the Duppy Conquerors|9:30 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Bur Run|6:45 p.m.
Set Dancing|8 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

On The Hill Tavern
499 Broadway|617-629-5302

PA'S Lounge
Smiley, Get Dressed|Young Alive|The Deep North|Yellabird
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

Precinct Bar
Oh Snap! 80's 90's DJ Dance Party!
70 Union Sq|617-623-921

Bull McCabe's Pub
Stump Team Trivia
8 p.m.|366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Rosebud Bar
Closed Mondays
381 Summer St

Radio Bar
Monday Movie Night!
379 Summer St

Arts at The Armory
Charmed Mondays
7p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

Tuesday|October 30

Johnny D's
Leogun|A Wish for Fire
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar
Panda Bar Halloween special with Shawn Deirdre, Christie Prince |8 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Open Mic w/ Hugh McGowan
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

On The Hill Tavern
Stump Trivia (with prizes)
499 Broadway|617-629-5302

PA'S Lounge
Open Mic - Rock, Folk, R&B, Alt, Jazz & Originals etc. Hosted by Tony Amaral
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

Precinct Bar
UnRegular Radio Presents:Tom's Folly|The Truezoos|Simeon Soul Charger|Moonstone Lady
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

Bull McCabe's Pub
Skiffy & the Ghetto People Band
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Highland Kitchen
Spelling Bee Night First Tuesday of the month
150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Samba Bar & Grille
608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

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Rosebud Bar
Karaoke
381 Summer St

PJ Ryan's
Pub Quiz
10 p.m.|239 Holland St.|617-625-8200

Radio Bar
379 Summer St

Arts at The Armory
October Fiction Seminar at the Armory
6 p.m.|Conference Hall
Pretty and Dead: Night of the Living Dead w/Pretty Things Beer Tasting!
7 p.m.|191 Highland Ave

Wednesday|October 31

Johnny D's
Wedding Band Showcase
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar
Free Poker, lots of prizes|8 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Happy Halloween!
Scattershots
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

PA'S Lounge
Ben Becker|Studebaker Hawk|Thorian Maxwell
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

On The Hill Tavern

Sports Trivia
499 Broadway|617-629-5302

Orleans Restaurant and Bar
Trivia
65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Precinct Bar
Amory Sivertson|Mieka Pauley
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

Bull McCabe's Pub
Hallo-Funkin-Ween Party with Nephrok
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Highland Kitchen
TJ The DJ Presents The People's Karaoke
10 p.m.|150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Samba Bar & Grille
608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

Rosebud Bar
Halloween Party
381 Summer St

Radio Bar
379 Summer St

Cantina la Mexicana
Salsa Dance Night
7 p.m.|247 Washington St.

Arts at the Armory
Victor & Penny
7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

CLASSES AND GROUPS
Wednesday|October 24

Central Library
Friends Book Sale Set Up
9 a.m.-9 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Central Library
Cambridge College Information Session
MJ Toohey 617-873-0437
3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Third Life Studio
Beyond beginning Belly Dance with Nadira Jamal
7:30 p.m.|Level 2|33 Union Sq|www.nadirajamal.com

Thursday| October 25

Central Library
Friends Book Sale Set Up
9 a.m.-5 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Central Library
Friends Book Sale Previews
5 p.m.-8 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

West Branch Library
Learn English at the Library!
(Session 1) 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
(Session 2) 7:15 PM - 8:15 PM
40 College Avenue

Swirl and Slice
5 p.m. - 8 p.m.|Union Square Plaza

First Church Somerville
Debtors Anonymous- a 12 Step program for people with problems with money and debt.

7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|89 College Ave (Upstairs Parlor).
For more info call: 781-762-6629

Friday|October 26

Central Library
Friends Book Sale
1 p.m.-4 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Saturday| October 27

Central Library
Friends Book Sale
1 p.m.-4 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Union Square Farmer's Market
9 a.m.- 1 p.m.|Union Square Plaza

Bagel Bards
Somerville Writers and Poets meet weekly to discuss their work
9 a.m.-12 p.m.|Au Bon Pain| 18-48 Holland St

Sunday| October 28

Central Library
Friends Book Sale Set Up
1 p.m.-5p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Unity Church of God
Fourth Step to Freedom Al-Anon Family Groups
7:00 P.M. | 6 William Street
Enter upstairs, meeting is in basement.

Monday| October 29

Central Library

Friends Book Sale Clean Up
9 a.m. - 12 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Central Library
New Democracy Meeting
Carol Bradford
6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

East Branch Library
Learn English at the Library!
(Session 1) 6 p.m.-7 p.m.
(Session 2) 7:15 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.
115 Broadway

Third Life Studio
Beginning Hawaiian Hula
6 p.m.| 781-729-2252

Tuesday| October 30

Central Library
Learn English at the Library!
6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Third Life Studio
Vinyasa Flow Yoga & Meditation
9:15 a.m.-10:15 a.m.|617-628-7884

The Art of Singing Group
7 p.m.-9:15 p.m.|33 Union Sq|617-628-0916
srlibana@gmail.com

Wednesday| October 31

Third Life Studio
Beyond beginning Belly Dance with Nadira Jamal
7:30 p.m.|Level 2|33 Union Sq|www.nadirajamal.com

PLACES TO GO, THINGS TO DO!

SENIOR CENTER HAPPENINGS:

Welcome to our centers! Everyone 55+ are encouraged to join us for fitness, culture, films, lunch and Bingo. Check out our calendar and give a call with any questions or to make a reservation. 617-625-6600 ext. 2300. Stay for lunch and receive free transportation.

Holland Street Center - 167 Holland Street

Ralph & Jenny Center - 9 New Washington Street

Cross Street Center - 165 Broadway

Coming up:

Annual Health & Wellness Fair - October 25 beginning at 9 a.m. with a strengthening class with Geoffrey. From 9:30 - 11:30 there will be a wide variety of informational tables aimed at keeping you active and healthy along with a variety of health screenings and wellness treatments. Several local markets will be sharing healthy eating tips, snacks and recipes. At 11:30, Dr. Anne Fabiny, chief of Geriatrics at Cambridge Health Alliance who will speak on “Healthy, Vibrant Aging”. Reservations for lunch at 617-625-6600 ext. 2300.

LBGT Intergenerational Halloween Ice Skating Party - October 26. Tickets available through REC Dept.

LGBT Movie Event - join us as we go to the Regent Theatre in Arlington to see the award winning documentary “Gen Silent.” This movie focuses on three couples and a woman who has transgendered from a man. Aging brings up many issues and this documentary focuses on those that come up for the LGBT community. The event is from 2:00 - 4:00 Sunday November 4. Transportation is on your own. Free and open to the public.

Trip Corner:

Twin Rivers - November 7.

Hanscom Air Force Base Dinner and Bingo - November 14.

Shopping at Patriots Place and Wrentham - November 17.

Hu KeLau - dinner and performance - December 5.

Shopping in New York City - December 8 & December 9.

Newport Mansion Tour - December 13.

Winter Wonderland at Aqua Turf Club - December 18.

Yoga - Monday at 4:30. Holland Street. \$5. All levels

welcome.

Belly Dancing - Tuesdays 5:00. Holland Street. \$5.

Zumba Gold - Wednesday 5:15 - 6:15 p.m. Holland Street. \$5.

QiGong - Wednesdays at Holland Street from 1:15 - 2:00 p.m.

Flexibility & Balance - all three centers.

Strength with Geoff - Tuesdays at Holland and Thursdays and Ralph & Jenny.

October 24

Holland Street Center
Flexibility & Balance|9:30 a.m.
Women Caring & Sharing - come see what it is about|10:30 a.m.
Qi gong|1:15 p.m.
Zumba Gold|5:15 p.m.
167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

Cross Street Center
Closed

Ralph & Jenny Center
Cards & Cribbage|10 a.m.
Bingo|12:45 p.m.
9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

Bowling at Flatbreads|1 p.m.

October 25

Health & Wellness Fair at Holland Street

Cross Street and Ralph & Jenny Centers closed

October 26

LGBT Ice Skating Halloween Party!

Holland Street Center
Indoor Exercise|9:30 a.m.
Halloween Social|11:30 a.m.
Bingo|12:45 p.m.
167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

Cross Street Center
Closed
165 Broadway|617-625-6600 x 2335

Ralph & Jenny Center
Closed

9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

October 29

Holland Street Center
Singing - Moonlighters|10:30 a.m.
English Conversation|10:30 a.m.
Cultural Day - Greece|11:30 a.m.
English Conversation|12:30 p.m.
Gentle/chair Yoga|4:30 p.m.
167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

Ralph & Jenny
Indoor Exercise|9:30 a.m.
Cards and Cribbage|10 a.m.
Bingo|12:45 p.m.
9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

October 30

Holland Street Center
Strengthening Exercises|9:15 a.m.
SHINE - Medical Insurance by appt.|10 a.m.
Belly Dancing|5 p.m.
167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x. 2300

Cross Street Center
Indoor Exercise|10:30 a.m.
Bingo|12:45 p.m.
165 Broadway|617-625-6600 x 2335

Ralph & Jenny Center
Cards and Cribbage|10 a.m.
Flexibility and Balance|10:30 a.m.
Bingo|12:45 p.m.
9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

October 31

Holland Street Center
Flexibility & Balance|9:30 a.m.
QiGong|1:15 p.m.
Zumba Gold|5:15 p.m.
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See the past through photographic books

By Kenneth Gloss

As popular as coffee-table books are today, showcasing everything from royal weddings to horses to Adirondack style furniture, it's hard to imagine that at one time photographs in books were rare. Photographs first appeared in books in the 1840s. At that time, there was no such thing as mass printing of photographs, so each one had to be pasted into the individual books by hand. Of course, these books would have been very expensive, so it was quite rare for a book to contain photographs until technology automated the task and brought down the cost.

Since then, photographs and books have enjoyed a long and fruitful association. Until 25 years ago or so, photographs weren't seen as a distinct collectible. Today, dealers specialize in photography collectibles, many of which are of interest to book collectors as well.

Around the turn of the century, many wealthy families made grand tours of Europe. This was before postcards, so tourist shops carried photographs of local sites. Visitors chose which photographs to buy for their album, making each album unique depending on what the owner selected. This is a fascinating way to get an idea of what traveling through Europe at that time was really like. Photo albums of the Near East, Far East and Russia are a bit more rare than albums depicting European locations. There are American ones as well, and some of these, especially ones depicting the railroads and California, are very interesting. Many of these travel albums can be purchased quite inexpensively, although depending upon which photographer's work is featured, they can bring a bit more money.

One area of photography collecting that people don't often think of is college yearbooks. I have a customer who collects

yearbooks dating from as far back as the 1800s. What is interesting about collecting yearbooks is that all of the yearbooks from one year are not necessarily the same. Each graduate would get a catalog of available photos and pick the ones he wanted for his yearbook, creating a custom book just for him. Much like the travel albums, yearbooks differ depending on which photos each student selected. It was also customary for graduates to sign their photo in the yearbook, an addition that can make the book more valuable. For example, if you have a yearbook from Harvard's graduating class of 1861, it may include a signed photo of Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., who later went on to serve on the United States Supreme Court.

Edward Weston and Ansel Adams are two of the most well known photographers in modern times. Both Weston and Adams were prominent figures in American landscape photography, and both won awards for their work. Weston was the first photographer awarded a Guggenheim Fellowship, and Adams was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom for his environmental activism and stunning photos of the physical beauty of our country. Many who appreciate the natural beauty on which those collections are concentrated collect their photographs.

If nature photography isn't your interest, there are other topics that may suit you. Maybe you would appreciate the city views that have become collector's items as well. In our office, we have a large photograph showing the Back Bay area of Boston as a tidal marsh, before it was filled in and built upon, making it an interesting study in history. I try to take snapshots of the streets around the bookstore every few months. Individually, these photographs don't seem like much, but taken together over a 30-year period, you can really see the history of



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this area; buildings going up and coming down, changes in architectural style, and changes in transportation. The most interesting part of the photo isn't the subject, but what is behind it - what merchandise is displayed in the stores, what style of cars are around, what the store signs look like. Unintentionally, the history that's captured there becomes the most interesting item, much more so than the people in the photo or the foreground items. Viewing a city's architecture and history in this way is really fun.

One of the most enchanting items we've ever had in the store was a collection of photographs called *The North American Indian*, by Edward Curtis. Curtis wanted to document the Native American tribes west of the Mississippi River before their traditional ways were lost forever. His efforts won him funding from J. P. Morgan and the attention of President Theodore Roosevelt, who wrote a foreword for the first volume of the collection. *The North American Indian* collection is made up of 20 volumes of large portfolio-sized photographs and 20 vol-

umes of smaller photographs with text. At the time we purchased Curtis' work it was worth \$125,000, but it is likely worth close to \$750,000 today. At that price, we couldn't afford to keep it, but my wife and I did spend a wonderful weekend leafing through it, enjoying the detail on each page that you can't get close enough to appreciate in a museum display.

When you are beginning your photography collection, one of the best things to do is to get some reference materials. Catalogs for photography equipment are one of my personal favorites. Some of these brochures are so well done they could be works of art themselves. There are huge numbers of books on the history of photography that will tell you which photographers were most popular, and which photographs are considered most rare. Just getting these resources could turn into a collection all its own. After you've read some reference books, go to shows, meet some other collectors, and talk to gallery and museum curators who deal with these kinds of collections.

You will slowly but surely narrow your particular interest and gain the knowledge you need to be an avid collector.

We often think of photographs as supporting material for books. But photographic collectibles are becoming a field all their own, and one that can be quite fun and interesting to venture into. If you're a collector of any kind, you can find photographs that will enhance and complement your collection. You can collect books about photography, books of photographs, or photographs of your favorite collectible, from yachts to chairs and everything in between.

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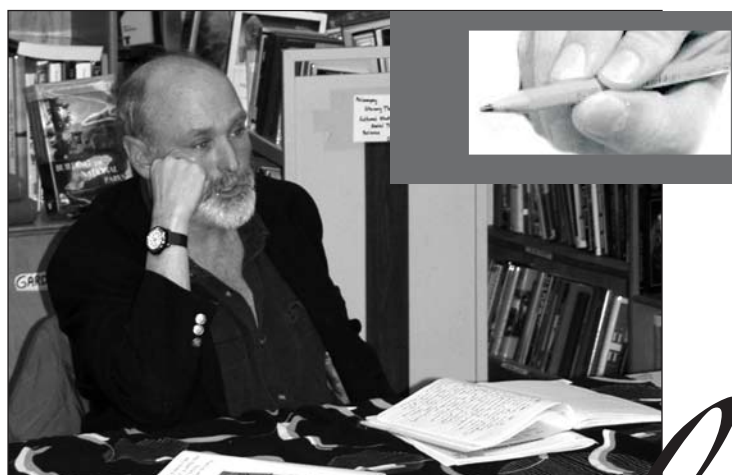
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Wednesday, October 24		6:00pm	Al Jazeera TV	2:00pm	Myths of Marijuana	11:00am	Nossa Gente e Costumes
12:00am	Free Speech TV	6:30pm	Death with Dignity	2:30pm	Culture Club	Noon	Democracy Now!
6:00am	In Ministry	7:00pm	Shrink Rap	3:00pm	Tele Magazine	1:00pm	Ablevision
7:00am	Debunking Marijuana Myths	7:30pm	Overturn Citizens United	4:00pm	Most Interesting Place	1:30pm	Community Preservation Town Meeting
8:00am	Democracy Now!	8:00pm	Fouye Zo Nan Kalalou	4:30pm	Perils for Pedestrians	2:30pm	Overturn Citizens United
9:00am	Abugida TV	9:30pm	State Rep Candidates Debate	5:00pm	Tele Kreyol	3:00pm	Exercise with Robyn and Max
10:00am	What the Fluff?	11:00pm	Community Preservation Town Meeting	6:00pm	Community Preservation Town Meeting	3:30pm	Esoteric Science
11:00am	Somerville Newspaper Reading	Friday, October 26		7:00pm	Myths of Marijuana	4:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show
Noon	Democracy Now!	12:00am	Free Speech TV	7:30pm	Death with Dignity	5:00pm	Culture Club
1:00pm	Death with Dignity	6:00am	Voices for Recovery	8:00pm	David Parkman	5:30pm	Physician focus
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2:00pm	Culture Club	7:30am	Physician Focus	10:00pm	Overturn Citizens United	6:30pm	Perils for Pedestrians
2:30pm	Life Matters	8:00am	Democracy Now!	10:30pm	Somerville Rocks!	7:00pm	What the Fluff?
3:00pm	Medical Tutor	9:00am	Debunking Marijuana Myths	11:00pm	Gay TV	8:00pm	Creating Cooperative Kids
3:30pm	Inside Talk	10:00am	Somerville News Reading	Sunday, October 28		9:00pm	Dedilhando A Saudade
4:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show	11:00am	Somerville Housing Authority	12:00am	Free Speech TV	10:00pm	Bate Papo con Shirley
5:00pm	Neighborhood Cooking	Noon	Community Preservation Town Meeting	6:00am	Program Celebrai	10:30pm	Candidate Debate District 26
5:30pm	Cooking with Georgia & Dez	1:00pm	I finally Did It	7:00am	Flipside	Tuesday, October 30	
6:00pm	Al Jazeera TV	2:00pm	Tonight's Special	7:30am	Art At SCATV	12:00am	Free Speech TV
6:30pm	Candidates Debate for State Representative	2:30pm	Commonwealth Report	8:00am	Effort Pour Christ	6:00am	Road to Recovery
8:00pm	Somerville Pundits	3:00pm	Brunch with Sen. Bernie Sanders	9:00am	Heritage Baptist Church	7:00am	Perils for Pedestrians
8:30pm	Overturn Citizens United	4:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show	10:00am	International Church of God	7:30am	Death with Dignity
9:00pm	Somerville Rocks!	5:00pm	National Wildlife Foundation	10:30am	Community Preservation Town Meeting	8:00am	Democracy Now!
9:30pm	Henry Parker Presents	5:30pm	Art @ SCATV	11:30am	Commonwealth Report	9:00am	Somerville News Reading
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11:00pm	The Garage	6:30pm	Overturn Citizens United	12:30pm	Most Interesting Place	11:00am	Somerville Rocks!
11:30pm	The Literary Scene	7:00pm	Real Estate Answer Show	1:00pm	Candidate Debate District 26	11:30am	Youth Media Projects 2012
Thursday, October 25		7:30pm	Neighborhood Cooking	2:30pm	Death with Dignity	Noon	Democracy Now!
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10:30am	Jeff Jam Sing Song Show	12:00am	Free Speech TV	9:00pm	Effort Pour Christ	5:00pm	Poet to Poet
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Wednesday, October 24		1:00am: (15)	Our Schools, Our City	8:30pm: (15)	Kid Stuff	12:00pm: (13/22)	Board of Aldermen Meeting - REPLAY OF 10/25/12
9:00am: (13/22)	Union Square Walking Tour	1:30am: (15)	SHS Football vs Andover	9:00pm: (15)	SHS Girls' Soccer vs Everett	12:00pm: (15)	SHS Boys' Soccer vs Madison Park
9:00am: (15)	Kid Stuff	9:00am: (13/22)	What the Fluff? 2012	9:25pm: (13/22)	Voices of Somerville	1:30pm: (15)	Kid Stuff
12:00pm: (13/22)	Three Paths to Italy	9:00am: (15)	Our Schools, Our City	9:55pm: (13/22)	Honk!	2:00pm: (15)	SHS Football vs Andover
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2:00pm: (15)	Highlander Forum	12:55pm: (13/22)	Social Security & Medicare	12:55am: (13/22)	Social Securtiy & Medicare	9:00pm: (13/22)	The Mayor's Report
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OFF THE SHELF

by Doug Holder

Elizabeth Searle: A Writer Fascinated With the Dark Side of American Culture



Writer Elizabeth Searle talks with a rapid-fire cadence, has an engaging laugh, and an optimistic sparkle to her eyes. But beneath this lies a writer who is interested in the darker side of American culture; the side obsessed with competition and winning at all costs. According to her website she is:

"...the author of two works of theater and four books of fiction: *CELEBRITIES IN DISGRACE*, a novella and stories; *A FOUR-SIDED BED*, a novel nominated for an American Library Association Book Award and *MY BODY TO YOU*, a story collection that won the Iowa Short Fiction Prize and a 2011 novel, *GIRL HELD IN HOME*. The New York Times Book Review called her novella *Celebrities in Disgrace* "a miniature masterpiece." Elizabeth Searle's and Michael Teoli's Rock Opera, *TONYA & NANCY THE ROCK OPERA*-- as well as her and Abigail Al-Doory Cross' original opera, *TONYA AND NANCY: THE OPERA*-- have drawn worldwide media attention. Searle's short stories have appeared in magazines such as *PLOUGHSHARES*, *REDBOOK*, *NEW ENGLAND REVIEW* *AGNI*, and *KENYON REVIEW* and in anthologies such as *LOVERS* and *DON'T YOU FORGET ABOUT ME*. Elizabeth has taught fiction writing at Brown, Emerson College, Bennington MFA, Stonecoast MFA, and the University of Massachusetts (Visiting Writer, 2007-08). She served for over a decade on the Executive Board of PEN/New England and founded the Erotic PEN readings. She teaches at Stonecoast MFA..."

I talked with Searle on my Somerville Community Access TV show *Poet to Poet: Writer to Writer*.

Doug Holder: You are a novelist, and playwright. Which do you identify with the most?

Elizabeth Searle: I like to jump. I am a hyper sort of person. For years I would have said fiction right away. But theatre has always been an interest of mine. And I have spent a great deal of time on the Tonya and Nancy opera. It is a show based on the famous knee attack on Nancy Kerrigan that Tonya Harding was suspected of being behind. It is one of the top rated sports events of all time. It is a scandal that I followed breathlessly. To me it has so many themes of America. It is an Only in America story. We created it as a sort of black comedy. We produced it both as a rock opera and an opera. Both productions seemed to get a lot of media, and we have gotten good reviews too. The Boston Herald gave us a very good notice, and a lot of good media outlets like *The Boston Globe* covered us.

DH: How did you get the idea for this opera?

ES: My niece was studying at Tufts University. And she wanted to do a short opera as her final project. She asked me for help in coming up with an idea. And I came up with this idea partly because I have written about Tonya and Nancy in my novel *Celebrities in Disgrace*. So when I thought of an opera—I thought that their story has all the emotions—the whole range. We had greatly talented and professional people involved with this. It was presented at the Zero Arrow Theatre in Harvard Square—a theatre associat-

ed with the American Repertory Theatre. So now I relate to a lot of theatre writing. Now-this may not make the Met, but, hey, there are a lot of strange operas out there by Philip Glass, John Adams, etc...Recently some people invited me to the Tony Award ceremonies—which was thrilling—so who knows?

DH: Some writers say teaching detracts from their work—others say it adds to it. Your take?

ES: I think it is a great job to have as a writer. You can't beat the hours. Yes, it is a lot of work, a lot of reading. But luckily I have taught at programs where the students are talented so I can enjoy the reading of their work. Stonecoast where I have taught for 10 years is great in this way because we get students of all backgrounds, ages, and they are talented. Sure it takes a lot of creative energy to teach, but the hours are such that I can be with my husband and children.

DH: You studied at Brown University—any mentors that you can mention?

ES: John Hawkes—the great American writer. I was in a small class with just five people—so it was memorable experience. I also was influenced by Robert Coover. I did my undergraduate time at Oberlin College. Field Magazine was situated there and it was a great time to be a creative writing major. This was a time when a lot of programs didn't have a presence like that.

DH: I know back in the day you were in writing groups with writers like Debra Spark, and Jessica Treadway. Both are writers that I have interviewed. How important were for you? Are they still?

ES: My writing groups are still important to me. In my heyday of writing groups I had two great girl groups that included Debra and Jessica. I am involved with a writers' group that has two members from the program at Brown University when I attended.

DH: You were the Vice-Chair of PEN NEW ENGLAND for a while. What was your role there?

ES: I was on the Executive Board for 10 years. I was also secretary and I helped run the children's program they had. We had a book fair at the Boston Medical Center—and we gave free books out to the public. We had this event where we sat at a typewriter and would type up things kids would dictate to us—and then make them into books.

DH: You often write about ambitious women that are preoccupied with fame and hunger for attention. Is this in anyway like you?

ES: Oh sure. I am a very practical person. So I realize fame is a very rare thing in the literary world. I am an ambitious writer—I mean I published four books. In my own life I wouldn't act out in the ways my characters do. However those dark emotions are very American, and I am fascinated with them.

DH: How are these dark undercurrents American?

ES: Our culture is obsessed with winning and competition. I think in a way it runs the American engine, but in another way it is out of control. There is a yin and yang—a good and bad.

Well, Halloween is coming up and Linda Larson is haunting us with a couple of her very germane poems.



Mother covered a Quaker Oatmeal box
With tinfoil, stuck a hanger through it for a hook,
Made two bright spots of rouge on my cheeks,
A red bandana in my hair, jingly bracelets and
A black eye patch to complete my Captain Hook look.
First prize at the party was a black kitten I named Soot.
Mother was in on it all along.

In my mind
My father and I are still seeking the perfect pumpkin
From farm stand to farm stand...Just he and I.
My favorite part is using the big kitchen spoon to ladle out
The orange, stringy and fragrantly-seeded insides
And putting them splat onto the Sunday funnies
Spread out on our metal, white enamel kitchen table.
Mother stays out of it.
She is humming Stardust,
Staying busy, baking pies.

— Linda Larson

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Ms. Cam's

Answers from page 14

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Answers

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| 1. None- the Julian calendar was replaced by the Gregorian calendar in Britain and the American colonies. The Julian was 11 days behind the Gregorian, so September 14 followed September 2 | than nuts |
| 2. He actually had very little formal education | 5. The CIA |
| 3. <i>Ben Hur</i> and <i>Titanic</i> | 6. Spiro Agnew |
| 4. It is a legume - it bears fruit in the family of pods that contain more than one seed and is more closely related to the pea | 7. San Simeon, California |
| | 8. Pepper |
| | 9. Malaysia |
| | 10. Approx. 35 to 45 ranch minks or approx. 55 wild minks |
| | 11. The No. 72 |
| | 12. Celery |

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finished but not heated.
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three since 1945, on
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