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Veterans appreciated in Somerville



A grateful City of Somerville paid its respects to the many generations of veterans who did their duty with pride and conviction throughout the years.

By Andrew Firestone

A well-attended and heartfelt Veteran's Day Ceremony took place in Somerville last Friday, November 11, where city and state officials joined the veterans of Somerville to celebrate and remember their sacrifices.

"On behalf of the city, we're thankful and grateful to all of you, your colleagues and comrades who served, and those who have fallen especially," said Mayor Joseph Curtatone. "Your families who carried the scars and the sacrifices as they waited at home to await word, or praying for you every day."

Curtatone recalled the unique historical perspective that many veterans in Somerville called their own, and reminded the audience that "Somerville veterans have a storied history stepping up to the call."

"We have a lot of veterans coming home now, from a different era and a different war," said Curtatone. "We have to find a way leading toward engaging them and getting them involved."

After the awarding of "Veteran of the Year" to Joe Marino, the respective post leaders laid roses in a wreath, as is tradition on Veterans Day, one for each of the posts.

"It's great to recognize

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Meehan steps down, Champion returns

By Cathleen Twardzik

Michael Meehan has tendered his resignation as Executive Director of Communications and Cable of the City of Somerville. That became effective on Friday, October 28.

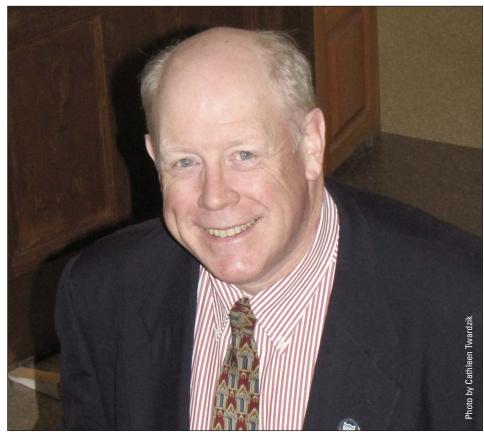
Meehan has served as the city's communications director since April 2010.

Additionally, Thomas P. Champion, former director, has accepted an offer to return to the City as Executive Director of Communications and Cable on Saturday, November 1.

Champion previously headed the city's office of Communications and Cable from December 2004 to January 2010, when he resigned to take a job in the private sector.

"Mayor Curtatone called me when Michael had decided to leave, and asked me to consider coming back. Everything came together in the last week of October, and the mayor wanted me to start as soon as possible," said Champion.

Prior to his very recent appointment, Champion spoke with various potential employers. However, none of them could "match Joe's combination of an immediate job Continued on page 15



On November 1, Thomas P. Champion, returned to the city as Executive Director of Communications and Cable.





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NEWSTALK

Congratulations to our fans Danny and Suzanne (Wiley) Maganzini of Magoun Square who recently gave birth to their first child, a beautiful daughter named Daniela. What a lucky little girl she is to have parents like Suzanne and Danny. They are a great couple. It looks like Danny will need to increase his landscaping business from now on, won't he?

It's amazing how well things work when you do them right. A perfect example is the newly opened "Three Little Figs" café on Highland Avenue near Cedar St. It's been totally refurbished including a new kitchen where they do all their own baking. Great fresh coffee, too. We congratulate Kate and Andy Rooney, the new owners who are on a mission. Visit the newest city café. Our friends Bob and David have and are very impressed.

Our good friend and former Publisher Bob Publicover is really doing great, out and about, pushing himself so he doesn't end up staying at home for the many months' doctors had predicted. He's been planning his wedding to David, we hear sometime in June. His lovely sister who flew up here to help him on the road to recovery is back home in Arizona. We want all of Bob's friends out there to know he's doing great, so stop in to see him at the house. He would love that!

Former Mayor Dorothy Kelly Gay and her husband are celebrating her 48th wedding anniversary this week.

Local favorite guitarist/singer Ed White has been playing at the Cantab Lodge and has recently

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TheSomervilleNews.com Comment of the Week

Response to Seeing red over subway shutdown

JAR says:

I used the shuttle service last Sunday going to and from Harvard on the way to get the train to the Pats Game from South Station and found it to be pretty good and not as much of an inconvenience as I originally feared. The busses are frequent and seem to be pretty fast.

Ron Newman says:

I do wonder why they don't run the shuttle buses on the most direct route between Davis and Alewife stations, which would be Dover Street to Rice Street (Cambridge) to Rindge Avenue. Going the other way, make Meacham Road temporarily two-way on weekends to accommodate the buses.

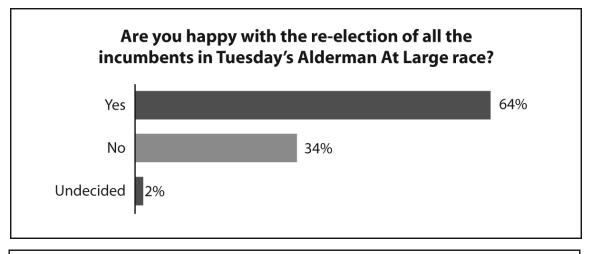
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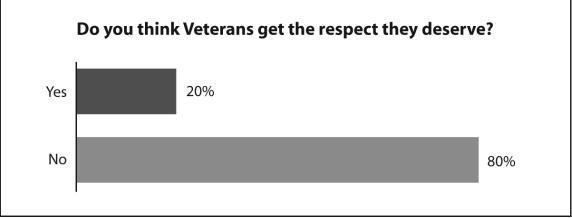
The bus from Medford Square to Harvard Square (don't know the route #, it was from the days when we referred to the buses by destination, not by number - much better in my opinion), did run up Dover Street. The route changed a long time ago, I would think in part due to more cars on the road, thus making it almost impossible to travel down narrow side streets. Possibly the buses were smaller then, as well.

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TheSomervilleNews.com poll of the week

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Somerville honors a new generation of veterans

A decade of homecomings from Iraq and Afghanistan

By Elizabeth Sheeran

Somerville's George Dilboy VFW Post was filled to capacity on Veterans Day, when Veterans Council member Bob Hickey spoke of "a new generation of veterans." In a room full of heroes, Hickey talked of the heroes of today: the hundreds from Somerville who have served since 9/11 in Iraq and Afghanistan and sometimes both. The ones who haven't even begun to think of themselves as heroes.

"They don't want any special attention and all the hoopla. They just want to come home and go back to doing what they were doing before they went," said Somerville Veteran Services Director Frank Senesi.

Talk to Somerville veterans about coming home from Iraq or Afghanistan, and a hero's welcome is indeed the farthest thing from their minds.

For Somerville native Jim Marques, who has served two tours in Iraq and one in Afghanistan, the little things matter a lot. "Just getting back to regular society where you can get a Dunkin' Donuts coffee," said Marques. "Just normal everyday stuff that people take for granted. Most people just can't relate."

Writing from his current post at Camp Dwyer in Helmand Province, Afghanistan, Marine reservist James Scheffler, who also previously served in Iraq, most looks forward to simply falling back into life with his Somerville neighbors and friends, including local amateur theater groups.

And then there are the practical challenges of coming home."I actually accepted a layoff to come on this deployment, so finding a job will be one of the first orders of business," wrote Scheffler, who was an IT systems administrator in civilian life. "I'm trying not to worry about it, but with news of the economy looking bleak, I am less than fully confident despite being a college graduate."

Nationally, new veterans have faced higher-than-average unemployment. In Somerville, Senesi said his office has had good success finding jobs for returning vets, since a lot of area employers who are hiring are hiring mostly veterans. He said many veterans are taking advantage of the 9/11 GI Bill to return to school, and many are reservists, whose jobs are "waiting for them when they come home."

But the reality for reservists can vary quite a bit. Marques, who works with touch screen technology at a company in Methuen, said his employer has kept his job for him after every deployment. Some reservists take layoffs, like Scheffler, which can save a job for a fellow worker.

When Air Force reservist Theresa Mickelwait returned after being deployed during the initial invasion of Afghanistan in 2002, she was shocked to find her job at a bio-technology firm had been eliminated, just days before she was scheduled to return to work.

And that was only one of the challenges Mickelwait faced coming home in the first wave of post-9/11 veterans, when the nation had yet to develop the support infrastructure that has been built up over the past decade to ease the transition. Life in the desert had taken a physical toll. She had to learn to drive all over again without always looking for an escape route. And there were the memories.

> "I did see and experience things that nobody should have to"

"I did see and experience things that nobody should have to," said Mickelwait, an emergency manager who to this day will not watch movies or news programs about the war. She said she found the support she needed by joining the VFW, and the Dilboy Post at Davis Square remains a life-line for her today.

"It was easier to spend my time with men who were 30 years older, than with kids my age who did not have the same experience," she said. "At the VFW there's almost a code, and you can tell without having to talk about it when someone is having a bad day. Nobody's going to ask if you killed anyone. Nobody's going to ask what you saw. Nobody's going to ask, what do you think of the war?""

Every veteran's homecoming is different, said Marques. He said he doesn't even put himself in the same league as combat veterans, since his three tours in war zones were as a civil affairs officer, working with locals to rebuild infrastructure. But as a veteran, he hopes to encourage people to learn more about the military's mission to build stability and peace. "It doesn't help our cause to say things like, 'kill all the Muslims," said Marques, "Have some respect for people, because most of them are really just like us."

Marques said most of the public has been supportive. "A lot of people have been good to us, whether or not they agree with the war. I think we learned our lesson as a society from Vietnam," he said.

But Mickelwait said she has experienced anti-military sentiment directed toward her right here in Somerville when she's been in uniform. And she has a hard time hearing people say they support the troops when they are vocally opposing the war effort. "It makes it harder to do our mission," she said.

Still, she has no problem being among the small minority of Americans Continued on page 21









From top to bottom: Theresa Mickelwait, Brad Connelly, James Marques, and James Scheffler.

Somerville schools beat state to the punch

Summer ELL in Somerville

By Andrew Firestone

Last week at UMASS Boston, Gov. Deval Patrick unveiled an update to his plan to bridge the achievement gap. Included was a plan to bring Summer England Language Learner camps to cities around the commonwealth.

Somerville Public Schools already has a program. While not among the list of INC Mass "Gateway Cities" such as Fall River and Chelsea, the Somerville Program for English Language Learners (SPELL). Funded by federal Title III funds by the state, SPS uses SPELL to help its large ELL populations.

"It's an enhancement of our ELL skill development," said Superintendent Anthony Pierentozzi. "We recognize that students who don't speak English certainly don't read English and don't go through educational activities in the summer have a loss of learning or a slide back."

> "The more opportunities that English Language Learners have, the more they will benefit"

Run by ELL department head Dr. Susan Davila, the program includes classes for both elementary and high school students built around using language in conversational settings and culture immersion.

Davila detailed that the elementary school class includes many trips out into the community, including to the Boston Globe and Duck Tours. Their classes include writing, oral language practices and intensive reading. They also take more nearby trips to the fire station and the post office.

TheaterSpell, the high school version, allows ELL students to work on playwriting, culminating in a performance after the month-long period.

Davila said that the more programs like Spell implemented across the state, the better. "The more opportunities that English Language Learners have, the more they will benefit," she said.

Representative Carl Sciortino said the Governor's plan was a smart one, in "putting forward aggressive proposals to address that population."

"For classroom teachers with a large percent of students whose first language is not English, it takes a lot of that teacher's time and energy in the classroom to meet the needs of those students," he said

Sciortino added that ballot initiatives in 2002 that had prohibited bilingual education

in the state had caused public schools around the Commonwealth to struggle to meet the needs of the students.

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HEWEEK IN CR By Jim Clark

Somerville man arrested, arraigned following drug lab investigation

Somerville Police have arrested a Somerville man in connection with an investigation of an alleged drug lab that was operating in Somerville. Grigory Genkin, age 29, a resident of the second floor at 19 Oxford Street turned himself in to Somerville Police, accompanied by his attorney.

Genkin was since arraigned in Somerville District Court on Monday on charges of manufacturing and distribution of methamphetamine, drug violation near a school zone, and conspiracy to violate the Controlled Substance Act.

On November 7, Somerville Detectives, Drug Enforcement Administration Task Force investigators and Massachusetts State Police executed a search warrant at 19 Oxford Street in Somerville.

In a day-long search of the dwelling, investigators recovered evidence that this location was being utilized for the production of methamphetamine. A large amount of materials believed to be hazardous were removed from the property by Haz-Mat specialists. Other items believed to be dangerous were detonated by State Police Bomb Squad technicians.

Chief Thomas Pasquarello expressed his gratitude to the neighborhood community for their cooperation and support during the past week. This continues to be an active investigaanyone and with information is urged to contact Somerville Police.



Grigory Genkin faces multiple charges after the shut down of the alleged drug lab.

Alleged car burglar caught in the act

Police dispatchers were alerted to reports of a man prowling around the Teele Square area in the early morning hours of November 8.

The man was reportedly spotted checking the handles of parked cars along Holland Street.

Police officers found the man and asked him to explain his actions, but he reportedly fled the scene and officers gave chase on foot through the Tufts Administration Building parking lot, police said.

Police eventually caught up with the man at the Powderhouse School basketball court and brought him to the ground where he was handcuffed and held for questioning, according to police.

A search of the suspect yielded an expensive GPS unit on his person, police said

The original reporting party

stated that the man being held was seen by her standing in the Driveway of a Holland Street residence with the drivers side door of a vehicle open, police said. She also reportedly stated that as she looked at him he stared back at her.

A victim also came forward,

reporting the loss of a GPS unit matching that found on the suspect's person, according to police.

Steeve Milice, 19, was arrested and charged with nighttime breaking and entering of a vehicle or boat and recieving stolen propert over \$250.

Grigory Genkin, 29, of 19 Oxford St., November 7, 9:04 a.m., arrested at home on warrant charges of drug violation near a school or park, methamphetamine distribution, and conspiracy to violate drug law.

Francis Murray, 41, of 50 Draper St., Dorchester, November 7, 9:49 a.m., arrested at 26 Central St. on a charge of abuse prevention order viola-

Noel Pefine, 43, of 14 Newburne Ave., Medford, November 7, 11:28 a.m., arrested at Oxford St. on warrant charges of larceny over \$250 and larceny of a motor vehicle.

Michael Byrne, 47, of 10 Downing Rd., Peabody, November 7, 2:21 p.m., arrested at Highland Ave. on charges of operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license and failure to stop or yield.

Michael Huskey, 23, of 326 Somerville Ave., November 7, 6:28 p.m., arrested at home on charges of abuse prevention order violation.

Steeve Milice, 19, of 34A North St., November 8, 1:26 a.m., arrested at 211 Holland

St. on charges of nighttime breaking and entering of a vehicle or boat and receiving stolen property over \$250.

Mohammad Khan, 35, of 174 Pearl St., November 9, 12:40 p.m., arrested at home on charges of assault and battery and assault with a dangerous

Ronald Digiulio, 64, of 25 Greenville Ave., Weymouth, November 10, 9:23 a.m., arrested at 709 McGrath Hwy. on a charge of larceny from a build-

Courtney Donahue, 25, of 81A 13th St., Charlestown, November 10, 4:06 p.m., arrested at 77 Middlesex Ave. on a charge of shoplifting by as-

Filipe Soares, 26, of 27 Birch Pond Dr., Saugus, November 11, 10:49 a.m., arrested at 121 Prospect St. on charges of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle and failure to stop or yield, and warrant charges of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle and uninsured trailer or motor vehicle.

Jesus Diaz-Rivera, 27, of 1112 Homestead St., Boston, November 11, 3:24 p.m., arrest-

ed at 160 Broadway on charges of conspiracy to violate drug law and disguise to obstruct justice.

Thomas Capetanelis, 28, of 264 Riverside Ave., Medford, November 11, 4:05 p.m., arrested at 182 Washington St. on warrant charges of speeding and unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

Scott Carty, 24, November 11, 10:29 p.m., arrested at 15 Weston Ave. on warrant charges of assault with a dangerous weapon, check forgery, larceny from a person, utter

false check, and receiving stolen Robert Lara, 21, of 238 Chelsea St., Everett, November 11, 11:11 p.m., arrested at 328 Broadway on warrant charges of miscellaneous municipal ordinance and possession of a class D drug.

Charles Reese, 38, of 23 Ripley St., Malden, November 12, 9:16 p.m., arrested at McGrath Hwy. on charges of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle and drug possession to distrib-

Luis Fonseca, 29, of 66 Obrien Ct., Charlestown, November 13, 12:30 p.m., arrested at Broadway on a charge of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

Incidents:

Theft:

November 10, 9:23 a.m., police reported a theft at 709 Mc-Grath Hwy.

November 10, 10:30 a.m., police reported a theft at Broad-

November 10, 11:37 a.m., police reported a theft at Fenwick

November 10, 12:41 p.m., police reported a theft at Elm St.

November 10, 2:45 p.m., police reported a theft at 256 Elm

November 10, 4:06 p.m., police reported a theft at 77 Middlesex Ave.

November 11, 2:42 p.m., police reported a theft at 105 Middlesex Ave.

November 12, 3:58 p.m., police reported a theft at Derby St. November 14, 12:38 p.m., police reported a theft at Boston

November 14, 7:31 p.m., police reported a theft at Harold

Breaking & Entering:

November 10, 6:04 p.m., po-

lice reported a breaking & entering at Puritan Rd.

November 12, 8:08 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering at McGrath Hwy.

November 13, 3:58 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Mystic Ave.

Vehicle Theft:

November 9, 10:28 a.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Temple St.

Assault:

November 9, 12:40 p.m., police reported an assault at Pearl

November 9, 7:35 p.m., police reported an assault at 99 Holland St.

November 11, 12:13 a.m., police reported an assault at 181 Somerville Ave.

November 11, 8:07 p.m., police reported an assault at Rush St.

November 14, 12:53 p.m., police reported an assault at Wheatland St.

Drug Violation:

November 11, 3:24 p.m., police reported a drug violation at Broadway.

November 12, 9:16 p.m., police reported a drug violation at McGrath Hwy.



Mr. Curtatone goes to Washington

By Andrew Firestone

In a city in need of federal funds, sensible economic development policy and creative ideas for fostering businesses, leadership sometimes needs good ideas and conversation to find the way forward.

Mayor Joseph Curtatone of Somerville had a busy week ending October, travelling to Chicago Illinois, Washington D.C. and Virginia in a tour-de-force of public policy discussion. In his trip he met with such luminaries as Secretary of Health Kathleen Sebelius, Mayor Rahm Emmanuel of Chicago, First Lady Michelle Obama, and President Barack Obama and his staff. Discussing a host of issues, including public health, public policy and economic development, Curtatone called the trip a "great experience."

"Somerville is once again being recognized as a national leader on childhood obesity prevention and community wellness," said Curtatone. In Alexandria Virginia, the mayor presented the renowned "Shape-up Somerville" and received an award from the Department of Health and Human Services for Healthy Living Innovations after the city's "Shape-up Somerville" program was recognized for influencing First Lady Obama's "Let's Move!" program to combat childhood obesity.

"Healthy communities are happy communities are more productive communities," said Curtatone.

"This is not about losing weight. This is

about changing how we live. It's about social change. But it's about changing the systems, and developing policies that create systems and opportunities that make us want to behave in a particular way," he said, relating the ill-effects of childhood obesity on society.

"People shouldn't have the misconception that we're trying to tell people how to act and how to live. It's not our responsibility. But we have a responsibility, where for a decade governments have developed policies that negatively impact our health, social well-being and quality of life, to reverse those systems," he said.

After meeting with the First Lady, Curtatone also met with Mayor Rahm Emmanuel at the Chicago summit, along with members of the National League of Cities a group of municipal leaders from around the country, where the Mayor sits on the advisory board. He related that the two talked of Rep. Mike Capuano, D -Somerville, whom Curtatone said had always spoke highly of Emmanuel. Emmanuel also spoke with admiration for

Curtatone, along with the NLC Advisory Board, went on to Washington to hear President Obama discuss issues surrounding transportation, infrastructure and immigration, as well as the American Jobs Act. Curtatone then discussed these issues with Transportation Secy. Ray La-Hood, and Housing and Urban Development Secy. Shaun Donovan. He asked the first question, regarding the federal gov-



Mayor Joseph Curtatone met with many prominent officials during his whirwind tour, including Secretary of Health Kathleen Sebelius, pictured here.

ernment's commitment to transit-orient development.

"Infrastructure investments have always been supported by both parties," said Curtatone. "If we really want to turn this country around, if we really want a sustained economic recovery and create jobs and create tax revenues, we need to invest in infrastructure right now in a down economy."

Curtatone was quick to note that, in the year. The cost of

proposed Jobs Act carried with it a similar funding program to that of the DIF (District Improvement Financing) bond, which helps support development by reinvesting tax revenues into infrastructure. The American Jobs which failed to pass through the Senate on November 4 due to conflicting bills along party lines would have included a .7 percent increase taxes for those earning over \$1 million a

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New GLX proposal unveiled

By Harry Kane

For long bemoaned Green Line Extension street trolley project, there shone a light at the end of the tunnel. According to a new proposal, unveiled Monday, November 14, a new locked-in-enddate for the completion of two green line stations has been scheduled, as part of the "phasing plan" by the state transportation department.

In November of 2016 the Union Square and Washington St. stations will open.

The schedule was revealed at the Ward 3 ResiStat community meeting, where the new Green Line Extension (GLX) timeline was made public.

City Director of Transportation Hayes Morrison said, "The next step is that this project actually receives bonds from the state, and we're awaiting that any day now."

A total of 490 million dollars of state funds has been pledged for the GLX.

GLX will unlock development opportunities valued at more than 5 billion dollars, according to the statistics.

"We're moving forward with a phased approach for implementation of the Green Line with our partners at MassDot," Morrison said.

The initial phase will start in autumn of 2012 with bridgework on Medford Street nearby the Target store.

"This is different than the original timeline of having the stations open and operating by 2014, but it is a compromise over the schedule that was released by the state, which was released earlier in the summer," Morrison said.

Alderman At Large Jack Connolly has spent hundreds of hours poring over details on this project. "The phased approach is a way for us to make sure that once the project has started it will be moving forward. It's so critical that all of us maintain our voices, our presence, and our concerns," he said.

More information can be found on the city Web site and there will also be community meetings as the project develops.

"Everyone is onboard," Connolly enthused.

Fire destroys home in Somerville





Somerville Firefighters were called to a house fire at 81-R Mt Vernon St around 11 a.m. Tuesday morning. Three surrounding houses suffered melted vinyl siding damage. The fire is believed to have started in the back of the house. No injuries reported, fire is under investigation.

- William Tauro



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Freedom is never free. Thank you Veterans.

The View From Prospect Hill



We see them every year and we regard them with awe and deepest admiration. Stoic and humble in countenance, they seem to simply play their part in our ritualistic celebration of their courageous contributions to the well being of our nation. The well being of ourselves as a society.

The flesh and blood reality is even more awe-inspiring as we realize how fragile life truly is, and yet these brave men and women each took a stand and declared that no harm should come to their fellow countrymen. Not on their watch.

Veterans Day is a time when each of us has a rare opportunity to reflect a small fraction of that magnificent commitment to humanity back upon the heroes who helped to make us all so much safer in a sometimes savage world.

Those of us who never served in the military cannot know the hardship, privation, and sacrifice that these people have made on

behalf of all of us. Some have made the supreme sacrifice. It is for them most of all that we bow our heads and utter prayers of solace and of gratitude for the precious gifts that they have laid before us. Those of liberty and a future free from fear of enemies seen and unseen.

We must endeavor to express

our thanks at every possible opportunity. Veterans Day is one opportunity, but there can be many more if we choose to make them. It is up to us to do just that.

We can take a stand and commit ourselves to celebrating the contributions of our beloved champions, one and all, each and every day to come. Let it be so.

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entertained at Jacques on Monday in Boston. If you're around at either place check it out.

Phil Simpson, another Spring Hill resident, is one of the most dedicated workers that they have at the Perkins School for the Blind. All the kids over there love him. He's a good guy and tell him you saw it here at Newstalk.

Dan Cohen reminds us that the real estate market is far from dead if you're doing it right. It's Dan and others like Donald Norton who keep the houses selling.

****** Planning a winter trip? Remember the experienced, hard working agent Mary

Baker is only a phone call away or a short trip to Medford Square. Mary would love to see her old friends from Somerville over there.

We still see Joyce McKenzie over at Nellie's Wildflowers on Holland Street. Joyce is one of the best florists around. Nobody beats her creative and beautiful arrangements. And if you want a little city history, stop in during the day and look for Margie McKenzie. She is a life long resident here and remembers what the Square looked like and what was what way back when she was a little girl. Plus, Margie is so friendly to everyone. Always a big smile that both her and her daughter Joyce have for everyone stopping in the shop. Just about 100 feet from the T-station on Holland.

Recently stopped in at PJ Ryan's Pub in Teele Square. The pub is a fantastic place, always filled with friendly people. It's owned by Connor Brennan, who is always upbeat and just a regular nice guy. If you truly want to see what a neighborhood bar and pub is, stop in and mention us. You'll never know who you might run into there as well.

Congratulations to Sean Fitzgerald who ran a decent campaign for Alderman At Large. He did well running against four incumbents. Lucky for the incumbents there was a race in Ward 4 and Ward 7. The incumbents did very well. Hopefully next time around more will take out papers to run for local offices in the next city election.

With the defeat of the PDS endorsed candidates in both Ward 4 and Ward 7, maybe that's a sign that they are in need of new leadership? They worked very hard for their candidates but maybe they need a new change in their game plans? We hear that one of it's favorites, Rep. Carl Sciortino, who will, as of January 1, have the entire Ward 4 and Ward 7 in Somerville, along with lesser parts of Medford, just might have more than o challenger. There was lots of talk after the elections were over by several different potential candidates.

Have you been to the Arts at the Armory Café on Highland Avenue? We're told it's another great place for a relaxing, lunch, or a coffee break. It's run by well-known Danny Kalis. Some of us would remember the old Dapper Dan's at Assembly Square. Stop in and say "hi" to Danny and taste some of the good coffee.

Big time Happy Birthdays to some pretty well known 'Villens here and from here. Best wishes for a good day and Happy Day to local Joe Beckmann; well known and local realtor Betty

Levin; a great guy, Mario Brum, as well; and then there is Paula Jorge, who is Mario's cousin.

Happy birthday to Somerville Fire Department's Deputy Fire Chief Dennis Murphy who is celebrating his birthday this week in the 'Ville!

Birthday greetings also to The News' own Andrew Firestone. Enjoy your day! ******

Congratulations to Julie Brady, who was running the campaign for Alderman Bob Trane. She did a great job keeping Bob busy over the past several months. She has a career in campaigns and that would relate to real estate, too. She's a great lady and a nice person. We wish her well.

Well, it's finally going to happen. Medford is going to see another newspaper on the stands. Called The Medford News, the idea is being very well received in a lot of places already from people who love reading The Somerville News. Look for us online in January and on the streets shortly thereafter.



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When it comes to 'reclaiming our economy,' Somerville leads the way



By Joseph A. Curtatone

Between President Obama's fight for his stalled jobs bill and the growing public debate about the role government should play in reviving our economy, Assembly Square is getting a lot of outside attention these days.

When the state Democratic party and President Obama's campaign recently asked me to hold a November 3rd press conference to highlight the way that public leadership and public investment were bringing jobs and growth to Assembly Square, I was happy to oblige. After all, one of the most commonly repeated right-wing talking points

these days is that only the private sector can create jobs, and that the only ways to help "job creators" is to cut taxes for the wealthy and get rid of environmental, health, safety and financial regulations.

I welcomed the opportunity to explain that private-sector investment was certainly crucial, and that the goal of smart growth projects like Assembly Square should always be to create private-sector jobs - but that public investment in infrastructure and public leadership in shaping a development vision were just as essential. We have great private partners at Assembly Square, but they'd be the first to acknowledge that they can't build in a vacuum.

That's why it's so shortsighted for Congress to block President Obama's American Jobs Act proposals to encourage job growth by investing \$50 billion right away in our nation's transportation infrastructure and setting aside another \$10 billion to create a bipartisan National Infrastructure Bank.

The jobs created by this invest-

ment will be private sector jobs, initially in the hard-hit construction industry but over time in every US business that depends on roads, rail and transit to move its workers, customers and products.

So I did as I was asked, and there was some local media attention - but that wasn't the end of it.

Last week I got a call from Michael Dukakis, the former Governor, current professor at Northeastern, and good friend of Somerville and its people. (Nobody has done more than Mike has to advance the cause of transit-oriented development, and he has been a strong voice for getting Somerville the transit access it needs and deserves.)

Mike asked me if I would join Governor Patrick, Mayor Menino and Boston City Councilors Mike Ross and Tito Jackson in helping to kick off a "Teach In" on the Northeastern campus this past Sunday. Mike and his colleague, the distinguished urban economist Barry Bluestone, had put together a daylong series of panels and workshops that they'd entitled "Reclaiming

Our Economy."

The topics included: an overview of the current economy; lessons about what went wrong in the lead-up to the 2008 recession; the effects of income inequality; and, of course, how we can get the economy - and our sputtering national political system back on track.

Mike Dukakis asked me to speak in the morning welcome panel because he wanted to get it into the record that government can't afford to sit on its hands and do nothing in the present crisis - and that projects like Assembly Square offered a model for national recovery.

Once again, I was happy to oblige. Because Governor Patrick was there, I had a chance to thank him publicly for provided state development dollars to Assembly Square - and for his steadfast commitment to the new Orange Line station that is so crucial to the success of the entire Assembly Square district. I also thanked Congressman Capuano and Senator Kerry for their leadership in securing federal transit dollars for the Or-

ange Line Station.

But mostly I talked about the ways that public infrastructure investment - which will total over \$110 million, including \$25.75 in city-backed bonds - will leverage over \$1.5 billion in private sector investment.

I think a ten-to-one return on investment is pretty darn good - especially when it also leads to the creation of thousands of permanent jobs and tens of millions of dollars in annual state and local tax revenues.

I don't understand why that message has been so hard to hear in Washington, but I'm grateful to Mike Dukakis and Barry Bluestone for incorporating it into their teach-in. As I said to them and their audience last Sunday, "I hope events like this one will help convince a dubious and worried nation that we can reclaim our economy, rebuild the middle class and recapture the American Dream if only we pay attention to this clear lesson of our past and our present: private wealth is nothing without public vision and public leadership."

On The Silly Side by Jimmy Del Ponte

Lost Treasure: Apollo Cake Co.



Remember how we used to roll our eyes when our parents told us how they could see five movies, buy candy, soda and popcorn, ride

the trolleys all day and still come home with change of a quarter? Well, let's congratulate ourselves because we have officially become our parents.

An online search tells us that The Apollo Cake Company opened in 1929 at 16 Garfield St. in Somerville. It used to cost a nickel to swim at the Foss Park pool, and a nickel for a brownie at the Apollo Cake Co. Apollo Cake closed in the late 70's - early 80's (we're not sure) but not before just about every kid in the 'Ville enjoyed their wide variety of delicious, frosted, creamy raisiny, freshly baked treats.

Many of my friends have memories and stories about Apollo Cake. "We used to

run across the highway from Foss Park and get the brownie seconds, two for a quarter. Sometimes, when we were playing at Foss, that was breakfast and lunch." You could get a whole bag of hermits for a dollar.

Another friend recalls, "We would get dime bags of broken brownies every Saturday morning! We would sacrifice our cartoons for brownies - often! Miss those days! My favorites were those huge cupcakes that had the big center filled with cream...YUM!!!! We also loved the Swiss Roll!' We would sometimes pool our money to get one of those and share it among my friends. It got very messy but so worth it!"

A buddy of mine tells me that his aunt worked at Apollo and would bring home lots of cupcakes and other goodies. This is my favorite Apollo Cake story: "My father would get what he called a sweet tooth and have one of us ride our bike down to get a couple of the chocolate roll cakes. They were the only sweets he ever really liked. I liked it best unrolled and eaten flat. After, I'd lick off the cream. The funny thing was that we couldn't go off the street on our bikes, but all of a sudden going to get the cakes was no longer a dangerous ride. I miss my Dad, and I miss the cake as well!"

One friend attributes his addiction to carrot cake to Apollo Cake. Their spice cakes were not too shabby either. They featured an item called "twins." It was a two pack of Whoopee Pies. Now I ask you, what's better than Whoopee Pies?

Another place we used to go to was Russell's Donuts which was across from Highland Road near the railroad tracks. We could smell the donuts baking while we were playing at Lexington Park. I got a lot of delicious donuts from Russell's and I miss it. I swear, I can still smell those huge

honey dip donuts baking at Russell's.

Somerville has a vast history of great bakeries. Some have lasted decades and some have come and gone. The Apollo Cake Company in East Somerville provided many 'Villens with wonderful (and delicious) memories.

Mark your calendar for the big Holiday in The 'Ville show at The Somerville Theatre on Saturday November 26. Tickets are available at the Somerville Theatre box office or by calling Rick Saunders, music director for Somerville schools, at 617-625-660 extension 6143.

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THE HOUSE AND SENATE. Beacon Hill Roll Call records the votes of local representatives on one roll call and local senators on three roll calls from the week of November 7-11.

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 Middle-

sex; 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 MID-DLESEX. - 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.

ALLOW DEVIATION IN CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS (H 3771)

House 32-108, rejected, mostly along party lines, a Republican-sponsored amendment to an order prohibiting the proposal of any amendment that does not meet the requirement that the total population for a Congressional district cannot be less than 727,514 or more than 727,515. The GOP amendment would strike that language and allow amendments that deviate from those numbers.

Amendment supporters said the prohibition is unfair and takes power away from legislators to propose amendments. They noted the current plan has some people who now live in a different Congressional district despite living across the street from each other.

Amendment opponents said federal law does not allow deviation. They noted the plan would end up in court if the deviation were allowed. (A "Yes" vote is for allowing deviation. A "No" vote is against deviation.)

Rep. Denise Provost No
Rep. Carl Sciortino No
Rep. Timothy Toomey Didn't Vote

REPEAT OFFENDERS (S 2054)

Senate 36-0, approved and sent to the House a bill designed to crack down on repeat offenders in the state's criminal justice system. A key provision would deny parole eligibility to three-time violent felons.

Other provisions include allowing sentences served for federal crimes to count toward the three crimes; requiring some repeat offenders to serve two-thirds instead of the current one-half of their sentence before becoming eligible for parole; reducingmandatory minimum sentences for some drug crimes; and requiring approval of two-thirds instead of the current one-half of the Parole Board for persons serving life sentences to be granted a parole.

Supporters said the number one responsibility of government is public safety. They argued this long-overdue law would finally get tough with repeat offenders. (A "Yes" vote is for the bill.)

Sen. Sal DiDomenico Yes Sen. Patricia Jehlen Yes

ONLY SERVE TWO-THIRDS OF SENTENCE (S

Senate 7-28, rejected an amendment that would allow some drug offenders to serve two-thirds instead of their entire minimum mandatory sentences and then be eligible for parole.

Amendment supporters said this would simply allow non-violent, low-level drug offenders to be eligible for parole after serving two-thirds of their sentence.

Amendment opponents said these offenders include dealers who are preying upon our children and ruining many lives. (A "Yes" vote is for allowing some drug offenders to serve two-thirds of their sentence. A "No" vote is against allowing it.)

Sen. Sal DiDomenico No Sen. Patricia Jehlen Yes

REDUCE SCHOOL RESTRICTION FROM 500 TO 250 FEET (S 2054)

Senate 6-29, rejected an amendment that would impose an automatic mandatory sentence on anyone convicted of selling drugs 250 feet from the area around a school. Current law sets the distance at 1,000; the proposed bill would reduce it to 500; and the amendment would lower it to 250.

Amendment supporters said 500 or 1,000 feet is unfair because crowded urban areas like Boston are almost entirely a school zone.

Amendment opponents said the 500 feet is reasonable and argued any further reduction will only expose children to these drug dealers. (A "Yes" vote is for the 250 feet. A "No" vote is for the 500 feet.)

Sen. Sal DiDomenico No Sen. Patricia Jehlen Yes

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

BAN BASING AUTO INSURANCE ON CREDIT RATING (H 3795) - The House gave initial ap-

proval to a bill that would prohibit insurance companies from basing a customer's insurance rates on his or her credit rating.

Supporters said it is unfair and illogical to base premiums on something that has nothing to do with driving ability or risk. Some noted while there are currently regulations prohibiting the use of credit scores, those regulations can easily be repealed by an agency while a state law would have to be repealed by the Legislature.

Some opponents said the state already has regulations in place that prohibit the use of credit scores, education and occupation when setting rates. Others said research shows drivers with good credit file fewer claims and are less of a risk. They noted allowing use of credit ratings to set rates is no different than basing rates on age because research shows that younger drivers have more accidents.

TAX BREAKS - The Revenue Committee held a hearing on bills that would create several new tax breaks, including a property tax exemption for National Guard members for the length of their employment plus six months (S 1413); allowing anyone who turns 65 to choose to freeze his or her property taxrate at its level just prior to his or her 65th birthday (S 1443); allowing seniors over 65 to deduct from their tax liability the amount of money up to \$4,000 spent on prescription drugs (S 1477); allowing communities to exempt seniors



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over 75 from all property taxes (S 1488); providing a tax credit equal to municipal fees paid for trash removal and other fees assessed by the city or town for delivery of services (S 1519); and allowing an income tax credit for families caring for elderly relatives at home or victims of Alzheimer's disease at home (H 2495).

TOYS FOR TICKETS - Boston Mayor Tom Menino announced the "Toys for Tickets" campaign designed to help the Marines "Toys for Tots" effort that collects Christmas toys for the less fortunate. The campaign allows drivers to pay the fine for non-public safety parking tickets received in Boston between December 5 and December 9 by donating "non-violent, wrapped toys of equal or greater value than the fine."

ATM SAFETY (S 428) - The Committee on Financial Services held a hearing on legislation mandating safety measures that banks would be required to implement at ATMs across the state. Provisions include requiring all ATMs to be equipped with adequate lighting and security cameras

QUOTABLE QUOTES

"The red flags are there, and it's time for someone to stand up and stop this madness and keep Massachusetts casino and slot-free." - Anti-casino advocate and former Attorney General Scott Harshbarger making a last-minute plea to defeat the bill that would allow three casinos and one slot parlor in the Bay State.

"0 for 2." - The batting average for one current and one for-

mer state representative who ran for mayor in last week's municipal election. Rep. Tony Cabral (D-New Bedford) lost his bid to become mayor of New Bedford while former Rep. Mike Cahill failed in his bid for the top post in the Beverly.

"During the roll call, a number of Democratic members cast votes in support but reversed their votes after Speaker DeLeo weighed in (and cast his vote on the electronic roll call board) against the amendment." - From a State House News Service story describing the House's 38-116 roll call that defeated an amendment that would require the state to look into the feasibility and possible advantages of purchasing homes that are part of a short sale or foreclosure.

"You know, it's the first time I've really heard a little more than a cursory discussion about it. I want to hear both sides of the argument before I make a final decision." - House Speaker Robert DeLeo on the idea the state might impose the 6.25 percent sales tax on many goods consumers buy on the Internet. Currently, Amazon.com, Overstock.com and other Internet companies are exempt from collecting the tax under a 1992 U.S. Supreme Court ruling that Internet retailers only have to charge sales tax in states in which they have a physical presence.

"Get on the phone and on your e-mail and contact members of this do-nothing Congress." - Gov. Deval Patrick on the topic of his support of President Obama's "jobs bill" and expanding broadband Internet access.

HOW LONG WAS LAST WEEK'S SESSION?

Beacon Hill Roll Call tracks the length of time the House and Senate were in session each week. Many legislators

say legislativesessions 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 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 November 7-11, the House met for a total of four hours and 54 minutes while the Senate met for a total of six hours and 40 minutes.

Mon. November 7 House 11:05 a.m. to 1:31 p.m.

Senate 11:16 a.m. to 2:32 p.m.

Tues. November 8 No House session

No Senate session

Wed. November 9 House 1:01 p.m. to 3:21 p.m.

No Senate session.

Thurs. November 10 House 11:02 a.m. to 11:10 a.m.

Senate 1:41 p.m. to 5:05 p.m.

Fri. November 11 No House session

No Senate session

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I would first like to thank the Somerville voters who exercised their right and came to the polls and voted last week. I would also like to thank all my campaign workers and supporters who truly dedicated so much time and energy on my behalf! I will not forget it-or you! I also want to highlight the effort and intensity put forth

by the incumbents, who made their case before the voters, prevailed, and were again re-elected. I congratulate them on their victory, they deserve another two years representing the people of Somerville.

I also want to especially recognize my two other challengers, Todd Easton and Michael Nionakis, who had the courage to put their names on the ballot and present themselves before the voting electorate. And after this campaign, I now know how much that really takes of oneself. Lastly, thank you Somerville for allowing me the opportunity to speak on the issues I believe are important to us all:

education, affordable housing, environmental management, transportation, economic development, jobs, and the economy. I know I'll continue to stay involved in these issues and more, moving forward. Thank you, again.

Sean J. Fitzgerald

Candidate for Alderman At Large

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Somerville Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner

Monaco, a noted neuroscientist, delivered the keynote address during the Somerville Chamber of Commerce 65th Annual Dinner on Wednesday, November 9, at the Holiday Inn. Herb Chambers of Herb Chambers Motor Cars, the great philanthropist, received the Lifetime Achievement Award and former Somerville Mayor Eugene Brune received the Excellence in Public Service Award.

Other distinguished award recipients included: Redbones, Excellence in Dining

New President of Tufts University, Anthony P. and Nightlife; Federal Realty Investment Trust, Excellence in Economic Development; Jim Roy, CPCU, Distinguished Service; East Somerville Main Streets, Business Neighbor of the Year; Apex Green Roofs & Recover Green Roofs, Green Business Award; Respond, Non Profit of the Year; and Glenn Kulbako Photography, Small Business of the Year.

> The annual event is the foremost yearly gathering of local business, civic, and community leaders.









2011 Powderhouse Award recipients - Front Row: Somerville Chamber of Commerce Neighbor of the Year; Darcie DeLuca, Respond - Non-Profit of the Year; Eugene C. Br Distinguished Service; Glenn Kulbako, Kulbako Photography - Small Business of the

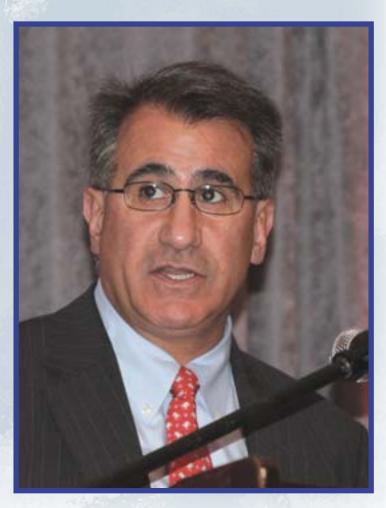




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Photos by Harry Kane



SOMERVILLE SPORTS

St. Clement High School sports update

Volleyball

The St Clement Lady Anchors Volleyball team hosted the quarter finals of the Division Three North State Tournament on Monday November 7th, 2011, after receiving a first round bye. Saint Clement ranked fourth seed and ended their regular season with an overall record of 15-5.

The Lady Anchors hosted their league rivals, Pope John of Everett, in the quarter finals. Pope John held the fifth seed and also held a record of 15-5. With both teams being evenly matched, the game was a nail biter. The Lady Anchors captured the victory over the Lady Tigers three games to two. Junior Captain, Judy D'Haiti (Cambridge), had twelve service

points, five aces and once again helped the team with critical saves. Freshman, Jessica Popken (Medford), lead the Lady Anchors to victory with sixteen service points, six aces, and four kills. Junior Captain, Kristina Ofoedu (Somerville), smacked nine kills on the net and also had four crucial blocks. Junior Captain, Allison Caloggero (Medford), quietly helped the team with nineteen digs.

"They played their hearts out and executed what I've been telling them all year." Proudly states Coach Lisa Regione, "They fought for every point and made me proud!"

After the exciting victory, the Lady Anchors traveled to Lynnfield, on Wednesday November 9th, for the semi-finals. Unfor-



The St. Clement Lady Anchors Volleyball team prevailed over rivals Pope John of Everett in the Division Three North State Tournament quarter finals.

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Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

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- 1. Who was the future Soviet dictator that was training to be a priest when he turned to Marxism?
- 2. In what country did fireworks originate?
- 3. What was the day of the week that was sung about by The Mamas & The Papas?
- 4. What name did Samuel L. Clemens write under?
- 5. What was the U.S.A.'s worst nuclear disaster, occurring in 1979?
- 6. In the song sung by Johnny Cash, *A Boy Named Sue*, what are the two names he would name a son, but not Sue

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- 7. What is the only metal that is liquid at room temperature?
- 8. Where does the U.S. government keep its supply of silver?
- 9. What two presidents were impeached by the House and acquitted by the Senate?
- 10. "K" stands for what element on the periodic scale?
- 11. What baseball player was Pearl Jam's *Ten* named after?
- 12. If kiwi birds are blind, how do they hunt?

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tunately, the Lady Anchors had a crushing lost against the number one seed and undefeated, Lynnfield High School, three games to none.

The Lady Anchors experienced their most successful season, making the State Tournament for the first time in eleven years, placing second in the Catholic Central League (CCL), and finishing with an overall record of 16-6. The Lady Anchors proudly named Kristina Ofoedu and Allison Caloggero, as 2011 CCL all stars. Saint Clement looks for another successful season with the exact same team next year.

Football

The Anchormen fell to new league rival Pope John Paul from Hyannis on Saturday 38-20 at Dilboy Stadium. Pope John got the scoring off to a quick start with a touchdown pass from Senior quarterback and league MVP candidate Robert Domboski to Ben Crago on the first drive of the game. St. Clement would answer on its first drive as Jamie Thompson (Somerville) hit Junior Oyaronbi (Revere) for the tenth time this season on a 54 yard toss.

In the second quarter it was more of the same. Both teams traded rushing touchdowns, Jeff Borne for Pope John and Senior Captain Mattew Pereira (Somerville) for the Anchormen. Domboski and Crago would connect on another TD and the Anchormen would answer as Oyaronbi would return a Domboski interception 78 yards to pay

dirt to end the half Pope John 22 St. Clement 20. The third quarter went scoreless as the Anchormen squandered away an opportunity on 4th and 3 from the Pope John 16 as the handoff was fumbled and the Anchormen would not get that close again for the rest of the game.

In the 4th quarter Pope John capitalized on a Thompson interception and scored quickly on first down to go ahead for the remainder of the game. "Our kids fought hard, we had to overcome a lot of adversity as far as injuries are concerned, in the end they had the bounces go their way" The Anchormen were without starting running back Alberto Lopez (Chelsea), and Senior Captain Michael Julce (Malden) for the 3rd straight game, as well as starting center Connor Sullivan (Charlestown), and Senior Alex Fagundes (Somerville). The Anchormen look to rebound on Thanksgiving against Arch Rival Trinity Catholic.

Anchormen Prepare to Feast on Falcon this Thanksgiving

For the 22nd straight and final time the St. Clement Anchormen will face the Trinity Catholic Falcons (Newton) this Thanksgiving 10:00am at Tufts University. Head Coach Colin Walsh and the entire St. Clement community look to put the Falcons away for fourth straight year and to end the rivalry in winning fashion. Over the years the two schools have had some legendary grudge matches including a 6-6 tie back

in 1990 to start the rivalry. In 2008 The Falcons held on to win 20-14 in double overtime, and two years ago the Robert Ofoedu (Somerville) broke the St. Clement school rushing record in front of a capacity crowd with a 42-0 St. Clement win. At the end of the school year Trinity Catholic will close its doors and Mount St. Josephs (Brighton) will become co-ed and start its first football team. "Its really sad for me to hear the last rival from the Catholic Suburban League is now gone" said Walsh. "We have had some tremendous games with them, but we look forward to starting anew with Mount St. Josephs next year". Trinity formed from Newton Catholic, St. Columkille of Brighton, and St. Patricks of Watertown at the conclusion of the 1989 football season in which the Anchorme defeated St. Patricks 12-8 on a Thanksgiving morning goal line stand when Senior Captain Chris Mickle stuffed a rushing attempt on the 1 yard line as time expired to close the then long time rivalry.

"We take pride in being a small school that has endured and we look forward to carry the flag for the old Suburban league by continuing to build on the winning tradition we have built here". To start the day the team will host a Pancake Breakfast for all current and former football players at the parish hall from 7:00am - 9:00am. The Anchormen will look to finish the season 6-4 with a victory.



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Mr. Curtatone goes to Washington CONT. FROM PG 5

the program would have been \$60 billion, focused on transportation infrastructure improvements. It was defeated 51-49 in the Senate.

Curtatone held a press conference in Assembly Square that day, and called on Senator Scott Brown to cross the aisle and sign the act. During his meetings with NLC, Assembly Square was highlighted as a model for public-private partnership, due to its overarching encouragement of working with government organizations and private developers in foster growth and jobs.

Brown supported a competing bill that would not raise taxes, and commented that he would not vote on a bill that included raising taxes. The competing bill would have extended funding for highways and transit, but not gone as far as investing \$50 billion in infrastructure nationwide and \$10 billion for an infrastructure bank. It would have curbed regulations geared towards environmental health.

"Raising taxes will hurt the economy," said Brown. "So, today I voted for a bill that finances infrastructure improvements with unspent federal funds, instead of taking more money out of the economy and sending those dollars to Washington. I join with those who want to see more jobs and improvements to our transportation infrastructure. I share their frustration at the lack of

progress in Washington."

"That's just not true," said Curtatone on Brown's comment on raising taxes.

"That broad brush that we paint for a small incremental increase on the richest one percent in this country, to be dismissive about it is a very partisan position," said Curtatone.

The mayor said that one thing that struck him in his discussion with the NLC and the many other mayors he met, including Stephanie Rawlings-Blake of Baltimore, MD and Willis "Chip" Johnson of Hernando, MS, was that the partisan struggles that have stagnated Congress at a federal level have no place in their discussion.

"I expected to get a really political, partisan reaction to discussion around the Jobs Act," he said, "but what stood out to me was the unified reaction to the inability of Washington and Congress to get things done."

In discussing policy, Curtatone said that he was struck by how cohesive and united the municipal leaders were, despite political party differences.

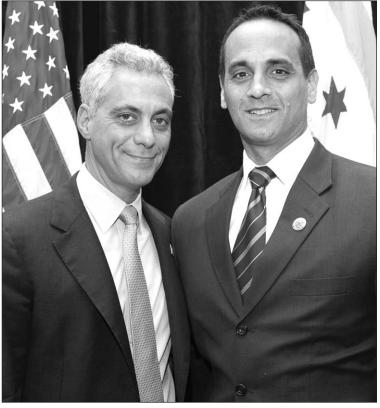
"Municipal leaders are a very close collegial group around this country. Party politics does not come into our thinking. What we want, what America wants is results. We want Washington to govern, we want our leaders in Washington to work together to get results, not to work for their own political parties."

"Whether you're in Massachusetts, Mississippi, Montana, California, Illinois or Florida, we have the same challenges," he said. "It helps us to protect our core services, which helps us improve the quality of life in our cities and towns and we are, in all in cases, the economic fuel for our states' economy. Deeper cuts to our municipalities around the country will only prolong stagnation and the recession, and we need to climb out of it."

In facilitating further development for the city, Curtatone recently formed the Future Economies Commission, a group of senior city staff and business leaders from around the region to advise the Mayor in his plans for bringing more hightech industry to the city, and entice emerging markets to the city.

"I submit that Somerville can reap and will reap the benefits of our planning; the major infrastructure investment going on now, that's coming in the future, comprehensive our Somervision process, our vision to attract the expansion of biotech and high-tech industries of Kendell Square as they think of the migration of their growing companies," he said. He said he hoped to make Somerville a "home to the next generation of those industries."

Curtatone said that public works bills that create infrastructure and jobs are necessary to facilitating this change. He



 $\label{lem:manuel} \mbox{Meeting of the mayors.} \mbox{Joseph Curtatone of Somerville with Rahm Emmanuel} \mbox{ of Chicago.}$

was critical of Congress, a sentiment he said was shared by many in the NLC, for their inability to "solve real problems."

"Obviously to [Republican lawmakers], creating jobs, getting this country back to work, growing our economy, helping working class families, helping municipalities provide the core services and improve our education systems, that's taken a back seat to them wanting to defeat the president politically," he said. "So, who are they representing?"

He added that he hoped that the nation would elect more leaders to Congress that "have an orienting value, an overarching purpose of moving this country forward."

Curtatone said that his meeting with the First Lady was encouraging, and called her a "very warm and engaging person, and genuine as well." He said he hoped the next time they met would be in Somerville, 2009 All-American City.

Of the President, whom the mayor met briefly, he said that he always asks about his old hometown, where Obama lived during his time at Harvard Law School.

"Somerville was really good to me while I was there," Curtatone relates Obama saying. "Say hello to my hometown."

Meehan steps down and Champion returns CONT. FROM PG 1

offer and a firm start date," he said.

Further, "When I left the job in early 2010, Joe said he understood that I needed new challenges, but he also told me, 'You'll never have as much fun as you've had in this job.' Alderman Roche reminded me last week that he'd predicted in 2010, on my last day with the city, that I'd be back. It turns out they were both right."

"Michael has been a valuable colleague and dedicated employee, and we are sad to see him go. He's an exceptional writer, and he's done a fine job spreading the word about the city's policy, economic development and transportation successes of the past eighteen months," said Curtatone.

"Although [Meehan] made the decision to move on from a full-time role," the mayor has asked him to remain working for the city on several specific projects, which will occur soon.

"Somerville is an incredibly exciting, high-energy community, and it's easy for the job of communications director to become an all-consuming, 24/7 marathon. As the father of two young children, I plan to move into a career that keeps me closer to home. First, however, I in-

tend to slow down the pace for a while, although, I will continue to be on-call to the mayor and the city for occasional assignments," said Meehan.

"We needed to move quickly to find someone with the experience and knowledge to hit the ground running, I am very pleased to announce that Tom Champion has agreed to return to his previous position," said Curtatone.

That transition arose rapidly, as well as unexpectedly. However, it provides an opportunity in the upcoming months to think about how to enhance and restructure the city's communication channels.

"In his prior service as communications director, Tom had a central role in helping to develop new cable programming, the Connect CTY mass notification system, our revised web site and our 311 constituent service sys-

tem," said Curtatone.

Which projects are upcoming in the very near future for Champion? Michael Meehan already began to "pursue some important upgrades to the city's Web site," said Champion, who would like to continue to support Meehan's initiative and to augment it with his own ideas.

"For example, I think we can enhance the visibility and usefulness of our online streaming video. My biggest immediate challenge, however, is to work with the rest of the mayor's team to continue shaping a strategic communications program that helps Somerville fully promote the positive impacts of the new orange line stop, Assembly Row, the Green Line Extension and the MaxPak project," he said.

"Working for the people of Somerville, and for Mayor Curtatone, has been one of the high points of my career and an enormous privilege. I'm honored and excited to have an opportunity to renew that service," said Champion.

What does Champion specifically believe will be the most exciting part of returning as Executive Director of Communications and Cable of the City of Somerville? "The change I've seen over the past year and a half is that, after some difficult years of national recession and delays in promised investment, many of the positive changes we were talking [about] and writing about in 2009 and 2010 are actually taking physical shape in 2011 and 2012."

"Somerville is enjoying a surge of transit-related, sustainable development that will permanently enhance our economy and quality of life. That's what makes this an especially exciting time to work for the city, and to live here, too," said Champion.

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
JOSEPH A. CURTATONE
MAYOR

PLANNING DIVISION

LEGAL NOTICE
OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Zoning Board of Appeals will meet on <u>Wednesday, November 30, 2011</u>, Aldermanic Chambers, 2nd floor at Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, at 6:00 p.m. to hear pending applications and to hold public hearings:

39-43 Elmwood St/40 Cameron Ave: (Case #ZBA 2011-31) Applicant GFC Development Inc. and Owner Sadler Realty Trust, seek Special Permits with Site Plan Review under SZO §7.2 and §7.3 and Special Permits under SZO §4.4.1 and §9.13.b to alter a nonconforming structure and modify parking design standards to construct three buildings with nine total dwelling units and associated parking. RB zone. Ward 7.

44 Park St: (Case #ZBA 2011-83) Applicant and Owner Belam II LLC seeks a special permit to alter a nonconforming structure under SZO §4.4.1 by adding windows, doors and a canopy for the use of an approx 6,000 sf by-right child care facility. RC zone. Ward 2.

173 Central St: (Case #ZBA 2011-84) Applicant Out of the Woods Construction & Cabinetry, Inc. and Owners James and Van Loc Doran seek a special permit to alter a nonconforming structure under SZO §4.4.1 to remove an existing rear deck/porch and install a 35 sf cantilevered bay window. RA zone. Ward 4.

485 Mystic Valley Pkwy: (Case #ZBA 2011-79) Applicant and Owner Somerville Housing Authority seeks a Comprehensive Permit under M.G.L. Chapter 40B for an Inclusionary Housing Development. The proposal would create 60 affordable one-bedroom residential dwelling units for seniors and person with disabilities in two buildings. The project would consist of the redevelopment and conversion of the existing Mystic Water Works into a 25 affordable housing unit rental apartment building and the demolition of the existing office and garage outbuilding to be replaced with a newly constructed 35 affordable housing unit rental apartment building. The Applicant is requesting waivers from various sections of the City's ordinances and requirements, including but not limited to waivers from the following sections of the SZO: §4.4.1, §4.5.3, §7.2, §7.3, §7.9, §7.11, §8.5.B, §8.5.C, §8.5.E, §8.5.F, §8.5.I, §9.4, §9.5.1.b, §9.6.1, §9.9, §9.11, §9.15, §10.5, and §10.6. RA zone. 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 will 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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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT IFB # 12-36

The City of Somerville, through the Purchasing Department invites sealed bids for:

Traffic Signs

Regulatory, Directional, and Warning Signs, High Intensity and Very High Intensity Sheeting, Signs and Sign Supplies.

An Invitation for Bids (IFP) and specifications may be obtained at the Purchasing Department, City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA. 02143 on or after: Wednesday, November 16, 2011. Sealed proposals will be received at the above office until: Monday, December 5, 2011 at 11:00 A.M. at which time sealed bids will be open. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all bids if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

The contract term shall be for a period of one year, from 1/1/2012 through 12/31/2012, with two one year options to renew.

Angela M. Allen Purchasing Director 617-625-6600 ext. 3400

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Notice is hereby given to Somerville taxpayers that a public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, November 22, 2011 at 7:00 pm before the Board of Aldermen on the issue of adopting tax levy percentages for Fiscal Year 2012. The hearing will be held in the City Hall Aldermen Chambers, 93 Highland Avenue. At this public hearing, Marc Levye, Chief Assessor-Chairman of the Somerville Board of Assessors shall provide all information and data relevant to making a determination, including the fiscal effects of the available alternatives. The public is invited.

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT IFB # 12-37

The City of Somerville, through the Purchasing Department invites sealed bids for:

Asbestos Engineering & Testing

An invitation for bids (IFB) and specifications may be obtained at the Purchasing Department, City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA. 02143 on or after: Monday, November 14, 2011. Sealed bids will be received at the above office until: Monday, November 28, 2011 at 11:00 A.M. at which time sealed bids will be open. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

The contract term shall be for a period of 3 years from December 1, 2011 through November 30, 2014.

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT IFB # 12-35

The City of Somerville, through the Purchasing Department invites sealed bids for:

Sewer Pipes and Supplies

An invitation for bids (IFB) and specifications may be obtained at the Purchasing Department, City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA. 02143 on or after: Wednesday, November 16, 2011. Sealed bids will be received at the above office until: Wednesday, November 30, 2011, 11:00 a.m. at which time sealed bids will be open. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

The contract term shall be for a period of one year, from 12/15/2011 through 12/14/2012, with two (2), one-year options to renew.

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THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION HIGHWAY DIVISION

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING Project File No. 604331

A Design Public Hearing will be held by MassDOT to discuss the proposed Multi Use Path Construction project in **Somerville**, MA.

WHERE: VNA (Visiting Nurses Association) Community Room 259 Lowell Street

Somerville, MA 02144

WHEN: **Monday, 11/21/2011** @ **7:00PM**

PURPOSE: The purpose of this hearing is to provide the public with the opportunity to become fully acquainted with the proposed Somerville Multi - Use Path project. All views and comments made at the hearing will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

PROPOSAL: The proposed project consists of the construction of a new multi-use path beginning at the intersection with Cedar Street, ending with an access to the existing bridge at Lowell Street in the City of Somerville, MA. The project consists of the full depth construction, new hot mix asphalt porous pavement, connections to Lowell Street, construction of new low retaining walls, minor drainage improvements, fixed and removable bollards, new cement concrete pavers, new cement concrete walks, new ornamental lighting, enhancements including benches, trash receptacles and bicycle racks, brick pavers and landscaping, new pavement markings and signs and other incidental items of work.

A secure right-of-way is necessary for this project. Acquisitions in fee and permanent or temporary easements may be required. **The city** is responsible for acquiring all needed rights in private or public lands. MassDOT's policy concerning land acquisitions will be discussed at this hearing.

Written views received by MassDOT subsequent to the date of this notice and up to five (5) days prior to the date of the hearing shall be displayed for public inspection and copying at the time and date listed above. Plans will be on display one-half hour before the hearing begins, with an engineer in attendance to answer questions regarding this project. A project handout will be made available on the MassDOT website listed below.

Written statements and other exhibits in place of, or in addition to, oral statements made at the Public Hearing regarding the proposed undertaking are to be submitted to Thomas F. Broderick, P.E., Acting Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, ATTN: Project Management, Project File No. 604331. Such submissions will also be accepted at the hearing. Mailed statements and exhibits intended for inclusion in the public hearing transcript must be postmarked within ten (10) business days of this Public Hearing. Project inquiries may be emailed to dot.feedback.highway@state.ma.us

The community has declared that this facility is accessible to all in compliance with the ADA / Title II. However, persons in need of ADA/Title II accommodations should contact John Lozada by phone at (617) 973 7193 or email to MASSDOT.CivilRights@dot.state.ma.us. Requests must be made at least 10 days prior to the date of the public hearing.

In case of inclement weather, hearing cancellation announcements will be posted on the internet at http://www.massdot.state.ma.us/Highway/

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
REP # 12-33

The City of Somerville, acting through the Purchasing Department invites sealed bids for a lease of commercial space for use as a police substation serving the neighborhood of East Somerville.

A request for proposals (RFP) and specifications may be obtained at the Purchasing Department, City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA 02143 on or after <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>November 9, 2011</u>. Sealed proposals will be received at the above office until <u>November 30, 2011 at 11:00 a.m.</u> at which time sealed proposals will be opened. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

The preferred space will located on lower Broadway in a highly visible location and be large enough to accommodate a vestibule, a conference room, and two offices and will include some off-street parking.

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Fire Alarm Systems Inspection, Testing and Maintenance

The Somerville Housing Authority invites sealed bids for the Inspection, Testing, and Maintenance of Fire Alarm Systems and related equipment in various State and Federally Funded housing developments in Somerville, Massachusetts. 'SHA Job No. PFA-12012', in accordance with the specifications prepared by the SHA Purchasing Department.

The work consists of a one (1) year "full service" Inspection/s, preventative maintenance, repairing or replacing Fire Alarm Systems and Equipment. Contractor must be able to provide twenty four (24) hour service 7 days a week. The SHA at its option may extend the Contract two times for one year each.

The work is estimated to cost 60,000 per one (1) year term.

Bids are subject to provisions of M.G.L. c.30B, and to the minimum wage rates required by M.G.L.c. 149\$26 27H inclusive.

General Bids will be received until 10:00 A.M., Friday, December 9, 2011, and publicly opened forthwith, at the Offices of the Somerville Housing Authority, Administration Bldg., 30 Memorial Road, Somerville, MA 01245. Bids may be mailed to Somerville Housing Authority, Purchasing Department, 30 Memorial Road, Somerville, MA 02145 and must be received before the time specified. SHA is not responsible for lost or late bids.

General Bids shall be accompanied by a bid deposit or bid bond that is not less than 5% of the greatest possible bid amount (considering any alternates) and made payable to the Somerville Housing Authority.

Bid forms and Contract Documents will be available for pick up at Somerville Housing Authority, Administration Offices located at 30 Memorial Road, Somerville, MA 02145 after 10:00 A.M. on Monday, November 21, 2011. There will be no charge for these documents.

A site visit is scheduled for Thursday, December 1, 2011 at 9:00 A.M. All interested parties will meet at Somerville Housing Authority, Administration Building, 30 Memorial Road, Somerville, MA 02145. Prior notification that you are interested in attending the site visit is requested. Please notify Anthony Crespo at 617-625-1152 extension 336 if you are attending.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA. 02141 (617) 768-5800

MIDDLESEX Division

Docket No. MI 11P5231EA

In the Estate of: Cesidio R. Lifrieri Late of: Somerville, MA. 02144 Date of Death: 09/24/2005

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented requesting that a document purporting to be a copy the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that

Giuditta Houhoulis of Boxborough, MA
Nancy Patsios of Andover, MA

be appointed executor/trix, named in the will to serve

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IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT;

Cambridge

ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK (10:00 AM) ON: **12/13/2011**

In addition, you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

WITNESS, HON. PETER C. DIGANGI, First Justice of this Court Date: November 8, 2011

Tara E. De Cristofaro Register of Probate

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A hearing for all persons interested will be given by the **Somerville Licensing Commission** on **Monday, November 21, 2011** at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at **6:00PM** on the application of EBI Sushi, Inc. for an Entertainment License consisting on Audio, stereo and two televisions at 290 Somerville Ave., Somerville, MA

For the Commission Andrew Upton Vito Vaccaro John J. McKenna

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro Administrative Assistant

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The Somerville Housing Authority (SHA), the Awarding Authority, invites sealed bids for SHA Project No 1105, Supply of Vinyl Replacement Windows for Corbett Apartments (667-2) in Somerville Massachusetts, in accordance with Specifications prepared by the SHA Modernization Department.

These supplies are estimated to cost \$110,000. Bids are subject to M.G.L. Chapter 30B.

Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. Thursday, December 1, 2011 at the Somerville Housing Authority, Administration Office, 30 Memorial Road, Somerville, MA 02145.

A pre-bid conference will be held at Corbett Apartments, 125 Jaques St. in Somerville, at 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, November 22, 2011. It is strongly recommended that prospective bidders attend.

The contract will be awarded to the responsive and responsible bidder offering the lowest price for the supplies, as specified in the Bid Documents.

The SHA may reject any and all bids if such action is in the public interest.

Bidding documents will be available for pick-up, at no cost, at the **SHA Modernization Office** after 10:00 a.m. <u>Wednesday, November</u> 16, 2011.

For more information regarding this project, contact Tim Healy, Director of Operations, at 617-625-1152, ext. 344, or Frank Smith, Modernization Specialist, at 617-625-1152, ext.332.

Date: November 14, 2011

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA. 02141 (617) 768-5800

MIDDLESEX Division

Docket No. MI 11P5186EA

In the Estate of: Dante Sarno a/k/a Dante V Sarno

Late of: Somerville, MA. 02145

Date of Death: 10/10/2011

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR

to all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented requesting that

Gusan Lemure of Saugus, MA

or some other suitable person be appointed administrator of said estate to serve.

estate to serve.
Without Surety

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT; CAMBRIDGE

ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK (10:00 AM) ON: 12/13/2011

WITNESS, HON. PETER C. DIGANGI, First Justice of this Court Date: November 8, 2011

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2001	Ford	Focus	Vin# 1FAFP34P91W334062

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A hearing for all persons interested will be given by the **Somerville Licensing Commission** on **Monday, November 21, 2011** at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at **6:00PM** on the application of Davis Square Food Services, Inc., 37 Davis Sq., Somerville, MA for an alteration of premises to expand 300 feet and add 18 seats at the above address.

For the Commission Andrew Upton Vito Vaccaro John J. McKenna

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro
Administrative Assistant

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THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION BY THE POWER VESTED IN IT THROUGH A SPECIAL ACT OF ORDINANCE THE LEGISLATURE, CHAPTER 397 OF THE ACTS OF 1978 HEREBY AMENDS THE TRAFFIC ORDINANCES THE FOLLOWING TRAFFIC REGULATION:

2011-38 Article V1 Section 6-1 "One Way Streets" Amend a portion of regulation 2011-12 by adding on Additional 90 day trail

2011-39 ARTICE V SECTION 5-15 "HANDICAPPED PARKING" IS AMENDED WITH THE FOLLOWING ADDITION:

45 Berkeley St 90 day trail 19 Virginia St

2011-40 Article V Section 5-2 "Loading/Service Zones"
Amend a portion of 2011-2 92 Highland Av amend with the following change

Monday-Saturday 7:30-7:00 pm.

2011-41 Article V Section 5-5 "Parking Locations and Prohibition" Amend a portion of 2000-12 92 Highland Av 15 Minute parking 8:00am-6:00pm

2011-42 Article 1 Section 5-9. "Parking Meter and Locations and Regulation:" Eliminate two parking meters east side of Chester St at intersection of Elm St.

PROMULGATED: OCTOBER 20, 2011 ADVERTISED: NOVEMBER 9, 2011 NOVEMBER 16, 2011 NOVEMBER 23, 2011 EFFECTIVE: NOVEMBER 30, 2011

MATTHEW DIAS, ACTING DIRECTOR

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A hearing for all persons interested will be given by the **Somerville Licensing Commission** on **Monday, November 21, 2011** at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at **6:00PM** on the application of Lil Vinny's, Inc., 525-527 Medford St., Somerville, MA to transfer its All Forms Alcoholic Beverages 7 Day Restaurant License to Demeter Hospitality, LLC d/b/a Daddy Jones also for an Entertainment License consisting of Entertainment by Performers & Devices at 525-527 Medford St.

For the Commission Andrew Upton Vito Vaccaro John J. McKenna

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro Administrative Assistant

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For the Commission Andrew Upton Vito Vaccaro John J. McKenna

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro Administrative Assistant

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT IFB # 12-38

The City of Somerville, through the Purchasing Department invites sealed bids for:

Sewer Bricks and Concrete Supplies

An IFB and specifications may be obtained at the Purchasing Department, City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA. 02143 on or after: Wednesday. November 16. 2011. Sealed bids will be received at the above office until: Friday, December 2, 2011, at 11:00 A.M. at which time sealed bids will be open. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

The contract term shall be for a period of 1 year, from December 5, 2011 through December 4, 2012. With Two (2), One Year options to renew.

Angela M. Allen Purchasing Director 617-625-6600 ext. 3400

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'VILLENS ON THE TOWN •

FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Wednesday November 16

East Branch Library

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

West Branch Library

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

Central Library

Half Day Wednesday Movie: Speed

1 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Thursday November 17

Central Library

Preschool: Storytime for 3 to 5 year

10:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m.|79 Highland

Friday November 18

Central Library

Preschool: Storytime for 2 year olds 10:30 a.m.-11 a.m.|79 Highland Ave

Sunday November 20

Central Library

Yoga Class for Kids Ages 4-7 with Janine Duffy 3 p.m.-4p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Monday November 21

Central Library

Preschool: Sing Along with Jordan

11 a.m.- 11:45 a.m.|79 Highland Ave

Wednesday November 23

East Branch Library Preschool: Storytime

11a.m. - 11:30 a.m.|115 Broadway

MUSIC Wednesday November 16

Johnny D's

La Clave Secreta 17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Free Poker, lots of prizes! 335 Somerville Ave 617-666-3589

The Burren

PUB QUIZ 8-10|Comedy@10 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

PA'S Lounge Baylies Band|People of

ColorlUniverses 345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

On The Hill Tavern Sports Trivia

499 Broadway|617-629-5302

Orleans Restaurant and Bar

65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Precinct Bar

International Pop Overthrow Boston|Dan HI|Corin Ashley|Peter Buzzelle|Eddie Japan|Young Tremors The Buckners 70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

Bull McCabe's Pub

Mike Hastings Band 366A Somerville Avel617-440-6045

Highland Kitchen

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

Night Games

Name vour tune Wednesdays|Karaoke 30 Washington St|617-628-1000

Samba Bar & Grille

608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

Nick Palms Comedy Showcase 381 Summer St

Bloc 11

11 Bow St.|617-623-0000

Thursday November 17

Veterans for Peace|Racky Thomas 17 Holland St.|617-776-2004 Sally O'Brien's

Flatt Rabbitt|6 p.m.

Birds Of Play & guests|9 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

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

PA'S Lounge

Dressed for the Occasion|UnderGround Mantra|Axiom|Christine Harazim 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

International Pop Overthrow Boston|The Sound of Growing Up|Cliff Hills|The Pounders|Watts|The Lexingtons|The Vinyl Skyway 70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

Bull McCabe's Pub

Dub Down featuring the Scotch **Bonnet Band** 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Bloc 11

Live Music 11 Bow St.|617-623-0000

PJ Ryan's Live Music

239 Holland St|617-625-8200

Joshua Tree

Country Music Thursday 9:30 p.m.|256 Elm St. |617-623-9910

Night Games

Throwback Thursdays 80's Dance 30 Washington St|617-628-1000

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

Machine 475, Invisible Rays 381 Summer St

Arts At The Armory

For the Sake of the Song: Americana at the Armory! 7:30 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

Friday | November 18

Loose Change|No Static 17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's

Larry Flint & The Road Scholars 6

Super Ska |9 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

Orleans Restaurant and Bar Live Acoustic Music 8 p.m.|65 Holland St

Precinct Bar

International Pop Overthrow Boston|Munk Duane Band|Sonny Lee and the Layovers|The Field Effect|Brian Charles|Popfilter|The Irresponsibles|The Brigands 70 Union Sq|617 -623-9211

PA'S Lounge

The Motivated Sequence|Wondernaut|Gun Shop Daddy|Electric Evolver 345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

On The Hill Tavern

499 Broadway |617-629-5302 Orleans Restaurant and Bar

65 Holland St|617-591-2100 Bull McCabe's

Jess Tardy Band

366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045 Michael's Bar

Domestic Beer \$2.50

9 p.m. - 1 a.m.|no cover|97 Washington St|617-623-3364

Joshua Tree

10 p.m.|256 Elm St. |617-623-9910

Night Games

Fabulous Fridays|R&B

30 Washington St|617-628-1000 Samba Bar & Grille

Live music 9 p.m.|608 Somerville Ave|617-718-

Rosebud Bar

The Oggs|, Cal Cali's New Experience|The Beach Combovers|Eric Martin and the Illyrians|Litehouses 381 Summer St

Bloc 11

11 Bow St.|617-623-0000

Casey's

Entertainment every Friday 173 Broadway|617- 625-5195

Arts At The Armory

Richard Cambridge's Poet Theatre Presents: Elizabeth Searle 7:30 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

Saturday November 19

Johnny D's

Chick Singer Night|Mike Zito|ONeal Armstrong 17 Holland St.|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's

Patsy Hamel Band|5:30 p.m. Mr Kowalsky with Waves Crashing on Face 9 p.m.

335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Rurren

Scattershot 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

Precinct Bar International Pop Overthrow Boston|Sinnet|The Modulators|Fox Pass|Dave Rave|The RC S|Fireking| 1 4

70 Union Sql617-623-9211

Orleans Restaurant and Bar Karaoke|on demand DJ 9p.m.|65 Holland St

PA'S Lounge

Whistle Jacket|The Double Stops |Baby Barnyard|Tom Scanlon 345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

On The Hill Tavern Live DJ Music

499 Broadway|617-629-5302 **Bull McCabe's Pub**

Ronan Quinn Band 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045 **Ioshua Tree**

10 p.m.|256 Elm St. |617-623-9910

Michael's Bar

Come Dance to the Oldies; 50's-80's music|Domestic Beer \$2.50 9 p.m. - 1 a.m.|no cover|97 Washington St|617-623-3364

Night Games

Sexy Saturdays|new old school 30 Washington St|617-628-1000

608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

Samba Bar & Grille

Rosebud Bar The bands will be Dead Cats Dead Rats, Mutt, Fax Holiday, Mod Gun, Pile and Sherman Burns 381 Summer St

Bloc 11 11 Bow St.|617-623-0000

Casey's Entertainment every Saturday

173 Broadway 617-625-5195 Arts At The Armory

Somerville Singer Songwriter Sessions 7:30 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

Sunday November 20

Johnny D's Open Blues Jam 4:30 p.m. |Chick Singer Night|Mike Zito|ONeal Armstrong

17 Holland St.|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar Julie Dougherty Afternoon Review 1

Frank Drake Sunday Showcase|5 p.m.

335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589 Sunday Night Music Series

8 p.m.|247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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

Precinct Bar

Little War Twins

70 Union Sq|617-623-9211 **Bull McCabe's Pub**

Dub Apocalypse 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Orleans Restaurant and Bar RockBand every other Sundays

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

9 p.m.|65 Holland St

Michael's Bar Karaoke Domestic Beer \$2.50 9 p.m. - 1 a.m.|no cover|97 Washington St|617-623-3364

Highland Kitchen

Live Bluegrass Brunch | noon-2:30 Live Music|10 p.m.

150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131 **Night Games**

Sports Blitz Sundays 30 Washington St 617-628-1000

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

Rosebud Bar Wall of Sound|Mr. Reliable 381 Summer St

. Team Trivia

Monday November 21 Johnny D's

17 Holland St | 617-776-2004 Sally O'Brien's Bar

Cheapshots Comedy Club open Marley Mondays with the Duppy Conquerors 9:30 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589 The Burren

Bur-Run|6:30 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 345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

Precinct Bar Friends of Yours|Maggie Whitlock|Traces of Empire|Gambiza|Michael Johnson z 70 Union Sq|617-623-921

On The Hill Tavern

499 Broadway|617-629-5302

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

Tuesday November 22

Johnny D's

Susie Burke|David Surette 17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar Dryden Brothers 9 p.m.

335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589 Open Mic w/ Hugh McGowan|6:30

p.m. 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

Billy Spanlard|Original Gravity 70 Union Sq|617-623-9211 **Bull McCabe's Pub**

David Johnston 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

Rosebud Bar Karaoke with Kristi

Wednesday November 23

Johnny D's Sarah Borges

381 Summer St

17 Holland St|617-776-2004 Sally O'Brien's Bar Free Poker, lots of prizes!

335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren PUB QUIZ 8-10|Comedy@10

247 Elm Street 617-776-6896 PA'S Lounge Sleepsick|The Hotel Year|I Can See

MountainAmerican Alligator|Inlite

345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

On The Hill Tavern Sports Trivia

499 Broadway|617-629-5302 Orleans Restaurant and Bar

65 Holland St|617-591-2100 **Precinct Bar**

Close Enough 70 Union Sq|617-623-9211 **Bull McCabe's Pub**

Mike Hastings Band 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

30 Washington St|617-628-1000

Name your tune Wednesdays|Karaoke

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

Bloc 11

Rosebud Bar Nick Palms Comedy Showcase 381 Summer St

CLASSES AND GROUPS Wednesday November 16

11 Bow St.|617-623-0000

Central Library Dancing to Mozart's Requiem:

Third Life Studio

Scores, Recordings and Choreography 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave Beyond Beginners Belly Dancing with Nadira Jamal 7:30p.m.| Level 2|33 Union Sq|www.nadirajamal.com

Thursday November 17

West 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.)

Central Library

Introduction to the Basic Computer Skills Caron Guigli

617-623-5000 x2920 2 p.m.- 3:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

West Branch Library Fiction Writing Workshop with Kelly

6 p.m. - 8 p.m. |40 College Ave **Third Life Studio** Roots and Rhythm

33 Union Sq

drumzatlibana@gmail.com 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

Saturday November 19

Central Library Food and Fun! Classic Diners of Massachusetts

Somerville Writers and Poets meet

10 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|79 Highland Ave

weekly to discuss their work 9 a.m.-12 p.m.|Au Bon Pain| 18-48

Bagel Bards

Highland Ave

952-2798

Therapy

Holland St Arts At The Armory Somerville Winter Farmer's Market 9:30 a.m.|Performance Hall191

Third Life Studio Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction with Sunada Takagi

(617) 539-6409 Monthly Open Voice Movement Therapy Workshops 11:30 -2:30 p.m.|33 Union Sq| 978-

10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.|33 Union Sq|

Yoga Flow 1 p.m.-2 p.m.|33 Union Sq |maria.taesil@gmail.com Introduction to Voice Movement

2:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.| Mali: 781.290.6381 MaliSastri@gmail.com

Third Life Studio Discover Belly Dancing with Nadira

Jamal Noon- 1 p.m.|33 Union Sq Unity Church of God Fourth Step to Freedom Al-Anon

Enter upstairs, meeting is in basement.

Monday November 21 **Central Library**

7 p.m.-9 p.m.|79 Highland Ave **Central 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

West Branch Library

6 p.m.| 781-729-2252

Third Life Studio Vinyasa Flow Yoga & Meditation

Third Life Studio The Art of Singing Group 7 p.m.-9:15 p.m.|33 Union Sq|617-

Wednesday November 23

Sunday November 20

Family Groups 7:00 P.M. | 6 William Street

Friends of the Library Meeting

Monday Night Movie: A Private 7 p.m.-9 p.m.|79 Highland Ave **East Branch Library**

Book Group:Books Into Movie 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|40 College Ave

Tuesday November 22

9:15 a.m.-10:15 a.m.|617-628-7884

628-0916 srlibana@gmail.com

Third Life Studio

Beyond beginning Belly Dance with Nadira Jamal

7:30 p.m.|Level 2|33 Union Sq|www.nadirajamal.com



CENTER HAPPENINGS: SENIOR

November 16

Murder Mystery Lunch at Venezia

Holland Street Center

Flexibility & Balance 9:30 a.m. Shine Hours (Appt only) 10:30 a.m.

Women's Support Group & Discussion (new members

welcome)|10:30 a.m.

Lunch|11:30 a.m.

Afternoon Tea|12:30 p.m.- 1:30 p.m.

Qi Gong|1:15 p.m.

167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

Cross Street Center

Bowling 1:15 p.m.

165 Broadway|617-625-6600 x 2335

Ralph & Jenny Center

Indoor Exercise (Interval Training)|10:30 a.m. 9 New Washington Street 617-666-5223

November 17

Holland Street Center

Indoor Interval Exercise 9 a.m.

Senior Discussion (What's going in the News and the World around us)|10 a.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m.

167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

Cross Street Center

Indoor Exercises 10:30 a.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m.

165 Broadway|617-625-6600 x 2335

Ralph & Jenny Center

AARP Driver Safety Program|9:30 a.m.

Strengthening with Geoff|10 a.m. Portuguese Lunch|11:30a.m.

Bingo|12:30 p.m.

9 New Washington Street 617-666-5223

November 18

Holland Street

Indoor Exercises 9 a.m.

The Book Club! (Call if you still need a book!)|9:30 a.m.

Blood Pressure Screening 10 a.m.

Low Vision|10:30 a.m. Bingo|12:45 p.m.

167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

Cross Street

Flexibility & Balance Exercise (Didi)|10:30 a.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m. 165 Broadway|617-625-6600 x 2335

Ralph & Jenny

Center Closed

November 19

Holiday Shopping at Patriot's Place & Wrentham

November 21

Museum of Science Trip

Holland Street Center

(Time change for dance) Swinging Singing Seniors|9:30

Dance at the Holiday Inn

Back Street Dancers performing along with DJ Hank for

Line Dancing and the Twist!

November 22

Holland Street Center

Strengthening with Geoff|9:15 a.m.

Technology is Easy! Learn how to skype, facebook, email and download photos 10:30 a.m.

167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x. 2300

Cross Street

Shine Presentation(Health Care)|10:30 a.m.

Indoor Exercise 10:30 a.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m.

165 Broadway|617-625-6600 x. 2335

Ralph & Jenny Center

Flexibility & Balance Exercise with Didi Afternoon at the Movies "The Blind Side" | 12:30 p.m.

9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

November 23

Holland Street

Flexibility and Balance 9:30 a.m.

Shine Office Hours (RSVP with Suzanne at 617-626-

6600 ext.2318)|10 a.m.

Women's Group (support)|10:30 a.m.

QiGong|1:15 p.m.

167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x. 2300

Cross Street

Bowling:1 p.m.

165 Broadway|617-625-6600 x. 2335

Ralph & Jenny

Indoor Exercise 10:30 a.m.

Bingo|12:30 p.m.

9 New Washington Street 617-666-5223

Holiday in the Ville will benefit music education

Let it snow, let it snow! Rain, shine or snowing on Saturday, November 26, better hope you are in town. Somerville's got talent! Don't miss the entertainment event of the season. Walk or ride yourself over to the Somerville Theatre: The faculty, students and alumni of the Somerville Public Schools music department present a Tom Taylor production, Holiday in the Ville, from 4:00 PM until 7:00 PM. The Somerville Theatre will rock and glow with the sounds of the city and season provided by the go-flo casuals, Grooversity, the Somerville Second Line Social Aid Pleasure Society Brass Band, to name just three of the original student and alumni based acts. Alumni of the SHS band, orchestra and chorus will join the present student members of their respective ensembles in performance, and there will be many exciting surprises. Jimmy Del Ponte will be master of ceremonies. General admission is \$10, seniors and children are \$5. Tickets are available in advance at the Somerville Theatre box office, or contact Rick Saunders at the high school. Remaining tickets will be sold at the door.

The proceeds will go to Somerville Public Schools' music program, to support the expansion of its instructional and extracurricular offerings as well as to continue its practice of providing music lessons regardless of students' ability to rent instruments.



The Somerville News **Best of Somerville 2011** Cast your vote!

You have until November 16 to vote for your favorite category. To cast your vote, email us at thebestofsomerville@yahoo.com or call 617-666-4010 AFTER 5 p.m. to leave a message or mail in your ballot to The Somerville News 699 Broadway, Somerville, MA 02144. The winners will be announced Wednesday November 23, 2011. If you don't see your favorite category here, simply add it to this list.

Best of Somerville Foods & Restaurants

Best Breakfast

Best Combination Breakfast &

Lunch

Best Italian Food

Best Chinese Food Best Mexican Food

Best Variety and all around

Restaurant

Best Seafood

Best Irish Pub Best Local Bar

Best Thai Food Best Hamburg

Best Hot-Dog Best Roast Beef Sandwich

Best Pizza Best Bakery Best Sub Shop

Best Coffee Shop Franchise Best Coffee Shop local

Best of Somerville Services

Best Chef

Best Electrician

Best Plumber **Best Attorney**

Best Teacher

Best Politician

Best City Worker Best Insurance Agent

Best Real Estate Agent/Realtor

Best Real Estate Rental Agent Best Bank Teller

Best Waiter

Best Bank Employee **Best Waitress**

Best Bartender

Best Cook Best Barber

Best Hairdresser

Best Boss

Best Employee Best Doctor

Best Nurse

Best Eye Doctor

Best Orthodontist

Best Mortgage Officer Best Somerville Artist

Best Somerville Poet

Best Somerville Writer

Best Somerville Celebrity Best City Elected Politician

Best City Employee DPW

Best City Employee City Hall/Annex

Best of Somerville Businesses

Best Somerville Bank

Best Real Estate Company

Best Insurance Agency

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Best Auto Body Shop

Best Tow Company

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Best Convenient/Neighborhood

Best Travel Agency

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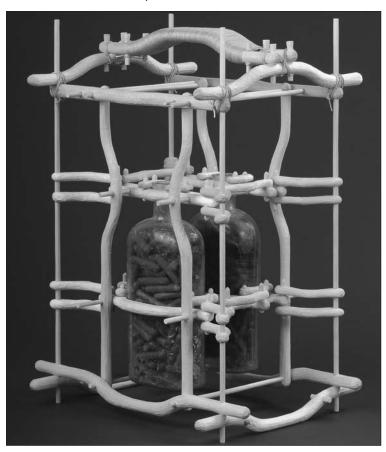
The 24th Annual Open Studio Event will take place this weekend, November 19 and 20, from noon to 6 p.m.

50 artists will open their studios to the public this year. Two blocks away, the Joy Street Studios will feature more than 50 of their studios which will be open on that same weekend.

See both up-and-coming and established artists' artwork in the studios where they were

created. All media are represented from painting and sculpture to photography, animation, digital art and environmental and performance art. Genres range from abstract to realistic and everything in between.

Artists will talk about the creative process and give demonstrations of techniques. Much of the work will be available for sale.





Somerville honors a new generation of veterans CONT. FROM PG 3

who have made the choice to serve to keep the rest of us safe, even knowing that she will need to leave her threeyear-old daughter behind on her next tour. "The way I see it, I take the hit so you won't have to," she said.

Unlike in past wars, where the draft meant that almost every family had someone who served, today's all-volunteer military means that less one percent of the population is making the sacrifice for all of she said. "It was his choice

us. But military families say they do feel special, but they don't feel unique.

Jody Connelly, whose son Brad enlisted this year fresh out of Somerville High, said she knows "quite a few Somerville boys" who are serving too. And she doesn't question her family's sacrifice. "It nearly broke my heart when he said he was going in. I cry almost every day. But for this country, it's worth it,"

and his choice alone and I will never forget that. I'm so proud of him."

The all-volunteer military means that those who choose to serve are serving more tours overseas, and returning multiple times to the most dangerous places in the world. Senesi, the city veteran services director, said that's beginning to take a long-term toll on families, and on the veterans themselves.

According to the Veterans Administration, one in five Iraq or

Afghanistan veterans suffers depression or Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), where veterans relive the worst of their war experiences long after they're home. But Senesi said those numbers will rise over time because PTSD can often take years to emerge.

"We're seeing it now. But it's going to get much worse," said Senesi. "It only takes a little bit of stress or anxiety in their life for PTSD to come out. Especially doing the two, three or four

tours. It's going to come out eventually." But he added that the Veterans Administration and other organizations have come a long way, even just in the past few years, in being able to help today's veterans with the challenges they face.

"We fought so those after us wouldn't have to. But things change," said Hickey, of the Veterans Council. "Now, it's our job as veterans to take care of the veterans who are coming back. That's what it's all about."

Veterans appreciated in Somerville

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and thank all of the veterans that have served, especially the ones that are serving now," said Bob Hickey of the Somerville Allied Veteran's Alliance. "They're the ones fighting for our right to be here today, having this celebration."

Joe Cauly, a veteran of the Korean Era, which he reminded The News was a "police action," said that the appreciation of veterans was vital to the community, and recalling their sacrifice an important endeavor.

"The sacrifice that these guys have made, they've had to get their legs and everything!" he said.

Cauly voiced dissatisfaction tively expensive.

with current American military policy, including the war in Afghanistan, which he said should not be fought, as it caused incredible strain to those who fight. "They're coming back, the young guys. Athletes, football players, they come back screwed up, done for life!"

On a more somber note, the fate of the Dilboy Post currently hangs in the balance, with a fire inspection threatening to close the post down for good if they do not receive proper prevention systems, which Commander Bob Hardy said would be prohibi-



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Monday 11/21:

Cheapshots Comedy Club open mike 7 p.m. Marley Mondays with The Duppy Conquerors 10 p.m.

Tuesday 11/22 Wednesday 11/23:

Free Poker, lots of prizes! 8 p.m.

Thursday 11/24:

Happy Thanksgiving! Jimmy Ryan Band 6 p.m.

Dryden Brothers 9 p.m.

Friday 11/25:

Johnnie Mac & The Local Forecast 9 p.m.

Saturday 11/26:

Les Sampou 6 p.m. Four-Point Restraints with Gaetana Brown 9 p.m.

Sunday 11/27:

Frank Drake Sunday Showcase 5 p.m Natalie Flanagan Band with

Trusty Sidekick Party 8 p.m.



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SCAT Program Schedule for the Week

Wednesday, Nov	rember 16	5:30pm	Somerville: Most Interesting Places	12:30pm	Somerville Housing Authority	1:00pm	Ablevision
12:00am	Free Speech TV	6:00pm	Al Jazeera TV	1:00pm (LIVE)) Bongoman	1:30pm	Somerville Housing Authority
6:00am	The Arabic Hour	7:00pm (LIVE)	Tele Magazine	2:00pm	Intro Talk w/ Achyut	2:00pm	Thom Hartmann Program
7:00am	Raising Drug Free Kids	7:30pm	Somerville Rocks	2:30pm	**Special**	3:00pm	Robyn & Max Exercise
8:00am	Democracy Now!	8:00pm (LIVE)	Fouye Zo Nan Kalalou	3:00pm	Protraits of Somerville	3:30pm	Esoteric Science
9:00am	Creating Cooperative Kids	9:30pm	The Garage	5:00pm	Tele Kreyol	4:00pm	South of the Mystic
10:00am	Abugida TV	10:30pm	Sonic Lobotomy	6:00pm	Tele Magazine	4:30pm	Somerville Back In The Day
11:00am	Somerville News Reading	11:00pm	Recovery Roundtable	7:00pm	Recovery Roundtable	•	Culture Club
12:00noon	Democracy Now!	Friday, Novem	ber 18	8:00pm	Blunt Truth	5:00pm	
1:00pm	Nepali Festival	12:00am	Free Speech TV	9:00pm	Nossa Gente e Costumes	5:30pm	Talking About Somerville
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9:00pm	Somerville Rocks	3:30pm	Toastmasters	11:00am	International Church of God	7:00pm	Perils For Pedestrians
9:30pm	SCATV & Free Speech	4:00pm	Neighborhood Cooking	11:30am	The Commonwealth Report	7:30am	The Struggle
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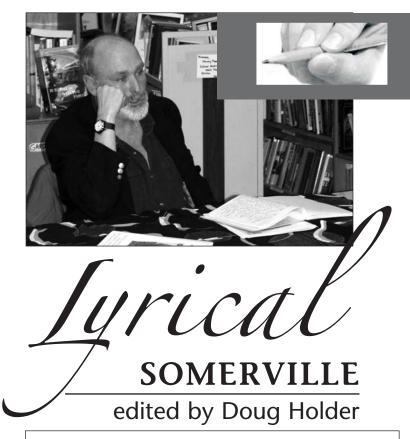
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Spare Change News poetry editor Marc D. Goldfinger sent me this poem for the LYRICAL.

I have always been infected, I confess my heart is with the outs. The left-outs, the cast-outs, the out of its, out of their minds, possessed by that which has them talk to Gods or Demons.

Our spiritual heads rotate on our necks, look into our eyes if you can, see outside society, outside civilization, the jungle roars from our outside eyes

I confess. I am one of them, yet even outside them too. The ride-outs, the white-outs, the black-outs. I have been told, by one authority or another that I will always be an outsider, an outrider, an outlaw, I dance on the webbing of civilization.

I confess. I love the dope-fiends, the tramps, the petty thieves, the panhandlers, the whores, the poets from the fringe, the hustlers, the winos in the alley draining the spider from a bottle of Maddog 20-20, the dark bars and coffee houses where the smoke hangs heavy, where junkies draw up water from the drain of a dirty sink to quiet the voices, where the spirits mutter divine phrases to themselves. Everyone understands, no one is talking.

I confess. I love the flame-outs, the burn-outs, the shut-outs, the put-outs. The forced-outs, the unclaimed. We know each other, give one another the nod as we go about our business collecting the hebephrenic voices of the Gods.

Okay, I confess. I am haunted by the ghosts of the past, the specter of the future, by women who look at their husbands with fear in their eyes, by men who walk docile behind angry wives, by the counter-worker who cowers when the manager walks by, by police who swagger, by guns in human hands.

I confess. I am haunted by people who think it is okay to develop diseases to be used as weapons of war, by people who spend millions of dollars of taxpayer money to find out what a president has done with his penis, by non-smokers who think auto-exhaust is okay, by companies who drill oil wells deep in the ocean and lack the technology to stop a well that blows one mile under the water, then banter while ecosystems die, by talk shows that promote mob mentality, by children who kill each other.

I confess, I have always been infected, I am only haunted

by what is real.

- Marc D. Goldfinger

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THE SHELF

by Doug Holder

Somerville Writer Alan Ball:

Working with kids after work and after-school

Alan Ball has worked 25 years as a medical journalist. He moved from NYC to Somerville in 1978. Since then he has worked with school kids by organizing after school creative writing groups at the A.D. Healey School, and formed the student newspaper. He founded the print and online magazine Happening Now!everywhere-- run by a collective of young writers that produces an online and print magazine of literature and art that is read worldwide. I talked with Ball on my Somerville Community Access TV Show " Poet to Poet: Writer to Writer."

Doug Holder: You started your first novel at age 12. What was it about?

Alan Ball: Well I wrote one page and that was it. It was about an abandoned house that kids took over. I never finished it.

DH: Did you come from a bookish-literary background?

AB: I grew up in Freeport, N.Y. I didn't come from a bookish family. My dad was a supermarket worker--my mom was stay-at-home. I later figured out that she was an artist but there was no outlet for women then. I remember reading E.E. Cummings in school and he made me realize you could become a writer and not have to worry about all the formalities--you could experiment.

DH: You said you were grateful for the education your kids got in Somerville, Mass. A popular misconception is that Somerville schools are less competitive than some of our more affluent neighbors. How do you answer that?

AB: My kids got a great education here, and I am grateful. It had to do with me wanting to give back to the community. I know the controversy--it is a big misconception. The high school has always been a fine place. A lot of high powered people have come out of Somerville High. My kids did well-- both got into Boston College--and they are able to pursue their chosen careers.

DH: As we have mentioned you have taught creative writing to young children. Aren't kids natural creative writers--they view the world through fresh eyes--and there is still that fascination with everything?

AB: Absolutely. That is why it is enjoyable. The creative writing classes I teach are part of an after



school program centered around the school newspaper. We teach creative writing mostly from the point of view of journalism. We jump around a lot. I look forward to do more "classroom" stuff but right now I am focused on publications. The kids do it all: read, write and research.

DH: Tell me about your magazine Happening-Now!everywhere--which consists of a collective of young writers.

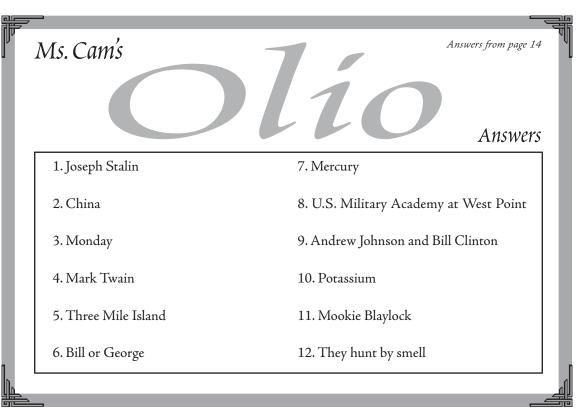
AB: We started out in print, but we wanted to extend our reach. So we went online because the Internet is worldwide.

The print arm of our project is much smaller--we print around 100 copies of the magazine. The kids sell it--we go to public events like The Somerville News Writers Festival last year to sell our publications. We also have published poetry books. We published a small collection: "Poets for Haiti." It was a response to the tragedy that befell Haiti--we raised 800 dollars.

DH: Where does your funding come from?

AB: We recycle old print cartridges. We take donations--or we ask people to buy any number of our books.

TO find out more about this project go to: http://12zine.com





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