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Living la vida local

Merchants launch Shift Your Shopping campaign



Shoppers enjoyed a beautiful day in Davis Square on Black Friday.

By Elizabeth Sheeran

If malls and big box stores were the front lines on Black Friday, Somerville's commercial districts were a welcome respite away from the battlefield.

There were no stampedes through the door in the wee morning hours. No panicked outcries as the mobs descended on stacks of discounted video games. No negotiating the mall parking lot like a carnival bumper car ride, only to end up parked in Siberia. In fact, most Somerville residents could leave their car at home and walk to local retail stores.

Shoppers who spurned the malls on Friday to head to Davis Square were treated to gorgeous late-autumn weather for leisurely browsing. And there were bargains to be had. Retailers around the square were offering Black Friday discounts of 15 percent, 30 percent or more, on items that probably can't be found at a big box store anyway.

"It's much less stressful to go out in the community and say 'hi' to people you know than fighting people over some flat-screen deal," said Kat Rutkin, executive

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Somerville comes up short on turkey day

By Terence Clarey

If last Thursday's Thanksgiving Day high school football match up between Somerville and Cambridge Rindge and Latin is going to be a new tradition, Somerville hopes that last Thursday's outcome does not repeat itself as they dropped the first game to new Turkey Day rival Cambridge 34-30.

The Highlanders (1-9) fought hard to the very end of the game but they could not overcome the Cambridge offense and five untimely turnovers of their own, the last being a fumble by offensive machine Phoenix Huertas late in the fourth quarter, which led to a 56-yard touchdown scamper by Cambridge's Shaquille Anderson that would be the eventual game winner.

"Turnovers at any level of football will hurt you. Sometimes players try and do too much," said Somerville Head Coach Tony Gulla.

"That might have been the case with a one of those interceptions. The others were more coverage related. Cambridge defenders just made great plays on passes we completed all year."

On the other hand, Huertas was 21 for 29 with 242 yards and three passing touchdowns and one rushing touchdown.

"No one player or one play is ever responsible for the outcome of the game and I told Phoenix that, because as the QB and team leader he is, he took the loss personally. But football is the ultimate team game and we win as a team and we lose as a team."

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SHS Quarterback Phoenix Huertas, flanked by Running Back Troy Martini, calls out signals in the Thanksgiving Day game against Cambridge Rindge and Latin.



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NEWTALK

Spike's Junkyard Dogs, Davis Square location will be closing this Friday, November 30. Anyone looking for their Spike's Junkyard Dogs fix should stop in by midnight on Friday. For those customers that visit between now and Saturday, they will be given a coupon for a Free Hot Dog or Veggie Dog that may be redeemed at one of two other locations: 108 Brighton Ave., Allston or 1076 Boylston St. (corner Mass. Ave.), Boston. They thank everyone for their patronage in Davis Square and look forward to seeing everyone in Allston or the Back Bay.

2012 Holiday Events were announced today. The city's annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony will take place Thursday, December 6 at 5:30 p.m. on the City Hall Concourse, followed by a meet and greet with Santa Claus in the Somerville High School Highlander Café (atrium entrance). For the first time, this event will also include a ceremonial lighting of a Hanukkah Menorah, which will remain on the concourse throughout the season. The Christmas tree lighting ceremony will feature musical entertainment by the Somerville High School Band; the SHS Chorus and the Somerville Community Chorus; and El Sistema Somerville, the city's new youth orchestra based on the international model. Special guest Santa Claus will be escorted by the Somerville Fire Department for the ceremony and will be available for photos following the tree lighting. All children attending the ceremony will also receive a gift from Santa.

Illuminations Trolley Tour is scheduled for Saturday, December 15, with tours departing from the City Hall Concourse beginning at 4:30 p.m. The 45-minute tours will showcase holiday light displays in our own Somerville. Tours leave from (and return to) Somerville City Hall where coffee, hot chocolate, and cookies are served. Entertainment at City Hall includes choral music, courtesy of the Somerville Community Chorus and craft activities for children. Trolley Tour tickets will be available *Continued on page 8*

TheSomervilleNews.com Comments of the Week

Response to *What to do about Beacon Street*

Lucas Rogers says:

The author emphasizes the importance of "hard data." He also states that those born and raised in Somerville "tend to invest themselves in community life," while "young professionals tend to remain aloof and, too often, leave town when their kids reach school age." What "hard data" supports this assertion? In the absence of such hard data, the statement is mere prejudice.

Rob Buchanan says:

I don't disagree with the parking challenges and reliance people have on automobiles to get around. For many, there is really no other choice, and it's a testament to our long standing underinvestment in public transportation that we are all faced with so few options... The fact is, many people in Somerville (and nationwide, frankly) are turning to bicycling to get work, in part because it's a whole lot cheaper: no costs for car payments, gas, MBTA fares, etc. While I agree that the daredevils and idiots who run red lights and weave about traffic need to be fined (like all idiots on the road), the people who are commuting to work are increasingly a diverse crowd: young people, old people, men and women, skinny and otherwise. They're trying to save a buck just like you and me (and maybe lose a few pounds in the process).

A. Moore says:

Just resurface the road. No need for a bike track. We are talking spending millions for less than 4% of the population in Somerville to use only part of the year as it is. We need the money for real problems in the city. And we need to stop crippling the small businesses here. We can't count as fast as this debt is accumulating and we need to stop the needless spending on things that do little or nothing for the city.

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TheSomervilleNews.com poll of the week

In addition to breaking news, sports and opinion, TheSomervilleNews.com also features a daily poll in which you, the reader, tell us where you come down on local issues. Last week's poll concerned your views on whether or not you support the idea of removing parking spaces on one side of the street from Oxford St. to Washington St. to accommodate the cycle track being installed. If you don't agree with the results, simply log onto TheSomervilleNews.com.

Do you support the idea of removing parking spaces on one side of the street from Oxford St to Washington St. to accommodate the cycle track being installed?



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Somerville Mayor Emeritus Holiday Toy Drive

By William Tauro

At their Tuesday meeting on November 20, The Somerville Board of Aldermen presented retiring Register of Deeds Gene Brune a special honor for his ten years serving as the mayor of Somerville. Mayor Curtatone, Alderman Jack Connolly and Alderman Maryann Heuston spoke of the progress that was made during the ten years of the Brune Administration.

They each spoke of the trying financial times that Mayor Brune had to endure as he began his first term, particularly in facing proposition 2 1/2 where he had no choice but to reduce property taxes by 15% for the next three years.

Also, the April 3, 1980 major chemical spill caused Mayor Brune to evacuate over 14 thousand people. Under his leadership much was accomplished, such as bringing the



Somerville honored Gene Brune by naming him Mayor Emeritus last week.

Red Line into Davis Square, building a new Comprehensive High School, a new Police Station, forcing legislation to eliminate elected assessors and bring in professionals to do their job. Also, for starting many of the programs that are still going on today.

For all of the above and for much more, the mayor and the aldermen confer the Honor of Mayor Emeritus to

Gene Brune. Alderman Heuston stated that this will be the first time in Somerville history that a mayor has received this honor. The title of Mayor Emeritus allows Brune to hold the rank as an honorary title for life.

Mayor Brune thanked Mayor Curtatone and the Board of Aldermen for the honor and expressed how pleased he was to receive it.



A Holiday Toy Drive at the Big Kmart located in the Assembly Square Mall in Somerville occurred on Saturday during Black Friday Weekend. Santa, along with his elves, asked shoppers to kindly drop off their unwrapped toys into the rear of the ambulance. The good people at Cataldo Ambulance, Kmart, the Somerville Housing Authority and, of course, Santa sponsored the drive this year, hoping that shoppers would fill that ambulance up to the top for the kids.

Alternatives urged for Beacon Street 'cycletrak'

By Jim Clark

During the Somerville Board of Alderman meeting of November 20, a resolution was put forward that the City of Somerville's Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development consider alternative plans to deal with the public safety and traffic concerns of pedestrians, business owners, residents and cyclists regarding the Beacon Street reconstruction project, specific to the proposed "cycletrak" installation detailed at the November 13, 2012 community meeting.

Speaking on behalf of the resolution, Ward Two Alderman Maryann M. Heuston said at the BOA meeting, "Everyone wants to see bicycle safety in the city. No one would argue with that. We need to make our streets safer for our cyclists. On the other hand, the residents and business owners of Beacon Street do have a legitimate concern. A good chunk of parking is being removed."

The currently proposed "cycletrak" would eliminate some 111 parking spaces that residents and merchants maintain are needed in the area.

The resolution, sponsored by Aldermen Connolly, Heuston, Taylor, White, Sullivan, and Desmond, was adopted by the Board without opposition.



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THE WEEK IN CRIME

By Jim Clark

Accused shoplifter packs bag, gets nowhere

Police were dispatched to the Kmart store on Middlesex Ave. for a reported shoplifting incident last Saturday afternoon.

Officers arrived at the store's loss prevention office and questioned the suspected thief, who appeared to be very nervous and

was sweating profusely, according to reports.

The man reportedly gave the name of Carlos Rosa at first, but police could not match the name and date of birth to any existing records in their computer database. He was eventually identified as Carlos Carrion-Rosa, 44,

of Cambridge.

According to store security personnel, Carrion-Rosa was observed placing various items into a plastic trash barrel that he pushed around in a shopping cart. The items gathered included several DVD players, three watches, and two

donut sticks.

Carrion-Rosa reportedly placed the items he had gathered into a duffle bag, also store property, and attempted to leave the store with the bag thrown over his shoulder without paying.

A security officer stopped

Carrion-Rosa at the store exit and detained him until police arrived.

Carrion-Rosa was placed under arrest and charged with shoplifting over \$100 by concealing merchandise. The total value of the stolen merchandise was listed as \$491.38.

Suspected drunk driver has friends in Boston

Patrolling officers spotted an erratically operating vehicle on the road in the early hours of last Sunday, and suspected that the operator might be under the influence of alcohol or drugs, according to reports.

Police said that the vehicle was swerving left and right and traveling at about 5 mph as it proceeded eastbound along

Broadway.

The police unit activated its blue lights and siren at MacArthur St., but the pursued vehicle continued to move slowly along Broadway. Police continued signaling the driver, resorting to using their car horn in order to get the driver ahead to pull over.

The car eventually stopped at

Cross St., and police officers approached the vehicle to question the driver. Officers noted what they believed to be the smell of alcohol on the driver's breath as they asked him for his driver's license and registration.

A woman and child were found to be passengers in the back seat.

The driver, Carlos Pineda, 35,

of Everett, reportedly fumbled with his wallet and repeatedly stated that he had "friends in the Boston Police Dept."

Pineda was advised that his alleged connections were irrelevant and was again asked for his license and registration, which he eventually produced, police said.

Officers also reported that they

spotted an unopened bottle of beer on the floor of the front passenger area of the car.

Pineda was given standard field sobriety tests and it was determined that he was operating a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor. He was placed under arrest and charged accordingly. The car was towed away.

Rowdy neighbor ready for his close-up

Police were called to a Sewall St. residence last week after complaints about a disturbance were made by neighbors.

Officers spoke to an individual at the apartment in question and, while in the process of questioning one resident, another man, identified as Howard John, 29, reportedly interrupted the conversation

and began questioning why the police were there.

"I know my rights," John is reported to have said. "I can have argument if I want."

Police reportedly advised John that while he was within his rights to have an argument, he was disturbing the peace of others in the area.

After warning John and others

to keep it down police exited the apartment building. When they were outside John reportedly stuck his head out the window and yelled, "My name is Howard Anthony John and you know me. You guys need to leave."

John was then advised that he was again disturbing the peace and was warned to calm down, police said.

Officers then reportedly heard John tell someone, "I'm going to go out and take care of this...just make sure you keep the camera rolling."

John then reportedly went outside, along with a female companion, and became very confrontational with police, according to reports. The officers said they felt that a show was be-

ing put on for a camera.

As John refused police requests to quiet down and go back inside, attempts were made to restrain him and place him under arrest. John reportedly struggled and a short burst of pepper spray was administered.

John was finally subdued and he was placed under arrest on a charge of disorderly conduct.

SOMERVILLE POLICE CRIME LOG

Arrests:

Kelvin Lewis, 22, of 105 Draper, Dorchester, November 21, 7:36 p.m., arrested at 388 Somerville Ave. on charges of assault and battery and disorderly conduct.

Howard John, 29, of 21 Carlton St., November 22, 2:02 a.m., arrested at 21 Sewall St. on a charge of disorderly conduct.

Adriel Leguisamon, 27, of 219 Jackson Pl., Cambridge, November 22, 2:54 a.m., arrested at Lowell St. on a charge of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

Mark Means, 44, of 812 Memorial Dr., Cambridge, November 23, 2:47 p.m., arrested on warrant charges of assault to murder, abuse prevention order violation, assault with a dangerous weapon, and felony daytime breaking and entering.

Roger Glover, 47, of 125B

Alewife Brook Pkwy., November 23, 8:25 p.m., arrested at home on a warrant charge of assault and battery.

Dener Fernandez, 40, of 40 Walnut St., Medford, November 24, 11:53 a.m., arrested at 75 Mystic Ave. on warrant charges of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license and failure to stop or yield.

Carlos Carrion-Rosa, 44, of 52 Bishop Allen Dr., Cambridge, November 24, 2:09 p.m., arrested at 77 Middlesex Ave. on a charge of shoplifting over \$100 by concealing merchandise.

Karin Tavares, 33, of 36 Horace St., November 24, 9:23 p.m., arrested at home on a charge of assault and battery.

Carlos Pineda, 35, of 23 Newton St., Everett, November 25, 1:04 a.m., arrested at Broadway on a charge of oper-

ated a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor.

Incidents:

Theft:

November 20, 10:31 a.m., police reported a theft at 2153 Mystic Valley Pkwy.

November 20, 11:59 p.m., police reported a theft at Glenwood Rd.

November 21, 8:22 a.m., police reported a theft at 600 Mystic Valley Pkwy.

November 21, 8:33 a.m., police reported a theft at Lincoln Pkwy.

November 21, 12:49 p.m., police reported a theft at Adrian St.

November 22, 1:40 a.m., police reported a theft at 255 Elm St.

November 22, 9:23 a.m., police reported a theft at 5 Middlesex Ave.

November 23, 6:15 p.m., police reported a theft at

Prospect St.

November 23, 8:33 p.m., police reported a theft at 180 Somerville Ave.

November 24, 10:15 a.m., police reported a theft at Quincy St.

November 24, 2:09 p.m., police reported a theft at 77 Middlesex Ave.

November 24, 4:22 p.m., police reported a theft at 775 McGrath Hwy.

November 24, 5:06 p.m., police reported a theft at 23 Cummings St.

November 25, 3:19 p.m., police reported a theft at Highland Ave.

Robbery:

November 24, 4:08 a.m., police reported a robbery at 91 Highland Ave.

Breaking & Entering:

November 22, 10:44 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Columbus Ave.

November 23, 9:58 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Pearl St.

November 25, 5:55 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Quincy St.

November 25, 6:48 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Washington St.

November 25, 9:08 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Morrison Ave.

Vehicle Theft:

November 21, 1:19 p.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Garfield Ave.

November 22, 10:51 p.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Broadway.

Assault:

November 21, 7:36 p.m., police reported an assault at Somerville Ave.

November 24, 9:23 p.m., police reported an assault at Horace St.

Outraged mom gets offensive ad removed

By Jim Clark

When Somerville resident Renée Scott spotted an oversized poster advertising the video game *Assassin's Creed III* prominently displayed at a MBTA bus shelter in Union Square she was more than a bit taken aback by the graphic imagery utilized in the ad.

"It shows one armed soldier rearing up over another with a hatchet or an axe, about to bring it down on the guy on the ground," Scott explained. The mother of three small children said that she felt the imagery was too violent for such a public placement. "It was so blatant," Scott said. "I don't consider myself a prudish person, and I feel like I'm pretty liberal about things. But it was such an awful image with this man about to split this other man's skull in half."

"I think that we have become kind of immune to that," Scott explains. "I felt like if it was nu-

dity that was up there it never would have made it. I feel that we are shocked by nudity but not shocked by violence."

"I found it pretty shocking that it was allowed," said Scott. "The game itself is rated 'M' for Mature."

Scott had noticed the ads in many Somerville bus shelters from Union and Porter Squares, to Highland Ave. and elsewhere. She had talked it over with a friend who also has small children and they decided that someone should register a formal complaint to the MBTA.

"So I wrote them a letter. On their website they have a complaint form and I filled that out and explained that I felt that the ad was too graphic," Scott said. "And I never heard back. I think it had been about nine days, so I contacted our state senator, Pat Jehlen, and she got back to me right away, I think it was less than 24 hours later, and she said, 'I agree. It shouldn't be up there.'"



MBTA bus shelters like this one must follow court ordered guidelines when it comes to the types of advertising they display.

Jehlen contacted the MBTA about the matter and they informed her that they would take the ads down immediately. Scott said that around that same time another representative from the MBTA responded to her email and told her that they agreed with her complaint and that the ad would be removed from the bus shelters.

"I was very impressed with their reply," said Scott. "I expected that I would never, ever hear from them."

MBTA Director of Communications Joe Pesaturo praised Scott's action saying, "We are greatly appreciative that Ms. Scott brought this matter to our attention. The ads in question did not comply with the MBTA's court-approved guidelines. The guidelines prohibit ads for video games that are rated M. The contractor never should have posted the ads on the bus shelters. We are pleased to report that the contractor has removed all of the ads."

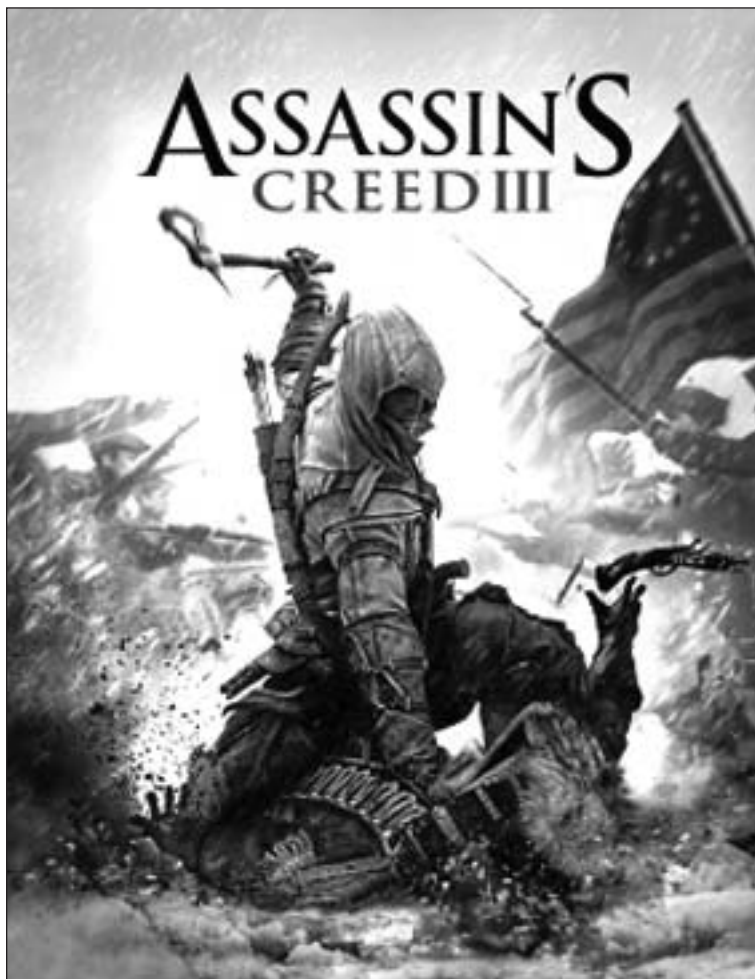
Needless to say, Scott is pleased with the results of

her efforts. "I was very pleasantly surprised that it was so easy," she said. "Not one of those things that you work on for a couple of weeks then it peters out."

Scott jokingly refers to her husband's suggestion that she

take on the NFL in getting them to reduce the violent imagery found in their ads. "I was like, 'Oh, man.'"

For the time being, Scott is enjoying this one victory in the battle against excessive violent imagery in the media.



The violent imagery depicted in many video games is too over-the-top for some.

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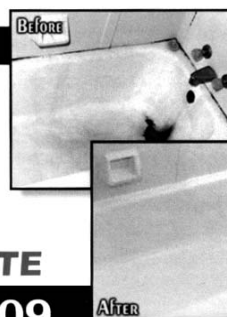
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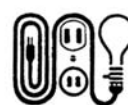
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Paintings depict an area affected by hurricane

By Cathleen Twardzik

Does the ocean intrigue you? If it does, or if you simply enjoy viewing art, then an upcoming Somerville-based exhibit will prove of interest to you.

On December 1 and December 2 from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m., Jane Sherrill, Visual Artist, will display her paintings at Vernon Street Open Studios, which is her studio. It is located at 20 Vernon St., 6-West in Somerville.

During the past few summers, Sherrill traveled to Point Pleasant, NJ. That experience and location served as the foundation for five of her paintings. She spent many childhood summers at the Jersey Shore. In her opinion, the ocean there seems notably "rougher" than on Cape Cod and she "began to paint that wild ocean."

Sherrill's painting *Early Morning, Point Pleasant* will serve as a tribute to New Jersey, "which took a terrible hit during Hurricane Sandy." Point Pleasant sustained incredible damage during that devastating storm.

The majority of her pieces have "been abstract." However, she enjoys focusing on subject matter that includes the ocean.

"I've been doing this particular series of ocean paintings since 2009. The first paintings in this series were acrylic on 15" X 15" paper. Then I switched to working on wood panels, and grew my paintings to 3' X 6'. Throughout much of my art career I've collaged torn paper into freeform shapes, then painted them using acrylic paints and other media. Many of these pieces were also 3-dimensional. My ocean paintings are my first work depicting landscapes on rectangular sur-

faces," said Sherrill.

Various subject matters of paintings into which Sherrill has delved include those of the American flag that she started immediately following September 11, 2001. She has also portrayed human bones, which were based on Biblical passages.

At present, she works on her ocean paintings, which have increased in size to 36" X 72" and focus on the clouds and the sky.

"My intention was to get lost in my surroundings, becoming one large mind, hearing/seeing..."

Her current exhibit was inspired by a trip to Cape Cod. "During the summer of 2009, I was invited to stay with a friend in Truro, on the Cape, and that's what inspired this series. I called the paintings I began then *The Truro Paintings*. Later, my cousin invited me to her house in Point Pleasant," said Sherrill.

The most expansive of her paintings is her most recent, which also depicts Truro. It measures 3' X 6'. "I find the ocean to be surprisingly different in each place I visit, the color of the water, roughness [and] wave structure. These differences interest me," she said.

While in her early 30s Sherrill lived in Wellfleet, Cape Cod, and she journeyed through the woods. She trekked around ponds and through pine forests. Each time, she traveled back home by using a different route from the one by which she had come.

"My intention was to get lost



Early Morning, Pt. Pleasant by Jane Sherrill. 2' X 6', acrylic on wood panels. August 2012.

Photo courtesy of Jane Sherrill

in my surroundings, becoming one large mind, hearing/seeing. When I got lucky, I was rewarded with a wide perspective, sharply seeing each individual tree, simultaneously, [and] hearing each separate pine needle fall. I experienced all the details, there was no background, each detail was as important as any other. My intention in my ocean paintings, particularly in my latest 6' ones, is to recreate that state of consciousness," said Sherrill.

Sherrill noted that she utilizes miniature brushes, and she is infatuated by details of an object. For example, she attempts to paint distinctive drops of water to ensure that the entire painting "flows." That ap-

proach provides a space which "expresses a state of complete foreground in which every detail is equally important."

In the painting *Early Morning, Pt. Pleasant*, Sherrill ventured out when the day was just beginning to photograph the ocean, while standing on the beach. "In most of my earlier ocean paintings, my focus has been on waves and how they work. With this painting, my focus shifted to the sky. A morning fog was pulling back from the ocean, and the sky above was clear and blue. There was a remnant of wispy, grey, early morning fog burning off, and below that grey line, the colors were muted and yellowish, the air dense with moisture."

A second work, which will be

on display at the upcoming exhibit is entitled *Wave Wall, Early Morning Pt. Pleasant*. That piece includes a "wall of water" rushing toward the viewer. "The interesting aspect, here, for me to paint was the foam that rides up the wave and how light plays on water as the wave rises."

In her late 20s Sherrill began to draw and to display her work. She's been painting for about 40 years. "I'm not sure I made a conscious decision to become an artist at first, though at some point it became clear to me."

Her near future will include Long Island seascapes.

Visit <http://vernonstreet.com/> to receive additional information and to find directions to Vernon Street Open Studios.

Arts at the Armory Café



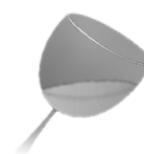
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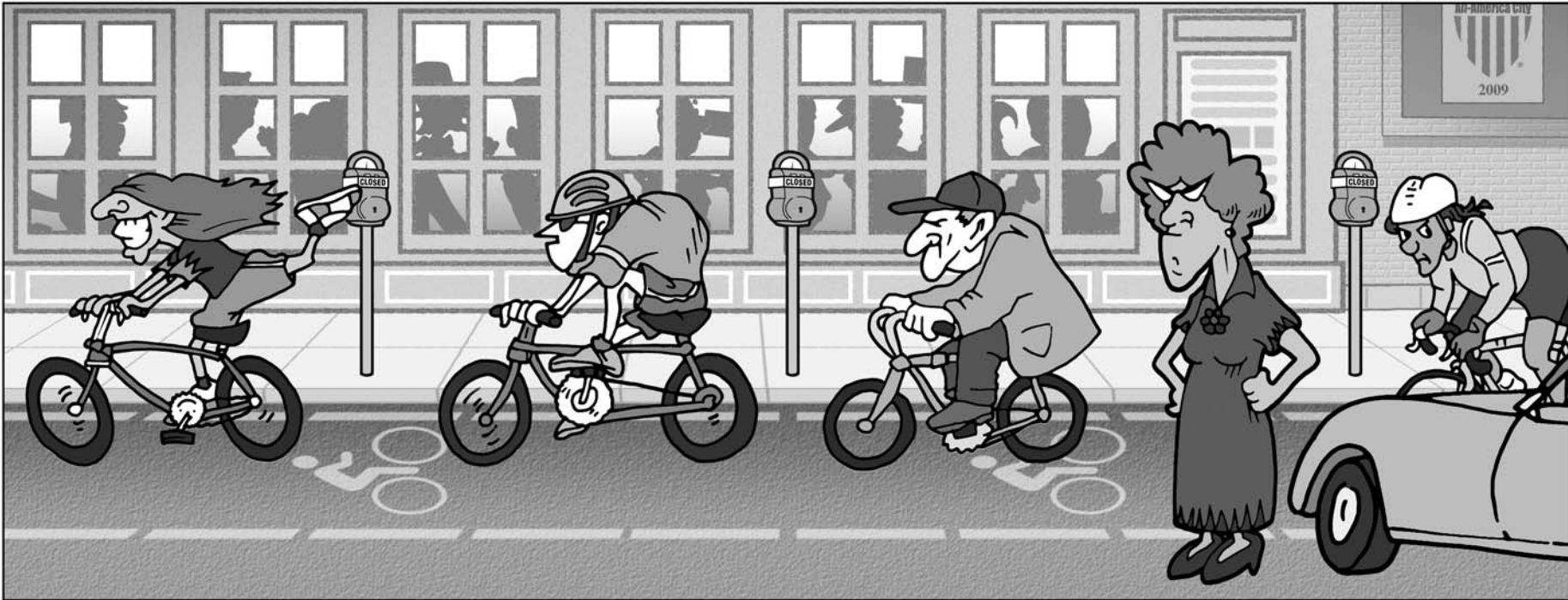
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TALES OF SOMERVILLE

Illustrated by Jim Clark



Cyclists, welcome to Beacon St. – all others park elsewhere.

The View From Prospect Hill



Isn't it obvious? Somerville is a geographically small but densely populated city that has little room for frivolity in how it uses its space.

Outsiders arrive and take up residence - for either the short or long haul - and expect all the little comforts and amenities they are accustomed to in their old hometowns. Bike paths, pedestrian walkways, they're nice if you can have them. But some people just can't grasp the idea that certain communities have limited ability to make these niceties a reality. That is, unless the rest of us who live and work here get shorted on our fundamental wants and needs.

Parking spaces in our commercial centers are at a definite premium. If viable alternatives were offered up - such as conveniently located parking structures or the like - then the possibilities for more dedicated biking lanes would be less problematic then they happen to be at this time. But for the time being at least, wiping large swathes of commercial parking space clean to make way for a privileged few makes little sense.

Cycling is a fine alternative for some to commute around or through the city. Most of us, however, still need to drive and pay for that right with our excise tax money. Can the same be said for those who would see our precious parking spaces reduced?

Some people just don't get it. It's somewhat understandable that the newly arrived transplant might not see it clearly. It is inexcusable that our own homegrown elected officials do not.

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at the Blue Cloud Gallery, 713 Broadway, beginning Tuesday, November 27. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children and seniors. For more information visit www.somervilleartscouncil.org.

Ward 1 ResiStat meeting will take place Tuesday, December 4 at the Cross St. Center, 165 Broadway at 7 p.m. Ward 4 will hold their meeting on Wednesday, December 5 at Healy School cafeteria, 5 Meacham St. For more information, visit <http://somervilleresistat.blogspot.com> and click the "Meetings" tab. Or contact Denise Taylor at dtaylor@somerville-ma.gov or 617-625-6600 x 2103.

The final two planning sessions of the city's Somerville by Design initiative will be held on Wednesday, November 28 and Thursday, November 29 at the Center for Arts at the Armory at 191 Highland Ave. Somerville by Design is the City of Somerville's latest community planning initiative, designed to help residents and business owners visualize positive change in their neighborhoods. SomerVision and

Somerville by Design are results of funding through a Challenge Grant from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's Sustainable Communities Program. Community members are invited to attend any or all of a series of events, as follows: Wednesday, November 28: Open Studio, 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Public Meeting, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., Thursday, November 29: Open Studio, 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., Art Gallery, 4:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. A project schedule and materials are available on the City's website at www.somervillema.gov/bydesign.

Our condolences to the family and friends of Robert R. Sorabella, who passed away recently. Bob was very well known here as a teacher, then Vice Principal of the Western Junior High, and lastly before retiring as the Principal of the Lincoln Park School. A lot of fond memories over the years with this very nice man, who greatly influenced people and was someone you could look up to. He will be missed by a lot of people here in the 'Ville.

Happy Birthday here in the 'Ville to Karen MacLeod Fraser, formerly of East Somerville. The famous MacLeod family now lives in Methuen but has close ties here in Somerville. Rich Papaluca's birthday is this week, as well as Nancy Winn's. A big Happy Birthday to Charlene Harris, former Ward 4 School Board member, who recently told us she was happy working with the kids. She should be, she's got a huge bunch here in the 'Ville. Finally, little Maeve Craven, who is celebrating her birthday, and a big happy 75th to our good friend Joe Staples. Last year we wished him HB twice and Joe asked us to slow down the process by only saying it once this year. OK, Joe. Happy Birthday!

Contrary to a silly rumor, Elio LoRusso told us personally he's not and would not ever run against the popular Ward One Alderman Bill Roche. We wanted to make sure that rumor doesn't go any further.

Elio might not be running in Ward One, but we hear that the season has

officially kicked off. Apparently, one local person who is challenging an incumbent alderman in Ward 5 had a fundraiser last night. From what we can hear from our sources, it wasn't a big showing, but the usual suspects were present. You know, that funny group from the Progressive Democratic Social group? School Committeeman Mark is challenging Alderman Sean O'Donovan. We can't figure out what record Mark is going to run on. His school committee record? Sean has done a lot for Ward 5. He hasn't had it easy in his re-elections, but when all is said and done Sean knows how to get down to the real issues that represent what constituents are looking for in an Alderman. Look at Trum Field, Magoun Square and Ball Square for starters, not to mention all the neighborhood issues and meetings he's attended and worked with the residents.

Sean Fitzgerald is having a sort of "reunion or get together" of all the City Hall staffers that served under former mayor Dot Gay, at Sally O'Brien's in Somerville this coming Thursday, November 29 at 5:30 p.m. If you

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How far we've come



By Joseph A. Curtatone

Two recent events have gotten me thinking a lot about Somerville's recent past, and how it still shapes our present and future.

The first event was a November 18 retirement party at the Somerville Holiday Inn for former Mayor (and soon-to-be-former Middlesex Register of Deeds) Gene Brune. Gene's party not only drew his proud family and countless friends, but also attracted many notable figures from state and local government, past and present; They lined up to celebrate with Gene and his family, and to offer Gene some well-earned praise for his enduring contributions to Somerville and the Commonwealth. (More about that later.)

The second event happened over the Thanksgiving holiday. One of my mother-in-law's friends brought me a beautifully-preserved piece of Somerville history that she'd found while cleaning out her

attic. It was a 12-page special advertising insert from the October 17, 1965 edition of the *Boston Sunday Globe*, produced for and featuring then-Mayor Lawrence Bretta. The title was *Somerville: Colonial Birth - Space Age Rebirth*.

Underwriting a 12-page insert the *Sunday Globe* must have cost the city and the Chamber of Commerce a lot of money, but Somerville's business and political leadership clearly wanted to do what we would now call "re-branding." They proclaimed that "A new Somerville is surging from the sites of early American History into the Space Age, bringing new opportunity, new jobs and new hope."

Yet aside from that one mention at the beginning, there was no further word of our city's revolutionary past (and not a murmur about its ethnic diversity or bustling squares). Instead, the "special section" focused entirely on Somerville's "modern" facilities: the impending construction of the new Kennedy School and the futuristic Clarendon Hill Towers, the state-of-the-art Somerville Hospital and brand-new supermarket (!) under construction on Winter Hill.

Some things haven't changed much: the insert talked about Somerville's proximity to the "famed 'Research Row' that extends from M.I.T. to Harvard College," and describes the way that the city was successfully wooing Cambridge companies

displaced by "the NASA development." The city bragged about its leadership in "community communications," although back then that meant newly-installed police phone boxes and "31 new public telephones to be installed on city property."

And, of course, the insert spoke seductively of "office buildings and industrial plants in a spacious park-like setting" served by rapid transit and excellent highway access. In this case, however, Somerville's planners and business leaders were talking about a development that never quite got off the ground, because the Inner Belt Highway never got built (thankfully ending an era when new highways cut apart and isolated Somerville's neighborhoods) and the transit never materialized. But some buildings did spring up where the massive Inner Belt Industrial Center was supposed to go, among them the Holiday Inn, which opened its doors in 1974.

Mayor Bretta was (and remains) the youngest mayor in Somerville history. He was 34 when elected in 1962. A close political ally of Congressman Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill, Bretta left office in 1968. He later went on to head the regional office of a massive Federal agency, the General Service Administration, but had a tragic fall from grace when he pleaded guilty to a federal bribery indictment and served four years

in federal prison.

In fact, it's no secret that a general aura of corruption hung over Somerville in those days. True reform wouldn't come begin until 1970 under S. Lester Ralph, the first in a long line of reform mayors that worked to bring Somerville back from political corruption, and economic decline. Among other achievements, Ralph won Somerville its first designation as an All America City back in 1973.

But when it was my turn to speak at Gene Brune's retirement celebration, I told the crowd what I have, and always will, believe: Gene remains the best mayor in the history of our city.

Starting in 1980 and ever since, every Somerville resident has benefitted from the standards he set, the vision he brought to the job and the people he attracted to public service. The essence of Somerville's modern identity - as a regional and national leader in smart growth, transit-oriented development principles and best practices in municipal governance - was founded and nurtured by Gene Brune.

When I was a student in the Somerville school system, Gene was my mayor. He shaped my vision of what a public leader could be, and achieve. I saw how he was able to guide and enhance economic development opportunities at Davis and Assembly Squares. I saw him fight

successfully to maintain city services as Proposition 2 _ took hold across Massachusetts.

And, just a few months into his tenure, I saw him lead the city calmly and heroically in the most difficult circumstances any mayor can face. The great chemical spill of April, 1980 - the largest in state history - could have been a truly horrific disaster. Gene had to make some very quick and difficult decisions based on conflicting and inadequate advice. It was a dramatic moment. And not for the first or last time, Gene saved our city.

Throughout his career, Gene has embodied the great public virtues of energy, optimism, courage, compassion, pragmatism and unshakeable integrity. The big dreams of the 1960s may have soured for a time, but our city began a long journey to success back in the early 1970s - and no one has played a more important leadership role along the way than Gene Brune.

That role has never ended. In his years as Register, Gene has been a valued and insightful advisor to me and to Somerville's political leadership at every level of government. His wisdom and experience has made our lives easier and improved our performance.

It's amazing how far we've come since 1965. And it's remarkable to think about how much of our past progress and future opportunity we owe to Gene Brune.

On The Silly Side by Jimmy Del Ponte

Thanks for the memories



This article originally appeared in The Somerville News on November 26, 2008.

What do you think of when you think of

Thanksgiving? For me, it's giving thanks, then eating a huge turkey dinner with the family. Before the actual day, it's the preparation ritual, which includes going in stores and seeing overflowing displays of foil cooking pans, gravy master, stove-top stuffing, Bell's Seasoning, frozen Butterballs, endless pies and endless lines. On Wednesday afternoon you won't be able to get near McKinnon's or Lyndells. The big grocery chain stores will be jammed as well. That's when we become thankful just to find a parking space, so we can be part of the lines.

I remember when my mother was in her "all hands on deck" mode the day before Thanksgiving. I can still see my dad sharpening that big knife in the kitchen. It was understood that he got the neck, the giblets and all the parts no one else wanted. I was the one who had to run down to Stop and Shop in Davis Square on Wednesday for last minute items. And every year there is that 11th hour Thanksgiving Day frantic trip to a Store 24 for something, usually more butter. You look at the other customers who are there and agree that you all should be at home instead of at a convenience store. I am thankful that I overbuy and stockpile cranberry sauce, butter - and Lipitor.

On Thanksgiving I think back to when we were at the kiddie table. A time when our parents, grandparents and all of our

aunts and uncles were still alive, and we didn't have a care in the world. Losing a cousin at an early age was unheard of. Ours was an invincible family. We never ever thought that there would be a time that some of them would not be with us. Now, as we get older there are less of them still here, so we use our memories to bring us back to those happy times, not that these times aren't good, because they certainly are.

I for one always try to be thankful that we have reasonably good health and the kids are all happy and thriving. What works for me is the phrase: "it could always be worse..." I feel lucky and grateful for my family and friends, both of them!

Thanksgiving means that it's almost time to get serious about Christmas shopping and more endless lines. Every

year I tell myself that it's no use to panic because it always turns out fine. We are conditioned to go into the frantic Christmas mode the day after Thanksgiving - just think of all the Christmases we have survived - why should this one be any different? We will survive. Stay home on Friday and have a turkey sandwich. Thanksgiving means football (go Highlanders!) and settling in after dinner to watch endless college and NFL games. If we are lucky we will get one of those balmy Thanksgiving days where the temperatures are in the 50's.

It's funny how the things I am thankful for now are different than the things I was thankful for 25 years ago. I used to be thankful that I had enough beers left for the next day. Today I hope we don't run out of milk and

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

Our Legislators in the House and Senate for Somerville:



Rep. Denise Provost

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



Rep. Carl Sciortino

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



Rep. Timothy Toomey

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



Sen. Sal DiDomenico

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

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



Sen. Patricia Jehlen

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

Gov. Deval Patrick provided plenty of controversy when he issued an executive order that will allow young illegal immigrants in Massachusetts to pay the lower in-state resident college tuition and fees rate at the state's 29 public colleges and universities as long as they obtain work permits through a new program ordered by President Obama. No legislative approval is required for either of the orders.

Obama's order offers "deferred status" to these illegal immigrants by forbidding the federal government from deporting those under the age of 30 who came to the U.S. before age 16; have lived here for at least five years; have no criminal record; and are military veterans or have a high school diploma or GED. Patrick used Obama's action as the basis for a letter he wrote last week to Higher Education Commissioner Richard Freeland informing him that these "deferred status" immigrants must be offered in-state tuition at public colleges and universities in Massachusetts.

Supporters say many of these students were babies when they were brought here by their parents and had no choice about entering the country illegally. They note many are unable to afford the higher tuition and end up skipping college and working in low-pay, low-skilled jobs rather than contributing to the economy in a more meaningful fashion.

Opponents say the state should not offer financial rewards to anyone who has broken the law and is in this country illegally. They argue it is outrageous to offer low tuition rates to these students while legal citizens from outside Massachusetts, including war veterans, are required to pay higher rates. They noted many programs that help full-fledged citizens have been reduced over the past few years in Massachusetts.

Here are some comparison numbers: The cost at UMass Amherst this year for tuition and fees is \$13,230 for in-state residents and \$26,645 for non-residents. That's a savings of \$13,415 for in-state residents. Worcester State College checks in at \$14,237 vs. \$8,157, and Bunker Hill Community College's numbers are \$13,880 vs. \$5,640.

This week, *Beacon Hill Roll Call* reviews local legislators' votes on illegal immigrant issues.

REQUIRE PROOF OF LEGAL RESIDENCE TO REGISTER AUTO (H 4238)

House 135-19, Senate 24-10, overrode Gov. Patrick's veto of a bill that would require applicants to provide

proof of legal residence in order to register their cars.

Supporters of the bill said it would prevent illegal immigrants from registering their cars. They noted a loophole has allowed unlicensed drivers to legally register their cars and then drive illegally without a license.

In his veto message, Gov. Patrick said allowing an illegal alien to own a vehicle in Massachusetts does not jeopardize the public's safety. He argued the bill seems aimed at using the Registry of Motor Vehicles to identify and police undocumented people. (A "Yes" vote is for requiring proof of legal residence. A "No" vote is against it.)

Rep. Denise Provost	No
Rep. Carl Sciortino	No
Rep. Timothy Toomey	No
Sen. Sal DiDomenico	No
Sen. Patricia Jehlen	Didn't Vote

LOWER TUITION FOR ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS (H 1230)

House 57-96, rejected a bill allowing illegal immigrant students to pay the in-state tuition rates and fees at Massachusetts colleges and universities if they have attended a high school in Massachusetts for at least three years and have graduated or received the equivalent of a diploma. The measure also requires these students to provide the college with an affidavit stating that he or she has filed or will in the future file an application to become a citizen or permanent resident.

Arguments of supporters and opponents were the same as they are over Patrick's directive last week.

This is the most recent time the Legislature voted directly on this specific issue. The vote is from 2006. Representatives who were not yet elected in 2006 did not vote on the proposal. (A "Yes" vote is for the bill. A "No" vote is against it.)

Rep. Denise Provost	Was not yet elected
Rep. Carl Sciortino	Yes
Rep. Timothy Toomey	Yes

ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS IN PRISON (H 3500)

House 73-84, rejected an amendment that would require the state to join the federal Secure Communities Program.

Under the program, the fingerprints of all individuals in Massachusetts jails would be checked with FBI and Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) databases for the criminal's immigration status and prior criminal record. The Obama Administration had mandated that all states join the program by 2013.

Amendment supporters said the program is a fair one that would ensure illegal aliens who commit serious crimes will be deported. They noted that under the program, ICE has so far deported some 81,000 illegal immigrants who have been convicted of crimes. They argued that "colorblind" fingerprints would be taken from all prisoners and disputed opponents' charges that the program would lead to racial profiling.

Some amendment opponents said the program would lead to racial profiling. They noted that 27 percent of those deported had only a misdemeanor offense and 54 percent had no criminal conviction at all. They argued the program would result in women in domestic abuse situations being afraid to call the police.

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(A “Yes” vote is for requiring the state to join the Secure Communities Program. A “No” vote is against it.)

Rep. Denise Provost	No
Rep. Carl Sciortino	No
Rep. Timothy Toomey	No

STUDY AND DELAY ASKING IMMIGRANTS FOR ID (H 3781)

House 110-45, approved an amendment that would replace a proposal to require the state to verify that anyone over 18 who applies for state benefits is legally in Massachusetts with an amendment to launch an investigation about whether the state should study the proposal instead. The amendment would require the House Committee on Post Audit and Oversight to investigate whether the state should “authorize a study of the services provided by the commonwealth to residents and non-residents of the commonwealth and the monetary distinction between such residents.” The amendment also requires the committee to consider “any potential civil rights violations that could occur if a study was conducted.”

Some supporters of the investigation on whether to study said the original proposal is mean-spirited and anti-immigrant and noted many illegal immigrants are hardworking people who perform jobs most Americans would not do. Others said the House should gather information before making a rash decision and noted this problem really should be solved on the federal level. Some argued there are many legal immigrants who would find it difficult to produce the necessary documentation.

Opponents of the study said it is simply another example of a way for legislators to avoid a direct vote on the proposal itself. They said the study would never be conducted and the measure would never be implemented. They noted state services, with some emergency exceptions, should not be provided to people who broke the law and are here illegally. They emphasized the legislation would only apply to illegal immigrants and includes many safeguards to protect individual rights. (A “Yes” vote is for investigating whether to study the amendment. A “No” vote is against the investigation and favors the verification policy.)

Rep. Denise Provost	Yes
Rep. Carl Sciortino	Yes
Rep. Timothy Toomey	Yes

CHECK IMMIGRATION STATUS OF CASINO EMPLOYEES (S 2015)

Senate 32-6, approved an amendment that would require casino owners to check and verify their employees’ immigration status using a program operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security, the United States Department of Labor, the Social Security Administration or a private verification system.

Amendment supporters said this would simply ensure these desperately needed new casino-related jobs will be filled by legal residents and not illegal immigrants.

Amendment opponents argued there are already sufficient federal requirements that companies verify their employees’ immigration status. (A “Yes” vote is for requiring verification of employees’ status. A “No vote is against it.)

Sen. Sal DiDomenico	No
Sen. Patricia Jehlen	Yes

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

OFF TO A STUDY COMMITTEE - Bills are being shipped off by the hundreds to “study committees” where measures are never actually studied and are essentially defeated. Here are some of the bills that headed for that fate last week:

AUTO EXCISE TAX (H 748) - Requires cities and towns to send a second notice by registered mail to vehicle owners who do not pay their local auto excise tax within 30 days. The community would also be prohibited from assessing interest and penalties and owners would be given another 30 days to pay. Current law allows communities to assess interest and penalties after the initial 30 days, regardless of whether the notice was received or not.

MAKE MORE “STUFF” TAX-FREE - Exempts from the state’s 6.25 percent sales tax the sale of children’s books (S 1478); goods made of at least 70 percent recycled materials (S 1524); blood glucose monitoring strips and lancets and vitamin and mineral supplements, when prescribed by a doctor (S 1538); tombstones (H 784); and hand-packed ice cream sold in one pint containers or larger (H 817).

TAX BREAKS - Allows anyone who turns 65 to deduct from their tax liability the amount of money up to \$4,000 spent on prescription drugs (S 1477) and to choose to freeze his or her property tax rate at its level just prior to his or her 65th birthday (S 1443); permits communities to exempt seniors over 75 from all property taxes (S 1488); gives 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 provides an income tax credit for families caring for elderly relatives or victims of Alzheimer’s disease at home (H 2495).

TAX DEDUCTIONS - Exempts from the state’s income tax the contributions of caregivers who give up to ten percent of their gross income to a supplemental needs trust for the care of a disabled person (H 755); anyone who gives up to \$10,000 to a qualified college savings plan (H 763); and those that spend up to \$500 for plants and landscaping items that reduce water usage (H 171).

TAX CREDITS - Gives a tax credit of up to \$6,000 to purchase hearing aids (H 799) and \$2,500 for child care services expenses (H 3391).

AND MORE - Increases the current gas tax from 21 cents per gallon to 72 cents per gallon (H 796); prohibits cities and towns from raising the current taxes on a residential property until that property is sold (H 802); prohibits the imposition of special fees or taxes on state employees to fund capital improvements (H 814); and increases the income tax rental deduction from \$3,000 to \$6,000 (H 1715).

QUOTABLE QUOTES

“When will this nonsense end? Paying Ms. Burgess almost \$100K of taxpayer money to promote good driving practices is akin to paying Dr. Kevorkian \$100K to promote public health, except Dr. Kevorkian was better qualified.” – Rep. Kevin Kuros (R-Uxbridge) on the announcement that Sheila Burgess, Gov. Patrick’s director of

the Massachusetts Highway Safety Division, was removed from her job following the revelation that her driving record included seven accidents and four speeding violations.

“A ‘screw-up.’” – Gov. Patrick on Burgess’ hiring.

“I’m not trying to kid anybody that I haven’t thought about it. Of course I have and I will think about it. But I haven’t come to a conclusion and I’m not losing any sleep over it.” – U.S. Rep. Michael Capuano (D-Somerville) on whether he will run for Sen. John Kerry’s Senate seat if Kerry is appointed Secretary of State or Defense by President Obama.

“I think these are young people who have played by the rules, demonstrated academic capacity and have the right to be able to apply and if they’re admitted we should try to make sure these young people are reaching their full potential.” – Lt. Gov. Timothy Murray on Gov. Patrick’s directive allowing illegal immigrant students to pay the same lower, in-state tuition rates and fees offered to state residents at Massachusetts universities.

“Gov. Patrick’s most recent attempt to usurp the power of the Legislature is cause for concern. Instead of engaging elected officials from both political parties in constructive conversation and debate, he has put his interests, both politically and personally, above those of Massachusetts’ residents.” – House Minority Leader Bradley Jones (R-North Reading) on Patrick’s unilateral action on the tuition breaks.

HOW LONG WAS LAST WEEK’S SESSION?

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

During the week of November 19-23, the House met for a total of 31 minutes while the Senate met for a total of 34 minutes.

Mon. November 19	House 11:04 a.m. to 11:21 a.m. Senate 11:03 a.m. to 11:22 a.m.
Tues. November 20	No House session No Senate session
Wed. November 21	House 11:02 a.m. to 11:16 a.m. Senate 11:03 a.m. to 11:18 a.m.
Thurs. November 22	No House session No Senate session
Fri. November 23	No House session No Senate session

Bob Katzen welcomes feedback at bob@beaconhillrollcall.com

New art panels by Vernon Street artists

Nine artists from Vernon Street Studios have created new mural panels recently installed on the Central Street-facing side of the Rogers Foam building in Somerville.

Artists Heather Balchunas, Michelle Carter, Nicole Duennebier, David Fallon, Andrew Fish, Jen Fuchel, Tova Speter, Gee Wong, and Dorothy Zarren were selected to showcase the great diversity and high quality of work produced within the building and to help identify the building as an "art space" to passersby who may not be aware of what takes place inside our walls.

It is hoped that the new panels will add color to Central Street and serve to brighten and inspire the community for many years to come.

The new mural panels will be publicly celebrated at a Mural Dedication Event on Sunday December 2 at 11:30 a.m. at the corner of Central Street and Vernon Street in Somerville. All are encouraged to attend.

This local media event will kickoff the second day of Vernon Street Open Studios, an annual event during which 70+ artists within the building will open their doors to the public to share their work.

The Open Studios event on Sunday will take place from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. and is a great opportunity for the community to view original artwork and purchase unique holiday gifts.

Vernon Street Studios is a community well known throughout the area for the quality of work produced by artists with established reputations as well as exciting newcomers. Located in a historic 19th-century brick industrial building, Vernon Street housed the first group of artists in Somerville to open their studios to the public in 1975.

Open Studios allows attendees to learn about the creative process, interact with artists in the spaces where they create, purchase original artwork, and discover new talent.

This mural project was funded with support from Rogers Foam Corporation, and the Somerville Arts Council, a local agency supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

Rogers Foam has shown great investment in Somerville's artists for over 25 years by transforming their excess space into art studios housing over 100 local artists.

If you'd like more information about this event or to schedule an interview, please call Tova Speter at 617-794-1987 or email at tovaspeter@gmail.com. Additional info can also be found at <http://www.vernon-street.com>.



Jen Fuchel - *History of the Building*: A whimsical visual combination of a desk, factory building, and Nerf balls.



Gee Wong - *Attempt at Reconciling a Dialectic*: An image depicting the lost and longing of childhood in the context of an aging world.



Michelle Carter - *Untitled*: I selected this image from a recent series of colored pencil drawings on graph paper, in which colors are carefully chosen and arranged to create optical mixtures and pulsing effects. I want elements of this piece to relate to the building itself, hence the geometric framework and the inclusion of brick-like shapes and colors.



Nicole Duennebier - *Brachycephalus*: A blue frog, now common in the area, spread by shipping industry.



Heather Balchunas - *HON*: A celebration of musicians, music is a common language. The festival is so vibrant and full of life, it's a companion piece for an art festival.



David Fallon - *I Love Tuna*: A blue fish, now common in the area, spread by shipping industry.



Fishish Landscape in Red and Blue: Exaggerated study of the invasive species Botrylloides in coastal waters of North America and other waters around the world, likely being introduced by ships. nicoleduennebier.com.



Andrew Fish - Plight of the Painter: This piece is whimsical. It depicts the state of an artist, biding their time, making art and engaged in the process of creativity. Hovering above their easel is a vulture... waiting. But the artist paints a majestic eagle soaring, as if the model present is such a bird.



HONK!: Whether it's listening to jazz in the studio or painting legendary jazz and blues themes throughout Heather's work. This panel features images from HONKfest, a lively, encompassing the feel of Somerville. Now HONK's spirit and music has a growing community to enjoy for years to come.



Dorothy Zarren - Look Up: A young boy looks up at the artist building... I like the idea of the viewer's eyes being drawn up to the building and the artist studios within it.



Fish: Approaching humor with issues of the environment and sea life. davidefallon.com.



Tova Speter - Hidden Vibrancy: This panel is inspired by the natural beauty inherent in wood grain that is often hidden or overlooked. Likewise, the talents and beauty of Vernon Street artists may not be readily apparent from the outer façade of this building, The range of blues act as a vibrant contrast to the brick surroundings just as Vernon Street artists energize the building by filling it with their creative spirit. tovaspeter.com.

SOMERVILLE SPORTS

St. Clement wins 5th Straight Thanksgiving game

The St. Clement Anchormen kept the St. Joseph's Prep Phoenix from rising on Thanksgiving by stuffing them 27-8. It was the fifth straight Thanksgiving victory for the Anchormen, bringing their season record to 6-4.

On the first offensive play from scrimmage St. Clement senior halfback Alberto Lopez (Chelsea) ran 76 yards on a counter for the first score of the game. Senior Andrew Carvahlo (Somerville) added the extra point and the Anchormen were up 7-0 quickly.

On the next St. Joseph possession St. Clement junior line-backer Casey Baptiste (Medford) sacked St. Joe's quarterback on the one yard line and forced a fourth down punt from the end zone.

St. Clement kick return specialist Junior Oyaronbi (Revere)

fielded the punt at the 40 yard line and raced back to the end zone untouched for another Anchormen touchdown. Lopez, who is also the St. Clement safety, forced a fumble on the next Phoenix possession and Baptiste recovered the ball inside the St. Joes 30 yard line.

On a fourth down play senior Jamie Thompson (Everett) hit Lopez on a sideline pass for third St. Clement touchdown. Carvahlo added the extra point and the Anchormen were up 20-0 at the end of the first half.

In the second half the St. Clement running game controlled the clock. Senior tail-back Jesus Gambaro (Malden) pounded the St Joe's defense for 80 yards to make sure St. Joe's did not have time to make a comeback.

On another fourth down play from inside the red zone,



Victorious members of the St. Clement Anchormen (L to R): Captain John Posada, Alberto Lopez named game MVP and Jesus Gambaro.

Thompson again went to the air, this time connecting with senior Tight End John Posada (Charlestown) for an over the shoulder catch on the corner of the end zone to give the fans a thrill. Carvahlo added the extra point and the Anchormen were well on their way to victory.

Backup quarterback Jack Hartnett (Medford) stepped in to relieve Thompson for the remainder of the game and guided the offense for the anchormen the rest of the way.

On Defense senior cornerback Rick Brathwaite (Chelsea) and sophomore cor-

nerback Macallen Marcellin (Medford) kept the Phoenix passing game in check, while the St. Clement interior of Marty Rose, Paul Catalano, Connor Sullivan, Deron Hines, Marcus Carvahlo, and Freshmen Larnell Coleman kept the running game to a total of 47 yards for the game.

Late in the fourth quarter St. Joes scored on a one yard rush but it was too little too late as time ran out and the 27-8 victory celebration was on tap for the Anchormen.

Alberto Lopez was named game MVP after totaling 141

yards, 2 touchdowns, 7 tackles, and a forced fumble. "Alberto really stepped it up today. He really put an exclamation point on his high school career," said Head Coach Colin Walsh.

St. Clement finished with six wins for the second straight year. "We are very proud of our team, and we have made significant steps toward winning another Super Bowl for our school" Said Athletic Director Ryan Murphy.

St. Clement now moves on the winter sports season where the school hosts basketball, hockey, and cheerleading.

New football tradition



The Somerville High School and Cambridge football teams kicked off a new Thanksgiving Day pre-game tradition on Tuesday, November 20. Captains of both teams came together for the first of what will become an annual pre-game luncheon, hosted by the home team. Mayors of both cities, coaches and headmasters of each team, and Superintendent Pierantozzi also joined in the inaugural luncheon. The game winner will lay claim to the Thanksgiving Day Bowl for the year.

Ms. Cam's

Olio

Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

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1. In what states does the Cumberland Plateau run through?
2. What divides the state of Alaska from the rest of America?
3. What songstress and actress of the 40's was dubbed the Brazilian Bombshell?
4. Who created the Mars candy bar?
5. In 1987 what did American Airlines eliminate from salad that saved them \$40,000?
6. How did the Mediterranean Sea get its name?
7. In what country was the World Wide Web invented?
8. Before Elvis Presley painted his Cadillac pink, what color was it?
9. What is the name of the most recently discovered planet?
10. Where would you go to visit the Guggenheim Museum?
11. Why do ostriches stick their head in the sand?
12. What dog is considered to be sacred in China?

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SOMERVILLE SPORTS

Indira Evora signs Letter of Intent GBL MVP to play basketball for St. Michael's College

Somerville High School senior Indira Evora took the next step in her illustrious basketball career at a signing ceremony on November 19 at Somerville High School, inking a National Letter of Intent during the early signing period to play for the St. Michael's College Purple Knights next year.

The 5-7 point guard wraps up an impressive high school career with the Highlanders this year, entering her final season on the team as a 3-time Greater Boston League (GBL) All-Star. She earned GBL Most Valuable Player honors in 2012 after leading the Lady Highlanders in points (16.3), steals (4.8) and assists (4) during the 2011-12 season. Evora enters the year with 813 total points and is on target to eclipse the 1,000-point mark.

"My goal has always been to play basketball in college," stated Indira. "I'm very excited to be going to St. Michael's, and feel St. Michael's is a good academic fit for me."

Aside from excelling on the

basketball court, Evora has also been a standout student at Somerville High School. Nearly 60 colleges expressed interest in Indira as a basketball player. After narrowing her final choices to three, Indira chose St. Michael's, a small liberal arts college located in the 250-year-old town of Colchester, Vermont in part for its academic excellence and small college family feel. She is an Honors student at SHS and is active as a Somerville Pride Volunteer and as a Youth Basketball Coach/Referee. She lists Law, Sports Medicine, Coaching and Counseling among her fields of interest.

Somerville Mayor Joe Curtatone recognized Indira's leadership in the community as an exceptional role model during the signing ceremony. "I've seen Indira flourish into a dynamite young woman on and off the playing field," he stated. "I hope other people in this city will follow her lead."

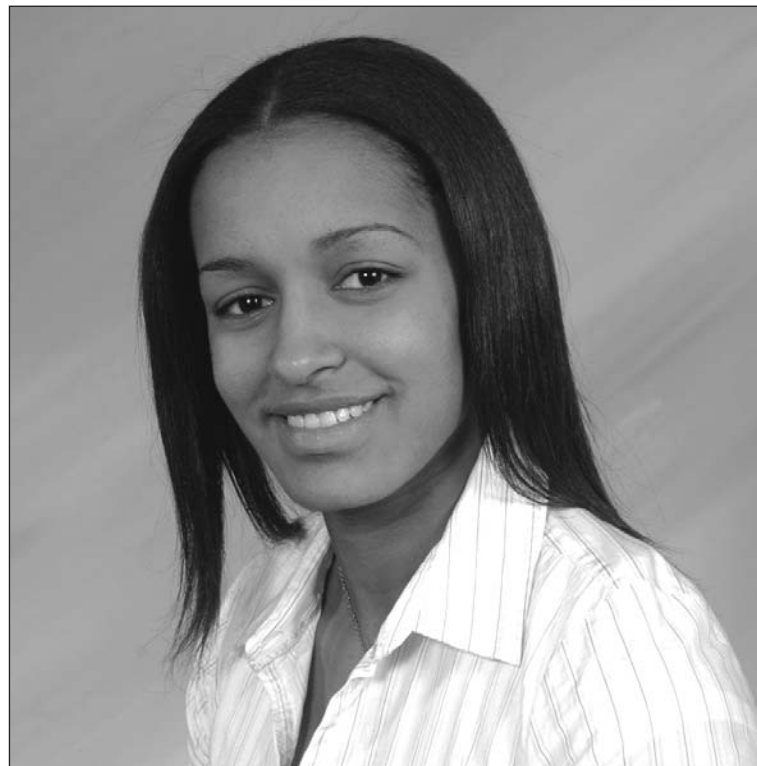
An NCAA Division II school and a member of the Northeast

10 Conference, St. Michael's boasts the highest student-athlete graduation rate among NCAA Division II schools, recording a 99% student-athlete graduation rate during the NCAA's most recent four-year assessment period. St. Michael's was featured among the top 310 colleges and universities in the U.S., Great Britain and Canada by the Fiske Guide to Colleges 2013. St. Michael's also made the Princeton Review's Best 371 Colleges list, and was among the top 100 National Liberal Arts Colleges according to the U.S. News & World Report.

"I congratulate Indira and her family for her leadership, academic and athletic success. In all three, Indira has been very noteworthy," stated Superintendent Tony Pierantozzi. "Thank you, Indira. St. Michael's is lucky to have you and will be a better place because you are there."

Described as an incredibly quick player and a prolific scorer who can play both ends of the court with equal skill and tenacity, SHS Headmaster John Oteri, who was Indira's Housemaster for three years prior to taking on the Headmaster position at the school this year, also described Evora as a "...consummate student, outstanding teammate, and someone whom we recognize as a great role model in Somerville."

"Indira goes beyond the statistics and numbers," added SHS Girls Varsity Basketball Coach Paul O'Halloran. "Her love of the sport and the passion she shows on the court helps her



The Lady Anchors star point guard Indira Evora will be heading to St. Michael's College to pursue her athletic and academic goals.

bring an infectious type of atmosphere to the game. She is a two-way player who takes as much pride in her offense as she does in her defense."

Indira highlighted an exceptional junior year with the Highlanders last season by leading her team to a win over perennial powerhouse and defending state champion Arlington Catholic with a 10-steal, 28-point, 5-rebound performance. She recorded season highs of 32 points, 11 steals, 6 assists and 9 rebounds last year. She is the daughter of Ed and Isabel Bean.

"We're very proud to be part of this Somerville community. The type of national recognition that Somerville High School is receiving, such as the recent feature in the U.S. News & World Report Best Colleges guide, is a great testament to the

vitality and excellence of our educators," noted Mr. Bean. "I want to thank the Somerville Public Schools for providing our daughter with a firm foundation to help her succeed in college. We feel very blessed and thankful to have so many resources in our community that support our youth."

The Lady Highlanders kick off their 2012-2013 varsity basketball season with a 7 p.m. road game against Wachusett Regional High School on December 14. They host Fontbonne Academy, Needham, and Acton-Boxborough in tournament action on December 27 and 28 at the SHS Field House. Needham and Fontbonne tip off at 5:30 p.m. on December 27, followed by a 7:30 p.m. matchup between the Highlanders and Acton-Boxborough.



Evora signed a Letter of Intent last week, pledging to play at St. Michael's College.

Thanks for the memories CONT. FROM PG 9

juice boxes. I used to be thankful Kay and Chips stayed open until the wee hours of the morning serving breakfast. Today I am thankful if I stay awake for a TV show that's on at 8 p.m. I used to be thankful for days off from school. Now I am hoping they approve the extended school day.

I remember being thankful that I completed a 2-mile jog. I thank heaven today if I can go up the stairs to my bedroom without getting winded. I remember being thankful for my Camaro Z28 convertible. Today I am thankful to rest on my Castro convertible sofa. I used to check out chicks, now I check out library

books (ok, and chicks while at the library). I used to thank God for my long rock n' roll hair. Today I am thankful if the drain doesn't clog up with hair after I shower. I used to be thankful that I was thin and I had big hair. Now my stomach is big and my hair is thin. I remember I thanked the Lord when my daughter graduated from College. I later thanked God, Allah and Buddha when she decided to take that hideous nose ring out and let the hole close.

Here are some more things I am thankful for today: my pillows, my bed, my remote controls and my dog. I am thankful for my big TV, sports on TV,

The Three Stooges, Seinfeld, The Honymooners, birthday cakes, my camper in NH and pizza to name a few more. I used to yell out "yippee" when I'd come home and discover my parents had left for the cape for the weekend. Today I'd give anything to spend an hour with them. Wouldn't I love seeing mom scurrying about the kitchen and dad snoring in front of the TV. This year we will be making more memories that we can use at a later date.

So, stock up on butter, cranberry sauce and don't forget the pies. Be sure to appreciate the aunts, uncles, cousins, grandparents and parents you still have in your

life. I am truly thankful for all the blessings I have. And dad, we'll be saving the neck, heart, giblets and all your other favorite parts for you.

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LEGAL NOTICE
OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Zoning Board of Appeals will meet on **Wednesday, December 12, 2012**, in the Aldermanic Chambers, 2nd Floor, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, at 6:00 p.m. to hear pending applications and to hold public hearings:

32-34 Wallace St: (Case #ZBA 2012-87) Applicants and Owners Paula and Albert Pellecchia Jr., seek a Special Permit under SZO §4.4.1 to make alterations to an existing nonconforming multi-family structure to construct a one-story addition on the rear left side of the building. RA zone. Ward 6.

62C Summer St: (Case #ZBA 2012-88) Applicant Koryn Zammuto and Owner Gurmail S. Banwait, seek a Special Permit under SZO §4.5.1 to change from one nonconforming use, an athletic entertainment retail store (SZO §7.11.9.7.a), to another nonconforming use, a hair salon (SZO §7.11.8.a). RB zone. Ward 2.

112-116 Sycamore St: (Case #ZBA 2012-90) Applicant Zipcar, Inc. and Owner 112-116 Sycamore Street, LLC, seek a Special Permit under SZO §4.5.3 in order to expand an existing nonconforming use, a multi-family dwelling (SZO §7.11.1.c), to a multi-family dwelling use with three (3) parking spaces for car-sharing or flex-car spaces (SZO §7.11.11.14.a). RB zone. Ward 4.

73 Summer St: (Case #ZBA 2012-91) Applicant Zipcar, Inc. and Owner First Summer 73, LLC, seek a Special Permit under SZO §4.5.3 in order to expand an existing nonconforming use, a service station (SZO §7.11.11.3.a), to a service station use with three (3) parking spaces for car-sharing or flex-car spaces (SZO §7.11.11.14.a). RB zone. Ward 3.

761 Broadway: (Case #ZBA 2012-92) Applicant Zipcar, Inc. and Owner, The Seven Hundred Sixty One Broadway Nominee Trust, seek a Special Permit under SZO §4.5.3 in order to expand an existing nonconforming use, an office (SZO §7.11.1), to an office with three (3) parking spaces for car-sharing or flex-car spaces (SZO §7.11.11.14.a). RB zone. Ward 6.

765 Somerville Ave: (Case #ZBA 2012-93) Applicant Zipcar, Inc. and Owner, Nanstan Realty, LLC, c/o Porter Square Realty, seek a Special Permit under SZO §4.5.3 in order to expand an existing nonconforming use, a multi-family dwelling (SZO §7.11.1.c), to a multi-family dwelling use with three (3) parking spaces for car-sharing or flex-car spaces (SZO §7.11.11.14.a). RB zone. Ward 5.

0 Crown St: (Case #ZBA 2012-94) Applicant Zipcar, Inc. and Owner Somerville Hospital, seek a Special Permit under SZO §4.5.3 in order to expand an existing nonconforming use, a hospital (SZO §7.11.5.B.3.b), to a hospital use with one (1) parking space for car-sharing or flex-car spaces (SZO §7.11.11.14.a). RA zone. Ward 3.

15 Weston Ave: (Case #ZBA 2012-96) Applicant, MetroPCS Massachusetts, LLC, and Owner, Somerville Housing Authority, seek a Special Permit under SZO §7.11.15.3 and SZO §14 to expand the use of the wireless communication facility to include the installation of four dish antennas and related equipment. RB zone. Ward 7.

27 College Ave: (Case #ZBA 2012-97) Applicant, MetroPCS Massachusetts, LLC, and Owner, Somerville Housing Authority, seek a Special Permit under SZO §7.11.15.3 and SZO §14 for the installation of wireless communication equipment consisting of three dish antennas and related equipment and cables. CDB zone. Ward 6.

231-233 Holland St: (Case #ZBA 2012-98) Applicant/Owner 62 College Ave Trust LLC, seek a Special Permit under SZO §7.11.1.c to establish 4 residential units at the site along with an existing 1,000 sf commercial space and a Special Permit under §4.4.1 to change and add windows, doors, and construct an enclosed walkway between second floors of the nonconforming structure. NB zone. Ward 7.


70 Irving St: (Case #ZBA 2012-100) Applicants and Owners, Cynthia Taft and Frederick Mueller, seek a Special Permit under SZO §4.4.1 to alter a nonconforming single family dwelling through the installation of windows and a bulkhead door on the right side elevation. RA Zone. Ward 6.

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

Attest: Dawn Pereira, Administrative Assistant


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

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The Somerville Historic Preservation Commission (SHPC) shall hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, December 18, 2012 at 6:40 p.m. in the Third Floor Conference Room, City Hall regarding proposals to demolish (1) 34 Edgar Avenue by Applicants Esmaeil Mahdavi & Yeganeh Salehpour, (2) 360 Mystic Avenue by Applicant Richard Berg, (3) 26 Warwick Street by Applicant Daniel Silva, and (4) 20 Warwick Street by Applicant 20 Warwick Street Trust.

The subject of the hearing will be a review of the initial determination by the SHPC that under City of Somerville Zoning Ordinance Section 7-28b(2), the structure is considered "Significant". Public testimony followed by discussion and a vote by the Commission will be taken regarding if the building should be "Preferably Preserved". For further information, please contact the Commission Staff via (617) 625-6600 x 2525 or kchase@somervillema.gov.

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MIDDLESEX Division **Docket No. MI 12P2742EA**

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Estate of: Frances M Ferrone

Date of Death: 04/17/2012

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Guy V Ferrone of Somerville MA

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and also requesting that:

Guy V Ferrone of Somerville MA

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Witness, Hon. Peter C Di Gangi, First Justice of this Court.

Tara E. De Cristofaro
Register of Probate

Date: November 20, 2012

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IFB # 13-46

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

Sidewalk/Street Debris Removal

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 28, 2012**. Sealed bids will be received at the above office until: **Friday, December 14, 2012 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 award will be for a term of one (1) year from 1/1/2013 through 12/31/2013, with two (2), one-year options to renew.

5% Bid Deposit. Prevailing Wage Rates apply to this contract.

Please email, Orazio DeLuca, Contract Manager, odeluca@somervillema.gov for bid package and information or visit the City of Somerville website: www.somervillema.gov

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Purchasing Director
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CITY OF SOMERVILLE
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
IFB # 13-47

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

Walkway Awning, Fabrication and Installation

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 26, 2012**. Sealed bids will be received at the above office until: **Monday, December 10, 2012 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.

A Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be held on Monday, December 3, 2012 at 11:00 AM, DPW Conference Room, 2nd Floor, One Franey Road, Somerville.

For Bid Packages and Information, please email Karen Mancini, kmancini@somervillema.gov or visit the City of Somerville web-site, www.somervillema.gov

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

MIDDLESEX Division Docket No. MI 12P3307EA

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Estate of: Gertrude A O'Brien

Date of Death: 03/16/1997

To all interested persons:

A Petition has been filed by:

Catherine A Holmes of North Grafton MA

requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order of testacy and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

and also requesting that:

Catherine A Holmes of North Grafton MA

be appointed as Personal Representative (s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00a.m. on 12/13/2012

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection. If you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

This estate is being administered under formal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but recipients are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

Witness, Hon. Peter C Di Gangi, First Justice of this Court.

Tara E. De Cristofaro
Register of Probate

Date: November 15, 2012

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2000	Nissan	Maxima	Vin# JN1CA31A8YT002689
Honda	Motorcycle	Blue	Vin# 1HFSC1000DA007574

Date of Sale: December 19, 2012
Time: 12:00 P.M.
Location: 160 McGrath Hwy. Somerville, MA. 02143

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Somerville comes up short on turkey day

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The game started positively for Somerville as they scored 15 unanswered points in the first quarter. The first came thanks to James Marin who saved a Somerville punt from bouncing into the Cambridge end zone for a touchback and the ball was downed on the 1-yard line. Richard Guerrier intercepted a pass by Cambridge Quarterback David Maaghul and Marin caught a pass over the middle, broke a tackle and scored on a play covering 21 yards. The extra point made the score 7-0 Somerville.

"James Marin had his best game as a receiver," said Gulla of Marin, who had eight catches for 84 yards and a touchdown reception and, like Guerrier, played both ways.

"He had a breakout game that we waited all season for."

Somerville's next points came on an 80 yard touchdown drive which included passes to Assad Abraham and Jonathan Santana and was capped off by a three yard keeper by Huertas. Anderson Jupiter, going in motion, took an inside hand-off and went in for the two-point score, making it 15-0 Somerville.

If the first quarter belonged to Somerville, the second belonged to Cambridge who scored 22 straight points. After Santana intercepted a Maaghul pass in the end zone, Huertas threw his first interception of the day giving the Falcons the ball on the Highlander 25. Cambridge drove to the Somerville 7-yard line where Anderson took the ball over to the left end for a touchdown. Anderson then ran up the middle for the conversion making it 15-8.

The second turnover by Somerville was immediately costly when Cambridge's Essah Chisholm read the Somerville screen play perfectly, stepped in front of the pass and rambled 35 yards for the touchdown. Santana intercepted the 2-point pass attempt and it was 15-14 Somerville with 4:59 left in the first half.

After forcing the Highlanders to punt, Cambridge returned the ball

to the Somerville 35 where Maaghul hit Elijah Booker on a 27 yard pass. The Falcons then took advantage of two Somerville penalties and with the ball on the 2-yard line, Maaghul hit Elijah Scott on a one yard pass just over the goal line. Anderson again scored the two-point conversion on a run making the score 22-15 Cambridge.

With 1:23 left in the first half, Somerville drove the ball down field on two passes on the right sideline to Marin but ended when Cambridge's Rockeem Robinson intercepted Huertas to end the scoring threat.

In the second half, the Somerville defense forced a Cambridge punt and the Highlander offense went 79 yards, eating nearly eight minutes only to see Chisholm make a shoe-string interception and return the ball the Somerville 45 as the third quarter came to an end. Cambridge took the ball and Anderson ran it down to the 2-yard line where Maaghul hit Rafael Guzman on an almost identical touchdown pass to their last score. The Highlanders thwarted the 2-point conversion and the score was 28-15.

Somerville was finally able to put a scoring drive together, the key plays being a 19 yard pass to Matt George, and a pass reception by Marin that got the ball the Cambridge 11. A middle screen pass to Jupiter got the ball to the 6, and then Huertas found George all alone on the right side to make it 28-22 with the extra point.

The final frenzied minutes of the game came when the Highlanders tried a kick just behind the front line and the ball went out of bounds, earning a penalty that put the ball on the 50. From there, the Somerville defense made a huge stop, stuffing Anderson on a fourth-and-one, taking over the ball on their own 44. Somerville's hopes were deflated when, on the third play from scrimmage, Huertas fumbled. Anderson's touchdown run followed and it was 34-22.

Somerville was not done, however,

because when Cambridge tried to pass on the two point play following the touchdown, Guerrier intercepted and went the distance giving Somerville 2 points and a breath of life, 34-24. The Falcons were penalized on the return and had to kick from their own 20, giving Somerville great field position. Somerville capitalized when Santana (7 catches for 74 yards and a touchdown) took a Huertas pass over the middle cut to his left and went in for the 30 yard score.

The two point conversion failed and, with the score 34-30 and 49 seconds remaining in the game, Somerville tried an onside kick that Cambridge covered as the clock ticked down to zero, thus ending Somerville's last hope.

Although Somerville lost to new rival Cambridge Rindge and Latin, Gulla was happy about the new rivalry, and hopeful about future success. "The atmosphere at the game was awesome that's how Thanksgiving games are supposed to be Cambridge and Somerville are natural backyard rivals. Cambridge will control the coveted Picket Fence trophy for this year only!"

For the future, Coach Gulla is hopeful, considering that he has many starters returning, including key players like Huertas, Marin, George, Abraham and Santana. Also returning will be leading tacklers, Justin Berry and Carl Alphonse, who will be sophomores next year.

The offensive line may need re-tooling because the Highlanders are losing Co-Captain Ryan Conte, Dan Roche and Matt Damasceno to graduation.

In summary, Gulla said, "Our season was not as successful on the field as we had hoped. Our goal is always to win the GBL Championship and until that is accomplished we cannot rest," but the future is filled with hope.

"We did gain great varsity experience with many underclassmen. The team leaders on both offense and defense will be returning next year."

Ms. Cam's

Olio Answers

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| 1. Westernmost of three divisions of the Appalachian Mts. extends southwestern for 450 miles from southern West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee to northern Alabama | raneus" meaning "middle of the earth" |
| 2. British Columbia | 7. It is said to be invented by Sir Tim Berners-Lee at CERN in Switzerland |
| 3. Carmen Miranda | 8. Blue |
| 4. Forrest Mars | 9. Quaoar |
| 5. One olive | 10. New York |
| 6. The Mediterranean derives from the Latin word "Mediterranean" | 11. Looking for water |
| | 12. Pekinese |



Sally O' Brien's
335 Somerville Ave.
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Monday 12/3:

Tuesday 12/4:

Wednesday 12/5:

Thursday 12/6:

Friday 12/7:

Saturday 12/8:

Sunday 12/9:

Cheapshots Comedy Club open mike 7:30 p.m.

Marley Mondays with Duppy Conquerors 10 p.m.

Spider John Koerner 8:30 p.m.

Free Poker, lots of prizes! 7 p.m.

Spring Hill Rounders grassy Thursdays 7:30 p.m.

Stan Martin Band 6 p.m.

Todo Bien \$5 cover 9 p.m.

Tom Hagerty Band 6 p.m.

Jody Blackwell with Erinn Brown \$5 cover 9 p.m.

Annual Parkinson Benefit 12 p.m.

Frank Drake Sunday Showcase 5 p.m.

John DeCarlo & Company 8 p.m.



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FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH
Wednesday| November 28

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

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

Thursday|November 29

Central Library
Preschool Storytime for 3 to 5 years old
10:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m.|79 Highland Ave

Friday| November 30

Central Library
Preschool Storytime for 2 years old
10:30 a.m.-11a.m.|79 Highland Ave

Central Library
Teen Manga + Anime Meet-up + Craft
Cynthia Mitchem, Youth Services Librarian
617-623-5000-2936
3 p.m.-6 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

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

Sunday|December 2

Central Library
Art Cards
Cathy 2950
2 p.m.-3 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Monday |December 3

Central Library
Sing-along with Steve
11 a.m.- 12 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Tuesday|December 4

Central Library
Homeschool Reading Group
Tammy McKanan
617-591-0216
10 a.m.- 2 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

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

Wednesday |December 5

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

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

MUSIC
Wednesday|November 28

Johnny D's
Veterans for Peace Benefit|Public Interest|Willie Sordillo Jazz Trio
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

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

The Burren
Pub Quiz 8 p.m.
Comedy 10 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

PA'S Lounge
Gold Light Hour|TBA|Connector
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

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

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

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

Bull McCabe's Pub
The Nephrok All Stars
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

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

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

Rosebud Bar
Free Pool|Game Night
381 Summer St

Radio Bar
379 Summer St

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

Arts at the Armory
Somerville by Design
Performance Hall
8 a.m.-5 p.m.|191 Highland Ave

Arts at the Armory
Every Other Thursday Poetry|Café
7:30 p.m.|191 Highland Ave

Thursday|November 29

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

Sally O'Brien's
Live Music 6:30p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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

PA'S Lounge
Backdrive|Safer By The Shore|Glorious Noise|The Colors Run
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
Ladies Cover Band night|Bitch Trifecta as (Cranberries)|Adrian Emberley as (St Vincent)|Ginger Ibex as (Amanda Palmer)
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

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

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

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

Rosebud Bar
Capt Easycord|Machine 475
381 Summer St.

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

Radio Bar
Anngelle Wood Presents: Lounge Act
379 Summer St

Cantina la Mexicana
247 Washington St.

Arts at the Armory
Somerville by Design
Performance Hall
8 a.m.-5 p.m.|191 Highland Ave

Arts at the Armory
Ensemble 451|Café
7 p.m.|191 Highland Ave

Friday|November 30

Johnny D's
Johnny Hoy & The Bluefish|Comanchero|Paranoid Social Club
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's
Jimmy Ryan Band |6 p.m.
Big Apple Rocks presents Cody Nilsen, The Grass Gypsys,Tsunami of Sound \$10 cover 9:00 p.m. | 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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

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

Precinct Bar
Jenny Dee & Deelinquents|Muck & The Mires|Lyres|The Recordettes (ny)
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

PA'S Lounge
Ehnahre|Sewer Goddess|Northumbria|Requiem|FRKSE
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

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

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

Bull McCabe's
Jess Tardy Band with special guest Dinty Child of Session Americana
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

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

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

Rosebud Bar
Amber Lad|Fancy Trash|Fiesta Melon|Solo Sexy|Total Pros
381 Summer St

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

Cantina la Mexicana
TBA
247 Washington St.

Radio Bar

Upstairs: Tampoffs 12a.m.|Coffin Lids 11p.m|Thick Shakes 10 p.m.| Jay Allen and the Archcriminals 9p.m.
Downstairs: Freak Flag presents Pile, Skimask, Dr. Pepper's Blues Band \$5 379 Summer St

Arts at the Armory
Art For the Heart
7 p.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

Saturday|December 1

Johnny D's
Mark Eitzel|The Macrotones Record Release|The Essex
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's
Les Sampou Band 6:00 p.m.
Black Marmot 9:00 p.m. \$5 cover | 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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

Precinct Bar
Pretty Things Birthday Bash!
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

Orleans Restaurant and Bar
Karaoke
65 Holland St

PA'S Lounge
Drama / Leah V Presents!
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

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

Bull McCabe's
Red Dirt On The Red Line - Featuring The Summer Villains, Kieran Ridge Band and Patrick Coman & The Lo Fi Angels
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

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

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

Rosebud Bar
Rocky and the Pressers|Van Buren|Massmouth Story Slam
381 Summer St

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

Cantina la Mexicana
TBA
247 Washington St.

Radio Bar
Upstairs: Boone CD release party
Downstairs: The Fearless Leaders, James Straight And The Wide Stance, Cadillac Heart, The Hep-tet
379 Summer St

Arts at The Armory
An Evening with Cheryl Wheeler
7 p.m.|Performance Hall
191 Highland Ave

Sunday|December 2

Johnny D's
Open Blues Jam|4:30 p.m.
17 Holland St.|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar
Larry Flint & Chuck Parrish
5:00 p.m. | Amber Casares Band 8:00 p.m. | 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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

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

Precinct Bar
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

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

Highland Kitchen
150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Rosebud Bar
Karaoke
381 Summer St

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

Radio Bar
Up|Open mic comedy with PJ Westin
7:30-9:30p Free
379 Summer St

Arts at The Armory
Local is for Lovers Pop Up Market
11 a.m.-5 p.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

Monday|December 3

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

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Cheapshots Comedy Club open mike|7:30 p.m.
Marley Mondays with the Duppy Conquerors|10:00 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Bur Run|6:45 p.m.
Big Night Out|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
UnRegular Radio Presents
70 Union Sq|617-623-921

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

Rosebud Bar
Closed Mondays
381 Summer St

Radio Bar
379 Summer St

Tuesday|December 4

JohnnyD's
Kelly Hogan|Chris Mills
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar
Spider John Koerner |8:30 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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

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

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

Precinct Bar
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
381 Summer St

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

Radio Bar
379 Summer St

Arts at The Armory
Youth Open Mic Night
6 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Wednesday|December 5

Johnny D's
Holiday Pre Heat
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

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

The Burren
Pub Quiz 8 p.m.
Comedy 10 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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

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

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

Precinct Bar
3penny Open Mic (No Cover)
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

Bull McCabe's Pub
Low Star
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

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

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

Rosebud Bar
Free Pool|Game Night
381 Summer St

Radio Bar
Warp Speed Wednesday pilot episode featuring episodes of Star Trek the Next

Generation, Firefly, The Prisoner, and screening of Starship Troopers
379 Summer St

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

Arts at The Armory
Wiretap Wednesday Open Stage
7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

CLASSES AND GROUPS
Wednesday|November 28

Central Library
U.S. Census Bureau Recruiting Session
Melanie Jetter617-424-4527
9 a.m.-5 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

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

Thursday| November 29

Central Library
Cambridge College Information Session
Kristen 617-873-0650
3:30 - 5:30 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

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

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

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| December 1

Arts at the Armory
Winter Farmers' Market
9:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

Central Library
Film Series: Classical Music in War Movies: Platoon
10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Central Library
Cuppow
James Fox
james@10engines.com
3 p.m.-4:30 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

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

Sunday| December 2

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

Monday| December 3

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

Central Library
Chess Night
7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Third Life Studio
Bollywood Dance|With Sarina
7:30 p.m.|bostonbollywooddance@gmail.com

Tuesday| December 4

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

Third Life Studio
Vinyasa Flow Yoga & Meditation
9:15 a.m.-10:15 a.m.|617-628-7884
The Art of Singing Group
7 p.m.-9:15 p.m.|33 Union Sq|617-628-0916 srlibana@gmail.com

Wednesday| December 5

Central Library
Book Group: Mystery
7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Central Library
U.S. Census Bureau Recruiting Session
Melanie Jetter617-424-4527
9 a.m.-5 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

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

SENIOR CENTER HAPPENINGS:

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

Holland Street Center - 167 Holland Street

Ralph & Jenny Center - 9 New Washington Street

Cross Street Center - 165 Broadway

Some Council on Aging highlights in the coming weeks:

“MusicalConversation” with Alan is on November 29. Join us at 12:00 for a great conversation about the music in our lives.

Our cultural tours continue. A few spots are left for:

On Monday, December 3, we will visit the Concord Museum for a guided tour of their annual **“Family Trees: A Celebration of Children's Literature.”** Each year, various staff and community organizations decorate trees throughout the museum based upon a popular children's story they have chosen. In addition to this special exhibit, the museum is home to one of the oldest and most treasured collections of Americana in the country. Join us for this delightful adventure through the museum. Call Janine at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 for more information.

A lunchtime series on **Stress Management & Self Care** comes to the Holland Street Center from 12:30 - 1:30 pm. Tuesdays beginning 12/4 - 12/18. 12/4 - Reiki; 12/11- Meditation; 12/18 Alternative Therapies. No cost but RSVP required. Presented by Roberta Robinson of the Cambridge Health Alliance. Brown Bag (bring your own lunch). Light refreshments served.

Get ready for our **Holiday Cookie Celebration** on December 17 at Holland Street. Bring in a family or favorite recipe and some baked cookies to share. Stay and sample the best from Somerville with some tea, hot chocolate and eggnog. Stay for “MusicalConversation” as Alan brings back Natasha Folk Project for a musical hour of conversation. RSVP with Judy at 617-625-6600 ext. 2300.

Illumination Tour is December 15 at 4:15 p.m. For \$5 ride the trolley and view the sparkling lights.

Yoga/Meditation - 4-week session coming January 22. \$20 for the four weeks. Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m. Holland Street Center.

We know you have always wanted to learn Belly Dancing. Here's your chance. Beginner Adult Belly Dancing comes to Holland Street Center Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m. Class is \$5. Get that core strong and help your back muscles get strong and stay strong. All levels.

We heard you singing in the shower - now join us in person. The Moonlighters meet every Monday at 10:30 a.m. at Holland Street. All levels welcome. No experience needed.

Cards and Games hour at Ralph & Jenny at 10:00 a.m. every day the center is open. Come join your friends or make some new ones. Cards, Scrabble and Cribbage.

Do you crochet or would you like to learn? Thursdays at 10:45 a.m. At Ralph & Jenny Center. Join a great group in learning to crochet or share your projects you are working on.

Trip Corner:

A few stops are left for our **New York City Trip**. Get yours before they fill up.

Concord Museum - December 3.

Hu KeLau - dinner and performance. December 5.

Shopping in New York City - December 8 & 9.

Newport Mansion Tour - December 13.

Winter Wonderland at Aqua Turf Club - December 18.

STAY ACTIVE:

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

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

Flexibility & Balance - all three centers.

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

November 28

Indian Head

Holland Street Center

Flexibility & Balance|9:30 a.m.

Qi gong|1:15 p.m.

167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

Cross Street Center

Closed

Ralph & Jenny Center

Cards & Cribbage|10 a.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m.

9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

November 29

Indian Head

Holland Street Center

Current Events|10 a.m.

Indoor Exercise|11 a.m.

MusicalConversation with Alan||12 p.m.

167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

November 30

Holland Street Center

Bingo|12:45 p.m.

167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

Cross Street Center

Closed

165 Broadway|617-625-6600 x 2335

Ralph & Jenny Center

Closed

9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

December 3

Holland Street Center

Monthly Breakfast |9:30 a.m.

Singing|10:30 a.m.

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

Ralph & Jenny Center

Cards & Cribbage|10 a.m.

Indoor Exercise|10:30 a.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m.

9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

December 4

Holland Street Center

Strengthening Exercise|9:15 a.m.

Stress Management Reiki|12:30 p.m.

Shine by appt.|1 p.m.

Belly Dancing|5 p.m.

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

Cross Street Center

Indoor Exercise|10:30 a.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m.

165 Broadway|617-625-6600 x 2335

Ralph & Jenny Center

Cards and Cribbage|10 a.m.

Flexibility and Balance|10:30 a.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m.

9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

December 5

Huke Lau

Bowling at 1:00 at Flatbreads

Holland Street Center

Flexibility & Balance|9:30 a.m.

Qi gong|1:15 p.m.

167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

Cross Street Center

Closed

Ralph & Jenny Center

Cards & Cribbage|10 a.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m.

9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

Computer Tutorial - Retired computer teacher Barbara Marshall will be volunteering on select Thursdays from 11 - 12 at the Holland Street Center to provide individualized computer training. To schedule an appointment, call 617-625-6600 ext. 2300.

Check out our Facebook site for photos from our events and exercise and tips for everyday healthy living at www.facebook.com/somervilleCOA.

Barletta Fundraiser



Photo by William Tauro

A benefit fundraiser was held this past Saturday evening for local Rick Barletta to help support with the recovery from his horrific accident whereby he sustained permanent injuries in a near fatal motorcycle crash this past May. The event took place at the Winter Hill Yacht Club in Somerville and helped raise well needed money to help with his care for him and his family as well as monies needed towards purchasing a wheelchair accessible van. Also in Rick's support that evening in attendance was Paul W. Cote, President Mass Motorcyclist Survivors Fund/New England Regional Road Riding Delegate to the AMA Congress and Mike “Iron Side” Carpenter President of BAMR (Boston Area Motor Cycle Riders) as well as Cindy Hickey from the City of Somerville COA Director/Toys for Local Children organizer. Also, special thanks to the Massachusetts Motorcycle Association for all there continuous support. Pictured L to R: Rick's sister Jeaneen Barletta, Mass Motorcyclist Survivors Fund President Paul W. Cote, Sue Hart and Mike "Ironside" Carpenter, BAMR President.

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Living la vida local CONT. FROM PG 1

director of SomervilleLocalFirst, a non-profit that supports local independently-owned businesses. “You don't have to fight parking or crowds. You can just walk out of your house and get some food, get some lunch and get some shopping done.”

Her organization recently launched Shift Your Shopping, a campaign to encourage residents to look closer to home when it comes to searching for that special gift. Rutkin said even a small shift in buying habits can make a big difference in communities, because money spent locally tends to stay local. “When you shop at the mall, all that money goes outside of the community, but when you shop in Somerville, up to three times the money stays in the commu-

nity,” said Rutkin.

For gift-seekers looking for indoor one-stop shopping with a local flavor, SomervilleLocalFirst is sponsoring the Local Is For Lovers Market, a one-day showcase of local merchants and artisans, this Sunday, December 2 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Armory on Highland Avenue. “We wanted to create a family-friendly market to make it easier to do local shopping,” said Rutkin.

The event features locally-inspired gifts for just about anyone on your list, including arts, crafts, food, and gift certificates for local restaurants, services and classes. Supervised kid-friendly activities will give parents a chance to browse on their own, and local bands will pro-

vide a musical backdrop. There will even be a winter-themed photo booth for those who still need to send out holiday cards.

This weekend will also offer special holiday shopping opportunities in the Union Square neighborhood, featuring the annual indoor/outdoor Union Square Winter Craft Market on Saturday, December 1 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and a mix of local artist and artisan open studios, markets and sales, on both Saturday and Sunday.

Later next week, local retailers will mix it up with the nightlife scene in Davis Square for the annual Midnight Madness holiday shopping event, from 6 p.m. to midnight on Thursday, December 6. A long list of neighborhood businesses will be staying

open late and offering holiday discounts and promotions throughout the evening.

“For a lot of the little local retail shops that participate, it's their single biggest sales day of the year,” said Thalia Tringo of DARBI, the all-volunteer Davis Square business and residents association. Tringo said the event is often a chance for customers who come to the square for one specialty store to find out just how much else there is in the neighborhood. “We really have a unique selection of gifts. You can't find that selection just anywhere,” said Tringo.

Looking around at the vintage goods in a Davis Square shop last Friday, Silvana Costa said she'd been shopping locally for years, because the area's inde-

pendent retailers offer a more personalized experience and merchandise you just can't find at the mall. “There's an eclectic mix of stores,” said Costa. “A lot of the pieces are one-of-a-kind. You can find things that speak to your personal style.”

Said Rutkin, of SomervilleLocalFirst, “There's a lot of pride in what Somerville has. I think that people know that even if you shop exclusively in Somerville you can really get some awesome gifts that are made in Somerville, created in Somerville, sold in Somerville.”

For more information about local shopping opportunities in Somerville, go to somervillelocalfirst.org, unionsquaremain.org, or yourdavissquare.com.

News Talk CONT. FROM PG 8

worked at City Hall drop in and say “hi” to Sean and a lot of old friends.

Vernon Street Open House Studios is this weekend, December 1 and 2. 12-6:00 p.m. at 6 Vernon Street Artist Studios.

Looking for gift ideas? This weekend there is plenty of places to visit locally. Here are just a few ideas to start with: Union Square Winter Craft Market will take place Saturday, December 1 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Union Square Plaza and inside Precinct Bar at 70 Union Square. Handmade gifts produced by local artisans. Artisan's Asylum is holding its first Winter Open Studios on Saturday from noon to 5 p.m., 10 Tyler St, Somerville. It's free, open to the public, and families are welcome. So come join the fun and bring your friends. More than twenty makers, crafters, jewelers, engineers and artists will be presenting at the event. Come tour collective

workshops and individual studios, observe demonstrations, purchase unique artworks and talk to their creators. Enjoy dragons, robots, collages, and interactive computer-generated music installations. Watch welders and glassworker's first-hand, and see jewelry being printed in 3D. Local is for Lovers Pop Up Market will take place Sunday, December 2 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Arts at the Armory, 191 Highland Ave. Vendors and participants alike share a common mission, to support the local economy of Somerville with holiday shopping dollars. There will also be family friendly kids' activities by Knucklebones and Herbstalk and music from Stainless.

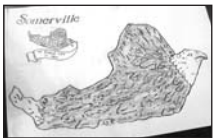
So Hubway bike rentals has removed the 10 spots around the city. All are either off the streets or will be off by the end of this month. We hear that they will be back in the spring with four additional stations. We wonder how much revenue the city is col-

lecting from them and how much revenue local businesses losing because of them.

Thank you to the many who sent in nominations for “Somerville News Person of the Week.” We're going to re-start immediately after the New Year. If you'd like to nominate someone send your request by email to donaldfnorton@yahoo.com with the words “nomination of Person of the Week.” There are a lot of deserving individuals out there in the 'Ville, and ask any of those already selected. They loved it.

Congratulations to Former Somerville Mayor Gene Brune for being bestowed the honor of being named Mayor Emeritus by Mayor Joseph Curtatone and the Board of Alderman. Emeritus means “one retired from professional life but permitted to retain as an honorary title the rank of the last office held of his office mayor.” Congratulations, Mayor Emeritus Brune!

The Somerville News
Historical Fact of the Week



Eagle feathers #14

Day of Infamy

By Bob (Monty) Doherty

On December 7, 1941, the Empire of Japan attacked the American fleet at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, launching America into World War II, the most devastatingly destructive conflict in our planet's history. The next day, the American Congress declared war upon Japan, immediately followed by an additional declaration of war upon Germany on December 9.

Twenty-four days later, Somerville's centennial year (1842-1942) began. The events of the attack, however, ensured that a celebration of the city's one hundred years of existence would never actually take place. Plans for the festival were cast aside and instead, as with every other American city and town, Somerville underwent an abrupt transformation from a peaceful place into one that concentrated almost fully on the war effort.

The overnight reality of the attack on Pearl Harbor changed Somerville's businesses into factories that seamlessly produced the products and resources that were so paramount to victory. Assembly Square went from making automobiles to universal carriers, which were about half the size of a tank and carried troops, as well as supplies.



In Union Square, furniture companies stopped making furniture and began to make airplane glider fabrications. Squire's meat packing establishment started shipping its products to the military. It was the apex of patriotism. Thousands of workers left the assembly lines to join the armed forces. Even the honorable John M. Lynch, who was the sitting mayor of Somerville at that time, resigned to join the Navy, where he served his country as a Lieutenant Commander.

The war changed the entire demeanor of the American workforce. The departure of so many workers left an immense vacuum. Much of the void was filled by women who volunteered to fill the empty roles left by those who had been deployed. Somerville's municipal defense was bolstered largely by volunteers for air-raid wardens and fire and police auxiliaries. Possible enemy targets such as the Ford plant and railroad bridges throughout the city had to be strictly guarded.

In order to conserve as many resources as possible for the war effort, rationing was imposed. Sacrifices had to be made by Somerville citizens on a daily basis, with many of them working extremely long and arduous hours. Red Cross classes were given and first-aid stations were set up. City-wide air-raid sirens were mounted and evacuation plans were made in the event of a worst-case scenario. Residents denied themselves abundant use of everyday items that objects of luxury.

So, while Somerville may not have honored the city's one hundredth birthday with a bash in 1942, it did something much more honorable than throw a party. It made an immense contribution to ensuring the freedoms that we, as Americans, hold so dear. Next week marks the 71st anniversary of the Pearl Harbor bombing. So if you get a chance, take a moment out of your day to remember the thousands who served, the many who were injured and, above all, the 409 Somerville souls who gave their lives in the war that began that Sunday morning.

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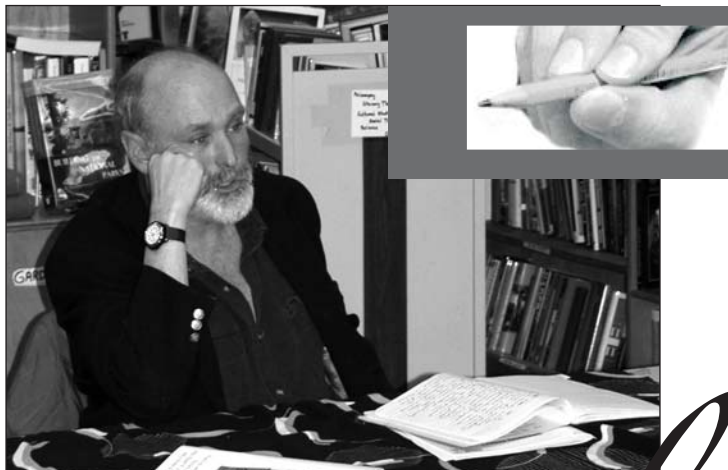
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12:00am	Free Speech TV	6:00pm	Al Jazeera TV (Free Speech TV)	2:00pm	Henry Parker Presents
6:00am	Heritage Baptist Church	6:30pm	Teen TV	2:30pm	The Strike Heard Around the World
7:00am	Road to Recovery	7:00pm	The Literati Show	3:00pm	Tele Magazine
8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	7:30pm	Groundwork Somerville	4:00pm	Boston Tango Festival
9:00am	Creating Cooperative Kids	8:00pm	Fouye Zo Nan Kalalou	5:00pm	Tele Kreyol
10:00am	Abugida Television	9:30pm	The Entertainer's Show	6:00pm	Basic Buddha
11:00am	Somerville Newspaper Reading	10:00pm	Tonight's Special	6:30pm	Nepali SCAT Studio Show
Noon	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	10:30pm	Somerville Rocks	8:00pm	David Parkman
1:00pm	Somerville Housing Authority	11:00pm	Creepy Castle	9:00pm	Nossa Gente e Costumes
1:30pm	Teen TV	Friday, November 29		10:00pm	Bandwidth TV
2:00pm	Culture Club	12:00am	Free Speech TV	10:30pm	Reeling Movie Show
2:30pm	Life Matters	6:00am	Road to Recovery	11:00pm	Gay TV (Free Speech TV)
3:00pm	Medical Tutor	7:00am	Culture Club	Sunday, December 2	
3:30pm	Inside Talk	7:30am	Physician Focus	12:00am	Free Speech TV
4:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show (Free Speech TV)	8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	6:00am	Program Celebrai
5:00pm	Neighborhood Cooking.	9:00am	What the Fluff?	7:00am	Flipside
5:30pm	Cooking with Georgia & Dez	10:00am	Somerville News Reading	7:30am	Discovering Justice
6:00pm	Al Jazeera TV (Free Speech TV)	11:00am	Somerville Back in the Day	8:00am	Effort Pour Christ
6:30pm	Critical Focus	Noon	Critical Focus	9:00am	Heritage Baptist Church
7:30pm	Basic Buddha	1:30pm	Somerville Housing Authority	10:00am	International Church of God
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9:00pm	Somerville Rocks!	3:00pm	Brunch with Sen. Bernie Sanders	Noon	The Entertainer's Show
9:30pm	Shrink Rap	4:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show (Free Speech TV)	1:00pm	Critical Focus
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8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	11:00pm	30th Annual Lowell Banjo & Fiddle Concert	11:30pm	Somerville Rocks!
9:00am	Somerville News Reading	Saturday, December 1		Monday, December 3	
10:00am	Active Aging	12:00am	Free Speech TV	12:00am	Free Speech TV
10:30am	Jeff Jam Sing Song Show	6:00am	Arabic Hour	6:00am	Atheist Viewpoint
11:00am	Creating Cooperative Kids	7:00am	Creating Cooperative Kids	6:30am	Physician Focus
Noon	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	8:00am	Jeff Jam Sing Song Show	7:00am	Creating Cooperative Kids
1:00pm	Nepali SCAT Studio Show	9:00am	Festival Kreyol	8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
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9:00am: (13/22)	Clean 'Ville of Health	Friday, November 30		7:00pm: (13/22)	Domestic Violence Vigil
9:00am: (15)	Highlander Forum	12:00am: (13/22)	Prospect Hill to Salisbury Prison	7:00pm: (15)	SHS Football vs Cambridge
12:00pm: (13/22)	Talking Business	12:00am: (15)	Our Schools, Our City	7:45pm: (13/22)	Veterans' Day Ceremony
12:00pm: (15)	SHS Sports Rally	12:30am: (15)	GBL Cheer Championship	8:10pm: (13/22)	Chamber of Commerce Dinner
12:20pm: (13/22)	Voices of Somerville	1:00am: (13/22)	Haven for Ingenious Minds	9:00pm: (15)	Kid Stuff
12:40pm: (13/22)	Prospect Hill to Salisbury Prison	1:30am: (15)	Superintendent Awards - Kennedy	9:30pm: (15)	SHS Boys' Soccer Playoffs
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7:50pm: (13/22)	Seriously Somerville	12:00pm: (15)	SHS Football vs Cambridge	2:00am: (15)	Kid Stuff
8:10pm: (13/22)	Chamber of Commerce Dinner	12:45pm: (13/22)	Veterans' Day Ceremony	2:30am: (15)	SHS Boys' Soccer Playoffs
9:00pm: (15)	Superintendent Awards - WSNS	1:10pm: (13/22)	Chamber of Commerce Dinner	2:35am: (13/22)	Clean 'Ville of Health
9:25pm: (15)	SHS Boys' Soccer Playoffs	2:00pm: (15)	Kid Stuff	2:50am: (13/22)	The Mayor's Report
9:35pm: (13/22)	Joe's Jazz & Blues Fest	2:35pm: (13/22)	Clean 'Ville of Health	9:00am: (13/22)	Somerville Fire Dept. Ride Along
Thursday, November 29		2:50pm: (13/22)	The Mayor's Report	9:00am: (15)	Our Schools, Our City
12:00am: (13/22)	The Mayor's Report	3:30pm: (15)	Superintendent Awards - Argenziano	12:00pm: (13/22)	Senior Circuit
12:00am: (15)	SHS Football vs Cambridge	7:00pm: (13/22)	Domestic Violence Vigil	12:00pm: (15)	Highlander Forum
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12:50am: (13/22)	Seriously Somerville	7:45pm: (13/22)	Veterans' Day Ceremony	12:30pm: (15)	WSNS Election Day Celebration
1:10am: (13/22)	Chamber of Commerce Dinner	8:10pm: (13/22)	Chamber of Commerce Dinner	12:50pm: (15)	Our Schools, Our City
2:00am: (15)	SHS Boys' Soccer Playoffs	9:00pm: (15)	Superintendent Awards - Argenziano	1:00pm: (13/22)	Line Dancing at Capen Court
2:35am: (13/22)	Joe's Jazz & Blues Fest	9:30pm: (15)	SHS Boys' Soccer Playoffs	1:20pm: (15)	SHS Sports Rally
9:00am: (13/22)	Highlander Forum	9:35pm: (13/22)	Clean 'Ville of Health	1:40pm: (13/22)	Talking Business
9:00am: (15)	SHS Sports Rally	9:50pm: (13/22)	The Mayor's Report	2:00pm: (13/22)	Honk!
12:00pm: (13/22)	Senior Circuit	Saturday, December 1		2:20pm: (15)	SHS Boys' Soccer Playoffs
12:00pm: (15)	Kid Stuff	12:00am: (13/22)	Domestic Violence Vigil	7:00pm: (13/22)	Senior Circuit
12:30pm: (13/22)	Prospect Hill to Salisbury Prison	12:00am: (15)	SHS Football vs Cambridge	7:00pm: (15)	Highlander Forum
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1:00pm: (15)	SHS Boys' Soccer Playoffs	1:10am: (13/22)	Chamber of Commerce Dinner	7:30pm: (15)	WSNS Election Day Celebration
1:30pm: (13/22)	Somerville Fire Dept. Ride Along	2:00am: (15)	Kid Stuff	7:50pm: (15)	Our Schools, Our City
1:45pm: (13/22)	Union Square Walking Tour	2:30am: (15)	SHS Boys' Soccer Playoffs	8:00pm: (13/22)	Line Dancing at Capen Court
2:35pm: (13/22)	Somerville Gives Back	2:35am: (13/22)	Clean 'Ville of Health	8:20pm: (15)	SHS Sports Rally
3:00pm: (15)	Our Schools, Our City - LIVE	2:50am: (13/22)	The Mayor's Report	8:40pm: (13/22)	Talking Business
3:30pm: (15)	Superintendent Awards - Kennedy	9:00am: (13/22)	Chamber of Commerce Dinner	9:00pm: (13/22)	Honk!
7:00pm: (13/22)	Prospect Hill to Salisbury Prison	9:00am: (15)	Kid Stuff	9:20pm: (15)	SHS Boys' Soccer Playoffs
7:00pm: (15)	Our Schools, Our City	12:00pm: (13/22)	Domestic Violence Vigil	Monday, December 3	
7:30pm: (15)	GBL Cheer Championship	12:00pm: (15)	SHS Football vs Cambridge	12:00am: (13/22)	Senior Circuit
8:00pm: (13/22)	Haven for Ingenious Minds	12:45pm: (13/22)	Veterans' Day Ceremony	12:00am: (15)	Highlander Forum
8:30pm: (15)	Superintendent Awards - Kennedy	1:10pm: (13/22)	Chamber of Commerce Dinner	12:30am: (13/22)	Voices of Somerville
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		12:00pm: (13/22)	Prospect Hill to Salisbury Prison		
		12:00pm: (15)	SHS Football vs Cambridge		
		1:00pm: (13/22)	Senior Symposium		
		2:00pm: (15)	SHS Boys' Soccer Playoffs		
		2:30pm: (13/22)	Clean 'Ville of Health		
		7:00pm: (13/22)	School Committee Meeting - LIVE		
		7:00pm: (15)	Our Schools, Our City		
		7:30pm: (15)	Highlander Forum		
		8:00pm: (15)	SHS Football vs Cambridge		
		10:00pm: (15)	SHS Brick Walkway		
		Tuesday, December 4			
		12:00am: (13/22)	Honk!		
		12:00am: (15)	Our Schools, Our City		
		12:30am: (15)	Highlander Forum		
		1:00am: (15)	SHS Football vs Cambridge		
		3:00pm: (15)	SHS Brick Walkway		
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		12:00pm: (15)	Our Schools, Our City		
		12:30pm: (13/22)	Voices of Somerville		
		12:30pm: (15)	SHS Boys' Soccer Playoffs		
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		1:50pm: (13/22)	Honk!		
		2:20pm: (15)	SHS Brick Walkway		
		3:30pm: (15)	Superintendent Awards - Healey		
		7:00pm: (13/22)	Senior Circuit		
		7:00pm: (15)	SHS Sports Rally		
		7:30pm: (13/22)	Joe's Jazz & Blues Fest		
		8:00pm: (15)	Raising Families		
		8:30pm: (13/22)	School Committee Meeting - REPLAY		
		8:30pm: (15)	Superintendent Awards - Healey		
		8:50pm: (15)	SHS Boys' Soccer Playoffs		
		12:00am: (13/22)	Senior Circuit		
		12:00am: (15)	SHS Sports Rally		
		12:30am: (13/22)	Senior Housing Symposium		
		1:00am: (15)	Raising Families		
		1:30am: (13/22)	School Committee Meeting - REPLAY		
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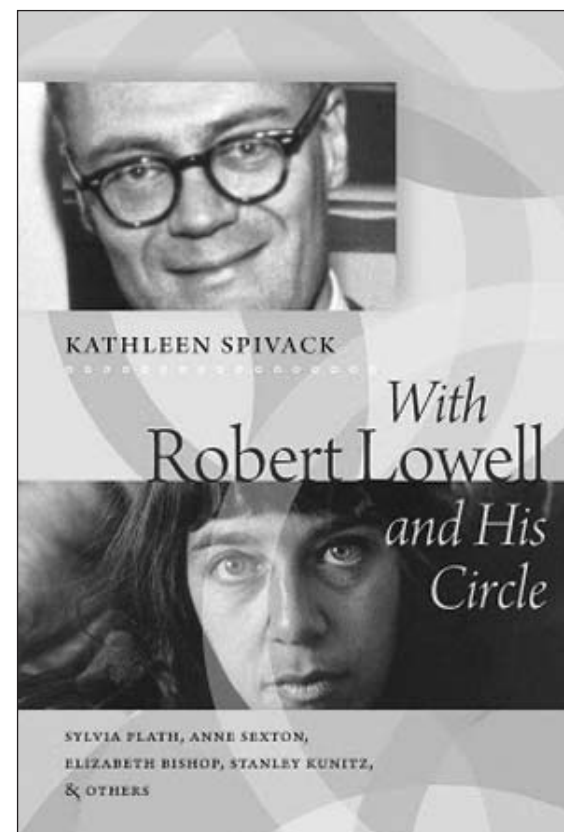
OFF THE SHELF

by Doug Holder

Book Launch Dec 2, 2012:

'With Robert Lowell and His Circle Sylvia Plath, Anne Sexton, Elizabeth Bishop, Stanley Kunitz, & Others' by Kathleen Spivack

My friend, the acclaimed poet Kathleen Spivack has a new memoir out: *With Robert Lowell and His Circle*. I had the honor to interview Kathleen in 2010, and had a chance to question her about the Boston and Cambridge literary scene in the 50s, 60s, and 70s. She told me about playing ping-pong with Elizabeth Bishop, and her tutorials with Robert Lowell. She also told me about Anne Sexton and Sylvia Plath and the Robert Lowell workshop at Boston University they were all in. Kathleen also has a big Somerville connection. She lived in Somerville as a single mother some decades ago, and is currently a member of the Somerville Bagel Bards. This important new memoir was reviewed in *The Globe* recently. Here is some information about the book and the book launch that is to happen on Dec.2:



With Robert Lowell and His Circle
Sylvia Plath, Anne Sexton, Elizabeth Bishop, Stanley Kunitz, & Others
by Kathleen Spivack
A memoir of a famous poetry circle

In 1959 Kathleen Spivack won a fellowship to study at Boston University with Robert Lowell. Her fellow students were Sylvia Plath and Anne Sexton, among others. Thus began a relationship with the famous poet and his circle that would last to the end of his life in 1977 and beyond. Spivack presents a lovingly rendered story of her time among some of the most esteemed artists of a generation. Part memoir, part loose collection of anecdotes, artistic considerations, and soulful yet clear-eyed reminiscences of a lost time and place, hers is an intimate portrait of the often suffering Lowell, the great and near great artists he attracted, his teaching methods, his private world, and the significant legacy he left to his students. Through the story of a youthful artist finding her poetic voice among literary giants, Spivack thoughtfully considers how poets work. She looks at friendships, addiction, despair, perseverance and survival, and how social changes altered lives and circumstances. This is a beautifully written portrait of friends who loved and lived words, and made great beauty together.

A touching and deeply revealing look into the lives and thoughts of some of the most influential artists of the twentieth century, *With Robert Lowell and His Circle* will appeal to writers, students, and thoughtful literary readers, as well as to scholars.

Please celebrate with us!
The Harvard Bookstore and the Grolier Poetry Bookshop invite you to the book launch of
With Robert Lowell and His Circle
Sylvia Plath, Anne Sexton, Elizabeth Bishop, Stanley Kunitz, & Others
by Kathleen Spivack

A memoir of a famous poetry circle published by the University Press of New England,
November, 2012

Sunday, December 2, 2012, 4-6 p.m.

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The book is available for pre-order through the University Press of New England, and will be released on November 13.

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"This book is absorbing and alive, human and compelling . . . the best memoir yet about Robert Lowell."
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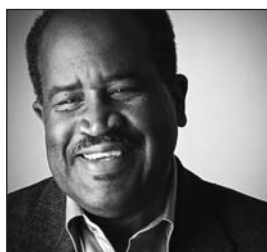
"A portrait [of Lowell] that serves to define his role as poet and teacher in fresh and significant ways . . . This is a memoir that will make an impact right away and that will be referred to by scholars, readers and biographers for many years to come." — Thomas Travisano, Hartwick College

"I devoured your book in one sitting last weekend; it's extraordinarily evocative of the poet and his time, your time. Thank you so much for writing it . . ." — Don Share, Senior Editor, Poetry Magazine

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Somerville Poet Afaa Michael Weaver has a new collection of poetry out *The Government of Nature* (University of Pittsburgh Press). He wrote the LYRICAL:

An intro to the poem "Against Forgiveness"



"Forgiveness is a process. As a young poet I set myself the task of articulating the interiority of people from my environment, black working class and poor people. I have always known that meant writing personal poems, and a deepening self awareness is not easy. Abuse is more common than we realize or want to admit. It happens regardless of race or class. The victims are male and female. The effects of it are everywhere. *The Government of Nature* is the chandelier in my inner room, the bright light inside me. I hope it will have meaning for other people."

Against Forgiveness

In the moonlight the leaves telegraph
the night's song, the way they brush against
us as we go under the wooden bridge
across from the Jesuit seminary, stepping
in streams, the horses tunnels of living flesh
that we trust. My faith in him is absolute.
We go into the woods where mad things
can turn the horses into monsters that maim
and crush, but he holds life up with hands
named by what nature tells the living.

I know it from the shadows of whispers
in my mind, from the earliest games in a space
a big brother should have had but was taken by him,
my uncle like a chocolate bear in the dark,
bear that I keep close to me, carving
a dark father from questions I do not know,
questions I have not the courage to ask
as one asks a question to step from shadow
and become the light that leads, shines
on the words carved in stone by water.

— Afaa Michael Weaver

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