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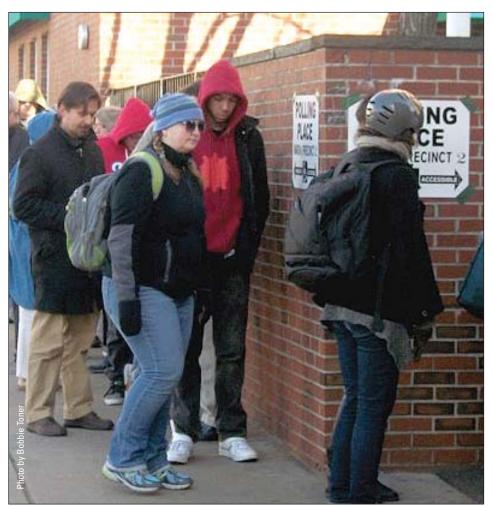


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## Somerville incumbents re-elected



In spite of long lines and long delays, Somerville voters came out in droves to cast their ballots.

#### By The News Staff

By our deadline the projected winner in the Presidential race is Barack Obama, who has won his re-election bid for a second term, defeating Republican challenger Mitt Romney. In the Massachusetts Senate race, Elizabeth Warren is projected as having beaten incumbent Scott Brown.

Results of Somerville voters are as follows:

U.S. President: Johnson and Gray 543; Obama and Biden 28,467; Romney and Ryan 4,865; Stein and Honkala 747; write in 108; blank 332.

U.S. Senate: Scott Brown 7038; Elizabeth Warren 27,412; write in 45; blank 567.

7th Congressional District: Michael Capuano 29,063; Karla Romero 3,658; write in 68; blank 2,273.

State Rep. 34th Middlesex: Carl Sciortino 7,7157; David Rajczewski 1,162; write in 39; blank 1,232.

State Rep. 26th Middlesex: Timothy Toomey 3,020; Thomas Vasconcelos 414; Mike Connolly 1,113; write in 16; blank 439.

State Senate, 2nd Middlesex District: Pat Jehlen 28,160; write in 434; blank 6,468.

State Rep. 27th Middlesex District: Denise Provost 16,657; write in Continued on page 3

## **Daughter of former Mayor Donovan** recalls the Somerville of the 1950's

By Blake Maddux

On May 26, 1988, the obituary of former Somerville mayor and longtime city clerk William "Bill" Donovan ran in the local newspaper.

The obituary described Donovan as having "dominated the city's political arena for the better part of the 1950s."

"Oh I don't know about dominated, but it sounds good." says Elaine Czesniuk, one of Donovan's four daughters.

Mrs. Czesniuk was the third of six children born to William and Gertrude Donovan. She lives in the Philadelphia-style house on Bay State Avenue in which she was raised. Her sister Thelma, the oldest of the Donovan children, lives in the upstairs of the house. A full two decades separate the oldest from the youngest of the four girls and two boys of the Donovan family.

Elaine Donovan was seven Continued on page 12



William "Bill" Donovan sat as Mayor of Somerville from 1953-1959.

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## NEWSTALK

The elections are finally over and normality quickly comes back as of today. All of those TV commercials, mailings plus those hated robo calls are over. A few months to go before the local city elections start. It's great that they won't be able to pay for TV ads, although they can advertise in The News.

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Tonight, Wednesday, at the Holiday Inn on Washington Street, The annual Somerville Chamber of Commerce Dinner and Powderhouse Awards, starts at 6:30 p.m. A reception is followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. The special guests are State Treasurer Steve Grossman and our own Congressman Michael Capuano.

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Well, it's finally happened. Mayor Joe Curtatone signed a new city policy discouraging the use of the term or phrase "illegal immigrants" by any city official and municipal employees. Mayor Joe's new policy here in Somerville reinforces the concept that all the people illegally living in Somerville have to be referred to as "undocumented." So all your city employees and officials had better watch out. Let us know how you feel about this.

Mark the date of November 13 at the Holiday Inn here in Somerville for the Edith Chaille Memorial Transportation Fund of 600 Windsor Place, Somerville 02143. The Chaille Family of Green & Yellow Cab Company are having a fundraiser for senior transportation. Tickets are \$20 with a Buffet and a DJ. All donations are gladly accepted.

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Join the Little Sisters of the Poor on Highland Avenue for their Annual Christmas Bazaar to be held this Saturday, November 10. The hours are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lots of items will be on sale including food and many surprises. It's a great cause, so please go and do some

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## The Somerville News.com Comments of the Week

#### Response to Hip Hip Hooray!

#### Steve Keenan says:

All the best to you Jimmy on your hip replacement. Have faith in yourself, modern medicine, and God. You will be fine my friend.

#### gloria says:

boy do i remember those days in the 60s and early 70s running from the cops it was great growwing up in somerville i cant tell you how many times we ditch cops hopping fences crossing small street never got caught braged to our friends i lived down by foss park when to northeastern jr high now its a condo what a shame somerville change a lot i was there 5 years ago when my mother passed away i cant belive how much it change i now live in san diego but i like to follow the somerville news thanks for time to tell my story hope you will write back

#### Courtney O'Keefe says:

The best of luck to you, Jimmy!

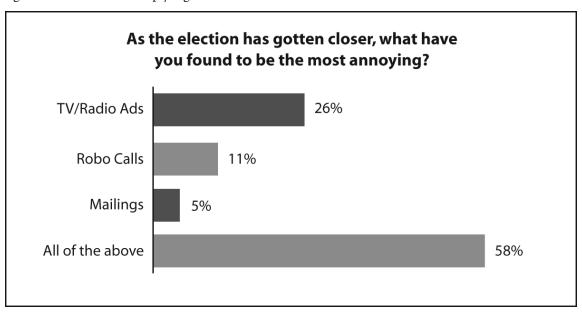
#### Jimmy DelPonte says:

Thanks to all you awesome people. I am walking up and downstairs and even with no crutches. Pain is dwindling and I am 12 days with the new hip. Everyday is easier. I am going out with my girlfriend today for the first time. Physical therapist at the hospital was a witch. They loaded me up with Oxys until I finally said...NO MORE! They got me all doped up and then expected me to try to stand on my feet and walk. As soon as I got home I started walking like crazy. Every day is better. Thanks for all the great support! Somerville ROCKS!!

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### TheSomervilleNews.com poll of the week

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## Ward 2 ResiStat Neighborhood **Meeting**

#### By Cathleen Twardzik

At a recent Ward 2 ResiStat Neighborhood Meeting. which was well attended, essential issues were discussed by those who attended. The meeting served as a forum for people to bring up points and for the mayor and department heads, among others, to hash out issues.

The rationale of these bi-annual meetings is "to provide residents with data regarding their ward and an opportunity to bring up issues that they might have questions or concerns about," said Alderman Maryann Heuston, of Ward 2.

"I brought up the issue of flooding in certain areas of the ward and let folks know that we are working on short and long term solutions, and I am scheduling a second meeting of the flood committee of the [Board of Aldermen] (BOA) in late November, and there was some general agreement that the rodent issue

had improved, although there are still certain hot spots that the city is working on. They also asked about the Mc-Grath Highway overpass depression study and when that might be completed," said Heuston.

Mayor Curtatone clarified the "city finances, the CPA, and how it works and what it will be used for, if passed, the plans for the revitalization of Union Square and the Green Line extension timeline," she said.

Further, whether part of the revitalization of Union Square may include a new central library and the street paving program schedule were put on the table.

Residents inquired about whether trees would be planted on Allen Street and Bowdoin

To receive additional information, interested individuals may contact Denise Taylor, ResiStat Coordinator,

dtaylor@somervillema.gov or at (617) 625-6600, ext. 2103.

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#### Somerville incumbents re-elected

234: blank 3.579

Middlesex Sheriff: Peter Koutoujian 23,377; Ernesto Petrone (Unenrolled) 4,741; write in 192; blank 6,752.

Question 1 - Right to Repair: Yes 26,787; No 4,486; blank

Question 2 - Prescription of Life-Ending Medication: Yes 21,210: No 11,904; blank 1,948.

Question 3 - Medical Marijuana: Yes 25,733; No 7,357; blank 1,972

Question 4 - Community Preservation Act Somerville: Yes 24, 358; No 7,714; blank 2,990.

**Question 5:** Yes 24,643; No 5,285; blank 5,134.

**Question 6:** Yes 23,650; No 6,703; blank 4,709.

**Question 7:** Yes 24,934; No

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4,967; blank 5,161.

Ward 6 precinct 1 had the most voters: 2,172.

Ward 2 precinct 2 had the second lowest: 1,956.

Ward 1 precinct 3 had the lowest: 1,081.

There are 49K registered voters in Somerville and there were 5K new registered voters this

Results listed are unofficial.







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## By Jim Clark

## Road rage incident brings out handgun

a man making threats with a handgun on Washington St. last week.

Upon questioning, the alleged victims reportedly told officers that they had gotten into a road rage incident with a man, later identified as Taylor

Police responded to reports of Grover, 37, of Wilmington, while driving along Washington St. Police were, at that time, called in to mediate the dispute and a report was taken. Grover reportedly claimed that he had been struck by one of the alleged victims. Police reportedly advised Grover to file

a complaint for assault at Somerville District Court.

Shortly after the involved parties went their separate ways, the alleged victims said that Grover followed them in his vehicle as they proceed along Washington St. They told police that Grover pulled alongside their vehicle and brandished what appeared to be a handgun. They further claimed that Grover made a Uturn and pointed the gun at them as he drove past and left the scene.

Police located Grover at his place of employment and questioned him about the incident. He reportedly denied having a handgun and police failed to find one on Grover's person or in his vehicle.

Based on testimony of the alleged victims Grover was placed under arrest and charged with assault with a dangerous weapon.

## Alleged heroin dealer, buyer arrested

Police officers working an undercover narcotics investigation in and around the Davis Square area last Friday focused their attention on a suspicious individual who was later placed under arrest for trafficking in heroin.

The suspect, later identified as John McLean, 52, of Boston, was kept under surveillance and

was observed moving on foot through the Davis Square, eventually stopping at the shopping plaza in Porter Square.

Officers reportedly observed McLean using his cell phone and they felt that he appeared to be waiting to meet with someone.

Eventually two other males approached McLean and the three men reportedly began walking towards Cambridge.

One of the two men who had met up with McLean, later identified as David Wallace, 52, of Malden, was observed making a hand-to-hand transaction with McLean.

Police officers then approached the men, identifying themselves as law enforcement officers, and advised them of their Miranda rights.

A search was conducted and a small plastic bag was reportedly found on Wallace's person, which officers on the scene believed to contain heroin.

Wallace then reportedly admitted to receiving heroin from McLean, police said.

Both Wallace and McLean were placed under arrest and taken into custody for booking.

Wallace has been charged with conspiracy to violate drug law and possession of a class A drug.

Mclean was charged with conspiracy to violate drug law and being present where heroin is kept.

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#### **Arrests**:

Paul Gallagher, 42, of 18 Gladstone St., Everett, October 30, 2:04 p.m., arrested at 775 McGrath Hwy. on charges of distribution of a class B drug and violation of city ordinance possession of a dangerous weapon.

Amy Hill, 23, October 30, 5:15 p.m., arrested at 109 Cross St. on warrant charges of sexual conduct for a fee, possession of a class B drug, and conspiracy to violate drug law.

Taylor Grover, 37, of 4 State St., Wilmington, October 31, 5:15 p.m., arrested at 82 Concord Ave. on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon.

Robert Gibson, 62, of 56 Fremont St., November 1, 10:35 a.m., arrested at 8 Main St. on a charge of failure to register as a sex offender.

Jonathan Norena, 21, of 11 Centennial Ave., Revere, November 1, 5:42 p.m., arrested at 299 Broadway on a warrant charge of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon.

Moises Loskoski, 42, of 191 Grant Ave., Medford, November 1, 6:43 p.m., arrested at 230 Highland Ave. on a warrant charge of possession or use of a false RMV document.

Jeremy Gillis, 28, of 15 Weston Ave., November 1, 7:10

p.m., arrested at Broadway on warrant charges of furnishing a false name or Social Security number, possession of a class C drug, larceny under \$250, and shoplifting by asportation.

Exlaine Pena, 42, of 11 Wesley St., November 1, 8:21 p.m., arrested at 180 Somerville Ave. on charges of larceny under \$250 and shoplifting by as-

Luke Lugo, 27, of 18 Lowell St., November 2, 6:21 a.m., arrested at home on a warrant charge of abuse prevention order violation.

Laina Burke, 27, of 8 Everett St., November 2, 10:35 a.m., arrested at home on a charge of armed and masked robbery.

David Wallace, 52, of 135 Summer St., Malden, November 2, 1:42 p.m., arrested at Burnside Ave. on charges of conspiracy to violate drug law and possession of a class A

John McLean, 52, of 686 Massachusetts Ave., Boston, November 2, 1:42 p.m., arrested at Burnside Ave. on charges of conspiracy to violate drug law and being present where heroin is kept.

Brandielee Dasilva, 35, November 2, 5:31 p.m., arrested at 10 Canal La. on charges of assault and battery and assault and battery with a dangerous weapon.

Oliver Ayoub, 23, of 7 Alfred St., Medford, November 3, 2:33 p.m., arrested on charges of assault with a dangerous weapon and negligent operation of a motor vehicle.

Alexander Noviello, 24, of 486 Medford St., November 3, 9:33 p.m., arrested at home on a charge of disorderly conduct.

Samuel Tawa, 19, of 17 Tubwreck Dr., Medfield, November 3, 10:22 p.m., arrested at Packard Ave. on a charge of assault and battery.

#### **Incidents**:

#### Theft:

October 30, 10:42 p.m., police reported a theft at Concord

October 30, 12:32 p.m., police reported a theft at Heath St.

October 31, 4:21 p.m., police reported a theft at Holyoke Rd. October 31, 3:42 p.m., police reported a theft at 77 Middlesex Ave.

November 1, 9:04 a.m., police reported a theft at Broadway.

November 1, 10:09 a.m., police reported a theft at Vinal

November 1, 2:09 p.m., police reported a theft at Beacon St.

November 1, 5:20 p.m., police

reported a theft at Columbia St.

November 1, 5:50 p.m., police reported a theft at 77 Middlesex Ave.

November 1, 6:04 p.m., police reported a theft at Cutter Ave. November 1, 7:41 p.m., police

reported a theft at Fairlee St. November 1, 8:21 p.m., police reported a theft at 180 Somerville Ave.

November 2, 12:07 p.m., police reported a theft at Albion

November 2, 6:20 p.m., police reported a theft at Middlesex

November 3, 11:14 a.m., police reported a theft at 5 Davis

November 3, 1:23 p.m., police reported a theft at Elm St.

November 3, 1:39 p.m., police reported a theft at Gorham St.

November 4, 2:50 a.m., police reported a theft at Gilman St.

November 5, 7:37 a.m., police reported a theft at Highland

#### Robbery:

October 30, 11:10 a.m., police reported a robbery at 40 Union

November 2, 4:27 p.m., police reported a robbery at Alewife Brook Pkwy.

November 5, 9:03 p.m., police reported a robbery at Memorial Rd.

#### Breaking & Entering:

November 3, 3:29 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Dover St.

November 3, 8:21 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Brastow Ave.

November 3, 8:51 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Ibbetson St.

#### Vehicle Theft:

October 31, 2:34 p.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Minnesota Ave.

#### **Assault:**

October 31, 3:36 p.m., police reported an assault at Concord

October 31, 3:50 p.m., police reported an assault at Washington St.

November 1, 1:28 a.m., police reported an assault at Lexington Ave.

November 2, 5:31 p.m., police reported an assault at Canal La. November 4, 1:25 a.m., police

reported an assault at 230 Highland Ave.

November 4, 4:04 a.m., police reported an assault at 230 Highland Ave.

November 4, 5:52 p.m., police reported an assault at Monmouth St.

#### **Drug Violation:**

November 2, 1:42 p.m., police reported a drug violation at Burnside Ave.



## A stitch in time for the holidays

## Wrap Around sale benefits homeless

#### By Elizabeth Sheeran

Want to add an extra layer of warmth to your holiday season? By selecting a gift from the individually hand-made hats, scarves or mittens on sale at the Nave Gallery in Somerville over the next few weeks, you won't just be keeping a loved one toasty through the winter months. You'll also get that warm fuzzy feeling that comes with helping people in need.

The all-volunteer Wrap Around Project will open for business this weekend, offering a unique assortment of knitted, crocheted and sewn items in all price ranges and for all tastes, from bags to baby clothes. All proceeds will benefit the Somerville Homeless Coalition (SHC). And any items still on hand when the sale closes on December 16 will be given directly to the Coalition's clients.

"For us, it's this wonderful winwin," said SHC Executive Director Mark Alston-Follansbee. "They're raising awareness of this issue. They're doing something really tangible to help us and help people in need."

He said private initiatives like the Wrap Around Project are critical to the survival of the Homeless Coalition, which has been working since 1985 to prevent homelessness in Somerville, because public funds don't cover all of the costs of the SHC's programs. And the need has increased sharply in recent years in the wake of the recession.

At any given time, the SHC is housing 125 or more families and individuals in its local shelters. But those numbers don't fully reflect the agency's impact on the community, since a big part of its mission is to keep people from becoming homeless in the first place, through advocacy, support services and help with basic needs like food.

Alston-Follansbee said the SHC prevented 140 families from becoming homeless in 2010. That number rose to 225 in 2011, and he said it will almost certainly be much higher for 2012. At the same time, over 1,200 Somerville families use the agency's food pantry to help make ends meet, and that number is increasing steadily too.

"We're seeing more and more people coming to the food pantry because they're trying to keep their housing," said Alston-Follansbee, "They have to make a terrible choice between paying for housing and paying for food."

Originally inspired by the sight of the homeless struggling to keep warm in Harvard Square, the Wrap Around Project has evolved into a year-round effort of the Nave Gallery, a community of local artists based in Teele Square. Its goal is to tap into Somerville's creative community to raise both awareness and funds to fight homelessness.

This year's holiday season sale will be accompanied in the gallery by Threads Bared, an



The Wrap Around Project will be featured at the Nave Gallery from November 10 through December 16.

exhibition of art inspired by fiber, which features the work of 15 local artists working with wool, silk, grass, bamboo and even plastic. The exhibit will kick off with an opening reception from 4 to 6 p.m. on Saturday, November 10. Both events will be celebrated with a Cupcake Reception on Saturday, November 17, which is open to the public.

"We try to make it affordable for everyone, where someone can go in, have a cupcake, buy a scarf, and feel really good that they're helping the Homeless Coalition," said Tori Costa, who is both curating the art exhibit and coordinating the sale. "Individuals really like the sense of community that's happening, through participating in a sale that benefits a local organization."

Costa said 160 or more regulars gather at monthly get-togethers to knit or crochet items for the Wrap Around project, but the number of people who donate hand-made articles to the sale is much higher still. She said the community that has developed around the project is truly multi-generational, ranging from retirees to members of a high school knitting club, and with every age in between.

Anyone wishing to contribute

knitted, crocheted or sewn pieces may drop them off by this Saturday, November 10 at one of four locations: Blue Cloud Gallery, 713 Broadway in Ball Square, Magpie, 418 Highland Avenue in Davis Square, Mind's Eye Yarns, 22 White Street in Porter Square Cambridge, or at the Nave Gallery, 155 Powderhouse Boulevard in Teele Square.

The Wrap Around Sale will be open at the Nave Gallery from 1 to 5 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays from November 10 through December 16, with the exception of Thanksgiving weekend. More information is at www.navegallery.org/wrap\_around.

## **Emergency Medical Dispatch begins in Somerville**

Chief Thomas Pasquarello announced that starting this past Monday, persons calling 911 to report a sick or injured person will receive additional telephone

support while medical help is on the way.

The program, called Emergency Medical Dispatch, is a State 911 mandated program that requires all 911 centers to provide medical and pre-arrival instructions to callers who are with sick or injured persons while help is being dispatched. The service is being provided by Cataldo Ambulance Service, the emergency medical service provider for Somerville.

When callers dial 911 to report a sick or injured person, and if the caller is with the patient, the 911 call taker will first determine the address where the emergency is located. The caller will then be transferred to a specially trained Emergency Medical Dispatcher at Cataldo Ambulance for medical support or instructions while police and fire units are on the way. The goal of this program is to improve the level of treatment of patients before the first responders arrive.



A helpful voice will be available to 911 callers as they await emergency services.

Somerville Police officials emphasized that callers dialing 911 from a mobile phone will, under current protocols, continue to be routed to a State Police call center in Framingham that will then transfer the call to Somerville 911. It is therefore faster to call 911 from a non-wireless phone if one is available. Most land-

based phones will connect directly to Somerville 911.

Somerville Police and Fire Departments will continue to respond to emergency medical calls with Cataldo Ambulance Service as always. This new program is designed to inform the caller of what steps can be taken until help arrives.

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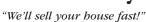
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## WWII Women's Army Corps Veteran honored

Special to the Somerville News by HdG, Dna. Maria St. Catherine De Grace Sharpe, President, The Congresswoman Edith Nourse Rogers Initiative for Veterans & Women Veterans Program Management & Professional Leadership Excellence in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

On October 16, 2012 Mrs. Margaret Klessens, a Somerville resident and former Women's Army Corps (WAC) veteran who served during World War II, was one of more than a dozen World War II women veterans recently honored during the 25th Annual Luncheon Tribute to the Greatest Generation: The Women Veterans of WWII.

The event, hosted by the Governor's Advisory Committee on Women Veterans (GACWV) and held at Lombardo's in Randolph on Saturday, October 13, included a salute to the colors, remarks by Commander Anita M. Reed, a USAF veteran and current State Commander of the Dis-

abled American Veterans Association, a formal luncheon, and a post-luncheon gift raffle.

A distinctive highlight of the luncheon was the personal award of a special WWII commemorative coin to each Commonwealth WWII woman veteran by Commonwealth Secretary of Veterans' Services Coleman Nee. Secretary Nee made a point to chat with each WWII woman veteran individually and personally thanked each for her service.

Mrs. Klessens (nee Tiernan), formerly of Charlestown, Massachusetts, enlisted in the WAC and was honorably discharged after active duty military service during WWII. Mrs. Klessens, a regular participant in the Chelsea Soldier's Home Veterans Day Club, has come to the annual luncheon for many years. She was joined by her daughter Sally Klessens, a Somerville resident, a former Miss Somerville and President of the Old Charlestown Schoolgirls' Association, her son Bill Klessens, a



Margaret Klessens, a former member of the Women's Army Corps (WAC) who served during WWII, receives a gift from Secretary of Veterans Services Coleman Nee.

State Delegate of New Hampshire, and her sister Annie Tiernan of Charlestown. Currently of Somerville, Mrs. Klessens was born and raised in Charlestown and is an alumna of St. Mary's Grammar School in Charlestown and a graduate of Charlestown High.

The GACWV, currently consisting of eight MA women veterans appointed by the Governor, was established in 1984 under Governor Michael Dukakis. Under Chapter 115 of Massachusetts General Law, the Committee is tasked to "investigate, foster and promote the interests of women veterans."

The GACWV tribute this year to WWII women veterans was timely because it coincides with the May 1942 Women's Army Auxiliary Corps (WAAC) legislation drafted

and sponsored by MA Congresswoman Edith Nourse Rogers (R-Lowell). That groundbreaking legislation marks its 70th anniversary this year; it allowed American women to serve in the US Army during WWII albeit without official status and benefits. Later during the war, in July of 1943, at the request of the Department of the Army, Congress approved the WAAC to officially become the WAC. The creation of the WAC ensured American women in the US Army received official military status and benefits equal to those of their male US Army counterparts.

Earlier this year MA Governor Deval Patrick signed a proclamation honoring the life and legacy of Congresswoman Edith Nourse Rogers, a dynamic daughter of the Commonwealth dedicated to veterans affairs. The Edith Nourse Rogers Memorial VA Hospital in Bedford was named to honor the late congresswoman. Her personal and official papers are archived at the Radcliffe Institute's Schlesinger Library at Harvard University. Both institutions have received an edition of the Rogers Proclamation.

Many former WAC veterans also have been members of the Women's Army Corps Veterans' Association (WACVA). For many years WACVA included a Boston chapter, but the Boston chapter disbanded just this past July due to the loss of aging members.

All the WW II woman veterans attending the GACWV luncheon were gratified at being honored by Secretary Nee for their service to the nation.



Klessens with the 2012 Proclamation signed by Governor Deval Patrick honoring MA Congresswoman Edith Nourse Rogers (R-Lowell in book photo) who wrote and sponsored the 1942 legislation that created the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps which in 1943 later became officially known as the Women's Army Corps.







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## **COMMENTARY**

## **TALES OF SOMERVILLE**

**Illustrated by Jim Clark** 



Tired of all that non-stop campaign marketing? Relax, it's all over for now.

## The View From Prospect Hill



Was there something outstandingly different about the issues voters faced this year that caused so much heated debate, accompanied by such a deafening roar of campaign ballyhoo it could make our heads swim?

Presidential races are always particularly contentious and often tend to drive even the best of friends and neighbors to the brink of outright hatred for one another. Other issues on the ballot drove emotions to similar heights this year.

Let's face it, as our nation strives for economic recovery and various quality of life issues are brought into starker consideration, every election cycle becomes ever more important to most of us. Making the right choices has never felt more important, so it seems.

As the roar of the battle subsides and the dust settles, we now take stock in what we have made for ourselves and do our best to have it succeed. One side or the other on any given issue will either lick their wounds or celebrate their victories, while moving on with the business of living at the fore.

If there is one common thread that all of us can relate

to equally, however, it is the overwhelming sense of being inundated with far too much information from campaigners of all persuasions. The seemingly endless onslaught of media messages, robocalls, mailings, and - yes even skywriting from time to time, leaves us with an overpowering urge to shout, "Enough, already!"

Information overload may be preferable to some compared to having a lack of useful data. Whatever one's choice, it looks as though it's here to stay with each election season. Such is the curse - or blessing - of life in these modern times.

Whichever side one falls on, let us enjoy a little peace and quiet for a change. While it lasts, that is.

#### News Talk CONT. FROM PG 2

shopping and help the Little Sisters and the elderly residents at the home.

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Happy Birthdays to all our fans here in the 'Ville and from the 'Ville. To a fantastic lady who is well known here, we wish Paula Mackey a great day and week. Likewise to Linda Brown, another nice lady. Also Brian Raposo of the 'Ville and Chris Keohan of CK Strategies, a political consultant. Theresa Fusco Boucher who works for Verizon also celebrates this week. A good friend, Susan Callahan, is celebrating her birthday this week. We wish her a great day. A special cousin to the Tauros, Jason Mesiti, we wish a great day. Happy Birthday to Ron Glejzer. And to Stephanie Morgado of the 'Ville who works for Verizon we wish a great day for her.

Congratulations to Ray Zonghetti for receiving a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Somerville Chamber of Commerce at the Dinner tonight. Ray is a lifelong resident and very dedicated to the city and especially to the

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Chamber. He is always giving of himself to this and many other charitable organizations here in Somerville.

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Deputy Police Chief, and popular all around nice guy, Mike Cabral, along with his lovely wife Debbie, were recently blessed with the birth of their grand-daughter Myah Marie Cabral, 7 lbs., to proud parents Michael and Ashley. Of course, this means that Gene Brune is now a Great Grandfather. Congratulations to everyone in the Cabral family.

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What's running through the minds of the good people up at City Hall in the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development (OSPCD) department? There is serious talk that they want to redesign Beacon Street to only allow parking on one side of the street and dedicate the other side solely to bicycles with a bike path. Hello, is anybody thinking about the local businesses along that street who are struggling to survive as it is now with a resection on our heels, never mind tak-

ing away their parking? Bike paths are nice but let's not go overboard here and this brainstorm idea should definitely be revisited and thought out.

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A benefit fundraiser for our good friend Rick Barletta to help with his recovery from the horrific accident he went through where he sustained permanent injuries in a near fatal motorcycle crash this past May that has left him in a wheelchair. Friends and family members of Rick's will be holding a benefit to help raise money to help with care for him and his family. Rick is a very strong willed person and has what it takes to overcome this tragic situation. His benefit will be held on Saturday, November 24, at the Winter Hill Yacht Club located at 78 Foley Street in Somerville at 6:00 p.m. A \$20 cover charge will include admission, dancing, buffet, DJ, cash bar and a raffle to help Rick and his family with the cost of his care as he heals and tries gets rolling again. Any donations for the raffle would be greatly appreciated. Please contact, Jeaneen Barletta, at jeanen.barletta@facebook.com

or Billy Tauro at (617)293-2016 or Wmtauro@Bostonnewsgroup.com for more information.

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A public meeting is scheduled for Saturday, November 17, at 12:00 noon at the Winter Hill Yacht Club located at 78 Foley Street in Somerville directly next door to the Assembly Square job site behind the Big Kmart department store. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss and address any alleged potential hazards, concerns and harm that the dust particles from the Assemble Square Construction site can cause to your property as well as to your health. Representatives of the developer Federal Realty, EPA, City of Somerville and the Governor's office were asked and are expected to attend. Neighbors, abutters and the general public are all invited to attend as well.

This Saturday night at The Burren, in Davis Square, the Somerville High class of 1987 will be meeting to celebrate their 25th reunion from 6-9 p.m.

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## COMMENTARY

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## A little sunshine after the storm



By Joseph A. Curtatone

Within hours after Superstorm Sandy departed the area, some of the local papers were calling to ask how much the storm had cost the city in damage, in overtime, in supplies. We didn't answer - and we still haven't answered - because cities have to

be very careful about compiling and verifying the costs of natural disasters that the state and federal government have declared emergencies. Some of those costs are reimbursable, and you want to make sure your calculations are watertight before submitting them for compensation.

But that kind of reticence about costs and data is increasingly rare in Somerville. You can find a tremendous amount of current data on our website, especially financial data. Visit our open data web portal data.somervillema.gov, and you'll find the details of the city's finances both in our annual budgets and in the running list of expenditures published via the Open Checkbook feature. A list of compensation levels for employees who make \$50,000 or more annually - information that one of our local newspapers previously obtained by an annual public documents request (the state equivalent of a Freedom of Information request) - is also now available to everyone at the same data portal.

That kind of openness and transparency doesn't give our city any special claim to virtue: public budgets should be open to public scrutiny. It's as simple as that. But this year we will be working to extend that transparency and accountability into new areas, and if we succeed, Somerville will be even further ahead of the curve when it comes to letting the sun shine in on public-funded programs.

Back in August, I submitted

a proposal to the Board of Aldermen for an updated ethics ordinance that requires organizations funded by government grants or municipal trust funds to publish codes of ethics for their officers and managers. Under the terms of the new law, if your organization is funded by a grant or trust fund, you cannot award a contract or make an expenditure that benefits your family or that benefits a "business organization in which [you are] serving as officer, director, trustee, partner or employee," or that benefits a company that you may want to give you a job. If your organization is unwilling or unable to adopt such policy, the new law says that you will be bound by the

city's conflict-of-interest policies and by the restrictions that state law imposes on municipal employees.

And, best of all, the new rules require applicants for grants to disclose any possible conflicts of interest while requiring that those receiving public monies open their books for a full review whenever asked to: A grantee or subgrantee must, upon request, furnish to the City Auditor for audit all books, records, and other information necessary for the City Auditor to account fully for the use and expenditure of grant or trust funds received by the grantee or subgrantee."

If a grantee fails to meet these standards, the city is entitled under the new Continued on page 11

## Art for all



By William C. Shelton

There are more artists per capita living in Somerville than in any other U.S. city. You can see their work in venues ranging from the Museum of Fine Arts to signal boxes in Somerville intersections.

The first week of each May, over 400 Somerville artists open their studios to their neighbors.

The essence of Somerville Open Studios is at least as old as the lush images that cave dwellers painted on their walls 17,000 years ago in what is now Southwestern France.

It is an accessible and nonhierarchical enterprise in which all members of the tribe are welcome to participate, converse, learn from, and encourage each other. Participating artists must reside or create in Somerville, and the tribe is all of us 'Villens and our guests.

It's quite different from going to the secular temple of an art museum, giving \$20 to someone in a glass box, and passively viewing in silence that which self-appointed elites have declared to be worthy.

There are plenty of Somerville artists whose work is displayed in galleries and museums. But during Somerville Open Studios, you can walk over to where the work, no one in Somerville lives very far from an open studio. You can ask your neighbor questions like, "How did you make this? What's it about? Why do you do this?" You can get answers and share your reactions. And you can get encouragement to make our own art.

It's also quite different from the perceptions of art that I had growing up as a poor kid in a poor community. Art seemed

to be something alien to my family's and neighbors' hardscrabble existence, something for people with money and sophistication, something exclusive and inaccessible.

The rare times that I heard adults around me pushed to say something about art, I detected a defensive tone, as in, "I don't know much about art, but I know what I like." I also heard a kind of wistfulness.

The people whom television presented as art experts articulated an ethic that reinforced my perceptions of elitism and mystification. "The artist's only purpose is self-expression, and real art exists only for its own sake."

Even as a child, this seemed bogus to me. If their only purpose was self-expression, why did they want others to see it?

As I grew older, I learned that this attitude only emerged when artists began creating for an anonymous market. Just as the Lascaux cave painters had known their tribe, Michelangelo had known the people who worshipped in the Sistine Chapel. Before art became a commodity created for unknown buyers, artists knew the people whom they were creating for, what they wished to communicate, and the impact that they wanted to make. Continued on page 11

## On The Silly Side by Jimmy Del Ponte

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This article originally appeared in The Somerville News on June 25, 2008.

As I was driving to Taco Bell on Saturday

(because my son wanted a nutritious meal), I noticed the "Welcome to East Somerville "sign as we crossed McGrath Highway. It brought back a lot of my own East Somerville memories and gave me a chance to use some of The Somerville News weblog information. Most are first hand experiences, but some details have been donated "bloggily." Let's start by tossing back a couple.

Casey's, Coleman's and Morriarty's are places many of us have visited down east.

Miller's Market was on Pearl and Cross and Tip Tops was at the corner of Pearl and Walnut. J and S had great subs at Cross and Ellsworth and Mitrano's was between Delaware and Pearl Street. There was a store called "Aggies" at the corner of Pearl and Franklin Street that school kids used to grab snacks at before school.

Izzy's sold penny candy and we all went to some sort of festivity at Post 388.

Harris Park, Perkins Park, Florence Park, Cobble Hill and of course Glen Park were popular hang outs back in the day.

I can say from experience that the intersection of Pearl Street and McGrath Highway is a nightmare. Back in the early 1970's, I was in a car that was broadsided by a clown who ran a red light. If we weren't in that 1959 Ford "tank," who knows what might have happened.

FYI, you cannot get a facial, pedicure or mud wrap at Khoury's State Spa. It is not a spa as in health spa. However, you can get some good grub and a cold drink. Say "Hi" to Mickey and Eddie for me, please. Mr. Khoury, their dad, was a great guy. I remember playing in the band "The Echoes" at Khoury's - where it was a tradition for a gentleman named "Sparrow" to end the night by singing God Bless America. Some of The Echoes big songs back then were Separate Ways by Journey and Every Breath You Take by The Police. They also featured country and western

music down there. I remember a waitress named Alice at Khoury's. I'll never forget the night she said to me, "Jimmy, I don't like the way you sing but you always smell great." I probably wore Brut or English Leather...maybe even British Sterling. It was back then that I met Susan Barry and all her brothers. I still see Sue around the 'Ville and we share memories of those good old days. Check out Khoury's Thursday night Road Races.

Class day at Northeastern Junior High School in 1977 was a day I'll never forget. I did a couple of numbers with the rocking "K Kiley Band." The members were Kevin Kiley, Jerry Antonelli, Jay (Jeffrey) Wilcox, Jimmy Lauria and Phil DiRusso. Jimmy Beebee, Continued on page 21



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THE HOUSE AND SENATE. There were no roll ward 6, in the county of Suffolk; and Saugus, precincts 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, SUF-**FOLK 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,

2, 6 and 10, in the county of Essex.



Sen. Patricia Jehlen

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

This week, Beacon Hill Roll Call reviews local senators' votes from the 2011-2012 session on eight key proposals to increase or reduce taxes.

REDUCE SALES TAX TO 5 PERCENT (S 3) Senate 10-28 in 2011 and 5-31 in 2012, rejected an amendment to reduce the state's sales tax from 6.25 percent to 5 percent over a two-year period. (A "Yes" vote is for the sales tax reduction. A "No" vote is against it.)

Sen. Sal DiDomenico No/No No/No Sen. Patricia Jehlen

#### REDUCE SALES TAX TO 5 PERCENT AND RE-PLACE IT WITH CASINO REVENUE (S 3) Sen-

ate 9-27, rejected an amendment to reduce the state's sales tax from 6.25 percent to 5 percent over a two-year period. The amendment also requires 12 percent of the state's revenue from casinos go to the General Fund to compensate for the sales tax reduction. (A "Yes" vote is for the sales tax reduction. A "No" vote is against it.)

Sen. Sal DiDomenico No Sen. Patricia Jehlen No

REDUCE INCOME TAX RATE FROM 5.3 PER-CENT TO 5 PERCENT (S 3) Senate 5-33, rejected an amendment reducing the income tax rate from 5.3 percent to 5 percent over three years. (A "Yes" vote is for the income tax reduction. A "No" vote is against it.)

Sen. Sal DiDomenico No Sen. Patricia Jehlen No

#### PERMANENT SALES TAX HOLIDAY (S 3) Sen-

ate 4-34, rejected an amendment establishing a permanent annual two-day sales tax holiday in August. The Department of Revenue would choose the dates of the holiday and announce them by July 15 each year. (A "Yes" vote is for the permanent tax holiday. A "No" vote is against it.)

Sen. Sal DiDomenico No Sen. Patricia Jehlen No

ONE-TIME TWO-DAY SALES TAX HOLIDAY IN AUGUST (S 2350) Senate 28-9 in 2011 and 31-6 in 2012, approved a bill that would allow consumers to buy most products that cost under \$2,500 on one Saturday and Sunday in 2011 and 2012 respectively, without paying the state's 6.25 percent sales tax. (A "Yes" vote is for the one-time tax holiday. A "No" vote is against it.)

Sen. Sal DiDomenico Yes/Yes Sen. Patricia Jehlen No/No

#### MAKE MORE SENIORS ELIGIBLE FOR TAX

BREAK (S 3) Senate 9-29, rejected an amendment that would allow more senior homeowners and renters over 65 to qualify for the state's \$970 "senior circuit breaker" tax credit. (A "Yes" vote is for expanding the tax credit. A "No" vote is against it.)

Sen. Sal DiDomenico No Sen. Patricia Jehlen Yes

#### TAX CREDIT FOR BUSINESSES THAT CRE-

ATE JOBS (S 2015) Senate 4-32, rejected an amendment using 10 percent of the state's revenue from casinos to provide a tax credit to businesses that create jobs in Massachusetts. (A "Yes" vote is for the tax credit. A "No" vote is against it.)

Sen. Sal DiDomenico No Sen. Patricia Jehlen No

#### HIKE TAX ON CIGARS AND SMOKELESS TO-

BACCO (S 3) Senate 15-23, rejected an amendment that would raise the tax on most cigars and smokeless tobacco to make it equal to the tax on cigarettes. (A "Yes" vote is for the tax hike. A "No" vote is against it.)

Sen. Sal DiDomenico Yes Yes Sen. Patricia Jehlen

#### ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

FUNERAL VEHICLES (H 3390) - The House approved and sent to the Senate a bill allowing hearses and other funeral home vehicles to have emergency lights similar to those on police and emergency vehicles when in a funeral procession or when responding to a fatality on behalf of the Chief Medical Examiner's Office. Supporters said a current state regulation permits this but noted the bill would codify it in state law so it can't be changed or reversed administratively by the executive branch.

#### LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE (H 4348) -

Gov. Deval Patrick signed into law a bill regulating longterm care (LTC) insurance in Massachusetts. LTC insurance provides coverage for a wide range of long-term care services and facilities, including nursing homes, assisted living facilities and care at home.

Provisions include requiring the state to develop guidelines consistent with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners model, prohibiting unfair and deceptive sales practices, allowing a policyholder to cancel the policy up to 30 days after the effective date and receive a full refund, requiring the employees of companies that sell LTC insurance to take a minimum eighthour training course by July 1, 2014 and then continue taking at least four hours of training biennially to keep up with any changes in the regulations.

Supporters said this will make Massachusetts the 46th state to adopt similar regulations for LTC insurance,



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which has become much more complicated over the years. They noted this will protect consumers from exploitation, make the law more understandable and more portable across state lines and ensure transparency.

LAWS TAKING EFFECT - Several laws approved by the Legislature and signed into law by Gov. Patrick in August have recently taken effect or are about to do so. Most approved new laws don't take effect until 90 days after the governor signs them. New laws include:

HEARING AIDS (H 52) - Effective November 4: Requires health insurance plans to cover the cost of hearing aids for anyone under 21. The measure would require coverage of up to \$2,000 per hearing aid every three years. The average price of a hearing aid is estimated at \$2,500.

Supporters said it is outrageous that insurance companies have not been required to cover these necessities.

Opponents said the Legislature will drive up health insurance costs if it continues to mandate additional coverage.

CLEFT LIP TREATMENT (H 3928) - Effective November 4: Requires health insurance plans to provide coverage for treatment of cleft lip and palate for anyone under 18.

#### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BILL (H 4352) -

Effective November 5: An economic development and jobs bill. Provisions include the recent August sales tax holiday that will allow consumers to buy most products under \$2,500 without paying the state's 6.25 percent sales tax; a two-year extension of existing state and local permits held by developers who had been unable to proceed with their projects because of tight credit markets; and creation of a MassWorks Infrastructure Program, which will serve as a one-stop shop for infrastructure funding.

Gov. Patrick vetoed several tax-related items and the Legislature never overrode the vetoes. Those items include an expansion of brownfields tax credits, a tax credit equal to the current \$456 minimum corporate excise tax for all corporations for their first three tax years, restructuring of corporate tax payments and an increase in historic building rehabilitation tax credits. He said the state cannot afford the loss of millions of dollars in revenue.

#### **QUOTABLE QUOTES**

"We are now requesting that the Governor ... appoint an independent investigator to conduct this broader review." – Attorney General Martha Coakley announcing her office will step down from a broader probe of the scandal at the state drug lab. Instead, it will focus on criminal charges against chemist Annie Dookhan, accused of mishandling drug samples and putting in question an estimated 34,000 drug conviction cases.

"As unimpeachable as the Office of the Attorney General is, to truly expedite an incontrovertible resolution to this crisis and fully restore public confidence in our criminal justice system, this expanded investigation must b and must be seen - to be credible and beyond reproach." - Carol Rose, Executive Director, ACLU of Massachusetts applauding Coakley on her decision.

"There has been a failure of government that has endangered both the public health and the public safety of not only the citizens of Massachusetts but citizens throughout the United States of America. What has happened is inexcusable." - Rep. David Linsky (D-Natick) on his plans to hold hearings on both the state drug lab scandal and the compounding pharmacy at the center of the spread of fungal meningitis to almost 400 people in 19 states, including 23 deaths.

"Oh, they tore themselves away from the Obama (campaign) trail." - House Republican Minority Leader Bradley Jones (R-North Reading) on Democrat Linsky's plan, along with two other Democratic legislators, to conduct the hearings.

"My plans are not dependent upon who's in or who isn't. It's about what I think I could offer and a vision on how do we continue to build on what we've done." - Lt. Gov. Tim Murray on whether he plans to run for governor in 2016.

"(My wife) Barbara and I have talked a little bit about this and we basically said, 'Let's take time after the election to really get into this subject matter in terms of my future and how I can best serve the people of the commonwealth."' - State Treasurer Steve Grossman on his gubernatorial plans.

#### 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 October 29-November 2, the House met for a total of 24 minutes while the Senate met for a total of 40 minutes.

Mon. October 29 No House session No Senate session Tues. October 30 House 11:03 a.m. to 11:17 a.m. Senate 11:01 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Wed. October 31 No House session No Senate session Thurs. November 1 House 11:01 a.m. to 11:11 a.m. Senate 11:08 a.m. to 11:34 a.m. Fri. November 2 No House session No Senate session

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#### A little sunshine after the storm CONT. FROM PG 9

law to suspend payments, and timely, and why I look forward even to demand repayment of a set of rules that would apply funds from state or federal grants administered by the city, or from city-operated trust funds.

This new ethics ordinance is like our SomerPromise pro-

to working with the Board of previously disbursed funds. It's Aldermen in getting it onto the books. Municipalities like to any organization that gets ours have increasingly found themselves required to turn to a blend of tax revenues, grants, and public-private partnerships to fund major initiatives

gram for young people, and even for long-term development of recreational and other facilities. Commingling different funding sources provides greater flexibility but also demands greater levels of scrutiny and accountability. Under this new ordinance, state and federal sources of the grant

would retain the ultimate authority to exercise oversight over the grants they provide, as they always have. But the ability to protect the public's

And by the way, when we finish our storm-related cost analysis, we will share those

figures with the public at the same time that we share them with other government agencies. It's the public's money, city will now also have the and the public has a right to know how we're managing the funds in our care. A little extra sunshine is always welcome, and that's especially true after

#### Art for all **CONT. FROM PG 9**

I also learned that artists whose work I respond to often go through their own episodes of self-doubt. They hesitate to even call themselves artists without such external validation as grants and solo shows.

Rachel Mello, this year's Somerville Open Studios coordinator, compares this questing after markers conferred by the gallery-and-critic hegemony with an adolescent

who puts on makeup to signify to herself and others that she has entered the adult Rachel wants Somerville Open Studios to be an "unmediated" experience, where artists and neighbors interact and learn from each other, and where artists support and make connections with each other.

In this way, Open Studios is reminiscent of dozens of interweaving social institutions that once knit together an exceptionally rich fabric of community throughout Somerville. Churches, unions, ethnic organizations, extended families, fraternal organizations, political clubs, sports teams, community groups and other associations created many different ways for neighbors to experience each other as whole people rather than as

roles or as strangers.

I believe that as this institutional framework of community has disintegrated, we have become poorer as people, more isolated, superficial, wary, and ignorant of each other. Yet opportunities to build institutions that, in the process of executing their mission, also build community are rare.

Somerville Open Studios is such an opportunity. Because it

is nonhierarchical, participatory, and cash poor, it relies heavily on volunteers. No matter what your interests and skills may be, there is a role for you if you would like to participate.

The kickoff organizational meeting for the 2013 Somerville Open Studios season will take place this coming Thursday, November 15, at the Burren in Davis Square. You're invited.

## Somerville Vews

# Daughter of former Mayor Donovan recalls the Somerville of the 1950's

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years old in 1953, when her father was first elected mayor. He received the most votes in a field of eight candidates. Prior to becoming mayor, William Donovan served as Ward 6 Alderman. He held the office of mayor until 1959, completing three two-year terms.

"One thing he always stressed," Czesniuk says of her father, "he was not a politician. He was 'in politics."

Czesniuk recollects many of her father's accomplishments as mayor, and reflects on what the city of Somerville was like in the late 1950s and how it has changed since then.

"Somerville, if nothing else, has been a city of tremendous transitions over the years, it really has," she says.

Czesniuk remembers her father as describing Somerville as "cosmopolitan."

She continues, saying, "But, he said, it was predominantly middle-class, blue-collar workers who lived here. And they lived here because the wanted the best for their kids. There were very few wealthy people. He always said [that] when he was a kid, he'd walk down to church to go to confession, and on his way home he'd get beaten up."

Mrs. Czesniuk then describes the Somerville of her childhood in her own words.

"It was very neighborhood-oriented. People in West Somerville didn't go to East Somerville. East Somerville had a supermarket and West Somerville had a supermarket. So you didn't have to cross McGrath Highway. We both had a movie theater. It was just the different populations. It was mostly Irish and Italian. And there was all that nonsense of 'Oh, I can't play with you.' There was a very small black population near Teele Square."

She then adds, "You didn't have to go too far to do anything. You could go to Davis Square and buy a suit, or shop, or do something other than eat and drink."

Somerville's population has decreased over the past several decades. According to Czesniuk, "It was over 100,000 when I was a kid. And now it's down to what, 80,000? And yet it seems more crowded now than it did then."

Czesniuk explains what she thinks accounts for the smaller population of Somerville: "A lot of my generation saw the dream of living in suburbia. Plus, they grew up in two and three-family homes. They wanted single homes. That was what the goal was at that point in time."

Before the many transitions that Czesniuk experienced, however, there was the Somerville of the 1950s, the decade in which William Donovan served almost the entirety of in some sort of official capacity.

"When he was elected," Czesniuk says, "they had a big inaugural ball. It wasn't like now, you go to the Field House and you don't even get a cup of coffee. This was full-dress regalia, and an orchestra, and dinner. It was like watching a movie. That's the way they used to do it."

Czesniuk recalls with great pride the improvements her father made in terms of infrastructure, caring for the elderly, and educating the young.

"He really put a lot of effort into developing the Department of Public Works, making it more professional, [and] giving them the equipment they need,"Czesniuk says. "They purchased the first rubbish trucks."

Jogging her memory with notes from a television interview that William Donovan did long after leaving the mayor's office, Czesniuk adds, "Somerville was the first city in the country to build an elderly housing building. One of the first cities to enact urban renewal plans. He built the incinerator on McGrath Highway." She is able to quickly clarify that Somerville was the first city on the Atlantic seaboard to undergo urban renewal.

It was Mayor Donovan's commitment to education, however, that provided for Czesniuk's fondest memory of her father's time in office.

"He built three [elementary] schools in the city. When they dedicated, I think it was the Conwell [Elementary] School, we got to go to the dedication on a fire engine," she says, lowering her voice to a bit of a whisper on the last few words.

"That was the highlight of his being mayor, as far as I was concerned: Getting to ride on a fire engine."

Although the schools were eventually built to alleviate overcrowding, two of them closed due to their having too few students. The one that is still open is the Arthur D. Healey Elementary School, located at 5 Meacham Street.

Mayor Donovan lost his bid for a fourth term as mayor in 1959. Harold Wells, a jeweler who had also run in 1957, used the rallying cry "No Fourth Term" and defeated Donovan by just over 1,000 votes.

Wells was a Democrat, as were the seven other candidates for mayor in 1953. This was because, according to Czesniuk, "There was only one [political party]. It had to be 60's or 70's before anyone admitted to being a Republican when running for office."

Looking back on the election that her father lost, Czesniuk says, "I remember it being a very uncomfortable election, a very uncomfortable time, because people did divide. People were very vocal about who their preference was, and would talk a lot about it. Every house was plastered with either Wells or Donovan [signs]. It was in-your-face."

Czesniuk also recalls that she and her siblings probably had mixed emotions about her father's defeat. "I think that we were sad, and we were upset. 'How could you do this to my father?'. But on the other hand, it was, 'Oh good, we don't have to go through that anymore."

After the 1959 election, William Donovan became Somerville city clerk, a position that he held until shortly before his death on May 19, 1988, which was one of the Donovan son's birthdays.

Between her father's last bid for re-election and his death, the political landscape of Somerville had changed noticeably.

Around the time of the 1959 mayoral election, Czesniuk says, "You were getting more Aldermen who were lawyers and college-educated, and much stronger backgrounds and personalities, who, I'm sure, they thought could do better. My father was a high-school graduate, that's all."

Again referencing the notes from the aforementioned interview that Donovan did, Czesniuk mentions that her father had said, "In the 80's, people became more choosey. They were looking for serious qualifications. They were looking for people who were not necessarily diehard Somervillians who wanted to work for the betterment of their city. They were looking for professional politicians."









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## **SOMERVILLE SPORTS**

## St. Clement Sports update

#### Football: St. Clement shuts down Matignon 27-14

On Friday night, November 2, the St. Clement Anchormen and Matignon Warriors battled at their annual grudge match. Before Friday no team had won by more than a touchdown in over five years.

The anticipated Quarterback match-up between Matignon senior captain Ron Slager and St. Clement senior captain Jamie Thompson (Somerville), who transferred to St. Clement from Matignon last season did not disappoint the packed house at Dilboy Stadium.

Slager, who rushed for a TD, threw for a TD, and rushed for a 2-point conversion was equally matched by Thompson who also rushed for a TD, threw for a TD, and completed a 2-point conversion pass to give the fans a thrill. The difference maker on offense proved to be St. Clement senior running back Jesus Gambaro (Charlestown), who returned after a 4 week shoulder injury to rush for 149 yards on 16 carries and a TD. "When Jesus is carrying the ball he really gives us control of the pace of the game" said assistant coach George Murray.

On the defense it was St. Clement junior Linebacker Casey Baptiste (Medford) who recorded 11 tackles, 2 tackles for a loss, while adding 2 knockdowns, 3 hurry-ups, and 2 sacks on Slager to keep the Warriors at bay.

Matignon senior Tight End caught a TD for the Warriors while St. Clement Junior wide receiver Junior Oyaron-



The St. Clement Girls Volleyball Team will be playing in the State Tournament for the second year in a row.

bi (Revere) was a recipient of a 58 yard strike from Thompson, and Senior Half Alberto Lopez (Chelsea) added a 11 yard rushing TD for the Anchormen to round out the scoring.

The win evens the Anchormen's record to 4-4. St. Clement will travel to Framingham State to play the Marian Mustangs next Saturday, November 10 at 4:00 p.m. They will then travel to Victory Field in Watertown Thanksgiving morning to face St. Josephs Prep.

#### Girls Volleyball: Lady Anchors return to State Tournament

For the second year in a row, after years of disappointing seasons, the St. Clement Girls Volleyball Team secured a spot in the State Tournament.

The Lady Anchors finished the season with a 16-4 record earning them the 5th seed and a first round bye beating St Mary's of Lynn 3-2.

Senior co-captain Allison Caloggero (Medford) had 18 service points and 6 aces. Co-captain Kristina Ofoedu (Methuen)

assisted with 9 kills and 2 blocks and Co-captain Judy D'Haiti (Cambridge) pitched in with 17 service points.

"This group of girls is lead by four strong seniors who will be missed next year," stressed Head Coach Lisa Regione. "We improved our record from last year and we continue to look strong every day. I am confident heading into the State Tournament that we will remain focused and play to our strengths."

The team will play Snowden High School this week.

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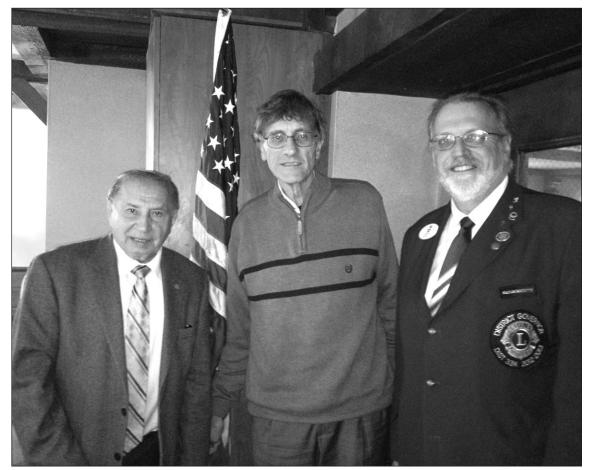
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- We know Mrs. O'Leary's cow didn't cause the Great Chicago Fire, but how was the story started?
- 2. What followed the Bronze Age?
- 3. Who was the first lady golfer?
- 4. How many Ringling Bros. were there?
- 5. What was the first electrified lighthouse in
- Rockwell use for paint rags and why?
- 7. What is the one sport in which neither the spectators nor participants

- know the score or the leader until the contest
- 8. What North American landmark is constantly moving backwards?
- 9. Of all the vegetables, what are the only two that can live to produce on their own for several growing seasons?
- 10. What are the only three words in standard English beginning with
- 6. What did Norman 11. Who were the Molly Maguires?
  - 12. What is the Orpheus Orchestra best known

Answers on page 16

## **Alderman Taylor becomes** a Somerville Lion



Alderman Tom Taylor was sworn in on Tuesday evening as the Somerville Lions Club's newest lion. Pictured L to R: Somerville Lions Club President Gene Brune, Lion Tom Taylor and District Governor Tom Kerr.

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Best Combination Breakfast & Lunch: **Neighborhood Restaurant**, **25 Bow St.** 

Best Italian Food: Vinny's Ristorante, 76 Broadway

Best Portuguese Food: J and J Restaurant, 157 Washington St.

Best Chinese Food: Wangs Fast Food, 509 Broadway

Best Mexican Food: Rudy's Café, 248 Holland Street

Best Variety and All Around Restaurant: **Mount Vernon Restaurant**, **14 Broadway** 

Best Seafood: Pescatore, 158 Boston Ave.

Best Local Deli: Victor's Deli, 710 Broadway

Best Irish Pub: Sally O'Brien's, 335 Somerville Ave

Best Local Bar: PJ Ryan's, 239 Holland St

Best Thai Food: Thai Hut, 93 Beacon St.

Best Hamburger: Boston Burger Company, 37 Davis Square

Best Hot Dog: Moe's BBQ Trolley

Best Roast Beef Sandwich: **Deli-icious**, **20 College Ave**.

Best Pizza: Mamma Gina's, 19 Union Square

Best Bakery: Patsy's Pastry Shop, 182 Broadway

Best Sub Shop: Leone's Submarine Sandwich, 292 Broadway

Best Coffee Shop Franchise: **Dunkin Donuts, Davis Square** 

Best Coffee Shop Local: Sherman's Café, 257 Washington Street

Best Cook: Omar Djebbouri, Ball Square Café

Best Chef: Delio Susi, Amelia's Kitchen, 1137 Broadway

**Best of Somerville Services:** 

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Best Doctor: **Dr. David Osler, CHA Broadway Health Center,**300 Broadway

Best Electrician: T.D. Electric, Winter Hill

Best Plumber: T.J. Sillari, Inc., 99 Albion Street

Best Attorney: Attorney Adam Dash, 38 Grove Street

Best Teacher: Ms Sears, Kennedy School, Grades 7th and 8th

Best Politician: Maryann Heuston, Ward 2

Best Insurance Agent: Dan Wiseman, H.J.Wiseman Insurance

Best Mortgage Officer: Lisa Ramos, Century Bank

Best Real Estate Agent/Realtor: Patricia Ng,

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Best Barber: Tony Alibrani, Alibrani's Barber Shop, 194 Holland St

Best Hair Salon: Salon Cu, 698 Broadway

Best Orthodontist: Dr Butts, 341 Summer Street

Best Boss: Stan Koty, Somerville DPW

Best Nurse: Barbara Carney, Somerville Public Schools

Best Somerville Poet: **Doug Holder** 

Best Writer: Timothy Gager

Best Somerville Celebrity: Joe Lynch, "Greater Somerville" host

Best City Worker: Robert McWaters

Best City Elected Politician: Denise Provost, State Representative,

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Best City Employee DPW: Karl Winter, DPW

Best City Employee City Hall/Annex: Nancy Lynch

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Best Law Firm: O'Donovan, Dwyer & O'Flaherty, 741 Broadway

Best Convenience/Neighborhood Store: Y-Not Variety,

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A hearing for all persons interested will be given by the Somerville Licensing Commission on Monday, November 19, 2012 at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at 6:00PM on the application of Starl Liquors, Inc., d/b/a Say-Mor Discount Liquors, 15-17R McGrath Hwy, Somerville, MA for Transfer of Stock and for New Officers/

> For the Commission Andrew Upton Vito Vaccaro John J. McKenna

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro Administrative Assistant

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In compliments to the disposition established legally by a divorce, has been published the following: That Ms. RUTH A. ALONZO presented a divorce in city of Providence, Rhode Island, against Mr. VINCENTE RAMIREZ, appointed by Attorney Emili Vaziri Located on 160 Plainfield Street Providence, RI 02909.

Date the 3RD day of December 2012 at 9:00am has an appointment at Family Court in Providence, Rhode Island.

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> For the Commission Andrew Upton Vito Vaccaro John J. McKenna

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro **Administrative Assistant** 

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The Somerville Historic Preservation Commission shall hold a Public Hearing on Tues., November 20, 2012 at 6:40 p.m. in the Third Floor Conference Room, City Hall regarding a proposed demolition of the single-family dwelling at 10 Allen Court, submitted by Applicant: Kevin Emery

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

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A hearing for all persons interested will be given by the Somerville **Licensing Commission** on **Monday, November 19, 2012** at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at 6:00PM on the application of Fauji Corp, d/b/a Farmers Bounty, 234 Elm St. for a transfer of the Wine and Malt package store license and a change of location of the license to Everest Mart, Inc., d/b/a Union Mart at 71-72 Union Sq., Somerville, MA

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Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro Administrative Assistant

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9. Asparagus and rhubarb

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12. Performing without a conductor

7. Boxing

## A hairy good time at Beardfest

#### By Terence Clarey

According to Burt Mayer, the best way to prepare for a beard contest is to, "Stop shaving." That, a little mustache wax and a little creativity was good advice, but winning was not the primary goal of contestants at the Somerville Arts Council's Third Annual Beardfest last Saturday at the Arts at the Armory. The true purpose of the event was to have fun.

"I just like getting together with all these people and hang out for a day." Mayer said from behind a heavily waxed and curled beard and mustache.

Tom Ward, with a long dark beard hanging from his chin competing in the full natural beard category, echoed those sentiments.

"It's fun to get together with people you know and drink."

Started three years ago by the Somerville Arts Council as a part of an overall effort to increase foot traffic in the union Square area, SAC volunteer and Beardfest Co-Producer Todd Easton suggested putting on this event in and it happened at Precinct Bar.

"In 2009, on January 1, I decided not to shave for the year. I made it through the year and I had been volunteering for the Arts Council and I pitched it (to the SAC) and we had 45 competitors packed in the back room of Precinct," he said.

Looking for a more spacious venue, the event was moved to the Armory on Highland Ave. in hopes of accommodating a larger group of participants and spectators.

The crowd milled around and mingled with contestants enjoying refreshments and music provided by DJ Pace. Attendees were invited to create their own beards and mustaches as well as play "Pin the beard on Mitt or Obama," whose faces were superimposed on the iconic American Gothic painting.

Although it is a male dominated event, women and those facially folically-challenged people were invited to participate in the fake beard category and create their own looks.

Somerville resident Danielle Miano was happy that she was able to participate, wearing a patriotic red white and blue beard and mustache she said,

"It feels empowering. I'm pretty jealous I can't grow a beard." She added. Explaining her choice of faux facial hair she said she was, "Tugging on America's heart strings. I really hope I win," she said good-naturedly. She added that the main reason she participates is to see "all the different characters rocking beards."

For Brian McGregor, dressed as big cat tamer with a stuffed tiger named Lily under his arm, this is his third year of competitive bearding. "It celebrates



Best Full Beard winner Brad Petrinec kisses his winner's medal the Somerville Arts Council's Third Annual Beardfest

facial hair," he said. "The whiskers bring us together."

The five categories for contestants were Natural Full Beard, Best Partial Beard Freestyle, Best Full Beard, Best Mustache Freestyle, and Best Fake Beard.

The show began with a "parade" of contestants who were then invited individually on stage to show off their beards and mustaches and to answer questions posed by event MC Stu Siegel. Additional questions were asked by the three judge's panel of Easton, Archibald Query and Elyse Andrews. One contestant was questioned, "What is the most obnoxious thing someone said about your beard?" He answered, "Someone yelled out a car window, 'Hey Obama Bin Ladin!"

After the first round, the top three finalists in all the categories were called up to the stage and based on crowd approval, the winners was chosen and the winners received gifts which included a medallion adorned with Todd Easton's face.

SAC Director Greg Jenkins added, "It's great that so many people come out. It's about body art, facial hair, and fun." Observing the crowd, it appeared that one and all had quite a lot of fun.

Winners were, Best Partial Beard Freestyle - Ben Lewis; Best mustache Freestyle - David Mosher; Best Fake Beard - Becky Gosselin; Best Full Natural Beard - Brian Roy; Best Full Beard -Brad Petrinec; and winner of the bonus category Cold Chowder Eating Contest -John Leonard.



Brian McGregor shows off his beard and costume.



Somerville's Danielle Miano and friend sporting their "beards."





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Preschool:Jeff Jam 11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.|40 College

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

#### Friday | November 9

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381 Summer St **Orleans Restaurant and Bar** 

65 Holland St|617-591-2100

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345 Somerville Ave|617-776-

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**Bull McCabe's Pub** 

Stump Team Trivia 8 p.m.|366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

**Rosebud Bar** 

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**Radio Bar** 379 Summer St

#### **Tuesday November 13**

JohnnyD's Songwriter Steel Cage match Featuring Patrick Coman|George Woods|Amy Kucharik|Sam Otis Hill|John Colvert|Mark Whitaker|Timmy Riordan 17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Panda Bar |8 p.m. 335 Somerville Avel617-666-3589

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Open Mic w/ Hugh McGowan

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**Highland Kitchen** Spelling Bee Night First Tuesday of the month

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**Rosebud Bar** Karaoke 381 Summer St

PJ Ryan's

Pub Quiz 10 p.m.|239 Holland St.|617-

**Radio Bar** Abbie Barrett

379 Summer St **Arts at The Armory** 

7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave Wednesday November 14

Canis Major Herbal Workshop

Johnny D's Roberto Morbioli Band

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

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65 Holland St|617-591-2100

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#### **Bull McCabe's Pub**

TBA

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

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608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

#### **Rosebud Bar**

Cal Cali's New Experience|Free Pool|Game Night 381 Summer St

#### Radio Bar

379 Summer St

#### Cantina la Mexicana

Salsa Dance Night 7 p.m.|247 Washington St.

#### CLASSES AND GROUPS Wednesday November 7

#### **Central Library**

Director's Author Series: Mystery Writer and Investigative Reporter Hank

Philippi Ryan Maria Carpenter

617.623.5000 x2910 7 p.m.-8:30 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 8

#### West Branch Library

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

#### West Branch Library

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#### **Central Library**

x2978

Somerville Climate Action John Massey|617-513-1220 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

#### First Church Somerville

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#### Saturday | November 10

#### **Central Library**

Tales From Around the Globe with David Mello
2 p.m.-3 p.m.|79 Highland

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

9 a.m.- 1 p.m.|Union Square Plaza

#### **Bagel Bards**

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

#### Sunday November 11

Unity Church of God

Fourth Step to Freedom Al-Anon

Family Groups 7:00 P.M. | 6 William Street Enter upstairs, meeting is in

#### Monday November 12

#### Veteran's Day- Libraries Closed

#### Third Life Studio

basement.

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

#### Tuesday | November 13

#### **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 | November 14

#### **Third Life Studio**

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

## PLACES TO GO, THINGS TO DO!

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Holland Street Center - 167 Holland Street

Ralph & Jenny Center - 9 New Washington Street Cross Street Center - 165 Broadway

Coming up

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**November 26** - Travel with us for the day to El Salvador as we enjoy some great food and entertainment.

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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.

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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.

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Shopping in New York City - December 8 & 9.

Newport Mansion Tour - December 13.

Winter Wonderland at Aqua Turf Club - December

#### STAY ACTIVE:

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

**Belly Dancing** - Tuesdays 5:00. Holland Street. \$5. **Zumba Gold** - Wednesday 5:15 - 6:15 Holland Street.

 ${\bf QiGong}$  - Wednesdays at Holland Street from 1:15 - 2:00 p.m.

Flexibility & Balance - all three centers.

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{Strength with Geoff} - \textbf{Tuesdays at Holland and Thursdays and Ralph & Jenny.} \end{tabular}$ 

#### **November 7**

Twin Rivers

#### Holland Street Center

Flexibility & Balance|9:30 a.m. Qi gong|1:15 p.m. Zumba Gold|5:15 p.m. 167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

Cross Street Center

Closed

#### Ralph & Jenny Center

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

Bowling at Flatbreads 1 p.m.

#### November 8

Holland Street Center

Current Events|10 a.m. Indoor Exercise11 a.m. Bingo|12:45 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

Strengthening exercise|10 a.m. Cards & Cribbage|10 a.m. Crochet & knitting|10:45 a.m. Bingo|12:45 p.m. 9 New Washington Street 617-666-5223

#### November 9

**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

#### 9 New Washington Street 617-666-5223

November 12 Veteran's Day - All centers closed

#### November 13

Green Cab Fundraiser

**Holland Street Center** Strengthening Exercise|9:15 a.m.

SHINE by appt.|10 a.m.
BELLY DANCING is back! |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

#### November 14

**Holland Street Center** 

Flexibility & Balance|9:30 a.m.
QiGong|1:15 p.m.
Zumba Gold|5:15 p.m.
167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

#### **Cross Street Center**

Closed

Ralph & Jenny Center

Cards & Cribbage | 10 a.m. Bingo | 12:45 p.m.

9 New Washington Street | 617-666-5223

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## Ben Gibbard brings present and 'Former Lives' to highly receptive Somerville Theatre audience

By Blake Maddux

By fronting the hugely popular Death Cab for Cutie and the beloved but short-lived Postal Service, singer/songwriter Ben Gibbard has maintained his visibility among fans of indie rock for more than a decade. Of course, his brief marriage to and recent divorce from actress Zooey Deschanel certainly did nothing to lower his profile.

His Sunday night performance at Somerville Theatre was delightfully intimate and low-key. By featuring no fewer than twodozen songs, it was also nothing short of completely satisfying.

While he drew primarily from the recently released CD Former Lives, which includes mixing by local musician Tim Walsh, he generously treated the adoring crowd to selections from all of his assorted musical projects. Some of the songs may very well have been recognized by only the most hardcore among the fans in attendance.

By making the 2003 Postal Service song *Such Great Heights* the second selection of the evening, Gibbard was clearly eager to please.

Cutting a tall and slender figure, he played most of the show with only a microphone and an acoustic guitar. About halfway through the set, however, he sat down at a grand piano for half a dozen songs. Although he had plenty of his own compositions to choose from, he connected with a certain segment of the audience by covering *My Drug Buddy*, which was originally released in 1992 by the popular Boston band The Lemonheads.

Upon leaving the piano and returning to the guitar, he reached back to 1999 for the song Cleveland, which he recorded with his Death Cab for Cutie-side project ¡All-Time Quarterback! [sic] Gibbard described the two endeavors in which he was participating at this time as "A band with a terrible name and a side project with an equally terrible name."

As the evening proceeded, large swaths of the audience sang along in hushed tones to Death Cab's Soul Meets Body and Postal Service's The District Sleeps Alone Tonight. Enthusias-



Singer/songwriter Ben Gibbard wowed audiences at the Somerville Theatre last weekend as he fielded favorites from the Death Cab For Cutie catalog, as well as other projects from his musical past.

tic applause accompanied the Death Cab songs Crooked Teeth, A Movie Script Ending, and I Will Follow You Into the Dark, the latter two of which were included in the four-song encore.

The peak of Gibbard's career

may have come in 2008, when the Death Cab for Cutie album Narrow Stairs sailed a rising tide of indie rock popularity all the way to #1 on the Billboard Top 200. Nevertheless, the strength of the songs that he performed from Former Lives - including Dream Song, the new single Teardrop Windows, Oh Woe, and I'm Building A Fire - indicate that Gibbard has as much to look forward to as he does to look back on.

#### The Far (out) East CONT. FROM PG 9

known as "Raballic," Frankie Powers, Mark "Chubba" McGinnis and Kenny Robertson were on the road crew. It was quite the rock n' roll production featuring many KISS tunes. There was a smoke and light show and at least two guitars were smashed to bits on stage. The faculty was not happy,

but the kids of East Somerville got one heck of a show.

The Broadway Movie Theatre at the end of Franklin Street was in operation from 1915 to 1982. Movies shown at the historic theatre covered a span from *The Tramp* with Charlie Chaplin to *Raiders of the Lost Ark* with Harrison Ford.

You used to be able to buy worms and fishing tackle from a guy on Lower Broadway who was a couple of doors up from the theater. He may have actually been in the same building as the theatre.

My cousin Fred Caruso and his family still live on Flint Street.

The East Somerville Community School was where The Somerville Players presented their production of *Here's Somerville* in 1977. The acoustics in that auditorium

were among the best in the state. Maybe when the repairs from the fire are finished there will be a *Here's Somerville 2007* (actually, I'm working on it as you read this).

Here is a little piece of advice a reader passed on to us - regarding East Somerville whatever you do, don't ride your bike on the sidewalk on Pearl Street between McGrath Highway and Jasper Street. If you do, don't be surprised if some guy named Salvatore yells at you. "Eastville," "JAR" and Jeffrey Wilcox all contributed to this article.

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#### News Talk CONT. FROM PG 8

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Happy Birthday to Patrick Sullivan, who celebrated his 77th birthday on Saturday, November 3. Say a big "Hello" to him at the Little Sisters of the Poor on Highland Ave.

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Happy birthday to our good friend Attorney Fred Diamond.

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WSNS Election Day Celebration

2:00pm: (13/22) Director's Series: Colonel James Foley

8:30pm: (13/22) Three Paths to Italy: Open Reception

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Tuesday, November 13

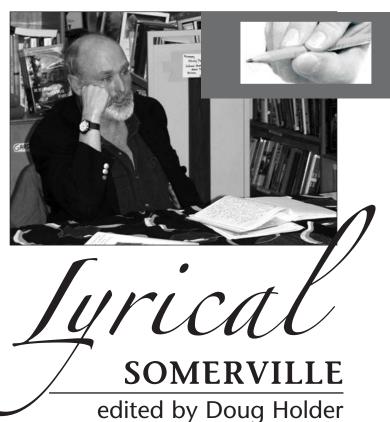
## **SCAT Program Schedule for the Week**

| Wednesday   | n Namamban 7                  | F-20mm             | Culture Club                                | 2.20             | Cultura Club                                     | 1.00.00 | Alderician                   |
|-------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|---|------------------|--|---------|------------------------------|
| 12:00am     | y, November 7  Free Speech TV | 5:30pm             |   | 2:30pm<br>3:00pm | Culture Club                                     | 1:00pm  | Ablevision                   |
| 6:00am      | Heritage Baptist Church       | 6:00pm             | Al Jazeera TV                               | 4:00pm           | Tele Magazine                                    | 1:30pm  | Olympic Torch in Somerville  |
| 7:00am      | Road to Recovery              | 6:30pm             | Somerville Rocks!                           | 4:00pm           | Most Interesting Place<br>Perils for Pedestrians | 2:00pm  | Most Interesting Place       |
| 8:00am      | Democracy Now!                | 7:00pm             | Physician Focus                             | •                |  | 2:30pm  | Somerville Housing           |
| 9:00am      | Creating Cooperative Kids     | 7:30pm             | Greater Somerville<br>Fouye Zo Nan Kalalou  | 5:00pm           | Tele Kreyol                                      | 3:00pm  | Exercise with Robyn and Max  |
| 10:00am     | Abugida                       | 8:00pm             | ,   | 6:00pm           | Reeling Movie Show                               | 3:30pm  | Esoteric Science             |
| 11:00am     | Somerville Newspaper Reading  | 9:30pm             | The Entertainer's Show<br>Somerville Rocks! | 6:30pm           | I Finally Did It<br>From the SCATV Archives      | 4:00pm  | The Thom Hartmann Show       |
| Noon        | Democracy Now!                | 10:00pm            | National Wildlife Foundation                | 7:30pm<br>8:00pm | David Parkman                                    | 5:00pm  | Culture Club                 |
| 1:00pm      | Back in the Day               | 10:30pm<br>11:00pm | Creepy Castle                               | 9:00pm           | Nossa Gente e Costumes                           | 5:30pm  | Physician Focus              |
| 1:30pm      | Most Interesting Place        | Friday, Nov        | .,  | 10:00pm          | Sonic Lobotomy                                   | 6:00pm  | Al Jazeera TV                |
| 2:00pm      | Culture Club                  | 12:00am            | Free Speech TV                              | 10:30pm          | Somervile Rocks                                  | 6:30pm  | Perils for Pedestrians       |
| 2:30pm      | Life Matters                  | 6:00am             | Road to Recovery                            | 11:00pm          | Gay TV   | 7:00pm  | What the Fluff?              |
| 3:00pm      | Medical Tutor                 | 7:00am             | Culture Club                                |                  | lovember 11                                      | 8:00pm  | Creating Cooperative Kids    |
| 3:30pm      | Inside Talk                   | 7:30am             | Physician Focus                             | 12:00am          | Free Speech TV                                   | 9:00pm  | Dedilhando A Saudade         |
| 4:00pm      | The Thom Hartmann Show        | 8:00am             | Democracy Now!                              | 6:00am           | Program Celebrai                                 | 10:00pm | Bate Papo con Shirley        |
| 5:00pm      | Neighborhood Cooking.         | 9:00am             | What the Fluff?                             | 7:00am           | Flipside   | 11:00pm | Bandwidth TV                 |
| 5:30pm      | Cooking with Georgia & Dez    | 10:00am            | Somerville News Reading                     | 7:30am           | Art At SCATV                                     | 11:30pm | Art @ SCATV                  |
| 6:00pm      | Al Jazeera TV                 | 11:00am            | Somerville Back in the Day                  | 8:00am           | Effort Pour christ                               | •       | ovember 13                   |
| 6:30pm      | Youth Media Projects          | Noon               | Open Air Circus                             | 9:00am           | Heritage Baptist Church                          | 12:00am |                              |
| 7:00pm      | Tonight's Special             | 1:30pm             | Somerville Housing                          | 10:00am          | International Church of God                      |         | Free Speech TV               |
| 7:30pm      | Art@SCATV                     | 2:00pm             | Neighborhood Cooking                        | 11:00am          | The Commonwealth Report                          | 6:00am  | Road to Recovery             |
| 8:00pm      | Somerville Pundits            | 2:30pm             | Cooking With Georgia                        | 11:30am          | Somerville Housing Authority                     | 7:00am  | Perils for Pedestrians       |
| 8:30pm      | The Entertainer's Show        | 3:00pm             | Brunch with Sen. Bernie Sanders             | Noon             | The Entertainer's Show                           | 7:30am  | The Literary Scene           |
| 9:00pm      | Somerville Rocks!             | 4:00pm             | The Thom Hartmann Show                      | 1:00pm           | Most Interesting Place                           | 8:00am  | Democracy Now!               |
| 9:30pm      | Shrink Rap                    | 5:00pm             | Honk/Pong                                   | 2:00pm           | Honk/Pong  | 9:00am  | Somerville News Reading      |
| 10:00pm     | Pong                          | 5:30pm             | Art @ SCATV                                 | 2:30pm           | Everyone's Somerville                            | 10:00am | Tele Kreyol                  |
| 10:30pm     | Somerville Back in the Day    | 6:00pm             | Al Jazeera TV                               | 3:00pm           | Rompendo en Fe                                   | 11:00am | The Garage                   |
| 11:00pm     | The Garage                    | 6:30pm             | Somerville Rocks!                           | 4:00pm           | Dedilhando A Saudade                             | 11:30am | Ablevision                   |
| 11:30pm     | The Literary Scene            | 7:00pm             | Real Estate Answer Show                     | 5:00pm           | Ethiopian Satellite TV                           | Noon    | Democracy Now!               |
| Thursday, N | November 8                    | 7:30pm             | SHS Class of 1958                           | 6:00pm           | Abugida TV                                       | 1:00pm  | The Commonwealth Report      |
| 12:00am     | Free Speech TV                | 8:00pm             | Visual Radio                                | 7:00pm           | African Television Network                       | 1:30pm  | Somerville Housing Authority |
| 6:00am      | Voices for Recovery           | 9:00pm             | The Garage                                  | 8:00pm           | Telemagazine                                     | 2:00pm  | Healthy Hypnosis             |
| 7:00am      | Physician Focus               | 9:30pm             | Bandwidth TV                                | 9:00pm           | Effort Pour Christ                               | 2:30pm  | Road to Recovery             |
| 7:30am      | Medical Tutor                 | 10:00pm            | What the Fluff?                             | 10:00pm          | Active Aging                                     | 3:30pm  | Active Aging                 |
| 8:00am      | Democracy Now!                | 11:00pm            | Somerville Rocks                            | 10:30pm          | Honk/Pong  | 4:00pm  | The Thom Hartmann Show       |
| 9:00am      | Somerville News Reading       | Saturday, N        | lovember 10                                 | 11:00pm          | Somerville Rocks!                                | 5:00pm  | Poet to Poet                 |
| 10:00am     | Active Aging                  | 12:00am            | Free Speech TV                              | Monday,          | November 12                                      | 5:30pm  | Jeff Jam Sing Song Show      |
| 10:30am     | Jeff Jam Sing Song Show       | 6:00am             | Arabic Hour                                 | 12:00am          | Free Speech TV                                   | 6:00pm  | Al Jazeera TV                |
| 11:00am     | Creating Cooperative Kids     | 7:00am             | Creating Cooperative Kids                   | 6:00am           | Atheist Viewpoint                                | 6:30pm  | Somerville Back in the Day   |
| Noon        | Democracy Now!                | 8:00am             | Jeff Jam Sing Song Show                     | 6:30am           | Physician Focus                                  | •       | Art @ SCATV                  |
| 1:00pm      | African Television Network    | 9:00am             | Festival Kreyol                             | 7:00am           | Creating Cooperative Kids                        | 7:00pm  |                              |
| 2:00pm      | Tonight's Special             | 10:00am            | Tele Galaxie                                | 8:00am           | Democracy Now!                                   | 7:30pm  | Greater Somerville           |
| 2:30pm      | Most Interesting Place        | 11:00am            | Dead Air Live                               | 9:00am           | Active Aging                                     | 8:00pm  | Dead Air Live                |
| 3:00pm      | Somerville Back in the Day    | Noon               | Reeling Movie Show                          | 9:30am           | Jeff Jam Sing Song Show                          | 9:00pm  | Literary Scene               |
| 3:30pm      | Art @ SCATV                   | 12:30pm            | Somerville Housing Authority                | 10:00am          | Somerville Newspaper Reading                     | 10:00pm | Perils for Pedestrians       |
| 4:00pm      | The Thom Hartmann Show        | 1:00pm             | Bongoman                                    | 11:00am          | Nossa Gente e Costumes                           | 10:30pm | The Gerry Leone Show         |
| 5:00pm      | Ablevision                    | 2:00pm             | Henry Parker Presents                       | Noon             | Democracy Now!                                   | 11:00pm | Youth Media Projects 2012    |

## City Cable TV Schedule for the Week

| WSNS Election Day Celebration    | 9:00pm: (15)      | Honk!                              | 12:30am: (13/22)   | ember 7                          | Wednesday, Nov   |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|
| SHS Brick Walkway                | 9:20am: (15)      | Kid Stuff                          | 12:30am: (15)      | Somerville Fire Dept. Ride Along | 9:00am: (13/22)  |
| Somerville Fire Dept. Ride Along | 10:00am: (13/22)  | SHS Brick Walkway                  | 1:00am: (15)       | Our Schools, Our City            | 9:00am: (15)     |
| per 11                           | Sunday, Novemb    | SHS Football vs Andover            | 1:10am: (15)       | School Committee Meeting -       | 12:00pm: (13/22) |
| The Mayor's Report               | 12:00am: (13/22)  | Senior Housing Symposium           | 9:00am: (13/22)    | REPLAY OF 11/5/12                | 10.00 (4.5)      |
| SHS Football vs Medford          | 12:00am: (15)     | Our Schools, Our City              | 9:00am: (15)       | SHS Boys' Soccer Playoffs        | 2:00pm: (15)     |
| Haven for Ingenious Minds        | 12:30am: (13/22)  | The Mayor's Report                 | 12:00pm: (13/22)   | Our Schools, Our City            | :30pm: (15)      |
| Public Form on Social Security   | 2:00am: (13/22)   | WSNS Election Day Celebration      | 12:00pm: (15)      | Highlander Forum                 | :00pm: (15)      |
| WSNS Election Day Celebration    | 2:00am: (15)      | SHS Football vs Andover            | 12:20pm: (15)      | Somerville Fire Dept. Ride Along | ::00pm: (13/22)  |
| SHS Brick Walkway                | 2:20am: (15)      | Haven for Ingenious Minds          | 12:30pm: (13/22)   | GBL Cheer Tournament             | :00pm: (15)      |
| Somerville Fire Dept. Ride Along | 3:00am: (13/22)   | SHS Boys' Soccer Playoffs          | 2:00pm: (15)       | Talking Business                 | :15pm: (13/22)   |
| Somerville Fire Dept. Ride Along | 9:00am: (13/22)   | ree Paths to Italy: Open Reception | 2:00pm: (13/22) Th | Seriously Somerville             | :40pm: (13/22)   |
| Our Schools, Our City            | 9:00am: (15)      | Somerville Fire Dept. Ride Along   | 3:00pm: (13/22)    | SomerStreets: Monster Mashed Up  | :55pm: (13/22)   |
| Senior Circuit                   | 12:00pm: (13/22)  | The Mayor's Report                 | 7:00pm: (13/22)    | Line Dancing at Capen Court      | 15pm: (13/22)    |
| Kid Stuff                        | 12:00pm: (15)     | WSNS Election Day Celebration      | 7:00pm: (15)       | SHS Boys' Soccer Playoffs        | 20pm: (15)       |
| Somerville Gives Back            | 12:30pm: (13/22)  | SHS Football vs Andover            | 7:30pm: (15)       | BOA Agenda for 11/8/12 Meeting   | :00pm: (13/22)   |
| GBL Cheer Tournament             | 12:30pm: (15)     | Haven for Ingenious Minds          | 7:30pm: (13/22)    | ber 8                            | hursday, Noven   |
| Talking Business                 | 12:45pm: (13/22)  | Public Forum on Social Security    | 9:00pm: (13/22)    | Somerville Fire Dept. Ride Along | 2:00am: (13/22)  |
| SomerStreets: Monster Mashed Up  |                   | Somerville Fire Dept. Ride Along   | 10:00pm: (13/22)   | GBL Cheer Tournament             | 2:00am: (15)     |
| SHS Boys' Soccer Playoffs        | 1:50pm: (15)      | SHS Football vs Medford            | 10:00pm: (15)      | Talking Business                 | :15am: (13/22)   |
| Senior Circuit                   | 7:00pm: (13/22)   |                                    | Saturday, Noveml   | Seriously Somerville             | :40am: (13/22)   |
| Kid Stuff                        | 7:00pm: (15)      | The Mayor's Report                 | 12:00am: (13/22)   | SomerStreets: Monster Mashed Up  | 2:55am: (13/22)  |
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| Talking Business                 | 7:45pm: (13/22)   | Public Form on Social Security     | 2:00am: (13/22)    | Line Dancing at Capen Court      | 00am: (13/22)    |
| SomerStreets: Monster Mashed Up  | 8:05pm: (13/22)   | WSNS Election Day Celebration      | 2:00am: (15)       | <b>GBL</b> Cheer Tournament      | :00am: (15)      |
| Board of Aldermen Meeting -      | 8:25pm: (13/22)   | SHS Brick Walkway                  | 2:20am: (15)       | Senior Circuit                   | 2:00pm: (13/22)  |
| REPLAY OF 11/8/12                | 0.23pm. (13/22)   | Somerville Fire Dept. Ride Along   | 3:00am: (13/22)    | Highlander Forum                 | 2:00pm: (15)     |
| ber 12                           | Monday, Novem     | Voices of Somerville               | 9:00am: (13/22)    | Talking Business                 | 2:30pm: (13/22)  |
| Senior Circuit                   | 12:00am: (13/22)  | WSNS Election Day Celebration      | 9:00am: (15)       | Seriously Somerville             | 2:50pm: (13/22)  |
| Kid Stuff                        | 12:00am: (15)     | *                                  | ` '                | Line Dancing at Capen Court      | 10pm: (13/22)    |
| Somerville Gives Back            | 12:30am: (13/22)  | The Mayor's Report                 | 12:00pm: (13/22)   | Our Schools, Our City            | :30pm: (15)      |
| Talking Business                 | 12:45pm: (13/22)  | SHS Football vs Medford            | 12:00pm: (15)      | Voices of Somerville             | :50pm: (13/22)   |
| GBL Cheer Tournament             | 1:00am: (15)      | Haven for Ingenious Minds          | 12:30pm: (13/22)   | Board of Aldermen Meeting - LIVE | :00pm: (13/22)   |
| SomerStreets: Monster Mashed Up  | 1:05am: (13/22)   | Public Form on Social Security     | 2:00pm: (13/22)    | Our Schools, Our City            | :00pm: (15)      |
| Joe's Jazz Fest                  | 1:40pm: (13/22)   | WSNS Election Day Celebration      | 2:00pm: (15)       | Kid Stuff                        | :30pm: (15)      |
| Somerville Fire Dept. Ride Along | 9:00am: (13/22)   | SHS Brick Walkway                  | 2:20pm: (15)       | SHS Brick Walkway                | :00pm: (15)      |
| Our Schools, Our City            | 9:00am: (15)      | Somerville Fire Dept. Ride Along   | 3:00pm: (13/22)    | SHS Football vs Andover          | :10pm: (15)      |
| ,                                | 12:00pm: (13/22)  | The Mayor's Report                 | 7:00pm: (13/22)    |                                  | riday, Novembe   |
| REPLAY OF 11/8/12                | , , , , , , , , , | SHS Football vs Medford            | 7:00pm: (15)       | The Mayor's Report               | 2:00am: (13/22)  |
| SHS Football vs Medford          | 12:00pm: (15)     | Haven for Ingenious Minds          | 7:30pm: (13/22)    | Our Schools, Our City            | 12:00am: (15)    |
| GBL Cheer Tournament             | 2:00pm: (15)      | Public Form on Social Security     | 9:00pm: (13/22)    | ,                                | ` '              |





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Change News, as well as previously in Lyrical Somerville. His poems have been a part of High Holiday and other services of his congregation (see www.shirhadash-ma.org/poetry.html).

#### Big Bang Theory

of Him.

God grabbed atoms, packed them into balls and threw them out to dot the firmament.

Some blazed with light, and around a lesser one He placed smaller, darker orbs.

And on one of these, of middle size, neither gas nor ice, but mostly dirt, He molded trees and animals and a chorus of sentient beings whom He taught to sing sweet praises

Then from elsewhere came a voice:

This eon ends; it is time to come up.

So He retrieved His balls, compressed them back into a box that was not a box, and left.

Time that was not time passed, and Godlet reappeared, opened the box that was not a box, flung out the stars again.

– Keith Tornheim

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## OFF THE SHELF

by Doug Holder

## **God Lights His Candles**

## Poems By Dorothy Morris



Dennis Daly author of the poetry collection The Custom House (Ibbetson Street Press) has reviewed a new collection of poetry brought to you by Somerville's Ibbetson Street Press, God Lights His Candles by Dorothy E. Morris. I decided to use Daly's review in my Off the Shelf column this week.

God Lights His Candles
Poems
By Dorothy Morris
With an Introduction by Sam Cornish
Ibbetson Press
Somerville MA
ISBN: 978-0-9846614-2-8
52 Pages
\$15.00
Review by Dennis Daly

Today's society undervalues serenity and that is too bad. In other eras serenity has flourished as a positive concept promoting sometimes poetry and sometimes prayer and sometimes merging the two. Francis of Assisi, for example, could not have written his revolutionary *Canticle of the Sun*, combining both pagan pantheism and Christian monotheism, unless his soul centered on sereneness and a profound sereneness at that.

Dorothy E. Morris in her book of poems, *God Lights His Candles*, draws from an obvious reservoir of spiritual serenity to compose her quicksilver images of natural and ritual happiness. Her poem Images is a good starting point. Like all good imagistic poetry her three subjects interest us with texture and emotion. Here's the first image,

On a looping wire Myriad starlings squat Like black Majorca pearls.

The second image turns ducks into a line of obedient monks. Did I mention that serenity can, but need not, be eremitic? The poet puts a little twist in the third image,

It's been three years,
I saw a crimson cardinal.
Was it you?

The sadness at a glimpse of that flamboyant bird offered here has no sharp edges. Serenity persists.

In *Spring: Beach Walk* the poet turns the sun into a toddler playing hide and seek, then, as he carries the burden of original sin, sends him on his way seeking redemption. The poem ends with these lines,

Out of darkness Night to light Traversing the way In search of Eternal grace.

In our modern world bringing up grace as a poetic motif doesn't happen. Brave woman!

I don't believe the poem *July Benediction* works well independently. However it does further the context and sets up what comes after. By the way, the first four lines of this poem do create a wonderful stand-alone image. Here they are,

The sails are coming down.
Sun is waning.

Serenity.

Morris' version of serenity again does not exclude melancholy. But it is a considered thoughtful melancholy. In Elegy the poet says,

A chill. Was it only the fear of ice

Or the cold to come That brought sudden despair?

Or something deeper,

A long-ago September

When summer ended,

Bringing regret, guilt or grief.

The poem entitled *Advent* 2007 takes place within the confines of the poet's car. While listening to the *Magnificat* sung by the Mormon Temple Choir, she meditates on the sun's re-

flection on the bay's surface in front of her. Images of her childhood are recalled and the lost cleanliness that the water of baptism offered, and that strange word "grace" shows up again. Morris explains,

In my car mirror I watch the sun Reflecting on the water of the bay I think: grace How one might dip one's fingers In the water Or naked, immerse oneself In the icy pool To be clean.

Another poem which speaks of rebirth is *After The Storm: Winter 2007-2008*. It begins with childhood observations touched with pagan magic and then proceeds to adult images gleaned after a Nor'easter had struck. Once again a hint of sadness: the poet likens the iced up trees to a heart's brittleness. On the other hand even the "the dead of winter" becomes a hopeful time of promise in this poet's eyes. Morris says,

Why do they call it The Dead of Winter? When the tiniest blade Brings promise, And one can and must hope.

In *Changeling* the poet gives us a compelling image of the ocean personified. Morris speaks from memory of the sea's many moods: the rage, the tempest, and the thunderous roar. The scene then changes to the present. The poet concludes,

But today
With the sun shining on you,
You seem almost serene,
Tranquil, gentle
As with a sigh
You glide gracefully to shore

All religions use symbols in their rituals. Sometimes these symbols become so powerful they merge into the reality that they represent. Transubstantiation is one of them. Morris borrows this symbol from Catholicism in her poem *Eucharist*. Then she does something different. She describes the ordinary transference of the host from priest to communicant in a way that transforms her into a mother of divinity, a Madonna. Morris accomplishes this with these simple lines,

I hold the Host Making a cup. Like Mother Mary I lift him up.

Another poem set in church is *Holy Thursday*. The poet begins in a tangle of trees, a pagan setting and ends at evening Mass where she observes the regeneration of human-kind. The poet marvels,

In the pew before us

A small blonde woman in a loose blouse

Prays.

Her husband turns to look at her

Then gently, reverently pats her belly.

In the poem All Hallows Eve the poet espies one more mother and child moment. A three year old child hops off his bicycle and offers his nearby mother two dandelions. The poet continues,

"For you, Mom," he said proudly. She laughed, "Two weeds." "Lucky you," I called to her.

Sometimes I wonder if  $\operatorname{\mathsf{God}}$  is three years old.

Neat finish. Nice sentiment.

Now find that quiet spot within your selves and give Morris' book a try.

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#### Somerville



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