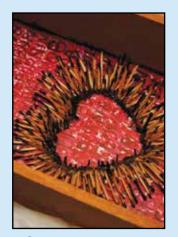
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Alderman O'Donovan resigns, nominates Courtney O'Keefe



Courtney O'Keefe sits with outbound Ward 5 Alderman Sean O'Donovan, who has nominated O'Keefe to

By Harry Kane

In a shocking turn of events, Sean O'Donovan announced his resignation as Ward 5 Alderman on April 11, citing family obligations and an increased workload at his law practice as reasons for retirement.

O'Donovan began his political career 19 years ago in the School Committee. In 2000, he became Ward 5 Alderman, and has served the community since, "with dignity, class and honor," said Alderman-At-Large Bruce Desmond.

O'Donovan made many important decisions regarding the creation of city ordinances and use of city funds. "It's hard to think of Ward 5 and not have O'Donovan attached to it," said Ward 2 Alderman Maryann Heuston.

Over his years as alderman, O'Donovan assisted in the renovation of open spaces, parks and playgrounds. "I was involved in the voting of the Assembly Square initiative, and also the Union Square zoning," he said. "We've had some positive revitalization in Magoun Square, and more is needed." And, O'Donovan fought to keep the Benjamin G. Brown School "alive."

"It's time to start a new

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Murat Recevik's art stresses the details

By Sanjeev Selvarajah

"My new show, entitled All of those moments will be lost in time, like tears in rain explores the re-purposing of discarded items into compositions that tell us a story about our past," writes Murat Recevik.

It is the details that etch an impression on the skin. The average person tends to remember the context and the autobiographical details that make their day-to-day oral history. For a sample of Recevik's art, check out his website and track the progression of this trendy Somerville artist (www.recevik.com).

What's in the cards for Recevik's exhibit? What trends does he explore from piece to piece? The genre of found object is a category of art that catalogues the recycling of materials, saying as much about the owner as it does the ingredients of each work. This school of thought can, through relationship, present the past through owner profiles that gauge many a factor, such as how utilitarian is the owner of these materials to how stubborn is their habits as a pack rat. Much in the



Continued on page 11 Get all the details at Murat Recevik's showing at Gallery 321.

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NEWSTALK

First of all the terrorist action the other day here in Boston was horrible. We pray for all those families that were directly impacted by being at an event that was supposed to be a happy time for us celebrating the holiday. In particular, our hearts go out to all the victims and their families of Monday's horrific bombings that took place in Boston.

Do your part on Earth Day! This Saturday, April 20, from 9 a.m. to 1p.m. help clean up your local river. All supplies will be provided. Mystic River Reservation at Assembly Row. Meet next to the river across from the Christmas Tree Shop parking lot (map here: https://maps.google.com/ maps/ms?msid=205302209574334080274.0004bbada8e9e878629e9&msa=0&ll=42.397862%2C-71.083667&s pn=0.00477%2C0.013078). Mystic River near 165 Middlesex Avenue Somerville.

It was great seeing Congressman Lynch take so much interest in the Somerville children's Pop Warner teams. The congressman realizes the importance of children participating in sports and after school activities and like so very few elected officials in this world, he gets it and proudly supports it. Congressman Lynch was so impressed with the children's warm greeting they gave him this past Sunday at the Somerville Pop Warner Awards Banquet, that the good congressman extended an open invitation to the entire team, their families and coaches for a cookout this coming Sunday on him. What a nice guy, to do something like that. Please, all interested in attending contact Billy Tauro for more for details on times and location. We might even get a photo or two of the good congressman flipping a burger while we're there.

The political scene here is changing week after week. We hear that another candidate for the Ward 1 Alderman seat is about to announce. We haven't heard the name yet but we were told that it might be one of the candidates who recently interviewed for the School Committee seat. If that's true then Ward 1 would have four candidates for the Alderman's seat.

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TheSomervilleNews.com Comments of the Week

Response to Alderman O'Donovan resigns

Ah, The Process says:

So for the first time in recent memory, an aldermanic appointee was not given the courtesy of a day-of vote? For the first time in recent memory, the appointee was not that ward's School Committee person?

The process was fine for Bastardi a month ago (and lots other before her, including O'Donovan) but not O'Keefe? This is Gewirtz steaming over the screwjob given to Niedergang. Granted, I think Niedergang would have lost to either O'Donovan or O'Keefe, but that's neither here nor there. Gewirtz is mad because there isn't another PDSer on the board besides her.

Trane ought to resign, appoint someone who the board cannot legitimately challenge (I understand Rossetti does not want to be the alderman), and leave Ballantyne out in the cold to further isolate Gewirtz. Her blatantly political tactics, and focus on puff legislation (no plastic bags? Board Orders to ask about the community garden and a solar program?). She is vindictive and petty.

Linda says:

Rebekah passed up the chance to appoint the first woman to represent ward five and the first openly-gay member of the boa. shame, shame.

snuggles says:

This feels wrong to me. I'd like the opportunity to VOTE for my alder, uh, person. Not have an unelected person selected by the outgoing pol. This is a democracy, let's try to pretend that we care about representative govt, and not nepotism and inside deals.

Jeff says:

can't wait to vote for court in november

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TheSomervilleNews.com poll of the week

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Veterans' Services allocated more money

By Harry Kane

Somerville's Veterans' Services received an additional \$167,030 to cover the costs of veterans and their dependents' finances, due to rises in healthcare costs, the number of younger veterans returning from war, and a slow-moving economic recovery.

In Massachusetts, lawmakers passed legislation before the Civil War, allowing veterans to receive monthly financial assistance in the form of a check. Since then, the lawmakers have kept that program alive, but have periodically revised its provisions. The program is commonly known as a Chapter 115 benefit, a sort of safeguarded monthly income to protect veterans and their families from financial woes.

"Here in Somerville, it fluctuates, but we typically have around 60 people on our rolls," said Jay Weaver, director of Veterans' Services. "We do what we can to try to find employment for them," he added.



Some of the veterans have already reached retirement age, some are drawing Social Security, and some are not employable due to disabilities, or medical problems. "So, for some people it's an actual necessity."

However, for the 2010 fiscal year, Somerville only had 39 veterans receiving benefits from this program. This year Veterans' Services began with \$290,000 but needed more than a 50 percent supplemental appropriation, in the amount of \$167,030, the largest supplement in recent history. The reason is a growing indigent veteran population in Somerville, said Weaver. "We ended up spending that money much more quickly than anybody could have anticipated," he said.

The biggest reason for that increase: "a number of the older people that were on Chapter 115 here in Somerville went off, either because they passed away or because they moved to nursing homes in other towns. As they left our books, they were replaced by an equal number of younger veterans," said Weaver.

Younger veterans who are not working are eligible for the full amount of benefits, while the older veterans are getting substantial amounts from Social Security, VA pensions, and disability compensation.

"As a result, the amount that

we had to spend skyrocketed," said Weaver.

It's important to remember, said Weaver, that Somerville residents are not fronting the bill. Chapter 115 is jointly funded by the state and by the city or town where the veteran lives. That means that Massachusetts pays back Somerville 75 percent of the cost used to assist veterans.

The second biggest reason that more money was allocated to Veterans' Services is because the cost of health insurance has gone up. "One of the requirements of Chapter 115 is that we have to reimburse anybody who's on that program for all of their out of pocket medical expenses," explained Weaver. In many cases veterans and dependents have "fairly substantial" bills for prescriptions, doctors visits, and dental care.

"That [extra money] really didn't come as too much of a surprise to anybody," Weaver said, regarding the supplemental funds. "That's why the aldermen really didn't question it too carefully, because I think we all knew that was going to happen."

"The aldermen, I think rightfully so, don't want to put money in the pot if it's going to be needed. You can always come back and ask for more. It's harder to put that money back into the bank after it's been appropriated."



Veterans' Services Director Jay Weaver has seen the need for additional monies for needy vets grow significantly over the recent months and years.

Weaver said that finding jobs for veterans depends on what the veteran is suited to do. As well, it depends on what their medical condition will allow them to do. Veterans with disabilities are often unable to take strenuous jobs, so a suitable job must be found for their physical capability.

"We have several veterans that are fairly well educated," he said, "but just because of circumstance or the nature of their background, what they had for a major in college, and because of the nature of the economy with the high unemployment rate, they are having a difficult time finding work in their specialty."

Veterans' Services have placed veterans into many jobs over the years. Weaver said they had recently placed one veteran into a housekeeping position at a VA hospital. "It really runs the gamut, depends on what they are qualified to do," he said.

LEGAL NOTICE



Election Calendar

Preliminary Date Tuesday, September 24, 2013

Hours: Monday - Wednesday from 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.
Thursday from 8:30 A.M. to 7:30 P.M. - Friday from 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.

Monday, May 6, 2013	. Nomination Papers shall be available for candidates.
Monday, June 10, 2013	. Last day to obtain Nomination Papers by 5 P.M.
Wednesday, June 12, 2013	. Last day to submit Nomination Papers to the Board of Election Commissioners by 5 PM. Last day to submit Statement of Financial Interest — (Municipal Ethics Form).
Wednesday, July 3, 2013	. Certification of Nomination Papers to be Completed, Filed by the Board of Election Commissioners by 5 P.M.
Friday, July 5, 2013	. Names and Addresses of certified candidates to be posted by the Board of Election Commissioners at 8:30 A.M.
Monday, July 8, 2013	. Last day for filing withdrawals or protests with the Board of Election Commissioners by 5 P.M.
Tuesday, July 9, 2013	. Drawing for places on the ballot, if necessary, 10 A.M.
Wednesday, September 4, 2013	. Last day to register to vote or change address for September 24, 2013 Preliminary Election by 8 P.M.
Monday, September 16, 2013	. Campaign Finance Report deadline for Preliminary Election.
Tuesday, September 24, 2013	. PRELIMINARY ELECTION.
Monday, September 30, 2013	. Last day for filing Recount Petitions by 5 P.M.
Wednesday, October 16, 2013	. Last day to register to vote or change address for November 5, 2013 City Election by 8 P.M.
Monday, October 28, 2013	. Campaign Finance Report deadline for City Election.
Tuesday, November 5, 2013	. ELECTION.
Friday, November 15, 2013	. Last day for filing Recount Petitions by 5 P.M.
Tuesday, January 21, 2014	. Year End Campaign Finance Report deadline.

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Boston Marathon remembrance



A pair of running shoes and flowers was placed at the site of the 9/11 Memorial in Davis Sq.

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By Jim Clark

Disorderly trespasser removed from street

A Somerville Housing Authority (SHA) Police Investigator's attention was drawn to an individual who appeared to be weaving off and back onto the sidewalk on Memorial Rd. last Thursday evening.

The investigator, who was driving an unmarked SHA police car, recognized the man as Christopher Hicks, 24, the subject of a complaint made a few days earlier by SHA management.

Hicks had reportedly been sleeping in hallways and littering at 35A Memorial Rd., as well as acting belligerently towards residents of the complex and behaving as though he was highly intoxicated.

The investigator had knowledge that Hicks was not welcome on SHA property because of these complaints.

The investigator reportedly stopped Hicks and asked him to step towards the car for questioning, at which time he allegedly began swearing and yelling.

Hicks reportedly approached the investigator's car but, according to reports, behaved in a highly agitated manner, even after the investigator identified himself.

The investigator reportedly issued a verbal trespass warning to Hicks, due to the man's recent behavior at the Memorial Rd. building.

Hicks reportedly responded by screaming vulgarities at the investigator, and it was noted that passers-by were startled by the man's behavior.

It was explained to Hicks that he would be allowed to visit relatives at 35A Memorial Rd. but that he was forbidden from loitering in hallways or anywhere else on the property, at which time Hicks once again began screaming obscenities at the investigator, according to reports.

At this time the investigator rolled up the window of his vehicle and radioed for backup, as Hicks reportedly continued to yell and behave aggressively, as reports indicate.

Hicks reportedly moved away from the car for a short time and stood at the corner of Memorial and Temple Rds., all the while glaring at the investigator, who remained in his vehicle.

At a certain point Hicks reportedly walked in a hurried manner while angrily looking towards the investigator, and eventually took a stance in the middle of Memorial Rd., a few feet away from the investigator's car. Hicks continued spitting and swearing, and was blocking traffic, according to

SHA and Somerville police backup arrived and the investigator approached Hicks, asking him to vacate the street in order to allow traffic to pass through, which he reportedly refused to do.

Hicks was then escorted off the street and placed under arrest for disorderly conduct. Once in custody he was also processed for warrant charges of trespassing, disorderly conduct, assault, and assault and battery.

Somerville Police Dept. monitoring events in Boston

Somerville Police are monitoring the tragic events that occurred Monday near the end of the Boston Marathon.

They are in touch with Boston Police and the Boston Regional Intelligence Center as well as other state and Federal agencies.



They will render any assistance to our neighbors as needed.

The Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency has requested people in the Boston area to limit cell phone use for now to allow emergency responders to use these cell phone lines. Please try to communicate non urgent communications via text or email.

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Arrests:

David Dejesus, 37, of 124 Walnut St., April 9, 5:04 p.m., arrested on warrant charges of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon and armed assault to murder.

Jean Charles, 34, of 16 Otis St., April 10, 5:51 p.m., arrested at 220 Washington St. on charges of statutory rape of a child and rape of child with

Christopher Hicks, 24, April 11, 5:20 p.m., arrested at 10B Memorial Rd. on a charge of disorderly conduct and on warrant charges of trespassing, disorderly conduct, assault, and assault and battery.

James Shippee-Malloy, 21,

of 12 Golden, Malden, April 12, 3:29 a.m., arrested on a charge of trespassing.

James Killackey, 29, of 66 Fifth St., Cambridge, April 14, 4:18 a.m., arrested at 282 Somerville Ave. on charges of trespassing, resisting arrest, and disorderly conduct.

Carmine Palmisano, 43, of 71 Mill St., Georgetown, April 14, 4:43 p.m., arrested at Allston St. on a warrant charge of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

Incidents:

Theft:

April 8, 1:19 p.m., police reported a theft at North St.

April 8, 6:56 p.m., police reported a theft at Broadway.

ported a theft at 105 Broadway.

April 10, 10:22 a.m., police reported a theft at 1 Davis Sq. April 11, 10:03 a.m., police reported a theft at 115 Syca-

April 11, 2:48 p.m., police reported a theft at 12 Properzi

April 11, 3:39 p.m., police reported a theft at 0 Davis Sq.

April 11, 9:05 p.m., police reported a theft at 5 Cherry St.

April 13, 1:36 p.m., police reported a theft at 40 Union Sq. April 13, 2:18 p.m., police reported a theft at 608 Somerville Ave.

Breaking & Entering:

April 8, 6:11 p.m., police re-

April 10, 8:40 a.m., police re-ported a breaking & entering at ported a breaking & entering at Hawthorne St.

> April 9, 9:06 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Washington St.

> April 10, 8:43 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Waldo Ave.

> April 12, 4:00 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Broadway.

April 12, 4:28 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at

April 12, 10:25 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering

April 13, 9:36 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Norfolk St.

April 13, 1:32 p.m., police re-

Meacham Rd.

April 14, 12:41 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering

April 14, 2:09 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering at

Vehicle Theft:

April 10, 10:56 a.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Hill-

Assault:

April 8, 3:36 p.m., police reported an assault at Walnut St. April 10, 1:40 p.m., police reported an assault at Derby St. April 14, 11:24 p.m., police reported an assault at Holland



Mayor Curtatone proposes 'Wage Theft' ordinance

Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone submitted a proposed ordinance related to Wage Theft to the Somerville Board of Aldermen at their regular meeting on Thursday, April 11.

The proposed ordinance includes language in the city's code of ordinances granting city boards and commissions, where allowed by state law, the authority to deny applications for licenses or permits, for businesses found liable of or guilty, or who admit liability or guilt related to a violation of Massachusetts General Laws pertaining to payment of wages. The ordinance would also grant authority to revoke existing licenses or permits, or issues penalties as necessary.

"Individuals affected by wage theft are often among the most vulnerable in our city, and may not have the resources or necessary information to appeal for unpaid wages, and it is our duty as community leaders to create legislation that encourages greater enforcement of state and federal laws," said Mayor Curtatone. "Local businesses are integral to the fabric of this community, and in investing in our local economy, but we must ensure that their employees are treated fairly and given every opportunity to succeed."

"We believe the problem of wage theft in Somerville is much bigger than most people would assume," said Rand Wilson, a union organizer and local labor rights activist who spearheaded the signature gathering. "That's why more than 190 people signed the petition requesting a public hearing. Support from Mayor Curtatone for a wage theft ordinance is appreciated

because it improves the likelihood of its becoming law and sends a strong message about fairness to our entire community. Our objective is to make Somerville a fairer place to work and do business."

"Violations of labor rights are a systemic problem affecting all workers," said Patricia Montes, Director of Centro Presente, a Somerville-based immigrant rights group that has been assisting many victims of wage theft. "Immigrant workers are even more vulnerable to this exploitation. The enormous movement of immigrants to the U.S. is the result of a global economic system that exploits the rights of workers in their own countries."

The Board of Aldermen referred the proposed ordinance to the Legislative Matters Committee for a recommendation.

The Somerville News **Historical Fact of the Week**



Eagle feathers #24

April 19th

By Bob (Monty) Doherty

It was the day that colonial Americans stopped procrastinating and threw off the oxen yoke that England had put on her for over 150 years. It was the day that both Middlesex farmers and Boston businessmen put their lives and their holdings on the line in a rebellion against the powerful British Empire.

As far as Americans are concerned, and especially Somervillians, this should be the holiday of all civil holidays because it initiated the eight-year war that would ultimately win America its freedom.

The wind which would ignite the spark of defiance was delivered by Paul Revere, who came dangerously close to being captured in East Somerville at the beginning of his ride. A memorial in front of the Holiday Inn on Washington Street makes note of this incident.



After evading the British, he rode to the top of Winter Hill and angled off to Medford. At this point, a memorial marker was placed commemorating his ride. This is located in front of The Paul Revere Apartments. At the same site, Cyrus Dallin, one of America's foremost sculptors, wanted to place a statue reminiscent to one found in front of The Old North Church. This grand gesture never materialized, however, due to a lack of funding.

While his ride bridged a mere two days, Paul Revere would go on to leave many more hoof prints in Somerville than the ones he laid that famous night, the eve of Patriot's Day. These prints, however, you probably have already come across in the annals of American history.

Scores of Minuteman died on April 19, 1775, but the last was Somerville resident James Miller. Miller, 65, whose final words were "I'm too old to run," died at his post on the side of Prospect Hill. Miller manned his station and protected the lives of younger soldiers by fighting off the oncoming British troops with unrivaled fervor and relentless gunfire. His bravery served as an inspiration to many thousands of future Somerville soldiers and sailors.

One of them was Lance Corporal Richard Gordon, of the United States Marine Corp. Gordon was on of the 241 Marines who would give his life in the defense of peace in Lebanon on October 23rd, 1983. The terrorist attack at Beirut was the largest single-day loss of life for the Marine Corp. since Iwo Jima. Gordon, who died 30 years ago this coming October, was the most recent Patriot from Somerville to give his life for freedom. His birthday was on Patriot's Day.

Somerville's first Patriot martyr died on April 19, 1775. Somerville's last Patriot martyr was born on April 19,1961.

May we remember and honor Miller, Gordon and all of our city's brave Patriots on this day.

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Precinct 1. A room in the THE POLICE STATION, 220 Washington Street;

Precinct 2. A room in the ARGENZIANO SCHOOL at Lincoln Park, 290 Washington St;

Precinct 3. A room in the LOWELL STREET FIRE STATION, 651 Somerville Avenue;

WARD THREE

Precinct 1. THE ATRIUM, SOMERVILLE HIGH SCHOOL, 81 Highland Avenue;

Precinct 2. A room in the CUMMINGS SCHOOL, 42 Prescott Street;

Precinct 3. A room in the DANTE CLUB, 5 Dante Terrace;

WARD FOUR

Precinct 1. A room in the MYSTIC ACTIVITY CENTER, 530 Mystic Avenue;

Precinct 2. A room in the REILLY-BRICKLEY FIRE STATION, 266 Broadway;

Precinct 3. A room in the WINTER HILL COMMUNITY SCHOOL, 115 Sycamore Street;

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Precinct 1. A room in the DEPT OF PUBLIC WORKS GARAGE, 1 Franey Road;

Precinct 2. A room in the BROWN SCHOOL, 201 Willow Ave - Kidder Ave Entrance;

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WARD SIX

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Precinct 2. A room in the CIAMPA MANOR, 27 College Avenue;

Precinct 3. A room in the HOLY BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH, 14 Chapel Street;

WARD SEVEN

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Somerville Open Studio volunteers show off at Bloc 11

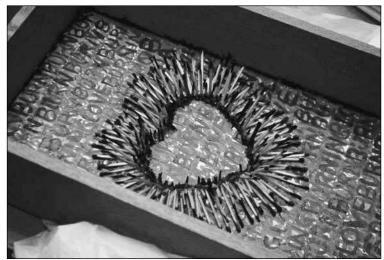
By Rose Scherlis

Somerville has always been a major hub of the Boston art scene. "Of everywhere I have lived, Somerville is the most interesting and artsy, great people," said Gretchen Graham, an artist on display at the volunteer exhibit for Open Studios. Graham is an artist living in Somerville, and it is her second year participating in Open Studios. "It feels like my first year," she said, "I'm just much more involved this year."

Her piece is a black and white photograph of a boy diving into a pool, suspended in midair above the water. She named it Twisting into the Pool, after a Dire Straits song. This is her eighth year living in Somerville. "I love it," she said, "Somerville is the funkiest place I've ever lived, it's a very sweet town, sometimes bittersweet."

This exhibit consisted of a collection of pieces by artists who had volunteered for Somerville Open Studios, an up-coming Somerville art exhibit. The volunteer exhibit took place at Bloc 11. Somerville Open Studios is coming to Somerville on May 4 and 5.

Julia Tenney's piece involves a heart formed from used matches built on top of layered, painted text. Ashes form a border surrounding the piece. "It is all formations gone horribly wrong," she says of her piece. "Used matches, ashes for the edging." Tenney says the matches were ones she had used for little tributes in altars



Open Studios volunteers got their chance to present their own creative works at

in her life, and saved.

Jim Dowes drew a piece called Snake Eyes, GI Joe. It is drawn in the style of comic books and graphic novels. "It celebrates my love of the comic book medium," he said of his piece.

Jennifer Dowes took a photo of a cook in Chinatown. She said she was getting a bubble tea in Chinatown, had her camera, and thought it was "such a moment in time" that she had to capture the scene. "Chinatown's in our own backyard, but this looks like it was taken in China," she said of her photograph.

Somerville resident Christina M. Tedesco coordinated the Volunteer Show, "Millions and millions of emails, never seen anymore organize like that in my life. She is amazing," Tenney said of Tedesco.

Tedesco said, "I believe at the beginning of Somerville Open Studios, 15 years ago, it started with about 20 artists who wanted to open their doors to the public. Now we have 109 artists participating in Somerville Open Studios, 2013. The inspiring thing about Somerville Open Studios is that it is run solely by volunteers but one would think that it is professionally run. I think the opening of the Volunteer Show went fantastically."

"I organized the Volunteer Show because for the past two years I have helped out either being in charge of labels or co-coordinating the show. I took over coordinating the show because it is very important to honor our volunteers by giving them a show in a local cafe. I also wanted to make sure the show retained its high quality and showcased the art work of our volunteers," added Tedesco.

Regina Parkinson is Art Curator for Bloc 11, except for this show, which was coordinated by Christina Tedesco. She says it is her second year working on this show, although it is this show's third year. "It's very eclectic, really solid compositional pieces. My favorite piece is in the vault. It was very exciting for me to see a 3D piece this year," Parkinson said.

"Overall, it's a calming show this year, a lot of bluer tones, still lives, it's soothing," she says of the show. "I'm really excited for Somerville Open Studios! Really pumped, very happy we get to do this every year. It's a good community bonding activity,"

Lions Clubs team up for health



The Somerville and Cambridge Lions Clubs were at the Somerville/Cambridge Elders Services Health Fair that took place at the Healey School on Tuesday with their Eye Mobile. The Lions offered eye and hearing screenings free of charge to all at the fair. Pictured here (L to R): Somerville and Cambridge Lions Gene Brune, Ann Sabbey, Michael Daoud, Valdo Meneses, Billy Tauro and Marco Mariano.

– William Tauro

A Vacant Stare at the Sky

On the phone my sister-in-law her voice brittle and cracked "Oh my God, a bomb at the marathon!"

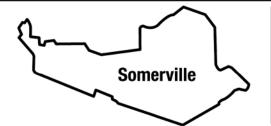
At the radio the Towers collapsed for me again the damning knapsack ... the white smoke lower extremities schrapnel the reporters constant replay and I am fixated worried about my own sorry ass and then something clutched my throat as my friends' and family's faces a cinema of wide-eyed fear flashed before me wondering if they were at the finishing line.. was it their time? and when was mine?

In the aftermath that woman's vacant stare at the sky as if the heavens could answer

"Why?"

Doug Holder

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COMMENTARY

TALES OF SOMERVILLE

Illustrated by Jim Clark



Farewell and thanks to Alderman Sean O'Donovan.

The View From Prospect Hill



Some people are right, it probably could be a better time to leave office, but what is really a good time? None of us know why some people do things and, hell, that goes for all of us.

So, after 19 years of service to the residents of Ward 5, Alderman Sean O'Donovan has resigned, citing his family and his business as his reasons, and pretty good reasons at that.

Although some might doubt Sean's reasons, some of them just might have a political axe to grind, while others accept his reasons for what they are and move on. It's 19 long years.

Sean was in his mid 20's, a single guy who was attending law school, when he was first asked to step into the political spotlight, which he eagerly did. First on the School Board, then on the Board of Alderman.

Running to stay in office every two years for 19 years has to be exhausting for anyone, never mind a guy who is devoted to his family, his parents, and his newly married wife of a few years, his full time law practice and his partners in that venture.

Let's remember, it's not the fight for re-election that might have bothered him, he's won every single election he's been in and never lost, actually beating every single opponent throughout the years two to one hands down. A clear victory every time.

That says a lot, and most politicians would love to have a winning record like that. Anyone who opposed him will tell you, they were not beaten on Election Day. Sean overwhelmingly won the support and admiration Continued on page 17

News Talk CONT. FROM PG 2

We hear that newly appointed School Committeeman Steve Roix from Ward 1 might also have an opponent, but once we heard the name we were shocked. Some sources are telling us that Kenny Savato is considering running for the seat. We'll see!

Word is strong around the city that Ward 3's Tom Taylor is not going to run for re-election, that he's going to call it quits after three decades of public life, and that his recent illness is going to put a stop to his political career. We think he's done a great job representing Ward 3 for many years, both on the School Board and as Alderman, but it's got to be tiring after all those years. Now, who is going to run? Well, we keep hearing that Bob McWaters is considering it. He's been pushed by many to run. If he chooses to do so he will be a formidable candidate and would work very hard for the seat. Other names we hear might be Dot Gay, but we're also hearing that might not be so since Bert isn't feeling well lately, and some say she likes being off the stage.

Mayor Joe Curtatone is having his

Campaign Kick Off on Wednesday, April 24 at the Armory 191 Highland Avenue from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Ward 4 is looking at Rich Spinosa. He told a few people he's seriously considering running against Tony Lafuente for the seat, but we also hear he's opening a new real estate company with his girlfriend Kim Mulligan. They recently bought a real estate franchise. We hear that Realty Direct Somerville be behind this move, having several of might be the new name. We wish them his friends make these calls. the best of luck.

Speaking of real estate, did we hear correctly that Steve Bremis might be leaving the family real estate company for a downtown Boston business

Ward 6's Rebekah Gewirtz submitted back on January 10 a resolution to look into the Board of Alderman's rule on appointments to replace a resigning alderman. Now, the head of that committee is Alderman White, who hasn't, from what we hear, called a meeting of the committee to discuss the issue. Well, it's April 17, and that's three months and no meeting to discuss rules on it. Hmmmmm...

maybe Alderman White has forgotten, he's so busy being the boss?

Now, we hear that certain people have been making calls to the aldermen to persuade them to not appoint Courtney O'Keefe to the Ward 5 seat, but to open up the process, some have told individuals at Newstalk that some aldermen are nervous that a certain candidate, namely Mark Niedergang, might

OK, so last week we spelled Google

wrong. We meant to say Google not Goggle in regards to that opinion writer over at the Farm Team's apparent idol, Saul Alinsky's. So look it up. Saul is the father of radical politics, left leaning radicals who practice intimidation and the spreading of lies. Saul Alinsky on Google "Handbook for Radicals." Lie, lie, lie. And if that doesn't work, try intimidation and confrontation until you terrorize your opponent into submission. Does that sound familiar to anyone out there? Now, we know that the Farm Team has lost a lot of its bang here in the

city over the past several years. It's not

our fault that we have become the paper

of choice. We aren't looking for the negative in every person, we are looking for the positive in our community. *********

What is a Newstalk? We've explained this many times over and over, so here we go again. Newstalk is really the input of a lot of people here in Somerville who send along tips, rumors, hearsays, and, of course, some factual stuff. And we give them all the opportunity to keep their names out of it. Exactly like "Speak Out" over at the Farm Team paper, people call them on the phone, leave messages and the people over there transpose them into the paper. So as Newstalk is to The News, Speak Out is to the Farm Team. They don't post names after the comments, and neither do we. They will probably continue to do that since it's maybe the only reason anyone would read the Farm Team, and so won't we continue since maybe it's the only reason why people read us, off course we doubt that, but it's the rumor we hear out there. What is a Columnist? That's a person who gives his opinion. It's not necessarily the opinion of the paper he or she is writing in, so the paper prints a disclaimer Continued on page 20

COMMENTARY

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By Joseph A. Curtatone

My Patriots' Day celebrations began like most others in recent memory: my sons and I joined hundreds of Somerville residents for our annual ceremonies at Foss Park, enjoyed some much-needed warm weather, and cheered on our home team favorites, the Boston Red Sox, before heading to the Boston Garden for the Bruins game, which we all looked forward to as a great end to a great day.

Instead, as it did for the coun-

For Boston

try, the day took a heartbreaking turn. I had every intention of dedicating my column this week to the day's positive events, to our nation's patriots, to those who paved the way for freedom during the American Revolution, and to those who continue to give their lives today to support that freedom. Instead, I find myself thinking of a different kind of patriot, the everyday patriots who rise up in the face of tragedy to aid and support those in need, and to carry on proudly.

On Monday, April 15, 2013, our city, our state, and our nation were shocked and deeply saddened by an act of senseless and inconceivable violence, during an event that has, for

117 years, been a symbol of international peace and celebration here in Boston. We are all grieving. But words like "resilient," "determined," and "heroes" can also be heard everywhere, from private conversations to national newscasts. And these are the words, and the patriots, that can give us comfort and hope as we move forward.

That mass violence continues to happen in this country – and across the world – is sickening, unacceptable, and wrong. That public events designed to provide happiness, harmony and simple family fun are threatened by such cowardly acts of terror is unthinkable. Yet so many Bostonians, so many Americans, and so many peo-

ple from around the world are already pledging support and vowing their determination to prove that our cherished institutions and traditions can and will continue undeterred.

What has emerged in the wake of Monday's bombings is renewed faith in humankind. We see it both in the outpouring of support from around the world and in the immediate actions by first responders, bystanders, and Boston residents. Without hesitation, first responders, volunteers, and marathon viewers leapt into action, assisting victims and families with medical aid, kind and calming words, and supplies, including several of Somerville's own off-duty police officers who happened to be

just yards away from the scene.

In less than 24 hours, thousands of Greater Bostonians opened up their homes to anyone needing or wanting a place to stay. Teams of doctors, nurses, and other medical professionals continue to work around the clock to minimize the severity of injuries and to provide counseling and support services to runners, victims, and all others affected. Organizations and individuals around the country are standing united with Boston, putting aside any differences in the name of unity and peace. This was a day we will not forget, and it is a coming together I hope we will all remember.

As I write, the Governor has called this Continued on page 17

Early Somerville Living Built Character

By Paul Maisano

As the April 30 special election for the U. S. Senate draws closer, the heat is on. It appears the average working person in Massachusetts has decided, 'enough is enough.' Voters are prepared to once again send their message from the voting booth.

Congressman Ed Markey, now known as "the anointed one," ac-

companied by the top political democratic brass who drafted him, are now watching the double digit lead over Congressman Steven Lynch dwindle to single numbers. It's no secret this group of "the elite" attempted to

"hijack another election."

However, their plan is unraveling like a time-lapse video of a sun setting on the horizon.

They have underestimated the collective intelligence of the Massachusetts electorate. Once again, the INDEPENDENT voters shall be the ultimate decision makers in this primary election.

That is, of course...if they remember to VOTE!

Massachusetts voters are in charge

The Markey campaign is notably scrambling to tailor their multi-million dollar message to that sea of "undecided."

Like carnival magicians, the Markey camp is asking voters to watch the left hand, while the right hand is where the coin ends up. The plan is to hit the hot button issues like guns, oil polluters, and avoid mentioning the "out of control" national debt, and skyrocketing energy costs.

Oh, did I neglect to mention who has been watching the store

for nearly forty years as our Congressman. Maybe Ed can get a "spill cam" on federal spending deficit, so we can watch the national debt as it buries our children's futures!

Massachusetts voters are NOT STUPID!

If the "so called democratic leadership" dare think that the people are just sheep...they should think again! As in 2010, with the Martha Coakley candidacy, the herd is ready to stamp arrogance into the ground.

Hopefully, in this April 30 special election, the registered IN-DEPENDENT voters shall be steering the democratic nomination, not the democratic "backroom bosses."

Incidentally, a quick message from the physics to that group of political hacks who set up camps to run for the, yet to happen, open seat in the 5th Congressional District...go back for an updated physic reading. A prudent decision to take down those prematurely erected tents may help save face. The people have not voted...YET!

Over 200 years ago Paul Revere shouted a warning that the British were coming. Now we can warn

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Life in the Jimmy Del Ponte

Revere Beach



With summer approaching I couldn't help but think about one of our favorite recreation spots back

in the day. Revere Beach was where our parents took us when we were kids. It had everything. There were amusement rides, arcade games, food stands, and souvenir shops. I remember mom packing up the bulky metal cooler with Zarex and baloney sandwiches, and piling into dad's big old sweltering Chevy for the ride to Revere.

A friend shares this: "Oh, what a magical place it was! My mom would pack me up along with a lawn chair, towels, a

huge green cooler filled with lemonade and we would head for the bus and train. The ride seemed endless. I remember that when we finally got there the parking lot of the train station was so hot that the asphalt would melt your 'zorries' (flip flops), and we would have to run across it. I felt like we arrived in heaven. The water, the sand, and being able to walk up and down the boulevard staring at all the wonders before me. I loved all the smells coming from the different food stalls, and playing the games in the arcade. There was always the exciting bumper cars that I never quite got the hang of how to steer them out of the corner. But the beach really came to life that nighttime. We would sometimes

go 'down the beach' after my dad worked at the fire station. There of course would be no supper because we would eat at the beach. When it finally got dark and everything sparkled it truly became a place of awe. We would finish off the night with a slice of pizza at Bianchi's. Once in a while I will go by myself to get a slice of pizza and sit on the wall and remember those truly magical times with a fond tear in my eye, like I have right now."

Remember Rudolf's Pepper Steak? How about Bill Ashes and Sammy's Patio? Bianchi's Pizza cost 75 cents for a slice that was 1/4 of a pizza. A nice frozen custard would top it off. Victors was mostly a bikers club.

Glen R says, "Gotta eat your Kelly's clams in the bandstand. Throwing fries to the gulls so they leave your clams alone."

Bob from Somerville tells us, "I met my wife cruising Revere Beach back in the day!" Linda's dad was king of the Skeeball and Jim remembers fun at The Lighthouse Lounge. Did you ever play Shooting Waters? It was the squirting pistol balloon breaking game. Gale shares this: "I remember being on the double Ferris Wheel and my shoe falling off and hitting the guy running the thing."

The Cyclone roller coaster had a 100-foot vertical drop and could reach speeds of 50 miles per hour! Barbara says, "I remember Continued on page 20



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THE HOUSE AND SENATE. Beacon Hill Roll Call records the votes of local representatives on eight roll calls from the week of April 8-12.

1, 2 and 5, Chelsea and Revere, ward 6, in the county of Suffolk; and Saugus, precincts 2, 6 and 10, in the county of Essex.

sales tax. This service tax is estimated to generate \$161

Our Legislators in the House and Senate for Somerville:



Rep. Denise Provost

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



Rep. Carl Sciortino

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



Rep. Timothy Toomey

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



Sen. Sal DiDomenico

DISTRICT REPRESENTED: Middlesex, Suffolk and Essex. - Cambridge, ward 3, precinct 2, wards 6 and 7, ward 8, precincts 1 and 2, ward 9, precinct 1, ward 10, precinct 2, Everett and Somerville, ward 1, precinct 1, ward 2, precinct 1, in the county of Middlesex; Boston, ward 2, ward 21, precincts 4, 6 and 7, ward 22, precincts Sen. Patricia Jehlen

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

The House approved and sent to the Senate a Democratic leadership-sponsored transportation package that includes \$500 million in tax hikes. Increases include a 3-cent-per-gallon hike in the state's current 21-cent-pergallon gas tax, which, beginning in 2015, would also be indexed to inflation. Other hikes include a \$1 jump in the current \$2.51-per-package cigarette tax, an increase in the tax on cigars and smokeless tobacco, imposition of a 6.25 percent sales tax on computer system design services as well as modification of prewritten software, and a change in the way utilities are classified for tax purposes. All Republicans voted against the package while Democrats split with 97 members voting for it and 27 opposing it.

Supporters defended the bill as a reasonable package that will begin to solve many of the structural and financial problems that plague the state's transportation system. The opposition was led by House Republicans who brought along some fiscally conservative Democrats. They said the proposed tax hikes would hurt already overburdened taxpayers. In a classic case of "politics makes strange bedfellows," the GOP was joined in its opposition by a number of more liberal Democrats who said they didn't think the taxes would raise enough revenue.

Here are some of the key votes on the bill. Beacon Hill Roll Call urges you to read the roll calls carefully and be aware that in some cases, the amendment would eliminate a proposed tax. In those cases, a "yes" vote is for eliminating the hike and therefore against the hike. In cases in which a study is proposed in place of a tax cut, a "yes" vote is for the study and essentially is against the tax cut. Conversely, a "no" vote is against the study and favors the tax cut.

APPROVE TAX HIKES (H 3382)

House 97-55, approved and sent to the Senate a Democratic leadership-sponsored transportation package that includes \$500 million in tax hikes. (A "Yes" vote is for the tax hikes. A "No" vote is against them.)

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

STRIKE SERVICE TAX (H 3382)

House 54-97, rejected an amendment that would strike the proposed 6.25 percent sales tax on computer system design services as well as modification of prewritten software. These services are currently exempt from the

million in new tax revenue. (A "Yes" vote is against the tax. A "No" vote is for it.)

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

STRIKE UTILITY TAX CHANGES (H 3382)

House 45-106, rejected an amendment that would strike a proposed change in the way utilities are classified for tax purposes. These changes are estimated to generate \$83 million in new tax revenue. (A "Yes" vote is against the tax. A "No" vote is for it.)

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

STRIKE GAS TAX HIKE (H 3382)

House 48-103, rejected an amendment that would strike a proposed 3-cent-per-gallon hike in the state's current 21-cent-per-gallon gas tax. (A "Yes" vote is against the tax. A "No" vote is for it.)

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

STRIKE GAS TAX INFLATION INDEX (H 3382)

House 53-95, rejected an amendment that would strike the proposed indexing of the gas tax to inflation. (A "Yes" vote is against the tax. A "No" vote is for it.)

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

STRIKE TOBACCO TAX HIKE (H 3382)

House 47-104, rejected an amendment that would strike a \$1 jump in the current \$2.51-per-package cigarette tax and an increase in the tax on cigars and smokeless tobacco. This hike is estimated to generate \$165 million in new tax revenue. (A"Yes" vote is against the tax. A"No" vote is for it.)

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

STUDY GAS TAX EXEMPTION FOR CITIES AND TOWNS (H 3382)

House 108-42, approved an amendment requiring the state to conduct a study of a proposal exempting cities' and towns' vehicle fuel purchases from the 21 cents-pergallon gas tax. The study amendment would replace a proposal to simply exempt the fuel purchases. This hike is estimated to generate \$15 million in new tax revenue. (A "Yes" vote is for studying the exemption. A "No" vote is against the study and favors the exemption.)

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

SUNSET GAS TAX (H 3382)

House 42-107, rejected an amendment that would eliminate the indexing of the gas tax to inflation after five years. (A "Yes" vote is for eliminating the tax after five years. A"No" vote is against elimination.)



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

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

EXODUS - A mere three months after the 2012-2013 Legislature was sworn in, there are already two vacancies in the 160-member House and several more possibly on the way. The 40-member Senate has one vacancy.

In the House, former Rep. Steven Smith of Everett resigned and was sentenced to four months in jail for civil rights violations for his role in submitting fraudulent absentee ballot applications and casting invalid ballots in elections in 2009 and 2010. Former Rep. Joyce Spiliotis of Peabody passed away shortly after the election. Rep. Marty Walz (D-Boston) departed to become president and CEO of the Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts. Others who might soon be on their way out include Rep. David Sullivan (D-Fall River), who is expected to leave to become the new executive director of the Fall River Housing Authority. Reps. Steven Walsh (D-Lynn) and Jeffrey Sanchez (D-Boston) have both applied to become the next president of the Blue Cross Blue Shield Foundation, a non-profit focused on expanding access to health care through research, grants and policy initiatives. And Rep. Martin Walsh (D-Boston) announced his candidacy for mayor of Boston.

On the Senate side, Sen. Jack Hart of South Boston has resigned to join the law firm Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough. Boston Reps. James Collins (D-Boston) and Linda Dorcena Forry (D-Boston) are both running for his seat in a special election. If the eventual winner is a representative, that would open up another House seat.

AMBULANCE COSTS (H 863) - The Financial Ser-

vices Committee heard testimony on a bill that would require health insurance providers to pay ambulance companies directly for their services. The measure would prohibit insurance companies from sending checks to the policyholder for out-of-network private ambulance rides rather than to the ambulance company. This practice of paying the policyholder was started in 2011 by Blue Cross Blue Shield (BCBS) to force ambulance companies to chase the consumer for payment with the ultimate goal of pressuring out-of-network ambulance companies to sign contracts with the health insurer. That would force the ambulance companies to accept the insurer's reimbursement rates. The House and Senate both approved a similar bill in 2012 but it was vetoed by Gov. Deval Patrick.

HOUSE COMMITTEE UNVEILS PROPOSED FISCAL 2014 STATE BUDGET - The House fired the second shot in the long battle over the fiscal year 2014 state budget that begins on July 1. Gov. Patrick fired the opening shot in January when he filed his version. The House Ways and Means Committee last week unveiled its own \$33.8 billion version on which the House is scheduled to debate during the week of April 22. Its price tag is an estimated \$1 billion lower than the Patrick plan.

After the House finally approves the package, the Senate will follow suit with its own draft and a House-Senate conference committee will eventually craft a plan that will be presented to the House and Senate for consideration and sent to the governor.

TAX PLASTIC BAGS (S 2521) - The Revenue Committee held a hearing on a proposal that would impose a tax on shoppers who choose "plastic over paper." The measure imposes an initial five-cent-per bag tax on each plastic bag and then increases the tax over a six-year period to 15 cents per bag. The revenue would be split evenly between the stores and the state with all the funds being used to promote recycling. The tax would apply

only in supermarkets that grossed more than \$1 million during the previous tax year.

LIST CARBS IN SCHOOLS (H 130) - The Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities Committee held a hearing on legislation requiring that public schools list the amount of carbohydrates contained in all food products served to diabetic children, teachers and faculty. The House gave initial approval to the proposal last year but it did not advance any further in the Legislature and died.

QUOTABLE QUOTES

"A special thank you to my colleagues in the Senate who are also here - 24 Senators. Looks like we have a majority to pass the transportation (tax hike) bill. All those in favor?" - Senate President Therese Murray joking in a speech before the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce.

"We asked for a package and what we got was a pacifier, something intended to make us quiet down. Something designed to lull us to sleep, a pacifier. Now there was a time when that kind of worked, but not now and we say no." - Rev. Ray Hammond of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Jamaica Plain, urging the Legislature to reject the \$500 million tax proposal to fund transportation and instead provide more revenue for education and other programs.

"That scandal hit me particularly hard. It is tragic, not only what happened to the children, but what happened to the reputation of the institution because of the actions of one monster." - Rep. Paul Kuros (R-Uxbridge), referring to the Penn State scandal involving former assistant coach Jerry Sandusky, while testifying in favor of his bill that would add state employees to the current list of professionals required to report instances of the abuse, sexual abuse or neglect of a child under 18.

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Alderman O'Donovan resigns, nominates Courtney O'Keefe CONT. FROM PG 1

chapter in life," O'Donovan admitted. "I can't give the proper amount of time to the Ward 5 alderman's position."

The alderman recommended Ward 5 resident Courtney O'Keefe as his replacement. "She's an activist, not only in Magoun Square and in Ward 5, but throughout the city," O'Donovan said. O'Donovan explained that his mind is "at ease" with his decision, and that O'Keefe is "extremely capable." He added, "She is someone who has ardently supported for the benefit of Ward 5."

While most of the aldermen agreed that O'Keefe is a good choice, her confirmation was not accepted at the April 11 BOA meeting. Instead, the motion to appoint O'Keefe has been referred to the appointments subcommittee for further deliberation.

O'Keefe would be the first openly gay member on the board and the fourth female to be an alderman. O'Keefe is a lifelong Magoun Square resident. Her father even owned a sub shop in Magoun Square back in the late 70's before she was born. And, O'Keefe has her own website called Ward 5 Online, which has been on the web since 2009.

"That was an opportunity for me to bring so much information from many different avenues here in the city," said O'Keefe, about her Ward 5 Online website. "I used the meeting portal, I use the ResiStat blog, The Somerville News. It just brings it all into one place, one hub for Ward 5 residents. It was an unbiased approach to Somerville." O'Keefe said she would continue the website, whether it be on Ward 5 online or on her own personal website.

O'Keefe was not upset after the aldermen postponed her appointment."To get this nomination from him is an honor," she said.

"I'm looking forward to the extension of the community path from Cedar Street to Lowell Street," O'Keefe said. She's also looking forward to seeing if they

can do some zoning changes to capitalize on the space that Somerville has, find more viable ways to use CPA funding, and connect Magoun Square business owners. She is for increased affordable housing, backing local businesses, strengthening the local economy and keeping government transparent.

All of the aldermen voiced their opinions last Thursday At-Large-Alderman evening. Bruce Desmond said, "We have an unprecedented opportunity," when referring to the possibility of appointing the first openly gay woman to the board.

Ward 7 Alderman Robert Trane did not want to debate the topic. He said that O'Donovan had put a name before the board and that the board should appoint her. "Any other way to handle this would be a slap in the face," said Alderman Trane, when opposition to the appointment became evident.

Yet, some of the other aldermen had some issues with appointing O'Keefe on the spot, without first bringing it to a subcommittee for deliberation. Ward 4 Alderman Tony Lafuente said, "I don't like appointments." Lafuente worked hard to become alderman and said that the constituents have a right to vote someone in. He added, "This will be the last time that I ever vote for someone to be appointed."

Murat Recevik's art stresses the details **CONT. FROM PG 1**

vein of alternative art poses a question for the observer to answer.

Recevik uses everything from magnifying glasses, microscopic filters, candles and wooden shelves. The wooden shelves in his past work give off a magnetic

pull to touch and run your hands over the artwork, or to merely, smell the rustic wooden exterior. It's a safe bet to say that all senses except for taste are available when examining his artwork.

He has travelled extensively and often visits his home in

Turkey. "The juxtaposition of my observations in these two countries allows me to witness drastic change. I am particularly aware of the shedding and discarding that goes on both materially and mentally."

Recevik elaborates beautiful-

ly on the parallels of his artwork to the existential systems of science fiction such as the film Blade Runner, whether his work is a picture of a jet pilot, from his 2011 work, very steampunk, to the reflecting properties of lenses.

Right now Recevik can be nailed to a spot: Saturdays from 12-4 p.m., at 321 Washington Street, Gallery 321. Visit his site to preview his art before attending the gallery hours. The experience will be a sensual delight, one not to be missed.

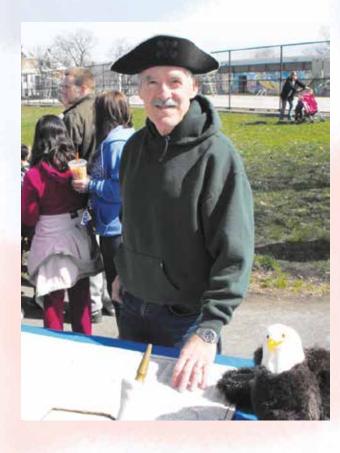
Somerville **Celebrates** Patriots' Day's 238th **Anniversary**

Somerville celebrated the 238th anniversary of Patriots' Day at Foss Park on Monday, April 15.

The event began at 10 a.m. with live music by the Somerville High School band, games and refreshments, followed by a brief speaking agenda with youth poetry readings and the arrival of Paul Revere, who stopped by on horseback on his historic ride from Boston to Lexington through Somerville.

Children received a "Colonial Times Passport" and were invited to participate in various Colonial-era games. Attendees dressed in traditional Colonial attire.

The event was co-sponsored by the Preservation Commission, Historic Somerville, the Somerville Museum, and East Somerville Main Streets.





























Photos by Donald Norton

SPORTS

Mayor's Fitness Challenge kicks off

The City of Somerville and Union Square Main Streets kicked off the 4th annual "Mayor's Fitness Challenge" on Saturday, April 13.

The Fitness Challenge encourages community members to pledge to embody the Shape Up Somerville motto, "Eat Smart, Play Hard, Move More," by making smarter food choices and increasing daily physical activity. The Fitness Challenge will run through

Thursday, June 20, with the winners to be announced at the city's annual Fourth of July Fireworks on Thursday, June 27 at Trum Field.

The kickoff event included fitness demonstrations by local studios, face painting, a "Silver Spoon Award" food challenge featuring food trucks serving healthy snack options, arts and crafts, recreational opportunities for kids and adults, and much more.





Girls' track and field shines Ms. Cam's at Haverhill Invite

By Mike Stoller

The Somerville High girls' track and field team made a good showing at the Haverhill Invitational this past weekend.

Gelynne Berger won the 100 meter run, crossing in 12.9 seconds.

"It was a great win for Gelynne over some good competition," Highlanders' head coach Charlie O'Rourke said.

the discus throw with a personal ple jump, respectively. best toss of 96 feet.

Saragrace Magre finished second in the freshmen/sophomore 200 meter run with in strong time of 27.7 seconds.

"That's a fast time," O'Rourke said in praise in of Magre.

The 4 x 100 meter relay team of Berger, Kaba, Melissa Sanon, and Magre finished in sixth place with a time of 53.2 seconds.

Kaba and Sanon also compet-Alison Kaba placed fourth in ed in the 100 meter run and tri-

Also competing for Somerville were Shayla Tran and Olivia Doh in the 100 meter hurdles; Maureen McNabb in the mile; Tamika Michel and Lissa Sanon in the freshmen/sophomoreshot put; and Joanne Simon and Bianca De Barros in the javelin throw.

The Greater Boston League Freshmen/Sophomore meet is scheduled for today.

#365 Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous

mixture, hodgepodge

1. What country has a flag with five sides?

2. What two words in the English language have all five vowels in order?

3. What unit of time is a jiffy, as in I'll be there in a jiffy?

4. February 1865, is the only month in recorded history, not to have a –

5. What was the name of the doorman on Rhoda?

6. The 1978 movie Heaven Can Wait was a remake of what 1941 film

7. What four U.S. states meet at a single point that is called Four Corners?

8. What is the longest word typed with only the left hand?

9. Who was the inventor of scissors?

10. Who gave Elizabeth Taylor away at her marriage to Larry Fortensky?

11. What number, now retired, was worn by Jackie Robinson?

12. Who is pictured on \$20 bill?

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BOA commends Pop Warner team



The Board of Alderman commended the Somerville Junior Highlanders Pop Warner F Team at their regular meeting last Thursday for the team's undefeated season. Pictured here, Alderman Bastardi congratulates a proud citation recipient.



Massachusetts voters are in charge CONT. FROM PG 9

the political deal makers... The INDEPENDENT voters are coming, the INDEPEN-DENTS voters are coming!

The king makers have insulted the average worker, one time, too many. Even with our busy everyday regimen of work, mortgages, bills, college loans, kids, grandkids, and sometimes serious health issues, the average person still manages to pay attention to what's going on in Washington.

Congratulations are owed to the average Joe Citizen. The working person is not a sucker after all! The people of Massachusetts are gearing up to once again surprise the establishment. The word on the street is the voters will speak out loud and clear on April 30, choosing a senator who is "of the people."

If you are out in the coffee shops, or getting your car fixed at the mechanic's, the story is the same. Ed Markey is a nice guy, but we haven't seen him around here in years. One astute Malden voter even stated to me that, "Now that Ed Markey needs us for our votes, he magically appears, from Pittsfield to Provincetown. Ed has lost touch with the people in his district."

I hear the Markey people, canvassing neighborhoods in his home district, are getting the cold shoulder from voters.

The Steven Lynch campaign crew continues to ask for help Massachusetts voters every waking moment. The Lynch team knows the job. Getting the message out to voters is the key. The average person is now being asked to not forget to vote on April 30.

The Stephen Lynch campaign climbs everyday like a steel frame high rise structure with new strong supportive relationships bolted in place by everyday working people, holding signs, calling relatives, even visiting old friends.

Stephen Lynch is working hard for the peoples vote with every waking hour. Stephen Lynch wants to earn the support of the electorate. Stephen Lynch is politely asking the Massachusetts voters to consider him as their choice. Stephen is the working persons' choice!

Congressman Lynch welcomed in Somerville

By William Tauro

United States Congressman Stephen Lynch was in Somerville on Sunday afternoon addressing the Somerville Pop Warner Football Teams at their Annual Awards Banquet.

The Congressman received a warm welcome and was literally embraced with open arms by the Somerville Pop Warner children as the congressman made his way around the function hall to meet and greet with them.

Over a hundred of the children stood in line to take a photo as they were receiving their trophies and to get a glimpse of and a photo with the candidate for the United States Senate for the state of Massachusetts.

South Middlesex Registrar of Deeds Maria Curtatone announced and introduced the congressman to the crowd as the he made his way through the packed Somerville function hall to the stage.

Lynch took to the microphone and praised the young players for their athletic accomplishments in playing the sport and also for their participation in after school sports programs and

He also urged the youngsters to do good in school, graduate, and someday make a difference

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in the world when they get older. After, the congressman took photos with over a hundred of the children from Somerville Pop Warner teams and their families of Somerville that were

in attendance at the standing

room only event.

The congressman even posed for a photo holding a Signature "Villen" Football Somerville Pop Warner tee shirt, the kind that the team has been selling to raise needed monies to fund their sport activities and uniform costs.

Congressman Lynch was so impressed with the warm

welcome that the Somerville teams and families greeted him with, that after the event was over he called one of the Somerville Pop Warner event organizers by phone and asked him to extend an open invitation to all the entire Somerville Pop Warner team members to be the congressman's guests at a cookout next weekend.

The offer was greatly appreciated and accepted.

Congressman Stephen Lynch is a candidate for United States Senator in a special election to be held to fill John Kerry's seat.





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Patsy Hamel Band 6 p.m. HearNowLive presents The Brooklyns, Mundo's Crazy Circus, The Bargains \$10 cover 9 p.m.

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PLANNING DIVISION

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Zoning Board of Appeals will meet on Wednesday, May 1, 2013, in the Aldermanic Chambers, 2nd Floor, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, at 6:00 p.m. to hear pending applications and to hold public hearings:

11 Linden Ave: (Case #ZBA 2012-27) Applicant and Owner Linden Tree Realty Trust, seek a Special Permit with Site Plan Review under SZO §7.2 to construct a second principal structure at the property containing two additional dwelling units and a Special Permit under SZO \$9.13.b to modify parking design standards. RB zone. Ward 5.

514C Medford St: (Case #ZBA 2013-22) Applicant, Pennypackers Fine Foods, and Owner, LAB Realty Trust, seek a Special Permit with Design Review under SZO §7.11.10.2.1.a to establish a fast order food establishment and a Special Permit under §9.13 for 3 spaces of parking relief. NB

314 Highland Ave: (Case #ZBA 2013-23) Applicant, Union Square Animal Hospital, and Owner, CT & M, LLC, seek a Special Permit under SZO §7.11.8.11.a to establish an approx 800 sf office of veterinarian. RC zone. Ward 6.

141-143 North St: (Case #ZBA 2013-24) Applicants and Owners, Alexandra Hatzopoulos and George Michael, seek a Special Permit under SZO §4.4.1 to construct a new dormer on the left side of an existing nonconforming two-family dwelling. RA zone. Ward 7.

57 Dane St: (Case #ZBA 2013-25) Applicant and Owner, Tanis Teich, seeks a Special Permit under SZO §4.4.1 to alter a non-conforming structure to enclose a rear porch of an existing two-family dwelling. RB zone. Ward 2.

779 Somerville Ave: (Case #ZBA 2013-26) Applicant and Owner, Ralph Malin, seek a Special Permit under SZO §4.5.1 for a change of in nonconforming use from a retail store (§7.11.9.5.a) to an office (§7.11.7.1.a). RB zone. Ward 2.

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





Attest: Dawn Pereira, Administrative Assistant

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE OFFICE OF CITY CLERK **BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

There will be a Public Hearing before the Board of Aldermen's Committee on Legislative Matters on Monday, April 22, 2013, at 6:00 PM, in the Aldermanic Chambers, 2nd Floor, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, on the Order of Alderman Rebekah L. Gewirtz, Chairman of the Committee on Legislative Matters, for public input related to the city's proposed ordinance to ban the use of polystyrene containers for takeout food service (Docket #194056).

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND AND BE HEARD.

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A hearing for all persons interested will be given by the Somerville Licensing Commission on Monday April 22, 2013 at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at 6:00PM on the application of Davis Square WOB, LLC d/b/a World of Beer, 240 Elm St., Somerville, MA for a New All Forms Alcoholic Beverages 7 Day Restaurant License and an Entertainment License consisting of Entertainment by Performers and Entertainment by Devices.

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

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro Executive Secretary

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

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro **Executive Secretary**



CITY OF SOMERVILLE OFFICE OF CITY CLERK **BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

There will be a Public Hearing before the Board of Aldermen's Committee on Licenses and Permits on Monday, April 29, 2013, at 7:00 PM, in the Committee Room on the 2nd Floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, on the Petition for Extended Operating Hours for Kee Kar Lau Inc., dba Chow N Joy, 626C Somerville Avenue, which seeks to operate Sunday through Thursday nights until 2 AM, and Friday and Saturday nights until 3 AM.

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2013-8 Article VII Section 7-19 (a) "Stop Signs" is amended with the following addition: 4 Way Stop at the intersection of Powderhouse Blvd and Packard Av

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PLANNING DIVISION

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing for all interested parties will be held by the Planning Board on Thursday, May 2, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chambers, 2nd Floor, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA.

290 Somerville Ave: (Case #PB 2013-07) Applicant, Jose Garcia, and Owner, Fabrizio Realty Corp, seek a Special Permit under SZO §6.1.22, for new signage. CCD 55 zone. Ward 2.

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Attest: Kevin Prior, Chairman To be published in the Somerville News 4/17/13 & 4/24/13.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Middlesex Probate and Family Court** 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141

NOTICE AND ORDER:

Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor Docket No. MI 13P0688GD MI13P0689GD

In the interest of Everet James Merrill & Jonathan Michael Merrill of Somerville, MA Minor

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

1)Hearing Date/Time: A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on 02/12/2013 by

Christine De Filippo of Somerville, MA

will be held <u>05/10/2013 9:00 AM Guardianship of Minor Hearing</u>

Located 121 Third Street, Cambridge, MA 02141 Courtroom #7

2. Response to Petition: You may respond by filing a written response to the Petition or by appearing in person at the hearing. If you choose to file a written response, you need to:

File the original with the Court; and

Mail a copy to all interested parties at least five (5) business days before the hearing:

3. Counsel for the Minor: The minor(or an adult on behalf of the minor) has the right to request that counsel be appointed for the minor.

4. Presence of the Minor at Hearing: A minor over age 14 has the right to be present at any hearing, unless the Court finds that it is not in the minor's best interests.

ORDER TO PETITIONER(S)

IT IS ORDERED THAT copies of this Notice and the Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a minor be served in hand on the minor (if 14 or more years of age and not the petitioner), the guardian, the parents **fourteen (14)** days prior to the hearing date listed above.

If Service in hand cannot be accomplished on any interested party, IT IS ORDERED that copies of this Notice and the Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor be served on the interested party by leaving at and mailing by regular first class mail to last and usual place of residence of the interested party at least fourteen (14) days prior to the date of the hearing listed above.

If the identity or whereabouts of an interested party is not known, IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that copies of this Notice and Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor be served on all interested persons at least fourteen (14) days prior to the hearing date by publishing a copy of the Order and Notice once in Somerville News, Somerville, publication to be at least **Seven (7)** days prior to the hearing date.

If required, service on the United States Veteran Administration and the Department of Children and Families may be accomplished by regular first class mail at least **Seven (7)** days prior to the hearing

THIS IS A LEGAL NOTICE: An important court proceeding that may affect your rights has been scheduled. If you do not understand this notice or other court papers, please contact an attorney for legal advice.

> Tara E. Di Cristofaro **Register of Probate**

Date: April 11, 2013

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Location: 160 McGrath Hwy. Somerville, MA. 02143

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Middlesex Probate and Family Court 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141

NOTICE AND ORDER: Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor

Docket No. MI 13P1448GD MI 13P1450GD MI 13P1451GD

In the interest of: Kalise Leighann Hammock & Kiana Ariel Jalya Mangiasi & Kariana A J Mangiasi

of Somerville, MA

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

1.Hearing Date/Time: A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on 03/26/2013 by

Ann Marie Mangiasi of Somerville, MA

will be held 04/29/2013 9:30 AM Guardianship of Minor Hearing

Located 121 Third Street, Cambridge, Ma. 02141, in Courtroom #7

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1994	Honda	Accord	Vin# 1HGCD553XRA083785
2006	Dodge	Grand Caravan	Vin# 2D4GP44L96R879599
1997	Cadillac	Deville	Vin# 1G6KD52Y9VU222343

Date of Sale: May 13, 2013

Time: 12:00 P.M.

Location: 160 McGrath Hwy., Somerville, MA. 02143

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

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro Executive Secretary

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A hearing for all persons interested will be given by the Somerville Licensing Commission on Monday April 22, 2013 at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at **6:00PM** on the application of Yoshi's Japanese Korean Cuisine, 132 College Ave., Somerville, MA for a Wine and Malt Restaurant license.

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

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro Executive Secretary

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A hearing for all persons interested will be given by the Somerville Licensing Commission on Monday April 22, 2013 at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at 6:00PM on the application of Flatbread Somerville, Inc. d/b/a Flatbread Company at Sacco's Bowl Haven, 45 Day St. for an alterations to premises to expand into the building located next door to

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> For the Commission Vito Vaccaro John J. McKenna

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incident an "attack." The FBI and the President are investigating it as an "act of terror." All local, regional, and federal law enforcement and elected leaders have vowed not to rest until the suspects responsible for Monday's act of terror have been held accountable. And yet, what matters the most in these immediate days and weeks following the bombings is that unwavering support, love, and friendship among friends and family and that continue to pour in via local and online media, supporting the victims of this tragedy, and offering comfort to all residents of the Boston area. In the face of violence and destruction, we continue to see compassion. This is who we are. We are a city, a region, and a nation that can put aside our differences and unite to support our fellow Americans in time of need.

In the coming days as new information is revealed, some instinctive responses may very rationally be fear, anger, and disbelief. I encourage you to stay strong, remain calm, and continue to do what we can to support anyone affected. When something bad happens, especially if it is unexpected or violent, it is not uncommon to experience symptoms of trauma. Everyone reacts differently to trauma and being informed can provide us with the tools and insights to assist family and friends including children, and there are many things you can do to help yourself and others heal, and we will be working toward this together as a community.

For our part, there are and will continue to be services available to assist with grief counseling or any other immediate need that may arise within our community. As part of the Somerville Health Department, we have a Trauma Response Network with a team of trained, professional counselors and health professionals available for services as needed. For more information on response to trauma, you can visit our Health Department, the Office of Prevention, Trauma Response Network and Riverside Trauma Center (www.riversidetraumacenter.org).

I will never forget trying to explain to my young children, ages 9, 7, 6, and 5, why our plans to attend that Bruins game were canceled, trying to explain the meaning of the word tragedy, the loss of life. I could not take myself away from watching news reports. Like most others, I am sure, Monday was a sleepless night, and Tuesday morning meant tuning back into media reports, wondering what the night had brought. I find it difficult to concentrate on everyday duties, on work, on anything other than the overwhelming urge to rush home and hug my wife and children just a little tighter.

As a father, a husband, a brother, a son, and a Boston area resident, this attack hits far too close to home. My thoughts and prayers are with the victims, the families, and all those affected by this senseless tragedy. Boston, we stand with you.

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The View From Prospect Hill **CONT. FROM PG 8**

of the residents of Ward 5 every single time he was on the ballot, handily beating back all his opponents.

This year he would be facing another formidable candidate in his bid for re-election, but it was generally agreed that Sean would have beaten him as well and would have headed for 21 years of service.

So, he's going to re-group and do the

right thing, attend to his family and business and hopefully sometime in the future he might be back. But for now he's leaving his residents to a great choice in Courtney O'Keefe, a lifelong resident, a person who obviously loves Ward 5 as Sean does. Her knowledge of Ward 5 is second only to Sean's. Just check out her own web site www. ward5online.com and you'll agree with

us. She's more than capable of understanding the issues facing the ward.

We hope that the Board of Alderman vote her name for the appointment, which by the way is in our City Charter as the duty of the Board of Alderman to vote to replace.

For 19 years of public service to the residents of Ward 5 and the entire City of Somerville, a good record, we thank and wish the best of luck to Sean and his patient wife, as well as his partners who are in business with him.

We know he'll still be around and involved to help continue to move Somerville forward. We, along with all the residents of Somerville, and in particular of Ward 5, thank Sean for a job well done and his service to our community.

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FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH Wednesday | April 17

Central Library Step Ahead Skye Hawkins|508-505-5027 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.|79 Highland

East Branch Library

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

Central Library

Homework Help for Teens: Math & Science Ron Castile

617-623-5000 x2969

3 p.m.-5 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Arts at the Armory

2013 pARTicipate! School Break Program 8:30 a.m.|Performance Hall& Cafe|191 Highland Ave

Veteran's Memorial Rink

Free public skating 12 p.m.-1:50 p.m.|570 Somerville Ave

Thursday | April 18

Central Library

Homeschool Games Program Lauren Bell|617-718-0501 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Central Library

Teen Game Day Cynthia or Ron 617-623-5000-2936 3 p.m.- 5:30 p.m.

Central Library

Writing Workshop for Kids Ages 9-12 with

Cathy Piantigini|617-623-5000 x2950 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.| 79 Highland Avenue

East Branch Library

Eco-Craft for Tweens and Teens 2 p.m.-3:30 p.m.|115 Broadway

Arts at the Armory

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Friday April 19

Central Library Step Ahead

Skye Hawkins|508-505-5027 10 a.m.-3 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

East Branch Library Make Your Own Magic Tricks

2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.|115 Broadway

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Arts at the Armory

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Highland Ave

Monday April 22 **Central Library**

Sing-along with Steve! Cathy|2950

11 a.m.-12 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Knucklebones: For the Love of Play! 9 a.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

Tuesday | April 23

Central Library Homeschool Reading Group for Ages 9-11

Tammy McKanan 10 a.m.-12 p.m..|79 Highland Avenue

Central Library

Homework Help for Teens: English &

Ron Castile|617-623-5000 x2969 4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Wednesday | April 24

East Branch Library Preschool: Storvtime

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

Central Library

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Veteran's Memorial Rink

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Wednesday | April 17

Johnny D's

The Slide Brothers|Eric French 17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Free Poker, lots of prizes! 8 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Pub Quiz 8 p.m.

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

PA'S Lounge

Doug Alan Trasher|Joanna Schubert|Dylan Lucas

345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

On The Hill Tavern

. 499 Broadway|617-629-5302

Orleans Restaurant and Bar

Trivia 65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Precinct Bar

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

Bull McCabe's Pub

The Nephrok All Stars 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Highland Kitchen

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

Samba Bar & Grille

608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

Rosebud Bar Free Pool|Game Night

381 Summer St

Radio Bar

Down:Existest Presents: Impersonater|Andrew Hock|Onerogan|Corephallism

379 Summer St

Arts at the Armory

The Essence of a Meditative State of Mind 7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Thursday | April 18

Johnny D's

Small Change|Two Dollar Pisto; Feat Ryan Fitzsimmons & Danielle Miraglia 17 Holland St.|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's

Bluegrass The Band grassy Thursdays | 7:30

335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren Scattershot 80's

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896 PA'S Lounge

The Images|The Dying Falls|Earth Heart|Sand Reckoner

345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

On The Hill Tavern Live DI Music

499 Broadway|617-629-5302

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

Precinct Bar

Kele lemieux|Here we just Dream|Young

Alive|Toek 70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

Bull McCabe's

Dub Down Featuring The Scotch Bonnet

366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

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

Samba Bar & Grille

608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

Strange Avenues

381 Summer St.

Somerville Theatre

Awkward Compliment's Thursday Night Comedy Night

8 p.m.|55 Davis Square

Radio Bar

379 Summer St

Arts at the Armory

Third Thursdays Jazz at the Armory - Abstract Scenario

7 p.m.|Mezzanine Castle of Comedy

8:30 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Friday | April 19

Johnny D's Dreamryde|Soundrabbit|Shotgun Waltz|Andrew O'Keefe

17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Larry Flint & The Road Scholars 6 p.m. SYM |9 p.m.

335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589 The Burren

Cover Up 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896 Orleans Restaurant and Bar

10 p.m.|65 Holland St

Precinct Bar

Hear Now Live Presents:Miss Fairchild|Sour D|Found Audio|K.A.Z. 70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

PA'S Lounge

Sorrowseed|Virus Cycle|Fiends of a New Republic|Deadfall

345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

On The Hill Tavern

499 Broadway |617-629-5302

Orleans Restaurant and Bar

DJ starting at 10 p.m. 65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Bull McCabe's

Jess Tardy Band 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Joshua Tree

256 Elm St. |617-623-9910 Samba Bar & Grille

Live music

Rosebud Bar Van Burens

381 Summer St Casey's

Entertainment every Friday 173 Broadway|617- 625-5195

Radio Bar

Up: Thalia Zedek, ZL CD Release, Slim Jim & The Mad Cows \$10 Down: Electric Street Queens|The Courters|Dream Warrior|Downtown Boys \$5

9 p.m.|608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

Arts at the Armory Richard Cambridge's Poetry Theatre: Celebrating National Poetry Month 8 p.m.|Cafe

So Sol and Friends 8 p.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

Saturday | April 20

Johnny D's

Junior Brown|Sturgill Simpson|Bub Station 17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's

Jim Coyle & The Barroom Gentlemen |6 p.m. One Thin Dime|9 p.m..

335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589 The Burren

TBA

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896 Precinct Bar

Deep Heaven Now 7 70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

Orleans Restaurant and Bar Karaoke

65 Holland St PA'S Lounge

Deep Heaven Now 7 345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

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

Bull McCabe's Ronan Quinn Band

366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045 Joshua Tree

256 Elm St. |617-623-9910 Samba Bar & Grille 608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

Rosebud Bar Sunlea

381 Summer st

Casey's

Entertainment every Saturday

173 Broadway|617-625-5195 Radio Bar

Up: The Doctors Fox|School for Robots|Left Hand Does|New Beard Down: La Parca Presents: Immi-

grants|Sharpwaist|Cryostasium & Thor

Maillet 379 Summer St

Sunday April 21

Open Blues Jam featuring Hot Sauce BPS Battle Wounds|A Benefit for Hope2cope|Sententia

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

Frank Drake Sunday Showcase|5 p.m.

Latin Fusion Krista Page y Los Super Gatos|8:30 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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

Precinct Bar

The Burren

345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

Highland Kitchen

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

Sunday Brunch Live Country & Bluegrass

Sunday Night Live Music 150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131 **Rosebud Bar**

Karaoke 381 Summer St

Orleans Restaurant and Bar

65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Roy Sludge Trio 4PM, No Cover 379 Summer St

Arts at the Armory

Combat Robots! with Artisan's Asylum and the Cambridge Science Festival

Monday | April 22

4:30 p.m.|Performance Hall

Johnny D's

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

Cheapshots Comedy Club open mike |7:30

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Marley Mondays with The Duppy Conquerors|10 p.m.

335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

2nd Annual Zombie Night 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

On The Hill Tavern

499 Broadway|617-629-5302

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

Precinct Bar 70 Union Sq|617-623-921

Bull McCabe's Pub Stump! Team Trivia

8 p.m.|366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045 **Rosebud Bar**

Movie Night 381 Summer St

Radio Bar

379 Summer St Arts at the Armory

Salsa Basics with Mambo Soul! 7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave Tuesday | April 23

Eilen lewell 17 Holland St|617-776-2004

JohnnyD's

Sally O'Brien's Bar Mike Ghent & the Rapid Shave 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

Open Mic W/Hugh McGowan|6:30 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

On The Hill Tavern

Stump Trivia (with prizes)

The Burren

499 Broadway|617-629-5302 PA'S Lounge Open Mic - Rock, Folk, R&B, Alt, Jazz &

Originals etc. Hosted by Tony Amaral

345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557 **Precinct Bar**

Honest Blood|The Sitting ducks|The Barely **Brothers Band** 70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

Bull McCabe's Pub Skiffy & The Ghetto People Band

366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045 **Highland Kitchen** First Tuesday of the Month|Spelling Bee

hosted by Victor and Nicole of Egoart.

The fun starts at 10:00p.m.150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

Samba Bar & Grille

Rosebud Bar Karaoke

381 Summer St

PJ Ryan's

Radio Bar

Pub Ouiz 10 p.m.|239 Holland St.|617-625-8200

Wholly Karaoke with Magic Gus

379 Summer St Wednesday | April 24 Johnny D's

The Wedding Band Showcase 17 Holland St|617-776-2004 Sally O'Brien's Bar Free Poker, lots of prizes! 8 p.m.

335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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

PA'S Lounge Lykaion Cult Productions|Hellgoat|Cold Northern Vengeance|Nachzehrer|Witch

345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557 On The Hill Tavern Sports Trivia

. 499 Broadway|617-629-5302 Orleans Restaurant and Bar 65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Precinct Bar

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Bull McCabe's Pub

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Highland Kitchen TJ The DJ Presents The People's Karaoke

10 p.m.|150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Samba Bar & Grille

608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

Rosebud Bar Free Pool|Game Night

381 Summer St

Down: Apathy Cycle|The Warning Shots|The Drunk Nuns|The Black Cheer

379 Summer St Arts at the Armory

7:30 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave **CLASSES AND GROUPS**

SAC Salon Series: Intellexploitation

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

nadirajamal.com Thursday April 18

Wednesday April 17

Central Library Drop-In Meditation

Central Library

. Maria Carpenter|617-623-5000 x2910

Free Chair Massage

First Church Somerville Debtors Anonymous- a 12 Step program for people with problems with money and debt. 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|89 College Ave

Third Life Studio Roots and Rhythm

9 a.m.-5 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Winter Farmers' Market 9:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.|Performance Hall|191

to discuss their work

Sunday April 21

2 p.m.-4 p.m.| 79 Highland Avenue

Enter upstairs, meeting is in basement. Third Life Studio

Monday | April 22

LearningExpress Job & Career Accelerator

Rhoda Augarten 617-623-5000 x2955 7 p.m.-8 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Third Life Studio Vinyasa Flow Yoga & Meditation

7 p.m.- 9:15 p.m.|33 Union Sq Wednesday April 24

Third Life Studio

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

nadirajamal.com

Third Life Studio Beyond beginning Belly Dance with Nadira

1 p.m.-2p.m,.|79 Highland Avenue

Maria Carpenter|617-623-5000 2 p.m.-3 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

(Upstairs Parlor). For more info call: 781-762-6629

33 Unions Sql www.libana.com Saturday | April 20

Central Library

LearningExpress Job & Career Accelerator

Workshop

Highland Ave **Bagel Bards**

9 a.m.-12 p.m.|Au Bon Pain| 18-48 Holland

Ann Cassesso|617-623-5000

Discover Belly Dance with Nadira Iamal 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.|33 Union Sq|www.

7:00 P.M. | 6 William Street

West Branch Library Book Group: Books Into Movies 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|40 College Avenue

Beyond beginning Belly Dance with Nadira

Central Library 48 Hour Film Project Auditions Zoe Arniotis|617-901-3552

> . Rhoda Augarten|617-623-5000 x2955 10 a.m.-11 a.m.|79 Highland Avenue Arts at the Armory

Somerville Writers and Poets meet weekly

Central Library

Constellations 2

Unity Church of God Fourth Step to Freedom Al-Anon Family

nadirajamal.com

Tuesday | April 23

Central Library

8:30 - 9:30 a.m. The Art of Group Singing For Women

with Susan Robbins, www.libana.com



HAPPENINGS:

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

Holland Street Center - 167 Holland Street.

Ralph & Jenny Center - 9 New Washington Street.

Cross Street Center - 165 Broadway.

DATE CHANGE: Men's Club will be meeting May 8 at Noon at the Holland Street Center. Great and welcoming group.

Looking to get fit or stay fit?

We are starting a third Fit-4-Life group. Wednesday - Nutrition at 10:00 a.m. Fitness at 10:45-11:45 a.m. Fridays: fitness at 10:45-11:45 a.m. Let us know if you are interested. Contact Chris at ext. 2315.

Some Council on Aging highlights in the coming weeks:

Yoga & Mediation with Lawrence is coming back for the month of April. Starting April 3 through April 24 at 2:30 p.m. at Holland Street. \$20 for all 4 sessions. Don't miss out. Pre-registration required.

Want to blog or learn what it is? - Free. Join us at Holland Street Center each Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. with Natasha. Think out of the box and come up with a new idea and how to create a story around that or share what's on your mind. Drop in. Pen and paper supplied along with snacks to get the creative mind going.

April 25 brings Alan for MusicalConversation. Join us for a delightful half hour of music and conversation. FREE. Holland Street Center.

Nutrition Fair - May 2 at Holland Street Center from 9:30 a.m.-Noon. Samples from local markets and restaurants. Ways to eat healthy. Free. Pre-registration required.

Easy and inexpensive ways to eat healthy with Andrea Libertini, nutritionist from Somerville-Cambrdige Elder Services at 11:45 a.m. on Thursday, April 18. Pre-regis-

Intergenerational Fitness Fun with Tufts Educational Day Care Center - Join us as we have some fun while getting fit. Navarasa - India Storytelling through hand and body movement on Thursdays from 10:45-11:30 a.m. Belly Dancing on Tuesdays right before the adult class at 12:00 p.m. (adult class begins at 12:30 p.m.) and Fitness and Nutrition Exploration on Wednesday mornings at 11:00 a.m. All FREE.

Men's Club - Recently retired? Looking to connect with other men in the community? Join our Men's Group and connect with your old friends or come make some new friends. Wednesdays at Holland Street Center. 12:00-1:00 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. All 55+ are welcome. May 8.

May 6 - Get a taste of Tuft's Osher Lifelong Learning **Program** with a brown bag lunch with Yvonne Abraham from the Boston Globe. Limited space.

Lunchtime exercise class for all in the community. Belly Dancing is during the day from 12:30-1:30 p.m.. This is a fun class with great arm and core exercises. Take a chance and join us. Open to men and women.

LBT Community - NEW PROGRAM. Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Women Fit-4-Life Fitness and Nutrition Classes with certified instructors. Tuesday and Thursday evenings. \$10 a month with scholarships available. Call Lisa for more info at ext. 2316.

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

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

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

Trip Corner:

Washington D.C. - May 16-19 - DATE CHANGE.

Hanscom Air Force Base - Bingo and Dinner - April 17.

Aqua Turf - April 22.

Foxwoods - April 23. Foodie Tour - April 24.

Twin Rivers - May 7.

Wildwood, N.J. - May 13-17.

Culinary Arts - May 21.

Davensport Yacht Club with Charlie Thomas & The Drifters - June 11.

STAY ACTIVE:

Flexibility & Balance - Tuesday 9:15 a.m. at Holland and Thursdays 10:00 a.m. at Ralph & Jenny. \$3.

Belly Dancing - Tuesdays at 12:30-1:30 p.m. \$5.

Flexibility & Balance - (R&J) Tuesday 10:30 a.m. (H) Thursday 10:00 a.m.

Fit-4-Life LBT - Tuesday and Thursday Evenings. Fit-4-Life General - Wednesday & Friday Mornings.

April 17

Bowling at Flatbreads 1 p.m.

Holland Street

Fit-4-Life Classes Groups A & B Intergenerational Fitness 11 a.m. Yoga/Mediation|2:30 p.m. 167 Holland Street 617-625-6600 x 2300

Cross Street Center

Closed

Ralph & Jenny Center

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

April 18

Holland Street Center

Flexibility & Balance 10 a.m. Current Events | 10 a.m.

Intergenerational Navarasa|10:45 a.m. Nutrition with Andrea from SCES |11:45 a.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m. LBT Fit-4-Life|6 p.m.

167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

Ralph & Jenny Center

Cards & Cribbage 10 a.m.

Strengthening Exercise 10 a.m. Crochet & Knitting|10:45 a.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m.

9 New Washington Street 617-666-5223

April 19

Holland Street Center

Fit-4-Life Groups A & B

Book Club|10 a.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m.

167 Holland Street 617-625-6600 x 2300

April 22

Holland Street

Veteran's Group - All are welcome. 9:30 a.m. Singing Group - New to Somerville or just retired? Come join. 10 a.m.

English Conversation 10:30 a.m.

167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

Ralph & Jenny Center closed

April 23

Foxwoods

Holland Street Center

Strengthening w/ Geoff|9:15 a.m.

SHINE by appt. 10 a.m.

Learn to blog/creative writing with Natasha|10:30 a.m. Last of the Intergenerational Belly Dancing 12 p.m. Belly Dancing for Adults 12:30 p.m.

LBT Fit-4-Life 6 p.m.

167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

Ralph & Jenny

Cards & Cribbage 10 a.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m.

9 New Washington Street 617-666-5223

April 24

Foodie Tour

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Cross Street Center

Closed

Ralph & Jenny Center

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Bingo|12:45 p.m.

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Revere Beach CONT. FROM PG 9

hyperventilating while riding on the Cyclone. I never went on it again!"

When I was 15 my friends and I worked at the Dodge Em cars at Revere Beach. We had the honor of working for Clement Hurley, whose family owned about half of the attractions there. We took the Blue Line back and forth from our jobs taking tickets and fixing the mesh above the cars. I have lots of fond memories of Revere Beach and so

do many of my Somerville friends. The Cyclone burned in 1974 but the beach was basically dead by then anyway. Now it's mostly apartments and condos and memories.

Warren goes way back: "I remember the trolley car ride from Somerville to Lechmere, then to Boston, and over to Revere. It took forever but once we got there the magic began. The fun house, Ripley's Believe It Or Not, the Cyclone, clamming

and crabbing, The POW camp, and later in life, Murphy's by the Sea. Memories and scenes from long ago."

It was always the most uncomfortable feeling coming home on the train, when we would be burned to a crisp and covered with sand and salt water. We had fun though!

By the way, Sammy's Patio, Bianchi's and Bill Ash's are still there.

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News Talk CONT. FROM PG 8

on the article. So when you see something here in the Newstalk, it's from a lot of different sources here in the Ville, some very well connected and some who like everyone else hears rumors flying around. You know, like that rumor mostly over at the Farm Team, the Grand Jury is going to indict soon? The only person who would know that are the Jurists themselves, and those that appear before jury. That's the only way someone would know. We're sure no one from the jury, if there was one, is picking up the phone and calling people over at the Farm Team. We could be wrong, but! That's rumor and that's all it is, that certain people want you to believe that a grand jury is going to hand down indictments soon, or that one reporter from one paper that is out of business is now peddling an

investigation to another paper. FYI, that was weeks ago and nothing! Really nothing, right? We bet that the rumor about indictments coming down or a newspaper article doing an investigation locally is also false. Guess time will tell, won't it? There they go again reading that "Rules for Radicals."

Happy birthday to the following Villens: Lance Barretto, Courtney Rogers, and Kathy Webber, who we are sure are all partying together this weekend at WHYC. Also, Happy Birthday to Talt Gregory Shackelford IV, lifelong resident, and to Winsland George, a local realtor who has served Somerville for many years now. A big HB to Jodie Baldassari-Burke and to Anna Gullage Tompline

Here's a save the dates for two fantastic Lions Club community events that they have planed. First, on Sunday, April 28, their Annual Charity Breakfast has transformed into a wonderful catered brunch this year and it is being held at the Mt. Vernon Restaurant, 14 Broadway in Somerville. Only \$15 per person and well worth every cent. This is a "must go" event because you don't want to miss it. Proceeds from the event go to benefit Lions Club Charities. Tickets will be available at the door or just ask any Lion. At the Lions Brunch the club will be raffling off their famous "Wheelbarrow Full of Cheer" to some lucky winner. Raffle tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. For raffle ticket sales contact Billy Tauro at (617)293-2016.

The second Lions Club event date to save is Thursday, May 23 for their Annual Somerville Lions Club "A Night of Comedy & Fun" at "Giggles Comedy Club on Rt. 1 South in Saugus. The event will begin at 6:30 p.m. with three top comedians, raffles and all the pizza and salad that you can eat. All proceeds support Lions Club charities and programs. Tickets are \$25 per person and available by contacting Billy Tauro for both tickets and RSVPs.

Our condolences go out to the family of our good friend Kathleen Russo on her recent passing this past weekend. Kathleen was a wonderful woman and will be sadly missed by many here in the Ville.



Exploring the 'why' of Whitey

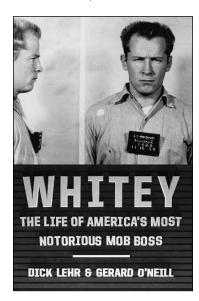
By Blake Maddux

"I think it's the job of a biographer to also get at the 'why?' and the 'how' all this happened," author Dick Lehr said during his appearance at The Book Shop last Thursday. "The 'why' of the Whitey, the making of this monster, digging into psychology and other factors influencing the emergence of someone who's now, in my view, a historic crime figure."

A former reporter, Lehr spent almost 20 years at the Boston Globe and is now finishing his ninth year as a journalism professor at Boston University.

His latest book is Whitey: The Life of America's Most Notorious Mob Boss. It is the third book that he has written with Gerard O'Neill, another erstwhile Globe reporter. The two first previously collaborated on Black Mass: Whitey Bulger, the FBI, and a Devil's Deal (2000) and The Underboss: The Rise and Fall of a Mafia Family.

Lehr said that one of the main motivations behind his and O'Neill's decision to pen a full biography of James Bulger was that "in 1975, when Whitey Bulger cult his deal with the FBI, he was already 48 years old. He lived, in a sense, a half a life already when that stuff began. Very little [was] known or written about that first half of a life, those first 48 years."



Throughout his 35-minute talk, Lehr made the point, sometimes more implicitly than explicitly, that the White Bulger saga is much more than a local story.

He reminded the audience that Bulger was arrested in June 2011, the month following the killing of Osama bin Laden. Therefore, "at that moment in time, [Bulger] had replaced Osama Bin Laden as top dog on the FBI's 10 Most Wanted list."

Moreover, Lehr declared that

"He was already a monster when he went in"

"history's going to show that he is one of the most notorious and major crime figures of the 20th century." He attributed this to Bulger's "body count" and longevity.

According to Lehr, "He's charged with 19 murders either that he committed by himself, with his own hands - he was a real hands-on killer - or that he ordered committed. But if you talk to any investigator who's been tracking this guy over the years, there's more than 19."

This lead Lehr to conclude that Bulger "can match body counts with any kind of crime figure that rolls off your tongue: John Dillinger, John Gotti, Bonnie and Clyde."

Finally, Lehr asserted, "is that when you say 'Whitey Bulger,' in the same breath you have to say, 'the FBI.' He managed to do what I would say no other crime boss or crime figure has ever been able to do: he turned a crew of agents in the Boston office of the FBI into his own palace guard."

As a result of this connection, Lehr said toward the end of the question and answer portion, ""When it comes to Whitey Bulger, the FBI has no credibility."

on Bugler's time as a prisoner in

the late 1950s and early 1960s. Despite numerous prior arrests, Bulger did not end up in jail until 1956, when he was sent to the Atlanta Penitentiary at age 26.

These three years may very well have been more interesting than the two that he later spent at America's most storied prison, Alcatraz.

In Atlanta, Bulger did not acclimate well to living in a cell that housed a total of eight prisoners.

"The record of his first few months is so un-Whitey Bulger-like," Lehr explained. "It's a deer caught in the headlights. He's a control freak and he was with seven other inmates who were invading his space and time. Within two months he checked himself into the psych ward. He was having a breakdown. He couldn't handle it."

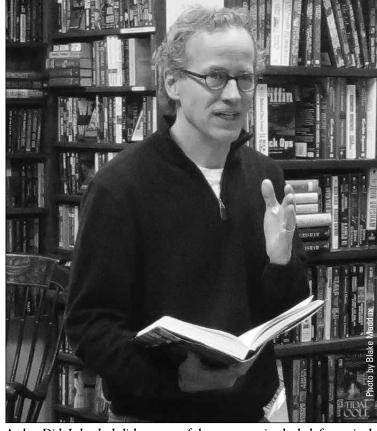
The excerpt that Lehr chose to read from Whitey dealt with the LSD Project that doctors from Emory University conducted and in which Bulger participated.

Reading directly from the book, Lehr said, "Whitey Bulger had always felt most secure when in control, but prison had changed all that. He lost nearly every measure of control. Hallucinating on LSD meant losing even more. He took 50 trips over the course of a year and a half."

Bulger arrived at Alcatraz in 1959. Thanks to his connections with John McCormack, a South Boston native who was also Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, Bugler spent only two years at Alcatraz before being transferred to Leavenworth Federal Penitentiary.

"The average stay for an inmate in Alcatraz was eight years," Lehr said. "That's the special treatment he got."

The 15-minute question and answer period opened with a query as to whether Presi-Lehr focused his talk mostly dent Barack Obama was aware of his part in the capture of



Author Dick Lehr sheds light on one of the most notoriously dark figures in the world of organized crime.

Whitey Bulger.

After initially joking that the President did not return his calls, Lehr told of how the FBI knew to take the tip from a woman in Iceland seriously because she pointed out that the man whom she knew as Charlie Gasko responded with disgust to her elation over Obama's election.

"Whitey, or Charlie, essentially pulled a nutty on her," Lehr said. "He couldn't believe that she thought that was a good thing, and so that whole racist side of Whitey came out. The fugitive task force knew that Whitey was a racist. He believed that the races should be separate and things

5. Carlton

6. Here Comes Mr. Jordan

like that."

A young man in the audience told of how his mother received a call from a friend who was on vacation in Santa Monica. The woman frantically claimed to have seen Whitey Bulger, only to be told by the young man's mother, "Don't be ridiculous. Why would he be there?"

For the final question, an even younger man, probably in his early teens, asked if Lehr thought that the LSD that Bulger had taken as part of the inmate study "was a contributing factor in creating the monster."

"He was already a monster when he went in," Lehr answered.

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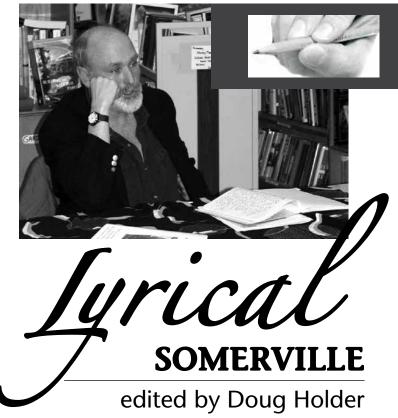
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Interview with Ira Wood:

Author of new memoir about his life with Marge Piercy 'You're Married to Her?'

Ira Wood is not a physically imposing man, but as a wordsmith he is a commanding presence. Wood is the author of a number of novels including his highly touted first The Kitchen Man. His latest book is titled: You're Married to Her? a memoir that concerns his life with famed poet/novelist/feminist Marge Piercy. Wood was an unknown, 26 year old writer, when he met the much older Piercy. They have been together now for 35 years. I had the pleasure to interview him on my Somerville Community Access TV show Poet to Poet: Writer to Writer.

Doug Holder: Welcome Ira.

Ira Wood: Glad to be back in Somerville. I lived in the Somerville, Cambridge, and Jamaica Plain area for a num-

DH: So what do you think Ms. Piercy saw in you? She was a well established writer, and much older than you. You were 26, and just sort of floundering around.

IW: Marge had just turned 40 when we met. And she was this incredibly glamorous, older woman. I was a pretty immature guy. But that was back in 1976. I would say by today's standards men have become even less-mature—I was a pretty mixed-up guy. I was very lucky to meet this very successful novelist and poet.

DH: So that goes back to the question what did she see

IW: I was a nice guy in spite of being mixed-up. But what she will tell you is that men of her own age weren't very good at getting along with a feminist. She had many relationships with men her own age. She had relationships with men younger than her because they weren't intimidated by feminism. One of the reasons Marge and I have been together so long is because we are not competitive. When she met her previous husband they were both students. It was very hard for him to see her career take off and not his. That wasn't the case with me. To be quite frank I didn't think I would have any career at all. So I was delighted to be her partner. I enabled her to do her writing and traveling. We have been together for 35 years. We have had a remarkable good run and still do.

DH: When we reach a certain age we see our father's face in the mirror. Your father was not a happy camper. He was self-hating, envious and a work alcoholic. So do you see his visage in the mirror staring back at you?

IW: My father was not a happy man. And I think a lot of people at a certain age grew up and realized that their parents were depressed but not diagnosed in those days. My father never drank. But what he would do was come home after work, have dinner, go right to sleep, wake up and go to work again. I grew up like I was a child of an alcoholic. He was very self-conscious. I see all of his mistakes in life in myself. Part of my success has come through my Buddhist practice. I can see this behavior begin and hopefully I can stop it before it is fully manifested. Marge will often say to me "You are becoming your father." My memoir You're Married to Her? was very much about my father. My first novel The Kitchen Man dealt with my mother. But I got so much flack from my family about the first book that I decided not to write about them for awhile. But when I started to write my memoir then I realized that my family is an essential part of me. I teach at the Omega Institute and I find that many people are afraid to write about their family and can't get past the first chapter. There is a quote by the poet Muriel Rukeyser, and I paraphrase "Yes you have to write about your family but remember it won't kill them." It is difficult. Eventually I worked it out with the family. And we are much closer now than before.

DH: Where did you got to college?

IW: I went to the the State University at Albany. It was not the school I wanted to go. I wanted to go to big, expensive, and fancy school. But my dad couldn't afford it.

DH: You did not look favorably on the academy in your

IW: I didn't want to become a teacher. It was never something I wanted to do. Marge and I decided not to teach full-time on the college level. In fact I was very surprised when I was offered a job teaching at a college. I asked them



why they chose me. They said because I had written five books. I thought you had to have a PhD. But for writers they are interested in credits. I was always a working writer. For many years I worked in restaurants. I got jobs that allowed me to write. When I lived in Cambridge I was self-conscious about being a writer. Even though I spent five hours a day writing—somehow I felt I wasn't working. I had friends who didn't see me in the working class because I didn't have a job. So that hurt. Then I moved to Cape Cod—everyone on the outer Cape seems to be an artist. You didn't feel crazy there. I always asked myself " Who am I not to go to work and just write stories?" But it was easier in the artistic milieu of the Cape. And it wasn't until I was published and reviewed that I felt that I had the right to do this.

DH: If you hadn't met Marge Piercy would you be a writer today?

IW: Marge Piercy was my mentor. It was not so much her connections. But if I didn't meet her I wouldn't have become a writer. I might have been a lawyer, or a nurse. I was in a crowd of guys who went to nursing school. I probably would have done that and wound up with kids. I would never have had the guts to be a writer. Marge gave me the courage to write.

DH: How long did you live in Somerville?

IW: On and off for 10 years. I lived near Foss Park at one point and other places. Somerville is an incredibly interesting city.

DH: A Somerville writer of my acquaintance Joe Torra wrote a great memoir Waiter. He worked as a waiter until he was fifty and then went on to a teaching career. You worked as a waiter as well. Is it a good job for a

IW: My first novel The Kitchen Man was about my time as a waiter in a gourmet restaurant. The only problem with being a waiter is that you get out late, and even though you worked your butt off, you could not fall asleep. You were so wired up after the shift that you wound up going to nightclubs and bars after, and not getting home until 3 or 4 in the morning. That eclipsed your opportunity to wake up early and write during the day. So you had to be disciplined. On the job I worked with a lot of artists, opera singers, poets and writers. I learned so much about the arts scene around Boston from being a waiter. I wouldn't give up that experience for the world. I did it for 3 years. I was writing all the time. It was a dream of mine that I would get notice of my big break when I was waiting on a table. My break came after I worked as a waiter.

DH: You have an addictive personality according to your memoir. You wrote about your addiction to drugs, sex, etc... Why do you think so many writers deal with these issues?

IW: The writer who gets a lot of work done overcomes that. I don't think John Updike, Marge, or Margaret Atwood for instance—had that problem. I think very successful writers overcome that.



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