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IKEA or not IKEA

Somerville store plans still in the air



Is there really an IKEA store in Assembly Row's future? Only time will tell.

By Elizabeth Sheeran

If IKEA ever breaks ground on long-standing plans for a Somerville store, the college freshmen shopping for dorm room accessories at the grand opening will be kids who weren't even born yet when the retail giant first came to town in the 1990s. And locals are starting to wonder if that "if" will ever become a "when."

"It seems to be the number one question now as I walk around the neighborhood: 'Is IKEA coming or not?,'" said Ward One Alderman William Roche at last Thursday's meeting of the Board of Alderman, which voted to formally ask Mayor Joseph Curtatone for an updated status report on plans for a Somerville IKEA store.

After a decade full of speed bumps for IKEA in Somerville, the pieces finally fell into place in 2009, when IKEA completed a land swap with Assembly Row developer Federal Realty, moving IKEA away from the waterfront to its current site behind Home Depot, and clearing the way to revamp the entire area, complete with upgraded riverfront parkland and a new Orange Line T station. But by

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On your mark – get set – commute!

Rush Hour Race from Davis to Kendall Square

By Elizabeth Sheeran

A motorist, a cyclist and a T-rider meet up at Redbones in Davis Square...

No, that's not the set-up for a local-flavor joke. Rather, it was the scene at the starting line of Somerville's first-ever Rush Hour Race.

Just after 8:30 on Monday morning, Ken Carlson pulled away from Redbones in his Volvo station wagon, Josh Zisson hopped on his single-speed bike, and Laurie Deitemeyer set off on foot for the Davis Square Red Line station. Their goal: to see who could be first "to work" in Kendall Square, Cambridge, without breaking any laws.

"It's going to be a tight one, but I predict that I'm going to get there first," said cyclist Zisson, an attorney who advocates for bike safety on his bikesafeboston.com website. Zisson was undeterred by Google Maps estimates that put cycling time for the route - mostly along Beacon and Cambridge streets - at nearly twice the travel time by car. "Google's

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Josh Zisson (the cyclist), Laurie Deitemeyer (the T-rider) and Ken Carlson (the motorist) get set to race from Davis Square to Kendall Square on different modes of transportation during Monday morning rush hour.

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NEWTALK

Don't forget the Somerville High Scholarship Foundation's annual fundraiser this Friday evening at the Somerville High School Café over by the gym. There are lots of prizes along with the big prize of \$10K on \$100 tickets. You can show up Friday, May 18, at 7 p.m. and buy your ticket, especially if you feel lucky. We will be there since the roots of the foundation go way back to the beginning with The News founder Bob Publicover and present Publisher Donald Norton on the original committees.

This coming Tuesday morning the Government Affairs committee of the Somerville Chamber of Commerce is hosting it new start up Breakfast at the Holiday Inn off Washington Street. This month's guest speaker is Michael Glavin, who is the Executive Director of the Office Strategic Planning and Community Development. Chamber members \$25. Non-members \$30. For reservations contact by email smackey@somervillechamber.org.

Then, on the same night across the street, Candidate for Registrar of Deeds, Maryann Heuston, is having a fundraiser "campaign kick-off event" hosted by the present Registrar of Deeds, our own and popular Gene Brune. Next Tuesday evening, May 22, 6-8 p.m. at the Somerville City Club. Maryann is working very hard for the seat being vacated by Gene, so she's hoping a lot of locals will show up and show their support for her.

The Somerville Police Department is offering a self-defense course for women coming up on June 5, 7, 12 and 14 at the Police Academy room down at the station. Call the police number for more details, but we understand it might be a free self-defense course.

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TheSomervilleNews.com Comments of the Week

Response to *Intolerance and arson*

Annie Jo says:

Controlling immigration, Illegal or Legal, is not intolerance, it is the right of every sovereign nation. This constant attack, on America and our U.S. citizens, as being intolerant, xenophobic, racist, or whatever other Anti-American bigoted slur, haters use, is intolerant hatred.

We have over 310,000,000 U.S. citizens. It is not 200 years, ago. We have the right, to say, enough is enough. It is no ones human right, to come to our nation. Each and every single person, in the world, has a country. The one, they are in. You can help your neighbor, without them moving into your home, and destroying your home. It is better, that our neighbors, stay in their homes (countries) and we help them, to become self-sufficient, there.

Our American children, have the same equal rights, as those in other countries. The right to their own, sovereign nation and homeland. This country has been won with the blood and sacrifice of Americans, and we have the right to preserve it, for our descendants.

Bonnie Burke says:

Very good article. I am a CT native, but lived in Somerville and Medford from 1987-2002. before I lived in Somerville, I had never heard about the burning of the convent. It appears that people never learn, do they? It's very disheartening at times.

Thank goodness for people like Edward Cutter.

I am sharing your article.

Winter Hill Barney says:

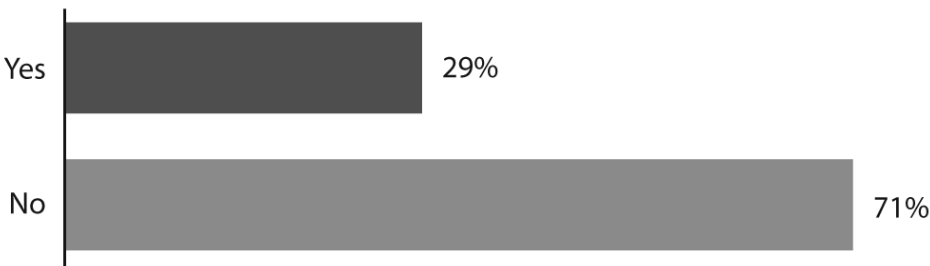
Very interesting history. I can't see that it has any relevance to the issue of illegal immigration, though.

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TheSomervilleNews.com poll of the week

In addition to breaking news, sports and opinion, TheSomervilleNews.com also features a daily poll in which you, the reader, tell us where you come down on local issues. Last week's poll concerned your views on whether or not you think the Head-Out Angled Parking Pilot to be implemented on Bow St. will be successful. If you don't agree with the results, simply log onto TheSomervilleNews.com.

Do you think the Head-Out Angled Parking Pilot to be implemented on Bow St will be successful?



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Boston MPO approves funding for Route 16 GLX stop

By Jeremy F. van der Heiden

For years now, the City of Somerville, along with representatives of several other areas in the eastern region of Massachusetts, have fought to expand the Green Line further to reach more residents. Mayor Joseph Curtatone recently announced a victory for this battle, applauding the Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization's (MPO) decision to approve a substantial piece of funding for this transportation project.

According to a release from the Mayor's office, the MPO recently approved \$8.1 million worth of funding to go toward the research, development and construction of a Rt. 16 Green Line stop as part of the Green Line Extension Project (GLX). The vote, nineteen to two in favor of the project, was in support of Governor Deval Patrick's desire to make this part of the state's Federal Fiscal Years 2013-2016 Transportation Improvement Project (TIP).

Communications from Massachusetts State Representative Carl Sciortino, 34th Middlesex District, indicate that last year officials were able to establish the project's foothold in the 2016-2020 Federal Fiscal Years TIP. The recent decision, made at a Boston MPO April 19 meeting, will expedite the project and boast many rewards for those currently living in the target region.

After getting word that the aforementioned meeting might be an integral moment for the success or failure of the project, Representative Sciortino declared a call to action to attend the meeting and exhibit support of the GLX's Rt. 16 project. Had the most recent decision not been made in its favor, Sciortino believed that it would have been much harder to keep the project alive down the road when the 2016 fiscal year rolled around. Additionally, this would have halted the important developmental operations that must be carried out to solidify the plan, such as further research of the area, surveying of the land, and more.

Had the decision not gone this way, it might have served a finishing blow to the

Route 16 extension, as the project, legally, had viewed College Avenue as the terminus. The MPO's approval sealed the Route 16 stop as one with the entire GLX project, as opposed to a separate project to be created at the overarching programs completion. Many involved believed it would likely never happen if talks would not resume until around 2016.

"It's important to remember that the Route 16 stop was originally planned to be the terminus because it is ideal," Representative Sciortino explained. "It's located in an incredibly dense neighborhood at the intersection of Somerville, Medford, and Arlington, right on the Route 16, Alewife Brook and Mystic River biking-pedestrian pathway, which will be a feature of the stop."

"The land use at that location has incredible economic development potential, and integrating it into the plan generates revenue back into the area, potentially funding more affordable housing for the neighborhood," he continued.

Representative Sciortino knew that by keeping consistent and strong pressure on the Boston MPO, as well as showing the huge amount of support for the project that has been around since the beginning of the GLX talks, the region could come out with a victory. He also explained that this was a group effort by a variety of departments and individuals, and expressed his gratitude for these parties' resolve.

Mayor Curtatone, a key player in this public triumph, described how the Route 16 stop will impact residents across the state.

"This is a project with incredible environmental benefits and for our quality of life, and also has a huge economic upside for the entire Commonwealth, creating tens of thousands of net new jobs and millions of dollars in new revenue," he explained.

Additionally, Mayor Curtatone noted the strength of those he works with, across the region, to accomplish this goal.

"The whole delegation has been strong advocates and are great partners to work with on this particular project. It was also impressive to have so many members



The Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization is helping to push through plans to include the proposed GLX stop for Route 16.

of the public from Arlington, Somerville, Cambridge and Medford coming out, as they have so many times, to support the Green Line Extension," he said.

The Mayor expressed his gratitude for the MPO's endorsement as well as the support from MassDOT, and explained that he and the entirety of the delegation

will continue to fight to ensure the project's successful completion.

The project is now in the public hearing phase, while the final hearing regarding the decision will occur before month's end. More information on this project can be found at the City of Somerville's website: <http://www.somervillema.gov/>

Person of the Week



Meet Frank Senesi, lifelong resident of Somerville, who lives, works, and raised his family here. Frank is married to Cathy, who is also from Somerville. Both are from East Somerville on the Charlestown line. Frank recently retired as Director of Veterans Services. When he took over the job he took it to the next level. He is truly a great Somerville resident who brought back the Memorial Day parade to a level of excellence not seen in this city in decades. He was personally instrumental in making sure veterans who served our country in many wars and conflicts were recognized here in the city. In his capacity as Director he was all over the city and when a dedication was being planned he made sure it went off with ease, making the family members proud of their relative's service to their country and to Somerville. Frank and Cathy are seen all over the city even now in retirement, probably helping out his replacement. And what shoes that guy has to fill with Frank being on the job. Mayor Joe Curtatone made a wise choice in selecting Frank years ago when he first became mayor and the job opened up. Personally, Frank is a real nice guy, smiles a lot and is also cheerful and respectful when listening to people. He is, in our opinion, another great choice as Person of the Week here in Somerville. We know he won't just retire but will remain active in many of the things going on throughout the city. So, if you see him say "Hi" and thank him for his dedication to the city and to all the veterans here.

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THE WEEK IN CRIME

By Jim Clark

Random assault and vandalism investigated

Police were called to the parking lot at 111 South St. last week on reports of fighting in progress at that location.

Upon arrival, officers were informed by the reporting party that he was chasing a man who had just physically assaulted him and vandalized his car. The man reportedly said that he and a friend had chased an individual to the nearby La Hacienda Restaurant.

Police checked the restaurant and found a man fitting the alleged victim's description inside the back kitchen area. At the man's feet was a black jacket with a white pentagram design on the back. A rounded piece of wood was found inside the jacket, police said.

The alleged victim reportedly told police that he and his friend had been accosted by a group of four men as they were talking, one of which was the suspect found at the La Hacienda Restaurant. He said that the men smashed windows of his friend's car and that he was also struck with a club by the man being held by police.

The alleged victim further stated that three of the four assailants get into a vehicle and drove away, but that one of the men had been left behind and that is when the alleged victim and his friend chased the man to the restaurant.

Based on witness testimony and that of the alleged victim police placed the man found in the restaurant, Daniel Nelligan, 23, of Whitman, under arrest and charged him with assault and battery with a dangerous weapon and malicious damage to a motor vehicle.

Police chase down juvenile car theft suspect

A reported stolen motor vehicle brought police officers to Temple Street last week to investigate the complaint.

As police arrived they observed the alleged victim pointing to a young man and shouting, "That's him, that's him. The guy in the red shorts, he was operating my stolen Grand Caravan, get him."

Police spotted the young man in question, along with a companion. As the two approached the officers they were ordered to stop for questioning but instead took off running in opposite directions, police said.

Officers immediately gave chase by foot and a description of the suspect was radioed to other units in the vicinity, according to reports.

The young man accused of the vehicle theft became the primary subject of the pursuit and he was reportedly chased through several backyards along Heath Street and Langmaid Avenue before recklessly crossing over the median strip directly in front of the Citizens Bank located at 330 Broadway.

The suspect reportedly climbed over several chain link fences throughout the area in an attempt to evade police.

At one point, police report that the suspect had climbed over a fence but landed on a wooden seat swing, destroying it in the process. It was at this Howe St. location that police caught up with the suspect as he hid in the backyard of the residence.

The suspect, identified as a 15 year-old, was taken into custody after an initial attempt was made to flee once more.

The suspect was charged with receiving a stolen motor vehicle, defacing property, receiving a stolen credit card, disorderly conduct, and resisting arrest.

SOMERVILLE POLICE CRIME LOG

Arrests:

Craig Stewart, 33, of 149 Windsor St., Cambridge, May 7, 9:06 a.m., arrested at 14 McGrath Hwy. on warrant charges of destruction of property over \$250, operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license, and assault and battery.

Jesse Robbins, 29, of 32 Baldpate Rd., Georgetown, May 7, 9:10 a.m., arrested at Blakeley Ave. on a warrant charge of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

Mary Ann Huff, 27, of 120 Capen St., Medford, May 7, 4:08 p.m., arrested at 111 South St. on a charge of abuse prevention order violation.

A juvenile, May 8, 3:50 p.m., arrested at 256 Elm St. on charges of disorderly conduct and resisting arrest.

Susan Carroll, 50, of 270 Washington St., May 8, 5:05 p.m., arrested at 47 Webster Ave. on charges of disorderly conduct and resisting arrest.

Debra Higgins, 45, of 11 Dresden Cir., May 8, 6:02 p.m., arrested at 225 Elm St. on warrant charges of number plate violation to conceal, uninsured motor vehicle, and unregistered motor vehicle.

Daniel Nelligan, 23, of 39 Indian Trail, Whitman, May 9, 11:37 a.m., arrested at 111 South St. on charges of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon and malicious damage to a motor vehicle.

A juvenile, May 9, 11:46 a.m., arrested at 15 Howe St. on charges of receiving a stolen motor vehicle, defacing property, receiving a stolen credit card, disorderly conduct, and resisting arrest.

Michael Hasberry, 48, of 625 Morton St., Mattapan, May 9, 2:09 p.m., arrested at 75 Mystic Ave. on a charge of larceny over \$250.

Natalia Silva, 25, of 10 Lincoln St., Medford, May 9, 6:17 p.m., arrested at 503A Medford St. on a charge of sexual conduct for a fee.

Dwayne Rose, 42, of 141 Pearl St., May 10, 12:58 a.m., arrested at 220 Washington St. on charges of assault and battery, rape, and assault with a dangerous weapon.

Elisha Siegel, 29, of 29 Inman St., Cambridge, May 10, 4:55 a.m., arrested at 40 Central St. on a charge of operating a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor.

Jason Souza, 29, of 90 Decatur St., Charlestown, May 10, 10:17 a.m., arrested at McGrath Hwy. on a warrant charge of unarmed robbery.

Christopher Hicks, 23, of 55 Columbia St., Cambridge, May 10, 1:15 p.m., arrested at 35A Memorial Rd. on charges of violation of city ordinance open container and resisting arrest.

Mark Spatafore, 48, of 1753 Broadway, Saugus, May 10, 6:03 p.m., arrested at Broadway on warrant charges of operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license, failure to stop or yield, and miscellaneous equipment violation.

Oscar Hernandez-Rivera, 24, of 291 Eustis St., Roxbury, May 12, 2:08 p.m., arrested at 22 McGrath Hwy. on a charge of shoplifting by asportation.

Incidents:

Theft:

May 8, 1:31 p.m., police reported a theft at 245 Elm St.

May 8, 3:54 p.m., police reported a theft at Broadway.

May 9, 6:10 a.m., police reported a theft at Inner Belt Rd.

May 9, 10:49 a.m., police reported a theft at Hudson St.

May 9, 11:31 a.m., police reported a theft at 0 Davis Sq.

May 9, 1:09 p.m., police reported a theft at 75 Mystic Ave.

May 10, 8:24 a.m., police reported a theft at Browning Rd.

May 10, 8:43 p.m., police reported a theft at 256 Elm St.

May 10, 11:54 p.m., police reported a theft at 165 Middlesex Ave.

May 11, 12:28 p.m., police reported a theft at 1 Davis Sq.

May 11, 3:49 p.m., police reported a theft at 701 Somerville Ave.

May 11, 6:43 p.m., police reported a theft at 400 Somerville Ave.

May 11, 8:55 p.m., police reported a theft at Central St.

May 12, 2:08 p.m., police reported a theft at 22 McGrath Hwy.

May 12, 8:09 p.m., police reported a theft at Pearson Rd.

May 12, 10:48 p.m., police reported a theft at Jaques St.

May 14, 10:26 a.m., police reported a theft at 191 Highland Ave.

May 14, 12:27 a.m., police reported a theft at Holland St.

Robbery:

May 8, 12:18 p.m., police reported a robbery at Alewife Brook Pky.

May 10, 10:48 p.m., police reported a robbery at Grant St.

May 12, 9:39 p.m., police reported a robbery at Hudson St.

May 13, 4:16 p.m., police reported a robbery at Mystic Ave.

Breaking & Entering:

May 9, 6:02 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Summer St.

May 9, 8:44 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Chandler St.

May 11, 8:46 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering at 372 Mystic Ave.

May 12, 11:51 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Broadway.

Vehicle Theft:

May 9, 6:14 a.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Albion St.

May 9, 11:46 a.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Howe St.

May 10, 11:53 a.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Columbia St.

May 11, 10:04 a.m., police reported a vehicle theft at River Rd.

May 14, 10:25 a.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Broadway.

May 14, 1:39 p.m., police reported a vehicle theft at McGrath Hwy.

May 14, 1:40 p.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Central St.

May 14, 9:11 p.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Jaques St.

Assault:

May 9, 11:37 a.m., police reported an assault at 111 South St.

May 9, 2:35 p.m., police reported an assault at Windsor Pl.

May 14, 12:26 a.m., police reported an assault at 258 Broadway.

May 14, 8:11 a.m., police reported an assault at Canal La.

May 14, 8:15 a.m., police reported an assault at Heath St.

Drug Violation:

May 10, 6:03 p.m., police reported a drug violation at Broadway.

A New England building archetype

By Amanda Rhodes

Around 25 people gathered on a beautiful Mother's Day to find out more about an icon of New England architecture and to celebrate National Preservation Month. The Somerville Museum hosted the lecture, entitled *The Menace of the Three-Decker: The History and Architecture of a New England Icon* by Dr. Stuart Brorson, an electronics and systems engineer with an avid interest in architecture. He and his wife are heavily involved with the Arlington Historical Society, where they are members.

The triple-decker of today was originally called the three-decker and was named after a warship that had three rows of guns. The structures were built in New England during the 1870's - 1920's. It was an important housing option for Boston and its suburb communities, including Somerville. The typical three-decker is a building with three one-story apartments on top of one another, with balconies off the back and often on the front of the apartments as well. The detached buildings were economical and served as entry-level apartments meant to be a steppingstone for immigrants and newcomers. Often extended families would share a three-decker, with the oldest family members living on the bottom floor.

At the time of its development, the country was mired in a progressive movement comprised of various social movements aimed at reforming the social ills of the time. Sanitation and housing reform were key areas that needed improvement. Although there were no zoning laws at the time, the overcrowding of tenements in cities led to regulations being

developed. Three-decker apartment buildings allowed builders to construct residences without complying with tenement guidelines, the most influential being that a building was a tenement if it housed more than three families. The apartments were also an improvement from the tenements that created health and sanitation issues in a crowded urban fabric.

This new style was a natural evolution from the two-story building with a mansard roof. By providing a full story on the top floor, landlords could rent an additional apartment for more rental income. The apartments appealed to the residents' growing aspirations for a middle-class life by including detailed woodwork, cornice details, beautiful entryways, and glasswork. Many of the three-deckers also included generous daylight by including bay windows. Often, they also provided china cabinets to display the new amenities of middle-class life.

Although the three-decker appeared to be an ideal housing situation, many community leaders were against them and fought hard to ban and eliminate them. As Dr. Brorson mentioned, he read many newspaper articles from the early 20th century that indicated the level of concern over this building type. One major concern was fire. Large parts of Boston, Salem, and Chelsea were destroyed by fire and there was concern that these buildings were constructed too close to each other and that the wood frame construction would lead to dangerous fires. There was also great concern over the moral denigration of the kinds of people who lived in these structures, primarily immigrants. Long-time residents complained about trash



A typical three-decker off Highland Ave.

and living conditions in the apartments, as well as their property values.

Beginning in 1912, housing acts began changed the rules and made three-decker apartments cost-prohibitive and challenging. Eventually the affordability and popularity of the automobile allowed residents to move further into the suburbs and three-deckers were no longer built.

Today, the style is again popular and the buildings are being restored and even emulated in

new construction. The style that is unique to New England is reemerging and providing those same opportunities for growing families. As Dr. Brorson said, "what's not to like about a three-decker?"

This is just one event honoring National Preservation Month. The Somerville Museum is holding many other events. To find out more information, visit the website at <http://somerville-museum.org/>.

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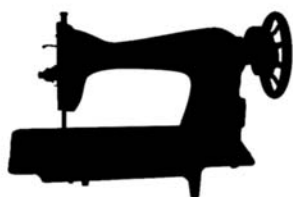


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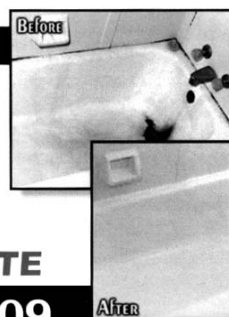
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PorchFest 2012: Coming to a porch near you

By Cathleen Twardzik

The second Somerville PorchFest will occur on May 19 from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. The fest will feature musicians and bands, and it will celebrate and utilize an underused public venue: The porch. A rain date of May 20 is set.

Three time slots for performances are based on three quadrants of the city: East to Walnut Street will occur from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m., Walnut Street to Willow Avenue will occur from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., and west of Willow Avenue will finish the day from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

This year, more than 85 acts, which range from Bollywood funk, to cosmic Americana, to killer blues, to Afrobeat, to Moroccan, to Balkan, to American space rock, to clawhammer banjo, and even to a video game tribute, will serenade passersby from porches throughout Somerville.

For more than 10 years, Tom Bianchi of the Baker Thomas Band has been doing The Burren Back-room Music Series in Davis Square. His band, the Baker Thomas Band, will perform at PorchFest at 2 p.m. at 12 Warwick St.

Bianchi plays bass and sings all of the songs. "The band is a big ol' party band, including drums, guitars, strings and horns." Why

did he decide to participate in the fest this year? "Why not? I did it last year and it was a great time," said Bianchi.

The people who run PorchFest created the ambitious musical event in 2011. The idea was inspired by individuals who sit on their porches and hear a neighbor strumming a guitar on their porch. This is not a festival per se, but rather a community event, at which Somerville residents will share their love of playing and listening to music. Attendees are welcome to sing along with a live band for a Porch-i-oke.

PorchFest originated in Ithaca, NY, four years ago. When Nancy Goodman of Somerville discovered that event, she thought that Somerville should partake. She contacted the Somerville Arts Council last year, and the process took off rapidly.

Goodman decided to start PorchFest here because, "It seemed like a natural for Somerville. We have a lot of musicians, here, and certainly, porches. It seemed like a good fit."

There were 35 people at the initial planning meeting, and 75 musicians and acts registered to perform for the inaugural event in 2011.

The fest "seemed like a great, decentralized way to showcase



Y'all come back now, ya hear? — to the second Somerville PorchFest, that is, this coming Saturday.

the large music talent in the city," said Gregory Jenkins, Executive Director of the Somerville Arts Council. "It provides a forum for folks to just play music for neighbors and friends. It's more about the joy of sharing music than the production of music," he said.

In the future, PorchFest may add more amateurs, more multi-generational groups and families and more youth and seniors.

If you are a musician and would like to participate, as well as to be listed on the online map, then create a Somerville Arts Council (SAC) user account.

Individuals who are interested in registering are encouraged to include a good written description of their band, a photo, an mp3 and a website. This information will appear on each participant's individual PorchFest profile.

To see a full lineup of acts, to register to perform at the event, or to view the online map, visit, www.somervilleartscouncil.org/porchFest.

Additionally, the map allows

people to watch the vast array of music, as well as porches, increase in number. To experience that, click on each band's name to access detailed profiles, or click on an address to highlight various locations on the map.

"Chris Mancini of the Pennies worked on the Google online map and listing last year. This

year, we updated our Web site, so the bands could post/register on their own," said Jenkins.

The event was curated by the Somerville Arts Council and Mayor Curtatone.

Interested individuals may contact Nancy Goodman, Originator of Somerville PorchFest, at (617) 501-8543.



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Head-Out Angled Parking may make things go a lot smoother on Somerville's streets - or not.

The View From Prospect Hill



New ideas are sometimes difficult to embrace with an attitude of acceptance and an expectation of successful results. We are most comfortable with the familiar. Most at ease with the routine. Breaking old habits can sometimes be a hard thing to deal with. Such is human nature.

The Head-Out Angled Park-

ing program, currently underway as a pilot test on Bow St., represents a good example of something that may look good on paper or ring well in our ears when touted by proponents, but in the end may take some serious getting used to by local residents and by visitors to our fair city.

Let's face it, we are accus-

tomed to approaching a parking space head-on, giving little extra thought whether or not we should face in, out, up, down, or sideways. This new variation adds a little wrinkle into the process and, therefore, taxes our cognitive abilities at just the most inopportune moment: when we've reached our destination

and just want to stop, get out, feed the meter, and be on our way. Oh, the humanity.

It does seem like a somewhat odd maneuver, backing into the parking space. But we do this in other circumstances, don't we? Backing into a driveway, for example. It can't be that difficult, after all.

Proponents of this scheme

claim that the program will create more parking spaces, improve safety for vehicles, pedestrians and cyclists, and is easier to perform than traditional parallel parking.

All we can do is give it a fair test and see how it goes. Here's hoping that our brave test pilots will come through their trials A-OK.

News Talk CONT. FROM PG 2

One of our senators here from Somerville (small but vocal part of the city), Sal DiDomenico, who is also co-chair on the Committee on Community Development and Small Businesses, is sponsoring "Small Business Week" - beginning with a Small Business Resource Fair on Wednesday, May 23, from 9 to 11 at the Great Hall of Flags, the State House. You can call Sen. Sal DiDomenico's office for more details.

Our sincere condolences to both Ray and Gayle Doane who recently lost their son Ray Douglas Doane, who passed away this past week. Our deepest sympathy to the family and all that knew him. He was a great young man and son.

Happy Anniversary to our good friends Tom and Barbara Carli of Carli Fence, which was started here in Somerville. They are celebrating 31 years of wedded bliss. We wish them many more.

We are very pleased to see Bert Gay around the city lately. He's gone through a lot of surgery and hospital stays but has

bounced back and is looking well.

Big Time Happy Birthdays to some of our fans as well as famous 'Villens. To Melissa Hurley, wife of our own Alderman At Large Dennis Sullivan. We wish her happy birthday. Also, to newcomer and great guy, a recent graduate of MIT, Brian Whally. How can we miss the well known attorney Edwin Smith who is also celebrating his birthday this week? Scott Diamond is celebrating his birthday this week as well. And Mark Macleod of the famous East Somerville MacLeod family. A great young man who has grown up and we hear is now a family man of his own. Robyn Vaillant is celebrating this week as well. Megan Foster, who used to serve on the School Board from Ward 5 and is now a teacher over in Malden, also celebrates this week.

Back home and resting this week from Mass General is Patti Norton, who will be back to MGH this Thursday for day surgery, one of several being planned over the next several weeks. She wants to let everyone know that your thoughts

and prayers sent to her were well received and she thanks everyone.

Some very lucky people here in the 'Ville received that special invitation to Bob and Dave's wedding on June 17, a special day for both of them. You can spot Bob around the city now. He's up and in good spirits and health. We recently found him at the Armory Coffee Caf .

OMG, how are some parents supposed to afford their children's Somerville High School portrait photos for graduation? We heard that the local photographer who's contracted to take the photos is charging up to almost \$700 plus for student portrait packages. You would think in this economy that this local photographer would get it. Someone who has had this sweetheart of a deal for many years here in the 'Ville should have a heart and do the right thing by lowering his outrageously inflated prices so that some cash strapped parents can afford their children's 2012 class portraits without selling the farm. Not to mention the up to \$75 sitting fees! Wow!

The City of Somerville is seeking craft vendors, musicians, performance artists, dancers, visual artists, storytellers and other creative artists to participate in SomerStreets, one of the area's largest public events where we close the streets to cars and open them to residents for walking, cycling, running, etc. The 2012 schedule is: Carnaval on East Broadway: Sunday, June 3, Temple Street to Pennsylvania Avenue; Seize the Summer: Sunday, July 29, Walnut Street to Cedar Street; Going Green on Rt. 16: Sunday, August 19, Dilboy Field to Broadway; Rolling on the Mystic: Saturday, September 15, Location TBD; Monster-Mashed Up on Somerville Avenue: Sunday, October 28th, Washington Street to Beacon Street. Events are noon-4:00 p.m. and are rain or shine. For more information or vendor applications, please visit <http://www.somervillema.gov/alerts/2012-somerstreets-series> or contact Carlene Campbell-Hegarty, Director of Community Relations at ccampbell@somervillema.gov or (617) 625-6600 ext. 2615.

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Why we like bikes



By Joseph A. Curtatone

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This is supposed to be Bike to Work Week, but they plan these things ahead of time not knowing what the weather will be. It has been a little too wet and miserable this week for many to consider riding a bike to work every day.

Yet this is why in Somerville we pay more attention to bicycling than just during one week or month of the year. We've all surely noticed the increasing number of cyclists on the roads these days.

The world has changed. More and more, people ride bicycles to get around. And complaining about it or ignoring it is not going to stop it from happening. From here to end of your life motorists will be sharing the road with large numbers of bicycles.

Yet we also see a number of benefits from all these bikes out on the roads. So I want to explain why we care about bicycling.

We care about bicycling because our residents ride bicycles. More than 40% of our city are young adults aged 21-35 and roughly 30% is foreign born. These are two populations that frequently ride a bicycle for ba-

sic transportation. The expense and hassle of a car does not appeal to them. Instead they try to live close to where they work so they can get there on two wheels or via public transportation, sometimes a mix of both. As a Mayor, it is a basic public safety issue to make sure they are not in harm's way on our streets. That is why we are increasing our network of bike lanes up to 30 miles this year.

We care about bicycling because we are committed to building a health-conscious city. We do not just pay lip service to healthy living; we consider it in everything we do in city government. In order for people to get out the door to play and exercise, they need places to play and exercise. If you can bike to work or to school, or while running your errands, that makes exercise part of your normal routine. And healthier people tend to be

happier and more productive. If a little bit of planning on our part can help people be happier and more productive, then shame on us if we don't do it.

We care about bicycling because it is good for the environment. Every time you see a bicycle on the road, that is one less car burning fuel and spewing exhaust into the atmosphere. It also means one less car to back up traffic, causing even more fuel to be burned and more exhaust to be spewed. And don't even get me started on noise pollution. I'm not saying cars are bad and bicycles are good, but if you want fresher air, less background noise and cleaner rivers then riding a bike is one way to help get us there.

We care about bicycling because it is good for local business. A measure of the relative economic health of Davis Square during the recent reces-

sion was all of the bicycles parked at various locations in that area. When you bring in bikes, you bring in people with them. Bicycles are a feature of an active, livable community, the kind of place people frequent and spend lots of time. If you own a business, that is exactly where you want to be located. As we extend the Community Path, institute municipal bike sharing and open up new T stations (which will act as nerve centers for bicycle activity), cycling will flourish all around the city, making Somerville an even better place to do business.

We want businesses to invest and flourish in this community, and cycling is an excellent method of delivering people to your business' front door. At the end of the day, bicycling keeps us fit, helps improve the environment and improves the local business climate.

On The Silly Side by Jimmy Del Ponte

Hotel motel time!



That was one of the phrases Johnny used to use when it was closing time at the Embassy Lounge at 524 Somerville Ave.

"Drink 'em up! Come on. Let's go. I don't care where ya go but ya can't stay here, you follow me?" I am going to mention as many old bars and lounges as I can recall, with the help of my friends. This will not be an all inclusive list, just as many as we can recall. I am not including some current bars because they already get enough publicity but you know where they are. This is by no means a complete list. I wish I knew what all the old bar names were, but we have done our best. I am going on memory and hearsay!

If you think there are a lot of busy bars/restaurants in Somerville now, you should have been around in their heyday! Just for starters, Redbones on Chester Street used to be known as Barnaby's. Before that it was the Coronet. The old fashioned Somerville barroom had a special feel. The cast of regulars were the stuff sitcoms are made of. There were many characters and lots of distinct personalities. All smoking was done inside so when you left one of those joints, your

clothes were saturated with a potpourri of aromas. One might have said that you smelled like an ashtray. You reeked of Lucky Strikes, Camels, Pall Malls, and booze and it was hard to deny that you had been in a "gin mill." That was what my dad called Pat Connolly's in Davis Square. I can still hear him saying, that he was going down the gin mill. Pat's became Mahoney's and then Sligo. I remember 25-cent draft beers in the Rosebud. We would hit it near closing. The aforementioned Embassy Lounge on Somerville Ave is now China Delight. Before it was The Embassy it was Smitty's. It became Sky Bar for a while also. Down the street near Union Square where Choices is now was a rock club known as Jasper's. Rock and Roll had come to the 'Ville!

To be a real joint in Somerville, there had to be a big jar of pickled eggs behind the bar. I never actually saw anyone eat one. Rudy's in Teele Square used to be Art and Bob's and The Jumbo (with Brothers Four) was on the side where Amelia's Kitchen and that new Indian Restaurant are now. The Genoa was near the corner of North Street and Broadway and there are condos there now. Markys was near there also. To be honest, I thought Markys was the Genoa because,

as I said, who can remember? A lot of my memories are fuzzy. Feel free to correct me. The Railside, Pine Tree, Venice, Johnny D's, and The Gaslight were on Holland Street.

The bartenders ruled the roost. They were behind the bar and could shut off patrons whenever they seemed fit. I fondly remember, The Skipper, Uncle Paul, Paul H, Ricky S, Sweet Lou, Koo Koo Charlie, Franny D, and Uncle Louie, to name a few. I saw one bartender holding an unruly patron over his head like he was wrestling star Bruno Sammartino getting ready to toss and opponent out of the ring. No names! One bartender/manager used to keep a Louisville slugger behind the bar. If any clientele got unruly he would grab the bat and sternly ask if they would like to "go a few innings?" We had a variety of lovely barmaid/waitresses too. There was Jo Anne, Gail, Marie, Grace, and Gale just to name a few.

Daley's Bucket of Blood was where The Somerville Holiday Inn is now. Across from The Hess Station on Washington St. was Parker Tavern and The Royal Café on the Somerville Charlestown line. The Shady Tree Pub was on Washington Street near Lincoln Park Community School. The Abbyfield Café was on

Beacon St. and Marshal Hall was at the corner of Marshall and Broadway. The 318 Lounge became Pal Joey's, (Crusher Casey's) and El Cid's. There was The Continental on Somerville Ave, the Town House, The Glendore in Union Sq, and Pareses (spelling?) on Washington St. Ball Square had Deco's, Obrien's and the Willow. The Shady Hill was on Washington St.

Anyone who frequented any of those joints will have tons of unbelievable stories. Sit down with them and let them tell you about the days when a bar was a bar. There weren't 100 different fancy "brews" but there were hundreds of colorful characters. Those of us who were there are lucky. It was a golden age to be sure. There may be a lot of bars in the 'Ville now, but the flavor and atmosphere of those days of high balls and boilermakers will never return. They will live on forever in the "ginmills" of our minds.

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

Our Legislators in the House and Senate for Somerville:



Rep. Denise Provost

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



Rep. Carl Sciortino

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



Rep. Timothy Toomey

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



Sen. Sal DiDomenico

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

7, ward 22, precincts 1, 2 and 5, Chelsea and Revere, ward 6, in the county of Suffolk; and Saugus, precincts 2, 6 and 10, in the county of Essex.



Sen. Patricia Jehlen

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

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET INCLUDING ALLOWING BAKE SALES IN SCHOOLS (H 4079)

House 147-4, Senate 34-0, approved slightly different version of a \$72 million fiscal 2012 supplemental budget to pay expenses for the current fiscal year. Both branches later agreed on a version and sent it to Gov. Deval Patrick.

Provisions in both versions include \$27 million to provide legal representation to indigent persons in criminal and civil court cases, \$11 million for the Department of Transitional Assistance (Welfare Department) for supplemental security income programs for the aged and disabled, \$6 million for youth-at-risk programs targeted at reducing juvenile delinquency in high-risk areas and to fund \$27 million for family shelters and congregate emergency housing programs.

Another key provision allows local cities and towns to decide whether to adopt the new Department of Public Health regulations that prohibit schools from selling non-nutritional snacks like cupcakes, cookies and brownies at booster sales, concession stands and other school-sponsored or school-related fundraisers and events. Gov. Patrick later expressed his support for the Legislature's local option amendment. Later, the Department of Public Health announced it would adopt amendments at its June meeting that would remove the ban on selling the treats at bake sales and other school-sponsored events.

Supporters said the package is fiscally responsible and funds necessary programs including several that are running out of money. They noted banning bake sales would hurt school groups and organizations that depend on them for their extracurricular activities, uniforms and equipment.

Opponents offered no arguments. (A "Yes" vote is for the budget. A "No" vote is against the budget.)

Rep. Denise Provost	Yes
Rep. Carl Sciortino	Yes
Rep. Timothy Toomey	Yes
Sen. Sal DiDomenico	Yes
Sen. Patricia Jehlen	Yes

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

EXPAND ROLE OF OPTOMETRISTS (S 2249) - The Senate approved and sent to the House a bill al-

lowing optometrists in Massachusetts to treat glaucoma. Another key provision allows optometrists who meet certain education requirements and pass an exam to use and prescribe some oral and topical medications for the treatment of eye disease.

Supporters said the Bay State is the only state in the nation that does not allow optometrists to treat glaucoma.

AVOID FORECLOSURES (H 1219) - The Committee on Financial Services has recommended passage of a bill prohibiting banks from pursuing foreclosure on a homeowner unless it has first taken "reasonable steps and good faith efforts to avoid foreclosure." A key provision requires the bank to offer a modified loan to the borrower if it is more profitable than the amount the bank would recover through foreclosure. The measure also requires banks to produce documentation that they are the legal holders of the mortgage before foreclosing.

FREE PARKING FOR HANDICAPPED (H 4059) - The Committee on Transportation will hold a hearing on May 29 on legislation that would prohibit cities and towns from charging disabled veterans and handicapped persons for parking in municipal parking facilities.

AMBULANCE COSTS (H 3917) - The House approved and sent to the Senate a bill that would prohibit insurance companies from sending checks directly to the policyholder for out-of-network private ambulance rides rather than to the ambulance company.

This practice of paying the policyholder directly was started in 2011 by Blue Cross Blue Shield (BCBS) as part of a plan to force ambulance companies to chase the consumer for payment. The goal was to pressure out-of-network ambulance companies to sign contracts with BCBS that would force the ambulance companies to accept the typically reduced reimbursement rates offered by BCBS.

SALES TAX ON INTERNET SALES - A bill backed by local retailers and unions that would impose the state's 6.25 percent sales tax on many goods consumers buy on the Internet has not moved since it was given a favorable report by the Revenue Committee is August. Currently, Internet companies are exempt from collecting the tax under a 1992 U.S. Supreme Court ruling that Internet retailers only have to charge sales tax in states in which they have a "physical presence."

The bill would expand the definition of physical presence to include some 5,000 affiliates, with physical offices in Massachusetts, that are associated with online retailers. This would result in these retailers being required to collect the sales tax.

Supporters of imposing the tax say retailers in Massachusetts are losing millions of dollars in annual sales and the state is missing out on millions in tax revenue. They argue consumers often go to brick-and-mortar retail stores to see items and then buy them on the Internet in order to get a lower price and also save the sales tax.

Opponents say imposing the tax on Internet sales will simply result in many of the 5,000 affiliates closing up shop in Massachusetts and the loss of many jobs.

If signed into law, the bill would not take effect in Massachusetts and 24 others states that have passed similar bills, unless the U.S. Congress approves legislation

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allowing states to impose the tax.

FLAGS AT HALF MAST (H 1749) - A bill that would require the state flag to be flown at half mast annually on September 11 in memory of the thousands who perished on that date has been stuck in the Bills in Third Reading Committee since the House gave it initial approval on December 15. The same bill last year was given initial approval by the House but it remained in a House committee and eventually died.

QUOTABLE QUOTES - Special Same-Sex Marriage Edition

President Obama expressed his support for same-sex marriage, reversing the position he took against it during the 2008 presidential election campaign, which reversed his 1996 position supporting it during his run for the Illinois Senate.

“It’s hard to imagine anything more significant to the marriage equality movement than the most powerful leader in the world declaring his support for the right to marry for all Americans. It’s a powerful affirmation before the country and world of the basic human dignity of same-sex couples and their families.” – *MassEquality Executive Director Kara Suffredini.*

“It would appear that this is nothing more than an election year change designed to shore up support from one of his core liberal constituencies and one that has deep pockets.” – *Massachusetts Family Institute President Kris Mineau.*

“President Obama has once again affirmed that we are a country that stands for the basic values of equality and opportunity ... The President’s words today give same-sex couples across the country still awaiting those rights a powerful reason to feel hopeful.” – *Gov. Patrick.*

“My position is the same on gay marriage as it’s been well, from the beginning, and that is that marriage is a relation between a man and a woman. That’s the posture that I had as governor and I have that today.” – *Presumptive GOP presidential nominee and former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney.*

“President Obama is to be commended for changing his personal view on this matter, even as he reiterated his support for the right of states to do as they please regarding gay marriage. I would urge President Obama to work with people in both parties to lessen the fear surrounding this issue and to avoid its use for political gain.” – *Richard Tisei, a former Republican state senator and current Congressional candidate.*

“Here in Massachusetts, gay marriage has been settled law for nearly a decade, and Senator Brown continues to believe that states should be able to decide this issue.” – *Marcie Kinzel, spokeswoman for Sen. Scott Brown.*

“I am proud to stand with President Obama on this important issue, and I hope the President’s leadership will encourage people all across this country to support marriage equality.” – *Elizabeth Warren, candidate for the Democratic nomination to challenge Brown in November.*

HOW LONG WAS LAST WEEK’S SESSION?

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

During the week of May 7-11, the House met for a total of 11 hours and one minute while the Senate met for a total of nine hours and 52 minutes.

Mon. May 7	House 11:01 a.m. to 12:18 p.m. Senate 11:00 a.m. to 11:10 a.m.
Tues. May 8	No House session Senate 12:59 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Wed. May 9	House 11:01 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. Senate 11:00 a.m. to 2:40 p.m.
Thurs. May 10	House 11:01 a.m. to 5:31 p.m. Senate 1:01 p.m. to 5:32 p.m.
Fri. May 11	No House session No Senate session

Bob Katzen welcomes feedback at bob@beaconhillrollcall.com

IKEA or not IKEA CONT. FROM PG 1

then, retailers were facing a worldwide recession.

When IKEA asked the city for a one-year extension of its Special Permits last summer, it made its case for hardship by citing “macroeconomic forces” and the need to get infrastructure in place. A July letter to the Mayor stated, “IKEA’s present intention continues to be to develop the land and construct an IKEA store, seek internal approvals therefore and to extend IKEA’s Special Permits for such purpose and not to land-bank the property.”

But a targeted store opening date came and went in 2011 with no new date announced. Now, with only three months left before the expiration of the existing Special Permits, IKEA has given no sign of moving forward, prompting many to wonder what’s going

to happen to the roughly 10-acre property that IKEA is sitting on adjacent to the Assembly Row development.

“Quite frankly, personally, I really don’t care if they come or not, because there are such good things happening down there that if they don’t come, that land will be utilized to its fullest,” said Roche. “So if they don’t want to come, let them bow out and let’s move on. But I think one way or another we should have an answer about the future of IKEA down there.”

Alderman-At-Large William White expressed concern about the bonds the state issued to fund infrastructure at the site, with the assumption IKEA would be up and running and generating sales tax revenue. “It’s very important that we do get to the bottom of it because if IKEA isn’t coming then we’re going to

have to have a revised plan sent to this board to then go to the state to get approval to govern how those bonds are issued.”

But if the Aldermen are looking for a “Yes” or “No” answer on IKEA’s plans for Somerville, the response from IKEA is a firm...“Maybe.”

“There still remains an interest in opening a second Boston area store,” said Joseph Roth of IKEA USA, referring to the retailer’s Stoughton store opened in 2005, “but we can’t commit to a timeframe.”

Roth said IKEA continues to evaluate the project, which involves decision-making at all levels of the company and is influenced by factors at the local, national and international level. He said the company had not reached any new decisions about its future in Somerville.

“There’s nothing new to re-

port. The only thing that’s changed is that the expiration dates for our permits is getting closer,” said Roth. He added, “based on the permits expiring, we may need to make a decision.”

Mayor Joseph Curtatone this week said any speculation about what will happen to the IKEA site is premature as long as the company is still working through their internal decision process. “We’re not there yet. There’s been no announcement from IKEA,” said the Mayor. “Nothing’s changed. They are still going through their due diligence.”

But he also said the city was not going to let the land sit vacant forever, especially given the amount of public and private investment that has gone into unlocking the economic potential of the area along the Mystic.

“We have made it very clear to them that we are not going to allow that land to be left in abeyance in perpetuity,” said Curtatone. “We will be very aggressive in ensuring that development happens there in a manner that’s consistent with the city’s vision for the Assembly Square neighborhood.”

The Mayor said IKEA had been a “good and cooperative partner,” and that if they did eventually decide to withdraw from Somerville, he expects them to work with the city to determine an appropriate disposition for the land, although with Assembly Row moving full speed ahead, interested parties shouldn’t be hard to find.

“If IKEA comes, great. If they don’t come, great. We’re prepared to move forward either way,” he said.



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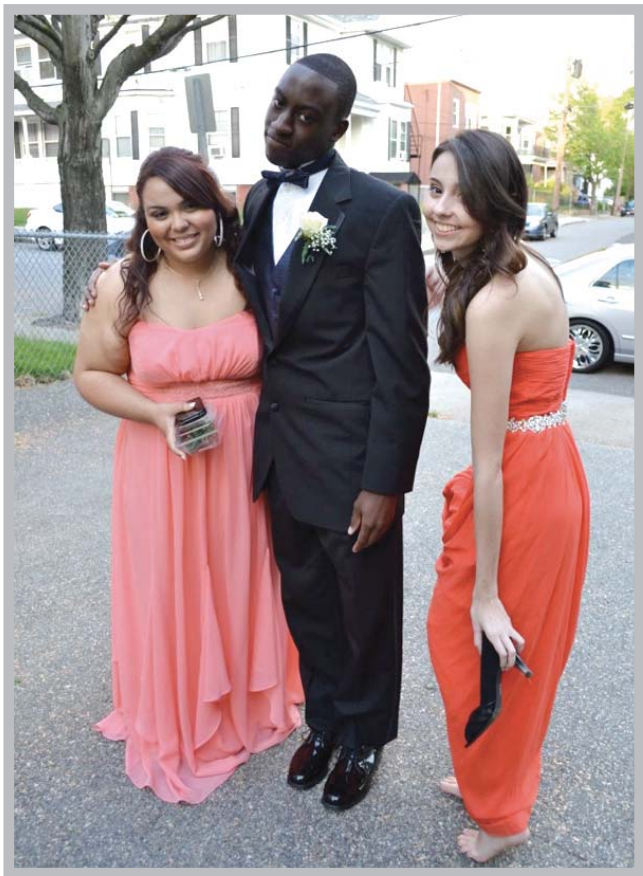
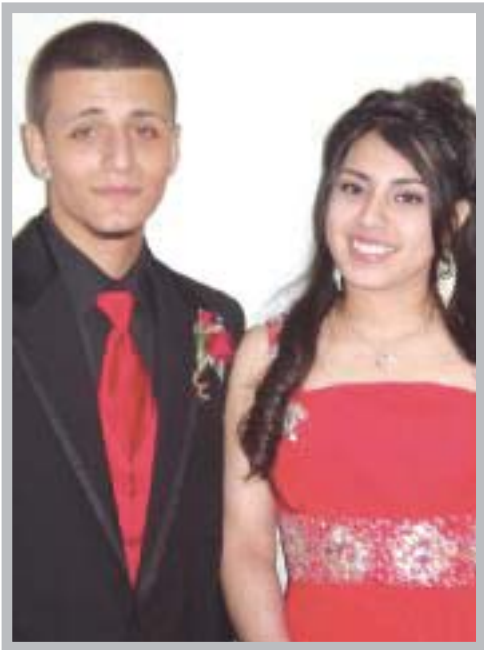
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SOMERVILLE SPORTS

10th Annual M.O.M's Race



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Ms. Cam's

Olio

Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

#317

1. If the Chinese calendar year of the Dragon began in 2000, when will it occur again?
2. Where did Panama hats originate?
3. In the children's primer reading books *Jane and Dick*, what is the name of the dog?
4. In the game of Golf, what is the grass fair play between the tee and green called?
5. In 1804, what U.S. Vice President shot a man?
6. What is the area called where Colorado, Utah, Arizona, and New Mexico all meet?
7. What monument is on the back of the five dollar bill?
8. Where is the "Bay of Fundy" located?
9. What does the "E" stand for in "GEICO"?
10. Who was the "singing brakeman" that was nicknamed the "Father of Country Music"?
11. What Country singer sang *Stand by Your Man* - even though she married five times?
12. The back of what state quarter has Washington crossing the Delaware?

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M.O.M's 5k Run and Walk for Cancer is inspired by Mary (Pilote) O'Brien, a longtime Somerville resident who lost her brief battle to cancer on November 19, 2002. Mary was involved in many local organizations throughout her life and dedicated much of her time to helping others.

State Coaches Meet at Dilboy a great success

The Massachusetts Boys and Girls State Coaches Meet was held on Saturday, May 12, at Dilboy Stadium. The Meet, which was sponsored by Somerville High School, featured 188 teams and over 1700 of the best track and field athletes from all over Massachusetts.

Nicole Genard performed at her usual high level by winning the Javelin with a throw of 120' 9". The 4x100m relay

team placed third with a time of 50.17. Running for SHS was Alison Kaba, Gelynn Berger, Michel-le Meranda and Nicole Genard. Emma Youte competed in the long jump with a best jump of 15'10 and Gelynn Berger also jumped 14'6. Gelynn made it to the semi-finals in the 200m with a best time of 27.4 and freshman Saragrace Magre ran a personal best time of 28.8. Natalie David

competed in the Shot Put with a best throw of 29'9. The meet was a showcase for what a great track and field facility Dilboy Stadium is. The Recreation Staff of Commissioner Jim Halloran and Dilboy Supervisor Fred Shamshak and his crew did a great job preparing the facility for the meet. Their attention to detail and hard work helped make this meet a great success.



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The iBall: Keeping it Surreal - for sure

"The iBall: Keeping it Surreal" fundraiser for the Center for Arts at the Armory was a huge success. The event took place at the Armory, located at 191 Highland Avenue in Somerville, on Thursday evening.

This spring marks the third anniversary of The Armory opening as a community arts center under the leadership of the non-profit organization Center for Arts at the Armory. Funds raised will benefit Arts at the Armory's cultural programming, which provides some of the most inventive music, theater, dance, poetry, talks and more in the Boston area. Events have included TEDx Somerville, the City's Inaugural Celebration, and the Somerville Winter Farmer's Market. Providing educational programming for adults and children is also at the core of its mission.

Performances during the main event included funk/brass band Revolutionary Snake Ensemble, led by saxophonist Ken Field, and Boston rock institution Willie "Loco" Alexander.

The inaugural Arts at the Armory Billy Ruane Awards were presented to some of the organization's big champions, including the Saters from the Middle East Restaurant, and Mario Leon from Somerville restaurant Dali. Ruane and his family have been ardent supporters of Arts at the Armory and this is a fitting way to honor Ruane, who meant so much to the music scene and Boston.

Former Somerville Mayor Gene Brune was the special speaker of the evening as well as presenter of the awards.

Ray Zonghetti was one of the three recipients presented an award for helping the Armory build their organization.



Photos by William Tauro



On your mark - get set - commute!

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been wrong about a lot of things," he said, noting that bikes aren't subject to rush hour gridlock.

Zisson was far from alone in predicting victory for the bike commute. In fact, that was the consensus forecast among the crowd gathered for pre-race festivities on Chester Street.

"I think as the driver I'm going to get bogged down in traffic," said Carlson, a regular bike commuter and member of the Somerville bicycle committee, which co-sponsored the event as a way to kick off Bay State Bike Week and promote alternative ways to get to

work. "When I'm biking to work, I'm usually passing cars stuck in traffic."

Deitemeyer, who tweets about public transit at @Ride-LikeCharlie, said it would be tough to beat the cyclist, especially since wet weather could cause delays in her commute on the T. "When's the last time the Red Line ran on schedule?" she asked.

Their predictions were borne out just a short time later, when Zisson sailed into Kendall Square, locked up his bike, and strolled through the finish line in the lobby of a Genzyme office building, just 20 minutes after

leaving Redbones.

Deitemeyer, who said she had to wait six or seven minutes on the platform at Davis Square for the next train, crossed the finish line a full nine minutes later.

Carlson arrived still later - just over half an hour after the start of the race - despite shaving a few minutes off the commute by taking side streets to avoid stop lights, and easily finding a parking spot in the building garage. "It was a breeze through Kendall Square, but really slow around Porter and Inman," said Carlson. "It was interesting being in a car and watching cyclists

go by me."

And it wasn't just cycling and public transit that turned out to be a better bet than driving for the Davis-to-Kendall commute. Runner John Wichers was unable to sign on to the race in an official capacity, but left Redbones at the same time as the three official participants and still arrived ahead of both Deitemeyer and Carlson.

All that's good news for the event organizers, who said they're not against people who drive to work; they just want commuters to consider other ways to get there.

"We wanted to raise awareness

of the different options they have," said Alex Epstein, chair of the Somerville Bike Committee, which partnered with the Cambridge Bike Committee, the Livable Streets Alliance, Redbones and Genzyme to bring the commuter race idea to life, and test the theory that other options can easily compete with cars as efficient ways to get to work.

"We wanted to prove they're competitive, and we've just proven that they are," said Epstein.

To see what the race looked like for the driver or the cyclist, check out "helmet cam" video at livablestreets.info.

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

2012-16 Article VI Section 6-1 “One Way Streets” is amended as follows: rescind a portion of 2011-12 by removing the trial period for the one way on Alpine St, the one way pattern is now permanent

2012-17 Article V Section 5-11 “Bus Stops” is amended as follows: relocate the bus stop on Bow St @ Wesley Park to 3-5 Summer St

2012-18 Article V Section 5-5 “Parking Locations and Prohibitions” is amended as follows: 2 Hour Parking Except by Permit 8am-2:30am at 40 Summer St and 112 Albion St (spaces will revert back to Resident Permit Parking Only from 2:30am-8am)

2012-29 Article V Section 5-5 “Parking Locations and Prohibitions” is amended as follows: 2 Hour Parking Except by Permit 8:30am-6pm at 83 Albion St (space will revert back to Resident Permit Parking Only from 6pm to 8:30am)

2012-30 Article V Section 5-15 “Handicapped Parking” is amended with the addition of the following location: 9 Virginia St (90 day trial)

2012-31 Article V Section 5-2 “Loading/Service Zones” is amended as follows: Loading Zone, Mon-Sat, 7am-4pm adjacent to the CVS building in Magoun Square at the exit onto Medford St

2012-32 Article V Section 5-2 “Loading/Service Zones” is amended as follows: extend the existing loading zone on the south side of Bow St at Walnut St to include the two adjacent metered spaces during the hours of 8am to 11am and revert back to metered spaces after 11am (90 day trial)

2012-33 Article V Section 5-15 “Handicapped Parking” is amended as follows: remove the trial period for the spaces at 104 Prospect St and 29 Sunset Rd (restriction now permanent)

2012-34 Article V Section 5-5 “Parking Locations and Prohibitions” is amended as follows: remove the trial for No Parking 8:30am-5pm restrictions in front of and opposite 16 Glen St (restrictions now permanent)

2012-35 Article V Section 5-9.4 “Parking Meter Locations and Regulations” is amended as follows: remove the trial period for the removed meter on Glen St (80 ft south of Broadway) space is now Resident Permit Parking Only

2012-36 Article V Section 5-2 “Loading/Service Zones” is amended as follows: remove the trial period for the elimination of the loading zone on Glen St (100 ft south of Broadway) space is now Resident Permit Parking Only

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
RFP # 12-71

The City of Somerville, through the Purchasing Department invites sealed proposals for:
ADA Transition Plan

An Request for Proposals (RFP) and specifications may be obtained at the Purchasing Department, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA. 02143 on or after: **Wednesday, May 16, 2012**. Sealed proposals will be received at the above office until: **Monday, June 11, 2012 at 11:00 AM**. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

The City of Somerville is seeking a consultant to prepare a Self Evaluation and Transition Plan that wholly complies with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), including the modifications made by the ADA Amendments Act of 2008. The City intends to enter into a contract for professional Engineering Services to provide these services.

The successful offeror must be an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Please contact Karen Mancini, Asst. Purchasing Director, x3412, or email kmancini@somervillema.gov, for information and proposal packages.

Angela M. Allen
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The name of the lessees, the unit number and charges due: Julie Collins Unit # 11, household goods, Charges due \$675.00 Nikki VanNoy Unit #21 & 36, household goods, Charges due \$1760.00

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A hearing for all persons interested will be given by the **Somerville Licensing Commission** on **Monday, May 21, 2012** at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at **6:00PM** on the application of Punjab Grill, 236 Elm St. for an Entertainment license consisting of Entertainment by devices.

For the Commission
Andrew Upton
Vito Vaccaro
John J. McKenna

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro
Administrative Assistant

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
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LEGAL NOTICE
Somerville Conservation Commission
Public Hearing

Applicant: Patrick Herron, Mystic River Watershed Association, 20 Academy Street, Suite 306, Arlington, MA
Location: Mystic River, Somerville, MA

The Somerville Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, May 22, 2012, at 7:00 p.m.** at City Hall, 3rd floor, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA, regarding a Request for Determination filed pursuant to the Wetlands Protection Act, G.L. c. 131, § 40, for work described below.

The Mystic River Watershed Association will be conducting Water Chestnut pulling throughout the Mystic River in an effort to curb this invasive species. Pulling will be done by hand and with a mechanical harvester.

The application can be viewed at the Mayor's Office Strategic Planning and Community Development, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville. Contact Rachel Kelly, Conservation Agent, at 617-625-6600 x2516 for more information.

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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 Licenses and Permits on **Wednesday, May 23, 2012, at 6:00 PM**, in the Committee Room on the 2nd Floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, on the Petition for Extended Operating Hours for Markandeshwar LLC dba Jimbo's Roast Beef Seafood and Pizza, 40 Bow Street, which seeks to operate on seven days per week until 3 AM for deliveries only.

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND AND BE HEARD.

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LEGAL AD

In compliment to the disposition established legally by a divorce, has been published the following: That Ms. MICHELLE LAR-RACUENTE presented a divorce in city of Providence, Rhode Island, against Mr. JUAN LARRACUENTE, appointed by Attorney Emili Vaziri Located on 160 Plainfield Street Providence, R.I. 02909.

Date the 22nd day of May 2012 at 9:00 am has an appointment at Family Court in Providence, Rhode Island.

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[x] Kathleen M. Brady of Goffstown N.H.
First Name M.I. Last Name (City/Town) (State)

has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve [] with [x] without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representative appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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SENIOR CENTER HAPPENINGS:

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

Holland Street Center - 167 Holland Street

Ralph & Jenny Center - 9 New Washington Street

Cross Street Center - 165 Broadway

Knitting Group – Knitter extraordinaire Sandy Costa is volunteering her time and talents to run a knitting group and share her knitting know-how with anyone who is interested. The group will meet the first and third Tuesday of the month from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at the Holland Street Center. For more information, contact Janine at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321.

May 21st is our monthly dance at the Holiday Inn. Show off those moves that you have been learning at the Line Dancing class! The doors open at 11 am and DJ “Handsome Hank” will be spinning the tunes! If you haven’t been to Line Dancing or unsure of some of the dance moves, come to Holland Center every Tuesday from 3 - 4 and learn the moves while getting fit!

Musical Conversation with Alan is coming May 22. The theme is “Tradition.” Explore this theme with Alan. 12:30 at Holland Center. RSVP welcomed!

Interested in learning how to blog? Join us at 1:30 right after Musical Conversation! Learn what it is, start your own blog or be part of our team of bloggers from the Council! May 22nd!

Join us in our exercise classes:

Chair Yoga - This class focuses on relaxation, stretching. If you have aches, pains, stress, anxiety - this class may be for you. Monday 4:30 - 5:30 at Holland Street \$5

Chair Yoga - Tuesdays at Holland Street from 10:15 - 11:15. \$5 per class. All levels welcome.

Line Dancing - Tuesday 3:00 - 4:00 Holland Street \$5 All levels welcome.

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

QiGong - Wednesdays at Holland Street from 1:15 - 2:00 pm. Stretching and moving.

Flexibility & Balance - all three centers

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

Indoor Exercises/Walking Club - all three centers

Walking Club has begun again! Check at each center for the schedule!

May 16

Holland Street Center

Flexibility & Balance|9:30 a.m.

Women’s Group|10:30 a.m.

QiGong|1:15 p.m.

Zumba Gold|5:15 p.m.

167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

Cross Street Center

Center Closed

Bingo at Flatbreads|1 p.m.

165 Broadway|617-625-6600 x 2335

Ralph & Jenny Center

Cards & Games|10 a.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m.

9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

May 17

Holland Street Center

Walking Club is back!|9:15 a.m.

Current Events Group - new members

welcome! Come join us as we discuss what’s going on in Somerville, the United States and World events.|10 a.m.

Indoor Exercises|11 a.m.

Musical Meet-up - play an instrument? Come join us!|12 p.m.

Bereavement Support Group|12:15 p.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m.

167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

Cross Street Center

Center Closed

165 Broadway|617-625-6600 x 2335

Ralph & Jenny Center

Strengthening Exercises|9 a.m.

Cards and games|10 a.m.

Crochet |10:45 a.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m.

9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

May 18

Holland Street Center

Book Club - Come join us for a great discussion!|10 a.m.

Indoor Exercises|11 a.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m.

167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

Cross Street Center

Center Closed

165 Broadway|617-625-6600 x 2335

Ralph & Jenny Center

Center Closed

9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

May 21

Holiday Inn Dance!

Holland Street Center

Veteran’s Group|9:30 a.m.

Singing Moonlighters |10:30 a.m.

English Conversation|10:30 a.m.

Chair Yoga|4:30 p.m.

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

Cross Street Center

Center Closed

165 Broadway|617-625-6600 x 2335

Ralph & Jenny Center

Center closed for dance

9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

May 22

Musical conversation with Alan

Holland Street Center

Strengthening Exercise|9:15 a.m.

SHINE by appt.|10 a.m.

CHAIR YOGA - note new date and time|10:15 a.m.

Low vision Group|10:30 a.m.

Musical Conversations|12:30 p.m.

Learn how to blog! Be a blogger for Somerville Patch!|1:30 p.m.

Line Dancing|3 p.m.

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

Cross Street Center

Indoor/Walking Club|10:30 a.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m.

165 Broadway|617-625-6600 x 2335

Ralph & Jenny Center

Cards and Games|10 a.m.

Flexibility & Balance|10:30 a.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m.

9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

May 23

Holland Street Center

Flexibility & Balance|9:30 p.m.

“Law Day” with Mike Dwyer|10:30 p.m.

Women’s Group|10:30 p.m.

QiGong|1:15 p.m.

Zumba Gold|5:15 p.m.

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

Cross Street Center

Center Closed

Bowling at Flatbread|1 p.m.

165 Broadway|617-625-6600 x 2335

Ralph & Jenny Center

Cards and Games|10 a.m.

Bingo|12:30 p.m.

9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

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

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

The Sunsetters are back



The 2012 version of Somerville’s historic Sunsetters held auditions Monday night in the Somerville High School auditorium. A lot of seasoned Sunsetters showed up as well as some new faces. Back for his fourth year as director, Jimmy Del Ponte told us it was tougher this year because the bar has been raised. Jimmy said, “The Sunsetters have a reputation dating back to the 70’s of providing quality performances and we try to carry on that tradition. This year the songs are more difficult. The dances will also be more intricate this year. The rehearsals are the real deal and they promise to be quite grueling. Grueling but fun.” Project STAR, Somerville’s summer theatre camp, serves as a preparation for The Sunsetters. Once again this year there are several STAR actors entering The Sunsetters. A few actors participate in Project STAR and The Sunsetters simultaneously. You can see The Sunsetters perform at the annual fireworks celebration, Artbeat, and on the streets of Somerville. Check out the Project STAR registration info on the city’s website under recreation. If you would like to request a Sunsetter performance on your street, call the mayor’s office at 617-625-6600 ext. 2100.

‘Reaching for the Stars’ auditions

The Center for Arts at the Armory hosted an incredible group of talented vocalists this past Thursday, May 10th as we kicked off the first night of live auditions for Reaching for the Stars, our singing competition. Our three esteemed judges have a combined 60 years of on-stage and on-air musical experience and really brought an element of professionalism and style to our con-

test. Jimmy Del Ponte, Holli Banks and Gordon Michaels presided over the evening, as hopeful singers threw their hats in the ring for the opportunity to land on the big stage in our Finals on June 22. Winners from May 10th include Jamaal-Clark Turpin, Tavonna Miller and Hillary Simpson. Following please find the event listing. Registration is still open for May 17, 24, and 31.

Reaching for the Stars Audition Phase!

Seeking serious vocalists for a singing competition at Arts at the Armory in Somerville.

This series take place over 4 weeks of live auditions and will be followed by semi-finals (12 participants) and finals (6 participants).

Contestants will be judged in four categories and will have 90 seconds to perform an a capella number.

1st Prize: \$500, two-song demo at Q Division and solo performance at the Arts at the Armory Café.

2nd prize: \$100.00 and two free 45 minute voice lessons with Gordon Michaels.

3rd prize: Gift certificate to the delicious Arts at the Armory Cafe.

How to Enter:

www.artsatthearmory.org

\$30 one-time audition fee

Audience tickets available! \$5/show

Audition Dates: May 17, 24, 31

Semi-Finals: June 14th

Finals: June 22nd

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FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Wednesday|May 16

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

East Branch Library
Community Art Workshop for Carnaval @ SomerSTREETS
1 p.m.-3 p.m.|115 Broadway

Veteran's Memorial Rink

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

Thursday|May 17

Central Library
Preschool: Storytime for 3 to 5 year olds
10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Friday|May 18

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

Veteran's Memorial Rink

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

Sunday|May 20

Central Library
Kidcasso Art
2 p.m.-3:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Monday|May 21

Central Library
Preschool: Sing Along with Alastair Moock
11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.|79 Highland Ave

Veteran's Memorial Rink

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

Wednesday|May 23

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

Veteran's Memorial Rink

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

MUSIC

Wednesday|May 16

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

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

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

PA'S Lounge
Butlertron|Spot Mary|Sheez Late|The Canoes
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

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

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

Precinct Bar
Jeff Rowe|P.J. Bond|Matt Murphy|Larcenist
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

Bull McCabe's Pub
Dave Wells & Friends
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
Bion|The Strechers|The Workers
381 Summer St

Somerville Theatre
Bowery Boston Presents Justin Townes Earle w/Tristen
8pm|55 Davis Square

Thursday|May 17

Johnny D's
Tom Appleman Band

17 Holland St.|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's
Greg Klyma|8 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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

PA'S Lounge
H|Arthur|Surprise Party|Sub-Par Co-Star
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

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

Orleans Restaurant and Bar
Live music starting at 8:00pm from Maxi
65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Precinct Bar
Merrimack Delta Dub Set|Sour D|DCLA|DJ Saint Julian
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

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

PJ Ryan's
Live Music
239 Holland St|617-625-8200

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

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

Rosebud Bar
Artie and the Amoebas|The Fearless Leaders
381 Summer St.

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

Arts At The Armory
Reaching for the Stars - Auditions Day 2! Registration still open
6:30 p.m.
Somerville Climate Action presents: There Once Was an Island
7 p.m.|191 Highland Ave

Friday|May 18

Johnny D's
David Lindley
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's
Larry Flint & The Road Scholars|6 p.m.
Surf Night! The Derangers, The Electric Heaters, more \$5 cover|9 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Cover Up
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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

Precinct Bar
Hear Now Live Presents:All Good Feel Good Collective|Big Trees|Dirty Water Brass Band
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

PA'S Lounge
TM Recordings Presents!Sonny Vincent & The Bad Reactions|White Pages|Foster Care|Guilty Party|Courtiers
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

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

Orleans Restaurant and Bar
Live music starting at 8:00pm. Featuring Dave Scott and friends
65 Holland St|617-591-2100

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

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

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

Rosebud Bar
Classic Ruins|Jetset|Lyres|Tusami of Sound
Counterpoint
381 Summer St

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

Arts At The Armory

Prajna Yoga: Activating the Five Sheaths with Tias Little
2 p.m.|Performance Hall
Ashley Wells and Mark Lipman
7:30 p.m.|191 Highland Ave

Saturday|May 19

Johnny D's
Beatlejuice
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's
Les Sampou Band|6 p.m.
The Moving Company|9 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Jimmy's Down
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

Precinct Bar
Ryan Taylor Band (front bar) 5 p.m)|Hear Now Live Presents:|Anthony Savino|Adrian Emberley|Slowdim|Baby Made Rebel|The Field Effect
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

Orleans Restaurant and Bar
DJ every Saturday
9p.m.|65 Holland St

PA'S Lounge
Twitch Productions & PaperPanda Present!|Drama featuring DJ's|DJ Diver|False Witness
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

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Live DJ Music
499 Broadway|617-629-5302

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

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256 Elm St. |617-623-9910

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Arts At The Armory
Prajna Yoga: Activating the Five
Sheaths with Tias Little
9:30 a.m.|Performance Hall
For the Sake of the Song
presents: Woody Guthrie
7:30 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

Sunday|May 20

Johnny D's
Open Blues Jam|4:30
p.m.|Smooth Money Gesture|8
p.m.
17 Holland St.|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar
Frank Drake Sunday Showcase|5
p.m.
Jim Coyle &The Barroom
Gentlemen|8 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-
3589

The Burren
Grunge Brunch|11a.m.-3 p.m.
Burren Acoustic Music Series
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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

Precinct Bar
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

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

Highland Kitchen
150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Rosebud Bar
381 Summer St

Arts At The Armory
Prajna Yoga: Activating the Five
Sheaths with Tias Little
9:30 a.m.|Performance Hall

Monday|May 21

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

Sally O'Brien's Bar
Cheapshots Comedy Club open
mike|7 p.m.
Marley Mondays with the Duppy
Conquerors|9:30 p.m.

335 Somerville Ave|617-666-
3589

The Burren
Bur Run|6:30 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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

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

Precinct Bar
Trusty Sidekick|(No Cover)
70 Union Sq|617-623-921

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

Arts at the Armory
Cupcake Camp 2012
6 p.m.|Café
Hope Roth Third Monday
Residency!
7:30 p.m. |191 Highland Ave

Tuesday|May 22

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

Sally O'Brien's Bar
Kristen Ford Presents |8 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-
3589

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

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

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

Precinct Bar
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

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TBA
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150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

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

Rosebud Bar
Karaoke
381 Summer St

Orleans Restaurant and Bar
"Beer and Mussels" Night
65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Arts at the Armory
Singing with the Seasons
7:30 p.m.|191 Highland Ave

Wednesday|May 23

Johnny D's
Nikka Costa|Miss Fairchild|Anya
Marina
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

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

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

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Sports Trivia
499 Broadway|617-629-5302

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Trivia
65 Holland St|617-591-2100

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Dudemaster|Bunny's A
Swine|Banditas|Big Digits
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

Bull McCabe's Pub
Dave Wells & Friends
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-
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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

CLASSES AND GROUPS
Wednesday|May 16

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

Thursday|May 17

Central Library
Preview: Friends of the Library
Book Sale
5 p.m.-8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

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

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rarely open Milk Row Cemetery
6:30 p.m.|439 Somerville Ave

Friday|May 18

Central Library
Friends of the Library Book Sale
12 p.m.- 4 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Saturday|May 19

Central Library
Friends of the Library Book Sale
10 a.m.- 4 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Arts at the Armory
Somerville Winter Farmer's
Market

9:30 p.m.|Performance Hall|191
Highland Ave

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

Sunday|May 20

Central Library
Friends of the Library Book Sale
1:30 p.m.- 3:30 p.m.|79
Highland Ave

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

Monday|May 21

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

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

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

Tuesday|May 22

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

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

Wednesday|May 23

Third Life Studio
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David Lindley to entertain at Johnny D's

By Jim Clark

David Lindley is legendary not only as a first-rate musician and entertainer, but also for his unceasing ability to charm and amaze audiences with his musical virtuosity, his well-honed sense of humor, and a seemingly limitless grasp of a myriad of musical styles from around the world. He will be bringing all this to Johnny D's this coming Friday for an evening that promises to entertain, amuse, and amaze.

Lindley is a veteran of more than 40 years as a professional musician, serving as both front man in his own bands or as a highly sought after sideman with some of the biggest names in popular music.

He was a key member of the 60's psychedelic era band Kaleidoscope, where his proficiency with a variety of stringed instruments secured

his position as one of the most talented and knowledgeable artists on the scene.

Throughout the 70's and beyond he collaborated and played along with an A-list roster of rock and roll and folk luminaries including Bob Dylan, Rod Stewart, Linda Ronstadt, James Taylor, Warren Zevon, Dolly Parton, David Crosby, Graham Nash, Curtis Mayfield, Terry Reid, Ry Cooder, Ben Harper, and many more.

Lindley's association and work with Jackson Browne has brought special attention to his abilities and talents as session man extraordinaire and live performer. Beginning with Browne's 1973 release *For Everyman*, and on classics such as *Late For The Sky* and *The Pretender* (the latter two both on Rolling Stone's list of the 500 Greatest Albums of All Time), Lindley has made significant contributions and proven him-

self as a peer and audience pleaser. Although known primarily as an instrumentalist, Lindley's voice rings out in the iconic chorus of the Stay segment from Browne's song *The Load Out* ("Oh won't you stay, just a little bit longer..."), a refrain that has been heard and is instantly recognizable by millions.

In 1981 Lindley formed the critically acclaimed group *El Rayo-X*, whose first album was produced by Browne.

Browne and Lindley released a Grammy nominated live album, *Love Is Strange - En Vivo Con Tino*, in 2010, which chronicled their 2006 tour of Spain.

Throughout his career David "Mr. Dave" Lindley has explored the heights and depths of world music, becoming fluent in playing a bewildering number of stringed instruments from many lands including banjo, lap steel guitar, mandolin, hardingfele, bouzouki, cittern, baglama, gumbus, charango, cumbüs, oud, weissenborn, and zither. Of course, he is also a master of the traditional acoustic and electric guitar, upright and electric bass guitar, as well.

His electro-acoustic performance effortlessly combines American folk, blues, and bluegrass traditions with elements from African, Arabic, Asian, Celtic, Malagasy, and Turkish musical sources.

Local music lovers would be remiss in passing up the op-



Photo by Neil Zozover

"Mr. Dave" is coming to Johnny D's this coming Friday night.

portunity for the up close and personal David Lindley experience being offered at Johnny D's this week. If you haven't experienced Lindley before now there can be no greater opportunity to enjoy this one-of-a-kind master musician/entertainer. For the already in-the-know, it is just as im-

portant an opportunity to be amazed by one of the masters of musical amazement.

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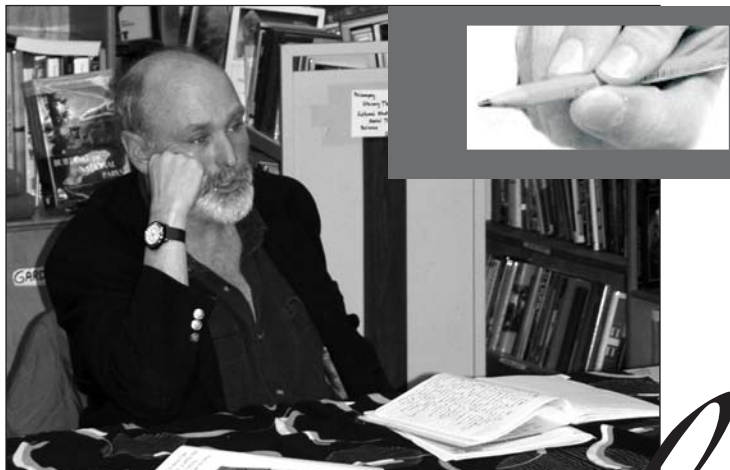
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SCAT Program Schedule for the Week

Wednesday, May 16		6:00pm	Al Jazeera TV	12:30pm	Somerville Housing Authority	1:30pm	Somerville Housing Authority
12:00am	Free Speech TV	6:30pm	Somerville Biking News	1:00pm (LIVE)	Bongoman	2:00pm	Somerville Rocks
6:00pm	Somerville Biking News	7:00pm (LIVE)	Tele Magazine	2:00pm	Greater Somerville Bicycling	2:30pm	Somerville Biking News
6:30am	The Struggle	7:30pm	The Nicole Show	2:30pm	Somerville Biking News	3:00pm	Robyn & Max Exercise
7:00am	Drug Awareness	8:00pm (LIVE)	Fouye Zo Nan Kalalou	3:00pm	Portraits of Somerville	3:30pm	Esoteric Science
8:00am	Democracy Now!	9:30pm	Cultural Club	3:30pm	Henry Parker Presents...	4:00pm	Thom Hartmann Show
9:00am	Somerville News Reading	10:00pm	Somerville Rocks	4:00pm	Most Interesting Place	5:00pm	Culture Club
10:00am	Abugida TV	10:30pm	How To Travel The World For Free	4:30pm	Back In The Day	5:30pm	Somerville Back In The Day
12:00pm	Democracy Now!	11:00pm	Somerville Biking News	5:00pm	Tele Kreyol	6:00pm	Al Jazeera TV
1:00pm	Somerville Biking News	11:30pm	Perils For Pedestrians	6:00pm	Tele Magazine	7:00pm	Discover The Law
1:30pm	Somerville: Most Interesting Places	Friday, May 18		8:00pm	SCATV ANNUAL MEETING	7:30pm	The Commonwealth Report
2:00pm	Back in The Day	12:00am	Free Speech TV	9:00pm	Nossa Gente e Costumes	8:00pm	Right Here, Right Now
2:30pm	Life Matters	6:00am	Live Response	10:00pm	Wrestling Talk	8:30pm	Steve Katsos Show
3:00pm (LIVE)	Medical Tutor	7:00am	Culture Club	11:00pm	GAY TV	9:00pm	Dedilhando A Saudade
3:30pm	Inside Talk	7:30am	Talk About Somerville	Sunday, May 20		10:00pm	Bate Papo con Shirley
4:00pm	Thom Hartman show	8:00am	Democracy Now!	12:00am	Free Speech TV	11:00pm	Visual Radio
4:30pm	Healthy Hypnosis	9:00am	Creating Cooperative Kids	6:00am	Show de Fe	Tuesday, May 22	
5:00pm	Active Aging	10:00am	Somerville Newspaper Reading	7:00am	Vida Na TV	12:00am	Free Speech TV
5:30pm	Somerville Housing	12:00pm	Democracy Now!	8:00am	Eckankar	6:00am	Greater Somerville Bicycling
6:00pm	Al Jazeera	1:00pm	Never 2 Late 2 Play	8:30am	Healer in Every Home	7:00pm	Perils For Pedestrians
6:30pm	Somerville Biking News	2:00pm	Somerville Housing	9:00am	Heritage Baptist Church	7:30am	The Struggle
7:00pm (LIVE)	Chita Tande	2:30pm	Neighborhood Cookin W/Candy	10:00am	International Church of God	8:00am	Democracy Now!
8:00pm (LIVE)	Somerville Pundits	3:00pm	Brunch w/Senator Sanders	11:00am	The Commonwealth Report	9:00am	Somerville News Reading
8:30pm (LIVE)	Grasping Nature	4:00pm	Thom Hartmann Show	11:30am	Somerville Housing Auth.	10:00am	Tele Kreyol
9:00pm	Somerville Rocks	5:00pm	SCATV Promo's	12noon	The Entertainer's Show	11:00am	SCTV Promos
9:30pm	Shrink Rap	5:30pm	Art@SCATV	1:00pm	Waltham Philharmonic Orch.	12:00pm	Democracy Now!
10:30pm	The Smoki Dick Show	6:00pm	Greater Somerville Bicycling	2:00pm	Effort Pour Christ	1:00pm	Commonwealth Report
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Thursday, May 17		7:30pm	Adventures of Scuba Jack	5:00pm	Ethiopian Satellite TV	2:30pm	SCATV's Promos
12:00am	Free Speech TV	8:00pm	Al Jazeera TV	6:00pm	Abugida TV	3:00pm	Groundwork Somerville
6:00am	Creating Cooperative Kids	9:00pm	The Garage	7:00pm	African TV Network	3:30pm	Active Aging
7:00am	Discovering Justice	9:30pm	Bandwidth TV	8:00pm	Tele Magazine	4:00pm	Thom Hartmann Show
7:30am	Perils For Pedestrians	10:00pm	Jeff TV	9:00pm	Watch This	5:00pm (LIVE)	Poet to Poet
8:00am	Democracy Now!	11:00pm	Visual Radio	9:30pm	Grill Dog	5:30pm	Jeff Jam
9:00am	Jeff Jam	Saturday, May 19		10:00pm	SCATV	6:00pm	Al Jazeera
9:30am	Somerville Biking News	12:00mid	Bongoman	11:00pm	Undercover TV	7:00pm	Art @ SCAT
10:00am	Active Aging	1:00am	Free Speech TV	Monday, May 21		7:30pm (LIVE)	Greater Somerville W/Joe Lynch
10:30am	Somerville Newspaper Reading	6:00am	Arabic Hour	12:00am	Free Speech TV	8:00pm (LIVE)	Dead Air Live Show
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1:00pm	African TV Network	8:00am	The Struggle	7:00am	Creating Cooperative Kids	9:30pm	Perils For Pedestrians
3:00pm	Somerville: Back in the Day	8:30am	Animal Agenda	8:00am	Democracy Now!	10:00pm	Animal Agenda
3:30pm	Art@SCATV	9:00am	Festival Kreyol	9:30am	Somerville Newspaper Reading	10:30pm	The Gerry Leone Show
4:00pm	Thom Hartmann Show	10:00am	Tele Galaxie	10:30am	Nosse Gente e Costumes	11:00pm	JuPrey Productions
5:00pm	Ablevision	11:00am	Dead Air Live Show	12:00pm	Democracy Now!		
5:30pm	Cooking w/ Georgia & Dez	12:00pm	Reeling, The Movie Review	1:00pm	Ablevision		

City Cable TV Schedule for the Week

Wednesday, May 16		1:10am: (13/16)	The Aldermen's Hour	7:45pm: (13/16)	Magoun Square Walking Tour	12:00pm: (13/16)	The Aldermen's Hour
9:00am: (13/16)	Sit & Be Fit - Overall Workout II	1:35am: (13/16)	Mayor's Business Town Meeting	8:05pm: (15)	Our Schools, Our City	12:00pm: (15)	Highlander Forum
9:00am: (15)	Raising Families	9:00am: (13/16)	Gene Brune Scholarship Breakfast	8:35pm: (15)	SHS Boys' Basketball 2011-12	12:30pm: (13/16)	Talking Business: B2Green
11:30am: (15)	SHS Scholarship Awards	9:00am: (15)	Our Schools, Our City	8:45pm: (13/16)	Assembly Row Groundbreaking	12:30pm: (15)	SHS Baseball vs Malden
12:00pm: (13/16)	Gene Brune Scholarship Breakfast	12:00pm: (13/16)	The Mayor's Report	8:55pm: (15)	SHS Softball vs Cambridge	12:50pm: (13/16)	Mayor's Business Town Meeting
12:50pm: (13/16)	Talking Business: B2Green	12:00pm: (15)	Vocational Ed. Awards 2012	9:15pm: (13/16)	Council on Aging: Aging & Hearing	7:00pm: (13/16)	School Committee Meeting - REPLAY OF 5/21/12
1:10pm: (13/16)	Assembly Row Groundbreakikng	12:30pm: (13/16)	2012 Spring Clean Up	Sunday, May 20		7:00pm: (15)	Gaeta Students Farewell
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3:00pm: (15)	Superintendent Awards - Healey	1:05pm: (15)	Our Schools, Our City	12:00am: (15)	Vocational Ed. Awards 2012	7:50pm: (15)	SHS Boys' Basketball 2011-12
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8:00pm: (13/16)	Voices of Somerville	2:15pm: (13/16)	Council on Aging: Aging & Hearing	1:35am: (15)	SHS Boys' Basketball 2011-12	12:00am: (13/16)	The Aldermen's Hour
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8:50pm: (15)	Pre-Prom Drug & Alcohol Awareness	7:30pm: (13/16)	2012 Spring Clean Up	2:15am: (13/16)	Council on Aging: Aging & Hearing	12:30am: (13/16)	2012 Spring Clean Up
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Thursday, May 17		8:05pm: (15)	Our Schools, Our City	12:00pm: (15)	Raising Families	1:05am: (15)	Our Schools, Our City
12:00am: (13/16)	Magoun Square Walking Tour	8:35pm: (15)	SHS Boys' Basketball 2011-12	12:30pm: (13/16)	Sit & Be Fit - Overall Workout II	1:35am: (15)	All-City Spring Concert
12:00am: (15)	Our Schools, Our City	8:45pm: (13/16)	Assembly Row Groundbreaking	12:30pm: (15)	Welcome to Kindergarten	9:00am: (13/16)	2012 Spring Clean Up
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1:00am: (13/16)	Voices of Somerville	9:15pm: (13/16)	Council on Aging: Aging & Hearing	1:10pm: (15)	Spring String Fling at SHS	11:30am: (15)	Spring String Fling at SHS
1:30am: (13/16)	Talking Business	Saturday, May 19		1:50pm: (13/16)	The Aldermen's Hour	12:00pm: (13/16)	Senior Circuit
1:50am: (15)	Pre-Prom Drug & Alcohol Awareness	12:00am: (13/16)	The Mayor's Report	2:15pm: (13/16)	Talking Business	12:30pm: (13/16)	Sit & Be Fit - Overall Workout II
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9:00am: (13/16)	Magoun Square Walking Tour	12:30am: (13/16)	2012 Spring Clean Up	7:00pm: (15)	Raising Families	1:00pm: (15)	Raising Families
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12:00pm: (13/16)	Senior Circuit	1:35am: (15)	SHS Boys' Basketball 2011-12	8:00pm: (13/16)	Gene Brune Scholarship Breakfast	2:00pm: (13/16)	Homeless Coalition Benefit
12:30pm: (13/16)	Sit & Be Fit - Overall Workout II	1:45am: (13/16)	Assembly Row Groundbreaking	8:10pm: (15)	Spring String Fling at SHS	7:00pm: (13/16)	Senior Circuit
1:00pm: (13/16)	Mayor's Fitness Challenge Kickoff	1:55am: (15)	SHS Softball vs Cambridge	8:50pm: (13/16)	The Aldermen's Hour	7:00pm: (15)	Kid Stuff
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OFF THE SHELF

by Doug Holder

MAY 20, 2012:

Have a laugh at the Grolier Poetry Bookshop's Expense!

Who said poetry has to be staid and stuffy? Not The Grolier Poetry Bookshop, which is sponsoring a one-time event filled with poetry, levity and laughter. Laughter at the Grolier cranks up the merriment May 20, 2012, 3:30PM at the brand new Grolier Poetry Room, upstairs at the Bloc 11 Cafe, 11 Bow St., Union Square-Somerville.

You'll experience a wild concoction of poetry, mixed media, and mirthful merriment featuring hilarious poetic luminaries. You'll also be helping the famed Grolier Bookshop – a literary landmark – in the heart of Harvard Square to thrive and stay alive!

This will be the second event at Grolier's Poetry Room above Bloc 11 in Union Square. The first event Madness at the Grolier was a resounding success, and the sponsors promise to please with this one too!

Featured readers will be hilarious local poets X. J. Kennedy, Tomas O'Leary and Dan Sklar. In addition, the event's curiously titled "Readers of the



Lost Arc" will be Lo Galluccio, Doug Holder Paul Steven Stone, Alice Weiss, and the owner of the Grolier himself: Ifeanyi Menkiti.

In addition to the Grolier Poetry Bookshop, Laughter at the Grolier is sponsored by Ibbetson Street Press and Blind Elephant Press. The suggested donation is a paltry \$10. So come and support this unique poetry bookstore, and have a laugh, guffaw, or yes, even a yuck—at their expense!

Poet Robert Echevarria, a student at the Harvard Divinity School, sent us this poem that uses Greek myth to explore child abuse.

Perseus

The abuse wasn't so bad.
Even when I was lifted up by my hair like the vanquished Medusa,
by some sadistic version of Perseus,
the leather crashing down on my butt and back
didn't compare to when it was my mother's turn...

Like that time she was thrown into the door, glass breaking,
the fallen shards glinting like fallen tears in the glow of the overhead light.

I found the heaviest object I could – a full change purse, and
threw it at Perseus
to
no
avail.

I ran outside clutching a toy,
scared
and
unsure.

I became impotent at seven years old.

– Robert Echevarria

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Somerville Kiwanis getting around town



The Kiwanis Club of Somerville recently held its weekly luncheon meeting at The Highlander Café run by the Culinary Arts students of Somerville High School. They were treated to a great menu, quality entrees and fantastic service, all by the students. After lunch they traveled over to the Central Library where they had the opportunity to see the many improvements made to the Children's Room as a result of the Somerville Kiwanis recent donation of \$10,000.



Ms. Cam's

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Answers

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| 1. 2012 | 8. It is a bay on the N. Atlantic coast between New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, Canada |
| 2. Ecuador | |
| 3. Spot | 9. Employees |
| 4. The fairway | 10. Jimmy Rodgers |
| 5. Aaron Burr | 11. Tammy Wynette |
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