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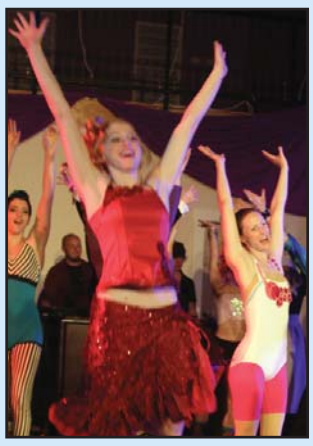

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State official 'tremendously impressed' by AS public/private partnership

Photo by Andrew Firestone

Jeffrey Simon, Director of the Massachusetts Recovery and Reinvestment Office meets with FRIT Executive Don Briggs and Mayor Joseph Curtatone.

By Andrew Firestone

It has been several weeks now since the DIF vote passed in Board of Aldermen, and the Assembly Square development inches closer to being realized. Jeffrey Simon, Director of the Massachusetts Recovery and Reinvestment Office within Governor Deval Patrick's cabinet visited the site and toured the "spine of the project," Assembly Square Drive. The road was part of the 70-acre development that Simon oversaw $12 million of the $14.9 million total funds authorized from federal stimulus monies in the Recovery Act.

He was joined by Mayor Joseph Curtatone and Federal Reality Investment Trust (FRIT) executive Don Briggs, who detailed the progress of the development at their marketing center in the middle of the development. Briggs began by thanking Simon for the funds, which he deemed critical at the time for maintaining the $300-$350 million development.

The tour was an opportunity for Briggs to explain the stages and overall scope of the project and he was diligent in explaining the various ins-and-outs of the area.

"This is a project that from

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Farmers market sweetens Somerville

By Carrie Stanziola

"Organic," "locally grown," and "ethical" were key words at the Somerville farmer's market in Union Square on June 4. As Chris Dewing commented, at the market, everything is fresh, and arguably better than shopping at the big chain stores. Buying locally produced goods and supporting local artisans are the main inspirations behind the market.

Although the market was packed, Community Cooks was on hand to represent those unable to shop. Community Cooks is an all-volunteer organization composed of about 200 cooks that has been in operation for the past 20 years. The chefs prepare monthly meals for shelters in Cambridge and Somerville. According to the organization's representative Brittany Peats, about 100 people arrive for each meal.

On June 9, Community Cooks will be holding a benefit concert featuring the band Jo Henley. Michael Dingley, himself a Community Cook and drummer for Jo Henley, will be performing with the group. You can see

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Food, fun, and fresh air converge at the Somerville farmers market in Union Square.

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NEWSTALK

Congratulations to all the recent SHS graduates. This year close to 300 graduated and a lot of kids won many awards and were recognized at the graduation ceremony this past Monday night at Dilboy Field.

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Big time congratulations to our friend Susan Fontana of East Somerville who received a citation this past week that was submitted by Alderman Bill Roache from the Mayor and the board of Aldermen recognizing Susan's work with East Somerville Main Streets, serving as the founding President for the last 4 years. Susan recently resigned as president to pursue other civic interests within the city with a great group of volunteers at ESMS the are in place to continue the work set out by Susan. Some of us remember Susan going back many years and we also know how sincere and nice a lady she is. Truly a giving person here in Somerville for a lot of years and hopefully many many more.

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Still in rehab over in Woburn is our friend Billy Chambers from his motorcycle accident. Our other friend Steve from Steve and Sons is at home here in the city from his accident few weeks back, both are mending and we hope they are on the road to recovery.

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Thursday June 9 is the 10th anniversary of Edmund Medeiros' passing here in Somerville. On June 12 at 10:15 there will be a memorial mass for him at St. Ann's Church on Medford Street. All friends and family of Edmund will be there.

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Happy Birthday out in the 'Ville to Gilbert Ho who is a great guy, as well as Ray Trant. We wish both

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Comments of the Week

Response to *Station design approaches for Green Line Extension*

Hillson says:

I haven't reached any conclusions on this matter. I'm sure there are pros and cons concerning this matter, and I understand Somerbreeze's concerns. Let's keep an open mind, get more information, and then proceed from there. Good day to Somerbreeze and all. Have a great summer everybody.

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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 Boston Bruins will win the 2011 Stanley Cup. If you don't agree with the results, simply log onto TheSomervilleNews.com.

Do you think the Boston Bruins will win the 2011 Stanley Cup?

Somerville Jr. High in Everett

Photo by Lisamarie Tauro

On Tuesday evening the site of the old abandoned Everett High-School in Everett, Massachusetts, had been magically transformed with the help of a motion picture crew to resemble the Somerville Jr High-School building in Somerville for a movie being filmed in Everett. The movie set building has "Somerville Jr High" banners hanging from the structure along with a real structural sign at the building's front entrance displaying a "Bake Sale" and a "PTA Meeting". On the previous evening the movie crew had the streets of the "Somerville Jr High" set lined with antique motor vehicles to set the stage as an early day Somerville scene back in the old days.

- William Tauro

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Secure Communities debate heats up

Mayor, Governor oppose federal government

By Andrew Firestone

Immigrant rights advocates were vindicated on Monday, June 6, when Governor Deval Patrick announced he would refuse to sign onto the federal Secure Communities program. Secure Communities is a program used to identify and deport violent offenders who turn out to be undocumented. Patrick's Secretary of Public Safety, Mary Heffernan, wrote a letter to ICE saying that of those almost 800 deported since 2008, only one in four was convicted of a felony crime.

Patrick joins Governors Andrew Cuomo of New York and Pat Quinn of Illinois in their rejection of the memorandum of agreement. Patrick had previously been threatened with legislation that would block federal funds and his own salary if he refused to sign onto the Secure Communities program, which takes biometric data of suspected illegal immigrants for violent crimes and scans them into an Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agency database. Critics of the program have said it needlessly complicates and exacerbates social tensions while denigrating the immigrant population.

"I know that in my city, ICE conducts raids and warrant-less searches," said Representative Denise Provost of Somerville. Provost attended a rally organized by Somerville's own Centro Presente June 1, in the Nurses Hall at the Statehouse. "This kind of thing can only make our community insecure."

Provost said that top government officials around the country had begun to protest "vague" and "misleading" language used by the Federal Department of Homeland Security, mandating the program be implemented nationwide by 2013. She mentioned a letter by Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren (D-CA), asking the nation's Inspector General Charles Edwards to perform a legal review of this program.

"Having conducted with my legal staff an initial review of the documents that have been made public, I believe that some of these false and misleading statements may have been made intentionally, while others were made recklessly, knowing that the statements were ambiguous and likely to create confusion," wrote Lofgren. She then urged the Inspector General to conduct a "thorough investigation" into possible criminal violations in drafting the program.

"The statements in question deal primarily with the issue of whether Secure Communities is a mandatory program that all states and localities must participate in or whether localities may be permitted to 'opt out' of the program," wrote Lofgren. This included intentional vagueness on the actual meaning of "opt out" and a refusal to say if it were voluntary.

"It is unacceptable for government officials to essentially lie to local governments, Members of Congress, and the public," said Lofgren.

Somerville had previously stated that it would not cooperate with the program, with Mayor Joseph Curtatone going so far as to proclaim Somerville's immigrants universally safe from identification checks, save for a violent crime. The proclamation, made in November, seemed almost a throwback to Somerville's former status as a sanctuary city.

"I'm pleased with the Governor's decision," said Curtatone. "We're all unified in terms of wanting tighter security and the importance of having tighter security but we also understand as municipal leaders that we need the cooperation of everyone who lives in the city."

Curtatone echoed the concerns of Provost and state Senator Jamie Eldridge (D-Marlborough) in his belief that SC would drastically exacerbate criminal activity in poor immigrant communities, due to the fear it creates. "We can't have this inherent fear of talking to our law enforcement officials. I need their assistance as Mayor to solve issues of public health and public crime."

"They are a critical component of enhancing community policing and I need to earn their trust. As we think about having more stringent security measures we need to also be understanding how to balance that with our need to get more engagement from all segments of our community without putting a fear in them about being deported," he said.

Eldridge, who joined Provost in speaking at the rally, said he had grave misgivings over a law that would subject immigrants to profiling and bring out hate in immigration opponents. "This is a program that's going to create more division in every community in Massachusetts and therefore it doesn't make sense," he said. He recalled attending an event where residents were photographing immigrants and threatening to send the pictures to ICE.

The rally also heard from several immigrants, illegal and legal, who said that police had been violating their rights, ransacking their homes on flimsy pretext and imprisoning members of their community, causing widespread terror. These included a tearful plea from a mother of three, who said that the stress of her husband's arrest and detainment due to not having documents had caused her to have a miscarriage.

Homeland Security officials hit back at Patrick on June 7, saying that they had no ability to stop the program, which would be implemented nationwide by 2013. Homeland Security officials say they will force Massachusetts to join in anyway.

"For me this issue is a theological one, this issue is a moral one," said Reverend Eddie Johnson of St. James in Cambridge. "When I think of the alien, I think of Leviticus [19:34], where we hear that the alien, who resides with us, shall be with us a citizen, and we are to love the alien as ourselves for we were once aliens," he said.

"Together I know we will create a better future: the future that God has intended for us all."

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Maria Elena of Guatemala, Ex-Pat of New Bedford, pleads for the Governor to reject Secure Communities.

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THE WEEK IN CRIME

By Jim Clark

Reckless driver pursued after fight

Police were summoned to the Hess Gas Station at 709 McGrath Highway early last Sunday, at about 1:00 a.m., on a report that a large fight was underway there. Upon arrival, a Somerville patrol unit noted that a red Honda Civic, matching the description of an involved party's vehicle, was leaving the area at a high rate of speed.

Police gave pursuit and reported that the vehicle in question reached speeds of approximately 80 mph in 35 mph zones. An additional unit joined the chase and, according to police, the offending driver initially refused to pull over and also appeared to make attempts to pass other cars in order to get away.

Luis Rivera-Acevedo, 21, of E. Boston, was eventually stopped at 170 Highland Ave. After running a check it was determined that the man's license was suspended, police said. He was taken into custody and charged with operating a motor vehicle with a suspended drivers license, defective equipment (cracked windshield, defective tail light, defective muffler), and reckless operation of a motor vehicle.

Police: Shoplifter strikes repeatedly

Loss Prevention personnel at the Rite Aid on McGrath Hwy. detained a man last Friday for allegedly shoplifting in the store. Investigating police officers were told that the man, Mark Delia, 39, of E. Boston, was observed stuffing several items into his backpack.

After being confronted, Delia was taken to the office, where Loss Prevention agents allegedly retrieved several items belonging to Rite Aid from the man's backpack. These items consisted of charger packs and several headphones, with a reported value totaling $147.29.

A check of Delia's record revealed several previous shoplifting charges, according to police. He was placed under arrest and charged with shoplifting by concealing merchandise.

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SOMERVILLE POLICE CRIME LOG

Arrests:

Elisha Sidoti, 28, of 26 Country Land, Billerica, May 31, 7:22 a.m., arrested at 84 Washington St. on various warrant charges.

Ronald Holland, 37, of 14 Stanley Rd., Methuen, May 31, 2:16 p.m., arrested at College Ave. on a warrant charge of assault and battery.

John Farrell, 23, of 133 Rock Glen Rd., Medford, May 31, 2:48 p.m., arrested at 175 Fellsway on a warrant charge of unarmed burglary.

Junior Oliveira, 32, June 2, 7:33 p.m., arrested at Cross St. on a various warrant charges.

Alberto Diaz-Garcia, 48, of 14 Fidelis Way, Brighton, June 2, 9:23 p.m., arrested at Broadway on a charge of operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license, unregistered motor vehicle, and uninsured motor vehicle.

Jose Luis, 48, of 54 Richdale Ave., June 2, 10:45 p.m., arrested at home on a charge of assault and battery.

George Berberian, 52, of 3 Mill St., Arlington, June 3, 12:29 a.m., arrested at School St. on a charge of operation under the influence of drugs.

Rolando Romero, 39, of 33A Jackson St., Lynn, June 3, 8:05 p.m., arrested on a warrant charge.

Mark Delia, 39, of 298 Paris St., E. Boston, June 3, 9:00 p.m., arrested at 14 McGrath Hwy on a charge of shoplifting by concealing merchandise.

Joseph Frejuste, 19, of 8 Flint St., June 4, 11:12 a.m., arrested at Flint St. on a charge of assault and battery.

Elizabeth Rose, 46, of 46 Bow St., June 4, 11:16 a.m., arrested at 48 Bow St. on charges of assault and battery, and larceny over $250.

Luis Rivera-Acevedo, 21, of 280 Maverick St., E. Boston, June 5, 1:22 a.m., arrested at 170 Highland Ave. on charges of reckless operation of a motor vehicle, operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license, and miscellaneous equipment violation.

Kristen Barnett, 21, June 5, 1:28 p.m., arrested at 79 Derby St. on a charge of assault and battery.

Joel Ramirez, 26, of 124 Central Ave., Lynn, June 5, 5:14 p.m., arrested at 57 Cross St. on various warrant charges.

Robert Lara, 21, of 19 Dartmouth St., June 6, 12:13 a.m., arrested at 337 Broadway on various warrant charges.

Incidents:

Theft:

May 31, 5:19 p.m., police reported a theft at Lowden Ave.

May 31, 2:53 p.m., police reported a theft at Highland Ave.

May 31, 6:45 p.m., police reported a theft at 1234 Broadway.

June 1, 12:26 p.m., police reported a theft.

June 2, 5:12 p.m., police reported a theft at Walnut St.

June 2, 5:13 p.m., police reported a theft at Hunting St.

June 2, 5:33 p.m., police reported a theft at Upland Rd.

June 3, 12:27 a.m., police reported a theft at Marshall St.

June 3, 9:00 p.m., police reported a theft at McGrath Hwy.

June 4, 12:03 p.m., police reported a theft at Quincy St.

June 4, 5:08 p.m., police reported a theft at Crown St.

June 5, 10:26 a.m., police reported a theft at Highland Ave.

Breaking & Entering:

May 31, 4:41 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Prospect Hill Ave.

June 3, 11:49 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Bradley St.

Robbery:

May 31, 5:42 p.m., police reported a robbery at Prospect Hill Pky.

Car Theft:

May 31, 9:54 p.m., police reported a car theft at Park Ave.

June 1, 2:31 p.m., police reported a car theft at Perkins St.

June 2, 9:28 a.m., police reported a car theft at Otis St.

June 2, 1:02 p.m., police reported a car theft at Broadway.

Assault:

May 31, 3:53 p.m., police reported an assault at 1305 Broadway.

June 1, 12:06 a.m., police reported an assault at Bow St.

June 2, 8:16 p.m., police reported an assault at Kent Ct.

June 2, 10:45 p.m., police reported an assault at Richdale Ave.

June 4, 11:12 a.m., police reported an assault at Flint St.

June 4, 11:16 a.m., police reported an assault at Bow St.

June 5, 1:13 a.m., police reported an assault at McGrath Hwy.

June 5, 1:28 p.m., police reported an assault at Derby St.

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Somerville legislators, law enforcement fight human trafficking

By Andrew Firestone

The Massachusetts House of Representatives voted on June 1 to implement a law against human trafficking, citing an increased awareness of possible activity in the Commonwealth. The legislation was supported by Representatives Denise Provost and Carl Sciortino of Somerville, who both said that it was about time.

"There are very real issues of human trafficking both for forced labor purposes and for sexual exploitation of minors and those are barbaric and unacceptable," said Sciortino. "There's a network of traffickers between Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island and New York who are essentially bringing people into the country as sex slaves and they are able to shift them around to different cities once the police identify them as sex workers so they are able to avoid being caught in any particular town," he said.

"There needs to be a law like this because the absence of a law is exploited by those who exploit other people," said Provost, who noted a confirmed outpost of a New York-based sex-slave ring had been exposed in Pioneer Valley to the west. About the timing of the legislation, she said the delay had been because "there may have been some thought that it didn't happen here."

"It wouldn't be the first time that there was a widespread belief in Massachusetts exceptionalism," she said.

In Somerville, the Boston Police Department's Human Trafficking unit has been brought in twice in the last two years, said Deputy Paul Upton of the SPD. "It's probably like an iceberg. There's probably a lot more below the surface than on the surface," he said.

The most recent incident occurred in Davis Square, which was cited for prostitution last August at the Fu Shen Spa at 258 Elm Street. Xiao Jing Gu of Malden, 25, was arrested for offering sexual services for an additional fee, along with Lian Hong Zhao, 45, of New York City. Undercover officers from the SPD Detective Bureau worked with the BPD human trafficking unit in cracking down on the establishment. The police report indicates repeated attempts by the alleged prostitute to entice the undercover officers. According to Upton, the case may still be open.

Upton said that the department was dedicated to helping those who might be under coercion or duress. "If the truth is that the person that we've charged either shouldn't have been charged, or if they did commit a crime but they are also a victim of a more serious crime, we're going to work with that person," he said, adding that most times it was difficult to get through to possible sex workers due to their fear.

"Young women who are brought into prostitution are typically lured into it between the ages of 11 and 13," said Provost, "and by the time they are 15 or 16 feel old and tired and that life has nothing more to offer them. They are also vulnerable to venereal disease."

"They're drugged. It's not much of a life," she said.

The new law is designed to combat the regional problem, while protecting those who might be exploited, such as those under the age of 18. It was this amendment that might have stymied the bill, as some law enforcement officials had objections to the age amendment, said Provost.

Nationwide, human trafficking is more of a problem than most people think, according to investigators and officials.

Upton said Somerville policy was to fight against exploitation regardless of immigration status or criminal activity. "If someone is reaching out for help, if that suspect is also in reality a victim, we're going to help the victim to get out of the situation that they're in," he said.

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Dennis M. Sullivan
Alderman At Large

COMMENTARY

TALES OF SOMERVILLE

Illustrated by Jim Clark

Congratulations to the Class of 2011!

The View From Prospect Hill

With pride and a great sense of achievement, a cherished segment of Somerville's youth recently undertook that special rite of passage we call graduation.

The Class of 2011 will face unknown challenges in the years ahead as they move on to colleges and careers, family life and final maturity. We extend our heartfelt good wishes to the nearly 300 graduates of Somerville High School, as well as those from neighboring high schools and colleges.

For those of us old enough to be moved by the warm nostalgia of these ceremonies, it is a bittersweet reminder of our own faltering first steps into adulthood and the fearsome prospects that awaited us. Yet somehow we pulled through. Somehow we got that first job. We married that special someone. We sent our own kids to school. And now the circle closes upon itself, reminding us again of how, with perseverance and determination, a life can become meaningful and rewarding.

We all have good reason to feel proud at this time. These kids are smart and strong. They will find their way and become better than we could ever imagine. This is nature's plan. May it always be so. May the circle be unbroken.

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a great day for themselves and many more.

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What's going on at the Council on Aging, you ask? We hear that Lady J has been keeping up appearances so much so that rumor has it the Personal Dept. at City hall has asked her to stop showing up while she's on stress related leave of absence. Paid no less. Now, if you're on a stress related leave wouldn't you be far away from the job?

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There's still time to take out papers to run for the various Alderman jobs around the city. Just a reminder, you have until June 27 to take out papers. Alderman at Large needs 150 signatures, Alderman in a Ward 100, as well as School Committee. Visit or call the election department today at 617-625-6600.

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The reconstruction progress of 115 Pearl Street (including Project Manager report, pictures, etc.) are available online at the following site; www.somerville.k12.ma.us/fire_recovery. Thursday, 6/16 at 6:20pm there will be a community update on the reconstruction of the ESCS held at the Capuano School (150 Glen Street).

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G.W.R! Would like to invite you to their LIVE performance. Thursday June 9th 2011 at 4:30 pm In the Edgerly Gym. ESCS girls from 3rd to 5th grade will be performing all original rock n' roll songs. They will also be showcasing their music videos at the Somerville K-12 Art Fair, Wednesday June 8h on the 3rd floor of the Argenziano School from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. See the amazing art and music made by these very special girls.

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The Mayor's Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development will hold a fifth community meeting on Monday, June 13, 6:30pm, at the John F. Kennedy Elementary School Cafeteria, 5 Cherry Street, to present a potential 'development framework' and draft zoning map that allows for mixed-use development in key gateways of the Porter Square area.b?

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The Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) and the Massachusetts Transportation Department (MassDOT) are hosting a Ball Square Station Design Workshop to get feedback from the Somerville Community and the general public about the design of the future Ball Square Station in Somerville, MA. The meeting will take place Thursday, June 9, at the Somerville High School Cafeteria from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

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SomerFun kicks off ArtsUnion summer festivals June 11. SomerFun: A Romp for Independents, the first of this season's Somerville Arts Council's ArtsUnion festivals, is a celebration of local and independent businesses in Somerville and across New England. They'll have vendors, musical performances, art installation from Artisan Asylum, a mixed breed dog school, big scavenger hunt, and a dunk tank where you can take down Somerville's famous and infamous. The event takes place 3 to 7 pm on the Union Square Plaza and Central Parking Lot.

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Enjoy Somerville Songwriter Sessions, an evening with four singer/songwriters when they showcase their music at the Café at The Arts at The Armory Center. The evening will feature: Hannah Devine, Kayla Ringelheim, Jake Hill, hosted by John Fuzek. Saturday, June 11 from 8:00pm - 10:30pm. Tickets to the show are just $10 at the door. Beer and wine are now available for purchase at the cafe during shows. For more info go to: www.artsatthearmory.org.

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The city's farmers markets will continue to expand in 2011, with the addition of a produce market at the Mystic Housing Development, beginning June 18. A partnership between Shape Up, Enterprise Farm, Somerville Housing Authority and several community partners, the market will be held every Saturday through October from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the Mystic Development on Mystic Avenue. The market will offer fresh produce to low-income residents at subsidized prices, thanks to a partnership with Dave Jackson of Enterprise Farm. Currently, the City of Somerville has three farmers markets: in the Day Street lot in Davis Square, Wednesdays from noon-6pm; in the Union Square Plaza, Saturdays from 9 am-1pm; and the recent addition of the Winter Farmers Market at the Armory on Saturdays during the winter season.

COMMENTARY

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Coming home

By William C. Shelton

I fear [the American people] do not comprehend the full weight of the burden we carry or the price we pay when we return from battle. This is important, because a people uninformed about what they are asking the military to endure is a people inevitably unable to fully grasp the scope of the responsibilities our Constitution levies upon them.

- Mike Mullen, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

In a speech last month, our nation's top military officer observed the growing disconnect between U.S. citizens and those whom they send to fight and die. He said that Americans could be "forgiven" for not"possessing an intimate knowledge of our needs or of our deeds." I believe that he was being charitable.

Time after time politicians with scant understanding of complex political, cultural, geographical, and yes, military situations in distant lands declare what is best for us.

They belittle the patriotism of anyone who questions their certainty. They manufacture evidence or do not question it. They wrap themselves in the flag. They visit dismembered combatants at Walter Reed Hospital and murmur thanks for sacrifices made.

Time passes. Civilians become weary of the war, and politicians pander to them. They demonize others about the yawning budget deficit. They don't acknowledge that a major portion of it comes from their refusal to ask constituents to make the modest sacrifice of paying a war tax.

Few politicians comprehend the far greater sacrifices made by the combatants and their families. And those families are often at a loss regarding how to best care for those who return broken in mind as well as body.

The average Iraq or Afghanistan vet has had less "down time" than veterans of any previous U.S. war. 93% report being shot at; 89%, being attacked or ambushed; 95%, seeing dead bodies.

We as family, friends, and neighbors can help to heal the anguish and trauma of those who come back alive. So I would like to reiterate some things that I wrote in this space four years ago.

An essential part of healing is discharging the horror at the center of the trauma. Continually pushing these experiences away from conscious memory and from the attention of loved ones is exhausting and makes the trauma unavailable to be worked through.

The traumatic evens are extremely difficult to share with others. Doing so requires re-experiencing ugly and paralyzing feelings. Those who have experienced intense trauma also feel shame, guilt, and the irrational conviction that this happened because there is something deeply wrong with them. A common reaction is "survivor's guilt," which is exactly what it sounds like.

When encouraging a friend, family member, or coworker to talk about his experiences, one must be

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On The Silly Side by Jimmy Del Ponte

Operation: Pizza Pie

Last week I had a meeting at Johnny D's for our big Somerville High School Alumni show in November at The Somerville Theatre. I walked to the meeting, so when it was over, I called home and asked if the boys wanted me to pick up a pizza at Mike's. I called Mike's and ordered a large pizza for take out, then I started to freak out. I was going to be the guy carrying a pizza through Davis Square and up College Ave.

I never carried food home from Davis Square. I always drove. What if someone doesn't let me cross? What if I drop it? What if I get mad at a motorist for almost hitting me and throw the pizza at him? What if some bully takes it away from me? What if a pack of wild un-leashed dogs (from Powder House Park) chase me and knock me down and eat the pizza?

As I was sitting in Mike's waiting for the pie to be cooked, I wondered what was wrong with me? Why was I already planning my stressed out, four block, four minute walk home with a pizza box? Has paranoia struck deep, like The Buffalo Springfield sang in the 60's? Why was I so nervous about walking home with a pizza?

One reason was because I had never carried a pizza through the square and home before. I did however carry a six-pack or two in the old days. Maybe it's because when we are in our vehicles we are protected. We have more guts, and we are braver in our cars. I can flip someone off when I am in traffic, especially if they are heading the opposite way. If I am walking, and someone doesn't let me cross and I get mad and yell, they may get out of the car and want to smack me. How can I retaliate with a pizza box in my hands? Hot pizza is probably a pretty good weapon, but then I wouldn't have a pizza to bring home if I throw it at someone. My mission was to get from Mike's to my house carrying a pizza with no incidents.

So I sat in Mike's for 10 minutes waiting. I people watch. Flip flops, tattoos, piercings, scantily clad students of both genders. Did I mention bare feet in flip flops skeeve me? Who the hell wants to see someone's gross feet, especially in a restaurant. Cover up those hideous dogs, man. Flip flops are for the beach (I know, I will get mail about this statement).

I finally get my pizza, and head home. You would think I was carrying a vial of nitroglycerine. Now I have to cross the deathtrap known as Highland Ave. You are supposed to wait for the walk signal, but also watch out for the drivers that have the green arrow to turn right on College Ave. I don't wait for the light. I see my chance to dart across the street so I hold on tight to my pizza and run. I start imagining what people are saying. "Look at the chubby guy rushing home with his pizza to stuff his fat face." All of a sudden I'm a mind reader. I feel like explaining to strangers that I am not going to eat the whole pizza myself. I am going to share it with two growing teenagers.

I realized that it's easy to relax and act cool and collected when you are behind the wheel of a vehicle. But as soon as you are a pedestrian everything changes. You become defensive, and you should. People drive like they are in a race to get someplace all the time. They rush to beat a yellow light, blow off stop signs, and ignore people trying to cross the street. One young lady at Morrison Ave, had one hand on the steering wheel holding a cigarette, and in the other hand was a cell phone held up to her ear. She ignored me even though I was in the crosswalk. I wasn't so concerned about my safety as I was about getting that pie home. I thought about throwing the pizza box at her, but then I took a deep breath. I settled for tossing a slice of mild profanities instead of the pizza.

I finally made it home safe and sound from my paranoid pizza run. I realized I spend way too much time in the car but it's definitely less stressful than walking, and dealing with the stress of trying to compete with selfish motorists. I also realized that a lot of times I am that selfish motorist. Maybe my little pizza adventure will make me a bit more courteous to pedestrians. By the way, after all that I only got one slice!

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Please allow me to correct inaccuracies conveyed by Mayor Curtatone and SCAT Executive Director Wendy Blom in your May 26 article regarding a bill that would streamline the cable TV franchising process in Massachusetts ("Somerville mayor, SCAT fight Verizon at Statehouse").

The mayor's claim that the bill would allow new providers to cherry pick which neighborhoods it would serve is just not true. The bill makes no change to the current process where towns and providers agree by contract where service is provided, along with build-out deadlines.

Blom's claim that the bill would result in "destroying" local cable organizations is not true. The bill provides for all cable TV providers in a community to equitably share in the total costs of those local organizations, guaranteeing revenue of 6 percent of consumers' cable bills.

The cable TV franchise reform bill will modernize the cable TV franchising process in Massachusetts and bring the benefits of cable TV choice and competition to more consumers more quickly. It keeps control with the local community and lays out a predictable timeline that ensures consumers do not have to wait longer than necessary for cable TV competition. The bill also will create a guaranteed and predictable revenue stream for local cable access organizations while at the same time enabling cable providers to share the total cost of cable access expenses so that consumers are not paying more than is necessary.

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THE HOUSE AND SENATE. *Beacon Hill Roll Call* records the votes of local representatives on one roll call from the week of May 30-June 3. There were no roll calls in the Senate.

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.

COMBAT HUMAN TRAFFICKING (H 3470)

House 151-0, approved legislation aimed at combating human sex, slave and forced labor trafficking. The bill creates the crimes of trafficking persons for sexual servitude and forced services and imposes imprisonment for up to 15 years and/or a fine of up to $25,000 for violations. If the victim is a child under 18, the prison sentence increases to up to life in prison.

Other provisions include making all revenue from the new fines available to any victim who is ordered restitution by the court; increasing the punishment for those who pay another person for sex and a "Safe Harbor" provision that allows a court to judge an offender under 18 apprehended for prostitution - but found to be a victim of human trafficking - to be in need of services rather than simply delinquent.

Supporters, noting Massachusetts is one of only four states without an anti-human trafficking law, said this long-overdue bill would crack down on loathsome people who sell human beings. They noted it is time for the state to step up to the plate because the federal government doesn't have the resources or will to combat this problem. (A "Yes" vote is for the bill.)

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

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

CREATE STATE-RUN BANK OF MASSACHUSETTS (H 1192) - The Committee on Financial Services held a hearing on a bill that would create a state-run Bank of Massachusetts. The measure states the purpose of the bank would be to encourage and promote agriculture, commerce and industry. Currently, North Dakota is the only state in the nation with a state-owned bank.

Supporters say the North Dakota bank has worked well. They argue a Massachusetts state bank would be a partner, not a rival, of local banks.

Opponents say this creates another unnecessary government bureaucracy that will unfairly compete with local private banks. They argue this will hurt these banks by being the only bank in which the state deposits its tax and other revenue.

UNSOLICITED LOANS - The Committee on Financial Services' agenda also included a proposal that would regulate the mailing of unsolicited "loan checks" to consumers. The bill requires lenders to give consumers who cash the check an interest-free ten days to cancel the loan. Loan checks are pre-approved loans in the form of unsolicited, negotiable checks sent to potential borrowers.

ALLOW CLOTHESLINES (S 1014) - The Committee on Municipalities and Regional Government held a hearing on a local option proposal that would prohibit a city or town from unreasonably prohibiting the installation or use of "solar clothes-drying devices," better known as clotheslines, on residential property, except as necessary to protect public health and safety." The law would only take effect in cities or towns that opt into it.

Supporters say the bill would ensure people are able to dry their clothes outside and help save energy and the environment.

Opponents say clotheslines all across a community are not very attractive and would bother neighbors and decrease the value of homes in the neighborhood.

SHERIFFS, GARBAGE, TAXIS AND RECYCLING - The Committee on Municipalities and Regional Government hearing agenda included a bill prohibiting sheriffs from altering vehicles in their fleet to include the sheriff's name (S 1005); allowing cities and towns to restrict the hours of the day when garbage may be collected by private companies in areas zoned for business, commercial or industrial use (S 1011); requiring that each taxi post in a prominent place the name of its owner, driver and city or town in which it is licensed (S 1012) and requiring local recycling programs to mandate that all owners of an apartment building or condo association that has three or more units provide the means and materials necessary to allow tenants or owners in those units to recycle. (S 1022).

NOTIFY PARENTS OF CHILD'S OVERDOSE (S 995) - The Committee on Mental Health and Substance Abuse will hold a hearing on June 14 on a bill that would require doctors or hospitals that treat a person under 17 years of age for a drug overdose to notify the minor's parents or legal guardians of the overdose.

MANDATORY TEACHING OF SOME SUBJECTS IN SCHOOLS - The Education Committee will hold a June 14 hearing on legislation that would require several courses to be taught in all public schools. The list includes personal financial literacy (H 171); civics (H 174); the history of working people and the labor movement in the United States (S 200); genocide, including case studies of at least two genocides (H 1064) and geography (S 182).

MBTA ONLINE STORE OPENS - A new online store that sells official MBTA items opened last week. Items for sale include flip flops imprinted with a T map, $24.95; Charlie Card Christmas ornament, $28.00; shower curtain imprinted with a T map, $29.95;

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hoodies with the T logo, $49.95; kitchen cutting board with the Red Line subway car, $49.95; sterling silver cufflinks that look like T tokens, $149.95 and full-size replicas of the T station's signs, $295.00. Take a look at more items at www.mbtagifts.com.

Many items are also available at Ward Maps of Cambridge - the company that has contracted with the T to run the store. The T will receive royalties from the sale of the merchandise.

Supporters are hopeful sales will be brisk. They note the state has nothing to lose since it is not investing anything but gets a cut of the sales.

Critics point to the quick failure of a similar MBTA store several years ago.

QUOTABLE QUOTES

"Due to the widespread damage caused by the Wednesday, June 1st tornadoes and severe weather, the Governor has directed that all non-emergency Executive Branch employees living or working in Hampden, Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester Counties should not report to their workplaces on Thursday, June 2, 2011." *- From a press release by the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) the day after tornadoes hit the Bay State. MEMA used the words "non-emergency" personnel instead of "non-essential" personnel - a phrase that was used by prior governors for many years. Those governors were criticized and asked why "non-essential" employers were hired in the first place.*

"I don't believe it. I think I can beat him." *- Rep. Thomas Conroy (D-Wayland) when asked by the State House News Service about the perception that U.S. Sen. Scott Brown is unbeatable. Conroy has decided to run for the Democratic nomination to challenge Brown in the 2012 election.*

"$462,956." *- According to the Office of Campaign and Political Finance (OCPF), the amount Massachusetts House Speaker Robert DeLeo raised in campaign contributions in 2010. OCPF says it is the most money ever raised by a candidate for the Bay State House. DeLeo was unopposed but spent $383,803.*

"$5,010." *- The total amount of money spent by both candidates in the least-expensive contested election for a House seat in 2010. Democrat incumbent Rep. David Linsky (D-Natick) defeated GOP challenger Christopher Travis Resmini in the Fifth Middlesex District.*

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

During the week of May 30-June 3, the House met for a total of six hours and 22 minutes while the Senate met for a total of two hours and three minutes.

Mon. May 30	No House session No Senate session
Tues. May 31	House 11:01 a.m. to 11:28 a.m. Senate 11:00 a.m. to 11:46 a.m.
Wed. June 1	House 11:02 a.m. to 1:54 p.m. No Senate session
Thurs. June 2	House 11:02 a.m. to 2:05 p.m. Senate 1:03 p.m. to 2:20 p.m.
Fri. June 3	No House session No Senate session

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2. What other name was baseball's Hall of Famer Jimmy Foxx known as?
3. Who was known as the Godfather of Soul?
4. If 2000 was the year of the Dragon in the Chinese calendar, when will the next Year of the Dragon be?
5. What do we call words that are pronounced the same but are spelled differently?
6. What is the difference between a "Bibliophile" and a "Bibliopole"?
7. In what year did professional baseball's first mid-season strike occur?
8. Who are the Tony Awards named for?
9. Who composed and wrote the lyrics of the song *Happy Birthday to You*?
10. In 1923, Los Angeles' famous landmark sign "Hollywood" was dedicated - what was the original name?
11. What is the name of the famous doll created by Johnny Gruelle?
12. In 1971 what did the 26th Amendment ratify?

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Somerstreets kicks off with 'Carnaval'

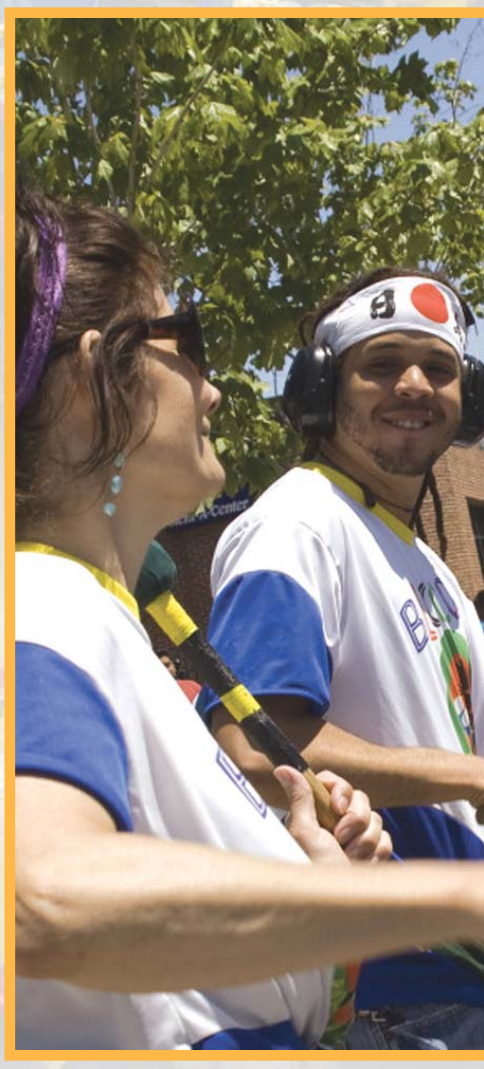
The 2011 SomerStreets celebration kicked off last weekend with *Carnaval @ SomerStreets* and *FossFest*.

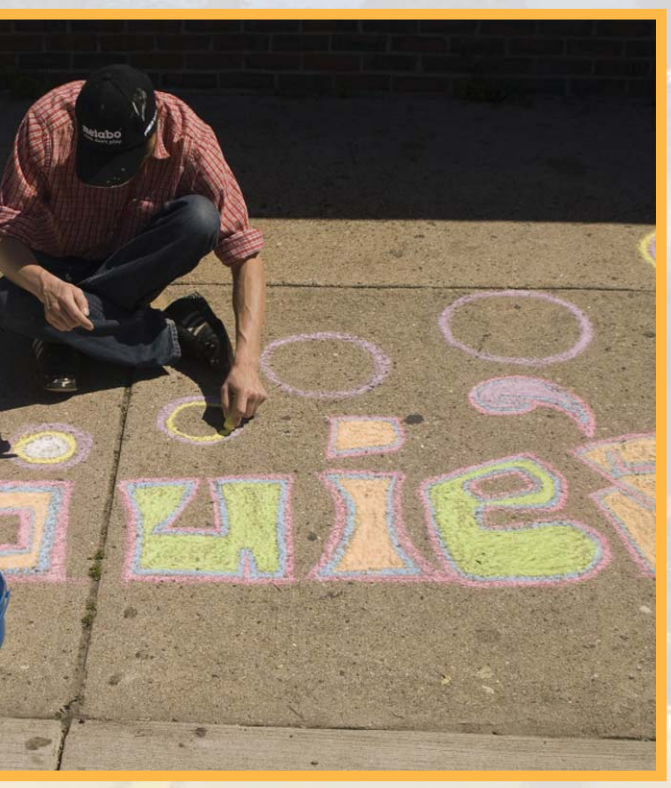
East Somerville Main Streets presented music by Marcus Santos AfroBrazil, Grupo Samurai, Dirty Water Brass Band, Dance and Fitness demos by World Rhythms, Vegetable Circus, local dancers and Fantasy Fuel.

Additional programming included the Villen Vibez hip hop open mic and dance competition organized by Teen Empowerment, a community drum circle, free samples from Broadway's local restaurants, and activities for residents of all ages.

Mayor Curtatone kicked off the *Carnaval*.The *FossFest* stage at Foss Park offered music by Christopher Jenkins, Son del Sol, All of the Animals, The Novel Ideas and Barricades. The Open Air Circus was also in attendance, along with henna tattoo artists, craft vendors, and face painters.

The rescheduled *Shape Up Somerville/Recreation Road Race* took place before the *Carnaval* parade.





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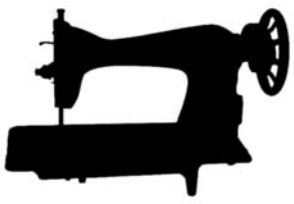

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SOMERVILLE SPORTS

SHS girls track on the move once again

The North Section Heptathalon held Monday and Tuesday at North Reading High School saw Nicole Genard place 1st with 4478 points, outdistancing Karla Ganley of Wellesley High School, who had 4417. Last year Nicole finished 2nd with 4121, so she improved by over 300 points, which is a substantial gain. The winner of the South Section of the Heptathalon was Kristin McDonough of Mansfield High School with 4011 points.

Nicole adds another state title to the numerous ones that she has accumulated. The breakdown of her performances, which all equaled or bettered her previous performance were: Javelin-134'1-new shs record; 100m hurdles-14.6-better; long jump-16'8-better; 200m-26.4-better; high jump-4'7"-same; shot put 31'8"-better; and 800m -2:43.1-better.

Nicole earned the title of the best all-around track athlete in Massachusetts by winning the Heptathalon by such a wide margin and posting the best score in the state.

The next competition for her is the New England Championships on Saturday at Burlington High School in Burlington, VT.

The girls who were selected by the coaches to the GBL all-star team are Melissa Baptista, Gelynne Berger, Taija Clark, Natalie David, Nicole Genard, Michel-le Meranda, Iaritza Menjivar, Ashley Murphy, and Emma Youte.

Photo by Sasha Garczynski

The talented athletes of Somerville High School's girls track squad continue their winning ways.

St. Clement softball team ends season with win

By Dina Colaggero

The St. Clement Lady Anchors concluded their 2011 season with a commanding 10 to 1 win over Nazareth on May 28th. The win allows the Lady Anchors to finish with a 3-6 record in the Catholic Central League and 5-14 overall.

Medford sophomore Allison Colaggero (pictured at right) struck out five and walked three. Caloggero helped herself by going 3 for 5 and knocking in two runs. She is batting .490 in the Catholic Central League and leads the League with 32 RBI's.

Jessica Popken (Medford), an eight grader, provided solid defense behind the plate and went 2 for 3, knocking in two runs. Freshman Jessica White (Medford) went 3 for 3, had three RBI's and made key defensive plays at short stop.

The Lady Anchors fell short of making a post season bid but look forward to improving their record next season and are losing only two seniors.

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PLANNING DIVISION

LEGAL NOTICE
OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Zoning Board of Appeals will meet on **Wednesday, June 22, 2011, Visiting Nurses Association, 259 Lowell Street, Community Room, 3rd Floor, Somerville, MA**, at 6:00 p.m. to hear pending applications and to hold public hearings:

68-70 Summer St: (Case #ZBA 2011-41) Applicant Jeanne Flanagan and Owner Albert Riskalis seek a special permit under SZO §4.5.1 to change a nonconforming use (an auto parts sales and warehouse) to two other nonconforming uses in order to open a studio for a personal trainer (§7.11.6.3.a) and an artist studio space (§7.11.6.8.a). RB zone. Ward 2.

192 Powder House Blvd: (Case #ZBA 2011-49) Applicant and Owner Brenda Colborne, seeks a variance (SZO §5.5 and §10.7.1) to construct an eight (8) foot high fence along a twelve (12) foot section on the rear left side of the property. RA zone. Ward 7.

32 Concord Ave: (Case #ZBA 2011-38) Applicant/Owner Jein Park & Nicholas Choly seek a special permit to alter a nonconforming structure under SZO §4.4.1 to construct 3 dormers on an existing two-family residence creating a third story. RB zone. Ward 2.

167-169 Holland St: (Case #ZBA 2011-46) Applicant/Owner Tufts University seek a special permit under SZO §4.4.1 to alter a nonconforming structure to install two entry canopies at the service and day care entrances. RA/RC zone. Ward 7.

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

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Attest: Dawn Pereira, Administrative Assistant
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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

MIDDLESEX Division **Docket No. MI 11C 0090**

SUMMONS

CATHERINE RUSSELL / EXECUTRIX OF THE ESTATE OF

Salvatore De Leo----------Plaintiff
v.
Nancy De Leo----------Defendant

To the above-named Defendant(s):

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon ELIZABETH H. LOUKAS Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 90 CONCORD AVENUE, BELMONT, MA 02478 an answer to the complaint which is filed in said Court and Demands which appear in this summons within 20 days after **August 4, 2011**. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you. You are also required to file your answer to the complaint in the office of the Register of this Court at CAMBRIDGE, either before service upon plaintiff's attorney or within a reasonable time thereafter.

Unless otherwise provided by Rule 13 (a) Mass R. Civ.P., your answer must state as a Counterclaim any claim which you may have against the plaintiff which arises out of the transaction or occurrence, that is the subject matter of plaintiff's claim or you will thereafter, be barred from making such claim in any other action.

WITNESS, Hon. Peter C. DiGangi, Esquire, First Justice of this Court.
Date: June 1, 2011

Tara E. De Cristofaro
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DEMANDS OF COMPLAINT:

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
208 Cambridge Street
Cambridge, MA. 02141
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MIDDLESEX Division **Docket No. MI 11P2655EA**

In the Estate of: Henry C. Park

Late of: Somerville, MA. 02143

Date of Death: 05/17/2011

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR

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Dawn Paulinski of San Francisco, CA

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WITNESS, Hon. Peter C. DiGangi, First Justice of this Court
Date: June 3, 2011

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A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the **Somerville Licensing Commission** on **Monday June 20, 2011** at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at **6:00PM** on the application Sally O'Brien's, 335 Somerville Ave., Somerville, MA for service of alcoholic beverages in the outdoor seating area.

For the Commission
Andrew Upton
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Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro
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the band perform at 8:00 p.m. at Precinct Bar in Union Square for $15. For more information, visit http://www.community-cooks.org or email community-cooks@gmail.org. Additionally, the organization hopes to have a fundraising, art and food event at the Somerville Museum in October.

Also representing the larger Somerville community were a group of protesters marching in opposition to the gentrification of Union Square. Carrying signs in English, Spanish, and Portuguese, the group demanded "Who'll get to live here? Will it be the tenants? Or other people? Make the right decision! Keep families here! Keep families here! Say no! Say no! Say no to gentrifications! Say yes! Say yes! Yes to homes for families!" Although they did not stay long, the group made an impact on the crowd.

In attendance were newcomers as well as veterans of the farmer's market. Cooks Farm & Family was represented by Marge Cook, who mentioned that their family-owned business has been attending markets for the past 30 years. Similarly, Kimball's Fruit Farms, representing four generations of labor was present. As Marie Hills told me, the vegetables grown on their 120 acres of land are either no-spray or conservatively sprayed. When asked how their business had changed, Hills told me that farmers markets are more popular, with people more concerned about where their food had come from and interested in having a conversation with the growers.

Newcomers included Seta's Mediterranean Foods, Jordan Brother's Seafood and Burnin' Love Sauces. Burnin' Love Sauces, as proprietor JoAnn Marsh said, operates out of a small Dorchester-based kitchen. The business is small, consisting of her and her husband. Burnin' Love sauces uses all-natural ingredients, with no corn syrup and no artificial preservatives. The sauces come in two styles; spicy and tangy, both of which are molasses-based. Similarly, Seta Dakessian, whose products are heavily influenced by Greek, Armenian, and Lebanese cuisine, runs her business out of a local kitchen in Jamaica Plain.

The farmer's market represented a unique opportunity to experience the diversity of tastes and flavors in Somerville.

Photo by Carrie Stanziola

State official 'tremendously impressed' by AS public/private partnership

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day one has been very important to governor Patrick and it's one that just goes so far beyond the physical boundaries of the site," Simon said at the end. "I'm really glad I came," he added.

"We wouldn't be here if the stimulus project had not have happened," said Briggs. "We can walk outside and look at this road that's built," referring to Assembly Square Drive. "One of the key selling points when we bring tenants out here is, we open that door right there and you look down Assembly Square Drive, and you kind of get a sense of the scale of what it is we're creating."

"We're coming out of one of the worst recessions this country has felt in a long, long time and we were able to continue to move forward through the depth of that recession," said Curtatone. "We couldn't have done it without the Commonwealth's support."

For his presentation Briggs used a massive scale model of the plan, and also had a computer graphic depicting an aerial view from the north overlooking the project, with Cambridge and Boston in the background.

Briggs detailed FRIT currently holding 5 million square feet worth of entitlements, with a scheduled 1.75 million sq. ft. of office Space, 1.1 million total sq. ft. of retail space and 2100 planned residential units, with plans to build a movie theater and an entertainment center such as a fitness center or a bowling alley like "Kings" in the Back Bay. He said that in the current market, "retailers are doing business again," but had nothing to announce coming back from the Las Vegas RECON (Global Retail Real Estate Convention) run by the ICSC two weeks prior.

"Whereas a year and a half ago, you'd come to this site and what you saw was industrial wasteland, underutilized dirt, now you see a road, you see trees, you see edge conditions, you see construction and people begin to believe that this 70-acre site here is really going to turn into something," said Briggs, crediting the crucial funds from the stimulus.

Curtatone detailed the windfall in terms of the public sector, namely, "that 12 million dollars of public investment has leveraged a billion dollars worth of private investment, tens of thousands of new and permanent jobs here for the long term, 17 million net new money in property tax dollars for the City of Somerville, and millions of dollars in broad base tax revenues for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts."

"The scale that you're talking about; particularly with the T stop, you almost have a new town within a town," said Simon. "The standard of transit-oriented development is the way that, nationally, the entire development community is going."

As far as the office-space and R&D was concerned, Briggs said that he believed economic trends were in their favor with "significant amenities" that could out-compete their nearest place similar to their overall plan, Cambridge's Kendall Square, including access to the waterfront and its environment, I-93 and the Orange-Line.

"You can create a campus environment here that provides a strong corporate identity," said Briggs.

Briggs described why local economic factors favored Assembly Square's attractiveness to a wide range of businesses. "Historically what has happened is, people have outgrown Kendall Square, they leapfrog out to the 128 belt. There's a strong technology cluster out in Burlington, out in Waltham, and a lot of that is because there hasn't been an opportunity like this."

"If they choose to stay in [near Boston], they can be a whole lot closer to the younger, well-educated population that today is choosing to live in urban environments whereas 10 years ago, 15 years ago they weren't. It's not just proximity to your partners but it's proximity to your employment base."

Briggs used the example of Palo Alto and its gradual spread throughout the region in southern San Francisco Bay, leading it to become a major economic force with major technology companies. "I actually think that the Boston marketplace is going to go through that same sort of evolution."

"Before it was going out to the 128 belt and even out to the 495 belt. What you can see happening now is that the 495 belt is collapsing into the 128 belt and what's going to happen I think over the course of the next 10, 15 years is you're going to see clusters like Assembly Square, like North Point, like Seaport district, that could potentially take on the kind of density that's coming out of Cambridge giving these companies an alternative to locating here."

Briggs said the missing piece to the puzzle was interest from one of Boston's oldest and most powerful industries. "The venture capital in Boston needs to invest in Boston and needs to be here in Boston and keep those companies here in Boston."

Simon at one point asked Curtatone if he would call the vote a "hundred year decision" which Curtatone said it indeed was. "This is, in addition to the Green Line, the most important development project in the City's history. That DIF vote we took a month ago, a month and a half ago, was the most important vote in the City's history," said Curtatone.

When Simon asked what response from Somervilliens was, he answered, "there's a huge demand to build it. They want it built."

"I particularly have to admire the genuine partnership between the developer and the city," said Simon after the tour, explaining that it was something he didn't usually see during his tenure monitoring developments such as the Assembly Square project across the state.

"Developers are the most optimistic people in the world, you have to be, you have to believe in the future to be a developer and that's true of mayors as well," said Simon. "But you don't always get a mayor who can look at a 10-year development with that kind of foresight, and the ability of Mayor Curtatone to be able to look into the future and be able to understand the long-term importance of a project for the City of Somerville, looking at it as a hundred year decision, is incredibly impressive and is probably one of the main reasons why Federal Reality is here, frankly."

"A lot of people talk about partnership. This is the embodiment of it. If you get this kind of transit-oriented development of the scale that we heard described today, it'll make a fundamental change to not only the economics of the region but the vitality of the region."

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Thursday|June 9

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Storytime for 3 to 5 year olds
10:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m.|79 Highland Ave

Friday|June 10

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

Saturday|June 11

SomerFun
3 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Union Square Plaza and Central Parking Lot

Monday|June 13

Central Library
Sing Along with Steve Mayone
11 a.m.- 11:30 a.m.|79 Highland Ave

Tuesday|June 14

West Branch Library
Storytime
11 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|40 College Ave

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Thursday|June 9

Johnny D's
Michael Chapman
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Greg Klyma| 9 p.m.
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Precinct Bar
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70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

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

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30 Washington St|617-628-1000

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

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381 Somerville Ave

Rosebud Bar
381 Summer St.

Friday|June 10

Johnny D's
Tom Pendergast| Kobie|Bonus Round|Urban Warriors|Project Tree
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

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

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

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

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

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Domestic Beer $2.50
9 p.m. - 1 a.m.|no cover|97 Washington St|617-623-3364

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

Night Games
Fabulous Fridays|R&B
30 Washington St|617-628-1000

Samba Bar & Grille
Live music
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Choices Restaurant & Lounge
381 Somerville Ave

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381 Summer St

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Arts at the Armory
Boston Circus Guild presents Reign of Revelry
7 p.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

Saturday|June 11

Johnny D's
Sierra Leone's Refugee Allstars |Band That Time Forgot
17 Holland St.|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's
Tom Hagerty Band |5:30 p.m.
Rocking Horse Rodeo |9 p.m.
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Spitting Vinnies
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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Some Small Counties|The Big Sky Band|Medina Sod
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

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Karaoke|on demand DJ
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The Goddamn Rattlesnake|GraveRobbers
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On The Hill Tavern
Live DJ
499 Broadway|617-629-5302

Bull McCabe's Pub
First Annual "Roots To Reggae" outdoor music festival all star line up to Union Square
3 p.m.-10 p.m|366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

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

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

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

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

Choices Restaurant & Lounge
381 Somerville Ave

Rosebud Bar
Brendan Boogie EP Release #5, Muy Cansado, The Highway
381 Summer St

Bloc 11
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Arts at the Armory
Boston Circus Guild presents Reign of Revelry
2 p.m. and 7 p.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

Arts at the Armory
Somerville Songwriter Sessions
8 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Sunday|June 12

Johnny D's
Open Blues Jam|4:30 p.m.|Mike Hatsings|9 p.m.
17 Holland St.|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar
Frank Drake Sunday Showcase |5 p.m.
Organically Good Trio|8 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Sunday Night Music Series
8 p.m.|247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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

Precinct Bar
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

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Dub Apocalypse
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Orleans Restaurant and Bar
RockBand every other Sundays
9 p.m.|65 Holland St

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499 Broadway|617-629-5302

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

Highland Kitchen
Live Bluegrass Brunch |noon-2:30p.m.
Live Music|10 p.m.
150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Night Games
Sports Blitz Sundays
30 Washington St|617-628-1000

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

Choices Restaurant & Lounge
381 Somerville Ave

Rosebud Bar
381 Summer St

Monday|June 13

Johnny D's
Trivia and $1 hot dogs
8 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.|Set Dancing @ 8 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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Open Mic - Rock, Folk, R&B, Alt, Jazz & Originals etc. Hosted by Bill Brockmeyer and the Brock & Roll Revival Band
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Precinct Bar
Michael Crawford|Skot Veroczi|Chimney Choir|Mike & Ruthy
70 Union Sq|617-623-921

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

Tuesday|June 14

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

Sally O'Brien's Bar
Kevin Byrne Solo |9 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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

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

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Fraction of Infinity|Worried Well|Tan Vampires|Dead Mans Clothes
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Four Dollar Burgers!
David Johnston Band
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Highland Kitchen
Spelling Bee Night first Tuesday of the month
9:30 p.m.|150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

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

Rosebud Bar
Karaoke
381 Summer St

Wednesday|June 15

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

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

Precinct Bar
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CLASSES AND GROUPS

Wednesday|June 8

Third Life Studio
Belly Dance Fundamentals with Nadira Jamal
6:30-8:00 Level 2|8 p.m.-9 p.m. Level 1
33 Union Sq|www.nadirajamal.com

Thursday|June 9

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

Third Life Studio
Roots and Rhythm
33 Union Sq| 617-388-3247|www.libana.com

First Church Somerville
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Friday|June 10

Third Life Studio
Vinyasa Flow Yoga
6 p.m.|33 Union Sq|nbrooks323@gmail.com

Saturday|June 11

Third Life Studio
Monthly Open Voice Movement Therapy Workshops
11:30 -2:30 p.m.|33 Union Sq| 978-952-2798
Yoga Flow
1 p.m.-2 p.m.|33 Union Sq |maria.taesil@gmail.com
Zumba with Alyne Silva
4 p.m.-5:30|33 Union Sq

Sunday|June 12

Third Life Studio
Belly Dance Fundamentals with Nadira Jamal
Noon- 1 p.m.|
Creative Modern Dance
1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.|33 Union Sq| 617-388-3247

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|June 13

Central Library
Kenneth Gloss of the Brattle Book Shop & Friends of the Library Annual Meeting
6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

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

Third Life Studio
Beginning Hawaiian Hula
5:45 p.m.| 781-729-2252

Tuesday|June 14

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

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Wednesday|June 15

Central Library
Chiropractic: The Art, Science, and Philosophy of 'Wholistic' Health Care
7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Third Life Studio
Belly Dance Fundamentals with Nadira Jamal
6:30-8:00 Level 2|8 p.m.-9 p.m. Level 1
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PLACES TO GO, THINGS TO DO!

The circus is in town

Reign of Revelry, a local circus performance, is showing at the Armory in Somerville with kid-friendly matinees on Saturdays and 18+ shows on Friday and Saturday evenings. The show features many local performers in juggling, acrobatics, contortion, aerials, hula hooping, and belly dancing, with live circus music by Emperor Norton's Stationary Marching Band.

"*Reign of Revelry* gives audiences a rare opportunity to see phenomenal circus talent up-close and personal", says Michael "Mooch" Mucciolo, one of the jugglers in the show as well as a member of the production team, "To make things even more special, the entire show is set to a raucous and catchy soundtrack performed live by Boston's most dance-able circus band, Emperor Norton's Stationary Marching Band".

The show is presented by the Boston Circus Guild, a local organization that promotes the performing arts throughout the Boston area and greater New England, and affords artists an opportunity to entertain while remaining in the Boston area.

"The circus is unique, it's the one place where everyday people get to see examples of the infinite potential that exists in all of us", says Roger May, who performs hand balancing and juggling in the show.

Tammy Raabe Rao/Rubicat Design and Photography

Let the revelry begin! The up-close-and-personal circus experience comes to Arts at the Armory.

Legends salute heroes

A panel of local sports legends saluted Massachusetts' military heroes and their families at this year's Massachusetts Soldier's Legacy Fund Breakfast. Celtics co-owner Wyc Grousbeck, one of the greatest linebackers in NFL history, former NE Patriot Andre Tippett, Former Celtic star forward and color announcer for the team, Cedric Maxwell, Red Sox legendary pitcher Louis Tiant and Bruins great and NHL Hall of Famer Ray Bourke all sat together on a panel and chatted with the crowd for 45 minutes, taking questions and praising the heroes among them: Somerville's Tom Kelley and Concord's Tom Hudner, the states only living Medal of Honor recipients, in addition to the mothers, fathers, siblings, wives and children of Massachusetts servicemen and women who have given their lives.

Coming home

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thoughtful. It is critical to have such conversations in an environment in an environment that feels as safe, comfortable, and trusting as possible, an environment that is in every way a contradiction to that of the trauma. It is also important that the vet not feel forced to speak of these thing. He or she may initially need to talk about with comrades or a counselor.

Friends and families' normal impulse is to throw a welcome-home party. But returning vets may most need rest and respite, so they should be asked if a party and the attention that come with it would be welcome. Being explicit in all matters is helpful, including stating what one wants from him or her. Blame of demands deepen the injuries.

Veterans' families and workplaces will have changed in their absence. Explicitly discussing these changes and how the vet can reintegrate reduces stressors, while simultaneously building trust and communications skills that can help him or her to discharge traumatic distress.

When the time is right to discuss traumatic experiences, expressions of pity, or even sympathy, will kill the conversation. The most important attitudes to communicate are interest and basic respect. Strong reactions to the horror that the vet describes may unconsciously reinforce feelings that he or she is apart from and less worthy than "normal" human beings. Listening without interruption or judgment is essential.

Certain behaviors are common among those who suffer acute stress reactions. Recognize them as normal don't overreact or take them personally. They include:

- Being edgy, easily startled, or constantly on guard;
- Feeling sad, guilty, or abandoned;
- Feeling withdrawn and detached while having difficulty trusting others and sharing control;
- Having trouble concentrating or sleeping;
- Experiencing bad dreams, flashbacks, shock, or numbness;
- Feeling incapable of happiness;
- Driving aggressively;
- Avoiding anything that reminds one of the trauma; and
- Using alcohol or substances to "self medicate" these conditions.

A majority of survivors recover in weeks or months. But for 20% to 30%, these persist and may worsen, producing diagnoses of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). We don't yet know why some recover and others struggle, but we know that it's not because of any weakness. Nor does PTSD discriminate among cultures, races, ages, or sexes.

In these cases, caring family and friends should encourage the vet to get expert help. They must insist, if he or she poses a danger to themselves or others.

Department of Defense and VA policy makers discourage PTSD diagnoses. But my experience of front-line caregivers is that they are responsive and caring.

Iraq and Afghanistan vets can get immediate help with combat stress at the Vet Center, 665 Beacon St., Boston, without any potentially damaging information reaching their service unit. Calling 617 424-0665 beforehand will eliminate waiting.

The VA outpatient facility, 51 Causeway St., 617 671-9000, will require vets to register as a VA patient. Applications are available at www1.va.gov/health_benefits. Vets with PTSD symptoms too severe to wait for the outpatient facility's daily 1:00 PM intake sessions should go directly to the VA emergency room in Jamaica Plain.

The Trauma Center is a great organization where I was first diagnosed and treated for PTSD many years ago. They may be reached at 617 232-1303 or traumacenter.org.

Finally, Somerville Veteran's Services Director Frank Senesi, a former marine and a PTSD survivor, is warmly responsive to any vet. Frank is both a great listener and provides effective referral to needed services. He may be reached at 625-6600 ext. 4700.

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Nancy Carlsson-Paige to receive award

By Cathleen Twardzik

On June 9, Nancy Carlsson-Paige, Professor of early childhood education at Lesley University in Cambridge, the place at which she has educated teachers for greater than 30 years, will be honored with the Robert F. Kennedy Children's Action Corps' Embracing the Legacy Award for her long-time work on behalf of children and families.

She has been a Somerville resident for 14 years and is a devoted advocate for healthier, nonviolent schools and communities for all children and is a nationally renowned early childhood developmental expert.

Further, Carlsson-Paige was one of the founders of the university's Center for Peaceable Schools. She has written and presented extensively about the impact of violence, especially in the media, on children's lives and social development, as well as how children learn the skills which are crucial to foster caring relationships and to learn positive conflict resolution.

Carlsson-Paige has written five books and copious articles about media violence, conflict resolution, and peaceable schools and classrooms.

However, "I have published only one children's book. It was a story [about] two children who had a conflict and figured out a positive way to solve it. My other books are for teachers and parents. In those, I try to help adults understand children, how they develop, what they need, how they understand the world, so that the adults can begin to discover humane and helpful ways, instead of punitive ones, to deal with kids," said Carlsson-Paige.

Her most recent book, Taking Back Childhood: A Proven Roadmap for Raising Confident, Creative, Compassionate Kids, highlights practical, hands-on ways in which parents can create safe, open, and imaginative environments that will ensure that children can flourish as human beings.

"We have to keep the big picture in mind as we advocate for children. We have to remember, as hard as it can be to face, that our nation ranks at the bottom among wealthy nations on comparisons of children's well-being," said Carlsson-Paige.

"Currently, we have more children living in poverty than any industrialized nation. Twenty-three percent of our children now live in poverty, and that number has been rising."

Whatever the issue may be, "We have to remember that too many children in our country do not have their basic needs met and that many of the problems we see in the work we do with children stem from poverty and the conditions it creates. I advocate for humane environments for all children, for peaceable, nonviolent schools and communities, for education that begins with children's needs and development, and for school reform that puts children, and not test scores, at the center of things," said Carlsson-Paige.

Importantly, this award celebrates the spirit of the late senator's belief that individuals can make a difference in the world and recognizes those who have courageously worked to eliminate injustice and inequity in society that affect children and families.

"Nancy was chosen as a Robert F. Kennedy Children's Action Corps' Embracing the Legacy award recipient for her work with families, schools and communities to create environments without violence," said Ed Kelley, President and CEO of the Robert F. Kennedy Children's Action Corps.

Nancy Carlsson-Paige is one of the recipients of this year's RFK Children's Action Corps Award.

In more depth, "Nancy represents the ideals and principles of the late Senator Robert F. Kennedy," he said.

"I am honored and humbled to be receiving the Embracing the Legacy Award and proud to be associated with an agency that works with underserved youth," said Carlsson-Paige.

However, "Each one of those dedicated professionals deserves an award. I don't know how the committee chose me, but I stand for all these other people as well as for myself when I receive it," she said.

In which projects involving advocacy for children would Carlsson-Paige like to become involved in the future? "I've been a child advocate [for] my whole adult life and can't imagine living any other way. Most recently, I have become alarmed by the test-driven education reforms intensifying since the enactment of the No Child Left Behind legislation passed ten years ago. These policies have resulted in a narrowing of curriculum in schools, loss of the arts, play, and hands on learning, recess, field trips, and in general, loss of curriculum that is based in children's needs, interests, and active learning."

This event's goal is to raise money to support The Robert F. Kennedy Children's Action Corps.

Over 300 people are expected to attend the event, which will include a cocktail reception, seated dinner, and program.

Included in the evening will be the presentation of the Embracing the Legacy Awards to the following honorees: Nancy Carlsson-Paige, Marian Wright Edelman, Founder and President of the Children's Defense Fund, Peter Edelman, Professor of Law at Georgetown University Law Center, Lael Chester, Executive Director of Citizens for Juvenile Justice and Terry L. Cross, Founder of the National Indian Child Welfare Association.

A portion of Investigation Discovery's documentary, which is entitled Children of Promise: The Legacy of Robert F. Kennedy and showcases the Robert F. Kennedy Children's Action Corps as a leader in child welfare and juvenile justice, will be shown that night.

The documentary, which aired May 20 on the Investigation Discovery Network, features three former clients of the agency: Tom Brokaw, NBC News Anchor, as well as Kerry Kennedy and Kathleen Kennedy Townsend, both of whom are daughters of the late senator.

The event will be held at 5:30 p.m. at the JFK Presidential Library and Museum at Columbia Point in Boston.

Tickets each cost $300, and corporate sponsorship opportunities are available.

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Answers

1. James Earl Jones

2. Double XX

3. James Brown

4. 2012

5. Homophones

6. A Bibliophile collects rare books and a Bibliopole sells them

7. 1981 was the start of the mid-season strikes

8. Antoinette Perry, American actress and director, who served on the wartime Board of Directors of American Theater

9. The song was composed by Mildred J. Hill, and the lyrics by her sister Patty - both were school teachers (the original lyrics were "Good Morning to All")

10. It was H-O-L-L-Y-W-O-O-D-L-A-N-D

11. Raggedy Ann first, for his dying daughter - later he created a brother for the doll, Andy

12. Changing the voting age to 18 year olds

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SCAT Program Schedule for the Week

Wednesday, June 8

12:00am	Free Speech TV
6:00am	Flipside
7:00am	Arabic Hour
8:00am	Democracy Now!
9:00am	GRIT
9:30am	The Garage
10:00am	Abugida TV
11:00am	Somerville News Reading
12noon	Democracy Now!
1:00pm	The Struggle
1:30pm	Animal Agenda
2:00pm	Thom Hartmann
3:00pm (LIVE)	Medical Tutor
3:30pm	Tribuna Medica
4:00pm	Life Matters
5:00pm	CommonSense
5:30pm	Healer in Every House
6:00pm	Al Jazeera DC
7:00pm (LIVE)	Chita Tande
8:00pm (LIVE)	Somerville Pundits
8:30pm (LIVE)	Somer-Time
9:30pm (LIVE)	The Freemont Show
10:00pm	The Smoki Dick Show
11:00pm	Art @ SCATV

Thursday, June 9

12:00am	Free Speech TV
6:00am	In Season, Out of Season
6:30am	Eckankar
7:00am	Heritage Baptist Church
8:00am	Democracy Now!
9:00am	GRIT TV
9:30am	Active Aging
11:00am	S'ville News Reading
12:00noon	Democracy Now!
1:00pm	African TV Network
2:00pm	Thom Hartmann
3:00pm	Tele Lakay
4:00pm	Live Response
5:00pm	Improv Toolkit w/Nadira
5:30pm	Ablevision
6:00pm	Al Jazeera DC
7:00pm (LIVE)	Tele Magazine
8:00pm (LIVE)	Fouye Zo Nan Kalalou
9:30pm	Physician Focus
11:00pm	Captain Solo

Friday, June 10

12:00am	Free Speech TV
6:00am	Changes in Health Care
8:00am	Democracy Now!
9:00am	GRIT TV
9:30am	Somerville News Reading
10:30am	Katie Couric @ Tufts
12:00noon	Democracy Now!
1:00pm	The Expert Series
1:30pm	Cook w/Georgia & Dez
2:00pm	Thom Hartmann Show
3:00pm	Inside Talk
4:00pm	Neighborhood Cooking w/ Candy Gold
4:30pm	Money On Your Mind
5:00pm	Real Estate Answer Show
5:30pm	Your Money, Your Life
6:00pm	Al Jazeera DC
7:00pm	Fernando's Hideaway
8:00pm	Visual Radio
9:00pm	Razormore
9:30pm	Bandwidth TV
10:00pm	Sound Off
11:00pm	Juprey Promotions

Saturday, June 11

12:00am	Free Speech TV
6:00am	Arabic Hour
7:00am	GAY USA
8:00am	The Struggle
8:30pm	Animal Agenda
9:00am	Festival Kreyol
10:00am	Tele Galaxie
11:00am	Dead Air Live Show
12:00pm	Reeling: The Movie review
12:30pm	Somerville Housing Authority
1:00pm (LIVE)	Bongoman
2-5:00pm	Community Forums
5:00pm	Tele Kreyol
6:00pm	Tele Magazine
7:00pm	Somerville News Reading
8:00pm	Grit TV
9:00pm	Nossa Gente e Costumes
10:00pm	Wrestling Talk
11:00pm	Sonic Lobotomy

Sunday, June 12

12:00am	Free Speech TV
6:00am	Rompendo em Fe
7:00am	Vida Na TV (2)
8:00am	In Season, Out of Season
8:30am	The Atheist Viewpoint
9:00am	Grit TV
10:00am	Christian Assembly
11:00am	International Church of God
12noon	S'ville Housing Authority
12:30noon	Somerville Hospital
1:00pm	Waltham Philharmonic Orch.
2:00pm	The Road to Recovery
2:30pm	El Poder de Elegir
3:00pm	Inside Talk (2)
3:30pm	Shrink Rap
4:00pm	Dedilhando A Saudade
5:00pm	Ethiopian Satelite TV
6:00pm	Abugida TV
7:00pm	African TV Network
8:00pm	Tele Magazine
9:00pm	GAIN TV
10:00pm	Reclaiming Their Voice
11:00pm	Changes In Health Care

Monday, June 13

12:00am	Free Speech TV
6:00am	Heritage Park Church
7:00am	Reclaiming Their Voice
8:00am	Democracy Now!
9:00am	GRIT
10:00am	Somerville News Reading
11:00am	Nossa Gente e Costumes
12:00noon	Democracy Now!
1:30pm	Somerville Housing Authority
2:00pm	Thom Hartmann Show
3:00pm	Community Forums
5:30pm	Love & Victory
6:00pm	Al Jazeera
7:00pm	Art @ SCATV
7:30pm	Healthy Hypnosis
8:30pm	Steve Katsos Show
9:00pm	Dedilhando A Saudade

Tuesday June 14

12:00am	Free Speech TV
6:00am	Heritage Park Baptist Church
7:00am	Perils for Pedestrians
8:00am	Democracy Now!
9:00am	Somerville News Reading
10:00am	Tele Kreyol
11:00am	CommonSense
12:00noon	Democracy Now!
1:00pm	The Commonwealth Report
1:30pm	Active Aging
2:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show
3:00pm	Robyn & Max Exercise
3:30pm	Esoteric Science
4:00pm	Programa Vida Na TV
5:00pm (LIVE)	Poet to Poet
5:30pm	Jeff Jam
6:00pm	Al Jazeera DC
7:00pm	Art @ SCATV
7:30pm (LIVE)	Greater Somerville w/ Joe Lynch
8:00pm (LIVE)	Dead Air Live Show
9:00pm (LIVE)	Somerville Biking News
10:00pm	Perils For Pedestrians
11:00pm	The Expert Series

City Cable TV Schedule for the Week

Wednesday, June 8

9:00am: (13/16)	Preservation Awards at The Somerville Museum
9:00am: (15)	Kid Stuff
11:30am: (15)	Argenziano School Memorial Day Concert
12:00pm: (13/16)	Ed. Programs & Instruction Subcommittee 5/31/11
12:05pm: (15)	Community Story Walk
12:25pm: (15)	SHS Girls' Softball vs Cambridge
1:00pm: (13/16)	Talking Business
1:40pm: (13/16)	B2Green Expo
7:00pm: (13/16)	Talking Business
7:00pm: (15)	SHS Scholarship Awards Night
7:40pm: (13/16)	2011 Memorial Day Parade
9:05pm: (15)	Argenziano School Memorial Day Concert
9:35pm: (13/16)	Congressional Update

Thursday, June 9

12:00am: (13/16)	Talking Business
12:00am: (15)	SHS Scholarship Awards Night
12:40am: (13/16)	2011 Memorial Day Parade
2:05am: (15)	Argenziano School Memorial Day Concert
2:35am: (13/16)	Congressional Update
9:00am: (13/16)	2011 Memorial Day Parade
9:00am: (15)	SHS String Spring Fling
11:30am: (15)	90th Annual City-Wide Track Meet
12:00pm: (13/16)	Senior Circuit
12:35pm: (13/16)	The Mayor's Report
1:05pm: (13/16)	Inner Belt/Brick Bottom Focus Group - 5/16/11
1:30pm: (15)	Our Schools, Our City
7:00pm: (13/16)	Board of Aldermen Meeting - LIVE
7:00pm: (15)	Healey School Spring Concert
7:45pm: (15)	Our Schools, Our City
8:15pm: (15)	90th Annual City-Wide Track Meet

Friday, June 10

12:00am: (13/16)	2011 Memorial Day Parade
12:00am: (15)	Healey Schools Spring Concert
12:45am: (15)	Our Schools, Our City
1:15am: (15)	90th Annual City-Wide Track Meet
9:00am: (13/16)	A Taste of Somerville
9:00am: (15)	Our Schools, Our City
12:00pm: (13/16)	A Taste of Somerville
12:00pm: (15)	SHS Class Day 2011
12:30pm: (13/16)	Legally Speaking w/Michelle Mulvena
1:00pm: (13/16)	2011 Memorial Day Parade
2:30pm: (15)	Community Story Walk
7:00pm: (13/16)	A Taste of Somerville
7:00pm: (15)	SHS Class Day 2011
7:30pm: (13/16)	Legally Speaking w/Michelle Mulvena
8:00pm: (13/16)	2011 Memorial Day Parade
9:30pm: (15)	Community Story Walk

Saturday, June 11

12:00am: (13/16)	A Taste of Somerville
12:00am: (15)	SHS Class Day 2011
12:30am: (13/16)	Legally Speaking w/Michelle Mulvena
1:00am: (13/16)	2011 Memorial Day Parade
2:30am: (15)	Community Story Walk
12:00pm: (13/16)	A Taste of Somerville
12:00pm: (15)	SHS Class Day 2011
12:30pm: (13/16)	Legally Speaking w/Michelle Mulvena
1:00pm: (13/16)	2011 Memorial Day Parade
2:30pm: (15)	Community Story Walk
7:00pm: (13/16)	A Taste of Somerville
7:00pm: (15)	SHS Class Day 2011
7:30pm: (13/16)	Legally Speaking w/Michelle Mulvena
8:00pm: (13/16)	2011 Memorial Day Parade
9:30pm: (15)	Community Story Walk

Sunday, June 12

12:00am: (13/16)	A Taste of Somerville
12:00am: (15)	SHS Class Day 2011
12:30am: (13/16)	Legally Speaking w/Michelle Mulvena
1:00am: (13/16)	2011 Memorial Day Parade
2:30am: (15)	Community Story Walk
12:00pm: (13/16)	Senior Circuit
12:00pm: (15)	Dr. Terrence Roberts - Little Rock 9
12:35pm: (13/16)	PorchFest 2011
12:45pm: (15)	Our Schools, Our City
1:05pm: (13/16)	B2Green Expo
1:15pm: (15)	SHS Graduation 2011
7:00pm: (13/16)	Senior Circuit
7:00pm: (15)	Dr. Terrence Roberts - Little Rock 9
7:35pm: (13/16)	PorchFest 2011
7:45pm: (15)	Our Schools, Our City
8:05pm: (13/16)	B2Green Expo
8:15pm: (15)	SHS Graduation 2011
8:30pm: (13/16)	Board of Aldermen Meeting - REPLAY OF 6/9/11

Monday, June 13

12:00am: (13/16)	Senior Circuit
12:00am: (15)	Dr. Terrence Roberts - Little Rock 9
12:35am: (13/16)	PorchFest 2011
12:45am: (15)	Our Schools, Our City
1:05am: (13/16)	B2Green Expo
1:15am: (15)	SHS Graduation 2011
9:00am: (13/16)	Legally Speaking w/Michelle Mulvena
9:00am: (15)	Dr. Terrence Roberts - Little Rock 9
11:30am: (15)	SHS Choral Concert
12:00pm: (13/16)	The Mayor's Report
12:30pm: (13/16)	Preservation Awards at The Somerville Museum
12:30pm: (15)	Full Circle Graduation
1:00pm: (15)	Kennedy School Spring Concert
7:00pm: (13/16)	School Committee Meeting - LIVE
7:00pm: (15)	SHS Choral Concert
8:00pm: (15)	Healey School Talent Show
8:45pm: (15)	2011 SHS Class Day

Tuesday, June 14

12:00am: (13/16)	The Aldermen's Hour
12:00am: (15)	SHS Choral Concert
12:30am: (13/16)	Congressional Update
1:00am: (15)	Healey School Talent Show
1:45am: (15)	2011 SHS Class Day
9:00am: (13/16)	The Aldermen's Hour
9:00am: (15)	Healey School Spring Concert
11:30am: (15)	Kennedy School Spring Concert
12:00pm: (13/16)	Senior Circuit
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7:00pm: (15)	SHS Scholarship Awards Night
7:35pm: (13/16)	Legally Speaking w/Michelle Mulvena
8:05pm: (13/16)	McInnis Square Dedication
8:30pm: (13/16)	School Committee Meeting - REPLAY OF 6/13/11
9:05pm: (15)	Dr. Terrence Roberts - Little Rock 9
12:00am: (13/16)	Senior Circuit
12:00am: (15)	SHS Scholarship Awards Night
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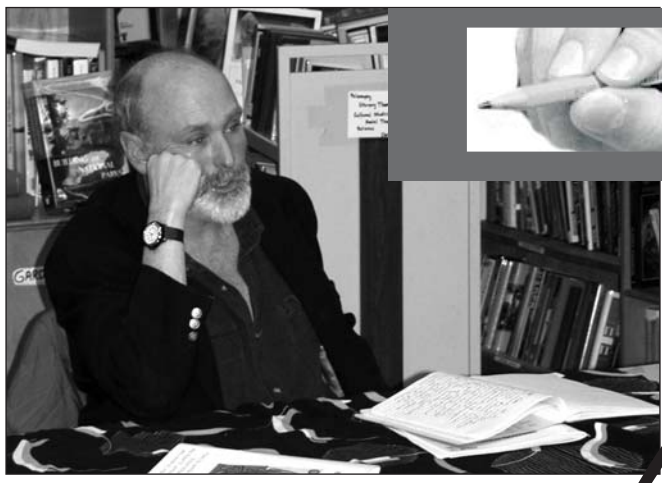

OFF THE SHELF

by *Doug Holder*

Somerville Poets Patrick Sylvain and Kim Triedman:

Words as a balm for disaster

Poets Kim Triedman and Patrick Sylvain joined me on my Somerville Community Access TV show *Poet to Poet: Writer to Writer*, to talk about the acclaimed poetry reading they were part of and the subsequent anthology *Poets for Haiti*. All this was in reaction to the tragic earthquake that brought Haiti to its knees. Triedman, managing editor for the Ibbetson Street Press in Somerville, Mass, edited the anthology and was instrumental in organizing the reading. Sylvain is originally from Haiti and now lives in Somerville. He is a well-regarded poet, educator and activist.

Doug Holder: How do you think poetry has helped people connect with Haitian culture? Did your readings and others like it help people realize what was lost during the earthquakes?

Kim Triedman: I think the enormity of the disaster was enough for people to stand up and take notice. Poetry, at least to my knowledge, had not been used in this way significantly before—in terms of the way the poetry community supported us. I think it was a very valuable model if nothing else. The fact that so many people came out and responded to the poetry, responded to the situation, responded with donations, made the reading a tremendous success. We had five Haitian American poets. I think the situation in Haiti demanded this attention.

Patrick Sylvain: I agree, I was thrilled with it, and when I saw the lineup of all the other poets, I knew it would be a success. But I did not think it would be as successful as it turned out. Even the reading we did at Porter Square Books in Cambridge was great—I think we sold 170 books.

KT: Yes. It really excited us. There was tremendous energy. The whole thing took over two hours. And no one got up to leave.

PS: What impressed me was all the generosity of the poets and Kim in putting it together.

The Arts have been central to Haitian culture. Whether its poetry, fiction, painting, etc... Haiti is known for its artistic expression. After the earthquake we sort of made a pact with the devil. It brought us attention, but also destruction. Haiti has been demonized in so many ways. So I think an event like this to counterbalance that image—is so good for an alternative way to look at things. It provides a way took beyond the fact that Haiti is the poorest country. The language of poetry is universal. And poets speak with one another. The readers at the event and the poetry lovers interacted in a very warm and heartfelt way.

DH: Kim, there is always a litany of disasters-so why did this particular one—light a fire for you?

KT: I can't say exactly. But I happened to be in my poetry workshop a couple of days after the incident and one of my colleagues said as we were leaving: "I wish there is more that we can do." We had all written checks; we all watched the footage. For some reason I couldn't keep my eyes off of it. And that night it occurred to me that I had a friend who was a poetry organizer. She made me realize I could put something together with poets and artists. I ended up working with Jim Henle of Harvard University who had the same idea. I think what prompted me was that line from my group: "I wish there is more that we can do." Once we asked people to be part of our reading etc...we had a full roster of poet in two days, etc...

DH: The reading took place Feb. 23, 2010 at the Harvard Ed. School. It has been said that the "Poets owned the evening." What does that mean?

PS: Our words and emotions took us someplace that was unexpected. It was not a catastrophe reading so to speak, nor was it overwhelmed with emotions. It was sort of a heartfelt literary event that took us to a spot where we understood human frailty, human resilience, but at the same time we talked to each other. Fred Marchant (Director of the Suffolk University Poetry Center) read a poem by a Haitian poet. The poem he read was connected to one of his own poems. There were many of these "interconnections." Fred read the work of a poet he never met. We had 13 poets, and the audience wanted more!

KT: It almost had a spiritual aspect. People were elated. It was an incidental reading forum. There was no grandstanding. Robert Pinsky (Former U.S. Poet Laureate), as well as an award-winning Haitian High School poet read. Other poets like Rosanna Warren, Gail Mazur read—so we had an amazing group. It took its own shape.

DH: Patrick, in your poem *Boulevard Jean Jacques Dessalines* you write of this famed street in Port-au-Prince. Tell us a bit about the street in its salad days, and how it is now. Who was the man it was named after.

PS: When I was young you Port-au-Prince was very small. I left Haiti in 1981. The Boulevard was like Mass. Ave. in Cambridge, Mass. It was a central artery. It had a lot of business going on, and two hundred yards to its right you had the seaport—so literally you could see the sea. I remember when I started to go to school you could see the increase in merchants. And when I went back to Haiti in 1990, I wanted to see some of these places. I wanted to look at people. To me Haiti is theater. The merchants pressing against each other, all the theatrical battles that took place between them...I wanted to witness this yet again. I had a very specific memory of a very chaotic place. So when I went back, I could see the street was overwhelmed by vendors, and the poverty and desperation was very evident.

Dessalines was one of the founders of Haiti. He became a liberator and later ironically a dictator. Later he was murdered, a little outside Port-au-Prince. So this same thoroughfare named after the great liberator is full of chaos and poverty.

DH: Kim, in your poem *Toil* you write "Spring will come." Has spring sprung in the aftermath in Haiti?

KT: It's going very slowly. I hope it will. There is just a relentless of catastrophes these days.

PS: I think we can only be hopeful. People in Haiti don't believe in suicide. As long there is hope there is life.

For more information about " Poets for Haiti" go to: www.yileenpress.com

Lyrical SOMERVILLE

edited by Doug Holder

Our poet this week is Somerville Bagel Bard Alice Weiss. She is formerly from New Orleans, Louisiana. She earned her living as a civil rights attorney for twenty one years, among other things, investigating and challenging the conditions of jails in parishes throughout the Atchafalaya Basin and the Bayous.

Seeing

'chafalaya basin bayou town
twelve stores and a courthouse:
you can hardly see the jail on the roof
like a squirrel's nest, crumbling in the V
of the winter sycamores,
all spring and summer
you didn't know was there.

Up on the fifth floor, Warden's proud
of the negro day cell, bucks he knows
how they fight, like cocks
till they're down and bleedin'
He brings his homeboys
up from Doc's bar in the early night
winning beaucoup money
before they spend all theirs
on Dixie beer.

"Warden crowd us into the hot box,
Ma'am 'less we fight,
soak week-old French bread,
in boiled chicory water
shit in a drain in the floor
It behind the big steel fight room.
You can't see it from here
but you always know it's there.

- Alice Weiss

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Well maintained home.

Hyde Park

71239521 *$229,000*
Spacious single family. 7 rooms, 4 bedrooms, 1.5 baths. Partially finished basement. Great potential!

Somerville

71234735 *$216,000*
Top floor condo. 3 rooms, 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Laundry in unit high ceiling, deck off master bedroom.

Reading

71126544 *$157,800*
Condo. 4 rooms, 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Eat-in-kitchen w/ maple cabinets. Great complex w/pool.

Somerville

71082973 *$754,350*
Single family near Ball Sq. 9 rooms, 4 bedrooms, 1 bath, 1 fireplace. Large rooms. 2 car garage.

Lynn

71237277 *$139,000*
Condo. 4 rooms, 2 bedrooms, 1 bath. Deck off kitchen, walking distance to beach.

Brighton

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Condo, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, washer/dryer, central A/C. Deeded parking for two cars.

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