

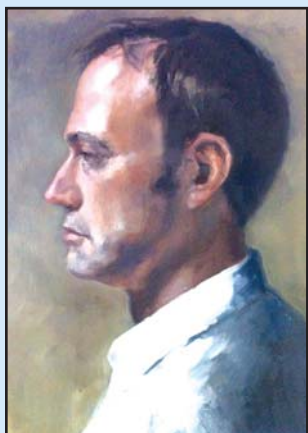


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How will they make it up to us?

State lists ideas for offsetting GLX delay



Photo by Elizabeth Sheeran

One of the interim steps proposed to make up for the Green Line Extension delay involves running more trains to Lechmere.

By Elizabeth Sheeran

A 2007 legal settlement gave the state a 2014 deadline to either extend the Green Line through Somerville, or come up with other projects that would have the same positive impact on air quality. Now that state transportation officials have said they'll miss that deadline for the Green Line Extension by years, it isn't certain they're going to have any better success with the "or else" scenario.

Nearly a year after pushing out the project end-date to 2020, the state Department of Transportation (MassDOT) recently published its inventory of proposed "mitigation measures" to offset the delay in the Green Line Extension, which was itself intended to mitigate the impact of the Big Dig highway project.

But MassDOT hasn't yet endorsed or committed to any of the proposed measures. And while locals welcome anything on the list that can improve air quality, what they really want is for the state to put resources into getting the Green Line up and running in Somerville. Yesterday, if possible.

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Americana Dance Party at the Armory

By Cathleen Twardzik

An Americana Dance Party will occur each Thursday in July from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. at The Arts at the Armory. This free event will include food and different types of beer, all of which will be local, as well as music and dancing.

While in attendance this coming Thursday, enjoy the auditory vibes of Poor Old Shine, a new Americana/Roots band which hails from Storrs, CT. Their original "arrangements" and "hand-painted cereal box CD cases" will prove to be of interest.

The band's music is "foot-stomping, bluegrass," according to a press release. Their sound combines the traditional and the modern. Due to the use of varying "instruments and harmonies" they have been compared to Mumford and Sons, The Low Anthem and Langhorne Slim.

"Poor Old Shine did a show for us in May and rocked the house. They were so fun and talented, we just had to find the right event to work with them again. We also have three other nights, with three other

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Poor Old Shine takes to the stage at Arts at the Armory this Thursday night.

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NEWTALK

Somerville native Thomas Vasconcelos has taken out papers as a Republican candidate to run against Rep. Timothy Toomey, who represents part of Somerville and Cambridge. Also running is independent candidate Mike Connolly from Cambridge. The younger Vasconcelos is a SHS graduate.

Representative Denise Provost also has an opponent. Harry Kortikere, of Oxford Street, is certified to run, as is Denise. Apparently, Harry is a Somerville newcomer and is also a Democrat that leans far to the left, and thinks Denise should be replaced. We think that Denise Provost isn't doing a bad job, but a challenge is always good to bring out the differences between both, as in any race.

A special thank you and a big hello to our friend Margaret Durkin, a lovely lady who we met at Alibrandi Barber Shop last week. Margaret is a lifelong resident who has fond memories, like a lot of us do, about the Olde Somerville. We know Margaret is going to read this because she tells us she's a huge fan of The Somerville News. By the way, Tony has a full crew up at his shop and if you're looking for a great time and lots of "what's going on in the city" stuff. Stop by and for less than a lunch and a quick drink you can get a great haircut.

Happy Birthdays this week to the following 'Villens: A big time Happy Birthday to Somerville Police Officer Mike Wyatt, who is a very nice guy - just don't get caught speeding down Broadway. Special friend Charlotte Pye, who's a great lady from a great family. Paul MacLeod-Woodfill, from the famous East Somerville Macleod's. We wish a great day and birthday to Michael Terrio and hope that his wish comes true. Happy Birthday to Cindy Hickey, the Director of Council on Aging. Also this week is State Rep. Carl Sciortino.

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TheSomervilleNews.com Comments of the Week

Response to Davis Square Streetscape: Project Charette

Ray Spitzer says:

Let's be frank here. Davis Sq is no longer a very pleasant place to be. It's too dense and chaotic. It used to be nice a few years ago. Now people keep saying it is nice only to justify to themselves the money they wasted buying a place here or the hyper rent they are paying to live nearby. But most people don't really like the Square anymore. That's what you get when a place becomes too popular and overcrowded without an adequate increase in infrastructure capacity.

DensityIsGood says:

Ray: It's too dense and chaotic? Many of us like density. It brings out diversity and can create sub-communities and warmth. How is Davis Sq chaotic??

DavisRules says:

Most people don't like Davis Square anymore? Are you kidding? It's one of the coolest places in MA to live. Have you seen the lines at the restaurants and bars, even on random weeknights? That doesn't tell me that most people don't like Davis Square. Maybe you don't like Davis, but most people that choose to live near it do.

Bill Shelton says:

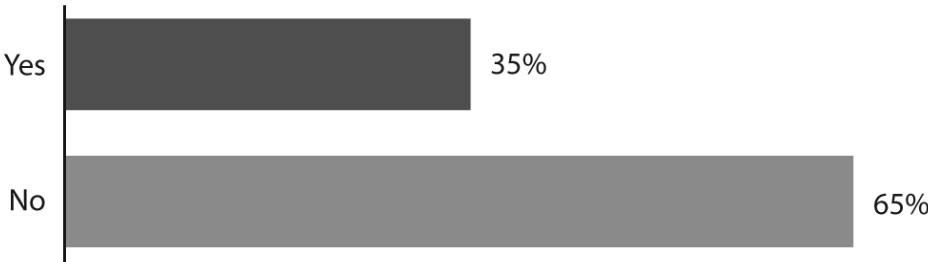
"Nobody goes there anymore—it's too crowded."
-Yogi Berra

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TheSomervilleNews.com poll of the week

In addition to breaking news, sports and opinion, TheSomervilleNews.com also features a daily poll in which you, the reader, tell us where you come down on local issues. Last week's poll concerned your views on whether or not you support a proposed bill allowing the establishment of single-sex schools in the public school system. If you don't agree with the results, simply log onto TheSomervilleNews.com.

Do you support a proposed bill allowing the establishment of single-sex schools in the public school system?



DEATH NOTICE

SMITH, Alfred J. "Papa" Of Everett, formerly of Somerville, July 8th. Beloved husband of the late Louise (Smith). Loving father of Edith Miranda and her husband James of Somerville, Judy DiNapoli and her husband Richard of Everett, Charlotte Hines of Everett, Alfred and John Smith and the late Richard. Brother of Eileen Hanson of N.M. and many late siblings. He is survived by his 10 loving grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren and many loving nieces and nephews. Funeral from the Salvatore, Rocco & Sons Funeral Home, 331 Main St., EVERETT, on Thurs., July 12th at 9 a.m. Funeral Mass Immaculate Conception Church, Everett at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends kindly invited. Visiting hours Weds. only 4-8 p.m. Complimentary valet parking at Main Street entrance. Donations in Alfred's memory may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 330 Congress St., Boston, MA 02110. Interment will be private. Rocco-Carr-Henderson Funeral Homes 1-877-71-ROCCO roccofuneralhomes.com

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North Street Veterans Playground discussed

By Tiffani Westbrook

Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone and Ward 7 Alderman Robert Trane recently hosted a community meeting to discuss the renovation plans for the North Street Veterans Playground. The proposed design would add approximately 4500 sq. ft. of additional land to the existing park, offering a more inviting and inspiring area with more trees and green space that will be 100% accessible to residents with disabilities.

The meeting, held in the Clarendon Housing Community Room on Powderhouse Blvd, offering translators of Haitian Creole and Spanish, was well attended by both Clarendon Housing residents and members of the local residential neighborhood.

Plans for the new playground, located adjacent to the Clarendon Housing Development, have been in the works for little over two years now. While the city park was passed over this year in lieu of the renovation of another Somerville park, the city anticipates an award of \$500,000 in state funding within the next year to undertake the proposed project.

According to Arn Franzen, the renovation plans were motivated by the concerns of the community as well as the city. He explains that, "The main issue is security, but we are also concerned about the making sure the park is functional for daycare children, adolescents and seniors." The plan includes better lighting, a half basketball court, gaming tables, and a water feature. The activity areas are diverse to accommodate multiple age groups. "This design blends all spaces together with overlapping uses."

He noted that while the plans are still being tweaked, "People did like the plans which included many items that were requested in previous meetings, but the primary concerns at North Street Playground continue to be safety and security,

and people wanted to be assured that the new park would have improved circulation pathways, better lighting, good visibility, spaces for all age groups, and regular police patrols."

"This design blends all spaces together with overlapping uses."

In line with these safety concerns, the new plan addresses the awkward placement of the two park entrances, which force those entering to cut through the sitting area. Franzen says that when groups congregate here it could be "intimidating" for anyone wanting to enter the park. The new park design has four entrances and paths that encourage movement and flow throughout the park.

These public plans can be viewed on the city of Somerville website as well as on a signboard located at the playground site.



The North Street Veterans Playground is about to get bigger and better, according to city planners.

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THE WEEK IN CRIME

By Jim Clark

Open containers, hidden drugs

While making a routine patrol of the area around 299 Broadway, a police patrol unit stopped to investigate an apparent instance of open container violations last Thursday afternoon.

Officers approached a small group - one female and two males - in the Rite Aid Pharmacy parking lot. An open container of beer was reportedly

spotted on the ground behind one of the males, Stephen Cullity, 39, of Cambridge, and an open bottle of alcohol in a plastic bag next to the other male, according to police.

After being asked to empty out the containers of alcohol, Cullity reportedly ignored the request and began walking away. He was stopped and asked for his identification, along with

that of the other male.

Police asked Cullity why he tried walking away and he reportedly answered, "Because I don't need this...I was just leaving." The female present was then advised to leave and she did so.

Police conducted a search of Cullity's person and reportedly found a bottle for prescription medication. Cullity stated that

the bottle contained Neurontin, which was supposedly prescribed to him, but officers noted that the bottle was labeled for Nabumetone and prescribed to a female, police said.

Upon closer inspection of the contents of the bottle, police determined that a pill contained therein was actually Suboxone, a class B drug, according to reports.

Cullity was then placed under arrest and handcuffed. As police inventoried the rest of Cullity's possessions they reportedly discovered a small plastic bag containing what they believed to be heroin.

Cullity has been charged with possession of a class A drug, possession of a class B drug, and violation of city ordinance open container.

Alleged car burglars stopped by police

Police responded to reports of a car break-in in progress at 14 Myrtle St. in the early morning hours of last Sunday.

Upon arrival, officers reportedly observed one male sitting inside a parked car and two others crouching near the car. As the two men outside the car were approached by police and advised not to move they attempted to flee by running north on Myrtle St., according to police.

Officers gave chase on foot and one man, George Perez, 23, was soon captured and held for ques-

tioning, according to reports. The other man, Tyrone Quintana-Rivera, 28, of Roxbury, reportedly ran into the back yard of a nearby residence, where he was eventually located and taken into custody.

The car that was reportedly broken into had a window smashed in. The victim identified some parts located in the suspects' car as belonging to him, police said.

The man who was found sitting in the suspects' vehicle, Luis Lizarvo, 28, of Roxbury, was also taken into custody.

Quintana-Rivera has been charged with nighttime breaking and entering of a vehicle or boat and possession of a burglarious instrument and also booked on warrant charges of assault and battery and assault with a dangerous weapon.

Perez was placed under arrest and charged with nighttime breaking and entering of a vehicle or boat.

Lizarvo was charged with nighttime breaking and entering of a vehicle or boat and possession of a burglarious instrument.

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SOMERVILLE POLICE CRIME LOG

Arrests:

Paul Powers, 52, of 68 Pearson Rd., June 30, 10:05 p.m., arrested at 100 Bristol Rd. on warrant charges of license suspended and failure to stop or yield.

Guido Reyes, 35, of 93 Pennsylvania Ave., July 1, 12:12 a.m., arrested at Warren Ave. on a charge of operation of a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor.

Karen Lindsay, 50, July 1, 2:34 p.m., arrested at 32 Kent St. on warrant charges of possession of a class C drug and receiving stolen property.

David Rowe, 32, of 35 Robins Ave., Dracut, July 2, 8:44 a.m., arrested at 75 Mystic Ave. on a charge of larceny over \$250.

John Deangelo, 49, of 44 Dunbar Ave., Medford, July 4, 11:25 p.m., arrested at 185 Somerville Ave. on a charge of assault and battery.

Stephen Cullity, 39, of 3 Watson St., Cambridge, July 5, 2:19 p.m., arrested at 299 Broadway on charges of posses-

sion of a class A drug, possession of a class B drug, and violation of city ordinance open container.

Kristen Ricci, 29, of 1374 Broadway #2C, July 5, 8:13 p.m., arrested at home on warrant charges of larceny from a person and assault and battery with a dangerous weapon.

Stanley Orantes, 18, of 198 Pearl St., July 5, 9:20 p.m., arrested at Broadway on warrant charges of armed assault to rob and assault and battery.

Matthew Beggelman, 28, of 825 Concord Turnpike, Arlington, July 6, 3:38 p.m., arrested at 275 Beacon St. on warrant charges of destruction of property over \$250, abuse prevention order violation, threat to commit a crime, and assault and battery.

Ricardo Jean-Leys, 30, of 40A Memorial Rd., July 6, 7:41 p.m., arrested at Sewall St. on warrant charges of failure to signal, speeding, and unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

Randolph Plummer, 18, of

86 Radcliffe St., Dorchester, July 6, 8:20 p.m., arrested at Broadway on a charge of violation of city ordinance possession of a dangerous weapon.

Gladison Sandes, 33, of 32 Radcliffe Rd., July 7, 1:07 a.m., arrested at home on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon.

Rahkeen Gray, 38, of 4 Evergreen Sq., July 8, 12:26 a.m., arrested at 150 Highland Ave. on a charge of disorderly conduct.

Tyrone Quintana-Rivera, 28, of 48 Waverly St., Roxbury, July 8, 2:08 a.m., arrested at 14 Myrtle St. on charges of nighttime breaking and entering of a vehicle or boat and possession of a burglarious instrument and on warrant charges of assault and battery and assault with a dangerous weapon.

George Perez, 23, July 8, 2:08 a.m., arrested at 14 Myrtle St. on a charge of nighttime breaking and entering of a vehicle or boat.

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Incidents:

Theft:

July 2, 8:44 a.m., police reported a theft at 75 Mystic Ave.

July 2, 1:10 p.m., police reported a theft at Atherton St.

July 3, 3:26 p.m., police reported a theft at Line St.

July 3, 5:21 p.m., police reported a theft at Perry St.

July 3, 11:59 p.m., police reported a theft at Morrison Ave.

July 4, 6:42 p.m., police reported a theft at Florence Terr.

July 4, 10:39 p.m., police reported a theft at Highland Ave.

July 5, 3:23 p.m., police reported a theft at Glen St.

July 5, 3:26 p.m., police reported a theft at Boston Ave.

July 5, 3:54 p.m., police reported a theft at Highland Ave.

July 6, 8:42 p.m., police reported a theft at Jackson Rd.

July 7, 7:54 p.m., police re-

ported a theft at Davis Sq.

Robbery:

July 2, 5:24 p.m., police reported a robbery at Washington St.

Breaking & Entering:

July 2, 4:56 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Grove St.

July 4, 1:58 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Avon St.

July 6, 10:59 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Fellsway W.

July 7, 12:37 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Beacon St.

July 7, 7:26 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Magnus Ave.

Vehicle Theft:

July 3, 10:56 p.m., police reported a vehicle theft at 150 Highland Ave.

Assault:

July 7, 1:07 a.m., police reported an assault at Radcliffe Rd.

Barbecue grill safety advisory

With the barbeque season upon us, the Somerville Fire Department is issuing an advisory warning to city residents about the proper use of portable cooking grills. Portable cooking arrangements are not permissible on piazzas, balconies, flat roofs or porches of any private dwelling units, apartment houses, condominiums, or any other occupancy in the city.

Porches on wooden structures are especially dangerous because fire can easily spread due to the readily available fuel supply (the wooden porches), and the natural supply of oxygen in the open air.

The two most common ways of cooking on a barbeque grill are by using charcoal or propane gas (liquefied petroleum gas).

Here are some helpful point to consider when using your grill:

Propane Gas Grills: Make sure the rubber hose from the propane tank to the regulator and the controls is secured properly at each end and is not leaking. You can check for leaks by applying a solution of soapy water with a brush and watch for bubbles caused by the leaking gas. Leaking propane is heavier than air and will gather at lower levels eventually reaching an explosive concentration. If the vapors reach a source of ignition such as an open flame, an explosion is likely to occur. Propane should be stored properly, not inside any building. Do not leave the tank valve open when not in use. Make sure you close the valve when you are through using it and be careful about

being burned from the grill itself. These grills are not to be stored inside a building where a leak can lead to a tragic build up of gas. Keep the unit in the open air and when through for the season, use up all the propane in the tank.

Charcoal Briquettes: People have been seriously burned by lighting charcoal briquettes improperly. Squirting a stream of lighter fluid on the lighted coals is opening yourself up to a severe burn injury. In less than a second, the flames of ignition can travel up the stream and cause the can of flammable fluid to explode with violence leaving you severely burned. When using electric igniters, do not leave them in the briquettes too long. Unattended hot coals cause danger to youngsters, especially toddlers. Imagine the serious burns these hot coals can inflict on children who are examining the grill due to their natural curiosity.

Annual Cleaning: Although burning off the grill after every cookout will keep it ready for instant use, once a year you should give the entire grill a thorough cleaning to keep it in top operating condition.

Flare-Ups: When you cook fatty foods over an open flame, you can expect flare-ups. Flare-ups are caused by the natural juices falling on hot briquettes or surfaces. The following steps can be taken to control flare-ups:

1. Turn you heat control knob(s) to a lower setting.
2. Move your meat to another part of



the grill if possible.

3. Trim excess fat off the meat and poultry before cooking.

4. Cook with the lid down. Cutting off the flow of air will reduce the possibility of a flare-up.

5. If you have a dual burner grill, you may be able to cook on one side, moving the food as necessary to the unlighted side.

To be within the requirements of the law and have a safe cookout, follow these steps:

- Set up the grill at ground level and at least ten (10) feet away from the house or

any other structure.

- Follow directions for proper lighting of the grill.

- Use proper utensils to protect yourself from the heat.

- Watch children closely when they are around the grill.

- Douse the briquettes with water when you are through cooking. Briquettes not doused with water will remain hot enough to start a fire or cause burns for several days.

If an emergency occurs, dial 911 immediately. Do not wait until the situation is out of control.

Americana Dance Party CONT. FROM PG 1

bands: [which include] July 26, Somerville's own Sal Islam; August 10, Uncle Buzz; [and] August 17, The Bill O'Connor Trio," said Jennifer Lawrence, responsible for Arts, Cultural and Community Programming Booking at The Center for Arts at the Armory.

Poor Old Shine consists of: Antonio Alcorn, mandolin and guitar; Harrison Goodale, bass; Benedict Gagliardi, concertina and tin whistle; Max Shakun, guitar and pump organ; Brian Conlon, drums, which are from yard-sale, scrap-metal; and, to round it all out, Chris Freeman, banjo.

All of the members are University of Connecticut students.

Poor Old Shine has had the good fortune to demonstrate their skill at Toads' Place in New Haven, Conn., The Space in Hamden, Conn., and Sully's in Hartford, Conn.

Previously, they have opened for Monroeville at Bridge Street Live and for The Steel Wheels, and they appeared on The Sunday Night Folk Festival on WHUS, featuring Susan Forbes Hansen and WWUH's Caterwaul, featuring Ed Mckee.

Visit <http://artsatthearmory.org/>, which is the armory's website because, "We have so many other events going on that are different and fun," said Lawrence.

THE Somerville News Person of the Week



Meet Dave Lebahn, a newly planted Somerville resident originally from Scranton, PA, where he grew up and attended and graduated from Bishop Hannon High School. David is recently married to our Publisher Emeritus Bob Publicover. Since moving here to his new permanent home in the 'Ville, Dave has been going to school to become a Registered Nurse, presently half way through his classes. Dave is a nice, really genuine guy who has a big thing for comic books, especially Spiderman, Superman, and hero types of comic books. He's a very smart, caring and thoughtful person who is devoted to his partner Bob, and you can see that when they are together. His only problem is that he is never on time, especially with waking up and getting the day started. Bob likes to walk to the various coffee shops around the 'Ville and Dave ends up meeting him there. You can, most of the time, spot them on Highland Avenue at Three Figs or at the Armory. Oh, did we mention that Dave has a thing for the dramatics? See the picture? His biggest love before coming to Boston was putting on plays and/or playing in them. We think Dave is a nice guy and doesn't usually get the attention that his partner Bob gets. That is one reason why we choose Dave as our pick for The Somerville News Person of the week. If you see him, say "Hi" and enjoy a nice conversation with him. We think he's a good guy.

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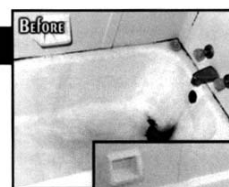
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Somerville man comes to the rescue of toddler in Revere

By William Tauro

On Sunday, July 1, approximately a little after 8 p.m., Victor Dalrymple, son of Mary and Steve Dalrymple (Steve and Sons Home Repair of Somerville), also an EMT at AMR Ambulance in Hingham, was off duty but became the first responder to young boy falling 30 feet from a three story sliding window onto the sidewalk.

After driving along Revere beach with his girlfriend and family, Victor happened to be looking out his window just at the right time and saw a little boy leaning on the screen of the window three stories up. Victor heard the pop of the screen and the boy fell out and landed face first onto the ground. Victor threw his truck into park,

grabbed the gloves and face shield that he carries with him, and ran over to assist the little boy right away. Victor held c-spine in case there was any neck or head problems. As he held the boy still and kept people from touching him, Victor's girlfriend Liz Vachon called 911. Rosa Chiaravalloti, Victor's sister, ran over from her truck to see what happened and to help Victor. Nick Dalrymple, Victor's brother, helped direct the traffic to allow for the fire truck and ambulance to arrive.

The little boy's mother ran down the stairs screaming to see her baby. A crowd gathered and began yelling and crowding Victor, who had to shout for everyone to take ten steps back. After the little boy's mother had calmed down a bit Victor

had her sit next to him to talk to the little boy and so he could see his mother.

The Revere fire department crews arrived and Victor explained everything and calmly continued to help the fire crew. Paramedics arrived and Victor continued to help them with the boy until he was in the ambulance.

The boy was transported to Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston where he is in stable condition.

Victor stayed on scene a little longer to talk to detectives. The Revere fire crew and paramedics couldn't thank Victor enough for what he had done. Luckily, Victor was in the right place at the right time and did a great job. The little boy had surgery at Mass General where he is recovering and doing well.



EMT Steve Dalrymple took immediate action to help rescue a fallen child.

School installs interactive whiteboards

By Allison Caloggero

St. Clement is making big changes to the way things are going to be taught over on Boston Avenue in Somerville. Thanks to the great generosity of the Grew Family in memory of Paul M. Grew Sr., '61 and the Ann Reppucci Memorial Trust.

The school announced the installment of \$50,000 worth of interactive whiteboards. "The interactive electronic boards are phenomenal tools and are great for demonstrations and can accommodate different learning styles", said Mr. Robert G. Chevrier, Principal St. Clement School. "It captures the attention of the students and makes the subject come alive."

These interactive whiteboards, also called smartboards, will expand the way teachers educate and the way students learn. Smartboards will give the teachers and students the luxury of using educational software, websites, and more that can be presented on a computer's desktop.

Another feature that comes with these interactive whiteboards is that teachers can now record their instruction and post the material for review by students at a later time. This is a great benefit for those students who need to review material, who struggle with learning, who are absent from class, and who need to review for an exam or test. When the

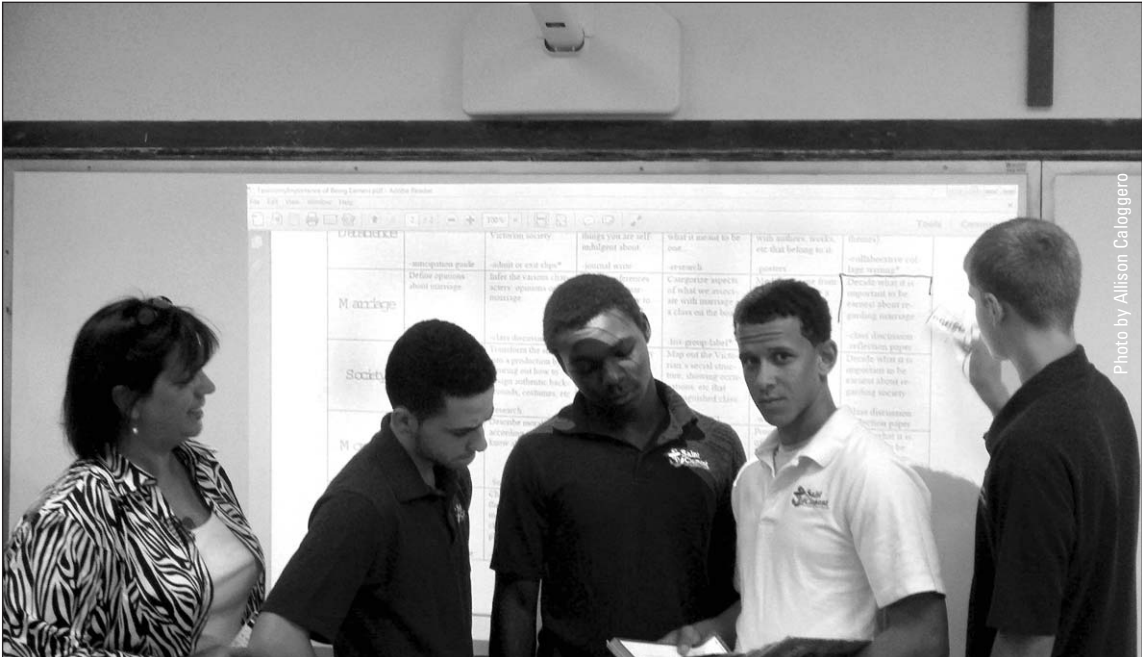


Photo by Allison Caloggero

Checking out the new interactive whiteboards (left to right): Lucia Papile, Assistant Principal; Andrew Carvallo, Somerville; Ricky Brathwaite, Chelsea; Jamey Thompson, Everett; Jack Hartnett, Medford.

students see the recording, they will see the exact presentation that occurred in the classroom with the teacher's audio input just briefer and to the main point.

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TALES OF SOMERVILLE

Illustrated by Jim Clark



It's hard to get people interested in developing Davis Sq. when nobody's around lately.

The View From Prospect Hill



The recent efforts by the Davis Square Streetscape group to bring together residents and city planners for the purpose of seeking solid direction in the future development of the area are to be lauded. It is always encouraging to see citizens involved in community planning, and civic leaders receptive to the input given.

It would be nice to see this sort of thing expanded and taken advantage of to a greater extent throughout the city. Perhaps this will be something we can look forward to in the months and years to come.

Opinions differ widely among locals as to the quality of life in and around Davis Square. Some like it - even love it - a lot, while others are left cold. Self-styled old-timers often express a preference for the pre-Red Line, slower paced environment, while the current tempo and style of the area seems to be agreeable to many others.

The important thing for all concerned is that we do our best to attain the best results possible as we move forward in planning and implementing the area's development over the short and long haul.

All of our major city squares heavily contribute to the overall picture of life here in Somerville, and it is up to us to contribute what we can to the decision-making processes as we move into the future. Davis Square is certainly no exception, and we should hope for - and work for - the most successful vision for the area that we can.

This we must do for the good of ourselves and for the generations to come. We must and, as expected, we will.

News Talk CONT. FROM PG 2

Mark Healey and Debbie McKenzie, both also fans of The News. Our own Billy Tauro, who can be spotted every now and then at a "breaking news scene" with camera in hand. A very special birthday to Alderman Ward 1 Bill Roche. a real nice guy and probably without a doubt one of the top Alderman here in the 'Ville, to him a great day. To all our July 'Villen residents, we wish you all a great day and week here in the 'Ville.

We hear that Senatorial Candidate Elizabeth Warren filmed one of her commercials under the McGrath Highway Overpass this past Saturday. Wow. We wonder if she saw our pigeon story last week or is she rallying for the bridge's demolition and is she jumping on the bridge bandwagon?

One of our Newstalkers was down at Vinnie's Supperette on lower Broadway and witnessed the lady behind the counter make a homeless person - or maybe he was just down on his luck - after buying his food ask him eat it outside. What's wrong with some people, being rude like she was? Or is she another person who

should take a manners course? Isn't that called discrimination?

Last week's News was a little mixed up with the numbering of the pages. We apologize for any inconvenience it might have caused, and we didn't realize it until after it was being delivered out. We also want to comment on the lack of papers being delivered out there. We deliver to all our locations (over 165) throughout the city. In some instances the papers just disappear off the rack. Call the office if there is a problem at 617-666-4010.

A very special hello goes out to our good friend Vinny Scaduto, who just turned ten years old and is one of our favorite young readers. When Vinny turns of age he wants to be considered for the position of The Somerville News Boat Captain. We're going to seriously consider it, but he has to continue to do good in school.

This coming Thursday morning the entire office staff of The News will be having breakfast at Renee's Cafe on

Holland Street. We hear the food is great and, of course, our favorite waitress Patty is on duty.

The Somerville High Class of 1982 is celebrating their 30th Reunion at the Orient Heights Yacht Club, East Boston, MA. It will be held on Saturday, August 25, beginning at 6 p.m. The cost per ticket is \$25. They will have a DJ and appetizers. Please contact Marybeth (Torname) Caturello, 85 MacArthur Road, Stoneham, MA 02180, mbcaturello@yahoo.com, 781-438-3120. Make checks payable to SHS Class of 1982.

The Somerville Police would like to wish 911 operator Robert Hartsgrove a Happy 21st Birthday.

The annual SomerMovie Fest begins tomorrow, July 12, with a screening of "Megamind" at Seven Hills Park in Davis Square. Movies are shown every Thursday night through August 30th beginning at dusk at locations throughout the city, culminating with a Viewer's Choice selection, voted by attendees

throughout the summer, of one of the four following films: "A Streetcar Named Desire," "Despicable Me," "Eight Men Out," "Fantastic Mr. Fox," "Pride & Prejudice (2005)." See the city's website for a full schedule.

Kids ages 10 and up are invited to make soda-tab bracelets with eco-artist Kristy Medina tomorrow, July 12 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the East Branch Library, 115 Broadway. Registration is required for this workshop - call or stop by the East Branch to sign up. This free program is funded by the Friends of the Library and all are welcome.

Somerville Ward 3 Alderman Thomas F. Taylor has called a community meeting for 6:30 p.m. July 11 at the Argenziano School at Lincoln Park to discuss the proposed redevelopment of 181 Washington Street. On the site of the former Boys and Girls Club, the Somerville Community Corporation plans a \$15 million mixed use development with affordable housing on the upper stories with retail and office uses on the ground level.

COMMENTARY

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How to save money on regional transportation: Just do it



By Joseph A. Curtatone

The latest debate over how best to cope with the costs of our regional transportation system has been prompted by the June 25th release by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation of a list of "public ideas and recommendations received by MassDOT for interim emission offset mitigation measures needed to compensate for any delay in the implementation of the MBTA Green Line Extension project."

That may sound pretty dry,

but it's actually a warning bell that, when it comes to building and operating a 21st century transportation system, delay is once again proving more expensive than prompt action.

To understand why, it's important to remember the origins of the Green Line Extension (GLX). As valuable as it will be for our regional economy, and as much as it will improve the wellbeing and quality of life for residents and commuters throughout eastern Massachusetts, one of the principal reasons that the GLX was authorized back in 1990 was to compensate for the increased vehicle emissions that would be generated by the additional traffic in the Boston area as a result of the Central Artery/Tunnel Project - what we now know as the Big Dig. Failure to complete the GLX puts Massachusetts in violation of federal environmental law.

Today, despite a successful lawsuit in 2005 by the Conser-

vation Law Foundation, and despite a commitment from then-Governor Romney to complete the project by 2014, the state is still struggling to keep the project moving. Governor Patrick and his team have been aggressive and persistent in pushing to meet the 2014 deadline, but now, they, too, are acknowledging further delays. Currently, MassDOT is estimating that the GLX will reach Union Square in 2016, and will get to Medford by 2018.

In the meantime, the need to compensate for the added emissions from the Big Dig hasn't disappeared. And so, because the GLX wasn't built on schedule, the state faces tens - perhaps hundreds - of millions of dollars in additional costs to reduce emissions in other ways. Some of these alternative emissions-savers, such as increasing the headways (frequencies) of Red Line and Orange Line trains or extending the Community path through Somerville

and into Boston, are desirable projects in their own right. But if the Commonwealth would simply move ahead with the job of fixing the underlying structural issues of our transportation financing system, then these added mitigation expenditures wouldn't be needed.

Last month, I joined with other municipal leaders, state officials and policy experts from across the state to urge a permanent fix that lets us get on with the absolutely unavoidable task of building and sustaining a multimodal transportation network - roads, bridges, transit and rail - that can support a 21st Century economy. What I said then, and what I say now, is that investment in such a system is essential to our future prosperity.

So far, I've heard enthusiastic support from a lot of my fellow officials, including the leadership at MassDOT, with whom we continue to work closely and cooperatively. The only opposing response I've heard is that

we simply don't have the money for big transportation projects, so we can't and shouldn't make the investment.

For example, on June 19th, Senate Minority Leader Bruce Tarr explained his opposition to additional funding for the MBTA by saying, "Our message is: no more money unless something changes."

This response sidesteps the economic consequences of abandoning projects like the GLX. And, of course, it kicks the financial can down the road. You can't have the money now, but maybe someday...And, of course, someday never comes.

And in the meantime, the need to reduce emissions and comply with federal law becomes even more acute, and new costs are incurred for additional mitigation.

At some point - and it may as well be now, when borrowing costs are low, construction workers need the jobs, and the state

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On The Silly Side by Jimmy Del Ponte

Davis Square - Paris of the 90's



They actually used to say that Davis Square was like the Paris of the 90's. Of course, I had to add my wise guy two cents. I hung around

Davis Square religiously in the 90's and said this about myself and my cohorts, "If Davis Square is the Paris of the 90's, we must be the Paris-sites."

Someone once wrote in a 1990's parody song, "Let's go down to Davis Square, see the girls with great big hair." It continued... "Starbucks is where yuppies meet, thank God for Dunkies down the street." I know that tune because I wrote it from a suggestion by legendary Boston Hall of Fame Disc Jockey Dale Dorman while I was on the air at Kiss 108 FM. It actually was peppered into the Kiss rotation for a while. Friends used to pull into my driveway and blast it when it came on the air, sometimes very late at night. Dad didn't appreciate it at all.

Somerville girls were famous for having big hair. Big hair that did not move if the wind blew or if they shook their heads. The hairspray they used was like an epoxy. It froze the hairdo solid. I loved the girls with great big hair. There has always been a silly controversy over which city's girls actually had the biggest hair,

Somerville or Medford. Actually, a lot of us still jokingly call it "Meffa." As far as I am concerned it was a toss-up, or should I say, a poof up. If you had stock in Aqua-Net hairspray in the late 80's and 90's, you were rich! I have to be honest, I still like girls with great big hair. So what if you stick your hand in and you can't get it out. In the late 80's and early 90's my hair, along with some of my musician friends was pretty big too. One of my nicknames was "Head O'Hair." Ah, the 90's.

If you walked through Davis Square in the 90's you might see a guy with a huge boom box on his shoulder grooving to *Baby Got Back* by Sir Mixx-A-Lott, *Mmm Bop* by Hanson or *Vogue* by Madonna. Being a rocker, I was listening to REM, Smashing Pumpkins, or Clapton's latest hit. Cars driving through Davis Square no doubt blasted MC Hammer's *Can't Touch This*. I'm not sure because I was at Barnaby's (formerly The Coronet and later Redbones) holding court with the regulars. The 90's saw a cast of characters in that joint with names like The Skipper, Bobby Polaroid, Peter Pizza, Chuckie, Harry the Hat, Uncle Paul, Magic, Bobby Doughnuts, Johnny M, and Big Bill. I remember when all those fancy micro brews started being popular and we got

to try them out first. That was a long time ago, and it has been a very long time since I enjoyed an upstart brew and a pickled egg. We would never have stood for anything with the word slum in it. It still rubs a lot of us the wrong way.

Davis Square was my sanctuary. My band The Sleddogs played downstairs when Redbones was Barnaby's. I left the T-tops in the back seat and one day someone stole them. That's what I got for working on my bar tan and not paying attention. Luckily, it was just a phase that we went through. But man, do I have some good stories and awesome memories.

There were a lot of Member's Only members back then. Acid wash, cargo and Capri pants, and aviator glasses were big as well as the aforementioned big hairdos. Today you may see a dude with a barrette in his hair. Guys and gals sport pierced lips, nose and lip rings, and many colorful tattoos. Don't be surprised to see men wearing kilts. It's all about expression and it's always been good in the 'Ville. Trendy folks may have purple, pink or green hair. Boom boxes were replaced by a variety of personal devices which require headphones that seem to be glued to people's ears. They hold onto them like

they were a small child.

In 1990 a gallon of gas cost \$1.34 and cigarettes were \$1.23 a pack. The price of butts alone is a great incentive to quit smoking. Too bad we can't quit driving since it has become so stressful and expensive. Sorry, I am very environmentally aware but I will never drive a small gas efficient match box just to save money and gas. I need my tank, thanks. I recycle, but I am too afraid of nut drivers to cycle more than just for recreation.

So, if Davis Square was the Paris of the 90's, what slogan can we give it today? How about "Davis Square, still cool after all these years" - ?

If you are a Somerville lifer or a new comer you will always find something to like about Davis Square, even if it's just the great memories of the old days. Somerville has always been a trendy Mecca. By the way, the last verse of that Somerville song I wrote says, "I'm glad to say I live in Somerville...never gonna move from Somerville!"

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THE HOUSE AND SENATE. *Beacon Hill Roll Call* records local representatives' votes on four roll calls from prior legislative sessions. During the Fourth of July holiday week, each branch held only brief, informal sessions and there were no roll calls in the House or 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.

COST REDUCTION COMMISSION (H 4198)

House 154-0, approved an amendment creating a 17-member Energy Policy and Electricity Cost Reduction Commission. The commission would be charged with researching the state's energy policies and reporting to the Legislature on ways to expand the state's renewable energy portfolio and promote energy efficiency; reduce the cost of electricity for commercial, industrial, and residential customers; and encourage business development and job creation.

Supporters said this commission would be useful in developing ways to control rising electricity costs in the state and ensuring energy efficiency. (A "Yes" vote is for the bill.)

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

TAX OPTIONS FOR SOLAR ENERGY COMPANIES (H 4198)

House 131-21, approved an amendment to a current state law that allows cities and towns to offer tax incentives to solar power companies by giving them the option to make a lower agreed-upon annual payment instead of paying the regular higher property tax. Presently, cities and towns are free to negotiate any deal and offer as much or as little in tax breaks as they choose. The amendment would allow municipalities to offer a company only one payment option in lieu of taxes - an annual payment of 6 percent of the total energy sales of the company.

Amendment supporters said this would standardize the payment throughout the state and noted most of these negotiations have historically ended up at an average of 5 percent of the sales. They argued that getting rid of the open-ended negotiations would stop the companies from playing communities off against each other and speed up construction of solar energy plants.

Amendment opponents said the amendment takes away control from cities and towns by limiting their negotiating power with these for-profit companies. They argued current law allowing unlimited negotiations is fair to communities and the companies and should not be repealed. (A "Yes" vote is for the 6 percent cap. A "No" vote is against it.)

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

GAS LEAKS (H 4199)

House 151-0, approved and sent to the Senate a bill that would require gas leaks to be repaired by the gas company in a time frame based on a three-tier classification system of dangerousness. Grade One leaks are most likely to cause an explosion and would have to be repaired immediately. Grade Two leaks are expected to create a hazard in the future and would have to be fixed within 15 months, while Grade Three leaks are non-hazardous and would have to be reevaluated every six months.

Another key provision requires gas companies to file major repair plans for aging infrastructure and pipes with the state and to apply for a rate increase from their customers to fund the repairs.

Supporters said the state's gas delivery system is the second oldest in the nation and has 20,000 known leaks known to exist. They noted the system is in dire need of repairs in order to avoid gas leak tragedies such as recent ones that have caused death and destruction. (A "Yes" vote is for the bill.)

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

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

SINGLE-SEX SCHOOLS (H 137) - The House, on a voice vote without debate, gave initial approval to a bill allowing the establishment of single-sex schools and programs as long as they are consistent with the Massachusetts constitution and federal law.

Supporters say single-sex schools have been popular in the private school system for years and are just beginning to make their way into the public school system. They point to recent studies showing there are natural differences in how boys and girls learn and to the success of many single-sex public schools across the nation.

Opponents say allowing single-sex schools is a step in the wrong direction. They argue these schools would reinforce the false stereotypes about gender.

PAID SICK LEAVE (H 3995) - The Health Care Financing Committee sent to a study committee legislation requiring employers to give employees one paid sick day for every 30 hours worked. The measure allows a maximum of seven days for employees of companies with more than ten employees and five days for workers of companies with between one and ten workers. The sick days could be used by a worker to care for his or her own illness or that of a spouse, child or parent. It would also include routine medical exams. Most measures that are shipped off to a study committee are never actually studied and are essentially defeated.

THREE LIKELY 2012 BALLOT QUESTIONS - Three groups seeking to place questions on the November 2012 ballot have submitted the required number of signatures to Secretary of State William Galvin. The deadline for opponents to challenge the validity of any signatures is July 10. Barring any successful challenges,

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the three questions are poised to appear on the ballot.

The three questions include allowing medical use of marijuana, allowing terminally ill patients with fewer than six months to live to obtain medication they can self-administer to commit suicide and requiring auto manufacturers to sell to non-dealer repair shops the complete repair information and diagnostic tools.

FUNERAL VEHICLES (H 3390) - The House gave initial approval to a bill allowing hearses and other funeral home vehicles to have emergency lights similar to those on police and emergency vehicles.

ALLOWING SCANNERS INSTEAD OF PRICE STICKERS IN GROCERY STORES (H 4089) - Gov. Patrick signed into law a bill that would allow supermarkets to stop putting a price sticker on each item and instead provide electronic price scanners around the store for customers to use. The measure requires stores that convert to scanners to clearly disclose the correct prices in a conspicuous manner. The bill moved quickly and quietly through both branches with no debate and no roll call.

Supporters note the bill will bring grocery store pricing into the 21st century while still protecting consumers with many safeguards.

Opponents say this anti-consumer bill will make it difficult for consumers to verify they are being charged the right price at checkout.

\$200 MILLION FOR LOCAL ROADS AND BRIDGES (S 2329) - Gov. Patrick signed into law a bill providing \$200 million for maintenance and repair of local roads and bridges in cities and towns across the state. This money would be borrowed by the state through the sale of bonds.

MBTA BAILOUT BILL (S 2308) - The governor signed into law a package providing for a one-time transfer of \$49 million from the revenue generated from motor vehicle inspections to the MBTA and \$2 million to regional transit authorities. The authorities would also receive \$1.5 million in surplus snow removal funds. The measure also increases fines for fare evasion.

Supporters say this revenue would be used, along with revenue from recently approved 23 percent average fare hikes and service cuts, to close the deficit in the MBTA's \$1.7 billion budget.

Opponents argue the bill is an inadequate short-term solution that does not make meaningful cost-saving reforms for the future.

Critics of the bailout note the T recently hired two new employees, with \$100,000 plus salaries each, to fill the two newly created Transit Police deputy chief positions. Transit Police Chief Paul MacMillan said the new positions were made necessary by the growing demands on the department.

AUDITOR BUMP DECLINES TO EXAMINE THE COST OF OBAMA'S BOSTON VISIT - State Auditor Suzanne Bump has declined a request by the Massachusetts Fiscal Alliance to look into the cost to Massachusetts taxpayers for President Obama's June 26 campaign visit to Boston. The group asked Bump to examine Boston Herald reports that pegged estimated security costs associated with Obama's visit at between \$150,000 and \$200,000.

Bump's office said the costs were incurred by the city of Boston, and state law authorizes the auditor to examine only state government's departments and agencies, not municipal ones.

QUOTABLE QUOTES

"Look, I'm not afraid of the word 'tax.' I know that you like to ask people in elective office and watch them squirm when the word is used . . . And I think it doesn't help to quibble over whether the penalty is a penalty or whether it's something else masquerading as a penalty." – Gov. Patrick commenting to reporters on the debate over whether the health care mandate is a tax or a penalty.

"Drowning is not like in the movies with shouting and splashing. It is often silent and quick." – State Fire Marshal Stephen D. Coan warning parents and children to use caution in and around water this summer.

"The trust between patient and doctor should not be corrupted by what are effectively bribes." – David Tian, Chair of the American Medical Student Association's PharmFree Campaign, on the legislature-approved repeal of the 2009 law that prohibits drug firms from giving gifts and meals to doctors and other health care professionals.

"This is a wasted opportunity for the state's top fiscal watchdog to demonstrate that her bark has a bite." – Massachusetts Fiscal Alliance Executive Director Paul Craney on State Auditor Suzanne Bump's refusal to look into the cost to Massachusetts and Boston taxpayers for extra security for President Obama's June 26 campaign visit to Boston.

"We want a very professionally run department." – MBTA Acting Manager Jonathan Davis defending the recent hiring by Transit Police Chief Paul MacMillan of two new deputy chiefs with \$100,000 plus salaries.

"Police and public safety in general are why we have government and pay taxes. If the T needs to pay more for public safety, then it needs to find the money elsewhere in its budget because, like the federal government, it is in debt." – Barbara Anderson, Executive Director of Citizens for Limited Taxation.

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 July 2-6, the House met for a total of 59 minutes while the Senate met for a total of 32 minutes.

Mon. July 2	House 11:02 a.m. to 11:29 a.m. Senate 11:00 a.m. to 11:29 a.m.
Tues. July 3	No House session No Senate session
Wed. July 4	No House session No Senate session
Thurs. July 5	House 11:03 a.m. to 11:35 a.m. Senate 11:01 a.m. to 11:04 a.m.
Fri. July 6	No House session No Senate session

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Psychology and form: The art of Kathryn Geismar

Kathryn Geismar is a Somerville-based psychologist and a painter. She work in oils and does both still lifes and portraits, always searching for the essence of the subject that she is trying to capture in paint. Each painting attempts to render, through observed moments, the subject's unique character, individuality, psychology, and form. The work is representational though not a photographic replica of life. She accepts commissions for portraits and works out of her studio at Vernon Street in Somerville. Her website is www.geismarart.com.

Geismar discussed her artwork in a recent interview with Janet Cormier on ART@SCATV which airs Tuesdays at 7 p.m. on channel 3. Her work is on display at the SCATV building during the months of July and August.



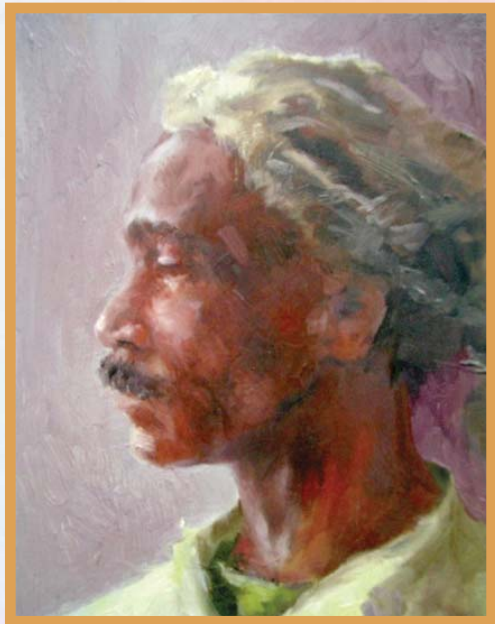
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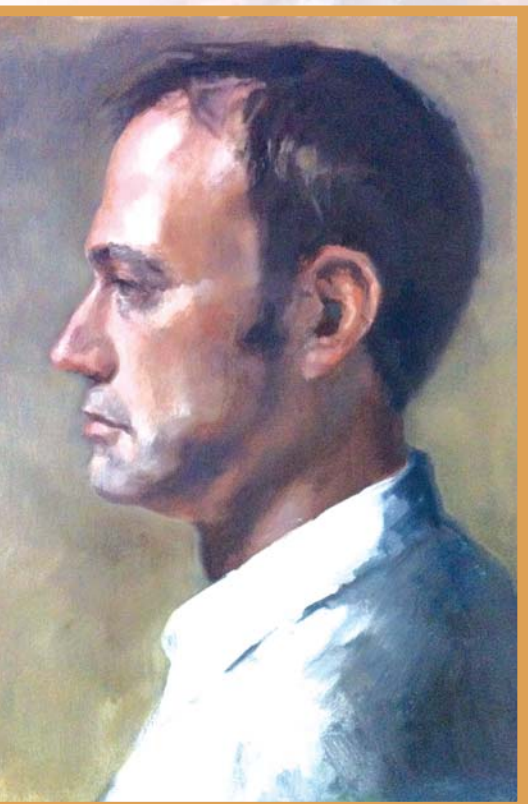
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Sophie.

Photos courtesy of Kathryn Geismar

SOMERVILLE SPORTS

Alibrandis start July with two close wins

By Benjamin Klein

The first-place Somerville Alibrandis finished June with two wins and now have a four-game winning streak after defeating the Malden Bulldogs and South Boston Saints to start July.

Somerville welcomed the second-place Bulldogs to Trum Field last Monday and, just like they have for most of the season, the Alibrandis scored first with a run in the first inning. Malden would respond with a run of their own in the top of the second, but Somerville struck for three in the bottom half of the inning to take a 4-1 lead.

The score would remain the same until the top of the seventh inning with Malden down to its final three outs. The Bulldogs would score twice but couldn't

squander a third run as Somerville took the second match-up of the season between the two teams.

Anthony Del Prete, making his season debut, went all seven innings, allowing two earned runs on eight hits while walking three and striking out nine. Mike Maguire continued his hot hitting at the plate, going 2-for-3 with two runs and two RBI.

Somerville again was tested as the South Boston Saints came close to knocking off the Alibrandis late in the game. The Alibrandis scored at least one run in each of the first four innings to give themselves a 5-3 lead.

South Boston was able to score a run in the bottom of the sixth inning, but Brian Tanguy held the Saints scoreless in the seventh



The Somerville Alibrandis are going strong heading into mid-summer play.

to secure the victory. John Morse picked up his second win of the year, going three innings of relief behind John Nicklas. Maguire and Mark Annese each went 1-for-3 with a run and an RBI.

Maguire is now hitting .404 on the season, which leads all Somerville hitters. He also leads the team in doubles with seven and is tied for the lead in extra-base hits with nine.

Somerville is scheduled to play three games next week, two at home against the Medford Mad-dogs and Brighton Black Sox and one on the road against the Savin Hill Hornets.

Ms. Cam's

Olio

Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

#325

1. Where is the Basketball Hall of Fame located?

2. What California city did the Pony Express ride end in?

3. What was the name of the composer who directed the New York Philharmonic Orchestra from 1958 to 1970?

4. What nickname was given to Will Rogers?

5. What name was on the Oscar that Spencer Tracy received for the movie *Boys Town* in 1938?

6. What musical featured the song *Shall We*

Dance?

7. Which of the two was the youngest when he became president, Clinton or Kennedy?

8. What was the name of the skipper on *Gilligan's Island*?

9. Who was the author of the best seller novel *Airport*?

10. What state is called the Magnolia State?

11. What state is called the Silver State?

12. What book was the movie *The Flying Nun* based on?

Answers on page 23

Beautiful still waters in Somerville



The serene beauty of nature at her finest, nestled into the heart of the city was captured this past weekend by the camera's unerring eye. The waters off Shore Dr. in the Ten Hills area of Somerville provided the backdrop for a priceless moment in time.

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Malden



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\$289,750


Somerville



71378992 \$344,000.
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IFB # 13-09**

The City of Somerville, through the Purchasing Department invites sealed bids for:
Middlesex Avenue, Sewer & Drain Reconstruction

An invitation for bids (IFB) and specifications may be obtained at the Purchasing Department, City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA. 02143 on or after: **Wednesday, July 11, 2012**. Sealed bids will be received at the above office until: **Tuesday, July 31, 2012 at 11:00 A.M.** at which time sealed bids will be open. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held on Monday, July 23, 2012 at 11:00AM, DPW 2nd Floor Conference Room, One Franey Road, Somerville, MA.

Prevailing wage rates apply to this contract. A 5% Bid Deposit will be required.

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

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

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**CITY OF SOMERVILLE
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
IFB # 13-10**

The City of Somerville, through the Purchasing Department invites sealed bids for:
***Opticom* Infrared and GPS Systems
for the City of Somerville, Fire Department**


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The contract term shall be for a period from 08/01/2012 through 07/31/2013.

Please contact Orazio DeLuca, Contract Manager, at odeluca@somervillema.gov, for information and bid packages.

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

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Space Self Storage:
51 McGrath Hwy Somerville, MA 02143
Phone: (617) 629-4410

Space Self Storage, will sell at Public Auction under Massachusetts lien law for cash only on Monday July 16th 2012 at 10:00 AM and on such succeeding days and times as may be necessary at 51 McGrath Hwy, Somerville, Massachusetts 02143; the property described as Personal Belongings & effects belonging to:

Richard Stoller	Unit # 444, 446, 076
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1998	Honda Accord	1HGCH5645WA241590
2000	Lincoln LS	1LNHM87A0YY912009
2002	Kia Spectra	KNKAFB121625111445
1997	Honda Civic	1HGEJ8241VL057803
2001	Chrysler Concorde	2C3HD46R31H542523
1992	Nissan Maxima	JN1EJ01PXNT106236

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**NOTICE OF AN INITIAL SITE INVESTIGATION AND
TIER II CLASSIFICATION**

**Cumberland Farms Inc.
701-709 Somerville Avenue
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Release Tracking Number 3-30111**

A release of oil and/or hazardous materials has occurred at this location, which is a disposal site as defined by M.G.L. c. 21E, § 2 and the Massachusetts Contingency Plan, 310 CMR 40.0000. To evaluate the release, a Phase I Initial Site Investigation was performed pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0480. As a result of this investigation, the site has been classified as Tier II pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0500. On July 2, 2012, Cumberland Farms, Inc. filed a Tier II Classification Submittal with the Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP). To obtain more information on this disposal site, please contact Matthew Young, Cumberland Farms, Inc., 100 Crossing Boulevard, Framingham, MA 01702 (800-225-9702).

The Tier II Classification Submittal and the disposal site file can be reviewed at the MassDEP Northeast Regional Office located at 205B Lowell Street, Wilmington, Massachusetts 01887 (978-694-3200).

Additional public involvement opportunities are available under 310 CMR 40.1403(9) and 310 CMR 40.1404.

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A hearing for all persons interested will be given by the **Somerville Licensing Commission** on **Monday, July 16, 2012** at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at **6:00PM** on the application of Himgiri Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a K-2 Beer & Wine for a change of location of the wine and malt package store license from 545 McGrath Highway to 500 Medford St., Somerville, MA

For the Commission
Andrew Upton
Vito Vaccaro
John J. McKenna

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How will they make it up to us? CONT. FROM PG 1

"I think all of us would agree that the one thing that is going to mitigate the air quality issues in Somerville is the completion of the Green Line Extension," said Hayes Morrison, Somerville's director of transportation and infrastructure.

The state first committed to extending the Green Line northward over 20 years ago, as one of several public transit projects meant to offset the added traffic and pollution from the Big Dig. After the project went nowhere for years, the non-profit Conservation Law Foundation sued to force the state to move forward, and negotiated a settlement that spelled out the December 31, 2014 deadline.

For every month the Green Line Extension is delayed beyond that date, the state must take steps to cut harmful emissions by as much as if the new stretch of Green Line were up and running. The projects can't be anything already mandated. They have to have a positive impact on regional air quality that can be measured. And they have to be

implemented by the end of 2014.

MassDOT's mitigation inventory shows how hard it can be to find projects that meet all those criteria. Let alone finding enough of them to make up for the impact of the Green Line delay. The 122-item list includes everything proposed in writing, by anyone, over months of outreach. It also shows MassDOT's preliminary analysis of how much each strategy might cut emissions and whether it can be put in place before 2015.

The list's most promising ideas involve stepping up existing subway and light rail service, by extending the Green Line's B, C or D train routes beyond Government Center and North Station as far as Lechmere, and running trains more frequently during off-peak hours on the Red, Orange and Green Lines. These steps can entice more people to commute without their cars, and can be launched by 2015 if MBTA operational issues can be worked out.

Suggestions that do the same thing with commuter rail or bus routes, which account for a big

chunk of the list, are also viable but don't have as much positive impact on air quality, since it's often better for a commuter to drive to work in a car than to be the lone rider on an MBTA bus or a commuter train spewing out diesel fumes.

"At a certain point, if you're running buses that are empty, you're actually having a detrimental impact on emissions," said Morrison.

Dozens more ideas on the list are designed to persuade people to drive greener vehicles, practice more eco-friendly driving habits, or simply leave their cars at home: electric car subsidies, parking policies to cut idling time, or more routes for pedestrians and cyclists, for example. But most of those items get relatively low marks from MassDOT analysts for their emissions-cutting impact: fours or fives on a five-point scale where a one indicates the highest potential for cutting emissions. That's in part because the impact often can't be modeled and measured.

Still, MassDOT officials said they're optimistic about delivering on the mitigation requirement. "From the start, we knew a single measure would not meet all emission reduction requirements. We are confident, based on preliminary analysis, that implementing a number of the suggested measures will get us to our goal," said Sara Lavoie, a MassDOT spokesperson.

Asked what happens if MassDOT doesn't meet the mitigation goal by the end of 2014, Lavoie responded, "We are confident with the right mix of measures we will meet the mitigation goal."

Lavoie said the state is currently inviting public comments on the mitigation measures, which are available on the Green Line project page of MassDOT's website under the "project documents" tab, through next Monday, July 16.

"Public comment received by July 16 will be evaluated to help MassDOT decide which mitigation measures should be modeled for air quality impacts," said

Lavoie. "Once our evaluation is complete, MassDOT will release the results of the air quality modeling along with our final recommendation for a portfolio of mitigation measures."

In the meantime, Morrison said Somerville planners are focused on working with MassDOT to soften the blow of the Green Line Extension delay by pushing for a phased-in timeline that brings some stations on line earlier. "Not only is the city pushing for it, but it's something that MassDOT has been extremely receptive to," said Morrison.

She said the city's looking at 2016 as a target date to have the Green Line running along the spur line to Union Square, and as far as a new Washington Street station on the main line, which will bring much-needed public transit options to thousands of East Somerville residents. But two new stations are still only a partial solution.

"The most important thing for Somerville is the completion of the entire Green Line Extension as soon as possible," said Morrison.

SENIOR CENTER HAPPENINGS:

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

NEW EXERCISE CLASS: Yoga for Balance with a great new instructor, Muire! The class is from 1:20 pm - 2:30 pm. \$5 per class. Great class to stretch, strengthen and relax. Holland Street Center.

You asked! We responded! Additional Zumba gold class at Ralph & Jenny on Tuesdays starting this Tuesday, July 17. 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Come join Sue for a great class.

Get your ticket to the Annual Mayor's Picnic by calling our office at 617-625-6600 ext. 2300. The picnic is August 8.

Join our book club! We meet the third Friday of every month at 10 a.m. at Holland Street Center. We have books you can borrow so please join us. The next book is "Jacob's Ladder" and we will meet July 20.

Our Swinging Singing Seniors have been renamed "The Moonlighters". Come Mondays at 10:30 to Holland Street. New members always welcome. Join them at the Lowell Spinner's game on July 20 as they sing the National anthem. Tickets are \$30 for the PIT - all you can eat BBQ, transportation, free give away and game ticket. Tickets are going fast.

It is Bingo and Supper time at Holland Street starting July 12. Join us for a great afternoon of Bingo and a wonderful early supper.

Farmer's Market - Every Thursday at Holland Street from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm. 55+ - half price.

Shear Madness - July 31. Come join us as we go to see Shear Madness. Voted "Best Comedy of the Year" seven times by the Boston Globe. Come for dinner, transportation and great show. RSVP soon.

Trip Corner:

Aqua Turf - Celebrate Italia - Sam Vinici Band and all you can eat family style luncheon.

Revere Beach - Talk about the old days of Revere Beach - July 11.

Revere Beach - Spend a day at the beach. July 13.

Foxwoods Casino - July 16.

Lowell Spinners - Game, all you can eat BBQ at the PIT, free give-away, transportation.

Castle Island - Join us for a walk around the castle - July 23.

Join us in our exercise classes:

Yoga for Balance - Monday at 1:30. Holland Street. \$5 All levels welcome.

Zumba Gold - new class - Tuesday 11:30 - 12:30 Ralph & Jenny. \$5 All levels welcome.

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

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

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

Flexibility & Balance - all three centers.

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

Indoor Exercises/Walking Club - all three centers.

July 11

Holland Street Center
Flexibility @ Balance|9:30 a.m.
Revere Beach Presentation|10:30 a.m.
Bingo|12:45 p.m.
Qigong|1:15 p.m.
Zumba Gold|5:15 p.m.
167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

Cross Street Center
Closed

Ralph & Jenny Center
Cards and Cribbage|10 a.m.
9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

July 12

Farmers' Market

Holland Street Center
Current Events Group|10 a.m.
Indoor Exercise/Walking Club|11 a.m.
Farmer's Market - half price for 55+|11 a.m.
Bingo|12:45 p.m.
Supper|3 p.m.
167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

Cross Street Center
Indoor Exercise/Stretching|10:30 a.m.
Bingo|12:45 p.m.
165 Broadway|617-625-6600 x 2335

Ralph & Jenny Center
Strengthening Exercise|10 a.m.
Bingo|12:45 p.m.
9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

July 13

Revere Beach

Holland Street Center
Indoor/Walking|11 a.m.
Bingo|12:45 p.m.
167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

Cross Street Center
Closed on Fridays for the summer
165 Broadway|617-625-6600 x 2335

Ralph & Jenny Center
Center Closed
9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

July 16

Holland Street Center
Gardening|9 a.m.
Swinging Singing Moonlighters |10:30 a.m.
English Conversation|10:30 a.m.
Yoga for Strength and Balance|1:30 p.m.
167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x. 2300

Cross Street Center
Closed

Ralph & Jenny Center
Indoor Exercise/Walking|10:30 a.m.
Bingo|12:45 p.m.
9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

July 17

Holland Street Center
Strengthening Exercise|9:15 a.m.
SHINEmedical insurance questions|10 a.m.
Low vision Group|10:30 a.m.
Line Dancing|3 p.m.
Caregivers Group - all new members welcome.
Ask for
Nancy|6 p.m.
167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x. 2300

Cross Street Center
Indoor Exercise/Walking|10:30 a.m.
Bingo|12:45 p.m.
165 Broadway|617-625-6600 x 2335

Ralph & Jenny Center
Flexibility & Balance|10:30 a.m.
ZUMBA GOLD - NEW CLASS!|11:30 a.m.
Bingo|12:45 p.m.
9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

July 18

Holland Street Center
Flexibility & Balance|9:30 a.m.
Bingo|12:45 p.m.
QiGong|1:15 p.m.
Zumba Gold|5:15 p.m.
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Computer Tutorial - Retired computer teacher Barbara Marshall will be volunteering on select Thursdays from 11 - 12 at the Holland Street Center to provide individualized computer training. To schedule an appointment, call 617-625-6600 ext. 2300.

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

Garden Boxes at Ralph & Jenny



The COA's Ralph & Jenny center is home to some thriving garden boxes. The boxes are being maintained by older adults who come to the center and by some of the members of the gardening group led by Vilma Sullivan. Pictured here are Tomaso and Tina Cuccinatta. Tina said that Tomaso loves to garden and she loves to cook what he grows.

COA Boston Harbor Cruise



The Somerville Council on Aging had a great day cruising around Boston Harbor and then having a wonderful lunch in the North End. Above: Passengers get ready to board. Below: The majestic tall ship at Boston Harbor.



How to save money on regional transportation: Just do it

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has made progress in streamlining the MBTA's operating costs - we need to stop pretending that we can postpone needed transportation maintenance and enhancements - or, even worse, pretending we can dispense with them altogether.

At some point - and it may as well be now - we need to recognize that the longer we

delay, the more expensive the solutions become, and the dimmer our economic future will be.

At some point, we have to recognize the most cost-effective approach to building and operating the transportation system we need (and deserve) is to stop wasting time and get on with the job.

• • • • 'VILLENS ON THE TOWN' • • • •



FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Wednesday|July 11

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

Central Library
Kidstock: Beauty and the Beach
2 p.m. - 3 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

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

Thursday|July 12

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

East Branch Library
Soda-Tab Bracelets with Eco-Artist Kristy Medina
2 p.m. - 3 p.m.|115 Broadway

Friday|July 13

Central Library
Preschool: Storytime for 2 year olds
11 a.m. - 12 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

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

Saturday|July 14

Central Library
Yoga with Tania Macerdo, for Kids Ages 4-7
2 p.m. - 2:40 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Monday|July 16

West Branch Library
Firefly Craft
2 p.m.-3 p.m.|40 College Ave

Tuesday|July 17

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

Central Library
Earth Myths from Around the

World: African Earth Myths
4 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Central Library
Book Group: for Kids!
Cathy Piantigini
617-623-5000 x2950
7 p.m.- 8 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Wednesday|July 18

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

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

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Wednesday|July 11

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Free Poker, lots of prizes!
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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Pub Quiz 8-10
Comedy @10
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Unrighteous Creature|Gold Light Moment|Kangaroo Court
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

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

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

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

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

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

625-1131

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

Rosebud Bar
Free Pool|Game Night
381 Summer St

Arts At The Armory
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7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Thursday|July 12

Johnny D's
Shea Rose
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Awkward Compliment's Thursday Night Comedy Night
8 p.m.|55 Davis Square

Arts At The Armory
Intro to Fiction Writing Workshop Series
6 p.m.|Conference Room
Arts at the Armory Americana Dance Party - featuring Poor Old Shine live!
7 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

Cantina la Mexicana
247 Washington St.

Friday|July 13

Johnny D's
Kina Zore|Duppy Conquerors
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

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

The Burren
Cover Up
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Orleans Restaurant and Bar
DJ
10 p.m.|65 Holland St

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Live music
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381 Summer St

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Cantina la Mexicana
Twangbusters
8:30 p.m.|247 Washington St.

Arts At The Armory
Hiroya Tsukamoto
7:30 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Saturday|July 14

Johnny D's
Mike Hastings Band|Rock Bottom
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's
Radioactive Rustlers |6 p.m.
The Queue with Born Ready |9 p.m.
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The Burren
Spitting Vinnies
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Cantina la Mexicana
Tokyo Tramps
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Sunday|July 15

Johnny D's
Justin Robinson & The Mary Annettes|BHI BHIMAN
No Blues Jam this week
17 Holland St.|617-776-2004

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

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

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

Precinct Bar
Marc Pinansky & The Bored Of Health with Martha Bourne
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

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

Highland Kitchen
150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Rosebud Bar
Karaoke
381 Summer St

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

Monday|July 16

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

Sally O'Brien's Bar
Cheapshots Comedy Club open mike|7 p.m.
Marley Mondays with the Duppy Conquerors|9:30 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Bur Run|6:30 p.m.
Big Night Out|8 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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

PA'S Lounge
Michael Maloney|Seamus & Ellie|Charlie Cover|James Woolwine
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Precinct Bar
70 Union Sq|617-623-921

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

Arts At The Armory
Hope Roth Third Monday Residency!
7:30 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

Tuesday|July 17

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

Sally O'Brien's Bar
Panda Bar
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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

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

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

Precinct Bar
Rainbow Danger Club|Bookkeeper|Lady Bones
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

Bull McCabe's Pub
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6045
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Spelling Bee Night First Tuesday of the month
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Rosebud Bar
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381 Summer St

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

Arts At The Armory
The First and Last Word Poetry Series
6 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

Wednesday|July 18

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

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

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

PA'S Lounge
Unrighteous Creature|Global Crash|Gunther's God|Light.Sweet.Crude
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

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

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

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

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

6045
Highland Kitchen
TJ The DJ Presents The People's Karaoke
10 p.m.|150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

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

Rosebud Bar
Free Pool|Game Night
381 Summer St

CLASSES AND GROUPS
Wednesday|July 11

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

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

Thursday|July 12
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

Central Library
Meet, Mingle, Read: Thieftaker
7p.m. - 8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Third Life Studio
Roots and Rhythm
33 Union Sq|
drumzatlibana@gmail.com

First Church Somerville
Debtors Anonymous- a 12 Step program for people with problems with money and debt.
7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|89 College Ave (Upstairs Parlor).
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Saturday|July 14
Union Square Farmer's Market
9 a.m.- 1 p.m.|Union Square Plaza
Bagel Bards

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

Sunday|July 15

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|July 16

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

Central Library
Writing Our Life Stories, a Six-Part Memoir Writing Workshop
Mike Alvarez
646-712-2736
6 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Central Library
Friends of the Somerville Public Board Meeting
7 p.m.-9 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

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

Tuesday|July 17

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

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

Wednesday|July 18

Third Life Studio
Beyond beginning Belly Dance with Nadira Jamal
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You can't judge a book by its cover

By Kenneth Gloss

An old adage says, "You can't judge a book by its cover," but actually, there are those who specifically seek books with certain covers and sometimes pay top price because of what's on the outside of the book, not the inside or who wrote it.

There are two different groups of people who buy books solely for their covers, either for specific collecting or design reasons:

Decorators: I once had a lady come by the shop and buy a whole shelf of books in mauve and taupe because those were the colors she had used to decorate her house. Many interior decorators scour bookstores looking for books in particular colors to complement a home or business' decor. They often look for the elegant, richer appearance of leather-bound volumes.

The set designer for the movie *Amistad* called me one day looking for books to complement an early 1800's law office. We had a whole series of law books from that period stored at the shop which we shipped to the designer.

The only drawback to buying books as decor is that the prices tends to rise when the customer puts more and more restrictions on the type and color of the book. Every "but" you add (it can be leather but it has to be dark brown leather), decreases

the selection pool.

Cover Collectors: Before dust jackets became popular (around the time of WW I), many outside covers were intricately designed and were works of art in and of themselves. There are people who collect certain cover designs or bindings done by specific designers.

One of the more unique bindings is on copies of *The Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam*. It was literally gem-encrusted with rubies and pearls tooled right into the binding. It is an exquisite looking design for which collectors are always on the lookout.

Some books from years ago had wood or glass bindings. These tend to be more expensive because they are virtually works of art that have been created by talented craftsmen.

When dust jackets came along, the books beneath no longer needed attractive covers and they became rather dull. As dust jackets became more popular and more elaborate, the value of those increased as well. A mint-condition first edition of *The Great Gatsby*, with the dust jacket sells for \$100,000 and up. Without the dust jacket the book is worth \$1000 and up. Dust jackets are more fragile than leather covers and often don't survive as well. When a collector is lucky enough to find a mint dust jacket, it can be worth a great deal of money.



Using books as decorative elements in the home and workplace can add a new dimension of elegance to the environment.

You don't have to spend a lot to find books that have interesting covers. Since it's the outside of the book, not the inside, that you are interested in, many of these types of books can be found at library and yard sales. Individually, these books might not look like much, but as you begin to collect and group them, they can really accent your shelves.

I started collecting cloth bindings a few years ago as a joke when I received the book *Flushed with Pride, the Story of Thomas Crapper*. A few days later, I came across a book with a big eye on the cover called, *We Never Sleep, the History of the Pinkerton Agency*. My wife and I thought they would make an interesting addition to our downstairs half-bath. Eventually, I built some bookshelves in there and now have 300 to 400 of these Victorian-style books. They make for attention-grabbing conversation pieces and very unique decoration.

It can be fun to collect books for their covers. The excitement of finding something unique is half the reward. If you decide to start collecting books for their covers, choose a type that is relatively plentiful so that you spend more of your searching time rewarded with great finds. As you amass your collection, you can refine it and upgrade the condition.

Collecting books for their covers or cover art is something that needs to be done in person. Although the Internet and catalogs are great for searching for books, you really should see the cover before you decide if it's the right one for you.

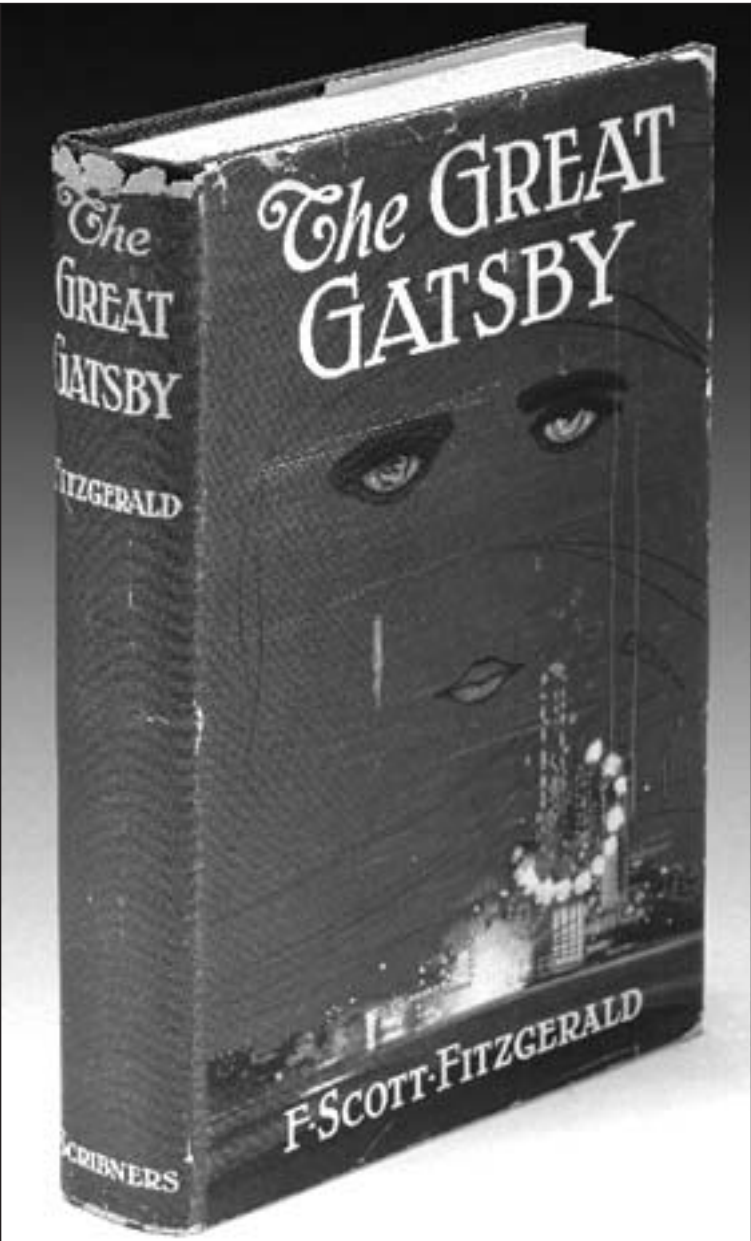
In recent years there's been a

resurgence in cover art. Some popular fiction books today are being released with leather bindings or unique dust jackets. There are even sets of books where the entire set makes a picture when the books are set in order. The only difficulty with collecting a set like that is that you need to buy the entire original set at the same time because when the books have been on different shelves in different light conditions, the level of fading varies among them.

No matter what type of cover you set out to collect, for decorative or artistic appreciation reasons, the hunt for those books is what makes it fun. You can drive down a back

road and stop in an antique shop or swing by a yard sale at a neighbor's house and find just the book you were looking for. You never know where the next great find might be.

Ken Gloss is the owner of the Brattle Book Shop America's oldest and one of its largest antiquarian book stores in Boston's Downtown Crossing. 2012 is the 63rd year of ownership by the Gloss family. Ken has appraised books on PBS' *Antiques Roadshow*. Further information about old books and his public talks is available at www.brattlebookshop.com, by visiting the shop at 9 West Street or calling 1-800-447-9595.



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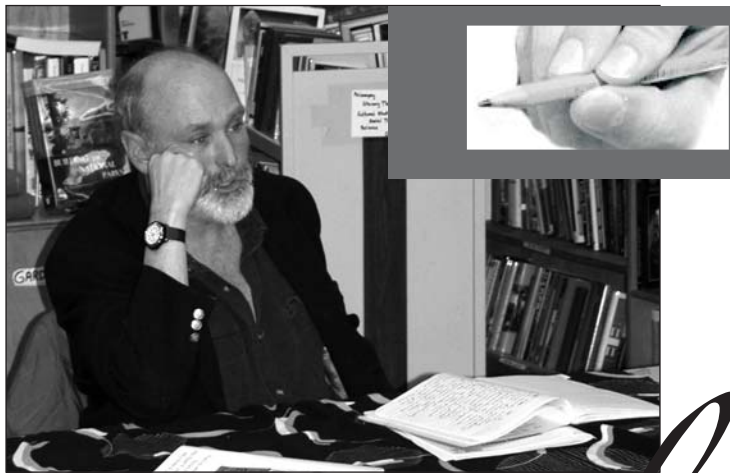
Early campaigner



A resident on Fellsway West has started getting the word out 13 months early to re-elect Mayor Joe Curtatone. The mayor must be impressed by such loyalty and devotion.

SCAT Program Schedule for the Week							
Wednesday, July 11		8:00 (LIVE)	Fouye Zo Nan Kalalou	2:00	Henry Parker Presents...	9:00	Gay TV
12:00	Free Speech TV	9:30	Affordable Housing in Union Square	2:30	Physician Focus	10:00	Somerville Newspaper Reading
6:00	Somerville Biking News "Share The Road"	10:00	Somerville Rocks	3:00	The Struggle	10:30	Nosse Gente e Costumes
7:00	Drug Awareness	10:30	National Wildlife Foundation	3:30	Affordable Housing mtg. 6/6/12	12:00	Democracy Now!
8:00	Democracy Now!	11:00	Creepy Castle	4:00	Somerville: Most Interesting Places	1:00	Ablevision
9:00	Abugida TV	11:30	How to Travel the World Free	4:30	Back In The Day	1:30	Somerville Housing Authority
11:00	Somerville News Reading	Friday, July 13		5:00	Tele Kreyol	2:00	Somerville: Most Interesting Place
12:00	Democracy Now!	12:00	Free Speech TV	6:00	Culture Club	2:30	Somerville Back In The Day
1:00	Somerville: Back In The Day	6:00	Live Response	6:30	Nepali Sakela Festival	3:00	Exercise With Robyn & Max
1:30	Somerville: Most Interesting Places	7:00	Culture Club	7:00	AARP	3:30	Esoteric Science
2:00	Culture Club	7:30	Talking About Somerville	8:00	David Parkman	4:00	The Thom Hartmann
2:30	Life Matters	8:00	Democracy Now!	9:00	Nossa Gente e Costumes	5:00	Culture Club
3:00 (LIVE)	Medical Tutor	9:00	Truth About Drugs	10:00	Sonic Lobotomy	5:30	Talking About Somerville
3:30	Inside Talk	10:00	Somerville Newspaper Reading	10:30	Somerville Rocks	6:00	Al Jazeera TV
4:00	Thom Hartman show	11:00	Back In The Day	11:00	GAY TV	6:30	Perils For Pedestrians
5:00	Neighborhood Cooking	11:30	Somerville Housing	Sunday, July 15		7:00	Somerville Biking News
5:30	Cooking w/Georgia & Dez	12:00	Democracy Now!	12:00	Free Speech TV	8:00	MDOT McCarthy overpass
6:00	Al Jazeera	1:00	Never 2 Late 2 Play	6:00	Show De Faith	9:00	Dedilhando A Saudade
6:30	Ethanol Transportation	2:00	Neighborhood Cooking W/ Candy	6:30	Semando Vida	10:00	Bate Papo con Shirley
7:00	MDOT: McCarthy Overpass Meeting	2:30	Cooking W/ Georgia	7:00	Eckankar	11:00	Somerville Rocks
8:00 (LIVE)	Somerville Pundits	3:00	Brunch W/ Senator Sanders	8:00	Program Celebrai	12:00	Art@SCATV
8:30 (LIVE)	Grasping Nature	4:00	Thom Hartmann Show	9:00	Heritage Baptist Church	Tuesday, July 17	
9:00	Somerville Rocks	5:00	National Wildlife Foundation	10:00	International Church of God	12:00	Free Speech TV
9:30	Somerville Biking News "Share The Road"	5:30	Art@SCATV	11:00	The Commonwealth Report	6:00	Anti-Drug Program
10:30	Shrink Rap	6:00	Al Jazeera TV	11:30	Somerville Housing	7:00	Perils For Pedestrians
11:00	The Garage	6:30	Affordable Housing Meeting 6/6/12	12	The Entertainer Show	7:30	The Struggle
11:30	The Literary Scene	7:00	Real Estate Answer Show	12:30	Affordable Housing Mtg. 6/6/12	8:00	Democracy Now!
Thursday, July 12		7:30	Tish MacIntosh	1:00	The Tish MacIntosh Show	9:00	Somerville News Reading
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9:00	Somerville News Reading	11:00	Somerville Rocks	5:00	Ethiopian Satellite TV	1:30	Somerville Housing
10:00	Active Aging	11:30	Nepali Sakela Festival	6:00	Abugida TV	2:00	Portrait of Somerville
10:30	Jeff Jam Sing Along	Saturday, July 14		7:00	African National TV	3:30	Active Aging
11:00	Creating Cooperative Kids	12:00	Free Speech TV	7:30	National Wildlife Foundation	4:00	The Thom Hartmann
12:00	Democracy Now!	6:00	Arabic Hour	8:00	Healer in Every Home	5:00 (LIVE)	Poet to Poet
1:00	African Television	7:00	Creating Cooperative Kids	8:30	Affordable Housing Mtg. 6/6/12	6:00	Al Jazeera
2:00	Baby Boomers	8:00	Jeff Jam Show	9:00	Active Aging	7:00	Art @ SCAT
2:30	Somerville: Most Interesting Places	8:30	Mystic Learning Center	10:00	AARP	7:30 (LIVE)	Greater Somerville W/Joe Lynch
3:00	Somerville: Back in the Day	9:00	Festival Kreyol	11:30	SCATV	8:00 (LIVE)	Dead Air Live
3:30	Art @ SCATV	10:00	Tele Galaxie	Monday, July 16		9:00	Somerville Biking News
4:00	Thom Hartmann	11:00	Dead Air Live	12:00	Free Speech TV	10:00	Perils For Pedestrians
5:00	Live from Union Square	12:00	Reeling: the Movie Review Show	6:00	Atheist Viewpoint	10:30	The Gerry Leone Show
"SWIRL & SLICE" Specialty Foods Market		12:30	Somerville Housing Authority	7:00	Creating Cooperative Kids	11:00	Talking About Somerville
7:30pm	Greater Somerville w/Joe Lynch	1:00pm (LIVE)	Bongoman	8:00	Democracy Now!		

City Cable TV Schedule for the Week							
Wednesday, July 11		Friday, July 13		Sunday, July 15		7:00pm: (15)	WSNS Moving On Ceremony
9:00am: (13/22)	Independence Day Celebration	12:00am: (13/22)	Voices of Somerville	12:00am: (13/22)	Independence Day Celebration	7:45pm: (13/22)	SomerStreets - E. Somerville
9:00am: (15)	City-Wide Track Meet	12:00am: (15)	SHS Class Day 2012	12:00am: (15)	Basketball Championship	7:55pm: (13/22)	Congressional Update
11:30am: (15)	Kid Stuff	12:30am: (13/22)	SomerStreets - East Somerville	1:40am: (15)	2012 SHS Graduation	8:00pm: (15)	New ESCS Walk-Through
12:00pm: (13/22)	Medication Tips for Seniors	12:40am: (13/22)	Congressional Update	1:45am: (13/22)	Congressional Update	8:25pm: (13/22)	Magoun Sq. Walking Tour
12:00pm: (15)	Our Schools, Our City	1:10am: (13/22)	Special Board of Aldermen Meeting	2:15am: (13/22)	Morse-Kelly Ribbon Cutting	8:55pm: (15)	ESCS Spring Concert at SHS
12:45pm: (13/22)	Independence Day Celebration	2:25am: (15)	Highlander Forum	2:25am: (13/22)	Taste of Somerville	Tuesday, July 17	
12:30pm: (15)	School Day Games 2012	9:00am: (13/22)	Voices of Somerville	12:00pm: (13/22)	Senior Circuit	12:00am: (13/22)	Medication Tips for Seniors
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OFF THE SHELF

by Doug Holder

Phyllis Ewen:

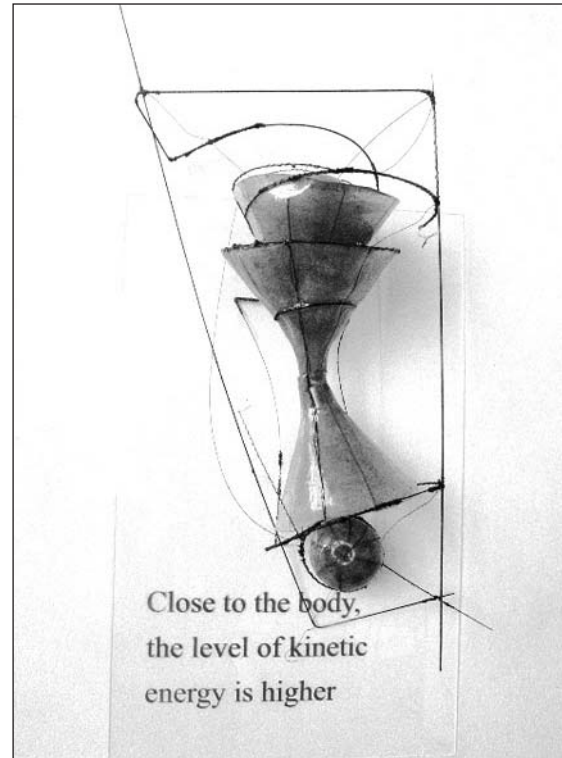
An artist of water. An artist of poetry.

I suppose the Bloc 11 Café in Union Square, Somerville was an appropriate place to interview artist Phyllis Ewen. The café's walls are covered with artwork, and it seems to house a vibe of creative energy. Ewen appeared to fit in nicely with the buzz I was feeling here. This Somerville artist is hard to label. She has a habit of collaborating with other artists, and has even worked with a poet—pairing images with her words. Ewen uses water as a metaphor for many things in her body of work—or body of water, as the case may be. Water to her represents consumerism, waste, abundance, and scarcity. She has created collages of maps and texts to explore the divisions (dams, man-made boundaries) humans have imposed on world culture. She explores the use of water to divide, it rivers and oceans a conduit for imperialism, all this is perfect fodder for her art.

Ewen has a space at the Brickbottom Studios in Somerville, and in fact is a founding member of this living and working enclave for artists. Originally Ewen worked in the Charles Webb Warehouse in East Cambridge but she and other artists were forced to vacate by the landlord. So in 1982 she joined a group of 100 artists who found an old warehouse in the outskirts of Union Square—that became Brickbottom. Ewen believes it was once an old A&P building. Through a lottery people chose their own spaces. They also formed a cooperative so people without the resources to own a space would be able to afford one. Ewen loves the milieu of the building because when artists live in close proximity they feed on the creativity that pulses through the environs.

Ewen's work with themes of water started years ago when her young daughter Georgia made a little drawing of a boat. It was a simple, childlike picture of Ewen and her driving a boat. From this spark Ewin created a series of images of her daughter's boat (painted in acrylic) as the boat moved through the water—all with colorful islands and backdrops.

In 2003 Ewen became involved with the print-making project Proof in Print in which she brought prints from South Africa and the United States to Havana, Cuba. There she met the Cuban artist Janette Brossard. She collaborated with her and the two had an exhibit of interrelated installa-



tions titled: Oferta, Azul, Freedom Water, and Lost & found. Their work used water as metaphor for issues of contemporary society. Brossard's work with wine labels influenced Ewen to create a series of prettified bottled water with labels like Holy Water, Rain Water, etc...

Now the poet in me had to inquire about Ewen's work with Cambridge poet Denise Bergman. The two collaborated on a project named: The Space Between. Bergman sent Ewen a poem titled Petroglyph and Ewen sort of deconstructed the poem. She excerpted fragments, rearranged words—created new combinations. This led the pair to work on a sequence of Bergman's poems. This led to a sculptural wall piece. Both artists are intrigued by the way words and images expand and change as they are passed back and forth. The poem was transformed by image and altered text.

As our discussion rolled on Ewen continued to talk in her rapid fire cadence about her work with maps, her use of weather graphs, collages, and other materials. I must admit I was a bit overwhelmed by the breadth of her work. But Ewen, like other Somerville artists I have interviewed, contribute to this wonderful mix of artists, dreamers, polymaths, and creative people that live in work in the Paris of New England, Somerville, Mass.

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Goodwill Hunting

I've learned from Davis Square that it's worth combing the green aisle of the Goodwill Store to find a priceless linen suit that just needs ironing.

I have personally searched the books for collectible poetry, where I actually came upon a retailer stocking up for his book store! Or you could go hunting for blue jeans, blue wool pea coats, a blue flower vase, maybe even a record with a blue cover that reads "Meet the Beatles".

Certainly I've seen university students—from nearby Tufts?—buy by the pile, same as savvy family shoppers who have the dignity to do what it takes to participate in Goodwill hunting...

— Barbara Bialick

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| 2. Sacramento | 8. Jonas Grumpy |
| 3. Leonard Bernstein | 9. Alex Hailey |
| 4. Cowboy Philosopher | 10. Mississippi |
| 5. "Dick Tracy" | 11. Nevada |
| 6. The King and I | 12. The Fifteenth Pelican |

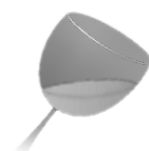
Arts at the Armory Café



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