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## Planning Board OKs polemic permits Condos on Somerville Avenue, more time for IKEA



Community residents and business owners hoped to influence Planning Board policy at last Thursday's Planning Board meeting.

By Ashley Taylor

Last Thursday, Somerville's Planning Board met for the fifteenth time to discuss landowner James Herbert's request for a special permit to replace the three buildings he owns from 378-390 Broadway with a five-story condominium building. It was the first time the Board met to discuss a request by furniture giant IKEA to extend its special permit for a proposed retail outlet in Assembly Square. The five-member Board unanimously approved both proposals.

The smooth passage of the permits flew in the face of underlying controversies and complications of both agenda items.

Herbert's new condominium would displace two businesses and tenants of 15 apartments. Many of the tenants have low incomes or are disabled and are worried about finding affordable alternate housing.

About 40 protesters attended the meeting and carried fluorescent signs. The protesters were affiliated with the affordable housing advocacy organization, Somerville Community Corporation (SCC). Their signs read: "Don't Knock the Block! Keep Families and Businesses here in Somerville at 378-390"

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## 'Villen Speakman rouses Red Sox nation with stunning art

By Andrew Firestone

Even in Red Sox nation, propaganda is a loaded term. How can one hope to capture the vitality and vigilance with which the Boston faithful hold onto their beloved team with something so simple as a drawing? In Somerville's own Chris Speakman, 11-year resident of Winter Hill, they seem to have found their Pablo Picasso, or Norman Rockwell, if you will (both propaganda artists for Spain and the U.S. respectively). With Speakman's understated, yet powerful images on posters and placards depicting heroes of America's pastime, there seems to be little question of this effectiveness of this propaganda.

"I try to portray [baseball] in a way that is reminiscent of pop and poster art from wartime, World War Two: '30s, '40s '50s, the old propaganda style

prints that were government issued, not just from the Americans but from the Russians, the Chinese, Germans and Japanese," said Speakman, owner and operator of Sports Propaganda, and creator of Major League Baseball's official 2011 All-Star Weekend poster. "I just was always interested in that kind of artwork. It was very appealing to me that it was so one-sided that it was absurd. It was completely offensive to the other side on purpose."

While America is a free and republican nation by nature, its sports teams seem to attract this very kind of satiating mob mentality, from prince to pauper alike, and particularly in the Greater Boston area. "We tend to overreact, particularly in New England to our sports teams," said Speakman said of the appeal of his art. "It's identification with the people around

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Speakman's All-Star program cover.

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# NEWTALK

ArtBeat festival was a success. Lots of residents showed up and thoroughly enjoyed the shows, concerts, food, and the various kinds of art as imagined by the many creative people present. Great job by the Arts Council and the mayor’s office.

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Don’t forget to book your reservations quickly as the boat is filling up fast for the 7th Annual Mayor Joe Curtatone’s Summer Boat Cruise, departing Long Wharf on the Cruise Line Pier, Wednesday, August 3, departing at 7p.m. Email brooke@thes-cannellgroup.com for your tickets. The deadline is July 29.

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Big week for another group of well known ‘Villens: Happy Birthday to Winter Hill celebrity Ricky Spinosa, who we hear is going to have a huge cookout soon; Kenny Manzi, a great guy down in East Somerville who’s been around his entire life; another great guy who used to be involved locally in politics, George Barnoski; and, of course, to Cheryl Chaille Horan, who is a great lady another life long resident; also to Cindy Hickey of the Council on Aging fame (we hear she’s either back or going back soon); Mark Healey, a big time fan of the News; and last but also a huge fan of the News is Jeanette Ciampi. To all we wish a very Happy Birthday and to many others here in the ‘Ville that we didn’t mention.

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Save the dates July 19-27 for the Super Hero Sighting Night-ly being held at the Christian Assembly, located at 9 Cummings Street in Somerville, from 6:30 to 8:30p.m. Open to everyone. Those 6 years old and under must be accompanied by an adult. For more information call 617 627-9400.

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## TheSomervilleNews.com Comments of the Week

### Response to *Plans in the works for the Inner Belt*

yuppiescum says:

“All along we’ve never wanted to create commercial space within residential, because that’s just not sustainable,” – Isn’t that the very definition of mixed-use development? Seems to be working out pretty good at Station Landing in Medford.

Mark says:

Please please tear this down now! We can spend 10 years figuring out how to improve it. But what’s there has completely divided the City and killed all the neighborhoods abutting the overpass.

Somerbreeze says:

“...they are going to let the people give suggestions & then do whatever the hell they want & blow the people off afterwards...”

Sounds like our City Hall, too!

Boston Kate says:

Removing the McGrath overpass is going to cause huge traffic delays, just as it has with the loss of the Sullivan Square overpass. Why are we regressing – traffic is always increasing.

Armando says:

“While Assembly Square may be an example of transforming a huge, dormant area into a lively urban village...” and “the area could flourish like a smaller cousin to the nearby Assembly Square site.”

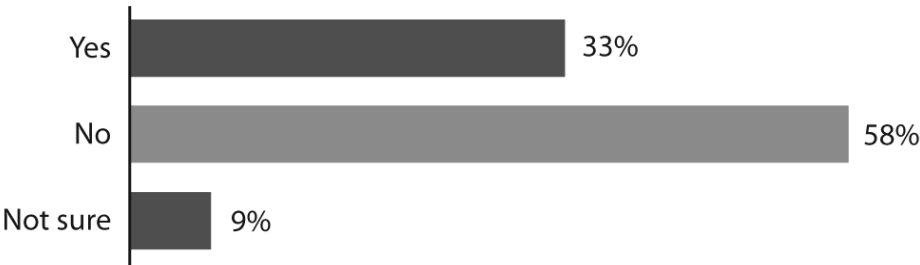
Last time I checked, Assembly Square hasn’t flourished yet and isn’t a lively urban village. The vision is that it will, but it’s not there yet... not even close.

Log onto *TheSomervilleNews.com* to leave your own comments

## 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 MassDOT’s Grand Junction proposal. If you don’t agree with the results, simply log onto TheSomervilleNews.com.

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# Playgrounds of the future

By Harry Kane

On Wednesday the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development held a groundbreaking ceremony for the renovation of Morse-Kelley and Dickerman Playgrounds. "These Parks are part of a long string of new dynamic open spaces that we have built, renovated, designed, or have been under construction since 2004 that reflect and meet a variety of needs," Mayor Curtatone stated. Morse-Kelley Playground will be the first park in Somerville designed with skateboarding elements consisting of rails, benches, steps, and a 'Pier 7' pad. A toddler play structure, community garden, and climbing wall

are just a few of the planned new additions to the park. The Dickerman Playground is separated into two sections. The first section combines several play areas with new rubber surfaces on the ground. The second section of the park is green lawn with a tai chi/yoga Area and a bocce court. Arn Fanzen, Director of Parks and Open Space, explained, "This project was actually started in conjunction with the Alderman [Thomas Taylor] and the residents of the area. There were lots of representatives from Save Our Somerville (SOS) and youths in the community advocating for skateboarding elements at Morse-Kelley Park." Adam Rich, a volunteer with



The groundbreaking ceremony for the renovation of Morse-Kelley and Dickerman Playgrounds.



Mayor Curtatone confers with a number of his more important constituents.

SOS, was present at the groundbreaking along with two of the skateboarders who initially voiced their desire for the skateboarding element at the park. "We started out with a vision that these guys conceived," Rich said. After many petitions and community meetings their dream has finally entered the beginning stages of reality. "Skateboarding is one of the new big sports that really hasn't been accommodated for in this city. We're always trying to look out for youth issues," Rich noted. Terry Dolson, 19, was one of the skateboarders who desperately

wanted skate-able features at Morse-Kelley Park. He explained why it was so necessary to make this addition to the playground. "It's tough for younger kids that are 13 or 14 years old because they don't have a license and its tough to skate to places like Arlington or Lexington that actually have skate parks." The Principal Architect at CBA Landscape Architects, Dennis J. Chagnon, a.k.a DJ, was really proud of the innovative park designs. "The process has been really terrific. We've really been fortunate to have a great deal of enthusiastic community involve-

ment. They defined their priorities, which then gave us a challenging but interesting mix of stuff to fit into both of the parks," DJ recounted. "The playgrounds will be closed for the summer and fall during the reconstruction. If everything goes according to plan we hope to re-open in the fall," said Franzen. "If not in the fall early in the spring of next year." The Mayor declared, "we made a commitment that Somerville will have the most dynamic, flexible, unique and best open spaces in the metropolitan core and we're well on our way."

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*Olio*

Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

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- In the Harry Potter book series, what is the name of the National Wizardry newspaper?
- Where did the word "Guitar" originate from?
- What name did the singer Madonna change her religious name to?
- In the movie *Gone With The Wind*, what was the name of the Wilkes Plantation?
- Who was the woman actor Spencer Tracy spent his final years with but never married?
- What is "pagonophobia" the fear of?
- What last name was shared by three vice-presidents?
- What continent is Barbados part of?
- In 1984, what state did Vanessa Williams represent when she won the Miss America title?
- What is the familiar term for Nitrous Oxide?
- What is the difference between white chocolate and brown chocolate?
- What is the Spanish word for "navy"?

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# THE WEEK IN CRIME

By Jim Clark

## Police looking to identify robbery suspect

Somerville Police are seeking to identify the suspect who robbed a local gas station. On July 12, at about 8:45 p.m., the Sunoco Gas Station at 541 Broadway was robbed at knifepoint. The store surveillance video shows the suspect arriving in a black sedan, possibly a Nissan Maxima, with a towel covering it's license plate, then entered the store and walked up to the counter, where he spoke briefly to the clerk. The suspect then went back to his car

briefly. He then came back into the store where he calmly walked behind the counter, pulled out a knife and demanded cash. The suspect fled the store with an undisclosed amount of cash, jumped into the car and fled toward Medford. The suspect is described as a white male, heavy set, over 6 feet tall, with a visible belly, wearing a distinct red and white color baseball cap, dark red jersey with black lines, and black or blue col-

ored trousers. The suspect was also wearing sneakers. A YouTube video of the surveillance video is available on the SPD web page: [www.somerville-ma.gov/spd](http://www.somerville-ma.gov/spd). The link to the video is: <http://youtu.be/QcpFSRThPk> Anyone who knows the identity of this suspect is urged to contact Somerville Police at 617 625-1212. Or, they can text an anonymous tip by texting 617SPD to Tip411



## Arrest warrant issued for ex-Somerville cop

By William Tauro

Somerville Court has issued an arrest warrant for former Somerville Police Officer John Vozzella. The rogue ex-Somerville Police Sergeant

allegedly barricaded himself in his home while police were pounding at his front door this weekend but wouldn't let them in after reports that the former officer allegedly beat up his girlfriend this

past weekend. Vozzella is the same police officer that allegedly took the department for a ride with his fictitious court detail hours that he submitted to the depart-

ment for payment then was later forced to resign a couple of years ago. Vozzella's brother Bob is another ex-Somerville police officer better known as the "Candyman" by former col-

leagues who was also allegedly pressured to leave the department after his alleged theft of a bag of candy from a children's charity Halloween haunted house this past October.

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## SOMERVILLE POLICE CRIME LOG

### Arrests:

**Erick Stout**, 34, July 11, 2:39 p.m., arrested at Marshall St. on warrant charges of distribution of a class B drug and conspiracy to violate drug law.  
**Christopher Foster**, 44, of 60 Washington St., July 11, 5:27 p.m., arrested at home on charges of witness intimidation and rape.  
**Kyle Shearer**, 28, of 16 Waldo Ave., July 12, 3:10 a.m., arrested at home on charges of assault and battery on a police officer and resisting arrest.  
**Ely Moran-Cabrera**, 25, of 8 Knapp St., July 12, 3:16 a.m., arrested at home on charges of assault and battery and destruction of property over \$250.  
**Eleanor O'Rourke**, 51, of 38 Goreham St., July 13, 9:54 a.m., arrested at 585 Somerville Ave. on a warrant charge of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.  
**Christopher Nadeau**, 34, of 31 Craigie St., July 13, 11:24 a.m., arrested at 4 College Ave. on a charge of VCO open container.  
**Fernando Almas**, 56, of 24 Horace St., July 14, 10:06 a.m., arrested at 90 Perry St. on warrant charges of breaking and entering daytime for felony and larceny from building.

**Louis Gersh**, 52, of 82 Cotting St., Medford, July 14, 3:30 p.m., arrested at 105 Alewife Pky. on charges of drug possession to distribute and drug violation near a school or park.  
**Diane Thomas**, 58, of 32 Kent St., July 14, 7:17 p.m., arrested at home on a warrant charge of assault and battery.  
**Colleen Hogan**, 48, of 1 North Central Ave., Quincy, July 14, 10:16 p.m., arrested at Davis Sq. on a charge of VCO open container and a warrant charge of larceny over \$250.  
**Robert Gandraeu**, 44, of 7 Jefferson Park, Cambridge, July 14, 10:16 p.m., arrested at Davis Sq. on a charge of VCO open container.  
**Marie Costa**, 35, of 7 Clinton Ave., Saugus, July 15, 5:35 p.m., arrested at 133 Middlesex Ave. on a charge of larceny under \$250.  
**Craig Curley**, 40, of 240 Albany St., Cambridge, July 15, 5:56 p.m., arrested at 133 Middlesex Ave. on a charge of larceny under \$250.  
**John Crosby**, 54, of 144 Crawley Falls Rd., Brentwood, NH, July 15, 10:24 p.m., arrested at 30 Washington St. on a charge of OUI liquor.  
**Joshua Foote**, 19, of 24 MacArthur St., July 16, 2:06

p.m., arrested at home on charges of resisting arrest, destruction of property over \$250, and disorderly conduct.  
**Robert Ventullo**, 19, of 92 Clarendon St., Lynn, July 16, 3:59 p.m., arrested at 75 Mystic Ave. on warrant charges shoplifting by asportation and trespass.  
**Ely Dasilva**, 33, of 263 Willis, Medford, July 17, 8:30 p.m., arrested at 366 Broadway on warrant charges unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle and operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

### Incidents:

**Theft:**  
July 12, 6:37 a.m., police reported a theft at Broadway.  
July 12, 11:33 a.m., police reported a theft at Marshall St.  
July 12, 2:44 p.m., police reported a theft at 13 McGrath Hwy.  
July 12, 6:10 p.m., police reported a theft at Somerville Ave.  
July 13, 6:00 a.m., police reported a theft at Morrison Ave.  
July 13, 11:26 a.m., police reported a theft at Elm St.  
July 13, 2:14 p.m., police reported a theft at Robinson St.  
July 13, 5:23 p.m., police reported a theft at Davis Sq.

July 13, 7:13 p.m., police reported a theft at 77 Middlesex Ave.  
July 13, 8:19 p.m., police reported a theft at Highland Ave.  
July 14, 9:26 a.m., police reported a theft at Pearl St.  
July 15, 5:35 p.m., police reported a theft at 133 Middlesex Ave.  
July 15, 7:34 p.m., police reported a theft at River Rd.  
July 16, 2:00 a.m., police reported a theft at 499 Broadway.  
July 16, 11:15 a.m., police reported a theft at Beacon St.  
July 18, 2:24 p.m., police reported a theft at 400 Somerville Ave.

**Robbery:**  
July 12, 8:45 p.m., police reported a robbery at Broadway.

**Breaking & Entering:**  
July 12, 3:05 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Wheatland St.  
July 14, 9:24 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Josephine Ave.  
July 14, 10:59 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Shore Dr.  
July 14, 11:22 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at College Ave.  
July 17, 5:54 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at

Mt. Vernon St.  
July 17, 8:06 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Radcliffe Rd.

**Vehicle Theft:**  
July 12, 8:49 a.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Winter Hill.  
July 12, 8:50 a.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Hathorn St.  
July 14, 10:13 a.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Gov. Winthrop Rd.  
July 16, 9:28 a.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Broadway.  
July 16, 9:53 a.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Summer St.  
July 18, 7:51 a.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Montrose St.

**Assault:**  
July 12, 3:10 a.m., police reported an assault at Waldo Ave.  
July 12, 3:16 a.m., police reported an assault at Knapp St.  
July 13, 1:35 a.m., police reported an assault at Franklin St.  
July 17, 5:05 a.m., police reported an assault at Corinthian Rd.

**Drug Violation:**  
July 14, 3:30 p.m., police reported a drug violation at 105 Alewife Brook Pky.



# Young Somervillian commended for fire safety

By Andrew Firestone

Kaleigh Kosta was commended by none other than the Board of Alderman of Somerville, last Thursday, July 14, receiving a citation for helping her family when her home caught fire. While Kaleigh, 8, had already received citations from the Mayor, and the Fire Marshall of the state, the city itself recognized her for her quick thinking and sense of responsibility.

When the Brown School student was awakened by a fire alarm in her house, she remembered the fire education she received in her first grade class by Lt. Michael Anzalone, who said he was very proud of her responsible actions. "When the fire alarm went off, she was asleep, and I woke her up out of bed," said Kaleigh's mother, Karen.

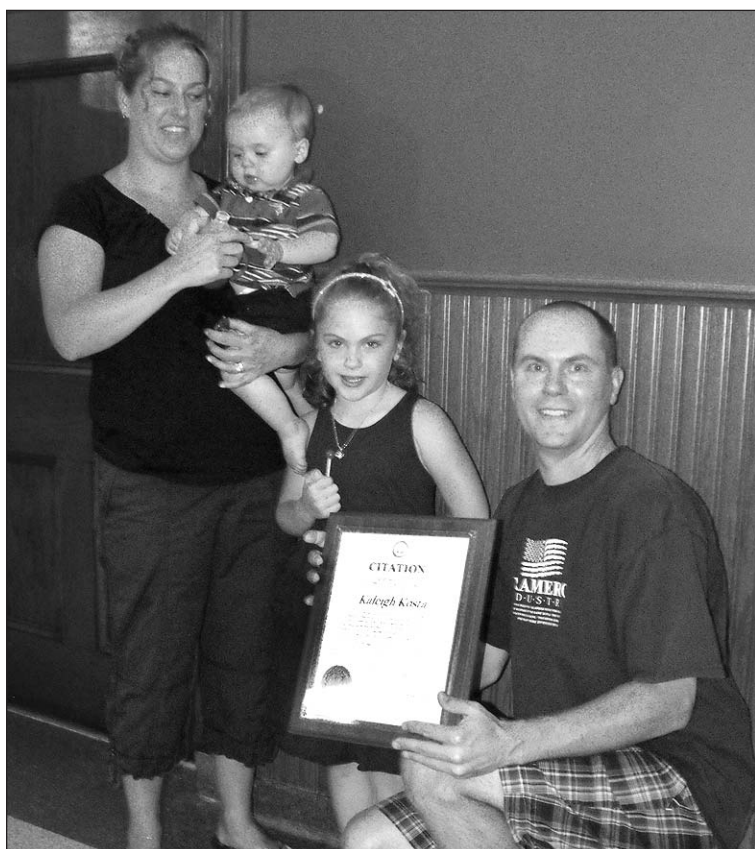
"As she was putting on her shoes, she asked 'have you called 911?'"

Later, when the authorities arrived, Kaleigh demonstrated her knowledge again. "I said 'we have to go stand some place,'" said Karen, "because the fire trucks were showing up, and she said 'that's our meeting place, let's go stand there.'" Kaleigh, who had helped mark the meeting place, was responsible for getting her whole family over there to relative safety, including her grandmother and infant brother, Matthew.

Kaleigh said she was a little scared, but she knew what to do because of her classroom lessons. For her diligence, she received a commendation for her work by President Rebekah Gewirtz of the BOA, and congratulations from the rest of the board.



President Rebekah Gewirtz reads a commendation to Kaleigh Kosta for her emergency awareness.



Kaleigh, 8, with brother Matthew, and parents Karen and Brian.

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# University of the Middle East project forges bonds through education

By Andrew Firestone

The Armory hosted a mission of peace this last Tuesday, July 12, when 26 teachers from across North Africa and the Middle East arrived to participate in a teaching exercise with Teen Empowerment as part of their month-long odyssey through the University of the Middle East Project. Begun 11 years ago, the Teacher Education Institute at the UME has been bringing an exchange of information and culture between the U.S. and the Middle East, and this month, the teachers embarked on an exploration through what it means in the west to be an educator in the twenty-first century.

"One thing is an emphasis on critical thinking," said program Director Ray Matsumiya, whose work with the project spans back to 1997. "There's so much information out there now. Everyone has access to information, so that's just not what's valuable anymore. What's valuable is able to take that information, synthesize it, and then do something with it. All innovation comes from things like that."

Matsumiya says that the program originally had doctors and masters students among others, but that they decided that secondary education (high school to us) was the most important stage to try to reach. "It's something that's cross-cutting through almost everything. It goes through the economy. It

goes through the society," said Matsumiya of education.

"It focuses on young people," he added. "They are the ones who are impressionable, and they are the ones who are going to be making the change in the future."

*You kind of have to learn how to work with different cultures*

Among other skills practiced were civic engagement and use of technology. "No one is in a box anymore because of the world-wide economies and the Internet everything seems to be interconnected," said Matsumiya. "You kind of have to learn how to work with different cultures."

Perhaps it was this emphasis on civic engagement that made Teen Empowerment a fitting choice for working with the teachers. "One of the major reasons of why we wanted our teachers to work with the teens at Teen Empowerment is that they are a great example of kids that they teach, really going out in doing something," said Matsumiya. Rep. Denise Provost of Somerville also joined the group.

"The University of the Middle East project does excellent work in bringing people across national boundaries to learn from each other," said Provost, who also hosted the group at the State-



26 teachers from 9 countries of the Middle East and Africa participated in cultural exchange at the Armory July 12.

house. "The Teacher Education Institute, which UME has run every summer for the last 11 years, has this year brought 26 educators from nine counties in the Middle East and North Africa to the US to learn from each other, and from us, and to form relationships that will continue to be beneficial to all," she said.

Next week, the group heads to Washington D.C. where they will finish their program and present their findings to a representative from the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, a faction of the State Department that funds the UME. "Every year it gets incrementally bigger," Matsumiya said of the project. He said that they go home to a

large network in their region, which helps them implement the new teaching methodologies they have learned.

The UME also sends educators over to the Middle East, and finds the exchange there is just as profound. "I think they're equally inspiring," he said of the two regions and their impact upon educators, "especially from the Middle East side, because Americans go over there and see what limited resources these countries have and yet they are doing such amazing things."

The UME has also changed the make-up of Somerville, as well in its own way. Last May, a delegation from Tiznit, Morocco arrived in Somerville to affirm

their status as a Sister City, which was approved by the King of Morocco. The relationship began when teacher Samira Idelcadi returned from the UME U.S. program, and ended up making a huge splash. She and her new teaching methods, which included youth civic involvement, were so positively received that the Mayor of Tiznit asked her to run for City Council on his ticket, which she went on to win.

In this way, said Matsumiya, does the UME project hope to gradually bind the two regions together. While he is not sure of the ultimate destination of his project, he hopes that these kinds of relations are only a hint of what is to come in the future.

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TALES OF SOMERVILLE

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Our friends at Brickbottom may have some ideas as to how best develop the Inner Belt area.

The View From Prospect Hill



When it comes to discussion over plans to develop or revitalize a particular section of our community, one thing is certain. Unanimity of opinion is never even close to being in the picture. Such is the case now as state and city officials sift through the

facts, figures, and factions involved in the proposed changes to the Inner Belt-Brickbottom districts. Predictably, as many points of view exist on the issue as there are players in the matter. From the mightiest on high to the average Joe on the street, one and

all seem to hold to their own particular vision of what may be the best options as plans move, however slowly, forward. The question now is, how can we arrive at a fair consensus of opinion, based upon factual information, and effectively move forward in a meaningful way?

We must have learned a few things during the long protracted years of bickering and compromise associated with the Assembly Square project. Will it be possible to avoid as much wasted time and effort? Only time will tell how well the art of compromise can be prac-

ticed by the powers that be, while hopefully doing what is best for the residents of the city. This project can become a political work of art, but it could also sink into a mire of stagnation and incertitude. As art lovers, we hope for the best.

News Talk CONT. FROM PG 2

Wow, looks like the Somerville Police had an arrest warrant out on one of its own, or should we say one of its ex-own? A rogue ex-Somerville Police Sergeant barricaded himself at his home while police were pounding at his front door this weekend but wouldn't let them in after reports that he allegedly beat up his girlfriend this past weekend. This is the same cop that took the department for a ride allegedly with fictitious court detail hours a couple of years ago. And let's not forget his brother, another ex-Somerville cop better known as the "Candy man," who was pressured to leave the department after his alleged theft of a bag of candy from a children's charity Halloween haunted house.

Our own Bobbie Toner's recent surgery is over and she's home resting. Well, at least she's enjoying her computer better, she's relentless even working from the sick bed. We here at the front get reports from mother Cam who visits daily along with all the other family members. Bobbie says hi to everyone that sent her hellos and best wishes, if you'd like to say hello email

her at bobbietoner@aol.com. She has lots of time to read, but do us a favor and send her something that will make her laugh. Laughter is good.

Speaking of getting well, we still get reports on our good friend Steve from Steves and Sons. We saw Nick, his son, out there working hard the other day. He's doing a good job. Bill Chambers back in Spring Hill is getting along and hopefully will be around in a few more months.

Join local youth for an evening of song, spoken word or music, coordinated by Teen Empowerment and Groundwork Somerville. Open Mike Night at The Somerville Community Growing Center, 22 Vinal St, from 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. In the event of rain, this event will be postponed to August 11.

Every Thursday night through August 25 enjoy SomerMovie Fest '11. This week's movie(July 21) is Iron Man (pg-13) and will take place at Lincoln Park, Washington St. All movies start at dusk. Call 311 for more information,

or visit [www.somervillema.gov](http://www.somervillema.gov).

On Wednesday, October 26, 2011 the Somerville Council on Aging will hold its annual Health & Wellness Fair. If you are a organization or business that is interested in having a table at the fair, please contact the Council on Aging at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300. They will accept appropriate vendors on a first-come first-served basis as space allows.

Starting July 18, Citizens Bank will collect new school supplies for its Gear for Grades initiative, an effort to help local children go back to school with the gear they need to learn. New pencils, folders, glue, notebooks and other supplies can be donated at any Citizens Bank branch in Massachusetts through August 6. This year's Gear for Grades program is supported by Cradles to Crayons. Through Gear for Grades, more than 3,000 children in Massachusetts will receive new backpacks and school supplies. This year, more than 27,000 backpacks filled with new school supplies will be distributed to children across the Citizens Financial Group foot-

print. Cradles to Crayons, an innovative nonprofit organization providing essential everyday supplies to low-income and homeless children, will distribute the backpacks to children in need throughout Massachusetts. As part of the initiative, the Citizens Bank Foundation donated \$25,000 to the organization. The bank's total commitment to Cradles to Crayons this year is \$100,000. According to a National Retail Federation survey in 2010, the average American family was expected to spend \$606 on back-to-school expenses. But for families who are low-income, at-risk or homeless, the cost of even basic school supplies can be a burden.

Redbones 10th Annual Pig Pickin' & Benefit will take place Monday, August 1 from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. \$25.00 for adults and \$5.00 for kids under 10. Proceeds go to the The Somerville Homeless Coalition. Price includes pulled pork, loins, butts, bellies and cracklin plus sides of slaw, corn on the cob, greens, corn bread and watermelon and a choice of drinks including beer. Live music. Served outside under tents in front of Redbones. Rain date: August 8.



# COMMENTARY

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## Another missed IKEA opportunity



**By William C. Shelton**

Last Thursday the Somerville Planning Board voted to extend an expired Special Permit that it had granted to IKEA in December 2006 to construct a 340,000-square-foot store.

IKEA's previous unwillingness to use the permit created a hardship for Somerville. A 2009 deal with the state would have redirected taxes on the store's sales and employees' incomes to make payments on \$50 million in Assembly Square infrastructure bonds. When IKEA balked, the city went on the hook directly for \$25.8 million in bond debt.

Construction and operation of the store would cause some hardship as well.

So the Planning Board could have conditioned its approval of the permit extension on IKEA's making serious improvements to its design that would benefit the city and its residents. The Board should have insisted that IKEA step up, or step out. It did neither, routinely approving the extension.

Doug Greenholz, VP of Real Estate for IKEA North America, said he could not promise that IKEA would build in Somerville. But the company wants to keep its options open.

Mr. Greenholz is a friendly and gracious man. In fact, I've never met an IKEA representative whom I didn't like.

I met the first two in the summer of 2006. Joan Hooke and David Iemolo represented IKEA in a mediation to end lawsuits

supported by the Mystic View Task Force (MVTf).

At the outset of negotiations, the IKEA reps promised a revolutionary new store design, a prototype for future urban IKEAs in the U.S. Such stores already exist in Europe. They said that IKEA staff were designing little wheels that customers could stick on their flat-pack purchases to facilitate taking them home on the T.

Ms. Hooke and Mr. Iemolo subsequently left IKEA, and we got the same cookie-cutter blue-and-yellow box, only bigger and without stick-on wheels. The mediation did produce some positive outcomes.

Among them, Federal Realty Investment Trust (FRIT) and IKEA agreed to a plan that would reduce daily auto trips from 100,000 to 50,000. To get a sense of how big this is, 50,000 trips represents the in-

creased I-93 capacity produced by the Big Dig.

They committed to contributing \$15 million to build an Orange Line station. FRIT agreed to construct bike and pedestrian connections to Ten Hills, East Somerville, and Draw 7 Park, and help fund water-access improvements.

MVTf negotiators signed the settlement, agreeing to support IKEA's development, with the provision that we could advocate for how it is implemented. Accordingly, I advocate improvements that IKEA could make to seriously reduce its burden on Somerville.

IKEA projects that its Somerville Store will produce 6,200 weekday auto trips and 10,200 on Saturday. Even though these projections are understated, they equate to the store's customers driving 68 million miles per year,

burning 3.4 million gallons of fuel, and pumping 67 million pounds of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere.

Somerville residents drive far fewer miles per day than the regional average, but we already inhale more transportation emissions than do residents in any other Massachusetts city or town.

City government has, rightly, pinned hopes for emerging from our structural fiscal deficit on property taxes that wise Assembly Square development would bring. This would require construction of office buildings and research-and-development facilities.

But potential tenants have to believe that their companies' employees can easily get to and from work. The more congested Assembly Square, the more difficult this is. Readers who commute

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## On The Silly Side by Jimmy Del Ponte

## Taking a stand for progress



*This article first ran in the June 11, 2009 edition of The Somerville News.*

One of my favorite topics is talking about the stores that used to be around years ago that are now just memories. Remember a little place in Davis Square called "The Soda Hut"? Some may and some may not. How about "Skippy's Fix-it Shop" and "Henry the Jeweler"? Do those places ring a bell? Close to Henry's and Skippy's, there used to be a quaint little establishment known as Gigli's Fruit stand. Ask anyone who remembers it, and they will assure you that it had quite a bit of "a-ppeal".

Today there are two entrances to the Red Line - one on College Avenue and one on Holland Street - at either entrance you can pick up a variety of snacks from an array of stores, restaurants or cafes. You can get a crepe, a latte or a wrap as well. When the B&M

Railroad's train still ran through Davis Square (along the route of the bike trail), there was also a popular place to pick up a snack. Next to the theatre was where Al Gigli sold the freshest fruits, vegetables, eggs and penny candy. Al was also known to many as Nonno. For years he ran the fruit and veggie stand at the railroad crossing in Davis Square with his wife Ann, or as she was affectionately known, Nona, or just Ma Gigli...Everyone that came by was a friend and there was time to chat about the important things in life - like the family, the neighborhood and maybe politics. Nino and Ma Gigli made countless friends at the stand as countless freight trains rolled by on their way past the Dewey and Almy Chemical company (later acquired by W.R. Grace) and onward towards Fitchburg. I wonder how many times Ozzie Collins, the gate attendant, grabbed a juicy apple or orange to eat while guarding the College Avenue Crossing gate.

Today in Davis Square we have The Farmer's Bounty, The Farmer's Market and McKinnon's to satisfy our produce needs. There was even a market called "Apple A Day" in the square for a while. All these places have (or had) good stuff; however, many will agree that the fruit and veggies were bigger and more succulent (not to mention, cheaper) at Gigli's Fruit Stand. But, alas, an apple a day could not keep progress away. Today Gigli's Fruit Stand maintains its proud place in our city's history - the fruit stand closed to make way for the Red Line.

The subject may pop up when you hear someone say "wow, this orange reminds me of the old Fruit Stand that used to be in Davis Square" and yet someone else might reply "yeah, but you don't get fruit like that any more." I say sure you can, especially since they started adding vitamin "M" to foods. The "M" stands for memory - it's the additive that gives our minds the ability to reminisce, and I find more

and more foods containing vitamin "M" these days - one bite of a crisp red apple can start the memory juices flowing.

Today you may get fruit that is just as plump, juicy and fresh as it was when it came from Gigli's fruit stand - maybe - but thanks to our memories, a half hour of chewing an apple, then chewing the fat, can help you relive those great old days. The Red Line came in 1984 bringing with it a new era, but taking away some traditions and the simple pleasures of a bygone time. Gigli's Fruit Stand will always be on the corner near the Somerville Theatre, in the old Davis Square in our minds. The Gigli's are still one of Somerville's grand and prosperous families. I'm sure any one of them will be glad to share a story about the old fruit stand with you, just as Geraldine and Louise did with me - thank you ladies - and thank you to Nonno and Ma Gigli as well.

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Sir,  
I want to make clear that the Buena Vista parking lot in Davis Square is an obvious scam operation that the Mayor must be complicit in. The parking meters have been removed and there is no instructions on where or how to pay for

parking, if a citizen or visitor to the city is not lucky enough to notice the parking kiosks and realize what they are, then they are entrapped into getting a \$30.00 parking ticket for going to see the doctor and thinking they now pay or get validated inside the building. I have sent a

letter to both Somerville newspapers detailing this sleazy attempt to raise revenue, it is not going unnoticed. The Mayor and all complicit in this embarrassment should be ashamed of themselves and will someday have to answer to a higher power for the theft of money

from innocent people. Shame on the Mayor and shame on you for allowing this. Somerville was a nice city as I grew up in the area, to bad you have decided to put revenue above the people.  
Regards  
Ron MacDonald



# Beacon Hill Roll Call



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**THE HOUSE AND SENATE.** *Beacon Hill Roll Call* records the votes of local representatives on one roll call and local senators on two roll calls from the week of July 11-15.

**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 Middle-

sex; 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.

**GOVERNOR'S AMENDMENTS TO MUNICIPAL HEALTH PLAN CHANGES (H 3580)**

House 150-2, Senate 37-0, approved Gov. Deval Patrick's amendments to the recently approved law giving local communities more flexibility to make changes to health insurance plans of their public employees outside of the current full collective bargaining process.

The new law includes expedited collective bargaining to negotiate a new health insurance benefit plan for employees. If the municipalities and unions fail to reach agreement within 30 days, the case is submitted to a three-person review panel.

Municipalities will be able to use this process to adopt co-pays and deductibles, along with other cost-sharing health care plan features that are not higher than those offered by the Group Insurance Commission (GIC). Supporters say the new law would save communities some \$100 million.

The governor's amendments would lengthen the moratorium on changes to retiree premium cost-sharing agreements from two years to three years; increase the amount of savings from lower premiums achieved through plan design changes to be returned to employees and retirees; and require that a city or town that wants to move employees into the state's GIC prove the savings would be 5 percent greater than those possible through local plan design changes.

Supporters of the governor's amendments said they will improve the new law and were drafted with input from various groups including labor and the Mass Taxpayers Foundation. They argued adoption of the amendments would ensure this will be the most significant reform for cities and towns in over 30 years.

Opponents of the governor's amendments did not offer any arguments. (A "Yes" vote is for the governor's amendments. A "No" vote is against them.)

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

**OVERHAUL SYSTEM OF HANDLING RUNAWAY AND TRUANT CHILDREN (S 1963)**

Senate 39-0, approved and sent to the House a bill that

makes major changes in the current Children in Need of Services (CHINS) system of handling children who are runaways and truant.

The measure basically abolishes the current system which brings most of these juveniles to court, and replaces it with a statewide community-based intervention network that would provide community services for these children and their families. Children would be diverted from the juvenile legal process and instead be given behavioral, medical and mental health treatment; special education evaluations; mentoring, family and parent support; after-school and out-of-school opportunities; and crisis management.

Other provisions allow requests for assistance to be filed by parents or guardians, police officers and schools; require schools to establish truancy prevention programs; and prohibit children requiring assistance from being placed in Department of Youth Services (DYS) custody or shackled.

Supporters said many of these children have mental health problems and need comprehensive services rather than repeatedly being dragged into court. They argued troubled children who are regularly exposed to the juvenile courts are more likely to commit crimes and end up in adult court later in life. (A "Yes" vote is for the bill.)

Sen. Sal DiDomenico	Yes
Sen. Patricia Jehlen	Yes

**ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL**

**\$275 TO CHALLENGE PARKING TICKETS -**

The Supreme Judicial Court (SJC) upheld the right of cities and towns to continue to require municipal parking ticket appeals to be handled in Superior Court with \$275 filing fees.

The fee was challenged by Vincent Gillespie and Edward Hamel, both of Northampton. The pair received parking tickets in 2005 and argued their right to due process was violated when they were required to pay a fee many times in excess of the original parking fine.

Supporters of the pair argue that paying \$275 to appeal a \$20 or \$30 parking ticket and being required to appear in a court that handles very serious criminal cases is irrational and discourages drivers from appealing.

The SJC ruled, "Municipalities annually issue several million parking citations; [the fee] conserves scarce judicial resources and discourages the filing of non-meritorious appeals."

**DO NOT DELAY (H 841) -**

The Committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight held a hearing on a bill that would allow the state Highway Department to impose financial penalties on private contractors for delays in highway construction projects.

**REQUIRE HOME ENERGY ASSESSMENT / STATE FUNDING OF GREEN PROJECTS (S 1590) -**

The Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy held a hearing on a measure that would require a home energy assessment through the MassSAVE program to be conducted whenever a home is sold. The bill would apply to condominiums, single-family homes and multi-family homes with fewer than six units.



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Another proposal on the committee’s agenda would provide state-funded interest-free loans to cities and towns for green energy programs.

**PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION BASED ON HEIGHT AND WEIGHT** - The Labor and Workforce Development Committee held a hearing on legislation that would prohibit discrimination on the basis of a person’s height or weight. Supporters of the bill say short people are often not hired or not promoted because of their height and noted discrimination against overweight people is on the rise.

**PAID SICK LEAVE FOR ALL (S 1398)**- The Labor and Workforce Development Committee’s also heard testimony from both sides of proposed legislation requiring employers to give up to seven paid sick leave days per year to their employees. Each employee would receive one sick day for every 30 hours worked, up to seven days. 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.

**QUOTABLE QUOTES**

“We neglected to acknowledge that bullying is not restricted to our children.” - *Rep. Frank Smizik (D-Brookline) commenting on his healthy workplace bill that would make it illegal to bully an employee or colleague.*

“I believe in these very difficult economic times when lo-

cal employers are still not growing due in part to the unaffordable costs of our first in the nation health care mandate, the last thing we need is to further hurt small employers with more state government imposed costs and red tape.” - *Jon Hurst, President of the Retailers Association of Massachusetts, opposing a bill that would require employers to give employees up to seven paid sick leave days per year.*

“I fully expect it to be a day of business karaoke. They will all get up and sing the same song over and over that this is going to be economic doomsday.” - *Tim Sullivan, legislative and communications director for the Mass. AFL-CIO on Hurst’s opposition.*

“To allow for public analysis and a full debate, both branches plan to debate gaming legislation in September after Labor Day.” - *Joint statement from the offices of Senate President Therese Murray and House Speaker Robert DeLeo.*

“The death of Caylee Anthony exposed a large flaw in our judicial system and this bill will close that loophole.” - *Rep. David Linsky (D-Natick) on his bill that would impose up to a five-year prison sentence on any parent who fails to notify authorities within 24 hours of their minor child’s death.*

**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 11-15, the House met for a total of seven hours and 54 minutes while the Senate met for a total of six hours and 43 minutes.

Mon. July 11	House 11:00 a.m. to 6:20 p.m. Senate 1:00 p.m. to 6:21 p.m.
Tues. July 12	No House session Senate 11:03 a.m. to 11:10 a.m.
Wed. July 13	House 12:56 p.m. to 1:11 p.m. Senate 12:58 p.m. to 12:59 p.m.
Thurs. July 14	House 11:00 a.m. to 11:19 a.m. Senate 1:00 p.m. to 2:14 p.m.
Fri. July 15	No House session No Senate session

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## Another missed IKEA opportunity CONT. FROM PG 9

past the Square on Route 28 already know about congestion. IKEA could significantly reduce its trips per day by building an elevated walkway from the Orange Line station's southern end to its store. The design approved by the Planning Board would obligate customers to carry their weighty purchases up and down the equivalent of seven flights of stairs, greatly reducing use of the T, and increasing car trips. The walkway would boost IKEA sales as well. 1.1 million people per day ride the Orange Line or could do so with 1 transfer. Local air-quality expert Wig Zamore says that this one im-

provement could make the Somerville store the busiest and most sustainable of all North American IKEAs. Somerville Transportation Equity Partnership president Ellin Reisner advocates the walkway as a means of reducing traffic and pollution impacts on her East Somerville neighborhood. But IKEA refuses to consider changing its one-size-fits-all design. In it's settlement agreement with MVTF, the company committed to dedicate 200 of its 1,550 parking spaces for use by T riders who would pay the same rates as those charged by similar facilities,

like the one across the river at the Wellington Orange Line station. This commitment was not in the IKEA plan approved by the Planning Board, and the Board is indifferent to its disappearance. Somerville has the lowest proportion of usable open space of any municipality in the Commonwealth-less than 3% including cemeteries and paved schoolyards. And the open-space allocation within Assembly Square's current development plan is small in comparison to other Boston-area land transformations. MVTF persuaded IKEA to allow a path connecting East

Somerville to the waterfront to be constructed along the eastern edge of its property. But the company could add at least two additional acres of usable open space by simply shifting the location of its parking garage. This would necessitate no change to its store design. But IKEA is unwilling to consider it, and the Planning Board is unwilling to require it. Throughout living memory, and especially during this administration, city officials have chosen to approve low-value developments that bring new problems and costs. In so doing, they block future projects that would bring high tax revenues and a

range of good jobs. IKEA's Assembly Square site comprises 12 acres. Building the kind of office structures on it that FRIT intends for its own property would create ten times the net tax revenues, ten times the jobs, and one-tenth the car trips as the IKEA store. Understandably, IKEA's business is to sell furniture, not build offices. But it *could* improve its plans so as to impose less hardship on Somerville. The Planning Board's unwillingness to compel such improvements extends the pattern of grabbing illusory short-term gain, oblivious to the inevitable long-term pain.

### City of Somerville Inspectional Services Department **Stop Work Orders**

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113 Glen Street  
10 Cleveland Street  
417 Medford Street



# Somerville's creativity makes ArtBeat bloom

By Carrie Stanziola

2011 ArtBeat was a cornucopia of sensation, bringing visitors to Davis Square, delicious food, great music, and the added delight of bringing them closer to the community. The Somerville Arts Council tries to keep ArtBeat fresh every year, so it does not fall into the trap of being a "cookie-cutter" festival, said program manager Rachel Strutt. Of particular note this Saturday, July 16, were ArtBeats "nomadic performance artists", including Sandrine Schafer, who wandered through Davis Square fitting herself into small spaces. Strutt adds that Somerville's sense of humor comes across in the festival.

One of many notable live music acts was the Somerville Symphony Orkestar. Although billed as Russian/Funk, the group's music transcends that label to encompass Gogol Bordello-inspired "Gypsy punk", funk and Ashkenazi klezmer. Band member Joel Edinberg notes that although he has had formal training in Connecticut and upstate New York, he is self-taught in the klezmer and Balkan styles that infuse Orkestar's work.

Also present were a variety of booths representing a variety of stores and artisans, including Magpie, White Sparrow Bindery and Pansy Maiden. Laura Collins, the woman behind Pansy Maiden, was looking for a "creatively invigorating" form of self-expression, which lead her to her bag-making business. As an added bonus, her bags are accessible to the animal rights crowd: Collins produces vegan bags of the highest quality that will not crack. Furthermore, she does not use wool, and the glue is animal free. Collins said that the detergent she uses is not tested on animals, and mentions that many are unaware of the animal byproducts contained in some detergents. Collins, who does one or two arts and craft shows per month and more during the holidays, operates her one-woman business out

of her home in Medford.

Lisa O'Neill, a staff member at Magpie, a Davis Square-based gift store, stresses that all of their products are handmade by local artists and artisans. Displaying a similar social consciousness, Magpie uses recyclable and reused materials.

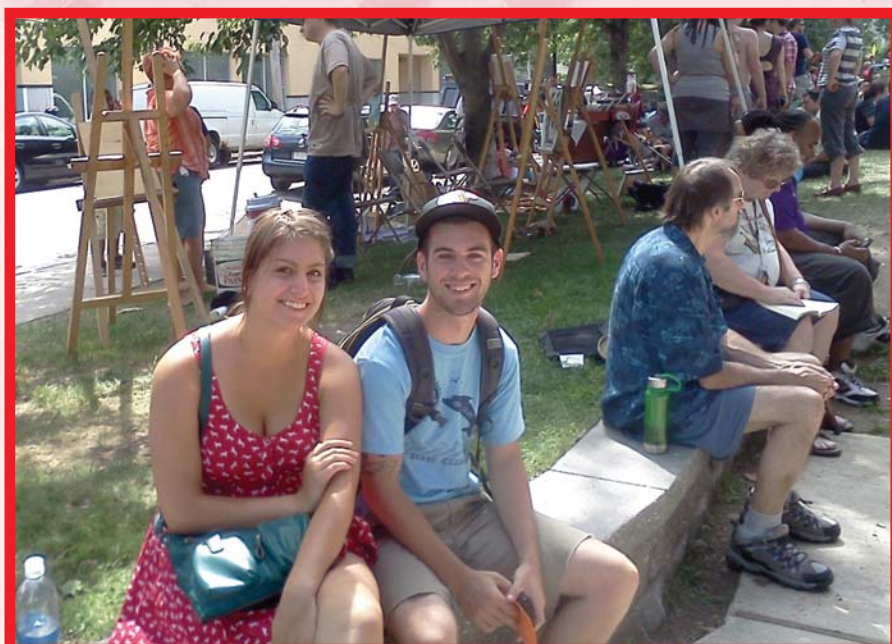
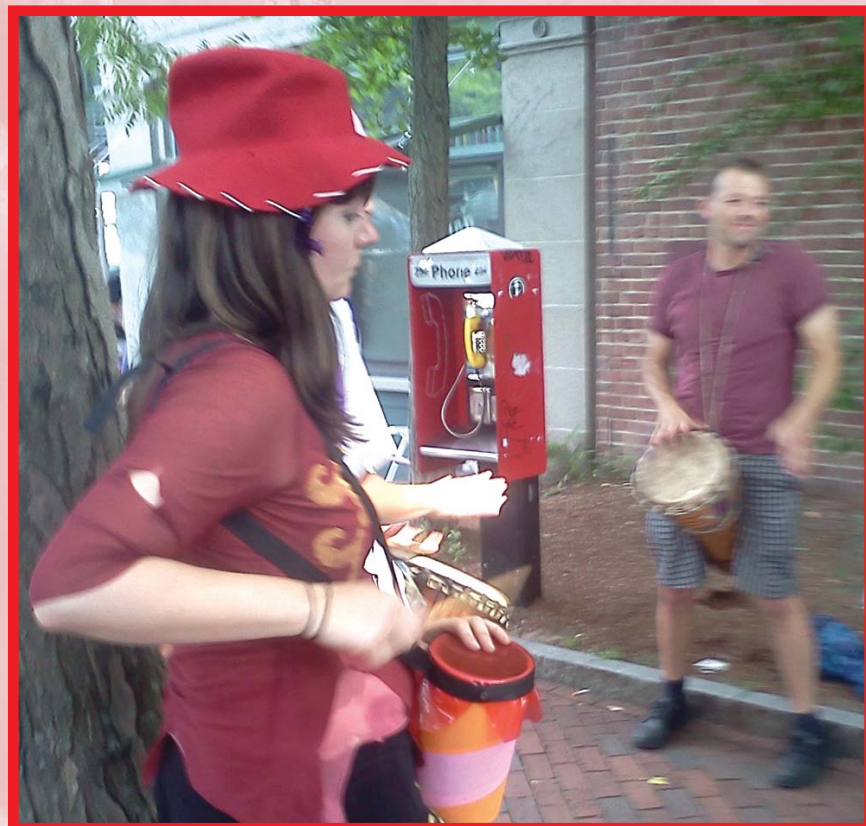
Particularly interesting was White Sparrow Bindery, a two-woman business which produces hand bound journals, photo albums and miniature books. Bexx Caswell and Katherine Westerman studied book binding together, and are in their third year of business.

Also represented in the affair was the CAC, or the Center for Arabic Culture. Led by Noor Dughri, CAC has been promoting Arabic culture and fighting stereotypes since 2006. CAC showcases Arabic music, language, and poetry as well as promoting Arab artists. Dughri, of Libyan descent, adds that the center is secular and non-partisan.

On a more serious note were booths representing Horizons for Homeless Children and FNE. Horizons representative Fiona Anderson came to ArtBeat looking for volunteers to play with the children living in the shelters, most of which are located in Dorchester and Roxbury, though several are in Somerville and Cambridge. Horizons seeks volunteers who can commit to participating two hours a week for six months. Anderson succeeded in drumming up support for her cause, as there were numerous signatures on the volunteer sign-up sheet.

FNE, or Friends NE, facilitates and works with groups in Haiti, Nicaragua and Peru. Wadson Michel, who spearheads FNE, notes that all the profits from the organization's merchandise, including "I Love Haiti" t-shirts, goes directly into the work the group does.

No matter what your interests, the Somerville Arts Council put together a festival that was sure to delight all who came.







Photos by Carrie Stanziola



# SOMERVILLE SPORTS

## Somerville's Lion, Cherilus gives back, holds camp

By Andrew Firestone

Hut! Hut! Hike! Children of all ages flanked the field at Dilboy Stadium and trained in the summer sun last week, when Detroit Lions Offensive Tackle and 'Villen through and through Gosder Cherilus held a free training camp for children aged 7-14. Sponsored by the Gosder Cherilus Foundation with help from the Somerville Recreation Department, the week-long camp, held from 9 'till noon, helped kids with their agility, catching, hitting and teamwork.

"That's what it's all about," said Cherilus who guided the assorted youngsters for four of the five days. "I used to play here and look in the stands and see my friends and family. Now you come back, and you're helping out, giving back to the city, the kids, just to let them know 'hey, I used to be here.' The same field we're all practicing at. That was me. So if I can be where I'm at today, so can you."

Cherilus called upon his old friends from BC football to help lead the camp, which culminated every day in a camp wide flag football game. Each day, the game grew longer, as kids grew in skill and competitive spirit. Cries of "ball, ball!" filled Dilboy stadium as kids rushed to recover from tackling drills. While the first catch was not always caught in passing drills, the second one would have a hand on it, and the third two, as skills and fun increased.

Cherilus said that the point of the camp wasn't to scout early for the NFL, but to guide kids through values like responsibility and commitment. "If they go, and understand what it takes to be successful in life, as far as like,

you come here, you listen. You go home, you listen to your parents. You do what they ask you to do. They're doing what's best for you. You go to school, get the best grades and after that go to college, get a life," he said.

"Be your own person. That's enough for me. Right now it's hot and they're doing this," he said. And still, the vast majority of the several dozen children stayed through the sweltering 90 degree heat Wednesday, July 14, and kept at their goals.

The Gosder Cherilus Foundation helps serve underprivileged populations in the U.S. And Haiti. Cherilus's philanthropy includes helping to encourage football with inner-city youth and sending medical relief to his native Haiti, said president of the foundation Wainwright Wint.

Cherilus's team, the Lions, met the New England Patriots for a Thanksgiving showdown that went the distance, but ultimately fell 24-14 to the play-off-bound Pats. "We had a chance, we played them tough, but when it came down to it, they beat us," he said.

"We're still young, up and coming, so I think our future's bright. We're just going to keep playing and do what we're supposed to do and the next time that people talk about the elite teams in the league as far as the Patriots and the Colts, I hope that before I leave there, they can say the Detroit Lions," he said.

Standing in Dilboy Stadium, despite being in the midst of the NFL lockout and being a former first-round draft-pick and starting player, Cherilus was humble. "I'm no Tom Brady, no nothing," he said. "I'm just one of them," he added pointing to the smiling children.



Derek Harley, 11 weaves through drills at the camp of tackle Gosdor Cherilus of the Detroit Lions, (right).



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## 'Villen Speakman rouses Red Sox nation with stunning art

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you, it's a common bond. That's what makes [the images] a little more grandiose. You're taking something and you're making it hyperbole in a way."

While Speakman may be humble about his own intentions, his art tends to speak for itself. He creates powerful images depicting Jon Lester, Clay Buchholz, David "Big Papi" Ortiz and Jacoby Ellsbury among others, all rendered in epic, minimalist gravity. Ortiz points out at the viewer, his subtitle reading "I WANT YOU for Red Sox Na-

tion." Fenway Park stands in dark reds and blues on a bright relief, with the words, "The Battlefield Looms," emblazoned.

He even makes many by hand, diligently layering the ink through his vector art stencils and silkscreen onto cotton paper. "It takes me through the entire creative process, from sketching with a pencil, to actually using my graphic design background on a computer to getting messy with the ink," he said.

The art is geared towards fans both facile and hardcore, and

Speakman said he tries to not aim for the lowest common denominator through his demagoguery. "I'm going to assume that you understand the thought of why I put on my Kevin Youkilis design, 'More Production' because I'm assuming that you know that his value is his production: not necessarily his power numbers or speed, but the intangibles. I'm assuming that, you as a Red Sox fan, you know that, and if you don't, that's OK you'll learn. Or not, maybe you won't even bother."

"[Red Sox nation] runs the gamut of the old crusty guy from Southie who's reminiscing the Big Bad Bruins of the '70s, and what it was like when he was a kid when Jim Lonborg threw a no-hitter in '67, all the way to the girl wearing a pink Red Sox hat running around saying 'I love David Ortiz' and she doesn't really even know what position he plays. It doesn't matter. You can enjoy sports on any level that you want. I'm not going to talk down to you as a sport fan."

A graduate of the University of Hartford, Speakman developed his style for over a decade, until in 2007, his depiction of the Red Sox World Series championship team brought him notoriety. Soon, he was working on a deal with Dunkin' Donuts, printing five million posters, and landing him a license as an artist with the MLB. As of now, he does prints with the likenesses of all the great MLB players and teams,



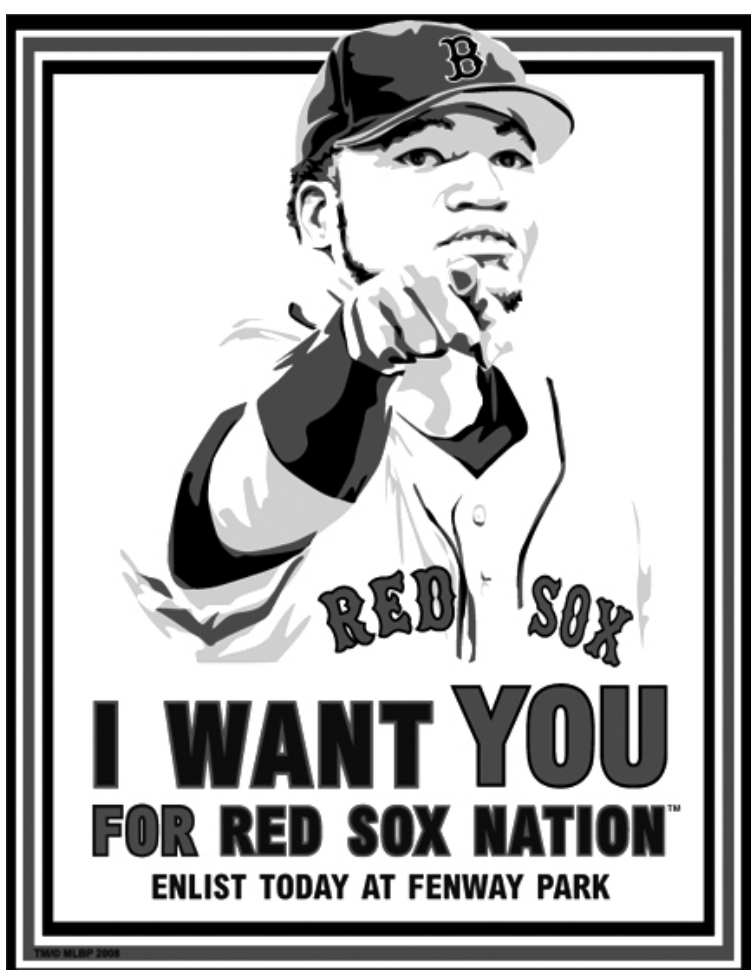
Carl Crawford representation for Red Sox nation poster.

not just the Sox, through deals with the Players' Union and the Baseball Hall of Fame.

His subjects have been said to enjoy their depiction. Speakman remembers one particular instance where Jon Papelbon, the Red Sox closer, was taken aback by the image during a signing. "He kind of steps back and he looks at it and he goes 'this is really cool,'" remembered Speakman. "It hit him that he was really signing

something he liked." "Can I get one of these," Papelbon asked, and Speakman obliged.

Even with his recent All-Star Poster, and his continuing work with the Boston Red Sox, Sports Propaganda remains his private business, and he hopes for bigger and more high profile jobs to come his way, perhaps even the World Series art this year. You can find out more by visiting his website, [www.sportspropaganda.com](http://www.sportspropaganda.com).



David Ortiz wants you at Fenway.

## 'Seize the Summer' at SomerStreets

By Cathleen Twardzik

On July 24, along Highland Avenue, from Walnut Street to Cedar Street, Somerville will enjoy the second SomerStreets celebration of 2011, which is entitled Seize the Summer.

In fact, the event will be held in an area of Somerville which is new to the initiative.

SomerStreets is the City's Open Streets Initiative, which closes sections of roadway one Sunday per month to promote and support active living such as, walking, biking, running, or dancing.

SomerStreets began last year, and in all there will be five SomerStreets events this summer, as the series recurs each consecutive year.

Last month, Carnival @ SomerStreets attracted over 5,000 people along East Broadway.

However, this month, along Highland Avenue, local businesses and organizations including the Somerville fire department, Kidical Mass Arts

at the armory, the Somerville YMCA and Cambridge Health Alliance, will partner with the city to provide activities for children and adults.

Activities will include: a farmers market, outdoor yoga, live music, a family swim at the YMCA, bike decorating and "Kidical Mass" bike ride, face painting, sand castle building, arts and crafts, a health fair, and dance demonstrations.

"These events encourage community members of all ages to get outside and be active, but also to experience new areas of the community and learn about the businesses and organizations that call our city home. We have a lot of wonderful things to offer, and I'm excited at how popular the SomerStreets trend has become in just one short year," said Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone.

"We try to make sure [that] we utilize the whole city. To a degree, we're still determining the best places to hold these events. We know we've got two locations that work really well, and

we have high hopes for Highland Avenue, which is a nice, central location that everyone in the city can get to without too much trouble," said Michael Meehan, Director of Communications of the City of Somerville.

Part of the goal of each event is to provide an opportunity for people "to walk around, see some friends or neighbors, [and] perhaps, even meet some new friends," he said.

SomerStreets builds on the Shape Up Somerville healthy living initiative. Similar open streets events take place all around the world to provide space, which is normally taken up by automobile traffic, so that people may be more active.

More specifically, this year, special attention is being paid to the availability of fresh food at SomerStreets.

Additionally, at 4 p.m., attendees are invited to continue the fun by taking a walk down Vinal Avenue to a family-friendly concert, which will take place at the Community Growing Center.

The remaining 2011 SomerStreets schedule is: August 21 on Alewife Brook Parkway, from Dilboy Field to Massachusetts Avenue in Cambridge, Going Green on Route 16; September 10 on Shore

Drive, Rolling on the Mystic; and finally, October 23 on Somerville Avenue from Union Square to Porter Square, Fall Festival.

All SomerStreets events will run from 12 to 4 p.m., rain or shine.

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MAYOR

PLANNING DIVISION

LEGAL NOTICE  
OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Zoning Board of Appeals will meet on **Wednesday, August 3, 2011**, Aldermanic Chambers, 2nd floor at Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, at 6:00 p.m. to hear pending applications and to hold public hearings:

**52 Franklin St (Case #ZBA 2010-74):** Applicant, James Erb, and Owner, Maria Freitas, seek a special permit (SZO §4.4.1, §5.1) to allow the expansion of an existing nonconforming single family structure in order to construct a three family dwelling. RB zone/ Ward 1.

**343, 345, 349, and 351 Summer St (Case #ZBA 2011-54):** Applicant, Strategic Capital Group, LLC and Owners George Dilboy VFW Post #529 and The Dakota Partners LLC, seek a Special Permit with Site Plan Review under SZO §7.3 and §7.11.1.c to establish a 31 unit residential use, a Special Permit under §7.11.5.B.6.a to establish an approximately 8,300 gross square foot private, non-profit club, a Special Permit with Site Plan Review under §7.11.11.10.b to establish a 15-space commercial parking lot, and a Special Permit under §9.13.b to modify parking design standards, in order to develop a new two to three story mixed-use building consisting of a VFW hall and 31 residential units as well as parking for commercial use and for on-site activities. CBD and RA zones. Ward 6.

**11 Sargent Ave (Case #ZBA 2010-55):** Applicant and Owner, Guy Mirisola, seeks a special permit to alter a nonconforming structure under SZO §4.4.1 to construct rear egress stairways from the first and second floors on the rear side of an existing two-family residence. RB zone/Ward 4.

**27 Oxford St (Case #ZBA 2010-56):** Applicant and Owner, Georg Lauer, seeks a special permit to alter a nonconforming structure under SZO §4.4.1 to reduce the rear of the structure to one story, construct an approximately 500 gross square foot addition in the rear, and alter window openings on the façades of an existing single-family residence. RA zone/Ward 3.



**13 Robinson St (Case #ZBA 2010-57):** Applicant and owner, Alice Grossman, seeks a Special Permit under SZO §4.4.1 to convert the existing roof over the first floor wing into a deck on the rear of an existing one family residence. RA zone/Ward 5


**237 Holland St (Case #ZBA 2011-58):** Applicant, Huseyin Akgun, and Owner, Kosta Ligris, seek a special permit to increase the number of seats in the restaurant and waive the requirement for 2 parking spaces. Zone NB / Ward 7.

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

Attest: Dawn Pereira, Administrative Assistant  
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CITY OF SOMERVILLE  
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT  
RFP 12-05

The City of Somerville, through the Purchasing Department invites sealed bids for:

**Medicaid Billing & Collection Services  
for the Somerville School Department**

The City of Somerville Health Department seeks the services of a qualified contractor to recover retroactive and prospective reimbursements from third party payers, particularly the Federal Medicaid Program and private insurance companies, for medical services which it has provided to school children enrolled in the Somerville Public Schools.


The Request for Proposals (RFP) document may be obtained at the Purchasing Department, City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA 02143 on or after **Friday, July 15, 2011**. Separately sealed Price and Non-Price Proposals will be received at the above office until **Wednesday, August 3, 2011 at 11:00 a.m.**, at which time sealed non-price proposals will be opened. 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.

Estimated contract duration: one year with up to two optional renewal years.

**Please contact Angela M. Allen, Purchasing Director, x3410, or email [amallen@somervillema.gov](mailto:amallen@somervillema.gov), for information and proposal packages.**

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

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE  
OFFICE OF CITY CLERK  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN

There will be a Public Hearing before the Board of Aldermen on **Wednesday, July 27, 2011**, at **6:00 PM**, in the Aldermanic Chambers, 2nd Floor, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, on the Order of Alderman Maryann M. Heuston, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, for public input related to the Mayor's request to amend the city's health insurance by transferring the city to the state Group Insurance Commission.

**THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND AND BE HEARD.**

**JOHN J. LONG  
CITY CLERK**

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Middlesex Probate and Family Court  
208 Cambridge Street  
Cambridge, MA. 02141  
(617) 768- 5800

MIDDLESEX Division Docket No. MI 11P3321EA

In the Estate of: Stanley Byrda

Late of: Somerville, MA. 02144

Date of Death: 03/27/2011

**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR WITH THE WILL ANNEXED**

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented requesting that a document purporting to be the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that

Antoinette Faria of Somerville, MA be appointed executor/trix, named in the will to serve

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IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT; **Cambridge** ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK (10:00 AM) ON: **08/09/2011**

In addition, you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

**WITNESS, Hon. Peter C. DiGangi, First Justice of this Court**  
Date: July 12, 2011

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
MIDDLESEX PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT  
The Trial Court  
208 Cambridge Street  
Cambridge, MA. 02141

Docket No. MI 11 P2706GD

**CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G. L.C. 190B ss5-304**

In the matter of: **Debra Maciel** **RESPONDENT**  
**Alleged Incapacitated Person**

**Of: Somerville, MA.**

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by

The Arc of Northern Bristol County of Attleboro, MA

In the above captioned matter alleging that **Debra Maciel** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that

The Arc of Northern Bristol County of Attleboro, MA

(or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian

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The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

**You have a right to object to this proceeding.** If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return day of **08/22/2011**. This day is **NOT** a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

**The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. If the above- named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.**

**Witness: Hon. Peter C. DiGangi, First Justice of this Court**  
Date: June 13, 2011

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## Planning Board OKs polemic permits CONT. FROM PG 1

Somerville Ave.”

“The block” consists of three buildings on Somerville Avenue, all owned by Herbert, bordered to the east by the iconic Shepard Fairey mural and to the West by Market Basket. 388 and 390 Somerville Ave., the two houses closest to Market Basket, together contain 11 apartments.

378-384 Somerville Ave., a single wooden building painted blue with ornate white and red trim, is home to Well Foods, a Middle Eastern/Indian grocery, Himalayan Market, a shop specializing in Nepalese imports, and four apartments.

The historical façade that would be preserved in Herbert's condominium plan is this; the east corner of the building is rounded, like a tower, while on the west end of the building, a triangular peak protrudes above the buildings flat roof. The effect makes the steeple seems out of place, as it is not centered, however with the eastward, rounded corner as your front view, the building makes more sense, as there is a twin peak on the Carlton Street face of the building.

What would not be preserved are the existing retail shops and four apartments at 378-384 Somerville Avenue or the other two apartment buildings on the block, all of which would be evicted under the current plan.

Well Foods owner Jahangir Kabir and his lawyer, Benjamin Tariri, who both attended Thursday's meeting, claim that Well Foods has a lease on 380

Somerville Ave. until 2015. Herbert disagrees. Herbert's lawyer, Richard DiGirolamo, Esq., said that the lease was terminated, he didn't recall on what date, citing a failure by Kabir. DiGirolamo added that they view Well Foods as a tenant-at-will (that is, without a lease/month-to-month). Kabir and Tariri said they plan to file an injunction to prevent Herbert from moving forward.

Well Foods is not the only retailer that would be displaced by Herbert's plans. Adjacent to Well Foods is Himalayan Market, a small shop brimming with Nepalese silk scarves, linen shirts, beaded purses, wooden elephant ornaments, and rugs, with some Boston and Harvard t-shirts thrown in. A sign in the window read: “Don't trade us for condos.”

Under the Condo Conversion Ordinance in Somerville, City Planner George Proakis explained, tenants must receive one year's notice of the landlord's plans to convert from apartments to condos. Even though the apartments would be torn down and rebuilt, not converted, the City ruled that the Conversion Ordinance would apply. Herbert sent notices to tenants this February, Proakis said. Low-income, elderly, and disabled tenants have an additional year before they are required to move out, which could stall the project until February, 2013.

That means that if the two-year special permit becomes official following an appeals period, it would be valid only a few

months after the last tenants are required to move out.

The tenants on the block, many of whom are low-income, disabled, or elderly, are worried about finding affordable places to move once their time is up. One idea people are batting around is that a non-profit organization could buy some of the condos and rent them out at affordable rates.

Herbert himself offered to sell the three properties and special permit to Somerville Community Corporation last year, said Mary Regan, a community organizer for SCC, however his asking price of \$3.5 million was beyond SCC's budget. She stated that as an alternative, SCC proposed buying only some of the condos and renting them at affordable rates, however Herbert, who plans to sell the entire block and the permit to a developer, was not interested in selling individual units.

DiGirolamo, when questioned about Regan's story, said that SCC has never presented them a written offer to buy individual condo units.

Four of the 30 new condos (12.5 percent) will be sold at affordable rates, as required by law, and tenants will have first-refusal rights to the condos, said Proakis at Thursday's meeting.

The other notable agenda item at the Planning Board meeting was IKEA's request for a one-year extension to its special permit for a new store in Assembly Square. Their current permit

was first approved in October 2007 and renewed in August 2009. The 2009 permit will expire this August. The Board approved the permit extension, and during the public hearing, everyone who spoke was in favor of the extension.

Two factors complicate IKEAs special permit process, Doug Greenholz, Vice-President of Real Estate for IKEA in the USA, explained at Thursday's meeting. First, in 2009, IKEA and Federal Realty Investment Trust, the Assembly Square developer, agreed to swap parcels, moving the future IKEA store inland from the waterfront. That land swap brought the IKEA project back to square one in the eyes of the company managers, who had approved the waterfront project way back in 2004. IKEA considers the inland store a new project and has not yet approved it, which is why IKEA cannot break ground on the new store, Greenholz said. And approval for the inland project may not be easy to obtain.

“While we in the US implement the plans, they are funded by our corporate group in Sweden and so there is a central pool of funds that gets allocated globally, and we compete for capital internally. And so this project is weighed against other opportunities,” Greenholz explained.

The other complicating factor is the Permit Extension Act of 2010, state legislation that granted a two-year extension to permits issued after August 2008.

This act would have extended IKEA's 2009 permit from August 2011 to August 2013. At the time, City planners were dismayed by this bill, because it would delay state funds for Assembly Square (Infrastructure Investment Incentive, or I-cubed) that were contingent on state tax revenues from the new IKEA. Yet in April, the state legislature passed an amendment that exempted I-cubed projects from the permit extension, a measure that would force IKEA to break ground in August 2011 or lose its permit.

On May 17, Greenholz said, the city notified IKEA that its project would be exempt from the automatic permit extension. While IKEA questions that exemption, the company decided to “remove the cloud over the expiration date,” as Greenholz said, and simply apply for a one-year permit extension, which the Planning Board granted. Four residents spoke in favor of the permit extension and no one spoke in opposition.

Greenholz also announced that IKEA has agreed to provide \$100,000 for a jobs training program in Somerville.

Planning Board member James Kirylo asked if IKEA could predict when they would start building. “I wish I could tell you that,” Greenholz replied. Board Member Michael A. Capuano, Esq., commented, “I don't mind one year, but my concern is that they are going to keep pushing and keep pushing.”

## Museum seeking contest win

Historic Somerville has been accepted into the Pepsi Refresh project for July to compete for funds to rehabilitate the Somerville Museum building for ADA (American with Disabilities Act) compliance.

They are one of about 300 organizations competing for \$50,000 in prize money. Ten prizes will be awarded. If they get close but are not in the top ten, they will be allowed to compete in the next round.

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count at [www.pepsirefresh.com](http://www.pepsirefresh.com) and then vote for the project at [www.pepsirefresh.com/rehab-somervillmuseum](http://www.pepsirefresh.com/rehab-somervillmuseum).

Everyone can vote for 5 candidates each day, but you can only cast your vote once per project unless you text.

Rules and procedures are thoroughly outlined on the Web site (see above).

The funds will go toward a ramp, lift or elevator and access to a handicapped bathroom at the Museum.


*Ms. Cam's* *Answers from page 3*

# Olio

*Answers*

1. The Daily Prophet	5. Katherine Hepburn	10. Laughing gas
2. The Greek word “Kithara” - a popular musical instrument in ancient Greece	6. The fear of beards	11. White chocolate does not exist, it is usually mixed with cocoa butter and sugar - cocoa butter is light tan and therefore, the term white chocolate.
3. Esther	7. Johnson (Richard, Andrew, Lyndon)	12. Armada
4. Twelve Oaks	8. North America	
	9. New York	


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

**West Branch Library**  
Babygarten  
11a.m. - 11:45 a.m.|40 College Avenue

**Central Library**  
Yoga Class for Kids Ages 7-12 with Janine Duffy  
4 p.m.-5 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

**Sunsetters**  
80 Bay State Ave - 7 p.m.

**Thursday|July 21**

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

**East Branch Library**  
One World, Many Critters: Spooky Spiders  
3 p.m.-4 p.m.|115 Broadway

**West Branch Library**  
Calligraphy Workshop & Chinese Characters  
3 p.m.-4 p.m.|40 College Ave

**SomerMovie Fest**  
Iron Man (pg-1)  
Dusk|Lincoln Park, Washington St

**Sunsetters**  
Perry Park - 7 p.m.

**Friday|July 22**

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

**Sunday|July 24**

**Somerstreets|“Seize the Summer”**  
12 p.m.|Highland Ave to Cedar St

**Monday|July 25**

**Sunsetters**  
7 Maple Ave - 7 p.m.

**Tuesday|July 26**

**West Branch Library**  
Storytime  
11 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|115 Broadway

**Central Library**  
Eco-Explorers: Nature in the City with Groundwork Somerville  
4 p.m.-5 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

**Sunsetters**  
Lincoln Park - 7 p.m.

**Wednesday|July 27**

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

**West Branch Library**  
Babygarten  
11a.m. - 11:45 a.m.|40 College Avenue

**Central Library**  
Yoga Class for Kids Ages 7-12 with Janine Duffy  
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Sports Trivia  
499 Broadway|617-629-5302

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

**Precinct Bar**  
Gem Snakes|Vending  
Machetes|Parachuter|Trespasser  
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**Bull McCabe's Pub**  
Dave Wells & friends  
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

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

**Night Games**  
Name your tune  
Wednesdays|Karaoke  
30 Washington St|617-628-1000

**Samba Bar & Grille**  
DJ

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

**Choices Restaurant & Lounge**  
381 Somerville Ave

**Rosebud Bar**  
He Said, She Said  
381 Summer St

**Bloc 11**  
Tilt-A-Whirl|Andrei Garthoff's Music|Molly Zenobia  
11 Bow St.|617-623-0000

**Thursday|July 21**

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

**Sally O'Brien's**  
Birds of Play with special guests  
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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

**PA'S Lounge**  
The Blank Attack|Random Variables|Day Old Funk  
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

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

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

**Precinct Bar**  
Ice Station Impossible|Red Tail Hawk|Ready Steady Torpedo  
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

**Bull McCabe's Pub**  
Dub Down featuring the Scotch Bonnet Band  
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

**Bloc 11**  
Open Mic with Kristen Ford|Kristen Ford Band  
11 Bow St.|617-623-0000

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

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

**Night Games**  
Throwback Thursdays|80's Dance  
30 Washington St|617-628-1000

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

**Choices Restaurant & Lounge**  
381 Somerville Ave

**Rosebud Bar**  
ThirdThursdays: Cadillac Heart|The Liz Borden Band  
381 Summer St.

**Friday|July 22**

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

**Sally O'Brien's**  
Radioactive Rustlers |6 p.m.  
Gumbo Diablo|9 p.m.  
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

**The Burren**  
Jimmys Down  
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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

**Precinct Bar**  
Hear Now Live Presents|Todd Kramer|Shoney Lamar & The Equal Rights|The Doctors Fox|Jeannine Hebb(cd release)|Audrey Ryan  
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**Orleans Restaurant and Bar**  
65 Holland St|617-591-2100

**Bull McCabe's**  
Hellcat Choir  
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

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

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

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

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

**Choices Restaurant & Lounge**  
381 Somerville Ave

**Rosebud Bar**  
Wicked Whiskey  
381 Summer St

**Bloc 11**  
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Entertainment every Friday  
173 Broadway|617- 625-5195

**Arts at the Armory**  
Richard Cambridge's Poets' Theatre Presents Joyce Anderson!  
7:30 p.m.|Caf  |191 Highland Ave

**Saturday|July 23**

**Johnny D's**  
Midnight Spaghetti  
17 Holland St.|617-776-2004

**Sally O'Brien's**  
Patsy Hamel Band|5:30 p.m.  
Anarchangel, The Queue |9 p.m.  
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

**The Burren**  
Red Square  
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

**Precinct Bar**  
Hear Now Live Presents|Sour D,Mojo Empire|Autumn Above|Julia Weldon|Christina Larocca  
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

**Orleans Restaurant and Bar**  
Karaoke|on demand DJ  
9p.m.|65 Holland St

**PA'S Lounge**  
Of the Sun|Peace & Quiet|Once Dead Flesh|Patrick EM  
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

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

**Bull McCabe's Pub**  
Paddy Saul solo  
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

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

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

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



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Live Music  
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381 Somerville Ave

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381 Summer St

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**Arts at The Armory**  
Eilen Jewell Band CD Release Show  
7 p.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

**Sunday|July 24**

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

**Sally O'Brien's Bar**  
Josh Lederman & The Cambridge-Somerville All-Stars|5 p.m.  
Paul Ahlstrand Quartet |8 p.m.  
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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

**PA'S Lounge**  
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70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

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RockBand every other Sundays  
9 p.m.|65 Holland St

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Live Bluegrass Brunch |noon-2:30p.m.

Live Music|10 p.m.  
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Sports Blitz Sundays  
30 Washington St|617-628-1000

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

**Choices Restaurant & Lounge**  
381 Somerville Ave

**Rosebud Bar**  
381 Summer St

**Monday|July 25**

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

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

**The Burren**  
Bur-Run| 6:30 p.m.  
Set Dancing| 8 p.m.  
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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

**PA'S Lounge**  
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499 Broadway|617-629-5302

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

**Tuesday|July 26**

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

**Sally O'Brien's Bar**  
Patrick Wolf and Avi |9 p.m.  
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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

**On The Hill Tavern**

Team Trivia  
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**PA'S Lounge**  
Open Mic - Rock, Folk, R&B, Alt, Jazz & Originals etc. Hosted by Tony Amaral  
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**Precinct Bar**  
Goli Mercedes|DJ Phillips (nashville tn)|Kristen Ford Band  
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**Bull McCabe's Pub**  
David Johnston Band  
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**Highland Kitchen**  
Spelling Bee Night first Tuesday of the month  
9:30 p.m.|150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

**Samba Bar & Grille**  
DJ  
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381 Summer St

**Wednesday|July 27**

**Johnny D's**  
Jewish Music Festival|Shabate  
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

**Sally O'Brien's Bar**  
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The Diamond Mines|Night Manager (ny)|Naga Gaga  
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**On The Hill Tavern**  
Sports Trivia  
499 Broadway|617-629-5302

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

**Precinct Bar**  
The Broken Lights|Dan Blakeslee Band|Billy Wine  
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

**Bull McCabe's Pub**  
Dave Wells & friends  
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

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

**Night Games**  
Name your tune  
Wednesdays|Karaoke  
30 Washington St|617-628-1000

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

**Choices Restaurant & Lounge**  
381 Somerville Ave

**Rosebud Bar**  
381 Summer St

**Bloc 11**  
Eric Jon-Tasker|Abbie Barrett (& The Last Date)|Abbie Barrett & Band|Hugh McGowan  
11 Bow St.|617-623-0000

**CLASSES AND GROUPS**  
**Wednesday|July 20**

**Central Library**  
Our Garden Nature Guide Book Reception  
6:30 p.m.-8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

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

**Thursday|July 21**

**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**  
Poetry Writing Workshop  
7 p.m.-9 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

**Third Life Studio**  
An 8 Week Introduction to Voice Movement Therapy Group  
7:30 p.m.|33 Union Sq| 781-290-6381

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7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|89 College Ave (Upstairs Parlor).  
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**Saturday|July 23**

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

**Sunday|July 24**

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

**Unity Church of God**  
Fourth Step to Freedom Al-Anon Family Groups  
7:00 P.M. | 6 William Street  
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**Monday|July 25**

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

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

**Tuesday|July 26**

**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

**Third Life Studio**  
The Art of Group Singing for Woman w/Susan Robbins  
7-9:15 p.m.|33 Union Sq|617-628-0916

**Wednesday|July 27**

**Third Life Studio**  
Belly Dance Fundamentals with Nadira Jamal  
6:30-8:00 Level 2|8 p.m.-9 p.m.  
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# Local researcher gains perspective in Pan-Mass Challenge

By Krysia Wazny

When Kristian Cibulskis agreed to participate in the Pan-Massachusetts Challenge last year, he didn't really know what he was getting himself into. As a cancer researcher with the Broad Institute, Cibulskis was already familiar with the importance of fundraising in his work, but he had yet to experience the rigors and rewards of participation in that process. As his second challenge approaches, he is now better able to reflect upon the impact of this incredible event for the state of cancer research and himself personally.

For over twenty years the Pan-Mass Challenge has been a fixture of cancer research fundraising in Massachusetts. It has consistently raised more money than any other athletic fundraiser nationwide, with a goal of \$34 million this year alone. One hundred percent of that money will go directly to the Jimmy Fund, making the PMC Dana-Farber Cancer Institute's largest contributor. The "seed money" that is generated by this

mega-fundraiser is then available to researchers and doctors working to find a cure for this deadly disease. One of those researchers is Kristian Cibulskis.

"The fundraiser itself is really just unbelievable. I learned more and more in the course of doing my own fundraising just how much good the Pan-Mass Challenge does for the Jimmy Fund, and what the Jimmy Fund does funding all kinds of cancer research," commented Cibulskis. In fact, some of that money has gone to help his own research. "I actually learned that some of the processes that we work on were funded through the Jimmy Fund, and so in turn through the Pan-Mass Challenge," he said.

This fundraising takes hard work, a reality that Cibulskis quickly understood during his first year of participation. While enduring the trial of fulfilling a pledge for \$4,200, Cibulskis questioned whether he would be back for more in the future. "I felt like this is so much work, I can't imagine doing this again," he remembered, but the course of the ride changed his mind.

"The ride itself is fantastic," he

said, "It's beautiful, it's amazing, and the people there are fantastic, too." Doctors, patients, survivors, researchers, and loved ones ride together all with the unified aim to release the grip that cancer has on society. "It was really such a powerful experience that when this year came around, even with all the misgivings I had last year, I felt I absolutely had to do it again."

Many people seem to feel the same way, and the nature of the challenge allows "anyone with a will" to participate, as Cibulskis phrased it. "It's nice that it's not a race, but rather a challenge," he said. The goal isn't to win, it's just to finish, and with a good cause behind them, even the less than athletically inclined manage to finish.

Cibulskis' experiences in the Pan-Mass Challenge are also evidence of the bike-a-thon's self-perpetuating network, fueled by the enthusiasm of its participants. He's made many friends among riders in the community, and he tells anyone he meets who rides bikes about the event. There are 33 PMC participants from Somerville this year. To-



Kristian Cibulskis with his children Emma and Jack at the 2010 PMC finish line.

gether they are spreading the word and helping the already huge network of riders to grow.

A background in software engineering led Kristian Cibulskis to his current position working with data analysis on the DNA sequencing of cancer. More than many, he can see the direct correlation between a fundraiser like the Pan-Mass Challenge and the tangible good it does for cancer research. "This work that we do is so close," he said, "we're maybe ten or twenty years from unlocking the real cause and, therefore, good treatments of cancer."

With an uncle and grandparents lost to cancer, and a two-

time survivor mother, Cibulskis already well understood the importance of the quest for improved cancer treatment. In the coming weeks he will ride almost 190 miles to provide even more support for that cause. "It just feels really good to actually do something, and not just talk about doing something, and it's easier than you think to get involved and to help," he said.

For more information about the Pan-Massachusetts challenge, visit [www.pmc.org](http://www.pmc.org). To support Kristian and the PMC, please visit <http://www.pmc.org/egifts/KC0230>.

## 93rd Annual Kiwanis Convention scheduled

The New England District of Kiwanis International will hold its 93rd Annual New England District Convention at the Crossings, Warwick, Rhode Island, on August 18-21, 2011. Kiwanis members from clubs in Bermuda and the six New England states will attend.

According to District Governor, Ron Sanville, "The annual convention is a time to recognize members for their service to youth leadership programs,

receive training in new service opportunities, and to elect its new officers for the 2011-2012 administrative year." Sanville of the Kiwanis Club of Hardwick, Vermont, will complete his one-year term as governor September 30, 2011.

Delegates to the New England District Convention will choose a new governor, governor-elect, and treasurer. Proposed amendment(s) to the district bylaws, as well as reso-

lutions, will also be considered.

The Kiwanis Club of Somerville will be represented by its President Frank Wright, Distinguished Secretary Emeritus Bob Nissenbaum and member Andrew LaFuente.

Kiwanis and its Service Leadership Programs boast a membership of more than 600,000 men, women, and youth in nearly 16,000 clubs in more than 80 countries and geographic areas. Members of

Kiwanis, K-Kids, Builders Clubs, Key Club, Circle K, Aktion Club, and Key Leader volunteer more than 18 million hours and invest more than \$107 million in their communities around the world. Approximately 150,000 service projects are sponsored each year.

The Kiwanis Club of Somerville is part of the New England District of Kiwanis International. The club service

projects include RIF, Bike Rodeo, Head Start Holiday Party, Thanksgiving Dinner for Seniors and Karaoke Performances at various elderly facilities across the city.

The Kiwanis Club of Somerville meets every Thursday at 12:15 pm at the Mt. Vernon Restaurant, 14 Broadway, Somerville.

For more information on the Somerville Kiwanis, please visit <http://www.somervillekiwanis.org>

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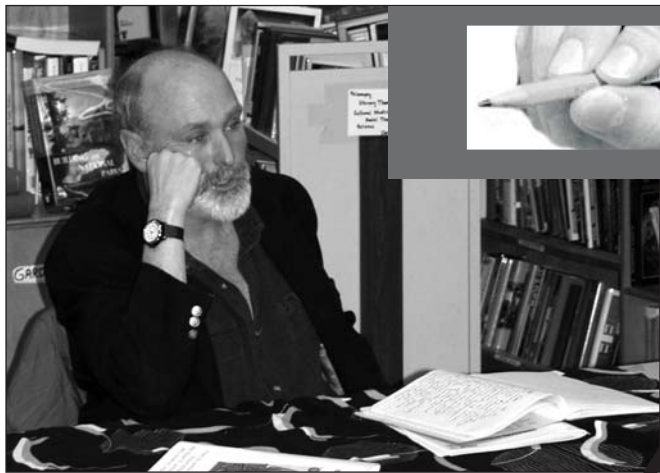
# SCAT Program Schedule for the Week

Wednesday, July 20		2:00pm	Thom Hartmann	9:00am	Festival Kreyol	6:00am	Live Response	
12:00am	Free Speech TV	3:00pm	Wikileaks/ Pentagon Papers	10:00am	Tele Galaxie	7:00am	Reclaiming Their Voices	
6:00am	Flipside	5:00pm	Improv Toolkit w/Nadia	11:00am	Dead Air Live Show	8:00am	Democracy Now!	
6:30am	The Struggle	6:00pm	Preventing Prescription Drugs	12:00pm	Reeling: The Movie review	9:00am	SCATV	
7:00am	Arabic Hour	7:00pm (LIVE)	Tele Magazine	12:30pm	Somerville Housing Authority	10:00am	Somerville News Reading	
8:00am	Democracy Now!	8:00pm (LIVE)	Fouye Zo Nan Kalalou	1:00pm (LIVE)	Bongoman	11:00am	Nossa Gente e Costumes	
9:00am	Somerville News Reading	9:30pm	Physician Focus	2-5:00pm	Community Forums	12:00noon	Democracy Now!	
10:00am	Abugida TV	10:00pm	Local Impact	5:00pm	Tele Kreyol	1:30pm	Somerville Housing Authority	
11:00am	Medical Equipment Distribution Program	11:00pm	Sound Off	6:00pm	Abiguda TV	2:00pm	Thom Hartmann Show	
11:30am	Raising Drug-Free Kid	Friday, July 22		7:00pm	Somerville News Reading	3:00pm	Community Forums	
12:00noon	Democracy Now!		8:00pm	Tele Magazine	5:00pm	Love & Victory		
1:00pm	The Struggle		9:00pm	Nossa Gente e Costumes	6:00pm	Al Jazeera		
1:30pm	Animal Agenda		10:00pm	Wrestling Talk	7:00pm	Know Your Rights		
2:00pm	Thom Hartmann		11:00pm	Sonic Lobotomy	7:30pm	Healthy Hypnosis		
3:00pm (LIVE)	Medical Tutor	9:30am	Somerville News Reading	Sunday, July 24	8:30pm	Steve Katsos Show		
3:30pm	Tribuna Medica	10:30am	Creating Cooperative Kids		9:00pm	Dedilhando A Saudade		
4:00pm	Life Matters	12noon	Democracy Now!					
5:00pm	CommonSense	1:00pm	The Expert Series					
5:30pm	Healer in Every House	1:30pm	Cook w/Georgia & Dez					
6:00pm	Al Jazeera DC	2:00pm	Thom Hartmann Show	8:30am	The Atheist Viewpoint	8:00am	Democracy Now!	
7:00pm (LIVE)	Chita Tande	3:00pm	Inside Talk	9:00am	Heritage Baptist Church	9:00am	Somerville News Reading	
8:00pm (LIVE)	Somerville Pundits	4:00pm	N'hood Cooking/Candy	10:00am	Christian Assembly	10:00am	Tele Kreyol	
8:30pm	Beard & Moustache Comp	4:30pm	Money On Your Mind	11:00am	International Church of God	11:00am	CommonSense	
9:30pm (LIVE)	The Freemont Show	5:00pm	Real Estate Answer Show	12noon	S'ville Housing Authority	12noon	Democracy Now!	
10:00pm	The Smoki Dick Show	5:30pm	Your Money, Your Life	12:30noon	Somerville Hospital	1:00pm	The Commonwealth Report	
10:30pm	Art @ SCATV	6:00pm	Al Jazeera DC	1:00pm	Waltham Philharmonic Orch.	1:30pm	Active Aging	
11:00pm	Commonwealth Report	7:00pm	Right Here, Right Now	2:00pm	The Road to Recovery	2:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show	
11:30pm	SCATV Bootcamp	7:30pm	Porch Fest	3:00pm	Inside Talk (2)	3:00pm	Robyn & Max Exercise	
Thursday, July 21		8:00pm	Visual Radio	3:30pm	Shrink Rap	3:30pm	Esoteric Science	
	12:00am	Free Speech TV	9:30pm	Bandwidth TV	4:00pm	Dedilhando A Saudade	4:00pm	Programa Vida Na TV
	7:00am	Discovering Justice	10:00pm	Razormore	5:00pm	Ethiopian Satellite TV	5:00pm (LIVE)	Poet to Poet
	8:00am	Democracy Now!	11:00pm	Juprey Promotions	6:00pm	Abugida TV	5:30pm	Jeff Jam
	9:00am	Creating Cooperative Kids	Saturday, July 23		7:00pm	African TV Network	6:00pm	Al Jazeera DC
10:00am	Active Aging	8:00pm		Tele Magazine	7:00pm	Art @ SCATV		
10:00am	S'ville News Reading	9:00pm		GAIN TV	7:30pm (LIVE)	Greater Somerville w/ Joe Lynch		
11:00am	Nibbles	10:00pm		Arthur Goodrich	8:00pm (LIVE)	Dead Air Live Show		
12:00noon	Democracy Now!	8:00am		The Struggle	10:00pm	Perils For Pedestrians		
1:00pm	African TV Network	8:30pm	Animal Agenda	12:00am	Free Speech TV	11:00pm	The Expert Series	

# City Cable TV Schedule for the Week

<b>Wednesday, July 20</b>		2:30am: (15)		Healey School Talent Show		w/Michelle Mulvena		12:00pm: (13/16)		Art Beat 2011	
9:00am: (13/16)		EPA Cleanup Grant Award Presentation		2:50am: (13/16)		Congressional Update		12:00pm: (15)		Our Schools, Our City	
9:00am: (15)		WSNS Moving On Ceremony		9:00am: (13/16)		SomerStreets: East Somerville		12:30pm: (15)		7th & 8th Grade Basetball Championship	
11:30am: (15)		2011 SHS Class Day		9:00am: (15)		Capuano Center Kindergarten Concert		1:00pm: (13/16)		The Aldermen's Hour	
12:00pm: (13/16)		“Staying Put in Somerville:” Share Housing Options		12:00pm: (13/16)		Legally Speaking w/Michelle Mulvena		7:00pm: (13/16)		“Staying Put in Somerville:” Share Housing Options	
1:05pm: (13/16)		The Aldermen's Hour		12:00pm: (15)		Capuano Center Kindergarten Concert		7:00pm: (15)		Raising Families	
2:00pm: (15)		Villen TV - VTV Almost Live		12:30pm: (13/16)		The Aldermen's Hour		7:30pm: (15)		WSNS Talent Showcase	
7:00pm: (13/16)		Joe's Jazz Fest/Family Fun Day		12:30pm: (15)		Our Schools, Our City		8:05pm: (13/16)		SomerStreets: East Somerville	
7:00pm: (15)		2011 SHS Class Day		12:55pm: (13/16)		“Staying Put in Somerville:” Share Housing Options		8:30pm: (13/16)		EPA Cleanup Grant Award Presentation	
7:25pm: (13/16)		SomerVision: Steering Committee 6/20/11		1:00pm: (15)		WSNS Moving On Ceremony		8:50pm: (15)		Somerville Schools Choral Concert	
8:45pm: (13/16)		A Taste of Somerville		1:55pm: (15)		Kid Stuff		9:00pm: (13/16)		The Aldermen's Hour	
9:05pm: (13/16)		SomerStreets: East Somerville		2:00pm: (13/16)		Congressional Update		<b>Tuesday, July 26</b>			
9:30pm: (15)		Full Circle Graduation		7:00pm: (13/16)		Legally Speaking w/Michelle Mulvena		12:00am: (13/16)		“Staying Put in Somerville:” Share Housing Options	
<b>Thursday, July 21</b>				7:00pm: (15)		Capuano Center Kindergarten Concert		12:00am: (15)		Raising Families	
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9:00am: (13/16)		A Taste of Somerville		<b>Saturday, July 23</b>				9:00am: (15)		WSNS Moving On Ceremony	
9:00am: (15)		Raising Families		12:00am: (13/16)		Legally Speaking w/Michelle Mulvena		11:30am: (15)		2011 SHS Class Day	
11:30am: (15)		Somerville Students Rock!		12:00am: (15)		Capuano Center Kindergarten Concert		12:00pm: (13/16)		Senior Circuit	
12:00pm: (13/16)		Senior Circuit		12:30am: (13/16)		The Aldermen's Hour		12:30pm: (13/16)		ArtBeat 2011	
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1:20pm: (15)		7th Annual SCAP Meeting		1:00am: (15)		WSNS Moving On Ceremony		7:00pm: (15)		Capuano Kindergarten Concert	
1:25pm: (13/16)		“Staying Put in Somerville:” Share Housing Options		1:55am: (15)		Kid Stuff		7:30pm: (13/16)		Morse-Kelley Park Groundbreaking	
7:00pm: (13/16)		2011 Independence Day Celebration & Fireworks		2:00am: (13/16)		Congressional Update		7:30pm: (15)		Kid Stuff	
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## OFF THE SHELF

by Doug Holder

### Somerville's 'The Pennies' will play for the drop of a coin

Pardon the pun in the title of the article, but *The Pennies*, a band of friends and a band of musicians are an unpretentious bunch willing to play at any number of venues for the sheer joy of it, and a little money wouldn't hurt either.

I met with *The Pennies*, along with band member Chris Mancini's father, at a Saturday morning meeting of the Bagel Bards at the Au Bon Pain in Davis Square.

Chris Mancini, a Somerville resident, plays the banjo in the group and is prone to writing love songs for his wife. He also happens to be the newly appointed Director of "Groundworks Somerville" that provides green jobs, gardens for the community, and all that good stuff for the environment. Mancini is very upbeat about our city: it's location near Boston, the relationships with other artists he has formed, and because he graduated from Tufts University he has a sentimental attachment to our town.

The group, originally named *The Pretty Pennies*, was founded in 2006, and they play 10 instruments including electric guitar, acoustic guitar, upright bass, drums, harmonica, accordion, ukuleles, banjo, piano, etc...

The group members describe the genre of music they play as Americana, Roots Rock, and Country Music. Mancini described this music: "It's an older style of country, including the Blues and Soul—a hodgepodge of music—a literal stew." Mancini

added: "Music should be fun—people want to be entertained—you need to play it for yourself and an audience—it is an egalitarian thing."

The group has a new CD out *The Broken Heart is a Beautiful Thing*. The CDs the group produces are engineered by Dave Tiper, one of *The Pennies* and a music teacher at a private school in the area.

I was informed that all group members write songs. Tiper said he can be influenced by snippets of conversation he overhears or songs sung by other folks that inspire him to write his own version.

Mancini has written poems about his separation from his wife when he is on the road for work.

Caroline Campbell McCormick, the vocalist in the group (she also plays harmonica) is inspired by her baby yet to be birthed on this world's stage. She said her other influences include: "The Blizzard of 1978," books of poetry, turns of phrases, etc..." "Melody is my instrument," she added.

The group is ubiquitous, playing at the Farmer's Market in Union Square, The Arts Armory, Sally O'Brien's, The Precinct and points outside of Somerville and the state. On Aug. 16, 2011 they will perform the national anthem at Fenway Park in Boston.

The group is decidedly grassroots, and nothing smacks of exclusivity or oppressive intellectualism. Be you a tot or not, very old, or somewhere in the middle, it is well worth your while to check this group out!



Look, it's *The Pennies*.

Well, before I ate at Sherman's and Bloc11 I used to eat at Bickford's, the automat in New York City, and a whole bunch of hash joints and greasy spoons. I was rereading Allen Ginsberg's *Kaddish* and was inspired to write this poem.

**Eating Grief at Bickford's**  
\* From Allen Ginsberg's *Kaddish*

There are no places anymore  
Where I can sit at a threadbare table  
Pick at the crumbs on my plate  
And wipe  
The white dust  
From my pitch  
Black shirt.

The old men  
Who used to spout  
Marxist  
Rants from  
The cracked porcelain of their cups  
Are gone  
The boiling water  
Ketchup soup  
The mustard sandwich  
They use to relish  
All that so lean  
Cuisine.

Oh, Hunchback  
In the corner  
Your lonely reflection  
In the glass of water---  
And Tennessee Williams' Blanche  
Eyes me through her grilled cheese  
"Pass the sugar, sugar"  
She teases.

Maynard  
The queer  
Late night  
Security guard.  
His policeman's hat  
Draped on his head  
Looking like a  
Sacrilegious rake  
This countless  
Renditions  
Of defending his honor  
In the amorous, crazed embraces  
Of muscular young men  
How he protests...  
Too much...too much.

The discarded men  
Blue blazers  
Shedding their threads  
Outcasts with newspapers  
Stains of baked beans  
On their lapels  
Fingering a piece  
Of passionless Cod  
Lolled by their  
own murmur.

Winter is outside the large, long window  
Pushing pedestrians  
With its cold, snapping whip  
The cracks in the pavement  
Are filled  
With flakes of melting,  
Dying, snow.

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71240239 **\$299,900**  
Open House  
Sunday, July 24  
1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
488 Medford St



47 Oxford St.  
Somerville  
Single family  
\$391,500

**Chelsea**



71233619 **\$138,500**  
Condo, corner unit.  
4 rooms, 2 bedrooms,  
2 baths. Large balcony,  
2 deeded parking space.



19 Waldo St.  
Somerville  
Condominium  
\$330,000

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



75 Concord Ave  
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Multi family  
\$500,000

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