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A perfect storm

GLX highlights American problem



Governor Deval Patrick will work with Department of Transportation Secretary Richard Davey, but can they bring the GLX?

By Andrew Firestone

Following an announcement from the state that the Green Line Extension would be delayed until at least 2018, the people of Somerville saw the other shoe drop, as the economy was hit with yet another massive loss. With stock markets down 15 percent in the last month, it begins to seem doubtful that the Massachusetts Department of Transportation would delay the project due to their stated reason: land-takings.

Instead, it would seem massive shifts in the economy, combined with shortfalls in commonwealth finance, have led to the Green Line Extension being once again placed on the backburner.

What is being called into question, it would seem, is whether or not the city of Somerville is worth the investment on a national level to receive their Green Line Extension, proposed in 1991 and upheld as a legally binding agreement in a court of law. There are many issues at hand regarding the Commonwealth's balance-book, and their financial risk to the federal level. These in turn are felt from the nation by the rest of the world.

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Police Department gets new contract

By Andrew Firestone

Somerville's police union and the city have signed a memorandum of understanding yesterday, August 9, ensuring a deal until at least June 2012. The agreement retroactively puts all officers back on contract, a situation in flux since 2009.

While the contract has yet to be signed, the understanding is that Chief Thomas Pasquarello will be able to name his own choices to two top jobs in the department, without having to resort to choosing from a select few within the public sector. The gang task force will also have their duties reconfigured.

The three-year agreement, which is backdated from when the last contract expired in 2009 will include pay raises for many in the department.

"Our senior officers have devoted their careers to the people of Somerville. It may have taken a while to reach an agreement on this contract, but their dedication to this community and our appreciation of their fine work has never been in question," said Mayor Joseph



Continued on page 5 Mayor Joseph Curtatone signs an agreement with SPD union president Joseph Aufiero.

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NEWSTALK

The annual Mayor's picnic is set for this Friday, August 12, at Powderhouse Park, 11a.m. to 2p.m. As usual a good time will be had by all of the elderly attending. Call the council on aging at 617-625-6600 for information. This is a long time tradition here in Somerville, started by former Mayor Gene Brune.

Speaking of the Council on Aging, Ms. Cindy Hickey is back and we hear she's pretty happy about it. We were told that the people who were in charge while she was out on leave did a great job and everyone is grateful including, we were told, Ms. Cindy herself. We also heard that prior to Cindy's return some staff people were passing around a petition to the elderly at the centers asking for her to come back. We also heard that in the past petitions at the centers were not welcomed. Well, maybe with Cindy back in charge things will be straightened out.

We hear that some of the aldermen, while at the meetings around the horseshoe, were seen looking at various web sites while sitting there looking busy. We also heard that one Alderman at Large, Bill White, was seen several times watching the various stock market reports. Maybe he's watching and keeping a careful eye out for the various investments the city has. Or maybe his own investments.

The annual Mayor Joe Curtatone cruise was held last Wednesday and everyone on board had a great time. It was nice to see and talk with some old friends as well as new ones. It was especially interesting with the military helicopters flying low overhead for about the last hour or so of the cruise. It was very interesting watching them do maneuvers.

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TheSomervilleNews.com Comments of the Week

Response to GLX pushed back three years

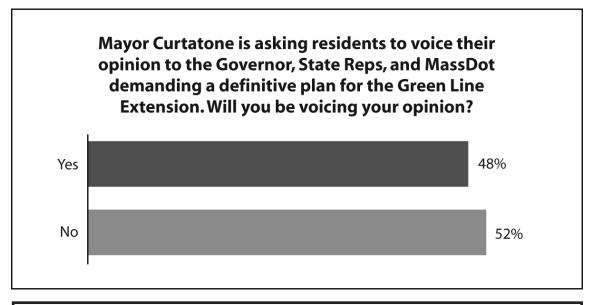
Judas says:

One of the major problems with this country is that committee's & sub-committee delay progress and development. The red tape is ridiculous and is one of the major problems with the production/development throughout the United States and on a local level. In my opinion, there are way too many voices and opinions that do nothing but delay projects from moving foward. This doesn't happen in other countries. Other countries are economically moving foward while the USA sits back and plays paddy-cakes with the public. If we as a country & local level, do not start moving foward, we will be in deep economic trouble. (worse than we are now) I am so sick and tired of things "going into committe".....Its ruining the city and the country on a larger scale....We need to start acting swiftly and begin producing results quicker. Everytime a project goes into "committe" and gets delayed, people lose money. The city loses money, the state loses money, the developer loses money, less jobs are created, & competitors who don't play the committe game move foward......We are currently witnessing this in China, Russia, Europe etc.....The United States is sleeping at the wheel, meanwhile other parts of the world are accomplishing goal and projects....When are we going to get smarten up and start approving projects.....Is it really necessary to host several touchy feely meetings so that everybody can voice their liberal opinion? Lets start approving stuff and begin moving foward on a local and global scale....

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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 will be voicing your opinion as Mayor Curtatone asked residents to do so to the Governor, State Reps, and MassDot demanding a definitive plan for the Green Line Extension. If you don't agree with the results, simply log onto TheSomervilleNews.com.



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Charter school proposed as ESL solution

By Andrew Firestone

Somerville might have found a solution to their education demographics problem with a new charter school. With 18 percent of public school students needing intensive studying in the English language, the proposed school would take up the work brought on by an incredible demand for basic English language services in the city education system.

Somerville was able to begin the process first by a 2010 state law adding three percent-

age points of school district funds becoming available for charter school projects to 12 percent in 2011. Tentatively named the Somerville Progressive Charter School, the proposed institution would serve 425 students in the kindergarten to eighth grade. Language skills will be emphasized, with first and second graders spending as much as four hours a day on building reading and writing, along with science and math.

The proposal will go before school committee in February.

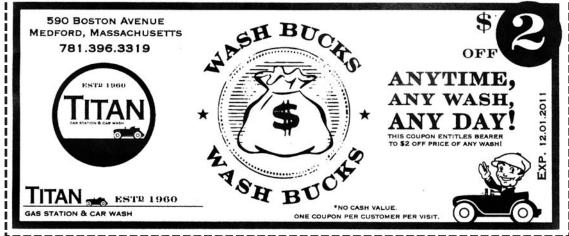


The proposed Somerville Progressive Charter School will serve the needs of hundreds of ESL students.

Eleven new Somerville Police Officers



Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone and Chief Thomas Pasquarello are proud to introduce eleven new Somerville Police Officers who recently graduated from the MPTC - Reading Police Academy after completing 22 weeks of training. From left to right front row: Chief Pasquarello, Daniel Bourque, Ashley Catatao, Jason Costa, Joseph Teves, Michael McCarey, and Deputy Chief Cabral. Back row: Gravin Guillen, Mark Nevin, Naza Haynes, Christopher Collette, Michael Perrone, and Devin Schneider.



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By Jim Clark

Young thief picks on trash collector

Somerville Housing Public Safety investigators received a complaint by a driver for the Russell Disposal Company of a theft from the cab of his truck while he was working the 15-45 Memorial Road area last week.

The man stated that the passenger side door was open while he and his partner were working with dumpsters behind the truck. When he returned to the cab area to

operate the lift devices he noticed that his backpack was missing, according to reports.

Somerville Housing Authority investigators then examined videotapes taken in the area and spotted the incident in question and reportedly observed a young male taking something from the truck. The young man, a juvenile, was known to the investigators from prior incidents, authorities say.

According to investigators, a visit to the suspect's home yielded no results, but one officer remembered that the young man had a history of frequenting the Healey School area. A search was conducted at the school and the suspect was found, hanging out with a small group of teens. They were all reportedly sharing pizza.

As Somerville Housing Police officers approached the young

man he was reportedly observed trying to pass what appeared to be a large amount of cash along with some plastic cards. The suspect was ordered to stop and put the items back into his pockets as officers approached the kids, according to reports. The young man was immediately taken into custody.

In all, \$600 and three credit cards were reported as being in the stolen backpack. It was later confirmed that one of the victim's credit cards had been used to order pizza, with the delivery person reportedly identifying the suspect as the one having used the card, police said.

The perpetrator was charged with forgery of a document, utter false instrument, credit card fraud under \$250, credit card larceny, felony breaking and entering of a truck, and larceny over \$250.

Police: 911 hate caller puts up a fight

Somerville police received reports that a man was repeatedly making obscene and hate-filled calls to 911 operators last Thursday.

By matching audio recordings of prior incidents to the current caller, it was determined that Richard Killeen, 66, was the perpetrator of the offensive calls, according to police.

Officers were dispatched to the man's home to investigate. They found the house to be dark, but after knocking at the door they reportedly observed an elderly man peer out through a window.

According to reports Killeen asked the officers what they

wanted and he was then asked if he had been making calls to 911. The man denied that he had made any calls, then opened the door and began moving toward the officers, police said.

Killeen was ordered to stop, but he reportedly continued to advance on the officers, eventually making contact with one

wanted and he was then asked if of them, pushing him backhe had been making calls to 911. wards toward the railing of the The man denied that he had front porch.

> The man was pushed back, but he took another step forward and swung his fist in an unsuccessful attempt to strike the officer

> The two officers on the scene reportedly struggled with the

man in order to subdue him, but Killeen reportedly continued to hit and kick in his attempts to break free.

Killeen was eventually handcuffed and taken into custody. He has been charged with assault and battery on a police officer, making obscene phone calls, and resisting arrest.

SOMERVILLE POLICE GRIME LOG

Arrests:

Jose Junior, 32, of 9D Lowell St., Woburn, August 1, 4:43 p.m., arrested at 61 Prospect St. on charges of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon.

A juvenile, August 1, 5:00 p.m., arrested at 45 memorial Rd. on charges of forgery of a document, utter false instrument, credit card fraud under \$250, credit card larceny, felony breaking and entering of a truck, and larceny over \$250.

Matthew Goldstein, 34, of 195 Highland Ave., August 1, 5:47 p.m., arrested at 14 Mc-Grath Hwy. on charges of marked lanes violation, operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license, failure to yield at an intersection.

A juvenile, August 2, 12:35 a.m., arrested at Dartmouth St. on charges of distribution of a class D drug, nighttime breaking and entering of a vehicle/boat, and drug violation near a school or park.

Amy Hill, 22, of 195 Highland Ave., August 2, 5:39 p.m., arrested at 400 Somerville Ave. on charges of sexual conduct for a fee.

Niall Vallega, 19, of 21 Henderson, August 3, 11:45 a.m., arrested at Medford St. on warrant charges of stalkingand making annoying telephone

calls

Walter McNeill, 48, of 38 Chatham, Lynn, August 3, 7:57 p.m., arrested at 171 Broadway on charges of conspiracy to violate drug law, drug possession for distribution, drug violation near a school or park, distribution of a class B drug, and multiple warrant charges of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

Robert Komnenus, 53, of 355 Gallup Hill Rd., Ledyard, CT, August 3, 7:57 p.m., arrested at 171 Broadway on charges of conspiracy to violate drug law, drug possession for distribution, drug violation near a school or park, and distribution of a class B drug.

Victoria Chambless, 27, of 126 Essex St., Malden, August 4, 1:11 a.m., arrested at Mc-Grath Hwy. on charges of assault and battery on a police officer, resisting arrest, assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, defacing property, unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, and disturbing the peace.

Richard Killeen, 66, of 13 Hillside Pk., August 4, 3:41 a.m., arrested at home on charges of assault and battery on a police officer, making obscene phone calls, and resisting arrest.

Darryll Lydon, 33, of 151

Windsor St., Cambridge, August 4, 3:41 a.m., arrested at 42 Cross St. on charges of resisting arrest, assault and battery on a police officer, operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license, and a warrant charge of larceny over \$250.

Frank Ward, 52, of 35 Jaques St., August 4, 9:23 p.m., arrested at home on a charge of assault and battery.

Bruce Perez, 24, of 8 Magnolia St., Dorchester, August 5, 10:41 a.m., arrested at 83 Holland St. on charges of shoplifting by concealing merchandise and violation of city ordinance possession of a dangerous weapon

Andre Jacob, 29, of 31 Edgar Ave., August 5, 11:18 a.m., arrested at 220 Washington St. on warrant charges of leaving the scene of property damage and unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

William Tighe, 26, of 5 Colburn St., Tewksbury, August 5, 8:26 p.m., arrested at Broadway on warrant charges of resisting arrest, assault and battery, and attempted murder.

Livia Calixto-Aquilo, 26, of 80 Grant St., August 6, 3:27 a.m., arrested at home on a charge of assault and battery.

Jaime Jimenez, 34, of 176 Broadway, Revere, August 6, 2:06 p.m., arrested on a warrant charge of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

Henry Alderman, 40, of 505 Washington St., Chelsea, August 7, 2:16 p.m., arrested at 84 Flint St. on warrant charges of motor vehicle lights violation, number plate violation to conceal, larceny over \$250, and operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

Jeffrey Dilsoin, 19, of 249 Hurley St., Cambridge, August 7, 7:10 p.m., arrested at Concord Ave. on charges of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle and use of a motor vehicle without authority.

Raymond Valente, 54, of 450 Boston Post Rd., Marlboro, August 8, 4:18 p.m., arrested at Prospect St. on a charge of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

Incidents:

Theft:

August 2, 9:38 a.m., police reported a theft at School St.
August 2, 11:22 a.m., police reported a theft at 85 Elm St.

August 2, 11:23 a.m., police reported a theft at 85 Elm St. August 2, 12:51 p.m., police reported a theft at Medford St. August 2, 1:12 p.m., police reported a theft at Winslow Ave.

August 2, 5:00 p.m., police re-

ported a theft at 77 Middlesex Ave.

August 3, 12:33 p.m., police reported a theft at 177 Middlesex Ave.

August 3, 4:01 p.m., police reported a theft at 270 Washington St.

August 4, 11:13 p.m., police reported a theft at Montrose St. August 4, 3:02 p.m., police reported a theft at Pearl St.

August 4, 8:55 p.m., police reported a theft at 2153 Mystic Valley Pky.

August 5, 2:59 p.m., police reported a theft at Broadway.

August 5, 8:06 p.m., police reported a theft at 85 Elm St.

August 7, 10:49 a.m., police reported a theft at Holland St. August 7, 2:38 p.m., police reported a theft at Highland Ave. August 7, 4:57 p.m., police reported a theft at Teele Ave.

August 7, 6:32 p.m., police reported a theft at Somerville Ave.

Robbery:

August 3, 9:10 p.m., police reported a robbery at Temple St.

Breaking & Entering:

August 1, 9:09 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Washington St.

August 2, 1:21 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Murdock St. *Continued on page 11*



The photography of Sean Allen Fisher will grace the Washington Street Art Center

By Cathleen Twardzik

Photography, a relatively new art form in the grander scheme of things, is a type that piques the interest of many individuals.

The exhibit, People You May Know, photography by Sean Allen Fisher, will be displayed at the Washington Street Art Center (WSAC) at 321 Washington Street in Somerville. Fisher, the sole artist in the show, resides in Somerville.

The opening reception will take place on August 12 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Beverages, as well as light refreshments, will be served. The exhibit will extend from August 13 to August 27, on Saturdays from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m., or by appointment.

This series depicts the ways in which individuals share via the online network, the ways they collect connections, and the vast sea of indiscriminate people and images

Hosted at The Washington Street Art Center, Gallery 321 presents exhibitions, concerts, and film series, as well as additional art initiatives. The center provides studio space for over twenty visual artists, and it participates in Somerville Open Studios, as well as that organization's craft fair.

"The show is a series of photographs that I have taken using pictures [which were] posted on Facebook as source material. In a way, the show is about the way, in which online social networks can abstract people. The whole process draws attention to the wealth of decontextualized images and information available," said Fisher.

So, in Fisher's opinion, which pieces are the most interesting works of art? "I really can't pick one. I think the way that these digital images are manipulated in an analog way is what excites me when making them," he said.

The Washington Street Art Center is located between Union Square and Beacon Street, a mere five-minute walk from Union Square, and a ten-minute walk from Harvard Square, two blocks from Beacon Street.

Conveniently, WSAC is near or on the following bus routes: 83, 85, 86, 87, 91 and CT2, and off-street parking is free and ample.



Connecting individuals through imagery, People You May Know, photography by Sean Allen Fisher examines a world of its own.

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Curtatone. The mayor signed the agreement with the president of the union, Joseph Aufiero, with Chief Pasquarello and Deputy Chief Michael Cabral present.



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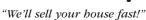
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Sheriff's Office Deputizes Local Youths

On Friday, August 5, the Middlesex Sheriff's Office proudly recognized the Arlington, Belmont, Medford and Somerville graduates of the 2011 Middlesex Sheriff's Office Youth Public Safety Academy.

The graduation was held at the Middlesex Training Academy at 793 Boston Road in Billerica, MA. Sheriff Peter Koutoujian hosted a ceremony honoring

more than 170 children from these communities. The cadets, aged nine to eleven, were given diplomas in recognition of their hard work and dedication to public safety.

Each summer the Middlesex Sheriff's Office sponsors this free and fun weeklong summer program.

The Academy exposes our children to role models in Public Safety - namely their local Police, Fire, Emergency Medical Services and Sheriff's personnel. Cadets learn basic first aid skills, fire safety, tour their local police and fire stations, participate in numerous demonstrations, and are taught the importance of self-esteem and teamwork. Every week the program is tailored to the specific Middlesex community

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Cadets are put through their paces, learning skills practiced daily by local Public Safety professionals.

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Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

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- 1. Who won the Norris Trophy every year from 1968 to 1975?
- 2. What is the only prime number that is even?
- 3. What artist visited President Nixon in 1978 to volunteer his services to help fight the nation's drug problem?
- 4. What is the name of the American chain that is named after a Rolling Stones' tune?
- 5. What is the relationship between the words "edifice" and "edify"?
- 6. Where does the name "bellhop" originate from for a hotel porter?

- 7. Why do we say "hamburgers" when there is no ham in hamburgers?
- 8. Does the phrase "scot free" have a Scottish meaning to it?
- 9. In 1941, what two sisters were nominated for the "Best Actress Award" and the eldest sister won, causing them to become permanently estranged?
- 10. What musical television family in the 70's lived at 698 Sycamore Rd., San Pueblo, CA?
- 11. Who sent the first email and when?
- 12. Cleopatra was born in the land of Pharaohs, but was she an Egyptian?

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COMMENTARY

TALES OF SOMERVILLE



2018 or when Hell freezes over?

The View From Prospect Hill



What was that rushing by so quickly? Yet another announcement of delay in a major development project for our community?

We share the frustration felt by our friends and neighbors in Medford and Arlington as we here in the 'Ville stand scratching our heads, wondering what it is we can believe when pre-

sented with court mandated schedules and the associated promises of fulfillment by officials that accompany them. We are left with the unsettling realization that no such commitments are sacrosanct, that no contract is unbreakable.

Many area residents are deeply invested in the prospect of the GLX and what its completion

will mean to them. While some are against it entirely and others are lukewarm on the issue, the fact remains that important plans and expectations are made based upon the projected time line, and that schedule seems to keep moving forward uncontrollably.

We understand that funding is the main issue here, the old bottom line. We are also told that acquiring land and nailing down the location of a maintenance facility is an important factor in pushing back the completion date. We wonder, though, why these issues have so suddenly come to the fore, as if no one in the loop could have foreseen how they could impact the timely completion of this project, until now.

Anything can be delayed to

death. Given enough time plans can be changed, commitments dissolved, contracts broken.

Like passengers standing, waiting for a train, we earnestly hope that the posted schedule can be believed. The trains will always run on time if they are allowed to keep changing the schedule. Let us hope that we are not left stranded altogether.

News Talk CONT. FROM PG 2

We found that that Ms. Carlene Campbell, a sort of local celebrity in her own way here in the 'Ville, especially for her organizational skills in politics (of course after work), is engaged. Carlene is engaged to a Joe Hegarty and plans on a November 12 wedding. Some of us here have known Carlene for a long time and we wish her nothing but the best. She works hard and has a smile all the time for everyone.

What's going on at that big box bank on lower Broadway? We heard that one of the long time tellers was forced to take down a little Red Sox pin that was on her counter name plate. A lot of customers would at least smile while they stood in the long lines waiting to do their bank business. That pin has been there a for few years, and now it's down. We heard that maybe the manager is a Yankee fan? We're not sure, but why would this offend anyone here in Red Sox Nation? Next time you're in the bank tell the manager you're a Sox fan and are not offended by having it there.

Lots of Happy Birthdays this week, almost too many but we have to mention a few here: famous well known Attorney and good guy Rich DiGirolamo is celebrating his birthday this week. Again, he's a special guy to many here in the 'Ville and we wish him nothing but the best. To our out of town (actually Hamburg, NY - way up near Buffalo) correspondent Brendan Cunningham, we wish him a Happy Birthday. Also celebrating her birthday is Brandon Wilson of the Historical side of the city. We wish her the very best and hope her day is a good one. DeVasto is a personal friend of some here in Somerville. He's been very busy with refinancing those loans at Wells Fargo for about 4.37% fixed. What a happy birthday for some here in the city. A huge Happy Birthday to Lisamarie Tauro who turned 22 this week. Time flies and she's grown to be a very nice adult. To our friend over at ISD, John Driscoll - he celebrated his birthday recently and we bet he thinks we forgot but we didn't. Have a great day John and smile while giving out those citations and stop work orders (it's easier to accept when you're smil-

ing). Other notables are Hailey O'Connor who turns one this week. We're starting them out young, getting a whole new audience here at the News. Also Happy Birthday to Regan Mc-Govern who is celebrating his 21st birthday. Enjoy and get a designated driver if needed.

The Motorcycle Club "The Arresting Souls" and the Somerville Police Department's own Lieutenant Billy Rymill are having a big bash on August 20 at 4p.m at the Dilbory Post in Davis Square. Live music, good food, and someone said tattoos. Go and enjoy, even if you don't have a tattoo.

We want to remind you again about the John T. Forcellese Memorial Fund and the upcoming Golf tournament at the Falmouth Country Club on Saturday, September 10. The deadline to register is this week, so please call 617 543-8152 or email pkf@honsteam.org. It's a great time every year and the funds raised go to help a lot of deserving graduates of Somerville High as well as a other schools in the area and on the cape.

Big time congratulations to Jessica Trane who recently made the Dean's list at NYU. Jessica is the daughter of Alderman Bob Trane and his lovely wife Nancy. Hard to believe Jessica is in college. It was like yesterday we gave her a ride in the Thunderbird, wasn't it?

Danielle Lynch and Chris Piacentini of Somerville, are the proud parents of Sebastian Christopher Piacentini born on July 29th at 10:44 pm weighing in at 5 lbs 9 oz and 19 inches long. The proud Grandparents are Nancy Lynch and Robert Lynch, Jr. of Somerville and Al and MaryAnn Piacentini of Belmont.

We see that our very good friend Marco Soares has started his own business. We noticed him driving around Somerville in his own Tow Truck. His number 617-417-2846. Marco is well known here in the 'Ville and is a

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COMMENTARY

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A busy summer



By Joseph A. Curtatone

Usually I pick a single topic to concentrate on, but Somerville has too many important things going on at the moment to limit myself to one. Instead I am going to touch upon a number of the big issues that face us at this moment.

Entering the GIC - The Board of Aldermen meets to-morrow to vote on accepting entrance into the Group Insurance Commission (GIC). The GIC comprises nearly 400,000 state and municipal employees in Massachusetts. It is the

biggest insurance pool in the state, which gives it buying power the City of Somerville cannot begin to match.

The City should save \$7.5 million annually in taxpayer money by shifting to the GIC. In addition our employees will save \$1.8 million in out of pocket health care costs thanks to lower premiums (and \$1.8 million represents the savings after co-pays and deductibles are figured in). That translates to an average of more than \$650 a year per subscriber. I understand that people get nervous whenever they are faced with a change in benefits, but this is top tier health care. The Legislature knew that when it recently passed the bill streamlining the entry process into the GIC for communities like Somerville. After all, this is the same health care package our state legislators enjoy.

We are under some tight deadlines to enter the GIC at the start of the New Year. It would cost us \$2.3 million if we had to enter three months later,

but we currently are on track to deliver the maximum savings for our taxpayers.

Green Line Extension Delay - I cannot stress enough the need for residents and businesses in Somerville to call and write the Governor to demand a transparent, accurate timeline for the Green Line extension. More than 2,000 people have signed our online petition, but make sure you also let the Governor know how you feel via direct contact.

I know how much this project means to this community. I also know how much this project will help the regional economy, unlocking key areas in this city for new development and economic growth. On top of that, the Governor made a promise to break ground on this project that he needs to honor.

At stake here is whether this Commonwealth is ready and willing to move forward on building the 21st century infrastructure to support a 21st century economy.

National Economy - A lot people have been asking me how the debt ceiling crisis and the U.S. government's credit rating downgrade will affect Somerville. Fortunately we have a robust, sustainable and resilient local economy. We proved that in 2008 and 2009 when we fared much better than most of the rest of the state and the nation during the recession.

Yet it would be a blow to this community to see the economy stagnate because the radical wing of one party has decided it does not feel like paying the nation's debts. We have set the stage for economic growth in this community, and it will happen even if the national economy suffers a blow, but we need to see the government in Washington act responsibly and cast an eye toward the future just like we do at the local level.

One thing that should not be lost in the deficit reduction debate is the need for our federal government to prioritize the repair and modernization of our overlooked domestic infrastructure. Those projects provide direct economic stimulus. They activate the construction industry, which provides immediate jobs and economic activity. And improved infrastructure sets the table for private investment.

You can see where the Assembly Square Drive stimulus project, a new Orange Line station and a local/state/federal plan to build new infrastructure has paved the way for more than a billion dollars of private investment in Assembly Square. This nation needs a lot more of that. The growth we need will not happen by accident.

Senior Picnic - Due to rainy forecast we have moved the annual Senior Picnic at Powderhouse Park to Friday. The good news is the weather should be spectacular for one of the city's biggest events. I'm looking forward to it. We have been working hard on these other issues. It's important to play hard too.

On The Silly Side by Jimmy Del Ponte

Weather permitting



This article first ran in the July 1, 2009 edition of The Somerville News.

As I look at the 5-day forecast for Somerville

online, it says scattered thunderstorms and showers. Don't the powers that be know that Somerville's Fourth of July celebration featuring the debut of the Sunsetters along with a lot of other great entertainment is slated for Thursday night? Don't they know about the shopping cart vendors with all those lighted swords and spin around toys and illuminated teeth grilles? And what about all that fried dough? What have we done to deserve such crappy weather? What do I tell my anxious Sunsetters who are eager to perform as many numbers as Frank Senesi will allow us? Obviously we won't be able to have any electrical equipment outdoors if there is a threat of rain. I am asking every citizen of Somerville to pray for sun! Mayor Joe has confidence that things will brighten up and the show will go on. I hope he is right.

As you read this, I am assembling the sound system and we will rehearse with it tonight in preparation for our debut.

And what about all of us working folk who are eagerly waiting our annual Fourth of July getaways? I don't know about you, but I am a worrywart and I am getting antsy.

I want my steak tips, brewskies, buns, burgers and weenies. And the rain isn't going to stop me. But geez...would a little sun be asking for too much?

I might as well use this space to talk about another summer program that is experiencing very low enrollment. Somerville Recreation is offering Project Star 2009 - a 6-week, 4 day a week theatre camp. The Cost is \$25 per week, which includes lunch and a couple of field trips to see some local theatre presentations. Somerville teacher, star of Joey and Maria's Wedding and theater aficionado extraordinaire Sophia Carafotes will be running the camp, along with myself. Venues will include the Winter Hill Community School, Somerville High School and other venues. It is our pro-

found objective to bring theatre and music back to the youth of Somerville. If we get enough kids signed up, we will produce the original mini-musical "Back in the 'Ville." If we only get a few kids, we will still have a blast and perform a smaller show. We want to build on the Project Star idea in a time when funds are at an all time low. We cannot let the arts suffer at the hands of fiscal chaos. My Klass Klownz group had 10 kids and that show will be on city cable shortly. Next season's lineup should be bigger and better.

So tell all the kids you know who are in grades 6 to 12 that a wonderful theatrical and music experience is waiting for them. Interested people can call Danielle at recreation at 617-625-6600 extension 2980, or e-mail me at jimmy-del@rcn.com.

Meanwhile back to this weather - is the Lord punishing us? I've been good, for the most part. I almost threw my back out installing 4 air conditioners the other day and we have only had to use them twice. I know the real summer weather is coming, but I am running out of patience. Thank

God the kids couldn't care less about the weather. The computers, PS3s, PSPs and all that other crap are indoors. All I know is that I will be heading up to my little trailer on the pond Friday morning. I don't care if its raining or snowing or if locusts are invading - Moosie the Wonder dog and I are out of here. And mom's going away too, so the boys have to come with me .We will take a day trip up to Old Orchard to check out the Palace Playland. Oh yeah, I forgot those two dirty words: "weather permitting."

The city has a lot of wonderful activities planned for the summer. There is only one thing missing. Summer.

So lets all do those superstitious dances, rub the rabbit's feet and do whatever else you have to do to try to appease Mother Nature. Maybe Father Time and Mother Nature can work out a deal. In the meantime, get out the galoshes, umbrellas and lets have as much fun as humanly possible! No Rain! No Rain!

You can email Jimmy directly at jimmy-del@rcn.com.

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THE HOUSE AND SENATE. Beacon Hill Roll Call records local senators' votes on two roll calls from prior legislative sessions. There were no roll calls in the House or Senate last week.

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 MID-DLESEX. - 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.

DAM SAFETY (S 1895)

Senate 37-0, approved and sent to the House a bill that would establish a Revolving Loan Fund, funded by the Water Pollution Abatement Trust, to provide low-interest, long-term loans to private dam owners and cities and towns to inspect, repair and remove some of the 3,000 plus dams in the Bay State.

Other provisions require the development of emergency action plans for all hazardous dams and an inspection schedule that includes inspecting high-hazard dams every two years; and an increase in the fines imposed on dam owners who violate state safety regulations from \$500 to \$5,000.

Supporters said the dam repairs would be funded by some \$14.5 million in Water Pollution Abatement Trust money that is not currently being used. They said the bill would help improve the safety of cities and towns with neglected and vulnerable dams. (A "Yes" vote is for the bill.)

Sen. Sal DiDomenico Yes Sen. Patricia Jehlen Yes

DNA EVIDENCE (S 1987)

Senate 37-0, approved and sent to the House a bill that would allow individuals who have been convicted of a crime to request access to DNA evidence for forensic testing that would grant a new trial.

Supporters said 48 other states have similar laws and it is time for Massachusetts to join them in making it easier for wrongfully convicted individuals to prove their innocence. They argued it would also lead to law enforcement pursuing the real offenders and saving the state the cost of incarcerating innocent citizens who are wrongly convicted. (A"Yes" vote is for the bill.)

Sen. Sal DiDomenico Yes Sen. Patricia Jehlen Yes

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

TWO-DAY SALES TAX HOLIDAY IN AUGUST (S 156) - Gov. Deval Patrick signed into law a bill that will allow consumers to buy most products that cost under \$2,500 without paying the state's 6.25 percent sales

tax on Saturday, August 13, and Sunday, August 14.

Supporters say the holiday would boost retail sales and save taxpayers an estimated \$20 million.

Some opponents argue the holiday is too narrow and actually generates little additional revenue for stores because consumers would buy the products even without the tax-free days. Others said there should not be a tax holiday when funding has not yet been restored for all the local aid and other important program cuts made in recent budgets.

BAN SALE OF CIGARETTES IN PHARMACIES

(S 1094) - The Public Health Committee has recommended approval of a measure that would ban the sale of cigarettes in all pharmacies and gift shops in hospitals and other health care institutions.

Supporters say it is immoral for these health entities to peddle dangerous tobacco products. They noted the ban would send yet another message to smokers that they should not smoke.

Opponents argue the measure is unfair to retailers who depend on tobacco sales to generate revenue. They noted that smokers who go to a retail store often stay and buy other products.

SOME POSSIBLE 2012 BALLOT QUESTIONS CLEAR FIRST HURDLE - There are 31 possible ballot questions that were filed with Attorney General Martha Coakley's office by the August 3 deadline. These measures include proposed laws giving new and used car buyers three days to cancel their purchase; repealing the current restraining order law; limiting the amount by which water and sewer rates may be raised; allowing medical use of marijuana; allowing terminally ill patients with fewer than six months to live to obtain medication they can self-administer to commit suicide; establishing a 15-member citizen's commission to investigate the September 11 attacks; allowing local cities and towns to permit grocery stores to sell beer and wine; allowing three casinos to be built in the Bay State; and expanding the state's existing bottle bill law which requires a deposit on beer and soda containers. The measure would also require deposits on bottles of water, tea, juice and sports drinks.

If their proposal is certified as constitutional by the attorney general, sponsors must gather 68,911 voter signatures by December 7, 2011. Those proposals would then be sent to the Legislature and if not approved by May 2012, proponents must gather another 11,485 signatures by July 2012 in order for the question to appear on the 2012 ballot.

A complete list and summary of each of the petitions can be found online by clicking on "Current Petitions Filed" at www.mass.gov/ago/ballotquestions.

CHANGES IN TRIAL COURT AND PROBATION DEPARTMENT (H 3644) - Gov. Patrick signed into law a bill that would overhaul the management of the Trial Court and the hiring process for the Probation Department.

The measure divides up the tasks currently performed by the Chief Justice for Administration and Management between a newly created "civilian" Office of Court Management and a Chief Justice of the Trial Court.



Beacon Hill Roll Call continued



QUOTABLE QUOTES

"Massachusetts motorists already pay a higher gas tax than the national average, and with budgets stretched to meet the rising cost of food and other expenses, a further increase in the price of gas would cause real hardship for families." - U.S. Sen. Scott Brown, in a letter to Gov. Patrick following reports the Patrick administration is considering proposing an increase in the gas tax.

"Do we have a plan to raise the gas tax? No we do not." -Gov. Deval Patrick.

"(DeNucci's cousin Guy) Spezzano did not meet the requirements for the position based on the position's job description." - Explanation by the State Ethics Commission which fined former State Auditor Joseph DeNucci \$2,000 for violating the state's conflict of interest law when he hired his 74-year-old cousin Guy to be a fraud examiner.

"It is time for the Commonwealth to step into the 21st century on this issue. Not only would this law protect the wrongfully convicted, but it is equally important to remember that for each wrongfully-convicted person behind bars, there is a real criminal out on the loose." - Sen.

Cynthia Stone Creem (D-Newton) on Senate passage of legislation that would allow defendants who have been convicted of a crime to request access to DNA evidence for forensic testing.

"I look forward to serving as chair-elect in this new term as we continue to work collaboratively, in a bi-partisan effort, to gather information, discuss issues of importance that all states face, and share ideas and best practices for effective leadership in state government." - Lt. Gov. Timothy Murray, upon being elected to serve as chair of the National Lieutenant Governors Association at its annual meeting in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

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 August 1-5, the House met for a total of 20 minutes while the Senate met for a total of 21 minutes.

Mon. August 1 House 11:02 a.m. to 11:11 a.m.

Senate 11:00 a.m. to 11:05 a.m.

Tues. August 2 No House session

No Senate session

Wed. August 3 No House session

Senate 11:02 a.m. to 11:06 a.m.

House 11:01 a.m. to 11:12 a.m. Thurs. August 4

Senate 11:04 a.m. to 11:16 a.m.

Fri. August 5 No House session

No Senate session

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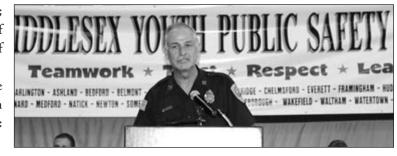
Sheriff's Office deputizes local youths **CONT. FROM PG 7**

that is participating. Parents, cadets and invited guests enjoyed a family cookout after the graduation proceedings.

This year the Middlesex Sheriff's Office is celebrating the twelfth year of the Youth Public SafetyAcademy. Local elected and public safety officials at the event were: from Arlington -Fire Chief Robert Jefferson, William Hayner from the School Committee; from Medford - Representative Paul Donato, Fire Chief Frank Giliberti, Police Sergeant Joseph Casey,

City Councilor Paul Camuso; from Belmont - Fire Chief David Frizzell, Police Chief Richard McLaughlin.

For more information please contact Public Information Officer Michael Hartigan: 781-960-2800.



Somerville Police Crime Log **CONT. FROM PG 4**

August 2, 4:25 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Ten Hills Rd.

August 3, 10:10 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Meacham St.

August 4, 1:43 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Houghton St.

August 4, 9:11 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Rush St.

August 4, 8:22 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Calvin St.

August 5, 11:48 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Lowell St.

August 6, 4:55 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Highland Ave.

August 6, 10:21 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Broadway.

Vehicle Theft:

August 4, 11:28 a.m., police reported a vehicle theft at ported an assault at Washing

Highland Ave.

August 4, 7:20 p.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Davis

August 7, 12:46 a.m., police reported a vehicle theft at 596 Somerville Ave.

August 7,7:10 p.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Prospect St.

Assault:

August 1, 8:01 a.m., police re-

ton St.

August 2, 8:11 a.m., police reported an assault at Washington St.

August 3, 11:10 p.m., police reported an assault at Washing-

August 4, 9:10 a.m., police reported an assault at Washington St.

August 4, 9:25 a.m., police reported an assault at Cross St.

August 4, 3:24 p.m., police reported an assault at Pickney St.

August 4, 9:23 p.m., police reported an assault at Jaques St. August 5, 7:43 p.m., police reported an assault at Temple St. August 5, 11:04 p.m., police reported an assault at Pearl St. August 6, 3:27 a.m., police reported an assault at Grant St.

Drug Violation:

August 3, 7:57 p.m., police reported a drug violation at 171

News Talk CONT. FROM PG 8

very popular guy. We wish him well and the best, always with that big smile on him.

Every Thursday night through August 25 enjoy SomerMovie Fest '11. This week's movie (August 11) is Brian's Song (PG) and will take place at Seven Hills Park, Davis Square. All movies start at dusk. Call 311 for more information, visit www.somervillema.gov.

The MBTA passageway at Davis

Square, as part of the Community Path, will be repaved on Saturday, August 13, continuing with a revitalization project of this section of the path. The Busway will be closed from 7:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. Buses normally using the Busway stop at the MBTA Headhouse at College Avenue will be relocated to Highland Avenue. The last six parking meters on Highland Avenue prior to College Avenue will be "bagged," and used as the temporary bus stop. Affected buses are #s 88, 87, 90, 96, 94 and 89. Signs will be posted, and Somerville Police and MBTA staff will be on hand

to direct passengers to the temporarilyrelocated bus stop.

Cambridge Savings Bank recently announced that Cambridge Savings Charitable Foundation has awarded scholarships to two local high school seniors from Somerville High School through the 2011 Kevin J. Fitzgerald Scholarship Program, which awarded a total of \$65,000 to graduating seniors in Eastern Massachusetts. This year's scholarship winners from Somerville High are Joshua Scarry and Robert Rudolph. In its 20th year, the Kevin J.

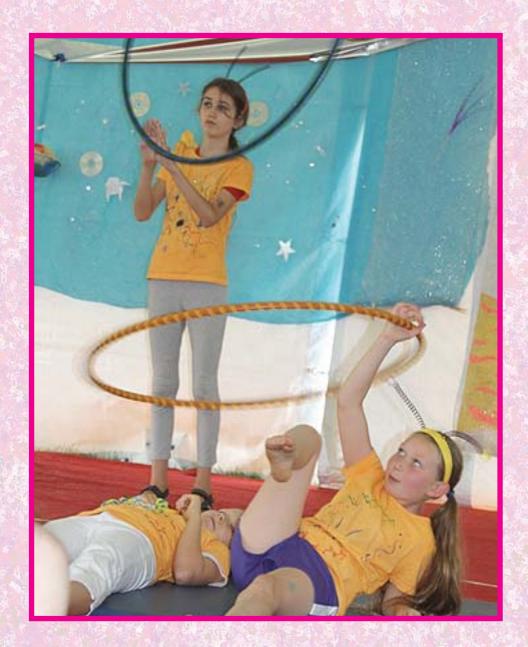
Fitzgerald Scholarship Program has awarded more than \$750,000 to graduating seniors in the communities Cambridge Savings Bank serves. The program typically awards two \$2,500 scholarships to local graduating seniors in each community, one for a traditional four-year program, and a second for a two-year technical/vocational or community college program. In addition to receiving scholarships, Joshua and Robert were offered summer jobs at Cambridge Savings Bank, which allows them to earn extra funds to help with college expenses.



OPENAIR Circus blasts off to outerspace

26th annual performance

















Photos by Harry Kane

PEST MANAGEMENT BREAKTHROUGH

MINT: The Secret Formula in Mint-X® Rodent Repellent Trash Bags.

Mint has been known to keep rodents and other pests out of the garden for many years, but how do you keep them away from your trash bags? There was no way to keep rodents from tearing apart trash bags and leaving an unsightly mess and unsanitary conditions in their search of food....until now.

A well respected plastic trash bag manufacturer, who has been in the plastic bag business for over fifty years, has developed a trash bag that is proven to repel rodents. The new Mint-X Rodent Repellent Trash Bags keep rodents away from the bags forcing them to seek other food sources and into bait traps. This is the most effective pest management breakthrough in many years.

The mint scent, which is pleasant to humans, is very strong and irritating to the sensitive olfactory cues in the nasal passages of rodents. A special all natural, mint scented fragrance is added to the plastic during the manufacturing process. Mint-X trash bags have been successfully tested in laboratories and approved by the EPA. They have also been tested under actual conditions with very effective results, while being perfectly safe for household use.

Mint-X Rodent Repellent Trash Bags are currently being used by

thousands of residential homes, restaurants and commercial buildings across the country. When plastic trash bags are put out for collection there are no worries that disease spreading rodents will rip the bag, spill refuse on the ground and create an unsightly and

> unsanitary mess for the homeowner or apartment building management.

Many towns and municipalities soon will be requiring all trash bags, left for pick up, to be rodent repellent bags.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Q. Where will these bags be available?

A. In most local hardware stores, large home building stores, large discount retailers and online at www.mint-x.com.

Q. How safe are these bags for myself, my children and pets? **A.** The EPA has approved these bags as perfectly safe for humans and pets. They actually have a subtle, pleasant mint smell.

Q. Are these rodent repellent trash bags very expensive?

A. *No, they are comparably priced to non-rodent repellent trash* bags of similar weight and quality.

For more information and to view a video of the effectiveness of Mint-X Rodent Repellent Trash Bags visit: www.mint-x.com or call 877 MINTBAG.

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SOMERVILLE SPORTS

The unstoppable Somerville Storm U14 extend winning streak to four

The Somerville Storm U14 softball team racked up a pair of wins on the road and a win at home this week bringing their winning streak to four games heading into the last week of the season.

The Storm started this week with a 13-5 victory over Tri-Town in Pittsfield. The Storm defense was solid and the offense put enough hits together in their first game to grab the win behind a strong pitching performance from Jen Toner. Toner scattered six hits over six innings striking out four.

Defensively, the Storm recorded fourteen putouts in the field behind only a pair of errors. As a team they pounded out thirteen hits led by the hot hitting of Brianna Dell'Isola, who was a perfect four for four from the plate with a home run, a triple and three runs scored. Emily O'Regan continued her strong rookie year by scoring three times, and Dierdra Matthews jump started the team in the lead-off position going two for four with two runs scored. Kayla O'Regan and Brenna Foristall each added a pair of hits and runs scored. Marissa Toner lined her first hit as a member of the Storm and scored a run.

On Thursday the Storm hosted Tewskbury and worked hard for a 9-8 win, ending the game

with two outstanding defensive plays in centerfield by Charlotte Schofield, sealing the win in the top of the seventh. Amolee Hawkins went the distance striking out thirteen while giving up only two hits.

Dell'Isola continued her hot hitting going two for three with two runs scored and an RBI. The win exemplified the fullteam effort again by the Storm who continue to play strong defense, a balanced offense, and solid pitching. After taking a 7-3 through the first five innings, Tewksbury rallied to score four runs in the top of the 6th to tie the game. Somerville moved two runners around to score in the bottom of the sixth, and after a walk and defensive error, the defense held solid on the next three batters to secure the 9-8 victory.

Friday night, the Storm won their fourth game in a row with a great win on the road against the Burlington Heat. Jen Toner again went the distance for the win and the Storm hitting exploded for twenty-two runs on fifteen hits. Emily Woodman was a perfect two for two at the plate with three walks and three

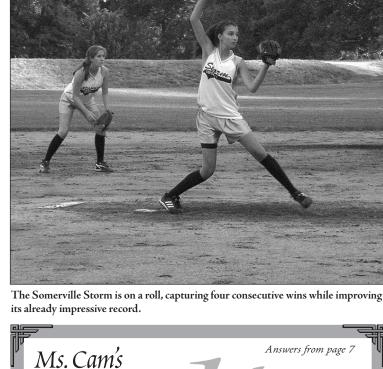
Dell'Isola was four for five at the plate with four runs and three RBI's while Amolee Hawkins was three for five with four runs scored and an RBI. The Storm scored runs in

every inning, and eight of nine girls scored a run. And despite not scoring, Nevalee Hawkins pitched in at the plate going one for three with two RBI's in her Storm debut. Defensively, Kayley Conte was strong behind the plate and finished the game with a catch at third base, and scored twice. Rookie Emily Liberato continued solid hitting, crushing one down the third base line in the first, walking twice and scoring three runs.

The win on Friday topped off a successful week for the Storm who scored runs in fifteen of nineteen innings, on 39 hits, scoring 44 runs in three games. The winning streak brings the U14 Storm record to 8-4 on the season, moving them into the top ten in the MiddleEssex standings with two games remaining in the season.

The Storm will finish their season this week with a game at Trum Field against Everett on Wednesday night.

The U14 Somerville Storm are also proud to recognize our representatives at this year's MiddleEssex All-Star game to be held in Billerica on Saturday, August 6. Brianna Dell'Isola, Jen Toner Charlotte Schofield will play on behalf the Somerville Storm with teams from 34 towns from the region.



1. Bobby Orr

2. The number 2

3. Elvis Presley

4. Ruby Tuesday

5. The word "edifice" means to "build a new home" - the word "edify" literally from the Latin word for "build a home"

6. The desk clerk had a bell and would ring it if he needed assistance and the boy would hop to it

7. It is thought that a German merchant went to Asia in the 1800's and noticed that nomadic Tartars kept their meat under their saddles to soften it, pounding it into bits, scraping it back and seasoning it for consumption - He took this back to Hamburg, Germany immigrants took this idea to America, where it became known as Hamburg meat

Answers

8. No, it has nothing to do with the Scottish - it refers to an old English word meaning payment scot-free without pay-

9. Joan Fontaine and Olivia De Havilland

10. The Partridge Family

11. Ray Tomlinson, sent the first e-mail in 1972 to himself between PDP -10 Computers in Cambridge - He was the man behind the idea of @ to separate the name of user from the name of the computer

12. No, she didn't even have one drop of Egyptian blood in her - she was of Greek descent - her name is from Greek mythology

Somerville High School will start the fall athletic season in the third week of August. Any Somerville high school student wishing to participate in a fall sport can find all paperwork on the web at www.somerville.k12.ma.us/sportsmedicinehttp://www.somerville.k12.ma.us/sportsmedicine icine. Below is the start to the preseason schedule:

Monday August 22, 2011 Football for all 9-12 graders 5 PM Dilboy Stadium Depart for Camp Lenox August 25 12 noon. For more information contact Coach Harry Marchetti hmarchetti@glts.tec.ma.us<mailto:hmarchetti@glts.tec.ma.us

Thursday August 25, 2011 Girls Soccer for all 9-12 graders 9AM Capuano Field Depart for Camp Lenox 12 noon. For more information contact Coach Jason Lenicheck jalenicheck@hotmail.com<mailto:jalenicheck@hotmail.com

Thursday August 25, 2011 Boys Soccer for all 9-12 graders 8AM Dilboy Stadium Depart for Camp Lenox 12 noon. For more information contact Coach George Scarpelli gscarpelli@somervillema.gov<mailto:gscarpelli@somervillema.gov

Thursday August 25, 2011 Boys and Girls Cross Country for all 9-12 graders 9AM Somerville High School Atrium. For more information contact Coach Charlie Tesch ctesch@1st.net<mailto:ctesch@1st.net

Thursday August 25, 2011 Girls Volleyball for all 9-12 graders 9AM Somerville High School Field House. For more information contact Coach Steve Walker swalker@k12.somerville.ma.us<mailto:swalker@k12.somerville.ma.us

Thursday August 25, 2011 Co-ed Golf for all 9-12 graders 10AM meeting in the Somerville High School Atrium. Practice to start Monday 8/29 4PM. For more information contact Coach Jay Hart jhart@k12.somerville.ma.us<mailto:jhart@k12.somerville.ma.us

For additional clearance and eligibility information, please contact Nicole Viele- Director of Athletics at 617.625.6600 x6161 or nviele@k12.somerville.ma.us<mailto:nviele@k12.somerville.ma.us



Best bets for collecting best sellers

By Kenneth Gloss

If you're an avid fiction reader, you may spend a lot of time scrutinizing the best-seller lists before you select reading material. However, best-seller lists can also serve as a guide for book collectors. People intent on collecting the stories that have been loved by generations or that have had the most influence on popular culture will find collecting direction in these lists. If you have a penchant for the popular, bestsellers may be the collecting niche for you.

One word of caution before you run out to snap up a novel by James Patterson or Malcolm Gladwell: just because a book hits the best-seller list, it is not automatically collectible. Actually, the vast majority of best sellers never turn into collectibles. Rather, they are a hot item for a few months, only to be replaced in people's minds by the next captivating story that comes along. To become collectible a book has to be more than a temporary good read that catches the interest of the masses for the moment. It must contain that intangible quality that makes it a little more lasting. It must have universal appeal, reaching readers across generations. For many collectors this actually adds to the fun of collecting, as they try to guess what the next collectible best-seller will be and buy it before everyone else begins searching for it.

Even though most best-sellers don't become collectible, there is still a vast field of work to be collected because best-sellers have been around for hundreds of years. The first real American best sellers were Washington Irving's short stories, The Legend of Sleepy Hollow and Rip Van Winkle. These were written around 1820, during a time when technological advances brought the cost of printing down and allowing more people access to the written word. First editions of Irving's classics can be purchased for thousands of dollars but most in the low hundreds.

The second notable American best-seller was James Fenimore Cooper's Last of the Mohicans, published in 1826. Cooper's classic tale of two sisters' struggle through Native American territory to join their father at Fort Champlain during the Seven Years War originally appeared in small, poorly made editions. It's almost impossible to find a first edition in good shape, but if you do, it will likely sell for thou-

sands of dollars.

Another one of the runaway best-sellers of the 19th century was Uncle Tom's Cabin, by Harriet Beecher Stowe. Stowe's saga of slavery in the American South had huge social implications at the time of its publication and sold thousands of copies in its first year. A pristine first edition will bring as much as \$10,000 or more. Less well-preserved copies can often be had for a few hundred dollars.

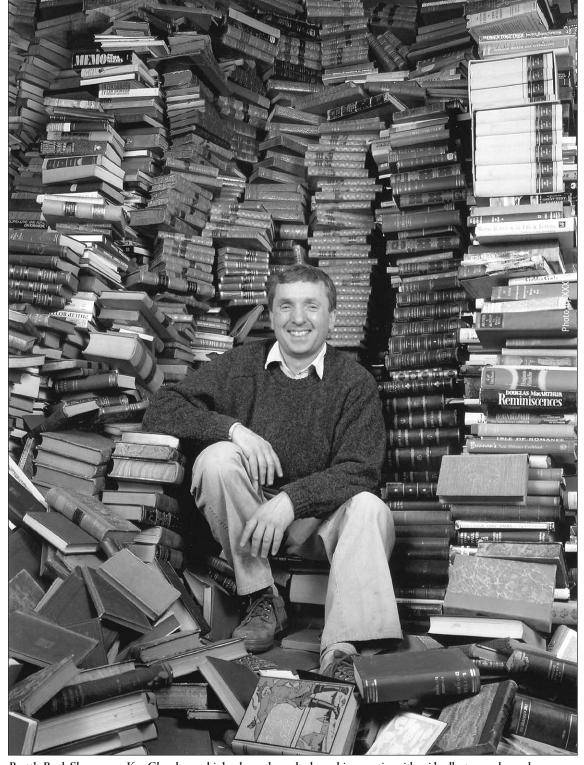
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for the moment

Mark Twain is an author with several best-selling collectible books, including Tom Sawyer and The Adventures of Huck-leberry Finn. Twain often wrote about history and the country, but layered his work with social commentary. When looking for copies of these books, be prepared to pay several thousand or possibly tens of thousands of dollars for a copy in mint condition.

Horatio Alger, a Boston local, is another author to make the collectible best-seller list. Alger was a prolific writer, penning well-received stories for adults as well as children. His work has timeless appeal because his stories embody the American spirit and the ethic that hard work brings success.

It isn't only books for adult readers that become collectible best-sellers. In 1900, The Wizard of Oz, a children's story, came out in time for the Christmas shopping season. It was tremendously popular, then as now, and a really fine, beautiful first edition is worth upwards of \$20,000. It's rare to find such a preserved copy because, as a children's book, The Wizard of Oz was read often rather than preserved.

Margaret Mitchell's Pulitzerwinning epic, Gone with the Wind, is bound to come up in any discussion of best-selling books. It was a spectacular bestseller and went through as many as 100 printings in its first year. It is extremely hard to find a copy from the first print run, and almost impossible to get a mint condition first edition. People read this book many times over, wearing out the book's pages



Brattle Book Shop owner Ken Gloss knows his books, and openly shares his expertise with avid collectors and casual speculators alike.

without thinking of maintaining its value as a future collectible. An unblemished first edition sells for \$2000-\$5000.

Almost all of the collectible best-sellers have been by American authors. British author J. K. Rowling's wildly popular Harry Potter series is an exception. When the first book was published, it wasn't expected to be a great success, so only 300 copies were printed, most of which were sent to libraries where they were thoroughly worn out by young readers. Almost no perfect first editions of Harry Potter exist and those that do run \$30,000 to \$40,000.

Collectors will encounter a wide price range when searching for best-sellers. The only books in this category that will consistently bring a truly high price are unread first editions in perfect condition. However, as an author becomes more established, the first run of their books often number in the millions rather than hundreds, guaranteeing that even a first edition of that particular book will never be rare. Currently the titles bringing

the best prices are the ones that were popular in the 1950s and 1960s, as that generation finds it has the time and money to begin collecting.

Movie adaptations are another thing that will affect price. If Judy Garland hadn't appeared in The Wizard of Oz, I doubt the book would have remained as popular as it has. The same holds true for Gone with the Wind; it is a wonderful story, but when you look at it, you really see Clark Gable.

Collectors with an interest in popular culture will find that collecting from the best-seller list can be an enjoyable pursuit that doesn't have to cost a lot of money. The list of collectible best sellers from the past is well established, but for those who like to try their hand at spotting trends, guessing which book will become the next collectible best seller can add even more fun.

Ken Gloss is the owner of the Brattle Book Shop, the oldest antiquarian bookstore in America. In 2011 The Brattle Book Shop is celebrating its 62nd year of Gloss family ownership. Visit the Website at: http://www.brattlebookshop.com, the shop at 9 West Street in the Downtown Crossing section of Boston. Ken has been seen with some frequency on PBS' Antiques Roadshow.

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT **JOSEPH A. CURTATONE** MAYOR

PLANNING DIVISION

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Zoning Board of Appeals will meet on Wednesday, August 17, 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.

63-67 Summer St (Case #ZBA 2011-01): Applicant & Owner Mark Grassia seeks a Special Permit with Site Plan Review to demolish a large portion of a non-conforming commercial structure to construct three-unit residential building units under SZO §4.4.1, 5.2 & 7.3. The existing twofamily house on the site will remain. One of the units onsite would be an affordable unit as defined in §13. Applicant/Owner also seeks a Variance for providing 5 of the 8 required parking spaces under §9.5 and §5.5. RB zone. Ward 3.

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.

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 and add stairs on the rear of an existing one family residence. RA zone/Ward 5

10 Hillside Circle (Case #ZBA 2011-59): Applicant and Owner, Hillside Enterprises, LLC, seeks a special permit to alter a nonconforming structure under SZO §4.4.1 to replace and alter the roof over a rear egress stairwell in an existing three-family residence. RB zone. Ward 3.

23 Porter St (Case #ZBA 2011-60): Applicant and Owner Lalo Development, LLC seeks a special permit to alter a nonconforming structure under SZO §4.4.1 to construct a 2½ story addition in the rear of an existing three-family dwelling. RB zone. Ward 3.

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

Attest: Dawn Pereira, Administrative Assistant Published in Somerville News on 8/3/11 & 8/10/11.

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT RFQ #12-09

Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning

Pursuant to Chapter 193 of the Acts of 2004, the City of Somerville, Massachusetts, the Awarding Authority, acting through its Purchasing Department, invites sealed Requests for Qualifications (RFQ) for HVAC Trade Subcontractors for the East Somerville Community School Renovations Construction Manager at Risk project. This RFQ #12-09 will be used to pre-qualify HVAC subcontractors who will be invited to submit a bid when the invitation for bids is issued in September.

RFQ documents are currently available from the City of Somerville Purchasing Department at 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA 02143, or can be obtained electronically by email to amallen@somervillema.gov.

Statements of Qualifications in response to this RFQ shall be signed under the pains and penalties of perjury. Qualifications must be received at the following address no later than Wednesday, August 24, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. Faxed transmissions will not be accepted. Please see RFP documents for details.

Submit to: Angela M. Allen, Purchasing Director 93 Highland Avenue Somerville, MA 02143

DCAM Certification and a current DCAM Update Statement are required. The City of Somerville reserves the right to reject any or all submissions if it is in the public interest to do so.

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

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A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the Somerville **Licensing Commission** on **Monday August 15, 2011** at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at 6:00PM on the application of Uptown Café, Inc. d/b/a Johnny D's Uptown Lounge, 17-27 Holland St., Somerville, MA for a transfer of 100% of stock from Tina DeLellis to Carla DeLellis.

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

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro **Administrative Assistant**

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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 11P2868EA2

In the Estate of: Irene V. Busi a/k/a Irene Virginia Busi

Late of: Somerville, MA, 02143

Date of Death: 05/09/2011

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

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

Morena Rodriguez

of Malden, MA

be appointed executor/trix, named in the will to serve

Without Surety

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: 10/08/2011

In addition, you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is ased, 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 27, 2011

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

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A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the **Somerville** Licensing Commission on Monday August 15, 2011 at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at 6:00PM on the application of Viz Inc., d/b/a Choices to transfer its All Forms Alcoholic Beverages 7 Day Restaurant license to Radio Bar, LLC, d/b/a Radio Bar and for an Entertainment License consisting of Musicians, Bands, D.J.'s, dancing, audio and televisions at 379-381 Somerville Ave., Somerville, MA.

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

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro **Administrative Assistant**

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT

MIDDLESEX, ss

SOMERVILLE DISTRICT COURT **DOCKET NO: 1110CV169**

ANGELIC M. MORALES Plaintiff.

SOMERVILLE BODY WORKS, INC. JOSEPH V. DEPALO, JR., and JOSEPH DEPALO, SR., Defendants

NOTICE OF SUIT

To the above named Defendants:

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon MELISSA J. POLLAND, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 11 BEACON STREET, SUITE 325, BOSTON, MA. 02108 an answer to the complaint which is filed in the Somerville District Court within 20 days after August 11, 2011. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you. You are also required to file your answer to the complaint in the office of the Civil Clerk at Somerville District Court, either before served upon plaintiff's attorney or within a reasonable time thereafter.

Please contact Plaintiff's attorney at (617) 973-9950

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Department

Worcester Division

Docket No. 11W 0430

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

Simone Martins Da Cunha - Plaintiff Agildo Lemes Da Silva - Defendant

To the above name Defendant:

A Complaint has been presented to this Court by the Plaintiff---Simone Martins Da Silva

209 C Complaint

You are required to serve upon ----Simone Martins Da Cunha Plaintiff(s) - Attorney for Plaintiff(s) whose address is -

34 Main Street Apt. 2 Milford, MA. 01757

your answer on or before August 30 2011. If you fail to do so, the Court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action, You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of the Register of this Court at Worcester

Witness Denise L. Meagher Esquire, First Justice of said

Court at Worcester this 13 day of July

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

Docket No. SU 11D1550DR

DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING

Marcia Santana Rivas vs. Manuel Robinson Rivas

Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street PO BOX 9667 Boston, MA 02114

To the Defendant:

The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for irretrievable breakdown of the marriage pursuant to G. L. c 208 Sec 1 B

The Complaint is on file at the Court.

An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party .SEE **Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411**

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon: Marcia Santana Rivas

137 Cottage St.

E. Boston, MA 02128-1010

your answer, if any on or before 09/01/2011. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

WITNESS, Hon. John M. Smoot, First Justice of this Court

Date: July 21, 2011

Sandra Giovannucci **Register of Probate**

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> JOHN'S AUTO SALES 181 Somerville Avenue Somerville, Ma. 02143 Tel: 617-628-5511 Fax: 617-628-9927

NEWSPAPER PUBLICATION FORM- SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLE NOTICE OF SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLE-MASS GL C. 255 SECTION 39A **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY:** JOHN'S AUTO SALES INC. **181 SOMERVILLE AVENUE** SOMERVILLE, MA. 02143

DATE OF SALE: 09/02/11 TIME OF SALE: 10:00 A.M.

PLACE OF SALE: John's Auto Sales

BY: (X) PUBLIC AUCTION OR () PRIVATE SALE

The following Motor Vehicle will be sold to satisfy the garage keeper's lien thereon for storage, towing charges, care and expense of notices and sale of said vehicle.

Vehicle Description: Year: 2004 Make: Mercury Model: Mountaineer Registration#/State 37VL62 Vin # 4M2ZU86K14UJ03214

Vehicle Owner Name Joseph Singletary / Simone Fergus

Address of Vehicle Owner: 777 Columbia Rd. Dorchester, MA. 02125 (Print Name) Ross Le Gallo Dated: 08/02/11 John's Auto Sales

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PATS TOWING

The following abandoned and/or junked motor vehicles will be disposed of or sold, any questions regarding this matter please contact Pats Towing. Monday-Friday 8:00am-5:00pm Tel: 617-354-4000, Fax: 617-623-4287

1990	Madza	Protege	Vin # JM1BG2241L0116599
1993	Honda	Civic	Vin # JHMEG8655PS055799
1987	Volvo	240	Vin # YV1AX8846H3233780
1994	Toyota	Corolla	Vin # 2T1AE09B1RC054856
2003	Dodge	Caravan	Vin # 1D4GP24383B191592
1994	Ford	Escort	Vin # 3FARP13J8RR130155

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1995	Chevy	Corsica	Vin # 1G11D5549SY167142
1999	Jeep	Cherokee	Vin # 1J4GW68N2XC578667
2007	Chevrolet	Colbalt	Vin # 1G1A155F177133530
1998	Honda	Accord	Vin # 1HGCG6670WA140215
1989	Honda	Civic	Vin # 1HGED3656KA046364
2000	Honda	Accord	Vin # 1HGCG1653YA044230

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

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro Administrative Assistant

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

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro Administrative Assistant

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Hungry Tiger Festival boasts exotic foods and a dragon

By Tiffani M. Morale

Crowds were drawn Somerville's Union Square Saturday night by the wafting aromas of delectable outdoor food stations at the Hungry Tiger Street Festival.

The Somerville center was overtaken by locals, and plenty of not-solocals, looking to enjoy the fabulous ethnic food extravaganza offered by city venders at unbeatable prices.

The festival was in full swing when the Emperor Norton's Stationary Marching Band began playing, horns, drums and a violin, breathing yet another layer of life into the fantastical open air party.

In addition to the wonderful music and array of tasty indigenous treats, there was an assortment of artisans showing off their skills in jewelry and accessory making. Alexandra Staples' hats and gloves were winners, with whimsical animal faces and bold flowers adorning them. The Esoterica Modern Vintage Jewelry display was breathtaking, with brightly colored necklaces and unique bead pairings.

The vibe in Union Square on Saturday night was definitely that of a foreign outdoor market. But very few outdoor markets are equipped with a prop quite as lavish as the dragon provided by Artisan's Asylum, a non-profit art school and workspace whose name is befitting. They rent space to local artists in addition to offering internships and teaching opportunities. The organization is an inclusive community fixture and in July they put an ad on their website announcing the opportunity for local artists to participate in building the colossal dragon. They had several representatives at the festival and were taking donations for rides on their creation. Once atop the dragon donors could pull the strings and open the mouth. It was quite a spectacle before the backdrop of the Independent Restaurant and Bar.

The crowd was as multicultural and enjoyable as the food selection, and the weather was cooperative.

The Hungry Tiger Street festival was a truly great treat, for all the senses, in the heart of Somerville.

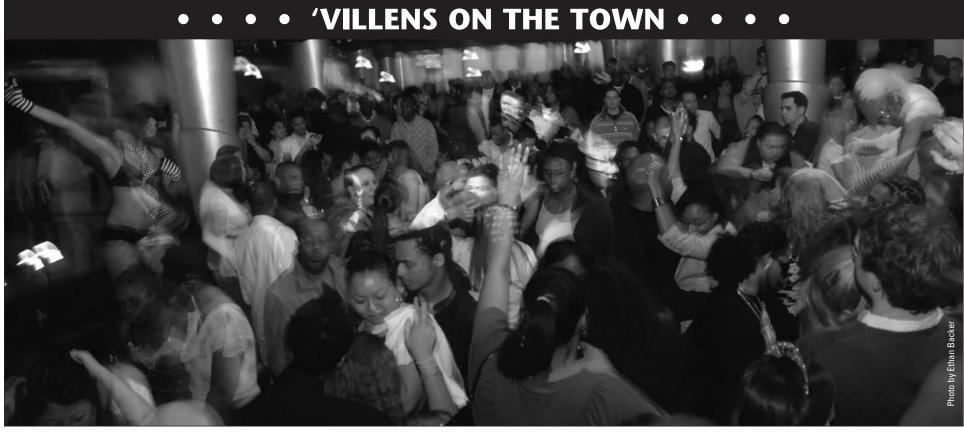


All this, and a dragon, too. The Hungry Tiger Festival was a genuine crowd pleaser.









FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH Wednesday August 10

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 4 p.m.-5 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Sunsetters

Senior Picnic 11:30am|Properzi Manor 7pm

Thursday August 11

Central Library

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

Central Library

Kidstock! presents Little Red Robbin' Hood 2 p.m.- 2:45 p.m.|79 Highland

West Branch Library

Groundwork Somerville at the West Branch

3 p.m.-4 p.m.|40 College Avenue

SomerMovie Fest

Brian's Song Seven Hills Park, Davis Sq.

Friday | August 12

Central Library

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

Monday August 15

Sunsetters

Bryant Manor/Mt.Pleasant @ **Brvant Manor** 7 p.m.

Tuesday August 16

West Branch Library

Preschool Storytime 11 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|40 College Avenue

Central Library

Summer Reading Club Awards and Storyteller Doria Hughes 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.|79 Highland

Sunsetters

Cobble Hill

Wednesday | August 17

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Preschool Storytime Broadway

Babygarten

11a.m. - 11:45 a.m.|40 College

Yoga Class for Kids Ages 7-12 with Janine Duffy

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A perfect storm

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Mayor Joseph Curtatone voiced palpable frustration regarding the delay, and said that the time had come for accountability. "The glamour is in the planning, the glory is in the execution," he said.

"I feel like we're in a position of leverage here," he said. "The governor, I take him as a man of his word; [he said] 'we're going to break ground during his tenure.' Well maybe we ought to rewind those press clippings for him because if he's a man of his word he'll keep his word and that'll happen."

Curtatone said that at greater urgency was the need for "a predictable, accountable, transparent timeline."

"What we need to understand is when are we breaking ground," he said. "What are the are the deliverables along that timeline? When will the tracks be realigned? What stations will open when and what will be in operation at this particular date, and that's what we need to have," rather than an "arbitrary end date"

A possible route to more funding would be if the extension project received funds from the federal "New Starts" program, run by the Federal Transit Administration. However, the future Assembly Square Orange Line was recently denied a mere \$25 million in federal dollars, signaling that an even greater grant for a similar project might also be denied. The FTA is also strongly considering cutting their funding for the T by 30 percent amounting up to \$80 million a year.

The cost of the GLX is currently projected at \$965 million, but at a recent meeting of the Metropolitan Planning Organization, it was revealed the pushback would inflate the cost to \$1.2 billion. The debt of the MBTA is over \$8.6 billion, with repayments set at \$400 million per year.

This cut into what Representative Tim Toomey (D-Cambridge) says was the real reason for MassDOTs delay. "I'd say clearly financial," he said. "I haven't got a clear answer from MassDOT, but I'm sure with the country and everything going on, it's financial."

Toomey, who sits on the Statehouse Ways and Means Committee said that while he would approve setting out to bond \$1.5 billion for the project, he doubted this would happen, as Mass-DOT would not ask for it.

Representative Carl Sciortino (D-Medford) who sits upon the Committee of Transportation blasted the department of transportation for the vagueness and

suddenness of their announcement, calling it "infuriating." Sciortino, who said that the Governor has yet to meet with the Somerville delegation called the announcement "frustratingly unclear whether this [is] purely a delay because of engineering restraints, meaning 'we can't build it fast enough' or if it's also taking into account fiscal constraints." Sciortino echoed many of his colleagues in expressing doubt over MassDOTs reasoning, those being issues involving eminent domain and 'right-ofway' track problems. "I expect more from MassDOT in terms of transparency."

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"We have been working on this for a long time with the Governor, and Cambridge and Somerville percentage in votes for the Governor in the last governors race. To be treated like this is just baffling," said Toomey.

"Governors come and go, this project is still sitting there, and we expect that Governor Patrick's administration, as a supporter of this project, we expect them to do everything they can to get this project finally built, and I don't see a clear date yet, or a shovel in the ground," said Sciortino.

"I'm not surprised," said Congressman Mike Capuano (D-MA) of the delay. "I was hoping I was wrong but I've been expecting this for a while."

"I'd be surprised if they hit the new deadline," he added. "I've been saying for many years that the T has no money. The other part of it is that these projects always take longer than people realize," he said, noting the Red Line stop in Davis Square took eight years to build.

"If we knew over the next several years what is going to happen, we could plan for economic development, new advancements in our community, also we'd have confidence that things are headed in the right direction," said Curtatone. The 184-unit Maxwell's Green development is but one of many projects in Somerville which rely partly upon transit access from the GLX in order to maximize their attractiveness on the market. The Mayor has sent out an online petition, currently containing around 2000 signatures from angry residents.

When questioned by the Somerville News, Governor Patrick said he was still committed to seeing the project through. "It's been put back on the schedule because we have to be realistic about what we can afford to do today, and how it ranks in the priority of things that need to be done. It's a commitment that I have made. It's a commitment the Commonwealth has made. It's a commitment we will keep," he said, acknowledging that the GLX was considered vital to the development economic Somerville "and beyond."

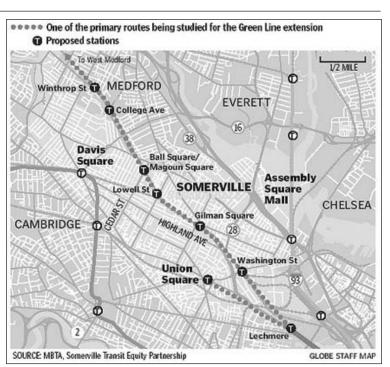
However, the GLX relies on money, only a small fraction of which have been generated through Commonwealth bonds, and the new Secretary of Transportation Richard Davey, said he would not ask the state legislature for more funds.

"Let's not lose sight of the fact, that we are dealing with a transportation system that is overburdened with Big Dig debt that has put a tremendous strain on the operations of this system," said Patrick. "Better management alone is not going to deliver the kind of system that the people deserve," he said, implying that the cost of the project might simply be too great.

"Let me tell you this; the Patrick Administration saved the Green Line [Extension]. I think you should recognize that," said outgoing Secretary of Transportation Jeffrey Mullan, whose made comments last April that Federal Transportation Authority funds might not be available. "This project was nowhere in 2007 when we took up the cause, despite the legal commitment, and brought the project forward in an enormous way."

"While we are hopeful and anticipate a significant federal contribution, at the federal level it is unclear where we are going in terms of transportation funding," said Davey. He said he would look into possibly attracting private funding for the project as has precedent Massachusetts Bay Commuter Rail company, (MCBR) that operates transit operations for some commuter rail lines.

Sciortino said he was angry that the situation had come to this. "I don't think that continuing to push off the needs of the transportation system are good for our state's economy or is good for our state's legal commitment, and I do think this delay highlights once again the transportation system is not only crumbling but these finance plans for the needs of our system are failing and we absolutely



Now put off until 2018 at least, the MPO also says that they wish to be released from going past College Ave. No Green Line in Medford.

have work to do to raise the revenue of our system," said Sciortino, who has proposed legislation for just such a cause.

A possible domestic solution to the problem is also one of the most unpopular: raising a gas tax that would add levies only to the state's transportation infrastructure needs. Patrick said that he would not push for it, despite the need. "I like it because it's a way to raise necessary revenue for transportation that cannot then be diverted to something else. But do we have a plan to raise the gas tax? No," said Patrick. He added that he intended to do what he could to leave a financially sustainable transportation system. Sciortino's proposed bill would add a tax for vehicle miles travelled, which would be a similarly designed plan for state infrastructure funding.

Davey said he would work with the community to see if they could lessen the date.

However his first anticipated solution, federal funding, seems to be a bleak hope as well.

A Larger Issue

Even if the MBTA and Mass-DOT were able to set their financial houses in order, the federal government nearly defaulted last week after nearly failing to raise the nation's debt ceiling. The solution was deemed inadequate by Standard and Poor's rating agency. They subsequently downgraded the nation's credit rating, producing a domino effect that has wreaked even further losses to the nation's economy and threatens to throw the world back into a global recession.

The lowering of sovereign credit from AAA to AA+ was a combination of many factors. In an S&P report, they reasoned that the United States did not have adequate control

over their political system to properly manage their commitments. They also noted a poor track record investing in projects of economic development, such as the GLX.

Capuano voted against the bill to raise the debt ceiling, claiming House Republicans has tapered the bill to the point where it did too little prove meaningful. "It should have been a clean debtceiling debate. We should have had a more thoughtful approach towards how we deal the government's deficit. People forget that we had a surplus budget for four years from 1998 to 2002. We did it because we got there slowly and overtime and it's only since 2002 that we've had this big massive deficits because we've insisted on having unfunded wars. We insisted on having tax cuts that didn't necessarily help the

"I voted against the Bush tax cuts and I voted against extended them," he said. "There are just not enough of us in the congress who are willing to do that."

"This [problem] is self-imposed by at least seven or eight years of denial of economic reality," said Capuano.

Capuano said that these instances of institutional dysfunction in American politics involved a fundamental value-conflict at heart in society. "That's the country is lurching back and forth from the right to the left. As long as that happens you're going to have these situations arise. The country is going to have to wake up at some point and make a decision for a period of time, not just at any given moment, for which direction it wants to go in."

Capuano added that the \$2.5 trillion in federal cuts under the debt-ceiling agreement would lead to more jobs being cut in the private sector than the public sector.



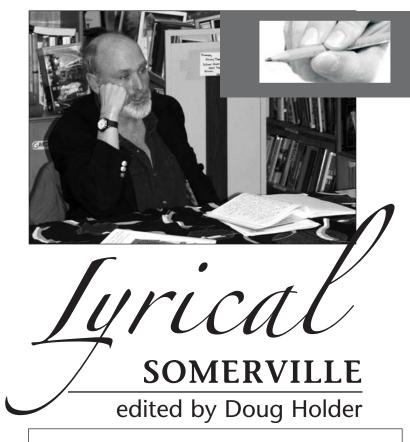
SCAT Program Schedule for the Week

Wednesday, August	10	2:00pm	Thom Hartmann	10:00am	Tele Galaxie	7:00am	Reclaiming Their Voices
12:00am	Free Speech TV	3:00pm	Wikileaks/ Pentagon Papers	11:00am	Dead Air Live Show	8:00am	Democracy Now!
6:00am	Flipside	5:00pm	Improv Toolkit w/Nadia	12:00pm	Reeling: The Movie review	9:00am	SCATV
6:30am	The Struggle	6:00pm	Preventing Prescription Drugs	12:30pm	Somerville Housing Authority	10:00am	Somerville News Reading
7:00am	Arabic Hour	7:00pm (LIVE)	Tele Magazine	1:00pm (LIVE)	Bongoman	11:00am	Nossa Gente e Costumes
8:00am	Democracy Now!	8:00pm (LIVE)	Fouye Zo Nan Kalalou	2-5:00pm	Community Forums	12:00noon	Democracy Now!
9:00am	Somerville News Reading	9:30pm	Physician Focus	5:00pm	Tele Kreyol	1:30pm	Somerville Housing Authority
10:00am	Abugida TV	10:00pm	Local Impact	6:00pm	Abiguda TV	2:00pm	Thom Hartmann Show
11:00am Medical E	quipment Distribution Program	11:00pm	Sound Off	7:00pm	Somerville News Reading	3:00pm	Community Forums
11:30am	Raising Drug-Free Kid	Friday, August 12		8:00pm	Tele Magazine	6:00pm	Al Jazeera
12:00noon	Democracy Now!	12:00am	Free Speech TV	9:00pm	Nossa Gente e Costumes	·	Know Your Rights
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1:30pm	Animal Agenda	8:00am	Democracy Now!	11:00pm	Sonic Lobotomy	7:30pm	Healthy Hypnosis
2:00pm	Thom Hartmann	9:00am	Sound Off	Sunday, August 14		8:30pm	Steve Katsos Show
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5:00pm	CommonSense	1:00pm	The Expert Series	8:00am	In Season, Out of Season	7:00am	Perils for Pedestrians
5:30pm	Healer in Every House	1:30pm	Cook w/Georgia & Dez	8:30am	The Atheist Viewpoint	8:00am	Democracy Now!
6:00pm	Al Jazeera DC	2:00pm	Thom Hartmann Show	9:00am	Heritage Baptist Church	9:00am	Somerville News Reading
7:00pm (LIVE)	Chita Tande	3:00pm	Inside Talk	10:00am	Christian Assembly	10:00am	Tele Kreyol
8:00pm (LIVE)	Somerville Pundits	4:00pm	N'hood Cooking/Candy	11:00am	International Church of God	11:00am	CommonSense
8:30pm	Beard & Moustache Comp	4:30pm	Money On Your Mind	12noon	S'ville Housing Authority	12noon	Democracy Now!
9:30pm (LIVE)	The Freemont Show	5:00pm	Real Estate Answer Show	12:30noon	Somerville Hospital	1:00pm	The Commonwealth Report
10:00pm	The Smoki Dick Show	5:30pm	Your Money, Your Life	1:00pm	Waltham Philharmonic Orch.	1:30pm	Active Aging
10:30pm	Art @ SCATV	6:00pm	Al Jazeera DC	2:00pm	The Road to Recovery	2:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show
11:00pm	Commonwealth Report	7:00pm	Right Here, Right Now	3:00pm	Inside Talk	3:00pm	Robyn & Max Exercise
11:30pm	SCATV Bootcamp	8:00pm	Visual Radio	3:30pm	Shrink Rap	3:30pm	Esoteric Science
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12:00am	Free Speech TV	10:00pm	Razormore	5:00pm	Ethiopian Satelite TV	5:00pm (LIVE)	Poet to Poet
7:00am	Discovering Justice	11:00pm	Juprey Promotions	6:00pm	Abugida TV	5:30pm	Jeff Jam
8:00am	Democracy Now!	Saturday, August 13		7:00pm	African TV Network	·	
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10:00am	S'ville News Reading	7:00am	GAY USA	10:00pm	Arthur Goodrich	7:30pm (LIVE)	Greater Somerville w/ Joe Lynch
11:00am	Nibbles	8:00am	The Struggle	Monday, August 15		8:00pm (LIVE)	Dead Air Live Show
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City Cable TV Schedule for the Week

Wednesday, August 10			Behavior & Control	12:30am: (15)	WSNS Moving On Ceremony	8:35pm: (13/16)	Special BOA Meeting 8/10/11
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	at Art Beat	12:30am: (15)	Somerville Students Rock!	1:20am: (15)	7th Annual SCAP Meeting	Tuesday, August	16
9:00am: (15) Full	Circle Graduation	2:05am: (13/16)	Dance Showcase at Art Beat	12:00pm: (13/16)	Senior Circuit	12:00am: (13/16)	Hodgkins-Curtin Park Re-Opening
11:30am: (15)	Kid Stuff	2:20am: (15)	Somerville Schools Choral Concert	12:00pm: (15)Fina	l String Concert at Kennedy School	12:00am: (15)	Raising Families
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This week we have the work of Somerville poet/artist Bridget Galway. Joyce Galway and best friend Steve Seley, both parents of Bridget Galway, spent many hours sharing their love for books. They were immersed in the bohemian lifestyle of the 50's and 60's. Stephen Seley was the author of the novel *The Cradle Will Fall*, published in 1945 by Harcourt and Brace, and *Baxter Bernstein: A Hero of Sorts*, published in 1949 by Charles Scribner's and Sons. His last book, *The End of Mercy*, was published in 1969 in Amsterdam by Bosch, Utrecht. He spent the remaining years of his life in Ibiza Spain.

In the Wake of Ibiza

For only two months

I walked with my father
on the narrow white stone streets of

Crisp white stucco buildings stood tightly together, their rod iron balconies, bursting red geraniums in terracotta pots.

The walking rainbow of people, faces from a Fellini movie.

Drinking Hierbas at Estrella or La Finca, talking to Kerstin, laughing with Clive.

The abundance of those days formed in music.
The acting out of characters in plays of passion.

Those inspired passages we left behind on our way to his home.

There a stacked landscape; of soft and hard covers formed on ash ridden surfaces.

A few clothes hung in the dark.

Scraps of his writing scattered about. The smell of red wine, and Limburger cheese wrapped in cloth in his closet

The sun set as he grumbled accounts of life into sleep.

My thoughts went to places, some real, more imagined.

I gathered myself to the window, to the sound of night life, its music, people's voices in anticipation.

I wanted the possibilities of that life.

I looked to the stars, no longer wishing like a child, but knowing he would always be to me a dream undone.

I returned to the worn out sofa; where past characters posted, in sober or drunken merriment.

I fell asleep like a half written poem.

Then in a weepy morning, through the light stream, moving quietly,

tep to step,

with hardly

a breath

breath,.

So I may not be discovered in my retreat.

I stood in the bright of day, in this human thing,

was stormed in as I walked away.

- Bridget Galway

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OFF THE SHELF

by Doug Holder

Somerville Poet Harris Gardner:

Bringing his poetic passion to the Paris of New England

Somerville poet Harris Gardner is many things. This fairly recent transplant to our town is a substitute teacher at Somerville High, a real estate broker, and founder of the much lauded poetry organization "Tapestry of Voices" that has put on the Boston National Poetry Festival for the last decade at the Boston Public Library in Copley Square.

Many of Gardner's students at Somerville High refer to him as Einstein because of his curly halo of gray curls, and he is a genius in his own way. Since 1999 he has created a literary community of readings that span from the soon to be defunct Borders Books in downtown Boston, to the Liberty Hotel, the former home of the infamous Charles Street Prison. Currently he and Somerville poet/publisher Gloria Mindock host a poetry series that meets every third Tuesday of each month at the Arts Armory on Highland Ave. (6:30 PM) in our burg. The readers of the series has included many Somerville poets like Lloyd Schwartz, Ifeanyi Menkiti, yours truly, and others.

Gardner who has lived on Beacon Hill for many years has not only organized poetry readings but he is a well-published poet with credits in the *Harvard Review, Midstream, Ibbetson Street, Aurorean,* and many others. He has a number of collections under his belt, the most recent: *Among Us* published by Somerville's Cervena Barva Press.

I asked Gardner what he thinks about the lack of interest of the powers-that-be about creating a Poet Laureate in Somerville. Gardner opined: "I think Somerville is slow to pick up on what 23 cities in Massachusetts have already. I was on the Committee for the Poet Laureate in Boston that selected Sam Cornish, as well as working with the city of Cambridge to establish their Populist Poet. This is a very worthwhile. Too bad the city can't realize it."

Gardner, like me, bemoans the fact that a number of independent bookstores have closed in our city, most notably McIntyre and Moore Used Books, a long time icon in Davis Square. Gardner believes that Porter Square Books is a great store, but it is really in Cambridge, and they don't sell used books. "I really think we could use a bookstore in Somerville that sells new as well as used books", he said.

Gardner is also a co-founder of Somerville's Bagel Bards, a literary group that meets every Saturday at 9A.M. at the Au Bon pain in Davis Square. I asked him if he writes when he is at the group. Gardner smiled: "I wrote a poem while coming up from the Davis Square subway. I write everywhere. If I did write in a café regularly I think Bloc 11 in Union Square would have the right atmosphere." I pointed out that Sherman Café in Union square was equally as good a writing spot—he took notes.

Gardner has recently been appointed the Poetry Editor of Somerville's Ibbetson Street Press, and in that capacity he has attracted such noted poets as Diana der Hovanessian, Richard Hoffman, X.J.



Kennedy, Maxine Kumin and others. So even though Gardner has been in the Paris of New England a short while; he has already accomplished more than some have in a lifetime in our city—welcome aboard!

Who?

This stoned cat puffs fragile rings in my face. He's pretty pushy, he is. Asks imperiously, "Who are you?" You better believe that stops me on the spot!

Who am I? Starts right off with the tough question. Am I in jeopardy if I reply? I stall to buy a number. He starts to do a fade, already bored. He blinks, yawns, ready for a snooze.

I volley it right back, barely clearing the net. Who are you to ask who am I? What's next, "where are you?" That should be my question.

Only his face hovers, can't see the strings; the rest is buried in a billow of deconstructing rings. Aging memories bruise like pinched fruit.

"Who are you?" Seems simple enough; however, it's complicated.
Who will I be when I remember?
If I could answer that riddle,

It would prove my genius, like solving the sphinx..
Whose family lives under my roof?
What is my proof?

Who am I, a part of your dream? When I pinch you awake, I fear that I, a wraith, shall simply disappear.

- Harris Gardner

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