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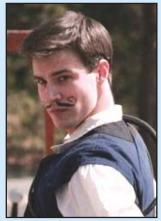
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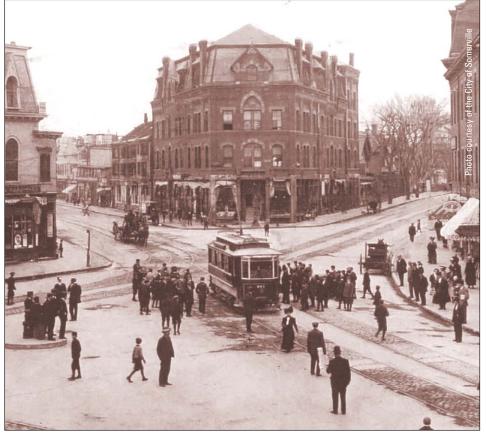


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Union Square Revitalization Plan discussed at special meeting



Union Square has come a long way since the "good old days." Planning for its future could prove to be a long, arduous process for city strategists and officials.

By Cathleen Twardzik

The Union Square Revitalization Plan was discussed at a recent Board of Aldermen special meeting.

"There is an extensive process that must be followed for [the Union Square Revitalization Plan] to be implemented. First, the Board of Aldermen must hold a public hearing. Then, the Board of Aldermen would have to approve the plan, as well as the Planning Board, and then, the plan would have to be approved by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development. Thus, the presentation at the August 16 meeting was very preliminary," said William A. White Jr., Alderman At Large.

A vote did not occur at the special meeting.

However, the result was that the plan must be sent to a committee because that is mandatory, according to the Rules of the Board of Aldermen. Additionally, state law requires a public hearing to occur. The plan was sent to the Board's Committee on Housing and Community Development, according to White.

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Somerville Veterans witness history

By Michelle Sinclair

On Sunday, August 19, Somerville's Winter Hill Yacht Club's Commodore Bill Rogers, along with Somerville's Council of Aging Director Cindy Hickey, President Juan Gallego, and Past President Ken Webber from the Chelsea Rotary, hosted a Veterans Parade for the Somerville COA Veterans along with the veterans from the Chelsea Soldiers home.

Over sixty veterans turned out to parade on Boston Harbor on nine boats operated by volunteers from WHYC. The parade was escorted by Officer Jack Chapin from the Massachusetts Environmental Police who lead the boat parade flotilla of veterans to view the USS Constitution sailing into Boston Harbor historically under her own sails.

The USS Constitution is the U.S. Navy's oldest commissioned warship afloat. It is the second time that it sailed under its own power since the ship turned 200 years old in 1997.

The historic trip marked the day two centuries ago when the USS Constitution defeated the British frigate HMS

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102 year old Somerville resident and U.S. Army Veteran Joe Piro enjoying history in the making.







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This Friday night big night here in the 'Ville is the Somerville Fight Night, presented by the Somerville Boxing Club, at Dilboy Stadium. Doors open at 6:000 p.m., first bout at 7p.m. A great night supporting a good Somerville organization that works with our youth.

On Thursday night there will be a fundraiser for Sean Fitzgerald, who has decided to run again for Alderman At Large. The fundraiser is being hosted by former Mayor Dot Gay and is being held at Sally O'Brien's at 335 Somerville Avenue from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Sean is the very first to let it out that he's going to run for one of the four Alderman At Large seats. Much to the dismay of the present incumbents who will have to spend some money to keep their seats, this will make five candidates for the seat. They need nine for a primary, which would be great. This along with Mark running against Sean in Ward 5. We hear there are rumblings going on in Ward 3 as well as Ward 4 and Ward 7. All this and we are 14 months away from citywide elections.

Speaking of elections, it's going to be a tough battle with both Maria Curtatone and Maryann Heuston running from the city here, for a county seat. They both are working very hard but so is that guy over in Framingham, Tom Concannon, who lost county wide in a recount few years back. Candidate Robert Antonelli, who once was a county elected official and then was removed from office, is running hoping that no one will remember him being removed as Register of Probate. He's counting on being the first person on the ballot. We're hoping that voters skip over the letter A and move to Curtatone or Heuston, both two of Somerville's finest ladies.

The election is September 6, a Thursday. Very unusual. Normally, elections are held on Tuesday but this year it's a Thursday. Representative Denise Provost is out

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TheSomervilleNews.com Comments of the Week

Response to Mayor, OSPCD submit Urban Revitalization Plan for Union Square

mark says:

Union Square is long overdue for a make over and I know that the mayor is on the right track. As a home owner near Union Square, I am delighted that the mayor is interested in making Somerville a better place to live. Of course there will be many negative outbursts from people that don't want anything to change – even if it's for the better. Eminant Domain is a good thing. Especially for the junk yards, brownfields and the "car repair/chop shops". It's about time that someone has taken interest in our city. Thank you, Mayor Curtatone

Ray Spitzer says:

There are many disgusting car repair/chop shops along Somerville Av. They should get rid of those, as they make the entire neighborhood look like crap.

just sayin' says:

"Hey I got the greenline to union, sorry I couldn't get it to the rest of city." Wondering who the big property owners are in union...they will be the ones who beneft.

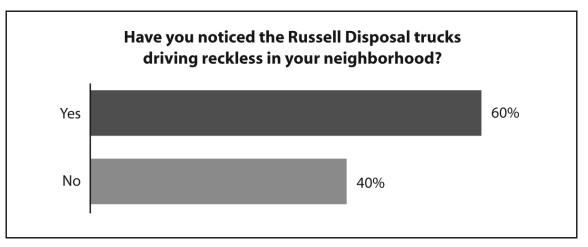
Boston St says:

Come on, won't the owners of the hundreds of housing units that get built pay taxes? Union square needs redevelopment now. I know of several design firms in Cambridge that looked into moving into the Union Square area, couldn't find any suitable space, and decided to move to the south boston waterfront instead. Union square can't afford to keep losing out.

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TheSomervilleNews.com poll of the week

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BOA approves urban farming ordinance

By Jim Clark

In a move that is certain to please both seasoned and amateur backyard farmers alike, the Somerville Board of Aldermen passed the Urban Agriculture Zoning Amendment last week, making the homegrown movement more robust and vital than ever.

The ordinance will allow residents to cultivate their own crops, as well as keep a limited amount of chickens and bees, and spells out specific guidelines and requirements for such activities.

Citing many benefits to the city and its residents, advocates of the ordinance pointed to the need for easy access to fresh foods, especially in areas where such access is limited. By encouraging home, community garden, and commercial farming within the city, it is hoped that the movement will provide better opportunities for growing and sharing local edible goods.

Guidelines for production and sales of the goods produced have been outlined and will be enforced by the appropriate agencies. For example, permits will be required for those who wish to keep chickens and beehives. A maximum of 6 chickens will be permitted in residential areas, and up to two beehives will be allowed. Also, it is required that those who keep them do so on the property where they reside.

Growing fruits and vegetables for later sale does not require a permit, but the garden's soil must be tested for contaminants such as lead. Ordinance guidelines do not affect those who grow food for their own consumption.

Specific rules apply for selling the homegrown goods. The selling period will be from May 1 through October 31, and one may sell only three days per week with a total maximum of 25 days of sales. Additionally, one may not sell produce grown in a community garden.

A complete rundown of rules and guidelines will be detailed and published by the city, inthose bу Somerville Board of Health, in the near future.

Mayor Curtatone has been a long-standing advocate for the urban farming program. In addressing the Board of Aldermen earlier this year he stated, "Somerville has been recognized as an innovative community, both for our award-winning programs and initiatives, as well as for our ability to do more with less, providing quality services for our residents on a balanced



Somerville is at the forefront of the urban farming movement.

budget. The urban agriculture initiative proposed in this SZO amendment provides another opportunity for Somerville to serve as a national model of how a densely populated urban community can become an agricultural hub. The proposed zoning amendments would simultaneously provide opportunities for healthier eating options for all residents, as well as opportunities around local food entrepreneurial activity and job training

for both youth and adults."

Somerville already looks to be ahead of the urban farming having established Groundwork Somerville, the Somerville Growing Center and Green City Growers. These, along with a successful Farmers Market program, including two outdoor markets, one indoor winter market, and a mobile market at the Mystic Housing Authority on Mystic Avenue, seems to have put the city at an advantage when it comes to providing homegrown goods at affordable prices.

Those seeking more information about the urban farming movement can visit the blog set up by the city at http://somervilleurbanag.tumblr.com. A Facebook page has also been established by Somerville Loves Urban Gardening (SLUG) at www.facebook.com/groups/SomervilleG ardeners.

Davis Sq. Streetscape meetings continue

By Emmanuel Vincent

Trial and error is a constant theme when attempting to make improvements. This holds true for the Davis Square Streetscape Project, which is an ongoing process.

In the most recent meeting, which was held on Tuesday, August 14, the focus was on reviewing revisions made to the design alternatives based on feedback received from the public from the previous meeting.

In addition, there was a discussion regarding options for updating materials such as bricks, concrete, and pavers, and also street furniture like benches, lighting, tables, and garbage/recycling cans.

The public expressed their concern with the traffic schemes that the city had been asked to investigate. Most of the comments centered on the intersections and how traffic queues might be affected by these improvements.

There was a level of gratitude for the number of people who came to attend the meeting. "We were really pleased at how many people were able to attend, and about the lively discussion. There was clear desire to have additional discussion and more time to digest, so we scheduled another meeting," said Sarah Spicer, Senior Transportation Planner In addition, she believes that there was significant progress made in this project. "We collected more feedback on this iteration of the design options, and so we'll be able to incorporate these into the next round of topics." The next meeting is scheduled for September 11 inside the Atrium Room in the Tufts Administration Building on 167 Holland Street.

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By Jim Clark

Parking Control officer arrested for assault

Police responded to a report of an assault and battery at Taylor and Dane Streets last Tuesday morning.

Responding officers were told by the alleged victim that as he was crossing the street a car stopped short at the crosswalk and that a heated verbal exchange ensued between himself and the driver of the vehicle.

The alleged victim reportedly told police that he was spat at by the vehicle's driver during the confrontation. As the suspect drove away the alleged victim reportedly shouted out to him that he had seen by his uniform that he was a Parking Control officer, that he had taken down his license plate number, and that he would be calling police to make a complaint.

The suspect reportedly drove a short distance up Dane Street and pulled into a parking lot, then turned his vehicle to face out into the street.

The alleged victim, a 61-yearold man, accompanied by his son, who had reportedly witnessed the incident, then walked over and stood in front of the suspect's vehicle, waiting for police to arrive.

More words were exchanged and the suspect reportedly bumped the alleged victim with his vehicle a number of times, according to victim and witness testimony. The alleged victim's son, who had phoned in the complaint to police, had reportedly taken footage of the alleged assaults with his cell phone. Police have reportedly retrieved the digital footage.

Other witnesses to the incident reportedly corroborated the alleged victim's testimony.

Anthony P. Silvestri was placed under arrest and charged with assault with a dangerous weapon.

Reckless driver hits cop

While directing traffic last Wednesday at the corner of Medford St. and Broadway, an area which was having its crosswalk repainted, two officers on paid detail witnessed an impatient driver go around four stopped cars then speed away,

narrowly clipping one officer with the vehicle's mirror, according to reports.

The officers noticed that the male driver, later identified as Adam Scott, 23, of Woburn, along with another male and two female passengers, were

laughing as they raced down Broadway, police said, ignoring the officers' orders to stop.

The vehicle's plate was radioed in and a patrol unit stopped the car at Morrison Ave.

The two officers who reported the incident, including the one hit by the car, arrived to make an identification.

When ordered out of the car Scott reportedly refused, then slapped away the officer's hands when an attempt was made to pull him out of the vehicle, according to reports.

Pepper spray was administered and Scott eventually complied, whereupon he exited the vehicle and was handcuffed. He was placed under arrest and charged with failure to stop for police, assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, and resisting arrest.

Arrests:

Anthony Silvestri, 58, of 252 Medford St., August 14, 10:39 a.m., arrested at Dane St. on a charge of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon.

Jorge Furtado, 37, of 11 MacArthur St., August 14, 2:13 p.m., arrested at home on a charge of assault and battery.

Tara Gonzalez, 25, of 38 Derby St., August 14, 5:00 p.m., arrested at 220 Washington St. on warrant charges of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon and assault and battery.

Adam Scott, 23, of 1 Johnson St., Woburn, August 15, 12:21 a.m., arrested at Boston Ave. on charges of failure to stop for police, assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, and resisting arrest.

Jose Rodriguez, 23, of 148 Cross St., August 15, 12:37 a.m., arrested at 61 Union Sq. on charges of disorderly conduct and furnishing a false name or Social Security number.

Siham Talal, 33, of 13 Kensington, August 15, 9:58 a.m., arrested at home on charges of resisting arrest and assault and battery.

Josue Erazo, 27, of 19 Chelsea St., E. Boston, August 15, 2:54 p.m., arrested at 299 Broadway on warrant charges of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor, and leaving the scene 17, 9:48 a.m., arrested at 9 of property damage.

Joseph Tolley, 44, August 15, 5:15 p.m., arrested at 5 Cross St. on a warrant charge of assault and battery.

Erin Sullivan, 32, of 21 Elm Pl., August 15, 10:49 p.m., arrested at 471 Medford St. on a charge of harassment prevention order violation.

Brian Buckley, 30, of 54 Cotting St., Medford, August 16, 1:00 a.m., arrested at College Ave. on a charge of operation of a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor.

Wilson Saravia, 25, of 128 Sumner St., E. Boston, August 16, 2:18 p.m., arrested at Bonair St. on a charge of operation of a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor.

Michael Whalen, 46, of 204 Washington St., August 16, 5:03 p.m., arrested at 129 Glen St. on charges of receiving stolen property, operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license, and carrying a dangerous weapon.

Keith Richardson, 26, of 11 Benjamin Rd., Belmont, August 16, 5:03 p.m., arrested at 129 Glen St. on charges of possession of a class B drug and receiving stolen property.

Erin Sullivan, 32, of 21 Elm Pl., August 16, 9:10 p.m., arrested at 471 Medford St. on a charge of harassment prevention order violation.

James Hook, 44, of 240 Albany St., Cambridge, August

Davis Sq. on a warrant charge of larceny from a person.

Shukry Juma, 21, of 41 Corey St., Charlestown, August 17, 2:59 p.m., arrested at 75 Mystic Ave. on multiple charges of receiving stolen property and on warrant charges of failure to stop for police, speeding, and unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

Walter Maradiaga, 19, of 591 Saratoga St., E. Boston, August 18, 7:09 a.m., arrested at 52 Mt. Vernon St. on charges of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon and armed assault

Rodney Teixeira, 33, of 25 Granite St., August 18, 1:22 p.m., arrested at Broadway on a charge of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

Incidents:

Theft:

August 14, 8:30 a.m., police reported a theft at Hanson St. August 14, 9:18 a.m., police reported a theft at Hanson St. August 14, 4:26 p.m., police reported a theft at Somerville

August 14, 4:41 p.m., police reported a theft at 91 Highland

August 14, 4:49 p.m., police reported a theft at Jaques St.

August 14, 6:30 p.m., police reported a theft at Spring St. August 14, 7:33 p.m., police

reported a theft at Day St. August 14, 7:48 p.m., police reported a theft at Elm St.

August 14, 11:18 p.m., police reported a theft at Burnside

August 15, 10:39 a.m., police reported a theft at Porter St.

August 15, 12:32 p.m., police reported a theft at Porter St.

August 15, 2:54 p.m., police reported a theft at School St.

August 15, 6:46 p.m., police reported a theft at Claremon St. August 16, 12:23 p.m., police reported a theft at Medford St. August 17, 9:56 p.m., police reported a theft at Beacon St.

August 17, 2:59 p.m., police reported a theft at 75 Mystic

August 17, 5:17 p.m., police reported a theft at 1 Davis Sq. August 17, 5:37 p.m., police reported a theft at Beacon St.

August 18, 1:20 a.m., police reported a theft at Highland

August 18, 2:43 p.m., police reported a theft at Webster

August 18, 6:22 p.m., police reported a theft at Silvey Pl.

August 19, 11:27 a.m., police reported a theft at Willow Ave. August 19, 6:59 p.m., police reported a theft at Linden St.

August 19, 10:42 p.m., police reported a theft at Crescent St.

Robbery:

August 18, 7:04 a.m., police reported a robbery at Mt. Vernon St.

Breaking & Entering:

August 14, 11:44 a.m., police

reported a breaking & entering at Bow St.

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August 14, 8:52 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Central St.

August 16, 1:13 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Highland Ave.

August 16, 5:44 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Somerville Ave.

August 18, 2:41 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Joseph St.

August 18, 3:56 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Otis St.

August 19, 1:58 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Walnut St.

August 19, 5:07 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Buckingham St.

Vehicle Theft:

August 14, 7:21 p.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Dana

August 15, 8:49 a.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Cedar St.

August 15, 10:43 a.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Boston Ave.

Assault:

August 14, 2:13 p.m., police an assault reported MacArthur St.

August 15, 9:58 a.m., police reported an assault at Kensington Ave.

August 18, 11:25 a.m., police reported an assault at Walnut



Community Safety Summit held in Somerville

Teen Empowerment youth present photos on safety in Somerville

By Jim Clark

On Tuesday, August 21, The Center for Teen Empowerment, Shape Up Somerville, Mayor Joseph Curtatone and Police Chief Thomas Pasquarello held a Community Safety Summit at City Hall in the Board of Aldermen Chambers.

Youth Organizers from Teen Empowerment showcased photos they took around Somerville this summer that highlight issues of safety in the city. State legislators, Alderman, City officials, and social service workers attended the Summit and engaged with the youth photographers in a discussion about how to address the issues and increase community safety by working together.

Somerville's Community Safety Summit is the culmination of an intensive community safety audit performed by the 12 Teen Empowerment youth organizers this summer. Youth worked every day to explore issues of safety in their community and ideas for addressing those issues using the Photovoice technique, a participatory action research method by which people can identify, represent, and enhance their community through a specific photographic technique.

The intention of this photovoice project is to provide a process to empower the youth Somerville to tell their stories to people that make decisions over their daily lives. Somerville is one of three Middlesex communities piloting this project over the summer.

The project is funded by the Middlesex Community Transformation Grant (CTG), which has a strategic direction for Healthy and Safe Physical Environments. The aim of this strategic direction is to implement initiatives to improve the built environment in order to increase physical activity opportunities. Over 513,000 Middlesex residents stand to gain for safer physical environments, including 91,000 youth who will be at lower risk of violence. The grant is administered by the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission.

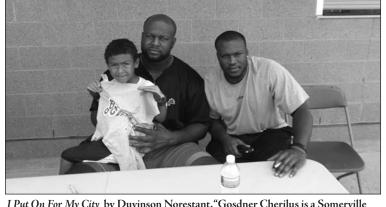
Founded in 1992, The Center for Teen Empowerment, Inc. empowers youth and adults as agents of positive individual, institutional, and social change. Each year, youth conduct over 150 initiatives involving some 6,000 people. The dialogue sessions are funded in part by the state's Charles E. Shannon Public Safety Initiative grant.



glass, beer bottles, alcohol containers, and trash. This is a forgotten place where terrible things can happen, especially at night. This building is on the left side of the street when I walk down Broadway to Sullivan Station. I have personally passed this building many times, wondering why nothing has been done, and ultimately speeding up to be safe and spend less time around it. This building should be taken down and rebuilt in a way that would benefit the residents of this city.'



Under My Bridge by Kevin Ma. "If it's inhabitable by pigeons, then it also must be inhabitable for us. Here lies a path that many use to cross over to Assembly Square mall, a plaza that's right across the street from my home. Plastic bags, dirt, bottles, and all types of nasty little creatures infest this underpass. Such unsanitary conditions exist because of the fact that there is no trash can. People would then just litter, so placing a trash can there will help make it cleaner. Also, having someone patrol the area to increase safety, clean up, and stop graffiti would be a bonus."



I Put On For My City by Duvinson Norestant. "Gosdner Cherilus is a Somerville High School graduate who played for Somerville High and currently plays for the Detroit Lions. He comes back to Somerville to run a camp called the Gosdner Cherilus Camp every summer. Gosdner goes to the Mystic Projects himself to get children to attend the camp. This camp keeps children busy and is a fun activity to do. It stresses discipline and patience which benefits young people in the real world, making our community a better place."

Arts at the Armory Café

The Arts at the Armory Café announces its **new summer hours**. Starting May 29, the Café is open Monday through Thursday noon to 6:00 pm; Friday and Saturday, noon to 8:00 pm; and Sunday noon to 5:00 pm., serving a menu that includes flatbread pizzas, sandwiches on artisan breads, soups, quiche, fresh baked desserts, craft beers and delicious wines.



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Creative Union Gallery holds closing sale

By Craig Fletcher Walnut Street Center

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Walnut Street Center and Outside The Lines Studio shared the Creative Union Gallery at 29a Union Square Somerville since 2010 as a way to showcase the wide range of talents people with disabilities have. We have depended on volunteer support to keep this venture alive and we want to thank all the amazing volunteers who have supported this unique gallery over these years.

As the Gallery Manager, Anyahlee Suderman has found a new calling in life. We want to thank Anyahlee for her hard work and commitment to the gallery and more importantly the artists she mentored. Her vision and presence will be greatly missed. The Creative Union will continue to exist as a cooperative using our studio and facility. We still need volunteers to continue to promote our artists, lead workshops, help with off-site and on site events and personally teach, and support the people we serve.

Due to continued budget cuts, Walnut Street Center is faced with cutting back and restructuring our art program. Hand-



The Creative Union Gallery is closing its doors, but the creative work offered by the Walnut Street Center and others will go on.

made crafts, merchandise and fine art made by artists with disabilities will continue to be sold at Walnut Street Center at its 35 Charlestown St. facility, as well as on site at Outside The Lines Gallery in Medford. Please continue to support us by checking our respective websites frequently, inquiring about volunteer opportunities at both studios, purchasing unique handcrafted art and promoting our mission to friends and family.

We hope to see many people

who have been long time supporters and visitors the week of August 20. Creative Union Gallery will be open every day from 10-6:00 p.m., August 20-26.

If you would like to help with the event, play music during our sale week, volunteer teaching in the studio, we always need helping hands and have a diverse range of opportunity to offer volunteers on an on-going basis. Please call 617-776-1448 for more information.

Yarnstorming Perry Park



Nave Gallery will host "Yarnstorm Perry Park," a two month public art installation beginning on Saturday, August 25, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. The event will be feature artists, young and old, who enjoy knitting, crocheting and livening up a public space with yarn-based designs and patterns. The installation will give Perry Park a warm and fuzzy makeover. All are welcome to join in on installing this amazing public art piece. Perry Park is located between Dane and Leland Streets, outside of Union Square. The installation will run from August 25 to November 11. Questions about the event should be directed to Margaret Ryan, aka "Pearl K. Nit" at yarnstorming11@gmail.com, the event organizer.

- Allison Caloggero

Road Race check presentation



The Walnut Street Center accepted a check for \$5,000 from the St. Patrick's Day Road Race, Ras na hEireann, on Tuesday, August 14. The Center was named a beneficiary of the 2012 Road Race, an event it hopes to continue sponsoring in the future. The funds will be put towards continuing WSC's mission of making life more meaningful for persons with developmental disabilities through employment training, day and residential habilitation programs and clinical support. Pictured here (L to R): Jack Connolly, Ray Zonghetti, Joseph Churchill, Paul Coyller, William Tauro, Eugene Brune, James J McSweeney, Rui Domingos, Emma Taddeo, and Craig Orsi. Community members interested in volunteering or finding out more about the Walnut Street Center should visit www.wscinc.org.



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COMMENTARY

TALES OF SOMERVILLE



Farm livin' is the life.

The View From Prospect Hill



There is something at our core that warms to the idea of "urban farming." The agrarian roots of our nation's economy are but a rapidly fading memory in the face of mega-corporate control and its sterile mechanization of food production in modern times. The old family farm has, sadly, gone condo.

The Board of Alderman move

to allow limited forms of home farming in the city can be seen as a step forward in restoring some of that old time feeling of selfsufficiency. Some may have doubts regarding health and safety issues as small livestock is brought into the urban mix, along with concerns over the already pressing problem of rodent control.

The guidelines set forth by the Board governing this should provide adequate protection for resident and consumer protection. No one will be driving in herds of cattle, sheep, or mountain goats. A few chickens and a couple of beehives do not a barnyard make. A well-tended vegetable patch is equally innocuous.

As our economy continues to struggle, with high prices for goods and services, it is a no-brainer that families and individuals would seek out ways to provide for their sustenance and maybe make a few bucks in the process. One is reminded of the "victory gardens" of the WWII era. When backed up to the wall, we Americans can usually find a way to push our way back and even get a little ahead at the end of the day.

May our new urban farmers be successful in their efforts and may we all benefit to some degree from this small revival of the agrarian ideal.

If we do it right it should be interesting.

News Talk CONT. FROM PG 2

there and not taking her seat for granted. She's busy working the district here and we predict an easy victory for her. She's done a good job.

Happy Birthday this week to some of The Somervilles News' fans: To Cliff Clark and Thomas Talbot. Both have grown up and moved on, but still have ties here in the 'Ville. Also, Happy Birthday greetings go out to our good friend Bert Gay. Bert is turning 72 years old this week and we wish him all the best from The News. Happy Birthday to our good friend Richard Foscarota, who is celebrating here in the 'Ville this week. Happy Birthday to our good friends Larry Rogers and Ricky Barletta, and former residents Mary and Maureen Hart, both now married and raising their own families.

This Saturday, the 25th, from 6:00 to 11:00 p.m. over at the Orient Heights Yacht Club, 61 Bayswater Street, East Massachusetts 02128, Somerville High Class of 1982 is holding its 30th reunion. Tickets at the door, plus it's casual dress.

Also this Saturday, there will be a headstone fundraiser for Jamey "Jibbs" Corocoran. This is an event to help the family raise money for a headstone for Jamey's grave, to be held at the Portuguese American Civic League, 26 Springfield Street here in the 'Ville. Donation is \$20. A 50/50 raffle will be held and there will be a buffet dinner.

Happy wedding anniversary to our good friends Maryann and Dennis Sinclair. We wish them many more years of happiness.

There was an incident the other day at Magoun Sq. Dunkin's. It seems that one of the young ladies might need a brushing up on manners and how to talk to customers, as well not overcharging for an unordered drink. Whatever happened to the days when you were trying to make the customers come back and do business with you? This is not the first time we saw it happen at this location. One time one of our Newstalkers stood right behind a customer who was trying to get her drink the way she wanted it, not the way they wanted to make it. Maybe this particular store doesn't need any more customers?

Keep your eyes open for the new community theater company that will be performing its first production which will be A. R. Gurney's "Love Letters" at the Armory in the late fall.

We hear that the Olde Paddock Restaurant recently closed and a new restaurant will be moving in very soon. Sources tell us that the new place will be fantastic and a big hit here in the city. What a great location and only a short time after the recent closing. We will let you know more, once we have all the details. Some of us here at The News used to love going to the Paddock on Friday nights. Hopefully, they will bring that special feeling back for the neighborhood.

Rumors are flying around regarding

who will be the new head of the Inspectional Service Department. Some names have surfaced, so far no one from within, and the job's not even posted, and yet there's a big interest in it. That begs the question, do or should ISD inspectors enforce the law or interpret the law? For a while now there have been inspectors - well certain inspectors - that have been doing both. Do you think that is OK?

The rumor that the paper is going to close down is far from the truth. We are here to stay and you know why? Because we are truly the only locally owned, operated and staffed media by local residents. That's right, the only one. Now, the rumor about delivering door to door, that's a different story altogether. That just might happen. Can you imagine door to door throughout the city every single week? We're thinking about it. Just a little more encouragement might be the ticket. Local papers with only local news and stories are here to stay, but regional papers and high priced out of town papers are slowly disappearing.

COMMENTARY

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The mental health equivalent of CPR



By Joseph A. Curtatone

In a densely populated community like Somerville, we've all had the experience of seeing someone, often someone we know, who appears to be having problems related to mental health.

If we see someone suffering from a physical injury or health problem, most of us won't hesitate to take action. At the very least, we'll ask "Are you okay?" or "Do you need help?" We may call 911 for professional medical assistance. If we have training in CPR or first aid, we may provide direct assistance until help arrives.

But with mental health issues,

most people respond in a different way, and it's easy to understand why. First of all, it's harder to be sure what the problem really is. Second, it's very hard to know what to do.

Fortunately, there is a new training program that can help all of us to know what to do when we see someone showing the warning signs of mental distress. Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) is a novel, evidencebased public education program that teaches participants how to assess a situation, select and implement appropriate interventions and help someone in crisis or who shows symptoms of a mental illness. This groundbreaking training equips people to provide initial help until appropriate professional, peer or family support can be engaged. Participants also learn about the risk factors and warning signs of specific illnesses such as anxiety, depression, psychosis and addiction. They also learn how to initiate timely referral to mental health resources available in the community.

MHFA helps expand people's knowledge of mental illnesses

and their treatments, and to help people understand and accept mental illnesses as medical conditions. Thousands of people at colleges and universities across the USA have become MHFA-certified. Mental Health First Aid USA is disseminated by the National Council for Community Behavioral Healthcare, the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, and the Missouri Department of Mental Health, and Somerville is part of this effort. Beginning this fall, the Health Department's Office of Prevention will offer MHFA on a bi-annual basis.

MHFA on a bi-annual basis. The 12-hour program, which is open to the public, will be offered over four nights: Oct. 25, Nov.1, 8, and 15 - from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the first-floor conference room in the School of Nursing at 125 Lowell Street. There is a suggested donation of \$40.00. Somerville's MHFA course is cosponsored by the Somerville Health Department and the Somerville Community on Suicide Prevention & Mental Health, with support from the Somerville Community Health

Agenda at Cambridge Health Alliance. For more information, please get in touch with Patty Contente at 617-625-6600 ext. 4325 or pcontente@somervillema.gov, or visit www.mental-healthfirstaid.org.

MHFA isn't the only citysponsored resource that can help you deal with mental health issues, including your own. If you've ever wondered when everyday worries are evolving into depression, when casual drinking may be becoming a problem, or anxieties are impacting your ability to participate in everyday events, there's an easy way to explore these questions and get the information or help you need: Online screenings provide a free, anonymous, simple option to better understand your emotional health and strategies to support staying healthy. The Somerville Health Department's Committee on Suicide Prevention and Mental Health (CSPMH) invites you to take a free, anonymous, screening at www.MentalHealthScreening.org/screening/SOMERVI LLE. In addition, the CSPMH will hold an in-person screening as part of National Depression Screening Day on October 11 from 5 - 8 p.m. at the Somerville Public Library main branch.

Whenever we declare a severe weather emergency here in Somerville - excessive heat in summer or snow in winter - we ask our residents to look out for their neighbors, especially the elderly or those who may need special assistance. Mental health awareness and preparedness is no different and can be just as important. We know that early intervention can have a significant impact and improve outcomes. The MHFA class and the online screening are just two tools to raise awareness and provide information to assist us in taking positive steps to promote health.

These kinds of programs can, quite literally, save lives. It's an honor for me to be able to work with the health professionals in our community to deliver these and other critical services to our city and its residents. And I hope you will consider taking the time to get involved.

On The Silly Side by Jimmy Del Ponte

Farewell Andy



With me, nostalgia is a way of life. I love the old days and all the memories of those good times. It's ironic that Good Times is ac-

tually one of the old shows that we watched growing up, and this story is about a few of our beloved TV characters that we have lost recently.

We all watched TV before school, after school and in the evening, after we did our homework, and while we were doing our homework. TV was a huge part of our upbringing. So how does it affect us when one of our old TV friends passes away? Unlike friends and family that we lose, TV characters get to live on like nothing happened. They also get to remain young forever, some in black and white and some in color. However, when we hear that they have died, we all stop, reminisce, and feel as though we have lost a personal friend.

Recently we have experienced a rash of our favorite TV characters passing away. We lost George "Goober" Lindsay, Ernest "McHale" Borgnine, Sherman "George Jefferson" Hemsley, Robert "Epstein" Hegyes, and Ron "Horshack" Palillo. Hegyes and Palillo were two of our favorite "sweatghogs" from *Welcome Back Kotter*, and Lindsey was from *The Andy Griffith Show* (as if you didn't know that). And. of course, we lost a giant of the TV world when Andy Griffith left us.

I watch TV only when I am done with a busy day's work. I usually end up falling asleep in the recliner then crawling up to bed. I always astound friends by being able to recite large portions of dialog from a number of old TV shows. This is because I love the old shows. I spent many hours in front of the boob tube as a lot of us did. I have actually shed tears watching, of all shows, *Leave it to Beaver*. It was one particular episode where Wally and Beaver spent all their savings. Ward got mad at them until he found out that the boys had bought him a new hunting jacket.

Watching my old shows definitely puts me into a comfort zone. When I hear that familiar whistling at the beginning of *The Andy Griffith Show* it is very soothing to me. The same thing happens when I hear the theme songs from *The Jeffersons, All in the Family* and *Green Acres*. There is a new channel called METV. It's channel 21 on RCN. They run episodes of *Green*

Acres, Love American Style, The Honey-mooners, and The Bob Newhart Show, to name a few. We also have Nick at Nite that is packed with our old faves. I have the DVR running constantly. These old shows act like a tranquilizer for me, calming me down and putting me into a relaxed mood.

When I worked at Kiss 108 and Oldies 103 I got to meet and be photographed with many of my favorite old TV stars. One day I got to hang around with Larry Storch, who played Corporal Agarn on F Troop. He was such a nice guy that he called my dad up on the phone and said, "Hey Fred...who says I'm dumb?" That was one of Agarn's signature phrases. I was lucky enough to have also met Jerry Mathers and Ken Osmond (Beaver and Eddie) Stanley Livingston, Barry Livingston and Johnny Whitaker (Ernie and Chip Douglas from My Three Sons, and Jody from Family Affair). I was also lucky enough to have met Chuck Connors from The Rifleman, and Tony Randall and Jack Klugman form The Odd Couple. Check out some of my photos on Facebook if you have the chance. I have often said that meeting my childhood TV idols was the best part of my radio career (along

with all the free stuff we got).

When the news of the death of one of my favorite TV stars his me, I feel as though I have lost a friend. And they actually are friends. They came into our homes more often than most family members. All they ever did was entertain us and give us pleasure. Unlike flesh and bone friends and relatives, these characters will live forever inside our TV sets. I have full collections of my favorite shows such as Bob Newhart, F Troop, Hogan's Heroes and, of course, The Three Stooges.

After losing all the TV stars that have recently passed, it seems that us baby boomers are finally starting to face a lot of realities. One reality is evident when we look in the mirror, walk up stairs, and bend over to pick something up. It's inevitable. We are getting old. So it stands to reason that everything and everyone around us is also getting old. It stinks. It's one thing to lose people we know and then grieve, but when we lose fictitious TV characters and it affects us, that is really something. You may say that we can look at old family videos and see our lost loved ones but that doesn't work for me. I have videos of my brother and sister who I lost, but it Continued on page 14



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THE HOUSE AND SENATE. Beacon Hill Roll Call records local representatives' votes on three roll calls and senators' votes on one roll call from July legislative sessions.

Our Legislators in the House and Senate for Somerville:



Rep. Denise Provost

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



Rep. Carl Sciortino

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



Rep. Timothy Toomey

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



Sen. Sal DiDomenico

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

Middlesex; Boston, ward 2, ward 21, precincts 4, 6 and 7, ward 22, precincts 1, 2 and 5, Chelsea and Revere, ward 6, in the county of Suffolk; and Saugus, precincts 2, 6 and 10, in the county of Essex.



Sen. Patricia Jehlen

DISTRICT REPRESENTED: SECOND 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.

CHANGES TO STATE GOVERNMENT (S 2342)

House 152-0, Senate 39-0, approved and Gov. Deval Patrick signed into law a lengthy bill designed to make major changes in the way state government operates. Key provisions include requiring monthly rather than quarterly distribution of unrestricted local aid; requiring an independent debt affordability study to be performed and posted online before the governor sets a bond cap and issues bonds; requiring each state agency to have a performance management system in place; and establishing a commission to make recommendations on the feasibility of moving the state from traditional maintenance-based budgeting to a modern zero-based budgeting process - a system that would require all state departments to start with zero dollars and prepare and justify their budget regardless of what it was in prior years.

Supporters said this would modernize and reform the way state government operates and contribute to a more open and transparent government. They noted the measure also abolishes many antiquated laws relating to state financing. (A "Yes" vote is for the bill.)

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

READ PROFICIENTLY BY THIRD GRADE (H 4243)

House 150-0, approved a bill creating an Early Literacy Expert Panel to advise the state's education departments on strategies to have all students in the state reading proficiently by the end of third grade. The panel would make recommendations for the implementation of a language-rich curriculum, professional training of teachers, and family partnerships for improving the quality of interaction between homes and schools to support children's language and literacy development.

Supporters said 39 percent of the state's third grade students read below their grade level. They argued that studies show 74 percent of students who have a difficult time with reading in third grade often continue to struggle throughout high school and are four times as likely to drop out before graduation.

The Senate has approved a different version of the bill which now goes to the House for consideration. (A "Yes" vote is for the bill.)

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

\$45 MILLION SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET (H 4324)

House 120-33, approved a \$45 million supplemental budget designed to close out the books on fiscal 2012. Provisions include \$7.08 million to cities and towns for the cleanup following Tropical Storm Irene in August 2011 and \$8.4 million for the October 2011 snowstorm; \$10 million for information technology upgrades and improvements; and \$2 million for the eradication and control of mosquitoes.

Supporters said the package is fiscally responsible and funds necessary programs including several that are running out of money.

Some opponents said the House leadership was unable to demonstrate that the state took in enough tax revenue to pay for this \$45M supplemental budget. Others said the budget rewarded agencies that failed to live within their budgets by giving them additional funding. (A "Yes" vote is for the budget. A "No" vote is against it.)

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

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

SMOKING CESSATION PROGRAMS (S 2121) -

The House gave initial approval to a proposal that would provide all residents insured under Commonwealth Care with coverage for smoking cessation programs, including use of a nicotine patch and counseling sessions. Commonwealth Care is the state's health insurance program for uninsured adults who meet income and other requirements.

The measure also allows the state to offer the same coverage to current or retired state employees.

FLYING FLAG AT HALF MAST (S 1573) - The House gave initial approval to a Senate-approved proposal requiring the state flag to be flown at half mast following the death of a police officer or firefighter killed in the line of duty. More rounds of approval are needed in both branches before the measure can go to Gov. Patrick.

OIL SPILLS ON STREETS (H 487) - The House gave initial approval to legislation imposing a \$10,000 civil fine on companies that spill more than 100 gallons of oil on any Massachusetts road. The revenue would go to the city or town in which the spill occurred. The fine would be in addition to, not in place of, the company's responsibility to foot the bill for the cleanup.

LOW BIRTHWEIGHT BABIES (S 2406) - The House and Senate approved and sent to Gov. Patrick a bill requiring the Department of Public Health (DPH) to develop standardized procedures for discharging from



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the hospital babies who are born weighing less than 5.5 pounds or with any other high-risk problem. The DPH would also be charged with ensuring the procedures are followed.

Supporters said low birthweight babies who survive will suffer from higher rates of respiratory, cardiovascular, neurologic and gastrointestinal problems than other babies. They argued it is time for the state to get more involved in ensuring they have the proper care after leaving the hospital.

AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS (S 2111) - The

House and Senate approved and sent to the governor a bill creating a 15-member Massachusetts Afterschool and Out-of-School Time Coordinating Council that would strive to increase access for all children to high quality afterschool and out-of-school time programs. The council would try to improve coordination between school districts and these programs and also try to attract public and private support to build a sustainable infrastructure for these programs.

JOB PREFERENCE FOR CHILDREN OF COR-RECTIONS OFFICERS (H 4182) - The House gave initial approval to a bill that would put the names of children of corrections officers who died in the line of duty at the top of the civil service eligibility list. The children would only be eligible after passing the written and physical exams that qualify them to be on the list. Current law provides this preference to sons and daughters of police and firefighters.

QUOTABLE QUOTES

"I'll tell you, this probably isn't the most popular thing to say in (an) election year but I consider Brad Jones to

be a good friend ... We have an interesting relationship. Sometimes you can find us yelling and screaming at one another. But at the end of the day, what I'm most proud of, what we do in Massachusetts, is that we work together." - Democratic House Speaker Robert DeLeo (D-Winthrop) talking about Republican House Minority Leader Brad Jones (R-North Reading).

"Secretary of State Hilary Clinton, 55 percent; Vice President Joe Biden, 9 percent; GOP Senate candidate Elizabeth Warren, 8 percent; New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo, 6 percent; and Gov. Deval Patrick, 3 percent." – The results of a Public Policy Polling survey, taken between August 9 and 12, asking New Hampshire Democrats who they would vote for in the 2016 presidential election. The poll has a margin of error of plus or minus 4.9 percentage points.

"He had a conversation with his new employer, and he's not going to resign. He's just going to finish out his term ... There's no reason for him to resign." - Scott Ferson, a spokesman for Rep. Charlie Murphy (D-Burlington), on Murphy's decision not to resign from his House seat after all. Murphy announced his intention to resign and gave his farewell address to his colleagues on July 31 after 16 years in the House, including a stint as Ways and Means chairman.

"Laurdine." – Gov. Deval L. Patrick's little-known middle name.

"This report is proof that Massachusetts' innovation economy is succeeding." - Clean Energy Center Executive Director Alicia Barton McDevitt on a report that Massachusetts clean energy and energy efficiency companies added more than 7,000 jobs over the last 12 months.

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 13-17, the House and Senate both met for a total of two hours and 53 minutes.

House 11:04 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Mon. August 13

Senate 11:05 a.m. to 11:16 a.m.

Tues. August 14 No House session

No Senate session

Wed. August 15 No House session

No Senate session

Thurs. August 16 House 11:04 a.m. to 1:31 p.m.

Senate 11:01 a.m. to 1:43 p.m.

Fri. August 17 No House session

No Senate session

Bob Katzen welcomes feedback at bob@beaconhillrollcall.com

Somerville Veterans witness history CONT. FROM PG 1

Guerriere during the War of 1812 and earned her nickname "Old Ironsides."

Following the two hour parade, the veterans returned to Somerville's Winter Hill Yacht Club to share their stories of the parade and express their gratitude for witnessing history while many volunteers cooked and served them an old fashion barbeque lunch.

Somerville resident and U.S. Army Veteran Joe Piro, who turned 102 on July 2, participated in his second veterans can't wait to turn 103 so he can cruise in Boston's historic North End.

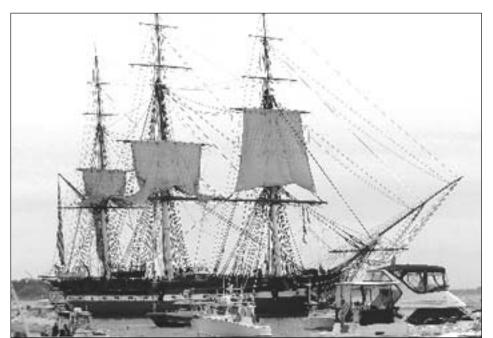
again next year."

On the opposite side of Boston Harbor, Dorchester's Old Colony Yacht Club volunteers took approximately seventy hospitalized veterans from the Bedford and Brockton area to view the USS Constitution on fifteen Boats organized by club member Bill Moran.

Their parade was escorted by the Quincy Police, the Boston Police and the Boston Pilot boat. Following their parade the veterans enjoyed a lunch donated by cruise out of WHYC. Joe said that "he the Piccola Venezia Restaurant located



Local veterans enjoy a front row seat.



USS Constitution sailing historically under her own sails.



Departing Somerville's WHYC.



Somerstreets:

'Going Green on Rt. 16'

"Going Green on Rt. 16," the city's third installment of the 2012 SomerStreets series, took place Sunday, August 19, along Route 16, from Dilboy Stadium to Broadway. SomerStreets builds on the Shape Up Somerville healthy living initiative. Similar open streets events take place all around the world, providing space normally taken up by automobile traffic for people to be more active.

The final SomerStreets event for 2012, "Monster Mashed-Up" will be held on Sunday, October 28.

All SomerStreets events will run from 12-4 p.m., rain or shine. Residents who live directly on Rt. 16 please call Carlene Campbell-Hegarty at 857-523-9017 in advance or on the day of the event to assist you in leaving/returning to your property safely.

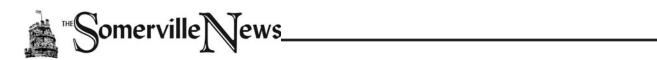
























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SOMERVILLE SPORTS

Alibrandis sweep their way into semifinals

By Benjamin Klein

The Somerville Alibrandis opened the 2012 Yawkey Baseball League playoffs as the No.1 seed and have advanced to the semifinals after winning a best-of-five series against the No.8 South Boston Saints.

Somerville completed the regular season with a league-leading 25 wins in order to claim the top spot in the playoffs. South Boston was one of the few teams that was able to defeat the Alibrandis during the year, but Somerville wouldn't have any of that once the post-season started. The Alibrandis would win three straight games to eliminate the Saints.

The Somerville pitching staff gave them a big boost in the series opener, as Jon Morse pitched six shutout innings and Brian Tanguy threw a perfect seventh. The Alibrandis scored runs in the first and third innings to take a 2-0 lead that was more than enough for the aforementioned duo. Mike Maguire had three hits and scored a run in the victory.

Somerville would see a similar result the next night in Game 2 of the series. Chris Foundas was the star on the mound, throwing 5.2 innings without allowing a run and Tanguy pitched the remainder of the game, keeping the Saints off of the scoreboard. Somerville's lone run came in the bottom of the fourth inning when Mark Annese drove in Marc DesRoches. The 1-0 win put the Alibrandis in a great position to advance. All they had to do was win one of the next three games to eliminate South Boston.



 $The Somerville \ Alibrand is \ earned \ a \ spot \ in \ the \ semifinals \ after \ defeating \ the \ South \ Boston \ Saints \ in \ a \ best-of-five \ series.$

Ms. Cam's

Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

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- 1. Where was the first Olympic Village in the world built to house Athletes?
- 2. What is Steganography?
- 3. In what movie did Elvis Presley sing The Yellow Rose of Texas and The Eyes Of Texas Are Upon You?
- 4. What is the highest mountain in the Alps?
- 5. How many colors are there in the spectrum?
- 6. What U.S. President wrote 37 books?
- 7. What position are you

- playing in baseball if you are in the cornfield?
- 8. On what team did Bobby Orr play when he last played in the NHL?
- 9. What country's money is considered to be the hardest to counterfeit?
- 10. What is said to be the largest office building in the world?
- 11. What is the nineteenth letter of the Greek alphabet?
- 12. What city gave Washington D.C. its now famous cherry trees in 1912?

Answers on page 23

The Alibrandis wouldn't waste any extra time as they defeated the Saints 2-1 to win the series. Anthony Del Prete threw a gem for Somerville, only allowing two hits and one unearned run over seven innings of work. Del Prete also

struck out nine Saints during

the complete game. Maguire and Sal Mendonca scored the two Somerville runs that helped them advance to the semifinals.

Somerville will take on the No.6 Stoneham Sabers in a best-of-five series next week for a chance to advance to the YBL championship series. The Alibrandis defeated Stoneham two-of-three times this season, but the Sabers got the best of Somerville just over a week ago. The sound pitching of Somerville will be the biggest factor as they progress through the playoffs.

Somerville High School Sports Update

Interscholastic fall sports start soon for all SHS 9-12 graders.

August 23:

Boys and Girls Cross Country should report to the High School field house at 10:00 a.m.

Co-ed Golf should report to the high school field house at 10:00 a.m. for a meeting.

Boys Soccer should report to Capuano Field at 9:00 a.m.

Girls Soccer should report to Lincoln Park at 9:00 a.m.

Girls Volleyball should report to the High School Field House at 9:00 a.m.

Student-athletes must have all participation paperwork turned into the Athletic Trainer, including a current physical.

For more information please log onto: www.somerville.k12.ma.us/athletics.

Farewell Andy CONT. FROM PG 9

hurts too much to watch them. It's different with TV characters. We also grew up with our TV friends and lots of our earliest memories involve some of these shows.

I can't do a TV story without mentioning some our favorite local shows from the old days (as I often do). Here they come... Major Mudd, Boomtown, Willie Whistle, Bozo the Clown and Big Brother Bob Emery (my sister and I were actually on that

show back when Eisenhower was president).

Even though it is sad to think that a lot of our favorite TV actors and actresses are gone, they will indeed live on forever thanks to TV and DVDs. Come to think of it, it's a little disturbing to think that a lot of silly videos of me wearing embarrassing costumes and doing outrageously ridiculous things will live on thanks to YouTube. Someone please change the channel!

Please send me your ideas for articles and stories. You can go to my Facebook page, email me at jimmydl@rcn.com or leave a message at 617-623-0554.

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Meet the notorious Jacques Ze Wippeur

By Max Sullivan

For the past five years, King Richard's Faire in Carver, MA, has been dominated by one Frenchman, or so Jacques Ze Wippeur would have you believe.

"This is a character who, to a certain extent, believes that he is the greatest whip-cracker in the world and otherwise enjoys just having a lot of fun," Jack Lepiarz, 24 year old Somerville resident and creator of Jacques Ze Wippeur, said of his alter ego. "He is a little pompous, a little androgynous, but overall pretty much any stereotype of the French you can think of."

Prior to stumbling upon his act, people might not be aware of what a whipper's showcase might be like or exactly how difficult it can be. After seeing the bombastic Jacque's performance, cracking his whip loud and fast in every direction, slicing objects, setting it aflame, they will be convinced.

Many performers in Lepiarz's field take more pride in their skill than their character and act, often avoiding any sense of silliness or good-natured gags. They want is to be taken seriously. Lepiarz does not feel the same way. Jacques Ze Wippeur is meant to bring laughter to audiences.

"There are some more skilled performers that get on stage, and they are more focused on showing how good they are at their skill, and they sometimes take it as an insult towards their act [when people laugh]," Lepiarz said. "I don't look at it that way. I want the audience to come down there and have the best possible time they can."

And they do. Not only do they watch Jacques demonstrate his whipping abilities by cracking a flaming whip above his head, they laugh as he tears into small stuffed animals, supposedly dangerous beasts according to the outrageous whipsman before them. They are even encouraged to sing as Jacques pounds out the rhythm to We Will Rock You with the crack of his whip. However, the tune goes a little different when sung in King Richard's Faire.

"People in the back, I see you there! Come and put your butts down in my chair," Lepiarz sings aloud. The crowd joins in: "We will, we will whip you!"

Today, Lepiarz takes his whipping gig quite seriously, making sure that his is in good enough shape every season and working hard to create the best presentation possible. It wasn't long ago, however, that Lepiarz saw the Faire as little more than a job to earn money for college.

"When I first started this, I didn't take it seriously at all," Lepiarz said, who has been playing the part since his mid to late teens. "Put a couple smiles on people's faces and make some bucks, and that will pay for my drinks for the night, or if it's a big enough show pay the rent."

Lepiarz was born into a family of performers. His father took part in the Big Apple Circus until he was six years old, committing solely to King Richard's Faire. At this age, Lepiarz got his first taste of the action. After his father's whip and knife throwing act, it was his job to run out onto the stage and pick up the props and broken material his father left on the stage.

As Lepiarz grew older, his interests began to drift away from the family business. His father worked hard as a performer in the Faire, but Lepiarz did not feel emotionally invested himself.

"When I was a kid, I wanted nothing to do with the circus," Lepiarz said. "I did it to make some money as a kid and I wanted nothing to do with it after that."

That sentiment continued until Lepiarz was working at an ice cream stand for minimal income. One day, his father approached him, offering him work at the Faire for \$400 a weekend. Lepiarz dumped the ice cream gig and started taking the Faire more seriously.

"At the time I was making \$30 a day," said Lepiarz, "so I jumped at the opportunity. I quit my job at the ice cream store and I started learning all the tricks of the trade I could."

That year, when he was 16, he got his first whip for Christmas from his father. "Jacques ze Wippeur" began to take form. Lepiarz began practicing for hours upon hours each day. It took him months before he could successfully crack his whip, and that was only after he had beaten and worn down his body daily.

"[I hit myself an] uncountable amount of times," Lepiarz said. "When you are first learning, it is a fact of life, you are going to whip yourself, and you've got cuts and blood running up and down your arm... you look like a junkie or something."

Jack was soon good enough to perform, and he began to craft the character Jacques Ze Wippeur with his father. Originally, the idea of making Jack "Jacques", a Frenchmen, was a turn off to Lepiarz. The accent would be limiting, he felt. His father persisted.

"[My father] said, 'Okay, what you need to do is you need to develop this character that comes out and says, 'I am Jacques Ze Wippeur," said Lepiarz, speaking in the bombastic French accent of Jacques. "You have this persona where you are the greatest whip cracker, and, from this persona, you can produce gags, jokes."

The next step, according to Lepiarz, was adding the moustache. Not a real one, but a moustache drawn on with a marker. This left an even worse taste in Lepiarz's mouth, more so than speaking in the



Jack Lepiarz (aka Jacques Ze Wippeur) cracks the whip at King Richard's Faire, weekends from Labor Day to Columbus Day.

French accent. However, once the crowds saw him perform at King Richards' Faire, the effect was undeniable.

"The difference in the crowd's reaction was immeasurable," Lepiarz. "It was night and day. Crowds immediately get your character. They go, 'Okay, this is a show where you're going to see some skill, but it is still a comedy show because you shouldn't feel odd about laughing."

Lepiarz continued with his act, as well as doing some wild west themed shows as American "Jack the Whipper" and some street shows as modern Jack, but it wasn't until Lepiarz was moved from his small space to the main stage at King Richard's Faire that he realized how seriously he could be taking his gig.

"It becomes a lot more important that you take what you're doing seriously just because you have so many people looking at you, watching you," Lepiarz said. "You are cast with entertaining that many more people."

"If I can take for five minutes, ten minutes, hopefully all thirty minutes," Lepiarz continued, "Try to make them enjoy themselves, make them smile, make them laugh, make them forget whatever's going on in their life, then I feel like I've done a good job and at least for that moment I've made that person's world a better place."

See Jacques Ze Wippeur at King Richard's Faire, every weekend from Labor Day to Columbus Day. Gates open at 10:30 a.m. and close at 6:00 p.m.

Person of the Week



Meet Johnnie Steve Dalrymple, otherwise known to all who really know him as - Steve! Steve is long time Somerville resident, attended SHS, was married, raised his family here and owns his own small business "Steve and Sons Home Repairs" right here in the city. Steve is a very dedicated person who, when he gets involved in something, jumps in with both feet to get the job done, whatever it takes and whatever it is. He's very active at his church, a recent President of the Medford Lions, and is very involved in various local Masonic organizations. Steve is also a biker. He loves to ride his bike. Even after having a very serious accident a year or so ago, he has jumped right back on and, while at the hospital, bought another bike. Steve is a genuinely nice guy. What you see is what you get. He's always smiling and is very friendly to everyone. He's always seen either in his truck around the city or on his newest bike. His business of home repair is doing well. He has a very loyal group of customers he's done work for and they give the best compliment a small business can get - and that's referrals. A nice guy, a dedicated guy, and a good businessman. He's usually in and around Ball Square in his truck with his son Nick, so say "Hi" when you see him.

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and speak to the Assignment Editor

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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, September 5, 2012, in the Aldermanic Chambers, 2nd Floor, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, at 6:00 p.m. to hear pending applications and to hold public hearings:

7 Westminster St: (ZBA 2012-65) Applicant Kevin Kelleher and Owner Christopher Cacioppo, seek a Special Permit to alter a nonconforming structure under SZO §4.4.1 to add a third floor rear porch and to expand the rear porches deeper into the lot at an existing three-family residence, RA zone, Ward 7.

31 Franklin Ave: (ZBA 2012-66) Applicant and Owner Ocean City Development, LLC seeks a Special Permit under SZO §4.4.1 to expand a dormer on the left side of the existing nonconforming two-family structure. RB zone. Ward 1.

256 Elm St, a/k/a 260 Elm St, #103: (ZBA 2012-69) Applicant OL Davis Square, LLC, and Owner Urban Equity Development Company, seek a Special Permit with Design Review under SZO §7.11.10.2.2.a to establish a fast order food establishment (frozen yogurt parlor). CBD zone. Ward 6.

373 Washington St: (ZBA 2012-70) Applicants Maren Kravitz and Heidi Brown and Owners Leroy and Katherine Parece, seek a Special Permit under SZO §4.5.1 to change a nonconforming use (an automotive repair shop) to another nonconforming use in order to open fitness studio with personal and small group training (SZO §7.11.6.3.a). RB zone. Ward 2.

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 may 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

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT IFB # 13-26

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

Roof Repairs to Somerville High School

An invitation for bids (IFB) and specifications may be obtained at the Purchasing Department, City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA. 02143 on or after: Wednesday, August 22, 2012. Sealed bids will be received at the above office until: Wednesday, September 12, 2012 at 11:00 A.M. at which time sealed bids will be open. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

A Pre-Bid Site Visit will be held on Thursday, August 30, 2012 at 11:00AM, Somerville High School, 81 Highland Ave, Somerville,

The contract term shall be from September 17, 2012 through September 16, 2013.

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

The City of Somerville Responsible Employer Ordinance will apply

Please contact Orazio Deluca, or email odeluca@somervillema.gov, for information and proposal packages.

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

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PATS TOWING

The following abandoned and / or junk motor vehicles

will be disposed of or sold, any questions regarding this matter please contact Pat's Towing. Monday-Friday 8:00am-5:00pm Tel: 617-354-4000, Fax 617-623-4287

1996	Madza B2300	4F4CR12A1TTM01033
1995	Chevrolet	1GCHG35K9SF140154
2004	Pontiac Grand AM	1G2NW12E54C169054
1991	Acura Integra	JH4DA9456MS009044
1998	Lincoln T/C	1LNFM83W5WY722583
2002	Subaru Legacy	4S3BE645X26211550

Date of Sale is Sept 20, 2012 at 12:00pm 160 McGrath Hwy, Somerville, MA 02143

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT IFB # 13-25

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

Public Safety Building: 1st Floor Ladies Locker Room

An Invitation for Bid (IFB) and specifications may be obtained at the Purchasing Department, City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA. 02143 on or after: Wednesday, August 22, 2012. Sealed Proposals will be received at the above office until: Thursday September 6, 2012 at 11:30 A.M. at which time sealed proposals will be open. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

A Pre-Bid Site Visit will be held on Tuesday, August 28 at 11:30 AM, at the Public Safety Building, 220 Washington Street, Somerville, MA 02143

The Contract will be for a period of one (1) year from 09/10/2012 through 09/09/2013.

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

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

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

2012-47 - Article V Section 5-15 "Handicapped Parking" is amended with the addition of the following location: 15 Adrian St (90 day trial

2012-48 - Article V Section 5-10 "Parking Prohibited at Safety Zones" is amended with the following: Reduce the length of the existing Fire Lane on the north side of Hillside Circle by 25ft

2012-49 - Article V Section 5-15 "Handicapped Parking" is amended with the following: Rescind a portion of 2012-30 by removing the 90 day trial period

> PROMULGATED: JULY 19, 2012 ADVERTISED: AUGUST 8, 2012 AUGUST 15, 2012 AUGUST 22, 2012 EFFECTIVE: AUGUST 30, 2012

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

The City of Somerville, through the Purchasing Department, invites sealed proposals for: Consulting Services to design, prepare and help launch a Campaign for Somerville Student Success. The campaign is for the SomerPromise initiative, and its initial objective is to raise at least \$2 million in funding and to attract volunteers.

A Request for Proposals (RFP) and specifications may be obtained at the Purchasing Department, City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA 02143 or online at http://www.somervillema.gov/ departments/finance/purchasing/bids on or after: Monday, August **20, 2012**. Separately sealed price and non-price proposals will be received at the above office until: Wednesday, September 5, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. at which time sealed proposals will be opened. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

The contract shall be for a period of 1 year.

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE **PURCHASING DEPARTMENT**

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

Roof Repairs to Engine 7 Fire Station

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A Pre-Bid Site Visit will be held on Tuesday, August 28, 2012 at 10:30AM, Engine 7 Fire Station, 265 Highland Avenue, Somerville,

The contract term shall be from September 10, 2012 through September 9, 2013.

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

Please contact Orazio DeLuca, MCPPO, Contract Manager x3407, or email odeluca@dsomervillema.gov, for information and bid

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT RFP # 13-28

The City of Somerville, through the Purchasing Department invites sealed proposals for: **Public Safety Combined Dispatch Study**

The Request for Proposals (RFP) may be obtained on the City's website http://www.somervillema.gov/departments/finance/purchasing/bids, via e-mail or in person from the Purchasing Department, City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA 02143 on or after Monday, August 20, 2012. Separately sealed Price and Non-Price Proposals will be received at the above office until Wednesday, September 5, 2012 at 11:00 a.m., at which time sealed non-price proposals will be opened. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by

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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 12P2144EA

Estate of:

Mc Collem Russell Guy First Name Middle Name Last Name

Also Known As: _ N/A Date of Death: April 7, 2012

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of

Petitioner Russell F Mc Collem of Burlington MA

First Name M.I. Last Name (City/Town) (State)

[x] a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Russell F Mc Collem of Burlington MA

the estate to serve [] with [x] without surety on the bond.

First Name M.I. Last Name

has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of

(City/Town) (State)

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

appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and

Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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Born to be mild



Some young bikers rolled into town last week and hitched their hogs to one of our convenient bike racks. Thank goodness there was no trouble to speak of.

SENIOR CENTER HAPPENINGS:

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

Holland Street Center - 167 Holland Street

Ralph & Jenny Center - 9 New Washington Street

Cross Street Center - 165 Broadway

Ralph & Jenny has two amazing garden boxes filled with basil, lemon basil, cucumbers, tomatoes, squash and pumpkins. We have been having a series of Intergenerational Gardening Activity Days and invite you to come with your grandchildren or other young family members. The last event was great with weeding, picking some basil and fruit and making a great salad with our produce. Come join us on August 23rd at 9:30 a.m. at Ralph & Jenny Center. RSVP with Janine at ext. 2321.

LGBT Events - September 24 we are excited to have Kate Chang, District Representative from Congressman Michael Capuano's office come talk about "Life on the Campaign Trail" Ms. Chang has worked on Hilary Clinton's, John Kerry's and Michael Capuano campaigns. All ages welcome. 167 Holland Street 6 - 8 pm. RSVP with Lisa at 2316.

Technology with Tufts Students - Need help setting up your phone contacts or retrieving voice mail? Need a new ring? How about learning what Facebook is or what is on the web? Holland Street - August 24. Ralph & Jenny - August 27. RSVP at ext. 2300.

Need help filling out SNAP (Food Assistance) or RIDE applications? Tufts students will be coming on August 28th in the morning to Ralph & Jenny and to Holland Street that afternoon. Have questions? Give us

MusicalConversation with Alan is August 30th at 11:45 at Holland Street. A great time is always had by all. Don't miss out and it is free.

Additional Zumba gold class at Ralph & Jenny on Tuesdays from 11:30 - 12:30. Come join Sue for a

Belly Dancing coming to Holland Street on Tuesdays from 5:00 - 5:55 p.m. Starting September 11.

The Moonlighters' Singing Group practices every Monday at Holland Street at 10:30 a.m. New singers welcome.

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

Cards and Games hour at Ralph & Jenny at 10:00 am every day the center is open. Come join your friends or make some new ones. Cards, Scrabble and Cribbage.

Do you crochet or would you like to learn?

Thursdays at 10:45 a.m. At Ralph & Jenny Center. Join a great group in learning to crochet or share your projects you are working on.

Trip Corner:

Hampton Beach Seafood Festival - Walking, eating, shopping! - September 9.

Suffolk Downs - Live Horse Racing - September 19.

Twin Rivers - September 25.

Join us in our exercise classes:

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

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

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

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

Flexibility & Balance - all three centers

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

Indoor Exercises/Walking Club - all three centers.

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

August 22

Holland Street Center Flexibility & Balance|9:30 a.m. Womens' Group 10:30 a.m. Zumba Gold|5:15 p.m. 167 Holland Street 617-625-6600 x 2300

Cross Street Center

Closed

Ralph & Jenny Center

Cards & Cribbage|10 a.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m.

9 New Washington Street 617-666-5223

August 23

Intergenerational Gardening at Ralph & Jenny

Farmer's Market at Holland Street!

Holland Street

Current Events - all welcome! 10 a.m.

Walking|11 a.m.

Farmer's Market | 11 a.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m.

Supper 3 p.m.

167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x 2300

Cross Street Center

Indoor Exercise 10:30 a.m. Bingo|12:45 p.m,

165 Broadway 617-625-6600 x 2335

Ralph & Jenny Center

Intergenerational Gardening 9:30 a.m. Strength Exercises with Geoff|10 a.m. Bingo|12:45 p.m.

9 New Washington Street 617-666-5223

August 24

Holland Street Center

Indoor/Walking|11 a.m.

Bingo|12:45 p.m. 167 Holland Street 617-625-6600 x 2300

Cross Street Center

Closed on Fridays for the summer 165 Broadway 617-625-6600 x 2335

Ralph & Jenny Center

Center Closed

9 New Washington Street 617-666-5223

August 27

Holland Street Center

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

Cross Street Center

Closed

Ralph & Jenny Center

Cards & Cribbage 10 a.m. Indoor Exercise/Walking|10:30 a.m. Bingo|12:45 p.m.

9 New Washington Street 617-666-5223

August 28

Holland Street Center

Strengthening Exercises 9:15 a.m. SHINE (Medical insurance) by apt.10 a.m. 167 Holland Street|617-625-6600 x. 2300

Cross Street Center

Bingo |12:45 p.m.

165 Broadway|617-625-6600 x 2335

Ralph & Jenny Center

Cards & Cribbage 10 a.m. Flexibility & Balance 10:30 a.m. Zumba Gold|11:30 a.m. 9 New Washington Street 617-666-5223

August 29

Holland Street Center

Flexibility & Balance|9:30 a.m. Womens' Group 10:30 a.m. 167 Holland Street 617-625-6600 x. 2300

Cross Street Center

Center Closed

165 Broadway|617-625-6600 x 2335

Ralph & Jenny Center

Cards and Cribbage 10 a.m.

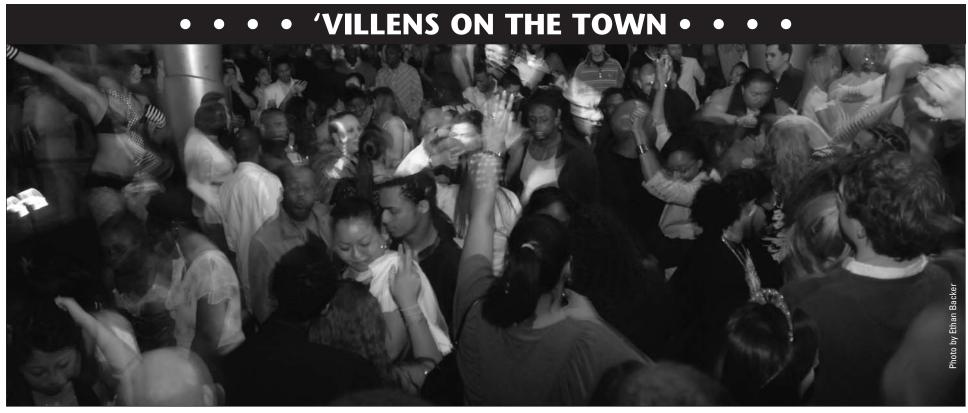
Bingo|12:45 p.m.

9 New Washington Street 617-666-5223

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

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





FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH Wednesday August 22

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

Central Library Kidstock: Little Martian 2 p.m.- 3 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Sunsetters Performance Lowell St. VNA (indoors)|7 p.m.

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

Thursday August 23

Central Library

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

East Branch Library

End of Summer Reading Party! 3:30 p.m.-5 p.m.|115 Broadway

SomerMovie Fest Arthur (1981, PG) Dusk|City Hall Concourse

Friday | August 24

Central Library

Preschool: Storytime for 2 year

11 a.m. - 12 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Central Library

Teen Drop In Time 3 p.m.- 6 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

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

Monday August 27

Sunsetters Performance Kensington Avenue | 7 p.m.

Wednesday August 29

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Johnny D's

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

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Cheapshots Comedy Club open mike|7 p.m.

Marley Mondays with the Duppy Conquerors|9:30 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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

Thursday August 23

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Sunday | August 26

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Monday August 27

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Tuesday | August 28

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Autographs: A signature area of collecting

By Kenneth Gloss

Collecting autographs has become more and more popular in recent years, as people have realized autographs are a great way to not just form a collection but also form a connection to the person whose signature you hold. When you read and touch a letter signed by a former president, or correspondence between two famous people, it's like discovering a story in and of itself.

Presidential signatures are one of the most popular areas of autograph collecting. Most collectors prefer handwritten letters on presidential stationary, written while the president was actually in office. That is more valuable than from the days before he became president or in the days after he left office.

Another element that can make a difference in the value of a piece is its historical significance. A note from President John F. Kennedy thanking someone for a campaign donation isn't worth nearly as much as a two to three page letter talking about the Cuban Missile Crisis, which would sell for a few hundred thousand dollars more. The better-known presidents are worth more, and are easier to authenticate, because there are more examples of their handwriting.

However, the rarest of presidential signatures is that of William Henry Harrison. He was president only for a short time and had pneumonia for most of his one-month presidency. There are very few signed documents left behind from his tenure and collectors find it very

difficult to complete their presidential collection with Harrison.

If collecting presidential signatures, bear in mind the advent of the auto-pen. After President Kennedy, many presidential documents were either signed by secretaries or signed by automatic pens. These have become so good that it's nearly impossible to tell the electronic version from the real signature. If it's a quick thank you to a stranger, the chances are good that the president didn't sign it himself. However, if it's a letter to a close friend, he may have written his own name at the end. Your best bet is to deal with a reputable dealer who knows what they are doing, has vast experience in authenticating autographs and will stand behind their items, especially when it comes to sports memorabilia, one of the biggest areas of fraud.

If the cost of collecting presidential autographs is too high, consider collecting the signatures of first ladies. Generally, these autographs don't sell for as much money, but be forewarned that they may be hard to get because first ladies generally don't write as many letters.

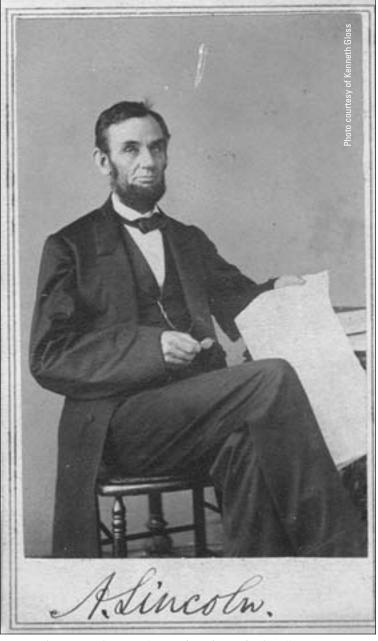
The interesting part of collecting the letters of first ladies is that they tend to be more personal. I once came across a particularly memorable collection of Grace Coolidge's letters, written to a friend of hers. In one of them, she wrote, "When you're here, if you have time, please come to the White House for lunch. I understand if you're too busy." It struck me as funny that a First Lady would say that she'd understand if someone was too busy to come to the White House.

One of the more heartwrenching books I came across was a copy of the inaugural addresses of from Washington to Kennedy. President John F. Kennedy was planning to sign and inscribe for all of his closest friends as a Christmas present in 1963, but he was assassinated in November. His widow, Jacqueline Kennedy, had the gift list and wrote an inscription to each of those people. Inside the book, she had written a twoto three-paragraph note that was touching and incredible. This book was worth tens of thousands of dollars.

You can also personalize your collection to your interests. I knew a man who collected presidential autographs, but only if they discussed food. For him, it was much easier to secure letters from earlier presidents because back then, we had an agriculturebased economy as opposed to modern presidents who don't tend to discuss that topic in dayto-day business. This subject fit his interests because he was a chef who loved American History.

To me, letters are a source of history. E-mails disappear, but letters last and when you look at those archives, you can see the past. When you look at an author's manuscript and see their hand-written notes, you actually see the thought process that went into that book, into every draft.

For example, I once held a first edition of Isaac Newton's Mathamaticas that was worth \$100,000 to \$200,000. As I looked at it, I realized it was his personal copy. He had handwritten changes in it, his own notes and discoveries. Just hold-



Autographs can provide a special sense of satisfaction for the collector.

ing it was an experience and it sent tingles up my spine.

To me, when you collect autographs, you're holding something that that person held and touched. It brings you closer to them, to that moment in history. A great deal of collecting isn't just finding the item, it's really about where you bought it, from who m you bought it-it's the experience. In your collection, that's where the fun of collecting is really found.

Ken Gloss is the owner of the Brattle Book Shop in Boston, the oldest antiquarian bookstore in America. The Brattle Book Shop is celebrating the 63rd year of Gloss family ownership. For further information about book collecting, the shop and Ken's free and open lectures, the Web site http://www.brattlebookshop.com or call 1-800-447-9595. Ken appears from time to time on PBS' popular "Antiques Roadshow.

Union Square Revitalization Plan discussed at special meeting CONT. FROM PG 1

It must be noted that the Union Square Revitalization Plan is an urban renewal plan. Therefore, a main piece of such a plan is to "allow the public acquisition of private property." That contains "the use of eminent domain, to bring in a higher and better use of that private property that should result in economic improvement to an area," said White.

"Urban renewal law first requires that an area must be declared to be 'decadent' by the local redevelopment authority,"

More specifically, "if the proposed development envisioned by the plan does take

place, Union Square will be Plan to the Board of Aldermen transformed."

as incredible economic development, will produce employment opportunities and taxes.

However, no assurance exists "that development will take place as envisioned by the plan."

"As an alderman, I intend to study the plan, question the economic assumptions of the plan that would allow the city to acquire a substantial amount of private property at a cost \$26 million, and evaluate the risk to the city's economic future and benefits," said White.

Mayor Curtatone submitted a draft of an Urban Revitalization

at their recent special meeting For example, a T stop, as well because of the Somerville Redevelopment Authority's (SRA) vote at another recent meeting, which took place prior to the special meeting.

The plan, which spans 117 acres in the Union Square area, includes seven development blocks which are slated for acquisition by the city after a period of several years. It would implement the development vision.

"I look forward to the public process that's going to accompany the discussion of the replan," vitalization Maryann Heuston, Alderman

of Ward 2. She considers this plan as a "comprehensive approach."

The thing about this plan is it treats the whole area as a whole, it doesn't just take portions of it. It's a comprehensive approach," she said.

"This is an enormous part of my ward, and I think it sounds like longstanding problems

that we've had in the ward will be addressed by this, and there are a lot of things that I think will be part of the public discussion. I think the public discussion is going to be very important," said Heuston.

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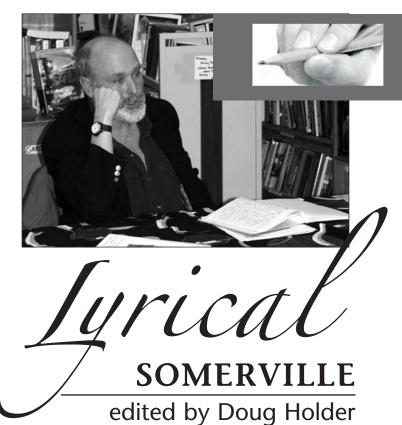
SCAT Program Schedule for the Week

Al Jazeera 2:00

12:00	Free Speech TV	7:00	Shrink Rap	3:00	Tele Magazine	1:30	Somerville Housing Authority
6:00	Somerville Biking News - Share The Road	7:30 (R)	Greater Somerville w/Joe Lynch	3:30	Physician Focus	2:00	Somerville: Most Interesting Place
7:00	Drug Awareness	8:00 (LIVE)	Fouye Zo Nan Kalalou	4:00	Somerville: Most Interesting Places	2:30	Somerville Back In The Day
8:00	Democracy Now!	9:30	Tonight's Special	4:30	Back In The Day	3:00	Exercise With Robyn & Max
9:00	Abugida TV	10:00	Somerville Rocks	5:00	Toastmasters	3:30	Esoteric Science
10:00	PorchFest 2012	10:30	National Wildlife Foundation	6:00	OPENAIR Circus	4:00	The Thom Hartmann
11:00	Somerville News Reading	11:00	Creepy Castle	8:00	David Parkman	5:00	Culture Club
12:00	Democracy Now!	Friday, August 24	1	9:00pm	Nossa Gente e Costumes	5:30	Nepali Sakela Festival
1:00	Somerville: Back In The Day	12:00	Free Speech TV	10:00	Sonic Lobotomy	6:00	Al Jazeera TV
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3:30	Inside Talk	10:00	Somerville Newspaper Reading	7:00	Flipside	9:00	Dedilhando A Saudade
4:00	Thom Hartman show	11:00	Back In The Day	8:00	Program Celebrai	10:00	Bate Papo con Shirley
5:00	Neighborhood Cooking	11:30	Somerville Housing	9:00	Heritage Baptist Church	11:00	Somerville Rocks
5:30	Cooking w/Georgia & Dez	12:00	OPENAIR Circus	10:00	International Church of God	11:30	Art@SCATV
6:00	Al Jazeera	1:00	Boston Tango Festival	10:30	Eckankar	Tuesday, Aug	
6:30	Affordable Housing	2:00	Bed Bug Summit	11:00	The Commonwealth Report	12:00	Free Speech TV
7:00	Tonight's Special	3:00	Brunch w/Senator Sanders	11:30	Somerville Housing	6:00	The Road to Recovery
8:00 (LIVE)	Somerville Pundits	4:00	Thom Hartmann Show	12:00	The Entertainer Show	7:00	Perils For Pedestrians
8:30	Physician Focus	5:00	National Wildlife Foundation	12:30	Affordable Housing Mtg. 6/6/12	7:30	The Struggle
9:00	Somerville Rocks	5:30	Art@SCATV	1:00	Boston Tango Festival	8:00	Democracy Now!
9:30	Somerville Biking News - Share The Road	6:00	Al Jazeera TV	1:30	How To Travel The World Free	9:00	Somerville News Reading
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12:00	Free Speech TV	9:00	The Garage	6:00	Abugida TV	1:30	Somerville Housing
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10:30	Jeff Jam Sing Along	12:00	Free Speech TV	10:00	AARP	6:00	Al Jazeera
11:00	Creating Cooperative Kids	6:00	Arabic Hour	11:30	SCATV	6:30	The Struggle
12:00	Democracy Now!	7:00	Creating Cooperative Kids		y, August 27	7:00	Art @ SCAT
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2:00	Villeside Forgotten Few	8:30	Mystic Learning Center	6:00	Atheist Viewpoint		Dead Air Live
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5:00	Ablevision	12:30	Somerville Housing Authority	11:00	Nosse Gente e Costumes	11:00	Talking About Somerville
5:30	Culture Club	1:00pm (LIVE)	Bongoman	12:00	Democracy Now!	11:30	SCATV

City Cable TV Schedule for the Week

Wednesday, August	: 22	9:30pm: (13/22)	Medication Tips for Seniors	12:45pm: (15)	Kid Stuff	2:50am: (15)	SHS Cheerleaders 2011-12
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This week we have poetry by Endicott Creative Writing professor Margaret Young. Life can be described as a strange dance. Cheek to cheek,/ eye to eye,/ we trip the light fantastic/until the day we die.

SIGN LANGUAGE

The mice given the same genetic flaw that causes human anxiety and panic performed a gesture even scientists admitted being touched by: when picked up by their tails they wrung their paws together.

In Akron's museum the docent shows how Rodin's Cathedral, two bronze hands big as grain sacks touching at fingertips, can only be posed by two people, two right hands raised to form a broken Gothic arch, a bit of twist as if a dance were starting, two stepping a slow circle, eyes level, facing truths.

- Margaret Young

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Answers from page 14 Ms. Cam's Answers 1. Los Angeles, CA, in 4. Mont Blanc

1932 for the Summer **Olympics**

5. There are seven

2. It is the art of writing

hidden messages inside some other seemingly harmless message - It dates back to Ancient Greece, where a tattoo was written on the shaved

head of a slave who would grow back his hair, cross

enemy lines and deliver

6. Theodore Roosevelt

7. Outfield

8. Chicago Black Hawks

9. Japan

10. The U.S. Pentagon

11. Tau

3. Viva Las Vegas

the message

12. Tokyo

FF THE SHELF

by Doug Holder

Poet Amaranth Borsuk:

Talking with a visiting scholar at the Sherman Café

On any given day at the Sherman Café you can watch a passing parade of poets and writers while sipping your morning cup of java. Recently I have chatted with Julia Story, Joe Torra, Richard Cambridge, and Bert Stern to name a few. While at my usual appointment in the said café the parade stopped and left off Amaranth Borsuk. Borsuk joined me at my table and we discussed her life and work as a poet. Amaranth is a slight, 30 something young woman, with an engaging manner and an elfin smile. She is currently a Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow at MIT. She has a PhD in Literature and Creative Writing from the University of Southern California, and has been published in such journals as Field, Colombia Poetry Review, Colorado Review and others. She has a new collection of poetry out titled Handiwork that was selected for the 2011 Slope Editions Poetry Prize. Borsuk is particularly interested in the use of writing technologies by modern and contemporary poets.

Borsuk has been in Somerville for over a year, and resides in the Davis Square area of our town. She is originally from Connecticut, but has lived in Los Angeles while she studied for her PhD. She feels the poetry community in the Boston area is much more connected to academic institutions than the LA scene is. She regularly attends poetry events in the area such as the recent Mass. Poetry Festival and readings at Harvard. Part of her duties at MIT is to teach and she encourages her students to attend poetry events in the community.

Although Borsuk is a serious scholar she does not feel it has a negative influence on her artistic side. She said: "My scholarly work makes me more engaged. My deep analytical work helps me forge my own poetics."

Borsuk is not only interested in the word, but also how poets throughout the years transfer the word to the literal and virtual page. For instance when the typewriter came into play it affected the writer's style. Lines became more staccato-like perhaps they were influenced by the insistent, sharp pecking of the keys. She is also fascinated by the way contemporary poets use borrowed texts from newspaper clips, legal briefs, to Holocaust testimony, and other bits and pieces to create poems. The poems are in essence made up by these selected and borrowed texts. Choice becomes part of the art of the poem.

Borsuk also experiments with a hybrid of digital/print forms of publishing. One of her innovative poetry collections gives you a website address where you can view yourself opening the book... talk about the whole reading experience!

Borsuk will be leaving Somerville in the fall but I am glad that she had the chance to bask in the rich artistic milieu our town has to offer.



What Is Withheld

I was entrusted with throwing bread

ahead of the weighlock so the boats

could skim a mealock without being

scenes. The one I loved had sea eyes,

made me green. When I say

boats, I don't mean goats, but dogs.

Each one had several shames

so we called them Come-you,

from the glottal, a private stutter.

Come-you's father gave me a letter

to toss across the sands. This was

long after apples disappeared

from shops. I was entrusted

throwing grass into moss. My favorite

thing: to eat book after book while

reading apples. The letter said wait

by the viburnum, which looks

away, then jump. His father paid.

A signist by trade, he rendered

the boards in local idioms

as Come-you changed. This was

many years before we met again

in the hearken, a marked growl-

before the stave and tale. When I say

hall, I don't mean all or hole: a place

where every empty thing is saved.

This was before they made the dogs

dig up their bones. Sometimes it is

not to believe. If it wouldn't

happened to my loved ones I wouldn't

believe it

- Amaranth Borsuk

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