

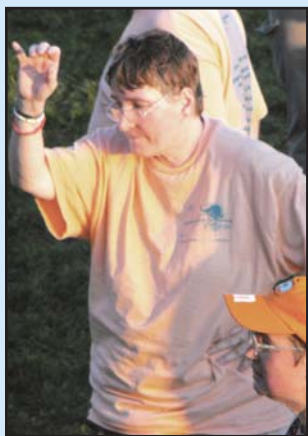


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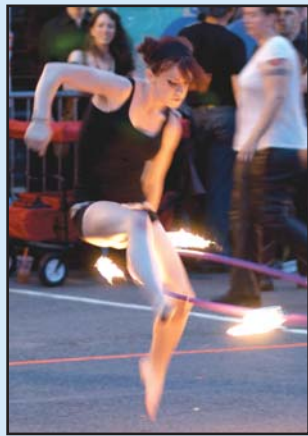
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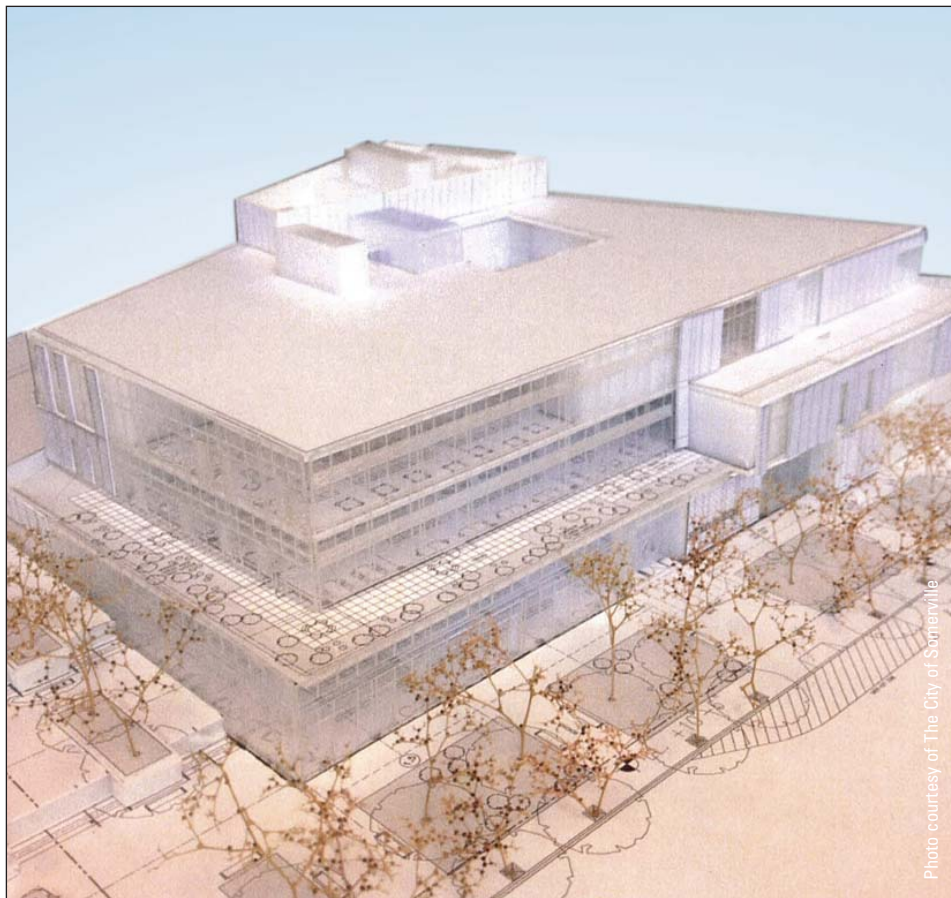
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A new chapter for Union Square

Steps forward for T station, new library



Plans for Union Square revitalization include a \$45 million new library building, shown here in an architect's rendering.

By Elizabeth Sheeran

If all goes according to plan, the Prospect Street area of Union Square will be a hotbed of public works development over the next few years.

The City of Somerville has reached a legal agreement with the state that clears the way for the planned Union Square Green Line station near the intersection of Prospect Street and Webster Avenue. That followed recent news the city had moved a step closer to winning state funding for a new Central Library on the block east of Prospect between Washington Street and Somerville Avenue.

City officials said both sites are key building blocks in the ambitious vision for a revitalized Union Square. "It's an exciting step forward in the city's commitment to Union Square as an evolving civic and business hub for the entire metro-Boston region," said Mayor Joseph Curtatone.

The July 26 Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), signed by the city, the MBTA and the state department of transportation (MassDOT), literally lays the groundwork for construction of the new

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The Somerville Mobile Farmers Market will come to Somerville residents

By Cathleen Twardzik

To ensure that healthy, fresh food is available to the city's residents, Shape Up Somerville (SUS) will drive trucks that will contain local produce to various areas, around the city at which mobile farmers markets will be set up.

Until September 30, residents will have access to the mobile market truck.

Shape Up Somerville is a citywide campaign, the goal of which is to "increase daily physical activity and healthy eating" via various programs, policy work and the improvement of physical infrastructure. This initiative involves residents from each corner of Somerville, according to the city's website.

Further, the mobile market will benefit low-income residents who utilize government nutrition assistance by providing them with more access to healthy food. That goal will be accomplished "by increasing affordability and adding convenience."

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NEWTALK

The Annual Mayor's Senior Picnic is today Wednesday, at Powderhouse Park. As usual, a huge turnout is expected. Lots of food, entertainment and gifts for the day. Every year since Mayor Brune's days this event has gotten bigger and bigger. We wish everyone a great time today.

Last week we mentioned here that a rumor was flying around about a certain School Committeeman talking about running for Alderman At Large next year but would at the last minute switch to run for the Alderman's seat in his ward. Well, apparently the rumor was true. Well, at least half true. As you can see, the pressure was on for Ward 5 School Committeeman Mark Neidergang (*see Letters to the Editor) to come out and clarify the rumor. Mark claims in a Letter to the Editor here at The News that he is a candidate against incumbent Ward 5 Alderman Sean O'Donovan next year. In all our years a 15 month announcement is probably the earliest announcement on record for a Ward seat. Alderman O'Donovan has had major opposition in the past and has handily beaten back his opponents. It's because, as Sean would tell you and it's true, he's paid attention to the wants and needs of all his constituents. We think Alderman O'Donovan will beat once again any opposition whether it's Mark Neidergang or anyone else.

Many happy birthdays in the 'Ville this week. Happy birthday to Lisamarie Tauro this week. Happy birthday to Somerville Attorney Rich DiGirolamo, Happy birthday to Diane Snow and two year old Hailey O'Connor is celebrating here in the 'Ville. Also, happy birthday to our good friend Regan McGovern who is celebrating his birthday here in the 'Ville as well!

Is it just us or does anyone else see how the Russell Disposal trucks drive around the city? Sometimes

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TheSomervilleNews.com Comments of the Week

Response to Hubway bike-sharing kiosks arrive

Ray Spitzer says:

Scenario: guy takes bike, falls because the bike is defective or something and kills himself. Who is responsible? The city?

Winter Hill Barney says:

Why are there any costs to the city or the Feds? What did public money pay for?

Courtney O'Keefe says:

The City makes money off of having the Hubway bike stations. The revenue structure allots the daily rent fee to the city where it was rented from and the revenue from annual users is portioned (based on a percentage system) between all four cities that signed on (Boston, Brookline, Cambridge and Somerville).

The money used came out of the FY2013 budget which did not feature any layoffs. There was some hikes in fees and fines, unfilled positions, and AM/PM staffing changes that balanced the budget, but no layoffs.

The main goal now is to encourage use of the system, so the city can reimburse its initial cost and begin to see a revenue stream.

yuppie scum says:

Awesome, will be nice to be able to get between some of the "secondary" squares more quickly. Not to mention into cambridge and boston.

Taking the red line to Central and biking across the river would be a lot quicker than taking the red to the green, etc.

Mike says:

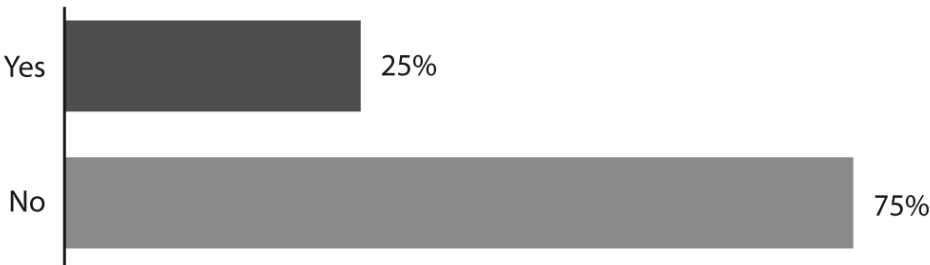
Its a great program. Looking forward to a Wilson Square kiosk!

Log onto TheSomervilleNews.com to leave your own comments

TheSomervilleNews.com poll of the week

In addition to breaking news, sports and opinion, TheSomervilleNews.com also features a daily poll in which you, the reader, tell us where you come down on local issues. Last week's poll concerned your views on whether or not you will be using the Hubway bike-sharing system when it comes to Somerville. If you don't agree with the results, simply log onto TheSomervilleNews.com.

Will you be using the Hubway bike-sharing system when it comes to Somerville?



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Green Line station pact signed

The City of Somerville, MassDOT and the MBTA have signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) that describes how land will be acquired by the city, or by the Somerville Redevelopment Authority (SRA) acting as the city's agent, to be transferred to the MBTA in exchange for a firm commitment by the MBTA and MassDOT to construct a transit station in Union Square as part of the Green Line Extension (GLX).

For a symbolic payment of one dollar, the MBTA will be given a temporary easement for pickup/drop-off area and construction staging areas. Under the agreement, the MBTA will also receive a permanent easement for the station building, which will be sited near the intersection of Prospect Street and Webster Avenue. The city/SRA will acquire and retain long-term control over adjacent parcels and air rights on the same block until it concludes development and sales agreements with one or more developers.

"This is another major step forward both in making the Green Line Extension a reality, and in planning for the future of one of the most dynamic development areas in our city," said Mayor Curtatone. "It's also a strong reaffirmation of our close working relationship with the Patrick Administration - and especially the state's transportation leadership. This agreement helps ensure that current and future development around the new station conforms to our community's shared vision for Union Square as reflected in the SomerVision comprehensive plan. Just as important, it gives the MBTA the access and support it needs to keep moving on the Green Line. I'm very pleased with the terms of this agreement, and deeply grateful to Secretary Davey and his team."

"It is with this type of partnership and cooperation that we will deliver the Green Line Extension project for our customers," said MassDOT Secretary and CEO Davey. "I thank the Mayor

and City of Somerville for their ongoing support and interest in sustainable transportation. As progress is becoming more and more concrete, I encourage city residents to continue to engage in the process."

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The city anticipates that the acquisition and preparation of the station site and adjacent parcels would be achieved through the SRA at a cost of approximately \$8 million. "We're currently working out the details of how this aspect of the overall development of Union Square will fit into an urban revitalization plan as we explore the potential use of DIF funds and other financial options," said Mayor Curtatone. (DIF, which is the acronym for District Improvement Financing, is a technique that, with state oversight and approval, allows cities and towns to designate new property taxes generated by a specific development project to underwrite bonds that pay for initial acquisition or infrastructure costs. The city is already using DIF to pay for roadway and utility work at Assembly Square, where projected tax revenues will far exceed the city's debt service costs.)

"We expect to bring a detailed proposal for a Union Square Urban Revitalization Plan to both the SRA and the Board of Aldermen later this month," Curtatone said.

In return for the city taking on the cost and labor of acquiring the land, relocating current tenants and providing short- and long-term easements to the MBTA for construction and operation of the Union



The Memorandum of Agreement signed by The City of Somerville, MassDOT and the MBTA brings the Union Square Station one big step closer to realization.

Square station, MassDOT and the MBTA have agreed to pay for environmental cleanup and remediation costs at the station site, and to proceed on a timetable calling for the start of station construction in the spring of 2014 and completion of "an operational transit station by the late 2016-early 2017," according to the text of the MOA.

In addition, the MOA recommit the state to several GLX milestones, including:

- Breaking ground and beginning construction in October 2012 on the rehabilitation of Medford Street Bridge in Somerville
- Awarding the contract for Final Design Services, scheduled for presentation to the MBTA Board of Directors at its meeting in September 2012
- Advertising for the Construction Management/General Contractor contract, which will be the construction firm that ultimately builds the GLX project.



Acquisition parcels for the Union Square GLX Station development.



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THE WEEK IN CRIME

By Jim Clark

Intoxicated man relieves self, scares bystanders

Police officers were dispatched to 61 Union Square last Saturday of a report of a drunken man urinating in public. Two witnesses, a man and a woman, approached the officers as they arrived and reported that they had witnessed the man urinating in public and asked him to stop, at which time the man wiped his hands on the male witness. The witness pushed the suspect away, then the man pulled out a multi-tool pocket knife and threatened the witness, according to witness testimony. The officers approached the suspect, who reportedly appeared to be intoxicated and unsteady on his feet, and ordered him to remove his hand from his pocket, police said. Failing to comply, officers restrained the man and removed the knife from his pocket. Juan Dileon-Carpio, 51, was then placed under arrest and charged with assault with a dangerous weapon and indecent exposure.

SOMERVILLE POLICE CRIME LOG

Arrests:

Petronilio Desouza, 42, of 56 Madison Ave., Everett, July 30, 1:42 a.m., arrested at 220 Washington St. on a charge of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

Angel Rivera, 44, of 231 Liberty St., Lowell, July 30, 9:30 a.m., arrested at McGrath Hwy. on a warrant charge of threat to commit a crime.

Kendra Giarratana, 32, of 117 Cross St., Malden, July 30, 11:00 a.m., arrested at 300 Alewife Brook Pkwy. on a warrant charge of assault and battery.

Louis Spezzafero, 51, July 30, 11:09 a.m., arrested at 300 Alewife Brook Pkwy. on a charges of trespassing and disorderly conduct.

Richard Randall, 67, of 135 Summer St., Malden, July 30, 11:09 a.m., arrested at Broadway on a warrant charge of criminal harassment.

George Bourgeois, 22, of 63 Raymond Ave., July 30, 5:12 p.m., arrested at home on a charge of assault and battery.

Vanessa Ribeiro, 27, of 1374 Broadway, July 30, 10:06 p.m., arrested at 1366 Broadway on a charge of disorderly conduct.

Mark Morris, 38, of 34 Lowell St., July 31, 1:25 a.m., arrested at home on a charge of aggravated assault and battery.

Tommy Tom, 39, of 327 Highland Ave., July 31, 2:33 p.m., arrested at 58 Day St. on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon.

Justin Bishop, 26, of 327 Highland Ave., July 31, 5:50 p.m., arrested at 30 Broadway on charges of assault with a dangerous weapon and assault and battery with a dangerous weapon.

Anthony Dinapoli, 41, of 47 Pierson Rd., August 1, 7:45 a.m., arrested at home on a charge of abuse prevention order violation.

Francis Barrett, 73, of 33 Springfield St., August 1, 6:49 p.m., arrested at 320 Somerville

Ave. on a charge of violation of city ordinance open container.

James Traynor, 58, of 13 Reed St., Woburn, August 1, 6:49 p.m., arrested at 320 Somerville Ave. on a charge of violation of city ordinance open container.

Jude Norman, 49, August 1, 6:49 p.m., arrested at 320 Somerville Ave. on a charge of violation of city ordinance open container.

Lynne Baker, 32, of 17 County Rd., Everett, August 1, 7:57 p.m., arrested at 11 Sylvey Pl. on a charge of assault and battery.

Anne Feeley, 37, of 489 Mountain, Malden, August 1, 9:07 p.m., arrested at 77 Middlesex Ave. on warrant charges of shoplifting over \$100 by concealing merchandise, shoplifting by concealing merchandise, and larceny over \$250.

Abu Taher, 38, of 5 Putnam, August 1, 9:09 p.m., arrested at home on a charge of assault and battery.

Kevin Boynton, 28, of 86 Bloomfield St., Dorchester, August 2, 9:54 a.m., arrested at 175 Fellsaway on warrant charges of destruction of property over \$250, felony daytime breaking and entering, and larceny over \$250.

Scott Badeau, 47, August 2, 11:24 a.m., arrested at 100 Willow Ave. on a warrant charge of trespassing.

Matthew Galewski, 34, August 2, 6:46 p.m., arrested at 1 Capen Ct. on charges of assault and battery and unarmed robbery.

David Miles, 41, of 79 Dover St., August 2, 7:41 p.m., arrested at home on charges of conspiracy to violate drug law, drug possession to distribute, and drug violation near a school or park.

Angela Pisani, 40, of 190 Beach St., Malden, August 2, 7:41 p.m., arrested at 79 Dover St. on charges of conspiracy to violate drug law, drug possession

to distribute, and drug violation near a school or park.

Kerry Crotty, 33, of 3 Bigelow, Cambridge, August 3, 9:29 a.m., arrested on warrant charges of conspiracy, larceny over \$250, utter false instrument, and forgery of document.

Shannon O'Donnel, 27, of 100 Ferrin St., Charlestown, August 3, 1:51 p.m., arrested at 77 Middlesex Ave. on charges of possession of a class B drug and shoplifting over \$100 by concealing merchandise.

William Reardon, 52, August 3, 9:33 p.m., arrested at Grove St. on a warrant charge of failure to register as a sex offender.

Michael Grossi, 43, of 86 Washington St., Lynn, August 4, 11:30 a.m., arrested at 238 Washington St. on a charge of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

Phillip Dipietro, 34, of 26 Warwick St., August 4, 1:49 p.m., arrested at 269 Somerville Ave. on a charge of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

Ivaldo Dasilva, 39, of 40 Walnut St., Medford, August 4, 5:30 p.m., arrested at 299 Broadway on a warrant charge of operation of a motor vehicle without a license.

Juan Dileon-Carpio, 51, of 9 Washington St., August 4, 5:44 p.m., arrested at 61 Union Sq. on charges of assault with a dangerous weapon and indecent exposure.

Joseph Killoren, 30, of 585 Broadway, August 4, 7:27 p.m., arrested at 20 Fisk Ave. on charges of assault and battery and assault with a dangerous weapon.

Sebastian Almedia, 37, of 30 Ten Hills Rd., August 4, 9:58 p.m., arrested at 117 School St. on charges of operation of a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor and unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

Jose Aguilar, 24, of 70 Webster St., Boston, August 4, 10:26 p.m., arrested at 5 Everett Ave. on a warrant

charge of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

Yenasi Morales, 21, of 42 W. Baltimore St., Lynn, August 5, 5:32 a.m., arrested at 79 Broadway on warrant charges of uninsured motor vehicle or trailer, unregistered motor vehicle, and operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

Incidents:

Theft:

July 31, 10:09 a.m., police reported a theft at Day St.

July 31, 11:45 a.m., police reported a theft at Holland St.

July 31, 7:14 a.m., police reported a theft at Holland St.

July 31, 2:45 p.m., police reported a theft at Prospect Hill Ave.

July 31, 3:59 p.m., police reported a theft at Banks St.

August 1, 12:22 a.m., police reported a theft at Holland St.

August 1, 2:45 p.m., police reported a theft at 180 Somerville Ave.

August 1, 5:37 p.m., police reported a theft at Central St.

August 1, 6:00 p.m., police reported a theft at 101 Highland Ave.

August 2, 9:23 a.m., police reported a theft at Dover St.

August 2, 10:09 a.m., police reported a theft at Washington St.

August 2, 3:12 p.m., police reported a theft at Westwood Rd.

August 3, 12:13 p.m., police reported a theft at 343 Broadway.

August 3, 1:51 p.m., police reported a theft at 77 Middlesex Ave.

August 4, 8:40 a.m., police reported a theft at 16 Beacon St.

August 5, 5:25 p.m., police reported a theft at 704 Broadway.

Robbery:

August 2, 6:46 p.m., police reported a robbery at Capen Ct.

August 3, 9:13 a.m., police reported a robbery at 250 Elm St.

Breaking & Entering:

July 31, 6:31 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Gordon St.

August 1, 10:28 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Willow Ave.

August 3, 5:40 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Vinal Ave.

August 4, 1:50 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at McGrath Hwy.

Vehicle Theft:

July 31, 9:34 p.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Crocker St.

August 2, 11:49 a.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Pearl St.

August 2, 4:43 p.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Bonair St.

August 3, 10:10 a.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Columbus Ave.

August 3, 11:47 a.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Myrtle St.

August 4, 2:57 a.m., police reported a vehicle theft at 45 Webster Ave.

Assault:

July 31, 1:25 a.m., police reported an assault at Lowell St.

July 31, 2:33 p.m., police reported an assault at 58 Day St.

July 31, 5:50 p.m., police reported an assault at 30 Broadway.

July 31, 11:15 p.m., police reported an assault at Main St.

August 1, 6:51 a.m., police reported an assault at Pearson Rd.

August 1, 9:09 a.m., police reported an assault at Putnam St.

August 1, 7:57 p.m., police reported an assault at Silvey Pl.

August 4, 3:47 p.m., police reported an assault at 350 Broadway.

August 4, 5:56 p.m., police reported an assault at Broadway.

August 4, 7:27 p.m., police reported an assault at Fisk Ave.

Drug Violation:

August 2, 7:41 p.m., police reported a drug violation at Dover St.

Somerville teens in Tufts medical program

Two young Somerville residents participated in an event at Tufts University School of Medicine celebrating their achievements as part of Tufts' program to encourage students from diverse backgrounds to pursue careers in medicine and science. Somerville residents Fatima Khan, 16, and Jasmine Ngan, 16 presented the findings of their independent studies to family, friends, and the Tufts community.

Khan's presentation was on "Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms." She spent five weeks studying Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms (AAA) in mouse models. An AAA is a localized dilation of the large blood vessel that supplies the legs. This condition most commonly occurs in men over the age of 65 who smoke. An AAA can be a life-threatening condition, because it is often without symptoms and can rupture spontaneously. When

the abdominal aorta ruptures, a large volume of blood spills into the abdomen and can cause death if not treated urgently. Under her mentor's direction, Khan was studying whether or not statins can reduce the formation of AAA in mice. Statins are drugs that are prescribed to treat high cholesterol. Eventually, this research could be extended to humans.

Ngan's presentation was on "The Effects of Storage Conditions on Bloodspot Amino Acids." She spent her summer studying the effects of storage conditions on bloodspot amino acids. Amino acids are the building blocks of proteins. Most of the 22 amino acids can be made within the human body. Those that cannot must be obtained through the diet. Some individuals are born without the ability to synthesize particular amino acids. As a result, they are deficient and must take



Somerville teens Fatima Khan (left) and Jasmine Ngan (right) presented results of their independent studies at Tufts University School of Medicine.

regular dietary supplements. In order to assess the effectiveness of the dietary supplements, the patient's blood must be tested regularly using an at-home col-

lection kit. The patient pricks his/her finger and touches it to a piece of paper, which is then sent to a lab to be analyzed. Ngan was studying how the

storage conditions of the paper post-test, such as light exposure and room temperature, may affect the amount of amino acid that is detected.

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The Somerville Police are seeking assistance from the public in identifying the man shown here with regards to a bank robbery at Eastern Bank in Davis Square on Friday, August 3. He did not show or threaten a weapon. He is a white male, appears to be in his 40's, about 5'8", 190 lbs., with a green and red-orange tattoo on right bicep (possibly a fighting Irish leprechaun), wearing cargo shorts, a blue sleeveless Red Sox shirt, and a gray/blue ball cap with "Harvard" written across the front. If you have any information, please contact Detective Paul Duffy @ 617.625.1600 Ext. 7219 or pduffy@police.somerville.ma.us.

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To the Editor of the Somerville News:

Since the subject has been raised publicly, I want to confirm for your readers that this summer I have been laying the groundwork to run for the Ward 5 Alderman seat in 2013.

My top priority continues to be to serve Ward 5 as its representative on the School Committee, which I have done for 6 1/2 years now. I will continue to work hard and do

everything I can to improve our schools in that role through the end of 2013.

This summer I have been spending a lot of time working for the election of three terrific candidates, Denise Provost for State Representative, Elizabeth Warren for U.S. Senate, and Maryann Heuston for Register of Deeds.

I did not think it appropriate to speak publicly about my interest in running for Ward 5 Alderman because the next mu-

nicipal election is 15 months away in November 2013 and there are two extremely important elections coming up on September 6th and November 6th, 2012. But since the subject has been raised, and rumors are flying around which may affect some of my colleagues on the School Committee, I wanted to clarify things.

Yours,
Mark Niedergang
Ward 5 School Committee Representative

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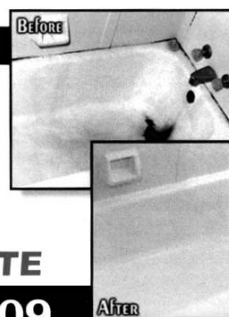
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A new chapter for Union Square

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T-station, by spelling out the steps for acquiring the additional land needed for the project, and getting the site ready to start building.

This latest step was made possible because the Green Line Extension (GLX) project last month cleared a significant hurdle by successfully passing the federal environmental review. It also reflects a phased-in approach to the long-awaited and repeatedly delayed plan to extend the light rail line through Somerville to Medford, with a current target of 2016 to complete the main line extension as far as Washington Street and the spur line to Union Square.

Under the legally binding agreement, the city will spend around \$8 million to buy two acres of land adjacent to the MBTA rail line, consisting of three parcels and including the existing Prospect Iron and Steel scrap metal business, as well as to relocate the current tenants and demolish buildings.

In return, the MBTA and MassDOT will pay for environmental cleanup and remediation, and have committed to a timetable to break ground on the new station by the spring of 2014, and have a transit station operational by early 2017.

The agreement, which also recommit the state to a number of near-term GLX project goals, was lauded by public officials, members of the business community and transit advocates, as a concrete move in the quest to bring mass-transit benefits into the heart of Somerville.

"I'm happy to see that this MOA puts legal teeth into our campaign to keep the Green Line project on the move," said Ellin Reisner, of the Somerville Transportation Equity Partner-

ship, an advocacy group.

"This is a great step forward for the continued advancement of Somerville's first downtown," said Mimi Graney of Union Square Main Streets, which promotes local business. She said the agreement between the city and state reflects "a shared goal of creating a more pedestrian-oriented, economically vital district" in Union Square.

According to the terms of the agreement, the city will grant a permanent easement to the MBTA for the station building, and a temporary easement for the pick-up and drop-off areas, and the construction staging site. But Somerville will retain long-term control over the portion of the property not covered by the station, as well as air rights for the area, which opens up the potential to bring in tax-generating transit-oriented development.

The Mayor said the city plans to explore the use of so-called District Improvement Financing, which allows the city to fund public projects with the additional taxes they help generate. "Any expenditures the city makes now will be amply rewarded by proceeds from subsequent land transfers and by tax revenues from future economic activity," said the Mayor.

The same kind of expected long-term payback is behind the city's proposal to build a new 70,000 square foot, \$45 million state-of-the-art library building in Union Square, to replace the aging main library building on Highland Avenue, and create a public gathering place in a neighborhood which can better leverage the kind of activity a library can generate.

The library building proposal, which recently was approved to be 40-percent funded with



state grant money provided the city can fund the remainder, more than doubles the size of the current central library. It also fulfills most of a long wish-list of features asked for by residents, with better children's and teen spaces, quiet and group study rooms, an open courtyard, and expanded community meeting space, including a 200-seat auditorium.

Library Director Maria Carpenter said modern libraries have to meet different needs, including providing access to technology, supporting lifelong learning for a more diverse population, and acting as a community gathering place, and the existing building is too small, too old, and too inflexible in the way it's laid out. She said demand for meeting space far exceeds supply, even though the library is open 65 to 69 hours a week.

"We need even more space for people to be able to come together to meet and mingle and make connections," said Carpenter. "Being able to bring people together to foster creativity is very much part of the vision for the public library in Somerville."

The city hasn't yet determined how it will fund its own 60 percent share of the library building costs, which includes the cost to purchase the land, but City Planning Director George Proakis said all options are still on the table, including some kind of public-private partnership.

A new library building would be a welcome addition to the neighborhood for local businesses, said Graney, of Union Square Main Streets. "A library attracts a thousand people a day, and we're excited about the kind of foot traffic that can generate," she said.

Graney said the long-term economic benefits to Union Square from either the library proposal or the Green Line station building will far exceed the short-term impact of displacing a handful of existing businesses.

She said property owners who will be displaced by the Green Line transit station have been prepared for the move for some time now, and many of the businesses no longer fit with the emerging character of Union Square. "I think you'd be hard-

pressed to find anyone who thinks that a scrap iron business would be a good fit for a pedestrian-oriented business district," said Graney.

She noted that the city has committed to ensuring that certain local businesses, most notably Ricky's Florists, can find alternative space in the neighborhood when and if they're displaced to build the new library building.

And Graney said any concrete news is good news when it comes to encouraging economic development. "Part of what's been holding back development in Union Square is a sense of uncertainty," said Graney. "Having clear commitments in place will help break through a lot of that skepticism. People who have been thinking about making a move may say, 'now's the time.'"

The public will get a chance to learn more about long-term plans for Union Square when the Mayor presents his detailed proposal for a Union Square Revitalization Plan at a special meeting of the Board of Aldermen next week, on Thursday, August 16.

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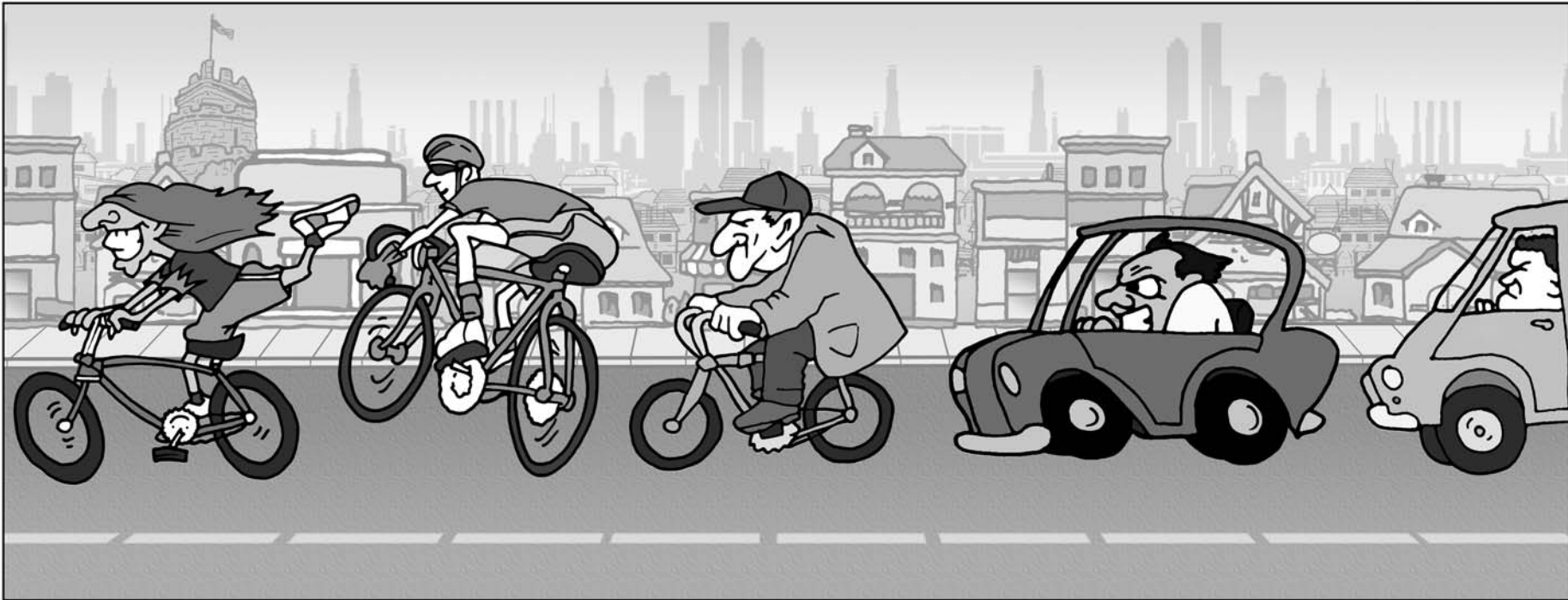
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Make way for Hubway!

The View From Prospect Hill



The Hubway bike sharing system is now a reality for Somerville, and many are applauding its inclusion as a transportation option, while others have questions and concerns regarding the costs and the potential drawbacks that may come to the fore as time passes.

The Shape Up Somerville movement gets a bit of a boost every time a citizen opts for taking a bicycle out on the streets instead of an automobile. The air quality suffers a little less as well with that tiny bit of carbon emission left behind in the garage.

So, what can one possibly complain of as we press ahead in urging one another to take a bicycle to lunch instead of the old fossil fuel burner? Little, in fact, but there are a few concerns.

For one thing, many of our city streets are ill equipped to easily accommodate both motorist and cyclist as they vie for the precious space that some of our narrower thoroughfares offer. Should we be advocating bike usage before we develop properly laid out paths to accommodate them? More bike lanes on city streets and dedicated bike paths should be a high priority if we are going to be pushing people to pedal themselves around like this.

Of course, the costs involved in making these modifications to our streets must be considered and weighed against the value we place on promoting more bike usage.

It seems like a great idea on the face of it, but beauty is only skin deep, as they say. Let's look a little deeper and decide whether or not we are capable of providing a balanced level of safety and convenience alongside the utopian vision of an emission-free transportation system.

All good things in their own time, they also say.

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going down side streets so fast, it would be almost impossible to stop before hitting someone. How about the backing up of trucks on various residential streets? Maybe the drivers also double as rodeo cowboys.

We're awaiting confirmation, but Senator Scott Brown will be coming to Somerville, spending time with The News and going around visiting various businesses as well as meeting and greeting residents. If you'd like to have a question asked let us know.

We tried IYO, the new coffee, yogurt and stuff cafe in Davis Sq. First day the coffee was ice cold but when we brought it back the clerk was more worried about how long ago WE had bought it (2 minutes) than providing the replacement. We tried the second day and managed luke warm service and coffee. Good luck, folks.

Dulock butcher shop (natural meats), it looks like Mike is almost ready for an opening day on Highland Avenue.

If there is anyone who helps out local charities more than Bob at Redbones, we haven't found them...and the food is still amazing. While we are on charitable folks, Carla at Johnny D's is always helping out someone in our city. They will soon be opening their "green" bakery next to the popular club. Not a lot of seats but we're willing to bet on some fine baked goods.

Representative Tim Toomey, who represents all of Ward 1 here in Somerville, and one present in Ward 2 has two challengers this year. One democrat challenger and one Republican challenger. Tim Toomey is the ultimate State Representative who has to know, we believe, what it is to represent his constituents. We've found in the past that Rep. Toomey never takes the voters for granted. He's a hard worker.

Speaking of hard workers, Rep. Denise Provost is also not taking a challenger lightly. She's out there all over the district, we hear, working very hard to let people know where she stands.

The residents of Ten Hills are going to be having work done on the various streets. The developer of the Assembly Row project, Federal Realty Investments Trust, contracted with Cranshaw Constructions to manage the rehabilitation of existing antiquated sewer and storm drains along Shore Drive. Work begins on tearing up the streets August 13 and is estimated to be done by Thanksgiving.

How about the Fire Department running those hydrants around the city? The water all nice and rusty. A few residents of Winter Hill had to thoroughly run their hot water tanks over and over to get the rust out.

We hear that Sean Fitzgerald, who ran in the Alderman at Large race last year, is definitely in it again next year.

Mark your calendar for August 24 at Dilboy Stadium starting at 7p.m. The Somerville Boxing Club is hosting a

Fight Night. Special announcer Jay Connolly calls the shots at this exciting boxing event presented by Mayor Curtatone, Somerville Recreation, and the Somerville Boxing Club & USA Boxing. Price is \$20, with \$10 for young people and free if less than 12. A great event which will hopefully attract a large crowd here in 'Ville. Lots of people are promoting this event, a great organization here in the city now for many years.

The Hungry Tiger Street Festival transforms Union Square into a bustling outdoor night market this Saturday from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. The festival will feature foods from around the globe served by local Union Square restaurants. Mingle with street performers, soak in live music and marvel at fire throwers and spinners. The festival is also an opportunity to check out Nibble, the Somerville Arts Council's new book about food and culture in Union Square and beyond. Buy a copy and participate in Nibble activities like "Test Your Nose" and an interactive global food stories map. Restaurants will charge various prices for their food, yet the festival itself is free.

COMMENTARY

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Union Square in the limelight



By Joseph A. Curtatone

In last week's announcement of Somerville's Union Square Green Line station agreement with MassDOT and the MBTA, Mimi Graney, the energetic and effective executive director of Union Square Main Streets, referred to the Square as "Somerville's first downtown." That's both historically true and a prediction of good things to come.

For much of the 19th Century, Union Square was the commercial and social center of Somerville. Over the years, however - and especially in the decades following World War II - Union Square's role was

matched, and in some cases surpassed, by other squares across the city. Still, even as Davis Square has continued to thrive on its Red Line connection, and even as Assembly Square comes roaring back as our city's newest neighborhood, Union Square has continued to hold its own. With a well-earned reputation as a trend-setting dining destination; with a busy, all-day cafe culture; with a popular farmers' market; with outdoor events like "What the Fluff" and the weekly "Swirl and Slice" artisanal wine and cheese fest, Union Square has maintained visibility, bustle and an attractive image.

But with two new announcements about major public investments in its immediate future, Union Square's recent renaissance is about to accelerate to warp speed. The first of these was the announcement of the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners (MBLC) that it had approved the listing of Somerville for state financial support based on our proposal to build a new Central Library in Union Square, and our city eligibility to receive an almost un-

heard-of grant of \$18.1 million. (That's \$10 million more than the next highest award on the list.) The grant isn't guaranteed, of course, the city has to come up another \$27 million in construction money, and the state must agree to include the grant in its five year capital plan, but it's a big boost to the idea of bringing a major civic cultural center into Union Square, where it will be more easily accessible to patrons and better positioned to assist the local economy by generating more foot and bike traffic through the Square.

*Union Square is
shining so brightly
that it's practically
glowing*

And speaking of access and foot traffic, there was even bigger and better news for Union Square when we were able to announce last week that we'd signed a Memorandum of

Agreement (MOA) with MassDOT and the MBTA on land acquisition and construction for what will be, in the words of the agreement, "an operational transit station by the late 2016-early 2017." Under the terms of the deal, the city (with the Somerville Redevelopment Authority likely to act as agent,) will purchase the land for the station and adjacent development parcels. Then, for a symbolic payment of one dollar to make the contract binding, the MBTA will be given a temporary easement for a pickup/drop-off area and construction staging areas. The T will also receive a permanent easement for the station building, which will be sited near the intersection of Prospect Street and Webster Avenue.

This agreement keeps the Green Line on its current timetable and gives the city the ability to oversee development of the scrap metal and storage areas between the heart of Union Square and the new Green Line stop. The impacts on both the transportation options and the economic development potential

for Union Square make this deal a massive home run for areas residents and businesses. And keeping the Green Line Extension moving forward has important benefits for the entire city.

As important as these milestones will be for the future of Union Square, it's also worth noting that there are plenty of other developments that are helping the Square maintain forward momentum. One of Somerville's first three Hubway bike-sharing kiosks just went up in Union Square. Several new restaurants have opened there over the past twelve months, with more to follow in the near future. Internationally celebrated graffiti artists (and twin brothers) Otavio and Gustavo Pandolfo recently created a new mural at the corner of Webster Ave and Washington on the wall of Mama Gina's Pizza.

And on Saturday, August 11, from 6 to 10 p.m., the Somerville Arts Council and Union Square are hosting a Hungry Tiger Street Food Festival that will feature global cuisine from local restaurants as well as

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On The Silly Side by Jimmy Del Ponte

Somer-Songs



I peeped into a colleague's office to say hi last week and we got on the subject of the songs of 1966. We were both 13 years old back then and we couldn't believe all the great songs that came out that year.

As we all know, hearing a song unleashes thoughts, feelings and memories that cannot be described but send us someplace very special. Here are just a few of the songs of 1966: 96 Tears, Summer In The City, See You In September, Gloria, Black is Black, Yellow Submarine, The Sounds of Silence, Barbara Ann, Time Won't Let Me, 19th Nervous Breakdown, Shapes of Things, Wipe Out, Dirty Water, Ain't Too Proud To Beg, Homeward Bound and many more classic hits. Google "top songs of 1966" and you will be blown away. That is if you are in that special age group that will appreciate it.

A great memory is a summer day long ago and three friends in my back yard with guitars plucking out Gloria's three chords, E, D and A. Summer In The City will always remind me of just that. The nights listening to our transistor radios

while trying to ignore the rattling of those metal fans that merely blew hot air in your face.

It brings me back to the days of "buck buck," bicycles, and dad whistling for us to come in at night. Sometimes I refer to those special days as "back when everyone was still alive." 1965 was a good year too. It was when Petula Clark's hit *Downtown* was the very first song I ever learned on the guitar. *Downtown* also reminds me of taking the bus into Boston with my father. The buses back then had those thick comfortable overstuffed seats. They were replaced by those annoying hard plastic jobs.

Later in 1969, the song *Cherry Hill Park* came out and it always reminded of my friends from Belmont Park. *Born To Be Wild* by Steppenwolf came out in 1968 and instantly became the anthem for anyone with a motorcycle. But just the title was something my friends and I could relate to because we were in fact wild. We had hair down to our shoulders, we wore dungarees and dungaree jackets and we were hippies. Several of my friends eventually bought motorcycles and still ride to this day.

By 1966 we were already neck deep in

Beatlemania. As they used to say on the radio...and the hits just keep on coming! How can you describe what The Beatles did to us? They changed us forever. They provided the musical backdrop for our generation. Listen to *She Loves You* or *I Want To Hold Your Hand* and describe all the emotions that you experience. Then you can check out the 1966 contributions such as *We Can Work It Out*, *Paperback Writer*, and *Nowhere Man*.

Somerville was pretty cool back around 1966. There were a lot of local bands that had dreams of stardom. All the great music of the era fueled our aspirations. Later, we would enjoy the success of local bands such as Aerosmith, The J Geils Band, The Cars, and Boston. Play any songs by those groups and you are sure to travel back to another time when you were younger, thinner, hairier, and perhaps single.

There are also many songs that make us sad by stirring up not so pleasant memories. *Abraham Martin and John* by Dion is one of these tunes. It immediately brings me back to the bus top in front of Somerville High School in June of 1968. That is where I heard the unbelievable and shocking news about the death of

Robert F Kennedy. That song will always make me sad.

I know I have written about the heartbreaking, *Alone Again Naturally* before in this column. That song reduces me to tears every time. As a matter of fact, I usually change the station if it comes on.

New Bedford's own Tavares sang, *Don't Take Away The Music*. If you take away the music, you take away millions of memories. A song is like an airplane because it can take you to exciting and special places.

Ironically, *Woman*, and *Lady Godiva* by Peter and Gordon were also on the top 100 Billboard list for 1966. Peter Asher is performing this evening at Johnny D's.

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THE HOUSE AND SENATE. *Beacon Hill Roll Call* records the votes of local representatives on seven roll calls and local senators on six roll calls from the week of July 30-August 3.

Our Legislators in the House and Senate for Somerville:



Rep. Denise Provost

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



Rep. Carl Sciortino

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



Rep. Timothy Toomey

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



Sen. Sal DiDomenico

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

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



Sen. Patricia Jehlen

DISTRICT REPRESENTED: SECOND MIDDLESEX. - Medford, Somerville, ward 1, precincts 2 and 3, ward 2, precincts 2 and 3, and wards 3 to 7, inclusive, Woburn, ward 2, and Winchester.

REQUIRE PROOF OF LEGAL RESIDENCE TO REGISTER AUTO (H 4238)

House 135-19, Senate 24-10, overrode Gov. Patrick's veto of a bill that would require applicants to provide proof of legal residence in order to register their cars.

Supporters of the bill said it would prevent illegal immigrants from registering their cars. They noted this loophole has allowed unlicensed drivers to legally register their cars and then drive illegally without a license.

In his veto message, Gov. Patrick said allowing an illegal alien to own a vehicle in Massachusetts does not jeopardize the public's safety. He argued the bill seems aimed at using the Registry of Motor Vehicles to identify and police undocumented people. (A "Yes" vote is for requiring proof of legal residence. A "No" vote is against it.)

Rep. Denise Provost	No
Rep. Carl Sciortino	No
Rep. Timothy Toomey	No
Sen. Sal DiDomenico	No
Sen. Patricia Jehlen	Didn't Vote

\$10 MILLION FOR PROBATION DEPARTMENT (H 4200)

House 149-0, Senate 34-1, overrode Gov. Patrick's \$10 million reduction (from \$123.4 million to \$113.4 million) in funding for the state's probation department.

Supporters of preserving the \$10 million said the cut would result in the loss of 250 to 300 jobs. They argued the loss would have a devastating effect on the probation system which is a useful, money-saving alternative to the expensive prison system.

In his veto message, the governor said he reduced the funding to the amount he feels is "necessary to meet agency responsibilities and caseloads." (A "Yes" vote is for keeping the \$10 million by overriding the governor's reduction. A "No" vote is against it.)

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

\$3.5 MILLION FOR EDUCATION RESERVE (H

4200)

House 153-0, Senate 36-0, overrode Gov. Patrick's veto of the entire \$3.5 million in funding for a reserve account for education aid for cities and towns. This so-called "pothole account" provides funds to communities that meet certain criteria including cities and towns with extraordinary enrollment growth and those with behavioral treatment residential student placements.

Supporters of the \$3.5 million said it would fund grants for communities that are experiencing financial hardships. They argued these grants are an important safety net for cities and towns across the state and assist communities that are struggling with their education budgets.

In his veto message, Patrick said "the funding is not necessary given other related investments in fiscal year 2013." (A "Yes" vote is for keeping the \$3.5 million by overriding the governor's veto.)

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

CHANGES IN HEALTH CARE SYSTEM (S 2400)

House 132-20, Senate 38-0, approved and sent to Gov. Patrick a bill making changes in the state's health care system. A key provision establishes a statewide health care cost growth goal for the health care industry tied to the growth in the economy.

Other provisions require the state's Medicaid program and the state's employee health care program to transition to new health care payment models; implements new technology for expansion and maintenance of the electronic medical records system so all patients' medical records are accessible by all providers; provides \$60 million to a newly created Prevention and Wellness Trust Fund to invest in community-based disease prevention, public health and wellness programs; and \$135 million to community hospitals.

Supporters said this landmark bill would save the state \$200 billion over the next 15 years while also saving billions of dollars for consumers and small businesses. They noted it would improve the quality of care and increase the transparency and accountability of the state's entire health care system.

Opponents said the bill includes good reforms but has many provisions which are a concern. They questioned the projected cost savings of the bill and the bureaucracy that it establishes. (A "Yes" vote is for the bill. A "No" vote is against it.)

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

\$1.4 BILLION TRANSPORTATION BOND PACKAGE (H 4371)

House 151-2, Senate 36-0, approved and sent to Gov. Patrick a \$1.4 billion transportation bond bill that includes the borrowing of millions of dollars for state highway, bridge, rail and other projects. It also includes dozens of local projects costing hundreds of millions of

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dollars sponsored by legislators to fund projects in their districts. The projects are actually more a “wish list”: The Patrick administration is required to adhere to the state's annual bond borrowing cap and ultimately decides which projects are affordable and get funded.

Supporters said the package will ensure the state's roads and bridges are improved and safe. They noted the measure would also leverage hundreds of millions of dollars in federal funds for roads and bridges.

One opponent said he objected to a provision that would allow part of the M. Joseph Manning Park in Milton to be turned into a parking lot. (A “Yes” vote is for the package. A “No” vote is against it.)

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

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BILL (H 4352)

House 153-1, Senate 36-0, approved and sent to the governor an economic development and jobs bill.

Provisions include a sales tax holiday that will allow consumers to buy most products under \$2,500 without paying the state's 6.25 percent sales tax on Saturday, August 11, and Sunday, August 12; a tax credit equal to the current \$456 minimum corporate excise tax for all corporations for their first three tax years; a two-year extension of existing state and local permits held by developers who had been unable to proceed with their projects because of tight credit markets; creation of an Innovation Investment Fund that offers matching grants to universities and research institutions for research and development projects; and creation of a MassWorks Infrastructure Program, which will serve as a one-stop shop for infrastructure funding.

Supporters said the bill would foster job creation and make Massachusetts more competitive and business friendly.

The lone opponent offered no arguments. (A Yes” vote is for the bill. A “No” vote is against it.)

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

PATRICK'S AMENDMENT TO HABITUAL VIOLENT OFFENDER LEGISLATION (H 3818)

House 23-132, Senate on a voice vote without a roll call, rejected Gov. Patrick's proposed amendment to a bill that denies parole eligibility for third-time violent felons for certain crimes such as rape and murder. The measure is dubbed “Melissa's Bill” for Melissa Gosule who was raped and murdered in 1999 by a repeat offender with 27 prior convictions. Patrick's amendment would give judges in the “interest of justice and upon a finding on the record of substantial and compelling reasons” the option to allow parole eligibility for these habitual offenders after serving two-thirds of the maximum sentence, or after 25 years in the case of a life sentence. The judge's decision could be appealed by the prosecutor.

In his letter to the Legislature, the governor said the law should include limited judicial discretion to ensure that this expansion of mandatory sentencing does not have unjust consequences. He argued, “The sentencing judge, who has observed all the witnesses and the defendant, heard all the evidence, and considered and ruled upon all the arguments throughout the course of the trial, is in

the best position to appreciate all the facts.

Opponents of the governor's amendment said it would essentially gut the provision of the bill that is designed to keep the “worst of the worst” repeat violent off the streets in order to keep the public safe. They argued there should be no judicial discretion for these violent offenders who repeatedly prey on vulnerable people. (A “Yes” vote is for Gov. Patrick's amendment. A “No” vote is against it.)

Rep. Denise Provost	Yes
Rep. Carl Sciortino	Yes
Rep. Timothy Toomey	No

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

MELISSA'S LAW (H 4286) - Gov. Patrick signed Melissa's Law, which denies parole eligibility for third-time violent felons for certain crimes including murder, manslaughter, rape, armed robbery, armed home invasion, kidnapping, motor vehicle homicide and use of firearms while committing a felony.

Other provisions include requiring a two-thirds vote of the parole board to grant a prisoner parole while serving a single life sentence, preventing parole eligibility for felons serving multiple life sentences based on separate incidents and reducing mandatory minimum sentences for certain non-violent drug offense.

EMERGENCY BATHROOM USE (H 2366) - Gov. Patrick signed into law a bill that would require retail establishments to allow use of their bathrooms by people who have written documentation from a doctor of any medical condition, including ulcerative colitis or Crohn's disease, that requires immediate access to a restroom facility. Businesses that violate the proposed law would be subject to a \$100 fine.

AMBULANCE COSTS (S 2384) - The House and Senate approved and sent to Gov. Patrick a bill that would prohibit insurance companies from sending checks directly to the policyholder for out-of-network private ambulance rides rather than to the ambulance company.

This practice of paying the policyholder directly was started in 2011 by Blue Cross Blue Shield (BCBS) as part of a plan to force ambulance companies to chase the consumer for payment. The goal was to pressure out-of-network ambulance companies to sign contracts with BCBS forcing them to accept the typically reduced reimbursement rates offered by BCBS.

SUPER PACS - The House approved resolutions calling for the U.S. Congress to pass a constitutional amendment to overturn the Supreme Court's decision in Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission. In that decision, the court ruled the First Amendment prohibits the government from restricting corporations, unions and individuals from donating unlimited funds to Super Political Action Committees (PACs) that do not donate directly to candidates or political parties.

The Super PACs are often run by a candidate's former staffers or associates, who use the PAC to fund negative ads against the candidate's opponents. A candidate's own committee's contributions are limited by federal law but Super PACs can legally accept unlimited donations.

OVERHAUL SYSTEM OF HANDLING RUN-AWAY AND TRUANT CHILDREN (H 4244) -

The House and Senate approved and sent to the governor a proposal that makes changes in the Children in Need of Services (CHINS) system of handling children who are runaways and truants. The changes would abolish the current system which brings most of these juveniles to court, and replace it with a statewide intervention network that would provide community services for them and their families.

VOLLEYBALL (S 1709) - The House and Senate approved a bill designating volleyball as the state's official recreational and team sport. Additional approval is needed in each branch prior to the measure going to Gov. Patrick.

QUOTABLE QUOTES

“After a 13-year struggle to achieve this new public safety law, I want to first dedicate this victory to my daughter, Melissa. Melissa, this one's for you. In your life, you always cared and did good things for others. May your death also bring some good to others through this new law.” – *Les Gosule on Gov. Patrick's signing of Melissa's Law that denies parole eligibility for some third-time violent felons.*

“Massachusetts has taken a big step backward with this law, increasing the fear and worry of many immigrants who already feel the chill of anti-immigrant sentiments in this state.” – *Josimar Salum Gouvea, Co-Chair of Brazilian Ministers Network, on the Legislature's override of Gov. Patrick's veto of a bill that requires applicants to provide proof of legal residence in order to register their cars.*

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

During the week of July 30-August 3, the House met for a total of 21 hours and eight minutes while the Senate met for a total of 24 hours and 25 minutes.

Mon. July 30	House 11:00 a.m. to 6:35 p.m. Senate 10:03 a.m. to 8:26 p.m.
Tues. July 31	House 11:00 a.m. to 12:08 a.m. Senate 10:26 a.m. to 12:12 a.m.
Wed. August 1	No House session No Senate session
Thurs. August 2	House 11:04 a.m. to 11:29 a.m. Senate 11:03 a.m. to 11:19 a.m.
Fri. August 3	No House session No Senate session

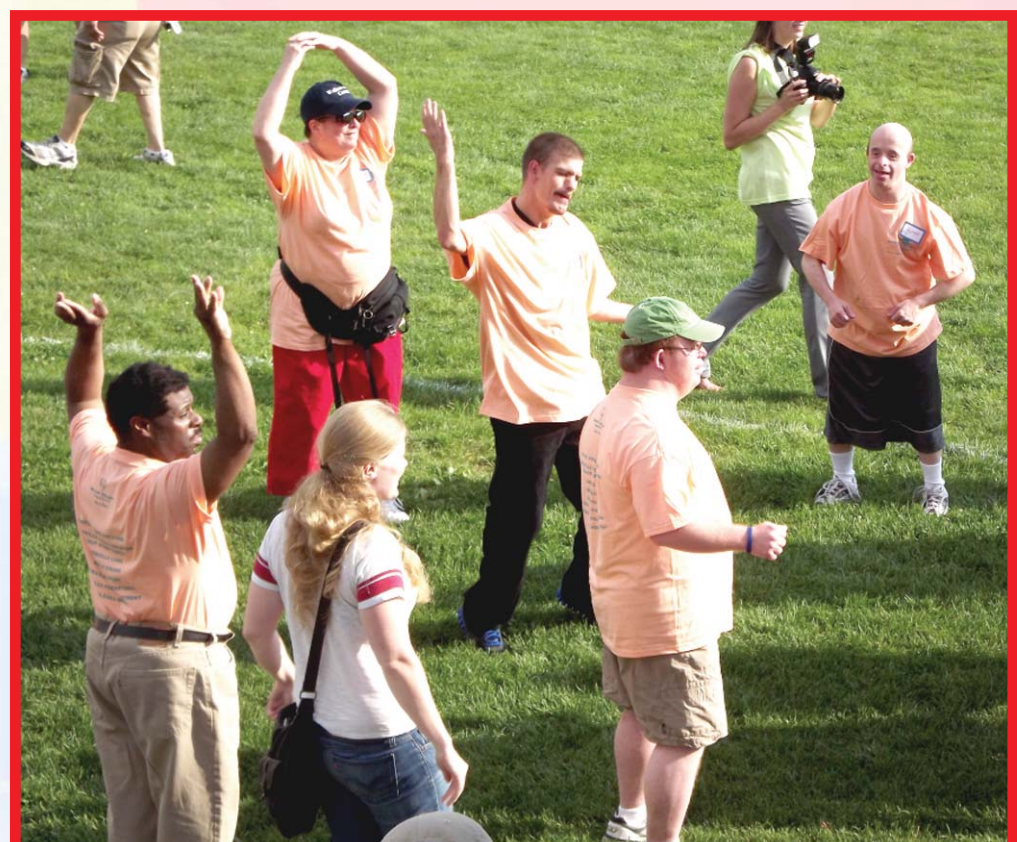
Bob Katzen welcomes feedback at bob@beaconhillrollcall.com

Somerville Olympics of a Special Kind

The Somerville Olympics of a Special Kind took place Thursday at Trum field. The event was sponsored by The Somerville School Department, Walnut Street Center, Chamber of Commerce, Somerville Kiwanis, Rotary and Lions Clubs.

The Somerville Olympics of a Special kind brought out family and friends to watch success and achievement at its best. It was an opportunity for children and adults with developmental disabilities to get outside and enjoy the summer sun in a safe fun environment.

The games were opened by Mayor Curtatone and ceremonies included a parade with the honor guards from the Somerville Police, Fire and Sheriff departments. There was music, lots of dancing and performances by the Sunsetters.





SOMERVILLE SPORTS

Somerville heads into final week of regular season

By Benjamin Klein

There's just one week and four games before the Somerville Alibrandis will enter the Yawkey Baseball League playoffs as one of the top seeds. It has been a great season for Somerville, but they still have some work to do before they can call themselves the champions for the second straight season.

July was one of Somerville's most impressive months and they closed it out with two wins, one over the Malden Bulldogs and one over the Stoneham Sabers. They also opened August on a high note with a victory over the South End Astros.

Somerville's pitching led them to victory over Malden last Monday as Sean Sullivan pitched six innings of one-run baseball while walking three and striking out four. Brian Tanguy

picked up his second save of the season with a perfect seventh inning. Bobby Barrett and Stan DeMartinis each had three hits and Barrett and Mike Maguire each scored twice for the Alibrandis in the 4-1 win.

The Alibrandis would ride their offense in their next match-up that only ended up being six innings due to poor weather conditions. Somerville opened with a run in the first inning and then tacked on seven in the second inning to take a commanding 8-2 lead. Justin Crisafulli hit a home run and Maguire drove in two run in Somerville's 8-3 victory over Stoneham. Anthony Del Prete continued his hot streak on the mound with his third win of the year in six innings of work.

Somerville entered August with 21 wins, the most in the league and added another with a



Somerville's Alibrandis are well-positioned to enter the Yawkee Baseball League playoffs as top contenders for the title.

close, 4-1 win over the South End. Jon Morse threw six great innings that put Somerville in good position to take the game. The Alibrandis offense could only score four runs, but that

would be enough for Morse and Tanguy, who picked up the save. Somerville has already clinched a spot in the playoffs and could potentially be the No. 1 seed should they play well next

week. The Alibrandis will play Monday and Tuesday against the Beacon Hill Dodgers, Friday against the Revere Rockies and Saturday against the Stoneham Stars in the regular season finale.

St. Clement welcomes new Athletic Director



St. Clement School announced that Ryan Murphy has been named the school's new athletic director. "I consider it a privilege to appoint Ryan Murphy as our new Athletic Director," said Robert G. Chevrier (pictured right), Principal St. Clement School. "He brings great deal of energy and coaching experience to our school." I have every confidence he will have a huge impact on our athletic program," said Chevrier. "Saint Clement School represents everything that's right with education and high school athletics," said Mr. Murphy (pictured left). "I am thrilled and flattered to be given this opportunity. I look forward to working with the parents, students and faculty."

Ms. Cam's

Olio

Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

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1. Where did "Mansard Roof" originate from?

2. How did a policeman get to be called a cop?

3. What is the meaning of "Mardi Gras"?

4. What was Norman Bates' unusual hobby in the movie *Psycho*?

5. What sign of the Zodiac runs from November to December?

6. How far approximately is the Earth from the Sun on average?

7. What U.S. state is called "The First State"?

8. In a regular softball game, how far apart are the bases?

9. What year did the movie *The Sixth Sense* premiere?

10. Which one of the Beatles, was best man at Peter Boyle's wedding? (Peter Boyle of *Everybody Loves Raymond*)

11. Who shocked the industrial world when he announced a \$5.00 a day minimum wage?

12. What letter is used least in the English language?

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Youth, law enforcement join for basketball tournament

Law enforcement officials, youth services workers and local teens joined together for the Fourth Annual Metro Mayors Basketball Tournament Saturday, August 4, at Trum Field in a show of solidarity among youth and those who fight for their safety.

Somerville's Teen Empowerment and the Somerville Police Dept took part in this event. There was a three-point contest and a dance show featuring youth from the communities participating in the tournament. Referees and entertainers volunteered their time, and local businesses donated supplies such as food and basketballs for the event.

Shannon Grant funds provide resources to support both prevention and enforcement measures in the battle against youth- and gang-related crime. The Metro Mayors Shannon Grant Community Safety Initiative includes community

partners such as Teen Empowerment in Somerville and Roca in Chelsea. These groups use the funding to support programs offering at-risk and court-involved youth the opportunity to turn their lives in a new direction. Police departments across the region also use the funding to support the Metro Gang Task Force and "hot spot" patrols on urban streets.

The Metro Mayors Coalition, facilitated by the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC), is a collaborative group that brings together 13 mayors and city and town managers from the Greater Boston area to find common solutions to shared problems. The tournament is funded in part by the Charles E. Shannon, Jr. Community Safety Initiative, which promotes a regional approach to addressing youth and gang violence throughout Massachusetts.



Photos by Emily Torres-Cullinane/MAPC staff

The Fourth Annual Metro Mayors Basketball Tournament brought area youths and law enforcement staff together in a spirit of solidarity.



Chaos in Union Square when car hits tree



Photo by William Tauro

Chaos was the scene Friday morning when a motor vehicle lost control in Union Square and hit a tree. The vehicle's air bags deployed after the freak collision causing the driver to be treated at the scene for minor injuries. Somerville Police and Fire emergency crews were immediately dispatched and on scene. The accident happened minutes after local and State Police as well as FBI agents were called to the Davis Square area on a report that the Eastern Bank had just been robbed.

— William Tauro

THE Somerville News Person of the Week




Meet Joe Beckmann, a nice guy and very congenial when you first meet him, not knowing he can talk for hours on end. He's someone we met about year or so ago, even though our paths have crossed many times over the years. He's very smart, has three degrees from Columbia, Brown and University of Massachusetts Amherst. He works here in Somerville as a teacher, and although he never had to say what he does for a living, you can tell he loves his job as a teacher, which for him is giving knowledge and light to those around him. We asked about Joe, who, by the way, comes to us from Illinois where he grew up, and then many years ago came to Somerville. He's been involved politically. There is no second-guessing this guy, he's straight out of the very liberal box and there's nothing wrong with that. We hear that he is very passionate about various causes and that's always a good thing. Joe Beckmann is not just smart, he's a nice guy along with many other fine qualities we're told he has. We think if you know him, you'll attest to the fact he's all this and more. If you don't know him and if you see him feel free to approach him, don't be bashful. He's a great conversationalist. Oh, and by the way, he's got a laugh that you won't forget. We think he makes for a good candidate for Person of the Week here in Somerville.

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Call **617-666-4010** and speak to the Assignment Editor

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
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PLANNING DIVISION

LEGAL NOTICE
OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Zoning Board of Appeals will meet on **Wednesday, August 15, 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:

193 School St: (Case #ZBA 2012-55) Applicant and Owner, Micah Silver, seeks a Special Permit under SZO § 4.4.1 to convert an existing garage into living space. RA zone. Ward 4.

252 Medford St: (Case #ZBA 2012-60) Applicant, T-Mobile Northeast, LLC, and Owner, Somerville Housing Authority, seek a Special Permit under SZO § 7.11.15.3 and SZO § 14 for the installation of wireless communications equipment consisting of the replacement of six existing antennas and the installation of one new equipment cabinet as well as related equipment and cables. BB zone. Ward 3.

422 Mystic Ave: (Case #ZBA 2012-61) Applicant, T-Mobile Northeast, LLC, and Owner, 422 Mystic Avenue Realty, LLC, seek a Special Permit under SZO § 7.11.15.3 and SZO § 14 for the installation of wireless communications equipment consisting of the replacement of four existing antennas and one equipment cabinet, and the addition of two more antennas as well as related equipment and cables. BB zone. Ward 4.

5 Hall Ave: (Case #ZBA 2012-62) Applicant/Owner Hall Avenue, LLC in order to convert an existing structure into a 3-family dwelling seek a variance (SZO § 5.5) for lot area per dwelling unit (§ 8.5.b) and special permit (§ 5.1) for alteration to a nonconforming structure (§ 4.4.1) to construct a 241 sf rear deck. RB zone. Ward 6.



191 Highland Ave: (Case #ZBA 2012-63) Applicant/Owner Highland Armory Realty Trust seek special permits establishing the public assembly use (§ 7.11.6.4.a), altering a nonconforming structure (§ 4.4.1), and for shared parking (§ 9.13.e). The special permits are the same as those granted and revised by zoning decisions numbered # ZBA 2004-57, 2005-70, 2004-57a, 2005-70-R0209, 2005-70-R1-0409, & 2005-70-R2-0409, however, several conditions are to be changed related to occupancy, hours of operation, cooking on the premises, outdoor cafe seating and the ability to seek a full liquor license. Applicant/Owner also seek a special permit to establish outdoor seating for the café (SZO § 7.11.10.2.a). RC/RA zone. Ward 5.


221 Willow Ave: (Case #ZBA 2012-64) Applicant and Owner Frank Rocci seeks a Special Permit under SZO § 4.4.1 to alter and expand a dormer on the left side of the existing nonconforming two-family structure. RA zone. Ward 6.

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, MASSACHUSETTS
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
JOSEPH A. CURTATONE
MAYOR

LEGAL NOTICE
Somerville Conservation Commission
Public Hearing

Applicant: Department of Conservation and Recreation,
251 Causeway Street, Suite 900 Boston, MA 02114-2104

Representative: VHB, Inc., 101 Walnut Street P.O. Box 9151,
Watertown, MA 02472


Location: Mystic River Reservation, between Route 28 and
Winter Hill Yacht Club, Somerville, MA

The Somerville Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on **Monday August 13, 2012, at 7:00 p.m.** at City Hall, 3rd floor, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA, regarding a Request for Determination filed pursuant to the Wetlands Protection Act, G.L. c. 131, § 40, for work described below.

A continuation of the Baxter Park Notice of Intent which consists of a riverfront park with amenities along the stretch of the Mystic River located between Route 28 and the Winter Hill Yacht Club. The project includes adding 1.8 acres of former industrial land to the existing parkland and constructing a series of concrete walkways, riverside amphitheater, play area, scenic river overlooks, pedestrian path and accent lighting. There will be minor grading to facilitate construction, extensive landscaping, and pruning vegetation to provide river vistas.

The application can be viewed at the Mayor's Office Strategic Planning and Community Development, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville. Contact Rachel Kelly, Conservation Agent, at 617-625-6600 x2516 for more information.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
CITY OF SOMERVILLE
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
HIGH SPEED MASS NOTIFICATION SYSTEM
FULLY HOSTED, TIME-SENSITIVE, TELEPHONE, EMAIL, TTY AND SMS
COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES
RFP No. 13-18

Sealed proposals will be received at the Office of the Purchasing Director, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, Massachusetts until **11:00 a.m., Thursday, August 23, 2012** for the furnishing of the following to the City of Somerville:

The City of Somerville, Communications Department, through its Purchasing Department, is soliciting proposals to lease or subscribe to a hosted, online high-speed mass notification system than can deliver time-sensitive voice and text messages to the entire city or designated sub-populations, including residents and businesses in designated geographic areas. The contract will be for a period of one year with two (2) one year options to renew.

Copies of the Request For Proposal may be obtained from the Office of the Purchasing Director, Somerville City Hall, 1st Floor, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville MA 02143, on and after **Wednesday, August 8, 2012** between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday - Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Thursdays and 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Fridays.

The successful Proposer must be an Equal Opportunity Employer.


The City of Somerville reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, waive any minor informality in the proposal process, and accept the proposal deemed to be in the best interest of the City.

THERE MUST BE NO MENTION OF THE APPLICANT'S FEE IN THE PROPOSAL. ANY MENTION OF THE FEE WILL SUBJECT THE PROPOSAL TO REJECTION.

Questions concerning the Request for Proposals may be submitted in writing by **12:30 p.m., Friday, August 17, 2012** to Orazio DeLuca, MCPPO, Contract Manager at the address above, by email at odeluca@somervillema.gov. Answers will be sent to all vendors who received the Request for Proposals (RFP) through the Purchasing Department.

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

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
IFB # 13-17

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

HVAC Maintenance at the Central Library.

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 8, 2012**. Sealed bids will be received at the above office until: **Wednesday, August 22, 2012 at 11:00 A.M.** at which time sealed bids 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.

A Pre-Bid site visit will be held on Wednesday, August 15, 2012 @ 11:00 AM. Somerville Central Library, 79 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA.

The contract term shall be for a period of 3 years, from 9/1/2012 through 8/31/2015.

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The following abandoned and / or junk motor vehicles will be disposed of or sold, any questions regarding this matter please contact Pat's Towing.
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Tel: 617-354-4000, Fax 617-623-4287

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2004	Jeep Grand Cherokee	1J4GW48SX4C349322
2001	Mazda 626	1YVGF22C615240863
1997	Lincoln Continental	1LNLM97V7VY731133

Date of Sale: **August 27, 2012 @ 12:00 pm**
Location: **Pat's Towing, 160 McGrath Hwy, Somerville MA**

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
IFB # 13-20

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

Use of Force Training Simulator

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: **Monday, August 6, 2012**. Sealed proposals will be received at the above office until: **Monday, August 20, 2012 11:00 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.

The Contract will be for a period of 1 year from 09/01/2012 through 8/31/2013.

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
RFQF 13-21

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

Consultant, Inspection Services: Food Safety and Pools

An Request for Qualification and Fee (RFQF) and specifications may be obtained at the Purchasing Department, City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA. 02143 on or after: **Monday, August 6, 2012**. Sealed Proposals will be received at the above office until: **Monday, August 20, 2012 at 11:30 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 term shall be for a period from September 1, 2012 through August 31, 2013, with an optional year renewal.

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

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PLANNING DIVISION

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Somerville Planning Board will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, August 16, 2012** at 6:00 p.m. at the Visiting Nurse Association, 259 Lowell St, 3rd Floor Community Room, Somerville, MA.

844 McGrath Hwy: (Case #PB 2012-10) Applicant Sprint Spectrum and Owner Talp II, LLC, seek Special Permit with Site Plan Review - A approval under SZO §7.11.15.3 and SZO §14 for the installation of wireless communications equipment consisting of the replacement of six (6) CDMA antennas with three (3) panel antennas along with the installation of related equipment and cables including one GPS antenna and two equipment cabinets. ASMD zone. Ward 1.

118-120 Broadway: (Case #PB 2012-15) Applicant and Owner Michael Bandar, seeks a Special Permit under SZO §6.1.22.D.5 to alter the façade of the building including new window and door openings, signage, and lighting, as well as a Special Permit under SZO §6.1.22.D.6 for exterior seasonal seating. CCD 55 zone. Ward 1.

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 www.somervillema.gov/planningandzoning. As cases may be continued to later dates, please check the agenda on the City's website or call before attending. Continued cases will not be re-advertised. Interested persons may provide comments to the Planning Board 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: Kevin Prior, Chairman

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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 period)

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

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MATTHEW DIAS, ACTING DIRECTOR

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
RFP # 13-19CD

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

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The Somerville Mobile Farmers Market will come to Somerville residents CONT. FROM PG 1

The most imperative element of the program is that, "The Somerville Mobile Farmers Market is a partnership initiative between Shape Up Somerville, Enterprise Farm, The Welcome Project, Groundwork Somerville and the Somerville Housing Authority. Its mission is to bring fresh, affordable produce directly to residents, living in areas with limited access to healthy foods," said Rachael Plitch, Shape Up Somerville (SUS) Coordinator.

"This past June [2011], the program, formerly known as the "Mystic Mobile Market," grew into "The Somerville Mobile Farmers Market," as it expanded to a total of six sites, all of which were chosen based on community input. [They include] The Mystic Housing Development, Glen Park, Clarendon Hill Housing, The Somerville Council on Aging Holland Street Ac-



tivity Center, City Hall and 1 Franey Road," said Plitch.

Additionally, the Union Square Farmers Market and Davis Square Farmers Market continue to serve the community.

Interested individuals may find

additional information, as well as an interactive map of Farmers Markets, complete with dates and times, at

<http://somervilleurbanag.tumblr.com/post/27983926803/somerville-farmers-markets-2012-lately-there>.

Union Square in the limelight CONT. FROM PG 9

street performers (including fire throwers and spinners), live music and an open-air marketplace.

With Union Square already this lively, just imagine what the future will be like when "Somerville's first downtown"

regains its historic transit connections and becomes the home of a new Central Library.

We like to say that Somerville's distinctive and appealing squares are the charms on the city's bracelet. Each of our squares has a lot to offer and

a promising future. From Magoun to Teele, from Assembly to Davis, from Ball to Gilman, there are great things ahead for all our squares. But right now, Union Square is shining so brightly that it's practically glowing.

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Answers from page 14

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Answers

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| 1. In the 11th Century, Parliament metered the number of floors to a building. Francois Mansard got around the law by lifting up part of the roof, giving the building an extra floor | in which eating meat was once forbidden. |
| 2. The verb "cop" means to "nab" and their main function is to nab miscreants - a policeman was called a copper, shortened to be a cop. | 4. Taxidermy |
| 3. It is French for "Fat Tuesday" and dates back from a medieval French tradition of slaughtering a fatted bull or ox on the day before Lent, a period | 5. Sagittarius |
| | 6. 9,300,000 miles |
| | 7. Delaware |
| | 8. 60 feet apart |
| | 9. 1999 |
| | 10. John Lennon |
| | 11. Henry Ford |
| | 12. The letter "Q" |

‘VILLENS ON THE TOWN

FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH Wednesday|August 8

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

Central Library
Kidstock: Sleeping Ugly
2 p.m.-3 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Sunsetters Performance
Senior Picnic (11:30am)
Properzi Manor (indoors)|7 p.m.

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

Thursday|August 9

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

East Branch Library
Nature Stories from Around the World
3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.|115 Broadway

Sunsetters Performance
47 Fairfax St

SomerMovie Fest
Cars
Dusk|Seven Hills Park|Davis Square

Friday|August 10

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

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

Monday|August 13

Sunsetters Performance
7 Maple Ave|7 p.m.

Tuesday|August 14

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

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

Sunsetters Performance
SHS Concourse

Wednesday|August 15

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

Sunsetters Performance
Ciampa Manor (Winslow Ave)|7 p.m.

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

MUSIC Wednesday|August 8

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

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

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

PA'S Lounge
Burning Heat|Kairos
House|Moniker|Orange Umbrellas
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

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

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

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

Bull McCabe's Pub
Tilt-A-Whirl - Comedy|10 p.m.Bands at 11 p.m..
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Highland Kitchen
TJ The DJ Presents The People's Karaoke

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

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

Rosebud Bar
Free pool|Game Night|Interactive Trivia
381 Summer St

Radio Bar
The Connection|The Sleepwalkers|Mike Gent
379 Summer St

Arts At The Armory
Sarah Melileh in the Cafe
7 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

Thursday|August 9

Johnny D's
“Night Train”|Guest DJ Cameron of Little Spoon
17 Holland St.|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's
Flatt Rabbit grassy Thursdays|8 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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

PA'S Lounge
Thunderbloods|Ghost Thrower|Nouns
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

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

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

Precinct Bar
Together We Fall Apart (a live mix tape)
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

Bull McCabe's Pub
Dub Down Featuring The Scotch Bonnet Band
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Joshua Tree
256 Elm St. |617-623-9910

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

Rosebud Bar
Noel Smyth
381 Summer St.

Somerville Theatre
Awkward Compliment's Thursday Night Comedy Night
8 p.m.|55 Davis Square

Cantina la Mexicana
4 ROCK BANDS! 8pm: Hookerclops, 9pm: The Rare Occasions, 10pm: Leaders Led, 11pm: Little War Twins
247 Washington St.

Radio Bar
The Kevin Sinclair Band|Alen Of Dale|The Doctors Fox|The Great AK
379 Summer St

Friday|August 10

Johnny D's
Dikki Du and the Zydeco Krewe
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's
Radioactive Rustlers|6 p.m.
The Ever-Expanding Elastic Waste Band \$5 cover|9 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Cover Up
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

Orleans Restaurant and Bar
DJ
10 p.m.|65 Holland St

Precinct Bar
Dan Tedesco|Scott Kulman
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

PA'S Lounge
Beware the Dangers of A Ghost Scorpion|Video Drag|Royal Wedding
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

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

Orleans Restaurant and Bar
DJ starting at 10 p.m.
65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Bull McCabe's
Jess Tardy Band
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Joshua Tree
256 Elm St. |617-623-9910

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

Rosebud Bar
Elliot St Lunatic|Good Weather for Airstrikes|The Frost Heaves|The Sharp Lads
381 Summer St

Casey's
Entertainment every Friday
173 Broadway|617- 625-5195

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

Arts At The Armory
Arts at the Armory Americana Dance Party - featuring Uncle Buzz live!
7p.m.|Performance Hall
Somerville Singer Songwriter Series 7:30 p.m.|Cafel|191 Highland Ave

Radio Bar
By The Throat|You're Under Arrest|Neon Bitches|Wheelbite
379 Summer St

Saturday|August 11

Johnny D's
The Michael Landau Group| Rack em Let's Go CD Rel|Rosco
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's
Tom Hagerty Band|6 p.m.
The Merry Runaround, Cloud Factory \$5 cover|9 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Spitting Vinnies
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

Precinct Bar
Salt Wife
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

Orleans Restaurant and Bar
Karaoke
65 Holland St

PA'S Lounge
Zero Negative|Virus Cycle|Travel Amydala|Kyklops
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

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

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

Joshua Tree
256 Elm St. |617-623-9910

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

Rosebud Bar
Billy Rath's street pirates|Eaters|Jet Set|New Frustrations
381 Summer St

Casey's
Entertainment every Saturday
173 Broadway|617- 625-5195

Cantina la Mexicana
The Sarah Levecque Band
8:30 p.m.|247 Washington St.

Radio Bar
HR From Bad Brains|Scotch Bonnetts|Ska-Priest|DJ Fordy
379 Summer St

Arts At The Armory
Arielle Vakni FREE show
7 p.m.|Cafe

Summer Bash
7:30 p.m.|Performance Hall

Sunday|August 12

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

Sally O'Brien's Bar
Frank Drake Sunday Showcase|5 p.m.
Stormin Norman & Suzy CD Release \$5 cover|8 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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

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

Precinct Bar
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

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

Highland Kitchen
150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Rosebud Bar
Karaoke
381 Summer St

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

Arts At The Armory
WordSong Forum IX: “Song”
7 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

Radio Bar
Andy Pratt|Tara White|Sans Nomenclature|Candice Christiansen
379 Summer St

Monday|August 13

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

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

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

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

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

Precinct Bar
70 Union Sq|617-623-921

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

Rosebud Bar
Closed Mondays
381 Summer St

Radio Bar
Open Mic |Comedy and Poet Robbie Q Telfer|hip-hop with Inphynit
379 Summer St

Tuesday|August 14

JohnnyD's
Sonny & The Sunsets|Magic Trick|Brendan Little
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar
Kristen Ford presents Panda Bar rock night|8 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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

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

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

Precinct Bar
Cameron Galpin|Jon Nellon|Emily Eibert
70 Union Sq|617-623-9211

Bull McCabe's Pub
Skiffy & The Ghetto People Band
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Highland Kitchen
Spelling Bee Night First Tuesday of the month
150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

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

Rosebud Bar
Karaoke
381 Summer St

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

Radio Bar
Mmoss|Darling Pet Munkee|Bummer City|The Wild Ones
379 Summer St

Wednesday|August 15

Johnny D's
Cosy Sheridan|Davis Massengill
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

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

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

PA'S Lounge
Los Bungalitos|Dead Words|Harvey

Pekar|The Enemy Within
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

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

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

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

Bull McCabe's Pub
Tilt-A-Whirl - Comedy|10 p.m.Bands at 11 p.m.
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

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

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

Rosebud Bar
Free pool|Game Night|Interactive Trivia
381 Summer St

Radio Bar
Miranda|Following Trails|Wash Brain Immediately
379 Summer St

Arts At The Armory
Rock Therapy with Brendan Boogie!
7 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

CLASSES AND GROUPS Wednesday|August 8

Central Library
Writing Workshop with Regina Hansen
7 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

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

Thursday|August 9

Swirl and Slice
5 p.m. - 8 p.m.|Union Square Plaza

First Church Somerville
Debtors Anonymous- a 12 Step program for people with problems with money and debt. 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|89 College Ave (Upstairs Parlor). For more info call: 781-762-6629

Saturday|August 11

Union Square Farmer's Market
9 a.m.- 1 p.m.|Union Square Plaza

The Hungry Tiger Street Festival
6 p.m.|Union Square

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

Sunday|August 12

Unity Church of God
Fourth Step to Freedom Al-Anon Family Groups
7:00 P.M. | 6 William Street
Enter upstairs, meeting is in basement.

Monday|August 13

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

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

Tuesday|August 14

Third Life Studio
Vinyasa Flow Yoga & Meditation
9:15 a.m.-10:15 a.m.|617-628-7884

The Art of Singing Group
7 p.m.-9:15 p.m.|33 Union Sq|617-628-0916 srlibana@gmail.com

Wednesday|August 15

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

PICK OF THE WEEK



Legendary member of the 60s pop duo Peter & Gordon, **Peter Asher**, sings and tells his stories as *Peter Asher: A Musical Memoir of the 60s and Beyond* is presented at Johnny D's, 17 Holland Street, Somerville, on Wednesday, August 8 at 8 p.m. For information and tickets visit <http://www.johnnyds.com>.

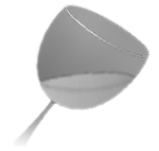
Arts at the Armory Café



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.



Your Hosts Don Kallis & Laura Sargent
9 a.m. – 6 p.m.
191 Highland Ave 617-718-2192



Bring this ad for a Free coffee!

SENIOR CENTER HAPPENINGS:

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

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 9 and August 23 at 9:30 a.m. at Ralph & Jenny Center. RSVP with Janine at ext. 2321.

LGBT Events - Film night is on August 13 at Holland Street at 6:00 pm. We are showing "Brother to Brother" A drama that looks back on the Harlem Renaissance from the perspective of an elderly, black writer who meets a gay teenager in a New York homeless shelter. This movie has some non-nudity sex scenes and some violence. Popcorn, snacks and refreshments! RSVP with Lisa at ext. 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 a call.

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

NEW EXERCISE CLASS: Yoga for Balance with a great new instructor, Muire! The class is from 1:20 pm - 2:30 pm. \$5 per class. Great class to stretch, strengthen and relax. Holland Street Center. Additional Zumba gold class at Ralph & Jenny on Tuesdays from 11:30 - 12:30. Come join Sue for a great class.

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

Join our Book Club as we discuss great literature! Everyone welcome. It meets the third Friday of every month. Call Janine at ext. x2321. Next book is "Little Bee."

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

Farmer's Market - Every Thursday at Holland Street from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm. 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 am. At Ralph & Jenny Center. Join a great group in learning to crochet or share your projects you are working on.

Exercise tip of the week: When you unload groceries, strengthen your arms by lifting the milk carton or a 1-

pound can a few times before putting it away.

Trip Corner:

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

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. \$5.

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

Flexibility & Balance - all three centers

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

Indoor Exercises/Walking Club - all three centers. Walking Club has begun again! Check at each center for the schedule!

August 8

Mayor's Picnic!
All centers closed.

August 9

Farmers' Market

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

Cross Street Center

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

Ralph & Jenny Center

Intergenerational Garden Event|9:30 a.m.
Cards & Cribbage|10 a.m.
Strengthening Exercise|10 a.m.
9 New Washington Street|617-666-5223

August 10

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 13

Foster's Clambake

LGBT Film Night

Holland Street Center

Gardening|9 a.m.
Swinging Singing Moonlighters |10:30 a.m.
English Conversation|10:30 a.m.
Yoga for Strength and Balance|1:30 p.m.
LGBT Film night 'Brother to Brother'|6 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 14

Shear Madness

Holland Street Center

Strengthening Exercises|9:15 a.m.
Low Vision Group|10:30 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 15

Holland Street Center

Flexibility & Balance|9:30 a.m.
Womens' Group|10:30 a.m.
Movie: "A League of Their Own"|12:30 p.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

The lush gardens of COA



Pictured here is a scene from the Intergenerational Gardening Days at the Ralph & Jenny Center, where they have been growing cucumbers, squash, pumpkins, basil, lemon basil and different types of tomatoes. On August 2 seniors and some of the younger generation join together to weed the beds and pick ripe produce. They made a great squash, tomato, onion salad enjoyed by everyone at the Ralph & Jenny Center. Two more Intergenerational Gardening Events are coming up on August 9 and August 23, both at 9:30 a.m.

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Somerville's Second Annual Hungry Tiger Festival

By Tatiana Kombo

On Saturday, August 11, Union Square will be home to the second annual Hungry Tiger Festival, a Somerville Arts Council event. From 6 to 10 p.m., the square will be transformed into a bustling and ethnically diverse market in which varied “gastro-nomic and cultural riches” will be on display.

Rachel Strutt, Program Manager at the Somerville Arts Council, notes that if Saturday’s event is “anything like last year, it will be a mobbed street party, complete with fire throwers, busking musicians, and first and foremost, food!”

The Hungry Tiger Festival is one of the many Somerville Arts Council’s summertime events showcasing the city’s multiculturalism, especially in terms of

performing arts and gastronomy. Inspired by colorful and festive night time markets that are common in the Far East, the festival will allow passersby to taste delicious food from countries such as Thailand and India, to soak in live music, and to mingle with local vendors.

Festival-goers will have the opportunity to walk into local restaurants to further nibble on international fare. Rachel Strutt notes that, in keeping with the Olympics mania, “There will be a Nose Olympics, in which festival goers will be invited to test their noses by smelling eight different spices and ingredients.” She explains that the challenge winners will be walking away with “a lifetime supply of fenugreek,” a plant of which the seeds are commonly encountered in Indian cuisine.



The Hungry Tiger Festival roars into town this coming Saturday.

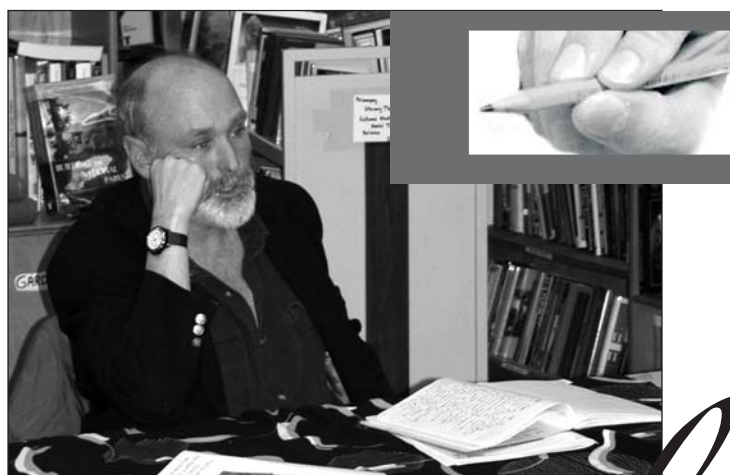


SCAT Program Schedule for the Week

Wednesday, August 8		6:00	Al Jazeera	2:00	Tele Kreyol	1:00	Ablevision
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	Affordable Housing in Union Square	4:30	Back In The Day	3:00	Exercise With Robyn & Max
9:00	Abugida TV	10:00	Somerville Rocks	5:00	Affordable Housing mtg. 6/6/12	3:30	Esoteric Science
10:00	PorchFest 2012	10:30	National Wildlife Foundation	6:00	Somerville Idol - Reaching for the Stars	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 10		9:00	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
1:30	Somerville: Most Interesting Places	6:00	Live Response	11:00pm	GAY TV	6:30	Perils For Pedestrians
2:00	Culture Club	7:00	Bed Bugs Summit	Sunday, August 12		7:00	Somerville Biking News
2:30	Life Matters	8:00	Democracy Now!	12:00	Free Speech TV	8:00	MDOT McCarthy overpass
3:00 (LIVE)	Medical Tutor	9:00	Truth About Drugs	6:00	Show De Faith	9:00	Dedilhando A Saudade
3:30	Inside Talk	10:00	Somerville Newspaper Reading	7:00	Flipside	10:00	Bate Papo con Shirley
4:00	Thom Hartman show	11:00	Back In The Day	8:00	Program Celebrai	11:00	Somerville Rocks
5:00	Neighborhood Cooking	11:30	Somerville Housing	9:00	Heritage Baptist Church	11:30	Art@SCATV
5:30	Cooking w/Georgia & Dez	12:00	Somerville Idol - Reaching For the Stars	10:00	International Church of God	Tuesday, August 14	
6:00	Al Jazeera	2:00	Thom Hartmann Show	10:30	Eckankar	12:00	Free Speech TV
6:30	Affordable Housing	3:00	Brunch w/Senator Sanders	11:00	The Commonwealth Report	6:00	Anti-Drug Program
7:00	Bed Bugs Summit	4:00	Neighborhood Cooking w/Candy	11:30	Somerville Housing	7:00	Perils For Pedestrians
8:00 (LIVE)	Somerville Pundits	4:30	Cooking w/Georgia & Dez	12:00	The Entertainer Show	7:30	The Struggle
8:30	Physician Focus	5:00	National Wildlife Foundation	12:30	Affordable Housing Mtg. 6/6/12	8:00	Democracy Now!
9:00	Somerville Rocks	5:30	Art@SCATV	1:00	The Tish MacIntosh Show	9:00	Somerville News Reading
9:30	Somerville Biking News - Share The Road	6:00	Al Jazeera TV	1:30	How To Travel The World Free	10:00	Tele Kreyol
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11:30	The Literary Scene	7:30	Affordable Housing	4:00	Dedilhando A Saudade	1:00	The Commonwealth Report
Thursday, August 9		8:00	Visual Radio	5:00	Ethiopian Satellite TV	1:30	Somerville Housing
12:00	Free Speech TV	9:00	The Garage	6:00	Abugida TV	2:00	Portrait of Somerville
6:00	Peers Influencing Peers	9:30	Bandwidth TV	7:00	African National TV	3:30	Active Aging
7:00	Somerville Biking News - Share The Road	10:00	Jeff TV	8:00	Active Aging	4:00	The Thom Hartmann
8:00	Democracy Now!	11:00	Somerville Rocks	8:30	Affordable Housing Mtg. 6/6/12	5:00 (LIVE)	Poet to Poet
9:00	Somerville News reading	11:30	Nepali Sakela Festival	9:00	Tele Magazine	5:30	Jeff Jam Sing Song Show
10:00	Active Aging	Saturday, August 11		9:30	National Wildlife Foundation	6:00	Al Jazeera
10:30	Jeff Jam Sing Along	12:00	Free Speech TV	10:00	AARP	6:30	The Struggle
11:00	Creating Cooperative Kids	6:00	Arabic Hour	11:30	SCATV	7:00	Art @ SCAT
12:00	Democracy Now!	7:00	Creating Cooperative Kids	Monday, August 13		7:30 (LIVE)	Greater Somerville W/Joe Lynch
1:00	African Television	8:00	Jeff Jam Show	12:00	Free Speech TV	8:00 (LIVE)	Dead Air Live
2:00	Villeside Forgotten Few	8:30	Mystic Learning Center	6:00	Atheist Viewpoint	9:00	Somerville Biking News
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3:30	Art @ SCATV	11:00 (R)	Dead Air Live	9:00	Gay TV	11:00	Talking About Somerville
4:00	Thom Hartmann	12:00	Reeling: the Movie Review Show	10:00	Somerville Newspaper Reading	11:30	SCATV
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City Cable TV Schedule for the Week

Wednesday, August 8		12:00am: (15)	Special Olympics 2012	12:00am: (13/22)	The Mayor's Report	7:00pm: (15)	National Night Out 2012
9:00am: (13/22)	SomerStreets: Highland Ave.	12:10am: (13/22)	Sunsetters Performance on Hall Ave.	12:00am: (15)	String Camp Final Concert	7:10pm: (13/22)	The Mayor's Report
9:00am: (15)	Argenziano School Concert	12:50am: (13/22)	Life Stories from Somerville	12:30am: (13/22)	Senior Picnic 2012	7:40pm: (13/22)	SomerStreets - Highland Ave
11:30am: (15)	New ESCS Walk-Through	1:00am: (15)	Raising Families	1:00am: (15)	City-Wide Track Meet	8:00pm: (15)	New ESCS Walk-Through
12:00pm: (13/22)	The Chickeness: Urban Poultry 101	1:25am: (15)	SCAP Annual Meeting	1:30am: (13/22)	Medication Tips for Seniors	8:00pm: (13/22)	COA Volunteer Recognition Awards
12:20pm: (15)	2012 SHS Graduation	1:40am: (13/22)	Davis Sq. Streetscapes	2:15am: (13/22)	Harris Park Groundbreaking	8:25pm: (13/22)	Historic Preservation Awards
12:45pm: (13/22)	Davis Sq. Streetscapes	9:00am: (13/22)	Sunsetters Performance on Hall Ave.	12:00pm: (13/22)	Senior Circuit	8:50pm: (15)	String Camp Final Concert
1:20pm: (15)	Show 'Em & Tell 'Em	9:00am: (15)	Raising Families	12:00pm: (15)	Kid Stuff	Tuesday, August 14	
1:30pm: (13/22)	Art Beat 2012	12:00pm: (13/22)	The Mayor's Report	12:30pm: (13/22)	COA Volunteer Recognition Awards	12:00am: (13/22)	Harris Park Groundbreaking
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8:00pm: (15)	Kid Stuff	1:00pm: (15)	City-Wide Track Meet	1:00pm: (15)	SHS Class Day 2012	12:40pm: (13/22)	SomerStreets - Highland Ave
8:30pm: (13/22)	The Gerry Leone Show	1:30pm: (13/22)	Medication Tips for Seniors	1:55pm: (13/22)	Sunsetters Performance on Hall Ave.	1:00am: (15)	New ESCS Walk-Through
8:30pm: (15)	Special Olympics 2012	2:15pm: (13/22)	Harris Park Groundbreaking	2:25pm: (13/22)	Davis Sq. Streetscapes	1:00am: (13/22)	COA Volunteer Recognition Awards
9:00pm: (13/22)	Senior Picnic 2012	7:00pm: (13/22)	The Mayor's Report	7:00pm: (13/22)	Senior Circuit	1:25am: (13/22)	Historic Preservation Awards
Thursday, August 9		7:00pm: (15)	String Camp Final Concert	7:00pm: (15)	Kid Stuff	1:50am: (15)	String Camp Final Concert
12:00am: (13/22)	Art Beat 2012	7:30pm: (13/22)	Senior Picnic 2012	7:30pm: (13/22)	COA Volunteer Recognition Awards	9:00am: (13/22)	COA Volunteer Recognition Awards
12:00am: (15)	String Camp Final Concert	8:00pm: (15)	City-Wide Track Meet	7:30pm: (15)	Raising Families	9:00am: (15)	Kid Stuff
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12:00pm: (13/22)	Senior Circuit	1:30am: (13/22)	Medication Tips for Seniors	12:30am: (13/22)	COA Volunteer Recognition Awards	2:00pm: (13/22)	Morse-Kelly Ribbon-Cutting
12:30pm: (13/22)	Senior Picnic 2012	2:15am: (13/22)	Harris Park Groundbreaking	12:30am: (15)	Raising Families	7:00pm: (13/22)	Senior Circuit
12:30pm: (15)	SCALE Graduation	12:00pm: (13/22)	The Mayor's Report	1:00am: (13/22)	Life Stories of Somerville	7:00pm: (15)	Special Olympics 2012
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2:00pm: (13/22)	Sunsetters Performance on Hall Ave.	1:00pm: (15)	City-Wide Track Meet	2:25am: (13/22)	Davis Sq. Streetscapes	8:30pm: (13/22)	Voices of Somerville
7:00pm: (13/22)	Family Fun Day 2012	1:30pm: (13/22)	Medication Tips for Seniors	9:00am: (13/22)	Davis Sq. Streetscapes	9:00pm: (15)	SCAP Annual Meeting
7:00pm: (15)	Special Olympics 2012	2:15pm: (13/22)	Harris Park Groundbreaking	9:00am: (15)	Raising Families	12:00am: (13/22)	Senior Circuit
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Friday, August 10		9:15pm: (13/22)	Harris Park Groundbreaking	7:00pm: (13/22)	Harris Park Groundbreaking		
12:00am: (13/22)	Family Fun Day 2012	Sunday, August 12					



OFF THE SHELF

by Doug Holder

Somerville Bagel Bard Lawrence Kessenich Puts On A Play

The Somerville literary organization the Bagel Bards founded in 2004 by Doug Holder and Harris Gardner has a huge pool talent of poets, playwrights, novelists, etc... One member Lawrence Kessenich recently had a play he had written on stage. Zvi Sesling, founder of the *Muddy River Poetry Review* reviewed it for *Off the Shelf*:

Ronnie's Charger
A Play by Lawrence Kessenich
Performed at Hovey Players
Waltham, MA
also 9 other plays

Review by Zvi A. Sesling

The concept of the Hovey Players is wonderful: ten 10-minute plays by talented playwrights blended with experienced and new actors. The play I was to review was Lawrence Kessenich's *Ronnie's Charger*, which was recently a prize winner in Chicago. It was ably directed by Jess Viator. Frank Bartucca and Kate Blair are the parents whose grief thirty years after their son was killed in action in Vietnam has not abated. Both actors portray their thirty years of suffering realistically and Kessenich has dialogue that is perfectly believable, portraying anger and heartbreak at Ronnie's death. The Charger, of course, is the auto that Ronnie owned and was proud of, which has become a metaphor for life, death and rebirth: the car at first serving as Ronnie's life then as it rots in the driveway, symbolizes his death and finally, after the car is vandalized and the trunk popped open, raccoons move in to raise their ones and the final symbol of resurrection culminates the play.

There are five dramas, all of which in one way or another are didactic. The first *Life Choice* is about abortion, a mother (Kate Forrestall) and her daughter (Kate Blair), argue about life, death and abortion. It is written by Andrea Clardy and directed by Jesse Strachman. The second, *It Doesn't*, is about a Good Samaritan-like counselor (Jon Nuquist) and a young man (Richie DeJesus). The latter, who has been outed in school as being gay wants to commit suicide and calls the counselor who tries to talk him out of suicide. The play is written by George Smart and Directed by Kaitlyn MacPherson. The third is entitled *Fork in the Road* and has a wonderful concept of four women – all one person? speaking about cancer survival. The four women are Sami Malnekoff, KC O'Connor, Nicole Pavol and Tristyn Sepersky. The drama is written by Eoin Carney and directed by Mike Haddad.

The final drama is *Rosie the Teddy Bear* acted by Tristyn Sepersky. Written by Steven Bergman



and Liz Fenstermaker it is a sad monologue by a teddy bear who has been discarded and waits for its child to return. It is also about abuse and abandonment, and like the others is didactic and attention getting.

Of the five, however, *Ronnie's Charger* stands out as being the best acted, least didactic and most easy with which to associate.

Hovey Players also performed five comedies, *Diamonds & A Girl's Best Friend* is a very humorous play with some great lines, well acted by Stephanie Grinley, Kimberly Truon, KC O'Connor and Sami Malnekoff. Clever writing by Katelyn Tustin and well directed by Kristine Mackin.

The theme song to the movie and TV show *M.A.S.H.* was *Suicide Is Painless*. Playwright John Greiner-Ferris and director Katelyn Tustin show us that while suicide is not painless, as acted by Kimberly Truon, Ron Gabrielli and Matthew Hathorn, suicide can be funny.

Dan in the Lion's Den is clumsily funny. A family watches as the father-husband enters a zoo's lion area and emerges intact. Cody Tustin, just out of high school plays the son, Kristin Riopelle, the daughter and Carolyn Cafarelli is the mother.

The Change along with *Ronnie's Charger* were clearly the night's best. *The Change* is about a man entering a hospital for an appendectomy and waking to find they made him a woman. Written by Peter Floyd and acted by Kate Forrestall and Robin Gabrielli, it is extremely funny especially when discovering his/her plight Ms. Forrestall provides the audience with the ultimate look of horror.

Not Funny lives up to its name. It is the final "comedy" but as conceived by playwright Chris Lockhardt and director Mike Haddad it is more of a serio-comedy, perhaps more drama and well performed by Kristie Norris and Andy Leburn.

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I always tell my creative writing students: "Detail, Detail!" And in this featured poem by Joanne DeSimone Reynolds she evokes a scene - a place in time, with lush and evocative detail.

Joanne DeSimone Reynolds lives in the Boston area. She is currently working on a chapbook, *Comes A Blossom*. She earned her degree in English Literature from Boston University and studied poetry with Nadia Colburn at Lesley University. She is a member of Tom Daley's poetry workshop in Cambridge. Joanne is a Bagel Bard and a member of the Concord Poetry Center. Her poems have appeared in *Ibbetson Street Press*, *Wilderness House Review*, and the *LBJ Avian Bird Literary Journal*. Joanne's poem, *Chihuly*, is contained in Dale Chihuly's personal archive. Her work will appear in a forthcoming issue of *Salamander Magazine*.



SISTERS & SISTERS

Sunshine slices like a sterling cake knife into the lake

this, the latter-born time of the nubile day

Under the dock we hover like a bloom of sea jellies

wait out the fogies coupling

as they climb the sandy pine-root stair

to tip wine, gin martinis

We turn gelatinous under the cool rippling as we

uncouple from our swimsuits leaving them

to drool upon the long stiff dock

—Gliding away, sluiced by green-gold light, we are

deep among green-gold bosom-boulders

the bells of our silken heads, all propulsion

Loose as tentacles, we take in mouthfuls

saltless, and blow

until all around us is champagne fizz

Groomed by liquid beams, we peer with owl eyes

no vows needed here

— Joanne DeSimone Reynolds

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