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# City takes on concussion education, policy, and prevention



Mayor Joseph Curtatone joined Concussion Legacy Foundation's Chris Nowinski, last Wednesday to announce the city's partnership with the foundation. — Photo courtesy of Concussion Legacy Foundation

#### By Jim Clark

The City of Somerville announced last week that they have entered into a three-year partnership with the Boston-based Concussion Legacy Foundation to develop Somerville into a model city for concussion education, policy and prevention for its youth athletes.

According to information provided by the city, the Concussion Legacy Foundation will work with the Mayor's Office, the Somerville Department of Health and Human Services, the Somerville Department of Parks and Recreation, and the Somerville Public Schools to educate stakeholders including coaches, parents, and athletes, as well as develop and expand cutting-edge policies for concussion management and prevention for the city, recreation department, and schools.

The Foundation's flagship

# Opponents say 'No' to Proposition 2

### By Donald Norton

Last Thursday, some 50 teachers, students, concerned parents, and public officials showed up at a rally on Somerville High School's concourse opposing the lifting of the quota for charter schools in Massachusetts, on the November 8 ballot as Proposition 2.

The rally was headed by Somerville Teachers Association President Jacquelyn Lawrence, who spoke about the negative affect the question would have on the city and on the school budget if it passed.

Also speaking out strongly against the measure were State Representative Denise Provost, State Senator Pat Jehlen and Somerville Mayor Joe Curtatone. Afterwards they headed out to let residents know what a "yes" vote would mean.

The proposed law would allow the state Board of Elementary and Secondary Education to approve up to 12 new charter schools or enrollment expansions in existing charter schools each year.

Approvals under this law



A rally was held in Somerville last Thursday bringing together those who are opposed to Proposition 2, a Continued on page 16 ballot question that would allow more charter schools in Massachusetts. — Photo by Donald Norton

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This Saturday, October 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., it's Open House here in Somerville with the local Masonic Lodge here in the city, King Solomon's Lodge AF & A.M. at 125 Highland Avenue (rear up the driveway to the right of the building) doors will be open for residents to come and tour and ask questions about the Masons, the lodge and the building they occupy. King Solomon's Lodge was chartered September 5, 1783, just two days after the American Revolution ended. Their charter was signed by Paul Revere and they owned and built the original Bunker Hill Monument in Charlestown. They even have on display the actual documents conveying the land to the Masonic Lodge in Charlestown. Officers and members will be present and light refreshments will be served.

Look in on the SCATV Channel 3 program *The Real Estate Answers Show* as host **Donald Norton** of **The Norton Group** will be having as his guest **Mayor Joe Curtatone**. They will be discussing the upcoming ballot questions here in the city: Proposition 2.5 override and Question 2 on the ballot regarding the charter school issue. The show is set for **Friday evenings at 6:30 p.m.** and various other times. Call SCATV for scheduling. *The Real Estate Answers Show* has been on the air here in the city off and on since 1992.

On the ballot here in the city on **November 8** are questions, with one in particular the administration wanting you to vote on overriding proposition 2.5 which, would make it possible for the city to raise your taxes to pay for certain items. Did you know they need about \$50M for the Green Line? Also, don't forget about the new proposed high school. And what else?

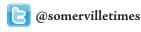
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Congratulations and best wishes to our publisher **Ross** and his lovely wife **Diane Blouin** who are celebrating their 45-year anniversary. Diane and Ross are a great couple who have shown that being best friends is the secret to a long and happy union. We hope they celebrate another 45 years, plus.

The one and only original "Best of Somerville" ballot is out now and the winners will be announced Continued on page 11

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# TheSomervilleTimes.com Comments of the Week

# Response to: Newstalk - October 5

#### ritepride says:

Thank you Somerville Times for notifying the voters the negative effect the mayor's scheme to pour more unnecessary taxes on the residents. High School and as historically happened before the school census will drop and the citizens will have a white elephant paying to heat/a.c./etc. a half filled school. "T" cannot afford the GLX so the mayor will burden the residents with the expense. VOTE NO on Question 5, save your homes, keep the rents at affordable rates.

#### Somerville Swift says:

In a brief search of the city's website, I found the actual language of the proposition 2.5 override question to appear on the November ballot.

Question 5 (Specific to Somerville)

Shall the City of Somerville be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bond(s) issued in order to design, engineer, construct, and equip the new Somerville High School?

That's it! This question only addresses the funds needed to pay for only one particular item – a new Somerville High School. It is not an unrestricted tax increase the city administration wants to fritter away on things like public transportation projects or fixing our aging infrastructure. By repeatedly misrepresenting this ballot question, The Somerville Times has done a disservice to its readers and to the residents of the city this paper calls home. By the way, it's not just the city administration that wants you to vote for the override. It's families with kids in the public schools. Families with no kids in the schools. People without children. It's born and bred Somervillians and new arrivals. It's Somerville High graduates and folks who have never step foot in the building. It's anyone who believes that one of the hallmarks of a great city is modern and good schools.

#### Matt C says:

I can't justify a further increase in my tax bill. Over the past 10 years we have seen our property tax bills grow at a rate significantly greater than 2.5%

To give you an example I picked a random house off of the assessors site we'll call it 100"Lowland" ave in Somerville:

Tax year Property Value Tax Rate/1k Total Tax

2015 699300 12.61 \$8,818

2014 632200 12.66 \$8,003

That \$800 increase isn't because the tax rate went up, because it went down, but rather because the assessed value went up. causing a 10% increase in the tax bill.

I personally experienced an 11% year over year increase in my tax bill. I'd make a bet that the majority of home owners have seen a similar increase in our tax bill. I expect to see a similar increase this year.

I cannot in good conscious vote for MORE taxes and fees that go on indefinitely, and have no legal restriction on use

@Somerville Swift – while the question gives a reason for the requested override it does not obligate the city to use the money in such a targeted way.

I'm not opposed to funding a new high school or new water pipes, I just want accountability and better planning in local government.

## Elizabeth Mac says:

Again, more disinformation offered by the misinformed – or those with a particular political agenda to press.

The high school must be partially repaired and added onto, just as the selected plan recommends. Those involved in the decision making process did a great job in formulating this plan.

The state has firmly indicated that the existing structure is unsafe and renovations at the very least are absolutely required. The proposed plan is the ideal solution.

Of course, YES ON 5 is the only responsible choice.

Log onto TheSomervilleTimes.com to leave your own comments



# Aldermen encouraged to advance the Neighborhood Plan zoning in Union Square

Bluntly Speaking by Ross E. Blouin, Publisher The Somerville Times

# Urgency critical to remain competitive with neighboring communities

There are two sides to every argument and this side needs to be presented. Assembly Row took more than 25 years to launch and many people feel this is too long to wait for a project as immense as Union Square. Union Square is a development project that will affect every citizen of Somerville.

In advance of the upcoming Board of Aldermen public hearing on the Neighborhood Plan zoning, the Somerville Chamber of Commerce along with other local businesses are highlighting a sense of urgency to move this long debated zoning forward. As part of a regional competition for good jobs, housing and increased transportation and infrastructure, delay could mean other towns get ahead while Somerville is left behind.

They agree with the business community and urge the Board of Aldermen to adopt zoning based on the Union Square Neighborhood Plan that was unanimously adopted by the Somerville Planning Board on May 5, 2016 after a lengthy public process.

Supporters agree, "Somerville is poised to reap the benefits of SomerVision and the Union

Square Neighborhood Plan. Just as Boston's waterfront, Watertown, Kendall Square, Newton and others are racing forward with development, luring employers and game changing businesses, so must Somerville. The sense of urgency is real and in order to compete, Somerville must move now!" The signatures will be submitted at the public hearing.

Somerville is poised to reap the benefits of Somer Vision and the Union Square Neighborhood Plan

As you may have seen, since the Neighborhood Plan approval, communities around Somerville have been moving at breakneck speed to compete for the same innovative, next generation spaces we hope to develop here. "Hip to be Squared" (Boston Business Journal Cover Story -Sept. 2, 2016) highlights the aggressive action the Newton and Needham Chamber of Commerce is advancing to rebuild and rebrand an area just along the 128 corridor. Somerville is uniquely positioned to capture this same excitement but we must not get mired in process but rather advance our very thoughtful plans into tangible action.

Kendall Square, a hotbed of innovation and talent, has several bio-tech businesses hungry for space - growing companies like Courtagen Life Sciences, Metabolix and another confidential life science business just relocated to Woburn and Bedford, MA. We are driving talent further away from our community because we are not moving fast enough or ready for the opportunities that are right in our backyard. We can harness and capture these jobs right here. Good jobs, with growing companies - but we must be aggressive in our desire to welcome them and keep them here.

Somerville must put some shovels in the ground and solidify their spot as the number one accelerator and growth space for the creative individuals, business and organizations that are seeking the superbly unique urban living and working environment Somerville has to offer.

### Text of the petition by the **Somerville Chamber of Commerce:**

Somerville Board of Aldermen:

We are members of the local business community and we support the City's efforts to adopt zoning based on the Union Square Neighborhood Plan. The plan was unanimously adopted by the Somerville Planning Board on May 5, 2016 after a lengthy public process.

Somerville is poised to reap the benefits of the community's plan. Just as Boston's waterfront, Watertown, Kendall Square, Newton and others are racing forward with development, luring employers and game changing businesses, so must Somerville. The sense of urgency is real and in order to compete, Somerville must move now! Thank you for your consideration.

# Text of the petition by **Union Square Main Streets:**

Somerville Board of Aldermen:

We are members of the local business community and/or residents, and we support the city's efforts to adopt zoning based on the Union Square Neighborhood Plan. That plan was unanimously adopted by the Somerville Planning Board on May 5, 2016 after a lengthy public process.

Somerville is poised to reap the benefits of the community's plan. Just as Boston's waterfront, Watertown, Kendall Square, Newton and others are racing forward with development, luring employers and game changing businesses, so must Somerville. Adopting zoning will augment Somerville's tax base, will provide a diversity of local jobs and housing options and bring much needed customer traffic into the square. Thank you for your consideration.

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# **Drop-in meeting to discuss Beacon Street reconstruction**

Join the city's Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development, MassDOT and construction teams on Wednesday, October 26, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., for a drop-in Q&A regarding the ongoing Beacon Street Reconstruction Project. City and project staff will be at the Thirsty Scholar Pub, 70 Beacon Street, to answer questions and concerns as the construction season winds down for the winter. There is no presentation; drop in for five minutes, or stay for 50 minutes and chat with the project teams, and support a local business in the process.



For more information on the Beacon Street Reconstruction Project, or to sign up to receive bi-weekly email updates, visit www.somervillema.gov/beaconstreet.

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# EWEEKINCE By Jim Clark

# Light running cyclist a little unsure of identity

While conducting traffic control, a Somerville police officer reportedly observed a man on a bicycle run through a red light at the corner of Beacon St. and Somerville Ave. last week.

The officer followed the cyclist and signaled for him to stop. In-

stead, the man accelerated and continued up Somerville Ave. in an apparent attempt to get away from the officer.

According to reports, the officer observed the cyclist run an additional four red lights as he followed him along Somerville Ave. in his police cruiser.

The officer was finally able to stop the man at the corner of Somerville Ave. and Loring St.

When asked for identification, the man reportedly told the officer that he didn't have a driver's license or any other form of

identification on his person, but he offered the officer a name and address verbally.

The officer reportedly felt that the man was being deceptive and, apparently sensing the officer's skepticism, reached into a pocket and pulled out a wallet containing a driver's license. The man was subsequently identified as Edward Nicolau. After allowing Nicolau to lock his bicycle and helmet to a pole, the officer placed him under arrest, charged with bicycle violation and bicycle violator refusal to identify self.

# **Crime Tip Hotline: 617-776-721**

Do your part - Leave a message on our tip hotline answering machine - All calls are confidential - Your Privacy is Assured. If you choose, you can leave your name and phone number and your call will be returned (not required). Also, if you prefer you may e-mail directly with your crime tip. We will follow up on all information provided to the best of our ability. Thank you for your assistance.

# Help Keep Somerville Safe!

#### **Arrests**:

Edward Nicolau, of 69 Highland Rd., October 3, 8:49 a.m., arrested at Loring St. on charges of bicycle violation and bicycle violator refusal to identify self.

Michael Cataldo-Lever, of 142 Highland Ave., Malden, October 4, 10:37 a.m., arrested at Cedar St. on a charge of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

Metin Aksu, of 5 Christopher Dr., Methuen, October 4, 1:46 p.m., arrested at Broadway on warrant charges of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license and no inspection sticker.

Jean Richard, of 25 Brooks Park, Medford, October 6, 2:08 p.m., arrested at Fellsway on warrant charges of no inspection sticker and miscellaneous equipment violation.

Kathleen Sullivan, of 7 Kenneson Rd., October 7, 8:32 a.m., arrested at home on charges of drug possession to distribute and possession of a class B drug.

Dylan Shallow, October 7, 11:16 a.m., arrested at Ossipee Rd. on warrant charges of destruction of property over \$250, assault and battery on a disabled or person over 60, and assault and battery on a police

Alexandre Brynolfson, of 7 Sherman St., Charlestown, October 7, 11:30 p.m., arrested at Elm St. on charges of open alcohol container and operation of a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor.

Giancarlo Perez, of 50C Memorial Rd., October 8, 4:36 a.m., arrested at Broadway on charges of violation of city ordinance possession of a dan-

gerous weapon and resisting arrest.

George Monteiro, of 10B Memorial Rd., October 8, 10:03 p.m., arrested at home on charges of disorderly conduct, assault and battery, and trespassing.

# The Somerville Times Best of Somerville 2016 Cast your vote!

You have until October 28 to vote for your favorite category. To cast your vote, email us at thebestofsomerville@yahoo.com or mail in your ballot to The Somerville Times, 699 Broadway, Somerville, MA 02144. The winners will be announced Wednesday, November 2, 2016. If you don't see your favorite category here, simply add it to this list.

### **Best of Somerville**

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Best Portuguese Food

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Best Hot-Dog

Best Roast Beef Sandwich

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Best Coffee Shop local

Best Bar Food

### **Best of Somerville Services**

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# Somerville's Domestic **Violence Vigil**

Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone, the Somerville Commission for Women, and RESPOND held the Annual Candlelight Vigil in support of Domestic Violence Awareness Month on Wednesday, October 5, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., at Statue Park in Davis Square.





The vigil is an annual event bringing the community together in remembrance of those who have lost their lives over the last year to domestic violence.





In addition to the vigil, there was a display of the Clothesline Project, a visual display that honors survivors as well as victims of intimate partner violence.

For more information about domestic violence, resources, or support services, contact RESPOND at their Hotline number 617-623-5900 (TTY accessible for the hearing impaired), or visitwww.respondinc.org. — Photos by Bobbie Toner

# **Honk! visits Somerville** High School

#### By Charles Lane

Honk! stopped by Somerville High School on Friday afternoon as the Honk! Festival kicked off. La Fanfare Invisible from Paris, France, Yes Ma'am Brass Band from Austin, TX, and School of HONK of Somerville, jammed with Somerville's High's band.

Other HONK-related activities took place in and around Davis Square on Friday and Saturday, ending with the festival's parade from Davis Square to Harvard Square.

— Photos by Claudia Ferro















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Rep. Christine Barber

**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. 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. 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. Patricia Jehlen

**DISTRICT REPRESENTED:** Second Middlesex. - Consisting of the cities of Cambridge, wards 9 to 11, inclusive, Medford and Somerville, and the town of Winchester, precincts 4 to 7, inclusive, in the county of Middlesex.

**THE SENATE:** There were no roll calls in the House and Senate last week. This week, *Beacon Hill Roll Call* examines the salaries and other benefits received by local state senators and representatives.

\$60,032 BASE SALARY - The current base salary for legislators is \$60,032. Their salary is up for adjustment in January every two years, either up or down, under a 1998 constitutional amendment approved by a better than two-to-one margin by voters. The amendment requires the governor to increase or decrease legislative salaries at the same rate as "increases or decreases in the median household income for the Commonwealth for the preceding two-year period, as ascertained by the governor."

Legislators received a \$306 pay cut for the 2011-2012 legislative session and an \$1,100 pay cut for the 2013-2014 one. Their salaries were frozen at \$60,032 for the 2015-2016 session. Prior to 2011, legislators' salaries had been raised every two years since the \$46,410 base pay was first raised under the constitutional amendment in 2001. The current \$60,032 salary means legislative salaries have been raised \$13,622, or 29 percent since the mandated salary adjustment became part of the state constitution.

#### EXTRA PAY FOR 101 LEGISLATORS - House

Speaker Robert DeLeo and Senate President Stanley Rosenberg, both Democrats, receive a \$35,000 stipend for their service – boosting their salaries to \$95,032. House Minority Leader Bradley Jones and Senate Minority Leader Bruce Tarr, both Republicans, receive a \$22,500 stipend for their service – boosting their salaries to \$82,532.

Over the past several years, the Legislature has increased the total number of legislators who receive annual stipends of \$7,500 to \$35,000 beyond their annual base salary. The latest figures show that 101, or more than half, of the state's 200 legislators receive a stipend. Thirty-eight of the 40 senators and 63 of the 160 representatives receive bonus pay for their service in Democratic or Republican leadership positions, as committee chairs or vice chairs and as the ranking Republican on some committees.

Supporters say legislators in these important positions should be appropriately compensated for their many added responsibilities and hard work.

Critics say the base salary is sufficient and is eligible to be increased every two years.

PER DIEMS - Legislators are entitled to collect "per diems" to reimburse them for mileage, meals and lodging expenses for travel from their home to the Statehouse. These reimbursements are not taxable income and range from \$10 per day for legislators who reside in the greater Boston area to \$82 for Western Massachusetts lawmakers and \$100 for those in Nantucket. The Legislature in 2000 doubled these per diems to the current levels. Legislators as of September 30 have collected a total of \$148,328 in the 2016 session.

\$7,200 FOR GENERAL EXPENSES - Each legislator receives a \$7,200 annual general expense allowance. The Legislature in 2000 doubled this allowance from \$3,600 to \$7,200. This separate, flat rate expense allowance is not based on a lawmaker's geographic distance from the Statehouse. It is designed to pay for some of the costs of legislators' district offices and other expenses including contributions to local civic groups and the printing and mailing of newsletters.

Legislators are issued a 1099 from the state and are required to report the \$7,200 as income but are not re-

quired to submit an accounting of how they spend it.

PARKING SPACE - Lawmakers are entitled to a parking space inside the Statehouse garage or at the nearby McCormack State Office Building. The first \$255 in monthly value of the space is a tax-free benefit under federal and state guidelines that apply to all public and private employees, not just state legislators. Any value of the space above this amount is treated as taxable income.

The value of the parking spaces in 2016 was determined by the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to be \$413 per month. Based on that figure, legislators would be taxed on the excess \$158 monthly by the Internal Revenue Service and the state.

**HEALTH INSURANCE** - Legislators are eligible to choose from 11 health insurance plans offered by the state's Group Insurance Commission, which manages the plans for over 436,000 individuals – current and retired state and some municipal workers and their dependents.

Total monthly full-cost premiums for family plans range from \$1,166 to \$2,338 with the employee share of the premium ranging from \$235 to \$661. Individual plans are available from \$486 to \$999 with the employee share of the premium ranging from \$98 to \$284.

Lawmakers elected on or before July 1, 2003, pay 20 percent of the premium and the state pays 80 percent. Those elected to their first term on or after July 1, 2003, pay 25 percent while the state picks up only 75 percent. State and federal privacy regulations protect this information and it is not possible to obtain records about which plans individual legislators have purchased.

LIFE INSURANCE - Legislators who purchase a health insurance policy from the state are also required to buy the state's basic \$5,000 life insurance policy. This costs employees \$1.30 to \$1.63 per month, depending on the date of hire. The same 20/80 25/75 formula used for health insurance also applies to this life insurance.

Legislators also have the option to buy additional life insurance with a value of up to eight times their salary. The entire premium for the optional insurance is paid by legislators.

LONG-TERM DISABILITY AND HEALTH CARE SPENDING ACCOUNT - Legislators also have the option to open a Health Care Spending Account (HCSA) and Dependent Care Assistance Program (DCAP), and to buy long-term disability insurance.

The HCSA allows legislators to set aside their own funds to pay for out-of-pocket health care expenses with before-tax dollars while the DCAP allows them to set aside funds to pay for certain dependent care expenses with before-tax dollars. This participation reduces their federal and state income taxes. The entire premium for long-term disability is paid by legislators.

DENTAL AND VISION INSURANCE - Legislators are eligible to choose one of two dental/vision insurance plans. Current monthly employee premium costs for family plans range from \$15 to \$20, while individual plans range from \$5 to \$6. All lawmakers pay 15 percent of the premium and the state pays 85 percent.

# Beacon Hill Roll Call continued



SOME LEGISLATORS PAY LITTLE OR NO FEDERAL TAX ON THEIR LEGISLATIVE SALARY - Legislators who live more than 50 miles from the Statehouse are eligible for a special federal tax break. A 1981 federal law allows them to write off a daily expense allowance when filing their federal income tax return. The complicated system determines a daily amount, ostensibly for meals, lodging and other expenses incurred in the course of their jobs, which can be deducted for every "legislative day."

Under the Massachusetts Legislature's system and schedule, every day of the year qualifies as a legislative day. The Legislature does not formally "prorogue" (end an annual session) until the next annual session begins. This allows legislators to take the deduction for all 365 days regardless of whether the Legislature is actually meeting or not. Legislators do not even have to travel to the Statehouse to qualify for the daily deduction. The amount of the deduction is based on the federal per diem for Massachusetts. It varies from year to year. The daily per diem for legislators for 2016 varies in different parts of the state and is seasonal. It ranges from \$162 per day to \$366 per day or between \$59,130 and \$133,590 annually. It is estimated that more than one-third of the state's 200 legislators qualify for this deduction and are eligible to pay little or no federal income tax on their legislative salaries.

REPRESENTATIVES' AND SENATORS' SAL-ARIES FOR 2016 - Here's the current annual salary of your representative and senator. The dollar figure includes only the base salary of \$60,032 and any annual bonus stipends of \$7,500 to \$35,000 for some members who serve in Democratic or Republican leadership positions, as committee chairs or vice chairs and as the ranking Republican on some committees. It does not include any of the other benefits described above.

Rep. Christine Barber	\$60,032
Rep. Denise Provost	\$60,032
Rep. Timothy Toomey	\$67,532
Sen. Patricia Jehlen	\$75,032

#### ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

**PROHIBITING DISCRIMINATION** LAW AGAINST TRANSGENDER PEOPLE TAKES **EFFECT** - The new law that prohibits discrimination against transgender people in public accommodations by adding "gender identity" to existing Massachusetts civil rights laws took effect last week. Massachusetts law already prohibits discrimination in public accommodations on the basis of age, race, creed, color, national origin, sexual orientation, sex, religion and marital status. Public accommodations are defined as "a place, whether licensed or unlicensed, which is open to and accepts or solicits the patronage of the general public." This includes hotels, restaurants, retail stores, malls, theaters, parks, medical offices, libraries and public transportation. The major controversy has centered around the fact that the proposal would also allow access to legally gender-segregated public facilities, including restrooms and locker rooms, based on a person's gender identity rather than on their sex."

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 October 3-7, the House and Senate each met for a total of 42 minutes.

Mon, October 3	House 11:01 a.m. to 11:19 a.m. Senate 11:05 a.m. to 11:28 a.m.
Tues. October 4	No House session No Senate session
Wed. October 5	No House session No Senate session
Thurs. October 6	House 11:00 a.m. to 11:24 a.m. Senate 11:06 a.m. to 11:25 a.m.
Fri. October 7	No House session No Senate session

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#### Recent Single Family Homes Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month: **DOM Address Description List Price** Sale Price 26 96 Moreland St 5 room, 2 bed, 1f 0h bath Cottage \$289,900 \$325,000 27 Montrose St 8 room, 3 bed, 2f 0h bath Colonial \$470,000 \$560,000 13 Franklin Ave 5 room, 3 bed, 1f 1h bath Colonial \$480,000 178 \$499,900 118 Heath St 7 room, 3 bed, 1f 0h bath Colonial 12 \$570,000 \$600,000

Recent Condominiums Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month:						
l	Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price	
l	326 Broadway U:25	4 room, 2 bed, 1f 0h bath Low-Rise	24	\$299,000	\$322,000	
l	8 Fairview Terrace U:3	4 room, 2 bed, 1f 0h bath 2/3 Family	48	\$379,999	\$361,000	
l	81 Hinckley St U:1	4 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	5	\$450,000	\$490,000	
l	67 Pearson Ave U:1	4 room, 1 bed, 1f 0h bath 2/3 Family	7	\$469,000	\$480,000	
l	8 Fairview Terrace U:1	4 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	40	\$479,000	\$465,000	
l	20-R Cross St U:2	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	34	\$499,000	\$530,000	
l	101 Prospect Street U:2	5 room, 2 bed, 1f 0h bath 2/3 Family	5	\$500,000	\$535,000	
l	19 Kingston Street U:3	6 room, 2 bed, 1f 0h bath 2/3 Family	20	\$524,000	\$532,000	
l	425 Medford St U:1	6 room, 3 bed, 1f 1h bath 2/3 Family	16	\$525,000	\$551,000	
l	31 Hancock Porter Square U:3	3 room, 1 bed, 1f 0h bath 2/3 Family	20	\$529,000	\$529,000	
l	38 Derby Street U:3	5 room, 2 bed, 1f 0h bath 2/3 Family	25	\$529,000	\$529,000	
l	84 Clarendon Ave U:84	6 room, 3 bed, 2f 0h bath Townhouse	22	\$549,000	\$600,786	
l	21 Oak St U:1	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	7	\$599,000	\$705,000	
	84 Pearson Rd U:1	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	16	\$614,900	\$735,000	

		Recent Multi-Family Homes Sold in Somerville Ove	r tne Past Moi	ntn:	
	Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
	32 Bradley St	2 unit, 11 total room, 6 total bedroom 2 Family	18	\$699,900	\$765,000
l	46 Atherton Street	2 unit, 13 total room, 5 total bedroom 2 Family	38	\$729,000	\$729,000
	14 Indiana Ave	2 unit, 11 total room, 4 total bedroom 2 Family	20	\$749,000	\$810,000
l	57 Farragut Ave	2 unit, 11 total room, 4 total bedroom 2 Family	12	\$820,000	\$820,000
l	57 Shore Dr	2 unit, 11 total room, 5 total bedroom 2 Family	49	\$829,000	\$825,000
l	24 Miller St	2 unit, 7 total room, 4 total bedroom 2 Family	31	\$839,000	\$815,000
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# Somerville High School **50th Class Reunion**

#### By Donald Norton

The fiftieth reunion of Somerville High School class of 1966 was held this past Saturday night at the Four Points by Sheraton Wakefield Boston Hotel.

There was a good turnout of the class together with spouses and guests, with over 300 attending.

It proved to be a great night of meeting and old friends and renewing old friendships, with some looking the same as always.

The reunion committee handed out 3x4" ID's with names and pictures of what you looked liked in 1966.

Many have not moved out of the city too far, some living off 93 going up to NH line, some all over the Greater Boston area, and then some others who still live here in Somerville.

The reunion was planned well and every detail covered, making it a memorable evening for all, right down to the little bags of M&M's with various SHS sayings on them along with the year 1966.

Everyone had a great time talking about high school then and what our kids experience today and not so long ago.

It was fun singing to all the hits of the 60's and filling the dance floor with many who were present. Congratulations to the committee for an excellent job well done. See you all at the 55th reunion.

— Photos by Donald Norton







# **Giggles Comedy Night**

### By Donald Norton

Last week the Somerville Rotary Club held their annual Giggles Comedy Night at the Prince of Pizza on Rte. 1 in Saugus.

This was another successful night by the club, raising funds for many local charities that the club has given to over the years, including scholarships.

Many members, along with their guests, where treated to a great night of laughs and prizes, with a silent auction. Some awesome prizes were there for everyone to bid on, and at the end of the evening they announced to



silent auction.

Somerville Rotary meets every Tuesday right here at the Holiday Inn on Washington

those present who won on the Street, at 12:15 p.m. It is made up of professionals, both in the private sector and public sector, and is dedicated to local Somerville charities.

> Rotary involvement is a great opportunity for new businesses and established businesses that are looking to network and meet other professionals. If you are interested in seeing what it is all about, go online to our web site here at The Times and click Rotary website link to check it out, and call to find out how you can join and be a part of a business group that gives back to the community.

— Photos by Donald Norton

# The Somerville Times **Historical Fact of the Week**



Eagle feathers #114

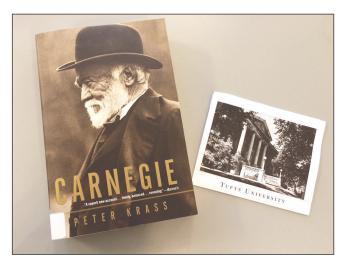
#### The Scribes

By Bob (Monty) Doherty

With the invention of papyrus, came the age of books to record man's thoughts, words, and history. This was then followed by a place to house them called the library or libra, meaning house of books. For thousands of years since the Egyptian pyramids and earlier, books evolved from writings found on stone, wood, and animal hides. Later, it was scribed on paper and then to the electronic print of today.



Through the years, Somerville has supplied two main libraries and over a half dozen of its satellites that catered to the needs and wishes of her citizens. Many Somerville residents and friends have contributed greatly to them and other treasured reading rooms. Winter Hill resident, Edward Everett, helped establish the Boston Public Library in 1848 and was its first Chairman of the Board of Trustees. To help start its collection, he gathered, bound and gifted, at his own expense, the complete records of the Congress and Senate.



Russell Conwell, the first editor of the Somerville Journal and the founder of Temple University was on Somerville's Free Library Establishment Committee in 1871. Conwell Avenue, Conwell Street, and the former Conwell School were named after him and his son Leon, a former Mayor

Sam Walter Foss, a nationally known poet, was Somerville's librarian from 1898 to1911. During that time, he built a book circulation second only to the Boston Public Library. Foss Park was named after Continued on page 17



# XQ: The Super School Bus Tour arrives in Somerville

By Louise Carpenter

On Monday, October 3, XQ: The Super School Project Bus Tour made a stop in Somerville to celebrate Powderhouse Studios.

The event was well attended. The HONK! Academy Band performed, and Mayor Curtatone and Ward 7 Alderman Katjana Ballantyne were as well. They appeared to be excited about the new school in town.

A lot of enthusiasm about it from residents and kids was evident as well. Some were doing a science experiment with makeshift rockets.

Powderhouse Studios was just awarded \$10 million dollars as one of the winners of XQ: The Super School Project and was selected from nearly 700 proposals. This stop is part of the second leg of the XQ Bus Tour that kicked off in Washington, DC last Monday, September 12.

The second leg of the tour seeks to continue to engage and excite local communities around rethinking American high schools and serve as an opportunity to share new high school models with communities across the country.

The stop at Somerville was a chance for the community to meet their local Super School winners and learn more about the solutions they have created for rethinking high schools that will prepare students for college, career, and life in the 21st century.

In addition to meeting the winning team, the event featured a customized school bus, with an interactive experience that invites students, parents, teachers and community members to explore effective solutions to improve American high schools, and includes a recording booth for attendees to share



The Super School Bus is a mobile display classroom that is brought to Super School sites for the purpose of showing off particulars about the school. – Photos by Joe Ruvido

their own ideas.

The bus tour stop also hosted a community art p roject for students and community members; opportunities to explore some of the learning that will take place at Powderhouse Studios; and a chance to explore where high school education has been, and the themes that have emerged from the XQ: Super School Project since launching in September 2015.

The challenge was issued as an open call to America to meet the challenge of preparing our students for the future by dreaming, designing, and creating the next American high school.

For additional information about XQ: The Super School Project contact John Joanino at jjoanino@wearerally.com or 310-735-7538.

About XQ: The Super School Project:

XQ: The Super School Project launched in September 2015 as an open call to rethink and design the next American high school. Thousands of School Builders, and tens of thousands of supporters from towns and cities across all 50 states have united to take on this important work. Teams of students, teachers, parents, community leaders and many more came together to conceptualize innovative models for 21st century learning.

Since its launch, XQ has proven to be more than a challenge to create innovative high schools. It is a growing movement to reimagine what is possible for public education in America, and a hub for community voices, cutting edge ideas, and expert resources to create new pathways to success for students. For more information, visitwww.xqsuperschool.org, and follow us at

@XQAmerica.

About XQ Institute:

XQ Institute is an organization dedicated to rethinking school in America in order to create new learning opportunities for young people and open up the possibilities of the wider world. The Institute's board of directors is chaired by Laurene Powell Jobs, Chair of the Emerson Collective. The CEO and founder is Russlynn Ali, former Assistant Secretary of Civil Rights at the U.S. Department of Education, and Managing Director of Education at the Emerson Collective. For more information, visitwww.xqinstitute.org.

## **OBITUARY**

### George F. Awiszus

Awiszus, George F. of Arlington. October 10th. Beloved husband of Ann Awiszus (O'Keeffe). Loving father of George Jr. and his wife Lucy of Boxboro, Thomas and his wife Carole of Stoneham, Dan and his wife Molly of Topsfield, Robert and his wife Roberta of Andover, John and his wife Theresa of Medford and Ellen Cassell of Greenland NH. Cherished grandfather of Mike, Katie, Kayla, Molly, Lexie, Timothy, George, Annie, Annabella, Luke and Aidan.

Funeral from the DeVito Funeral Home 1145 Mass. Ave., ARLINGTON on Thursday at 10 am with a funeral mass to follow at 11 am in St. Eulalia Parish, Winchester. Relatives and friends are invited to visit in the funeral home on Wednesday from 4-8 pm. In lieu of flowers donations are requested to: Arlington Recreation Department, 422 Summer St., Arlington, MA 02474. For directions or to send an online condolence visit, devitofuneralhomes.com.



#### Sally O'Brien's 335 Somerville Ave. 617-666-3589

### **Monday October 17**

Shawn Carter's Cheapshots Comedy Jam 7 p.m. Marley Mondays with Duppy Conquerors 10 p.m.

### **Tuesday October 18**

Brazen Invasion Beatles and more 7:30 p.m.

### **Wednesday October 19**

Free Poker, lots of prizes! 8 p.m.

### **Thursday October 20**

Spring Hill Rounders 7:30 p.m.

### Friday October 21

Larry Flint & The Road Scholars 6 p.m. HearNowLive presents Something Something Buy a T-Shirt, Vicky and The Vengents, The Skeleton Beats \$10 cover 9 p.m.

### **Saturday October 22**

Patsy Hamel Band 6 p.m. Pete Cassani & The Peasants, Bitter Bastids, Trusty Sidekick \$5 cover 9 p.m.

### **Sunday October 23**

Sally O'ktoberfest all day food specials and beer garden featuring Busted Jug Band, Be Nice Or Leave Brass Band Noon







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# **COMMENTARY**

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# Data Download with Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone

# Taking a closer look at this month's notable city data



#### By Joseph A. Curtatone

1,183: That's the number of veterans living in Somerville according to the most recent census data. However, our Office of Military Affairs and Veterans' Services estimates that number could be closer to 1,700 veterans when accounting for active duty service members as well as those who do not self-identify. Over the next several months, we will be working to improve our veteran outreach efforts through upcoming initiatives like Operation Vet/ID and Somer Vet. And there's no better time to focus on reaching out to and supporting our veterans than Veterans' Day, which is right around the corner. This year, we're working with Somerville schools to give our local vets the opportunity to visit classrooms and share their experiences around what serving means to them. This is part of a larger effort to teach our children the importance of serving, not just through military service, but also through other future careers and volunteering.

16: That's the heartbreaking number of people in Massachusetts who have lost their lives to domestic violence in 2016. October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. As we do annually at this time, the City's Somerville Commission for Women and Somerville-based domestic violence agency RE-SPOND Inc. held a moving vigil to raise awareness of domestic violence and remember those who have lost their lives. During the vigil, the names of the 16 were read and three of their stories were shared. It was a powerful reminder of the real people behind the statistics and of how widespread the problem of domestic violence is.

Unfortunately, Somerville crime data shows we are not immune. In 2015, the Somerville Police Department responded to 201 domestic violence incidents and as of Sept. 30 of this year they have responded to 127. If you or someone you know is experiencing domestic violence, the Somerville Police Department's Family Services Unit investigates domestic violence crimes and has a victim advocate on staff who can help connect victims to resources. Call the Family Services Unit at (617) 625-1600 ext. 7237. RE-SPOND has a 24-hour hotline that anyone can call for information, resources, and answers to questions about domestic violence. The hotline number is (617) 623-5900.

14: That's the number of calls received by 311 for wild turkey sightings since September 1.

Most callers report the turkey along the busy corridor of the Mystic Avenue area. To maintain safety for drivers and the turkey, keep an eye out for this feathered pedestrian — who often crosses the street without looking for cars — if you're in the area. For more information on how to coexist with our local wild turkey, visithttp://bit.ly/MassTurkeys.

6.5 million: That's how many square feet of public sidewalks we have in the city. With that much paved surface, cracks and uneven sidewalk panels caused by weather, tree roots and more are one of the most frequent repair jobs our Department of Public Works crews are continually addressing (alongside those New England potholes). I can see on our public 311 Data Dashboard that in the past 60 days alone (as I write), 84 repair tickets for sidewalks have been closed in the last 60 days. During that time 100 sidewalk repair requests were submitted. It's a continuous cycle that we do our best to stay on top of, and you can help. If you see a sidewalk in need of repair, especially if you spot a tripping hazard, please call it in to 311 so we can put it in our repair queue.

10,000: That's the approximate number of attendees who visited Union Square last month for the 2016 Fluff Festival. Join us next year for the biggest celebration yet because we're celebrating 100 years of Fluff in 2017!

Data-based decision making is at the core of how the City of Somerville develops policy and sets priorities. Every day we check the latest 311 stats, and throughout the week we meet for in-depth review of departmental data and city trends. The monthly Data Download column shares some of the data we've been reviewing recently. To see more Somerville Data, visit the online Somerville Data Farm at http://www.somervillema.gov/datafarm/.

# 'FabVille' Fabrication Laboratory opens in Somerville

### By Charles Lane

The City of Somerville and the Somerville Public Schools will host the grand opening of Fab-Ville, a publicly run Fabrication Laboratory known as "Fab Lab" on Wednesday, October 12 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

The Somerville community is invited to the open house event that will include a tour of the facility, located in the Center for Career and Technical Education at Somerville High School (81 Highland Avenue). Register for this free event at: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/fabville-grand-opening-tickets-27708868973.

Similar to a makerspace, a Fab Lab is a facility with the purpose of educating the public in digital fabrication technologies such as 3D printing and laser cutting. Fab Labs grew out of MIT's Center for Bits and Atoms' "How to Make Almost Anything" course and are now a global movement with Fab Labs all over the world.

Fab Ville will be integrated into the high school's Center for Career and Technical Education's (CTE) regular vocational programming, adding elements of prototyping and digital fabrication to its career tracks. After the school day FabVille will be open to entrepreneurs looking to work on individual projects, non-profits seeking to run educational programming, and Somerville residents of all ages and skill levels who wish to learn something new. Think of it as a public "labrary"!

After-school programming will begin this fall and will feature a youth entrepreneurship program operated by Davis Square tech incubator Canopy City. Somerville non-profit Sprout & Co. will also offer a basic tool and safety training program that will be open to the public.

"Technology is a crucial part of 21st Century learning," stated Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone. "Fabville will not only give our students the opportunity to explore the world of digital fabrication technology, but will also grant that experience to our entire community."

"We're excited to offer our students and the entire Somerville community this great resource – a place to connect, learn, create, and gain critical skills using cutting-edge technology," said Superintendent of



Come on down to Fab Ville on Wednesday, October 12, at Somerville High School.

Schools Mary Skipper. "This project is the result of a community-wide vision and a firm commitment to partnerships that not only ensures Somerville remains on the frontier of innovation, but also provides our students with real-world experiences and connections."

The open house will include a welcome by Somerville Mayor Joe Curtatone, Superintendent of Schools Mary Skipper, Secretary of Economic Development for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Jay Ash, Secretary of Education for the Commonwealth of Massachusetth of Massachusetth of Massachusetth of Massachuseth of Massachuseth of Massachuseth

setts Jim Peyser, Secretary of the Executive Office of Labor for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Ronald Walker II, Fab Foundation President and Executive Director Sherry Lassiter, Somerville High School Headmaster John Oteri, and Somerville High School CTE Director Leo DeSimone. There will be a tour showcasing the high school's new advanced manufacturing equipment, as well as information on how organizations and residents can take advantage of the facility. Snacks will be provided.

Entrances to the Fab Lab are

located at the atrium of the high school, the building closest to the Central Library. FabVille is in the basement of the Center for Career and Technical Education in the school's former autobody shop.

The project is partially funded by a Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development's Urban Agenda Implementation grant award of \$200,000. The Fab Foundation, a MIT affiliated non-profit with the mission of expanding Fab Labs globally, also donated equipment to the project.

# COMMENTARY

# SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Illustrated by Jim Clark



You have to admire the dedication of HONK! musicians and activists.

# **Our View Of The Times**



It is an undeniable fact that the City of Somerville draws in an unusually large amount of musical talent within its relatively small confines.

Whether it be homegrown or imported, we have at our fingertips an incredibly diverse and nearly exhaustive supply of mellifluous entertainment to keep us amused and amazed as we watch it pass

through our community.

The same goes for commitment to political and social issues. It's natural for the HONK! Festival organizers to choose our community in which to hold this event. Activism thrives here, driven by a long tradition of dialog on important issues of the day and a genuine concern for the betterment of our own community as

well as that of the world at large.

We enjoy gathering together and celebrating life at its fullest and most rewarding, while at the same time coming to terms with vital issues that affect all our lives. And, of course, doing it in a responsible and efficient way is also something that we strive for.

Somerville's got talent. That we know.

And it's got commitment as well. It extends to many forms of expression, both artistic and pragmatic.

In seeking a workable balance of the two, we may yet create a symphony of sorts. One based in harmony and keeping perfect time. After the dust of the busy day settles, we know we've done our part to make it all a bit better.

### Newstalk CONT. FROM PG 2

the first Wednesday in November, so hurry up and nominate in your favorite category. We also want best idea this year and worst idea this year for 2016 here in Somerville. You can email, mail, call in or just drop your votes in the mail slot at 699 Broadway, Somerville.

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Get out and register to vote. There should be no excuses. The deadline to register is October 19 and new to the election process will be Advance Voting, which will begin on October 24 at the Board of Alderman chambers, second floor at City Hall. For more information and also for absentee ballots for those who can't get out to vote, call the Election **Department** at 617-625-6600. They are hard working people in that department and will be glad to assist you. They are very dedicated and committed to making sure the process here in Somerville will go smoothly. Right now we have just over 50,000 registered voters and voting early will be a big help.

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Happy birthday to a lot of our friends and fellow Villens here this week: Happy birthday to **Kevin Shackelford**, a lifelong resident and good guy. We hope he has a great day. A happy birthday as well to **Mike Berry**, who resides now in

FLA. He was raised and lived here for many years. We hope he has a great day for himself as well. A local good guy who is very popular, **Steve Harvey**, is also celebrating this week. We hope he has a great happy birthday. To all the others celebrating this week, we hope you have a great birthday as well, and if you'd like to submit a name of someone who is celebrating let us know here at *The Times*.

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It looks like the long awaited Green Line **Extension** is getting closer to becoming a reality. The estimated cost will be \$2.3 billion dollars, officials told the Transit Authority Oversight Board. The federal officials have been asked to contribute \$1 billion. The officials appear to be satisfied with the changes in the designs of the stations. The City of Cambridge will contribute \$25 million over five years, and the City of Somerville's agreement will be - or is supposed to be - ironed out where we will be paying an estimated \$50 million. We wonder how the city is going to do that? Maybe a bond or another hit on your taxes?

Don't forget, you can still donate to **WJIB** to help ensure that the FM station will get up and running next year. Relaxing, commercial-free music on the

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FM band 24 hours a day. Send your (non-deductible) check to WJIB - PO Box 308 - Bath, Maine 04530 and tune in to **Bob Bittner** on WJIB AM 740 for all the details.

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Our sincere condolences and sympathy upon hearing of the passing of Neil Brennan, who is a retired Somerville Police Sergeant. He was born and raised in East Somerville. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and many friends here in the city. He was much too young, and anyone who knew Neil will tell you he was a very nice guy. He will be missed.

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There's a new website in town. Check it out at www.somervillema.com. The Somerville Times is on the site. Also check out www.medfordma.com. Someone asked online why we keep these two websites in Newstalk. We guess it's because we like them.

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For those that might be interested in obtaining certification for firearms should look up the Lawrence Rod & Gun Club. They provide an extensive program at the end of which you receive certification for Massachusetts/NRA Certified Firearm Safety Classes. They run

a class once a month, which is limited to 10 people and we hear that this is the place to go to learn safety when handling guns. Email gunclub@earthlink.net for more information and or go to their website at www.lawrencerodandgunclub.org and read up about the course. We've been told that the course has seen a major increase in people applying for it, especially women. We can tell you first hand here that it's a great course and quite thorough. The same goes for this in Newstalk. The club has informed us that many residents of Somerville have called or gone to the club to find out about certification.

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This October 31, The Rockwell, 255 Elm St., Somerville, will present "Halloween Mystery Theater" as acclaimed magician and mentalist Méliès and world-renowned violinist Marissa Licata join forces performing astonishing magical illusions, connecting with the audience telepathically and summoning the spirit world in a special séance, and presenting haunting other-worldly music to thrill revelers with a haunting Halloween soundtrack. The show starts at 8:00 p.m. Go to http://therockwell. org for more info and to book your tickets in advance.

# HONK!ing in the rain

The wet weekend weather did not dampen the spirits of those who partook in the HONK! Festival, the annual 3-day free festival bringing brass bands from all over the United States and the world to Somerville for a celebration of music, community and activism takes place this weekend.

Organized entirely by volunteers and now in its 10th year, the festival kicked off on Friday night with a lantern parade in Davis Square neighborhoods and a band showcase.

On Saturday more than 25 bands took over Davis Square for a giant music and dance party.

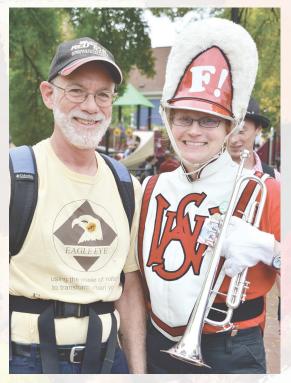
On Sunday, local community groups, artists, and activists working for a variety of progressive causes – economic justice, protecting the environment, world peace, an end to racism – joined the brass bands to make a spectacular parade from Davis Square to Harvard Square along Mass Avenue.







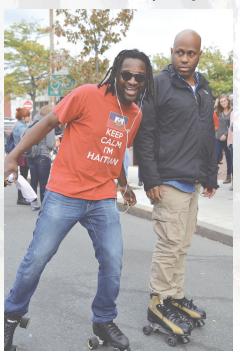








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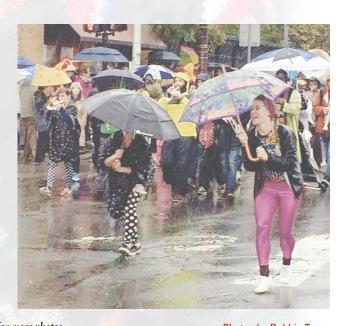




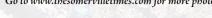












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# **SPORTS**

# Local woman running to raise funds for Boston Children's Hospital

#### By Rebecca Danvers

On April 17, 2017 Amanda Crowe of Somerville, MA will run the 121st Boston Marathon® in support of Boston Children's Hospital. As a member of Boston Children's Miles for Miracles Team, runners have an extra incentive to cross the finish line: helping children and families who receive world-class care at Boston Children's.

Crowe is currently a project manager for DELL EMC and is also an avid runner. This will be her third time running a marathon for charity in 2 years. She is honored and excited to be run-

ning for Boston Children's Hospital, the #1 pediatric hospital in the country.

Every dollar donated goes directly to the hospital where the doctors, nurses and researchers continue to innovate and advance patient care, find cures and everyday strive to return the joy into a child's life.

When asked why she wanted to get involved with Boston Children's Hospital Crowe replied, "Running my first Boston Marathon on behalf of Boston Children's Hospital is an honor. Boston Children's Hospital provides excellent care for children and is ranked



Somerville resident Amanda Crowe will be running the 121st Boston Marathon\* in support of Boston Children's Hospital.

ical research; recruitment and

training; and community health

programs. Runners like Aman-

da Crowe meet their fundraising goal through sponsorships and

personal donations from their

families, friends, community,

and co-workers. The program

has raised more than \$27 mil-

lion for Boston Children's Hos-

If you would like to support

Amanda Crowe please visit

www.milesformiracles.org/

boston and search for "Aman-

da Crowe" in the participant

Crowe also has a Twit-

ter account devoted to the

event and invites all interest-

ed parties to follow it at @

name box.

Ms. Cam's lio

Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

- 1. Sheryl Crow sang the title song for which Bond film?
- 2. James J. Braddock was a world champion in which sport?
- 3. Which one-time wife of frank Sinatra starred in TV's Peyton Place?
- 4. What is the largest city in Alabama?
- 5. Who wrote *The Great* Gatsby?
- 6. Who became George H. Bush's Secretary of State in 1989?
- 7. What do we call what

- the British call stock car
- 8. What battle did Davey Crockett die in?
- 9. What Georgia rockers resurrected Dan Rather's mysterious 1986 mugging in their 1994 track What's the Frequency, Kenneth?
- 10. Parsley is a member of what family?
- 11. The local name of which plant is "Flower of the blessed night"?
- 12. What color on a standard rainbow is on the inside of the curve?

Answers on page 23

greatest need: patient care; medpital since 1996. CroweRunsBoston. **Somerville Corn Shucking Day** 

Schools across the country are celebrating National Farm to School Month in October with activities and lessons that promote healthy eating. On Thursday, October 6th, students in every K-8 school in the district, the Brown School, and the Capuano Early Childhood Center, were joined by parents, staff members and community volunteers for a half hour of corn shucking before the start of the school day.

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ing organization where I have

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them in helping children live

Miles for Miracles team mem-

bers raise funds for Boston

Children's Hospital's areas of

longer and healthier lives."

This annual district-wide event helps stu-

dents learn about local sources of produce, how corn is prepared, and to have an opportunity to enjoy the fruits of their labor during lunch time.

Learn how schools across the country are making an impact in the national Farm to School movement by watching this video from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. https://www. youtube.com/watch?v=rZVZ3\_xf3ZY&feature=youtu.be.

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# **SCES** explores value of lower home care caseloads

By Colleen Morrissey

A new grant-funded program is exploring the value of giving Home Care case managers more flexibility to assist clients with complex medical and social needs.

Somerville-Cambridge Elder Services (SCES) is participating in the Community Living Coaches pilot project, which is evaluating benefits of assigning fewer clients for case managers who handle chronic conditions, multiple hospitalizations, difficulty managing medications, and daily assistance. The program was launched in August, and Home Care Director Rachel Berry is already optimistic about the potential benefits.

"We really believe in this," said Berry. "Case management shouldn't be a onesize-fits-all program. Some people need less attention, some need more. For people with complex medical needs, we believe a coach can help actually improve health outcomes."

The pilot is funded by the Executive Office of Elder Affairs and sponsored by Mass Home Care. Over the course of the yearlong program, researchers at the Gerontology Institute at University of Massachusetts Boston will analyze data provided by clients for changes in their health and wellbeing.

The pilot also seeks to integrate clients' medical and social care to deliver better results. The project will benefit from SCES' close partnership with the Cambridge Health Alliance (CHA), allowing case managers and medical personnel to coordinate client needs. Berry pointed to SCES' relationship with CHA as a likely factor in winning the grant.

"They were excited to partner with us on the pilot," she said.

Case manager Kaylin Congdon is the designated Community Living Coach at



SCES and has taken on a relatively small caseload of 25 clients who meet the pilot's criteria. There is also a control group of clients, randomly selected and coordinated by case manager Viet Van. These clients also fit the criteria, but are spread out among case managers who have the usual amount of clients, typically between 90 and 100. Client services vary from assistance cleaning their homes once or twice a week to help with bathing and getting dressed each day.

Case managers in both the control and coaching group began with the standard assessment for the Home Care program, and posed additional questions to clients about their well-being and their medication compliance. Researchers will eventually balance these answers against updates from clients after six months and a year of the pilot.

Congdon will be able to contact clients weekly. By contrast, case managers in the control group typically contact clients every three months and visit them two to four times each year.

Berry anticipates that the coaching model will have a positive impact on clients' lives, and hopes the strategy will continue past the pilot.

"It would be better for clients, and better for us," said Berry.

Colleen Morrissey is a Resource Specialist at

# **Protesting displacement**



On Friday, October 7, the Union United coalition, the Right to the City Alliance, and bands from HONK! came together to protest displacement. To learn more about Union United or to get involved, visit www.unionunitedsomerville.com.

— Photo by Kevin Dickinson

# What's on Somerville **Neighborhood News**

This week on the latest Somerville Neighborhood News - your source for local TV news! Construction is underway at the Wynn Resort across the Mystic River in Everett. On October 11 News Director Heather Aveson sits down with Wynn Boston CEO, Robert DiSalvio for an extended conversation about the development and the thawing relationship between Wynn and the City of Somerville.



On October 25 we'll look at Question 5 on the November 8 ballot. What is a debt exclusion? How will a yes vote impact property taxes going forward? And what is the impact on Somerville and the future of the High School without a yes vote? Mayor Joe Curtatone will explain the debt exclusion, we'll look at plans for a new High School on Central Hill and discuss the issue with local activists. You'll find everything you need to know before you enter the voting booth on November 8.

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#### **LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

A public hearing for all interested parties will be held by the Zoning Board of Appeals on Wednesday, October 19, 2016 at the Visiting Nurse Association, 259 Lowell Street, 3rd Floor Community Room, Somerville, MA.

12 Warwick Street: (Case #ZBA 2016-105) Applicant and Owner, 12 Warwick Street Realty Trust, seek a Special Permit with Site Plan Review (SPSR) under SZO §5.2 & §7.2 to build 3 single-family structures on the lot, a Variance for parking under §5.5 & §9.5 and a Variance for rear yard setback under §8.5. RB Zone. Ward 5.

37 Day Street: (Case #ZBA 2016-108) Applicant, Delaporte Development, and Owner, Kristine Niemeyer, seek a Special Permit under SZO §4.4.1 to renovate and expand a two-family residential structure. RB Zone. Ward 6.

44 Medford Street: (Case #ZBA 2016-93) Applicant, Block Properties LLC, and Owner, F & L Realty Development, LLC, seek a Special Permit with Site Plan Review (SPSR) under SZO §5.2 for construction of a mixed-use building with 1,120sf of Commercial space and 12 residential units (including 2 affordable), a Variance under SZO §5.5 and §8.5 for lot area per dwelling unit, a Variance for Floor Area Ration (FAR), and a Special Permit under SZO §9.13 for 3 off-site parking spaces and SZO §9.5 for parking relief. BA Zone. Ward 2.

24 Summer Street: (Case #ZBA 2016-92) Applicant and Owner, Steven Azar, seeks a Variance under SZO §5.5 and §4.4.1 to extend a front porch into the front yard setback. RB Zone. Ward 3.

78 Bonair Street: (Case #ZBA 2016-115) Applicant and owner, Dipesh Nepal, seeks to add a second story pursuant to SZO §4.4.1 and a by-right second dwelling unit. Parking relief is sought for one space under SZO §9.13. RB zone Ward 1.

89 Josephine Avenue: (Case #ZBA 2016-109) Applicant an Owner, KTA Construction LLC, seeks to add additional living space in the basement of a two family structure under SZO §4.4.1. RA zone Ward 6.

19 Windom Street: (Case #ZBA 2016-107) Applicant and owner, 19 Windom Street LLC, seeks to add additional living space in the basement of a two family structure under SZO §4.4.1. and add a three story deck within side setbacks. RA zone Ward 6.

Applications are not posted online; Copies of these applications 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; Reports, plans and Decisions, when completed, are posted online 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 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 As published in The Somerville Times on 10/5/16 & 10/12/16.

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

Docket No. MI16P4975GD

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF **GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G. L.c.** 190B §5-304

In the matter of: Steven Moreira

RESPONDENT **Alleged Incapacitated Person** 

Of: Somerville, MA

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by DMH/Office of General Counsel of Westborough, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Steven Moreira is in need of a Guardian and requesting that (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve WITHOUT SURETY on the bond.

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

You have a right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return day of 11/22/2016. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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

Witness, Hon. Edward F Donnelly, Jr., First Justice of this Court

Date: September 27, 2016

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

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The Somerville Housing Authority (SHA) will extend the CLOSURE of the Standard State Family one (1), two (2) and three (3) bedroom waiting lists and the Standard Federal for one (1) and two (2) bedroom waiting lists effective from October 15, 2016 to October 15, 2017.

The SHA will continue to accept Emergency applications for the State one (1), two (2) and three (3) bedrooms and Federal Program for the one (1), and two (2) bedroom waiting lists.

The SHA will continue to accept STANDARD applications for the STATE four (4) and five (5) bedroom and the FEDERAL three (3), four (4) and five (5) bedroom Waiting Lists, for the State and Federal Elderly/ Disabled Public Housing Programs and all Section 8 Rental Assistance Programs

Applications can be obtained on line at www.sha-web.org, by phone at 617-625-1152, and/or in person at the Administration Office, 30 Memorial Road, Somerville and at the Tenant Selection Office, 530 Mystic Avenue, Somerville. The office is opened Monday through Wednesday from 8:00 to 4:00 p.m., Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (noon).

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

#### CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

**MIDDLESEX Division** 

Docket No. MI 15P1219EA

**Estate of:** 

Robert King

Also known as: Robert E. King Date of Death: 01/04/2015

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by:

Bernard T. King

Tewksbury

requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that:

Bernard T. King Tewksbury

be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before:

10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/26/2016.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

#### UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHU-**SETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)**

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

Witness, Hon. Edward F Donnelly Jr., First Justice of this Court.

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

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#### Opponents say 'No' to Proposition 2 CONT. FROM PG 1

could expand statewide charter school enrollment by up to 1% of the total statewide public school enrollment each year. New charters and enrollment expansions approved under this law would be exempt from existing limits on the number of charter schools, the number of students enrolled in them, and the amount of local school districts' spending allocated to them.

If the Board received more than 12 applications in a single year from qualified applicants, then the proposed law would require it to give priority to proposed charter schools or enrollment expansions in districts where student performance on statewide assessments is in the bottom 25% of all districts in the previous two years and where demonstrated parent demand for additional public school options is greatest.

New charter schools and enrollment expansions approved under this proposed law would be subject to the same approval standards as other charter schools, and to recruitment, retention, and multilingual outreach requirements that currently apply to some charter schools. Schools authorized under this law would be subject to annual performance reviews according to standards established by the Board.

A "yes" vote would allow for up to 12 approvals each year of either new charter schools or expanded enrollments in existing charter schools, but not to exceed 1% of the statewide public school enrollment. A "no" vote would make no change in current laws relative to charter schools.

The proposed law would take effect on January 1, 2017.

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# Un Festival de Maíz & Salsa Dance Party

#### By Tom Bannister

On Saturday, October 15, 6:00 - 10:00 p.m. at Arts at the Armory, 191 Highland Ave., join the Somerville Arts Council and the City's SomerViva Immigrant Outreach & Service program for a festival to celebrate the contributions of the local Latino community.

The timing of this festival is significant. October 15 is the last day of Latino History month and the event is specifically intended to mark "Día de la Raza," which commemorates the heritage and cultural diversity of Latin America.

This first-of-its-kind local event also celebrates the intermingling and mutual influence of Latino and European cultures on one another over time, both historically and here in present day Somerville.

In addition to music, dance, and authentic foods by local culinary entrepreneurs, the free of admission festival features interactive fun including a photo booth as well as the activity "Somerville Builds a Wall!" in which festival-goers will be invited to add photos, drawings and/or write thoughts about Latino identity and contributions to our society. This wall will be a sounding board for Latino voices and a show of pride for the local Latino community.

One of Boston's best sal-

sa bands, Latin Logic, led by Manolo Mairena will perform. This group, who floored us all at this past summer's ArtBeat festival, will bring the best music possible to the dance floor. Nothing compares to the feeling of Son Montuno, Guajira, Bomba, Bolero, and Salsa.

Xuchipilli Folkloric Ballet will kick off the event with an Ancient Aztec dance, complete with resplendent costumes and drums. Later in the evening, they will perform the charming traditional dance known as "Los Viejitos." Prior to Latin Logic, Metamovements will offer a salsa lesson to get the party started.

The Somerville Arts Council

CAPE COD

Nibble Entrepreneurs Estela Calzada, "Las Carolinas" and Miguel & Balbina Altamirano will give food demos. Calzada will demonstrate how to grind corn using a traditional metate. Corn-themed food: Venezuelan arepas, Mexican esquites and Salvadoran pupusas will be of-

#### City takes on concussion education, policy, and prevention **CONT. FROM PG 1**

youth education program, Team Up Against Concussions, was presented by Foundation program manager Cliff Robbins to fifth through eighth grade students at West Somerville Neighborhood School. The Team Up program will be brought to schools throughout Somerville over the course of the next year, with the goal of reaching every public school student in Somerville with concussion education.

"I am pleased to announce SomerSafe Sports not only as Somerville's mayor but as a father, a former football coach, and a former athlete myself who has experienced concussions," said Mayor Curtatone. "It is important to me that we take all of the necessary steps in preventing concussions in our youth athletes so that they stay healthy and safe as they develop their skills playing youth sports."

Additionally, the mayor reflected on his own personal experiences saying, "The way we were taught to coach was based on our experience. Whether it be the amount of contact we promoted at an early age on a daily basis, to a lack of understanding of what being concussed is, how to give a diagnosis, recognize or report it. That lack of knowledge carried through my youth to my coaching experience, was something that stayed with us for years."

"This is about our interactions in our coaching and our teaching in every sport and physical activity our children participate in," the mayor said. "This partnership will allow us to make Somerville an even better place to play by building upon the great work that has

already taken place in our high school on concussion prevention and education."

"We look forward to collaborating to make Somerville a model city, and then working with other cities to replicate this model in a scalable manner," Concussion Legacy Foundation co-founder and CEO Chris Nowinski said. "Our audit revealed Somerville already had a strong foundation in place, but the science is moving so quickly that it is good practice for everyone to annually revisit and improve their concussion programs."

Part of the city's enhanced focus on concussion safety will now include a Somerville Concussion Resources page on the city's website. This page will provide parents, athletes and coaches an easily accessible li-



Students participate in a concussion awareness presentation. — Photo courtesy of Concussion Legacy Foundation

brary of documents and information on concussions.

The partnership kicked off earlier this month with Somerville participating in the Foundation's national Team Up Day on September 13, in which Somerville coaches gave a speech to their teams encouraging them to "team up and speak up" if they thought a teammate had a concussion.

#### **Historical Fact of the Week CONT. FROM PG 8**

Boston Globe who was killed in the National Register of His-World War I.

Harvard University's library is the oldest in the nation. It began in 1638 with a four hundred-book collection given by its namesake, John Harvard. At the same time, Governor John Winthrop of Ten Hills also donated a forty-volume collection of choice books.

A feather or quill, the instrument of the scribes' written word for thousands of years, tops Somerville's City Hall tower in the form of a weathervane. It reminds us that her first library, built in 1873, was a part of that building. It was later followed by a library built in 1884, which is the site of today's high school.

The present Central Library

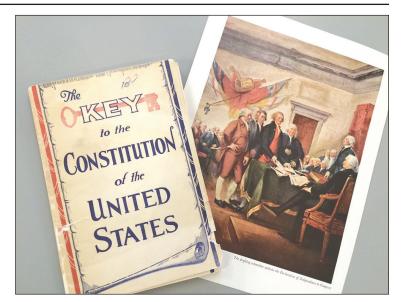
his son, Saxton, a writer for the and West Library are listed on toric Places. The Central Library was designed by "E.T." - not the extraterrestrial, but architect Edward Lippincott Tilton. Its design is a mirror image of the original Ellis Island Federal Immigrant Station in New York City. He also contributed to the design of the Boston Public Library.

A famous quote at the turn of the last century states, "It was from my own early experience that I decided there was no use to which money could be applied so productive as the founding of a public library." He did this deed almost three thousand times throughout the world before he passed away at his home, Shadow Brook, near Lenox Massachusetts. His name

was Andrew Carnegie, the immigrant rags to riches, King of

At that time, in 1901, he was the richest man in the world and his wealth amounted to \$480,000,000. The philanthropist gave away ninety percent of this money, most of which was used in the construction of libraries. He often claimed that as a youth it was in a library where his foundation for business was established. The Somerville area benefited more than most by receiving substantial Carnegie aid to all of her libraries. Also, Tufts College's first campus library, Eaton Hall, was built with Carnegie funding and was named after Reverend Charles Henry Eaton who had officiated at the Carnegie's wedding.

Benjamin Franklin was Gener-



al Washington's Flag Committee Leader who designed and delivered the first Grand Union Flag to fly on our Prospect Hill on January 1, 1776. He was the author of the annual Poor Richard's Almanac. This statesman, patriot, and inventor was also

one of America's most famous scribes. It was in Philadelphia that he established the nation's first lending library and was the only non-congressional signer of our country's most cherished document, the United States Constitution.

### **CHILDREN AND YOUTH** Wednesday October 12

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

# Thursday October 13

**Central Library** 

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

**Central Library** 

Teen Advisory Board Meeting 3 p.m.- 4 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

West Branch Library Lego Club

3:30 p.m.-3:45 p.m.|40 College Ave

#### Friday October 14

**Central Library** 

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

TELL (Teen Library Leaders) Meeting 3 p.m.-5 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

#### Saturday October 15

Central Library

Somerville Reads: 'I Am No Witch': the Story of Bridget Bishop, First Victim of the Salem Witch Trial 2 p.m.-3:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

#### Monday October 17

**Central Library** 

Sing Along with Matt Heaton 11 a.m.- 12 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

### **Tuesday October 18**

West Branch Library

Preschool Storytime 11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.|40 College Ave

**Central Library** 

Homeschool Reading Group for Ages

9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|79 Highland

#### Wednesday October 19

**East Branch Library** Preschool Storytime

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

#### **MUSIC** | ARTS Wednesday October 12

Sally O'Brien's Bar

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**Bull McCabe's Pub** 

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**Thunder Road** Bearly Dead - Wednesday Night Gratéful Dead Residency 8 p.m.

379 Somerville Ave

**Highland Kitchen** 150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Samba Bar & Grille

608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177 Joshua Tree Bar & Grill

Pub Trivia 8:30 p.m.|256 Elm Street|(617) 623-

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom 156 Highland Ave

The Rockwell

Ramblin' Jack Elliott 7:30 p.m.|255 Elm Street

Arts at the Armory Been Out Here Teen Open Mic 6 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

### Thursday October 13

Sally O'Brien's

Pat Wallace presents Richie Parsons, Trick Wallace Trio 7:30 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

Front Room

Lunchtime Concert Series|1-2pm Dave Gallagher & The Donegal Rednecks|9:30 pm Backroom Series: De Temps An-

tan|7:30 p.m. Scattershots 10 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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

Samba Bar & Grille

608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

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

Thunder Road 379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom

VTL Fest Juice, Latrell James, TRY, Camino 84 Beware The Dangers Of A Ghost Scorpion! Dr Gasp, Dead Trains

8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave Arts at the Armory

Biketoberfest 2016 6:30 p.m.|Performance Hall FiLmprov: The Armory Show 7:30 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

The Rockwell

Something Big with Sean Sullivan 8 p.m.|255 Elm St

### Friday October 14

Sally O'Brien's

Busted Jug Band Tour Ireland with HearNowLive presents | 9 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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8 p.m. 156 Highland Ave The Rockwell

Sh!t-faced Shakespeare: Much Ado About Nothing|7 p.m. B.U.M.P|9:30 p.m. Dirty Disney|11 p.m. 255 Elm Street

### Saturday October 15

Sally O'Brien's

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The Burren

Front Room: Bluegrass Session|2 p.m. The BagBoys|5 p.m.

Irish Session 9:30 p.m. Back Room

The Burren Backroon Saturday & Sunday Jazz Brunch with Tom Pendergast 8 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Backroom Series The Blue & Green, Doully Yang and David You|7 p.m. Cover Up|10 p.m.

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9 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

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255 Elm St Arts at the Armory Un Festival de Maíz & Salsa Dance

6 p.m.|Performance Hall Broad Appeal: 2nd Anniversary Show 8 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

### Sunday October 15

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Roy Sludge Trio|4 p.m. Frank Drake Sunday Showcase 7 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave 617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room Beatles Brunch|11 a.m.-3 p.m. John Gannon & Friends Irish Session|3

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Monday October 17

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Shawn Carter's Cheapshots Come-Marley Monday with The Duppy

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The Burren Front Room

Bur-Run Helena Delaney, Johnny O'Leary & Friends Irish Session|9 p.m. Back Room: Stump Trivia|8:30 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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ONCE Lounge & Ballroom The Splinters

8 p.m. 156 Highland Ave Tuesday October 18

Sally O'Brien's Bar Brazen Invasion Beatles and more 7:30 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

Front Room Jason Anick and the Swingers Swing/

Jazz|8:30 p.m. Back Room: Open Mic w/ Hugh McGowan|10

. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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Pub Quiz 10 p.m.|239 Holland St.|617-625-

**Thunder Road** Ebass Open Mic with George Woods 379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom 156 Highland Ave Arts at the Armory

This is Not Your Grandmother's Lye 7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Wednesday October 19

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

The Burren Front Room

Exile on Elm Back Room Backroom Series: John Carty, Bonhomme Setter: (Double Bill) |7:30 p.m. Comedy Night With Jordan Handren-Seavey|10 p.m.

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Pub Trivia 8:30 p.m.|256 Elm Street|(617) 623-

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom The Moth: True Stories Told Live 8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

The Rockwell 255 Elm Street

### **CLASSES AND GROUPS** Thursday October 13

**Central Library** 

PREVIEW: Friends of the Library Book

5 p.m.-8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

West Branch Library Learn English at the Library! (Session 1)- 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. (Session 2)-7:15 p.m.- 8:15 p.m. 40 College Ave

**East Branch Library**Drop in Knitting at the West Branch 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|115 Broadway

Central Library SURJ Childcare working group meeting 7:15 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

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

### Friday October 14

**Central Library** Friends of the Library Book Sale 12 p.m.- 4 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Saturday October 15 **Central Library** Friends of the Library Book Sale

10 a.m.- 4 p.m.|79 Highland Ave **Union Square Farmers Market** 9 a.m. – i p.m.|Union Sq Plaza

Somerville Writers and Poets meet weekly to discuss their work

Holland St Sunday October 16 **Central Library** Friends of the Library Book Sale

1:30 p.m.- 3:30 p.m.|79 Highland

9 a.m.-12 p.m Au Bon Pain | 18-48

The Somerville Flea 10 a.m.- 4 p.m.|52 Holland St Fourth Step to Freedom Al-Anon Family Groups

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**Unity Church of God** 

7:00 P.M. | 6 William Street

Monday October 17 **East Branch Library** Learn English at the Library! (Session 1) 6 p.m.- 7 p.m. (Session 2) 7 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.

Diversity meeting 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. | 79 Highland Ave West Branch Library Drop in Knitting at the West Branch

6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|40 College Ave

Tuesday October 18 **Central Library** 

115 Broadway

**Central Library** 

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

Sitz und Jibers Planning Meeting 6 p.m.-8:45 p.m.|79 Highland Ave Wednesday October 19

**Central Library** Somerville Positive Forces 1 p.m.-3 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Central Library
Library Staff Scheduling Meeting 3:30 p.m.-4 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Somerville Reads: Screening of The Crucible

**Central Library** 

6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave **Central Library** 

Income Inequality Reading Group 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

#### HAPPENINGS: CENTER N I O

Welcome to our centers. Everyone 55+ is encouraged to join us for fitness, culture, films, lunch and Bingo. Our centers are open to everyone from Somerville and surrounding communities. 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.

All clubs and groups welcome new members.

Holland Street: 167 Holland Street

\*Monday through Friday 9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

617-625-6600 Ext. 2300

\*Our Holland Street Center will be serving lunch on Monday, Thursday & Fridays only until further notice.

Cross Street Center: 165 Broadway Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. Wednesday - 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. (Please note time change) (617) 625-6600 Ext. 2335.

Ralph and Jenny Center: 9 New Washington Street, Tuesday through Thursday 9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. (Please note time change) (617) 666-5223.

Ageless Grace - Ageless Grace, the Council on Aging's new Fitness class for the body and mind. Held on Mondays at 4:00 p.m. at the Holland St. Center, the Ageless Grace program is an innovative wellness and fitness program done seated in a chair to upbeat music. Classes are playful, imaginative and different every time. All the movements are designed to focus on the healthy longevity of the body and the brain. Contact Chris at 617-625-6600 ext. 2315 for more information and to sign up. Cost is \$20.00 for 5 classes!

Yoga – The current 5 week Yoga series started on Thursday, September 15 from 9:00 to 10:00am. This low-impact and easy-to-follow paced program lets you stretch and relax to help start your day. Contact Chris at 617-625-6600 ext. 2315 for more information and to sign up. Cost is \$20 for 5 classes.

#### Free Smoke Alarm/Carbon Monoxide Detectors -

Starting April 1 – The Somerville Council on Aging, The Health & Human Services Department partnering with The Somerville Fire Department are offering free smoke alarm / carbon monoxide detectors (they are one unit) to Somerville older adults and residents with a wide range of disabilities. To qualify you must be an older adult, 60 years of age or older, and live in Somerville (own or rent) or a Somerville resident with a disability (Photoelectric Alarms with ADA Compliant Strobe Light are available.) There is a brief application that will need to be filled out, signed and returned. Please contact Maureen Bastardi, Outreach Worker at the Somerville Council on Aging, at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 to request an application. This program is on a first come, first serve basis. This is a Federally funded grant and services will be provided until the grant is exhausted.

Free Groceries Every Month? - You may be eligible for the Commodity Supplemental Food Program! CSFP is a once a month food distribution for individuals 60 years of age or older. You may be eligible to receive two free bags on food once a month containing healthy shelf stable products. Proof of identity and age are all that is required to apply. For more information or to apply please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 – applications are available at the front desk of our Holland Street Center.

New Arts & Crafts Group - Meeting every Thursday from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at our Cross Street Center located at 165 Broadway. Join us as we learn about a wide range of arts & crafts from weaving to watercolor pencils. We have some pretty amazing ideas already and would love for you to join us. For additional information please contact Maureen at 617-625-6600, ext. 2335.

Forming Friendships Social Group – Tuesdays, October 18 and October 25 from 9:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M. at our Holland Street Center. Are you looking to socialize and meet new people? If so, this 6 week social group is for you. There is limited spots available so call soon to reserve your spot. Please call Katey at 617-625-6600, ext. 2318.

Halloween Super Bingo – Tuesday, October 25 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at our Ralph & Jenny Center located at 9 New Washington Street. Limited seating and transportation. \$10 fee - includes lunch, coffee, dessert, cards & prizes. For more information, please call Kim at 617-666-5223.

Diabetes Shoe Clinic - Monday, Thursday, November

7 – 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at our Holland Street Center. Did you know that you could be eligible for a free pair of diabetes shoes every year? If you have Medicare and diabetes, please book a ten minute shoe fitting appointment! Contact Natasha Naim at 617-625-6600, ext. 2317. You must make an appointment ahead of time.

Fiore's Restaurant – Thursday, November 10 – Check in time 10:45 a.m. at Holland Street and 11:00 a.m. at Ralph & Jenny Center with an approximate return time of 3:00 p.m. \$25 fee includes transportation, lunch (swordfish, eggplant parmesan or chicken piccata.) For additional information, please call Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Silver Sizzle Review - Friday, November 18 - Luciano's Lake Pearl in Wrentham, MA. \$20 fee includes transportation, lunch and show. The show features performances by former Radio City Music Hall Rockettes along with great comedy. Please contact the SCOA at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 to reserve your spot. No refunds.

Cape Cod Cranberry Days - Monday & Tuesday, November 28 & 29 – 2 days / 1 night – For a fee of \$195 / pp double and \$225 pp single this trip includes roundtrip motor coach transportation, 1 night deluxe accommodation, 1 breakfast, 1 dinner and several guided tours including The Cranberry Harvest Experience, Sandwich Village Glass Museum, Chatham Village and Plymouth Winery just to name a few. Please contact Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 for more information or to reserve your spot.

#### PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

Friendly Caller Program - Do you know someone who could benefit from a friendly call? Maybe you are feeling isolated and want someone to talk to - or you just want someone to listen. Please call Natasha at 617-625-6600 ext. 2300 to sign up for our "Friendly Caller" Program.

The trip to Lancaster, PA & Atlantic City scheduled for October 11 -15 (Tuesday to Saturday) is SOLD OUT.

The day trip to Hart's Turkey Train scheduled for Tuesday, October 17 is SOLD OUT.

The Halloween Celebration at the WHYC scheduled for Monday, October 31 is SOLD OUT.

The Weekend gateway to NYC scheduled for Saturday & Sunday, November 5 & 6th is SOLD OUT.

The day trip to Luciano's Silver Sizzle Review scheduled for Friday, November 18 is SOLD OUT.

The Indian Head trip scheduled for December 6, 7 and 8 (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday) is BOOK SOLID.

The Holiday Celebration at the WHYC scheduled for Monday, December 12 is SOLD OUT.

The day trip to Yuletide Newport scheduled for Thursday, December 12 is SOLD OUT.

The trip to Atlantic City scheduled for Sunday, January 8 to Tuesday, January 10th is SOLD OUT.

Please note the Moonlighters are back:

Monday, October 17 - To Be Announced

Monday, October 24 – Rehearsal at the Holland Street

Monday, October 31 – No Moonlighters

## **LGBTQ EVENTS:**

LGBTQ Advisory Group -This group meets the second Monday of every month excluding City Holidays and snow emergencies. We are always looking for new members who would like to serve on the Advisory Group. Please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 if you have any questions or if you should need additional info.

LBT Women Fit-4-Life - Fitness and Nutrition Classes. Classes are Tuesday and Thursday evenings starting at 6:00 P.M. \$10 a month fee - scholarships available & it just might be covered under your insurance. We have available slots and would love to have you. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact our Health & Wellness Coordinator, Chris Kowaleski at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300

#### Mark your calendars for these great upcoming **LGBTQ** Events:

Monday, October 17th – LGBTQ Health Fair Monday, November 21 – Painting to Reduce Stress

### **STAY ACTIVE:**

Walking & Talking Group - Starting on Monday, May

4th at 8:30 A.M. – out of our Holland Street Center. We'll take a gentle 30 minute walk around the community every Monday – meeting in the downstairs lobby of the Holland Street Center. For more information or to sign up please contact Chris Kowaleski our Health & Wellness Coordinator at 617-625-6600 ext. 2315.

Weekly Exercise Class Schedule

Holland = (H) Ralph & Jenny = (RJ) Cross Street = (C)

#### **Mondays:**

1:00 Fit-4-Life Group C (H)

#### **Tuesdays:**

9:15 Strengthening - \$3 per class (H) 11:15 Fit-4-Life (C) 1:00 Dalcroze Eurhythmics\*\*\* 6:00 LBT Fit-4-Life\* (H)

#### Wednesdays:

8:45 Fit-4-Life Group A (H) – Exercise 9:00 Fit-4-Life Group B (H) - Nutrition 10:00 Fit-4-Life Group B (H) - Exercise 10:00 Fit-4-Life Group A (H) - Nutrition 12:00 Fit-4-Life Group C (H) - Nutrition 1:00 Fit-4-Life Group C (H) - Exercise 5:15 Zumba for All - \$3 per class (H)

#### Thursdays:

9:00 Yoga (H) (5 week series) - On hiatus till January 9:30 Strengthening - \$3 per class (RJ) 11:15 Fit-4-Life (C) 6:00 LBT Fit-4-Life\*(H)

#### **Fridays:**

8:45 Fit-4-Life Group A (H) - Exercise 10:00 Fit-4-Life Group B (H) - Exercise

\*All Fit-4-Life classes are \$10 per month and require pre-registration

One-on-one nutrition is on hiatus til further notice.

### Wednesday October 12

9:00 Bowling at Flatbreads 11:30 Lunch (H)

### **Thursday October 13**

10:00 Current Events (H) 10:00 English Conversation (C)

11:00 Computer tutorial with Barbara (H) (by appointment only)

11:30 Lunch (C, H) 12:45 Bingo (H)

### Friday October 14

11:30 Lunch (H) 11:45 Bingo (H)

### Monday October 17

9:00 Gardening Group (H) 9:30 Veteran's Group (H) 10:00 English Conversation (C) 10:30 Moonlighters - Offsite 11:30 Lunch (C) 1:00 Bereavement Support Group (H) 5:30 LGBTQ Event Night (H) **Turkey Train** 

### Tuesday|October 18

11:30 Pizza & Movie (H)

9:30 Forming Friendships (H) 10:00 English Conversation (C) 11:30 Lunch (C)

12:00 Computer tutorial with Norbert (H) (by appointment only)

6:00 Caregivers Support Group (H)

### Wednesday October 19

9:00 Bowling at Flatbreads 11:30 Lunch (RJ) 12:45 Bingo (RJ)

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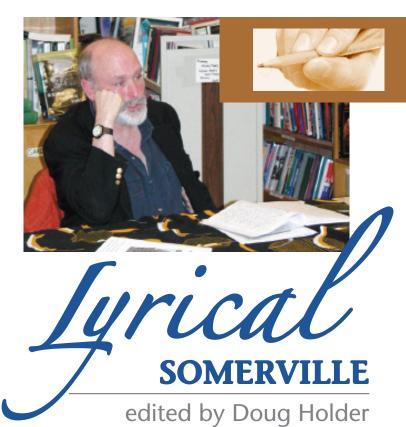
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#### Rose Gardens

I have galaxies and rose gardens in my head They come out as whispers and rolled eyes

I blink and a rose blooms but no one notices

I hum and life is found on a new planet

A melody is created but they only see me walk

They see my curves but not my angles

They see my face but not my messy gardens

With roses and thorns and diamonds

That grow from the warm soil like new ideas

— Julia Cirignano

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# 'Summer's End: Stories by R.D. Skillings'

With summer's recent end I thought this review would hit the spot for Somerville readers...

Summer's End: Stories by R.D. Skillings

R.D. Skillings is a mainstay of the Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, Mass., where he has served as a trustee and chair of its writing committee for decades. He has mentored many young writers and has been prolific in his own writing - publishing collections of poetry, short stories, and novels.

Recently, Christopher Busa of the Provincetown Arts Press sent me Skillings' new short story collection Summer's End for review. He felt that I might relate to this collection because of my own youthful forays in Boston - the rooming houses, the cat ladies, the old haunts, etc., that I covered in my poetic memoir of Boston and beyond, Portrait of an Artist as a Young Poseur.

Skillings' book is an old fashioned one in the best sense. He writes about Boston, Provincetown and the environs before the tendrils of gentrification transformed them to another thing entirely. This was when a dive bar was not a cutting edge concept to lure tourists in to experience the sanitized grit of the days of yore.

This book goes back to a time when the red-light district of the Combat Zone in Boston was flush with blinking neon signs, ladies of the evening, strip clubs, and when on a wafting night breeze one could hear the whispers of "Hey doll, want some company?"

At times, Skillings' ear for dialogue impressed me as much as the late, great George Higgins (The Friends of Eddie Coyle) did with his mastery of the vernacular - the linguistic nuances that give the reader a "this is for real" moment. Whether it is the tit-for-tat of some old men in a barbershop, or a floozy in a seedy bar, the dialogue never seems stilted.

Skillings' characterizations are right on the money as well. He is not in the habit of labeling or creating stick figures. He realizes the complexity of the most down and out, and challenged stumble bums. In Girl who saw God, a group of 70-somethings and a younger barber have for years ritualistically gathered at a barbershop in a small burg to chew the fat. At first, the conversation seems casual, but as it progresses the subtext rears its head and the discussion becomes more about life and death. There is talk of a young girl who told one of the older gents about a near death experience she had, and her sighting of a divine, all encompassing and welcoming white light at the end of the proverbial tunnel. The young barber hears this and is



brought to ponder ontological question a midst his banal existence:

"At a loss, already weary, dazed by the thought of everything vanishing in light, he tries to recall his wife's warm hips and sleepy morning smile, wishes, wishes he too could hang up his white coat, forget his car, walk home the old way through childhood streets beneath the bygone elms, and take her back to bed for a long, long nap."

In Tomb of Hiram Gooms, Skillingtons' ear for dialogue bitch slaps you with its blunt, in your face sensibility. It's a story of a gone-to-seed, white trash sort of gal (who we later learns has a surprising sensitivity). She makes a pitch to a barkeep for a bit of carnal pleasure. She pleads her case:

"I'd like a pole of prick with a red head like a pomegranate right up my bazoo. I happen to know you've got a wanger on you would make a heifer howl. What say we go out back like we used to?'

Methinks that Skillings might have been influenced by Edgar Lee Masters' Spoon River Anthology because of his wonderful descriptions of small town characters - who although not dead, for all practical purposes some of them should be. In the same story, in the window of a hash house, Skillings has his female narrator view a sort of museum of people beaten down by life - like one Wally Wizzling, once a railroad man, who goes into a nightly pantomime of waving his hands at an imaginary oncoming train, fueled by booze and what haunts him.

Some stories have a meandering, unfinished quality about them, but even in those you see Skillings' mastery at work. Highly recommended.

### Tufts Department of Music Presents The Motorman's Son

The Tufts University Department of Music presents The Motorman's Son: A CD release concert and premier of new Latin-jazz compositions, by Joel LaRue Smith, in the Distler Performance Hall at the Perry and Marty Granoff Music Center on Friday, October 28, 2016 at 8 p.m. Joel LaRue Smith and his Afro Caribbean Ensemble will ignite the stage with infectious rhythms, haunting melodies and breath-taking arrangements, creating an atmosphere of total fervor and delight! The collaboration on this concert will be with some of the very best performers from around the world. The Granoff Music Center is located at 20 Talbot Avenue on Tufts' Medford/Somerville campus. Admission is free and open to the public. For more information, please visit as.tufts.edu/music/ musiccenter or call the Granoff Music Center Box Office at 617.627.3679.



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