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Support for domestic violence awareness was one of many issues addressed by the Somerville City Council at their latest meeting last week.

Beginning the latest Somerville City Council meeting with a call to action last Thursday, Council President Katjana Ballantyne addressed the city's residents with a call to action.

"We are a compassionate community." Ballantyne said. "Let's further show our compassion by helping others find the help that is available here. You might save a life."

October is recognized as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. In recognition of this, volunteers read the names of the victims of domestic violence in Massachusetts over the past year. A moment of silence was held for the aforementioned victims. President Ballantyne passionately urged all Somerville residents to share a link to one resource for victims on their social media.

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Somerville HONK!s once again

By Adam Parise

This past weekend, the HONK! Festival returned for another fun filled year. The first day of events took place on Thursday, October 10, with the Pre-Honk Festivities in Union Square and at Aeronaut Brewery.

The second day of festivities on Friday included the Hoot Pick-up band rehearsal at Dilboy VFW and an all band revue at Bow Market. A lantern making workshop and parade were scheduled to occur that evening but got cancelled due to inclement weather.

On Saturday, the revelry shipped to the Davis Square area. Residents got to enjoy performances by bands throughout the afternoon plus arts and crafts.

The Honk Parade hit the road on Sunday with participation by various bands and organizations, as well as Cambridge Mayor Marc Mc-Govern and Somerville Mayor Joe Curtatone walking down the streets from Davis Square to Harvard Square, including the historic Massachusetts Avenue. *Continued on page 12*





Local girl makes good page 14

The HONK! Festival 2019 took to various venues and outdoor locations throughout Somerville over the past weekend, bringing bold and brassy music alongside political activism. — *Photo by Ron Newman*





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The publisher and staff of The Somerville Times are deeply saddened by the loss of Donald Norton, who succumbed last week to cancer. Our sincerest condolences go out to all his many friends and family at this time. Donald was the one-time owner of The Times, and in recent years served as its Managing Editor. We are extremely grateful for all the emails and calls from those offering their condolences. He will be missed by all of us here at The Times.

We would also like to express our sincere gratitude to members of the Somerville City Council for their generous remembrance of Donald and Patricia Norton at their latest regular meeting last Thursday. The Nortons clearly touched many lives and they are as well remembered in the halls of local officialdom as they are by the many friends and family members they leave behind.

Many have been asking about the future of *The Times* after the passing of Donald Norton. Donald himself made it clear that he wanted the paper to go on as it had before and to move forward with new ideas and features yet to come. Be assured that we will carry on his legacy and continue to deliver the finest in truly local news and discussion.

Happy birthday greetings this week to several locals: Happy birthday to former Alderman Maryann Heuston, who is celebrating this week. We're wishing her a very happy birthday. Happy birthday as well former local Valerie Spinale, who grew up in East Somerville. Happy birthday to Steve Hardy, a great guy who works very hard here in the city and is President of the Somerville City Club. Happy birthday to Naomi Harrison, the great granddaughter of the late Don and Pat Norton. Happy birthday to everyone here and from the city who are celebrating this week, we wish every one of them a very happy birthday.

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TheSomervilleTimes.com Comments of the Week

Response to: Obituary: Donald Norton

George Landers says:

Donald was a wonderful friend and a great person. I will miss him and Patty very much. May they RIP.

Chris K says:

You will be missed!

Doug Holder says:

I will miss him a lot-he did a lot for me-I will always be grateful.

Jack Bassett says:

Donald will be missed. He was bodily a successful businessman but a good friend. Don will be remembered by all of his East Somerville friends. A number of us met with Donald this last June at the East Somerville annual get together. Don was always trying to get the down back group together. Rest In Peace Donald.

Susan says:

Some of the political pieces were brutal toward the newcomers and Barnies. Who can forget "Queen Jehlen" and "Princess Rebekah"? But Donald could see the writing on the wall. He was a realtor. He knew firsthand that the old community of Irish, Italian, and Portuguese immigrant families was slipping away and being replaced by younger and wealthier newcomers who haven't been shy about demanding power and influence, increasingly without bothering to get to know the communities they were replacing, or merely paying them lip service. He missed the Somerville of his youth. He was its biggest cheerleader and amateur historian. And still, the homes and condos kept selling. It's a complicated legacy. He seemed to soften up over the last few years, especially after Patti's declining health and his own diagnosis. Somerville will miss him.

Rick S says:

Will miss our long and mostly funny convos about old time politics and old school Somerville growing up in the city. RIP Donald

Rusty Smithe says:

A fellow Downbacker has passed on and has joined his wife Patty into eternity. The old neighborhood gang will miss you and so will the countless people you've touched along the way all through your life. Travel well my old friend...

Nichole CD says:

My heart is broken. Donald was a great father in law.

Rest easy, Pops. Try not to lose your glasses.

Such a tragic loss to lose two wonderful people in the span of a couple of weeks. I will always remember Donald and Patty.

Bill Shelton says:

Donald and Patty got married while a race riot was taking place nearby. Their half century together saw enormous changes in our nation, and in our city. Back then Somerville people could disagree intensely, but remember that they were part of the same community. Now, not so much. Disagreements were often the substance of the conversations that I shared with Donald, but we always got along. And he never tried to influence what I wrote. I couldn't ask for much more from a publisher. When John Donne wrote, "Never send to know for whom the bell tolls; it tolls for thee," he was part of a community. Now most never even hear the bell. Donald and I were not close. But today the bell tolls for me, and I am saddened.

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Halim Muslu says:

Dear Donald,

I just learned the horrible news. You are wonderful person, and we loved you dearly. My wife and I will miss you tremendously. I am only relieved to know that you and Patty are happy together once again.

Diane Mahoney says:

I was so sad to hear of Donald's passing. He was such a great guy, one of a kind. He leaves a legacy of activism and his contributions to the city of Somerville and its people are many. I will remember fondly the many campaigns we worked on back in the 80s and 90s. Thank you Donald for always taking the time to wish me a happy birthday or make a mention of my visit home to Somerville in your Newstalk column. Now reunited with your beloved Patty, I wish you peace and comfort.

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Life in the **VILLE** by Jimmy Del Ponte **Stop bullying**



October is National Bullying Prevention Month. From Patch: "Bullying affects more than one in five American students. It's easy to dismiss that figure, saying 'kids will be kids,' but studies show that students who are bullied are at increased risk for anxiety, depression, poor self-image, mental and behavior health problems and poor performance in school."

School bullying is horrible. The scars of childhood bullying stay with victims throughout their lives. I've written articles about the scary nuns that tortured many children in the 60's in the name of the Lord, and the bullies that kids had to deal with growing up. Some public school teachers were also bullies.

I've written many words about juvenile bullying but there are other forms of bullying. We see it every day. There are bullies on the road. These are the dopes who don't stop for stop signs, tailgate, ignore speed limits especially in residential areas, and don't obey crosswalk rules. If you deliberately walk in front of cars basically playing chicken with motorists, you are a bully. The bicyclist that disobeys traffic laws and taunts motorists is a bully. The disgruntled grocery store customer service person who growls at a confused elderly customer is a bully. The person who verbally assaults a coffee shop worker for messing up their order is a big bully.

These bullies really tick me off. I've never been known for holding my tongue but last week I had to do everything in my power not to flip out on that abusive idiot in a local grocery store. My elderly friend was not treated like a valued customer or a senior citizen who deserved a little basic respect.

Bullying in the workplace? You betcha! Big time. I had a boss that was so out of control that he was actually spitting in my face while launching a verbal tirade at me. He's lucky I didn't go "all Somerville on his ass!" (I have phone numbers of some ... friends that would have loved to come to my aid! Lol!) We had a few knock down dragged out yelling sessions that were epic. Believe it or not, I still have recurring nightmares of this creep. I wasn't the only one he bullied. He terrorized other workers and his own family members too. But I'm not afraid of him anymore.

I had a boss who threw me under the bus so many times I felt like a bus mechanic. All I got were complaints for my work. I never got a single "atta boy!" All

I can say is that life became a lot better when this little jerk was out of my life.

Most of the jobs I had in my life had a bully or two to deal with. It kind of stinks after an entire lifetime to finally be able to accept that I was not at fault.

It broke my heart when a family member recently told me that they were bullied while in public school. They never told an adult because they were afraid their parents would embarrass them and make the bullying worse. This is so sad. I was never afraid to stick up for my kids and I think it kind of made them hesitant to tell me things. My dad was the same way. No one messed with his family.

I love the fact that I don't have to deal with workplace bullies anymore. I can sit in my recliner and thumb my nose at these idiots and believe me. I do! I love it!

But bullies are everywhere. Sometimes you can tell a bully by that smug, "I'm better than you" or "don't even look at me" expression on their face. Sometimes the look says,

"I'm a nut, so don't go there!" I try not to make eye contact with anyone anymore. Lots of bullying also goes on via Facebook. I've been off of most social networks for a while. I'm just trying to get from point A to point B without confrontation or drama.

There's even one of my former bosses that makes crude comments on these



stories using an ass-umed name. They're not brave enough to use their real name. I can't wait to see what they comment about this story. You can bet they won't use their real name.

Often, in some cities and towns and even countries, bullies are voted into office.

It's so sad to think that there is so much bullying going on around us. A child does not deserve it and neither does an adult. It's just so senseless and mean. Karma may be slow, but I truly believe in it.

"The strongest people aren't always the people who win, but the people who don't give up when they lose."

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Celtic fiddler returns to Somerville

Master fiddler Jamie Laval returns to the Greater Boston area on Wednesday, November 6 at The Burren in Somerville. Jamie is recognized throughout the U.S. and Britain as one of the premier performers of traditional Celtic music on the international music scene today.

The popular Burren Backroom Series is presented by Boston's Brian O'Donovan, host of the beloved A Celtic Sojourn on WGBH and producer of Celtic music for over thirty years





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Jamie takes his audiences on an exciting musical journey through Scotland, Ireland, and Brittany as



he seamlessly blends passion, virtuosity, uncanny imitation of Highland bagpipes, innovative arrangement style, and the recounting of atmospheric mythic tales.

"One of the hottest fiddlers out there" (Asheville Citizen-Times) and "The next Alasdair Fraser" (Press & Post), Laval performed for Her Majesty the Queen, appeared on Dave Matthews' platinum Some Devil album, and presented a TEDx Talk on the value of arts and music in our communities.

Murmurs and Drones, Laval's third and most recent album, won the popular vote for "Best World Traditional Album" in the 2012 Independent Music Awards. Laval is also skilled composer, arranger of symphonic scores, and a devoted educator.

An evening concert experience with Jamie combines toe-tapping melodies, foot percussion, an innovative arrangement style, and the recounting of mythic tales from antiquity to create a beautiful atmosphere of Ireland, the Scottish Highlands, and Brittany.



Bad day for a busy oil tycoon

After receiving reports that drug distribution appeared to be taking place from the door step of a Prescott St. residence, Somerville Police began routine surveillance of this area.

The resident of this address, Steven Andrade, was known to police from various arrests including firearm and drug distribution charges.

During the surveillance, police officers observed Andrade hanging around on the steps of his residence. Andrade would reportedly make quick meets with various people outside of his home.

On Tuesday, October 8, the Somerville Police Drug Unit was directed to set up surveillance in the area.

Very quickly thereafter, observations were made of a vehicle with two passengers sitting inside parked two houses away from Andrade's residence. After a few more minutes, another vehicle was observed parking directly across the street from Andrade's residence in the opposite direction.

Subsequently, Andrade was observed exiting his home and entering the rear passenger side of the second vehicle. Andrade appeared to have nothing in his possession when he exited his home. He remained in the vehicle for approximately one minute and then exited.

Andrade was now reportedly

in possession of a white plastic bag. He walked to the first vehicle and entered through the rear door. Andrade was inside for approximately thirty seconds as he appeared to be exchanging something with the operator of the car.

As Andrade exited, he no longer had the white plastic bag in his possession. Andrade re-entered the second vehicle as the first one began driving up Prescott towards Highland Avenue.

Officers began a rolling surveillance of the first vehicle until it stopped on Albion Street where where a threshold inquiry could be conducted. During this threshold inquiry, police determined that THC oil was purchased from Andrade.

The male operator, a juvenile, appeared nervous. Officers asked him where he was coming from and that they had observed him in what they believed to be a street level drug transaction.

The juvenile reportedly went into the center console of the car and took out two packs full of ten vials each of THC oil.

The juvenile reportedly stated that he paid Andrade five hundred dollars for the two packs and that he contacts him via SnapChat.

A fifteen-year-old juvenile was a passenger in the car as well.

Police officers went to An-

drade's residence to place him under arrest, and he was located inside a parked vehicle. The operator of this vehicle appeared to be rolling a joint as officers approached the vehicle.

Andrade stepped out of the vehicle and was placed into custody without incident. Police explained to Andrade that he had sold THC oil to juveniles. Andrade reportedly claimed he never met with anyone.

Andrade was transported to Somerville Police Headquarters where he was booked on a charge of distribution of a class C drug to a minor.

Andrade's cell phone was seized as evidence for forfeiture proceedings

SOMERVILLE POLICE CRIME LOG

Arrests:

John Elwell, of 27 Vernon St., Malden, October 7, 10:42 p.m., arrested at Dartmouth St. on multiple warrant charges of shoplifting by asportation.

Nicholas Steriti, October 8, 3:26 a.m., arrested at Pearson Rd. on warrant charges of distribution of a class C drug, possession of a class B drug, destruction of property over \$1200, and felony nighttime breaking and entering.

Michael Ford, of 66 Bowden St., Malden, October 8, 11:39 a.m., arrested at Broadway on a warrant charge of possession of a class B drug.

Steven Andrade, of 2 Prescott St., October 8, 6:05 p.m., arrested at home on a charge of distribution of a class C drug to a minor. Jake Gardner, October 8, 8:33 p.m., arrested at Broadway on charges of negligent operation of a motor vehicle and operation of a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor.

Gregory Miller, of 22 Flint St., October 11, 6:21 p.m., arrested at Medford St. on warrant charges of false fire alarm, disorderly conduct, destruction of property over \$1200, possession of a class B drug, assault with a dangerous weapon, assault and battery on a person over 60 or disabled, trespassing, and disturbing the peace.

Christopher Williams, of 59 Green St., Malden, October 13, 11:03 p.m., arrested at Fellsway on warrant charges of possession of a class E drug, receiving stolen property under \$1200, possession of a class B drug, larceny under \$1200, breaking into depository, operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license, possession of a class C drug, operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended registration, assault and battery on a police officer, destruction of property over \$1200, and carrying a dangerous weapon.



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City supports domestic violence awareness, Indigenous People's Day

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of October, the Council approved the motion to recognize the second Monday of the month as Indigenous Peoples' Day. Ward 4 City Councilor Jesse Clingan addressed the fact that although Mayor Curtatone recognized the holiday last year, action should be taken to officially recognize the culture and history of indigenous groups.

Clingan cited a letter written to the council by Mahtowin Munro, a member of an indigenous community and creator of IndigenousPeoplesDayMA. org. The proposal for an annual celebration in Somerville on the second Monday of every October be implemented was put forward and unanimously approved by the Council.

Also addressed in the meeting were discussions between the Equity, Gender, Families, and Vulnerable Populations Special Committee regarding the creation of a local Title IX ordinance in Somerville focusing on sports and gender discrepancies in spending.

The creation of facilities and activities for non-binary community members, both youth and adults, to create an environment of acceptance within the community was also discussed at the meeting. The proposal was met with approval by all present Council members. The Open Space, Environment, and Energy Special Committee discussed work completed on several long-term motions to get a clearer view of the use and restructure of green space throughout the city.

In other business, the Public Hearing portion of the meeting heard from a representative from Eversource Jacquie Duffy as well as Extenet representative Rosanna Ferrante on construction projects around Somerville. As a result, several hundred feet of conduit is to be put in place to supply power to several lines of construction via Eversource, and lamp posts at 479 Canal Street, 497 Broadway, and 75



Mystic Ave. are to be replaced with similar ones containing cellular antennas via Extenet. Any items sent to committee for further review were done so out of concerns for the safety and wellbeing of residents.

The next regular City Council meeting will be held on Thursday, October 24 at 7:00 p.m.

Somerville Heroes by Stephanie Hirsch Community Contributors

We start each City Council meeting with moments of silence for community members who have passed away. Some people we discuss are public figures, while others served their community by being the glue that kept a family or neighborhood close. As we hear about how they made a difference, the gaps each person leaves behind are clear, and I am always grateful that we get to reflect on their lives. Here are two community contributors whose lives we honored recently.

Winifred Murray passed away on August 2 at the age of 92 at her home on Washington Ave. Winifred was born and raised in Somerville, and she never left. She was an employee of Verizon and member of the Telephone Pioneers of America, where she was remembered as "one funny lady who had a heart of gold." Fittingly for Winnie's big heart, in lieu of flowers, family requested that donations be sent to the Somerville Library.

The Library Director said that Winnie was "a well-loved library patron, remembered for her kindness, humor, support, and peppermint candies (which she always had on hand and handed out on a regular basis)."

Her neighbor on Franklin Ave remembered Winnie: "When we moved in, she welcomed us and shared stories about the people who used to live in our house. She often talked about how when she



Winifred Murray.

was a young mother, the street was full of children all day long, and she and the neighbors raised them together as a community. She always had time to chat and reminisce and offered hugs whenever we saw her. She would say something like 'Get over here and give me a hug, life is too short, so give me a hug.'"

Winnie was the mother of three, including Margaret and Mary, and Michael who lives in Somerville, and she had the chance to become a grandmother and great grandmother. Her obituary is here. Stan Koty passed away on September 12. He was a long-serving Public Works Commissioner and community contributor over his long career, and was someone I got to work with for the past 15 years.

Here's where our stories connected and what I learned from Stan. In 2004,

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I moved from Boston to Ashland Street and to a desk in City Hall, where I joined Mayor Curtatone's new administrative team to start SomerStat, the Mayor's data-driven approach to decision making.

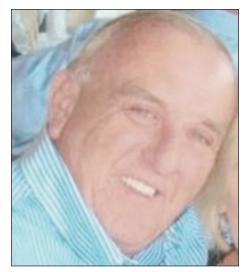
When I think about those early days and the City Hall cast of characters, my memory of Stan stands out.

At the time, he and I seemed like opposites. In those days, I thought data analysis would always tell us the right answer. Stan, on the other hand, had a keen intuition and decades of experience. He listened to what people needed, got stuff done, making him the ultimate go-to constituent service problem solver. We had in common stubbornness, a work ethic, and a commitment to the community. But sometimes we disagreed about how to attack a problem.

Over the years, my respect and appreciation for Stan only grew, despite our differences. I respected how hard Stan worked and how he treated me with kindness even after getting into arguments. I admire how he weathered all the changes of the city, from SomerStat, Somerville Rocks, SomerStreets, and all the rest. He kept showing up, getting the job done, and cheerfully. He took it all seriously, but could also laugh about it when need be. I'm sure he could have retired years ago and lived comfortably, but I expect he was never ready for his Somerville story to end.

These past two years, I've been an elected official. That means I'm now blessed with the challenge of getting 1,000 constituent wishes granted. So there have been times when I've lobbied for the cty to do something. I asked for port-a-potties in parks, and Councilor Clingan and I joined with residents as they begged for the repaving of Stickney Street. However, in these cases, the SomerStat office (the same one I helped found!) has come back saying either NO or MORE ANALY-SIS REQUIRED.

That's frustrating, because the need is obvious and it takes just intuition, experience, and listening – not data analysis – to know what to do. I figure it is kind of karma. My over-reliance on



Stan Koty.

get your port-a-potty..."

Getting stuff done is what Stan has always been so good at. Though Stan could've laughed on this twist of fate and left me to suffer with unanswered constituent wishes, he helped with these both. He tried to find a way to get the needs met because intuition and common sense said: It's not that complicated, we need it.

Stan's passing made me do a lot of thinking about these past 15 years, both the hard times and the fun ones. I've thought about how living in a tight-knit community for a long time gives you a chance to face your karma – sometimes your younger self gets proven wrong.

It also lets us come full circle, and find common ground with someone you argued with in another time and place. It turns out sometimes they were right after all, and by then, your older self doesn't even mind.

Stan was a bigger-than-life public figure, and at the packed funeral mass, the priest said that a person's life can be measured by the network of relationships they help support, by how they treat community like family. And his children shared how big a role he played in his own family too, encouraging and supporting them all. He was the husband of Gay (who is herself a long-serving community contributor), and he was dad to Chip, Russell (and wife Michelle), Alison (and husband Mark), and Caroline, plus proud grandfather to Gianna, James, and one on the way.

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CALL FOR INITIAL FREE CONSULTATION 617 629-8888 FAX 617 623-7990 data analysis had come back to haunt me. Karma caught up with me, and said: "You and your constituents don't Rest in peace, Stan, and thank you to taking this Somerville journey together. Stan's obituary is here.

ArtFarm community meeting

Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone and Ward 2 City Councilor J.T. Scott invite you to a community meeting to talk about ArtFarm, a former waste transfer site on Poplar St. being transformed into a home for arts, culture, community, and urban agriculture.



The meeting is set for Monday, October 21, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., at Brickbottom Gallery, 1 Fitchburg St. You can learn more about ArtFarm at www.somervillema.gov/artfarm. For more information or questions about this community meeting, please contact Robert Cassano at rcassano@somervillema.gov.

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THE HOUSE AND SENATE: Beacon Hill Roll Call records the votes of local senators from recent Senate debate on the Student Opportunity Act that invests \$1.5 billion, mostly in the form of Chapter 70 Aid for local school districts, in the state's public K-12 education system over the next seven years. There were no roll calls in the House or Senate last week.

MORE MONEY FOR SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECTS (S 2350)

Senate 38-0, approved an amendment raising from \$602 million to \$800 million the annual funding cap that the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) is allowed to spend on school building and renovation projects. The quasi-independent government authority's job is to fund capital improvement projects in public schools across the state. According to its site, "The MSBA strives to work with local communities to create affordable, sustainable and energy-efficient schools across Massachusetts."

"We can't expect our students to succeed in the 21st century when they're attending schools built to serve students in the 1950s, which is why it's crucial that we give the hardworking staff at the MSBA the resources they need to evaluate and finance more projects," said the amendment sponsor Sen. Barry Finegold (D-Andover). "The increase to the cap will allow the MSBA to spread more dollars across the commonwealth and address the demand for potential projects. With a potential downturn in the economy on the horizon, we need to authorize these projects now so that we create jobs and get these projects off the ground while we are able to do so."

(A "Yes" vote is for the amendment.)

Sen. Patricia Jehlen Yes

REGIONAL SCHOOLS (S 2350)

Senate 38-0, approved an amendment to study reimbursements to school districts for regional school transportation, homeless children and youth transportation, and special education costs.

Amendment supporters said this is a step in the right direction to correct some of the inequities in the Chapter 70 formula which is used to distribute school funds to each city and town.

"School funding under Chapter 70 has been underfunded for two years," said amendment co-sponsor Sen. Dean Tran (R-Fitchburg). "I am very happy to see that many of the districts across the commonwealth are now adequately funded. We should continue to work towards growing our economy in order to support the revenue that is necessary to fund our schools, and in support of this bill going forward."

experiencing population decline; long-term fiscal trends in school districts experiencing declining student enrollment; an analysis of the fiscal health of regional school districts; the impact of regionalization on each contributing municipality, especially in low-income and middle-income areas; and the best policies and practices in other states.

Amendment supporters said many rural districts are losing enrollment and they face additional challenges in the coming years.

"This commission will be a robust effort to look at real challenges the school districts in my region are facing, due to low or declining student enrollment and other rural challenges," said the amendment's sponsor Sen. Adam Hinds (D-Pittsfield). "This will not be a report that sits on a shelf and collects dust. I know I intend to use it to continue my advocacy for rural schools and the students, families and communities they serve."

(A "Yes" vote is for the amendment.)

Sen. Patricia Jehlen Yes

INCREASE FROM \$30 TO \$50 PER PUPIL (S 2350)

Senate 11-27, rejected an amendment to a section of the bill that raises the per pupil minimum aid from \$25 to \$30. The amendment would raise the aid to \$50 over seven years. The sponsor said the hike would only cost approximately \$8 million over the seven-year period.

"This increase in minimum per-pupil aid targets schools facing significant increases in their required local contribution without a corresponding increase in state aid," said the amendment's co-sponsor Sen. Michael Moore (D-Millbury). "This amendment further adjusts the local aid funding formula to more accurately provide for school districts' costs, and to enhance resources available to our public schools so that all districts benefit from this legislation."

Amendment opponents said the amendment is popular of course, but also regressive. They noted there are several things in the underlying bill that will assist these same communities at whom the hike is aimed. They noted the bill already hikes the minimum for \$25 to \$30 per pupil. And the bill also ensures that \$30 is guaranteed and does not have to be fought for in each state budget.

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Mindy Domb (D-Amherst). "In addition, next to their name, information can be provided that reminds voters of the incumbent's status so that ballots can read 'candidate for re-election,' a description which may be better suited for campaign literature than an electoral ballot. The solution is to have random placement and removal of incumbency information."

HEARING BY STATE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE AND REGULATORY OVER-SIGHT – The Committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight held a hearing on several bills last week including:

EQUAL REPRESENTATION ON STATE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS (H 2711) –Requires the composition of each appointed state public board and commission to broadly reflect the general public of the commonwealth, including persons of different backgrounds, abilities, interests and opinions and ethnic minorities. When practicable, the racial and ethnic composition of each board and commission must reflect the percentage of racial and ethnic minorities in the general population. The measure, effective in January 2022, requires that at least 50 percent of each board or commission be female.

Supporters said that a recent analysis showed that only 32 percent out of 50 of the most important of these boards and commissions are at gender parity and about one-third have fewer than 30 percent women.

"I believe that increasing diversity in our state's workforce and leadership, in both the public and private sectors, is both a moral imperative and an economic imperative for our commonwealth," said the bill's sponsor Sen. Jason Lewis (D-Winchester). "Our diversity is a strength and we must embrace it and pursue policies that lead to more equitable opportunities and outcomes for women, people of color, and those with disabilities."

250TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION (S 1813) – Establishes a 19-member special commission to investigate and study the promotion and celebration of the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution.

The commission would identify all opportunities for individuals and municipalities to participate in celebrations of the anniversary and recognize the particular history of their geographical areas. It would also investigate and promote under-represented voices in the American Revolution including women, native peoples, and persons of color.

(A "Yes" vote is for the amendment.)

Sen. Patricia Jehlen Yes

RURAL SCHOOLS COMMISSION (S 2350)

Senate 38-0, approved an amendment creating a special commission to study and make recommendations concerning the long-term fiscal health of rural school districts that are facing or may face declining student enrollment.

According to the bill, the commission will study longterm economic, demographic and student enrollment trends and projections in communities that are rural or (A "Yes" vote is for the amendment. A "No" vote is against it.)

Sen. Patricia Jehlen No

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

ORDER OF NAMES ON BALLOT (H 3712) - The Elections Laws Committee held a hearing on a proposal prohibiting the use of the word "incumbent" next to a candidate's name on local and state ballots. The measure also provides that all candidates be listed on the ballot in an order determined by a random lottery.

Current law allows incumbents to be identified and requires that they are listed first, followed by an alphabetical listing of candidates of established political parties and then an alphabetical list of non-party candidates.

"Currently, incumbents receive the top placement which is known to be advantageous," said the bill's sponsor Rep. "As we approach 250 years from major milestones on the pathway to the Revolution, we have an opportunity to celebrate our shared history, amplify under-represented voices from the time period, and drive economic activity across the state," said sponsor Sen. Nick Collins (D-Boston). "From education, to preservation, to cultural tourism and commemorative events, the Revolution 250 organization has well researched, innovative programming, and it is my hope that Massachusetts will capture this moment and take part in the celebration."

HEARING ON SEVERAL CONSUMER BILLS – The Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee held a hearing on several consumer bills including:

NO ROBOCALLS TO CELL PHONES (H 352)

Beacon Hill Roll Call

— Prohibits robocalls to cell phones and other mobile electronic devices. The measure exempts messages from school districts to students, parents or employees; from companies advising employees of work schedules; from correctional facilities advising victims of the release of an offender; from municipal and state government; from public utilities; and from persons concerning the care, services or supplies related to the health of an individual.

The proposal would fine companies up to \$10,000 if they make an illegal robocall and allow an individual who is called more than once in a year to sue a company for damages. The House gave initial approval to the bill in the 2017-2018 session but it died when the session ended.

STOP "JUNK MAIL" (H 333) – Gives consumers the right to opt-out of receiving unsolicited ads and promotions sent via the post office, including letters, catalogs, postcards, newsletters and brochures. The measure requires all direct mail companies to include a valid return mailing address, e-mail address or phone number clearly and consciously displayed so that the recipient can contact the company and request that it cease sending junk mail. Companies that violate the proposed law would be fined up to \$1,500.

ALLOW BUSINESSES TO OPT INTO "DO NOT

CALL" LIST (H 221) – Restricts telemarketing companies doing business in the state by allowing businesses to sign up for a "Do Not Call" list and fining companies up to \$5,000 if they call a business on the list. Current law only allows individual consumers to sign up for the list.

Under the bill, all current laws that now apply to individuals would also apply to businesses including allowing an individual on the list to sue a company for up to \$5,000 if the company violates the law and calls the individual more than once a year; preventing companies from blocking their number from appearing on any business' Caller ID; prohibiting companies from using recorded message devices to make these calls; and restricting these calls to between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.

CAP SALARY OF NONPROFIT CEOS (H 3708)

- Caps the compensation of CEOs and other executives of nonprofit social service agencies that receive at least 30 percent of their annual budget from state funding. The measure would cap the compensation of CEOs on a sliding scale ranging from a limit of \$49,719 for any agency with a budget less than \$250,000 to \$213,165 for one with a budget exceeding \$25 million. Compensation includes salary, bonus and incentive pay, deferred compensation and nontaxable level benefits.

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this section would lose its status as a nonprofit or charity.

CELL PHONE WARNING (S 130) – Requires all mobile telephones sold or leased in the Bay State to clearly and conspicuously disclose the following on the product's packaging: "To assure safety, the federal government requires that cell phones meet radiofrequency (RF) exposure guidelines. If you carry or use your phone in a pocket or the phone is otherwise in contact with your body when the phone is on and connected to a wireless network, you may exceed the federal guidelines for exposure to RF radiation. Refer to the instructions in your phone or user manual for information about how to use your phone safely."

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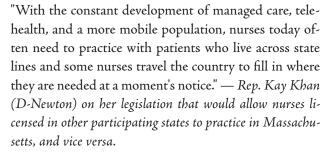
"We know domestic violence continues to be a pervasive challenge and impacts our communities — especially those most marginalized. Across the country, statistics show that communities of color, LGBTQ+ individuals, immigrants and refugees and those experiencing homelessness are disproportionately impacted by domestic violence. This isn't just a domestic violence issue, this is a social justice and human rights issue." — Debra Robbin, Executive Director of Jane Doe Inc. on October's Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

"The idea that we've done our gun bills and that's enough, well, those days are so behind us. It's never enough. It's not enough until we actually know that everything we have done allows people to live their lives and not unnecessarily be murdered at the hands of a gun." — *Rep. Marjorie Decker (D-Cambridge)*

"Nearly 1,000 school buildings in 150 communities sampled for lead in the first two rounds of the program, and we are grateful to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for providing this additional funding to allow more schools and daycare centers to test for this potential contaminant in drinking water." — Mass-DEP Commissioner Martin Suuberg on the EPA awarding \$967,000 to Massachusetts to test drinking Water in schools and child care facilities.

"Lottery profits provide critical unrestricted aid for all 351 cities and towns in the commonwealth. I am proud of our Lottery team and our dedicated retail partners. Over the last three years, together, they have produced more than \$3 billion that directly supports our local communities." — Treasurer Deb Goldberg, Chair of the Massachusetts State Lottery Commission announcing that the Lottery set a record in fiscal year 2019 by generating \$1.204 in net profit.

"These new data show that this challenge touches the lives of far too many children in this country, and that black and Hispanic youth are still at greater risk than their White and Asian peers. The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation is committed to reducing the rates of childhood obesity across the nation. We know it won't be easy, or quick. — *Richard Besser, MD, president and CEO of the foundation.*



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 7-11, the House met for a total of 29 minutes while the Senate met for a total of 28 minutes.

Mon. Oct. 7	House 11:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Senate 11:08 a.m. to 11:20 a.m.
Tues. Oct. 8	No House session No Senate session.
Wed. Oct. 9	No House session. No Senate session
Thurs. Oct. 10	House 11:00 a.m. to 11:14 a.m. Senate 11:03 a.m. to 11:19 p.m.
Fri. Oct. 11	No House session No Senate session

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'Haunted Hall' Halloween Event

Join the City of Somerville on Thursday, October 24, for the annual "Haunted Hall" event on the City Hall concourse from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The family-friendly event will feature costumed safe Trick-or-Treating, giant pumpkin decorating, games and activities, refreshments, and more.

Due to construction at Somerville High School, the haunted pathway element of the event will be replaced this year with painting giant pumpkins as well as children's games, sponsored by the Somerville Recreation Department. Costumes are encouraged for all ages, and all "haunted" elements will be appropriate for attendees of all ages. In case of inclement weather, the event will be cancelled. Check www.somervillema.gov for updates, or call 311. For more information, contact Jackie Rossetti at 617-625-6600 ext. 2614, or JRossetti@somervillema.gov.



COMMENTARY

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Marijuana: The campaign to criminalize cannabis

By Benjamin Gross

This op-ed is not an act of erasure of "marijuana" and other slang terms associated with cannabis or of the relationships certain communities may have with Cannabis sativa and its products.

Marijuana is a slang term for cannabis with roots in Mexican Spanish. Its original recorded use in English dates to the late 19th Century. Strangely, this slang term became official United States government nomenclature for cannabis in the 1930s. Why?

United States alcohol prohibition ended in 1933. Thus, the newly minted Federal Bureau of Narcotics (FBN) was without its prime targets for prosecution and its main source of activity: alcohol bootleggers. The FBN did not choose to constrict its power or apparatus; instead, it chose a new target. As the first commissioner of the FBN, Harry J. Anslinger - although he had previously admitted to the lack of social harm posed by cannabis – proceeded to identify cannabis as the new prime target of the FBN. Anslinger drafted the Marihuana Tax Act of 1937 to begin in earnest the federal government's prohibition of cannabis, existing today in numerous states, and still upheld

by the federal government. With this act, Anslinger also officially codified the word "marihuana/ marijuana" as the official government term for cannabis.

... terminology for the plant and its products must be restored to its botanically legitimate and scientifically credible roots

The word cannabis has deep historical roots. Original variants of the western term, "cannabis," can be found in literature dating back to ancient Greek and Middle Eastern societies. The father of modern taxonomy in the western world, Carl Linnaeus, combined existing European terminology for cannabis with a Latin term for cultivation to create an official scientific name, with botanical credibility, for cannabis: Cannabis sativa.

For centuries after Linnaeus, European and American cultures used the term cannabis to refer to Cannabis sativa. People used this term to refer to a plant and its products without derogatory connotation. The term hemp evolved in English-speaking societies to refer to products derived from Cannabis sativa for textile purposes. Many etymologists believe the word "hemp" is derived from early versions of the word "cannabis."

In 1937, Harry Anslinger launched a conscious and deliberate campaign to associate many negative attitudes and derogatory connotations with cannabis, through the word "marijuana," which his campaign duplicitously reduced to a pejorative term. The widespread campaign to discredit cannabis introduced to the United States public many manipulations of fact, along with outright lies, under the banner of marijuana. Marijuana, the word, became a tool of Anslinger and the FBN in their promotion of a deceitful and intolerant ideology not designed to serve the public good, but to advance the political interests of certain individuals. The signifier, marijuana, and its host of false, manufactured signifieds escalated a process, still at work today, of distorting information and promoting dishonest propaganda in order to segregate, castigate, and even criminalize not just products, but entire populations.

The first population targeted by the campaign to criminalize cannabis was the Latinx commu-



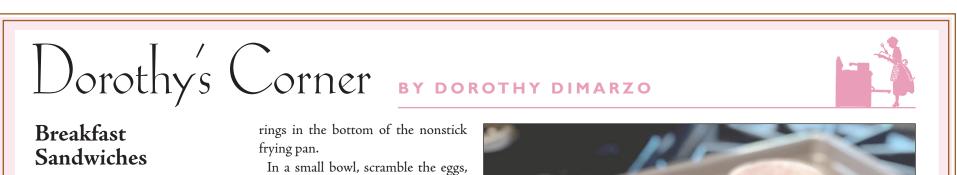
nity. The prohibitionists chose to make it appear to a gullible public that cannabis originated south of the United States, hoping to draw on wrongheaded but prevalent racist and jingoistic sentiments in the United States. They chose the label "marijuana" to achieve this goal. Cannabis does not originate south of the United States. It originates east of the United States, on the Asian continent. Cannabis cultivation spread from Asia to Europe, and Europeans brought it to the Americas.

Beyond their attempt to endow cannabis with a spurious origin story, the prohibitionists disseminated dishonest, racist propaganda in an effort to convince the public that minority groups used cannabis in the commission of crime. Unabashedly demonstrating

their own intolerance, the prohibitionists further tried to stigmatize cannabis through (unfounded) "warnings" to the dominant racial group in the United States that minority groups would use cannabis to seduce Caucasian women.

Anslinger and the prohibitionists also made spurious claims about risks to mental health posed by using cannabis. They did not have any scientific basis for these claims; they cherry-picked data, where and when they could, to promote their false narrative about imagined dangers of cannabis use. Today, we see some in the mental health field continuing to argue against cannabis, claiming that it threatens the public health, that it has a capacity to cause or exacerbate mental illness.

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These make ahead breakfast sandwiches will save you plenty of time during the week whether you're off to work or school. They can also be frozen if you want to make extra.

6 English Muffins 6 Eggs 6 Slices Cheese, Cheddar, Swiss... 6 Slices of Canadian Bacon, 12 Slices Bacon, Sausage Pattie or Ham Salt & Pepper

Precook the bacon and or sausage patties and set aside. Toast the English muffins. To cook the eggs, I use individual silicone rings to keep the shape uniform, of course this is optional. Place the prepared silicone

season with salt and pepper, and evenly pour the egg mixture into each silicone ring and cook. Assemble the sandwiches. Place the cooked eggs on the bottom half of the English muffin, add the cheese slices, place the bacon, or sausage on the eggs, then If you're going to eat them right away, no need to scramble the egg, just crack it in the silicone ring, season with salt and pepper to taste and leave the yolk runny if you prefer.

If you plan on freezing, wrap each one individually in wax paper and store in the refrigerator for a couple of hours to make sure they are totally cooled down before placing them into a ziplock bag and storing in the freezer. They should be good for up



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OBITUARY

Donald Norton



Donald F. Norton-Of Somerville passed away quietly in his home, surrounded by many friends, on October 9, 2019.

Beloved husband of the late of Patricia R. (Manahan) Norton.

Dear son of the late Julia (Brosnan) Dugan and stepson of the late Raymond Dugan.

Loving brother of the late Robert A. Norton and his surviving wife Carole of Westford.

Dear uncle of Linda Beebe of Westford, John Norton of Westford and Donna Norton of Lowell.

Cherished grandfather of Corey Norton and Kaitlin Norton.

Great grandfather of Naomi, Nevaeh, Luna and William.

Predeceased by his loving foster parents Louis and Marie Bannister.

He was born and raised in the city of Somerville and spent his entire life there. Donald was a well known real estate broker who left an incredible list of achievements. He became a real estate broker in 1977 and an owner

in 1983, owner of ERA Real Estate in 1990, owner of Norton Real Estate in 2011. Donald recently sold his office to Century 21 North Shore in 2018 and remained as an associate until his death.

Donald was at one time the owner/publisher of The Somerville Times and later served as its Managing Editor. Donald's list of accomplishments included: Appointed to the Somerville Board of Health in 2000 and was appointed to the Licensing Board in 2003. He served as President of the Somerville Rotary Club, Past President Of The ERA Real Estate Council. Founder and President of The Highland Masonic Building Association, Vice president Somerville Property Owners, President Ward Seven Civic Association, Certified Real Estate License Instructor, two times Past Master Of King Solomon's Lodge, Somerville, a Shriner, Benefactor Of The Little Sisters Of The Poor and

a myriad of other Somerville foundations and charities in a list too lengthy to mention.

Calling hours were held at the George L. Doherty Funeral Home on Tuesday, October 15.

A Funeral Mass will be held at Little Sisters of the Poor, Jeanne Jugan Residence, 186 Highland Ave, Somerville, Wednesday morning at 10:00 a.m.

Interment Pine Grove Ceme-

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

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Remembering Donald Norton

Somerville lost a tremendous friend last week. Donald Norton, well known Somerville real estate broker and outspoken political sage, passed away after a ten-month battle with cancer. Donald was a local character who was controversial to those who have so little to offer our community and beloved by all those who knew him for any length of time. Donald was a man of principles with the wisdom of Saul and a heart of gold. Donald did not suffer fools gladly. If he saw you doing something stupid or ridiculous he would let you know on no uncertain terms. It did not matter if you were a politician or a real estate broker Donald's opinion would always be heard.

Donald's list of accomplishments over his lifetime could fill a notebook. He worked for the city Health Department, he was appointed to the Board of Health and the Licensing Board. He was the owner, founder and partner in three major real estate organizations; he joined Century 21 North East in January of this year after 42 years in the business. He gave more people, from all backgrounds, more opportunities to buy property in this city than any other person currently in the business.

Donald trained over 500 people in real estate sales and brokerage. Donald was extremely active in local civic and fraternal organizations. He was past President of Somerville Rotary, the founder and past President of the Highland Masonic Building Association, Secretary of King Solomon's Lodge of Somerville for 28 years. He was also past Master of King Solomon's Lodge two times in a line of succession of Past Masters that began in 1783.

Donald's generosity was known throughout the city. He was associated with many charitable organizations and he was a founder of the Somerville Scholarship Fund and more

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charitable organizations than can be mentioned here.

Donald Norton was the force behind The Somerville News, which later became The Somerville Times. Donald purchased The Somerville News in 2003 and reorganized it into The Somerville Times in 2011. For the past 16 years Donald made sure that Somerville had a weekly newspaper that only published local news along with community viewpoints without political bias and grandstanding. Donald was Managing Editor and Director of Operations of The Somerville Times at the time of his death. He was very proud of his contribution and the quality of The Times.

Donald Norton left an indelible footprint on this city and, regrettably, we shall not see his like here again.



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Thank you.

On behalf of St. Joseph's Church, we would like to thank Councilor-At-Large Bill White for representing Somerville at our 150th Anniversary Mass on Sunday, October 6. Bill spoke about receiving his Sacraments as a member of St. Joseph's and presented the Pastor, Very Rev-

erend Brian McHugh, VE, with a Citation signed by the Mayor and the Council.

Also in attendance were former Alderman from Ward 3, Bob McWatters and former State Representative Tim Toomey. We are very grateful for their continued support as the 3 Parishes of St. Joseph's, St. Catherine's and St. Ann's joined together to become a new Parish on July 1, 2019 - Sts. Louis and Zelie Martin Parish, both of whom were canonized on October 18, 2015.

Thank you to all who came from near and far to celebrate

and share memories with us. It was an exciting day, remembering the past, enjoying the present, and looking forward to an amazing future for our new Parish.

Michele Daly Taylor On behalf of the 150th Anniversary Committee

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Our youth deserve more than climate action: They should get the vote



By Joseph A. Curtatone

Democracy is not a fixed object. Ever since average people first got a say in how they're governed, we have been expanding our sense of who the stakeholders are in our society. Initially it came via violent struggle and later via democratic reform, but our collective sense of the "self" in self-government has undergone constant revision.

We fought a revolution to extend voting rights to those without title or land. We fought a Civil War to establish that all races are equal. Women took to the streets to gain the right to vote via the 19th Amendment. During the Vietnam War, we lowered the voting age to 18. In each case, advocates overcame decades, even centuries, of opposition to giving agency to those without it, and in each case, we were better off for having done so.

The climate crisis is creating a new inflection point in the ever-evolving discussion of who the stakeholders are in our society. Cities all around the world recently filled with young people demanding we take definitive, bold action so that they can have a future that's not a constant calamity. Greta Thunberg, age 16, led this movement. Simply put, our youth are facing an existential threat to their future and are demanding to be heard. Something as fundamental as voting seems an appropriate place to start.

In Somerville, we have approved a proposal to lower the voting age in our local elections to 16. Now we just need the State Legislature to give us permission to do so. I want to stress that this involves only our municipal elections. The community has called for this, and every single elected official in the city has come out in favor of it.

While we're seeking to become the first through this door, we certainly won't be the last. Youth voting is getting more attention at the state and national level thanks to leaders like Rep. Ayanna Pressley. Supporters understand that youth voting could help to increase participation in local elections. Low voter turnout at the city and town level is an issue across the country, and energizing our electorate is one of our aims here. If your daughter or son is going to vote, maybe you should too.

Some argue that only those old enough to drink should vote. But just because we set a higher age limit on some things that might be deleterious to your health, it doesn't mean we should ban younger people from perfectly healthy social functions like civic engagement. Some claim this is an effort to get more votes for Democrats. However, local elections are nonpartisan. Candidates have no party affiliation listed next to their name on the ballot. And finally, I promise you that among the many things that threaten the future of democracy, voting is not among them.

The question that deserves serious discussion is whether 16- and 17-year-olds are up to the responsibility of voting. We should respect that people hold a variety of opinions on the subject. This is where I'd like to stress we spent a few years considering that very point. We held discussions, we held a public hearing, and we had teen groups and adults advocate for this change as did a local commission on elections.

What became clear is teens have been an overlooked segment of our population. Yet you can find teens at the epicenter of every issue affecting our community: housing, transportation, education, social justice, the opioid epidemic, climate change. You name it, they've lived it and in some cases, like climate change, they will live it longer than today's adults will.

Teens spend more time in our community than most adults. They have firsthand knowledge of our school and recreational programs. They spend more time in our libraries and in our public parks. They understand potential public safety issues to which many of our older residents might be oblivious. They also can bring a unique awareness of class and race issues to our local ballot box.

Roughly 70% of Somerville's population is white, non-Hispanic, but our school population is majority minority. Also, despite being a fairly well-to-do community, two-thirds of our student population qualifies for free or reduced lunches. Class and race issues skew very young in our city, and we need to reach deeper into our teen populace to give those community segments proper representation.

Youth voting can give teens a foundation in civic participation they can carry forward in their lives. It's basic good citizenship we ought to be fostering. Wherever life takes them after Somerville, registering to vote, staying informed and turning out for every election will be standard practice for them. It's a modest step we're ready to take.

Most of all, we need to recognize the moment in which we live. We can't claim to be taking climate issues seriously if we're not willing to empower the most strenuous advocates for immediate action. We're willing to do that in Somerville. Many will follow us if the state approves our Home Rule Petition. Today's youth are clamoring to be heard and counted. We've put their future at risk, so we should be willing to give them a say in our immediate present.

Statement from Ward 5 Resistat meeting

By Mark Niedergang, Ward 5 City Councilor

October 15, 2019

Statement from Ward 5 Resistat meeting held on October 10, 2019 (edited on October 15)

I want to say a little bit about my views on the Winter Hill Broadway bus and bike lanes, since that is a subject that we Councilors have received hundreds of emails about, roughly evenly split between pro and con. I have asked the Administration to respond to the concerns we have heard about the new roadway on Broadway at tonight's meeting and they will do so. I have asked them to hold a community meeting and to implement some changes. Because I am your directly-elected Ward Councilor, and I believe in accountability, I want to briefly tell you what my position is on the bus and bike lanes on Broadway. However, you should know that we City Councilors do not have the power to change anything on Broadway, that power belongs only to the Mayor and the Administration.

I have strongly supported all along narrowing Broadway to slow traffic and make it a safer street, especially for pedestrians, because over the years many pedestrians have been hit by motor vehicles while crossing Broadway. In fact, an elderly woman was just hit on Broadway and Norwood and sent to the hospital over the summer. I continue to support the bus and the bike lanes that have been put in place. However, I do believe some mistakes have been made in the implementation. Many residents have pointed out that with three bridges closed due to GLX work and Union Square all dug up, and with the school year starting in early September, this was not the right time to make a drastic change in traffic patterns on Broadway. In addition, there are some traffic signalization changes that need to be made to facilitate the flow of traffic and some more street painting to make the rules of the road with the new

bus lanes clearer. (Note: Brad Rawson, Director of Mobility for the City, stated at the Ward 5 Resistat meeting that the signalization changes would be made on Wednesday, October 16th.) Those changes should have been made at the same time the bus lanes were put in, and now should be made as soon as possible.

In addition, as Ward 4 Coun cilor Jesse Clingan has pointed out, there should have been a public notification and education campaign before the new bus/bike lanes were put in place explaining what the rules of the road are and how drivers should deal with the new infrastructure. I continue to support making our streets safer and more accessible and better for bus riders who are using public transportation, pedestrians, bicyclists, and when possible for drivers, in that order. I want to reiterate that these are my priorities, although I want streets that are safer, better and easier for all users. We face a crisis in terms of pedestrian safety on our streets,

with three pedestrians killed in

Somerville this year, and many injured. And we face the crisis of climate change, which affects the future of our planet and the world that our children and grandchildren will live in. The whole world, and most especially us Americans, need to make dramatic changes in how we use fossil fuels. And that means City policies need to incentivize walking, biking and public transportation, and City policies must get rid of the many incentives that exist now for ownership and usage of private motor vehicles in Somerville. I understand that many people need their cars to get to work, take children and elderly relatives around, or because they are disabled. I want those people to be able to get where they have to go quickly and easily, and to find parking near their homes. I believe we can accomplish this, but there will have to be a lot of changes made to do so. We need to make more room on our streets for people who really need to use cars by getting those who don't really need them to find other ways to

get around.

Since I am running unopposed in the November 5 election, I will probably be re-elected. I decided over the summer to make improving traffic and parking in Somerville my #1 priority for the rest of this year and the next two years. These are tremendously difficult and contentious issues, not exactly fun or easy to deal with. But I believe they are the top concern of my constituents in Ward 5. And pedestrians are literally dying on our streets; we need to do something about that! I believe we have the opportunity in the next two years to make some major changes in traffic and parking that will benefit all residents. I look forward to continuing to hear from residents about their concerns and to working with the Administration and Ward 5 residents to make our streets safer and work better. Now I am going to turn it over to the Administration for the Ward 5 Resistat presentation, which will start with the issue of Winter Hill and Broadway. Thank you.

COMMENTARY

SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Illustrated by Jim Clark



The Monster Mashed-Up event is a great way to wrap up the SomerStreets season.

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to the series and a somewhat melancholy reminder that the cold wintery months will soon be upon us.

And don't forget to take the kids to the annual Haunted Hall event at City Hall, taking place this year from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 24.

Let's get out there and enjoy the best days of the season while they are here.

Whatever one's feelings may be regarding the relative merits of the city's Somer-Streets events, one thing is clear: a good number of people end having a really great time for themselves.

For many, the best is saved for last. That, of course, is embodied in the Monster Mashed-Up event that brings out the kid in everyone who gets involved.

Newstalk CONT. FROM PG 2

The Little Sisters of the Poor are holding their very last Bazaar on Saturday, November 9 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. They hope to have a large showing in order to continue to support the residents through this transition process and in order to bring a lot of Christmas cheer into the home. Please go out and support this home. They always have great raffles, food and much more. The Little Sisters of the Poor is located at 186 Highland Ave. Whether one gets elbow-deep into the power tool pumpkin carving exhibition, the costume parade, Milk Row Cemetery tours, or any number of other fun activities, there is surely something for anyone and everyone to enjoy.

Some bemoan the many street closures that take place throughout the year for similar events, road races, etc. There are

partment at 617-625-6600 ext. 4320.

The city will add or adjust clinic sched-

ules as necessary, and the most up to

date information can always be found at

www.somervillema.gov or by calling 311

Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone and mem-

bers of the Tufts Partnership Nego-

tiating Committee invite residents to

a community meeting on Wednesday,

October 30, for an update on the cur-

(617-666-3311).

valid points of view on both ends of the issue. It only seems reasonable, though, to partake in the festivities as long as they are there for the partaking. A little giving in can feel good, in comparison to not participating at all.

For those who enjoy these types of events, this closing edition of Somer-Streets serves as a fun and festive farewell

> on Saturday, October 19 (rain date of October 20) in East Somerville for the brand new Howl-o-ween Pet Parade and Costume Contest. Dress up your pet and parade around New Washington Street, then walk the red carpet in front of a panel of judges. Prizes are awarded for Best of Show, Best Owner and Pet Combo, Most Creative, Spookiest, Best Group and Best Local Representation. The pa-

endar for the Kennedy pool schedule. They thank everyone for their patience with their endeavor to provide the best possible aquatic environment.

to 7:30 p.m. Please see the online cal-

Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone and the City Council invite residents to the Fall 2019 ResiStat Community Meetings, a twice-yearly effort to share the latest city news, data, and neighborhood updates directly with residents and gather their feedback. ResiStat is both a great way to learn more about what's happening in your neighborhood and around Somerville and a chance to talk with elected officials, city staff, and neighbors. A social half hour before the meeting and time after the meeting provide an easy opportunity for one-on-one chats. Pizza and kid-friendly, healthy snacks will be served too. This week, Ward 1 will hold a meeting tonight, October 16 at East Somerville Community School Auditorium, 50 Cross St. and Ward 3 will hold a meeting Thursday, October 17 at the Somerville High School Auditorium, 81 Highland Ave. Meetings run from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., with refreshments at 6:00 p.m.

The annual **flu vaccine clinics** offered by the City of Somerville Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) are back. All clinics offer free flu vaccines for Somerville residents ages three and older (children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian). Clinics start on Thursday, October 17, and will be held at various times and locations in the community until the city's supply of vaccine is exhausted. Due to limited availability, vaccines will be offered during official flu clinic hours only. While there is no charge for vaccinations, attendees are asked to bring an insurance card if available, including Medicaid cards. Residents requiring additional assistance or other accommodations should contact the Health and Human Services Derent status of negotiations with **Tufts University** about a new **Partnership Agreement** between the city and the university. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at the **TAB Building**, 167 Holland St. The previous Partnership Agreement expired on June 30, 2018. In addition to Tufts' Payments in Lieu of Taxes (aka "PILOT payments"), the Partnership Agreement covers issues related to student housing, partnership with Somerville schools, the university's planning process, and other topics. More information about that process is available at www.somervillema.gov/TuftsPILOT.

The Kennedy Pool has been undergoing a needed renovation project. The pool re-opened on October 10 with Adult Lap Swim and Family Swim from 6:30

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rade starts promptly at 1:00 p.m. and continues right into the costume contest. Prize baskets featuring gift cards and goodies will be provided. There is a registration fee \$5 for each participant who would like to bring a pet to join. It's free for everyone who wants to come and all are very welcome. This event is supported by **Stinky's Kittens** & **Doggies Too, Zen Dog Training, Compass Real Estate, Last Hope K9 Rescue, Somerville Dog Festival,** and **Somerville Media Center.**

The Somerville Special Education Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC) will host a Meet & Greet event on Tuesday, October 22, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. at The Neighborhood Restaurant, 25 Bow Street, in Somerville. All parents and guardians are welcome.







Somerville HONK!s once again

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SHS alumnus honored at Merrimack College

Anthony and Patricia Dell'Anno, a Somerville High School stand out, had the honor of being inducted into the Merrimack College Hall of Fame on October 4.

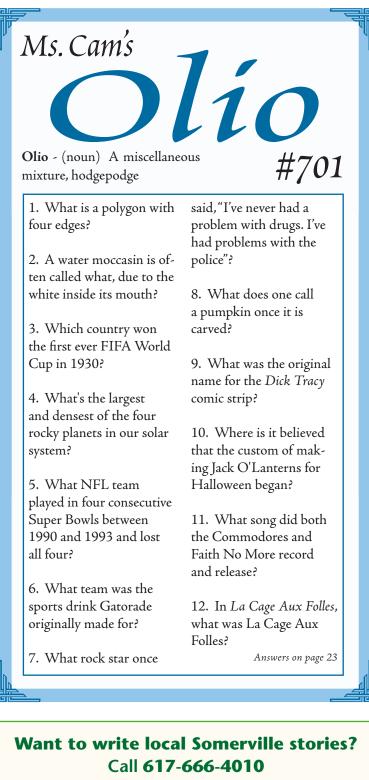
During her four years at SHS she played four years of Varsity Volleyball, four years of Varsity Softball and four years of Varsity Basketball. She broke all of the girls re-

Stacey Dell'Anno, daughter of cords, including being the first girl to score over 1,000 points and only the second player (boys team) in the history of SHS.

> She also played on outdoor track in her senior year, winning almost all of her events.

She graduated in 1995 as a National Honors Society student.

She is now married to her husband, Chris Laganas, with two children, Ellie and Niko.



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Serve and inspire volunteer orientation

New to volunteering in the Somerville Public Schools? Attend an orientation on Thursday, October 17, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. to learn about district schools and how SPS volunteers serve, inspire and support student learning.

For more information, please contact your school-based Volunteer Coordinator or Jen Capuano at (617) 629-5475 or jcapuano@k12.somerville.ma.us.

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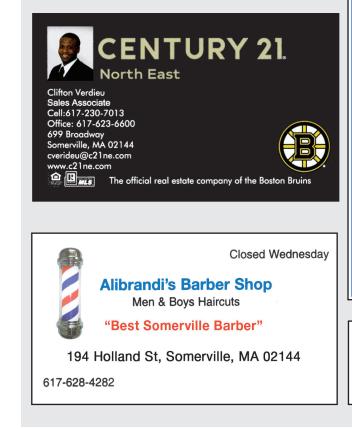
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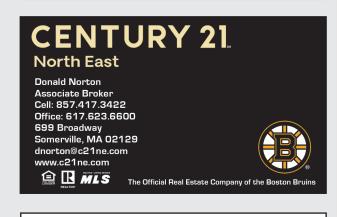


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The Somerville Housing Authority, the Awarding Authority, invites sealed bids from Contractors for the Mystic River Penthouse Door Replacement Project, SHA Job#1902, DHCD Fish#274126 for the Somerville Housing Authority in Somerville Massachusetts, in accordance with the documents prepared by EHA Design, Inc., dated October 15, 2019.

The Project consists of: Work is to furnish all labor, materials and equipment, as necessary to complete the penthouse door replacement. Work is to include the complete removal and legal disposal of the existing penthouse doors and hinges, the preparation, minor repair and priming of the existing steel door framing, and the installation of new steel door and hinges with new door hardware.

The work is estimated to cost \$52,000.00 and estimated to be completed in 60 days.

Bids are subject to M.G.L. c.149 §44A-J & to minimum wage rates as required by M.G.L. c.I49 §§26 to 27H inclusive.

For projects with an estimated construction cost of over \$100,000, by DHCD contractual requirement, General Bidders must be certified by the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (DCAMM), according to Article 2.1 in Section 00.21.00 Instructions to Bidders, in the category of: General Contracting No Filed Sub Bids are required.

General Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m., Thursday, November 7, 2019, online and publicly opened, forthwith.

THIS PROJECT IS BEING ELECTRONICALLY BID AND HARD COPY BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. Please review the instructions in the bid documents on how to register as an electronic bidder. The bids are to be prepared and submitted at www.biddocsonline.com. Tutorials and instruction on how to complete the electronic bid documents are available online (click on the "Tutorial" tab at the bottom footer). All Bids will be submitted online at www.biddocsonline.com and received no later than the date and time specified above.

General bids shall be accompanied by a bid deposit that is not less than five (5%) of the greatest possible bid amount (considering all alternates), and made payable to the Somerville Housing Authority.

Bid Forms and Contract Documents will be available for pick-up at:

www.biddocsonline.com on October 23, 2019 (may be viewed electronically and hardcopy requested)

There is a plan deposit of \$ 50.00 per set (maximum of 2 sets) payable to the Awarding Authority.

Deposits must be a certified or cashier's check. This deposit will be refunded for up to two sets for general bidders upon return of the sets in good condition within thirty days of receipt of general bids. Otherwise the deposit shall be the property of the Awarding Authority.

Additional sets may be purchased for \$ 50.00 per set.

Bidders requesting Contract Documents to be mailed to them shall include a separate check for \$ 40.00 per set, payable to the Awarding Authority, to cover mail handling costs.

The job site and/or existing building will be available for inspection at Time 10:30 A.M. on October 30, 2019.

For an appointment call Somerville Housing Authority, Department of Modernization, (617) 625-1152.

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT IFB # 20-32

The City of Somerville, through the Purchasing Department invites sealed bids for: **Continuum of Care Planning Grant Consultant**

An invitation for bids (IFB) and specifications may be obtained at the Purchasing Department, City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA. 02143 on or after: Wednesday, October 16th, 2019. Sealed bids will be received at the above office until 11/06/2019 at 2:00 PM EST. at which time sealed bids will be open. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

The contract term shall be from 04/01/2020 through 12/31/2020.

A 5% bid deposit is required. Prevailing wage applies to this procurement.

Please contact pwaditwar@somervillema.gov for further information.

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

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT RFQ #20-35

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

Continuum of Care Planning Grant Consultant

A request for qualifications (RFQ) may be obtained online at http:// www.somervillema.gov/departments/finance/purchasing or from the Purchasing Department, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA, 02143 beginning on Wednesday, October 16th, 2019.

Sealed proposals will be received at the above office until: 2:00 PM, <u>Tuesday, November 5th, 2019</u>. The City of Somerville reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, waive any minor informality in the bid process, and accept the proposals deemed to be in the best interests of the City of Somerville.

Please email tchukhatsang@somervillema.gov for more information and to register for the RFP package.

> Thupten Chukhatsang **Procurement Analyst** 617-625-6600 x. 3400

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Marijuana: The campaign to criminalize cannabis CONT. FROM PG 8

The first in-depth study into tive psychological benefit from is, mostly, flawed knowledge, as In order to remove the stig- fers to cannabis as marijuana. If the effects of cannabis use, cannabis use. Anslinger, the it is based in a truth that does ma from cannabis, so that it Somerville and other cities and commissioned by then serving FBN, and other prohibitionists not originate in empiricism, can again be understood in its towns work together to bring condemned the report - withbut in a dogma designed, from out providing legitimate countits inception, to serve as a tool er examples - and then proceedof control, promoting a flawed, racist, and rapacious political ed to simply ignore it. In the field of epistemology, agenda. That agenda does not there is a concept known as - and never did - benefit the "Justified True Belief." It expeople; it benefits, by design, plains that for a proposition to a select group of individube properly labeled as knowlals. Much more damaging to edge, the proposition must not the individual and the public health than the effects of canonly be based in truth, but the proposition must convey a jusnabis use are the effects of the tifiable reason for an individual stigma surrounding cannabis, to believe in it. The knowledge effects like fear, like incarceraswirling around cannabis today

New York City mayor Fiorello LaGuardia, addressed the prohibitionists' claims regarding the dangers of cannabis. Released in 1944, the report found no credible medical or scientific justification for the fear-mongering tactics employed by Anslinger and other prohibitionists. It posits, "The publicity concerning the catastrophic effects of marihuana smoking in New York City is unfounded." Moreover, the report mentions experiential accounts of posi-

tion, like intolerance.

recreational and therapeutic capacities, terminology for the plant and its products must be restored to its botanically legitimate and scientifically credible roots: to cannabis, as a signifier for Cannabis sativa and its products.

The City of Somerville is aware of the terminology issue. The City, understandably, defers to the State of Massachusetts for official cannabis terminology. Since the State currently uses federal terminology, the State re-

this most pressing issue to the attention of the State, a "return of the repressed" is very possible, even likely. The word marijuana will not be erased. The stigma, the lies, the fear, and the injustice introduced to the United States, and even the world, when cannabis prohibitionists deceitfully adopted marijuana as official government terminology, those are what need to be erased; indeed, those can be erased, and through communal action, those will be erased.

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Soggy Po Boys album release show

The call for a voice vote is as old as the Parthenon and signals the time to be decisive. Little is decided easily in any governing body, and likewise in a seven-piece ensemble. The Soggy Boys' new album, *All In Favor*, is the gavel that strikes, ending further discussion. For the first time in seven years, the decision made itself. Everyone silently agreed, it was time to make this record.

An album release party will be thrown at Somerville's Thunder Road on Saturday October 26 at 8:00 p.m.

Born in 2012 on a snowy Fat Tuesday night in Dover, New Hampshire, the Soggy Po Boys have quickly become an institution, spreading the good news of New Orleans music across New England and beyond, playing at concert halls and street corners; music festivals and burlesque festivals; bars and libraries; wherever the party requires.

Despite the scope of its sound, the outfit is only seven people, and thrives on the interplay and group dynamics that bring this music to life. This collection of twelve songs is the band's first full-length release pressed to vinyl, and follows their 2018 release, *Smoke*, which Alternate Root wrote "turns the crisp climes of their northern New Hampshire home into a steamy French Quarter night."

Their earlier releases have been hailed as akin to "The Hot 8 Brass Band, but with darker subject matter and fewer Marvin Gaye covers" (London Jazz News) and "like stepping into a New Orleans Jazz Club" (NPR). All In Favor is the band's collective swing at making a record that is most like hearing them in person: it was recorded live, in a one-day session, and focuses on the music heard at their shows. It's a party in a bottle, or at least a record, enjoy yourself: it's later than you think.

Soggy Po Boys are Stuart Dias (vocals, guitar), Zach Lange (trumpet), Eric Klaxton (clarinet/soprano saxophone), Nick Mainella (tenor saxophone), Mike Effenberger (piano), Scott Kiefner (upright bass), and Brett Gallo (drums/percussion).

Stripped of original songwriting, All In Favor offers a more revealing presentation of the sound that is Soggy Po Boys.

These hand-picked songs represent the source from which the band draws continual inspiration and energy. From the lively Caribbean rhythms of *Gin* and Coconut Water to the sleazy country swagger of Hank Williams' I'll Never Get Out of This World Alive, the album is a cel-



The Soggy Boys will be celebrating the release of their new album All In Favor on Thursday, October 26 at Thunder Road.

ebration of life and a funeral in the same breath. The arrangements have been battle-tested, solidified through thousands of hours of playing music together, making people dance, sweat, laugh and cry. The New Orleans' Panorama Jazz Band's Ben Schenk says, "These guys have done their homework, worked it out on the bandstand and put in the hours in the studio. It all adds up to a party you can bring with you when you want to treat your friends to a real good time."

Soggy Po Boys album release party, Saturday October 26, 8:00 p.m., at Thunder Road, 379 Somerville Ave., Somerville.

iWalk: International Walk and Roll to School Day

Last week was International Walk and Roll to School Day (iWalk), and Wellness Champions across the district promoted the event at their schools. The event is an opportunity to encourage students to participate in a healthy and active lifestyle by safely walking, biking or scooting to school. Safe Routes to School distributes stickers to schools that register for the event to give to students who participate. Schools added their own special twist to the event.

Argenziano had a Walk & Roll Star picture frame that where students could have their picture taken, and the East Somerville Community School drew a finish line that students could cross as they completed their trek to school. The Brown School offered healthy snacks that students could enjoy, and students who did not have the opportunity to walk to school were encouraged to complete the new outdoor sensory path. The Healey School also encouraged students who were unable to walk to school to do a loop around the schoolyard as they arrived.

A huge shout out to the volunteers, parents, Family Liaisons, custodians, cafeteria staff and school administrators who supported the event at their school as well! Two additional days that will be promoted at schools this year are Winter Walk and Roll to School Day in February and MA Walk and Roll to School Day in May, which is National Walking Month.



Anyone who is interested in supporting these events, is encouraged to reach out to your school Wellness Champion or Caitlin Kelly, District Wellness Coordinator, at ckelly@k12. somerville.ma.us/.

Mural unveiling at Lexington Park

Join the Somerville Arts Council, Ward 5 City Councilor Mark Niedergang, artist Tova Speter, and contributing community members for a mural unveiling at Lexington Park on Sunday, October 20, from noon to 1:30 p.m. A new community mural, "This Is Lexington Park," was designed and painted by neighborhood participants of all ages. It represents the interconnectedness between people from different backgrounds and generations. Inspired by our 2007 Lexington Park community mural, it also emphasizes the importance of remembering and honoring the past as we celebrate the present.

Over 50 participants, led by artist Tova Speter, contributed their individual and collective color to this collaborative work, sharing the beauty that is possible when we all work together.

The project was sponsored by the City of Somerville and the Somerville Arts Council.

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CHILDREN AND YOUTH Wednesday|October 16

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

East Branch Library Music with Matt! PreK Sing-Along with Matt Heaton 11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.]115 Broadway

Davis Square Farmers Market 12 p.m.-1 p.m.| between Day and Chester Streets

Central Library Somerville Positive Forces 1 p.m.- 3 p.m. Magic the Gathering 2 p.m.-5 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Thursday|October 17

Central Library Preschool Storytime for 3 to 5-yearolds 10:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m. Comic Book Drawing Workshop for Kid 3 p.m.- 4 p.m./79 Highland Ave

Friday October 18

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

East Branch Library Fun Friday! 2 p.m.-4 p.m.| 115 Broadway

Central Library Teen Empowerment Library Leaders meeting 3:30 p.m.- 6 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Saturday|October 20 Central Library

Harvest Festival - Somerville Reads 2019 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. |79 Highland Ave

Monday October 21 Central Library Sing Along with Matt 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|79 Highland

10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|79 Highland Ave **Tuesday|October 22**

Somerville Community Baptist Church Preschool Storytime 11 a.m.-11:30 a.m.| 31 College Ave.

East Branch Library Paws, to Read 3 p.m.,-4 p.m.|115 Broadway

Central Library Girls Who Code club 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Wednesday|October 23

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

Central Library Homeschool Reading Group 10:15 a.m.-12 p.m. Teen Escape from Hill House - Somerville Reads 2019 3 p.m.-4 p.m.]79 Highland Ave Bearly Dead – A Tribute To The Grateful Dead

8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave Once Somerville Beyond Creation, Fallujah, Arkaik, Equipose, The Last King

7 p.m.|156 Highland Ave **Highland Kitchen** 150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Aeronaut Brewing Co. Mnemonist 8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory Rhythmic Uke Fingerpicking Power-Up 6:30 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave Somerville Theatre Foy Vance-The Tour

8 p.m.|55 Davis Sq Thursday|October 17

Sally O'Brien's Emperor Norton's SMB album release, Mother Ton, Somerville Symphony Orkestar \$12 8 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room:Americana Session with Matt Borrello, Mike Verge & Company |7 p.m. Back Room: WUMB Presents The Wolff Sisters|7 p.m. Scattershots|10 p.m.

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

Bull McCabe's Krush Faktory(Dub Down) 10 p.m.|366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Thunder Road Groove Division with special guests Brother Guy, and MAMADOU 8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

Once Somerville Bearmonster + Coo & Howl: Joint Album Release Show! 6:30 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co. Adam Janjigian Quartet 8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

The Rockwell Shit-faced Shakespeare®: Macbeth 7 p.m.|255 Elm St

Arts at the Armory David Coffin: Live from the Revels Stage CD Release Party! 6 p.m.|Performance Hall

Hans Bilger 8 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Friday|October 18 Sally O'Brien's Larry Flint & The Road Scholars|6 p.m.

The Big Sway, theWorst, Spillers, Ghost Truckers - \$10 cover|9 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren Front Room: Irish Session|9:30 p.m. Backroom: Bob Bradshaw, Carla Ryder and The Blue Ribbons Trio|7 p.m. Fightin Friday|10 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896 8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave Aeronaut Brewing Co. The Gravel Project 8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory Screaming Ostrich Film Festival: Halloween Bash 5:30 p.m.|Performance Hall Richard Cambridge's Poets' Theater 7:30 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

The Rockwell Shit-faced Shakespeare®: Macbeth|7 p.m. The Kerfuffle|9 p.m. 255 Elm St

Saturday|October 19

Sally O'Brien's One Thin Dime|6 p.m. Daylillies, Dream Eaters, Future Carnivores - \$10 cover|9 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room:Bluegrass Session|2 p.m. Hunter Americana|5 p.m.|Irish Session|2 p.m. Back Room: Ezekiel's Wheels Klezmer Band: CD Release Party|7 p.m. Scattershots|10 p.m.

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Arts at the Armory Rick and Friends 10 a.m.|Café| Blood Language - Taja Will & Guests 7:30 p.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

The Rockwell Shit-faced Shakespeare®: Macbeth|7 p.m. 255 Elm St

Sunday|October 20

Sally O'Brien's Bar The Natural Wonders|4:30 p.m. African Night, SambaLolo and guests|10 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren Front Room: John Gannon & Friends|2 p.m., Alan Kaufman & Friends|6 p.m., Los Goutos|9 p.m. 7 p.m.|Café Night Vale Presents: Start With This 7:30 p.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co. The 94s & Three At Home 2 p.m.||14 Tyler Street

Monday October 21

Sally O'Brien's Bar Comedy Night! The Up n Coming Open Mic|7 p.m. Marley Monday with The Duppy Conquerors reggae|10 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren Front Room: Bur-Run|6:45 p.m., Run, Helena Delaney & Friends|9:30 p.m. Back Room:Stump Trivia|8:30 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

Bull McCabe's Pub Jimmy James Trivia|8:30 p.m. 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Thunder Road Magick Mondays: A Place To Binge hosted by Binge Magick 8 p.m|379 Somerville Ave.

Once Somerville Toddlerbilly Takeover 5 p.m.,|156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co. Board Game Bonanza 6:30 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory

Queer Tango 6:30 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Tuesday|October 22

Sally O'Brien's Bar 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren Front Room: Jason Anick & The Swingers/8:30 p.m. Back Room. Serena Z and the Facets, Cactus Island/7 p.m. 247 Elm Street/617-776-6896

Bull McCabe's Pub Ghetto People Band 10 p.m.|366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Highland Kitchen First Tuesday of the Month|Spelling Bee Night hosted by Victor and Nicole of Egoart. The fun starts at 10:00p.m.

150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

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

Thunder Road Neighbor Tuesdays in Union Square, Somerville! 7 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

Once Somerville Lust for Youth, House of Harm, Limousine

8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave Aeronaut Brewing Co

Indie Trivia 8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory

Bearly Dead – A Tribute To The Grateful Dead 8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

Once Somerville Starcrawler w/ Dan Luke + Test Meat 7 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Highland Kitchen 150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Aeronaut Brewing Co. Jack Byrne 8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

The Rockwell Global Arts Live Presents: Nella 7 p.m.|255 Elm St

Somerville Theatre Reel Rock Film Tour 7 p.m.|55 Davis Sq

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Wednesday | October 16 Central Library Drop in Knitting and Needlecraft 12 p.m.-2 p.m. P2P Technologies: A Series 6:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Davis Square Farmers Market 12 p.m.-6 p.m.|Day & Herbert Streets

Thursday|**October 17** Ciampa Manor

Learn English with the Library! 6 p.m.- 8 p.m.|27 College Avenue

East Branch Library East Eats! 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|115 Broadway

First Church Somerville

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9:30 p.m.-12:30 p.m. 79 Highland

Union Square Farmers Market

9 a.m.- 1 p.m.|Union Square Plaza

Somerville Writers and Poets meet

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

Fourth Step to Freedom Al-Anon

Enter upstairs, meeting is in basement

weekly to discuss their work

Sunday|October 20

7:00 P.M. | 6 William Street

Monday|October 21

Creative Drama Workshop with

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

Unity Church of God

Saturday|October 19

Central Library

Citizenship Class

Bagel Bards

Holland St

Family Groups

Central Library

Laurie!

Ave

p.m. 89 College Ave (Upstairs Parlor).

Central Library Boston in the Golden Age of Spiritualism with Dee Morris -Somerville Reads 2019 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

MUSIC|ARTS Wednesday|October 16

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Free Poker, lots of prizes! 8 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room:Americana Session with: Grain Thief|9 p.m. Backroom: The Ashley Davis Band w Colin Farrell & Dave Curley|7:30 p.m. Comedy Night with Janet Mc-Namara|10 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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

Bull McCabe's Pub The A-Beez

10 p.m.|366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Thunder Road

Once Somerville

Arti Gollapudi is UNGLUED. w/ Lillian Devane and Tooky Kavanaugh|6 p.m. Ghouls Night Out: Misfit Love, Color Channel, CJ3, The Stampede|8 p.m. 156 Highland Ave

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

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Sonya Rae Taylor Band 10 p.m.|366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

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Entertainment every Friday 173 Broadway|617- 625-5195

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The Z3 with special guest Trio Grande (featuring members of Lady Lupine)

Kerr Griffin, Jessye DeSilva, CiCi Eberle & Friends|7 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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

Highland Kitchen Sunday Brunch Live Country & Bluegrass Sunday Night Live Music 150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

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

Thunder Road 379 Somerville Ave

Once Somerville Vivian Girls, Empath, Young Guv 7:30 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Arts at the Armory

New Poetry and Open Mic 3 p.m.|Café Jammin' with the Elderberries Pub Sing 7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Wednesday|October 23

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

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Front Room:Americana Session with: Grain Thief|9 p.m. Backroom: Gerry O'Beirne AND Frankie Gavin, Tommy McCarthy and Louise Costello|7:30 p.m. Comedy Night with Janet Mc-Namara|10 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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Thunder Road

Learn English at the Library! 6 p.m.- 8 p.m.|115 Broadway

Tuesday|October 22

East Branch Library

East Branch Library Learn English at the Library! 6 p.m.- 8 p.m.|115 Broadway

Central Library

Free Family Flu Clinic 12 p.m.-2 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Remnant Brewery

Spooky Somerville: Grown-Up Storytime - Somerville Reads 2019 7 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.| 2 Bow Market Way

Wednesday|October 23

Central Library

Drop in Knitting and Needlecraft 12 p.m.-2 p.m. The Haunting (1963) Film - Somerville Reads 2019 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Davis Square Farmers Market 12 p.m.-6 p.m.|Day & Herbert Streets

PLACES TO GO, THINGS TO DO!

SENIOR CENTER HAPPENINGS:

CENTER LOCATIONS, TIMES & SCHEDULES

Holland Street Senior Center: located at 167 Holland Street (between Davis Square and Teele Square) Monday through Wednesday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Fridays: 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. 617-625-6600, ext. 2300

Cross Street Center: located at 165 Broadway (East Somerville)

Mondays & Tuesdays – 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Thursdays – 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Fridays – 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. 617-625-6600, ext. 2335 Fax: 617-625-1414

Ralph and Jenny Center: located at 9 New Washington Street (behind the Holiday Inn)

Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. 617- 666-5223

Main Office: located at 167 Holland Street (between Davis Square and Teele Square.)

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Thursday: 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 Fax: 617-625-0688 TTY: 866-808-4851

UPCOMING EVENTS

Volunteers needed for the Engage for Brain Health Study. Are you starting to have problems with your memory or have trouble climbing stairs? Engage B might be right for you! 24 week study for people 60 to 89 years of age. Call Chris at 617-625-6600, ext. 2315 or email him at ckowaleski@Somervillema.gov for questions and additional information.

Fit-4-Life Nutrition Classes – Thursday afternoons from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. with our Nutritionist Caitlin McAfee. Learn about our new and upcoming nutrition programs including, Cooking with Caitlin, Fit-4-Life Nutrition Class, Meal in a Mug and more. For more information call Caitlin at 617-625-6600, ext. 2316.

Healthy Steps – Thursdays – Holland Street from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Healthy Steps is a therapeutic, gentle, movement class for anyone who needs to get moving, particularly anyone recovering from surgery, frail elders or those living with chronic fatigue or arthritis. Class is free. For additional information or questions to call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300

Country Western Line Dancing – The 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month- Holland Street Center . – class is free. No experience needed. For additional information or questions call at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Somerville Mobile Farmer's Market – Running until Saturday, October 19. Fridays: 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Council on Aging Holland Street Center. 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. East Somerville Community School. Saturdays: 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. North Street Housing Development and 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Mystic Housing Development.. The Somerville Mobile Farmer's Market sells fresh, affordable produce. 50% off for residents of Mystic or North Street Housing, or for showing your SNAP, MassHealth, WIC or Senior Coupons. Info: 617-625-6600. out. 4221 6600, ext. 2300.

Caregivers Support Series – at our Holland Street Center from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Thursdays for six weeks. Oct. 17 – Tips on Bathing and Dressing, Oct. 24 – Nutrition, Oct. 31 – Self Care, homecare resources and when is it unsafe to remain at home, Nov. 7 – Activities you can do together, Nov. 14 – Attend a Memory Café and Nov. 21 – Coping with the holidays and having honest discussions with family and friends. To reserve your spot please call Ashley at 617-625-6600, ext. 2318.

Dollar Days at the Movies – Tuesday, October 22 movie starts at 12:00 p.m. door open at 11:30 a.m. This month's movie is POMS. \$1 per person for the movie paid to the theatre. They will have the refreshment stand open to make purchases on your own. For more information or to RSVP call Josie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Finances 50+ Workshop – Thursday, October 24 – 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at our Holland Street Center. Finances 50+ Workshop was designed to help you make and keep smart money habits. To register please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Paint Day – Monday, November 4 – 10:00 a.m. at our Holland Street Center. \$15 per person Seats are very limited. Payment due a time of reservation. Please call Connie at 617-625-6600 ext. 2319 to make your reservation.

Wrentham Outlets – Sunday, November 10 – check in at 10:00 a.m. at Holland with an approximate return time of 5:00 p.m. \$10 per person for transportation to the outlets; lunch is on your own. For more information or to sign up please call Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Dollar Days at the Movies – Tuesday, November 19 - movie starts at 12:00 p.m. door open at 11:30 a.m. This month's movie is A Dog's Journey. \$1 per person for the movie paid to the theatre. They will have the refreshment stand open to make purchases on your own. For more information or to RSVP call Josie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Mamma Mia – Wednesday, November 20 at the Norwood Theatre. \$38 dollars per person. Price includes lunch (a chicken dish, potatoes or rice, a small salad, a vegetable and a dessert) before the show (11:30 to 12:30.) Performance begins at 1:15 p.m. and last approximately 2-1/2 hours. Space is limited. First come first serve. Payment due at time of reservation. No refunds. Check in time is 10:00 a.m. at Holland Street with an approximate return time of 5:30 p.m. Please call Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 to make your reservation.

Wright's Chicken Farm Restaurant & LaSalette Shrine

- Thursday, December 5 - \$69 per person includes luxury coach transportation, lunch, Christmas Choral Concert with Father Pat and a spectacular display of over 400,000 lights. Check in is 9:30 a.m. at Ralph & Jenny with an approximate return time of 7:00 p.m. Please RSVP to Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

LGBTQ EVENTS

LBT Women Fit-4-Life at Holland Street Center 167 Holland Street - Fitness class is 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 have any questions or require additional information, please contact our Health & Wellness Coordinator, Chris Kowaleski at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2315. Healthy Steps – 12:30 p.m. (H) Nutrition Class – 3:00 p.m. (H) LBT Fit-4-Life, 6:00 p.m. (H) **Fridays:** Fit-4-Life Group A – 8:45 a.m. (H)

Fit-4-Life Group B - 10:00 a.m. (H)

Adventure Group – Please call for details

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

HOLLAND STREET GROUP INFORMATION

Book Club – Meets the third Friday of each month from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. This group self-facilitates. Group members choose both fiction and non-fiction titles on a quarterly basis. Books are available on reserve at the Central Branch of the Somerville Library. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call 617-625-6600 ext. 2300.

Caregiver Support Group – Meets the third Tuesday of each month from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Our Social Worker, Ashley Speliotis, facilitates this group. Are you caring for a parent, relative, spouse or close friend? Feeling isolated or overwhelmed? You are not alone! Come share your experience and practical support. Open to all and new members are always welcome. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Ashley at 617-625-6600 ext. 2318.

Conversations of the Heart – Meets bi-monthly on Mondays from 1:00 to 2:00 P.M. at our Holland Street Center. Social Worker, Natasha Naim, facilitates this group. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Natasha at 617-625-6600 ext. 2317.

Cribbage Club – Meets every Monday from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. This group is facilitated by volunteer Nortbert DeAmato. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Josie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Current Events Group – Meets every Thursday at 9:30 a.m. Our Social Worker, Natasha Naim, facilitates this group. Join a group of your peers to discuss current events. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Natasha at 617-625-6600 ext. 2317.

De-cluttering support group – If you have concerns around your clutter, this group may be for you. This closed group meets both in the spring and fall for 6-8 weeks. This group is co-facilitated by Natasha Naim and Marina Colonas. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Natasha at 617-625-6600 ext. 2317.

CROSS STREET GROUP INFORMATION

Lunch is served every Monday, Tuesday & Thursday please call Maureen at 617-625-6600, ext. 2335 for sign up.

Coffee & Conversation – Meets every Monday, Tuesday & Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Maureen Bastardi, Program Coordinator and Sandy Francis, Cross Street Center Volunteer, work together to facilitate this group. Come meet people from all over the world and join in the discussion of a different topic every day. Conversation is followed by the Fit-4-Life exercise program and then lunch. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Maureen at 617-625-6600, ext. 2335. Game Hour – Every Tuesday from noon to 1:00 p.m. at our Cross Street Center. Join us for lunch and activities. Immediately following lunch we will have a "Game Hour." Yahtzee, Sorry, Jenga, Cards, Scrabble, Checkers, Clue, Qwirkle, Dominoes, Uno & Connect 4 are available to play. Community Cooks provides us with a family style lunch on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays and Food Services provides us with lunch on the off days. If you are interested in joining, please call Maureen at 617-625-6600, ext. 2335. Gardening Club – Meets the second Monday of each month starting at 9:00 a.m. Vilma Sullivan, facilitates this group. There is a different topic each month ranging from gardening tips & secrets to inexpensive greenhouses. Group runs for approximately an hour. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call 617-625-6600 ext. 2300.

6600, ext. 4321.

The Diabetes Support Group – Penne for Your Thoughts – Wednesday 9 from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. at our Holland Street Center. Please join our Nutritionist, Caitlin and Social Worker, Natasha as they explain common myths and facts about diabetes and discuss strategies to help manage your diabetes. To sign up please call Natasha at 617-625-6600, ext. 2317.

Bowling – 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Sacco's Bowl Haven at Flatbread Pizza located in Davis Square. There is a \$3 weekly fee which covers shoe rental, three strings candlepin bowling and due for a bowling banquet. For more information and to sign up please contact Debby Higgins, Outreach Coordinator at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321.

Wildwood, NJ – Thursday, October 17 to Sunday, October 20 - \$423 per person double and \$521 per person single. Package includes roundtrip motorcoach transportation, 3 nights' accommodations, 3 breakfasts, 3 dinners and 2 concerts. Check in time is 6:30 a.m. on the 17 at our Ralph & Jenny Center with an approximate return time of 6:00 p.m. on the 20. For more information please call Connie at 617-625-

WEEKLY EXERCISE AND NUTRITION CLASS SCHED-ULE (PLEASE CUT OUT AND SAVE)

Monday:

Keep Moving Walking Club - 9:00 a.m. (H) Tai Chi – 11:30 a.m. (H) Fit-4-Life – 11:00 a.m. (C) Fit-4-Life Group C - 1:00 p.m. (H)

Tuesday:

Strengthening - 9:00 a.m. - \$3 per class (H) Fit-4-Life - 11:00 a.m. (C) Bike Club – 12:15 p.m. (H)

Wednesdays:

Fit-4-Life Group A (exercise) – 8:45 a.m. (H) Fit-4-Life Group B (exercise) - 10:00 a.m. (H) Fit-4-Life Group C (exercise) - 1:00 p.m. (H)

Thursdays:

Yoga - 9:00 a.m. (H) Fit-4-Life - 11:00 a.m. (C)



SCHEDULE >>>

Community Media Week from October 20 to 27 is a new fundraising endeavor where SMC television, radio and podcast producers will come together in an effort to raise awareness and encourage support toward media education activities.

You can **donate at somervillemedia.org** where you can also check out events throughout the week. Be sure to watch on SCATV Cable Channel 3 or listen at bostonfreeradio.com.

Mark it on your calendar now and tune in to your favorite shows during **Community Media Week!**

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SMC Booth @SomerStreets: Monster Mashed-Up Sunday, Oct 20 - 2 pm to 6 pm

Share your "I Love Somerville" story and challenge yourself to some Somerville trivia, win some prizes!

LIVE LunchCasts All Week at 12:30 pm @SCATV Channel 3 and on our livestream MONDAY: LIVE from the Central Library TUESDAY THROUGH FRIDAY: LIVE from SMC

Communities of Color & Community Media @SMC LIVE Tuesday, Oct 22 - 8 pm to 9 pm Watch on SCATV, Livestream or in person!

SCATV Throwback Show @Arts at the Armory Cafe Wednesday, Oct 23 - 6:30 pm to 8 pm

A 60-minute public access blast from the past curated by Brian Coleman (*Buy Me, Boston*) will unearth some of SCATV's hidden gems from the past 35 years!

SMC Open House Saturday, Oct 26 - 10 am to 1 pm

Open House during the Union Square Farmers Market. Tours, demos, snacks and a live podcast at 12:30pm!

Closing @The Comedy Studio (1 Bow Market Way #23) Sunday, Oct 27 - 4 pm to 6 pm

The finale event will bring together Boston-area comedians for a Comedy Benefit Show to help raise funds for our youth programs, digital literacy workshops and community journalism **Tickets (\$20 advance): somervillemedia.org/comedybenefit**





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9:00am	SMC Youth Media	5:00am	Free Speech TV
9:30am	Science 360	6:00am	NASA TV
10:00am	Dead Air Live	7:00am	Somerville Storytellers
11:00am	TeleGalaxie	7:30am	
12:00pm	Somerville Storytellers	8:00am	Going Postal
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2:00pm	Reeling Review	9:00am	Science 360
	House of Representatives Formal Session	10:00am	Somerville Neighborhood News
4:00pm	Tele Kreyol	11:00am	Our View
5:00pm	Henry Parker Presents	12:00pm	The Thom Hartman Show
5:30pm	Henry Parker Presents	1:00pm	SOM ARTS
6:00pm	Somerville Pundits	1:30pm	Somerville Storytellers
6:30pm	The Somerville Labor Show	2:00pm	NASA TV
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6:00pm	DW Tomorrow Today	6:30pm	From My Heart to Yours
6:30pm		7:00pm	The Somerville Labor Show
7:00pm	Emergency Preparedness	7:30pm	LIVE - Greater Somerville
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9:00pm	Tele Magazine	9:00pm	The World Fusion Show
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	8:00pm	LIVE - Our View
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	5:00pm	DW Global 3000
	5:30pm	What's New Massachusetts?
	6:00pm	Grandstanders
	7:00pm	Emergency Preparedness
	7:30pm	The Somerville Labor Show
	8:00pm	LIVE - Greater Somerville
	8:30pm	Greater Somerville
	9:00pm	Fur, Fins and Feathers
	10:00pm	Heavy Leather Topless Dance Party
	11:00pm	Heavy Leather Music Video Show
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Sunday, October 20

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10:30am	Healey School Playground Meeting
12:00pm	9/11 Vigil - 2019
12:30pm	Overdose Awareness Vigil
1:00pm	Central Hill Campus Plan Meeting - 9.23.19
2:16pm	ESCS Field Ribbon Cutting
2:30pm	Capuano Field Ribbon Cutting
2:40pm	SPD Ride Along
2:55pm	Flood & Stormwater PSA
3:00pm	SomerViva an Kreyòl Ayisyen - Oct. 2019
3:30pm	Connecting Communities - Fire Safety
4:00pm	SomerViva em Português - 10/19
7:00pm	School Committee Meeting - 10.21.19
11:00pm	Honk! 2019
Tuesday.	October 22
12:00am	Ball Sq. Walking Tour
1:30am	Domestic Violence Vigil 10.2.19
2:00am	Mystic Ave. Safety Meeting - 10.1.19
7:30am	SomerViva an Kreyòl Ayisyen - Oct. 2019
7:48am	Flood & Stormwater PSA
8:00am	Connecting Communities - Fire Safety
8:30am	SomerStreets: Strike Up the Bands
8:45am	SPD Ride Along
9:00am	SomerViva an Kreyòl Ayisyen - Oct. 2019
9:18am	SomerViva an Kreyòl Ayisyen - Miral Atis
9:30am	Return to Italy
11:30am	SomerViva em Português - 10/19
12:00pm	Senior Circuit "Cooking with Caitlin II"
12:30pm	Letters of World War II at Council on Aging
1:43pm	SPD Ride Along
2:00pm	Healey School Playground Meeting
3:30pm	SomerViva en Español - Sept. 2019
6:00pm	Honk! 2019
7:00pm	Senior Circuit "Cooking with Caitlin II"
7:30pm	Domestic Violence Vigil 10.2.19
8:00pm	SomerViva em Português - 10/19
8:30pm	School Committee Meeting - 10.21.19
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12:00am	Senior Circuit "Cooking with Caitlin II"
12:23am	Flood & Stormwater PSA

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Wednesd	ay, October 16	11:10pm Raising Families "Youth Vaping & Smoking"
7:30am	SomerViva em Português - Sept. 2019	Friday, October 18
8:00am	Ball Sq. Walking Tour	12:00am Senior Circuit "Cooking with Caitlin II"
9:30am	SomerViva an Kreyòl Ayisyen - Miral Atis	12:30am Domestic Violence Vigil 10.2.19
11:00am	Haiti in the 'Ville	1:00am City Council Meeting - 10.10.19
11:43am	SPD Ride Along	7:30am The Firstamerican Flag
12:00pm	Celling Your Soul	8:50am ESCS Field Ribbon Cutting
1:52pm	Flood & Stormwater PSA	8:55am Flood & Stormwater PSA
2:00pm	Connecting Communities - Fire Safety	9:00am SomerViva em Português - 10/19
2:30pm	School Committee Meeting - 10.7.19	9:30am Domestic Violence Vigil 10.2.19
6:30pm	What the Fluff? Fest	10:30am Ball Sq. Walking Tour
7:00pm	Domestic Violence Vigil 10.2.19	12:00pm Raising Families "Youth Vaping & Smoking"
7:30pm	Evolution of Hip Hop	12:30pm Connecting Communities - Fire Safety
8:00pm	Overdose Awareness Vigil	1:00pm What the Fluff? Fest
8:30pm	Somerville Fight Night at Dilboy	1:30pm SomerViva an Kreyòl Ayisyen - Oct. 2019
10:00pm	SomerViva an Kreyòl Ayisyen - Oct. 2019	1:49pm SomerViva an Kreyòl Ayisyen - Miral Atis
10:30pm	National Night Out 2019	2:00pm Public Health & Public Safety Hearing
11:09pm	SPD Ride Along	6:00pm SomerVision 2040 - Development 101
11:30pm	SHS Topping Off Ceremony	7:08pm SPD Ride Along
Thursday	, October 17	7:24pm Flood & Stormwater PSA
12:00am	School Committee Meeting - 10.7.19	7:30pm SomerViva an Kreyòl Ayisyen - Oct. 2019
2:00am	Ball Sq. Walking Tour	7:48pm SomerViva an Kreyòl Ayisyen - Miral Atis
7:30am	Domestic Violence Vigil 10.2.19	8:00pm Somerville Fight Night at Dilboy
7:51am	ESCS Field Ribbon Cutting	9:30pm SomerStreets: Strike Up the Bands
7:56am	Flood & Stormwater PSA	9:45pm SPD Ride Along
8:00am	Celling Your Soul	10:00pm Letters of World War II at Council on Aging
11:00am	SomerStreets: Strike Up the Bands	11:13pm Haiti in the 'Ville
11:15am	SPD Ride Along	Saturday, October 19
11:30am	9/11 Vigil - 2019	12:00am School Committee Meeting - 10.7.19
12:00pm	Senior Circuit "Cooking with Caitlin II"	1:42am SPD Ride Along
12:23pm	Flood & Stormwater PSA	2:00am Domestic Violence Vigil 10.2.19
12:30pm	SomerViva an Kreyòl Ayisyen - Oct. 2019	2:30am Central Hill Campus Plan Meeting - 9.23.19
1:00pm	CC Land Use Committee - 10.1.19	7:30am SomerStreets: Monster Mashed Up
2:38pm	SPD Ride Along	7:40am SPD Ride Along
3:00pm	SomerViva em Português - 10/19	7:55am Flood & Stormwater PSA
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Raising Families "Youth Vaping & Smoking" Flood & Stormwater PSA

SomerStreets: Monster Mashed Up

SPD Ride Along Domestic Violence Vigil 10.2.19

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Domestic Violence Vigil 10.2.19

City Council Meeting - 10.10.19 The Firstamerican Flag

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Letters of World War II at Council on Aging

Raising Families "Youth Vaping & Smoking" Domestic Violence Vigil 10.2.19

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SomerViva an Kreyòl Ayisyen - Miral Atis

Healey School Playground Meeting

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Celling Your Soul

Haiti in the 'Ville

What the Fluff? Fest

Return to Italy

Honk! 2019

ESCS Field Ribbon Cutting

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Overdose Awareness Vigil

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SomerViva en Español - 9.19.19 Connecting Communities - Fire Safety

8:00am

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RUSTLING

Shadows of images come to mind of which the scenes are lost, projected on an inward screen to haunt me, and then drift on down the passages of time. Fragments of images come and go, and moods and metaphors rustle through the mind like pages quickly turned. The heart feels once again memories of love, desolation, hate like the dry crunching leaves from a forgotten fall blowing across the deserted paths that have been left behind.

— Richard E. Brenneman

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OFF THE SHELF by Doug Holder

Interview with Donald Norton: Managing Editor of 'The Somerville Times'

Donald Norton passed away last week. He was a great guy, tough when he need to be, but with a heart of gold. Donald brought me on the paper 18 years ago, and it has been a wonderful ride ever since.

Donald Norton has lived in Somerville all of his 68 years. And if there is one thing that most people can agree on about this important figure in our city, it is that he has an unabashed love for Somerville. Norton, once the owner of *The Somerville Times*, is now the Managing Editor. The ownership of the paper is now in the hands of his longtime friend Ross Blouin. I met with Norton at my usual spot at the Bloc 11 Café in Union Square. Norton is a fount of information about the "Paris of New England," and he had a plethora of anecdotes about the old city, and his view of things to come.

Doug Holder: Donald, in back of us is an old church. I think it houses condos now. Union Square has changed. The city has changed. You have experienced this change in your years here.

Donald Norton: I am 68 years old, so I can go back to the late 50s. At that time there were a lot of stores in Union Square. Any type of shopping you wanted to do, you would come to Union Square. The streets and sidewalks were very busy with people. The Square was laid out very differently back then. There was a different traffic pattern. Somerville Community Access TV was a fire station. The city changed very rapidly in the early 60s. One of the reasons was that there was a massive flight from the city of Boston. If people remember, the Boston Redevelopment Authority was tearing down the West End of Boston. A lot of the folks from the West End were moving into Somerville. The predominate ethnic group in Somerville at the time was the White Anglo-Saxon Protestant. A lot of the churches were emptied and people moved out to places like Stoneham, as more Catholics were coming into the city. The vibrancy in Union Square lasted till the early 60s, until the malls came into play.

DH: I heard there were slaughterhouses in Somerville?

DN: I remember Squires, which was located where Target is today. Squires was a slaughterhouse. Back in the day there were a number of slaughterhouses in that part of the city, on the outskirts of Union Square. My parents told me that the cows from the farms outside the city were marched down College Ave., through Davis Square, down Elm Street, and down Somerville Ave. to Squires. There was a fire at Squires that lasted a week. As kids we would go down every day to watch it burn. It was a really good smell – well, like a barbecue



in real estate since 1977, and I have seen many booms and busts. The generation of people in their 20s hasn't really experienced this as adults. People should keep this in mind.

DH: Can you talk about the term "Slummerville" that has been thrown around a lot over the years.

DN: This originated from people on the outside, because of the perception of Somerville as a hotbed of criminal activity. I never thought of Somerville this way. I was never insulted by the name "Slummerville." People who used this word obviously didn't know anything about the city. Over the years, I have worked in organizations that have contributed to the welfare of the city. And how things have changed! For instance, I run into people who have not been back to Somerville since the 60s and were once embarrassed to be from it, and now they wish that they never moved. They read all the press about the city, so now they wear Somerville proudly on their puffed out chests.

DH: Can you talk about the history of *The Somerville Times*?

DN: It was started in the 60s by an attorney who was running for mayor. It started out named The Somerville Times, later it became The Somerville News and now it is known as The Somerville Times again. The Times was started as a counterpoint to The Somerville Journal. The Journal was locally owned, unlike now. The Journal had a huge staff. It is now relegated to a shoebox space just off Highland Ave. When Bob Publicover took The Times over, he changed the name to The Somerville News. It was monthly paper. It was a hands on operation. Bob had a popular column titled Bluntly Speaking, where he announced he had AIDS. That was a big deal back then. In 2002, when his health declined, he sold me the newspaper. At that time my real estate company was very successful. I put a lot of money into the paper, and we never made much from publishing it. For a while we had a partner, but he left. Two years ago I sold it to Ross Blouin, an old friend of mine. I am now in the role of Managing Editor. The Somerville Times is going to be around a long time. We are the number one paper in Somerville. We get between 14,000 and 17,000 readers (online and print) a week. We deliver to 160 locations throughout city and we are putting out more boxes. We plan to put four or five boxes in Assembly Square Mall. Recently, Tufts University Marketing students studied us and gave us many recommendations to improve the paper, some of which we will implement. I am glad that we have a diversity of writers with different viewpoints. DH: On a final note, what about the story we broke about Obama's unpaid parking tickets he got in Somerville when he lived here while attending Harvard Law School? Give me the inside dope. DN: Well, we had some inside information about that from a source that I can't reveal. Hillary Clinton's people called us about the story during her campaign. The story got so many hits it almost crashed the website.

1. Quadrilateral	7. Keith Richard
2. Cottonmouth	8. Jack O'Lantern
3. Uruguay national foot- ball team	9. Plainclothes Tracy
4. Earth	10. Ireland
5. Buffalo Bills	11. Easy
6. Gators at the Universi- ty of Florida	12. A nightclub

of sorts. After Squires, a lot of big stores like Bradlees, and Stop and Shop moved in.

DH: With all this change, what do you see as the future of the city?

DN: I don't know. I think it is challenging. Of course, it depends on the economy. I see young couples that come into my office that are pre-approved for an \$800,000 home and make \$200,000 a year. But it is hard for people to sell in Somerville. The whole area is hot, and getting another home is just as expensive. People have to go farther and farther out. Anyway, as I said, the city changed in the early 60s, and by the 70s there was an influx of Portuguese. My mother once told me that at one time Somerville was a huge Republican city. Of course, that has changed also.

Somerville is not on the right track as far as a pricewise city. As far as keeping the city diverse ... well, a lot of people are going to move out because they can't afford to live here. But what younger folks don't realize is what goes up, must come down. So the million-dollar home and the high paying job you have today can be gone. Your home can be greatly devalued. I have been

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Recent Single Family Homes Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month:

MLS#	Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
72472345	80 Moreland St	6 room, 2 bed, 1f 1h bath	57	\$599,000	\$607,500
72496440	12 Montgomery Ave	7 room, 4 bed, 1f bath	7	\$649,000	\$710,000
72468324	1 Vinal St	7 room, 3 bed, 2f bath	17	\$650,000	\$690,000
72487505	9 Porter St	8 room, 3 bed, 2f bath	7	\$749,900	\$780,000
72492988	141 Central Street	6 room, 3 bed, 2f bath	23	\$769,000	\$775,000
72502479	33 Marion St.	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 1hbath	20	\$789,900	\$800,000
72491715 35	Harvard Street	9 room, 4 bed, 1f 1hbath	18	\$895,000	\$1,025,000
72496264	45 Tennyson Street	10 room, 4 bed, 3f 2h bath	9	\$1,495,000	\$1,580,000

Recent Condominiums Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month:

MLS#	Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
72487335	16 Fellsway	WU:3 4 room, 2 bed, 2f bath	16	\$665,000	\$685,000
72492185	102 Conwell Ave	U:3 6 room, 2 bed, 2f bath	47	\$669,000	\$655,000
72475493	108 Belmont	U:2 8 room, 5 bed, 2f bath	24	\$669,000	\$690,000
72415191	390 Washington Street	U:3 5 room, 2 bed, 1f bath	217	\$669,900	\$669,000
72500341	58 Conwell Ave	U:3 5 room, 2 bed, 2f bath	10	\$674,900	\$695,000
72500364	4 Putnam St	U:2 5 room, 2 bed, 1f bath	7	\$679,000	\$715,000
72484871	21 Park Street	U:4 4 room, 1 bed, 1f 1h bath	37	\$689,000	\$690,000
72491732	52 Dimick Street	U:1 6 room, 3 bed, 1f bath	14	\$710,000	\$740,000
72490433	3 Banks Street	U:1 4 room, 2 bed, 1f bath	3	\$729,000	\$808,000
72500690	33 Mason St	U:1 6 room, 3 bed, 1fbath	14	\$729,900	\$800,000
72479043	49 Putnam Street	U:1 5 room, 2 bed, 2f bath	10	\$749,000	\$800,000
72500118	22 Beacon Place	U:B 5 room, 2 bed, 2f 1h bath	17	\$765,000	\$786,250
72462754	43 Electric Avenue	U:2 7 room, 3 bed, 2f bath	26	\$769,900	\$774,900
72487091	56 Fremont Street	U:56 11 room, 4 bed, 2f 1hbath	8	\$795,000	\$885,000
72487322	24 Marshall Street	U:24 6 room, 3 bed, 2f 1h bath	33	\$799,000	\$785,000
72498451	7 Westminster St	U:1 6 room, 2 bed, 1f 1h bath	8	\$799,000	\$820,000
72442412	69 Rush	U:2 5 room, 2 bed, 2f 1hbath	104	\$839,000	\$820,000
72493041	21 Park St	U:2 6 room, 2 bed, 2f bath	5	\$839,900	\$850,000
72458342	40 Harvard St	U:1 6 room, 2 bed, 2f 1h bath	82	\$899,900	\$865,000
72513213	9 Medford Street	U:501 4 room, 2 bed, 2f bath	15	\$915,000	\$915,000
72491955	30 Bromfield Road	U: 2 6 room, 3 bed, 1f 1hbath	20	\$939,000	\$940,000
72483678	12 Spencer Avenue	U:2 6 room, 3 bed, 2f bath	14	\$949,000	\$980,000
72455659	42 Bow St	U:3 5 room, 3 bed, 2f 1hbath	96	\$949,900	\$940,000
72475446	163 Central St	U:2 7 room, 4 bed, 2f bath	46	\$1,049,000	\$990,000
72484101	9 Monmouth Street	U:2 6 room, 3 bed, 2f 1h bath	6	\$1,085,000	\$1,100,000
72480180	7 Webster St	U:2 10 room, 3 bed, 3f 1h bath	37	\$1,095,000	\$1,095,000
72487570	27 Murdock Street	U:3 7 room, 4 bed, 2f bath	34	\$1,150,000	\$1,070,000
72486729	261 Willow Avenue	U:2 7 room, 4 bed, 2f 1h bath	17	\$1,178,000	\$1,200,021
72447165	65-67 Victoria Street	U:67 9 room, 3 bed, 3f bath	132	\$1,195,000	\$1,125,000
72495805	70 Howard	U:PH 3 room, 1 bed, 1fbath	18	\$1,599,000	\$1,599,000

Recent Multi-Family Homes Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month:

MLS#	Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
72489507	14Trull St	2 unit, 10 total rooms, 5 total bedrooms	19	\$849,973	\$827,775
72486931	31 Alpine St	2 unit, 9 total rooms, 4 total bedrooms	21	\$939,000	\$939,000
72495963	21 Bradley St	2 unit, 14 total rooms, 6 total bedrooms	69	AUCTION	\$970,000
72499734	67 Thurston St	3 unit, 13 total rooms, 5 total bedrooms	9	\$975,000	\$1,042,000
72452780	17 Princeton Street	2 unit, 11 total rooms, 5 total bedrooms	140	\$995,000	\$1,000,000
72472766	38	10 Hills 2 unit, 13 total rooms, 5 total bedrooms	82	\$999,000	\$975,000
72480267	12 Conwell Ave	2 unit, 9 total rooms, 5 total bedrooms	35	\$1,099,900	\$1,055,000
72484756	8 West Street	2 unit, 10 total rooms, 4 total bedrooms	7	\$1,150,000	\$1,280,000
72475400	62 Hudson St	2 unit, 11 total rooms, 5 total bedrooms	2	\$1,239,000	\$1,200,000
72394426	315 Washington St	2 unit, 14 total rooms, 9 total bedrooms	60	\$1,250,000	\$1,200,000
72479573	3 Preston Road	2 unit, 17 total rooms, 8 total bedrooms	23	\$1,350,000	\$1,320,000
72382267	13 Quincy St.	2 unit, 11 total rooms, 6 total bedrooms	6	\$1,399,000	\$1,300,000
72470834	26-28 Adrian Street	unit, 18 total rooms, 9 total bedrooms	44	\$1,599,999	\$1,560,000
72471115	124 Perkins St	3 unit, 18 total rooms, 8 total bedrooms	15	\$1,699,000	\$1,465,950
72459227	42 Greenville St	6 unit, 28 total rooms, 10 total bedrooms	47	\$2,599,000	\$2,050,000