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Addiction forum: seeking solutions



Co-founder of Police Assisted Addiction and Recovery Initiative (PAARI) John Rosenthal was the keynote speaker at the forum sponsored by Cambridge Health Alliance and the Massachusetts Organization for Addiction Recovery on Saturday.

By Amy Swain

This past Saturday, Cambridge Health Alliance and the Massachusetts Organization for Addiction Recovery sponsored a forum focused on education and awareness on addiction, recovery, and access to services.

The event took place at Tufts' Barnum Hall in Medford. The complete event, which lasted from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., was free and open to the public, and drew a large audience.

The forum did not disappoint, hosting professionals, individuals in recovery, local organizations, and other interested parties. Attendees were able to choose and register for workshops and speakers that best suited their interests.

The event was expectedly packed with emotion. Deep testimonials were revealed, bringing the grief many in the state have experienced. However, many spoke of recovery, and of steps communities can take to make recovery a more common outcome.

HONK! Festival rolls into Somerville

By Rebecca Danvers

HONK! Festival, the annual 3-day free festival bringing brass bands from all over the United States and the world to Somerville for a celebration of music, community and activism takes place this weekend.

Organized entirely by volunteers and now in its 10th year, the festival kicks off on Friday night with a lantern parade in Davis Square neighborhoods and a band showcase. On Saturday more than 25 bands take over Davis Square for a giant music and dance party. On Sunday, local community groups, artists, and activists working for a variety of progressive causes economic justice, protecting the environment, world peace, an end to racism - join the brass bands to make a spectacular parade from Davis Square to Harvard Square along Mass Avenue.

These bands don't just play for the people; they play among the people and invite them to join the fun.

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On Saturday, October 8, it's the Somerville High 50th Class Reunion, for graduates in 1966. This reunion will be held at the Four Points by Sheraton Wakefield Boston Hotel, One Audubon Road Wakefield 01880. A Dinner/Dance takes place from 6:00 p.m. to midnight. Make check out to SHS Class of 1966 and send to 44 Morrison Road, Wakefield, MA 01880. We know some have heard this before, but this class graduated in the sixth month, sixth day, at six o'clock 1966, 6/6/6/66 at Dilboy Field on a hot evening. Some say it was hell out there on the field, get it? Believe it or not a lot of the class of '66 still lives in Somerville and surrounding communities.

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

There are questions on the ballot here in the city on November 8. One particular question the administration wants you to vote on is overriding proposition 2.5, which would make it possible for the city to raise your taxes to pay for certain items. Did you know they need about \$50M for the Green Line? Then don't forget about the new proposed High School. And what else?

****** The one and only original "Best of Somerville" ballot is out this week and the winners will be announced the first Wednesday in November, so hurry up and nominate in your favorite category. We also want best idea this year and worst idea this year for 2016 here in Somerville. You can

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TheSomervilleTimes.com Comments of the Week

Response to: 'Saying Good bye to the Mayor of Union Square'

Oliver Seppo says:

"as small businesses succumb to rising rents and gentrification" Righto, as if nothing would be done... Thank you Curtatone!

steve andrews says:

it is heartbreaking i always bought cigs candy cig tubes etc i loved hunter and the kitty rent is high enough and this bum had to jack it up again. its all aboutt the money greed real life monopoly game. bankrupt! he had to do it to this poor woman. neveer mind he had to want 7 grand for a fire alarm system. i hope he sees hunter barking at him in his dreams!

A Moore says:

This is bigger than it looks. I have many friends and acquaintances in the small business world here and in the last 10 years many have had to throw in the towel. Some of these were just making enough to get by with no great income. Some were born here and started their businesses here. Many made it just by luck. We have quite a number that most people are unaware of because they had places that that were not public known businesses. And some that are still here are being heavily regulated just so their property can be acquired. I doubt a lot of people are aware of this and it is a shame to see people who poured their heart into something have to give it up. This one made the news, many more don't.

Bill Shelton says:

The Gospel of Mark says, "What shall it profit a man if he should gain the whole world and lose his own soul." Somerville is adding trendy restaurants and luxury condos at a blistering place. But we are losing the people who built the city. We are losing our soul.

Ed says:

"as small businesses succumb to rising rents and gentrification"

Gentrification may be changing the demographics of Union Square, but please don't paint this as the end of small business. These locations moving out catered to a different type of people; new small businesses have been moving in (Union Juice, Veggie Crust, Momo n' Curry, Workbar, Union Donut.. to name a few). They appeal to the hip and professional crowds.

I personally welcome the change. Maybe there will be something useful in that spot now... a small restaurant or a bar is far better in my opinion than a lottery and cigar quickie mart.

Nancy C says:

I have lived here all of my 56 years, worked and spent a lot of money in this city, and have seen almost all of my life-long friends move out because they can no longer make ends meet. We have been completely marginalized by the current catering to the "hip and professional crowds" Ed prefers to socialize with. So those of us who are older and non-"professional," who worked at non-profit jobs to assist the many needy in Somerville, and supported local businesses by purchasing a non-"hip" snack or an old-school newspaper, should just step aside lest we contaminate those more "useful," "hip and professional" businesses merely by existing nearby.

Genie Geronimo says:

While it's certainly true that the character of the city is changing from that of the 70's & 80's (as it has been since the early 1990's), it should be pointed out that the people who "built" it are long dead, as will we someday. There's no such thing as a "greatest Somerville generation".

Having said that, it seems to me like the actions of speculators are magnifying the pace of the change, leading to needlessly abrupt changes in people's lives.

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Addiction forum: seeking solutions CONT. FROM PG 1

Halloween 'Haunted Hall' 2016

It was noted that abandoning the stigma of addiction is of great importance at this time. Keynote speaker John Rosenthal, co-founder of Police Assisted Addiction and Recovery Initiative, or PAARI, spoke on this as well as on the importance of treating addiction as the disease that it is, and treating those affected as people who need help, not ridicule.

Cambridge Health Alliance is a complex network of academic and medical care, and includes experts on mental health as well as physical.

Much of the forum focused on mental health issues and their role in the addiction epidemic. Keith Anderson, of the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health, among other professionals in the field, sat in on a panels to discuss that important factor.

MOAR and CHA will continue working to spread not only information, but support for those seeking recovery. Both can be found on Facebook, where each page regularly posts about similar upcoming events as well as related information.

Board of Alderman updated on water rate increases

By Jim Clark

At the latest regular meeting of the Somerville Board of Alderman on Thursday, September 22, Acting Superintendent of the Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund Mark Lawhorne presented answers to questions posed by the Board relating to unexpected increases in water rates.

Starting on July 1 of this year, a \$60 fee was placed on water bills each quarter. A public outcry followed, with none being louder than that which issued from the Somerville Aldermanic Chamber.

Lawhorne addressed the Board's concerns accordingly saying, "We have implemented these charges and rates in response to the collapse of our current sewer and water distribution system, to marginalize our antiquated method of assigning and collecting revenues, and to ensure our utility is aligned to industry standards and best practices."

The Acting Superintendent assured the Board that the department has - in spite of severe criticism - been doing an exemplary job in striving to maintain quality service to the city and its residents.

"Our distribution system is old and failing," Lawhorne explained. "As I said before, 75 percent of our mains are 100 years old or older. In 2016 we responded to far too many emergency breaks and leaks."

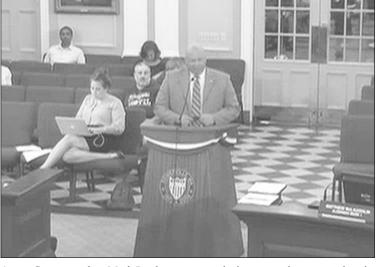
According to Lawhorne, over the past three years the department has spent approximately \$6.7 million on these emergencies. Additionally, more than \$45 million has been spent on capital improvement projects over the last 6 or 7 years.

The reason that base charges are now being implemented, according to Lawhorne, is because the department "needs to change the way it does business as a utility" and raise the appropriate revenues necessary to ensure safe and efficient operation of sewer and water systems.

Lawhorne also emphasized the importance of seeing to the department's needs in the future and the proper maintenance of the system's infrastructure.

After Lawhorne's presentation, the aldermen were invited to ask questions or offer their comments concerning the matter.

Ward 5 Alderman Mark Niedergang cut to the core issue in the minds of many who were present when he asked a certain general question: "I've



Acting Superintendent Mark Lawhorne was on the hot seat as he presented to the Board details on the base charges recently implemented by the department.

read through the materials and they're very impressive and they lay out a strong case, and I understand much better the situa-

the charges were applied?" Niedergang acknowledged that a lot of good work was done, but it was unclear why the process went forward as it did. "The

tion. I guess I'm just wondering,

why wasn't all this done before

Board President William A. White agreed and stated that the issue should have been taken up during the budget discussions earlier in the year.

presentation was backwards," ac-

cording to Niedergang.

Lawhorne responded by admitting that they put the cart before the horse. "I can't say enough how sorry I am about the process they went through," he said. "We were dealing with certain budget numbers and trying to get this right the first time. To make sure that we had the right numbers and that the rate was at the right number to meet those obligations."

A number of presentational info-graphics were shared by the Acting Superintendent breaking down the details of what the department felt was needed and why it felt that the base charges were necessary.

Consultants engaged by the department, Ed Bean and Toby Federer of Woodard & Curran, assisted in the presentation of information and took questions from the aldermen regarding the present and projected future state of the department's funds.

After much discussion and questioning, the matter was referred to the Finance Committee for further study and review.

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EWEEKIN CIR By Jim Clark

Heroin distribution operation busted up

The Somerville Police Department Drug Control Unit recently conducted a surveillance and investigative operation on a Bow St. residence suspected of being the location of a heroin distribution ring.

The primary suspect of the investigation was identified as Deborah Winter. On Saturday morning of last week, surveillance was established around Winter's Bow St. residence and a warrant was acquired allowing for search of both Winter and her residence.

Winter's boyfriend, who police

said also resides at the same location, was reportedly observed driving to various locations, meeting with other individuals, and making hand-to-hand contacts in what appeared to police to be consistent with illicit drug transactions.

On the morning of Saturday, October 1, police observed Winter leaving the residence and driving toward Somerville Ave. Investigating officers followed and stopped her for questioning.

According to reports, when asked if she had anything in her possession that they should know about, Winter told the officers, "Yes, I've got some heroin in my jacket and in my bag in a prescription bottle."

Police informed Winter of the warrant and they returned to her residence for execution of the search.

Police read Winter her Miranda rights and informed her that she and her home had been under surveillance by the Drug Control Unit. According to reports, Winter appeared to be surprised by this and she told the officers, "I was just about to quit. I already told some my cus-

tomers to look for another supplier 'cause I was getting out."

When asked what it was she was quitting, she reportedly said, "You know, selling dope."

During the police questioning, Winter reportedly admitted to selling Heroin for a few years to a small number of loyal customers. Police also reported that during this period a number of individuals came to the house, and when questioned admitted that they were there to purchase heroin from Winter.

A search of the residence turned up various quantities of heroin, some of which was packaged in way consistent with preparation for sales, police said.

Some Xenax and Gabapentin pills were also found, and a digital scale was also located in the residence, along with a ledger book and \$893 in cash.

Winter was placed under arrest and charged with possession of a class E drug, drug violation near a school, and possession to distribute a class A drug.

A criminal complaint was also filed against the boyfriend for his involvement in the alleged distribution of heroin.

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Arrests:

John Bennet, September 26, 3:25 p.m., arrested at Banks St. on a warrant charge of abuse prevention order violation.

Aneudy Castro, of 2 Neptune Rd. East Boston, September 27, 1:17 p.m., arrested

at Memorial Rd. on charges of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license and failure to stop or yield.

Thomas Bavis, of 240 Albany St., Cambridge, September 28, 11:25 a.m., arrested at Chester St. on a charge of assault and battery.

Deborah Winter, of 43 Bow St., October 1, 10:03 a.m., arrested at home on charges of possession of a class E drug, drug violation near a school, and possession to distribute a class A drug.

Brianna Foss, of 19 Warren Ave., Malden, October 1, 11:02 a.m., arrested at Electric Ave. on a warrant charge of being present where heroin

Anthony Larose, of 45 Conwell Ave., October 2, 12:26 a.m., arrested at Professors Row on a charge of trespassing. Stephanie Cole, of 79 Webster St., Arlington, October 2, 4:40 p.m., arrested at Sunnyside Ave. on warrant charges of larceny over \$250 and possession of a class B drug.

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Shooting incident in Somerville

By Jim Clark

On Monday, October 3, at approximately 8:40 p.m., Somerville police units were dispatched to a Pinckney St. location on reports of a shooting incident.

According to reports, the victim received seven gunshot wounds, and was taken to Mass General Hospital for treatment.

Officers briefly questioned the victim's girlfriend at the hospital. She reportedly stated that she was in her car on Pinckney St., preparing to drive her and the victim to dinner, when a man, who she could only describe as being "in dark clothes,"

approached the car and starting shooting a gun at the victim as he tried to enter the passenger door. When the man stopped shooting, she exited her car and found her boyfriend lying on the ground suffering from multiple gunshot wounds.

A juvenile suspect was located on Broadway a short time later and was taken into custody, tentatively charged with armed assault with intent to murder, pending the outcome of the victim's treatment.

Police indicated that the charges could be upgraded to murder should the victim succumb to the gunshot wounds.



A shooting took place on Pinckney St. Monday evening.

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Mayor talks schools at first fall ResiStat meeting

By Joe Ruvido

The fall series of bi-annual ResiStat meetings kicked off last Wednesday at the Neighborhood School on Powderhouse Boulevard in Ward 7. Over complimentary pizza and snacks residents listened in to a slide-show presentation from and asked questions directly to Ward 7 Alderman Katjana Ballantyne and Somerville Mayor Joe Curtatone.

The meetings allow residents to ask questions directly to the mayor, alderman and other elected representatives and public officials who attend each meeting. Several Somerville Police officers were present to answer questions regarding crime and traffic. Mark Lawhorne of the Water and Sewer Department attended to answer any questions regarding the recent increase to Water and Sewer rates in the city. Alderman Ballantyne praised the meeting as good for democracy. "They're important for open and transparent government."

Much of the Mayor's presentation concerned the renovations and ballot question proposed for Somerville High School. A yes vote on question 5 will override Massachusetts Proposition 2 ½, allowing Somerville to raise property taxes to fund the renovations. The plan includes a new high school building, renovations to the existing buildings, and upgrades to the field and parking facilities. Increased property taxes would help the city raise the \$130 million it needs to contribute for the project.

According to the proposal to the Board of Alderman in July, Somerville High School is the oldest unrenovated school in

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Lowering of speed limits in residential areas of the city was one of the topics discussed by the mayor and other participants at last week's Ward 7 ResiStat meeting. – Photo by Bobbie Toner

New England and risks losing accreditation if not improved. Furthermore, the school's population will increase an estimated 27% in the next decade. Wings of the school that were built in the late 19th and early 20th centuries are in need of repair, and the current cost to bring them up to Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) code would be over \$100m.

The city is considering some mitigating options for servicing the debt including the sale of unused or redundant town buildings and diverting permit revenue to the project. Though interest rates are historically low, the project still faces a possible \$7-8.5million in debt payments per year over the lifetime of the bond. Homeowners could expect a triple-digit gain in property taxes if the plan

were to move forward.

Public safety was also a topic at the meeting. Mayor Curtatone talked about the importance of lowering the speed limit to 25mph, citing statistics on the life saving and injury preventing effects of a 5mph reduction in the default speed limit. The mayor also talked about "traffic calming" measures that could be taken in the city such as reducing one-way streets. Curtatone talked about a future of transportation in Somerville in which a majority of residents will commute by public transit, bicycle or foot. Nonetheless, "automobiles will have a role, one way or another," said the mayor.

Crime is down in Ward 7, in line with the nationwide trend. Residents should still be aware of package thefts and automobile break-ins. Continued on page 21



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Rep. Christine Barber

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



Rep. Denise Provost

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



Rep. Timothy Toomey

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



Sen. Patricia Jehlen

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

THE SENATE: There were no roll call votes in the House or Senate last week. This week, *Beacon Hill Roll Call* reports local representatives' roll call attendance records for the 2016 session through September 30.

The House has held 380 roll call votes in 2016. We tabulate the number of roll calls on which each representative was present and voting and then calculate that number as a percentage of the total roll call votes held. That percentage is the number referred to as the roll call attendance record.

Several quorum roll calls, used to gather a majority of members onto the House floor to conduct business, are also included in the 380 roll calls. On quorum roll calls, members simply vote "present" in order to indicate their presence in the chamber. When a representative does not indicate his or her presence on a quorum roll call, we count that as a roll call absence just like any other roll call absence.

Only 44 (27.5 percent) of the House's 160 members have 100 percent roll call attendance records.

The representative who missed the most roll calls is Rep. Gloria Fox (D-Boston) who missed 209 (45.0 percent attendance) because she was hospitalized for an illness.

Also included in the top five worst records are Reps. John Fernandez (D-Milford) who missed 120 (68.4 percent attendance); Stephen Kulik (D-Worthington) who missed 109 (71.3 percent attendance record); Patricia Farley-Bouvier (D-Pittsfield) who missed 107 (71.8 percent attendance); and William "Smitty" Pignatelli (D-Lenox) and Steven Ultrino (D-Malden) who both missed 106 (72.1 percent attendance).

Beacon Hill Roll Call requested a statement from those five representatives. Here are their responses:

Rep. Fox: "I was ill a few times during 2016. That was the reason for missed roll calls. I was hospitalized and I had medical appointments that conflicted with my schedule."

Rep. Fernandez: "Almost all of those roll calls occurred on the two Saturdays when overrides were being taken up and I could not attend parts of the sessions because of family wedding commitments scheduled long before the dates of the sessions were set."

Rep. Kulik: "I did not attend the special Saturday House session held on July 23, 2016, due to a previously scheduled family commitment. At that session 104 roll call votes were taken, 102 of which were overrides of budget vetoes by the governor, and two were routine enactments. Therefore, this one session that I was unable to attend accounted for 104 of the 109 roll call votes (out of 380) that I missed in the 2015-2016 session."

Rep. Farley-Bouvier: "I hate to miss votes and take my voting record very seriously. In this case you will note that I missed one day of voting, a rare Saturday session, July 26, when I was out of state for a family wedding. Family is one of the few things I take even more seriously than my voting record."

Rep. Pignatelli: "Every one of those missed calls happened on the Saturday that I moved my daughter to California to start her new job. I, no pun intended, rolled the dice that we would not have a formal session that weekend coming on the heels of the Democratic and Republican National Conventions. I was wrong but have no regrets in missing votes to be with her."

Rep. Ultrino: "I was out of state for a personal family matter. Unfortunately, the day I missed happened to

have a large number of roll call votes. Excluding this one absence, I've had a near-perfect voting record for the session, missing only one vote of the remaining 276 roll calls since January 2016."

REPRESENTATIVES' 2016 ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE RECORDS

The percentage listed next to the representative's name below is the percentage of roll call votes for which he or she was present and voting. The number in parentheses represents the number of roll calls that he or she missed.

Rep. Christine Barber 98.7 percent (5) Rep. Denise Provost 96.1 percent (15) Rep. Timothy Toomey 99.7 percent (1)

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RENAME BROOKLINE AVENUE BRIDGE IN HONOR OF DAVID ORTIZ - The House and Senate have approved and sent to Gov. Charlie Baker a bill that includes renaming the Brookline Avenue Bridge, between Lansdowne Street and Newbury Street, and spanning the Massachusetts Turnpike, the "David Ortiz 'Big Papi' Bridge."

The renaming is in honor and recognition of "his athletic accomplishments during 14 seasons as a member of the Boston Red Sox, and his personal contributions to the commonwealth. Notably, his charitable commitment to children in New England and the Dominican Republic who do not have access to the critical pediatric services they need, and in helping the city of Boston heal in the face of the Boston Marathon bombing tragedy."

MORE BILLS SENT TO STUDY COMMITTEES

- The Legislature sent several bills off to be "studied." Most measures that are shipped off to a study committee are never actually studied and are essentially defeated.

SEVERAL TAX-RELATED REVENUE COM-MITTEE BILLS SENT TO STUDY - The Revenue Committee sent several bills to a study committee including providing a tax credit of up to \$20,000 for taxpayers who purchase a new vehicle, that is primarily fueled by an alternative fuel including electricity, liquid petroleum gas, natural gas, or hydrogen fuel (H 2435); exempting seniors 75 or older from the portion of their local property taxes that is devoted to local education (H 2437); allowing an income tax credit of up to \$600 for a taxpayer who is caring for elderly relatives over 70 or victims of Alzheimer's disease at home (H 2441); and allowing self-employed taxpayers to deduct their health insurance premiums on their state taxes (H 2444).

REGULATE KENNELS AND DOGGY DAY CARE (H 630) - The Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture Committee sent to a study committee a bill that would require the state to establish rules and regulations for boarding kennels and daycare facilities for dogs, including home-based facilities. The measure would create minimum state standards for these two industries.

Under the bill, the Department of Agricultural Resources would establish regulations establishing qualifications of personnel, the ratio of providers to dog, group sizes, minimum housing and care requirements, indoor and outdoor physical facility requirements, dog handling, body language, interpretation, breed familiarity, emergency response training and insurance.

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Supporters say this bill is designed to stop incidents of animals dying or being injured while in the care of kennels and day care.

SENIORS AT HOME WITH TECHNOLOGY (H

126) - The Committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities sent to a study committee a bill that would require the use of technology to allow seniors and people with physical, developmental or emotional disabilities to live at home with the help of technology designed to maximize their independence. The Executive Office of Health and Human Services would draw up regulations to implement this measure.

Technology that helps seniors live at home includes computers, home security systems, personal emergency response systems like Lifeline, health tracking gadgets, home monitoring systems and smart medication pill-boxes that offer audible or visual cues for seniors to remind them to take their pills at the proper time.

QUOTABLE QUOTES

"David has not only been an extraordinary baseball player, he has been an exemplary and inspirational member of our community, most notably after the Boston Marathon bombings. As a fan, I will miss his stride up to the plate followed by a clutch hit and the ballpark exploding into applause." — House Speaker Robert A. DeLeo (D-Winthrop) on the Legislature's approval of a measure renaming the Brookline Avenue Bridge, the "David Ortiz ('Big Papi') Bridge."

"Parents have been particularly alarmed to learn about this law, signed in early July, which would allow men to use the women's bathroom, locker room, shower or changing facility if they identify as female. There have already been incidents reported here in Massachusetts where women's privacy and safety in public accommodations were violated." — From a press release by Keep MA safe, the group that says it has collected sufficient signatures to put on the 2018 ballot a proposal to repeal the transgender public accommodations law recently signed into law.

"Proposing to repeal anti-discrimination protections for transgender individuals is a big step backward in a state that prides itself on civility and respect for all. We are a caring, compassionate, and open-minded people. When it appears before the voters in 2018 we should stick with our values, stand by our neighbors, and resoundingly defeat this ill-considered proposal to advance bigotry and hatred." — Senate President Stan Rosenberg.

"From combined heat and power to electric vehicles and energy storage, our administration is committed to embracing innovative technologies and policies that will continue to allow us to build a resilient, clean and affordable energy future." — Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito on the news that the Bay State has been named the most energy efficient state in the nation by the American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy for the sixth consecutive year.

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 leg-

islators 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 September 26-30, the House met for a total of five hours and 37 minutes while the Senate met for a total of five hours and 42 minutes.

Mon. Sept. 26	House 11:04 a.m. to 11:13 a.m. Senate 11:01 a.m. to 11:12 a.m.
Tues. Sept. 27	No House session No Senate session
Wed. Sept. 28	No House session No Senate session
Thurs. Sept. 29	House 11:05 a.m. to 4:33 p.m. Senate 11:05 a.m. to 4:36 p.m.
Fri. Sept. 30	No House session No Senate session

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Recent Single Family Homes Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month: **DOM Address Description List Price** Sale Price \$739,900 9 Sunnyside Avenue 8 room, 4 bed, 2f 1h bath Colonial 7 \$765,000 21 Cedar Ave 6 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath Colonial 12 \$799,900 \$820,000 23 Elston St 9 room, 4 bed, 2f 0h bath Colonial \$855,000 42 \$850,000 42 29 Highland Rd 8 room, 4 bed, 4f 1h bath Other \$1,749,900 \$1,625,000

	Recent Condominiums Sold in Somerville Ove	er the Past Montl	h:	
Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
60 Tufts St U:1	6 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath Loft	23	\$650,000	\$645,000
6 Conwell St U:2	7 room, 4 bed, 1f 0h bath 2/3 Family	66	\$659,000	\$659,000
8 Electric Avenue U:1	7 room, 3 bed, 1f 1h bath 2/3 Family	14	\$679,000	\$745,000
31 Hancock Porter Square U:2	5 room, 2 bed, 1f 0h bath 2/3 Family	19	\$699,000	\$650,000
24 Hall Street U:2	6 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	4	\$749,900	\$795,000
22 Hall Street U:2	6 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	6	\$774,900	\$800,000
1328 Broadway U:1	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 1h bath Townhouse	17	\$789,000	\$765,000
131 Lowell Street U:2	6 room, 3 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	71	\$789,000	\$860,000
68 Powder House Boulevard U:68	6 room, 3 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	22	\$798,000	\$775,000
50 Bow St. U:4	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath Mid-Rise	61	\$799,500	\$750,000
11 Village Street U:E	4 room, 2 bed, 1f 1h bath Townhouse	55	\$879,000	\$880,000
50 Hamilton Road U:50	8 room, 3 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	35	\$888,000	\$835,000
32 Lexington Avenue U:1	9 room, 3 bed, 3f 0h bath 2/3 Family	57	\$989,000	\$989,000
7 Fairview Terrace U:7	8 room, 3 bed, 3f 1h bath Detached	58	\$1,099,000	\$1,050,000

	Recent Multi-Family Homes Sold in Somerville Over	the Past Mo	nth:	
Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
57 Webster Ave	3 unit, 17 total room, 9 total bedroom 3 Family	9	\$1,100,000	\$1,300,000
9 Willoughby Street	3 unit, 14 total room, 6 total bedroom 3 Family	27	\$1,200,000	\$1,100,000
50 Powder House Blvd	2 unit, 13 total room, 8 total bedroom 2 Family	125	\$1,239,000	\$1,115,001
24 Rush St	9 unit, 32 total room, 14 total bedroom 5-9 Family	28	\$1,400,000	\$1,300,000
27-29 Cutter Ave	2 unit, 12 total room, 6 total bedroom 2 Family	54	\$1,480,000	\$1,380,000
44-46 Medford	6 unit, 30 total room, 10 total bedroom 5+ Family	116	\$1,999,999	\$1,650,000

'Phantom Gourmet' samples Victor's Deli

By Donald Norton

Last week, Phantom Gourmet was in Ball Square to check out the famous Victor's Deli and, of course, their famous dishes they put out every week.

Pictured below left are the founders, Victor and Rosa. Anyone who goes in to Victor's knows they are the best.

Pictured below right are

daughter Nancy and husband Jason, who put in a lot of hours to continue the famous Victor's tradition of excellence.

By the way, they now provide delivery service, so check them out and look for their coupon in this paper (page 5).

The Phantom Gourmet show told the family that it should be on the air sometime in the next 4 to 6 weeks.

So if you are just dying for some of their famous Macaroni and Cheese or their Chicken Parmesan, or any of their huge variety of home cooked meals, you can't find in any other deli here in the city better than Victor's.

Phantom Gourmet is shown on Saturday and Sunday, 10:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. on Chanel 38.





Winter Hill Turkey tries to open a bank account



This week, our friend the Winter Hill Turkey waltzed down to our local friendly Century Bank branch here on Mystic and Fellsway. Apparently he wanted to open an account in the bank, but Lisa told him he needed two forms of ID.

The fowl was apparently irate that Lisa had to ask security to keep him out of the bank and not make a fuss. Perhaps he'll get those two forms of ID and will return. We're sure Lisa or Jeannie will know how to handle it. They are both excellent bankers.





— By Donald Norton/Photos by Claudia Ferro

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Opening Hours: M-Th: 11:30-1:00 a.m. Fri: 11:30-2:00 a.m. Sat: 11:00-2:00 a.m. Sun: 10:30-1:00 a.m.

The foundry has been serving brasserie-style gastropub food since 2010 in the heart of Davis Square. From the appetizers, small sharing plates, flatbreads and entrees, there is a large enough selection to satisfy everyone in the group.

When first entering the restaurant, it's impossible to miss the grand marble topped bar that expands approximately 25 feet along the first half of the restaurants wall. If you're thinking about catching a glimpse of the Red Sox in the playoffs, this is a great venue to grab a bite and a beer. The beer list is extensive with great rotating

choices of different styles of beer. If you're looking for a different type of libation, they offer a fantastic wine list and old style cocktails as well.

One of my favorite guilty pleasures at the foundry is the smoked grilled cheese and tomato basil soup. The smoky, salty, sweet honey drizzle, crunchy bread and gooey Gouda and cheddar cheeses make this exactly what you're looking for in a grilled cheese. If that's not enough, you can gild the lily by dipping the grilled cheese into the creamy tomato basil soup that's so rich in flavor that after it's gone, you keep dipping your spoon back into the cup wishing there was more hiding at the bottom.

If you're looking for a regular entree, the Chicken Milanese is a great choice. It's coated in Parmesan cheese and bread crumbs and pan fried and finished in a lemon beurre blanc with pancetta, heirloom cherry tomatoes and asparagus. The chicken cutlet was moist and juicy and crispy on the outside. The lemon beurre blanc was light and refreshing and rounded out the dish perfectly.



The wait staff was friendly and well versed of both the drink menu and food menu and provided great service.

Please see the above website for more defined hours for lunch, brunch, and dinner times along with

their menus.

Dinner prices from appetizers to entrees \$5-\$28

Visit Dorothy's website at http://ddimarzo2002.wix.com/thymethief.

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

The mouse that roared: WJIB FM is coming back soon

Some of you might remember the wonderful instrumental music from years past that was played on WJIB FM in Boston. The Chelsea Clock chimes would ring out and peaceful melodies would come to you over the airwaves.

Those days are gone but the good music has come back to us on WJIB AM 740 thanks to one man, Bob Bittner. He is a career broadcaster with ideas that are etched in stone.

Bittner bought the original WTAO in Cambridge and by 1993 he was able to turn it into WJIB. He has managed to cobble together a string of radio stations from the coast of Maine down to Cape Cod and is able to simulcast on all his stations from his home base in Bath, Maine.

His music is classic American from the 40's, 50's, 60's and 70's running the range from big bands, famous singers, jazz, country and western to beloved instrumentals. He is known as a "maverick" in the radio business, a one-man operation.

He runs the stations as a barebones operation and does not take any great amount of money for himself. His money management style resembles the Salvation Army. Bob runs his mini-empire with donations and no advertising. This will be welcome news to those of you who are currently haggling with your bills from Sirius, cable, etc.

His old fashioned Down East horse sense has paid off with a growing audience. Many of his converts and contributors are tourists who just happened to tune in during summer vacation on the New England coast.

WJIB 740 AM will only reach a 25 mile radius from its Cambridge antenna on Concord Avenue, but there are many listeners here in the area. Somerville has a high concentration of WJIB listeners. Where else can you hear such luminaries as Frank Sinatra, Nat King Cole, Louis Armstrong, Doris Day, Benny Goodman, The Beatles, Roy Orbison, Johnny Cash, Willy Nelson, Gordon Lightfoot, etc.,



Bob Bittner is doing his bit to keep local radio alive and well, including devoting himself to an initiative to bring WIIB in Cambridge to the FM band, thus broadening the station's reach to more listeners.

etc. It is the most relaxing way to enjoy your day, no matter what age you are.

The big news is that Bittner has been granted a license by the FCC to construct a new FM station for WJIB. Sometime - hopefully next year -Bittner will be playing his music on a new FM band that will reach a much larger area. Just think, commercial-free nostalgic music offered to the public for no charge.

You can help now by sending Bittner a contribution to help him build WJIB FM. Please send a check (not tax deductible) made out to WJIB-WJ-TO at P.O. Box 308, Bath, Maine 04530.

Annual Domestic Violence Vigil to be held Wednesday, October 5

Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone, the Somerville Commission for Women, and RESPOND announce the Annual Candlelight Vigil in support of Domestic Violence Awareness Month on Wednesday, October 5, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., at Statue Park in Davis Square. The vigil is an annual event bringing the community together in remembrance of those who have lost their lives over the last year to domestic violence. In addition to the vigil, there will be a display of the Clothesline Project, a visual display that honors survivors as well as victims of intimate partner violence. For more information, contact Community Services Manager, Chris Hosman, at 617-625-6600 x2406 or chosman@somervillema.gov. For more information about domestic violence, resources, or support services, contact RESPOND at their Hotline number 617-623-5900 (TTY accessible for the hearing impaired), or visit www.respondinc.org.

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Community Preservation Act enhancing quality of life in Somerville



By Joseph A. Curtatone

In September, the Prospect Hill Tower reopened to the public. The renovation and preservation of this historic landmark where George Washington raised our first national flag in 1776 marks the first project to be completed in Somerville with Community Preservation Act funds, Residents are now able to take a docent-led tour, climb the tower, and enjoy the panoramic views on select dates. There's also an option for a virtual tour for those who are unable to climb the stairs. And all of that was made possible because of you, our residents, and your decision to adopt the Community Preservation Act.

When you voted overwhelmingly in favor of the Community

Preservation Act back in November 2012, you voted to invest in your community. You chose to give back to your neighbors and yourselves, and I can't tell you how proud that makes me – not just as your Mayor, but also as a lifelong Somerville resident.

Because of your dedication to preserving the history and unique character of our City, I wanted to give you an update on what the Community Preservation Act (CPA) has allowed us to do so far, what's coming in the future, and how you can continue to be involved in the projects and process.

Since your vote in 2012, we've been able to give \$9.8 million dollars for projects in the areas of affordable housing, historic preservation, and open space/recreation land that are aimed at enhancing the quality of life for residents. This includes \$1.7 million we've received in matching funds from the State in fiscal years 2015 and 2016. The good news is that we've made progress in each of these areas.

As I mentioned before, the

Prospect Hill Tower renovation put these funds toward an important historic preservation project. We're working hard to meet the city's needs in the other areas too. Our busy Community Path is about to get a face lift through two projects done in partnership with the Friends of the Community Path. Soon users of the path will have a new, smooth surface to bike, walk, roll, run, and stroll on. We'll also be kicking off a design process to improve drainage on the Path and create more opportunities for activity and exploration.

CPA funds are also currently creating more than 40 units of affordable housing. Among them, the Somerville Housing Authority's Mystic Waterworks project is going to transform the historic MWRA pump station to 25 units of affordable housing for seniors and the disabled.

These projects are just a snapshot of how your investment is benefitting our community, and we have many other projects in the works across the city. You may have also noticed that the tombs at Milk Row Cemetery have been repaired, seen the improved garden classrooms at eight of our community schools, or participated in design meetings for the Hoyt-Sullivan Playground or the Community Growing Center. While the progress on these projects and others is advancing community goals for our schools, city and neighborhoods, there is still work to do. And we want to hear your voice every step of the way.

There are plenty of ways to be involved. The Community Preservation Committee – which is responsible for selecting projects and submitting them for approval to the Board of Aldermen – is currently looking to fill a position. Additionally, there will also be an opportunity coming up in January for the general public to provide feedback to the committee on project applications through community meetings and written comments.

You can also join me, Groundwork Somerville and Somerville Public Schools at the East Somerville Community School Garden ribbon cutting on October 25. Members of the community will be able to propose projects for the next funding cycle that starts in August 2017. And, finally, you can sign up for the CPA email list to stay informed of important dates and events (visit http://www.somerville-ma.gov/cpa). These opportunities offer great ways to see your investment in action.

I know there are many ways to give back to your community, so I just want to thank you for voting to give back through the Community Preservation Act. The city has many needs and these funds help to fill in the gaps on projects that would be left undone otherwise. But thanks to your generosity—and foresight, we are able to better maintain the history and resources of our community and make it healthier and greener, all while making it more affordable. Somervillians should be proud that you chose to invest locally and put your money where you live.

Make Union Square zoning responsive to neighbors and enforceable

By Rob Buchanan, Stuart Dash, Bill Shelton and Tim Talun

On October 18th the Planning Board and Board of Aldermen will conduct a public hearing on new zoning for Union Square that includes major changes. In many respects, it is an improvement over what exists today. But its far-reaching and, in some cases, troubling consequences merit careful consideration by citizens and policy makers alike.

In May, Somerville's Planning Board approved a Neighborhood Plan that lays out a vision for the future of Union Square. The plan is intended to maximize benefits that the Green Line Extension may bring, and realize such Somer Vision objectives as housing-type diversity, affordable housing development, job creation, tax revenue growth, and open space expansion.

The Square's zoning is the legal mechanism that will largely determine whether the Neighborhood Plan's vision is realized.

Of particular concern to planning staff and citizens was boosting tax revenues in anticipation of massive capital expenses that include a \$256 million high school, \$5.3 billion sewer renovation, \$50 million Green Line assessment, and new police and fire stations.

Somerville's land use is overwhelmingly invested in residential property, which pays a tax rate only 60% of that which commercial property pays, but generates twice the municipal costs that commercial property of equivalent value does.

So in February, all eleven aldermen cosponsored a zoning amendment drafted by President Bill White that would require 68% of new development in critical districts like Union Square to be commercial. The proposed amendment has not yet been acted on.

Meanwhile, US2, the Union Square master developer selected by the Somerville Redevelopment Authority in June 2014, has been waiting and is understandably eager for zoning that it can act on.

After months of hard work, the city's planning staff have produced a document that goes a long way toward codifying the Neighborhood Plan. It captures many of its positive aspects, such as ensuring that the Square's center remains predominantly commercial.

It includes carrots and sticks to promote a development mix that is 60% commercial. But the carrots are substantial, while the sticks are weak or nonexistent. The zoning would also allow developers to colonize land they do not own. And it would reduce the public's ability to influence regulation of the highest impact developments.

These would be consequences of the creation of an overlay district whereby multiphase projects covering 200,000 square feet (4.6 acres) or more, and comprising two lots or more,

could obtain a Coordinated Development Plan Special Permit. CDPSPs would be a new form of entitlement created by this legislation.

The land parcels would not have to be adjacent. Nor would the developer have to own or have contracted to buy all the lots

The latter suggests why the amendment requires the Somerville Redevelopment Authority (SRA) to be a "co-developer" of any project that receives a CD-PSP. The unelected SRA has the authority to take privately owned land by eminent domain without owners' consent.

The zoning prescribes many design elements that developers must adopt if they are to win "as of right" approval for their projects. These elements are usually determined by architects and designers. Such over-prescriptive regulation can prevent design professionals from creating interesting and unique buildings that will distinguish Union

Square

These and more substantial elements within the proposed zoning that allow certain dimensional and design features "as of right" would reduce the regulatory latitude the Planning Board has to respond to broadly expressed public concerns.

One example is building heights. The Neighborhood Plan contemplated two twenty-story buildings next to the Green Line station. The new zoning appears to allow a twenty-story tower on the site of the current public safety building as well, next to existing residential neighborhoods.

While many neighborhood stakeholders seemed prepared to accept a high-rise building next to the Green Line station in return for open space, rational mobility planning, and an improved public realm, they deserve to be heard on the proliferation of projects that would transform their neighborhood's character.

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SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Illustrated by Jim Clark



Our View Of The Times

Don't be left out - register to vote by October 19.



The man or woman who assumes the roll of Commander and Chief of our nation must be ready willing and able to rise to the occasion when called upon to do so. Each one of us, whoever we may be supporting in this year's election, is searching our heart to determine whom we feel will best fill those shoes.

Most of us seem to be very confident

that our favored candidate is up to the task. Others bemoan a lack of integrity or skills required to do the job well among those who are running.

Either way, if we feel passionate enough in our convictions then it is clearly incumbent on each of us to do our part and make sure we make our voices heard by voting in the upcoming Presidential Election in November.

This means that we must have the foresight and capability to register for voting if we have not already done so. The process is quick and easy, and is an absolute requirement for being allowed to cast a vote. No exceptions.

Early voting has even become an option, in consideration of those who may not be

able to go to the polls on Election Day. So there really is no excuse for not voting.

However it all turns out, let us hope that the new president will rise to the occasion and realize the potential they may have to become as great as others who have gone before them. We are facing more trying times, and the right choice is now more important than ever.

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email, mail, call in or just drop your votes in the mail slot at 699 Broadway, Somerville.

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

Happy birthday to a lot of our friends and fellow Villens here this week: Happy birthday to one of the nicest ladies here in the city and married to a great guy, we salute **Annemarie Carey-Browne** and wish her a very happy day and week for herself. Also celebrating is one of Somerville's good guys, an activist who takes after his great father, we wish **Ben Echevarria** a very happy birthday. Hap-

py Birthday to another Somerville good guy, Michael Buckley, who celebrates this week as well. Happy birthday to the good senator from Everett, who is very well known here in Somerville, Senator Sal DiDomenico, a good guy who is always in touch with his constituents, no matter their background. Happy birthday to the younger Michael Capuano, who serves on the city Planning Board, an up and coming politician who will undoubtedly follow in his father's footsteps. Happy birthday too to Gay Koty, a nurse here in the city working in the School Department. She's very sincere and committed to her job. We wish her a happy birthday this week. And to a good friend who used to live here in Somerville who is coming back, Dr. Halim Muslu, a dedicated doctor and family man. We wish him a very happy birthday. Finally, to Chris Podymaitis, a lifelong resident here along with his family. A nice guy, we wish him a very happy birthday. To all those that are also celebrating this week we hope you have a great birthday.

The latest on our **Winter Hill vs. Ten Hills Turkey:** From good sources we hear there are two of them and they can be seen frequently on top of the Mystic

Avenue projects. The Winter Hill Turkey

seems to like early morning commuters. He has no problem crossing the street, as if he has no fear. He likes to hang out mainly on Mystic Avenue during rush hour, walking between the projects and Foss Park. He is really something. Last we reported, there might be two of them, but we haven't seen the other one yet. But were looking for him or her.

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

For those that might be interested in obtaining certification for firearms should look up the Lawrence Rod & Gun Club. They provide an extensive program at the end of which you receive certification for Massachusetts/NRA Certified Firearm Safety Classes. They run a class once a month, which is limited to 10 people and we hear that this is the place to go to learn safety when handling guns. Email gunclub@earthlink.net for more information and or go to their website at www.lawrencerodandgunclub.org and read up about the

course. We've been told that the course has seen a major increase in people applying for it, especially women. We can tell you first hand here that it's a great course and quite thorough. The same goes for this in *Newstalk*. The club has informed us that many residents of Somerville have called or gone to the club to find out about certification.

Wow, did you see our Congressman Mike Capuano last week at a hearing on the Wells Fargo crap going on? He took down the head of Wells Fargo. He was fantastic and reminded us of his days as our mayor, where he did a great job. Mike was Mike. He sure knows how to let people know how he feels. It's just too bad congress can't do anything legal to this guy, who is President and CEO at the same time. Imagine all those thousands of people being ripped off and he stays on that job. Despicable. Maybe anyone who has an account with them might consider changing it. We hear that the Winter Hill Bank is great and local and extremely honest and friendly. That's what we hear!

Happy Tails Pet Rescue, a volunteer run, no-kill shelter and adoption program is holding a Continued on page 23

A festival down on the ArtFarm

The first ever ArtsUnion's AgriCultural Festival took place at ArtFarm in Somerville on Sunday.

The festival is a celebration of everything we grow from the earth, and the people who grow it. This fantastical festival celebrated Somerville farmers, artists and new urban agricultural initiatives. Attendees came out and shared about what they grow and learned from local growers.

The festival included displays of local produce, bees and chickens, chances for urban agriculturists to share knowledge, hands on demonstrations, and participatory art.

There was square dancing for beginners and experienced square dancers, led by Old-Time Square Dance with the Dead Sea Squirrels and caller Tony Parkes as well as food from local vendors.

This festival is an ArtsUnion production put on the City of Somerville Arts Council as well as many local artists and community partners.



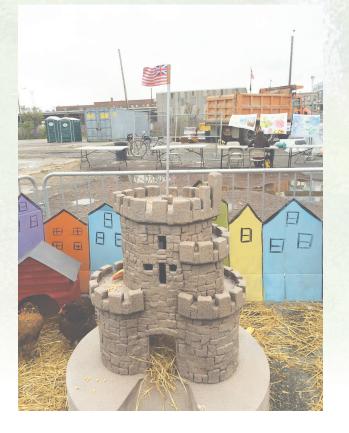




































SPORTS

Registration open for the som | dog Tom Taylor Memorial 5k Fun Run

By Tom Bannister

Calling all dogs, runners, and walkers! som dog is taking to historic Union Square in Somerville for their semi-annual Doggie 5k Fun Run.

This year, they honor the late Tom Taylor, who served on the Somerville Board of Alderman from 1983 to 2013, and was an avid som dog supporter. Tom was a major force behind the efforts to bring off-leash dog parks to the Somerville community.

In a tribute to Tom and his family, som dog is honored to bring their 3rd annual race Tom Taylor Memorial Doggie 5k Fun Run to Union Square. Tom's family has set up a spe-

cial team for the event called Tom's Pawsetters and they welcome runners and walkers from across the city.

"Tom Taylor was a passionate advocate for improving the quality of life for all Somerville residents," said Somerville Mayor Joseph Curtatone. "He had a vision of how a dog park could bring value to the community. The enduring popularity of the Nunziato Field Dog Park in the years since has proved him right. I can't think of a better way to honor a man whose mission since 1983 was to make Somerville a better place for everyone to live."

'Tom's efforts around the Nunziato Field Park built a mo-



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Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

- 1. What is the name of Batman's butler?
- 2. The average human body contains how many pints of blood?
- 3. In what city is Jim Morrison buried?
- 4. Which is the highest waterfall in the world?
- 5. Who designed The Beatles' Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band album cover?
- 6. In the sport of Judo, what color belt follows an orange belt?
- 7. What is the chemical

symbol for iron?

- 8. Who was the first U.S. president to adopt the informal version of his first name?
- 9. What were the names of the three tunnels in the movie The Great Escape?
- 10. Las Vegas casinos don't have any what?
- 11. Which U.S. state is named on the label of a Jack Daniels bottle?
- 12. In the 1986 movie Absolute Beginners, what role did David Bowie play?

Answers on page 17

mentum that has since yielded other dog parks as well," said som dog President and Chairman Brian Davis, referring to the off-leash recreation areas at Zero New Washington Street, and Ed Leathers parks. "Those of us who have taken on dog ownership are responsible for giving these animals the best lives possible. Having these parks available in Somerville makes that much easier. We will remain forever in his debt."

som dog's Tom Taylor Memorial Doggie 5k Fun Run will take place on Sunday, October 16. Co-Sponsored by the City of Somerville and Bull Mc-Cabe's, the run will begin at Bull McCabe's Tavern at 366 Somerville Avenue and will follow a course around the Nunziback at Bull McCabe's for beer, food and festivities.

A community-based event, the Fun Run is open to everyone, and participants may walk or run, with or without dogs. Check in and day-of registration closes at 9:30 a.m. on the day of the run. Run start time is 10:00 a.m. sharp.

For more information and to register for the 2016 som dog Tom Taylor Memorial Doggie 5k Fun Run, visit www.racemenu.com/somdog5k.

The 2014 event attracted more than 250 runners, spectators and their canine companions, including dogs looking for their forever homes. som dog is thrilled that that every dog from that event was adopted. Proceeds from this event were donated to the City ato Dog Park. The Run will end of Medford's initiative to build a cue organizations.

dog park in their city.

This year, they are again inviting local rescue organization to come out and bring their adoptable dogs. In 2016, som dog members supported a city-wide animal vaccination program for low-income pet owners, park clean-ups, free recall training clinics at our SpringFling, education outreach with Somerville canine expert and author Melissa McCue-McGrath CPDT-KA, and donations to local animal rescue organizations.

Proceeds from the 2016 Tom Taylor Memorial Doggie Fun Run Event will go to supporting som dog's 2017 education and outreach events, and in the form of donations and resources to our partners in local animal res-

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'Bill Rodgers Jingle Bell Run' registration opens

Registration has officially opened up for the Marathon Sports "Bill Rodgers Jingle Bell Run" is scheduled for December 18, 2016 in Somerville's Davis Square. Marathon Sports is co-hosting the race with Bill Rodgers, four-time winner of the Boston Marathon. There is a strict cap of 5000 registered, so don't delay as it has sold out every year since 2007. Please see http:// baevents.com/jinglebell/ for more details and to register.



5 things to know for Medicare open enrollment

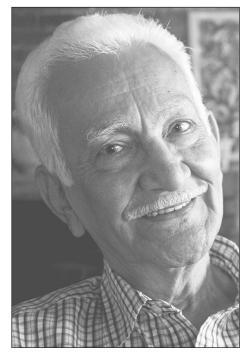
By Colleen Morrissey

Are you getting the best possible health insurance through Medicare? The annual open enrollment period is the time to revisit this question, to ensure your coverage is optimized.

Medicare Open Enrollment is the annual period when beneficiaries can make changes to their coverage. Between October 15 and December 7, people with Medicare can switch to other Part D or Medicare Advantage (Part C) plans that take effect in the upcoming year.

At Somerville-Cambridge Elder Services (SCES) our Aging Information Center provides free access to experts in Medicare, who can explain what to do and what not to do - during open enrollment. Here are five tips to get you started:

- + Always review your coverage. Part D plans provide drug coverage. Medicare Advantage plans provide both drug and health coverage. Either type might make changes to the prescriptions they cover or costs. Or maybe you have a new prescription - it might not be covered by your current plan. There are a lot of moving parts, and we recommend reviewing every year to ensure the best coverage.
- · Apply for Extra Help. Extra Help is a federal program that helps with Part D costs, including premiums, deductibles, and co-pays. Eligibility is based on income and assets. If you don't qualify for Extra Help, you may still qualify for a state program called Prescription Advantage. You can complete the form for Extra Help online, or contact Prescription Advantage to apply for both programs at 1-800-243-4636 and select option 2.
- · Contact the Pharmacy Outreach Program. MCPHS University also provides free assistance with lowering drug costs, and answers questions about medications. Call 1-866-633-1617 or visit their website.
- Don't choose your coverage based on



the plan name. Never assume that the private insurance company you had while working or the plan recommended by friends will necessarily provide the best Medicare options for you. Your best plan is based on specific prescriptions and health needs, which may not be the same as friends and family.

· Meet with a SHINE counselor. We can't stress this enough. SHINE (Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Everyone) is a federal program, with counselors who receive over 40 hours of training in Medicare. They specialize in navigating the Medicare system. The program is free; consultations are oneon-one. To find a SHINE counselor in your area, call 1-800-243-4636 and select option 3 for landline/option 5 for cell phone.

And one last tip: don't wait until December to seek help from a SHINE counselor - most will already be booked

Colleen Morrissey is a Resource Specialist at SCES. SCES SHINE Counselors Corinne Lofchie and Lee Ann Lowe also contributed to this report.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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Dear Community Supporters,

The George Dilboy Post 529's Annual Marie Corps Birthday Celebration will be held on November 10, 2016. All veterans are invited and encouraged to attend. This year marks the 241th anniversary of the United States Marine Corps. Over the past 20 years, members have gathered yearly to honor those who have served our country and those who continue to serve and by providing toys for disadvantaged children.

Last year we were able to provide, needed financial support to the United States Marine Corps' Toys for Tots program, thanks to the support of local donors P.S. Please note do not send cash.

and businesses.

This year, we seek community assistance to continue this financial support in the form of money, gifts certificates or other raffle items. All gifts are tax deductible. Please make checks payable to George Dilboy Post 529 c/o Toys for Tots. If it is more convenient, please call 617-666-8794 and we will make arrangements for a club officer to pick up the donation.

Respectfully submitted, Mark Killoren Chairman and former Marine

Community Media Day & Open House

On Thursday, October 20, SCATV will join other community media centers across the country for Community Media Day. On this day SCATV will open up our space from 12:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m., offering many fun-filled activities for the general public to learn more about Somerville's premiere media center.





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LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



Attest: Dawn Pereira, Administrative Assistant

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PLANNING DIVISION

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A joint public hearing for all interested parties will be held by the <u>Planning Board</u> and the <u>Board of Aldermen Land Use Committee</u> on <u>Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.</u> at the <u>Aldermanic Chambers, City Hall 2nd Floor, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public comments concerning the following two proposed amendments to the Somerville Zoning Ordnance:</u>

AN AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO CREATE A NEW "CCD-55 COMMERCIAL" SUBDISTRICT, A NEW "CCD-45 COMMERCIAL" SUBDISTRICT, A NEW SECTION 5.8: COORDINATED DEVELOPMENT SPECIAL PERMIT, A NEW SECTION 6.7: UNION SQUARE OVERLAY DISTRICT, AND TO MAKE RELATED CHANGES TO ARTICLE 5 AND THE ZONING MAP

A PROPOSED NEW ARTICLE 16B IN THE CITY'S ZONING ORDINANCE, WITH ATTENDANT ZONING MAP CHANGES TO ESTABLISH A MINIMUM MIXED USE RATIO IN DESIGNATED AREAS

Copies of these amendments are available for review in the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development, located on the third floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA, Mon-Wed, 8:30 am-4:30 pm; Thurs, 8:30 am-7:30 pm; and Fri, 8:30 am-12:30 pm; and at www.somervillema.gov/planningandzoning.

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Attest: Kevin Prior, Chairman, Somerville Planning Board Alderman Lance Davis, Chair, Somerville Board of Alderman Land Use Committee

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OLD CAMBRIDGE BAPTIST CHURCH MASONRY REPAIRS INVITATION TO BID

The Old Cambridge Baptist Church requests bids for masonry repairs to the south wall of the Church including masonry repointing, wall and buttress tie reinforcing, coping pointing and selective resetting and associated flashing, selective resetting of stone facing, and sealing around the large Tiffany window. This Church is individually listed in the State and National Registers of Historic Places. This project is being funded with grants from the Massachusetts Preservation Projects Fund through the Massachusetts Historical Commission and from CPA funds through the Cambridge Historical Commission.

All work must be performed in accordance with the documents prepared by MacLeod Consulting, Inc., 29 Woods Road, Belmont, MA 02478 (617-484-4733) and meet The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties. State law prohibits discrimination. Awarding of this contract is subject to Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity guidelines. An Adobe file copy of the contract documents may be obtained after October 3, 2016 by email request to amacleod@macleod-consulting.com or telephoning the preservation consultant at the above-mentioned number. Bidders must provide the following: company name, contact name, postal address, phone number, and email address.

A pre-bid meeting will be held at the Church at 1151 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA on Monday, October 10, 2016 at 10:00 AM.

Bids shall be evaluated on the basis of price, previous experience with similar types of construction projects, ability to perform the work in a timely manner, and references. All bids must be delivered to the Church's office at the above address prior to 12:00 PM, October 24, 2016, to be eligible for consideration.

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CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

MIDDLESEX Division

Docket No. MI 09P1713EA

Estate of:

Joseph Astopovitch

Also known as: Joseph Ostavich

Date of Death: 02/21/2009

To all interested persons:

A Petition has been filed by:

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Edward Alexandrovich of Ware MA

requesting that an Order of Complete Settlement of the estate issue including to approve an accounting, determine heirs, compel or approve a distribution adjudicate a final settlement and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on 10/27/2016.

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

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

Date: September 20, 2016

Tara E. De Cristofaro Register of Probate

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Department 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141

MIDDLESEX Division

Docket No. MI16D2841DR

DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING

Marie Roche vs. Strayeooll Calixte

To Defendant:

The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for <u>Irretrievable Breakdown of the Marriage 1B</u>

The Complaint is on file at the Court.

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

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon: **Marie Roche**

15 Weston Ave #108 Somerville, MA 02144

your answer, if any on or before **11/08/2016**. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

 $\label{lem:witness} \textbf{Witness, Hon. Edward F Donnelly, Jr., First Justice of this Court.}$

Date: September 27, 2016.

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT RFP # 17-24

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

Lease of athletic fields within a maximum 15-mile radius from Somerville for use by the Somerville Parks & Recreation Department for youth athletic programs

The RFP may be obtained online at: http://www.somervillema.gov/departments/finance/purchasing/bids, or by directly contacting the Purchasing Department, City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA 02143 on or after September 21, 2016. Proposals will be accepted at the above office until October 21, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. at which time responses are to be evaluated. 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.

Subject to the approval of the Board of Aldermen, the lease term shall be for an initial period of five (5) to ten (10) years with options to renew. Please direct any inquiries to purchasing@somervillema.gov.

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

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court **Middlesex Probate and Family Court** 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA. 02141

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

MIDDLESEX Division

Docket No. MI 16P5028EA

Estate of:

Adeline Nkechi Amazu

Date of Death: 12/27/2015

To all interested persons:

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

Robert B. Carmel-Montes, Esq.

Boston MA

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

The Petitioner requests that:

Luann L. Calcagni

Plymouth

be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve With Corporate Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Date: September 28, 2016

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- drawing by Paul McCa-
 - 11. Tennessee
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Moonlighters serenade



The singing troupe, the Moonlighters, led by Jimmy Del Ponte, entertained the residents of the Alewife VNA (Capen Court) Monday morning. Go to www.thesomervilletimes.com for more photos

Spanish Language ResiStat, October 6

Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone and the Board of Aldermen invite residents to the Fall 2016 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 more than a great way to get an overview of what's happening specifically in your neighborhood as well as citywide. The social time before and after the meetings also offer an easy opportunity to talk one-on-one to the mayor, your aldermen, and city staff and police—and to connect with your neighbors.

Mayor Curtatone, ward and at-large aldermen, members of the Somerville Police Department, and city staff will discuss issues important to residents and there's always a lively Q&A where residents can pose questions directly to the mayor and aldermen. Topics will range from crime and safety reports by cops on your neighborhood beat, neighborhood improvements such as road and park projects, to a look at some of the data behind citywide issues.

Thursday, October 6: Spanish Language ResiStat, East Somerville Community School, 50 Cross St. (6:30 to 8:00 p.m.)

The Spanish-Language ResiStat on October 6, will be held in Spanish, interpretation will be provided from Spanish into English.

Meetings run from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., with refreshments at 6 p.m.

For more information about ResiStat, or with any questions, contact ResiStat Coordinator, Meghann Ackerman, atMAckerman@somervillema.gov or 617-625-6600 ext. 2120.

ResiStat

Make Union Square zoning responsive to neighbors and enforceable CONT. FROM PG 10

by the meager open-space require- with ample open space. ments. The mayoral-appointed Civic Advisory Committee called for a minimum commitment of 34% of land to useable public open space. Planning staff ratcheted that figure down to 15%. But by allowing uses such as "pedestrian circulation" to be counted as open space, the actual figure would be even less.

In fairness to Somerville's planning staff, a city cannot legally require a developer to create open space. And the amendment's writers have wisely used pedestrian circulation requirements as a means of ensuring minimal amounts of open space.

But successful projects like Boston's Fan Pier and Cambridge's North Point and University Park developments demonstrate that cities can facilitate plans that produce

And they will be disappointed profitable land transformations ster Avenue. Six buildings compris-

The aspects of Union Square redevelopment that would probably have the greatest impact on city residents who live outside of the neighborhood are jobs and tax revenues created by commercial development. But the proposed zoning contains no effective mechanisms to enforce its 60% commercial development target.

No such requirements exist for projects built without a CDP-SP. And a developer who obtains a CDPSP could build profitable, high-end residential uses first, leaving commercial projects—or open space—to a future that might never

Such was the case with "Union Place," a development begun in fifteen years ago that straddles Webing 131 housing units are up and occupied. The site of the promised commercial building remains conspicuously empty, a rock-strewn lot surrounded by fencing.

There are many more specifics of the proposed zoning that will literally shape the neighborhood's buildings, public realm, and future. But they are too numerous to cover in this one column.

Somerville citizens devoted thousands of hours to producing a physical Plan for Union Square that promises to support and nourish the community that we love, even as market forces displace many from that community. We now rely on our elected representatives' diligence to ensure that the Plan's promises are kept through enforce-

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Wednesday October 5 **East Branch Library**

Preschool Storytime

11 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|115 Broadway **Central Library**

Teen Empowerment

3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Thursday October 6

Central Library

Preschool: Storytime for 3 to 5 year

10:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m.||79 Highland

East Branch Library

Lego Club 3:15 p.m.-4:30 p.m.|115 Broadway

West Branch Library Lego Club

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

Central Library

Lego Club 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Friday October 7

Central Library

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

Central Library

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

Saturday October 8

Central Library

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

Monday October 10

Library Closed

Tuesday|October 11 West Branch Library

Preschool Storytime

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

Wednesday October 12

East Branch Library

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

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Snir Yamin

Steve Dennis 345 Somerville Ave

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

Orleans Restaurant and Bar

65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Bull McCabe's Pub

The A-Beez – Funk & Soul 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Thunder Road

Bearly Dead - Wednesday Night Grateful Dead Residency|8 p.m. 379 Somerville Ave

Highland Kitchen

150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Samba Bar & Grille

608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

Joshua Tree Bar & Grill

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

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom

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The Detours, School of Rock Boston 7 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

HUSH: The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari 7:30 p.m.|255 Elm Street

Arts at the Armory

Wiretap Wednesday Open Stage 7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Thursday October 6

Sally O'Brien's

BYO Bluegrass with Dave Rizzuti grassy Thursdays 7:30 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room

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

Backroom Series Scattershots 10 p.m. 247 Elm Street 617-776-6896

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

Thunder Road

Jimkata (Jam/Rock) 8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom Steve Smith (from Dirty Vegas)

7 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Arts at the Armory Pub Sing at the Armory Cafe 7:30 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Friday October 7

Sally O'Brien's

Hashtag Hoedown | 6 p.m. Hunter and guests 9 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Backroom Series: The Social No.11|7

Jimmy's Down|10 p.m.

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8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave ONCE Lounge & Ballroom

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The Rockwell

Leyla McCalla Trio|7 p.m. Sh!t-faced Shakespeare: Much Ado About Nothing 10 p.m. 255 Elm Street

Arts at the Armory

An Evening with Ogni Suono & Transient Canvas 8 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

Saturday October 8

Sally O'Brien's

Tom Hagerty Band |6 p.m. Trusty Sidekick, Modern Day Idols, Shotgun Waltz \$10 cover | 9 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room: Bluegrass Session|2 p.m.

The BagBoys|5 p.m. Irish Session|9:30 p.m.

Back Room

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

Backroom Series The Wicked Pickers, Damian & The Displayers 7 p.m. Spittin Vinnies|10 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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The Talking Heads – Featuring Mystic Bowie From Tom Club.

8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave ONCE Lounge & Ballroom

156 Highland Ave

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255 Elm St

Sunday October 9 Sally O'Brien's Bar

Bucky Bear & The Titanium Hipsters|6

335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

Front Room

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

The Burren Backroon Saturday & Sunday Jazz Brunch with Tom Pendergast Comedy on Tap|3 p.m.

Alan Kaufman & Friends Old Timey|5 Burren Lantern Series 8 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

Foghorn Stringband 4 p.m.

PA'S Lounge 345 Somerville Ave

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

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Thunder Road

Americana Sundays w/ Greg Klyma 7 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom 156 Highland Ave

The Rockwell Bridge the Gap 7 p.m.|255 Elm St

Monday October 10

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Shawn Carter's Cheapshots Come-Marley Monday with The Duppy Conquerors reggae|10 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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Front Room

Bur-Run Helena Delaney, Johnny O'Leary & Friends Irish Session|9 p.m. Back Room: Science by The Pint|6:30

Stump Trivia|8:30 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge Free Music Mondays

345 Somerville Ave On The Hill Tavern

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Thunder Road The Murdock Manor Stripped Sets

Monday Night Series 379 Somerville Ave ONCE Lounge & Ballroom

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Jazz Jam 7:30 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room Jason Anick and the Swingers Swing/ Jazz|8:30 p.m.

Open Mic w/ Hugh McGowan|10

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Back Room:

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On The Hill Tavern Stump Trivia (with prizes)

499 Broadway|617-629-5302 **Bull McCabe's Pub**

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156 Highland Ave Wednesday October 12

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Sally O'Brien's Bar

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

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The Burren Front Room

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Back Room Backroom Series: Celtic Fiddle Festi-

val|7:30 p.m.

Comedy Night With Jordan Handren-Seavey 10 p.m.

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65 Holland St|617-591-2100 **Bull McCabe's Pub**

The A-Beez – Funk & Soul 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045 **Thunder Road**

Bearly Dead - Wednesday Night

Grateful Dead Residency 8 p.m.

379 Somerville Ave **Highland Kitchen**

150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

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

Pub Trivia

Samba Bar & Grille

8:30 p.m.|256 Elm Street|(617) 623-ONCE Lounge & Ballroom

156 Highland Ave

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

CLASSES AND GROUPS Wednesday October 5

Central Library

Somerville Positive Forces 1 p.m.-3 p.m.|79 Highland Ave **Central Library** Free Matinees on the Big Screen:

Money Monster 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave Thursday October 6

der in the Quarterly Court

Central Library Somerville Reads: Scandal and Slan-

7 p.m. – 8 p.m. | 79 Highland Ave West Branch Library Learn English at the Library! (Session 1)- 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

(Session 2)-7:15 p.m.- 8:15 p.m. 40 College Ave **East Branch Library**

6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|115 Broadway First Church Somerville Debtors Anonymous- a 12 Step program for people with problems with money and debt. 7 p.m.-8:30

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

Drop in Knitting at the West Branch

For more info call: 781-762-6629 Saturday October 8

Union Square Farmers Market 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.|Union Sq Plaza

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

Sunday October 9 The Somerville Flea 10 a.m.- 4 p.m.|52 Holland St

Fourth Step to Freedom Al-Anon **Family Groups** 7:00 P.M. | 6 William Street

Unity Church of God Enter upstairs, meeting is in base-

Monday October 10 **Libraries Closed**

Holland St

HAPPENINGS CENTER $N \mid O$

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

All clubs and groups welcome new members.

Holland Street: 167 Holland Street

*Monday through Friday 9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300

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

Cross Street Center: 165 Broadway

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

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

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

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

Free Smoke Alarm/Carbon Monoxide Detectors -

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

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

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

Forming Friendships Social Group – Tuesdays, October 11, October 18 and October 25 from 9:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M. at our Holland Street Center. Are you looking to socialize and meet new people? If so, this 6 week social group is for you. There is limited spots available so call soon to reserve your spot. Please call Katey at 617-625-6600, ext. 2318.

De-Cluttering Kick-off – Wednesday, October 5 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at our Holland Street Center. Are you a Somerville resident 60 years or older? Do you find that you sometimes have concerns around collecting items or not being able to discard them? We will be talking about all of the programming that we have available to help you with your clutter. Please RSVP to

Natasha at 617-625-6600, ext. 2317.

Open House – Thursday, October 6 from 4:30 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. at our Holland Street Center, 165 Holland Street. Visit and learn what the SCOA has to offer. Light refreshments will be served. If you have any questions or need additional information please call the SCOA at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

2016 Health & Wellness Fair - Thursday, October 6th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at our Holland Street Center. Guest speakers, Demos, Blood Pressure Screening, Flu shot clinic and more. You must RSVP to Josephine by calling 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

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

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

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

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

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

The trip to Lancaster, PA & Atlantic City scheduled for October 11 -15 (Tuesday to Saturday) is SOLD OUT. The day trip to Hart's Turkey Train scheduled for Tuesday, October 17 is SOLD OUT.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Please note the Moonlighters are back:

Monday, October 10th - Columbus Day (No Moonlight-

Monday, October 17th – To Be Announced

Monday, October 24th - Rehearsal at the Holland Street

Monday, October 31st - No Moonlighters

LGBTO EVENTS:

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

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

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

Monday, October 17th – LGBTQ Health Fair

Monday, November 21 – Painting to Reduce Stress

STAY ACTIVE:

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

Weekly Exercise Class Schedule

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

Mondays:

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

Tuesdays:

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

Wednesdays:

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

Thursdays:

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

Fridays:

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

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

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

Wednesday October 5

9:00 Bowling at Flatbreads 10:00 De-Cluttering Kick Off (H) 11:30 Lunch (RJ) 12:45 Bingo (RJ) Jersey Boys

Thursday October 6

10:00 Current Events (H)

10:00 English Conversation (C)

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

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

4:30 - 6:30 Open House (H)

Fall Foliage Trip

Friday October 7

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

Monday October 10

All Centers Closed Columbus Day

Tuesday October 11

9:30 Forming Friendships (H) 10:00 English Conversation (C) 10:30 Low Vision Group (H)

11:30 Lunch (C)

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

Lancaster, PA & Atlantic City trip departs

Wednesday October 12

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

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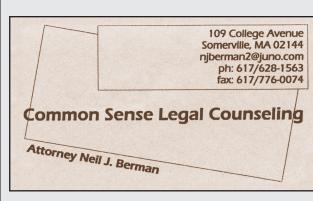
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Mayor talks schools at first fall ResiStat meeting CONT. FROM PG 5

ResiStat meetings will be held in each ward over the coming weeks. The full schedule is as follows:

Spanish-Language ResiStat: Thursday, October 6, East Somerville Community School, 50 Cross St.

Ward 5 (Magoun Sq., NE Ball Sq., Cedar and Lowell St. areas, NW Porter Sq.): Wednesday, October 19, Kennedy School, 5 Cherry St.

Ward 4 (Winter Hill, Ten Hills): Tuesday, October 20, Healey School, 5 Meacham St. Ward 1 (East Somerville, Assembly Sq.): Tuesday, Nov. 1, East Somerville Community School, 50 Cross St.

Ward 3 (N. Union Sq., Prospect Hill, Spring Hill, Central Hill): Wednesday, November 2, Somerville High School cafete-

ria, 81 Highland Ave.

Ward 2 (S. Union Sq., Perry and Lincoln Park neighborhoods, Beacon St. area): Thursday, November 3, Argenziano School, 290 Washington St.

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6:00am	Life Matters	6:00pm	Villain News Network	11:00am	Haitian Poetry	12:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show
6:30am	Exercise with Robyn	6:30pm	Somerville Neighborhood News	12:00pm	The Somerville Line	1:00pm	Infinite Momentum
7:00am	Poet to Poet	7:00pm	Taking Back your Health (Live call-in)	1:00pm	Start Up TV	1:30pm	Legacies
7:30am	Somerville Neighborhood News	7:30pm	Mass Climate Action Network	2:00pm	SCATV Presents: Duck Village Stage	2:00pm	The Literati Scene
8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	8:00pm	Fouye Zo Nan Kalalou (Live call-in)	3:00pm	Telemagazine	2:30pm	SCATV Bulletin Board
9:00am	The Literati Scene	9:30pm	Henry Parker Presents	4:00pm	Chef's Table Series	3:00pm	Exercise with Robyn
9:30am	Mass Climate Action Network	10:00pm	Road to Recovery	5:00pm	Tele Kreyol	3:30pm	MAPS
10:00am	Somerville Storytime	11:00pm	Simply Hanging with Pete and Nate	6:00pm	Effort Pour Christ	4:00pm	Free Speech Television
10:30am	Somerville Good Old Days	11:30p	Grown Up Storytime	7:00pm	Gay USA	5:00pm	Telegalaxie
11:00am	Chef's Table Series	Friday, O	ctober 7	8:00pm	Creative Somerville Series	6:00pm	The Struggle
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4:00pm	Free Speech Television	9:00am	Middlesex Senate District Debate	6:30am	Eckankar	10:00pm	Bate Papo com Shirley
5:00pm	Art At SCATV	10:00am	Middlesex Representative District Debate	7:00am	Nossa Gente's e Costumes	11:00pm	Visual Radio
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7:30pm	MAPS on TV	1:00pm	Health is Wealth	10:30am	International Church of God	7:00am	JuPrey Promotions
8:00pm	Somerville Pundits	1:30pm	Aging Well	11:00am	Chef's table Series	8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
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9:00pm	Bay State Biking News	2:30pm	Carven Salsa Dancing	1:00pm	MIddlesex Representative District Debate		Eat well be happy
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11:30pm	Rare Groove Revolution	5:00pm	Reeling Review	3:00pm	Infinite Momentum	11:00am	The Somerville Line
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9:00am	Esoteric Science	10:00pm	JuPrey Promotions	9:00pm	Cinema Somerville	3:30pm	Physicians Focus
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9:00am	What the Fluff?
9:30am	The Jews of Somerville & Greater Boston
10:45am	Push Ups for Veterans
12:00pm	SomerViva em Português
12:30pm	Tracking Progress - Union Square Tour
2:00pm	The Jews of Somerville & Greater Boston
6:30pm	Connecting Communities "Fire Safety"
6:58pm	Push Ups for Veterans
7:00pm	The Jews of Somerville & Greater Boston
8:15pm	What the Fluff?
8:45pm	Prospect Hill Tower Re-Opening
9:30pm	SomerViva em Português
10:00pm	Tracking Progress - Union Square Tour
Thursday,	October 6
12:00am	Open Space Open House
1:38am	SomerViva em Português
2:08am	The Jews of Somerville & Greater Boston
3:23am	SomerViva en Españo
9:00am	Prospect Hill Tower Re-Opening
12:00pm	Senior Circuit
12:30pm	Ignite! Fire & Street Food Festiva
1:26pm	Push Ups for Veterans
1:30pm	Connecting Communities "Fire Safety"
2:00pm	Tracking Progress - Union Square Tour
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6:00pm	Ignite! Fire & Street Food Festiva
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12:00pm	Connecting Communities				
1:00pm	SHS Girls Soccer v Medford				
3:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer v Medford				
5:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer v Burke				
7:00pm	Our Schools, Our City - Working Together				
8:00pm	SHS Girls Soccer vs Cambridge				
10:00pm	Connecting Communities				
10:30pm	SHS Girls Soccer v Medford				
Thursday, October 6					
12:00am	SHS Boys Soccer v Medford				
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11:00am	Raising Families - Welcome Project				
11:30am	Team Up Day kickoff at SHS				

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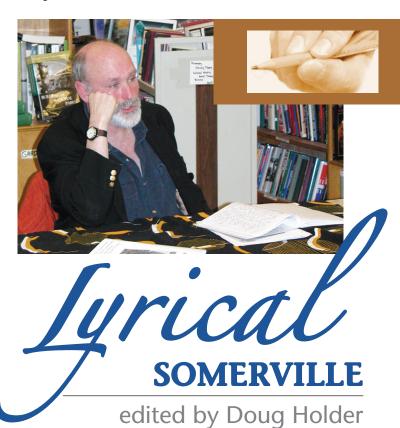
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You Had to Be There

When people like you were killed having made the mistake of being born in the wrong place, to the wrong people, doing poorly on their SATs Even the winners, a chemistry major from Boston dying forty-five years later when Agent Orange, reports for duty: he was There

Or there, back then, in Central Park when the chanting stopped No teargas, no riots, mere ceremonies of innocence though later we get caught with a jay in the wrong place by men with bulges on their belts and short haircuts My girl sits on the evidence, our leader swallows the pill bag, grunting answers, dulling the hunt for the hunters, who shoe us off, fortunate white kids, to be there somewhere

still Manhattan though, mid-town, then uptown to a birthday party at the Statue of Alice

All of us still in Wonderland, milling on the town green The National Guard showing up in fancy dress, four dead, white kids too,

but there in the wrong place when the unpredictable electrons of a chance-driven universe coalesced into high-pressured lead Black kids too, there in Mississippi, somehow tokened out of the story line

No longer to be anywhere// ever again// just like that. But you had to be there,

that was the whole point, we were counting on you Being anywhere else was irrelevant, virtually non-being Here? No longer any good, time's dustbin, moldering color snaps

you clean from the basement when the old folks pass, glean a few, mostly dispose

You had to be there// to understand

When the workers take down the show, roll up the maps, dethrone the prints

from the wall, wipe the dust from the tapestries To know what was real beyond love and regrets, and to laugh in the right places, you had to Be There

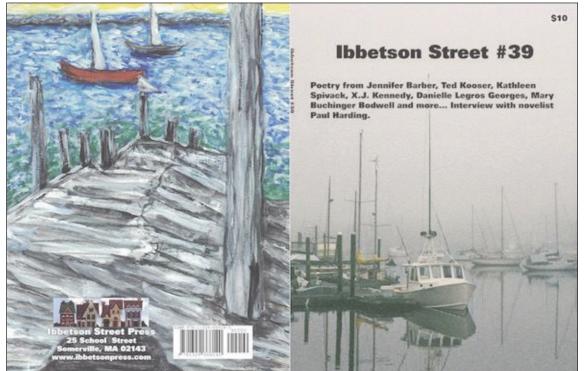
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OFF THE SHELF

by Doug Holder

Review of 'Ibbetson Street #39'



By Mary Buchinger August 2016

Boats on the front and boats on the back (photography by Dianne Robitaille and painting by Bridget Galway, respectively), this summer issue of *Ibbetson* sails with poetry, opening with Kathleen Spivack's poem, *The Café*, set in a dim French establishment where women "[clutch] small glasses of absinthe,/reproaches, and the waste of possibility" and Jennifer Barber's poem *Visiting Jerusalem* asking "How long/have I been the enemy?/What god am I counting on?" and ending with Joyce Wilson's *The Envy of the Gods*: "We ... acted out in scenes/To trick the gods observing from afar/That they might praise what we had undertaken:/A quiet life, hardworking and soft-spoken."

This issue contains all the hallmarks of *Ibbetson* that I have come to depend on – new work from long favorites like Marge Piercy, Denise Provost, Molly Mattfield Bennett, Philip Burnham, Richard J. Fein, Robert K. Johnson, Barbara Claire Kasselman, Ted Kooser, and X.J. Kennedy, as well as a first-ever publication – *Where Your Phone Rang* – "Home was where the creaking of the trees outside/played see-saw with your breath,/where the book bounced/off your chest and slipped to the floor,/and the whiskey cabinet's door yawned wide" – by Tim Kinsella, an American Sign Language interpreter from eastern Mass.

One particular delight of #39 is a A Poem for Fred Marchant by David Blair beside On a Poem from David Blair by Fred Marchant - "small cat/ boogers in the dark/runnels of wet nose" in Blair's poem translates into a cat purring "through its soft, slightly crusted/nose, the air carrying to its mind/ the sparrow" in Marchant's. Opening the pages of this journal is like boarding a harbor cruise with friends and neighbors. There's talk of travel, of Remembered Places (William Harney), of childhood and merry-go-rounds (Alfred Nicol), remonstrations: "unplug yourself girl" (Susan Nisenbaum Becker, O Woman Get Off the Rock), a fine description of James Wright's Hammock (Tom Laughlin) "where the dream drifts toward dawn" and T. Michael Sullivan's meditative prayer for the sacred and the lost "refugees/of our greed and waste ... dimming the kingfisher's fire/ and the dragonflies' flame ... Before the dearest freshness/deep down things disappear,/dona nobis ah!" (spem means "hope"). If you haven't already cracked the spine of #39, the sailing season is winding down, get to it!

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fundraising yard sale on Saturday, October 8 (rain date Sunday, October 9), 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. 2 Bradley Street, Somerville. All proceeds go directly to the animals.

The Highlander Cafe is open to the public. Dine in at the Highlander Cafe, the student-run restaurant at Somerville High School Open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., 81 Highland Avenue, Somerville. Phone: 617-625-6600 x6232 Check out their menu at http://www.somerville.k12.ma.us/schools/somerville-high-school/highlander-cafe.

The Tufts University Department of Music presents Mbira: Music of the Spirits of Zimbabwe,

a performance by Zimbabwean master musician, Fradreck Mujuru and, Erica Azim playing the healing music of the mbira, used by the Shona to connect the living with the ancestors for over 1,000 years. in the Distler Performance Hall at the Perry and Marty Granoff Music Center on Sunday, October 23, 2016 at 7 p.m. Born to the largest extended family of mbira players in Zimbabwe, Mujuru has played mbira since the age of 8, and is now known internationally as an outstanding performer, teacher, and instrument maker, while continuing to play in ceremonies for the ancestors at home. Azim is America's leading proponent of the Shona mbira tradition, and has toured with various Shona mbira masters and taught thousands of Americans to play mbira, and to support the tradition in Zimbabwe.



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