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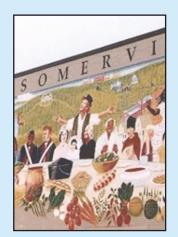


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# Happy Thanksgiving Day

From the Publisher and Staff of The Somerville Times

# **Board of Aldermen mulls over Green Line Extension funding**



GLX funding took center stage at a recent Board of Aldermen public hearing.

#### By Joe Ruvido

The question of Somerville's contribution to the Green Line Extension (GLX) project was discussed before the Board of Aldermen at a public hearing on Thursday night. The Board listened as Mayor Curtatone and other members of his administration asked the board to approve a 50 million dollar spend for the project. The money would be borrowed in 10 and 30-year bonds, paid to the Massachusetts Department of Transportation in installments of 10 million dollars over five years.

The approval would be a first in Massachusetts. A municipal government has never been asked to contribute directly to a state capital project, but a new policy by

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# **Return of The Wrap Around Project**

#### By Rebecca Danvers

Created as an annual sale of knitted goods to benefit the Somerville Homeless Coalition, The Wrap Around Project has grown into a yearlong campaign that combines art and activism to raise awareness of the issue of homelessness in our area. Somerville's homeless population is comprised of elders, single working adults, disabled individuals, and many families with children from newborns to teenagers. The typical homeless family that SHC serves is a mother with two children.

The Nave has had a number of exciting events planned throughout the year to promote and support the work of SHC. They invite all to join them in wrapping their arms around our community.

Their annual sale of handmade goods to benefit SHC continues through December 18 at Nave Gallery, 155 Powder House Blvd, Somerville (closed Thanksgiving weekend, November 26-27). Saturdays and Sundays, 1:00-5:00 p.m. Stop by and pick up some

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**Happy Thanksgiving** to all of Somerville's many diverse families and friends. May we all have a peaceful and familial time this year.

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Join Somerville Local First and over 40 local vendors at Arts at the Armory on Sunday, November 27 for a day of local holiday shopping at the 2016 "Holiday Marketplace" from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Maker's Marketplace offers a wide selection of handcrafted goods, confections, jewelry, home decor, apparel, textiles, accessories and art. You will be sure to find the perfect gift for everyone on your list. Shift your holiday shopping this year and support local artists, designers and makers in the Boston area.

Don't forget to park on the EVEN side of the street this winter during snow emergencies. The Board of Aldermen voted to alternate every year, and this year it is the EVEN side. So scramble to get your spot as soon as they declare. Hopefully, the city won't be calling any false alarms. Commissioner Stan Koty will give the signal when it's about to snow.

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We just learned that Everett"Red" Knowles passed away back in September in his new hometown of Wellesley where he was living for the past ten years. For those that don't recognize the name, it was back in November of 1962 when he had his arm severed from an accident. His surgery at MGH was the first of its kind in the world, re-attaching his arm. Back then he and many others from Northeastern Junior High would after school run up Marshall St into Gilman Square and catch the (we called it the 2:15) train heading East, for a shortcut home. The train would slow down heading past Tufts Street where Washington Street meets, and all the kids would jump off and head home. One day Everett, being behind everyone, went to hop the train and fell and the train cut his arm clear through. He got up and carried it until some people noticed and he was taken directly to MGH. Many of the East Somerville kids who hopped the train and many who just knew Red were glued to TV sets that night when all the news locally and nationally would be about his accident. Red went Continued on page 11

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# The Somerville Times.com Comments of the Week

# Response to: Ryan Harrington Foundation to hold addiction-recovery Mass and brunch

#### Rachel Klein says:

This is a wonderful event and it supports an important cause. Please try to find the time to attend.

#### ritepride says:

Too bad that there is a shortage of funds. While Bacon Hill is there for he photo opportunities, it was Beacon Hill group with the Weld/Baker administration that shut down ten state hospitals that housed drug and alcohol treatment programs.

It was done rapidly and very few on Beacon Hill tried to stop it. Why? The Weld/Baker administration profiled the hundreds of million\$ of dollars that would be made as the state sold off all the state hospitals land that would become available by the hospital closures.

There are a great number of legislators that are involved in real estate and as lawyers representing developers. Thus you know where their loyalties lie. The majority of the land state hospitals sat on could not be sold as the original agreements stated that once the hospitals closed the land reverted to the towns the land was located in.

Meanwhile all the patients were shipped out to private facilities but a major amount of the drug/alcohol patients were/are homeless and on the street. Privatization of the programs was/is a failure. Programs are short term and these human beings need long term treatment to be successful in beating these addictions.

#### Response to: Somerville Will Stand With You

#### AMoore says:

When both sides run for president they say many things to get in. Not many are ever carried out and I have seen many of them. He is not president yet and a real plan is not yet presented to comment on. His focus from his speeches is on the cartel and criminals which would seem like a good thing to me and to other decent people. Like all other presidents we have to give the person some room so see what they are really going to do before we get into the "Chicken Little" bit. I can remember as far back as Eisenhower and I have little faith in what is said before taking oath. And besides, both sides spent most of their time trading insults and the like that very little ever got said about the things we need to do to get this country's problems on track.

#### Jill Aronson says:

Very well stated. If things go as they seem to be headed it's going to be an ugly fight to preserve our rights and freedoms. I'm glad to see our civic leadership is on the right side of the fence.

#### Nation of Laws says:

The mayor says "Since we became a sanctuary city, our crime rate has dropped more than 50%" – um duh, you basically stopped counting immigration violations as a crime so of course your crime rate dropped.

And 2.2% unemployment is unsurprising since illegal immigrants cannot claim unemployment. Cherry picking data Mr Mayor.

We are either a nation of laws or we are not. What other laws can we choose not to enforce?

#### Jen Fries says:

Hear, hear. Somerville is one of the places where America was created, and I'm glad to be here to stand up for American rights and principles.

Log onto TheSomervilleTimes.com to leave your own comments



#### **OPEN LETTER TO THE COMMUNITY**

# Somerville Will Stand With You

By Joseph A. Curtatone, Mayor of Somerville, MA Ben Echevarria, **Executive Director of** The Welcome Project, Somerville, MA

In the wake of the election, our phones have been ringing off the hook. We've heard from parents who fear they will be rounded up while their young children wait for them at home. We've heard from women, Muslims, members of the LGBTQ community, and students of color fearing intensified discrimination. We've heard from people who believe equality and decency are core American values at risk. This is the heartbreaking part of the election: the sheer number of people who feel like the Trump campaign was predicated on breaking faith with one another.

Political parties win and lose. Yet this election has made people question whether our leaders desire to maintain a diverse, tolerant society. The message we jointly want to send to those whose confidence has been shaken is this: Our city—Somerville, Massachusetts—will not waver. Others, including our Governor, are also standing firm.

Somerville will stand with you regardless of your race, creed, color, sex, nationality, legal status, religion, gender identity, or sexual orientation. So if you are afraid, or if you feel targeted, don't go into isolation. Reach

out. And if you want to help or speak up or share you skills to support others, reach out. We're putting together resources and support. We're doubling down on our advocacy. And we will need each of you and your voices to continue to move forward as a community.

President-Elect Trump has threatened to pull federal funding from sanctuary cities. Somerville has been a sanctuary city since 1987. And Somerville will remain a sanctuary city. We will not turn our back on our neighbors. Our diversity is our strength. Since we became a sanctuary city, our crime rate has dropped more than 50%. In fact, our crime rate for every type of violent crime is below the state and national averages. Our local unemployment rate is just 2.2 percent.

So for anyone who claims that cracking down on sanctuary cities has something to do with high crime or a stagnant economy, Somerville stands as a flashing, neon billboard for how wrong that thinking is. Data shows more of the real story. Research shows that not only do new immigrants commit fewer crimes than native-born Americans but that neighborhoods with higher immigrant populations tend to have less crime overall.

Unfortunately too many people get bad information on what a sanctuary actually is. No one who commits violent, felony, or serious crimes gets a free pass here. We do cooperate with immigration on those cases. Rather sanctuary means that our local police and agencies don't profile our residents to run immigration checks on them. One-third of Somerville's residents are documented immigrants. These are our neighbors. We will not treat them like suspects at every turn. Sanctuary means we don't hand over persons for deportation for civil offenses like driving with a broken tail light. That breaks up families and fuels a broken immigration system. Sanctuary also means that when undocumented persons are victims of or witnesses to crime, they don't have to fear deportation if they come forward. That keeps our community safer.

How much federal funding could we lose? A lot. Currently Somerville receives approximately \$6 million in recurring federal funds per year for things like special education, school lunch programs, substance abuse prevention, and homeland security. That constitutes about 3% of our annual budget. Additional grants for programs such as housing are also sought each year. If we lose this funding, we will tighten our belts, but we will not sell our community values short.

Mind you, our hope is that once our new president reviews accurate information, he will not



cut this funding. It would be a reckless policy. The economic engines at the heart of ten of the eleven largest metropolitan areas in the nation are sanctuary and Trust Act cities. Those ten areas are home to more than 78 million people, roughly one-quarter of our entire U.S. population. In all, there are more than 320 sanctuary cities in the United States, plus 32 counties and four states that limit local law enforcement's involvement in federal immigration enforcement. Good luck having a working economy if you pull federal funding from them all.

Yet the wave of fear washing over people extends beyond immigration issues. The Trump campaign put diversity in its crosshairs. If cities have to make a stand for basic human decency, then we're going to make that stand. We saw a presidential campaign based on fear and a desire to ostracize anyone who could be categorized as different. That may have swung an election, but it provides us with no roadmap forward. Tearing communities apart only serves to tear them down. We're going to keep bringing people together, making sure we remain a sanctuary for all. We are one community. We've got values that work. We know what makes America great.



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# By Jim Clark

# Impatient driver just didn't want to wait

While on a detail in full uniform on School Street last week, a police officer had stopped traffic for an exiting construction vehicle and was able to get a few of the remaining vehicles past the point of congestion.

When a vehicle operated by Heather Leet approached the officer's position, she was told to stop, according to reports.

Leet reportedly disregarded the officer's order and continued forward causing the officer to jump out of the way of the moving vehicle to avoid being struck.

The officer reported that Leet was only able to advance her vehicle a few feet away due to traffic at the red light.

At this point the officer reportedly approached the vehicle and

said to Leet, "I told you to stop."

The officer then reached into the vehicle to attempt to put it in park. At that moment Leet reportedly advanced the car forward again in a reckless manner, disregarding the potential harm to the officer, had he not moved out of the way.

It was at this point that the officer ran up to the now stopped vehicle and told Leet that she was under arrest.

Leet was removed from the driver's seat and immediately began resisting, according to reports. The officer reportedly had to request from other units to assist in restraining Leet.

Several units responded to the scene, and one officer said that as he approached Leet looked directly at him and stated, "I admit it, I didn't want to wait."

A transport unit was requested and Leet was taken to the Somerville Police Department to be booked in the usual manner on charges of reckless operation of a motor vehicle, resisting arrest, assault with a dangerous weapon, failure to stop for police, and resisting arrest.

# SOMERVILLE

#### Arrests:

Heather Leet, of 10 Pine St., Arlington, November 14, 10:56 a.m., arrested at School St. on charges of reckless operation of a motor vehicle, resisting arrest, assault with a dangerous weapon, failure to stop for police, and resisting arrest.

Michael Ortiz, of 73 Montvale Ave., Woburn, November 14, 4:02 p.m., arrested at Mystic Ave. on charges of larceny

over \$250, violation of city ordinance possession of a dangerous weapon, and conspiracy.

Timothy Hattis, of 135 Pleasant St., Arlington, November 15, 3:27 p.m., arrested at Middlesex Ave. on warrant charges of municipal by-law or ordinance violation and possession of a class B drug.

Lloyd MacKay, of 22 Dimick St., Apt. #3, November 16, 10:10 a.m., arrested at Webster Ave. on warrant charges of criminal uninsured motor vehicle and operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended registration.

Yohanna Santana, of 169 Bunker Hill St., Charlestown, November 16, 5:39 p.m., arrested at Broadway on charges of drug violation near a school, conspiracy to violate drug law, and distribution of a class A drug. Brian Kobs, of 16 Chappie St., Charlestown, November 17, 7:34 p.m., arrested at Mc-Grath Hwy. on charges of disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, and unarmed robbery.

Luis Acevedo, of 153 Alewife Brook Pkwy., November 17, 9:07 p.m., arrested at Alewife Brook Pkwy. on charges of drug possession to distribute and drug violation near a school.

Corey Ferreira, of 320A Main St., Charlestown, November 18, 4:27 p.m., arrested at Assembly Row on a charge of larceny over \$250.

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Thai Le, of 40 Penniman, Stoughton, November 20, 3:30 p.m., arrested at Canal St. on charges of removal of theft detection device and larceny over \$250, and on warrant charges of felony daytime breaking and entering and speeding.

# Board of Aldermen mulls over Green Line Extension funding

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Governor Baker's administration allows for this type of cost sharing between cities and the state. The board would also have to approve a Home Rule Petition to supersede a Massachusetts law that says municipalities cannot borrow funds to contribute to state projects. Cambridge plans to contribute an additional \$25m to help the State fund the estimated 2.3 billion dollar project.

The Mayor promised that taxes will not be raised to fund the project. Because the money will be bonded it will not put added stress on Somerville's operating budget. The principal and interest owed to the bonds will be paid via property tax revenues. There will be no override or debt exclusion of Proposition 2 ½ to pay for the project, such as the debt exclusion levy that will be used for Somerville's 130 million dollar new High School. Somerville voters approved that measure in November's election by an almost 3 to 1 margin.

If approved, the city estimates that it will collect an additional \$140m in property tax revenue over the first 10 years of the rail extension project and subsequent development. This calculation is based on an as-

sumption of 3% growth in property values citywide, 4 percent growth in areas closest to the new stations, the so called "Walkshed" areas. The city is projecting \$1.2 billion in Commercial Development and \$617 million in Residential Development near the new stations. All of this will equate to an 11 percent reduction in the ratio of residential to commercial tax revenues over that time period.

One way the city plans to proactively attract new business and development is the use of District Improvement Financing (DIFs) for the Green Line Station neighborhoods. In a successful DIF, a city borrows funds for infrastructure and public works investments in an area, then uses the development and improvements as leverage to attract more public and private industry to the area. Some of the tax revenue generated from the development is used to pay back the financing for the DIF, as has successfully happened with the DIF used to develop Assembly Row.

Many questions from the public asked that the developers, particularly Union Square Revitalization contract winner Union Square Associates (US2) shoulder the burden of the

funds for the state. Mayor Curtatone countered that the city is simply playing the best hand they have to put city finances for the project in the public interest. Still to be determined is whether this development will be subject to a Community Benefits Agreement. Community groups and citizens asked the Aldermen last week to forestall any zoning for Union Square Projects until a CBA is implemented to hold the developer and city to promises of open space, sustainable development, use of local labor, payment of a prevailing wage, and affordable housing.

Ward 1 Alderman Matt Mc-Laughlin was not sold by the Mayor's presentation. "I would like to see a firm commitment from developer," he said after the meeting. McLaughlin also stressed that Somerville residents should not have to pay for the extended Green Line, stressing that "Residents are legally owed the extension for pollution mitigation."

Tufts University student Robert Katz, 22, was excited about the project. "It would connect Tufts directly to Boston." Katz also suggested that he'd be more likely to stay in the area after graduating if the Green Line were extended to Somerville. Joe



Sullivan, owner of J.J. Sullivan Plumbing and Heating in Union Square, was equally receptive saying, "I'm for the extension," while noting that he questions parts of the plan.

The GLX project would extend the MBTA Green Line northwest from its current terminus at Lechmere Station to Alewife Brook Parkway on the Somerville-Medford border. It would connect Somerville directly with Downtown Boston, Back Bay, Fenway, Allston, Brighton, Brookline Mission Hill and Newton via one rail. Proposed are 7 stops in Somerville and Medford; Union Square, Washington Street, Gilman Square, Lowell Street, Ball Square, College Avenue and Route 16.

Planning documents say this will result in 25,000 less miles driven per day, reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation will reimburse costs to upgrade bicycle routes and intersections. The State will also provide funds for a new stormwater outfall, a critical infrastructure project necessary to reduce flooding and keep the water supply sanitary.

The deadline for the Board of Aldermen to approve the funds is December 8. Asked what happens if the Board misses this deadline or votes in the negative, the mayor was blunt. "There is no Green Line in that case." The board's next meeting is Tuesday, November 22, before the Thanksgiving recess.

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# **Brickbottom Open Studios brings** Boston, art history to life

#### By Manna Parker

Brickbottom Art Association (BAA) was masterminded in the mid 80's by "a group of artists seeking a stable and affordable space" to set up shop according to statement released by Brickbottom. From their humble beginnings, one of the biggest live-work artists' building and community in America has been built. This historic moment in art history took place right in Somerville's backyard.

This theme came alive in Brickbottom's open studios this past weekend, which have been held every year before Thanksgiving since 1987. Over sixty artists opened up their studios and homes to the common passerby in order to show off their many styles of artistry.

Every medium from sculpture, to photography, painting, performance art, and textiles was represented by the multitude of artists who call the Brickbottom studio building home.

A real sense of community could be felt, with artists greeting each other in the hallways and inside their apartments. Even a child living in the building set up shop outside of his parents' residence selling some of his drawings done in marker and crayon.

Being an artist is not a requirement of living in the building however. President of Brickbottom Pier Gustafson says, "Although there is no review process to decide if we like someone's work or something like that, we encourage artists to live here in order to foster that

sense of community."

The open studios are a way to illustrate the way Brickbottom connects people through their craft. It's not just the artist who live there either who are members of BAA. All local artists are invited to participate as well, applying to display their work during open studios with no fee to exhibit.

Although Brickbottom is no longer the same artists' cooperate it once was, with condo conversions that are now more expensive than was originally planned, the intent is still the same. Brickbottom has created a model artists' community that many others in the country follow. Open studios high popularity shows that Brickbottom isn't going anywhere anytime soon.

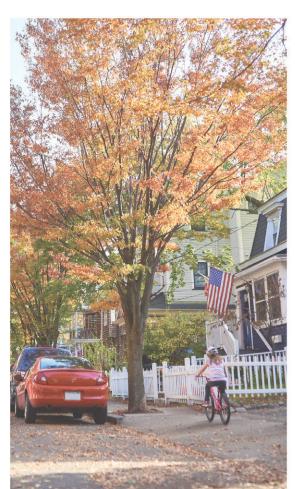


Many visitors attended and enjoyed last weekend's open studios event at Brickbottom.

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Our Legislators in the House and Senate for Somerville:



Rep. Christine Barber

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



Rep. Denise Provost

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



Rep. Timothy Toomey

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



#### Sen. Patricia Jehlen

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

**THE SENATE:** There were no roll calls in the House or Senate last week.

The controversial subject of sanctuary cities is back in the news following the election of Donald Trump. "We will end the sanctuary cities that have resulted in so many needless deaths," Trump said in an August speech on immigration. "Cities that refuse to cooperate with federal authorities will not receive taxpayer dollars, and we will work with Congress to pass legislation to protect those jurisdictions that do assist federal authorities."

Last week the Democratic mayors of several cities including New York, Chicago, Seattle, Newark, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Santa Fe, Denver, Providence and Washington, D.C. vowed that they will not cooperate with the Trump administration's policy on deportation of illegal immigrants.

"To all those who are, after Tuesday's election, very nervous and filled with anxiety ... you are safe in Chicago, you are secure in Chicago and you are supported in Chicago," Mayor Rahm Emanuel said at a news conference. He noted that Chicago has been and will always be a sanctuary city.

According to Aspen Law Offices, a New York City-based law firm that specializes in immigration issues, "Sanctuary city is a name given to a city in the United States that follows certain procedures that shelter illegal immigrants. The term most commonly is used for cities that do not permit municipal funds or resources to be applied in furtherance of enforcement of federal immigration laws. These cities normally do not permit police or municipal employees to inquire about one's immigration status."

Massachusetts currently has five sanctuary cities: Cambridge, Chelsea, Northampton, Somerville and Springfield.

Chelsea City Manager Thomas Ambrosino told *Beacon Hill Roll Call*, "I'm happy that the Massachusetts House rejected an effort to penalize municipalities that seek to provide safety and dignity to immigrants, regardless of their documentation status."

None of the four mayors of the other sanctuary cities responded to a request for a comment from *Beacon Hill Roll Call*.

In April 2016, the Massachusetts House 34-124, voted against an amendment that would withhold local aid from any cities or towns that do not enforce federal immigration laws. The vote was strictly along party lines with all Republicans voting in favor of the amendment and all Democrats opposing it.

At that time, amendment supporters said cities and towns that encourage law-breaking are hurting this nation. They pointed to the murder of 32-year-old Kate Steinle, allegedly killed by illegal immigrant Juan Francisco Lopez-Sanchez, while walking on the street with her father in San Francisco, a sanctuary city. Lopez-Sanchez, a Mexican national, had been deported five times for multiple felonies.

Some amendment opponents said they support sanctuary cities and noted that some individuals are here because of political asylum. Others said they oppose sanctuary cities but do not support cutting off local aid as punishment.

Last week, Rep. Geoff Diehl (R-Whitman), the sponsor of the amendment told *Beacon Hill Roll Call*, "Whether federal or state money, our tax dollars should not be going to communities that are not abiding by our laws.

Taxpayers should not fund cities that protect illegal immigrants with criminal backgrounds. Not only do they put their own residents at risk, but also they jeopardize the safety of citizens in surrounding towns."

Fellow Republican Rep. Marc Lombardo (R-Billerica) has filed similar legislation that would withhold all state aid except education funds. "Estimates show nearly \$2 billion annually is spent in Massachusetts on benefits for those who don't qualify," said Lombardo. "It's time to stop this funding and stop Massachusetts from being a magnet to illegal immigrants."

Rep. Christine Barber (D-Somerville) opposed the amendment. "[Somerville] is safer and more welcoming because we do not single out immigrants based solely on their documentation status," she said. "Somerville will not turn its back on protections for immigrants, despite the election of Donald Trump."

Gov. Charlie Baker opposes cutting off funds. "I think decisions about how communities want to manage their public safety issues and their community issues belong to them and they should make whatever decisions they make," Baker said. "Then it's incumbent on our administration and on our congressional delegation to work hard to make sure that our state continues to receive the federal support that we've previously been able to secure."

# PUNISH "SANCTUARY" CITIES AND TOWNS (H 4200)

Here is the House 34-124, vote that rejected the amendment to withhold local aid from any cities or towns that do not enforce federal immigration laws.

(A "Yes" vote is for cutting off funds. A "No" vote is against cutting off funds.)

Rep. Christine Barber No Rep. Denise Provost No Rep. Timothy Toomey No

#### ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

#### MEDICAL ASSISTANTS CAN NOW GIVE FLU

SHOTS - A new law that allows certified medical assistants who work in a doctor's office to give flu and other immunization shots to patients took effect on November 8. A certified medical technician is an individual who is a graduate of a post-secondary medical assisting education and performs basic administrative, clerical and clinical duties under the direct supervision of a doctor.

Supporters say this will free up the time of doctors and nurses so they can work on more urgent medical issues.

#### PREVENT ANIMAL SUFFERING AND DEATH

- A new law that prohibits persons from leaving their pet in a car when high or low temperatures could endanger the animal's health and safety went into effect on November 17. Violators will be hit with up to a \$150 fine for a first offense, \$300 for a second offense and \$500 for any subsequent offense. The law also leaves open the possibility of criminal animal cruelty charges being brought against the offender in the most egregious cases.

It also allows law enforcement officers, after making reasonable efforts to locate the motor vehicle's owner, to enter a motor vehicle by any reasonable means to protect the health and safety of an animal. It extends a similar right to ordinary citizens and makes them immune from criminal or civil liability that might result from the removal.

## Beacon Hill Roll Call continued



Other provisions prohibit leaving a dog outdoors during harsh weather conditions and prohibit a dog from being chained or tethered outside for more than five hours per day or between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. for more than 15 minutes. Violations under the tethering law include penalties of up to \$500 or relinquishment of ownership of the dog.

The bill's chief sponsor Sen. Marc Montigny (D-New Bedford) said, "[This] comes just in time to protect our beloved pets from harsh winter conditions. If you see an animal in distress, call 911 and break the window. We cannot afford to simply stand by while an innocent animal suffers. I hope this announcement will remind the public and pet owners of our obligation to protect vulnerable animals."

#### **ADULT MALNUTRITION COMMISSION - The**

House approved a Senate-approved proposal establishing a 15-member commission on malnutrition prevention among older adults. The commission would investigate and study the effects of malnutrition on older adults and the most effective strategies for reducing it. The commission would report to the Legislature by December 31 with the most effective strategies for reducing malnutrition. The measure needs final approval in each branch prior to it going to Gov. Charlie Baker for his signature.

Supporters said the Legislature recently had several incidents in which ethics have been called into question. They argued it is time to review and perhaps make nec-

essary changes to these laws and regulations.

**QUOTABLE QUOTES** - Special Post-Election Edition on the number of Bay State women elected to state and federal offices.

52 — The number of women elected to the 200-member Massachusetts Legislature.

10 — The number of women who lost their bid to replace men in the Legislature.

7 — The number of times a woman needs to be asked before deciding to run for public office according to Sarah McCarthy Welsh, executive director of the Massachusetts Women's Political Caucus, as told to the State House News Service.

1923 — The year Massachusetts elected its first woman state representative.

4 — The number of the six statewide constitutional offices that are held by women. (Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito, Treasurer Deborah Goldberg, Attorney General Maura Healey and Auditor Suzanne Bump).

2 — The number of the nine Massachusetts congressional seats held by women. (U.S. Reps. Katherine Clark and Niki Tsongas)

HOW LONG WAS LAST WEEK'S SESSION?

Beacon Hill Roll Call tracks the length of time that the

House and Senate were in session each week. Many legislators say that legislative sessions are only one aspect of the Legislature's job and that a lot of important work is done outside of the House and Senate chambers. They note that their jobs also involve committee work, research, constituent work and other matters that are important to their districts. Critics say that the Legislature does not meet regularly or long enough to debate and vote in public view on the thousands of pieces of legislation that have been filed. They note that the infrequency and brief length of sessions are misguided and lead to irresponsible late night sessions and a mad rush to act on dozens of bills in the days immediately preceding the end of an annual session. During the week of November 14-18, the House met for a total of 37 minutes while the Senate met for a total of 28 minutes.

Mon. November 14 House 11:00 a.m. to 11:13 a.m. Senate 11:09 a.m. to 11:16 a.m.

Tues. November 15 No House session No Senate session

Wed. November 16

No House session
No Senate session

Thurs. November 17 House 11:04 a.m. to 11:28 a.m. Senate 11:11 a.m. to 11:32 a.m.

Fri. November 18 No House session

No Senate session

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#### Recent Single Family Homes Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month: **Address Description DOM List Price Sale Price** 26 Warwick Street U:3 6 room, 3 bed, 3f 1h bath Contemporary 33 \$949,900 \$1,010,000 146 Powder House Blvd 11 room, 5 bed, 2f 1h bath Victorian 81 \$950,000 \$999,900 173 Willow Ave 8 room, 4 bed, 3f 0h bath Victorian 13 \$1,325,000 \$1,450,000 20 Elston St 7 room, 4 bed, 3f 1h bath Other 26 \$1,399,000 \$1,389,000

П	Recent Condominiums Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month:						
П	Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price		
ľ	1188 Broadway U:207	4 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath Mid-Rise	15	\$699,000	\$760,000		
П	29 Oak St U:D	6 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath Rowhouse	24	\$699,000	\$695,000		
	98 Highland Road U:2	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	113	\$699,900	\$685,000		
П	1188 Broadway U:303	4 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath Low-Rise	20	\$749,000	\$766,000		
Ι.	24 Sunset Rd U:2	7 room, 3 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	18	\$749,000	\$776,000		
П	103 Kidder Avenue U:1	6 room, 2 bed, 3f 1h bath 2/3 Family	21	\$749,000	\$835,000		
	235 Willow Ave U:1	6 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath Townhouse	13	\$779,000	\$859,000		
П	57 Dane Street U:2	6 room, 2 bed, 2f 1h bath Townhouse	20	\$799,000	\$850,000		
	135 Willow St U:7	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath Garden	33	\$799,900	\$795,000		
П	252 Summer St U:2	7 room, 3 bed, 3f 0h bath Townhouse	331	\$899,000	\$900,000		
	103 Kidder Avenue U:2	6 room, 3 bed, 2f 1h bath 2/3 Family	23	\$899,000	\$922,000		
П	30 Concord U:2	8 room, 3 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	13	\$925,000	\$980,000		
ľ	26 Warwick Street U:2	6 room, 3 bed, 3f 1h bath Detached	33	\$949,900	\$945,000		
П	31 Day Street U:B	6 room, 3 bed, 3f 0h bath Townhouse	19	\$1,198,000	\$1,351,000		

		Recent Multi-ramily Homes Sold in Somerville Over	tne Past Mo	ntn:	
l	Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
l	51 Concord Ave	2 unit, 10 total room, 3 total bedroom 2 Family	26	\$849,000	\$800,000
l	15-17 Vermont Ave	3 unit, 15 total room, 6 total bedroom 3 Family	96	\$944,999	\$875,000
l	37 Banks Street	2 unit, 11 total room, 5 total bedroom 2 Family	11	\$949,000	\$1,100,000
l	67 Bonair St	5 unit, 20 total room, 7 total bedroom 5+ Family	9	\$1,100,000	\$1,250,000
l	18 Munroe St	2 unit, 13 total room, 6 total bedroom 2 Family	17	\$1,100,000	\$1,035,000
l	32 Marshall St	2 unit, 11 total room, 5 total bedroom 2 Family	96	\$1,165,000	\$1,165,000
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# Ryan Harrington Foundation Mass and brunch

#### By Tom Bannister

The Ryan Harrington Foundation cordially invites you to join them for a special Mass of Hope & Recovery celebrated by dear family friend and fellow community member, Father Paul Coughlin.

"We would love for everyone to attend this Mass regardless what your religious affiliation or higher power may be" said Cathy Harrington, the mother of Ryan Harrington and an officer of the Foundation. "This is about reflection, connection and community."

The Mass will be held on Sunday, November 27, at 11:30 a.m. at St. Raphael's Church, 514 High Street, Medford.

Immediately following the Mass the Foundation is hosting a catered brunch by local favorites such as The Neighborhood Restaurant and Lyndell's Bakery in the St. Ra-



phael's Church Hall. All are encouraged to attend.

Dave Harrington, Ryan's father confides, "The Holiday Season is an especially difficult time for those who have lost a loved one to addiction, those struggling with addiction, as well as their families. Our wish is to have the community come together, to let people know that they are not alone".

The Harrington's are hoping to double the attendance of last year's Mass.

Jesse Clingan, an organizer

with the foundation adds, "I've heard this saying that the opposite of addiction is connection. This is an opportunity for us to connect with people and to strengthen our resolve not only in the fight against addiction but whatever you may be going through"

The Ryan Harrington Foundation is dedicated to those who have fallen victim to this insidious disease, their families and loved ones.

To learn more about The Ryan Harrington Foundation visit their website: www.ryan-harringtonfoundation.org or find them on Facebook at www.facebook.com/ryanharrington-foundation.

**What:** The Ryan Harrington Foundation 2nd Annual Mass of Hope & Recovery

Where: St Raphael's Church, 516 High Street, Medford, MA 02155

When: Sunday, November 27, 2016 at 11:30 a.m.

#### Announcement - Limited-time Program Ends 12/16

Now-12/16 residents who have completed a site visit from SolarFlair can sign up for reduced-cost solar through Solarize Somerville. Visit www.Somervillema.gov/Solarize. Email questions to your Solar Coach at somervillesolarcoach@gmail.com.



Can't go solar? Have solar and want to do more? Save money and stay warm this winter by signing up for a no-cost Mass Save® Home Energy Assessment at www.somervillema.gov/sustainaville/residential-programs.

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# The Somerville Times Historical Fact of the Week



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#### Rail Trails

By Bob (Monty) Doherty

Since 1835 Somerville citizens have been riding trains, trolleys and buses operated under the now Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority. Popularly called the "T," this system can trace her routes back to the construction of America's first industrial city, Lowell, and its needed link with Boston.



In 1804, the Middlesex Canal, which was used for transportation via boat, froze during the winter months and thus proved impractical. Because of this, the proposed creation of the Boston to Lowell railroad was suggested. Built in 1835, it was the first passenger steam train in New England and still continues today.

Its rails ran through the length of Somerville transporting such early celebrities as President Andrew Jackson, Senator Davy Crockett, and Congressman Abraham Lincoln. English writer and author of A Christmas Carol, Charles Dickens, rode this line and stopped in Somerville during her inaugural year of 1842. Another railroad first in Somerville was the 1849 original horse-drawn railway that connected Union Square to Harvard College.



Nowadays, preparation work on the Green Line extension has begun on the Cambridge/Somerville line. It will link Union Square and the length of Somerville to the oldest subway line in the nation. From 1886 to 1894 this area was the mile-long test site of the Meigs Monorail or pegleg railroad as it was sometimes called. It was a streamlined, futuristic train with modern gadgetry. It worked effectively, but its potential cost alarmed investors and its steam-powered design was abandoned in favor of the electric trolley.

Today the M.B.T.A. has grown to provide public transportation under its authority to 176 cities and towns. It is the oldest in the country covering 3,249 square miles with close to five million riders making it the fifth largest rapid transit system in America. Like a kaleidoscope, with its colors traveling in all directions, she reaches over and under bridges, tunnels, harbors, and highways. Above and below ground, the rails of the nation's oldest subway spread out like out like a colorful umbrella.

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# The winners of The Somerville Times Reader's Choice results for THE BEST OF SOMERVILLE 2016

Congratulations to the winners! Please support their businesses and let them know you saw them in The Somerville Times

## Readers choices for 2016

Best Idea in 2016:

Renaming Otis St. Park to Deanna Cremin Park

Worst Idea in 2016:

Too many bike lanes

**Best Somerville Food & Restaurants:** 

Best Breakfast: Buddy's Diner, 113 Washington St.

Best Combination Breakfast & Lunch: Ball Square Café, 708 Broadway

Best Italian Food: Vinny's at Night, 76 Broadway

Best Italian Specialty Store: Dave's Fresh Pasta, 81 Holland St.

Best Portuguese Restaurant: J and J Restaurant, 157 Washington St.

Best Chinese Food: China Delight, 524 Somerville Ave.

Best Mexican Food: El Potro Mexican & Bar Gill, 61 Union Square

Best Variety and All Around Restaurant: **Mount Vernon Restaurant**, **14 Broadway** 

Best Seafood Restaurant: Pescatore, 158 Boston Ave.

Best Local Deli: Victor's Deli, 710 Broadway

Best Irish Pub: Sally O'Brien's, 335 Somerville Ave.

Best Bar for Bands: PA's Lounge, 345 Somerville Ave.

Best Bar/Restaurant: Casey's, 173 Broadway

Best Bar Food/Creative Drinks: Daddy Jones Bar, 525 Medford St

Best Hamburger: RF O'Sullivans, 282 Beacon St.

Best Roast Beef Sandwich: Kelly's Diner, 674 Broadway

Best Pizza: Mike's Restaurant, 9 Davis Sq.

Best Nut Shop: Q Nuts, 349 Highland Ave

Best Chocolate: Taza Chocolate, 561 Windsor St.

Best Bakery: Modelo's Market Cafe, 501 Medford St.

Best Sub Shop: Leone's Sub and Pizza, 292 Broadway

Best Local Coffee Shop: True Grounds, 717 Broadway

Best Cook: Mark Romano Chef/Owner, Highland Kitchen 150 Highland Ave.

**Best of Somerville Services:** 

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Best Doctor: Dr. Leora Fishman, Somerville Family Practice

Best Dentist: Dental Arts Davis Square, 396 Highland Ave.

Best Electricians: Bent Electrical Contractors Inc., 59A Inner Belt Road

Best Plumber: T.J. Sillari, Inc., 99 Albion St.

Best Law Firm: O'Donovan Law Office, 741 Broadway

Best Attorney: Attorney William A. White, Jr. 403 Highland Ave., suite 209

Best Insurance Agency: Wedgewood-Crane & Connolly, 19 College Ave.

Best Bank: Winter Hill Bank, winterhillbank.com

Best Bank Employee: Amanda Hills, Century Bank

Best Post Office Staff: Winter Hill Post Office, 320 Broadway

Best Commercial Mortgage Officer: Jeannie Scarpa, Century Bank, jscarpa@centurybank.com

Best Residential Mortgage Officer: Richard H. Vernet

Winter Hill Bank Loan Center, rhvernet@winterhillbank.com

Best Paralegal: Paula LeBlanc, O'Donovan Law Office, 741 Broadway

Best Real Estate Company: The Norton Group, 699 Broadway

Best Real Estate Agent: Clifton Verdieu, The Norton Group, 699 Broadway

Best Real Estate Rental Agent: **Krisha Shakya, Colony Real Estate,**1258 Broadway

Best Florist: Ida Tauro, Bostonain Florist, 92 Highland Ave.

Best Waiter: Brad Burlamachi, Ball Square Café, 708 Broadway

Best Waitress: Patty Oppendiso, Renee Café, 198 Holland St.

Best Convenient Store: Neighborhood Food Store, 1165 Broadway

Best Laundromat: Spin Cycle, 6 Main St.

Best Liquor Store: Crowley Liquors, 152 Boston Ave.

Best Bartender: Chris Haskell, Legal on the Mystic, 301 Great River Rd.

Best Barber: Paul McGlashing, Alibrandi's Barber Shop, 194 Holland St.

Best Hair Salon: **Amal Niccoli, 731 Broadway**Best Gas Station: **Good Gas, 345 Medford St.** 

Best Auto Body Shop: A Plus, 297 Medford St.

Best Carpenter: **Bobby Potaris**Best Painter: **Bill Faber, Main St.** 

Best Pest Exterminator: **Best Pest Control Services**, **63 Elm St**.

Best Dry Cleaners: **Mystic Cleaners and Tailors**, **282 Broadway** 

**Best of Somerville Municipal Services:** 

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Best Somerville Department: **Election Dept.**Best Somerville Official: **John Long, City Clerk** 

Best Somerville DPW Foreman/Supervisor: James (Jimmy) DiFraia

Best City Employee DPW: Mike Browne

Best City Employee City Hall/Annex: Dawn Pereira, Planning Division

Best City Elected Politician: Katjana Ballantyne, Ward 7 Alderman

Best Teacher: Mr. Maloney, Somerville High School

Best Principal: John Oteri, Headmaster at Somerville High School

Best Nurse: Lynne Lenoir

Best Police Officer: Somerville Police Officer Sean Sylvester

Best Fire Fighter: Somerville Fire Deputy Chief Mike Avery

Best Coach: Paul O'Halloran, SHS Girls Varsity Basketball

**Best of Somerville Arts/Entertainment:** 

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Best Somerville Poet: Doug Holder

Best Photographer: Claudia Ferro

Best Commentary Writer: William C. Shelton

Best Somerville Celebrity: Jimmy Del Ponte

Best Somerville Historian: Bob "Monty" Doherty

Best Somerville Non Profit Agency: Ruby Rogers, 64 Union Sq.

Best Somerville Charity: Little Sisters of the Poor,

Jeanne Jugan Residence, 186 Highland Ave.

**Best Creative idea in 2016:** Somerville's Super School - Powderhouse Studios

# **COMMENTARY**

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# A one-eyed view of how we got here

# Part 1: Community disintegration and voter fragmentation



#### By William C. Shelton

You may be familiar with the parable of the blind people describing the elephant. One asserts that an elephant is like a wall. Another, that it's like a tree trunk. A third counters that it's like a snake. "Not a snake, but a stake," insists the fourth. The fifth can't imagine why the others don't know that an elephant is like a warm flapping blanket. And so on. Each is certain because, for a moment at least, each directly experienced the elephant.

As I listen to commentators assess the reasons for Donald Trump's election and why they did not anticipate it, I feel like I'm hearing a similar conversation.

Another sight-related allegory is that in the country of the blind, the one-eyed man is king. When I have tried to understand past historical moments that I was living in, I've often felt as if I were looking with only one eye, if that. But I'm old, I've lived through many such moments, and I've continually paid attention, as flawed as that attention may be.

So I may have been the only person in Sally O'Brien's on election night who was not sur-

prised by Donald Trump's victory. For months, friends and acquaintances were uninterested in considering why I thought that Donald Trump had at least an even chance of prevailing. Now I'll tell you why I think it went the way that it did.

It's a long story with more interacting parts than those of the proverbial elephant. It begins in the mid-1960s when industrial centers and many rural areas were solidly Democratic, and the Democrats were the working people's party.

The policies of Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal and Harry Truman's Fair Deal, combined with America's having the only intact industrial base following World War II, had brought economic security to much of the working class. Lyndon Johnson's Great Society was extending it to the poor and to racial minorities.

Places like Somerville were rich in the two things that connect us to the broader world—community and work. Across communities, people got their national news from relatively few sources which, though they took for granted status quo values and assumptions, were committed to being evidence-based and self-correcting.

But economic forces, technological change, and bipartisan fiscal and trade policies would, over the next five decades, erode community and living-wage employment. And communications technology, appropriated by political and business opportunists, would proliferate "news" sources

while disconnecting them from journalistic standards of factbased reporting and verifiability.

In community we are seen for who we are rather than the roles that we play. We develop empathy for others who may be different from us in significant ways, but whom we know. Communities have the strength and flexibility to accept people who may have odd ideas or behaviors because communities know them as whole people and make use of what they have to contribute rather than focusing on what makes them different.

If you've never lived within community, you may not understand—or believe—what I'm describing. But I will ask for your indulgence with what may seem like a pointless digression because I think that it's essential to understanding the moment that we are in. And it rarely figures in political commentary.

I can tell you that in community, we get listened to, and we listen to ourselves, enabling us to hold on to the reality of our own experience. And in or out of community, our own experience is all we have to build a self, form an identity, and evaluate reality.

Throughout our lives we are often told that what we experience is not real or not nice. Holding on to those experiences can cost us personal acceptance, affection, employment, and advancement. So to a greater or lesser extent, we "repress" some portion of our experience, which is a clinical way of saying that we habitually direct our attention

away from it.

But the more of our own experience we lose, the more of our selves we lose, and the more we must look beyond ourselves to define reality and choose direction. And the more vulnerable we become to political, commercial, and personal manipulation.

Community helps protect us from that. But converging economic and social forces gradually disintegrated all the associations that wove the fabric of community, such as extended families, neighborhoods, churches, unions, veterans' posts, ethnic associations, fraternal orders, sports leagues, benevolent associations, local political organizations, civic groups, and so on.

Flight from the cities began unwinding the fabric of urban neighborhoods without creating community in suburbia. Well-paying jobs for high school graduates gradually disappeared, while corporate owners appropriated an ever-larger share of productivity gains. To make ends meet, women increasingly entered the workforce, whether they wanted to or not. Commute times lengthened and adults used their scant spare time to soothe increased stress with television's balm rather than to sustain associational life.

Without the mutual care and spontaneous problem solving provided by community, the need and cost of government services increased. Schools took on greater responsibility for raising the young, and the police, for providing security and main-

taining order. Physical and mental maladies proliferated, along with "programs" to treat them.

Without ward-level activists, political parties replaced retail organizing with wholesale advertising, which cost much more, while making them more beholden to large donors with their own agendas.

Without community's capacity to preserve the integrity of personal experience, individuals became more vulnerable to manipulation. From partisan ads, political opportunists, and media demagogues, these individuals were told whom to blame for their suffering. They were fed explanations that either abstracted a misleading fact from the larger truth—as in the parable of the elephant—or were without any basis in fact.

The human need to belong to something greater than oneself remained. So illusory "communities" emerged. Rather than being based on knowing each other as whole people, they were based on perceptions of shared grievance and whom to blame and hate. And shared "identities" crystallized around these perceptions.

The Democratic Party has gotten the most attention for relying on identity politics. But it was the Trump campaign that most successfully exploited identity, while revealing that the motive force in the Republican Party for fifty years has been identity, rather than ideology. That is the subject of the next column in this series.

#### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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Dear Editor,

I wanted to write to commend Nicholas Salerno, Chairman of the Elections Department and his staff for what has served as a well-organized and welcoming process that was an "Independence Day" for me.

For the past 55 years, I have been an American. I knew little to nothing as a child about racism. As a teenager my mother began to have these talks about the real world and how to be careful as to whom we interact-

ed with and how we conducted ourselves in public as we; all eight of us were her representatives while in public.

I learned as a teenager about the 1965 Voter's Right Act that gave me and people like me the "Right" to vote. To be a part of the political process as a freethinking America. A process that cost lives on so many fields of battle requiring civil and military action. Where African blood was shed just as Europen blood. As a matter of fact even to this day members

of my family have served in the military. My Uncle Omar Sharif Ali was in the U.S. Navy serving during World War II and my Uncle Claude "June Bug" Vann, who was chased out of town because he dared to love a white woman and later married a white woman, my Aunt Rose Mary Vann, who I loved dearly, fought during the Korean War. Today, my niece, Khalilah Metze is a Master Sergeant in the United States Air Force. My little sister has served as a member of the

Youngstown City Council in Ohio. I too have served and continue to serve my community, state and this nation.

I appreciated the work of the City of Somerville Election Department because in this day and age there are those Americans working to deny other Americans an opportunity to have a say in who shall lead in their community, in their state and this nation. I think I, My family and many in this nation has paid their price for this right. How many more cards, identi-

fications will we need to carry around? Once you complete the registration process that should be it. I thank God that I can do my duty as a citizen of this city, state and this nation without going through more hoops to have a voice in who shall have the privilege to lead us.

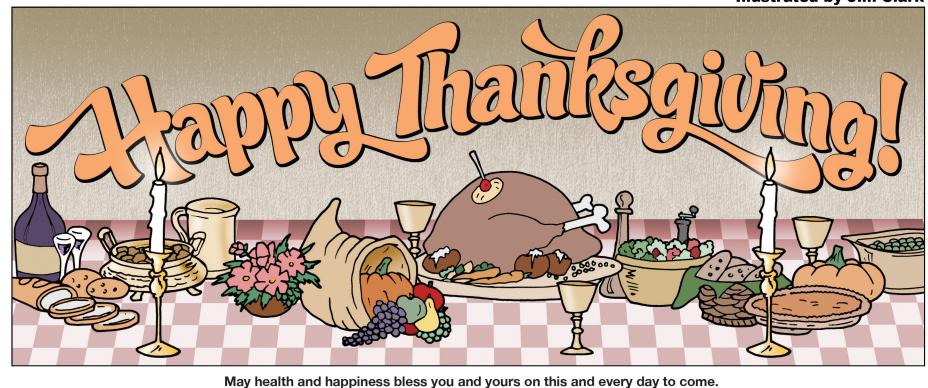
Again, great job in making Early Voting process so easy, so professional and so FREE.

Respectfully, Hon. Kevin A. Tarpley I. Former Ward 2 Alderman

# **COMMENTARY**

# SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Illustrated by Jim Clark



# **Our View Of The Times**



Giving thanks for our blessings is normally an easy thing to do. We may often get caught up in the day-to-day trappings of scratching out a living, ducking misfortune, and seeking out an occasional highlight to add to our mental scrapbooks. Usually, though, we come around to feeling and expressing that special sense of appreciation and gratitude that comes in

moments of quiet reflection just in time to validate ourselves as worthy recipients of such blessings.

Thanksgiving Day gives us that little nudge we sometimes need to take stock in what is most important for us and to share in the sense of appreciation that we feel amongst one another.

Of course, for those of us who may be

blessed with material abundance, it is also important to help the less fortunate who may be in need as the winter holiday season unfolds. Consider giving a little of your time or money to make another's life a little better, particularly during the winter months to come.

For those among who may be struggling to keep it all together, remember to look

at what is good in life and remain faithful that change for the better is always waiting just around the corner.

May this holiday provide a meeting ground for all of us. One in which we can share in the goodness of life and fellowship between us all.

There's no better way to express our gratitude.

#### Newstalk CONT. FROM PG 2

through a lot over the next few years. He became famous because of his accident, and he had a sense of humor about it. He would be seen riding a bike a year or so afterwards, all over East Somerville. In The Somerville Times edition published on April 7, 2013, a short story about him and his accident was written by Paul Maisano, to be found here: http://www.thesomervilletimes. com/archives/36886. The Wellesley Report - popularly known as The Swellesley Report – did a story on him and his passing this past October 25, to be found here: http://theswellesleyreport. com/2016/10/wellesley-loses-everett-eddie-knowles-rdf-volunteer-medical-miracle/. May he rest in peace. By all accounts he was a good guy to the end.

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Happy birthday to a lot of our friends and fellow Villens here this week: Happy birthday to our good friend and nice lady **Diane Johansen**, who celebrates this week. Happy birthday to good guy, **John Hight**, another former East Somerville man who is celebrating with his new grandchild. A long time friend and someone who is a hard worker, wishing **Malitta Knault** a special Happy birthday. She manages a lot of residential properties here in the city and does

a great job. Happy birthday to another former East Somerville local, Karen MacLeod-Fraser. We hope she has a great day for herself and family. Lifelong Somerville resident and nice lady Joan Puglia is celebrating this week as well. We wish her a very happy birthday. A local realtor and someone whose name is all over Medford/Somerville, Dan Fabbri is celebrating this week too. We wish him a happy birthday. Happy birthday to a newly arrived guy who is owner of Julia's in Union Square, Josh Levin is celebrating this week. Go in to his restaurant and wish him a HB and try out one of the many items on the menu. \*\*\*\*\*\*

Somerville Rotary is looking for some new members. Rotary is a service club for businesses and local non-profits. Somerville Rotary meets at 12:15 p.m. every Tuesday at the Holiday Inn. If you'd like to find out more about Rotary and what it does here both in the city and internationally, go to the their website at www.somervillerotary.org.

Real Estate Answers Show is on mainly Friday evenings at 6:00 p.m. and various other times. The latest episode concerns the use of solar energy here in the city. Christine Andrews, City of Somerville Housing and Environment Programs Coordinator, answers questions and explains how it would benefit property owners here in the city, even multi property owners. It's a great program. Watch the show and go online to the City of Somerville website, www.somervillema.gov and right there on the front page is the program link. Call 617-625-6600 x 2567 to find out if your home qualifies now.

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

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

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

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It's that time of year again, when we're thinking of shoes and boots and much more. Head online to www.shoebuy. com for the best prices and fastest delivery right here in Somerville. We think Shoebuy is great. You go online to order, and within the next couple of days you get them delivered. Go see for yourself the vast inventory they have online for sale.

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Get well again to our good friend Irving Johansen, who is still recuperating from a fall some weeks back. We hope he is coming along well and will be back to his usual pace. Also recuperating from an operation is his lovely daughter Diane. She is celebrating her birthday this week, so we're hoping all her many friends call her and wish her the Continued on page 17

# Mayor's Thanksgiving Dinner

On Saturday, November 12, Mayor Joseph Curatone hosted a Thanksgiving Dinner for Somerville Seniors at the Holiday Inn on Washington St.















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Photos by Claudia Ferro



# Kiwanis Thanksgiving Dinner

Somerville Kiwanis hosted Thanksgiving dinner for Somerville seniors at the Highland Cafe at Somerville High on Tuesday, November 15. Somerville High School Culinary students prepared the delicious dinner.















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# **SPORTS**

# Former SHS athlete's continuing success story

#### By Rebecca Danvers

Eight underclassmen, led by team captain and former Somerville High School star athlete Indira Evora, dominate a 12-woman Saint Michael's College women's basketball r oster in 2016-17, as the youths look to buoy a squad that suffered 10 single-digit losses last winter but aims for its fourth Northeast-10 Conference Championship berth in seven seasons.

Evora is a 5-foot-7 guard and 2nd-year captain. She has played 26 games with 25 starts, making 10.1 points, 2.9 rebounds, 1.7 assists, 1.7 steals (tied for

Ms. Cam's

team lead), 37.1 3pt%, 78.3 ft% (team leader).

The Purple Knights return two of top three scorers, five of top six rebounders, four of top five leaders in steals, and top two shot blockers. This is the first one-woman senior class sin NCAA Tournament qualifier Saint Anselm College, 63-60, on February 13.

Saint Michael's began its season at the Rollins (Fla.) College Tip-Off Classic, opposing the hosts on November 11 during the opener. The Purple Knights start their NE-10 slate with their initial home contest, taking on Franklin



The pride of Somerville High School, Indira Evora now takes giant strides as a leading member of the Saint Michael's College women's basketball team. - Photo by Alyssa Noble

Pierce University.

A meeting with 2016 NCAA Tournament qualifier Saint Anselm occurred on November 22. The Hawks are receiving votes toward the Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) preseason national poll.

Saint Michael's visits Bentley University, which is No. 1 in the

national rankings after making a run to the 2016 NCAA Final Four, on December 7.

In one six-game stretch during the second semester, the Purple and Gold rematches Bentley and Saint Anselm in addition to facing American International College, another NCAA qualifier last winter.

The top five teams from each of

the NE-10's two divisions head into the postseason, with the NE-10 Championship beginning with first-round contests on February 24.

Saint Michael's is a college of approximately 2,000 students studying the liberal arts and sciences on a scenic 440-acre campus just outside of Burlington, Vermont.

Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

1. The first Thanksgiving whin 1621 was believed to have lasted how many 7.

2. How many pilgrims were on the Mayflower?

3. What was the name of the ship that was supposed to accompany the Mayflower on its historic journey across the Atlantic?

4. What year did the practice of U.S. Presidents "pardoning" turkeys became a permanent tradition?

5. What turkey is known to gobble?

6. Cornucopia (horn of plenty) is a symbol of

what?

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7. What was the first department store to hold a Thanksgiving parade?

8. What year was the first Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade?

9. What year did it start to be televised?

10. What 1947 film begins with the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade?

11. What punk rock band has a song Macy's Day Parade?

12. What day is the unofficial beginning of the Christmas shopping

Answers on page 17

# The 21st Annual Tree Lot Fundraiser

#### By Braden Moriarty

Hopes are high for the students and staff at Somerville's own Next Wave and Full Circle Alternative schools as they put together the 21st Annual Tree Lot Fundraiser in Foss Park.

The tree lot has provided a wonderful service for the students, the community, and the schools for over two decades.

The proceeds will go to supporting student scholarships, trips and behavioral management programs. The tree lot is operated entirely by teachers and students, who volunteer their time on evenings and weekends during the busy holiday season.

Not only is the Tree Lot a wonderful tradition spanning two decades, it is a combination of community service and hands on business training for the students - who have volunteered to sell trees and help their community at Foss Park - it's a great learning experience for them and they are happy to keep the tips.

This year, students will unload more than 250 healthy trees



raised by Wilson Farms in Lexington It is hoped hope you will take one home with you. It's a great and festive way to support Somerville Public Schools.

Beautiful trees and decorative wreaths are being sold from December 2 until December 18 between 4:00 and 8:00 p.m. during the week and 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on the weekends.

So come down to Foss Park at the corner of Broadway and McGrath Highway and pick out your tree, while helping Somerville students.

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# **Middlesex Federal to match Toys for Tots donations**

#### By Louise Carpenter

Middlesex Federal invites employees, customers, neighbors, and friends to bring a new, unwrapped toy between November 25 and December 13 to any one of its branch locations. For every toy collected at its three locations, Middlesex Federal will donate another toy, up to at least 125 additional toys. This matching program is part of the Bank's 125th anniversary local giving initiative. All toys will be distributed by the U.S. Marine Corps' Toys for Tots program to local children.

Michael McWilliams, Middlesex Feder-

al Loan Officer and Somerville Kiwanis President, will present the toys to the U. S. Marine Corps at the Somerville Kiwanis Club annual Christmas Marines Toys for Tots Tri-meeting event on December 15th. "Although the Toys for Tots is a national program, the U.S. Marine Corps distributes these toys as Christmas gifts to children within our community," said McWilliams.

Each year Somerville Kiwanis Club invites the Somerville Rotary and Somerville Lions Club members to join them for this event. These three organizations unite for a common cause.



Michael McWilliams, Middlesex Federal Loan Officer and Somerville Kiwanis President, places his toy donation into the Middlesex Federal's Davis Square Toys for Tots collection box.

### **Community Meeting**

Chairman of the Somerville Board of Alderman's Committee on Public Health and Public Safety Alderman at Large Jack Connolly and Ward Six Alderman Lance Davis, will host a neighborhood meeting on Monday, November 28th, at 6:00 P.M. at the Community Baptist Church, 31 College Ave., Somerville, MA. The purpose of this meeting is to allow members of the public to hear a presentation from Garden Remedies Inc. dba Garden Remedies (www.gardenremedies.org) regarding a medical marijuana dispensary proposed by Garden Remedies inc., to be located at 245 Elm St. (currently the site of Family Dollar). Representatives from Garden Remedies will take questions regarding the application and their intent to seek a Special Permit form the City of Somerville.

The City of Somerville recently issued a letter of non-opposition to the Garden Remedy application (among others). The applicant (a non-profit organization founded by a physician who survived cancer) recently opened a medical marijuana dispensary in Newton, MA.

#### **Historical Fact** CONT. FROM PG 8

There is a theme to the complexion of its six main lines.

- The Red Line, which runs through Davis Square, honors Harvard's crimson color.
- + The Orange Line, Somerville's most recent stop at Assembly, reminds us of Orange Street and Orange Hall where Boston public transportation first began with stage coaches.
- The Blue Line, running under Boston harbor and along the ocean, gets its name from the blue waters.
- The Green Line parallels the Frederick Law Olmsted Circle of metropolitan Boston parks, referred to as The Emerald Necklace.
- The Purple Line relates to the general color of European transit lines.
- + The Silver Line is one of the newest and fastest bus transit lines, colored silver

Even in inclement weather, Somervillians can always find shelter traveling under the rainbow of the T's rails.

# \$10K donation to **Toys For Local Children**

The Marathon Sports Bill Rodgers Jingle Bell Run on December 18 in Davis Square-Somerville is donating \$10,000 for the sixth year in a row to the Somerville based Toys For Local Children program based in Somerville. They will also be accepting toys from registered runners and walkers to be donated to the program at all of the bib and tee pick-ups at Marathon Sports, Olde Magoun Saloon and Somerville Senior Center during race week and race weekend. Go to http://www.baevents.com/jinglebell/ for more information and to register for the event.





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> **LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

A public hearing for all interested parties will be held by the Zoning Board of Appeals on Wednesday, December 7, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, Aldermanic Chambers, 2nd Floor, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA.

46 Mount Vernon Street: (Case # ZBA 2016-121) The Applicant, True-Healing Health Services, Inc., and Owner, Ting Fang, seek a special permit under SZO \$7.11.4.f to operate an accessory office for acupuncture, massage, herbal medicine, and other holistic therapies within a primary

1366, 1370, 1372, and 1374 Broadway: (Case # ZBA 2016-127) Applicant, FHRC Management Corporation, and Owner, Clarendon Hill Somerville, Limited Partnership, seek a Special Permit under SZO §4.4.1 to install accessory smoking shelters on a lot with nonconforming structures. RC zone.

741 Somerville Avenue: (Case # ZBA 2016-134) Applicants and Owners, Fatima Abouzid and EL Mahjoub Karmoussi, seek a Special Permit under SZO §4.4.1 to construct dormers, remove and create new windows, and construct a deck within the required side yards of a nonconforming structure, RB zone, Ward 5.

NorthPoint Parcel JK - loading docks: (Case # ZBA 2016-137) Applicant/Owner DW NP Property LLC requests a Variance under \$6.6.10.G for four loading docks on the secondary front lot line as part of a Commercial Office, R&D/Laboratory, or Other Use on Parcel JK within the overall North-Point development site. North Point Special District (NPSD). Ward 1.

102 Morrison Avenue: (Case # ZBA 2016-112) Applicant/Owner Paul Lavelle seeks a Special Permit under §4.4.1 to build an exterior stair for existing unenclosed decks at the rear of a 3-family. RA Zone. Ward 6.

70 Lowell Street: (Case # ZBA 2016-118) Applicant/Owner Daniel Needleman seeks a Special Permit under §4.4.1 for a second story and attic, for 1 additional bedroom, added to an existing 1-1/2 story 3-bedroom house. RB Zone. Ward 3.

55 Partridge Avenue: (Case # ZBA 2016-130) Applicant and Owner, Wei Zhang, sees a Special Permit under SZO Section 4.4.1 to finish the basement and increase the FAR. RA zone. Ward 5.

483 Medford Street: (Case # 2016-26) Applicant, Mouhab Rizkallah, and Owner, 62 College Ave Trust, LLC, seek a Special Permit under SZO Section 4.4.1 to alter the exterior of the single-story portion of the property. RC zone. Ward 5.

Per Somerville Zoning Ordinance (SZO) section 13.3.3, the Board will review and vote upon policy changes to facilitate the creation of affordable homeownership opportunities under the inclusionary housing program. The first change would revise the calculation establishing the purchase price of units available to households at or below 80%, 110% and 140% of Area Median Income (AMI). The second change would revise the basis for the interest rate to be used in calculating the monthly mortgage loan amount a household can afford. Section 13.3.3 of the Ordinance calls for the Special Permit Granting Authority to conduct a public hearing to receive comment prior to adopting any change in these standards.

Applications are not posted online. Copies of these applications are available for review in the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development (OSPCD), 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 a meeting. 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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#### CITY OF SOMERVILLE **PURCHASING DEPARTMENT** RFP #17-12

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

Linkage Fee Nexus Study – to conduct a nexus study for the purposes of updating Somerville's affordable housing linkage ordinance

The City of Somerville is seeking a qualified vendor to conduct waterproofing repairs and associated work at the Somerville School Administration Building.

Bid packages for may be obtained online at <a href="http://www.somervillema.">http://www.somervillema.</a> gov/departments/finance/purchasing/bids or may be picked up at the Purchasing Department, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue. First Floor, Somerville, MA 02143 beginning on Tuesday November 22nd, 2016. Sealed bids must be submitted no later than 11:00 A.M. Wednesday December 14th, 2016.

Please contact Michael Richards, Assistant Purchasing Director, 617-625-6600 x 3403, or email mrichards@somervillema.gov for information and to register for the bid package.

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

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

The Somerville Historic Preservation Commission (SHPC) shall hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at 6:40 p.m. in the Third Floor Community Room, at the Visiting Nurses Association (259 Lowell Street) regarding proposals by: Gregory & Paris Barker to demolish the c.1874 wood frame barn & 1921 wood garage at 9 Sunny-

The subject of the hearing will be reviews of the initial determinations by the SHPC that under the City of Somerville Zoning Ordinance Section 7-28b(2), the structures are considered "Significant." Public testimony followed by discussion and a vote by the Commission will be taken regarding if the building should be "Preferably Preserved." For further information, please contact (617) 625-6600 x 2500 or historic@somervillema.gov.

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NorthPoint Dawes Street - Design & Site Plan Review: (Case # PB 2016-20) Applicant/Owner DW NP Property LLC requests an Design & Site Plan Review under §6.6.5 for a section of Dawes Street within Somerville city limits of the overall project area. North Point Special District (NPSD). Ward 1.

NorthPoint Parcel JK - Design & Site Plan Review: (Case # PB 2016-21) Applicant/Owner DW NP Property LLC requests a Special Permit under \$6.6 for a new 9-story 623,725gsf commercial building including below grade parking, ground floor retail, and core laboratory space. North Point Special District (NPSD). Ward 1.

22 Benedict Street: (Case # PB 2016-15) Applicant/Owner Qichao Ding Seek a Special Permit under § 4.4.1 to add a rear roof deck to an existing one-story addition, TOD-70 Zone, Ward 1.

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Attest: Kevin Prior, Chairman To be published in the Somerville Times 11/23/16 & 11/30/16.

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

#### **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

**MIDDLESEX Division** Docket No. MI 16P5540EA Estate of: Rosanna De La Cruz Middle Name First Name Last Name Also Known As: \_ Date of Death: \_\_\_\_\_\_ January 20, 2016 To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of

Petitioner Claudia Mckee of Groveland C First Name M.I. Last Name (City/Town) Claudia C Mckee of Groveland First Name M.I. Last Name (City/Town) (State)

has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve [ ] with [x] without surety on the bond.

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

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# AFC promotes wellbeing during **Family Caregivers Month**

#### By Nathan Lamb

November is National Family Caregivers Month, and a regional non-profit program is marking the occasion by promoting caregiver wellbeing.

The Adult Family Care (AFC) program provides support for more than 250 family caregivers in the greater Boston area, and will provide care packages for its caregivers during the month as a show of appreciation for all that they do, explained AFC Program Director Jeanne Leyden.

"It's a special thank-you to all of our caregivers for their continued dedication in providing care for their loved ones," said Leyden.

Wrapped in an agency tote bag, the packages will include a stress ball and pamphlets with tips for avoiding common caregiver pitfalls, such as isolation and stress.

The gift bags were inspired

by the theme of National Family Caregivers Month 2016, which is "Take Care to Give Care." The theme underscores some of the unique challenges that put the nation's 90 million family caregivers at higher risk for health issues, according to a release from the Caregiver Action Network (CAN).

"Caregiving can be a rewarding experience, but it's also physically and emotionally demanding," said the release. "Only by taking care of yourself can you be strong enough to take care of your loved one."

According to information provided by CAN, caregivers are twice as likely to suffer from depression, and one in five caregivers admit they have sacrificed their own health while caring for a loved one. The organization advised healthy diet and regular respite as two important steps to avoid common problems.

AFC is a MassHealth-fund-

ed program that's dedicated to helping people provide the best possible care at home, by providing compensation, ongoing training and two weeks of paid time off annually.

The program is provided at no cost to the person receiving care, provided they are eligible for MassHealth Standard or Commonhealth and have a chronic medical or psychiatric diagnosis that necessitates assistance with at least one of the following: bathing, dressing, toileting, transferring between positions, ambulating or eating.

Caregivers must be able to meet those needs and live in the same home as the person receiving care. Friends and family are eligible to become live-in caregivers-but legal guardians and spouses are not.

National Family Caregivers Month was launched by CAN in 1994, and has received a Pres-



Jeanne Leyden (left) and Melissa Guevara display items from the caregiver appreciation packages that Adult Family Care is distributing as part of National Family Caregivers Month. The program serves more than 250 caregivers across the Greater Boston Area. — Photo by Nathan Lamb

idential Proclamation annually since 1997. The month is dedicated to raising awareness about caregiver issues, increasing support for family caregivers, and celebrating their efforts.

Adult Family Care is a non-profit program at Somer-

ville-Cambridge Elder Services that supports in-home caregivers across the Greater Boston, North Shore, and Merrimack Valley areas. For more information, visit adultfamilycare.org, call 617-628-2601, or follow AFC on Twitter and Facebook.

# **Union Square Main Streets Holiday Stroll**

Don't wait till the next Fluff Festival to discover the treasures that quirky Union Square has to offer. On Saturday, December 10, Union Square Main Streets presents the Holiday Stroll, from 11:00 a.m. to the close of businesses. The Stroll will include live music and special offerings from the over 20 participating businesses. Artists will be offering great gifts to purchase for the holidays inside many of the Union Square establishments from 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. and Santa will be there!

Enjoy free popcorn, cocoa and other treats. Indulge in a deeply discounted spiked cider. Shop for beautiful, handmade gifts: scarves, toys, jewelry, clothing and more.



Union Square Main Streets, a local organization dedicated to strengthening Union Square, builds on the success of last year's inaugural Holiday Stroll, including an even wider range of local stores and restaurants, featuring live music and lots of great vendors.

"The Holiday Stroll is one of my favorite events to co-ordinate. To me it is symbolic of our commitment here at Union Square to bring businesses and the people together to foster a special and strong sense of community," said Union Square Main Streets director Esther Hanig. "It's been a great year for Union Square, and we are looking forward to finishing the year in style!"

For more info go to www.unionsquaremain.org or to our Facebook event page: https://www.facebook.com/events/190630404728665/, or contact Esther at usms@ unionsquaremain.org or at 617-955-0080.

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Facebook.

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When you're home and looking for a place to go out to that is sort of like the Cheers of Somerville, head down to **Sally** O'Brien's on Somerville Avenue. Different entertainment every single night, from Open Mic to Texas holdem. Don't forget to order up a cheeseburger. We like Open Mic night - we like watching not participating - but for those hams out there, maybe you'd like to try out your talent.

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FYI, if we could have we would have named Demet's Donuts over in Medford on Mystic Av-

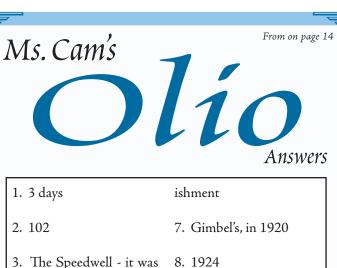
very best of birthdays. Some- enue the best donuts and best annual scholarships to graduattimes you can catch her on breakfast sandwiches, but we ing SHS seniors who are concan't because they are in Medford. If we could we would encourage people to give them a try. For the best donuts in Somerville we have to go with **Lyndell's** homemade bakery donuts.

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More than 100 crafters from around New England will be selling their wares at the Somerville High School Track PAC's 25th Annual Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair on Saturday, November 26 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the SHS Field House. The SHS Track PAC supports and encourages track and cross-country athletes of Somerville High School, and provides more than \$6,000 in

tinuing their education. Donations can also be made directly to the SHS Track PAC at 81 Highland Avenue (Somerville High School), Somerville MA 02143 or by contacting Craft Fair Director, Dimitra Tsourianis Murphy at Somervillecraftfair@gmail.com.

This Thursday and Friday city offices will be closed for Thanksgiving. On Thursday and Friday trash, recycling, and yard waste collection will be on a one-day delay. There will be no street sweeping on Thursday and parking meters will not be enforced Thursday and Friday.



3. The Speedwell - it was left behind when it started taking on water.

9. 1952 on NBC

11. Green Day

4. 1989 with President George H. W. Bush

10. Miracle on 34th Street

5. Male turkeys, called

12. Black Friday, the day after Thanksgiving

6. Abundance and nour-

#### **CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

#### Thursday November 24

**Library Closed** 

#### Friday November 25

Library Closed

#### Monday November 28

#### **Central Library**

Sing Along with Jeremy Lyons 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

#### **Central Library**

SHS teen group SomerPromise/SPS 2:45 p.m. - 4 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

#### **Central Library**

Creative Drama with Laurie 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

**Central Library** 

#### Cinema at Central

6:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.|79 Highland

#### **Tuesday November 29**

#### **Central Library**

Homeschool Reading Group for Ages

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

#### **West Branch Library**

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

#### **Central Library**

Pajama Storytime and Craft 7 p.m.-8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

#### Wednesday November 30

#### **East Branch Library**

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

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#### Wednesday November 23

#### Sally O'Brien's Bar

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

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Back Room

Backroom Series:

Comedy Night With Jordan Handren-Seavey|10 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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Ben Cosgrove

Dana Sipos The Wonderful Thunderbolts

Abigail Lapell

345 Somerville Ave

#### On The Hill Tavern

499 Broadway|617-629-5302

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#### 65 Holland St|617-591-2100

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#### Thursday November 24

#### Sally O'Brien's

Happy Thanksgiving! 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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Lunchtime Concert Series|1-2pm Matt Borrello, Mike Verge & Compa-

Backroom Series: Scattershots 10 p.m.

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

#### P.A.'s Lounge

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#### On The Hill Tavern

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#### Somerville Theatre

Awkward Compliment's Thursday Night Comedy Night

#### Thunder Road

379 Somerville Ave

8 p.m.|55 Davis Square

#### ONCE Lounge & Ballroom

156 Highland Ave

#### The Rockwell 255 Elm Street

Friday November 25

#### Sally O'Brien's

Busted Jug Band Tour Ireland with us! |6 p.m. HearNowLive presents |9 p.m.

#### 335 Somerville Avel617-666-3589

The Burren Backroom Series: Mugsy|10 p.m.

#### 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge Dave Crespo|8 p.m. Yoshi Walsh Mike Brussard Tony Tempesta Steve Dennis Your Bad Friends

#### 345 Somerville Ave Orleans Restaurant and Bar

10 p.m.|65 Holland St

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#### Joshua Tree

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379 Somerville Ave

#### ONCE Lounge & Ballroom

Sam Roberts Band Hollerado 8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

#### The Rockwell

Shit-Faced Shakespeare: Romeo &

#### 7 p.m.|255 Elm Street

Arts at the Armory THANGsgiving 2016

9 a.m.-5 p.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

#### Saturday November 26

#### Sally O'Brien's

Patsy Hamel Band |6 p.m. no cover! HearNowLive presents Water | 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.

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Lunchtime Concert Series|3 p.m.. Backroom Evan Goodrow 7 p.m. Cover Up|10 p.m.

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8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave ONCE Lounge & Ballroom Kimon Kirk and The Meds Sam Bigelow

#### 156 Highland Ave The Rockwell

cial8 p.m.

KERPLUNK!|11 a.m. Jiggy & Jon: Live! Thanksgiving Spe-

255 Elm St Arts at the Armory

#### Wintergreen Herbal Market 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.|Performance Hall Open Mic For Malaria

#### 6 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave Sunday November 27

#### Sally O'Brien's Bar Roy Sludge Trio|6 p.m.

335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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

p.m. Back Room The Burren Backroon Saturday & Sun-

#### day Jazz Brunch with Tom Pendergast 8am - 2:30pm

Lunchtime Concert Series|3 p.m.-4 Alan Kaufman & Friends Old Timey|5

#### Jonathan Byrd and the Pickup Cow-

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

#### PA'S Lounge

boy|8 p.m.

Bluegrass

345 Somerville Ave

#### **Bull McCabe's Pub**

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Sunday Night Live Music 150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131 **Orleans Restaurant and Bar** 

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#### Pop Icon "Young Turkeys" Thanksgiving Leftover Brunch|10 a.m. Americana Sundays w/ Greg Klyma|7

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#### Arts at the Armory

SLF Winter Market

10 a.m.-4 p.m.|Performance Hall Cafe Rags

7 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

#### Monday November 28

#### Sally O'Brien's Bar

Shawn Carter's Cheapshots Comedy|7 p.m.

Marley Monday with The Duppy Conquerors reggae|10 p.m.

#### 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589 The Burren

Front Room

Bur-Run Helena Delaney, Johnny O'Leary & Friends Irish Session|9 p.m. Back Room:

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

#### P.A.'s Lounge

Dencity Soulcase & Open Mic 345 Somerville Ave

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

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#### 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

**Thunder Road** The Murdock Manor Stripped Sets Monday Night Series 379 Somerville Ave

**ONCE Lounge & Ballroom** New Music Night with DJ Bad Squirrel|6 p.m.

Cold Expectations 8 p.m.

#### Só Sol 156 Highland Ave

The Rockwell 255 Elm St

Arts at the Armory

#### 10th Rough Cut Media Screening 7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

**Tuesday November 29** 

#### Sally O'Brien's Bar Amy Kucharik's Friends With Benefits

Tuesday residency

666-3589 The Burren Front Room

7:30 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-

Jason Anick and the Swingers Swing/ Jazz|8:30 p.m. Back Room: Open Mic w/ Hugh McGowan|10

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Open Mic Night 345 Somerville Ave

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

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Pub Ouiz 10 p.m.|239 Holland St.|617-625-8200

#### 379 Somerville Ave ONCE Lounge & Ballroom

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156 Highland Ave The Rockwell

Sally O'Brien's Bar

**BSC Indie Film Screening** 7 p.m.|255 Elm St

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

Wednesday November 30

#### 255 Elm St

Front Room Exile on Elm

The Burren

**Back Room** Backroom Series: :Fourth Annual Benefit For Somerville Homeless Coa-

lition:7:30 p.m. Comedy Night With Jordan Han-

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Adult Folktale Telling

#### 7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave **CLASSES AND GROUPS**

Thursday November 24

Debtors Anonymous- a 12 Step

program for people with problems

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**Library Closed** First Church Somerville

#### with money and debt. 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|89 College Ave (Upstairs Parlor).

Friday November 25 **Library Closed** 

Holland St

**Family Groups** 

**Saturday November 26 Bagel Bards** Somerville Writers and Poets meet weekly to discuss their work

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

Fourth Step to Freedom Al-Anon

Enter upstairs, meeting is in base-

#### Sunday November 27

7:00 P.M. | 6 William Street

**West Branch Library** 

Unity Church of God

**East Branch Library** Learn English at the Library! (Session 1) 6 p.m.- 7 p.m. (Session 2) 7 p.m. - 8:15 p.m. 115 Broadway

Monday November 28

#### 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|40 College Ave **Tuesday November 29**

Drop in Knitting at the West Branch

**Central Library** Learn English at the Library

**Central Library** 

6 p.m. - 7 p.m.|79 Highland Ave Wednesday November 30

#### Mystery Book Club 7 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave **Central Library**

Memoir Writing Workshop with Judah Leblang 7 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

# PLACES TO GO, THINGS TO DO!

### SENIOR CENTER HAPPENINGS:

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.

Join the SCOA's email group – The email group is for Somerville Council on Aging Seniors and/or Caregivers who are interested in the latest information on resources, events, programming, etc., in and around the Somerville area. Use the link https://groups.google.com/group/somerville-council-on-aging - If you have any questions or need help joining please contact Debby Higgins at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321 or email DHiggins@Somervillema.gov

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

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

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

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

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

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.

Afternoon At The Movies – Tuesday, November 29, 12:30 p.m. at our Holland Street Center. "The Finest Hours" – based on a true story set in 1950, in Cape Cod, Massachusetts, when the U.S. Coast Guard Station in Chatham receives a distress signal from the oil tanker SS Pendleton and SS For Mercer. For additional information or to sign up please contact Josephine at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

**December Breakfast** – Monday, December 5, 9:30 a.m. at Somerville High School's Culinary Arts Department – Holiday Gathering. For more information or to RSVP please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Winter Wonderland Super Bingo – Friday, December 9th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at our Holland Street Center. \$10 fee includes lunch, coffee, dessert, cards and prizes. Limited seating and transportation. Please contact Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 for more information.

Illumination of Light Tour – Saturday, December 17 – check in is 4:15 at the Somerville High School concourse. \$5 fee – Hop on the trolley and be amazed at the Holiday lights in Somerville – seating is limited – for more information please contact Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Painting with Linda – Fridays, January 27, February 3rd and February 10th from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at our Holland Street Center. \$15 fee for supplies and materials – space is limited – registration is a must – please call Josephine or Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

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

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

The day trip to Yuletide Newport scheduled for Thursday, December 15th is SOLD OUT.

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

#### LGBTQ EVENTS:

LGBTQ Advisory Group –This group meets quarterly in the conference room of our Holland Street Center at 4:30 p.m. and run for one hour. We are always looking for new members who would like to serve on the Advisory Group. Please call Debby Higgins, Outreach Coordinator at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321 or email Debby at DHiggins@Somervillema.gov if you have any questions or if you should need additional information.

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

LGBTQ Wine & Cheese Night – Monday, December 19th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Daddy Jones Bar located in Magoun Square. For more information or to RSVP please contact Debby Higgins at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321 or email Deb at DHiggins@Somervillema.gov \*If you require additional information or have any questions regarding the LGBTQ events or the Advisory Group, please call 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300

#### **GROUP INFORMATION**

Men's Group – Meets the first Tuesday of each month from 10:30 to 11:30 A.M. This group is facilitated by our volunteer, Norbert DeAmato. Are you recently retired? Looking to connect with other men in the community? Join our men's group where you can connect with old friends and make new ones. All men 55 and over are welcome. Come chat about

what is on your mind! If you have any questions or require additional information, please give us a call at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300.

Caregiver Support Group – Meets the third Tuesday of each month from 6:00 to 7:30 P.M. Our Social Worker, Natasha Naim, facilitates this group. Are you caring for a parent, relative, spouse or close friend? Feeling isolated or overwhelmed? You are not alone! Come share your experience and practical support. Open to all and new members are always welcome. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300 and ask to speak to Natasha.

#### **STAY ACTIVE:**

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

Weekly Exercise Class Schedule

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

#### **Mondays:**

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

#### **Tuesdays:**

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

#### Wednesdays:

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

#### Thursdays:

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

#### Fridays:

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

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

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

#### Wednesday, November 23

No Programming

#### Thursday, November 24

No Programming Thanksgiving

#### Friday, November 25

No Programming City Holiday

#### Monday, November 28

10:30 Moonlighters (H) 1:00 Bereavement Support Group (H) Cape Cod Cranberry Days

#### Tuesday, November 29

11:30 Pizza & Movie (H) 12:00 Computer tutorial with Norbert (H) Cape Cod Cranberry Days

#### Wednesday, November 30

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

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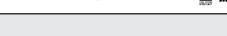
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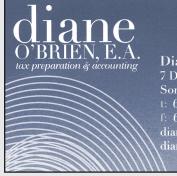
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6:00am	Life Matters	6:00pm	Villain News Network	11:00am	Haitian Poetry	12:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show
6:30am	Exercise with Robyn	6:30pm	Somerville Neighborhood News	12:00pm	The Somerville Line	1:00pm	Infinite Momentum
7:00am	Poet to Poet	7:00pm	Taking 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
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12:00AM	Aldermen at Work
12:30pm	Rally Point
12:57pm	Push Ups for Veterans
1:00pm	The Mayor's Thanksgiving Dinner 11.12.16
1:30pm	National Disability Employment
	Awareness Celebration
6:00pm	National Disability Employment
	Awareness Celebration
7:45pm	Veterans Day 2016
8:00pm	Rally Point
8:30pm	School Committee Meeting - 11.21.16
Thursday	y, November 24
12:00am	Rally Point
12:23am	Annual Chamber of Commerce Dinner
1:30am	SomerViva em Português
2:00am	State Funding for Union Sq. Ceremony
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12:00pm	Senior Circuit: Fire Safety In Your Home
12:30pm	School Committee Meeting - 11.21.16
3:30pm	Aldermen at Work - Tony Lafuente
4:00pm	Raising Families "Special Needs Education"
6:30pm	Annual Chamber of Commerce Dinner
7:31pm	Rally Point
8:00pm	Congressional Update
8:31pm	Veterans Day 2016
8:46pm	The Mayor's Thanksgiving Dinner 11.12.16
9:10pm	Public Hearing on GLX Funding Proposal
Friday, N	lovember 25

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Wednesday, November 23

12:00am LOCUS Meeting - Union Square 2:31am Veterans Day 2016 2:47am Aldermen at Work - Tony Lafuente 9:00am Connecting Communities 9:30am Rally Point Annual Chamber of Commerce Dinner 10:00am 12:00pm Public Hearing on GLX Funding Proposal 2:05pm Raising Families "Special Needs Education" 2:34pm SomerViva en Espanol 3:00pm POW/MIA Flag Raising 3:12pm Push Ups for Veterans 6:30pm **Connecting Communities** 7:00pm Congressional Update State Funding for Union Sq. Ceremony 7:31pm 8:00pm SomerViva nan Kreyol 8:22pm Festival de Maíz y Música 9:00pm The Strange Career of General Charles Lee 9:45pm POW/MIA Flag Raising 9:57pm Push Ups for Veterans 10:00pm SomerViva em Português Veterans Day 2016 Deanna Cremin Park Dedication National Disability Employment Awareness Celebration

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Monday, November 28 12:00am Senior Circuit: Fire Safety In Your Home 12:30am Board of Aldermen Public Hearing 11.15.16 2:48am SomerViva nan Kreyol Sit & Be Fit Allamerican Workout 8:30am Push Ups for Veterans 9:00am State Funding for Union Sq. Ceremony POW/MIA Flag Raising 9:30am 12:00pm Board of Aldermen Meeting - 11.22.16

Annual Chamber of Commerce Dinner Aldermen at Work - Tony Lafuente 8:00pm Connecting Communities "New Employees" 8:30pm Raising Families "Special Needs Education" Public Hearing on GLX Funding Proposal

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#### Wednesday, November 23 9:00am Our Schools, Our City - Fabville Highlander Forum 10:00am 11:00am SHS Boys Soccer vs Lincoln Sudbury SHS Football v Beverly 2:00pm 4:30pm SHS Fall Sports Rally SHS Football v Cambridge 6:00pm 9:30pm SHS Fall Sports Rally SHS Football v Cambridge 11:00pm Thursday, November 24 SHS Boys Soccer vs Andover 1:30am

3:05am Public Domain Theater 9:00am SHS Football v Whittier 11:00am SHS Football vs Medford SHS Football v Beverly 1:30pm 4:00pm SHS Football v Concord-Carlisle SHS Football v Cambridge 7:00pm 10:30pm SHS Fall Sports Rally

Friday, November 25 SHS Football v Cambridge 12:00am 2:30am SHS Girls Soccer v Everett 9:00am SHS Fall Sports Rally 10:30am Our Schools, Our City - Fabville

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# lyrica **SOMERVILLE** edited by Doug Holder

This week we have haiku in Spanish by Sergio Inestrosa, a professor of Spanish and Latin American Studies at Endicott College. Professor Margaret Young of Endicott College has translated them.



cada neutrino, un fantasma invisible, levedad pura.

each neutrino, an invisible ghost, pure levity.

noches sin luna... entre las blancas sábanas, salta una pulga.

moonless nights ... between the white sheets, a flea jumps.

cosa de gatos; felina indiferencia por los humanos.

the cats' way; feline indifference for humans.

mitad del día, el sol abraza todo... Icaro cae.

middle of the day, the sun embraces everything ... Icarus falls.

la fama es nada, humo que se disuelve raudo en el viento.

fame is nothing, smoke that dissolves quickly in the wind.

— Sergio Inestrosa

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# FF THE SHELF

by Doug Holder

# Search for a new Somerville **Poet Laureate begins!**



Nicole Terez Dutton - First Somerville Poet Laureate.

Harris Gardner and myself, along with the Director of the Somerville Arts Council, Greg Jenkins, jump-started the first Poet Laureate position in Somerville, MA in 2014. Nicole Terez Dutton was the pick of the committee, and she has done a fine job. Now the search begins, yet again. Here is the application process...

#### Somerville Poet Laureate Application and Overview Statement of Purpose

The City of Somerville announces the creation of a Poet Laureate for Somerville. The City views the position as a means to further enhance the profile of poets and poetry in the city and beyond. The Poet Laureate is expected to bring poetry to segments of Somerville's community that have less access or exposure to poetry: senior citizens, youth, schools and communities. The Poet Laureate will be a person of vision with the ability to enact his/ her vision.

The Poet Laureate will serve for a two-year term, 2017 & 2018, and will be provided an honorarium of \$2,000 per year. A contract will be derived with expectations detailed as to the public benefit required of the position, which will be jointly determined with the final applicant and review committee. The expectation is that the position will

support and expand poetry in the city. The Somerville Arts Council/City of Somerville will support the Laureate in networking within the community but actual work must be accomplished by the chosen candidate.

#### How to apply

Deadline: Postmarked by November 29, 2016 Candidates for Somerville Poet Laureate must provide the following:

- · One page contact info sheet with name, address, phone number, email, website (if applicable)
- · Proof of residence demonstrated by sending a copy of a utility bill, lease, phone bill. (a jpg image of a current bill or statement is fine if emailing application, or a photocopy of statement if mailing application)
- Curriculum Vitae / Poetry-Related Bio
- Up to 20 pages of original poetry
- One to three-page vision statement with details as to how you will implement the public benefit component.

#### How to submit

- 1. Either email PDFs of the above items to Gregory Jenkins at gjenkins@somervillema.gov with Poet Laureate in the subject header:
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