

Citywide Election Results **The Winners**

Alderman At Large: Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White

Ward 6 Alderman: Lance Davis

School Committee Members: Ward 1 Steve Roix, Ward 3 Lee Erica Palmer, Ward 4 Andre Green

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Somerville tackles climate change with ambitious goals and partnerships

By Haley ED Houseman

The United Nations Climate Change Conference in Paris is scheduled for December, but Somerville's Mayor Curtatone has stepped up ahead of talks to offer his signature to the Compact of Mayors.

On October 15, the mayor joined the international coalition of cities engaged in climate action that was launched at last year's UN Climate Summit, spanning all habitable continents and including 223 cities. This amounts a full 4% of total global population, committed to lowering emissions, encouraging sustainable investment, building data and supporting local action on community-based projects and initiatives. The mayor and Somerville's Office of Sustainability and Environment (OSE) are "working to leverage our community goals, our stewardship" to create real change.

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Mayor Curtatone shows off the city's second Sustainville/GreenTech pilot program solar powered charging station.
— Photo courtesy of Sustainville/GreenTech

Culinary sophistication at Somerville High

By Matt Carli

At the eastern end of Somerville High School, across from the intersection of Highland and Vinal Ave., the only hint that a gourmet restaurant is tucked away inside are a few tables covered with white cloth that can just be spied through the school's large windows.

"We're the best kept secret in town," says Chef Instructor and Culinary Arts teacher Jeff Stuart. Walking down the halls of Somerville High School, the normal scene of lockers and classrooms gives way to an open space filled with neatly set tables, the transition from school to restaurant so sudden that you can't help but be a little surprised when the host asks if you'd like to be seated.

The portions are normally sized, and the menu covers the gamut: appetizers, salads, entrees and dessert (the fare is traditional French cuisine at the moment). To top it all off, the food is an absolute steal. "Steak Diane for six bucks, you can't find that anywhere else," exclaims Stuart.

This dedication to providing a real-life fine dining experience is at the *Continued on page 3*



The future chefs and restaurateurs of Somerville High School are learning the ins and outs of the business while serving up delicious gastronomic delights for the patrons at the Highlander Café.

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There was an extremely low turnout on Election Day yesterday. What with the lack of candidates who wanted to run and the general feeling out there that most people here are not interested in city government, what do you think is the problem? Not that long ago we would have multiple office seekers in every ward and for At Large, but for some reason the citywide elections are of no concern to most folks. So the other day we asked what was the difference in enrollment here in the city. In 2006, according to the election department at City Hall, there were 20,167 registered Democrats, 14,919 registered Independents and 2,247 registered Republicans. This year there are 23,509 registered Democrats, 19,170 registered Independents and 1,817 registered Republicans. A big increase of registered Independents as well as an increase in registered Democrats. In a city of about 75,000 residents, we have a total of 44,496 registered voters and yet fewer than 7.06% voted. There are times we think that elected city officials owe it to the public to get more participation, especially in our local city government. Don't you agree?

Alderman Bob McWatters received 953 votes in yesterday's election, the highest vote count of the ward aldermen. Just goes to show you, hard work pays off.

We guess Mayor Joe Curtatone, former Superintendent of Schools Anthony Pierantozzi and soccer coach George Scarpelli have been served with a lawsuit regarding the incident that happened back in 2013. It happened out in Western Mass at a summer soccer camp when a young Galileo Mondol was accused of an incident that happened there, but the District's Attorney's office has since dropped all the charges against young Mondol and he is now filing a federal law suit against city officials for one million dollars.

Inspectional Services Department update: Regarding the missing paperwork, we hear it's somewhere between DPW and the Law Department (probably by way of Omar, the Mayor's aide's office – just saying). Still missing

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Comments of the Week

Response to: Kendall Square's pain can be Union Square's gain

Giuseppe Arrivato says:

"Fifteen percent of jobs in biotech are held by people who have never gone to college". Righto, crappy jobs cleaning toxic chemicals.

Freebie says:

Nice post Bill, I couldn't agree more. Greentown is a good example of how well this can work, and grow quickly.

http://www.bostonherald.com/business/business_markets/2015/10/green_tech_center_grows_like_a_weed

Matt says:

Well said Bill, We have lots of opportunity being so close to Cambridge and Boston, its up to us to figure out how to do it in a way that benefits the community best.

Marco says:

How many small businesses are in Kendal Sq. ? With the land grabs in Union SQ. what would be left of OUR small business owners in Union SQ. progress at any cost right Bill .

MarketMan says:

Giuseppe: You are wrong. My wife used to work at a biotech startup, and all the engineers making chips were trained technicians without a college degree. Some took training courses, while some got their foot in the door and learned on the job. 10 years ago they were paying \$50-75k a year. Not bad for a high school diploma.

Response to: Our endorsements for the November 3 election

Joe says:

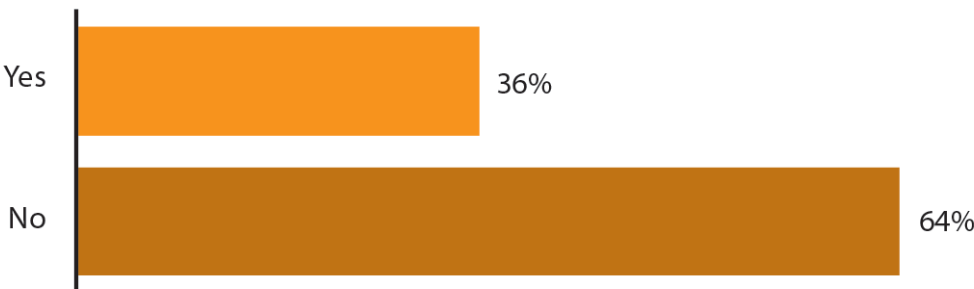
I like all of the At Large candidates. It's going to be tough just picking four.

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TheSomervilleTimes.com poll of the week

In addition to breaking news, sports and opinion, TheSomervilleTimes.com also features a daily poll in which you, the reader, tell us where you come down on local issues. Last week's poll concerned your views on whether or not you planned on voting on Election Day, Nov 3, 2015. If you don't agree with the results, simply log onto TheSomervilleTimes.com.

Do you plan on voting on Election Day, Nov 3, 2015?



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Somerville residents discuss the new design for Lincoln Park play areas

By Mariya Manzhos

The plan for the redesign of the Lincoln Park playground was presented to the Somerville residents at a meeting hosted by the Park and Open Space department and Weston & Sampson's design studio on October 24 morning at the Argenziano School Cafeteria.

Following her presentation, Cheri Ruane, Vice President of Weston & Sampson's design studio, took the group on a walk around the park to view the spaces where the proposed features will be built.

"We've never had a detailed discussion about the elements of the park that are not related to the field," said Ward 2 Alderman Maryann Heuston.

Ruane presented an aerial map of the park, reflecting the proposed changes: three new play areas, a multi-sport court, school gardens, an older kids play area, a skateboard and parkour course, and community gardens.

"In our strategy with the Lincoln Park we are trying to balance gross and fine motor skill development, imagination, tactile experience, safety, natural materials, imagination, consideration of the school and neighborhood needs. Our plan is a result of brainstorming with the community and the school," said Ruane.

The firm is proposing to expand the paved area in the schoolyard by removing half a

basketball court. The remaining half would transform into multi-use play area with a net and a basketball hoop, which can be used for playing soccer, basketball and street hockey during recess.

East of the court, separated by a strip of trees, will be an outdoor classroom, a versatile area for more passive activities – the kind of space lacking in the park today. Within close proximity to the school, it will be easily monitored by the school staff. The area will also include a small stage area for outdoor performances.

The firm will add a play zone for older kids with an integrated carousel accessible by wheelchair, swings and net structures offering a high level of gross motor skill development. The green gardens will separate play areas and the recreation field, capturing the storm water and infiltrating it back into the ground.

In the lower area of the park Ruane is proposing three play zones all designed to offer a variety of physical activities. A discovery play section will offer a chance to get messy with sand, rocks, and water, as well as balance on stacked logs and rope bridges. An adventure play zone for bigger kids will target imaginative play and risk-taking with tall towers and bamboo structures connected by rope bridges. And a lower zone will encourage active play with group swings, slopes and hilly climbing struc-



The design firm of Weston & Sampson presented their proposed plan for the recreational areas of Somerville's Lincoln Park to curious residents and local officials at a public meeting on October 24. — Photo by Mariya Manzhos

tures. The play zones will transition into the skateboard and parkour area, which Ruane is designing with the help of local state board experts and parkour teacher Blake Evitt.

The new design transforms the park into a multi-use space for all members of the community. At the picnic area parents can get comfortable while watching the kids play. The curving path around the park will include adult exercise equipment. There will also be an off-leash dog area and community gardens. Ruane said that her team had checked solar exposure of this area and confirmed the gardens would be sufficiently exposed to the sun.

Ruane addressed the issue of

artificial surfacing, explaining that rubberized surfacing is the safest cushioning for falls that exists today and that virgin rubber, the surface it is made of, is not toxic. Ruane acknowledged that the heat issue is serious, but suggested that it could be managed by adding more trees to minimize hot spots and by strategically planning the location of the surfacing.

Local resident Andrew Kopacz expressed concern about the inclusivity of the park towards adults. As a single male, who often wears black, he said smiling, he wasn't sure how he would be perceived if he read a book at the park or just strolled around. Ruane assured that the

new park will have multiple areas, separated from the school areas, where all demographics would feel welcome.

Residents made suggestions about minimizing light pollution, mixing rubber and natural surfaces, the possibility of bike lanes and the timeline of the proposed project. Ruane hopes to start the project as soon as school gets out and get as much done as possible before the fall of 2016.

"It's amazing, I'm blown away by the thoughtfulness that went into the project," one of the attendees said and ran up to give Ruane a hug. The next community meeting will take place in November.

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Culinary sophistication at Somerville High

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center of everything the Highlander Café does. The restaurant is almost completely run by students in the Culinary Arts Program, with their teachers providing supervision and guidance when necessary.

Back in the kitchen, these high school seniors man the pizza, salad, grill, and sauté stations, working busily to fill orders. Everything from the stock to the rolls are made in-house. The meat is broken down from the animal into restaurant-quality cuts, and the front-of-the-house hosting and waiting are manned by students.

All this is done to serve not only seated patrons, but also delivery orders that come from teachers and workers in the nearby city offices (sorry folks, no outside delivery is available, but you can order pickup). According to Stuart, you "can't get any more real world than this."

For students, this focus on the real world is essential to their fu-

ture employability. On Mondays, students sit for state-mandated lectures, but every other day is devoted to developing practical, hands-on skills. Tuesdays are spent doing prep work, and the restaurant is open Wednesday through Friday. The students also cater for events as afterschool activities.

Students even take care of the intellectual side of things, such as the creation of menus. They don't have free reign though. While their teacher appreciated the enthusiasm they had for adding escargot to this week's menu, he mandated that every student had to eat some of it as well. All of this is towards one end, says Stuart – that the students come out with "an unbelievable introduction to the industry."

In addition to providing valuable experience, the Culinary Arts program gives students the opportunity to try cooking and see if it is right for them. According to Maya

Johal, a Career Services Representative at Boston's Le Cordon Bleu campus, the most important factor in a successful cooking career is "passion for the industry." Discovering this passion can be surprising for some students. Shane Nunes, a '07 graduate of Somerville High's Culinary Program, says that "cooking wasn't even on my radar." Originally thinking of studying to be an electrician, he tried cooking on a whim, because he had an elective to fill and because he "loves to eat." Nunes now works at The Foundry, a local restaurant, as executive chef. His advice to new cooks: "Stick it out and love what you do."

Lunch is served at the Highlander Café Wednesday to Friday, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. To view the menu and order ahead visit their website: http://www.somerville.k12.ma.us/education/dept/dept.php?section-detailid=15779&go=&&cms_mode=view.

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THE WEEK IN CRIME

By Jim Clark

Funny money will not bail you out of jail

Police were dispatched to the TJ Maxx store at the Assembly Square Marketplace last week on reports that an uncooperative alleged shoplifter was being held by store security.

Upon arrival, the officers proceeded to the security office where they were met by store personnel who were apparently engaged in something of a stand-off with the detained suspect.

The man, later identified as Jean Benoit, reportedly refused to cooperate with store security and maintained an aggressive stance, holding two bags in his hands.

Benoit was pat frisked by a police officer and then placed in a chair, whereupon he let go of his grip on the bags he was holding. Store merchandise was retrieved from the bags and Benoit's Rhode Island identification was pulled from his wallet.

As officers went through Benoit's wallet, they reportedly found what appeared to be two counterfeit \$100 bills.

The store security officer briefed police on what had transpired prior to their arrival. They reportedly said that Benoit was observed placing several articles of store merchandise in his bags and then attempted to leave the store without paying. When approached by security officers outside the store, Benoit reportedly told them that he was going to his car to get money that he had left there. The security officers then escorted Benoit back into the store to await the arrival of police.

Benoit was subsequently placed under arrest and charges with possession of counterfeit notes and shoplifting by concealing merchandise.

SOMERVILLE POLICE CRIME LOG

Arrests:

- Rickey Perry**, of 1374 Broadway, October 27, 1:48 a.m., arrested at Broadway on warrant charges of operation of number plate violation, unregistered motor vehicle, and uninsured motor vehicle or trailer.

S. Rainsfor Rouner, of 35 Beacon St., Chelsea, October 27, 6:34 p.m., arrested at Beacon St. on charges of resisting arrest, disorderly conduct, and violation of city ordinance open container.

Robert Brooks-Jones, of 100 West Dedham St., Boston, October 27, 9:57 p.m., arrested at McGrath Hwy. on a charge of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

Michael Jackson, of 108 Camden St., Boston, October 28, 8:53 a.m., arrested at Mc-Centre St. on charges of resisting arrest, assault and battery on a police officer, and larceny over \$250, and on a warrant charge of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

Jean Benoit, October 28, 4:48 p.m., arrested at Middlesex Ave. on charges of possession of counterfeit notes and shoplifting by concealing merchandise.

Jean Pierre Louis, of 25 Mat-takeeset St., Hyde Park, October 29, 3:23 p.m., arrested at Thorndike St. on warrant charges of indecent exposure and larceny over \$250.

Dante Quinn, of 260 Mass Ave., Arlington, October 29, 9:08 p.m., arrested at Broadway on warrant charges of trespassing, felony daytime breaking and entering, larceny under \$250, larceny over \$250, and receiving stolen property over \$250.

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Somerville tackles climate change with ambitious goals and partnerships

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forefront of international and national news, Mayor Curtatone is hoping advance "bold action in changing human behavior, world behavior," not just preparedness for disaster. He sees climate change as the greatest threat to our health and our stability.

The mayor notes that cities are large-scale contributors of emissions, which is an opportunity to be at the forefront of action and stewardship. With the ambitious goal of carbon neutrality for Somerville by 2050 already in place, the city and the mayor had made their reduction commitments before joining the Compact of Mayors. The parameters already matched the coalition's guidelines and were able to sign on without alterations of the existing 2050 plan.

If the goal seems ambitious, know that the city has been laying the groundwork since launching the Office of Sustainability and Environment in 2006. With an overall goal of improving environmental performance of the city, the office's programming covers all kind waste recycling and disposal, as well Sustainaville program. It features a variety of pilot projects through innovative Green-Tech programming as well as developing a Climate Change Plan Process.

The OSE acquired a new director last year, when Oliver Sellers Garcia was hired to head the department. He believes that embracing sustainability saves money and increases efficiency, and all approaches are on the table.

According to the mayor, cities are responsible for 70% of emissions, with denser populations and infrastructure development. In recent years the OSE has been oriented toward climate change priorities, examining the city's greenhouse debt inventory, and conducting a climate change vulnerability assessment. The office is also working with community partners and stakeholders to advance its reduction goals.

In particular, the department is exploring the role of technological innovation, treating the city as "urban laboratory," as Sellers Garcia explains. Somerville is leading the way, fostering technology and innovation. He adds that we can't ignore the "less glamorous things, the nuts and bolts of reducing emissions." There are plenty of challenges. "We live in old buildings - how do we get more solar?" He's looking at long and short-term solutions that save both money and energy.

"We really want to demonstrate that changes are possible"

The mayor has noted the potential to expand OSE, with growth in the same vein as the city's partnership with Honeywell International in a energy conservation and building modernization program. The program leveraged energy-efficient upgrades and renewable energy technologies to reduce utility costs and emissions by 20 percent, and reportedly save the city \$2 million in energy costs. It is advances like these that the mayor calls "the boldest steps in innovation," programs that the city will be investing in as they seek more private-sector partnerships.

It is not just a matter of infrastructure support; the city is also examining systemic problems such as the narrowness of our food system. Says Sellers Garcia, "The majority of our food comes through Chelsea. That's not just a Chelsea problem, it affects all of us."

The department is looking at ways to support and sustain its dense population, away from local food production. Transportation, infrastructure and urban agriculture are only pieces of the puzzle. Partnerships formed between cities, across jurisdiction lines, can help. The mayor recently joined the Metropolitan Area Planning Coalition's Metro Mayors' Coalition, focused on strengthening relationship between Greater Boston area cities. The coalition has passed a resolution outlining a "Climate Change Preparedness" Task Force and a commitment to addressing climate change issues.

The 2050 carbon neutrality policy is in line with the call the UN is making for an 80% reduction of emissions by 2050 in order to keep global warming below 2 degrees Celsius. Sellers Garcia admits that this is a "stretch goal" and notes that Somerville's efforts are only a drop in the bucket if there's not a global movement toward carbon neutral cities. But he's optimistic about addressing a crucial need with finite, immediate change. "Let's map out the different ways to get there - for 2017, for 2035, for 2050. We really want to demonstrate that changes are possible."

The upcoming UN summit in Paris will be pivotal. The OSE director notes that the time is ripe to make a commitment to these kinds of programs. "The Paris talks are bringing an enormous amount of attention to what the Compact of Mayors is already working on." In December's UN talks, Mayor Curtatone is hoping for global approach, with actionable goals and standardized emissions evaluations, as well as a focus on building green technology. Most importantly, he is looking for "a true sense of alignment, of purpose, as one global community."

City considers loosening requirements for small purchases

By Josie Grove

The Legislative Matters Committee of the Somerville Board of Aldermen is considering a change to Section 2-369 of Somerville’s city charter, making it simpler for the city to make purchases under \$10,000. As the law stands, any purchase over \$5,000 has to use a contract, rather than the simpler purchase order process. “We want to get things done more quickly,” said Edward Bean, Somerville’s director of finance auditor.

“Procurement is governed largely by Massachusetts General Law, said Angela Allen, director of Somerville’s Purchasing Department. “As of last July, the state law changed to set the threshold for a written contract from \$5,000 to \$10,000.” Allen says it makes sense for the city’s laws to be in line with the state’s, which changed to follow inflation.

“Times have changed, and \$5000 doesn’t get you as much,” said Bean. Allen gave an example of a smaller purchase. “The city clerk submitted a request for \$5800 to pay for new seats in the aldermanic chambers. Does that need a whole contract, or a purchase order?” she asked. “It can be onerous to go through the

process, when a purchase order is all that’s required by state law,” said Allen.

The process is time-consuming, Allen said, because contracts require physical signatures from the vendor, the procurement officer or the head of the relevant department, and the mayor. And they are long. “The shortest version is about seven pages,” said Allen.

The change would mean less paperwork for city departments. “Currently, over a quarter of our contract volume falls under \$10,000,” said Allen. “Somerville has a relatively high volume of written contracts overall compared to some communities.” According to Allen, the school department makes the most purchases between \$5,000 and \$10,000. Contracts would still be required for larger purchases, and the city can choose to use a contract for a purchase under \$10,000.

Bean thinks changing the threshold from \$5,000 to \$10,000 will bring more competition to city contracts, and encourage more businesses to bid on city projects. Bean sees this as the next step in making city contracts more competitive. “Some of us remember the no-bid contracts of the 1960s, and

these limits were put in the charter to counter that,” says Bean. A purchase order, Allen explained, is not a no-bid contract. “There’s no such thing as a no-bid contract. Everything goes through our procurement process.”

It is the city’s practice to use purchase orders for smaller buys. “For every purchase over \$100 you need a purchase order. That’s a kind of a contract, there are terms and conditions,” said Allen. “A purchase order covers our risk.” But it is shorter, simpler, and requires fewer signatures than a full contract.

The practice of using purchase orders is not in Somerville’s city charter. Alderman At Large Bill White wants to make sure it is so there will never be any doubt about the necessity of purchase orders. “The practice is that they’re issuing purchase orders, but there’s nothing in writing requiring them to go through that process.”

Allen and Bean both agreed to White’s suggestion, and said they will change the proposed amendment to include it. White anticipates the committee will approve the change once the language requiring a purchase order is inserted into the amendment.

A sign of the time

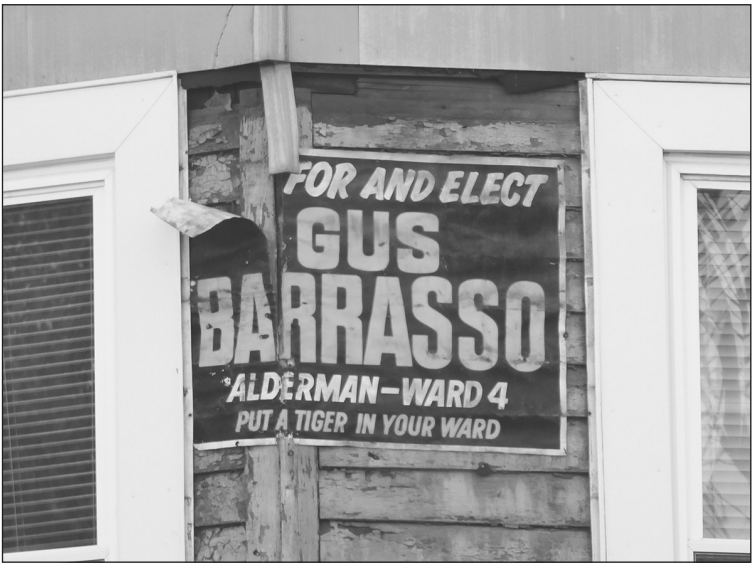
By Donald Norton

An old city election political sign showed up under siding that was removed recently while the homeowner was remodeling their home.

Gus Barrasso was an alderman here in the city in the late 60’s and early 70’s, in Winter Hill, Ward 4.

The sign, as you can see, was found intact under the covering all these years, even with his slogan clearly legible.

Some might remember Gus, a long time resident of Winter Hill, as a gentleman and good alderman for the residents of Ward 4, which at that time stretched from Foss Park up Broadway on both sides, to Adams Street, down Cen-



tral and up to include Albion and along Highland Avenue to Lowell Street. It was a very large ward at the time, consisting of 6 precincts.

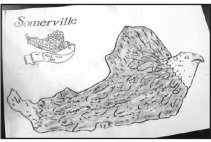
Many remember Proctor School, behind the Armory

on Highland; Forster School on Sycamore; Healey School, Grimmons School in Ten Hills; St. Polycarp Men’s Club on Temple and Jacques Street and then on School Street at the former Winter Hill Baptist Church.

The Somerville Allied Council and the City of Somerville invite everyone to the annual Veterans Day Memorial Service at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 11 at Dilboy VFW Post on Summer Street in Davis Square. Please consider bringing a used and unneeded cell phone and donating it to Cell Phones for Soldiers. A donation box will be available at the memorial service.



The Somerville Times Historical Fact of the Week



Eagle feathers #90

Somerville Spirits

By Bob (Monty) Doherty

Somerville’s roots run deep. As a city, she goes back to 1872. As a town, she goes back to 1842; and as Charlestown, Beyond the Neck, she dates back to 1628. This was two years before Boston was established in 1630.

These were “spirited times” in every form of the word. Beer was a necessary staple brought to this country by the early settlers. It was consumed by both adults and children because the local water was found to be brackish or salty. This is why Boston was founded. Charlestown settlers moved there for its fresh spring water emanating from Beacon Hill. Even the Governor’s son, John Winthrop Jr. , was a brewer of beer ... corn beer.



Through the years, the favorite colonial spirit was rum. When it was diluted with water, they called it grog. From 1715 to 1905, a New England favorite was Old Medford Rum. This rum was the base for most eggnog recipes. It was Paul Revere’s favorite drink. Medford Rum is long gone but the rights to produce it are still held by Somerville’s M. S. Walker company. The British Royal Navy abolished its daily, age-old “ration of rum” practice in 1970. The sailors felt that this act by their Admiral was “dashing their spirits.”

Not all spirits are alcoholic. At this time of the year, the city reveals her other spirits to the curious and her ghosts to the imaginative. Here are a few...

- Some say the Mystic River’s name was originated from old women who gathered medicinal and mystical herbs along its shore. They gathered them to help the sick, but suspicious minds accused them of being witches. In 1648, Margaret Jones of Charlestown was the first woman in the Massachusetts Bay Colony to be executed for witchcraft. This occurred forty-four years before the Salem trials, and Governor Winthrop of Ten Hills headed her trial.
- On October 20, 1962, Somerville’s Bobby “Boris” Pickett’s song, The Monster Mash, was the “hit of the land.” As number one on the Billboard’s 100 list, it travelled from coast to coast quicker than all other records up to that time. For the last 53 years, it has been the anthem of Halloween.
- During the Revolutionary War, Somerville’s hills were a prison to over 4,000 British and Hessian soldiers. Through the years, ghost stories have flourished about their stay here.
- Washington Irving, the author of The Legend of Sleepy Hollow, a Halloween classic, wrote

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Greentown Labs celebrates DEMO Day

Announces large expansion project

By Matt Carli

The largest clean technology start-up incubator in the nation, Greentown Labs, announced plans for an ambitious 11 million dollar expansion of its facilities at 28 Dane Street, an area popularly dubbed "Innovation Row."

The announcement was made at Greentown's annual DEMO Day, where the start-ups hosted on Greentown's location showcase their prototypes and future designs. The company moved from Boston's innovation district to Somerville in September 2013, taking over the 33,000 square foot space formerly occupied by the Ames Envelope facility.

Arriving in town with a collection of 25 startups, it has in two years grown to a community of more than 40. All told, Greentown's startups have raised 118 million dollars in investment and employ over 400 people.

Greentown will be taking over the building at 444 Somerville Ave., an industrial space across the alley from its current location that currently houses Maaco, an auto body repair and paint shop.

Greentown has been filled to capacity for a year now and has a waitlist of startups eager to join. The new facilities will more than double floor space to 93,000 square feet, allowing the organization to house one hundred fledgling companies in total.

In addition to startups, the added room will be used to provide innovation space for partnerships with larger corporations as well as a showcase and meetup space for local manufacturers.



Greentown Labs announced plans for an ambitious 11 million dollar expansion at its recent DEMO Day event.

"This expansion will serve as a platform to achieve our vision of making Massachusetts a global hub for cleantech innovation," says Greentown Labs CEO Emily Reichert.

Governor Charlie Baker, Lt Governor Karyn Polito, and Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone were given a tour of the Greentown entrepreneur showcases, and ended with a press conference about the benefits of public-private sector cooperation and the large advances that can come from small beginnings.

From the beginning, Greentown has had the financial support of Somerville. Its 2013 move to the city was facilitated by a \$300,000 loan from the city's innovation fund, on the condition that a majority of its employees be locals. In further support of Greentown's endeavors, the city has pledged another \$500,000 towards the organization's expansion, with similar conditions over employment.

"It is a great story of public-private partnership," said Mayor Curtatone. Public funds were also given by the state, in the form of loans from the

Massachusetts Clean Energy Center. The rest of the project's funding was provided by private lenders such as the East Boston Savings Bank.

After congratulating Greentown on its success so far, Governor Baker compared the startups currently developing prototypes to older and highly successful Massachusetts companies, noting that "every big company starts as a little one."

Drawing on the humble beginnings of industry giants like Analog Devices, Governor Baker spoke in support of Greentown's project of giving untested ideas a place to thrive: "There are many people out there with great ideas, people thinking about the same problems. The great thing about a place like this is it brings together people with ideas and people who've already gone through the process before. The only thing stopping the success of this company is the ingenuity and audacity of the people it supports. I can't think of a better gift to give to Massachusetts and the globe... and it's happening here in Somerville."

Historical Fact

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another novel titled *The Devil and Tom Walker*. It takes place along the edge of the Mystic River where he lived. In this book, Tom sells his soul to the devil in exchange for Captain Kidd's Treasure, which is said to be buried near Ten Hills.

• It all started on Halloween October, 1, 1961. They were the famous Winter Hill gangland wars of the 1960's and beyond. It began after an attempt on the life of the gang's Somerville leader, James "Buddy" McLean. When Buddy retaliated by shooting and killing Charlestown's Bernie McLaughlin, war was declared.



It spanned well over two decades and took over sixty lives before it slowed.

• Up until March 1, 2009, Sacco's Bowl Haven in Davis Square was thought to be an abnormal haven for ghostlike occurrences. Sightings were often made of unusual noises, odd bowling-pin droppings, and

balls returning without warning when the power was off. The television program, *Ghost Hunters*, came to Somerville to investigate and to research the suspected activities. In the end, the *Ghost Hunters* team debunked their claims.

Or was it that they "bowled away their spirits?"

Class of 1965 reunion

The Somerville High School Class of 1965 celebrated its 50th reunion on October 24. More than 160 people attended the reunion which was held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Woburn. Class members had a wonderful time dining, dancing and recounting the memories. — Photos by Ross Blouin



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Community reacts positively to Union Square Neighborhood Plan

By Tom Bannister

Following many months of conversation with stakeholders, local business owners, community activists, and residents, city officials released a draft neighborhood plan for Union Square at a well-attended meeting of the Civic Advisory Committee this past Wednesday.

Around 75 people gathered to hear the city’s presentation outlining key metrics for the proposed redevelopment of Union Square, including capacity for new residential and commercial development, open spaces, affordable housing and job creation.

“This plan articulates a community driven vision for the development of a new employment center, harnesses to transit to improve quality of live and reduce cost of living, addresses significant infrastructure needs, expands the diversity and availability of housing, and takes proactive steps to improve access to public space,” the draft says.

The draft plan is a reaction to changes that are coming quickly to Union Square, and it has given residents an opportunity to weight in and direct that change to meet community priorities.

“Residents and business owners understand that a neighbor-

hood plan for Union Square is a necessary tool to identify real opportunities and concerns related to the impending arrival of the Green Line,” states the report. “Change in Union Square will happen with, or without, this plan.”

The City’s draft plan meets or exceeds all of the standards called for by the city’s master planning document, SomerVision. The plan envisions 3.2 million square feet of new commercial and 2.1 million square feet of new residential space that hits SomerVision’s target of 60 percent new commercial and 40 percent new residential.

The city expects the plan will draw 10,000 new jobs to Union Square, far exceeding SomerVision’s goal of 1,800 neighborhood jobs, a boon for the neighborhood’s current retailers, restaurateurs’ and other small businesses who will see increased business from the surge in daytime activity and additional residents.

Of the 2,500 new residential units that are expected, more than 500 will meet affordable housing standards, meeting SomerVision’s call for 20 percent affordability among new units.

Additionally, the plan calls for a total of more than 12 acres of new public space, a 75

percent increase over the current 16 acres.

The draft plan is the latest step in a long public process that began nearly a year ago with a crowdsourcing event attended by over 150 residents of Union Square. The city subsequently held numerous visioning sessions, community outreach meetings, design charrettes and open houses through the Somerville By Design process to solicit community feedback throughout.

Keri Lorenzo, a third-generation resident of Somerville, praised the plan and the process that led to it. “I think the city and the CAC have done a great job addressing the challenges and opportunities of Union Square,” said Keri. “They have given a voice to anyone who cared to express an opinion, and

taken care to incorporate those opinions into a plan that works for all of us.

The plan outlines eight “big ideas” guiding the plan and delves deeply into each one, providing background, context and goals for each idea. Central to Union Square’s redevelopment is cultivating a resilient economy by making Union Square a regional employment center.

Another big idea is the notion of managing change including ensuring equitable change, ensuring attainable housing, and increasing economic mobility. Planners also want to protect Union Square as a “lifelong community.” They focus on ensuring housing of all types, sizes and prices; improving the neighborhood’s family-friendliness; and ensuring the physical and social life of the square appeals to seniors.

The draft plan also delves deeply into plans for public spaces, improving public transportation and accommodating cyclist, and developing “remarkable streets” that are safe and comfortable.

The community’s positive reaction to the plan was summed up by Tori Antonino, an open space advocate, who said “I love the plan.” She went on to explain that she thought the plan reflected the desires to create open space and other amenities and hoped the “master developer would build what was in the plan.

The public has the opportunity to provide feedback to the draft plan through November 30. Go to <https://somerville.opencomment.us/> to make comments.

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



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



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



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

THE HOUSE AND SENATE: *Beacon Hill Roll Call* records local representatives' votes on roll calls from the week of October 26-30. There were no roll calls in the Senate last week.

\$328 MILLION SUPP BUDGET (H 3829)
House 157-0, approved a \$328 million fiscal 2015 supplemental budget. Provisions include \$203 million for MassHealth, the state's Medicaid program that provides health care for low-income and disabled persons; \$120 million for the state's Rainy Day Fund; \$31 million for snow and ice removal; \$29 million to fight opiate abuse; \$2.2 million to support training and staffing needs at the Department of Children and Families; \$250,000 for a grant program for municipal police departments to purchase body cameras; and creation of a special commission to study pancreatic cancer. The Senate approved the bill on a voice vote without a roll call and sent it to Gov. Charlie Baker.

Supporters said the package is a balanced one that closes out the books on fiscal 2015 and makes vital investments in the state while continuing fiscal responsibility.

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

Rep. Christine Barber	Yes
Rep. Denise Provost	Yes
Rep. Timothy Toomey	Yes

SPINAL CORD INJURY (S 2109)
House 157-0, approved a bill making several changes in the operation of the Spinal Cord Injury Trust Fund that provides medical cure research services for individuals with spinal cord injuries. The fund is currently funded by a \$50 surcharge assessed against any person who seeks reinstatement of his or her driver's license. The bill would raise the surcharge to \$100 for a second reinstatement and \$150 for a third.

Under the bill, the surcharge for the Spinal Cord Injury Trust Fund will be in effect after three surchargeable events within a two-year period or seven surchargeable events within a three-year period. Currently, the surcharge is triggered when there are five or more surchargeable offenses within any three-year period.

The measure requires that all revenue from the surcharge go to the fund. Under current law, the state's General Fund receives some of the revenue. It also renames the fund the Thomas P. Kennedy Spinal Cord Injury Trust Fund, honoring the late state senator, who was a quadriplegic confined to a wheelchair following an accident in 1971. He passed away in June at the age of 63.

Supporters said the changes and hikes will result in more money going to the spinal cord fund. They noted that in fiscal 2006, the fund received \$119,675 from surcharges and in fiscal 2015, it received only \$23,600.

Only final Senate approval is needed before the measure goes to Gov. Baker.

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

Rep. Christine Barber	Yes
Rep. Denise Provost	Yes
Rep. Timothy Toomey	Yes

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

ADOPT-A-SENIOR (S 367) - The Elder Affairs Committee held a hearing on a bill that would establish a statewide Adopt-A-Senior volunteer program to assist seniors with snow removal and property or home maintenance services. The measure includes creation of a reg-

istry of volunteers and establishes a system of volunteer incentives to assist with the recruiting and registration of volunteers.

BANKS MUST PAY PENALTIES (H 815) - The Committee on Financial Services held a hearing on legislation that would require a bank to pay the fine, penalty and/or late charge incurred by the customer if the bank makes an error and fails to make an automatic payment pre-authorized by the customer to a third party. If a bank fails to comply with this law, the customer would be entitled to triple damages.

ALLOW BANKS TO CONDUCT RAFFLES (S 495) - Another measure on the Committee on Financial Services' agenda would allow banks to conduct a "savings promotion raffle" and offer prizes to winners. The contests, designed to encourage more people to save money, would be open only to customers who deposit a specific amount of money, to be determined by the bank, in a savings account.

Supporters say some states have already done this and have seen a marked increase in the number of people who open savings accounts at the bank. They argue it is a great promotion that will result in more people depositing money into a savings account.

Opponents say that banks should not be involved in raffles and gambling.

GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS AND BAN OFFICIALS' NAMES - The Committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight held a hearing on a proposal requiring all government publications to be written for a 6th grade literacy level (H 2730) and a measure to prevent exploitation of materials bought with taxpayer money by prohibiting the placing of a personal name on any state property by an elected or appointed official (H 2707).

ALLOW LEGISLATORS TO PERFORM MARRIAGE CEREMONIES (H 3303) - The State Administration and Regulatory Oversight's agenda included a proposal that would allow all 200 state legislators to perform marriage ceremonies. The measure also allows legislators to communicate directly with a state agency in order to discuss issues brought to a lawmaker by a constituent. Some state agencies currently require constituents to sign a written release form that permits direct communication between a senator or representative and the agency on the person's behalf.

MAKE THE BAY STATE A "PURPLE HEART STATE" (H 2839) - The House gave initial approval to a bill declaring every August 7 as Purple Heart Day. The measure would recognize the "contributions and sacrifices of the men and women from Massachusetts who served in harm's way in the Armed Forces and have been vital in maintaining the freedom and the way of life enjoyed by our citizens."

PHYSICIAN-ASSISTED SUICIDE (H 1991) - The Public Health Committee held a hearing on a very controversial bill that would allow terminally ill patients with fewer than six months to live to obtain medication they can self-administer to commit suicide. Voters defeated a similar measure on the 2012 ballot by a very slim 51 percent to 49 percent margin with 1,466,866 voting for the measure and 1,534,757 against. There were also 182,573 blank ballots of people who took a ballot but did not vote on this question.

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PRICE GOUGING DURING EMERGENCIES (S 137) - The Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee held a hearing on legislation making it a crime to price gouge and charge unconscionable prices during a declared state emergency. The measure imposes up to a \$5,000 fine on anyone who charges excessive prices for necessities including food, fuel and shelter.

QUOTABLE QUOTES

“Any businesses attempting to avoid the licensing and usury laws of the Commonwealth at the expense of Massachusetts consumers will not be tolerated. This settlement is a victory for the thousands of Massachusetts consumers who took out Western Sky loans and serves as a warning to unlicensed lenders.” — *John Chapman, Undersecretary of the Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation, commenting on a settlement agreement between the state and businesses that made illegal, high-interest loans over the Internet to thousands of consumers.*

“This legislation would allow Massachusetts to stand strong in the fight against climate change. We need a sustainable, healthy, economical future. Without mindful clean-energy policy, our world will see serious devastation.” — *Sen. Marc Pacheco (D-Taunton) testifying in favor of his legislation, which he says would reduce the state’s carbon footprint and help meet the goals of the Global Warming Solutions Act.*

“The epidemic of opioid addiction sweeping through our cities and towns shows no mercy, and we consider

the initiatives in this bill to be significant tools in combating this unprecedented crisis. We need bold action to bend the trend in opioid deaths.” — *Gov. Baker and Boston Mayor Marty Walsh in a joint letter to members of the Legislature asking for swift action on Baker’s recently filed legislation to combat opioid addiction.*

“1.2 million Massachusetts workers risk losing their jobs if they take time off work to take care of a family medical emergency or after the birth of a child. For most working families, unpaid leave is not a financially viable option. We need paid family and medical leave for a simple reason: Hardworking people shouldn’t have to choose between the jobs they need and the family they love.” — *Deb Fastino, co-chair of Raise Up Massachusetts, a group advocating paid family and medical leave for Bay State workers.*

“We will determine where to cut \$11 million -- approximately \$5 million on the Amherst campus -- and figure out how to deal with this cut. It’s always difficult when you get a cut that you didn’t anticipate, particularly during the middle of the academic year.” — *University of Massachusetts President Martin Meehan on his disappointment that the Legislature’s final fiscal 2015 budget did not provide funds to cover already negotiated and paid retroactive pay increases for UMass faculty, staff and unions.*

HOW LONG WAS LAST WEEK’S SESSION?
Beacon Hill Roll Call tracks the length of time that the House and Senate were in session each week. Many legislators say that legislative sessions are only one aspect of

the Legislature’s job and that a lot of important work is done outside of the House and Senate chambers. They note that their jobs also involve committee work, research, constituent work and other matters that are important to their districts. Critics say that the Legislature does not meet regularly or long enough to debate and vote in public view on the thousands of pieces of legislation that have been filed. They note that the infrequency and brief length of sessions are misguided and lead to irresponsible late night sessions and a mad rush to act on dozens of bills in the days immediately preceding the end of an annual session.

During the week of October 26-30, the House met for a total of four hours and 47 minutes while the Senate met for a total of five hours and 1 minute.

Mon. October 26	House 11:01 a.m. to 11:19 a.m. Senate 11:05 a.m. to 11:24 a.m.
Tues. October 27	No House session No Senate session
Wed. October 28	House 11:01 a.m. to 3:20 p.m. Senate 11:03 a.m. to 3:23 p.m.
Thurs. October 29	House 10:59 a.m. to 11:09 a.m. Senate 11:04 a.m. to 11:26 a.m.
Fri. October 30	No House session No Senate session

Bob Katzen welcomes feedback at bob@beaconhillrollcall.com

Election Day 2015



The candidates and their supporters were out in force, stumping for votes on Election Day, November 3, 2015, here in Somerville. While the voter turnout was light, there was no lack of enthusiasm among those seeking to retain or gain seats in city government. — Photos by Donald Norton

COMMENTARY

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ISD reform a success story of modern, efficient public safety services



By Joseph A. Curtatone

Somerville's Inspectional Services Department provides critical services to our community as an extension of our public safety departments. Whether ensuring that construction meets code and buildings are safe for people, maintaining our quality of life by enforcing important regulations for everything from trash disposal to snow removal, or holding restaurants to high standards of cleanliness and food preparation, ISD is on the frontline when it comes to our community's safety and health. Because these functions are so critical, five years ago I sought an independent examination of ISD by consultant Zucker Systems that detailed where the department needed reform. Since then and especially since the arrival of ISD Director Goran Smiljic, the department has made significant progress in addressing the areas detailed in that independent report. Upsetting the status quo naturally always leads to some criticism, and we welcome constructive criticism that helps us identify where we need to do more. That said, I want to set the record straight on some of the anonymous criticism that has appeared in the Times, and lay out the facts about ISD's performance today.

Some of the criticism makes claims about long waits for permit approvals, allegedly stretching beyond 30 or 60 days. While

it's impossible to address specific claims without knowing the details and circumstances of a particular case, I can go to the data thanks to the CitizenServe software system, which we introduced in 2014 to make tracking of applications, inspections, and issued permits easier. The data clearly shows that 80 percent of permits are issued within 14 days of the application. Broken down, it's 22 percent issued within one day, 38 percent within two to seven days, and 20 percent within eight to 14 days. In other words, four out of every five permits applied for are issued within two weeks.

Larger, more complex applications take longer for a permit to be issued—there's naturally more work to do, and sometimes additional reports and materials are needed to determine that the project is safe. Also, sometimes applicants do not submit all the required documentation, such as licenses or insurance certificates, needed to process an application in a timely fashion. While other communities may be content to allow permits to be issued based on familiarity with the applicant, that's not the way we do things in Somerville today.

Part of the process in streamlining and modernizing ISD to make it more predictable, reliable and efficient includes ensuring that proper procedure is followed—from ISD inspections, to zoning review, to Fire Department review, and so on. Nobody gets a free pass because again, ISD is on the frontline of public safety and health, and we will not risk either of those in the name of speed. Still, for the one out of every five permits that take longer than two weeks, the breakdown is: 8 percent issued within 15 to 21 days, 3 percent within 22 to 28 days, and 9 per-

cent taking more than 28 days. So, less than one out of every 10 permits is taking longer than four weeks for approval. And, again, these applications tend to have complicating factors.

Not only are permits being handled carefully and with due speed, by replacing a slow and antiquated paper-based permit system with CitizenServe software, ISD can now easily track every permit application from start to finish, multiple City departments can review construction plans simultaneously, and applicants can now submit applications, documents and payments online, instead of having to go in person to City Hall and ISD, which could slow the process. Today, our inspectors have switched out pens for tablets, putting all the documentation they need at their fingertips in the field. Again, moving to digital upends the status quo, and that always leads to some criticism, but we'll gladly accept that criticism in return for ensuring that permits go through the full, necessary process before approval as efficiently and transparently as possible.

Meanwhile, as ISD improves to meet our rigorous standards, the department is taking on even more work. Before we hired a new code enforcement officer dedicated to dumpster inspections, in September 2013, only 177 dumpsters were properly licensed with the City. Today, 652 dumpsters are licensed and ISD can now better track and inspect them, with 663 inspections completed since Jan. 1—a critical component of our comprehensive rodent control efforts that, according to the data, are working. In the spring, we found that the number of rat sightings in Somerville statistically diverged from the number

in Boston, and we are cautiously optimistic that the 36 percent decrease in rodent sightings is proof this approach is working. You can thank ISD for playing a critical role in that.

The number of building permits (up 4 percent since FY13), food inspections (up 24 percent) and temporary food permits (up 115 percent) are all increasing, a sign our city continues to grow. From July 1 to Oct. 31 this year alone, ISD has received 2,058 building, plumbing and electrical permit applications. But ISD has kept up. To meet increasing demand, in the past two years, we've added full-time electrical, plumbing and food inspectors and two junior clerks, and this year's budget includes an additional building inspector as well. As also recommended in the Zucker report, our ISD inspectors now also wear professional uniforms and building inspectors are assigned by ward, ensuring consistency and thorough work on every application from start to finish.

So again, the department is handling more work, more efficiently, with measurable positive results and documented turnaround times that meet or exceed standards. This type of institutional change is usually slow going and difficult, but under the leadership and hard work of Director Goran Smiljic, these improvements have come swiftly with the support of the dedicated employees of ISD who have embraced change in the name of accurate, courteous and easy customer service. Our public safety and health depend on them and they have risen to the challenge of serving you better. Mr. Smiljic has engendered an environment where he and his staff are also responsive to feedback and criticism. There are a number of

other inaccuracies recently published by the Times that could have been easily cleared up with a few phone calls. We encourage anyone with a concern to let us know so that we can address it or clear up any confusion.

However, some of the anonymous statements in the Times are simply not based on fact. A Google search by a journalist could have easily cleared up that Mr. Smiljic—an engineer by training—did not come from another city in Massachusetts but Utica, NY, where he worked for 13 years; CitizenServe was never used in Cambridge; and, no, the Planning staff is not happy when there are delays in permitting. Without specifics, we can't validate if individual cases referenced were accurately represented. But what's most important here is not that the facts of those complaints were not verified, but whether ISD is providing professional, rigorous services to protect our property and our people. And they are.

For City services like ISD, both praise and criticism of our work must be aired publicly if we are to stay true to the fundamental principles of openness and transparency we've committed to. We embrace that. And we will gladly review and address any concerns. We are always willing to listen to how we can improve, and we always make those decisions based on what the data and the facts tell us. Those facts tell us that ISD has made exponential progress in a short period of time, bringing itself into the 21st century, and that the residents of our community are safer and are more quickly served because of it. If anyone has a concern with an individual application or issue though, by all means, give us a call. ISD is on it.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Readers are invited to send letters to the editor to The Somerville Times. Please email your letters to News@TheSomervilleTimes.com or mail them to 699 Broadway, Somerville, MA 02144. The Somerville Times Reserves the right to edit letters for style, grammar and length. All letters must include an name and contact information. Contact information will not be shared with the public. We look forward to hearing from you.

The old MBTA power switching station at the corner of Avon and School AND the adjacent gas station at the corner of School and Summer have been purchased by a luxury condo developer. According to the city planning dept. we can expect at least nine units

on the gas station site, plus at least two more units on the MBTA site. If the new zoning passes, the gas station site would permit 27 units! It's astonishing how fast the situation is spinning out of control, thanks to the corrosive influence of unbridled greed. Somerville

Ave is already a sea of green particle board. In a few years from now the old Somerville will be unrecognizable, its history and culture utterly erased, and much of its current population displaced. It's disgraceful, reprehensible and profoundly unjust and I said so at

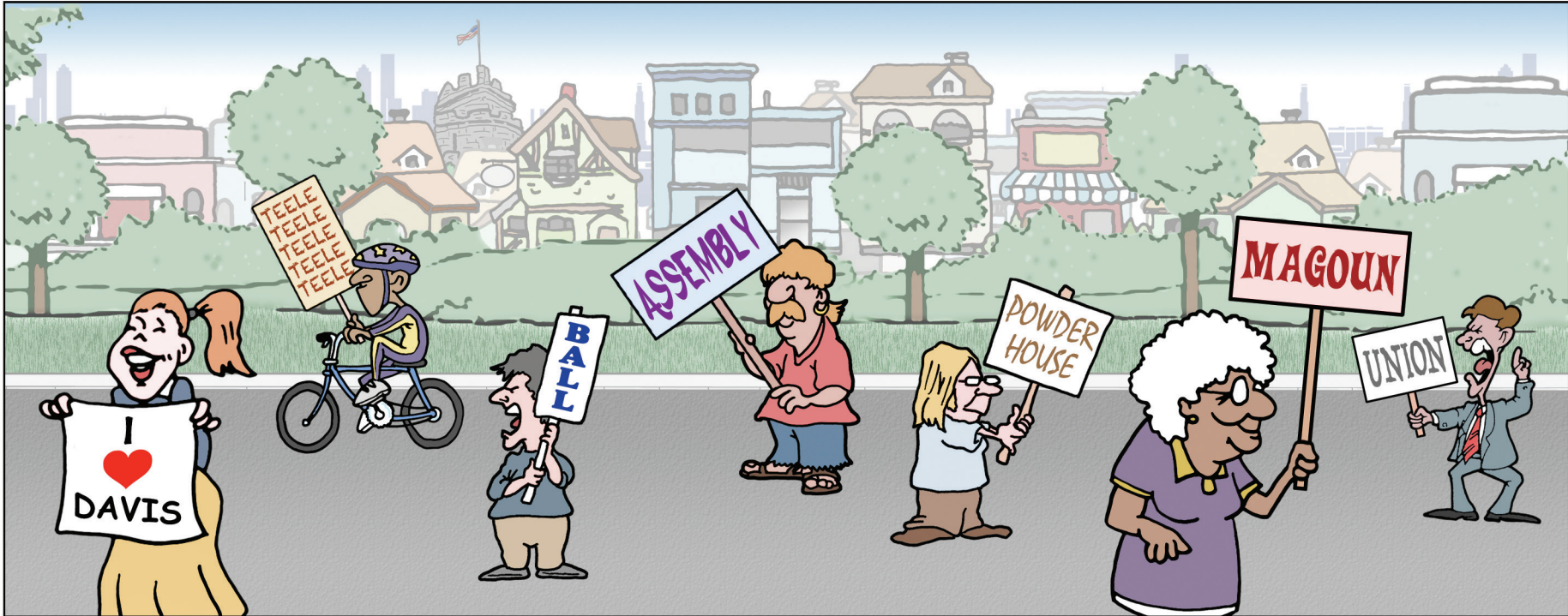
the most recent Union Square green-wash-fest. Russell Preston's response: "This is a democracy and you have the right to say that." You betcha!

— Chris Korda
Somerville Development Watch

COMMENTARY

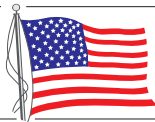
SIGNS OF THE TIMES

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Let's get out there and show some Square Pride!

Our View Of The Times



Many of us do feel a certain sense of loyalty to and take pride in the neighborhoods we live, work and play in. And why not? We choose to live in this great city for reasons of our own, and it's clear that most of us really enjoy it here.

Well, now it seems that the city will be celebrating its 2015 All-America City win by hanging celebratory banners

around Somerville. But because they don't have enough of the banners to cover the whole city they have launched a friendly "Square Flair" competition to determine which area will be festooned with the decorations.

Loyal locals are invited to post photos depicting their love and devotion to their particular areas online using the hashtag

#SquareFlair. The city has posted guidelines for earning points by posting certain types of photos on social media sites.

At the end of the week the points will be counted up and the lucky Square will be declared the winner, thus earning the privilege of serving as standard bearer for the city's celebration.

On Saturday, November 7, 2-4 p.m.,

there will be a special event held at the City Hall concourse where the winner(s) will be announced, along with some Square-themed fun and games to liven up the occasion.

It's all in good fun and a little friendly competition between neighborhoods can be a warming thing. Especially considering that winter is just around the corner.

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paperwork and still two desks collecting dust and it's not looking good on filling them any time soon. The latest incident that we heard about is that someone (we can't say who) went and applied for a permit for work to be done, paid about \$2K for the work permit a couple of months ago and they denied him the permit over a lousy \$50 trash fine. So we heard the guy of course wanted to pay the fine, but now they lost the record of the fine. They have been looking for a few things around the city lately, haven't they? And we're a business friendly city?

Guess someone in the Assessors Office was a bit upset over the system being down and was snippy with a taxpayer this week. Maybe that city worker should calm down and be nicer to the general public, or let's not have someone be at the desk giving assistance with that kind of attitude. Wouldn't last a day in the private sector.

Open House Sunday 1:00-3:00 p.m. at 63 College Avenue. A 9-Room Queen Ann style home for sale, asking \$1,690,000. Presented by The Norton Group. This week will feature local artist Diane Blouin showing off her artwork throughout the home during the Open House.

Happy Birthdays this week to some of our Villens as well as friends of *The Times* this week: To our good friend, writer and poet Tim Gager, who is celebrating this week. We wish him the very best. Happy birthday to Paul Foster, who used to work here in the Ville. A good guy. To our good friend and head of ERA Key Realty Services with about 13 offices in the Worcester area, Bruce Taylor. A very good guy who runs a great company. If you're looking to buy or sell in the Worcester/Franklin/ Milford area, that's the company. Happy Birthday to Flo McWatters, who is also celebrating this week. A nice lady who looks younger all the time.

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.

Word of the Week: Psychotic. Delusions are false beliefs, such as thinking that someone is plotting against you or that the TV is sending you secret messages. Hallucinations are false perceptions, such as hearing, seeing, or feeling something that is not there. Schizophrenia is one type of psychotic disorder. Sound familiar?

We didn't have time this week or the space, so if you haven't voted yet there's still time to send your votes for "Best of Somerville Awards" in this week and we will publish the list next week. Call in or email and vote for your favorite person, place or profession. Make sure you look over the various categories offered in the past and vote. If you don't see the category you want just send it in to us with your vote and we will have the committee look it over. Best of Somerville is done every year. You can go online to our website and check out the previous winners, and maybe they will be again?

ResiStat meetings this fall will provide updates from city staff as well as the mayor and aldermen regarding ongoing projects and initiatives. Ask questions and share your feedback with neighbors: Ward 4: Wed., Nov. 4, Healey School, 5 Meacham St.; Ward 6: Thurs., Nov. 5, Somerville Community Baptist Church, 31 College Ave.; Ward 5: Mon., Nov. 9, Kennedy School, 5 Cherry St.; Ward 3: Tues., Nov. 10, Somerville High School, 81 Highland Ave.; Ward 2: Mon., Nov. 16, Argenziano School, 290 Washington St.; Ward 1: Wed., Nov. 18, East Somerville Community School, 50 Cross St. All meetings run from 6:30

to 8 p.m. Come by at 6 p.m. to enjoy pizza and other refreshments while you talk with neighbors.

On Election Day in Ward 3, candidate and present alderman Bob McWatters brought refreshments into the precincts on for the election workers. What a nice thing to do. And Bob had no opponent in the race. It wouldn't matter. He's a good guy, no matter what. Last week we made a big mistake in the spelling of Alderman Bob's friend and campaign advisor Zachary Zasloff. It's not Zasloss like we said last week. Zasloff is the correct spelling. What a nice guy Zac is, and the company which he's a VP of, www.shoe-buy.com, is a great place to buy shoes. Go online and see for yourself. Christmas is coming up so treat yourself or a family member to a great pair of new shoes.

Wow. We were surprised that the alderman in Ward 5, Mark Niedergang, was busily involved in other elections here in the city. He was actively involved in the Ward 4 campaign against Jamie Sue O'Leary, and then we hear his name up in Ward 6. But the best was that he actually sent out endorsements for and against incumbents on the Board of Alderman. It's usually a practice that

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East Somerville Main Streets Halloween Block Party

East Somerville Main Streets held its frighteningly fun Halloween Block Party from at Chuckie Harris Park on Saturday. There was plenty of fun, free games and activities for the whole family, including Make-your-own Halloween Mask with The Beautiful Stuff Project, Face Painting, Guess the Gross Food, Halloween maker-fun with Parts and Crafts, Family Photos, and more.



Photos by Claudia Ferro



ESCS Harvest Book Character Parade

Last Friday, students from East Somerville Community School paraded over to the Windsor House on Pearl Street and sang for the elderly for Halloween dressed in book character costumes. The residents there were greatly pleased by the performance.



Photos by Claudia Ferro



SPORTS

SHS Boys Soccer team to compete in tournament



The boys team representing Somerville High School soccer has advanced to the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) tournament, with the lead-off match taking place tonight, Wednesday, November 4 at Dilboy Stadium. The Highlander squad will be taking on Everett at 7:30 p.m.

Ms. Cam's
Olio
#499

Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

1. On which day is Veteran's Day celebrated?

2. What kind of curtain was said to divide east and west during the cold war?

3. The federal government first printed paper money the same year that which war broke out?

4. In 1979, what country did the USSR invade?

5. What was the name of the first aircraft to drop an atomic bomb?

6. The second atom bomb was dropped on what Japanese city?
7. The unsuccessful landing by US troops in April 1961 was where?

8. What month is National Alzheimer's Awareness Month?

9. Which infamous criminal was born on the 12th of November, 1934?

10. November is the month in which what musical instrument is recognized?

11. Which US President was born in November?

12. When is National Sandwich Day?

Answers on page 23

Periodic Pageant/Costumed Chemistry Clash



8th Grade Students at the East Somerville Community School came dressed as their favorite element last Friday. Students chose elements and designed costumes based on the physical and chemical properties of the elements. From Miss Hydrogen to Uranium Man, many elements of the Periodic Table were represented in heroic fashion. — Photos by Claudia Ferro
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Beautiful food at Cross Street

By Maureen Bastardi

There are so many beautiful things about Thailand. Just ask Chu Race, who is a native of that country and a weekly participant in the Cross Street Center's English Conversation group. In Thailand, Chu explains, it's common to see fruits and vegetables beautifully sculpted into flowers and art. People then use the creations decorations for plates, for their home, and in their food.

On Wednesday, October 28, Race conducted an instructional workshop in this art. Participants were amazed that carrots, cucumbers, radish, and onions could look so pretty. The workshop was so well received that Race will be conducting another one on Thursday, November 19 at 1 p.m. For more information about this and other multi-cultural programming at Cross Street Center, call Janine Lotti at (617) 625-6600, ext. 2335.



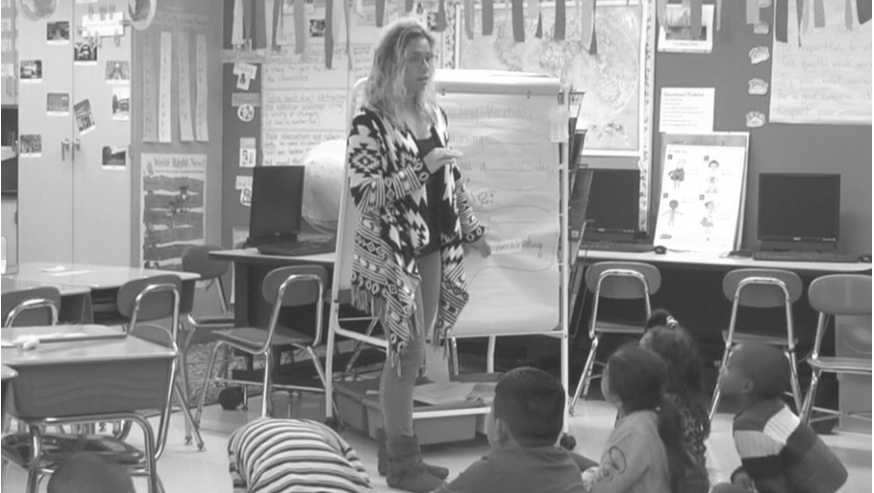
Halloween girls galore



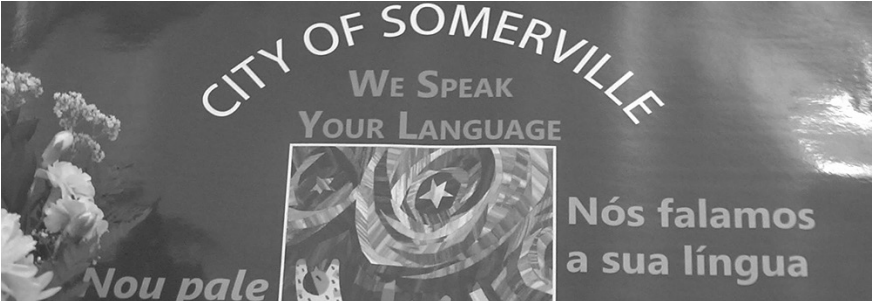
The lovely ladies at the Middlesex Federal Savings Bank in Teele Square were celebrating Halloween in high style last week. — Photos by Ross Blouin

What's on Somerville Neighborhood News

Somerville Neighborhood News is a community service production of Somerville Community Access Television and the SNN team produces a bi-weekly newscast.



A couple of headlines in the latest newscast are: Union Square reimagined in Somerville by Design latest neighborhood plan, City Hall celebrates the Latino experience through photos, food and culture, and one classroom, eight languages and a love of learning spell success in Somerville Public Schools.



Make sure to watch these segments in more in SNN #52. You can watch Somerville Neighborhood News every Tuesday at 7 p.m. on SCATV Ch.3 or on-line at www.somervilleneighborhoodnews.org.

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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, November 18, 2015** at 6:00 p.m. at the Argenziano School Cafeteria, 290 Washington Street, Somerville, MA.

14 Oak St: (Case #ZBA 2015-62) Applicant, Dan Spinosa, seeks a Special Permit per SZO §4.4.1 to construct decks on the second and third stories within the rear yard setback. RB zone. Ward 2.

72 Dimick St: (Case #ZBA 2015-70) Applicant, Kevin Kee, seeks a Special Permit per SZO §4.4.1 to alter a non-conforming structure by building a 3-story front porch within the front yard setback. RB zone. Ward 2.

88 Dover St: (Case #ZBA 2015-82) Applicant, Sing Cheung, seeks a Special Permit per SZO §4.4.1 to substantially alter an existing, non-conforming 2-family building to construct a 3-family structure. Applicant seeks a Special Permit per SZO §9.13 for relief from parking space dimensions. Ward 6.

41 Horace St: (Case #ZBA 2015-96) Applicant & Owner, Ihor Chaban, seeks a Special Permit to alter a nonconforming single-family structure (SZO §4.4.1) to add 60sf addition to the second floor. RB zone. Ward 2.


15 Dane Ave: (Case #ZBA 2015-97) Applicant and Owner Lynette Tsiang seeks a special permit to modify a nonconforming structure by demolishing a previous rear addition, and adding a single-story addition in the rear and side yards. Zone RB. Ward 2.

Copies of these applications are available for review in the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development, located on the third floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA, Mon-Wed, 8:30 am-4:30 pm; Thurs, 8:30 am-7:30 pm; and Fri, 8:30 am-12:30 pm; and at www.somervillema.gov/planningandzoning. As cases may be continued to later dates, please check the agenda on the City's website or call before attending. Continued cases will not be re-advertised. Interested persons may provide comments to the 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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Middlesex Probate and Family Court
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NOTICE AND ORDER
Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor

Docket No. MI15P4515GD

In the interests of **Ayah Janelle Merril**
of **Somerville, MA**
Minor

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

1) Hearing Date/Time: A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on **08/17/2015** by **Christina DeFilippo** of Somerville, MA

Will be held **11/09/ 2015 8:30 a.m. Guardianship of Minor Hearing**
Located **208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141**

2) Response to Petition: You may respond by filing a written response to the Petition or by appearing in person at the hearing. If you choose to file a written response, you need to:

File the original with the Court; and

Mail a copy to all interested parties at least five (5) business days before the hearing.

3) Counsel for the Minor: The minor (or an adult on behalf of the minor) has the right to request that the counsel be appointed for the minor.

4) Presence of the Minor at Hearing: A minor over age 14 has the right to be present at any hearing, unless the Court finds it is not in the minor's best interest.

ORDER TO PETITIONER(S)

IT IS ORDERED THAT copies of this Notice and the Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor be served in hand on the minor, (if 14 or more years of age and not the petitioner), the Guardian, the parents of the minor, and any other person if ordered by the Court, at least **fourteen (14)** days prior to the hearing date listed above.

If Service in hand cannot be accomplished on any interested party, **IT IS ORDERED** that copies of this Notice and the Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor be served on the interested party by leaving at and mailing by regular first class mail to last and usual place of residence of the interested party at least **fourteen (14)** days prior to the date of the hearing listed above.


If the identity or whereabouts of an interested party **is not known**, **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that copies of this Notice and Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor be served on all interested persons at least **fourteen (14)** days prior to the hearing date by mailing first class mail and by publishing a copy of the Order and Notice once in **Somerville Times Somerville** publication to be at least **Seven (7)** days prior to hearing date.

If required, services on the United States Veteran Administration and Department of Children and Families may be accomplished by regular first class mail at least **Seven (7)** days prior to hearing.

THIS IS A LEGAL NOTICE: An important court proceeding that may affect your rights has been scheduled. If you do not understand this notice or other court papers, please contact an attorney for legal advice.

Date: August 18, 2015 **Tara E. De Cristofaro**
Register of Probate

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

The **Somerville Historic Preservation Commission (SHPC)** shall hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, November 17, 2015 at 6:40 p.m. in the Third Floor Community Room, at the Visiting Nurses Association (259 Lowell Street) regarding a proposal by the JTD Realty Trust to demolish the single story buildings located at 17-27 Holland Street.

The subject of the hearing will be a review of the initial determination by the SHPC that under the City of Somerville Zoning Ordinance Section 7- 28b(2), the structure is 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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LEGAL NOTICE
CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
BOARD OF HEALTH
JOSEPH A. CURTATONE
MAYOR

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held at the Winter Hill Community School cafeteria, 115 Sycamore St., Somerville, (entrance on Medford St.) on November 19, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. to review and hear comments relative to proposed amendments to the *Regulation of the Board of Health Restricting the Sale of Tobacco Products and Regulation Prohibiting Smoking in Workplaces and Public Places*. Proposed policies in the draft regulations include, but are not limited to, the following: expansion of definition of Nicotine Delivery Products, restrictions on flavored products, banning of blunt wraps, legal sales age of 21, cigar packaging, no electronic cigarette smoking in smoke free locations.

Douglas Kress
Director
Department of Health & Human Services

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Middlesex Probate and Family Court
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Docket No. MI15C0190CA

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

In the matter of: Grigory Genkin
Of: Somerville, MA

To all persons interested in petition described:

A Petition has been presented by Grigory Genkin requesting that: Grigory Genkin be allowed to change his/her/their name as follows:

Gregory Kristy

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT:

Cambridge

ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM) ON:

11/16/2015

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

Date: October 14, 2015

Tara E. DeCristofaro
Register of Probate

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A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the **Somerville Licensing Commission** on **Monday November 16, 2015** at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at **6:00PM** on the application of Oliveira's Steak House, for an Alteration of Premises, at 120 Washington St., Somerville, MA

For the Commission
Andrew Upton
Vito Vaccaro
John J. McKenna

Attest: **Jenneen Pagliaro**
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MIDDLESEX Division Docket No. MI 15P5310EA

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

Estate of :
Mary Therese Williams Hill
First Name Middle Name Last Name

Also Known As: Mary W. Hill

Date of Death: 08/24/2015

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of

Petitioner David E. Hill of Somerville MA
First Name M.I. Last Name (City/Town) (State)

[x] a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

[x] David E. Hill of Somerville MA
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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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 a.m. – 3 p.m.
617-625-6600 Ext. 2300

Cross Street Center: 165 Broadway
Tuesday & Wednesday 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
(617) 625-6600 Ext. 2335

Ralph and Jenny Center: 9 New Washington Street,
Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.
(617) 666-5223.

Attention! The summer hiatus is over! Bowling, Dalcroze Eurhythmics, Yoga and Walking Group are back! Please call Chris Kowaleski at 617-625-6600 ext. 2300 for more information on any of our Health & Wellness programs, start dates and times and for registration.

The Moonlighters are back – Running through June, 2016 – Somerville’s Swinging Singing Seniors will be meeting at our Holland Street Center from 10:30 – 11:30 every Monday. Sing One – Sing All – Please contact Connie at 617-625-6600 ext. 2300 if you require additional information.

Fabulous array of vocal, cabaret, and instrumental programs at Berklee School of Music. Dates: Monday, November 9th: Classical and Jazz Chamber Music; Monday, December 7th: Cabaret showcase; Monday, December 14th: Backgrounds and Beyond background vocal ensemble; and Tuesday, December 15th: Berklee Marimba Concerts 1 and 2. Space extremely limited. Please call Janine Lotti at (617) 625-6600, ext. 2300 for details and to sign up.

Yoga – Starting on Thursday, October 29 from 9:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M. and running for 5 weeks (October 29th, November 5th, 12th & 19th and December 3rd) at our Holland Street Center. This is a class for all levels and there is a \$20. fee. You MUST RSVP – space is limited – please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 to register or if you should have any questions.

Volunteer Roundtable – Wednesday, November 4 – 1:00 P.M. to 2:30 P.M. – at our Holland Street Center. Please come and learn from your peers as they talk about their volunteer experiences, share your own knowledge about volunteering at the Council on Aging. Program will include light refreshments and plenty of time for questions & answers.

Open Enrollment Medicare – Wednesday, November 4 – 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. at our Holland Street Center. Come and learn about open enrollment from SHINE representative Arthur Budnik. Remember Open Enrollment is from October 15th to December 7th. Please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 to register. (flyer sent under separate cover).

Panini Day – Tuesday, November 10 - 11:30 A.M. at our Ralph & Jenny Center – Please call Kim at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 by November 6th to make your reservation. (flyer sent under separate cover)

Monthly Breakfast – Community Conversation on race & racism – Monday, November 9 – 9:00 -11:00 A.M. at our Holland Street Center. The Community Conversations series brings residents together to discuss important social issues. This series will focus on race & racism. Come share your experience and voice your concerns. RSVP is a must - please call Connie or Josephine at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300

New York City Weekend Getaway – Saturday & Sunday, November 7 and 8 - \$170.- per person / Double and \$250.- per person / Single. Start your Holiday shopping early, go see a play or just enjoy the sights. Coach transportation will drop you off at St. Patrick’s Cathedral and Macy’s Department Store on Saturday the 7th. After a great night’s sleep at the Sheraton Hotel in Stamford, CT and an early breakfast head back into NYC to see the 9/11 Memorial before heading home. Departs our Ralph & Jenny Center, Saturday, November 7th at 5:45 A.M. with an approximate return time of 7:00 P.M. on Sunday, November 8th. A \$50.- deposit is

required upon reservation. Seats are limited and will fill up fast. Please call Connie at 617-625-6600 ext. 2300 to reserve your spot or if you have any questions.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

Friendly Caller Program - Do you know someone who could benefit from a friendly call? Maybe you are feeling isolated and want someone to talk to – or you just want someone to listen. Please call Natasha at 617-625-6600 ext. 2300 to sign up for our “Friendly Caller” Program. The trip to New York City scheduled for November 7 & 8 is SOLD OUT.

Please note that all centers are closed on Wednesday, November 11 for Veterans Day.

Thanksgiving Dinner with Mayor Curtatone scheduled for Saturday, November 14 is BOOKED SOLID.

The Holiday celebration at the Winter Hill Yacht Club scheduled for Monday, December 14 is BOOKED SOLID.

The trip to Atlantic City scheduled for January 10, 11 & 12 of 2016 is SOLD OUT.

Bowling at Flatbreads has resumed on Wednesdays at 1:00 P.M

LGBT EVENTS:

LGBTQ Advisory Group – Monday, November 9 – 4:30 P.M. in the conference room located at our Holland Street Center. We are looking for new members and would love to have you as part of our group. This group meets the 2nd Monday of every month excluding City Holidays and snow emergencies.

LGBTQ Monthly Lunch – Monday, November 9 – 11:30 A.M. in our Holland Street Center – more details to follow. This lunch happens the 2nd Monday of every month excluding City Holidays and snow emergencies.

LGBTQ Monthly “Movies To Come Out To” – Monday, November 16 – 5:30 P.M. in the Atrium of our Holland Street Center. Yet to be determined movie and meal. This event happens the 3rd Monday of every month excluding City Holidays and snow emergencies.

LBT Women Fit-4-Life - 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 Chris Kowaleski at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300.

*If you require additional information or have any questions regarding the LGBT Lunch, Dinner & Movie or the Advisory Group please contact Maureen Bastardi at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2316 or email her at MBastardi@Somervillema.gov.

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. Become more active – make new friends – boost your brain power – feel healthier. For more information or to sign up please contact Chris Kowaleski our Health & Wellness Coordinator at 617-625-6600 ext. 2315.

The award winning Fit-4-Life Program is NOW at our Cross Street Center – 165 Broadway – And there are still some open spots. A unique combination of exercise and nutritional support opportunity under the direct supervision of a certified exercise trainer and participate in individual and group counseling with a nutritionist. The cost to you is \$10.- a month that gives you access to fitness & nutritional Fit-4-Life classes each week. Limited scholarships are available – Need more information? Please contact Chris Kowaleski our Health & Wellness Coordinator at 617-625-6600 ext. 2315 or email him at CKowaleski@somervillema.gov This is for older adults 55+ Space is limited so sign up early.

Weekly Exercise Class Schedule

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

Mondays:

8:30 Walking / Talking Group (H)
8:30 Fit-4-Life Group C (H)
12:00 Nutrition Counseling with Mimi (H)
1:00 Fit-4-Life (H)

Tuesdays:

9:15 Strengthening - \$3 per class (H)
10:30 Fit-4-Life Cross Street* (C)
1:00 Dalcroze Eurhythmics - \$2.00 (H)
6:00 LBT Fit 4 Life (H)

Wednesdays:

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

Thursdays:

9:00 Yoga (H)
9:30 Strengthening - \$3 per class (RJ)
10:30 Fit 4 Life (C)
6:00 LBT Fit 4 Life*

Fridays:

8:45 Fit 4 Life* Group A
9:55 Fit 4 Life* Group B
11:00 Nutrition Counseling with Mimi

*All Fit 4 Life classes are \$10/month and require pre-registration**If you are interested in our Yoga classes, please call Chris Kowaleski, our Health & Wellness Coordinator at 617-625-6600, Ext. 2315.

Upcoming Schedule

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

Wednesday|November 4

10:00 Cards (RJ)
10:00 English Conversation (C)
11:00 Let’s Get Healthy With Mimi (H)
11:30 Lunch (H, RJ)
12:00 Lunch (C)
12:45 Bingo (H)
1:00 Bowling at Flatbreads
9:00 – 11:00 A.M. Medicare Open Enrollment
1:00 – 2:30 P.M. Volunteer Roundtable

Thursday|November 5

10:00 Cards (RJ)
10:00 English Conversation (C)
11:00 Let’s Get Healthy With Mimi (H)
11:30 Lunch (H, RJ)
12:00 Lunch (C)
12:45 Bingo (H)
1:00 Bowling at Flatbreads
9:00 – 11:00 A.M. Medicare Open Enrollment
1:00 – 2:30 P.M. Volunteer Roundtable

Friday|November 6

9:30 De-cluttering for the Holidays (H)
10:00 Book Club (H)
11:00 Nutrition Counseling with Mimi (H)
11:30 Lunch (H)
12:45 Bingo (H)

Monday|November 9

9:00 Walking & Talking Group (H)
9:00 Gardening Club (H)
9:30 Monthly Breakfast – Community Conversation
10:00 Let’s Get Healthy With Mimi (RJ)
10:30 Moonlighters (on the road)
11:30 Lunch (H, RJ)
11:30 LGBTQ Lunch (H)
12:30 Movie (RJ)
4:30 LGBTQ Advisory Group (H)
Berklee College of Music

Tuesday|November 10

10:00 Cards (RJ)
10:00 English Conversation (C)
10:00 Scarves for Soldiers (RJ)
11:30 Lunch (RJ)
12:00 Computer tutorial with Norbert (by appointment only) (H)
12:00 Lunch (C)
12:45 Bingo (RJ)
Panini Day at R&J
Manhattan Dolls at the Common Man

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We have a Facebook page. Check us out at www.facebook.com/somervilleCOA.

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Central Library
On D.E.C.K.: Post Halloween
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Stephanie Santia-
go-617-625-6600 ext.225
2:30 p.m -5:30 p.m.|79 Highland
Avenue
Thursday|November 5
Central Library
Preschool: Storytime for 3 to 5
year olds
10:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m.|79 High-
land Avenue
East Branch Library
Lego Club
Meghan Forsell-617-623-5000
x2970
3:15 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.|115 Broad-
way
Central Library
Lego Club
Cathy Piantigini-617-623-5000
x2950
3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.|79 High-
land Avenue
Friday|November 6
Central Library
Preschool: Storytime for 2 year
olds
10:30 a.m.-11 a.m.|79 Highland
Avenue
Central Library
Community Conversation on
Race for Teens
Ron Castile -617-623-5000
x2936
3:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.|79 High-
land Avenue
Sunday|November 8
Central Library
DJ Jef Czekaj
Cathy Piantigini -617-623-5000
x2950
3 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.|79 Highland
Avenue
Monday|November 9
Central Library
Sing Along with Raquel Leburn of
ABC Spanish in Motion
Cathy Piantigini 617-623-5000

x2950
11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.|79 Highland
Avenue
West Branch Library
Jeff Jam
Annamarie Almei-
da-617-623-5000 x2977
3:30 PM - 4:30 PM|40 College
Avenue
Tuesday|November 10
Central Library
Homeschool Reading Group for
Ages 12-14
Tammy McKanan -617-591-0216
9:30 a.m -12 p.m.|79 Highland
Avenue
West Branch Library
Preschool Storytime
11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.|40 College
Avenue
Wednesday|November 11
Veterans Day - Libraries Closed
MUSIC|ARTS
Wednesday|November 4
Johnny D’s
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17 Holland St|617-776-2004
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Free Poker, lots of prizes!
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666-3589
The Burren
Front Room
Exile on Elm
Back Room
Backroom Series: Máire Ní Cha-
thasaigh & Chris Newman
Mick Flannery|10 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896
P.A.’s Lounge
Rachel Alix |8 p.m.
Bill Dwyer
Eric Gledhill
Amanda McCarthy
Matt Minigell
Carissa Johnson
The Green Bullets/Henry Griffin
Sam Jones
345 Somerville Ave
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Orleans Restaurant and Bar
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6045
Highland Kitchen
150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131
Samba Bar & Grille
608 Somerville Ave|617-718-
9177
Joshua Tree Bar & Grill
Pub Trivia
8:30 p.m.|256 Elm Street|(617)
623-9910
Arts at the Armory
Wiretap Wednesday Open Stage
7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave
Davis Square Theatre
Shit-Faced Shakespeare|7 p.m.
255 Elm Street
Thunder Road
Bearly Dead – Wednesday Night
Grateful Dead Residency
379 Somerville Ave
Thursday|November 5
Johnny D’s
Birdsongs of the Mesozoic +
Trinary System
BaBa ZuLa (Turkish Psychedelic)
17 Holland St|617-776-2004
Sally O’Brien’s
BYOBluegrass Jam with David
Rizzutti grassy Thursdays|7:30
p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-
3589
The Burren
Front Room
Acoustic/Bluegrass|9:30 p.m.
Back Room
Backroom Series EBASS Showcase
- Cover to Cover|7 p.m.
L80’s night with Scattershot|10
p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896
P.A.’s Lounge
Fossil Wild
The Legitamatronics
Trojaas
Parasoma
345 Somerville Ave
On The Hill Tavern
Live DJ Music
499 Broadway|617-629-5302
Orleans Restaurant and Bar
65 Holland St|617-591-2100
Bull McCabe’s
Dub Down Reggae
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-
6045

Joshua Tree
256 Elm St. |617-623-9910
Samba Bar & Grille
608 Somerville Ave|617-718-
9177
Somerville Theatre
Awkward Compliment’s Thursday
Night Comedy Night
8 p.m.|55 Davis Square
Arts at the Armory
Three Songwriters - Colette
O’Connor, PJ Rogue (Paul Rogo-
shewski) & Rick Drost
7:30 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave
Davis Square Theatre
Shit-Faced Shakespeare|7 p.m.
255 Elm Street
Thunder Road
The Stone Foxes
379 Somerville Ave
Friday|November 6
Johnny D’s
Sugar Ray & The Bluetones (Chi-
cago Style Blues)
One Fine Morning: One Night
Only
17 Holland St|617-776-2004
Sally O’Brien’s
Kevin Byrne & His Vertical File |6
p.m.
Big Giant, Leo’s Sound World,
Huxter| 9 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-
3589
The Burren
Front Room
Irish Session|9:30 p.m.
Backroom Series:
The Social No. 11|7 p.m.
Spike the Punch|10pm
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896
P.A.’s Lounge
The Easy Reasons
The Knock Ups
Happy Little Clouds
L.S.C
345 Somerville Ave
Orleans Restaurant and Bar
DJ
10 p.m.|65 Holland St
On The Hill Tavern
499 Broadway |617-629-5302
Orleans Restaurant and Bar
DJ starting at 10 p.m.
65 Holland St|617-591-2100
Bull McCabe’s
TBA

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6045
Joshua Tree
DJ McRiddleton
256 Elm St. |617-623-9910
Samba Bar & Grille
Live music
9 p.m.|608 Somerville Ave|617-
718-9177
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173 Broadway|617- 625-5195
Davis Square Theatre
Boston Comedy Festival
255 Elm Street
Arts at the Armory
A Balkan State of Mind featur-
ing Balkan Mind Meld plus Mal
Barsamian & friends
8 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave
Thunder Road
Lagunitas Presents: The Sheep-
dogs
379 Somerville Ave
Saturday|November 7
Johnny D’s
Jazz Brunch
The Love Dogs (Blues & Swing)
Yamn w/ Teddy Midnight
17 Holland St|617-776-2004
Sally O’Brien’s
Stan Martin & The Moonshiners
|6 p.m.
Zac Mac Band, Hunter, Harry
Borsh & The Squires Of Soul \$5
cover|9 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-
3589
The Burren
Back Room Series Walter Parks|7
p.m.
Mugsy|10 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896
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Steve Knecht
Dead Russian Royals
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345 Somerville Ave
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65 Holland St
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Somerville Songwriter Sessions
8 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Davis Square Theatre
Boston Comedy Festival
255 Elm Street

Thunder Road
OF THE
379 Somerville Ave

Sunday|November 8

Johnny D’s
Jazz Brunch
Open Blues Jam! featuring Mat-
thew Smart Band
Boston Comedy Festival Presents:
Lenny Clarke
17 Holland St.|617-776-2004

Sally O’Brien’s Bar
Paul Ahlstrand Quartet|8 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Front Room
Sunday Americana with Sean
Staples, Eric Royer, Tim Gearan,
Dave Westner and Dan Keller|7
p.m.
Back Room
Boston Comedy Fest Hosted Mike
McCarthy
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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Dub Apocalypse
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

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

Orleans Restaurant and Bar
Game Night

65 Holland St|617-591-2100

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

Arts at the Armory
Swinging Jam Session
6:30 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

Davis Square Theatre
Boston Comedy Festival
255 Elm Street

Thunder Road
Trot Fox & Henry Hall
379 Somerville Ave

Monday|November 9

Johnny D’s
Johnny D’s Comedy Showcase
Presents: One Microphone
(Stand-Up)
Stump! Pub Trivia|8:30 p.m.
17 Holland St | 617-776-2004

Sally O’Brien’s Bar
Shawn Carter’s Cheapshots Com-
edy Jam |7 p.m.
Marley Mondays with The Duppy
Conquerors|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
Science by The Pint
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.’s Lounge
Americana Mondays
8 p.m.|345 Somerville Ave

On The Hill Tavern
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Stump! Team Trivia
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Davis Square Theatre
Boston Comedy Festival
255 Elm Street

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

Tuesday|November 10

Johnny D’s
Gal Holiday and the Honky Tonk

Revue + Vince Thompson & The
Next Fun Thing
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O’Brien’s Bar
Andrew Delaney with Ian Fitzger-
ald|8 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Front Room
Jason Anick and the Swingers
Swing/Jazz|8:30 p.m.
Back Room
Open Mic w/ Hugh McGowan|8
p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

PA’s Lounge
Open Mic Night
345 Somerville Ave

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

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The Ghetto People Band
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ing Bee Night
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608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

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

Davis Square Theatre
Boston Comedy Festival
255 Elm Street

Arts at the Armory
Suzuki Violin Classes with Cimone
10 a.m.|Café
Boston Musician’s Collaborative
Open Mic
7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Wednesday|November 11

Johnny D’s
Eric Dahlman // Ripped Echo
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

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

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The Burren
Front Room
Exile on Elm
Back Room
Backroom Series: Fisher House
Veteran’s Day Benefit Show with,
The Generous Poor
Comedy Night With Steve Ma-
cone|10 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.’s Lounge
Trick Wallace Trio
Natalie Flanagan
The Eric Barao Band
Marriage Material
Bedford Davis
SHIRR
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65 Holland St|617-591-2100

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150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

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608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

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Pub Trivia
8:30 p.m.|256 Elm Street|(617)
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Teen Open Mic Night
6 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Davis Square Theatre
Boston Comedy Festival
255 Elm Street

Thunder Road
Magic Hat Presents: Bearly Dead
379 Somerville Ave

CLASSES AND GROUPS

Wednesday|November 4

Central Library
Board Game Night
Ellen Jacobs-617-623-5000
x2914
7 p.m.- 8:45 p.m.|79 Highland
Avenue

Thursday| November 5

West Branch Library

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

Central Library
Reading and Reception for Le-
nore Myka
Cathy Piantigini -617-623-5000,
x2950
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Central Library
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Nina Sweet -7324392326
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Sunday|November 1

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basement.

Monday|November 2

Central Library
Homeward Bound: a Writing
Workshop with Christine Meade
Christine Meade-781-439-7943
6:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.|79 High-
land Avenue

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

Tuesday|November 3

Central Library
Learn English at the Library!
6 p.m.-7:30 p.m.|79 Highland
Avenue

Wednesday|November 4

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Newstalk CONT. FROM PG 11

aldermen don’t get involved in elections for the seats of incumbent aldermen unless it is an empty seat, but to go out against a fellow incumbent could mean that in Ward 5 there just might be a challenger in the next round in two years. That’s the rumor we hear, but then we also heard he was trying to gather support for a run against Mayor Joe.

Those who might be interested in obtaining certification for firearms should look up the Lawrence Rod & Gun Club. They offer 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.

Join the Somerville Garden Club for the talk, Botany for Gardeners, on Wednesday, November 18, 7:00–9:00 p.m. Their speaker will be Judith Sumner, a botanist and frequent lecturer for botanical and horticultural organizations. She has taught at the college level, and at botanic gardens including Arnold Arboretum, Harvard University, and Garden in the Woods. Her talk is aimed at gardeners who want to understand more

about how plants grow. Judith will also cover fertilizers, symbiotic relationships in the soil, and specific adaptations in garden plants. Don’t be intimidated by the topic, Judith is a fantastic speaker, entertaining, humorous, and her talk is bound to be stimulating. The meeting is started by announcements and a round table discussion where attendees can ask questions about their plants and gardens. After the speaker, there’s a raffle of donated plants, books, and sundries that ends the meeting. This meeting will be held at the Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland Street, Somerville. Meetings are on the second floor, wheelchair accessible. Parking is available on site and

the building is a short walk from the Davis Square T station, and is on the #87 bus route. For additional information please visit www.somerville-gardenclub.org.

Pursuant to City Charter Section 8, there will be a Public Hearing before the Board of Aldermen on Thursday, December 10, 2015, at 7:00 PM, in the Aldermanic Chambers, 2nd Floor, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, on the Order of Alderman William A. White, Jr., President of the Board, for public input on the matter of economic inequality, pursuant to a request for a public hearing on the subject submitted by 195 registered voters to the Board of Aldermen on October 22, 2015 (#200177).

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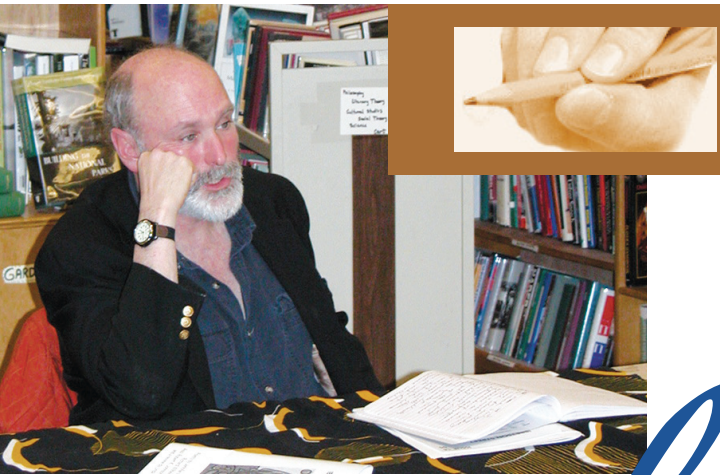
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6:30am	Shrinkwrap!	6:30pm	SNN	1:00pm	MAPS	12:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show
7:00am	The Struggle	7:00pm	Taking Back your Health (Live call-in)	1:30pm	Public Domain Movie Block	1:00pm	Fallon's Daily Toast
7:30am	Somerville Neighborhood News	7:30pm	Let's Talk About Real Estate	2:30pm	Henry Parker Presents	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	Hollywood Makeover Show
9:00am	Legacies	9:30pm	Public Domain	4:00pm	The Somerville Line	3:00pm	Exercise With Robyn
9:30am	All Things Victorian	10:00pm	Throwback Thursday!	6:00pm	Courage to Change: Male Batters' Stories	3:30pm	MAPS
10:00am	Color In Your life	11:00pm	Rare Groove Revolution	7:00pm	JuPrey Productions	4:00pm	Free Speech Television
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11:00am	Chef's Table Series	Friday, November 6		9:00pm	Nossa Gente e Costumes	6:00pm	Public Access Block
12:00pm	Free Speech TV	6:00pm	Eckankar	10:00pm	Open Line News with Davey D	7:00pm	Abugida TV
1:30pm	Physician's Focus	6:30pm	Healthy Hypnosis	11:00pm	Gay News USA (Free Speech TV)	8:00pm	The Somerville Line
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5:00pm	Esoteric Science	10:00am	The Somerville Line	9:00am	Heritage Baptist Church	Tuesday, November 10	
5:30pm	Poet to Poet/Writer to Writer	11:00am	Public Domain	10:00am	Eckankar	6:30am	Esoteric Science
6:00pm	Hatian Poetry	11:30am	All Things Victorian	10:30am	International Church of God	7:00am	JuPrey Promotions
7:00pm	Meet The Merchants	12:00pm	Free Speech TV	11:00am	Halloween Movie Block	8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
7:30pm	MAPS On TV	1:00pm	Health Is Wealth	12:00pm	Baystate Biking News	9:00am	Chef's Table Series
8:00pm	Somerville Pundits	1:30pm	Hollywood Makeover Show	1:00pm	Somerville Neighborhood News	9:30am	Eat Well Be Happy
8:30pm	SCATV Community Announcements	2:00pm	Henry Parker Presents	1:30pm	Let's Talk Real Estate!	10:30am	Cooking With Georgia and Dez
9:00pm	Bay State Biking News	2:30pm	Taking Back Your Health	2:00pm	Legacies	11:00am	Road to Recovery
10:00pm	Laughter Club	3:00pm	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	2:30pm	Taking Back Your Health	12:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show)
11:00pm	Visual Radio	4:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show	3:00pm	JuPrey Promotions	1:00pm	Greater Somerville Elections
Thursday, November 5		5:00pm	Reeling Review	4:00pm	Dedilhando a Saudade	2:00pm	Exercise with Robyn
6:00am	JuPrey Promotions	5:30pm	Visual Radio	5:00pm	Dead Air Live	2:30pm	Healthy Hypnosis
7:00am	The Struggle	6:00pm	This Is East	6:00pm	Abugida TV	3:00pm	Taking Back Your Health
7:30am	The Literati Scene	7:00pm	Gay USA	7:00pm	African Television Network	3:30pm	Physicians Focus
8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	8:00pm	Courage to Change: Male Batterer's Stories	8:00pm	Telemagazine	4:00pm	Ring of Fire (Free Speech TV)
9:00am	Esoteric Science	10:00pm	Dog House TV	9:00pm	Public Movie Block	5:00pm	Poet to Poet/Writer to Writer
9:30am	Somerville Pundits	10:30pm	Art At SCATV	10:00pm	MAPS	5:30pm	The Literati Scene
10:00am	Dead Air Live	11:00pm	Acronym TV (Free Speech TV)	10:30pm	Rare Groove Revolutions	6:00pm	The Struggle!
11:00am	Hollywood Makeover Show	11:30pm	Rare Groove Revolution	11:00pm	Dog House TV	6:30pm	SCATV: The Library
11:30am	Greater Somerville Live	Saturday, November 7		11:30pm	Henry Parker Presents	7:00pm	Somerville Neighborhood News
12:00pm	The Thom Hartman Show	6:00am	SNN	Monday, November 9		7:30pm	Greater Somerville
1pm-3pm	SCATV Cooking Bloc	6:30am	Eat Well Be Happy	6:00am	Health Is Wealth	8:00pm	Dead Air Live
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2:00pm	Cooking with Geogria & Dez	8:00am	Visual Radio	7:00pm	Healthy Hypnosis	9:30pm	Let's Talk About Real Estate!
2:30pm	Eat Well Be Happy	8:30am	Jeff Jam Sing Song Show	7:30am	Reeling the Review Show	10:00pm	Energy Theater
3:00pm	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	9:00am	Baystate Biking News	8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	11:00pm	The David Pakman Show (Free Speech TV)
4:00pm	Free Speech Television	10:00am	Tele Galaxie	9:00am	The Stephanie Miller Show		
5:00pm	Poet to Poet/Writer to Writer	11:00am	Hatian Poetry	10:00am	Visual Radio		

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Wednesday, November 4		8:57pm	Ames Historic Project - Family Interview	3:36pm	Honk! 2015	12:00pm	Inside Market Basket
12:00am	Senior Circuit	9:30pm	Union Square Walking Tour - 9.20.15	6:30pm	Ames Historic Project - Family Interview	1:00pm	ADA 25th Anniversary Celebration
12:30am	Navigating Addiction	Friday, November 6		7:02pm	Honk! 2015	1:53pm	Veterans in the 'Ville
2:48am	Union Square Walking Tour - 9.20.15	12:00am	Espiritu Latino	8:08pm	SomerViva em Português	2:18pm	Ames Historic Exhibit Opening Reception
9:00am	Somerville: Past & Present	1:00am	Aldermen at Work	8:37pm	Navigating Addiction	3:22pm	Somerville: Past & Present
12:00pm	School Committee Meeting – REPLAY	1:30am	Voices of Somerville	Sunday, November 8		6:30pm	Voices of Somerville
3:00pm	Voices of Somerville	2:00am	Somerville: Past & Present	12:00am	Aldermen at Work – Dennis Sullivan	7:00pm	Congressional Update
3:30pm	Congressional Update	3:00am	What the Fluff?	12:30am	SomerStreets Monster Mashed Up	7:30pm	Somerville: Past & Present
6:30pm	Espiritu Latino	9:00am	Ames Historic Project - Family Interview	12:45am	What the Fluff?	8:27pm	Veterans' Day Remembrance Ceremony
7:30pm	Talking Business: Union Sq	9:32am	Ames Historic Exhibit Opening Reception	1:01am	Navigating Addiction	8:37pm	Honk! 2015
8:00pm	Voices of Somerville	12:00pm	Congressional Update	3:19am	Somerville: Past & Present	9:43pm	Espiritu Latino
8:29pm	Ames Historic Exhibit Opening Reception	12:30pm	SomerViva en Español	9:00am	Somerville: Past & Present	Tuesday, November 10	
9:32pm	Honk! 2015	1:00pm	Union Square Walking Tour - 9.20.15	12:00pm	Senior Circuit	12:00am	Senior Circuit
Thursday, November 5		2:08pm	Voices of Somerville	12:30pm	Espiritu Latino	12:30am	SomerStreets Monster Mashed Up
12:00am	Espiritu Latino	2:37pm	SomerViva em Português	1:30pm	Voices of Somerville	12:45am	Navigating Addiction
1:00am	SomerViva en Español	6:30pm	Inside Market Basket	1:58pm	Inside Market Basket	3:04am	Pity Party in Union Square
1:30am	Ames Historic Exhibit Opening Reception	7:30pm	SomerViva em Português	3:00pm	Aldermen at Work	9:00am	Connecting Communities - Fire Safety
2:33am	Congressional Update	8:00pm	Voices of Somerville	7:00pm	Senior Circuit	12:00pm	Senior Circuit
9:00am	Espiritu Latino	8:28pm	Navigating Addiction	7:29pm	Aldermen at Work – Dennis Sullivan	12:30pm	Connecting Communities - Fire Safety
12:00pm	Senior Circuit	10:50pm	Pity Party in Union Square	7:59pm	Espiritu Latino	1:00pm	Inside Market Basket
12:30pm	Aldermen at Work – Dennis Sullivan	Saturday, November 7		9:00pm	Inside Market Basket	2:00pm	Voices of Somerville
1:00pm	Honk! 2015	12:00am	Inside Market Basket	10:00pm	Haiti & Brazil Hit the Ville	2:30pm	SomerViva em Português
2:06pm	Espiritu Latino	1:00am	Haiti & Brazil Hit the Ville	10:17pm	Domestic Violence Vigil	6:30pm	Connecting Communities - Fire Safety
3:06pm	Congressional Update	1:17am	Navigating Addiction	Monday, November 9		7:00pm	Senior Circuit
3:36pm	SomerStreets Monster Mashed Up	3:36am	Congressional Update	12:00am	Senior Circuit	7:30pm	Ames Historic Exhibit Opening Reception
6:00pm	SomerStreets Monster Mashed Up	9:00am	SomerStreets Monster Mashed Up	12:29am	Inside Market Basket	8:33pm	Veterans in the 'Ville
6:30pm	Connecting Communities – Fire Safety	9:15am	Congressional Update	1:30am	Haiti & Brazil Hit the Ville	9:00pm	Domestic Violence Vigil
7:00pm	Aldermen at Work – Dennis Sullivan	12:00pm	Navigating Addiction	1:47am	ADA 25th Anniversary Celebration	9:32pm	Voices of Somerville
7:30pm	SomerViva en Español	2:18pm	Inside Market Basket	2:41am	Honk! 2015	10:00pm	Union Square Walking Tour - 9.20.15
8:00pm	Somerville: Past & Present	3:18pm	Haiti & Brazil Hit the Ville	9:00am	Domestic Violence Vigil		

Educational TV 15 Schedule

Wednesday, November 4		10:00pm	SHS Football v Everett	2:00pm	MIAA Playoff: SHS Boys Soccer v Everett	1:30pm	Connecting Communities - Fire Safety
9:00am	SHS Volleyball v Waltham	Friday, November 6		4:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer v Medford	2:00pm	SHS Scholarship Foundation Gala
11:00am	Our Schools, Our City - Building Literacy	12:00am	SHS Boys Soccer v Medford	6:00pm	Our Schools, Our City - Building Literacy	3:00pm	SHS Football v Belmont
12:00pm	SHS Scholarship Foundation Gala	2:00am	SHS Volleyball v Waltham	7:00pm	SHS Football v Belmont	6:00pm	Our Schools, Our City - Building Literacy
1:00pm	SHS Girls Soccer v Medford	4:00am	Public Domain Theater - November	10:00pm	SHS Volleyball v Waltham	7:00pm	Connecting Communities - Fire Safety
3:00pm	SHS Volleyball v Methuen	9:00am	Connecting Communities - Fire Safety	Sunday, November 8		8:00pm	SHS Scholarship Foundation Gala
5:00pm	SHS Volleyball v Waltham	10:00am	Our Schools, Our City - Building Literacy	12:00am	SHS Boys Soccer v Medford	9:00pm	MIAA Playoff: SHS Boys Soccer v Everett
7:00pm	Our Schools, Our City - Building Literacy	11:00am	SHS Boys Soccer v Medford	2:00am	Public Domain Theater - November	Tuesday, November 10	
7:30pm	SHS Scholarship Foundation Gala	1:00pm	MIAA Playoff: SHS Boys Soccer v Everett	9:00am	SHS Scholarship Foundation Gala	12:00am	MIAA Playoff: SHS Boys Soccer v Everett
9:00pm	SHS Girls Soccer v Medford	3:00pm	SHS Scholarship Foundation Gala	12:30pm	Navigating Addiction	2:00am	Public Domain Theater - November
10:30pm	SHS Volleyball v Methuen	4:00pm	SHS Volleyball v Waltham	2:00pm	MIAA Playoff: SHS Boys Soccer v Everett	9:00am	Our Schools, Our City - Building Literacy
Thursday, November 5		6:00pm	Connecting Communities - Fire Safety	3:30pm	SHS Girls Soccer v Lawrence	10:00am	Navigating Addiction
12:00am	SHS Volleyball v Waltham	6:30pm	Our Schools, Our City - Building Literacy	5:00pm	SHS Volleyball v Methuen	1:00pm	SHS Scholarship Foundation Gala
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11:00am	Navigating Addiction	2:00am	SHS Volleyball v Methuen	12:00am	SHS Volleyball v Waltham	8:00pm	Navigating Addiction
2:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer v Medford	3:30am	Public Domain Theater - November	2:00am	Navigating Addiction	11:00pm	SHS Scholarship Foundation Gala
4:00pm	SHS Volleyball v Waltham	9:00am	SHS Boys Soccer v Medford	9:00am	SHS Football v Belmont	12:00am	MIAA Playoff: SHS Boys Soccer v Everett
6:00pm	MIAA Playoff: SHS Boys Soccer v Everett	11:00am	Our Schools, Our City - Building Literacy	11:00am	MIAA Playoff: SHS Boys Soccer v Everett	2:00am	Public Domain Theater - November
8:00pm	Our Schools, Our City - Building Literacy	12:00pm	SHS Football v Belmont	1:00pm	Our Schools, Our City - Building Literacy		
9:00pm	SHS Scholarship Foundation Gala						



OFF THE SHELF

by Doug Holder

Women Musicians Network 19th Concert

Our guest columnist this week is Union Square resident Kirk Etherton:

One great thing – or problem – about my living here in “Greater Somerville” (which includes Boston) is that there are always so many very good events, it’s easy to miss something great.

The W.M.N. concert, usually held in March, is truly a great thing. I’ve seen at least the past 12 shows, and I won’t miss this one.

What sets this event apart is always the exceptional level of diversity, plus very fine musicianship.

Women Musicians Network is a student club at Berklee College of Music. Somerville resident Lucy Holstedt (also a Berklee professor and the club’s co-founder and faculty advisor) directs and hosts the concert.

Every time, the focus is on women students and their bands from around the world. There are plenty of guys performing, too, but the spotlight is on women—as composers, bandleaders, rock guitarists, you name it.

I got to hear “audition tapes” from all of the 11 original acts chosen to perform on Nov. 10, from jazz and blues to gospel, folk, and fusion. Here is some of what impressed me the most:

1. Olivia, a composer and pianist from Spain, doing a Spanish / Indian fusion piece along with an Indian singer and a sitar player.
2. Shir, a woman from Israel who has an amazing vocal range, leading her “electro-pop” tune (it would be difficult to describe, without losing most everything in translation).
3. Mariana, a pianist/guitarist/singer-songwriter from Portugal, doing a very beautiful, original song in her native language.
4. Gretchen, guitarist and vocalist from Chile. She leads a mostly male band. Her singing on the rock tune she composed brings to mind some of the most powerful and affecting female vocalists of the past 40 years.

That’s four of the 11 acts. I could go on and on, but space is limited. Besides, music doesn’t come across very well in a newspaper.

I should mention that most of these women



arrive at Berklee with significant musical credits. Natalia has a great Andean folk-based tune that’s doing very well on the radio charts in her native Columbia. Some of these “college students” have already taught in universities, and performed around the world.

Special guests this year are three Berklee professors, also doing original material. Christiane Karam, concert co-director, will be leading her Pletenitsa Balkan Choir.

The concert starts at 8:00 p.m. and ends at 9:30 p.m., which I feel makes it an extremely efficient international music festival.

Women Musicians Network 19th Concert
Tickets: \$8 in advance/\$12 day of show
www.berklee.edu/BPC
Box office: 617-747-2261

— Kirk Etherton

Lyrical SOMERVILLE

edited by Doug Holder

Alex Munteanu explores what it means to be fenced in – even when we think we are not. Munteanu is a junior at Endicott College, studying Creative Writing and Photography. She has been published in *The Endicott Review*, for which she is an editor. Alexandra enjoys writing poetry and fiction.



We Live

They live behind gates that they built for themselves,
out of mud and grit
crusty mutterings: “in my day we didn’t have a damn tv”.
They live behind
old metal ones with the lock rusted over,
jammed into place,
no one ever tried to remove it.

She lives behind her boyfriend’s gate,
he tells her,
“this place is ours”
as he puts a PBR to his lips,
feet against the couch, hand on her thigh.
She looks out the slit in the gate;
pretends she hasn’t already left.

I like to think
I live outside of the gate,
but I don’t know what that means.
To be outside of one thing,
is just to be trapped within another.

— Alex Munteanu

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Chamber dinner and awards

Alicia Barton will deliver the keynote address at the Somerville Chamber of Commerce 69th Annual Dinner & Powderhouse Awards on November 5th. Alicia is the Chief of Operations for the Global Utility group at SunEdison, the largest renewable energy development company in the world. She is the former CEO and Executive Director of the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center – one of the nation’s leading clean energy agencies, responsible for helping spur record growth in Massachusetts’ clean energy sector, which is now a \$10 Billion industry with nearly 100,000 workers.

Barbara Rubel, Tufts University’s Director of the Office of Community Relations, will receive the Chamber’s John W. Fitzgerald Lifetime Achievement Award. Barbara has represented Tufts to Somerville for more than forty years. She has served on the boards of many Somerville youth, senior, and cultural organizations.

Joining Rubel as 2015 Powderhouse Award recipients will be: Alicia Barton, Distinguished Service (Community); Paula Vancini, Vancini Accounting, Distinguished Service (Chamber); Center of the Arts at the Armory, Non-Profit of the Year; Loci Controls, Green Business of the Year; Aeronaut Brewing Company, Business Neighbor of the Year; La Brasa, Excellence in Dining & Nightlife; Office of Strategic Planning & Community Development, Excellence in Public Service; Voxcel8, Small Business of the Year; and Partners HealthCare, Excellence in Economic Development.

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1. November 11

2. An iron curtain

3. The Civil War

4. Afghanistan

5. The Enola Gay

6. Nagasaki

7. The Bay of Pigs

8. November

9. Charles Mason

10. The drum

11. James A. Garfield

12. November 3

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