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Unofficial election results



Photo by Bobbie Toner

Americans across the nation – and right here in Somerville – took to the polls on Tuesday, casting votes for their preferred candidates and ballot questions. For up-to-date results go to www.thesomervilletimes.com.

By The Times Staff

Although many races were too close to call at our publication deadline, the following is an overview of how the election appeared to be shaping up on Tuesday evening:

In the **Governor's race**, Charlie Baker (R) looked to be prevailing over Martha Coakley through the early counting period, but the result was too close to call.

In the contest for the **State House - 34th Middlesex seat**, Christine Barber (D) showed a substantial lead over opponent Nicholas Lanzilli (I).

In the race for **State Attorney General**, Maura Healey (D) posted a solid lead over rival candidate John Miller (R).

In the race for **Secretary of State**, William Galvin (D) appeared to have won a decisive victory over his closest competitors.

On the **State Ballot Questions**, the trends were as follows:

Question 1 (No Gas Tax Indexing) - Yes.

Question 2 (Expand Bottle Bill) - No.

Question 3 (Ban Casinos) - No.

Question 4 (Earned Sick Time) - Yes.

The results listed here are not final. Be sure to check on our website at www.thesomervilletimes.com for the latest up-to-date results and analysis of the election.

Robyn Hitchcock coming to the Arts at the Armory

By Jim Clark

Singer-songwriter Robyn Hitchcock may not enjoy the widest appeal among music enthusiasts in general, but the oft-times unorthodox creative powerhouse commands the respect and admiration of his own relatively small but devoted following.

Hitchcock's unusual brand of musical storytelling will be showcased at the Arts at the Armory on Wednesday, November 12, at 7 p.m.

The man's music has been classified as alternative rock, jangle pop, psych folk, and any number of other colorful terms. Size it all up, though, and one can only be impressed by a genuine measure of originality that defies description. Surrealism blends with humor and observations about life in general.

Hitchcock first emerged in the late 70's as a member of England's The Soft Boys, then later forming The Egyptians, after which he branched on his own as a solo artist,

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The unique song stylings of Robyn Hitchcock will be presented at the Arts at the Armory on Nov. 12.

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The Somerville Homeless Coalition is hosting the 6th Annual Tina DeLellis Luncheon this Friday, November 7, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Highland Kitchen at 150 Highland Avenue, Somerville. The luncheon is held in memory of Tina DeLellis, a founder of Johnny D’s, the popular Somerville restaurant and music venue. The luncheon recognizes an individual who has made a significant contribution to helping improve the quality of life for individuals in Somerville. DeLellis, who passed away in 2008, is survived by her daughter, Carla, who now manages Johnny D’s and continues the community involvement the business has supported for many years. This year’s honoree is Maryanne Manfra. Requirements for the Tina DeLellis Distinguished Service Award are that the individual “continues Tina’s spirit and values of straight-shooting, honesty and fairness,” said Mark Alston-Follansbee, Executive Director of the Somerville Homeless Coalition.

Join The Chaille Family of Green and Yellow Cab for the 8th Annual fundraiser for senior transportation, The Family of “Edith Chaille Memorial Transportation Fund” coming up on November 17, from 6 to 10 p.m. at the Holiday Inn in Somerville. Together, the Somerville Council On Aging and Somerville Elders Services are hosting the fundraiser. A buffet, DJ and live and silent auctions will be available for all. This is a great cause in honor of Edith Chaille given by the family to help the elderly here in the city to get free transportation. If you’d like to donate and or have any questions please contact Director Karen Tamagna at ktamagna@comcast.net.

This Sunday the Family of Mary Dalaklis Carafotes cordially invite everyone to a Memorial Service for Mary at the Dormition Virgin Mary Church of Somerville on Sunday, November 9 at 10:30 a.m. A coffee hour will follow the service.

Former Ward 5 Alderman Joseph A. Guidi passed away recently. Our condolences go out to his family and friends. He served as Alderman for Ward 5 in the 70’s and was also President of the Board of Alderman. Later in the 80’s he had a pizza shop on Beacon Street. Since then he

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TheSomervilleTimes.com Comments of the Week

Response to Q&A: Candidates for the 34th Middlesex District State Representative seat

Roadie says:

Nick would make a great representative for all of us!

michelleh says:

I am proud to say that I know the Lanzilli Family very well. Like his family, Nick has strong beliefs and a drive to make things right while being honest. He is for the people and not for himself one bit. I urge you all to get to know him and what he stands for – you will NOT be disappointed. He is here to listen to all concerns. Please consider placing your Vote for Nick Lanzilli. See you at the polls !

Jim says:

As a lifelong democrat and family member with strong labor ties you would think I would be leaning more towards Ms. Barber. I have had the opportunity to speak with Nick and discuss some of the issues on this forum. He has some great ideas and I feel that his position as an independent candidate will allow our community to continue to strive. Barber is a carpetbagger with very extreme views. I feel she as though she will be using this position as a stepping stone with no real commitment to our communities. The 34th district needs a local guy with a vested interest in ensuring that we continue to move forward. Lanzilli has my support! Good Luck next week!

Jack the Destroyer says:

Neo-liberalism summarized: Everything needs to be governed by free market rules, from education, to human relationships, from health care, to scientific research.

What is wrong with it: Most key dimensions of human experience do not follow a strict transactional model. There is no reason why this model should become THE model for everything. It’s arbitrary and it is being imposed on us. Attempts to apply this model to all aspects of human experience results in disintegration of what is meaningful in life. Individuals and society suffer as a result, which is what we are seeing.

Log onto TheSomervilleTimes.com to leave your own comments

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 which candidate you think should be elected as the next 34th Middlesex District State Representative. If you don’t agree with the results, simply log onto TheSomervilleTimes.com.

Which candidate do you think should be elected Tuesday as the next 34th Middlesex District State Representative?



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Frustrated neighbors want accountability

By Donald F. Norton

A meeting was held last Wednesday evening at Winter Hill Community Innovation School to examine complaints by neighborhood residents concerning a halfway house located in the area.

A large turnout of some 100 upset and frustrated neighbors that live near the halfway house operated by Vinfen and overseen by the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health (DMH) voiced their concerns to the representatives of those organizations that something needs to be done to improve the situation there. Many attendees expressed the opinion that there is a need for better screening of those who come to the house.

According to Police reports, a woman was attacked on October 9 by a man whom residents say

lives at the facility at 155 Central Street. The police arrested Allen Harmon, a resident there, after being identified by the victim. Harmon is being held for observation at Bridgewater State Hospital to determine if he understands the charges being made against him.

Neighbors voiced concerns about the facility, saying that many times over the years they have had to call the police for various incidents of individuals coming out of the home. It was estimated by the police officers present at the meeting that about 63 calls have been made so far this year. Neighbors complained about beer can debris being thrown around the neighborhood, as well as residents of the home making disturbing comments to various neighborhood residents on an ongoing basis.



Winter Hill area residents and city officials met last week to discuss a number of disturbing incidents that have taken place at the halfway house at 155 Central St. — Photos by Donald F. Norton



Vinfen officials, including its CEO Bruce Bird, were present along with DMH officials and various city and local elected officials. The neighbors were very upset that that Vinfen and DMH did not come to the meeting with a plan on what they were going to do to correct the problem at the home. Some also voiced concerns that an investigation might take place but by an outside, non-related entity.

Neighbors also made it clear that they did not like the way the home is run and asked how a person with a criminal record gets approved to be a resident. The facility has been visited by both the Somerville Police and

Somerville Fire departments many times over the years. After this latest incident the local residents want results that will end the neighborhood nightmare.

The neighbors have said that they have had it with this property. Many of them shared personal accounts of various things going on with facility residents over the years. As soon as the meeting began the residents started to ask what the plan was from Vinfen to address these problems. It became apparent to many there that no solution was going to be discussed at the meeting, but the residents made it clear that they were not there to listen to anything other than a plan to make these

problems go away.

The meeting lasted almost two hours with a promise to reconvene as soon as a couple of weeks from then for a detailed plan on how Vinfen is going to resolve their issues.

Alderman-At-Large Bill White, along with other aldermen present, as well as Senator Jehlen and Rep. Provost, expressed concern for the neighborhood and agreed that a plan should be developed and brought back to the community to inform them as to how Vinfen plans to proceed.

Another neighborhood meeting will take place within a couple of weeks and everyone concerned will be properly notified.

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.

Need to Know for 2015: Health Reform's Impact on Medicare

Seniors and other Medicare beneficiaries should be aware that this year – perhaps more than any year in the past – is an important one to pay attention to their Medicare coverage options during the Open Enrollment Period (Oct. 15 – Dec. 7). And that's because of the Affordable Care Act (ACA).

The ACA brings with it nota-

ble changes to Medicare, from more preventive care benefits to changes in costs, and beneficiaries need to understand both the upside and downside of such changes to best evaluate their options during the Open Enrollment Period.

I encourage the nearly 245,000 Medicare beneficiaries in Middlesex County and their caregivers to take advantage of this annual opportunity to make sure they have a Medicare plan that will meet their needs for the

year ahead. People can shop for and compare plans in their area at www.Medicare.gov.

Debra Kaplan-Lewis is the regional vice president of UnitedHealthcare Medicare & Retirement in the Boston area. Serving nearly one in five Medicare beneficiaries, including more than 136,000 in Massachusetts, UnitedHealthcare Medicare & Retirement is the largest business dedicated to the health and well-being of seniors and other Medicare beneficiaries.

Robyn Hitchcock CONT. FROM PG 1

producing in the ensuing years more than 20 albums and an equally voluminous numbers of singles.

The consummate Renaissance man, along with his musical expressions, Hitchcock is an accomplished visual artist and writer. He has even made ap-

pearances as an actor in several mainstream movie releases.

His latest album release, *The Man Upstairs*, features five original compositions as well as five covers of songs by the Grant-Lee Phillips, *Psychodelic Furs*, *The Doors*, *Roxy Music*, and *Norwegian indie-rock*

band *I Was a King*.

Be sure to catch this rare Somerville appearance of one of popular music's most unique and creative forces working today.

Robyn Hitchcock, Wednesday, November 12, 7:00 p.m. at The Arts at the Armory, 191 Highland Ave #1A, Somerville.

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THE WEEK IN CRIME

By Jim Clark

One-sided drunken brawl on Holland St.

Police were dispatched to PJ Ryan’s Pub on Holland St. last Sunday at approximately 1:00 a.m. on reports of a large fight in progress at that location.

Upon arrival, police saw a man lying in the street, bleeding from his face. The man, later identified as David Leccese, 32, of Wilmington, was being tended to by his friend.

Witnesses reportedly told officers that Leccese and his companion had started the trouble inside the club and continued out into the street.

The Lieutenant of the Somerville Fire Department’s Teele Square Station, across the street from the bar, was on the scene and reportedly told police that he had heard the commotion and came outside to see what was happening. He said that a 65-year-old retired firefighter had been punched, police said, and he was observed lying motionless near the curb, being tended to by firefighters until an ambulance arrived.

Leccese reportedly cursed at police as they approached him for questioning, as he did with the crowd that had gathered on the street, stopping vehicular traffic in both directions.

According to reports, police repeatedly tried to calm Leccese down, but he continued to make abusive and threatening remarks directed at everyone in the vicinity.

Witnesses reportedly told officers that Leccese and his friend had been cut off from being served any more alcohol by the staff at PJ Ryan’s because they were too intoxicated. The men were reportedly behaving abusively towards patrons in the bar and were eventually removed from the premises, which precipitated the fight that ensued. Both security staff and patrons became involved in the scuffle.

Leccese refused to cooperate with police and continued to behave abusively, at one point rising from the ground in an apparent attempt to assault the victim who was being treated a short distance away.

Police detained and handcuffed Leccese, in spite of him struggling to break away and taking swings at the officers. He reportedly continued hurling threats and insults at the officers and the crowd, and began spitting blood at them. A safety breathing mask was put on him in order to protect the officers and the onlookers.

Leccese was eventually placed into a transport vehicle and taken away for booking. He has been charged with disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, and assault and battery on a person over 60.

Forged receipt mix-up at Target

A call from the Target store on Somerville Ave. brought police to the scene last week to investigate a reported case of larceny in progress.

Police were told by store personnel that a woman, Marie Bagget, 20, of Chicago, IL, had attempted to return merchandise for a cash refund using what appeared to be an altered purchase receipt.

Police were told that Bagget presented a receipt for a hand mixer priced at \$399, but when the mixer itself was scanned it showed as being a \$199 model.

When asked for identification, Bagget reportedly said that she had none and furnished a false name.

Close examination of the receipt revealed that it had been altered and the police were called.

According to store personnel, they were informed that Bagget had been conducting the same scam at other stores.

After Bagget was properly identified by police, it was learned that she had a record of this type of larceny in several locations including Chicago, Florida, Ohio, and Syracuse, NY.

A Target store in Braintree reported that Bagget had gotten away with \$425 that same day.

Bagget was placed under arrest and charged with larceny over \$250.

SOMERVILLE POLICE CRIME LOG

Arrests: Sergio Aparicio-Jimenez , of 75 Jaques St., October 27, 12:08 p.m., arrested at 115 Broadway on warrant charges of uninsured motor vehicle, number plate violation, unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, and unregistered motor vehicle. Andrew Booth , of 117 Cross St., Malden, October 27, 2:59 p.m., arrested at Holland St. on a warrant charge of larceny over \$250. Marie Bagget , of 1330 W. 107th Pl., Chicago, IL, October 27, 8:13 p.m., arrested at 180 Somerville Ave. on a charge of larceny over \$250. George Rivera , of 19 Thorne-dike St., Everett, October 28, 8:14 a.m., arrested on warrant charges of felony daytime breaking and entering and larceny from a building. Reginald Houston , October 29, 11:41 a.m., arrested on warrant charges of felony daytime breaking and entering and larceny from a building. Reginald Jasmin , of 75 Myrtle St., October 29, 12:30 p.m., arrested at 61 Dane St. on a warrant charge of uninsured motor vehicle or trailer. Natasha Marquez , of 111 Chatham Rd., Brockton, Oc-	tober 29, 8:28 p.m., arrested at 220 Washington St. on a warrant charge of shoplifting by concealing merchandise. Daniel Manko , of 4 Fountain Pl., Boston, October 30, 3:06 p.m., arrested at 519 Somerville Ave. on multiple warrant charges of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license. Rui Liborio , of 8 Bowers Ave., October 31, 12:43 p.m., arrested at home on a charge of assault and battery on a person over 60 or disabled. A juvenile , October 31, 11:10 p.m., arrested at 84 Broadway on a charge of disorderly conduct. Aysha Abraibesh , of 22 Glenville Ave., Allston, November 1, 12:13 a.m., arrested at 256 Elm St. on charges of disorderly conduct and resisting arrest. A juvenile , November 1, 12:43 a.m., arrested at 47 Marion St. on charges of disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, assault and battery on a police officer, and violation of city ordinance open container. Joshua Resendes , of 371 Windsor St., Cambridge, November 1, 12:43 a.m., arrested at 47 Marion St. on a charge of disorderly conduct.	David Leccese , of 22 Arlene Ave., Wilmington, November 2, 12:57 a.m., arrested at 239 Holland St. on charges of disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, and assault and battery on a person over 60. Incidents: Theft: October 27, 7:40 a.m., police reported a theft at 709 McGrath Hwy. October 27, 10:55 a.m., police reported a theft at McGrath Hwy. October 27, 2:06 p.m., police reported a theft at 333 Great River Rd. October 27, 5:55 p.m., police reported a theft at 300 Alewife Brook Pkwy. October 27, 8:13 p.m., police reported a theft at 180 Somerville Ave. October 27, 10:40 p.m., police reported a theft at 14 McGrath Hwy. October 28, 8:52 a.m., police reported a theft at Highland Ave. October 28, 4:23 p.m., police reported a theft at North St. October 29, 7:10 a.m., police reported a theft at Mystic Ave. October 30, 2:47 p.m., police reported a theft at 520 Columbia St.	October 30, 4:48 p.m., police reported a theft at 544 Assembly Row. October 30, 5:13 p.m., police reported a theft at Cedar St. October 30, 6:19 p.m., police reported a theft at 232 Elm St. October 31, 10:54 p.m., police reported a theft at Sycamore St. Breaking & Entering: October 29, 6:41 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Dane St. November 1, 7:31 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Leonard St. November 1, 10:57 p.m., police reported a breaking & entering at Whitman St. Assault: October 27, 7:50 p.m., police reported an assault at Otis St. October 28, 6:48 p.m., police reported an assault at Cambridge St. October 28, 9:45 p.m., police reported an assault at Kent St. October 31, 12:43 p.m., police reported an assault at Bowers Ave. November 1, 12:43 a.m., police reported an assault at Marion St. November 2, 12:57 a.m., police reported an assault at 239 Holland St.	November 2, 4:30 p.m., police reported an assault at River Rd. November 2, 9:25 p.m., police reported an assault at Franklin St. Destruction of Property: October 30, 10:26 a.m., police reported a destruction of property at 35 Charlestown St. October 31, 2:33 p.m., police reported a destruction of property at Grove St. October 31, 11:46 p.m., police reported a destruction of property at Alewife Brook Pkwy. November 2, 7:55 a.m., police reported a destruction of property at 7 Union Sq. Disorderly Conduct: October 29, 1:22 p.m., police reported a disorderly conduct at Eastman Rd. October 30, 4:44 p.m., police reported a disorderly conduct at Everett Ave. October 31, 11:10 p.m., police reported a disorderly conduct at Broadway. November 1, 12:13 a.m., police reported a disorderly conduct at 256 Elm St. DUI: October 27, 12:00 a.m., police reported a driving under the influence at 622 Somerville Ave.
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First Source Jobs Initiative forges ahead

By Tom Bannister

On Wednesday of last week, the Somerville First Source Jobs Initiative (SFSJI) celebrated a job fair exclusively for residents of the Somerville area at the Cambridge Health Alliance building, in Somerville. It was the second job fair that the SFSJI held this year as part of their effort to connect Somerville residents with Somerville jobs, particularly those with barriers to employment.

The SFSJI reports that local employers such as Express, The Walnut Street Center, ABM Janitorial Services, Chipotle, Angelica, among others, participated in the event. “We invited employers to this job fair based on the type of jobs that our more than 160 participants are looking for. We know that many of them are looking for positions in the maintenance,

food service and allied health fields. Thus, this is a great opportunity to have access to current job openings in these areas,” said Jorge Colón, Career and Employment Services Coach at SCC.

The job fair followed a breakfast held a week ago called, “Celebrating our Success and Mapping the Future,” at which SCC and its partners, The Career Place and the City of Somerville, acknowledged participating employers, and officially introduced the Employer’s Pledge Card for businesses who want to join the program. More than 20 employers and community members participated.

The pledge, presented by Jobs for Somerville – a SCC group of residents that advocates for better jobs and work conditions in Somerville – asks employers in Somerville to give priority and first notice to Somerville residents in the hir-



The Somerville First Source Jobs Initiative’s Job Fair held at the Cambridge Health Alliance building brought job seekers and potential employers together to see what possibilities existed for job placements.



ing process. The pledge will grant employers access to a pool of job seekers (“Talent Bank”) that are supported by hard and soft skills training opportunities, English classes, and ongoing case management and coaching. Employers enrolled in the program will have an opportunity to work closely with the SFSJI team to identify potential matches to fill their posted positions. Also, they will have access to job fairs completely organized and publicized by the SFSJI like the one celebrated this Wednesday.

“We are off to a great start since we started 6 months ago, we have been excited to see the growing interest in this

program, and can see its enormous potential in months and years ahead as all of us work together to connect the parts,” Meridith Levy, Deputy Director at SCC, concluded.

For more information about how to get enrolled in the SFSJI, both employers and job seekers should contact Jorge Colón, 617-776-5931, x232 or jcolon@somerville.org. Visit the Talent Bank online at <http://somervillecdc.org/firstsource>.

Candidates sought for Somerville’s next Superintendent of Schools

By The Times Staff

According to reports issued by the city, the search for Somerville’s next Superintendent of Schools is well under way with national outreach by the Somerville School Committee and the consulting firm of Hazard, Young, Attea & Associates (HYA) for the top educational leadership position in the City. HYA was engaged by the School Committee earlier this year to assist in the search for Somerville’s next Superintendent after current Superintendent Tony Pierantozzi announced his retirement effective July 2015 following 10 years of distinguished service with the Somerville Public Schools.

Interested applicants for this position are encouraged to view the Somerville Superintendent Search Brochure for a description of this position and the opportunities that

the position offers, and apply at <http://www.topschooljobs.org/jobs/11443-95254/Superintendent-Somerville-Pu>.

HYA will conduct the initial review of candidates and will be recruiting and reaching out to potential applicants who might be a good fit for Somerville, based on a leadership profile developed by the firm following extensive outreach within the Somerville community. The Leadership Profile, Superintendent Search Brochure, minutes of the Superintendent Search Committee meetings, and additional information about the search process are available at www.somerville.k12.ma.us.

School Committee member Paul Bockelman (Ward 6) who is chairing the Search Committee said, “We will be seeking the thoughts and opinions of the public to inform the School Committee’s final decision. We expect to

have our finalist candidates in the city to meet people on December 2, 3, and 4. So, save those dates!”

The School Committee has established a 7-member advisory committee to conduct the first round of interviews prior to Thanksgiving. This first round of interviews of approximately 5 candidates will be done in Executive Session, as permitted by law. School Committee member Adam Sweeting from Ward 3 will chair this committee. Other members of the advisory committee are School Committee members Carrie Normand (Ward 7), Laura Pitone (Ward 5), and Steve Roix (Ward 1); Ms. Nelia Braga, a teacher at Somerville High School and mother of two; Ms. Rupinder Kaur, a recent Somerville High School graduate and current student at Wentworth Institute of Technology; and Ms. Lupe

Ojeda, a parent of children in the district and a board member and parent leader at The Welcome Project.

The advisory committee will narrow the list of candidates down to three finalists to present to the full School Committee for consideration. Each finalist will be brought to Somerville for a full day in early December for an opportunity to meet the community and to be interviewed in open session by the School Committee. Finalist interviews are scheduled for December 2, 3, and 4. Public interviews will also be televised on local cable television.

Community members will have an opportunity to offer input on the three finalists to School Committee members from December 4th through December 8th. The School Committee plans to vote on a final candidate on December 8, 2014.

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Readers choices for 2014

Best Idea in 2014:

Choosing Somerville Police Deputy Chief of Operations, David Fallon as the new Somerville Police Chief

Worst Idea:

Making Lower Broadway one lane traffic

Best Somerville Food & Restaurants:



- Best Breakfast: **Neighborhood Restaurant**, 25 Bow St.
- Best Combination Breakfast & Lunch: **Kelly’s Diner**, 674 Broadway
- Best Italian Food: **Pescatore**, 158 Boston Ave.
- Best Portuguese Restaurant: **J and J Restaurant**, 157 Washington St.
- Best Chinese Food: **China Delight**, 524 Somerville Ave.
- Best Mexican Food: **Papagayo**, 331 Great River Rd.
- Best Variety and All Around Restaurant: **Mount Vernon Restaurant**, 14 Broadway
- Best Seafood Restaurant: **Legal on the Mystic**, 301 Great River Road
- Best Local Deli: **Victor’s Deli**, 710 Broadway
- Best Irish Pub: **Burren**, 247 Elm St.
- Best Bar for Bands: **Johnny D’s**, 17 Holland St.
- Best Bar/Restaurant: **East End Grill**, 118 Broadway
- Best Bar Food/Creative Drinks: **Daddy Jones**, 525 Medford St.
- Best Thai Food: **Thai Hut**, 93 Beacon St.
- Best Hamburger: **Olde Magoun’s Saloon**, 518 Medford St.
- Best Hot Dog: **Moe’s BBQ Trolley**
- Best Roast Beef Sandwich: **Mount Vernon Restaurant**, 14 Broadway
- Best Pizza: **Flatbread Company**, 45 Day St.
- Best Bakery: **Patsy’s Pastry Shop**, 182 Broadway
- Best Sub Shop: **Leone’s Submarine Sandwich**, 292 Broadway
- Best Coffee Shop Franchise: **Dunkin’ Donuts**, Davis Square
- Best Coffee Shop Local: **Bloc 11**, 11 Bow St.
- Best Cook: **Omar Djebbouri**, Ball Square Café

Best of Somerville Services:



- Best Doctor: **Dr. Parra Tomkins, MD**, Hallmark Health, 645 Broadway
- Best Eye Doctor: **Dr. Vincent Patalano**, 236 Highland Ave.
- Best Dentist: **Marhama Alvi, DMD**, West Somerville Dental, 124 College Ave.
- Best Electrician: **Charles Salvato**
- Best Plumber: **T.J. Sillari, Inc.**, 99 Albion St.
- Best Law Firm: **Dropkin & Matza** 424 Broadway
- Best Attorney: **Edwin Smith**, 403 Highland Ave.
- Best Insurance Agency: **Wedgewood- Crane & Connolly**, 19 College Ave.
- Best Bank: **Winter Hill Bank**

- Best Bank Employee: **Sylvana Sabatino**, Middlesex Federal, Teele Sq. office
- Best Receptionist: **Receptionist at Little Sisters of the Poor**
- Best Real Estate Company: **The Norton Group**, 699 Broadway
- Best Real Estate Agent/Realtor: **Clifton Verdieu**, The Norton Group
- Best Real Estate Rental Agent: **Bill Murphy**, Colony Real Estate
- Best Florist: **T.F. Murphy Florist**, 346 Highland Ave.
- Best Laundromat: **Spin Cycle**, 6 Main St.
- Best Liquor Store: **Downtown Liquors**, Davis Square
- Best Wait staff: **Waitstaff at the Ball Square Café**, 708 Broadway
- Best Bartender: **Bill Hausar**, Mt. Vernon, (40 years), 14 Broadway
- Best Barber: **Paul McGlaushing**, Alibrani’s Barber Shop, 194 Holland St.
- Best Hair Salon: **Amal Niccoli**, 731 Broadway
- Best Gas Station: **Good Gas**, 345 Medford St.
- Best Auto Body Shop: **A Plus**, 297 Medford St.
- Best Carpenter: **Bobby Potaris**, Potaris Construction
- Best Painter: **Bill Faber**, Heath St.
- Best Employee: **Vinny Sabatino**, Walgreens, 343 Broadway
- Best Pest Exterminator: **Best Pest Control Services**, 63 Elm St.
- Best of Somerville Municipal Services:**
- Best Somerville Department: **City of Somerville’s Water Dept.**
- Best Somerville Official: **Nancy Gaudet-Bacci**, Dir. of Human Services
- Best Somerville DPW Supervisor: **Mike Browne**
- Best Teacher: **Adam Epstein**, Music teacher, ESCS
- Best Politician: **Bob McWatters**
- Best Nurse: **Laurie Foley**
- Best Police Officer: **Officer Albert Gee**
- Best Fire Fighter: **Mike Avery**
- Best Coach: **Mr. Paul O’Halloran**, SHS Girls Basketball
- Best City Elected Politician: **Maryann Heuston**
- Best City Employee DPW: **Kevin McDevitt**
- Best City Employee City Hall/Annex: **Dawn Pereira**, City Hall
- Best of Somerville Arts/Entertainment:**
- Best Somerville Poet: **Doug Holder**
- Best Photographer: **Claudia Ferro**
- Best Writer: **William C. Shelton**
- Best Somerville Celebrity: **Jimmy Del Ponte**
- Best Somerville Historian: **Bob “Monty” Doherty**
- Best Somerville Non Profit Agency:** Little Sisters of the Poor
- Best New Creative Business in 2014:** SNN, Somerville Neighborhood News

10th Annual Scrapheap Showdown – Just Zip it!

By The Times Staff

On October 26, eight teams of three high school students each from Somerville gathered in Gantcher Gym at Tufts University to compete in the tenth annual Scrapheap Showdown. Along with the usual interesting “junk” in the center of the room when the students walked in, there were many pieces of paper, some foam core, lots of string and tape. The students were given their challenge: to build two ziplines, one to move supplies to and the other to move logs back from a logging camp which lies across a river. The goal was to move as many logs as possible and return with as little as ballast as possible on the shuttle, without anything hitting the river and being destroyed.

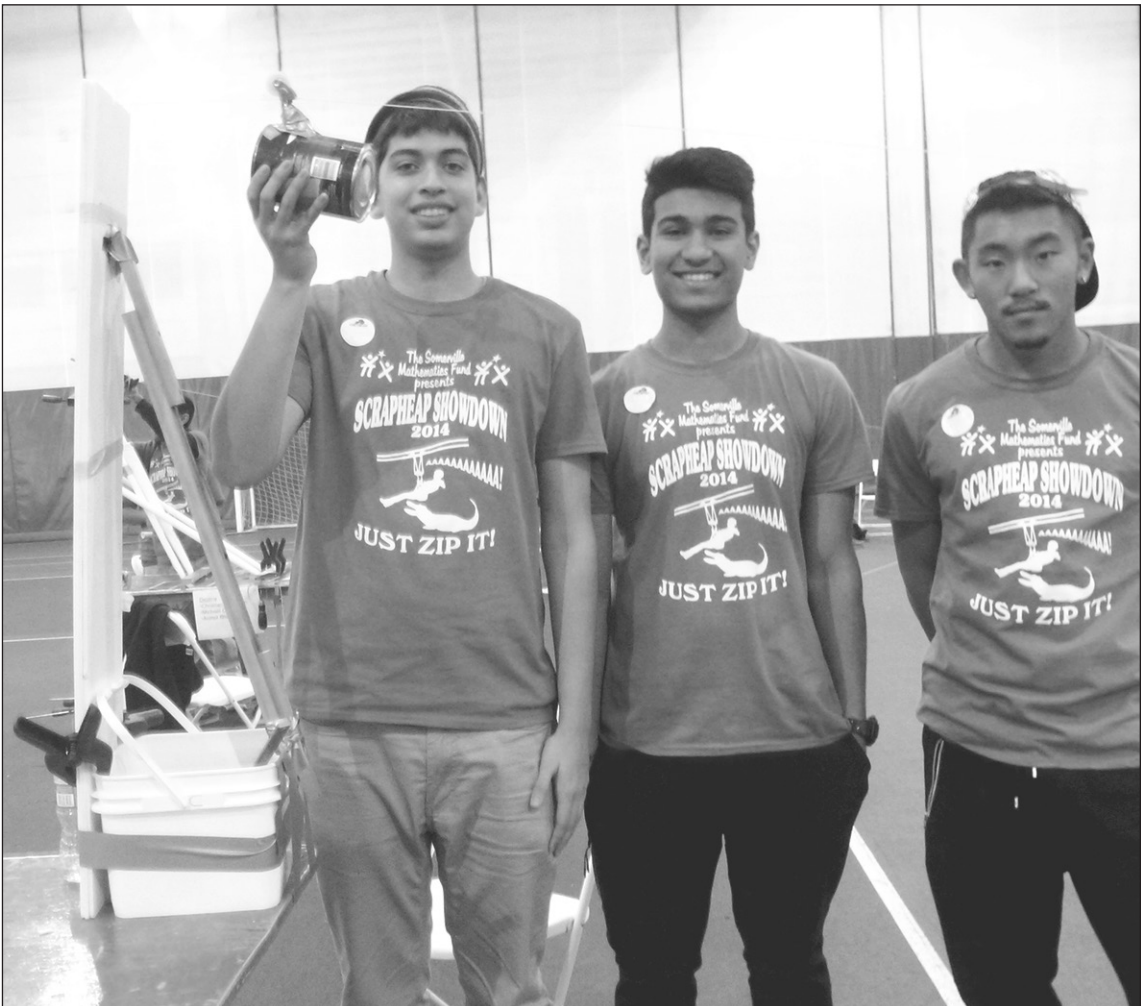
The teams worked intensely, building, testing and adjusting their ziplines. They needed to learn how to maintain enough

tension to support the loads, design ways of carrying the loads with not too much friction, in addition to building the supporting towers on each end.

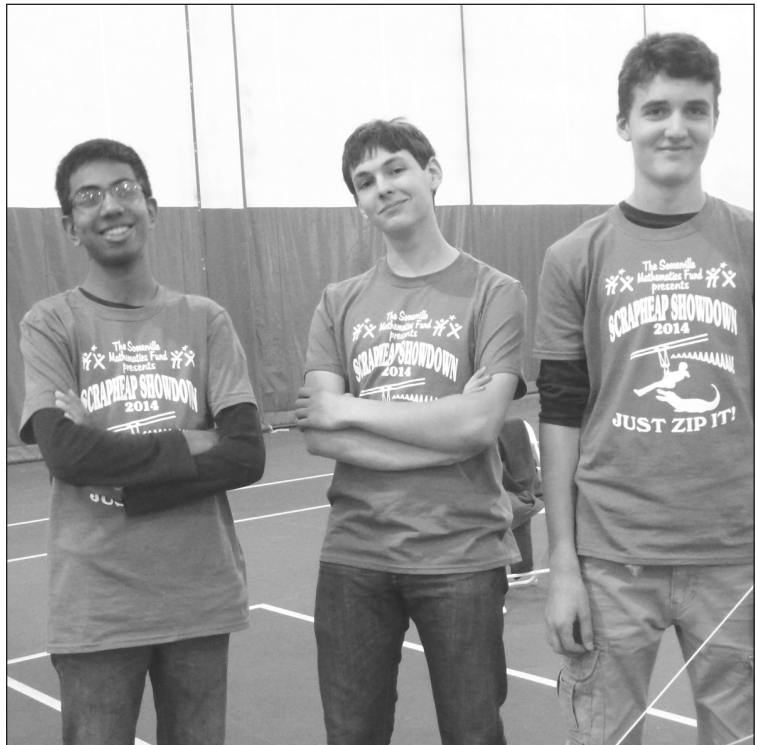
Time was called after 4 hours. Now was the time for the competition.

The teams were judged on the length of the ziplines (minimum of 18 feet), the maximum logs they can carry over (rolls of pennies), the minimum ballast (rolls of pennies) they carry back and if they can have the first zipline automatically trigger the second (a 20% bonus).

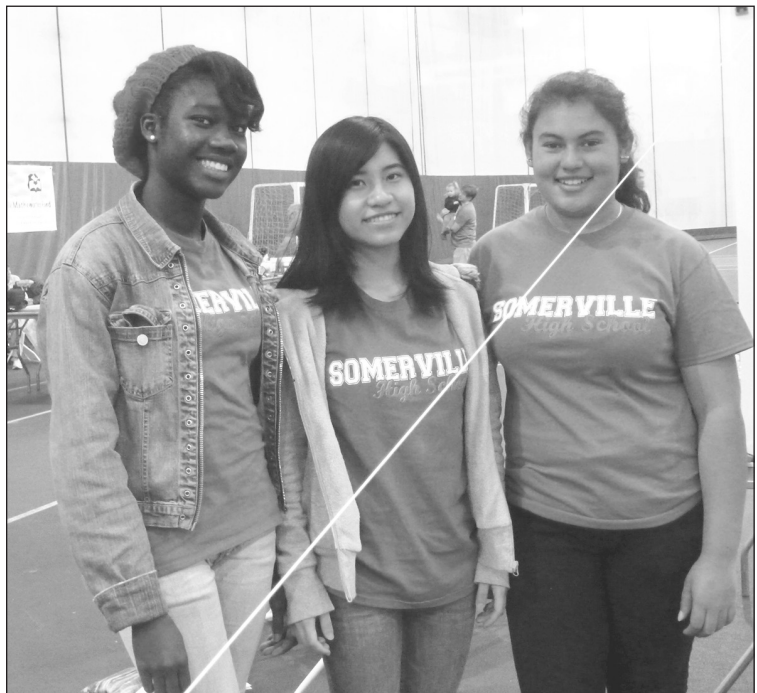
Each of the eight ziplines was interesting and sported differences in design. The length of the zipline and the amount of weight carried varied. The two longest were 29 feet, 7.5 inches and 24 feet, 4 inches. There were different ways of triggering the return zipline, one by a string pulling out the trigger mid-passage, others by knocking out a brace or tape when the heavier load of



Winning team “Back to Basics” (Elliot Rippe, Arjun Singh, Daniel Portillo).



Second place team “Rag Tek” (Anoush Khan, Gavin Lawwhite, Daniel Strauss).



Fourth place was “Lady Highlanders” (Priscila Ponce, Lourdes Jean-Louis, YuYing Chen).

logs arrived over the river.

The students’ ziplines competed against each other.

Repeating as the team with the highest overall score was “Back to Basics” (Elliot Rippe, Arjun Singh, Daniel Portillo). They won last year too. Second place was the “Rag Tek” (Anoush Khan, Gavin Lawwhite, Daniel Strauss). Third place was “Benny” (Ben Stevens, Alexander Costa). Fourth place was “Lady Highlanders” (Priscila Ponce, Lourdes Jean-Louis, YuYing Chen).

The teams could choose their prize in the order they finished. The prizes donated were: three \$100 gift cards (donated by Susan Weiss), four Red Sox tickets (donated by Sam Voolich), three \$50 Redbones BBQ gift cards, six passes to the Museum of Fine Arts and six passes to the Children’s Museum (donated by PriceWaterHouse), six passes to the Somerville Theater, and three \$25 gift certificates to D2.

This event was for both fundraising and an intellectual challenge. All funds raised go towards a Somerville Mathematics Fund scholarship for an outstanding Somerville mathematics student. Fund-raiser Anmol Bhargo won a Newbury Comics gift card donated by the Jay Landers. All competitors and volunteers went home with Scrapheap Showdown T-shirts donated



Third place was “Benny” (Ben Stevens, Alexander Costa).

by Gerald and Debra Bickoff.

Designers and refiners of the challenge were: Chase Duclos-Orsello, Adam Foster, Monica Fernandes, Richard Graf, Jay Landers, Zbigniew Nitecki, Beth Ruskai, Erica Voolich, Michael Voolich, and Susan Weiss. Stanhope Framers donated the foam core, DSG Communications donated the paper. Dana Lee and Michael Morgan, teachers at Somerville High School, recruited student teams. Michael Voolich designed the T-shirts.

Sponsors of the event included Winter Hill Bank, Red-Bones BBQ, CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, the Bickoff family, Jay and Jasper, and our wonderful

host, Tufts University. Various members of the Board worked on all aspects of organizing the event and worked to make it a success along with community volunteers.

The Somerville Mathematics Fund is an affiliate of Dollars for Scholars. They were chartered in 2000 to celebrate and encourage mathematics achievement in Somerville. In January, they will be looking for teacher grant applications; and in April, they will be looking for scholarship applications. For more information or to volunteer or to make a donation, call 617-666-0666, e-mail mathfund@gmail.com, or go to www.somervillemathematicsfund.org.

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THE HOUSE AND SENATE. There were no roll calls in the House or Senate last week.

Our Legislators in the House and Senate for Somerville:



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.

This week, *Beacon Hill Roll Call* reports the percentage of times local senators voted with their party's leadership in 2013 and 2014. The votes of the chamber's four Republicans were compared with those of Minority Leader Sen. Bruce Tarr (R-Gloucester). The votes of the chamber's 36 Democrats were compared to Senate Ways and Means chairman Steven Brewer's (D-Barre) votes because by tradition, Senate President Therese Murray (D-Plymouth) rarely votes.

Beacon Hill Roll Call uses 440 votes from the 2013-2014 Senate session as the basis for this report. This includes all roll calls that were not on local issues.

The only senator from either party who voted with leadership 100 percent of the time is Sen. Jennifer Flanagan (D-Leominster), who voted with Brewer on all the roll calls.

The two Democratic senators who voted the lowest

percentage of times with the Democratic leadership are Sens. James Timilty (D-Walpole), 78.2 percent, and Sonia Chang-Diaz (D-Boston), 84.5 percent. The 36 other Democrats all voted with the leadership more than 90 percent of the time.

The GOP senator who voted with leadership the lowest percentage of times is Sen. Robert Hedlund (R-Weymouth), who supported Tarr 90.6 percent of the time. Both Sens. Donald Humason (R-Westfield) and Richard Ross (R-Wrentham) voted with Tarr 98.1 percent of the time.

LOCAL SENATORS' PERCENTAGE OF VOTES SUPPORTING THEIR PARTY'S LEADERSHIP
Here is how local senators fared in their support of the leadership of their party on 440 roll calls.

The percentage next to the senator's name represents the percentage of times the senator supported his or her party's leadership.

The number in parentheses represents the number of times the senator opposed his or her party's leadership.

Some senators voted on all 440 roll call votes. Others missed one or more of the 440 votes. The percentage for each senator is calculated based on the number of roll calls on which he or she voted and does not count the roll calls for which he or she was absent.

Sen. Sal DiDomenico	97.2 percent (12)
Sen. Patricia Jehlen	92.4 percent (33)

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

COACHES MUST LEARN CPR (S 1918) - The House and Senate approved and sent to Gov. Deval Patrick a measure that would require all school coaches to complete a course in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) from the American Heart Association, American Red Cross or other state-approved agency by August 2015. The measure exempts coaches with a physical disability and prohibits local cities and towns from being responsible for the costs.

Supporters said there are creative ways to pay for the training or to get the fee waived. They argued this invaluable training costs about \$50 per person and could save many lives.

BAN HALLUCINOGENIC DRUG (H 4484) - The House gave initial approval to a bill that would make the hallucinogenic drug 25-1, typically sold over the Internet, illegal and put it in the same class as cocaine and methamphetamine. The bill is being pushed by Erin Valentine of East Bridgewater, whose 15-year-old daughter Emily died in June of organ failure after ingesting this drug that is also known by its street names N-bomb or Smiles. At a hearing on October 14, Erin urged lawmakers to quickly pass the bill and noted that her daughter is gone "because of a five-dollar hit of a drug that is not even illegal."

POTLUCK DINNERS (H 3680) - A law effective November 3 prohibits state and local departments of public health from regulating the serving of food brought to potluck dinners sponsored by a group of individuals or by a religious, charitable or nonprofit organization.

Supporters say this will give the power to citizens, in-

stead of local boards of health, which have gone too far by attempting to regulate this time-honored harmless tradition.

Opponents argue there is real danger of diners getting a food-borne illness and noted people have become sick and even died from the food at these events.

BACKGROUND CHECKS (H 4327) - A law effective November 3 allows the FBI to conduct fingerprint checks for a national background check on individuals who apply for employment in Massachusetts to work with persons who get services from the Massachusetts Department of Developmental Disabilities (DDS). Prior law authorizes only a Massachusetts CORI check.

Supporters say that the CORI check is limited to a criminal's history in the Bay State and note that this national check will look into his or her offenses in any state. They argue the new law will protect many people with intellectual and developmental disabilities from out-of-state criminals.

ACCOSTING AND ANNOYING (S 2362) - The Senate approved and sent to the House a bill that would change a current law that makes it illegal to annoy or accost people of the opposite sex with behavior that is deemed offensive and/or disorderly. The bill would allow the charges to be brought even if the victim was a person of the same sex.

Supporters said the bill will change this antiquated law and is aimed at sex offenders who target children, regardless of gender. They cited an incident in Bellingham in which a male offender accosted young boys but the charges were dismissed because under the law, it was only a crime when it was against the opposite sex.

QUOTABLE QUOTES - *Special Edition quoting State House leaders on the death of former Boston Mayor Thomas Menino.*

"Boston has lost a political giant, and Diane and I have lost a friend." — Gov. Deval Patrick

"(He) had the courage to do whatever it took to fight for the people of Boston. We are all beneficiaries of his generous spirit, particularly the children of Boston, for whom he advocated tirelessly so they would have bright futures." — House Speaker Robert DeLeo (D-Winthrop).

"He never lost sight of his priorities, which included doing everything he could to improve the lives of others and to make Boston a better place to live, work and raise a family." — Minority Leader Sen. Bruce Tarr (R-Gloucester).

"One of the nation's greatest mayors. He cared not just about Boston, but about everybody ... It's because of his fierce guidance and innovative vision that Boston has emerged as a vibrant urban landscape worthy of the title world-class city." — Senate President Therese Murray (D-Plymouth).

"In a day and age when personal interactions with high-ranking public officials can be few and far between, (he) was a man of the people, and never forgot from where he came. From community gatherings to ribbon-cuttings, (he) truly embodied the spirit of Boston." — House Republican Minority Leader Bradley Jones (R-North Reading).

Beacon Hill Roll Call continued



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 27-31, the House met for a total of six hours and one minute and the Senate met for a total of six hours and 27 minutes.

Mon. October 27 House 11:00 a.m. to 11:16 a.m.
Senate 11:00 a.m. to 11:20 a.m.

Tues. October 28 No House session

Wed. October 29

Thurs. October 30 House 11:03 a.m. to 2:47 p.m.
Senate 11:00 a.m. to 3:03 p.m.

Fri. October 31 House 10:02 a.m. to 12:03 p.m.
Senate 10:03 a.m. to 12:07 p.m.

Bob Katzen welcomes feedback at bob@beaconhillrollcall.com

No Senate session

No House session
No Senate session

COMMENTARY

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The proposed Stop and Shop development



**By Matt McLaughlin,
Ward 1 Alderman**

Dear Mr. Chairman, Members of the Planning Board, and the East Somerville community:

The proposed development at 771 McGrath Highway/Stop and Shop is without a doubt the most contentious issue I have dealt with in my short tenure as Ward 1 Alderman. I agonized over the pros and cons of this development for more than ten months. I held four community meetings, canvassed the neighborhood and made phone calls to gauge the feelings of the community. I put together a community survey that generated more than 100 responses so that the voice of the community would be heard clearly. My ultimate goal was to negotiate an amicable deal between the developers and the neighbors that would move our community forward.

The representatives of Criterion Development have done an admirable job in facilitating community input. I truly believe in the sincerity of their efforts and the passion for their work is evident. I believe their model for development can and will be a strong asset to many communities. However, at this time I must regrettably state my opposition to this development.

I previously submitted a survey that highlighted the divide in the community on this development. The near 50/50 split was a vast improvement from the previous near unanimous opposition. There are many positive

factors that led to this, including major reduction in units, area beautification, open space, donated land and the overall good willed nature of the developers. This division, while informative, only complicated my hopes of representing all of the interests of the community.

My decision to openly oppose this development came very recently after I solicited advice, not from a politician or planning representative or developer, but rather a friend. This person suggested I go back to my core values and assess where this development fits in my vision for the community. This perspective immediately made it clear to me that this development does not fit anywhere in that picture. There are many developments happening in East Somerville, and for the most part they fit the character of the community. This development, while containing many positive attributes, stands out as the least fitting for our community. It is trying to put a square peg in a round hole.

This belief was reaffirmed when I took the time to visit two other developments from Criterion in surrounding communities. These developments, while very extravagant and desirable to many, felt more like hotels than residences to me. The average rents are more than most families can afford for a mortgage. While both complexes were already filling up, there was also some turnover in residents already, even though these opened only a short time ago. These types of units attract a transient population, which is a major stated concern from neighbors of the current proposal. Neither of Criterion's other developments are anywhere near any neighboring community (the old Faces nightclub on Route 2 and a parcel next to the Meadow

Glen Mall), as opposed to this development which abuts one of the best remaining communities in Somerville. If it was proposed in Assembly Square or Inner Belt, I would welcome it with open arms. However, the one flaw of this development that gives everyone pause is the location – the one flaw that cannot be corrected or mitigated.

"I believe our market is strong and there is no need to rush development"

I truly regret that I cannot support this development at this time. I am not a person opposed to development for the sake of doing so, and I do not like that my first significant position on a controversial development has to come at the expense of honorable, quality developers. But at the end of the day, I always returned to the same question: "Why this, and why here?" That question never went away.

To neighbors who were supportive of this development, I hope you will understand the position I am taking. This is not to say that I will be opposed to all developments in this area. The old Harris Park is a blighted area that needs attention and will be developed eventually. However, I feel many supported this project because of the fear of what will happen if the proposal is rejected. The number one word I heard from residents describing their feelings on this project was "resigned," as in, "this is going to happen anyway, so we might as well accept it." This is not the feeling I want my constituents to have regarding a ma-

jor change in their community.

I have a more optimistic view of development in our community. I believe our market is strong and there is no need to rush development. We are in the driver's seat when it comes to decisions in our community. Losing this development will not mean doom for the East Somerville economy. There are already numerous developments, most with community support, that will transform our community for the better. To those who were looking forward to the positive social and economic impact this development would have had, I assure you that you will not be disappointed in our future. This may or may not be the end for this specific development, but it will not be the end of interest in this parcel of land.

The city will be proposing zoning changes in the coming months that will affect the use of the Stop and Shop site for years to come. I view this as a golden opportunity to get thorough community input so that we as a community can decide what we want in our backyard. These zoning changes, combined with East Somerville's rising economic status, lead me to believe we can afford to be picky. I look forward to working with the community and whatever developers come in the future. I wholeheartedly thank the representatives from Criterion for the opportunity they presented us and would welcome proposals from them in the future. At this time and this place, however, I must respectfully oppose their current proposal.

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New program seeks to make Somerville a green tech incubator



By Joseph A. Curtatone

Somerville has a rich history of supporting creativity and entrepreneurship. We recognize the value that creative thinkers of all stripes bring to our community. Artists have thrived in Somerville, with several groups sponsoring events that showcase our local talent. The “maker movement” is the term used to frame

the next industrial revolution of small-scale production that is happening right now in Somerville, but we’ve had makers in Somerville for generations, from pasta makers to furniture builders. The new makers of today carry on that tradition—as do the entrepreneurs working in green technology. Green tech innovators are using hard work and creativity to try and solve the biggest energy and environmental problems we face as a city, a nation and a planet. Just as we’ve supported artists and the makers old and new alike, we want to support these innovators. That’s why we’re asking emerging green tech companies to give us their best product pitch.

We want to be first in line to give a shot to green tech ideas these entrepreneurs are developing. So we released a request for information, or RFI, asking emerging green tech companies to fill us in on projects or services they are looking to pilot, demonstrate or launch. We’re going to use the responses we get through the survey at somervillema.gov/greentech to develop a new City Green Tech Program that we will detail early next year. Through the program, we aim to partner with these companies to make their projects a reality. By working with them to pilot their innovations here, we will both work toward the city’s sustainability

goals and support our emerging green tech companies.

Just as we value creativity and entrepreneurship, we value sustainability and environmental stewardship. It’s right there on page four of SomerVision, our 20-year comprehensive plan created by the community that asks not what we want to build but who we want to be: “Build a sustainable future through strong environmental leadership ... and effective stewardship of our natural resources.” On that same page in SomerVision, the community commits to continued innovation and our responsibility to current and future generations in all of our endeavors. These values all collide in the

realm of green tech.

Based on those values, we’ve set a goal of becoming carbon neutral by 2050. Exactly how we will zero out our carbon emissions in next 35 years is not settled, but part of it will be with the help of technologies that do not exist today. We want to be first in line for those technologies, helping us achieve our sustainability goals and move the needle on greenhouse gas emissions, while supporting the creative innovators who share our values and also want to make a difference. We need to focus on creating profitable, sustainable economies, and on doing social good—and they’re not mutually exclusive.

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A name for ourselves Part 1: Names that no longer work



By William C. Shelton

Another national election has come and gone, and with it, another increase in name-calling and distortion. Name-calling serves those whose malignantly swelling cash injections finance it—the faceless corruptors who want government to comply with their interests.

But it doesn’t serve the electorate. It’s no substitute for clearly stated positions, reasoned argument and hard evidence.

Among the names that political actors call each other—and themselves—are “conservative,” “liberal,” and “progressive.” Yet if you ask a self-described “conservative,” “liberal,” or “progressive” what his or her self-descriptor means, you will be hard pressed to get a clear definition.

Liberalism emerged as the Age of Enlightenment’s political philosophy. It emphasized personal liberty, political equality, pluralism, tolerance, and limited government powers. Liberal philos-

ophy is embedded in America’s Declaration of Independence, France’s Declaration of the Rights of Man and the English and American Bills of Rights.

It became the philosophical rationale for England’s Glorious Revolution, the American War of Independence, and the French Revolution. Each ushered in liberal states, with free elections, civil rights, free trade, and freedoms of speech, religion, assembly and the press.

Conservatism emerged as a reaction to liberalism and its perceived excesses. Early conservatives advocated a hierarchical society and a divinely

sanctioned monarch. Bowing to inevitability, after the Glorious Revolution they argued that sovereignty rested with the Crown, Lords, and Commons, rather than the people.

Reaction has been conservatism’s dynamic ever since. There is no single set of policies that can universally be called “conservative.” Instead, conservatism’s role has been to defend traditional institutions, and what is “traditional” changes with place and historical moment. For example, the sanctity of states’ rights, a guiding principle of our then-liberal 18th Century Constitution and a cherished conser-

vative principle in 21st Century America, would be repudiated by English conservatives of both the 18th and 21st Centuries.

One can say that conservatism’s motive force has always been resistance to institutional progress. But a more positive and worthwhile way to view it is as valuing tradition, community, and family as means of maintaining social harmony, while retaining a healthy skepticism regarding the limits of human rationality and “progress.”

Modern conservatives have caught up with classical liberalism and now embrace its tenets. In fact,

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Life in the by Jimmy Del Ponte

Those Swinging Singing Seniors



Not only can Somerville boast of The Sun-

setters singing group, consisting of teenagers, but we can also lay claim to a more “ma-

ture” batch of Somerville singers. For the last few years I have had the honor of being the musical director and piano player for Somerville’s Swinging Singing Seniors also known as The Moonlighters. We meet on Mondays at 10:30 a.m. at The Council On Aging building on Holland Street and sing and laugh for an hour.

Our repertoire has grown to 62 songs, not counting our Christmas tunes. Coun-

cil Director Cindy Hickey and her staff have supported The Moonlighters since she came up with the idea.

In the past few years we have performed all over, including The Somerville Theatre where we sang for *Holiday in The Ville*. One of our most memorable dates was when we sang the national anthem for a Lowell Spinners baseball game.

Our ages range from late 50’s to early 90’s and everyone in between. We have sung at St Patrick’s Day parties, Christmas Parties, The Senior Picnic, Valentine’s Day ... well, you get the picture. Have voices, will travel! We have sung at VNA’s and nursing homes in Medford, Charlestown and, of course, Somerville.

We are a fun loving group who really enjoy each other. They really get a kick when I change the words to the songs at rehearsals. Unfortunately the censor forbids me from giving an example!

The seniors in Somerville are among the busiest I have ever seen in any city. There are always trips, luncheons, dances, exercise classes, lectures and many other activities that keep our elite elders very occupied. I’m glad they have time for The Moonlighters because music is such an important part of life.

I always joke and say that The Moonlighters made some of the songs popular, even though most of the ditties have been around for many, many years. We sing



Al Jolson, Sinatra, The Coasters, Dean Martin, Harry Belafonte (led by Mr. Del-A-Ponte). The Moonlighters have performed with the Sunsetters at the annual fireworks celebration for the past few years.

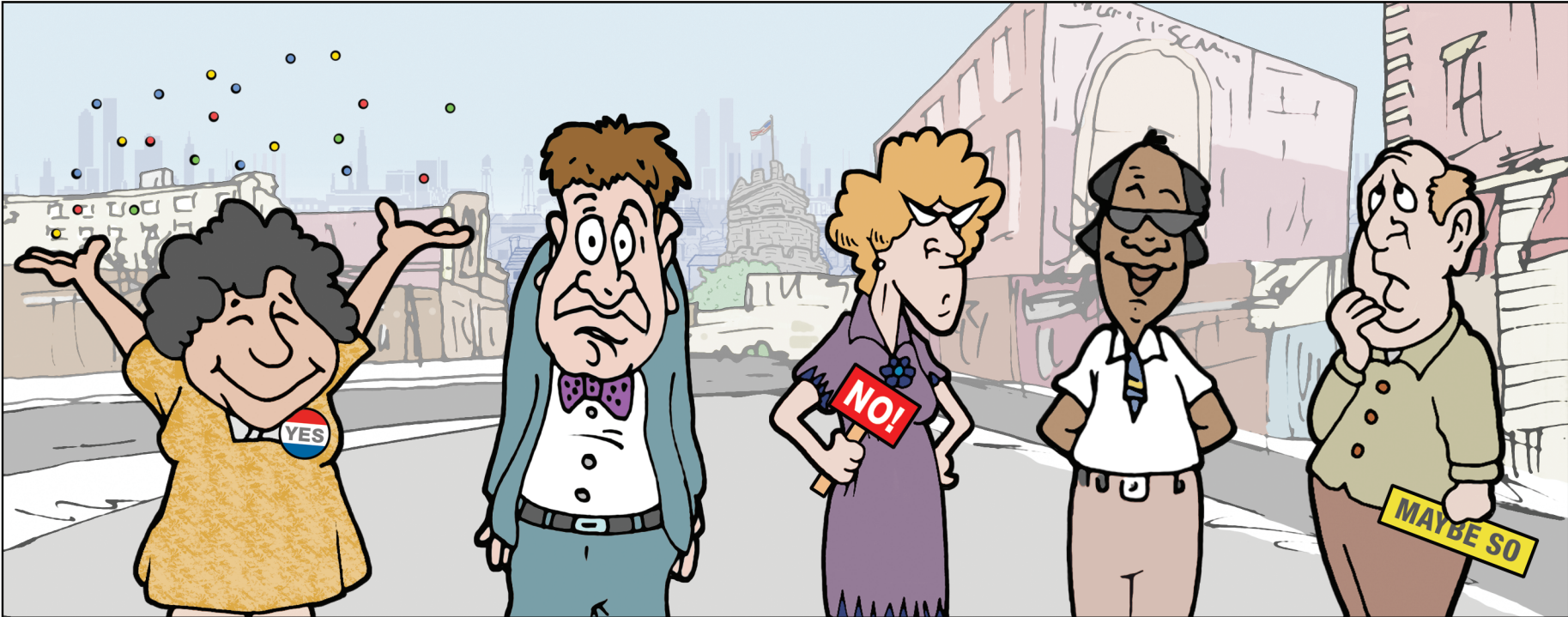
When we perform I do what I like to call a musical voyage

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SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Illustrated by Jim Clark



You'll laugh. You'll cry. You'll kiss this election goodbye.

The View Of The Times



It goes without saying that not everyone gets their way when election time rolls around. There are winners and losers, the satisfied and the disgruntled. As passionately as we may feel about our pet issues of interest, the inevitable day comes when our convictions are put to the test and the results are set in stone, for better or worse, depending on which side you are

standing on. The beauty and genius of our political system is in its very existence. Unfortunately, it is too easy to take it for granted. It is no cliché to say that there are many in this world who are denied the right to shape their homelands' laws and determine their own destinies. We are truly blessed in having this privilege, and we

must always express our appreciation of it by getting out there and voting whenever possible. There is no excuse for apathy. It is every American's duty. So, for those of you who faithfully executed your civic duty this week, your fellow citizens salute you. Whether or not your candidate or cause prevailed, we can all take pride in the fact that our system

still works, and the people have their say. Whether one leans to the left, or right, or gently wavers in the middle, we must all understand that we have much more that binds us together than what tears us apart. The system prevails, and because of that we are all winners. Let the victorious celebrate, and the defeated regroup, for we shall always return.

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moved to Derry, NH, and has lived there these past 20 years. Joe also served in the US Navy during the Korean conflict. He passed away last weekend at Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital. His services will be at Peabody funeral home in Derry, NH, today, Wednesday the 5th.

This Thursday night, November 6, The Somerville Rotary Club will be having its annual charitable event that is held at Giggles Comedy Club on Route 1 in Saugus. The doors open at 6:30 p.m. This year there will be lots of interesting stuff for its auction and raffles. Cost of tickets is \$25 for pizza, laughs and the opportunity to help Rotary support the many local charities here in the City of Somerville. Tickets sold at the door. Don't miss it. If you haven't been to one of these shows you're missing out on a great evening of laughs and fun. Contact Donald Norton at 617-623-6600 x 11 for more information and tickets.

On Friday, November 14, the Vernon Street 40th Anniversary Opening Reception at the Somerville Museum Vernon Street Artists' Anniversary Exhibit takes place. Location: Somerville Museum, 1 Westwood Road, Somerville, MA. The exhibit runs November 14 -

December 31, 2014. Over the years, Vernon Street Studios has been recognized as a community well known throughout the area for the quality of work produced by artists with established reputations as well as exciting newcomers. Located in an historic 19th-century brick industrial building, Vernon Street housed the first group of artists in Somerville to open their studios to the public in 1974. This year marks the 40th Anniversary of Vernon Street Open Studios, one of the oldest open studios events in the Greater Boston area. To honor this milestone, they will be having a special exhibit from mid- November to December at the Somerville Museum, featuring some of the original artists at Vernon as well as current residents.

Congratulations to Nancy Moccia of Victor's Deli here in Somerville, who recently got engaged to Jason Fucile. We wish the two of them the very best. Nancy is ever popular and always friendly with a smile. She's the daughter of Victor and Rosa Moccia and, of course, how can we forget the brother of Mike who runs the Ball Square Café right next door. We wish Nancy and Jason the very best and look forward to seeing pictures of the two of them being married. When you're in Victors

next time give Nancy a shout out and wish her the very best.

Ward 3 Alderman Rob McWatters, the "constituent service Alderman," will be having a fundraiser after the elections on November 19 at Sally O'Brien's on Somerville Avenue. He's very popular here in the city and we wouldn't be surprised to see the place packed. We did hear he's going to have some surprise guest who might just attend.

Happy Birthday to some of our fans and readers around the Ville this week: Our own nice guy Timothy Gager is celebrating this week. We wish him all the best on this his birthday. Also celebrating this week is Mark Parquette of Tewksbury, who is a fan here in Somerville, happy birthday. A good friend in real estate, Bruce Taylor, who is the owner of ERA Key Realty Services headquarters in Milford, with 13 offices here in Mass.

Over in Medford, City Councilor Adam Knight is having a fundraiser on Wednesday, November 19, at the Medford Elks on Washington Street (off Salem Street exit). Adam is very familiar with Somerville and worked at Senator Charlie Shannon's office for a few years.

Adam is young and newly elected in the last city elections over there and he's a very popular person in both cities.

Little Sisters of the Poor is holding their annual Christmas Bazaar, Nov 12. There will be bakery items, Irish Bread, crafts, toy, plants, punch boards and more! Raffle prizes this year include an iPad2, a 42" flat screen and \$300 in lottery tickets. They also have a \$2500 prize. Little Sisters of the Poor, 186 Highland Ave., 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Somerville families are invited to celebrate Family Literacy Month on Saturday, November 15 at the 2014 Somerville Early Childhood Fair – Family Literacy Celebration. Somerville early education and care schools, programs, providers and other local community agencies will participate in this annual event from 10am to noon at the Healey School Gymnasium: 5 Meacham Street, Somerville. Families are invited to stop by to learn about a wide range of community resources available to Somerville families with young children, explore books with their children, partake in fun family literacy activities, and meet other parents and friends in the neighborhood.

ESMS Halloween Block Party

East Somerville Main Streets' last block party of the year was a scream. They hosted a Halloween night get-together at Chuckie Harris Park. Crazy costumes, games, candy and a Halloween photo-shoot provided fun for everyone.



Photos by Claudia Ferro

ESCS Halloween Parade

Last Friday afternoon, Halloween, the kids from East Somerville Community School walked in costumes from their school to the Pearl St. Manor to sing songs for the seniors.



Photos by Claudia Ferro

SPORTS

2014 Somerville Pop Warner Season break-up party



The 2014 Somerville Pop Warner Season break-up party was held at Foss Park Tuesday night, October 28. Kids came in their Halloween costumes and they enjoyed pizza, drinks, snacks, candy, and desert. — Photos by Claudia Ferro

Ms. Cam's
Olio
#447

Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

1. What position is "S" in football?

2. What state is known as the Volunteer State?

3. In what city did *Gone With The Wind* premiere?

4. What is the minimum number of musicians required needed to be called a "big band"?

5. What was the B-17 long range bomber nicknamed in World WarII?

6. What president's face is on the \$100,000 bill?

7. What U.S. president's State of The Union Address lasted a record 81 minutes?

8. What did Rice Kellogg invent in 1924?

9. What was the name of Frank Sinatra's yacht?

10. In 1994, what did Ronald Regan disclose he was suffering from?

11. What character's picture appeared on the first metal lunchboxes in the U.S.?

12. Paul Newman took an ad in a newspaper to apologize for what movie, when the film was shown on TV?

Answers on page 16



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Grooversity Festival 2014



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Performances by
**Ben Paulding & master Ashanti drummer
 Emmanuel Attah Poku,
 Bloco AfroBrazil,
 Sheboom,
 and
 World Percussion Ensembles from
 Somerville Public Schools**

Workshops given by
**Bas Janssen,
 Gino Figliola,
 Marcus Santos,
 Saturday With Sticks:
 Fabrizio Cavallaro
 and
 Sergio Bellotti**

Saturday, November 15, 1:00-6:30 pm. Free and open to all, with live streaming. Prizes available for on site and online attendees. East Somerville Community School, 50 Cross St., Somerville. For information: 917-719-0127 or www.grooversity.com/festival.

"World drumming for entertainment, education and social change" is the Grooversity motto and the incentive behind what has now become the annual Grooversity Festival, presented by and for the Somerville community, yet open to everyone worldwide, to anyone who wants and needs to get their positive groove on.

Master groover Marcus Santos spearheads this festival, which this year features performances by Ben Paulding & master Ashanti drummer Emmanuel Attah Poku, Bloco AfroBrazil, Sheboom, and World Percussion Ensembles from the Somerville Public Schools.

The afternoon will also be offering workshops given by master drummers Bas Janssen, Gino Figliola, Marcus Santos, Saturday With Sticks: Fabrizio Cavallaro, and Sergio Bellotti. In other words, East Somerville will be the rhythmical place to be, either physically or virtually.

Background information:

Grooversity's founder Marcus Santos, hand drummer originally from Brazil, has developed an innovative and creative drumming system, geared for both education and entertainment purposes. His techniques promote community outreach and social change by targeting diversity awareness. Within the past ten years, his fun, interactive, and inclusive percussive vision has spread worldwide, creating a network of people of all ages from different ethnic backgrounds. Visit www.grooversity.com to discover Santos' world and all it has to offer in appreciating diversity, supporting civil rights, encouraging self-esteem, and last but not least, having a great time!

"You're about to witness a loose yet incredibly tight ensemble applauded by fans worldwide."

—AfroBrazil introduction at Montreal Drum Festival

What's on Somerville Neighborhood News

We have some interesting headlines for the latest Somerville Neighborhood News show, a community news production brought to you by the dedicated staff, volunteers and interns at Somerville Community Access TV.



In this latest newscast, meet some of the Somerville High School students who fled the violence in Central America, attend the contentious Winter Hill meeting about the apparent lack of supervision at the Vinfen halfway house, check out the talent that's revving up for the "Somerville Rocks!" show, hear from some of the thousands who voted in the Brazilian elections at the high school, go to the "flood forum" at City Hall.

These stories and more on Somerville Neighborhood News #26. You can watch and read all of these stories on Channel 3 if you have cable TV, or online at www.somervilleneighborhoodnews.org.

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NOTICE OF TAKING

TO THE OWNERS OF THE HEREUNDER DESCRIBED LAND AND TO ALL OTHERS CONCERNED: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on January 9th, 2015 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning at the Collector's Office/Treasury, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA 02143, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 60, Section 53, and by virtue of the authority vested in me as Acting Collector of Taxes, the following described parcels of land will BE TAKEN FOR THE CITY OF SOMERVILLE for non-payment of the taxes due thereon, with interest and incidental expenses and costs to the date of taking, unless the same shall have been paid in full **before that date**.
Signed: *Peter K. Forcellese, Jr.* Treasurer/Collector.

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: **18 BRADLEY ST**
CURRENT & ASSESSED OWNER: 18 BRADLEY STREET REALTY TRUST
DEMAND: **05/09/2012** PARCEL ID: **061-A.00008-000000**
ALT. PARCELS/TAX ACCOUNT: **04181167** SQUARE FEET: **3,039.6**
TITLE REFERENCE: Middlesex South Registry of Deeds, Book: 28019, Page: 361.

Fiscal Year 2012 Taxes Remaining Unpaid	\$1,576.71
Interest to Date of Taking	\$583.17
Incidental Expenses and Costs to Date of Taking	\$369.00
Total for which Land will be Taken	\$2,528.88

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: **18 BRADLEY ST**
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TITLE REFERENCE: Middlesex South Registry of Deeds, Book: 28019, Page: 361.

Fiscal Year 2014 Taxes Remaining Unpaid	\$4,507.46
Interest to Date of Taking	\$597.91
Incidental Expenses and Costs to Date of Taking	\$369.00
Total for which Land will be Taken	\$5,474.37

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LOCATION OF PROPERTY: **15 AUSTIN ST**
SUBSEQUENT OWNER(S): DEIRMENJIAN REAL ESTATE, LLC.
ASSESSED OWNER(S): DEIRMENJIAN REAL ESTATE, LLC.
DEMAND: **05/06/2013** PARCEL ID: **102-A.00001-000000**
ALT. PARCELS/TAX ACCOUNT: **02075098** SQUARE FEET: **4,752**
TITLE REFERENCE: Middlesex South Registry of Deeds, Book: 62069, Page: 32.

Fiscal Year 2013 Taxes Remaining Unpaid	\$4,171.79
Interest to Date of Taking	\$971.35
Incidental Expenses and Costs to Date of Taking	\$369.00
Total for which Land will be Taken	\$5,512.14

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LOCATION OF PROPERTY: **692 BROADWAY**
CURRENT & ASSESSED OWNER: RISWAY LLC
PARCEL ID: **027-J.00001-000000** DEMAND: **05/05/2014**
ALT. PARCELS/TAX ACCOUNT: **20030380** SQUARE FEET: **13,585**
TITLE REFERENCE: Middlesex South Registry of Deeds, Book: 55069, Page: 582.

Fiscal Year 2014 Taxes Remaining Unpaid	\$35,530.38
Interest to Date of Taking	\$5,013.03
Incidental Expenses and Costs to Date of Taking	\$369.00
Total for which Land will be Taken	\$40,912.41

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LOCATION OF PROPERTY: **45 CAMERON AVE**
CURRENT & ASSESSED OWNER: AROLI REALTY TRUST
PARCEL ID: **013-F.00008-000000** DEMAND: **05/05/2014**
ALT. PARCELS/TAX ACCOUNT: **94000010** SQUARE FEET: **3,000**
TITLE REFERENCE: Middlesex South Registry of Deeds, Book: 24861, Page: 299.

Fiscal Year 2014 Taxes Remaining Unpaid	\$8,933.51
Interest to Date of Taking	\$1,078.33
Incidental Expenses and Costs to Date of Taking	\$369.00
Total for which Land will be Taken	\$10,380.84

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LOCATION OF PROPERTY: **1153 BROADWAY**
CURRENT & ASSESSED OWNER: C. & T. OLYMPUS REALTY TRUST
DEMAND: **05/06/2013** PARCEL ID: **008-D.00008-000000**
ALT. PARCELS/TAX ACCOUNT: **00870084** SQUARE FEET: **3,526**
TITLE REFERENCE: Middlesex South Registry of Deeds, Book: 30883, Page: 278.

Fiscal Year 2013 Taxes Remaining Unpaid	\$5,117.24
Interest to Date of Taking	\$1,207.64
Incidental Expenses and Costs to Date of Taking	\$369.00
Total for which Land will be Taken	\$6,693.88

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PLANNING DIVISION

LEGAL NOTICE
OF PUBLIC HEARING

A **public hearing** for all interested parties will be held by the Planning Board on **Thursday, November 20, 2014** at 6:00 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chambers on the Second Floor of Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA.

337 Broadway (Case #PB 2014- 20) Applicant, Back Bay Sign for Carewell Urgent Care, and Owner, Corporation, seek a Special Permit under SZO \$6.1.22, for new signage and awnings. CCD 45 zone. Ward 4.

337 Broadway (Case #PB 2014- 30) Applicant, Urgent Care Centers of New England, Inc. and Owner, KLT Corp, seek a Special Permit per SZO \$7.13.A to establish a medical office. CCD 45 Zone. Ward 4.

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

Attest: Kevin Prior, Chairman
To be published in The Somerville Times on 11/5/14 & 11/12/14.

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
IFB 15-41

The City of Somerville, through the Purchasing Department invites sealed bids for:
Portable Studio Audio/Visual System

An invitation for bid (IFB) may be obtained online at <http://www.somervillema.gov/departments/finance/purchasing/bids> or from the Purchasing Department, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA, 02143 on or after **November 5th, 2014**. Sealed bids will be received at the above office until: **November 25th, 2014 at 11:00am ET**. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

The City of Somerville is seeking to purchase a portable studio system. The type of equipment includes a 4 input video switcher, rack drawers, camera controller, mounted video monitor, video recorder, field cameras, and other related goods.

Please contact Michael Richards at mrichards@somervillema.gov for more information.

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

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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 19, 2014** at 6:00 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chambers, 2nd Floor, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA.

761 Broadway (Case #ZBA 2014- 102) Applicant, Downtime Parking LLC, and Owner, The Seven Hundred Sixty One Broadway Nominee Trust, seek a Special Permit to establish a non-accessory parking lot (SZO \$7.11.11.10) under SZO \$4.5.3, expansion of a non-conforming use, and a Special Permit under SZO \$9.13.e to share parking. The site would retain the existing office use with three (3) car-sharing spaces and would share three (3) existing on-site parking spaces. RB district. Ward 6.

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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| 1. Safety | 7. Bill Clinton |
| 2. Tennessee | 8. Loudspeakers |
| 3. Atlanta | 9. My Way Again |
| 4. 10 is the minimum | 10. Alziehmers |
| 5. The Flying Fortress | 11. Hopalong Cassidy |
| 6. Woodrow Wilson | 12. His 1954 screen debut, <i>The Silver Chalice</i> |

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New program CONT. FROM PG 10

We want to launch ideas and feed imaginations, to have curiosity burn here and people to chase their dreams in Somerville. We're seeing this kind of innovation right now in Union Square, where clean tech innovators, artisans and makers are bumping into one another, sharing ideas and working together. And if Somerville can serve as an

incubator for the new green tech products and services, we can help other cities learn how we can tackle the challenge of global warming.

This program is a mutually beneficial partnership, but it's about more than that. It's about understanding who we are as a community—our shared values and our assets that make us attractive. Our values of

embracing innovation, entrepreneurship and strong environmental stewardship are laid out in SomerVision. Our assets are clear from atop any of Somerville's seven hills—we sit at the center of the Tufts-Harvard-MIT triangle, where innovative ideas born in universities meet with the physical needs of industry found in our industrial spaces and workforce. If we

leverage our assets with our values, we can make a real difference for our city, our environment and our children's future.

Green tech companies interested in participating in this program invited to fill out the survey online at somer ville.ma.gov/greentech, describing their technology, providing available links to demo or informational materials, and explaining

why the city would be a good customer or test case for their technology. Responses are due by the end of the day on Monday, Dec. 1. Copies of the RFI can also be downloaded from the website. An informational session about the program will be held on Monday, Nov. 6, from 5-7 p.m., at Aeronaut Brewing Co., 14 Tyler St. in Somerville.

A name for ourselves CONT. FROM PG 10

outside the U.S., American conservatism is viewed as liberalism, or in economics, "neo liberalism," while American liberalism is viewed as "social liberalism."

Modern liberals have embraced two additional and interrelated guiding principles that modern conservatives reject. The first is a recognition that equality of opportunity is meaningless if one doesn't have bare necessities such as food, shelter, and education that are required to take advantage of opportunity.

The second is an expanded definition of "freedom." In classic liberalism, freedom meant non-interference. The newer view understands freedom as the opportunity to fully realize one's potential, and that achieving that requires cooperation. Modern liberals believe that the state should ensure the minimal level of human existence required to guarantee equal rights. And they believe that all individuals have a duty to pro-

mote the common good.

Modern liberalism traces its history to the presidencies of Franklin Roosevelt, John Kennedy, and Lyndon Johnson that acted on these principles. Modern conservatism traces its history to Ronald Reagan and the backlash against the "nanny state," which "encourages dependence."

Progressives who know their history trace it to the reform movement that emerged in reaction to the Gilded Age of the late 19th and early 20th Centuries when inequality was last as severe as it is becoming today. Those reformers extended the Enlightenment notion of "progress," believing that humans can continuously improve themselves and their institutions through advancing science, economic development, and better organization.

While they believed that national government could and should aid this quest, their focus

was much more on cities and states. They believed that the average citizen should have greater influence in government and that government should be more efficient. They fought municipal corruption, advocated women's suffrage, and won states' adoption of the initiative, referendum, and recall.

Believing that an effective citizenry is an educated one, they lobbied for universal schooling and against child labor. They introduced child-centered (progressive) education practices.

Their settlement house movement raised city dwellers' standard of living. Campaigns against tainted food and fraudulent drugs produced the Pure Food and Drug Act, the nation's first consumer protection legislation.

Progressives supported organized labor and opposed the power of monopolies, although differed on how to accomplish the latter. Some favored break-

ing up trusts to increase competition. Others saw large corporations as more efficient and called for their greater regulation.

Initially, a majority of the Progressive Movement's political leaders were Republicans, such as Senators Robert La Follete and George William Norris, Presidents Theodore Roosevelt and William Howard Taft, and Supreme Court Justice Lewis Brandeis. But as the Republican Party came increasingly under the control of big business, progressives became Democrats, or followed Roosevelt into the Progressive Party. Today, the Progressive Caucus in Congress is composed entirely of Democrats.

"Progressive," as a self-descriptor seems to have come back into vogue in the last quarter century. I think that many who chose it did so because they were liberals who were battered by conservatives' success at turning "liberal" into an insult. Or they were

socialists who were frightened by the McCarthy era's legacy of mindless redbaiting.

When I wrote that one would be hard pressed to get a clear definition from those who self identify as "conservative," "liberal," or "progressive," I didn't mean to imply that they are ignorant or stupid. Highly intelligent and educated people whom I know cannot satisfactorily explain to me what they mean when they use these terms.

I think that there are two reasons for this. First, the real-world policies that each group advocates are inconsistent and contradictory, based more on that group's particularistic interests than on philosophical integrity. Second, the world has changed so much that the historical assumptions of conservatism, liberalism, and progressivism can no longer accommodate reality.

I'll explore both of these phenomena in the next column.

Those Swinging Singing Seniors CONT. FROM PG 10

around the globe. *When Irish Eyes Are Smiling* (Ireland), *My Melody of Love* (Poland – by Bobby Vinton, The Polish Prince), *Hava Nagila* (Israel), *That's Amore* (Italy), and *The Banana Boat Song* (The Caribbean). Sometimes we do a Beatles number and visit England too.

Besides enjoying each other's company and laughing and singing, there is

one bigger reward we get from being a Moonlighter. When we do concerts for nursing homes, assisted living facilities and memory loss centers, that is where the magic happens. When our audiences see and hear folks that are around their same age and similar in appearance, giving of themselves and taking the time to perform for them, the smiles are worth a

million bucks. For us that is the ultimate reward.

When you read this, we will already be into our fall tour. Remaining dates are Monday, November 10 at the Lowell St. VNA, and Monday, November 17 at the Buddy Cohalen Family Center in Medford.

If you would like The Moonlighters

to perform at a facility contact me, Jimmy at 617-625-6600 extension 2616 or jdelponte@somer ville.ma.gov. We always welcome new gigs and new members!

This story, and our upcoming tour, is dedicated to two of our beloved members of The Moonlighters, Harold and Flo, who we will eventually join us again in Heaven's choir.

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CHILDREN AND YOUTH
Wednesday|November 5
East Branch Library
Preschool: Storytime
11 a.m. -11:30 a.m.|115 Broadway

Thursday|November 6
Central Library
Preschool: Storytime for 3 to 5 year olds
10:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m.|79 Highland Avenue

West Branch Library
Lego Club
Annamarie Almeida|617-623-5000 x2977
3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.|40 College Avenue

Central Library
Lego Club
Cathy Piantiginij| 617-623-5000 x2950
3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m|79 Highland Avenue

Friday|November 7
Central Library
Preschool: Storytime for 2 year olds
10:30 a.m.-11 a.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Monday|November 10
Central Library
Sing-along with Jordan Voelker
11 a.m. - 12 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Tuesday|November 11
Veterans Day - Libraries Closed
Wednesday|November 12

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

Central Library
All Abraham’s Children: What Judaism, Islam and Christianity Share
Kevin O’Kelly| 617-623-5000 x2961
7 p.m.-8 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

MUSIC|ARTS
Wednesday|November 5
Johnny D’s
Earley Birds Special: Free Bar Side Show
Rhett Miller |7:30 p.m.
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

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

The Burren
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Exile on Elm
Back Room
Comedy@10
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

PA’S Lounge
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

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

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

Bull McCabe’s Pub
The Nephrok All Stars
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

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

Thursday|November 6
Johnny D’s
Porch Party Mamas CD RELEASE!|7 p.m.
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O’Brien’s
BYOBluegrass Party grassy Thursdays |7 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Front Room
Acoustic/Bluegrass|9:30 p.m.

Back Room
Scattershot |10 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

PA’S Lounge
WEMF RADIO|Painting the Mississippi|Coven|The Legitamatronics|The Jack Widows
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Somerville Theatre
Awkward Compliment’s Thursday Night Comedy Night
8 p.m.|55 Davis Square

Arts at the Armory
Singers’ Open Mic with Bill Duffy
6:30 p.m.|Café
Waxahatchee with Radiator Hospital & Allison Crutchfield
7 p.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

Friday|November 7
Johnny D’s
Glen David Andrews + The Funky Dawgz Brass Band – Early Show
Glen David Andrews + The Funky Dawgz Brass Band – Double Show Combo
Glen David Andrews + The Funky Dawgz Brass Band – Late Show
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O’Brien’s
Hashtag Hoedown with Frank, Jimmy & more |6 p.m.
Asa Brebner Band, Cal Cali Band, Tsunami of Sound, Last Ones \$5 cover |9 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Front Room
Irish Session|9:30 p.m.
Back Room
Cover Up
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

Orleans Restaurant and Bar
DJ
10 p.m.|65 Holland St

PA’S Lounge
WEMF RADIO|Salient Point|Squirrely Bird|Mission Creep
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

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

Orleans Restaurant and Bar
DJ starting at 10 p.m.
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Bull McCabe’s
TBA
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

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

Samba Bar & Grille
Live music
9 p.m.|608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

Casey’s
Entertainment every Friday
173 Broadway|617- 625-5195

Arts at the Armory
NAMA’s Rock the Boat
6:30 p.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

Davis Square Theatre
Boston comedy festival
7 p.m.|255 Elm Street

Saturday|November 8
Johnny D’s
James McMurtry|7 p.m.
Erin Harpe & The Delta Swingers CD Release Party! Plus Sara Colb & The Sagamore James Band.|10 p.m.
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O’Brien’s
Tom Hagerty Band |8 p.m.

Steve Walther Orchestra, Axemunkee, Johnny Blazes & the Pretty Boys \$5 cover |9 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Back Room
Spitting Vinnies
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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Karaoke
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Entertainment every Saturday
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Davis Square Theatre
Boston comedy festival
3 p.m/8 p.m./10 p.m.|255 Elm Street

Sunday|November 9
Johnny D’s
Open Blues Jam! featuring Matthew Smart Band|4 p.m.
17 Holland St.|617-776-2004

Sally O’Brien’s Bar
Fiendish Thingies |7 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
Burren Acoustic Music Series
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

PA’S Lounge
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

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

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

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

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

Davis Square Theatre
Boston comedy festival
3 p.m./7 p.m./10 p.m.|255 Elm Street

Monday|November 10
Johnny D’s
Stump! Pub Trivia|8:30 p.m.
17 Holland St | 617-776-2004

Sally O’Brien’s Bar
Shawn Cater’s Cheapshots Comedy 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.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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

PA’S Lounge
Americiana Monday
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

Bull McCabe’s Pub
Stump! Team Trivia
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Davis Square Theatre

Boston comedy festival
7 p.m./9 p.m.|255 Elm Street

Tuesday|November 11
Johnny D’s
Grant Lee Phillips and Howe Gelb from Giant Sand|7:30 p.m.
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O’Brien’s Bar
Honkytonk Masquerade |7:30 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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

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

PA’S Lounge
Open Mic
345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

Bull McCabe’s Pub
The Ghetto People Band
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Highland Kitchen
First Tuesday of the Month|Spelling Bee Night
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150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

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608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

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

Arts at the Armory
Extremely Casual IV
7 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

Davis Square Theatre
Boston comedy festival
7 p.m./9 p.m.|255 Elm Street

Wednesday|November 12
Johnny D’s
Earley Birds Special: Free Bar Side Show
Bill Blumenreich Presents : Mike Lawrence
17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O’Brien’s Bar
Free Poker, lots of prizes!
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Front Room
Exile on Elm
Back Room
Comedy@10
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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Pub Trivia
8:30 p.m.|256 Elm Street|(617) 623-9910

Arts at the Armory
Robyn Hitchcock
7:p.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

Davis Square Theatre
Boston comedy festival
7 p.m./9 p.m.|255 Elm Street

CLASSES AND GROUPS
Wednesday|November 5
Central Library
Book Sale Setup
James Fox
9 a.m.-9 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Central Library
Mystery Book Club
7 p.m.-9 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Third Life Studio
Beyond beginning Belly Dance with Nadira Jamal
7:30 p.m.|Level 2|33 Union Sq|www.nadirajamal.com

Thursday|November 6
Central Library
Book Sale Setup
James Fox
9 a.m.-5 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Central Library
PREVIEW: Friends of the Library Book Sale
James Fox
5 p.m.-8 p.m|79 Highland Avenue

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 Avenue

First Church Somerville
Debtors Anonymous- a 12 Step program for people with problems with money and debt. 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|89 College Ave (Upstairs Parlor). For more info call: 781-762-6629

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Friday|November 7
Central Library
Book Sale Setup
James Fox
9 a.m.-12 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Central Library
PREVIEW: Friends of the Library Book Sale
James Fox
12 p.m.-4 p.m|79 Highland Avenue

Saturday|November 8
Central Library
Friends of the Library Book Sale
James Fox
10 a.m.-4p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

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

Sunday|November 9
Central Library
Friends of the Library Book Sale
James Fox
1 p.m.- 3:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Central Library
Book Sale Break Down
James Fox
3:30 p.m.-5 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Unity Church of God
Fourth Step to Freedom Al-Anon Family Groups 7:00 P.M. | 6 William Street Enter upstairs, meeting is in basement.

Third Life Studio
Discover Belly Dance with Nadira Jamal
11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.|33 Union Sq|www.nadirajamal.com

Monday|November 10
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 11
Veterans Day - Libraries Closed
Arts at the Armory
Prenatal Yoga 7 p.m.|Mezzanine|191 Highland Ave

Third Life Studio
The Art of Group Singing For Women with Susan Robbins, www.libana.com
7 p.m. - 9:15 p.m.|33 Union Sq

Wednesday|November 12
Central Library
All Abraham’s Children: What Judaism , Islam and Christianity Share Kevin O’Kelly| 617-623-5000 x2961
7 p.m.-8 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

Third Life Studio
Beyond beginning Belly Dance with Nadira Jamal
7:30 p.m.|Level 2|33 Union Sq|www.nadirajamal.com

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

Some exciting events in the coming weeks:

Thanksgiving with the Mayor – Saturday, November 15 – From 4:00 to 6:00 P.M. at the Somerville Holiday Inn located at 30 Washington Street. The Mayor is holding a Thanksgiving dinner with all the fixings for Somerville older adults and Somerville veterans. You must RSVP to reserve your spot. Please contact Connie at 617-625-6600, Ext. 2300 to RSVP or if you have any questions.

Thanksgiving Super Bingo – Thursday, November 20 – 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at our Ralph & Jenny Center – 9 New Washington Street. Your \$10. Fee includes lunch, coffee, dessert, cards & prizes. Come & have a fun filled day! Limited seating and transportation available so please call Kim at 617-666-5223 to reserve your spot or if your should have questions.

Hu Ke Lau & Bright Nights – Tuesday, December 16 – Are you ready for an unbelievable day? Departing the Holland Street Center at 9:30 A.M. and the Ralph & Jenny Center at 9:45 A.M. with an approximate return time of 8:00 P.M. For a fee of \$58.00 you will enjoy a delicious lunch at Hu Ke Lau in Chicopee and be mesmerized by the beautiful dancers, soothing music and colorful costumes in the after lunch show. It will be as if you were spending the holiday season in Hawaii. (Time and weather permitting a side trip to the Holyoke Mall will follow the show) Then dinner – with a choice of Prime Rib or Scrod followed by a spectacular illumination tour through Forest Park - more than 2 miles and over 500,000 lights that will take your breath away. Please contact Connie at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300 to RSVP, with your dinner choice or if you have any questions.

Multicultural Day – Wednesday, December 17 – At our Cross Street Center located at 165 Broadway – from 10:00 A.M. – 12:30 P.M. Learn more about different languages, music, foods and cultures. One day of international adventure begins with a music selections from the East Somerville Community School chorus, delicious food samplings, various exhibitors will be on hand to promote multiculturalism. For more information or to reserve a space please call Janine Lotti at 617-625-6600, Ext. 2300 before Wednesday, December 11th.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

All Centers will be closed Tuesday, November 11th for Veterans Day.

Thanksgiving Super Bingo scheduled for Thursday, November 20 is **SOLD OUT**.

The trip scheduled to Atlantic City on January 11th is **SOLD OUT**

The trip scheduled to Wildwood, NJ on May 11th – 15th

is **SOLD OUT**.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Monday, November 17th the **8th Annual Edith Chaille Memorial Transportation Fundraiser**. The Chaille Family, who own and operate Green & Yellow Cab Companies have been providing rides, FREE OF CHARGE, to over 5,000 of our older adults yearly. More information to follow.

LGBT EVENTS:

LGBT Lunch – Due to a holiday, Columbus Day, there will be no LGBT lunch in October. The next LGBT Lunch will be Monday, November 10.

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

The Moonlighters

Have you heard of the SunSetters? How about the Moonlighters? The Moonlighters are an older version of the Sunsetters! Interested in joining? Led by Somerville Youth Arts Coordinator, Jimmy Del Ponte, the Moonlighters meet every Monday at 10:30 at our Holland Street Center and sometimes take their skills on the road. This year the Moonlighters will be performing with the Powers School of Music for a Holiday Concert in December. Keep an eye open for more details.

IMPORTANT NEWS:

The SCOA is NO LONGER excepting applications for free smoke alarms / carbon monoxide detectors.

The Ralph & Jenny Center will remain closed on Mondays and will resume Mondays after the first of the New Year.

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

Men’s Group – Meets the first Tuesday of each month from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. This group is facilitated by our volunteer, Norbert DeAmato. Are you recently retired? Looking to connect with other men in the community? Join our men’s group where you can connect with old friends and make new ones. All men 55 and over are welcome. Come chat about what is on your mind! If you have any questions or require additional information, please give us a call at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300.

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

Veterans Group – Meets the third Monday of each month from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Our Social Worker, Suzanne Norton, leads this group. Are you a veteran? The Veterans Group is the perfect opportunity to socialize, have solidarity, to reminisce and to meet other veterans. If you are interested or require additional information, please call 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300.

English Conversations – Meets every Tuesday & Wednesday at 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at our Cross Street Center located at 165 Broadway. Ana Price, our Cross Street Director, leads this group. No books, no tests, no stress – just a great group of older adults from all over

the world who help each other to listen, speak and learn English.

STAY ACTIVE:

Mondays:

Wii Bowling, noon, Free. (H)
Fit 4 Life* Group C, 1:00 P.M. (H)

Tuesdays:

Strengthening, 9:15 A.M., \$3 per class (H)
Dalcroze Eurhythmics, Free, 1:00 P.M., (H)
LBT Fit 4 Life*, 6:00 P.M., (H)

Wednesdays:

Fit 4 Life* Group A, 8:45 a.m. (H)
Fit 4 Life* Group B, 9 a.m. (H)
Fit 4 Life* Group C, Noon (H)
Bowling @ Flatbreads, 1 p.m.
Zumba for All, 5:15 p.m., \$3 per class (H)

Thursdays:

Strengthening, 9:30 a.m. \$3 per class (RJ)
LBT Fit 4 Life*, 6 p.m.

Fridays:

Fit 4 Life* Group A, 8:45 a.m.
Fit 4 Life* Group B, 9 a.m.
Fit 4 Life* Group C 12 p.m.

*Fit 4 Life classes \$10/month & require pre-registration.

Upcoming Schedule:

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

Wednesday|November 5

10:00 Cards (RJ)
10:00 English Conversation (C)
11:30 (RJ, C)
12:45 Bingo (RJ)
1:00 Whist (H)
1:00 Bowling at Flatbreads

Thursday|November 6

10:00 Cards (RJ)
10:00 Knitting Scarves for Soldiers (RJ)
10:00 Current Events (H)
11:00 Computer tutorial with Barbara (by appointment only) (H)
11:30 Lunch (H, RJ)
12:45 Bingo (RJ, H)

Friday|November 7

10:00 Book Club (H)
11:30 Lunch (H)
12:45 Bingo (H)

Monday|November 10

11:30 Lunch (H)

Tuesday|November 11

Veteran’s Day Centers closed

Wednesday|November 12

10:00 Cards (RJ)
10:00 English Conversation (C)
11:30 (RJ, C)
12:45 Bingo (RJ)
1:00 Whist (H)
1:00 Bowling at Flatbreads

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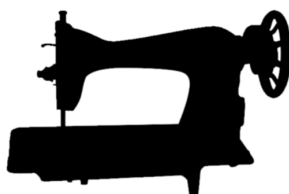
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Wednesday, November 5

6:30am	Road to Recovery
7:00am	Somerville Film Group
7:30am	Life Matters
8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
9:00am	Somerville Journal & Somerville Times Reading
10:00am	Somerville Neighborhood News
10:30am	Art at SCATV: Dixie Manley
11:00am	Abugida TV
12:00pm	The Big Picture with Thom Hartmann Show
1:30pm	Henry Parker Presents
2:00pm	Physician Focus
2:30pm	Tap Water - a SCATV Production
3:30pm	What the Fluff Festival
4:00pm	Free Speech Television
5:00pm	Energy Theater
6:00pm	France 24 World News (Free Speech TV)
6:30pm	US2 100 Days of Engagement
7:00pm	National Wildlife Federation
7:30pm	Crossroads: a Search for An American Dream
8:00pm	Somerville Pundits
8:30pm	The Steve Katsos Show
9:00pm	Bay State Biking News
10:00pm	Art at SCATV: Dixie Manley
10:30pm	SCATV Presents Honk Festival
11:00pm	The Entertainer's Show

Thursday, November 6

6:00am	Atheist Viewpoint
7:00am	Creating Cooperative Kids
8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
9:00am	Cancer Explained!
9:30am	Girls Talk
10:00am	Dead Air Live
11:00am	Greater Somerville
11:30am	Ablevision
12:00pm	The Thom Hartman Show (Free Speech TV)
1:00pm	Chef's Table Series
2:00pm	Neighborhood Cooking w/Candy
2:30pm	Cooking with Georgia & Dez
3:00pm	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
4:00pm	Free Speech Television

5:00pm	Jeff Jam Sing Song Show
5:30pm	Eat Well Be Happy Cooking Show
6:00pm	France 24 World News (Free Speech TV)
6:30pm	Health is Wealth
7:00pm	Taking Back your Health (Live call-in)
7:30pm	Active Aging
8:00pm	Fouye Zo Nan Kalalou (Live call-in)
9:30pm	The Steve Katsos Show
10:00pm	Somerville Film Group: Ways to Live Forever
11:00pm	Bay State Biking News - Rerun

Friday, November 7

6:00pm	Somerville Film Group
7:30am	Shrink Rap
8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
9:00am	Somerville Journal & Somerville Times Reading
10:00am	ArtBeat 2014
11:00am	The Art of Animation: a series of Karen Aqua
12:00pm	Brunch with Sen. Bernie Sanders
1:00pm	Tap Water
2:00pm	SCATV Presents Honk Festival
3:00pm	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
4:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show (Free Speech TV)
5:00pm	Somerville Jazz Festival 2014
5:30pm	Mystic Learning Center: Variety Hour
6:00pm	France 24 World News (Free Speech TV)
6:30pm	Shrink Wrap
7:00pm	Somerville Film Group: Ways to Live Forever
8:00pm	Spooky Shorts
9:00pm	Energy Theater - haunted Halloween
9:30pm	The Steve Katsos Show
10:00pm	The Somerville Line
11:00pm	Acronym TV (Free Speech TV)
11:30pm	Somerville ArtBeat 2014

Saturday, November 8

6:00am	Arabic Hour
7:00am	The Somerville Line
8:00am	Jeff Jam Sing Song Show
8:30am	Jeff Jam Sing Song Show
9:00am	Festival Kreyol
10:00am	Tele Galaxie
11:00am	Dead Air Live

12:00pm	Honk Festival
12:30pm	Taking Back Your Health
1:30pm	MAPS Health Connector
2:00pm	Henry Parker Presents
3:00pm	Telemagazine
4:00pm	Somerville Neighborhood News
4:30pm	Culture Club
5:00pm	Tele Kreyol
6:00pm	Down the Lynde
7:00pm	Somerville Film Group
7:30pm	Fluff Festival
8:00pm	David Pakman (Free Speech TV)
9:00pm	Nossa Gente e Costumes
10:00pm	Open Line News with Davey D
11:00pm	Gay News USA (Free Speech TV)

Sunday, November 9

6:00am	Program Celebrai
7:00am	Rompendo em Fe
8:00am	Effort Pour Christ
9:00am	Heritage Baptist Church
10:00am	International Church of God
10:30am	Active Aging
11:00am	Poet to Poet/Writer to Writer
11:30am	Taking Back Your Health
12:00pm	Play by Play
12:30pm	Somerville Film Group: Ways to Live Forever
1:00pm	Somerville Neighborhood News
1:30pm	Somerville Journal & Times Reading
2:30pm	Life Matters
3:00pm	Rompendo em Fe
4:00pm	Dedilhando a Saudade
5:00pm	International School of Boston Presents
5:30pm	Honk Festival
6:00pm	Abugida TV
7:00pm	African Television Network
8:00pm	Tele Magazine
9:00pm	Effort Pour Christ
10:00pm	Farrakhan Speaks
11:00pm	100-Second Film Festival

Monday, November 10

6:00am	Ablevision
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6:30am	Creating Cooperative Kids
7:30am	Eckankar
8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
9:00am	The Stephanie Miller Show (Free Speech TV)
10:00am	SCATV Presents Tap Water Discussion
11:00am	Nossa gente e Costumes
12:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show (Free Speech TV)
1:00pm	Somerville Film Group:
2:00pm	Exercise with Robyn and Max
2:30pm	Esoteric Science
4:00pm	Free Speech Television
5:00pm	Henry Parker Presents
6:00pm	France 24 World News (Free Speech TV)
6:30pm	International School of Boston Presents
7:00pm	The Somerville Line
8:00pm	Abugida TV
9:00pm	Dedilhando au Saudade
10:00pm	Bate Papo com Shirley
11:00pm	The Entertainer's Show

Tuesday, November 11

7:00am	The Struggle
8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
9:00am	Somerville Journal & Somerville Times Reading
10:00am	Shrink Wrap
11:30am	Ablevision
12:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show (Free Speech TV)
1:00pm	What the Fluff Festival?
2:00pm	Art at SCATV: Dixie Manley
2:30pm	Jeff Jam Sing Song Show
3:00pm	Henry Parker Presents: Mass Incarceration
4:00pm	Ring of Fire (Free Speech TV)
5:00pm	Poet to Poet/Writer to Writer (L)
5:30pm	The Literati Scene
6:00pm	France 24 World News (Free Speech TV)
6:30pm	Culture Club
7:00pm	Somerville Neighborhood News
7:30pm	Greater Somerville (L)
8:00pm	Dead Air Live
9:00pm	Energy Theater
11:00pm	The David Pakman Show (Free Speech TV)

City Cable TV Schedule for the Week

CITY TV 13/22

Wednesday, November 5

9:00am:	SomerStreets: Monster Mashed Up
9:30am:	Congressional Update
12:00pm:	School Committee Meeting – REPLAY OF 11.3.14
3:30pm:	Union Sq. Utility & Streetscape Design
6:30pm:	SomerViva em Portugues
7:00pm	Highlander Forum
7:30pm:	Seriously Somerville w/ Jimmy Del Ponte
8:00pm:	Union Sq. Utility & Streetscape Design
9:30pm:	Veterans in the ‘Ville
10:00pm:	SomerViva en Espanol

Thursday, November 6

12:00am:	SomerViva em Portugues
12:30am:	Highlander Forum
1:00am:	Seriously Somerville w/Jimmy Del Ponte
1:30am:	Union Sq. Utility & Streetscape Design
3:00am:	SomerViva en Espanol
9:00am:	Voices of Somerville
12:00pm:	Senior Circuit
12:30pm:	Keep Moving: Exercises for Older Adults
1:00pm:	Tommy Cremens Memorial Bench Unveiling
1:10pm:	Talking Business
1:30pm	Highlander Forum
2:00pm:	HONK! Festival
6:30pm:	Capable Somerville
9:15pm:	Tommy Cremens Memorial Bench Unveiling
9:30pm:	Somerville em Portugues
10:00pm:	Connecting Communities – Fire Safety

Friday, November 7

12:00am:	Tommy Cremens Memorial Bench Unveiling
12:10am:	Capable Somerville
3:00am:	Connecting Communities – Fire Safety
9:00am:	Capable Somerville
12:00pm:	Congressional Update
12:30pm:	SomerViva en Espanol
1:00pm:	Voices of Somerville
1:30pm:	Somerville By Design – Winter Hill Housing
2:30pm:	SomerStreets: Monster Mashed Up
6:30pm:	SomerViva en Espanol
7:00pm:	Keep Moving: Exercises for Older Adults
7:30pm:	Voices of Somerville
8:00pm:	Somerville By Design – Winter Hill Housing
9:00pm:	SomerStreets: Monster Mashed Up
9:30pm:	Congressional Update
10:00pm:	Green tech RFI Launch

Saturday, November 8

12:00am:	SomerViva en Espanol
12:30am:	Voices of Somerville
1:00am:	SomerStreets: Monster Mashed Up
1:30am:	Congressional Update
2:00am:	Somerville By Design – Winter Hill Housing
3:00am:	Green tech RFI Launch
9:00am:	SomerViva em Portugues
12:00pm:	Unearthing Lost Somerville
1:30pm:	SomerStreets: Monster Mashed Up

2:00pm:	Connecting Communities – Fire Safety
2:30pm:	Veterans in the ‘Ville
3:00pm:	Congressional Update
6:30pm:	Congressional Update
7:00pm	Unearthing Lost Somerville
8:30pm:	Connecting Communities – Fire Safety
9:00pm:	Somerville By Design – Winter Hill Housing
10:00pm:	Voices of Somerville

Sunday, November 9

12:00am:	Unearthing Lost Somerville
1:30am:	SomerViva en Espanol
2:00am:	Seriously Somerville w/Jimmy Del Ponte
2:30am:	Somerville By Design – Winter Hill Housing
9:00am:	Unearthing Lost Somerville
12:00pm:	Senior Circuit
12:30pm:	Keep Moving: Exercises for Older Adults
1:00pm:	Seriously Somerville w/ Jimmy Del Ponte
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7:00pm:	Senior Circuit
7:30pm:	Keep Moving: Exercises for Older Adults
8:00pm:	Seriously Somerville w/ Jimmy Del Ponte
8:30pm:	SomerViva em Portugues
9:00pm:	Capable Someville

Monday, November 10

12:00am:	Senior Circuit
12:30am:	Keep Moving: Exercises for Older Adults
1:00am:	Seriously Somerville w/ Jimmy Del Ponte
1:30am:	SomerViva em Portugues
2:00am:	Congressional Update
2:30am:	Talking Business
3:00am:	Unearthing Lost Somerville
9:00am:	Somerville By Design – Winter Hill Pin Up Presentation
12:00pm:	SomerViva em Portugues
12:30pm:	Unearthing Lost Somerville
2:00pm:	Greentech RFI Launch
2:30pm:	Voices of Somerville
3:00pm:	Highlander Forum
3:30pm:	SomerStreets: Monster Mashed Up
6:30pm:	Tommy Cremens Memorial Bench Unveiling
6:40pm:	Greentech RFI Launch
7:00pm:	Union Sq. Utility & Streetscape Design
8:30pm:	SomerViva en Espnaol
9:00pm:	Somerville By Design – Winter Hill Pin Up Presentation
10:00pm:	Child Obesity Performance Audit

Tuesday, November 11

12:00am:	Greentech RFI Launch
12:15am:	Tommy Cremens Memorial Bench Unveiling
12:30am:	Union Sq. Utility & Streetscape Design
2:00am:	Voices of Somerville
2:30am:	SomerStreets: Monster Mashed Up
3:00am:	SomerViva en Espanol
9:00am:	Talking Business
9:30am:	Veterans in the ‘Ville
12:00pm:	Senior Circuit

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2:00am	Somerville By Design –Winter Hill Housing

EDUCATIONAL CHANNEL 15

Wednesday, November 5

9:00am:	El Sistema: A Harvest Concert
10:00am:	Our Schools, Our City - Vibrancy in the Classroom, pt. 2
11:00am:	Tommy Cremens Memorial Bench Unveiling
12:00pm:	Highlander Forum - Student Leadership
1:00pm:	Playoff Football: SHS vs Marblehead
4:00pm:	El Sistema: A Harvest Concert
5:00pm:	Our Schools, Our City - Vibrancy in the Classroom, pt. 2
6:00pm:	Tommy Cremens Memorial Bench Unveiling
7:00pm:	Highlander Forum - Student Leadership
8:00pm:	Playoff Football: SHS vs Marblehead

Thursday, November 6

12:00am:	SHS Football v Durfee HS
2:30am:	SHS Football v Peabody - 9/19
9:00am:	SHS Boys Soccer v Lexington - 9/20
10:30am:	SHS Boys Soccer v Malden - 9/24
12:00pm:	SHS Girls Soccer v Cambridge -9/3
1:30pm:	SHS Girls Soccer v Lynn - 9/8
4:00pm:	El Sistema: A Harvest Concert
5:00pm:	SHS Boys Soccer v Lexington - 9/20
6:30pm:	SHS Boys Soccer v Malden - 9/24
8:00pm:	SHS Girls Soccer v Cambridge -9/3
9:30pm:	SHS Girls Soccer v Lynn - 9/8

Friday, November 7

12:00am:	El Sistema: A Harvest Concert
1:00am:	SHS Boys Soccer v Peabody - 10/27
9:00am:	Our Schools, Our City - Vibrancy in the Classroom, pt. 2
9:30am:	Tommy Cremens Memorial Bench Unveiling
10:00am:	El Sistema: A Harvest Concert
11:00am:	SHS Boys Soccer v Peabody - 10/27
1:00pm:	SHS Girls Soccer v Everett - 10/29
3:00pm:	Our Schools, Our City - Vibrancy in the Classroom, pt. 2
3:30pm:	Tommy Cremens Memorial Bench Unveiling
4:00pm:	El Sistema: A Harvest Concert
5:00pm:	SHS Boys Soccer v Peabody - 10/27
6:30pm:	SHS Girls Soccer v Everett - 10/29
8:00pm:	SHS Boys Soccer v Cambridge - 10/25

10:00pm:	SHS Football v Danvers - 11/7
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Saturday, November 8

12:30am:	SHS Football v Danvers - 11/7
3:00am:	Playoff Football: SHS vs Marblehead
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9:00pm:	SHS Football v Medford - 10/24

Sunday, November 9

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6:30pm:	SHS Girls Soccer v Malden - 10/20
8:00pm:	SHS Girls Soccer v Everett - 10/29
9:30pm:	SHS Boys Soccer v Cambridge - 10/25

Monday, November 10

12:00am:	SHS Boys Soccer v Peabody - 10/27
1:30am:	SHS Boys’ Soccer v Dracut - 10/9
9:00am:	Tommy Cremens Memorial Bench Unveiling
10:00am:	El Sistema: A Harvest Concert
11:00am:	SHS Football v Durfee HS
2:00pm:	Our Schools, Our City - Vibrancy in the Classroom, pt. 2
3:00pm:	SHS Girls Soccer v Everett - 10/29
5:00pm:	Tommy Cremens Memorial Bench Unveiling
6:00pm:	El Sistema: A Harvest Concert
7:00pm:	SHS Football v Danvers - 11/7
10:00pm:	Connecting Communities -Fire Safety

Tuesday, November 11

12:00am:	SHS Football v Danvers - 11/7
9:00am:	Connecting Communities -Fire Safety
9:30am:	Highlander Forum - Student Leadership
10:00am:	SHS Boys’ Soccer v Dracut - 10/9
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2:30am:	SHS Girls Soccer v Malden - 10/20



OFF THE SHELF

by Doug Holder

'My experience at Bunker Hill Community College'

For the past five years I have taught a College Writing Seminar at Bunker Hill Community College in Boston. Bunker Hill serves an inner-city, and multiethnic population. Many of the students are older than traditional college students; many of the students are working full and part time jobs, and many will go on to four year institutions to continue their education. The college even offers midnight classes to accommodate the needs of this student population, and provides technical, nursing, and traditional liberal arts courses. Here is an essay from one of my students describing her first weeks in college.



kitchen floor. We shined anything that was steel in the kitchen. And almost everything in that kitchen is made of steel. I was extremely upset about how my first day played out. But I had to take a moment to think and remember why I choose this major and how much dedication would have to be put into this kind of career. I got it together and kept going. Even though my first time in the kitchen wasn't what I had expected it to be I was happy that I made it past my first day.

The Friday of my first week I attended my College Writing Seminar for the first time. I really enjoyed it and the classmates that I met. I felt like it's a good group of people to be surrounded by. I can already tell that the class would have really good and interesting debates and discussions since everyone's inputs and opinions are different. In the beginning of class my professor, Professor Holder, asked us a question about the Market Basket incident and if we sided with the workers or the management team. I hadn't heard about the dilemma that the Somerville and the greater community were having. But after I asked Professor Holder to give me the background info I was then able to choose a side (the workers) and joined the discussion.

In high school I was a part of the debate team and participated in numerous competitions. So whenever we have a debate or a Socratic seminar it was exciting for me to be able to share my thoughts and input on different topics. After my first English class I felt like maybe my high school did prepare me for college. I kind of had a secret fear for a while that I wasn't going to make it in college. I felt like everything my high school taught me was so easy and the fact that graduates came back and told us that they weren't prepared scared me even more. But it wasn't until after surviving my first week that I knew I could mentally and physically handle everything college has to offer me, hard work included.

The weeks following things gradually got better. I got more control over my knife, started studying my knife cuts, and working on my English assignments every chance I got. Bunker Hill is just my starting point. I plan to transfer to a four year college – preferably Johnson and Wales – and get my Bachelor's Degree in Culinary Arts. Nevertheless, I'm glad that I picked Bunker Hill as my base because my experience so far has been great ever since I made the decision to change my major.

— Alexandria Paul

Paul has been writing since she was very young. On Saturday afternoons during her free time she would sit on the computer at home and write novels (Science Fiction, Non-fiction, fiction). If she wasn't on the computer she was writing in a notebook. Reading has always been one of her hobbies. Paul loves to read for fun but hated being forced to read. It was something about reading and writing that has always sparked her interests.

It has been two weeks since classes started and I already love college. Just the idea of finally being independent with no one on my back about my studies excites me when I wake up every morning. Unfortunately, high school for me was like being at the bottom of a swimming pool with my ankle tied to a plug in the drain. It was hard to undo that hold authority had over me while I was just trying to gasp for independence. It's a big shift going from a public high school where there are disciplinarians roaming the halls, awaiting for a student to step out of class to question and chastise, versus college where the staff there treats you as the adult you present yourself to be.

On the first day of classes I was excited. "Finally, I can really focus and fully immerse myself into everything it takes to become a great chef," I thought to myself as I stepped out of the revolving doors of Bunker Hill. In that single moment I felt the happiest, because no one could touch me. But it wasn't just the fact that I just gained the independence. Prior to school starting I made a very big life changing decision. In the last weeks of summer, while getting things ready for school, I thought about what I really wanted to do with my life. I went through a mental game of tug of war trying to determine what I really wanted my future to be.

I had already chosen my classes for psychology, set up my schedule and had everything set when it dawned on me. "You've loved cooking since you were a little girl. You are passionate about it and there are so many career opportunities in the food industry," I told myself. Taking a deep breath I sat down and questioned myself about taking on multiple client's problems in my role as a counselor. I thought, "Is this something I'm passionate about?" For a long time I was stuck between wanting to be a chef and wanting to be a therapist. It took me about a week to weigh out the pros and cons of both careers and come up with a solution.

I had an epiphany during that week and decided to go on ahead and change my major from Psychology to Culinary Arts. And so far it was one of the best decisions I could have made in my life. My first day in the kitchen was nerve racking. My chef, Chef Kelley, gave me a task and right on the spot I forgot what he told me to do. I just walked to a part of the kitchen where he couldn't see me and helped out my colleagues with their tasks. I also forgot my notebook in the dining room twice, each time just standing there while he was talking and others were writing down his every word. It was like my confidence was dwindling away as I kept messing up.

At the end of the day my chef ordered me and my classmates to clean the whole entire kitchen. We all went to work scrubbing the tiles of the greasy

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YOU AND STONEWALL JACKSON

for my grandmother

I wondered if being related to Stonewall Jackson was like the Chippendale chairs that turned out to be knockoffs, or the antique highboy made in 1967.

But he had the same high forehead and straight nose as you,

the same firm jaw;
his set on the "lost cause" of the Confederacy.

Better to fight for a lost cause that is noble, you once said.

I wondered,
brushing off spider webs

from crepe myrtle
color of blushing cheeks

as we sat at the cemetery
on those hot afternoons,

if you felt life had been
a noble lost cause

but no,
you'd re-written everything.

Stonewall Jackson was considered
the greatest tactical commander of the civil war

and you arranged your life
the way you dreamed it.

Your husband never had an affair
he was shot by some lunatic not a jealous husband.

We pulled up the weeds
near everyone's headstone
watered the geraniums
and went home.

Of Jackson you said:
In death he became an icon.

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