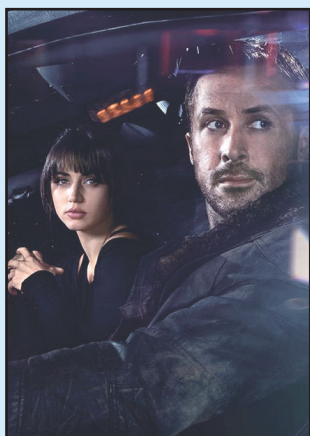




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## Citywide Election 2017: Unofficial results



It was a big day for challengers in this year's Citywide Election, but incumbent Mayor Joseph Curtatone handily defeated his opponent by more than a two to one margin.  
— Photo by Donald Norton

By The Somerville Times Staff

The unofficial results of the 2017 Citywide Election in Somerville are as follows:

Incumbent Joseph A. Curtatone prevailed over challenger Payton Corbett to remain mayor of Somerville.

The top vote-getters for Alderman At-Large were Mary Jo Rossetti, Stephanie A. Hirsch, William A. White Jr., and Will Mbah.

The Ward 1 Alderman vote went to Matthew C. McLaughlin, over challenger Elio LoRusso.

In Ward 2, challenger JT Scott defeated incumbent Maryann Heuston for alderman.

Challenger Ben Ewen-Campen won the vote for Ward 3 Alderman, displacing incumbent Robert J. McWatters.

In Ward 4 it was Jesse Clingan over Omar Boukili for ward alderman.

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## Volunteers join East Somerville's Fall Clean-Up and Bulb Blitz

By Jim Clark

Folks from East Somerville and its environs joined forces on Saturday, November 4, to participate in the annual East Somerville Fall Clean-Up, organized by East Somerville Main Streets and Somerville's 7th annual Somerville Bulb Blitz.

Volunteers gathered at the East Branch Library Saturday morning and split off to various locations in the area to pick up random pieces of trash and bits of this and that in an effort to further beautify the neighborhood.

Members from Revolutionary Clinics joined in the clean up, alongside residents and neighbors throughout the city. East Somerville Main Streets Board Members Andrew Arbaugh and Julie Nicoletti headed up the clean-up efforts.

At the same time, volunteers from around the city showed up to get their hands dirty planting flower bulbs that will sprout this spring, in East Somerville as well as other locations throughout the city.



The annual East Somerville Fall Clean-Up and Bulb Blitz brought conscientious, civic-minded volunteers out last Saturday to help spruce up the neighborhood. More photos on pages 12-13. — Photo by Claudia Ferro

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Don't forget, **The Little Sisters of the Poor annual Christmas Bazaar** takes place on **Saturday, November 11**, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the home on Highland Ave. Once again this year the entire first floor will be filled with goodies, baskets and gifts suggestions. A great place doing great work, stop in and support the fine Little Sisters of the Poor and all the residents of the home.

**Mayor Curtatone** had his victory party at the Holiday Inn last night. It was a packed house for his re-election celebration. We have to compliment him on the TV commercial he did. He listed all the accomplishment of the city in the past 14 years and it was very impressive. A lot of people see Somerville in a different light now, and it's about time.

**Somerville Local First** presents their annual **Holiday Marketplace** on **Sunday, November 26**, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., in the main hall of the **Armory**, 191 Highland Avenue. This popular makers market returns this year with a list of 40+ amazing vendors ready to make your holiday shopping list obsolete. With jewelry, pet accessories, housewares, textiles, fragrances, leather goods, gifts, and specialty food items available, there is something for everyone. We here at *The Somerville Times* urge all residents to come out and support these hard working dedicated local vendors and meet your neighbors as well.

**Rosa Moccia**, the one and only matriarch of the famous **Victor's Deli**, is going to be gracing the counter to meet and greet new and old friends until the holidays are over. Rosa is looking forward to saying "Hi" to all her customers. She's needed back to help out **Nancy** and **Jason**. It should be great, so go and visit her. She is reminding everyone to order their holiday food that has made Victor's Deli famous for many years. We can't wait!

A very good friend, **Cheryl Wright Eidinger-Taylor**, who is President and COO of **ERA Key Realty Services** with headquarters Milford, was selected **Outstanding Woman in Business** by the *Worcester Business Journal*.

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## TheSomervilleTimes.com Comments of the Week

### Response to: Our View of the Times – November 1

Old Taxpayer says:

In my talk to Jesse Clingan I find him to be very closed minded to the needs of the small business men in Somerville which is very disturbing as I really wanted to vote for him. Problem is I do not want Omar at all in my ward.

As for aldermen at large I will only vote for one and that is Bill White who to me is the only real honest person running that really not only does his job but goes way beyond that. Not sure about his feelings but if I had my way he would be the mayor of this city. Unfortunately the mayor does not have a candidate worth considering which is sad as we desperately need that to change.

LindaS says:

Boy, Old Taxpayer, you are 100% right about Bill White making a good mayor. It's too bad he doesn't seem interested in running.

I know many folks here support our current Mayor, but I just can't agree with his over-development of the city. I'm sure he's done a lot of good in many areas, but until he stops bringing more developers here and works to maintain what we already have, I can't get in his court.

What does it say when the same leader that talks about creating more green space in this city also allows more development and the removal of trees without some immediate plans to replace them? I have no doubt he'll be reelected this year, but it won't be due to my vote.

Justin M says:

I have never read a more inaccurate description of Ward 1 Alderman Matt McLaughlin. I don't even live in Ward 1 and he returns my calls and helps with any issue that comes up. Eliot has no experience. I have seen how he works... or doesn't for that matter. When you are on the board of a nonprofit it's usually expected that you show up and participate. His was an empty seat.

I did not know Jesse Clingan well before this election started. He asked for my support and I chose to give it only after I learned how passionate and committed he is to the community first... that includes small businesses. If you really did talk to him, not sure you did, then you would have heard his genuine concern for how gentrification of Somerville not only affects long time residents, but long time small business owners as well. VOTE FOR JESSE in WARD 4.

DATGruntled says:

Getting Matt out of Ward 1 would be wonderful. I can't say enough about what a disappointment he is.

Somervillenous says:

Justin M: Hate to burst your bubble buddy but Matt is an angry monster who needs to be replaced. He has his hand held by Niedergang – who needs to go too.

NMRN says:

Matt is in over his head. He is a follower not a leader. He has done nothing to improve Ward-1 issues. He will soon come out with his defense of his opponent running a negative campaign – when Elio is simply stating the facts. Matt says 'action speaks louder than words' but he has no actions to back up his words. Matt likes to tell people this is Elio's fourth time running – I guess he forgets some of our most productive and popular elected officials did not win their first time – Mike Capuano, Joe Curtatone, Bill White, to name a few. I hope Elio prevails this time.

JessicaR says:

Thank you to the staff of "Our View" for your choice of Stephanie Hirsch. She'll keep out of old boy politics and concentrate on finding solutions for real issues which effect the people of Somerville. So, come on ladies, let's get Stephanie elected, and as Maryann Heuston and Mary Jo Rossetti aren't getting any younger – no offense meant – and they'll retire one day. Stephanie is very motivated, and she's unselfish, and she'll do a great job as an at-large alderperson.

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# City urges MBTA to maintain fencing along commuter rail corridor

By Jim Clark

At the most recent regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen on Thursday, October 26, a resolution was put forward by Ward 2 Alderman Maryann Heuston asking that the city urge the MBTA to maintain the fencing along the commuter rail corridor, to prevent the needless loss of life.

Heuston cited recent instances of fatal encounters between commuter trains and pedestrians who had gained entry into the rail corridor due to inadequate fencing.

A letter addressed to Massachusetts Governor Charlie Baker and MBTA General Manager Luis Ramirez outlining the dangers of the current situation was prepared and sent by Alderman Heuston, who asked the other members of the Board to sign on to the resolution.

The main body letter reads as follows:

"On Wednesday, October 11th, a Somerville woman was killed on the commuter rail train tracks adjacent to Washington Street, Somerville, near the Argenziano School. As can be imagined, the family and friends of this woman deeply mourn her passing and have been grappling with this tragedy.

While the cause of this fatality remains under investigation, it is clear that the lack of fencing

and repairs to fencing along this stretch of train tracks, allowing people to veer into unsafe areas, most certainly is something that is cause for concern. Easy access to dangerous areas is something that should be addressed and monitored when fencing that was installed to protect people, and even animals, from trains is in disrepair and no longer offers that protection.

Along this particular stretch of tracks in Somerville there are several large gaps in fencing, all the more for concerning since these gaps are easily accessible from properties adjacent to the tracks as well as the Argenziano School.

On Saturday, October 13th, there was a detailed report in the Boston Globe which referenced the 72 deaths by trains since the start of the 2014 fiscal year. It spoke of the fact the MBTA General Manager Luis Ramirez has formed a working group to study solutions to the problem. A portion of the article speaks of the need for better fencing, and one man who lost his daughter near his home in Mansfield in 2008 said that had there been better fencing it would have prevented his daughter's death, that fencing near his home was in "shameful disrepair," and that fencing should be more regularly updated. The Federal government has also called on transit systems to add fencing and oth-



The lack of adequate fencing along the MBTA commuter rail corridor is a cause of great concern for Somerville and neighboring community residents, according to a recent resolution put forward at the latest Board of Aldermen meeting.

er barriers along tracks. While I applaud the many efforts to find solutions and prevent rail deaths, the fact is that even though the MBTA was present on Wednesday to investigate and respond to this tragedy, the fence remains unrepaired and other large openings in fencing along the commuter rail tracks in Somerville also remain unrepaired.

It is important to protect the safety of our citizens and it does not take a study group to see that access to tracks in ar-

reas where there was fencing and where fencing has been compromised is a problem and one that should be, and can be, immediately addressed. Preventive maintenance also needs to be constant. One way is the use of a camera installed on the trains to detect problem areas as well as a hotline to encourage reports by citizens. "No Trespassing" signage, while present at other locations along the track, was not present at this location.

As the Ward Two Alderman representing the area of Somer-

ville where this accident happened, I am asking for a call to action by the MBTA to identify and address barriers and fencing along the commuter rail tracks that are in disrepair and allow easy access to the tracks.

This is a plea to insure the safety of our community and to avoid another such tragedy in the future."

The resolution passed unanimously and all Board members signed on as co-sponsors. The letter was subsequently sent to the aforementioned officials.

## The Somerville Times Best of Somerville 2017 Cast your vote!

You have until November 24 to vote for your favorite category. To cast your vote, email us at [thebestofsomerville@yahoo.com](mailto:thebestofsomerville@yahoo.com) or mail in your ballot to The Somerville Times, 699 Broadway, Somerville, MA 02144. The winners will be announced Wednesday, November 29, 2017. If you don't see your favorite category here, simply add it to this list.

### Best of Somerville Foods & Restaurants

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- Best Combination Breakfast & Lunch
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- Best Chinese Food
- Best Mexican Food
- Best Portuguese Food
- Best Local Deli
- Best Variety and all around Restaurant
- Best Seafood
- Best Irish Pub
- Best Local Bar
- Best Thai Food
- Best Hamburger
- Best Mac & Cheese
- Best Hot-Dog
- Best Roast Beef Sandwich
- Best Pizza
- Best Bakery

- Best Sub Shop
- Best Coffee Shop Franchise
- Best Coffee Shop local
- Best Bar Food

### Best of Somerville Services

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- Best Plumber
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- Best City Worker
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- Best Real Estate Rental Agent
- Best Bank Teller
- Best Bank Employee
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- Best Bartender
- Best Cook

- Best Caterer
- Best Barber
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- Best Doctor
- Best Nurse
- Best Coach
- Best Police Officer
- Best Fire Fighter
- Best Photographer
- Best Somerville Historian
- Best Eye Doctor
- Best Orthodontist
- Best Mortgage Officer
- Best Somerville Artist
- Best Somerville Poet
- Best Somerville Writer
- Best Somerville Celebrity
- Best City Elected Politician
- Best City Employee DPW
- Best City Employee City Hall/Annex

### Best of Somerville Businesses

- Best Somerville Bank
- Best Real Estate Company
- Best Insurance Agency
- Best Creative Business in 2016
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- Best Laundromat
- Best Liquor Store
- Best Gas Station
- Best Auto Body Shop
- Best Tow Company
- Best Law Firm
- Best Pest Exterminator
- Best Convenient/Neighborhood Store
- Best Somerville Non Profit Agency
- Best Bar For Bands
- Best Newspaper

- Best Idea in 2017
- Worst Idea in 2017



THE WEEK IN CRIME

By Jim Clark

# The pen not so mighty after all

While on patrol of the Mystic River development last week, Somerville Police officers were dispatched to a Memorial Rd. location on reports of a disturbance in progress.

As the officers entered the hallway of Memorial Rd. location, they reportedly heard loud arguing going on in the second floor hallway.

They spotted a man in the second floor hallway, previously known to them as Filsdyn Modan, holding something in his hand while another man was saying, "Come on".

It was reportedly known to the officers that had a no trespass order against him at that location.

Modan reportedly turned away upon seeing the officers and placed the item he was holding in his pants pocket.

Fearing that this item might be a knife, the officers put Modan into handcuffs for their safety as well as his until they were able to determine what was happening.

The item in Modan's pocket turned out to be a green colored pen that he was using to assault the victim with.

The victim reportedly told police that he was entering the building when he first saw the Modan in the hallway and asked him if he lived in the building, knowing that he does not.

The victim said that when he attempted to take a picture of Modan with his cell phone to show police, it enraged him and he charged the victim and punched him in the face, knocking out his front tooth.

The victim stated that Modan told him he was going to a friend's apartment to get a knife. When no one opened the door, Modan reportedly pulled out the pen from his pocket and waved it at the victim in a stabbing type motion, coming only inches away from him.

It was at this point that the police arrived and witnessed the pen in Modan's extended hand, pointed at the victim in a threatening manner.

Modan was subsequently placed under arrest and charged with assault with a dangerous weapon, to wit a pen; assault and battery; and trespassing.

## SOMERVILLE POLICE CRIME LOG

### Arrests:

**Joshua Murphy**, of 21 Sunset Rd., November 1, 12:46 a.m., arrested at Latin Way on charges of violation of city ordinance open container, possession of liquor by a person under 21, and disorderly conduct.

**Angelor Julien**, of 8 Wheatland Ave., Dorchester, November 3, 3:14 a.m., arrested at Noonan Pl. on warrant charges of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended registration, operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license, marked lanes violation, uninsured motor vehicle or trailer, unregistered motor vehicle, and negligent operation of a motor vehicle.

**Kellie Johnson**, of 6 Academy Court, Boston, November 3, 3:14 a.m., arrested at Noonan Pl. on warrant charges of state highway traffic violation and unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

**Matthew Earner**, of 19 Glenn St., Rockland, November 3, 2:40 p.m., arrested at Artisan Way on warrant charges of assault and battery and shoplifting by concealing merchandise.

**Tony Harris**, of 66 Woodlawn, Everett, November 3, 3:43 p.m., arrested on charges of murder, assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, and carrying a firearm without a license.

**Ramon Pagan**, November 4, 7:04 p.m., arrested at Artisan Way on a warrant charge of miscellaneous municipal ordinance violation.

**Jerry Alphonse**, of 160 Elm St., Everett, November 5, 4:12 p.m., arrested at Assembly Row on warrant charges of number plate violation, not being in possession of license, and not being in possession of registration.

## Man charged in Somerville homicide

Middlesex District Attorney Marian Ryan and Somerville Chief of Police David Fallon have announced that Tony Harris, 28 of Everett has been arrested and charged with homicide in connection with the October 14 shooting of Kevin Raymond.

Harris was arrested by Massachusetts State Police, Everett and Somerville Police on November 3.

Kevin Raymond, 20, of Somerville, was shot in a parking lot on Canal Lane in Somerville on October 14 at approximately 3:40 a.m. He was driven to an area hospital where he was pronounced dead.

Harris was arraigned on Monday in Somerville District Court and charged with murder, assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, carrying a firearm without a license, possession of ammunition without a license, carrying a loaded firearm without a license and discharging a firearm within 500 feet of a building in connection with the shooting death of Raymond.

Judge Paul Yee ordered the defendant held without bail and also revoked the defendant's bail on an open case. The next scheduled hearing in this case is December 7, 2017.



A memorial was set up at the edge of the Canal Lane parking lot where Kevin Raymond was shot and killed on October 14.

## Citywide Election 2017: Preliminary results

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race, Emily Ackman prevailed over opponent Kenneth M. Salvato in Ward 1.

In Ward 2, Dan J. Futrell prevailed over Susan McDonald-Nionakis.

These results do not include absentee, provisional, overseas, or military ballots that will be added to the final counts.

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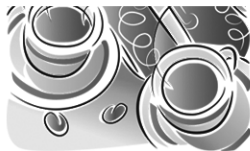
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## 'Blade Runner 2049' delivers the goods

By Dre Joseph

Studio Pitch: Yes, the original film bombed, but we think people are ready for more *Blade Runner*!

With *Blade Runner 2049* slipping onto the schedule in a time when audiences are numb to remakes, sequels and soft reboots, it was greeted with something of a shrugging "of course." At least by me.

The sequel machine has come around to Ridley Scott's original 1982 film despite its cult audience not really clamoring for more. I was not prepared for what a straight, faithful *Blade Runner* sequel from the consistently excellent Denis Villeneuve (director of *Arrival* and *Sicario*) would look like. I wasn't prepared for how committed the movie would be to the cold aesthetic of the original film or to using the open questions left by the first film as springboards to explore new themes and ideas.

Scott's *Blade Runner* is remembered for a lot of things: Its production design, its

melding of mystery noir with sci-fi (creating its own sub-genre that movies like *Dark City* and *Minority Report* would later explore), its sex-bots, its numerous different director's cuts and Scott's own assertions outside the film that attempted to spark debate that Harrison Ford's character is a replicant.

What it's not known for is its story, which is where *2049* picks up and builds on masterfully. Ryan Gosling plays a rogue-robot-hunting blade runner named K, who we are told is a replicant in the very first scene, the first of many times this sequel will play on our experience with the first film to subvert expectations.

Gosling is back in *Drive* mode here, perfecting the icy cold stare of a robot, whose mind ticks lively behind a façade that shows no expression. He dons a classic PI trench coat, sits in the dark, opens himself up only to a hologram of a female companion (Ana De Armas, becoming his unlikely side-kick and an



Denis Villeneuve's masterful reboot of a cult classic, *Blade Runner 2049* is currently thrilling audiences at the Somerville Theatre.

ironic heart to the film) and silently follows the tiniest clues.

Instead of being constructed around a series of action scenes, as the modern template for reboots has low-bared for us, the movie is action-light and moves along with K's detective work. The script is clever enough so that each new clue branches off into several possible directions.

The mystery in *2049* is dense and complicated and Villeneuve uses some clever misdirection, but it's also entirely solvable, engaging the keen-eyed cinemaphile to follow it. It unfolds slowly, at almost three hours, but thoughtfully and with purpose. Watching the pieces that looked like world-building details wind back and pay off in the story is incredibly satisfying. I was completely and totally drawn into the film.

The mystery works in congress with the visuals, which reflect a clear respect by Villeneuve to preserve Scott's universe, right down to the Atari advertisements that would seem like an anachronism in our world but perfectly extend the future-verse of *Blade Runner*. As he ex-

hibited with the cold hues of *Arrival* and *Prisoners*, the movie swims in a rich color palette that varies with each set piece, from the grey of the replicant's farm to the red of the radioactive desert to the shimmering dome of Jared Leto's God chamber. The movie is gorgeous, start to finish, top to bottom. Every shot looks like a damn painting, a precisely staged and beautifully rendered piece of sci-fi techno-art.

While I respect and recognize the influence of Ridley Scott's *Blade Runner*, I was never a big fan of the movie itself. I never felt the movie's lofty sci-fi themes of questioning-your-humanity broke out of traditional sci-fi themes and connected. It was a mood, a world, a style and a broad theme.

*2049* deals in a lot of the same pseudo-scientific psychobabble about what makes us human and levels of power as we create and our creations begin creating. This isn't particularly new at this point and a continued theme rippling underneath a lot of Scott's work (most recently *Prometheus* and *Continued on page 15*

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# Beacon Hill Roll Call

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**THE HOUSE AND SENATE:** This week, *Beacon Hill Roll Call* records local representatives’ and senators’ votes on roll calls from the week of October 30-November 3.

**PARIS CLIMATE AGREEMENT (H 3994)**

House 146-10, approved and sent to the Senate a bill that commits the Bay State to meeting the greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals in the international Paris Climate Agreement, from which President Donald Trump withdrew several months ago. The proposal makes Massachusetts a “non-party stakeholder” to the agreement and allows state officials to document their emissions reductions efforts via a new online data-gathering tool.

“As a millennial, there is no issue that will have a greater impact on my generation and my children’s generation than climate change.” said Rep. Dylan Fernandes (D-Falmouth), the bill’s sponsor. “This legislation sends a message to the nation and the rest of the world that a handful of climate deniers in Washington D.C. do not speak for the people of Massachusetts.”

“I voted against the principal of the Massachusetts Legislature engaging in foreign policy and international diplomatic accords, especially when in direct contradiction with federal government policy,” said Rep. Joseph McKenna (R-Webster). “Furthermore, there is nothing at all preventing us as a state from achieving these high standards regardless of signing onto the Paris Accord. The argument that we cannot achieve low carbon output without tying ourselves to international policy against our own federal government’s will is false.”

(A “Yes” vote is for the bill. A “No” vote is against it.)

Rep. Christine Barber	Yes
Rep. Mike Connolly	Yes
Rep. Denise Provost	Yes

**PREVENT SEXUAL ASSAULT ON COLLEGE CAMPUSES (S 2191)**

Senate 39-0, approved and sent to the House a bill that would require every college in the Bay State to adopt a policy on dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking that must be made available to all applicants, students and employees.

The policy would include procedures by which students and employees can report these incidents; information on where to receive immediate emergency assistance following an incident; descriptions of the types of counseling and health, safety, academic and other support services available from the institution and the local community; interim protective measures reasonably available from the institution including options for changing academic, living, campus transportation or working arrangements; a summary of the procedures for resolving dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking complaints; and mandatory annual training on sexual violence to new students and employees, including an explanation of consent and the role drugs and alcohol play in an individual’s ability to consent.

“As a legislator, and as a father, I recognize that there is more we should be doing to help prevent incidents of sexual assault on our college campuses,” said the bill’s sponsor Sen. Michael Moore (D-Millbury). “Through improved training, transparency and enforcement of policies, this bill supports initiatives that work to ensure our postsecondary institutions

are implementing systems students can trust. The bill also helps to fill the void created by the recent roll-back of federal protections.”

(A “Yes” vote is for the bill.)

Sen. Patricia Jehlen	Yes
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**OVERRIDE GOV. BAKER’S VETOES**

The next four roll calls are on overriding some of Gov. Charlie Baker’s cuts of \$320 million in spending in the \$39.4 billion fiscal 2018 state budget. A two-thirds vote in both branches is needed for a veto to be overridden.

House and Senate Democratic leaders say the budget is balanced and that it is necessary and fiscally responsible to override Baker’s cuts that would hurt many people including the sick, seniors, children and minorities.

The governor and GOP leaders question if the state can afford to restore this funding. Some Republicans said that because of this uncertainty they voted to sustain all of Gov. Baker’s vetoes, even though it meant voting against restoring funding for many good programs they would otherwise have supported.

**\$200,000 FOR ONE-STOP CAREER CENTERS (H 3800)**

Senate 36-2, overrode a reduction of \$200,000 (from \$3,960,051 to \$3,760,051) for One-stop Career Centers that give unemployed individuals access to a variety of job assistance services, including working with experienced career counselors, attending workshops, training, developing a resume and writing cover letters.

(A “Yes” vote is for funding the \$200,000. A “No” vote is against it.)

Sen. Patricia Jehlen	Yes
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**\$40,000 FOR HOME AND HEALTHY FOR GOOD (H 3800)**

Senate 32-6, overrode a reduction of \$40,000 (from \$2,040,000 to \$2 million) for the Home & Healthy for Good program to reduce the incidence of chronic homelessness in the Bay State by providing housing and supportive services to chronically homeless individuals through a model that is less costly and more effective than managing their homelessness and health problems on the street or in a shelter.

(A “Yes” vote is for funding the \$40,000. A “No” vote is against it.)

Sen. Patricia Jehlen	Yes
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**\$250,000 FOR CHEFS IN SCHOOL (H 3800)**

Senate 32-6, overrode the veto of the entire \$250,000 for the Chefs in Schools program that brings chefs into school cafeteria kitchens to work with existing staff to create healthier meals that students would find tasty and visually appealing.

(A “Yes” vote is for funding the \$250,000. A “No” is against funding it.)

Sen. Patricia Jehlen	Yes
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**\$350,000 FOR ZOOS (H 3800)**

Senate 31-7, overrode a reduction of \$350,000 (from \$4,350,000 million to \$4 million) in funding for the nonprofit Commonwealth Zoological Corporation

that runs the Franklin Park Zoo in Boston and the Stone Zoo in Stoneham. The \$350,000 cut also included a cut of \$100,000 for the Lupa Zoo and Game Farm in Ludlow.

(A “Yes” vote is for funding the \$350,000. A “No” is against funding it.)

Sen. Patricia Jehlen	Yes
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**ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL**

**BAN PLASTIC GROCERY BAGS (H 2121)** - A bill before the Committee on the Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture would ban the use of single-use carryout plastic bags in any retail store with more than 3,000 square feet of space or with three locations.

Supporters say the nation uses 100 billion plastic bags per year and noted bags litter our streets and waterways and often kill marine animals who ingest them. “Fifty-five cities and towns in Massachusetts have already passed plastic bag bans, recognizing the environmental and public health risks they pose,” said sponsor Rep. Lori Ehrlich (D-Marblehead). “We need to take the next step at the state level, clarifying the patchwork of plastic bag regulations with a singular, statewide ban on plastic bags, which threaten our own health in our drinking water and kill fish and wildlife en masse.”

Opponents say public education has already resulted in widespread use of reusable bags without the state imposing a ban on plastic bags. They note these plastic bags are often reused by consumers for cleaning up after their pets and to line wastebaskets.

**NO STATE FUNDS FOR BOTTLED WATER (H 2817)** - A bill before the State Administration and Regulatory Oversight Committee would prohibit state funds from being used to purchase bottled water for use in state buildings that are served by a public water supply or potable well water, except when required for safety, health or emergency situations.

Supporters say that Massachusetts spent more than \$1 million in fiscal year 2017 on bottled water for various government entities, offices and agencies around the state. They note that production of bottled water uses more energy than the production of public drinking water and bottled water generates large amounts of waste and is simply bad for the environment. “It makes no sense to purchase and throw away water bottles,” said private citizen Janet Rothrock in her testimony before the committee. “First of all, they are expensive. A one-liter bottle costing \$1.50 is 1,850 times as expensive as a liter of tap water. This is a wasteful use of taxpayer money, and secondly, it can be unhealthy. Bottled water is tested only by the manufacturer, test results are not made public and water sold within its state of origin is not required to be tested.”

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**REVEAL HOW LAWS APPROVED BY THE LEGISLATURE AFFECT LOCAL CITIES AND TOWNS (S 1712)** - Another bill before the State Administration and Regulatory Oversight Committee would require that an estimate of the fiscal impact on the state and local communities over the next five years be included with any law approved by the Legislature and signed by the governor.

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bill’s sponsor Sen. Anne Gobi (D-Spencer). “Knowing what the potential financial impact would be of any new law for the year it becomes law and the next four years so proper planning can take place would be extremely beneficial as well as seeing if the mandate is truly necessary.”

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**SLOT MACHINES IN VFW HALLS (H 214)** - The Economic Development and Emerging Technologies Committee held a hearing on legislation that

would allow up to ten slot machines in VFW clubs and any other property owned or rented by a veteran’s organization. The bill was filed in response to a move by the Alcohol Beverage Control Commission (ABCC) that ordered an American Legion Post in Plymouth to shut down the five slot machines it had installed several years ago. The post had automatic amusement device licenses from the town of Plymouth and the proceeds were used to help veterans and their families and fund local scholarships.

“Veteran organizations provide vital service and support to our deserving veterans who have sacrificed so much for all of us,” said the bill’s sponsor Rep. Tom Calter (D-Kingston). “This legislation would give those organizations needed support to sustain operation and allow them to continue to be a resource for veterans and their local communities.” Calter noted that without the machines, the amount of money raised to fund scholarships has fallen from up to \$15,000 to a mere \$500.

**REPLACE “HANDICAP” WITH “DISABILITY” (S 50)** - The Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities Committee held a hearing on a measure that would strike all references in the state’s General Laws to “handicap” and replace them with “disability.”

Supporters said over the years, the word “handicap” has developed a negative connotation and is commonly perceived as being offensive by implying that persons with disabilities are somehow lesser than their able-bodied peers.

“Words matter,” said the measure’s sponsor Sen. Pat Jehlen (D-Somerville). “Language changes. People in the disability community prefer this language, and we should respect that.”

**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 30-November 3, the House met for a total of 17 hours and eight minutes and the Senate met for a total of 20 hours and 13 minutes.

Mon. October 30	House 11:03 a.m. to 11:39 a.m. Senate 11:04 a.m. to 2:12 p.m.
Tues. October 31	House 11:02 a.m. to 3:27 p.m Senate 11:13 a.m. to 3:48 p.m
Wed. November 1	House 10:59 a.m. to 4:02 p.m. Senate 11:09 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.
Thurs. November 2	House 11:02 a.m. to 6:06 p.m. Senate 11:14 a.m. to 6:08 p.m.
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Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
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18 Forster St	7 room, 3 bed, 1f 0h bath Colonial	33	\$779,900	\$845,000
14 Bartlett St	7 room, 4 bed, 2f 0h bath Victorian	33	\$799,900	\$800,000
54 Prescott St	8 room, 3 bed, 2f 1h bath Colonial	14	\$799,900	\$815,000
46 Highland Rd	8 room, 5 bed, 2f 1h bath Victorian	7	\$1,275,000	\$1,300,000
7 Cedar Street Place	10 room, 4 bed, 2f 1h bath Contemporary	17	\$1,469,000	\$1,490,000

**Recent Condominiums Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month:**

Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
290 Highland Ave U:3A	4 room, 3 bed, 3f 0h bath Low-Rise	22	\$975,000	\$1,015,000
290 Highland Ave U:PH B	4 room, 2 bed, 2f 1h bath Low-Rise	1	\$1,032,000	\$995,000
39-A Oxford St U:Left	6 room, 3 bed, 3f 1h bath Townhouse	287	\$1,099,995	\$1,025,000
2 Loring Street U:C	7 room, 3 bed, 2f 1h bath Low-Rise	18	\$1,195,000	\$1,160,000
12 Clyde St U:1	6 room, 3 bed, 2f 0h bath Townhouse	36	\$1,324,900	\$1,315,000
10 Clyde St U:1	8 room, 3 bed, 2f 1h bath Townhouse	36	\$1,369,900	\$1,349,000
8 Clyde St U:1	8 room, 4 bed, 2f 1h bath Townhouse	70	\$1,399,900	\$1,355,000
38 Chandler Street U:B	9 room, 4 bed, 3f 0h bath 2/3 Family	38	\$1,775,000	\$1,735,000

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

Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
95 -97 Ten Hills Road	2 unit, 14 total room, 7 total bedroom 2 Family	49	\$1,150,000	\$1,000,000
114 Highland Road	3 unit, 13 total room, 6 total bedroom 3 Family	16	\$1,375,333	\$1,390,000
65 Josephine Avenue	2 unit, 13 total room, 5 total bedroom 2 Family	5	\$1,425,000	\$1,550,000
33 Central Street	2 unit, 15 total room, 6 total bedroom 2 Family	43	\$1,678,000	\$1,570,000
31-33 Wheatland Street	3 unit, 22 total room, 9 total bedroom 3 Family	34	\$1,689,000	\$1,700,000
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BY DOROTHY DIMARZO



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# House and Senate approve bump stock ban

By Bob Katzen

Last week the state House and Senate approved and acting Gov. Karyn Polito signed into law a ban on bump stocks, devices that are attached to rifles, shotguns or firearms, other than a magazine, to increase the weapon's rate of fire and mimic a fully automatic weapon that can fire hundreds of shots in succession. The measure was filed in response to the recent massacre in Las Vegas where the shooter

used 12 of these devices, allowing him to shoot, kill and injure more victims. The ban was included as part of a \$129 million supplemental budget designed to close out the books on fiscal 2017. The law makes Massachusetts the first state to ban these devices. "In this budget, Massachusetts will once again be a leader in gun violence prevention by banning bump stocks," said House Ways and Means Chair Jeff Sanchez (D-Boston).

"I am confident this language will effectively ban bump stock devices, while protecting the rights of law-abiding gun owners, and closing any loopholes that could be exploited by gun manufacturers," said Rep. David Linsky (D-Natick), the sponsor of the proposal. "I am proud of our commonwealth for continuing to enact some of the strongest gun laws in the country, and we will continue to vote to protect our citizens and make our laws even stronger."

# Senate passes sweeping criminal justice reform bill

From the Office of Senator Patricia D. Jehlen

Senator Pat Jehlen (D-Somerville) recently joined her Senate colleagues in voting for a comprehensive criminal justice reform package that updates decades old criminal sentencing laws to improve outcomes of our criminal justice system. The bill, S. 2185, An Act Relative to Criminal Justice Reform, passed by a vote of 27-10. Several provisions included in the final bill were filed by Senator Jehlen earlier this session as individual pieces of legislation: creating a medical parole system allowing eligible inmates access to more suitable and medically appropriate care; disrupting the school-to-prison pipeline by ensuring fewer students are arrested for non-violent and verbal misconduct; increasing the felony larceny threshold; and updating Massachusetts' wrongful conviction statute. "In 1982, about one of every 127 Massachusetts residents was under correctional control

or supervision. Now that number is about 1 out of 25. These individuals are disproportionately poor, of color, and, once released, have very few resources to help them get back on their feet. Many are young people who have moved through the school to prison pipeline. Many face mental health issues or substance use disorders. Many have limited education or professional work experience. And being involved in the criminal justice system makes an already daunting climb to self-sufficiency even more difficult," said Senator Jehlen. "It is a major achievement to pass a criminal justice package of this magnitude, and I am proud of the Senate's efforts to reform our broken system." The bill creates a parole system so that permanently incapacitated and terminally ill inmates can receive treatment in an appropriate hospital or hospice setting. Other states and the federal government have been using medical parole systems to reduce corrections costs without affecting public safety for de-

acades. Currently, Massachusetts is one of only 5 states without a medical parole process. The bill updates the commonwealth's juvenile justice system, to encourage rehabilitation and positive future outcomes, reduce recidivism, and ensure fair treatment for young people. Recognizing that juveniles have not reached full adult maturity, this legislation decriminalizes in-school disorderly conduct, to reduce the use of arrest as a tool of school discipline. Currently, a mistake like talking back to the teacher could introduce adolescents to the criminal justice system, an experience riddled with negative impacts that could harm kids

throughout the rest of their lives. The bill increases the felony larceny threshold from \$250 to \$1500. There are many products whose retail value exceeds \$250, such as cellphones, that are ever-present in today's society. While stealing cellphones should certainly be punished, this bill would remove the potential for a 5-year prison sentence, a cost of about \$250,000 to the state, and the significant collateral consequences that accompany felony convictions. This bill also simplifies and speeds up the process by which victims of wrongful convictions are compensated. As it stands, the legal process often takes sev-

eral years to complete, delaying compensation. An expedited process would serve to move closer towards justice and fair reparations for people who have been wrongfully convicted. S.2185 includes several other critical provisions such as repealing ineffective mandatory minimum sentences for low level drug offenders, reducing and eliminating over burdensome fees and fines, and reforming the bail system. The bill now goes to the House of Representatives for consideration.

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## Continuing the mission: Serving veterans as they have served us And Honoring Somerville's Veterans of the Year



By Joseph A. Curtatone and  
Somerville Commissioner  
for Veterans' Services Bryan  
Bishop

With the approach of Veterans Day each year, as we remember and honor the sacrifice and service of all veterans, we are often also reminded of the range of challenges facing many of our Veterans as a result of their military service. From employment needs and transition to civilian life to physical or mental wounds, those who serve often carry extra burdens. We are reminded of the nearly 20 Veterans a day that take their own lives, Veterans dealing

with the horrors of Post-traumatic Stress Disorder, mental and emotional disabilities, and physical disabilities that can have an adverse, long-lasting effect on both Veterans and their families and friends.

This Veterans Day – as we do each year – we renew our commitment to ensure our Veterans and their families are honored and receive the support, benefits, and services to help them address their unique challenges. Each of our Veterans has served us; now it is time for us to serve them.

To identify our hometown heroes and better serve them, the Office of Veterans' Services will soon officially launch the new SomerVets program. This program not only identifies our Veterans but it will also reconnect our Veterans to local, state, and federal services and will provide helpful information on a multitude of Veteran events in Somerville and the surrounding areas. Beginning in January,

each Veteran who registers for SomerVet will receive a photo identification card that recognizes them as a Somerville Veteran and lists the branch of service. Each registered Veteran will also receive a SomerVet Challenge Coin in honor of their service to our country.

Our outreach will extend beyond identification through SomerVet to much-deserved special awards and recognition. Service is such a big part of Veterans life, and we know that, for many, serving doesn't end when they return home. They continue to serve by getting involved in their communities. Somerville is fortunate to have many Veterans who have become mentors and role models in our communities. To honor their continued service and dedication to our community, the City of Somerville Office of Veterans' Services has for the first time named two local Veterans as the 2017 Veterans of the Year.

**2017 Veterans of the Year: Officer Devin Schneider (Army) and Sean Horgan (Marine Corps)**

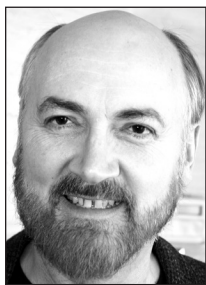
This year we recognize and honor Army Veteran and Somerville Police Officer Devin Schneider for his exceptional dedication to duty as well as his acts of going above and beyond what is expected when he encountered a sick, homeless Veteran under a bridge in Draw 7 Park. Officer Schneider acted compassionately and immediately got the Veteran to the West Roxbury VA Hospital for treatment. He even raised funds to help him in the short-term until he could return home to Pennsylvania. Officer Schneider's acts of kindness and generosity embody the spirit of a Veteran, and we're proud to call him one of our own.

Our second Veteran of the Year honoree is Davis Square resident and Marine Corps Veteran Sean Horgan. Sean is involved in an organization called Team Rubicon that unites the

skills and experiences of military Veterans with first responders to rapidly deploy emergency response teams to areas in need of disaster relief. Sean recently deployed with Veterans from Massachusetts to aid victims of Hurricane Harvey in Texas. Sean is a prime example of a Veteran who continues the mission upon returning home. We thank both Sean and Office Schneider for their service to our City, the Commonwealth, and the Nation.

The spirit of serving that is so well epitomized by our two Veterans of the Year serves in large part as our inspiration and motivation for serving local Veterans through the SomerVet program outreach and special recognition, not just on Veterans Day but each and every day. Let us always remember to honor, support, and thank our Veterans and continue the mission of serving them just as they have served – and are still serving – us.

## The Billionaires' Enrichment Act



By William C. Shelton

For almost forty years, Republicans have been peddling tax-cut snake oil on the promise that it would aid the middle class while explosive economic growth would benefit all. The results have consistently been the reverse.

I expected something similar when, in June, I wrote about their tax legislation ambitions. But I could not anticipate how breathtakingly destructive and dishonest the "tax-reform" bill that House Republicans rolled out last week would be.

### Destructive

We live in a time in which the U.S. is 146th out of 150 countries in wealth equality, and our middle class is being hollowed out. For the past four decades, wages and benefits have risen an

average of 0.27 percent per year, while average inflation was fourteen times that number.

These conditions are largely the result of federal policies that distributed globalization's and technologies' benefits to the wealthy and burdens to working people. The House GOP's tax plan would supercharge these trends.

Although the stock market and corporate profits are at an all-time high, the largest corporations would get a \$2 trillion tax cut, reducing the top marginal rate from 35 percent to 20 percent. They would no longer be taxed on overseas profits, and they would pay only 12 percent to bring home the cash that they've stashed there.

Income that owners of partnerships, sole proprietorships and S-corporations receive is termed "pass-through," and the bill would cut taxes on it by over half. More than 80% of profits earned by these pass-throughs come from companies with more than \$10 million in income. That's why the lobbying group for the nation's small business-

es says that "This bill leaves too many small businesses behind," and publicly opposes it.

For wealthy individuals, the trigger for the top tax rate would be increased to \$1 million, more than double what it is now. The alternative minimum tax, which prevents the wealthiest from paying nothing, would be eliminated. You may remember that in the one Donald-Trump tax return leaked to the public, this provision obligated him to pay \$31 million.

The infamous carried-interest loophole, which enriches private-equity and hedge-fund managers, would be preserved, despite Trump's repeated promises to eliminate it.

And while Republicans attacked the estate tax for decades as the "death tax," they neglected to mention that it applies only to estates worth more than \$5.5 million. The House GOP bill would completely eliminate it.

Perhaps most destructive, the Congressional Joint Committee on Taxation found that the bill would add \$1.5 trillion to the national debt over the next

decade. Paying off all that debt will eventually require massive tax increases, or more to Republicans' liking, deep cuts in Medicare, Social Security, and programs that actually would strengthen the economy.

### Dishonest

Last Thursday, House Speaker Paul Ryan said "It's very clear and obvious that the whole purpose of this is a middle-class tax cut." In fact, 80 percent of the benefits would go to the top 1 percent of earners. And for millions of people making less than \$100,000, taxes would go up.

Although the bill would double the standard deduction, it would eliminate personal exemptions, along with deductions that many middle-class households rely on. Among those are deductions for state and local taxes, high medical expenses, interest on student loans, tax preparation, moving, alimony, and interest on mortgages above \$500,000. The latter would increasingly affect homeowners in markets like Somerville.

The Joint Committee on Taxation found that taxes would go

up on families earning \$20,000 to \$40,000. But the legislation's complexities make it difficult to calculate exactly who would be harmed, and how much.

At their press conference last week, House Republicans waved a postcard-sized mock tax-return and claimed that they were simplifying tax reporting. As evidence, they pointed to fewer tax brackets, as if what made tax reporting challenging was finding your adjusted gross income in the tax table. Instead, for individuals claiming deductions, and for most small businesses, reporting would become more complicated.

A third false claim is that the tax bill is intended to stimulate investment and thereby create jobs. But the bill allows businesses to completely write off investments in plant and equipment, eliminating the taxes on these new investments.

As for job creation, America's large corporation are already hoarding \$2 trillion in cash reserves. If they want to create jobs, they certainly don't need more cash.

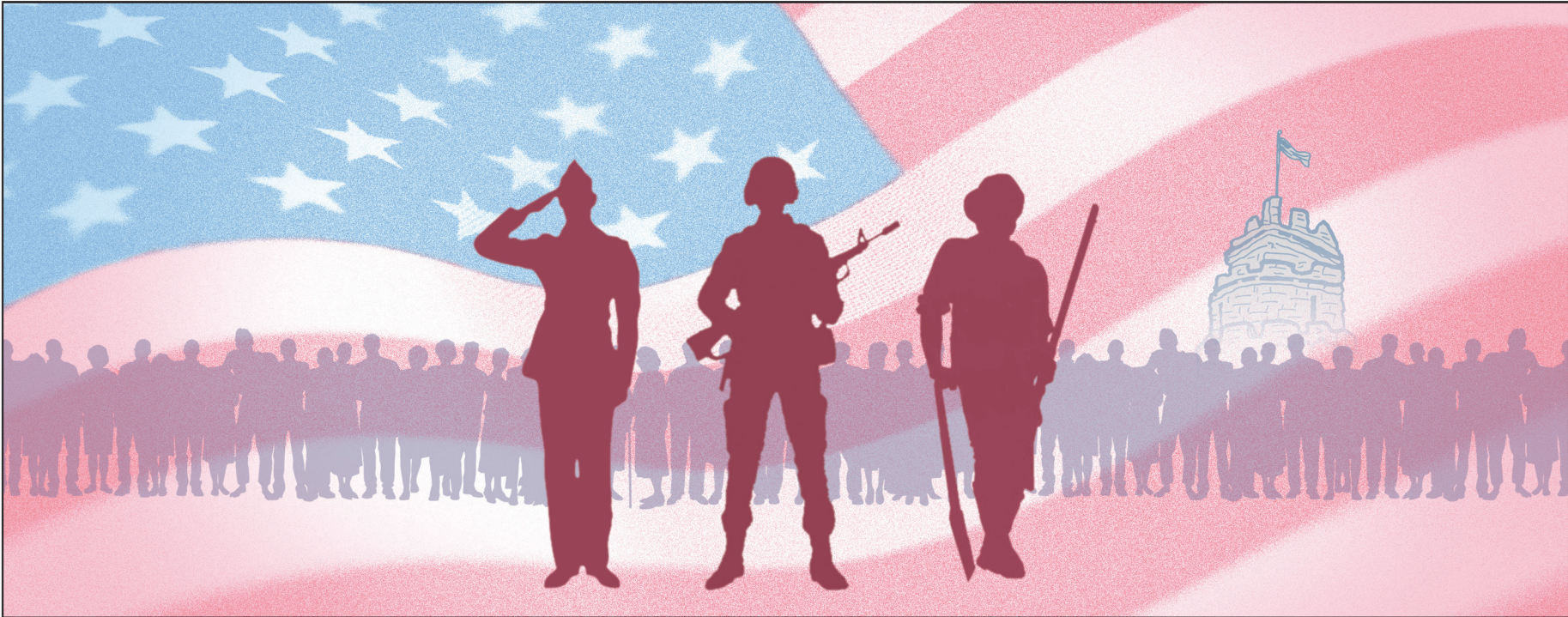
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COMMENTARY

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Illustrated by Jim Clark



Let us all honor our veterans on their special day.

Our View Of The Times



We see them every year and we regard them with awe and deepest admiration. Proud, humble in countenance, they seem to simply play their part in our annual celebration of appreciation for their courageous contributions to the wellbeing of our nation. The wellbeing of ourselves as a society.

The flesh and blood reality is even more awe-inspiring as we realize how fragile

life truly is, and yet these brave men and women each took a stand and declared that no harm should come to their fellow countrymen. Not on their watch.

Veterans Day is a time when each of us has a rare opportunity to reflect a small fraction of that magnificent commitment to humanity back upon the heroes who helped to make us all so much safer in a sometimes savage world.

Those of us who never served in the military cannot know the hardship, privation, and sacrifice that these people have made on behalf of all of us. Some have made the supreme sacrifice. It is for them most of all that we bow our heads and utter prayers of solace and of gratitude for the precious gifts that they have laid before us. Those of liberty and a future free from fear of enemies seen and unseen.

We must endeavor to express our thanks at every possible opportunity. Veterans Day is one opportunity, but there can be many more if we choose to make them. It is up to us to do just that.

We can take a stand and commit ourselves to celebrating the contributions of our beloved champions, one and all, each and every day to come. We ask that everyone here and elsewhere do just that.

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ERA Key has 15 offices from the Worcester area to Lowell, with 336 agents. It's a great company and Cheryl deserves the award. We congratulate her for all her hard work.

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Happy Birthdays this week: Celebrating this week is one of the nicest ladies here in Somerville, former **Alderman At-Large** amongst many of her accomplishments, we wish **Helen Corrigan** the very best of birthdays. She's very loyal to Somerville and it shows when you talk to her. Happy birthday also to a good friend of ours, **Bruce Taylor** of Milford, founder of **ERA Key Realty Services**. We wish Bruce the very best.

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**The Somerville Community Growing Center** is hosting a **bow making workshop** for their **Wreath Fundraiser** this coming **Saturday**, 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at 50 Oxford Street Somerville. All are welcome. Email **Lisa Kitchell** at **lpkitchell@gmail.com** for reservations.

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**The Somerville Times Best of Somerville** voting starts this week. When you see a business or person on the ballot (on page 3) that you like let us know. If you don't see a category that you think

should be included also let us know. You can email your choices (**thebestofsomerville@yahoo.com**) or mail them to the office (The Somerville Times, 699 Broadway, Somerville, MA 02144). Show your pride in a person or business or place you like and want to vote for.

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Join in on **Saturday, November 11**, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m., at **Tufts University Aidekman Arts Center**, Talbot Ave., for a celebration in honor of the 175th Anniversary of Somerville's separation from Charlestown, the **175th Birthday Soireé**. The formal (optional) event will include live music by local artists and Tufts University students, food and beverages from Somerville establishments. Tickets are available now via Eventbrite on a first come, first served basis. \$20 per person, includes free passed appetizers and samples of **Aeronaut Brewing Company's** limited edition brew, "Municipal Freedom Gives National Strength," in honor of the 175th Anniversary. If you have questions or concerns, email **Somerville175@somerville-ma.gov** for information on applying for special pricing due to financial hardship.

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**The Somerville High School Class of**

**1982** welcomes classmates to join them for the 35th reunion. **November 25**, 7:00 p.m., at **Pearl Street Station**, 53 Summer St., Malden. Appetizers - No Cost - Cash bar.

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**Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone** and **Ward 3 Alderman Robert McWatters** invite you to a community meeting to discuss the rehabilitation of **Prospect Hill Park** on **Wednesday, November 8**, 6:00 p.m. at the **Somerville High School Auditorium**, 81 Highland Ave.

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**The George Dilboy Post 529's Annual Marine Corps Birthday Celebration** will be held on **November 10**. All veterans are invited and encouraged to attend. This year marks the 242nd anniversary of the **United States Marine Corps**. For the past 20 years, members gather each year to honor those that served and continue to serve our country by providing toys for disadvantaged children. Last year they were able to provide needed financial support to the United States Marine Corps **Toy for Tots** program which helps needy children, thanks to the support of local donors and businesses. This year they seek community assistance to continue this financial

support in the form of money, gift certificates or other raffle items. All gifts are tax-deductible. Please make checks payable to the **George Dilboy Post 529 c/o Toys for Tots**, or call 617-666-8794 and they will make arrangements for a club officer to pick up the donation if it is more convenient.

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**The Nave Gallery** is now accepting donations for their **10th Annual Wrap Around**. Knitted, crocheted and sewn donations are wanted to benefit the **Somerville Homeless Coalition (SHC)**. Each year, through the generosity of the community, they raise approximately \$3,000 for the SHC. They are looking for donations of gloves, hats, scarves, toys or anything else that you have fun making. Contributions can be dropped off from **November 1 to 17** at the following locations: **Nave Annex**, 53 Chester St, Somerville (you can leave it in the vestibule if the gallery is not open); **Workbar Union**, 31 Union Square, Somerville (Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.); **Blue Cloud Gallery**, 713 Broadway, Somerville; **Magpie**, 416 Highland Ave, Somerville; and **Gather Here**, 1343 Cambridge Street, Cambridge.



# Volunteers join East Somerville's Fall Clean-Up and Bulb Blitz

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SPORTS

New record set at Somerville Homeless Coalition's 5K Road Race

By Kathryn Benjamin  
Somerville Homeless Coalition

The runners crowded the starting line, eager to take off and see who would be fastest. Christopher Antunes won the race, finishing at 15:59, and Acmae el Yacoubi placed as the overall fastest woman at 18:54.

A new fundraising record was set this year, with \$85,000 raised from the Somerville Homeless Coalition's 5K Road Race on October 7, besting last year's record of \$77,000.

The field of support was deep with dozens of sponsors, led by Ames Business Park and followed by the Somerville Road Runners, Callahan Construction and Whole Foods. Over

900 runners and walkers registered, and more than 30 individuals collected over \$12,000 in donations from friends, family, and colleagues to further support the work of the Coalition.

Shawn Szturma was the top fundraiser for the fourth year in a row and received the Steve Burton Award! His desire to help prevent families from becoming homeless motivates him, stating, "With all the resources we have in America, homelessness shouldn't exist. Yet it does. I hope that my fundraising for the Somerville Homeless Coalition will help some families and kids keep a home and break the cycle of poverty."

The second highest fundraiser, at over \$1,500, was 12-year-old Connor Evans, who also



This year's Somerville Homeless Coalition's 5K Road Race yielded a new fundraising record, besting the previous year's achievement by \$8,000. — Photos by Rachel Weil, SHC staff

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Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

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1. What is the name of Eddie Van Halen's recording studio?

2. In Germany, what are strumpfhose?

3. What were the names of the rival teenage street gangs in *West Side Story*?

4. Which was the last Apollo mission?

5. Where did Yoga originate?

6. When is World Turtle Day celebrated?

7. What was the original color of Tweety Bird?

8. When the *Milton Berle Show* moved to NBC, what night of the week was it on?

9. What is the name of the Police Chief in *The Simpsons*?

10. What is Miley Cyrus' birth name?

11. What is the Greek meaning of the name Vanessa?

12. On The Beatles' *Rubber Soul* album, in which song did George Harrison's use an Indian sitar?

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placed second in his age group for the race! "Sometimes I see people in Davis Square sitting out in the cold and begging for food, so I decided I wanted to try and make a difference," explained Connor.

"We're grateful for all the support we received from our partners – businesses and individuals alike – that allows us to do our work. And as difficult as it is for people to be poor in our society, having Connor want to make a difference when he's 12 years old gives me real hope for the future. Working together we can make a difference in our community."

The Somerville Homeless Coalition helps homeless and near-homeless families and individuals get the help they need to access and maintain safe, affordable, permanent housing. Operating two shelters, offering case management and supportive housing services, and providing prevention assistance for those at-risk of becoming homeless, as well as running the Project SOUP food pantry and meals program, SHC helped over 2,000 people last year.

For more information about SHC, ways to get involved, and a complete list of sponsors and winners for this year's 5K, visit [www.shcinc.org](http://www.shcinc.org).



Above: Top fundraiser Shawn Szturma with Connor Evans, second best fundraiser for the event; below left: Award for the fastest overall female, Acmae el Yacoubi; below right: Award for the fastest overall male, Christopher Antunes.

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## Veterans Day remembrance ceremony

Join members of Historic Somerville, the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts, and re-enactors of the British Regiment of Foot to commemorate Somerville's Veterans of the Revolutionary War and Civil War on Saturday, November 11, 2:30 p.m., at Milk Row Cemetery, 439 Somerville Ave. Free to the public.



## 'Blade Runner 2049' delivers the goods

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*Alien: Covenant*). The film even hangs on the now well-worn Very Important Hybrid trope.

While I wouldn't call it quite a McGuffin, much of it comes from Jared Leto's Wallace (the head of the Wallace Corporation, building the latest line of more obedient replicants) whose rambles about angels, slaves and gods are perfectly in keeping with the madman monologueing villain type. It's not particularly thought-provoking but it serves the narrative just right. By pushing the creation subtext to text instead of wallowing in it, Villeneuve makes it work here. He makes everything work. He makes the most mature, adult, layered and visually delicious neo-noir movie I've seen, even making the genre's previous high, Steven Spielberg's phenomenal *Minority Report*, look wacky by comparison.

As I've gotten older and seen more classic cult movies, I'm drawn more to mood pieces and lived-in worlds than by cinematic tricks and scripted twists. *Blade Runner's* world isn't just a unique dystopian future, but a fully realized lived-in one where everything high tech looks run down and dusty. The grimy police station, the hologram girlfriend who freezes when a call comes in. Villeneuve's visual eye fits right in here, but it's also the mood he recreates that sets 2049 buzzing with life even when it's moving at a glacier's pace. It is awash in a rhythmic pace and long tracking over dystopian city ruins.

The movie is positively in love with its neo-noir design. The thumping score works to turn synth 80s techno into an auditory assault on the nerves in the movie's few, but effectively anxious, action sequences. 2049 is a wonderful

marriage of filmmaker and material. I can't imagine this sequel in the hands of anyone else, even at this point Ridley Scott.

The Oscar-heavyweight cast lives up to their reputations as all the performances here are just right. From the maniacal humans trying to hold the world together in Robin Wright and the maniacal humans trying to create a new one in Leto, to the reappearance of the original *Blade Runner*, Rick Deckard, for which Harrison Ford delivers the best and most subtle performance he has in probably a decade. Then again, this is the first movie he's been in, actually, in about a decade that gives him an emotion to play instead of some fan service homage role. Sylvia Hoakes also stands out as Leto's replicant right-hand woman, whose dedication to doing his dirty work turns her into K's most vicious adversary.

*Blade Runner 2049* is a thrilling, wonderfully immersive journey and a prototype for sequel crafting that loves and pays tribute to the original while expanding its lore in fresh new directions. It's a niche film, that challenges and trusts the audience, but it's worth seeing even for those not a fan of Scott's original. It's for any post-Arrival fans of Villeneuve or anyone who likes *Blade Runner's* dystopian sci-fi detective world but hasn't yet seen it executed to its fullest potential. Nearly perfect, *Blade Runner 2049* is one of the best movies of the year and the new noir standard, and is now playing at the Somerville Theatre in Davis Square. For show times go to: <http://somervilletheatre.com/movie/blade-runner-2049/>. And, of course, if you're a stickler for tradition ... tell them Dre sent you.

## What's on Somerville Neighborhood News

*Somerville Neighborhood News (SNN)* is a hyper-local news service created to help inform and strengthen the community. SNN is a community-service production of Somerville Media Center, created by staff, interns, volunteers, and professional journalists. If you have any questions, local stories that you would like covered, or are interested in getting involved, email us at [news@somerville-media.org](mailto:news@somerville-media.org). Check out the latest stories from SNN:



### Somerville Seeks to Regulate Airbnb and Other Short-term Rentals

Like many cities in the area, Somerville has been facing a housing crisis in recent years. Housing prices are rising to the point where working-class families cannot afford to pay their rent. Short-term rentals like Airbnb may be partially to blame: [https://youtu.be/cx1Ze6o\\_zN0](https://youtu.be/cx1Ze6o_zN0)

### Clarendon Housing Redevelopment Project

A redevelopment project is in the works for the Clarendon Apartments in West Somerville. The Clarendon tenants' union, Clarendon Residents United, held a community event in October to raise awareness for their goals and concerns for the project: <https://youtu.be/5oRXWyqNtxE>

### Somerville Sports Update

Matt Noonan is back for another edition of the Somerville Sports Update: <https://youtu.be/fEzy-YDF59Q>

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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**OF PUBLIC HEARING**

A **joint public hearing** for all interested parties will be held by the Planning Board on **Monday, November 20, 2017** at 6:00 p.m. in the **Albert F. Argenziano School Cafeteria, 290 Washington Street, Somerville, MA**. The purpose of this hearing will be to receive public comments concerning the following:

**Union Square CDSP - PB#2017-20 (238 Washington St; 273 Somerville Ave; 269 Somerville Ave; 269 Rear Somerville Ave; 261 Somerville Ave; 259 Somerville Ave; 228 Washington Street; 234 Washington Street; 26 Prospect Street; 30 Prospect Street; 27 Bennett Street; 50 Prospect Street; 40 Bennett Street; 41 Bennett Street; 42 Bennett Street; 43 Bennett Street; 44 Bennett Street; 49-51 Allen Street; 4 Milk Place; 258 Somerville Avenue; 20-22 Prospect Street; 42 Prospect Street; 50 Webster Ave; 520 Columbia Street; 56 Webster Ave; 41 Webster Ave; 45 Webster Ave; 47 Webster Ave; 48 Webster Ave; 35 Prospect Street; 70 Prospect Street; 223 Washington Street; 231 Washington Street; 237 Washington Street; 9 Union Square; 2 Union Square; 298 Somerville Ave; 290 Somerville Ave; 286 Somerville Ave; 41 Union Square; 1 Bow Street):** Applicants Somerville Redevelopment Authority (SRA) and Union Square Station Associates LLC (US2), the Master Developer for the Union Square Revitalization Plan, a M.G.L. Chapter 121B "Urban Renewal Plan", seek a Coordinated Development Special Permit (CDSP) under Sections 5.8 and 6.8.5.C (formerly known as 6.7.5.C) of the Somerville Zoning Ordinance (SZO), and related Special Permits pursuant to Sections 6.8.11.F (formerly known as 6.7.11.F) for a Residential principal use, 6.8.6.A.3 (formerly known as 6.7.6.A.3) for partial payment in lieu of civic space, and 6.8.6.E (formerly known as 6.7.6.E) for off-site compliance to consolidate Arts & Creative Enterprise uses of the SZO, as well as waivers under Sections 5.1.2.2 (certified plot plan) and 5.1.2.7 (2' contours) of the SZO, for the review of a multi-lot development that establishes general phasing parameters, analyzes the impacts related to build-out, and identifies subsequent Design & Site Plan Review applications. CCD-45, CCD-45-C, CCD-55, CCD-55-C, NB, TOD-70, and TOD-100 zones. USOD Overlay District. Wards 2 & 3.


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Submittals may be viewed in-person 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. Staff reports, plans and Board decisions, when completed, are posted online at <https://www.somervillema.gov/departments/ospcd/planning-and-zoning>.

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](mailto:planning@somervillema.gov).

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**NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING**  
**Removal of Public Shade Trees**  
**City of Somerville**

Pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 87, the City of Somerville will hold a public hearing on Thursday, November 16, 2017 at 5:30 pm at the Department of Public Works Water Department Building, 17 Franey Road, Somerville, MA, to consider the removal of the following public shade tree(s):

- 1060 Broadway – removal of 13 inch diameter Honeylocust for development at the former Powder House Community School.
- 93 Ossipee Road – removal of 16 inch diameter Honeylocust causing major infrastructure damage to street and driveway.

The trees identified above have been posted for public inspection. Any objections to their removal must be submitted in writing prior to or during the hearing. Letters should be addressed to: Somerville City Arborist, 93 Highland Ave, Somerville, MA. 02143; or email [yboukili@somervillema.gov](mailto:yboukili@somervillema.gov).


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**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**NEW MEETING DATE**

A **joint public hearing** for all interested parties will be held by the Planning Board and the Board of Aldermen Land Use Committee on **Monday, November 27, 2017** at 6:00 p.m. in the **Aldermanic Chambers, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA**. The purpose of this hearing will be to receive public comments concerning the following:

**An amendment to Zoning Ordinance, Article 15, to establish a Project Mitigation Fee for Job Creation and Retention**

**An amendment to the Zoning Ordinance, Section 15.5, to update the Project Mitigation Contribution for Affordable Housing**

**An amendment, submitted by 18 registered voters, to the Zoning Ordinance, Article 15, to update the housing linkage fee and create a job creation and retention linkage fee**

**An amendment, submitted by 18 registered voters, to the Zoning Ordinance, Article 15, to update the housing linkage fee**


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Attest: Kevin Prior, Chairman  
Attest: Alderman Lance Davis, Chair, Land Use Committee of the Board of Aldermen  
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**PURCHASING DEPARTMENT**  
**IFB #18-26 SEWER PIPES AND SUPPLIES**

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

**Sewer Pipes and Supplies.**


An invitation for bids (IFB) and specifications may be obtained online at <http://www.somervillema.gov/departments/finance/purchasing/> bids or by contacting the Purchasing Department, City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA 02143 on or after: **Wednesday, November 7, 2017**. Sealed bids will be received at the above office until: **Wednesday, 11/21/2017 at 11 A.M.** at which time sealed bids will be opened. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all bids if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

The contract term shall be for a period of 1 year from **12/15/2017** through **12/14/2018**, with two one-year options to renew. The City reserves sole discretion to exercise renewal options.

Please contact Prajkta Waditwar [pwaditwar@somervillema.gov](mailto:pwaditwar@somervillema.gov) for further information.

**Angela M. Allen**  
**Purchasing Director**  
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**CITY OF SOMERVILLE**  
**OFFICE OF CITY CLERK**  
**BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

There will be a Public Hearing before the Board of Aldermen's Committee on Licenses and Permits on **Wednesday, November 15, 2017**, at 6:00 PM, in the Committee Room on the 2nd Floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, on the petition of Pepi's Inc., dba Pepi's Pizzeria, for an Extended Operating Hours License at 516B Medford Street, to remain open until 2 AM every day for in-store service, take out service, and delivery service.

**THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND AND BE HEARD.**

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**OF PUBLIC HEARING**

A **joint public hearing** for all interested parties will be held by the Planning Board and the Board of Aldermen Land Use Committee on **Wednesday, November 15, 2017** at 7:30 p.m. in the **Aldermanic Chambers, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA**. The purpose of this hearing will be to receive public comments concerning the following:

**An amendment to Section 7.15, titled Medical Marijuana Facilities, of the Somerville Zoning Ordinance, extending the temporary ordinance until June 30, 2019.**


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**SOMERVILLE HOUSING AUTHORITY**

Request for Proposals for SHA IT Services including Cloud Hosting, Network Maintenance, and remote\ onsite IT Services for Multiple State and Federally funded sites in Somerville, MA.

**General Statement**

The Somerville Housing Authority seeks proposals from companies who provide IT Services and Cloud Hosting, Network Management and Maintenance. Vendor shall also provide remote and onsite help as requested.

This procurement is intended to be one in which qualifications will be considered first and price quotations will be considered after the selection of the most qualified Proposer. Further, the work under this Request for Proposals ("RFP") will be awarded as a result of a competitive review process resulting in a contract for IT Services, including cloud hosting of data and email, management of network and on call IT work. Hosting and management of network for a monthly fee plus other work at an hourly fee.

The contract term is 5 years from date on Notice to proceed

Documents will be available for pick-up at the Somerville Housing Authority, Administration Offices, 30 Memorial Road, Somerville, MA 02145 after 11:00 A.M. on November 8, 2017 or you may downloading them from our web site [www.sha-web.org](http://www.sha-web.org) under our opportunities tab. There will be no charge for these documents. If downloaded, you must register with Anthony Crespo at [Tonyc@sha-web.org](mailto:Tonyc@sha-web.org) and leave a contact email to receive changes, or updates. You will receive confirmation of reception via reply to your email.

Proposals will be received until 11:00 A.M., November 22, 2017 at the Somerville Housing Authority, Administration Office, 30 Memorial Road, Somerville, MA 02145.

Proposals can be mailed, or dropped off to Somerville Housing Authority, Attn.: Anthony Crespo, Cloud Hosting- Network Management Proposal, 30 Memorial Road, Somerville, MA 02145 and must be received by the time and date specified.

Please notify Anthony Crespo at 617-625-1152 extension 336 or email [Tonyc@sha-web.org](mailto:Tonyc@sha-web.org) if you have questions.

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A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the **Somerville Licensing Commission** on **Thursday, January 18, 2018** in the Atrium, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at **6:00PM** on the application of Somerville Carmen Assembly Row LLC d/b/a Carmen's Trattoria & Italian Pub, 521 Assembly Row, Somerville, MA for an All Forms 7 Day Restaurant License, Common Victualler License, Entertainment by Devices License and an Extension of Premises (Outdoor Seating) License and Open before Noon on Sunday Licenses.

For the Commission  
Andrew Upton  
John J. McKenna

**Attest: Lori Batzek**  
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BOARD OF ALDERMEN

There will be a Public Hearing before the Board of Aldermen’s Committee on Licenses and Permits on **Wednesday, November 15, 2017**, at 6:00 PM, in the Committee Room on the 2nd Floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, on the petition of K Professional Auto Detailing Inc. for a Garage License to wash vehicles at 682 Mystic Avenue, Monday-Saturday from 8AM to 6PM.

There will be a Public Hearing before the Board of Aldermen’s Committee on Licenses and Permits on **Wednesday, November 15, 2017**, at 6:00 PM, in the Committee Room on the 2nd Floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, on the petition of Herb Chambers I93 Inc., dba Mercedes Benz of Boston Commercial Vans, for a Garage License to repair vehicles, wash vehicles, and store vehicles at 161 Linwood Street, Monday-Saturday from 7AM to 7PM, and Sunday from 10AM to 6PM.

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND AND BE HEARD.

JOHN J. LONG  
CITY CLERK

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS  
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
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MICHAEL F. GLAVIN  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

The **Somerville Historic Preservation Commission (SHPC)** shall hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 6:40 p.m. in the Third Floor Community Room, at the Visiting Nurses Association (259 Lowell Street) regarding 1) a proposal by Sean T. O’Donovan & Peri Nawawi: to demolish a c.1870 wood frame house at 30 Warwick Street; and 2) a proposal by Kent Greenawalt to demolish a c.1870 wood frame house at 39 Irving Street.

The subject of the hearings will be a review of the initial determination by the HPC that under the City of Somerville Zoning Ordinance Section 7-28b(2), the structure is considered “Significant.” Public testimony followed by discussion and a vote by the Commission will be taken regarding if the building should be “Preferably Preserved.” For further information, please contact (617) 625-6600 x 2500 or [historic@somervillema.gov](mailto:historic@somervillema.gov).

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A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the **Somerville Licensing Commission** on **Thursday, January 18, 2018** in the Atrium, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at **6:00PM** on the application of Somerville MIB+K, LLC d/b/a Waxy’s Modern Irish Bar and Kitchen (Waxy’s), 375 Revolution Drive, Somerville, MA for an All Forms 7 Day Restaurant License, Common Victualer License, Entertainment by Devices and Performers License and an Extension of Premises (Outdoor Seating) License and Open before Noon on Sunday Licenses.

For the Commission  
Andrew Upton  
John J. McKenna

Attest: **Lori Batzek**  
Administrative Assistant

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A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the **Somerville Licensing Commission** on **Thursday, January 18, 2018** in the Atrium, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at **6:00PM** on the application of Somerville Bengali House Corp. d/b/a Royal Bengal, 364 Medford St., Somerville, MA for an Wine & Malt 7 Day Restaurant License, and Open before Noon on Sunday Licenses.

For the Commission  
Andrew Upton  
John J. McKenna

Attest: **Lori Batzek**  
Administrative Assistant

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SHS teacher Italian Teacher of the Year

By The Somerville Times Staff

Somerville High School World Language teacher, Gino Colantuono, was named the 2017 Italian Consulate and AATI (American Association of Teachers of Italian) Massachusetts Teacher of the Year by the Massachusetts Foreign Language Association (MaFLA) for excellence in promoting Italian language learning. Colantuono received his award at the 50th Annual MaFLA Conference on October 28.

Colantuono is a native Italian speaker and long-term enthusiast for Italian language learning at Somerville High School. He started teaching at SHS 13 years ago, when the SHS World Language program was more limited. Working with administrators, he dedicated himself to growing the Italian program, which now offers four years of Italian instruction: Italian 1, 2, 3 as well as AP Italian. Alongside academic Italian language work, Colantuono has been instrumental in further extending students’ knowledge of the Italian language and culture by creating a student Italian Club, supporting a nascent exchange trip with Gaeta, Italy, and developing a partnership with the Italian Consulate. “Mr. Colantuono is loved and respected by students, colleagues and the community. He is not only an Italian teacher he is an ambassador!” says Lisa Machnik, K-12 World Language Supervisor. Colantuono is well-known for his community-building and strong



Gino Colantuono accepting his award at the Italian reception.

relationships with students. Ms. Machnik notes, “School counselors often send transfer students to his Italian classes, knowing new students will experience a smooth, welcoming transition in his classroom.” “Gino Colantuono is an example of the type of excellent teaching we’ve come to expect at Somerville High School,” noted Superintendent of Schools, Mary Skipper. “He goes that extra step to create community both in and out of the classroom, and to reach all of his students. We are thrilled that he is being recognized for his outstanding work, and appreciate his commitment to Somerville students.” Students are accustomed to Gino Colantuono’s clear goal setting and outstanding communication skills to support student learning. He posts assignments and the semester curriculum on Google Classroom

for both students and parents to access. When students enter his classroom, they can expect to see the day’s clearly-written objectives and their learning expectations on the room’s SMARTBoard. Students advance into fully immersive classrooms where they hear only Italian. He makes Italian language learning accessible to students of different abilities and levels. Over the years, Colantuono has become increasingly involved in the Italian Exchange program with Somerville’s Sister City Gaeta, working with Mayor Curtatone and his staff to provide a rich learning experience to SHS and Gaeta high school students. He has chaperoned the trip to Gaeta several times, chaperoned local field trips for visiting students from Gaeta, communicated with the Italian sister school, translated

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The Billionaires’ Enrichment Act

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Then, there’s the Republican myth that, with a 35% top marginal rate, America has the highest corporate taxes in the world. After accounting for loopholes, the average rate paid by American corporation is 24%, in line with other developed countries. For me, the most galling hypocrisy is the Republicans’ dismissal of the \$1.5 trillion that their scheme would add to the deficit. When unemployment was at 10 percent, they rejected in the name of fiscal conservatism a more aggressive stimulus program that could have made investments in infrastructure, research, and education to ensure long-term economic strength. But now that it is at 4.5 percent, we desperately need an economic stimulus, and it will be best accomplished by increasing the wealth of the wealthiest. Learning from the past To make these specious claims, Republicans must deny – and hope you will forget – four decades of the same false promises regarding tax cuts. They claim that Reagan’s tax

cuts produced an economic boom. In fact, favorable monetary policy and deficit spending – which doubled the debt that the nation had taken two centuries to accumulate – more than accounts for that economic stimulus. George W. Bush’s tax cuts promised savings, investment, employment, and productivity gains. What followed was the opposite in each category. Budget deficits skyrocketed, and we continue to pay interest on Reagan and Bush debt. A Republican governor and legislative supermajorities made Kansas a test bed for the policies contained in the House Republican tax bill. Those policies damaged state finances so badly as to curtail essential services and force early closure of schools. The financial markets downgraded the state’s credit rating multiple times. Eventually, the grownups among the Kansas Republicans had to make common cause with their Democratic colleagues to restore fiscal health. But House Republicans believe that the only problem with previous

tax cuts was that they weren’t permanent. The current bill fixes this problem—except for credits that the plan extends to middle-income earners, which expire in five years. Looking forward The latest Washington Post/ABC News survey finds that a third of Americans support the plan, while 50 percent oppose it. That 17-point margin won’t deter most House Republicans, who serve their owners more than their constituents. But if Senators are going to pass a bill within the constraints imposed by their budget resolution, they will need to come up with a trillion and a half dollars in savings. And if they try to pass it under reconciliation, it can’t include measures that would add to the deficit after ten years. Some are already reciting the nonsense that the plan will pay for itself. Others are eying cuts to Medicare and Medicaid. We can only hope that the population of grownup Republicans in the upper chamber will be sufficient to make the corrections that those in Kansas accomplished.



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CHILDREN AND YOUTH  
Wednesday|November 8

**East Branch Library**  
Preschool Storytime  
11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.|115 Broadway

**Central Library**  
Teen Game Day  
2:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Thursday|November 9

**Central Library**  
Music Production 101 with DJ Mac  
3 p.m.-4 p.m.|79 Highland Ave  
TELL (Teen Library Leaders) Meeting  
3 p.m.-5 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

**West Branch Library**  
Lego Club  
3:30 p.m.-4:45 p.m.|40 College Ave

Friday|November 10

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

Saturday|November 11

**Library Closed**

**Monday|November 13**

**Central Library**  
Sing Along  
11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.|79 Highland Ave

**West Branch Library**  
Monday Night Fun: Lego and Story-time  
5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.|40 College Ave

**Central Library**  
Middle School Writers’ Den  
5:45 p.m. - 8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

**Tuesday|November 14**

**Central Library**  
Homeschool Reading Group for Ages 14-16  
9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|79 Highland Ave

**West Branch Library**  
Preschool Storytime  
11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.|40 College Ave

Wednesday|November 15

**East Branch Library**  
Preschool Storytime  
11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.|115 Broadway

**West Branch Library**  
Good CRAFTernoon  
3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.|40 College Ave

**MUSIC|ARTS**  
Wednesday|November 8

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

**The Burren**  
Front Room  
Americana Jam with: Grain Thief|9 p.m.  
Backroom Series: Maeve Gilchrist and Keith Murphy|7:30 p.m.  
Comedy Night With Jordan Handren-Seavey|10 p.m.  
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

**P.A.’s Lounge**  
Jones Landing\*John Hanson\*Colly\*Dominic Malfara\*Julia Anne Cohen  
8 p.m.|345 Somerville Ave

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

**Bull McCabe’s Pub**  
The A-Beez – Funk & Soul  
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

**Thunder Road**  
Bearly Dead – Wednesday Night Grateful Dead Residency  
8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

**Highland Kitchen**  
150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

**ONCE Lounge & Ballroom**  
Lee Ranaldo  
Pigeons, DJ Carbo  
8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

**Aeronaut Brewing Co.**  
Hannah Rose Baker Live + Poets & Pints  
8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

**Arts at the Armory**  
Been Out Here Teen Open Mic  
6 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

**The Rockwell**  
MIC Presents: The Contenders (ft. Jay Nash & Josh Day)  
8 p.m.|255 Elm St

Thursday|November 9

**Sally O’Brien’s**  
Box Of Records, Jeb Bush Orchestra  
8:30 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

**The Burren**  
Front Room  
Matt Borrello, Mike Verge & Company|9:30 pm  
Backroom Series: Ezekiel’s Wheels Klezmer Band|7 p.m  
Scattershots|10 p.m.  
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

**P.A.’s Lounge**  
The Melted Chapstixxs, Blue Movie, Luxury Deathtrap  
7:30 p.m.|345 Somerville Ave

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

**Bull McCabe’s**  
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

**Thunder Road**  
E.N Young (Tribal Seeds)  
8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

**ONCE Lounge & Ballroom**  
The Proletariat  
Kevin Seconds, Black Beach, Funeral Cone, Plus -in the Lounge - a book release party for xXx Fanzine - Hardcore and Punk in the Eighties  
8 p.m|156 Highland Ave

**Aeronaut Brewing Co.**  
Erik Van Dam Trio  
8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

**Arts at the Armory**  
Pub Sing at The Armory  
7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

**The Rockwell**  
Sh!t-faced Shakespeare: Romeo and Juliet|7 p.m.  
‘Where Are You Really From’ Comedy Show|9 p.m.  
255 Elm St

**Friday|November 10**

**Sally O’Brien’s**  
Lisa Marie Trio |6 p.m.  
HearNowLive presents Water and guests|9 p.m.  
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

**The Burren**  
Front Room  
Irish Session|9:30 p.m.  
Back Room: Patty Larkin|7 p.m.  
Ripcord|10 p.m.  
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

**P.A.’s Lounge**  
Junro, Jared Mancuso, Bears At Work, Medical Maps  
7:30 p.m.|345 Somerville Ave

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

**Bull McCabe’s**  
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

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

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

**Thunder Road**  
The 12 Barz Band (Blues)|6 p.m.  
Runnin’ Down A Dream: Boston’s Tribute to Tom Petty|9 p.m.  
379 Somerville Ave

**ONCE Lounge & Ballroom**  
Hassle Fest 9  
Dan Deacon  
6 p.m|156 Highland Ave

**Aeronaut Brewing Co.**  
Bj Magoon & Driving Sideways  
8:30 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

**The Rockwell**  
Sh!t-faced Shakespeare: The Taming of the Shrew|7 p.m.  
B.U.M.P|9 p.m.  
Dirty Disney|10:15 p.m.  
255 Elm St

**Saturday|November 11**

**Sally O’Brien’s**

Tom Hagerty Band |6 p.m.  
Sun Jones, The CoalBoilers CD release! \$10 cover |9 p.m.  
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

**The Burren**  
Front Room:  
Irish Session|9:30 p.m.  
Back Room:  
Bianca Muñiz & Zahra|7 p.m.  
Spitting Vinnies|10 p.m.  
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

**P.A.’s Lounge**  
Afterlife Garage, Emergency Exit, Rebel Vargas, DnA’s Evolution  
7:30 p.m.|345 Somerville Ave

**Orleans Restaurant and Bar**  
Karaoke  
65 Holland St

**Bull McCabe’s**  
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

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

**Thunder Road**  
JackRabbit Slims (R&B and Rock)|6 p.m.  
Ali McGuirk (Soul jazz) – Album Release Show w/ The Silks|9 p.m.  
379 Somerville Ave

**ONCE Lounge & Ballroom**  
Hassle Fest 9  
Pere Ubu  
3 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

**Aeronaut Brewing Co.**  
Lexington High Jazz Combo|1 p.m.  
My Girl My Whiskey & Me|8 p.m.  
14 Tyler Street

**Arts at the Armory**  
Arabic Culture Club  
4 p.m.|Cafe  
Laughing Liberally Boston  
8 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

**The Rockwell**  
Sh!t-faced Shakespeare: The Taming of the Shrew|7 p.m.  
The Rest of Sirlesque: B-Sides & Rarities|9:30 p.m.  
255 Elm St

**Sunday|November 12**

**Sally O’Brien’s Bar**  
The Natural Wonders|4:30 p.m.  
Jan Marie Music|8:30 p.m.  
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

**The Burren**  
Front Room  
John Gannon & Friends Irish Session|3 p.m.  
Los Goutos|9 p.m.  
Back Room  
Beatles Brunch|9 a.m.-3 p.m.  
Florence Fahy: CD Release Party|4 p.m.  
Cory Branan w/ Special Guest Greg Loftus|7:30 p.m.  
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

**PA’S Lounge**  
345 Somerville Ave

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

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

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

**Thunder Road**  
Americana Sundays w/ Greg Klyma, Andy Santospago, and Paul Chase  
7 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

**ONCE Lounge & Ballroom**  
EMA  
The Blow, Evan Greer  
8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

**Aeronaut Brewing Co.**  
Hillbilly Holiday|2 p.m.  
The Sky Comedy Show|7:30 p.m.  
14 Tyler Street

**Arts at the Armory**  
Night’s Blackbird  
3 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

**Monday|November 13**

**Sally O’Brien’s Bar**

Shawn Carter’s Cheapshots Comedy|7 p.m.  
Marley Monday with The Duppy Conquerors reggae|10 p.m.  
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

**The Burren**  
Front Room  
Bur-Run  
Helena Delaney, Johnny O’Leary & Friends Irish Session|9 p.m.  
Back Room  
Stump Trivia|8:30 p.m.  
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

**P.A.’s Lounge**  
Guest Pilot, Gary Lazer Eyes, Delko, Victor  
7:30 p.m.|345 Somerville Ave

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

**Thunder Road**  
The Void Union (Ska)  
8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

**ONCE Lounge & Ballroom**  
Modern English  
The Veldt, The Milling Gowns  
8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

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

**Tuesday|November 14**

**Sally O’Brien’s Bar**  
Drawbar  
8 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

**The Burren**  
Front Room  
Jason Anick and the Swingers Swing/Jazz|8:30 p.m.  
Back Room:  
Open Mic w/ Hugh McGowan|10 p.m.  
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

**PA’s Lounge**  
345 Somerville Ave

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

**Highland Kitchen**  
First Tuesday of the Month|Spelling Bee Night  
hosted by Victor and Nicole of Egoart.  
The fun starts at 10:00p.m.  
150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

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

**Thunder Road**  
Comedy Storm Hosted By Ben Quick and Alex Giampapa (Comedy)  
7 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

**ONCE Lounge & Ballroom**  
Heavy Metal Tuesday|7 p.m.  
The Black Heart Procession  
Sam Coomes, Chris Brokaw Rock Band|8 p.m.  
156 Highland Ave

**Aeronaut Brewing Co**  
Indie Trivia  
8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

**Wednesday|November 15**

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

**The Burren**  
Front Room  
Americana Jam with: Grain Thief|9 p.m.  
Back Room  
Backroom Series: Le Vent Du Nord  
Second Show Added!!|7:30 p.m.|10 p.m.  
Comedy Night With Jordan Handren-Seavey|10 p.m.  
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

**P.A.’s Lounge**  
345 Somerville Ave

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

**Bull McCabe’s Pub**  
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**Thunder Road**  
Bearly Dead – Wednesday Night Grateful Dead Residency  
8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

**Highland Kitchen**  
150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

**ONCE Lounge & Ballroom**  
156 Highland Ave

**Aeronaut Brewing Co.**  
Jan Marie  
8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

**Arts at the Armory**  
Red Cross Blood Drive  
2 p.m.-7p.m.|Performance Hall  
New Play Reading Series  
7:30 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

CLASSES AND GROUPS  
Wednesday|November 8

**Central Library**  
Mindfulness and Your Inner Strengths: Session 2  
6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

**Thursday|November 9**

**Central Library**  
Somerville Art Council Film-Video/ Interrelated Media Panel  
7 p.m.-8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

**Central Library**  
Yoga at the Library  
6 p.m.-7 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

**West Branch Library**  
Learn English at the Library  
6 p.m.-8 p.m.|40 College Ave

**East Branch Library**  
Drop in Knitting at the East Branch  
6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|115 Broadway

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

**Saturday|November 11**

**Libraries Closed**

**Union Square Farmer’s Market**  
9 a.m.-1 p.m.|Union Square Plaza

**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 12**

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

**Monday|November 13**

**Central Library**  
Creative Drama Workshop  
4 p.m.-5 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

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

**West Branch Library**  
Drop in Knitting at West Branch  
6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|40 College Ave

**Tuesday|November 14**

**Central Library**  
Employee Benefits Open Enrollment Information Session  
12:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

**Central Library**  
NaNoWriMo: Come Write In  
1 p.m.-5 p.m.|79 Highland Ave  
‘Giving Thanks’ Poetry Workshop w/ Regina Hansen  
5 p.m.-6 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

**Central Library**  
Learn English at the Library  
6 p.m.-8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave  
Science Fiction and Fantasy Book Club  
7 p.m.-8:15 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

**Wednesday|November 15**

**Central Library**  
Mindfulness and Your Inner Strengths: Session 3  
6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

PLACES TO GO, THINGS TO DO!



SENIOR CENTER HAPPENINGS:

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

**All clubs and groups welcome new members.**

**Holland Street:** 167 Holland Street  
\*Monday through Friday 9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.  
617-625-6600 Ext. 2300  
\*Our Holland Street Center will be serving lunch on Monday, Thursday & Fridays only until further notice.

**Cross Street Center:** 165 Broadway  
Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.  
Wednesday – 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. (Please note time change) (617) 625-6600 Ext. 2335.

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

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

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

**Yoga** - Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. 5-week Yoga series is a low-impact and easy-to-follow paced program that lets you stretch and relax to help start your day. Contact Chris at 617-625-6600 ext. 2315 for more info and to sign up. Cost is \$20.00 for 5 classes!

**Silver Alert Program** – The Somerville Council on Aging with the Somerville Police Department have implemented a program to take a proactive approach towards protecting some of Somerville’s most vulnerable citizens who suffer with serious cognitive impairments that put them at risk for wandering and getting lost. The Silver Alert Program is designed to collect specific information about a potential missing person, along with photo identification. This confidential information will be kept on file for immediate use in the event a loved one is reported missing. Please contact the SCOA at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 for additional information or to register.

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

**Conversations of the Heart** – Mondays (see dates below) from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at our Holland Street Center. When you experience a loss; whether it be a loved one, a place of employment or even a change in your life, don’t process these feelings along; come join our group where we process difficult emotions together in a safe and welcoming environment. For more information or questions please contact Natasha at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300. Refreshments will be served. Future dates: September 25, October 16 and 30, November 13 and 27 and December 11.

**Friendly Caller Program** - Do you know someone who could benefit from a friendly call? Maybe you are feeling isolated and want someone to talk to – or you just want someone to listen. Please call Natasha at 617-625-6600 ext. 2317 to sign up for our “Friendly Caller” Program.

**Blood Pressure Screening** – Cross Street Center located at 165 Broadway. November 16 and December 14. If you require additional information please contact Debby

Higgins at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321 or email [dhiggins@somervillema.gov](mailto:dhiggins@somervillema.gov).

**Winds for All** –Tuesday mornings – 10:00 a.m. at our Holland Street Center. \$10 per class – A music immersion class for those who have never played a wood-wind instrument. To reserve your spot or for additional information please call Debby Higgins at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321.

**Bowling is Back** – at Sacco’s Bowl Haven at Flatbreads Pizza located in Davis Square. \$3 weekly fee which includes shoe rental, three strings of bowling and dues for bowling banquet. For more information, questions or to reserve your spot please contact Debby Higgins at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321.

**Thanksgiving Lunch & Bingo** – Thursday, November 9 at the Cross Street Center from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Seating is limited. For questions, additional information or to reserve your spot contact Maureen at 617-625-6600, ext. 2335.

**Wrentham Outlets** – Sunday, November 12 - \$10 for transportation, lunch is on your own. Check in time is 10:00 a.m. at the Holland Street Center with an approximate return time of 5:00 p.m. For questions, more information or to reserve your spot contact Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

**Massachusetts Equipment Distribution Program will be joining our Low Vision Support Group** – Tuesday, November 14 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at our Holland Street Center. MassEDP provides adaptive telephone equipment to people who have difficulty using the telephone due to issues such as hearing or vision loss. Please contact Ashley at 617-625-6600, ext. 2318 with questions or to sign up.

**Lessons my Father Taught Me** – Friday, November 17th starting at 10:00 a.m. at our Holland Street Center. Join us as Alan Cohen creator of Lessons my Father Taught Me as he shares with you an interactive and humorous presentation. Lunch and bingo to follow. For more information or to register please contact Debby Higgins at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321 or [dhiggins@somervillema.gov](mailto:dhiggins@somervillema.gov).

**Be SEEN! (Be Somerville Energy Efficient Now)** – Tuesday, November 28 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at our Holland Street Center. This program educates residents about city, state and federal programs to help make homes more energy efficient. Tenant, landlord or homeowner – there is a program for you. Please contact Natasha at 617-625-6600, ext. 2317 with questions or to RSVP.

**Holiday Festival/Bazaar** – Thursday, November 30th & Friday, December 1 at our Holland Street Center from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Bake sale, raffles, wreaths, lunch, crafts, trees and many more holiday items.

**Michael Buble Tribute with artist Scott Keo** – Tuesday, December 5 - \$83 includes transportation, lunch and show at Danversport Yacht Club. For questions, additional information or to reserve your spot contact Kim or Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

**Holiday Party & Bingo** – Thursday, December 14 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Cross Street Center. Seating is limited. For more information, questions or to reserve your spot please contact Maureen at 617-625-6600, ext. 2335.

**Holiday Luncheon** – Monday, December 11 at the Highlander Café (high school atrium) \$10 – to RSVP please call Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

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LGBTQ EVENTS:

**LGBTQ Advisory Group** – This group meets quarterly in the conference room of our Holland Street Center at 4:30 p.m. and run for one hour. We are always looking for new members who would like to serve on the

Advisory Group. Please call Debby Higgins, Outreach Coordinator at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321 or email [dhiggins@Somervillema.gov](mailto:dhiggins@Somervillema.gov) if you have any questions or if you should need additional information.

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

**LGBTQ Monthly Lunch is Back** – Please join us the second Wednesday of the Month at the Senior Center at 167 Holland Street. A Hot Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. on November 8, December 13. Please RSVP to Debby Higgins at [dhiggins@somervillema.gov](mailto:dhiggins@somervillema.gov) or 617-625-6600 ext. 2321. A \$2.00 donation is suggested.

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Weekly Exercise Class Schedule

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

Mondays:

9:00 Walking Club (H)  
11:00 Tai Chi (H)  
1:00 Fit-4-Life Group C (H)

Tuesdays:

9:15 Strengthening - \$3 per class (H)  
11:15 Fit-4-Life (C)

Wednesdays:

8:45 Fit-4-Life Group A (H) – Exercise  
9:00 Fit-4-Life Group B (H) - Nutrition  
10:00 Fit-4-Life Group B (H) – Exercise  
10:00 Fit-4-Life Group A (H) – Nutrition  
11:00 Nutrition one-on-one (H)  
12:00 Fit-4-Life Group C (H) - Nutrition  
1:00 Fit-4-Life Group C (H) - Exercise  
5:15 Zumba for All - \$3 per class (H)

Thursdays:

9:00 Yoga (H)  
9:30 Strengthening - \$3 per class (RJ)  
11:15 Fit-4-Life (C)  
6:00 LBT Fit-4-Life\*(H)

Fridays:

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

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

Every Monday

10:00 English Conversation (C)  
11:30 Lunch (C)

Every Tuesday

10:00 English Conversation (C)  
11:30 Lunch (C, RJ)  
12:00 Computer tutorial with Norbert (H)  
12:45 Bingo (RJ)

Every Wednesday

9:00 Bowling at Flatbreads  
9:45 Coffee & Conversations (H)  
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Wacky Wednesdays (RJ)

Every Thursday

10:00 Current Events (H)  
10:00 English Conversation (C)  
11:00 Computer tutorial with Barbara (H)  
11:30 Lunch (C, H, RJ)  
1:00 Arts & Crafts (C)

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

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Sunday, November 12, 2017 St. Anthony's Church – 12 Properzi Way 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 16, 2017 City Hall Annex – 50 Evergreen Ave 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

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| 2. Tights, pantyhose       | 8. Tuesday                        |
| 3. The Jets and the Sharks | 9. Chief Clarence "Clancy" Wiggum |
| 4. Apollo 17               | 10. Destiny Hope Cyrus            |
| 5. India                   | 11. Butterfly                     |
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<b>Wednesday, November 8</b>					
12:00am	Free Speech TV	8:00pm	2017 Election Candidates Profiles	11:00pm	Haitian Poetry 3 languages
6:00am	SCATV Community Bulletin Board	8:30pm	Somerville Pundits	12:00pm	TeleGalaxie
7:00am	Art at SCATV	9:00pm	SCOUTV	1:00 pm	Henry Parker Presents
7:30am	DW In Good Shape	9:30pm	Henry Parker Presents	1:30pm	Jeff Jam Halloween Special
8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	10:00pm	The rare groove revolution	2:00pm	Free Speech:In your own words
9:00am	DW Global 3000	10:30pm	TUTV	2:30pm	Don't forget to rock
9:30am	Esoteric Science	11:00pm	SCATV SECRET STASH: Public Access Boyz	3:00pm	Democracy Now
10:00am	Poet to Poet/Writer to Writer	11:30pm	SMC Presents:Duck Village Stage Sessions	4:00pm	Banned Book Read a thon
10:30am	Somerville Storytellers	<b>Friday, November 10</b>		5:00pm	SCOUTV
11:00am	Fallon's Daily Toast	12:00am	Signs of Life	5:30pm	Physicians Focus
12:00pm	The Thom Hartman Show	12:30am	Signs of Life	6:00pm	Totally working out
1:00pm	Health is Wealth	1:00am	Heavy Leather Topless Dance party	7:00pm	Startup TV boston
1:30pm	Green Card Voices	2:00am	Free Speech TV	8:00pm	Somerville Neighborhood News
2:00pm	SOM ARTS	6:00am	SCATV Community Bulletin Board	8:30pm	Mim the movie Buff
2:30pm	Somerville Neighborhood News	7:00am	The Bill Press Show (Free Speech TV)	9:00pm	Nossa Gente e costumes
3:00pm	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	10:00pm	DIWHY The show
4:00pm	NASA TV News feed	9:00am	SOM ARTS	11:00pm	The summer House
5:00pm	2017 Election Candidate Profiles	9:30am	Cambridge Calendar	<b>Sunday, November 12</b>	
5:30pm	Going Postal	10:00am	The Yellow Jacket Lady	12:00pm	SCATV SECRET STASH: Flotilla
6:00pm	Haitian Poetry in 3 languages	10:30am	Legacies	1:00am	Free Speech TV
7:00pm	Startup TV Boston	11:00am	NASA TV:Space caste weekly	6:00am	SCATV Community Bulletin Board
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9:30pm	Don't Forget to Rock	1:00pm	Aging Well	8:00am	Effort Pour Christ
10:00pm	Duck Village Stage Series	1:30pm	Book Talk with Somerville Public Library	9:00am	Tele Kreyol
10:30pm	New Kids on the Rock	2:00pm	Somerville Neighborhood News	10:00am	Aging Well
11:00pm	Flotilla	2:30pm	DW Global 3000	10:30am	DW Conflict zone
<b>Thursday, November 9</b>		3:00pm	Community Media Day Live	11:00am	The Chef's Table Series
12:00am	SCATV Secret Stash Hour	4:00pm	Community Media Day Live	10:00am	Somerville Neighborhood News
1:00am	Free Speech TV	5:00pm	Community Media Day Live	12:00pm	The Literati Scene
6:00am	SCATV Community Bulletin Board	5:30pm	Community Media Day Live	12:30pm	Reeling Review
7:00am	Sci-Fi Journal	6:00pm	Community Media Day Live	1:00pm	Green Card Voices
8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	6:30pm	Community Media Day Live	1:30pm	StartUp TV Boston
9:00am	Road to Recovery	7:00pm	(LIVE) Fallon's Daily Toast	2:00pm	Tele Magazine
9:30am	SCATV Throwback Thursdays	8:00pm	(LIVE) Hip Hop Festival Marathon	3:00pm	Dedilhando a Saudade
10:00am	2017 Election Candidate Profiles	10:00pm	Heavy Leather Topless Dance Party	4:00pm	African Television Network
11:00am	DW Focus On Europe	11:00pm	Box house productions presents	5:00pm	Monstrous Laughter Halloween Special
11:30am	Community Lens	11:30pm	SCATV Community Bulletin Board	6:00pm	Grolier Bookstore Documentary
12:00pm	The Thom Hartman Show	<b>Saturday, November 11</b>		7:00pm	Tufts Jumbo Sports
1:00pm	The Somerville Line	12:00am	Signs of life	10:00pm	2017 Election Candidate Profiles
3:00pm	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	12:30am	Signs of life	10:30pm	TUTV
4:00pm	Art at SCATV	1:00am	SCATV secret stash hour	11:00pm	Box House Productions Presents
4:30pm	The Struggle	2:00am	Free speech tv	11:30pm	SMC presents:Duck village stage session
5:00pm	Boston Free Radio presents Words on Film	6:00 am	SCATV Community Bulletin Board	<b>Monday, November 13</b>	
6:00pm	Beyond Boston	7:00am	Tele Magazine	12:00am	Free speech TV
6:30pm	Somerville Neighborhood News	8:00am	Democracy Now	6:00am	SCATV Community Bulletin Board
7:00pm	(LIVE) Taking Back Your Health	9:00am	Community Lens	7:00	Aging Well
7:30pm	Poet to Poet/Writer to Writer	9:30am	Somerville Storytellers	7:30am	Going Postal
		10:00am	Dead air Live	8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)

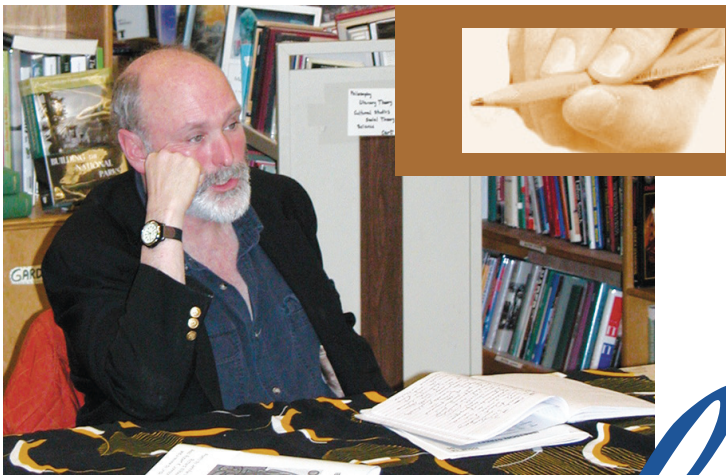
## CITY TV 22 (Comcast) | 13 (RCN) Schedule

<b>Wednesday, November 8</b>					
8:30am	Sit & Be Fit Fibromyalgia Workout	2:40am	Inclusion Drives Innovation	9:53pm	Nathan Tufts Park Tree Evaluation
9:00am	SomerViva em Português 10.27.17	8:30am	Sit & Be Fit Diabetes Workout	10:00pm	Congressional Update
11:30am	School Committee Meeting - 11.6.17	9:00am	Congressional Update	10:30pm	Connecting Communities - Fire Safety
2:30pm	Connecting Communities - Fire Safety	9:30am	SomerViva em Português 10.27.17	11:00pm	Aldermen at Work - Dennis Sullivan
3:00pm	Inclusion Drives Innovation	10:01am	SomerStreets: Monster Mashed Up	<b>Sunday, November 12</b>	
6:30pm	Honk!	12:00pm	Evolution of Hip Hop Festival	12:00am	Evolution of Hip Hop Festival
8:00pm	Congressional Update	1:00pm	BOA Finance Committee of the Whole	12:49am	Nathan Tufts Park Tree Evaluation
8:30pm	Evolution of Hip Hop Festival	6:30pm	Union Square Walking Tour - 9.17.17	1:00am	Multi-Lingual ResiStat Meeting - 11.2.17
9:30pm	Upcoming Meeting Agenda	7:32pm	Talking Business “Quesadillas & Kimchi”	2:30am	SomerViva Español
<b>Thursday, November 9</b>		7:51pm	Nathan Tufts Park Tree Evaluation	3:00am	Raising Families “Special Needs Education”
12:30am	Honk!	8:00pm	Multi-Lingual ResiStat Meeting - 11.2.17	9:00am	Multi-Lingual ResiStat Meeting - 11.2.17
2:00am	SomerViva em Português 10.27.17	9:30pm	SomerViva em Português 10.27.17	12:00pm	Senior Circuit
2:31am	Green Line Extension Public Meeting	10:01pm	Ball & Magoun Sqs. Visioning Workshop	12:30pm	SomerViva nan Kreyol
8:30am	SomerStreets: Monster Mashed Up	11:00pm	SomerViva nan Kreyol	1:00pm	Raising Families “Special Needs Education”
9:00am	Connecting Communities - Fire Safety	<b>Saturday, November 11</b>		1:30pm	Multi-Lingual ResiStat Meeting - 11.2.17
9:30am	Honk!	12:00am	Green Line Extension Public Meeting	6:30pm	Congressional Update
12:00pm	Senior Circuit	1:48am	Nathan Tufts Park Tree Evaluation	7:00pm	Senior Circuit
12:30pm	Aldermen at Work - Dennis Sullivan	2:00am	SomerStreets: Monster Mashed Up	7:30pm	Ball & Magoun Sqs. Visioning Workshop
1:00pm	Evolution of Hip Hop Festival	2:30am	SomerViva em Português 10.27.17	8:11pm	Nathan Tufts Park Tree Evaluation
2:00pm	The Old Powder House: 300 Years of History	9:00am	SomerViva nan Kreyol	8:30pm	Board of Aldermen Meeting - 11.9.17
3:00pm	SomerViva Español	10:00am	Congressional Update	<b>Monday, November 13</b>	
4:00pm	Upcoming Meeting Agenda	11:30am	Aldermen at Work - Dennis Sullivan	12:00am	SomerViva em Português 10.27.17
7:00pm	Board of Aldermen Meeting - 11.9.17	12:00pm	Multi-Lingual ResiStat Meeting - 11.2.17	12:31am	Inclusion Drives Innovation
<b>Friday, November 10</b>		1:30pm	SomerViva em Português 10.27.17	1:30am	Connecting Communities - Fire Safety
12:00am	ResiStat en Español	2:01pm	Connecting Communities - Fire Safety	2:00am	Domestic Violence Vigil
1:30am	Ball & Magoun Sqs. Visioning Workshop	2:30pm	Congressional Update	8:30am	Sit & Be Fit Balance & Fall Prevention
2:11am	Congressional Update	6:30pm	Multi-Lingual ResiStat Meeting - 11.2.17	9:00am	Aldermen at Work - Dennis Sullivan
		8:00pm	SomerViva nan Kreyol	11:30am	Connecting Communities - Fire Safety
		8:30pm	Honk!	12:00pm	Board of Aldermen Meeting - 11.9.17

## Educational TV 15 Schedule

<b>Wednesday, November 8</b>					
9:00am	SHS Boys’ Soccer vs Peabody - Playoff	12:00am	SHS Boys Soccer vs Brookline	7:00pm	SHS Football vs Watertown
11:00am	SHS Football vs Watertown	2:00am	Northeastern Conference Cheer Invitational	9:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer vs Brookline
1:00pm	Northeastern Conference Cheer Invitational	3:00am	Public Domain Theater	11:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer vs Boston Latin
2:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer vs Boston Latin	8:30am	Our Schools, Our City	<b>Sunday, November 12</b>	
4:00pm	SHS Football v Triton Regional	9:00am	SHS Boys Soccer vs Brookline	1:00am	SHS Boys’ Soccer vs Peabody - Playoff
6:05pm	SHS Boys’ Soccer vs Peabody - Playoff	11:00am	SHS Boys Soccer vs Boston Latin	3:00am	Public Domain Theater
8:00pm	SHS Football vs Watertown	1:00pm	SHS Boys’ Soccer vs Peabody - Playoff	9:00am	Northeastern Conference Cheer Invitational
10:00pm	Northeastern Conference Cheer Invitational	3:00pm	SHS Football vs Watertown	10:00am	SHS Football v Triton Regional
11:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer vs Boston Latin	5:00pm	Northeastern Conference Cheer Invitational	12:05pm	SHS Volleyball v Malden
<b>Thursday, November 9</b>		6:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer vs Brookline	1:30pm	Our Schools, Our City - Early Education
1:00am	SHS Football v Triton Regional	8:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer vs Boston Latin	2:00pm	SHS Football vs Watertown
9:00am	Northeastern Conference Cheer Invitational	9:45pm	SHS Boys’ Soccer vs Peabody - Playoff	4:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer vs Brookline
10:00am	Our Schools, Our City	11:30pm	Our Schools, Our City - Early Education	6:00pm	Northeastern Conference Cheer Invitational
10:30am	SHS Post Secondary Fair	<b>Saturday, November 11</b>		7:00pm	SHS Football v Triton Regional
11:00am	SHS Boys Soccer vs Boston Latin	12:00am	SHS Football vs Watertown	9:05pm	SHS Volleyball v Malden
1:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer v Peabody	2:00am	Northeastern Conference Cheer Invitational	10:30pm	Our Schools, Our City
3:00pm	Our Schools, Our City	3:00am	Public Domain Theater	11:00pm	SHS Football vs Watertown
3:55pm	SHS Football v Triton Regional	9:00am	Our Schools, Our City	<b>Monday, November 13</b>	
6:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer vs Brookline	9:30am	SHS Post Secondary Fair	1:00am	SHS Boys Soccer vs Brookline
8:00pm	Northeastern Conference Cheer Invitational	10:00am	SHS Football vs Watertown	9:00am	Our Schools, Our City
9:00pm	Our Schools, Our City	12:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer vs Brookline	9:30am	SHS Post Secondary Fair
9:30pm	SHS Post Secondary Fair	2:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer vs Boston Latin	10:00am	SHS Boys Soccer vs Boston Latin
10:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer vs Boston Latin	4:00pm	SHS Boys’ Soccer vs Peabody - Playoff	12:00pm	Northeastern Conference Cheer Invitational
<b>Friday, November 10</b>		6:00pm	Our Schools, Our City	1:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer vs Brookline
		6:30pm	SHS Post Secondary Fair	3:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer vs Boston Latin





OFF THE SHELF

by Doug Holder

Somerville’s Olivia Huang celebrates the Grolier Poetry Book Shop with a new documentary

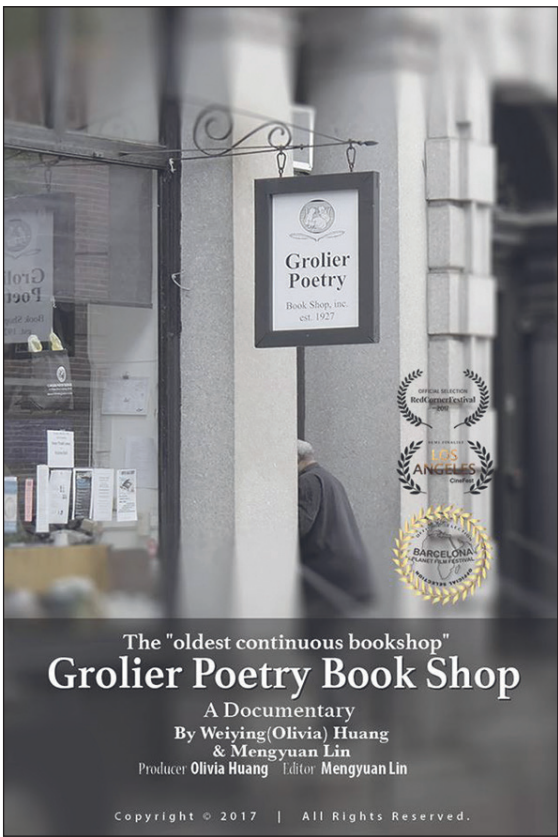
In the coming weeks the Grolier Poetry Book Shop will be celebrating its 90th anniversary. This famed bookstore in Harvard Square in Cambridge, Massachusetts, has been in operation since 1927. It is an all poetry bookstore, and has seen the likes of Lowell, Eliot, Ginsberg, Hall and many other much-lauded poets grace its environs. Olivia Huang, a young filmmaker from Guandong China, (a southeast coastal city), who now resides in Somerville, has produced and directed her first documentary titled *Grolier Poetry Book Shop: The Last Sacred Place of Poetry*.

I met Huang at my usual seat at the back of the Bloc 11 Cafe in Union Square. She is a serious young woman, and is unfailingly polite. She said she never had been to the Bloc, but was impressed my backroom hideaway, with its fireplace, its ancient bank vault, and well-appointed tables. Huang has been in the states for the past four years. She recently received her advanced degree in Digital Media from Northeastern University.

Huang admits that she knows very little about poetry, but a friend of hers is a writer and she showed her an article about the best bookstores in Boston. The Grolier grabbed her attention. She was surprised by its long history, and its devotion to selling poetry books. She reflected, “It is amazing that such a small place can contain so much literary history.” Huang had a number of talking heads in this 35-minute film, including the owners Ifeanyi and Carol Menkiti, Elizabeth Doran, the clerk/manager of the shop, poets like Ben Mazer, Gloria Mindock, Patrick Sylvain, Susan Barba (the Senior Editor of the *New York Review of Books*), yours truly and others.

Huang told me she researched the Grolier, and tried to get in touch with the former owner Louisa Solano, but due to health issues at the time she was not available. The film mostly deals with the current times of the Grolier, but Huang may do a follow up that will concentrate on its rich history.

Huang and co-director Alice Lin, have entered



the documentary in the Barcelona Film Festival (it is a semi-finalist), the Los Angeles Cine Fest, the Red Corner Film Festival, and is hoping for a slot in the Boston Film Festival.

Huang told me she is a painter, and to judge from her portfolio, a very skillful one.

The film has so far been screened locally at Somerville Community Access TV, Cambridge Cable Access TV, and it is soon to be aired on Endicott College TV.

Huang told me the the most important thing she is trying to achieve in her work is telling a good and compelling story. And after viewing this story, I feel it undoubtedly will whet the viewers’ appetite for even more exploration.

Link to the 90th Anniversary Event: <http://bostonlitdistrict.org/event/90th-anniversary-celebration-grolier-poetry-book-shop-musical-notes-90/>.

Trailer for documentary: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M0Q3CnIzrH8>.

Italian teacher

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documents, and organized student placements with families. Colantuono credits the exchange program with creating lifelong friendships between students in Gaeta and Somerville. The exchange provides students with rich opportunities to speak Italian, connect with families, and learn from first-hand experience with modern Italian culture and society. In Colantuono’s words, “It’s not only about the language, it’s also about the culture. Students get to see and feel what people actually live like in Italy. They learn that people there are just like people here.”

Colantuono started an Italian Club for sharing Italian cinema, literature, arts and cuisine. He

says it’s also an opportunity for students who don’t take Italian to get exposure to and learn a little Italian language. If you ask Gino Colantuono what he likes most about teaching Italian, he’ll tell you that he loves talking about everything from art to literature to Italian world heritage sites by teaching and narrating personal experiences. But his real love for teaching comes from his connection with his students. He says, “Former students call to tell me when they get a new job. It’s amazing to watch students come in as children and leave Somerville High School as adults.”

Gino Colantuono looks forward to more years of expanding the Italian program and notes that he

owes his growth to the constant support and help of his administrators and colleagues at Somerville High School. He also learns from his students, saying “Somerville students are multi-ethnic, multi-cultural and very diverse. The fact that I get to learn from their cultures is fantastic.”

The Massachusetts Foreign Language Association (mafla.org) is a non-profit service organization committed to the professional growth of its members and to the promotion of quality teaching and learning and cultures from kindergarten through the college level and beyond. Membership consists of foreign language educators from all instruction and languages.

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Poet Amanda Peters writes: I’m from Plainville, Connecticut and a second year student at Endicott college. I am studying biology with a focus in pre-med, with high hopes to become an OBGYN. Because of this, you can usually find me in the laboratory identifying cells under the microscope. Outside of school, I love to spend time with friends and family, including my maltese-terrier, Dusty Hank. I’ve enjoyed writing since a young age, and always felt comfort in writing either about personal emotions, thoughts, or feelings in ways that others can experience, relate to, question, or think about.



TIME

Seconds, minutes, hours.  
Time is inevitable.  
Time greets you in the morning,  
slowly pulling,  
then jerking,  
the covers off you.  
Time is a bitch.  
He seems to never be on your side  
Like what the hell,  
I’m running late to school  
no time to get a cup of caffeine,  
but always have the time to pace  
back and fourth in my room?

I can’t escape time,  
he’s nuts,  
like a bad boyfriend  
or something you can’t shake off.  
Always nagging, nagging, nagging  
me to finish my homework  
because I’m running out of time.

What even is time?  
A few numbers 1-12?  
And let me tell you,  
I’ve seen a lot bigger numbers  
in calculus class.  
So what makes time all that important, anyways?  
I think it’s time  
I stop thinking  
about time.

— Amanda Peters

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