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# 2020: The year in review



#### By The Times Staff

It was a year that will go down as one of the most challenging, emotion-charged and controversial periods in modern history. From a deadly worldwide pandemic and its devastating effects on human lives, lifestyles, and economic stability, to an incredibly divisive national election sullied by allegations of fraud and corruption on all sides.

Locally, residents of Somerville and its immediate environs were hardly shielded from these issues, and were forced to deal with them as thoughtfully and resolutely as any other community.

Here are some of the stories that were covered in *The Times* throughout the year 2020:

The year began much like any other. The City of Somerville held its annual tradition of raising the Grand Union flag at Prospect Hill Tower for the twentieth time on January 1, and the spirit of the New Year blew a fresh breeze of optimism throughout the city. Continued on page 11

# Ways to uplift small businesses in the community

With nearly half of all Americans employed by a small business, these establishments need our support more than ever.

According to the latest Wells Fargo/Gallup Small Business Index, 46 percent of business owners surveyed have seen a drop in revenue over the past 12 months, with some entrepreneurs seeing even more severe impact.

"Small businesses are at the heart of our communities and the key to millions of jobs," says Steve Troutner, head of Small Business, Wells Fargo. "Keeping spending dollars in local communities is an impactful way to rally around small business owners."

Wells Fargo is sharing four ways to uplift small



Make way for the Game Jam page 9 businesses near you:

1. Shop local. While one-stop shopping on leading e-commerce sites can be tempting, the simple act of purchasing something from your favorite local retailer can go a long way in keeping business afloat and money in your community. Returning or Continued on page 12

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Our hearts go out to **the Ferro family**. Our own photographer, **Claudia Ferro**, and her family lost their home last week to a fire. The community has been stepping in and helping them out however they can, and for that the family expressed how grateful and overwhelmed with happiness they are towards everyone. If you would like to help out, a **gofundme** fundraiser for Claudia Ferro page has been set up by their granddaughter, **Arianna Andujar**: https://gofund.me/a0f-cdde3. It also gives an address where things can be dropped off. They will be publishing a thank you in our paper once things settle down, but they wanted us to share how grateful they are for all the help.

#### \*\*\*\*\*

Congratulations to **all our local public servants** who were sworn in for another term this week. Let's wish them the best and hope that they serve all of our interests as fairly and effectively as possible.

#### \*\*\*\*\*

On Thursday, January 7, there will be a Virtual Community Outreach Meeting for a proposed Adult Use Marijuana Retail Establishment. The meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. and will include discussion about the proposed use in accordance with M.G.L. ch. 94G and the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission's regulations at 935 CMR 500.000 and 935 CMR 501.000 et seq. The meeting will be available at the following link and phone number: https://www.gotomeet. me/LanceDavis/adultusecannabisapplicants. Phone: +1 (872) 240-3412, Access Code: 452-339-301.

#### \*\*\*\*\*

The **Best of Somerville 2020** winners will be announced in the **January 13**, edition of our paper. There's still time to cast your vote for the best. Email, mail or call in your vote for who and what you think is the best. We're also looking for the Best Idea of 2020 here in the city. If you have anyone or anything you'd like to suggest, let us know. What a year 2020 has been.



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### **Somerville Weather Forecast**

for the week of January 6 – January 12 as provided by the National Weather Service

	DAY	CONDITIONS	HIGH/LOW	PRECIPITATION	HUMIDITY	WIND
Č	Wednesday January 6	Partly Cloudy	38°/25°	14%	9%	NNW 10 mph
¥	Thursday January 7	Sunny	41°/22°	6%	6%	NW 9 mph
Č	Friday January 8	Partly Cloudy	35°/25°	11%	12%	NNW 7 mph
Č	Saturday January 9	Partly Cloudy	33°/19°	24%	13%	NNW 10 mph
¥	Sunday January 10	Sunny	38°/25°	14%	9%	WNW 9 mph
¥	Monday January 11	Sunny	37°/23°	14%	12%	W 11 mph
Č	Tuesday January 12	Partly Cloudy	40°/28°	21%	19%	W 11 mph

### TheSomervilleTimes.com Comments of the Week

#### **Response to:** *DLJ/Leggat McCall and Union Square Neighborhood Council execute a Community Benefits Agreement*

#### Erik Neu says:

Congratulations, USNC! I only wish I were there to see it! I know the hard work that has gone into it.

#### **Response to: Somerville house left leaning after storm**

#### HVAC contractors says:

When I lived in Texas, we had a similar situation, only then we had a tornado that knocked down the house so hard and ripped everything off, that the house looked even worse. I remember that for some reason our house suffered the most, but we still did not demolish it, all along the street we tried to put it in place and secure it with high quality, I had neighbors who were working in the repair and this helped us. I hope these people will do well too. Because it is very difficult to survive. Good luck to them!

#### **Response to:** A Somerville Christmas, 2020

Joe says:

Really nice read JIm. Thank you

#### Jackie Veri says:

Jimmy DelPonte – You are so amazingly talented. Thank you for such a another great uplifting poem!! Hope to see you soon. Love you as always...The Veri Family.



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#### Mary Renzi says:

Just a note to say Merry Christmas and Happy healthy New Year 2021 too! STAY SAFE STAY WELL AMEN!

# **Response to: Q&A: Can turning 65 impact MassHealth eligibility?**

#### ketamine clinics Denver says:

I am very glad that I moved to America over 18 years ago. Every time I think about retirement in my old country, I get scared, for the pensioners there, the conditions that they want to improve here are a fairy tale. They don't even have enough money for food sometimes, and I still don't think about medicines and other expenses. It's really so cool that in America they care so well about retirees, and the whole system here is built so that in old age you can really relax. That's cool! Thanks to everyone who is involved in this!

Log onto TheSomervilleTimes.com to leave your own comments

# Life in the Wille by Jimmy Del Ponte No resolutions



In 2020 we gave up so many things unwillingly that I'm not sure anybody made a real New Year's resolution for 2021. We were forced into giving

things up whether we wanted to or not. Mostly, our freedom.

If we were to make resolutions there are always the obvious ones such as giving up booze or cigarettes. But the granddaddy of all New Year's resolutions is, of course is the old standby, "I'm going to stop eating junk and join a gym" (I quit my gym in March and have given them up indefinitely). In the past, I usually lasted two weeks at the most anyway. One year, on the way home from the gym I stopped into Angelina's sub shop and the rest is history. Instead of trying to lose those extra ten pounds, I'd do a Target fix. That's when you go into a store and buy a pair of pants one size up. There are always shortcuts and loopholes.

2020 created some changes that we were forced into such as don't leave the house without a mask, and don't touch your face (try growing a beard and not itching your face!), socially distance, and wash your hands. Speaking of hands, I remember teaching both of my sons how to firmly shake someone's hand. Today we can't get close enough





to anyone to shake hands. I'm pulling a Howie Mandel and doing fist pumps or better still just a wave. Touching a stranger? Yuck. I skeeve just walking near anyone, especially in a store.

So, since I didn't make any resolutions for myself, I figured I'd make some for Somerville in general. And please keep in mind that I love this city madly!

First, please resolve to paint the outside of City Hall. I've included a photo of City Hall from 1910, which is, I believe, the last time it was painted.

Next, please resolve to finally repair the sidewalks in Cambria St. and Gorham St. Roots from trees has made it impassable for baby carriages and wheelchairs. I'd also like joggers to resolve to not run TOWARDS traffic, especially in the rain or snow and at night.

Can all "bosses" (boy, do I hate that word) try being respectful of their employees? Intimidation in the workplace is rampant and disgraceful.

Next, please make some of the old bricks from the High School demolition available for us. In the old days I'd just go there at night and grab a few!

Another thing we learned in 2020 was to never talk politics with a friend or family member unless you don't care about losing them.

A little common courtesy goes a long way, especially since Continued on page 12

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## 'Chill and smoke' date not so chill

Somerville Police officers were dispatched to La Quinta Inn & Suites last Sunday on reports of a robbery.

Upon arrival, officers met with the victim in the lobby, who stated that he was "set up." The officers reported seeing swelling around his mouth, and his front teeth appeared broken.

The victim declined medical attention, and his injuries were photographed. He stated that he lives in Springfield, but spent the previous night at a friend's house in Lawrence.

The victim said he began conversing with a female on the Snapchat app. During the conversation, the female provided the victim with her cell phone number to continue having a conversation. He then showed police his phone where the female invited him to visit her at the hotel located at 23 Cummings St., fifth floor.

The victim said he drove to the hotel the morning of the incident, and that the purpose of the trip was to "chill and smoke."

The victim met the female in room 509. He said the two

were "chilling by candle light and smoking blunts." He also informed police that he had removed his clothing down to his t-shirt and boxers at this point, when there was a knock at the door and the female got up to open it.

The victim stated that a man came in the room asking him what he was doing with his wife, and began a physical altercation. During the altercation, the victim said he had this man pinned up against the wall, and then the female began striking him. While the victim attempted to defend himself, a second man entered the room and engaged in the altercation. At one point the second man reportedly had his hand in the pocket of his hooded sweatshirt and threatened to "light this XXX up".

The victim believed this man had a gun in his pocket, and he told to the suspects that he wanted to grab his belongings and leave.

The victim said he was able to grab his sweatshirt and one shoe and began to make his way out of the room. One of the suspects threw his other shoe at him. He then made his way down to the lobby where he asked the staff to assist him, who subsequently called 911.

The victim told police that the suspects took \$1,000 (consisting of 50, \$20 bills), and an unknown amount of marijuana, his wallet, and his cigarettes. Most of his belongings were inside a small black bag.

While officers were interviewing the victim, the staff alerted them that the possible involved parties were exiting the hotel via a rear door and were walking around the back of the hotel.

Officers encountered the individuals on the side of La Quinta in the parking lot. One of the male suspects was subsequently identified as Deandre Towers. The female suspect identified herself as Cari Rene Jenkins.

Jenkins said that she was a visitor from San Diego, CA. Police asked Jenkins when she arrived and she stated, "I think yesterday." I asked if she had rented a room at the hotel, and she responded, "I think I did". When asked what transpired that day, she reportedly stated that she did not know. From that point onward, she responded with "I don't know" to all of the officers' questions. Police learned that Towers was a truck driver who was preparing to travel south with a load in the morning. Towers' truck was parked in the back of the hotel.

Towers reportedly told police that four males attempted to rob his wife, Jenkins, of her purse in the parking lot of the hotel.

Towers could not provide a description of the suspects but stated they appeared to be members of the Bloods gang. Both suspects denied being in the presence of anyone else. Towers stated they were staying in room 527 in the hotel. Police confirmed with management that 527 was vacant.

The officers determined that they needed to respond to room 509 and conduct a protective sweep for the third suspect who was possibly armed with a firearm. Staff provided police with a key card, and they knocked and

announced their presence before keying into the room.

No suspect was located in the room, however while conducting the sweep they observed the candles that the victim described, fresh damage to the heater/air conditioner, a wall showing signs of a physical altercation, and a small bag that matched the description of the bag the victim claimed was taken.

The officers had the victim look out a window which was 15 feet away from the suspects. He reportedly stated, "Those are two of them."

Once the identification was made, both Towers and Jenkins were placed under arrest on charges of armed robbery and conspiracy.

51, \$20 bills totaling \$1,020 was located in the right pocket of Towers' clothing. The cash was seized as evidence and logged into the system.

Police informed the hotel management that a possible third suspect was still outstanding and if anyone attempted to enter room 509, they should call 911 immediately.

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#### Arrests:

Carmelo Maldanado, of Boston, December 24, 9:40 p.m., arrested at Mt. Vernon St. on warrant charges of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, possession of a burglarious instrument, and attempt to commit a crime.

Keyshawn Huggins, of Weymouth, December 31,

8:39 a.m., arrested at Washington St. on warrant charges of possession of ammunition without FID card, carrying a firearm without a license, drug possession to distribute, and

possession of a large capacity and armed robbery. firearm.

Deandre Towers, of San Diego, CA, January 3, 12:02 p.m., arrested at Cummings St. on charges of conspiracy

Cari Jenkins, of San Diego, CA, January 3, 12:02 p.m., arrested at Cummings St. on charges of conspiracy and armed robbery.

### Shooting at 300 block of Lowell St.

Early Saturday morning, January 2, at approximately 4:25 a.m., a 24-year-old male was shot in the forearm while leaving a residence on the 300 block of Lowell St. after an altercation at a private party.

Somerville Police responded, and the victim, a Boston resident, was transported to MGH where he was treated for non-life-threatening injury and released. This appears to be an isolated incident. Police continue to investigate.

The Somerville Police Department is asking anyone with relevant information to contact 617-625-1212 or text a tip to TIP-411 (847-411) and put 617spd at the start of the message.

The Somerville Trauma Response Network (TRN) is available to anyone in need of mental health services in response to this event. The Somerville TRN may be reached by contacting the TRN Coordinator Sara Skonieczny, LICSW at 857-221-0942 or by email at sskonieczny@somervillema.gov.



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The following press release was issued on December 23, 2020:

Dear SPS Parents and Guardians,

As we prepare for the Winter Break, we want to provide you with an update of the building ventilation work and school reopening plans as shared at Monday night's School Committee meeting (slides available here). We appreciate the work that Rich Raiche and his team at Somerville's Department of Infrastructure and Asset Management (IAM) have done over the last several months to ensure that our school buildings are ready for a safe reopening.

We received a new preliminary construction schedule that includes optimistic and pessimistic timelines for completing the ventilation work at each school building. As we mentioned last week, the city was able to reduce the lead time on securing filters needed to complete this work, reducing the building availability timeline by several weeks. While there is a possibility that we may have 2-6 buildings available for use sometime in February or March, with SHS slated to be available mid- to late January, our plan is to utilize school buildings as they are available to return students in the phases identified in our Reopening Plan. Our highest priority students will be PK-12 students with special needs and students who are English language learners at levels 1 and 2, followed by Pre-K and Kindergarten students. Once we know the exact date of when our schools will be ready for occupancy, we can finalize all of the necessary logistical pieces and start our transition to in-person instruction. Those logistics include:

• Survey parents/guardians to find out which students will be returning and which will be opting to stay remote; this information may vary based on whether students will be at their 'home' school or temporarily in a different school.

• Schedule transportation for students with special needs and level 1 and 2 English learners. It is important to note that transportation companies have limited capacity due to distancing requirements.

• Schedule and conduct baseline testing for all students and staff returning to in-person instruction at each particular building.

• If specific programs are being temporarily relocated to a different building, arrange for moving of furniture or other specialized equipment. This involves working with DPW and setting classrooms up for any programs that are being relocated.

• Continue to work with our unions on negotiating any change in working conditions and planning for a smooth transition back into our school buildings.

Building mitigation work has begun and we will continue to keep you informed on a weekly basis and as we get concrete building availability dates. In partnership with the City, we will be hosting our next Schools Town Hall meeting sometime in January and will pass along details once that date is finalized.

We will also continue our weekly COVID-19 testing for essential SPS and city staff who are currently working from school buildings and/or interacting faceto-face with students. More than 300 staff have been tested in the last 2 weeks through our partnership with the Broad Institute and Tufts University.

Finally, we would like to provide clarification on a number of vaccine-related questions and concerns that have come up.

• Yesterday we were notified that the Massachusetts Department of Public Health has extended the deadline for students to receive the flu vaccination until

February 28, 2021.

• Students will NOT be unenrolled if they do not receive the flu vaccine, but must receive the flu vaccination before being able to return to in-person instruction. Students who do not receive the flu vaccination will remain in remote learning.

• The P-EBT program that provides food support to families is NOT connected to the flu vaccination requirement in any way. Families will NOT lose their P-EBT benefits if their student does not receive the flu vaccination. You can learn more about the P-EBT program at this link: https://www.map-ebt.org/ home/#ihdtab.

• We recognize that scheduling appointments for students to obtain their physicals is challenging because of limited health center schedules due to COVID-19, and will continue to work with families as needed.

Once again, our sincere thanks for your commitment and partnership throughout this difficult year. We wish you a safe, restful and rejuvenating Winter Break, and look forward to a healthy and hopeful 2021.

Respectfully,

Mary Skipper, Superintendent

### Somerville allocates additional \$5M for COVID-19 small business relief

In its third and largest round of COVID-19 business relief to date, the City of Somerville has made an additional \$5 million available for small businesses affected by the pandemic.

The City will administer awards of up to \$25,000 to eligible restaurants, fitness and recreation facilities, theaters, nightclubs, and other businesses impacted by government-directed closures. Applications and full eligibility requirements are available at somervillema.gov/BizRelief. Translated versions in multiple languages will be published in the coming days. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis starting Friday, January 8.

Since the onset of the coronavirus crisis, the City has allocated \$6,750,000 in emergency aid for Somerville small businesses. The first two rounds of relief used federal Community Development Block Grant funds, while Round 3 uses City fiscal reserves.

In addition to direct financial assistance, the City's Economic Development team continues to offer intensive multilingual support to local businesses, including weekly virtual town halls, topic-specific webinars, one-on-one business coaching, and referrals to other economic stabilization funds, among other initiatives. For more information, visit somervillema.gov/CovidBizHelp or call 311.



### Davis Square Donuts & Bagels

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different varieties, most of which are vegan. Plain or with a spread of your choice is also available, including lox and cream cheese. Breakfast sandwiches are offered with a variety of options like chorizo, egg and cheese, steak, egg and cheese and even your choice of omelets to top off your sandwich. If you're looking for lunch options, there are a number of choices like turkey and cheese, tuna, sausage and cheese, and some vegetarian options including hummus, lettuce and tomatoes and garden vegetables with cheese. Peet's Coffee is offered, whether you're looking for hot or iced they have you covered.



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# **DLJ/Leggat McCall and Union Square Neighborhood Council execute a Community Benefits Agreement**

After five months of discussions, Union Square Neighborhood Council Co-chairs Michele Hansen and Ann Camara today announced that a Community Benefits Agreement has been signed in good faith with DLJ Capital Partners and Leggat Mc-Call Properties, the joint venture development partners of the development of a 6.5-acre mixeduse development in Somerville's Boynton Yards.

Executed on December 17, the compact highlights cooperative principles relative to the Community Center Space; Parking and Traffic; Resilience and Sustainability; Connectivity; Diversity and Inclusion on the work site; Wages, Local Jobs and Internships; and Sustainable Employers.

The USNC will support the development team in its efforts to entitle a 1.4-million squarefoot master-planned development that includes three life science buildings; a residential complex; and retail, arts, and creative enterprise space. The first, 290,000 square-foot life sciences building - 101 South Street - was topped off in September and will be completed this summer.

DLJ/Legatt McCall committed to collaborate with the City of Somerville, other area developers, human service providers, and the USNC on the location and programming of a centralized multi-service community center for Union Square. The approach would aggregate contributions of built community-center space by different developers in one central location. Other Union Square developers have already expressed interest in this approach, initiated and advocated by the USNC.

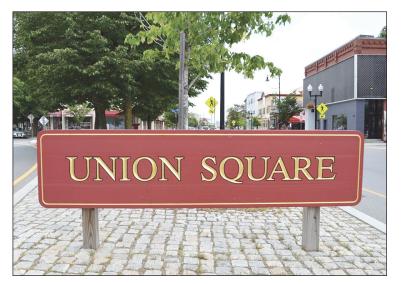
Above and beyond the parking requirements called for in the Boynton Yards Overlay District Zoning, commitments were made to work together to balance the parking needs of the Project with the mobility management needs/goals of the city and the community.

In addition, DLJ/Leggat Mc-Call will explore the provision of green roof space on subsequent life science buildings, despite space limitations due to required mechanical systems.

Collaboration with the city and other community stakeholders on a pedestrian/bike connection over the Fitchburg Commuter Rail tracks will include the possibility that the south end of the bridge will be located on the Project site.

Shawmut Design and Construction, the Project's general contractor, has agreed to hiring goals of thirty-five percent local residents, thirty-five percent minorities, and ten percent women. This is in keeping with the development team's commitment to fostering a culture of diversity, inclusion, and equal opportunity employment.

DLJ/Leggat McCall will work with the city, Somerville First Source and future tenants to create internship and job opportunities for Somerville residents. They will work with the USNC to develop a set of sustainable business practices that will be recommended to prospective



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commercial tenants.

Quarterly meetings between the parties will evaluate progress towards achieving the goals and commitments that have been agreed upon.

USNC board member Bill Cavellini called the agreement "an attempt to address the inevitable displacement that accompanies real estate developments of this size," and "an historic moment when community and developer chose to exchange and negotiate without the acrimony that so often accompanies such interactions."

John Fenton of DLJ added, "We are pleased that the US-NC's voice is strongly represented in every aspect of this agreement. We look forward to more collaboration as Boynton Yards continues to be poised as a key economic driver for Somerville due to the current demand for Class A lab space.

The Somerville Planning Board will next discuss approval of the Master Plan for Boynton Yards on Thursday, January 7, at 6:00 p.m. A copy of the agreement will be on the USNC website.

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# COMMENTARY

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# **Our View Of The Times**

schoolyards can finally run free, laugh, and experience what the world has to offer them in a future free from fear.

All of this can happen ... if we are smart. We have to keep masking, remain socially distant, and get those vaccinations when they are at last made available to all of us. Just as they say a person's age is just a number, so it is from one year to the next. 2021 can be better, but we're not there yet.

What a relief to have 2020 behind us, right? Well...

To a certain extent, we can certainly breathe a collective sigh of relief. But to be realistic, our problems are far from being totally behind us.

Without meaning to be a wet blanket, we must also acknowledge that there are many challenges and issues held over from last year that must be met with re-

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Happy birthday this week to several locals: Happy Birthday to a well-known former teacher in Somerville, Sophia Carafotes. She is a great person and we wish her a great year. Happy birthday to a good guy, Matt Hoey. We wish him the very best on this his birthday week. Happy birthday to former East Somerville and Magoun Sq. sign guy, Dominick Silvestri Jr. We wish him the very best. Happy birthday to Theresa Rodriques, who is celebrating this week. Finally, to an all-around nice guy, Kevin O'Donovan. We wish all of our Facebook friends, such as Gale Mahan, Steven Anthony, George Allen, Linda Alves Pereira, Rick Rossetti, Rose Amabile, Livia E Sharpe, David Foley, Chris Walsh, Alberta Healey, Janice Burpee and Rick Jackson a very happy birthday. We hope everyone has a great day. To all the others we may have missed, we sincerely wish them the very best of birthdays.

solve and smart behavior.

The coronavirus pandemic could potentially wind down and come to an end, provided that everyone gets onboard with vaccination as soon as possible, and that the vaccine gets distributed effectively.

The excruciatingly slow rollout of the vaccine seems to be salting the wound, but it should be improving over the months to come.

So, let us be optimistic as we look forward to better days ahead. The time can come when schools, businesses and public spaces are opened once again to free unfettered activity.

Those who have been put out of work can once again stand on their own two feet and provide for themselves and their families.

Children who once played in parks and

dren ASAP. You can read the letter at: https://www.speso.org/call-to-action.

Our sincere condolences to **Doug Holder** and his family on the passing of his mother. She sounded like a remarkable woman and will be missed. You can read her obituary on our website and in this week's edition (page 15).

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to license your dog each year, so it's time to start thinking ahead to if you haven't already. Registering for a dog license has never been easier, with online licensing through the **website and mobile app**. You also get access to an online pet community, with lost-pet alerts and significant savings for your pet supplies and services. Learn more and license your dog at bit.ly/SomervilleDogs.

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the Inclusionary Housing Program Virtual Office Hours, which takes place weekly. You can join virtually using this link: bit.ly/housingofficehours.

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In collaboration with The Beautiful Stuff Project, the City of Somerville, and with generous support from Cradles to Crayons and individual donors, Somerville Family Learning Collaborative volunteers distribute free diapers to Somerville families every Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., outside of the East Somerville Community School, 50 Cross St., (Glen St. side) and West Somerville Neighborhood School, 177 Powderhouse Blvd. Home deliveries will be provided for emergency and quarantined families. You can help raise awareness and resources to address diaper need by contributing here to The Beautiful Stuff Project's diaper wish list, or contacting SPS/SFLC Volunteer Coordinator JCapuano@k12.somerville. ma.us to volunteer or donate diapers. \*\*\*\*\* If you need assistance accessing food, there are several resources available to you locally. Visit the COVID-19 Help page at https://www.somervillema.gov/ departments/covid-Continued on page 12

It was brought to our attention that there is a call-to-action letter from Somerville Parents for an Equitable and Safe Opening (SPESO) to the Somerville School Committee requesting a 5-daya-week in-person school for young chil-

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Broadway and the Somerville Police Department, 220 Washington Street, are two locations that will be used to vaccinate first responders against COVID-19 starting on January 11. First responder departments and organizations can visit www.mass.gov/firstrespondervaccine to learn more.

Attention dog owners: You are required

Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone, in partnership with Buck Lee Real Estate Development, LLC, are pleased to announce an income-restricted condo available for purchase through the City of Somerville's Inclusionary Housing Program, located at 24 Rush St. in Somerville (24 Rush St. and 11 Brook St.). This 1BR condo #A will be offered to income-eligible first-time homebuyer households at a below market-rate price via an application and lottery process. The application deadline is January 20, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. Learn more about the property and application process at bit.ly/24Rush.For more information and assistance with your application, you can get in touch with the Inclusionary Housing team at inclusionary@somervillema.gov, 617-625-6600 ext. 2566. You can also join Ms. Cam's

mixture, hodgepodge

wrote Hamilton?

a fear of?

Catherine?

Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous

1. What is the name of

the acclaimed star who

2. What is Cryophobia

3. How many of Henry

VIII's wives were called

4. Which artist became

the second to win all

four major Grammy

5. Which song was

Challenge"?

used in the "Mannequin

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does Popeye have?

awards in 2020?

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# **FUN & GAMES**

### The Somerville Times Useless Facts of the Week

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1. Isaac Asimov is the only author to have a book in every Dewey-decimal category. 2. The average cough comes out of your mouth at 60 miles per hour.

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- 1. Timothy Q. Mouse's friend, in Dis-
- ney classic
- 6. River in Germany
- 9. Bridle parts
- 13. Whatsoever
- 14. Like tuna tartare
- 15. Forearm bones
- 16. Plural of #3 Down 17. Hardware store
- 18. "Gladiator" setting
- 19. Ferb Fletcher's stepbrother
- 21. Mr. White's unfortunate student
- 23. Welcome spot for weary traveler
- 24. It shall, for short
- 25. Cul de \_
- 28. Young herring
- 30. Dieter's cuisine, for short
- 35. Gator's cousin
- 37. French "place"
- 39. Chunk of iceberg
- 40. St. Louis monument
- 41. Like new TV set
- 43. Front of ship
- 44. Singular of loci
- 46. Additional
- 47. Reality TV's Spelling
- 48. Assistant to regional manager Mi-
- chael Scott
- 50. Missing a limb
- 52. More, in Madrid
- 53. Like acne-prone skin 55. Pimple fluid
- 57. Shirley's roommate and fellow bot-
- tle-capper
- 61. Rory Gilmore's mom
- 65. Make an effort
- 66. Legal org.
- 68. Long stories
- 69. Scottish valleys
- 70. Doctor Dolittle, e.g.
- 71. One of The Carpenters duo
- 72. Bone-dry 73. Opposite of WSW

74. Red or orange announcement



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- 33. Greek bazaar
- 34. Clark's fellow traveler
- 36. College party chant
- 38. Celestial bear
- 42. Dancer's beat
- 45. Daisy dukes, e.g.
- 49. "Wizard of Oz" man
- 51. Archimedes' exclamation
- 54. Furlough
- 56. Flower part
- 57. Frog delicacy

- 61. David and Paul on the "\_\_\_\_\_ Show"
- 62. Italian currency, pl.

which planet in February 2021? 8. What character do you play as in The Legend Of Zelda?

7. NASA launched

a mission which will

reach its destination on

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ams Dio

9. What color is toilet paper in France?

10. What is the capital of Argentina?

11. Which rock band was founded by Trent Reznor in 1988?

12. Elon Musk is the CEO of which global brand?



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- 3. Skirt length 4. Shrovetide dish 5. Mary-Kate and Ashley 6. Geologists' studies \_ and cheese 7.\_ 8. Moved under the rug 9. "All \_\_\_\_\_, no bite" 10. Footnote word 11. Amy Poehler's comedic partner 12. Welsh alternative to Siobh•n 15. Was almost out of gas, e.g.
- 20. Source of indigo dye, pl. 22. "\_\_\_\_ Be Home For Christmas" 24. In the best possible way 25. Coffee burn, e.g.
- 26. Bow and \_

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- - - - - - 58. Wheel shaft
          - 59. Swerve
          - 60. European sea eagle

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	27. Spherical bacteria
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#### Soulution to last week's sudoku puzzle:

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63. Maple genus 64. Negative contraction 67. Jerry's fellow treat-maker Answers in the next edition of The Somerville Times.

#### Soulution to last week's crossword puzzle:

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Fill in the blank squares in the grid, making sure that every row, column and 3-by-3 box includes all digits 1 through 9.

Answers in the next edition of The Somerville Times.

# Scrapheap move over, here comes Game Jam

#### By Erica Dakin Voolich

In previous years in October, I'd be telling you about teams, each of three students, arriving at the gym at Tufts University for an engineering challenge on a Sunday afternoon. Well, guess what happened with Scrapheap in the pandemic. No such event was possible.

But the Somerville Math Fund's Board would not be deterred. They decided they would hold a Game Jam instead on December 8 - 13, with students each working in teams of three each from their own home.

Seven teams signed up for the Somerville Math Fund Game Jam. They got their "marching orders" in a Zoom meeting on Tuesday night, and then on Wednesday afternoon picked up their supplies in a pizza box at the high school.

Students had from Tuesday night at 6:30 p.m. until Sunday at 6:30 p.m. to work on and upload their games. They needed to design a board or card game that could be played by three or more players, assuming each of the players could possibly play at different locations.

The theme of the game was "Space." Any interpretation of that theme was OK. All the teams of three were creating at home, not together in person, unlike the pre-COVID days of Scrapheap Showdown, with a large pile of junk, our scrapheap in the middle of a Tufts U gym floor.

Each player was given a pizza box full of papers with different board designs, rules, many different sided dice, playing cards and some random unrelated items, and they needed to figure out how to use at least one of them in the game. These were used in interesting ways. In one game, the stress ball became the sun on the game board of the planets. In another there was an animal building challenge with another random object as the board game progressed.

The Board was impressed by the creativity of the games the students came up with. Lots of detail and thought went in to the rules and design, and the creative choices of how to use the required "Space" theme. Some with planetary or asteroid travel or building for survival or defense, some with different non-Euclidean geometric spaces, even some with escaping aliens. Some games were for younger students, while some assumed high school math.

After the games were submitted and uploaded to the Somerville Math Fund Classroom, the Board members needed to play the games and the teams of contestants were each given two games to play and evaluate with the same rubric the Board was using.

The rubric was on a scale of 16 (up to 4 points in each of 4 categories) and each game was



judged by students as well as Board members and the final score was the average of the students' scores with the average of the Board members' scores.

The first -place team was "No Name Given" (Marie Lessard-Brandt, Isra Khan, Rio Hunter Black) with their game "Belt Hop," 13.2 points. The second-place team was "Senioritis" (Justin Millette, Henry Ayanna, Owen Chiu) with their game "Cosmic Civilization," 13 points.

The third-place team was "Buddies" (Brayden Goldstein-Gelb, AJ Feldman, Kevin Wen), with their game "Hold Your Horses," 12.3 points. The fourth-place team was "We Don't Know" (Nikhilesh Rattan, Samuel Diener, Chakshu Patel), with their game of "The Final Space Race," 11.8 points. The teams chose their prizes in the order they finished. The prizes donated were three passes donated by the New England Aquarium good through 2021, three \$100 Target gift card, three \$25 Apple gift cards and three \$25 Amazon gift cards.

Designers and refiners of the challenge were members of the Somerville Math Fund Board: Sanford Bogage, Chase Duclos-Orsello, Adam Foster, Monica Fernandes, Richard Graf, Jay Landers, Kelly O'Connell, Erica Voolich, and Susan Weiss, with design suggestions and distribution help from Patricia Murphy-Sheehy at Somerville High School, Head of Math Department. The math teachers at Somerville High School recruited the student teams.

Thanks to our sponsors, this activity was both a fundraiser

for scholarships, provided prizes for the students and allowed the students to participate without paying any registration fee. Our wonderful sponsors were Commercial Cleaning Co/Bickoff Family, Jasper J. Lawson, PhD. and Associates, Midé Technology Corporation, Tufts University, Winter Hill Bank, and two anonymous donors.

The Somerville Mathematics Fund was chartered in 2000 to celebrate and encourage mathematics achievement in Somerville. On January 7, we will be looking for teacher grant applications, and in April we will be looking for scholarship applications. For more information or to volunteer or to make a donation, call 617-666-0666, email mathfund@gmail.com, or go to www.somervillemathematicsfund.org.



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### **LEGAL NOTICES**

#### Legal Notices can also be viewed on our website at www.thesomervilletimes.com

#### **MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Elm Court, LLC, to Athas Capital Group, Inc., dated March 5, 2019, and recorded with the Middlesex South Registry of Deeds in Book 72305, at page 398, as assigned to The Rama Fund, LLC, by assignment recorded on March 29, 2019, in said Deeds in Book 72400, at page 204, and as further assigned to PS Funding, Inc., by assignment recorded on April 11, 2019, in said Deeds in Book 72443, at page 93, and as further assigned to Wilmington Trust, National Association, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Trustee of MFRA TRUST 2016-1, by assignment dated July 21, 2020, recorded on August 10, 2020, in said Deeds in Book 75328, at page 438, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at One o'clock PM, on the 29th day of January A.D., 2021, on the premises below described being known as 111 Elm Street, Somerville, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage as set forth below:

To wit: "A certain parcel of land together with the buildings thereon situated in the City of Somerville, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, and being lot numbered 27 on a plan of land entitled "Plan of Land in Somerville, belonging to Timothy Tufts arranged and numbered by L.R.W., May 6, 1890" which plan is recorded with Middlesex South Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 62, Plan 39. Said land is bounded and described as follows:

SOUTHWESTERLY by Elm Street, eighty-six and 01/100 (86.01) feet; NORTHWESTERLY by land now or formerly of Wentworth, Trustee, fifty-one and 47/100 (51.47) feet;

NORTHEASTERLY by lot numbered 26 on said plan, seventy-seven 88/100 (77.88) feet; SOUTHEASTERLY by Hancock Street, eighty-seven and 96/100 (87.96) feet. Containing 5,429 square feet more or less, according to said plan of land.

Subject to restrictions of record insofar as the same are now in force and applicable, Said premises are conveyed subject to and with the benefit of easements and restrictions of record insofar as the same are now in force and applicable.

#### APN: 030-C. 00019-000000

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 111 ELM STREET, SOMERVILLE, MA 02144"

The above premises will be sold subject as above and to the following: any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal assessments and liens; any and all outstanding water and/or sewer charges; any and all covenants, easements, restrictions, rights, reservations, conditions and/or other enforceable encumbrances of record created prior to the mortgage; and to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession, if any of the aforesaid there be.

Terms: Twenty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$20,000.00) will be required to be paid in cash or by certified check by the purchaser at the time and place of sale as earnest money. The balance is to be paid in cash or by certified check within thirty (30) days of the sale at the Law Offices of Ford & Paulekas, LLP, 280 Trumbull Street, Hartford, CT 06103. Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

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By: \_\_\_\_\_ David A. Hill, Jr. Its Attorney

Attorneys for Mortgagee: Ford & Paulekas, LLP 280 Trumbull Street Hartford, CT 06103 (860) 527-0400

Dated: December 30, 2020

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

#### Community Outreach Meeting

Notice is hereby given that a Virtual Community Outreach Meeting for a proposed Adult Use Marijuana Retail Establishment is scheduled for Thursday, January 7th, 2021. The meeting will begin at 6:00 PM and will include discussion about the proposed use in accordance with M.G.L. ch. 94G and the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission's regulations at 935 CMR 500.000 and 935 CMR 501.000 *et seq.* 

The Virtual Community Outreach Meeting will be available at the following link and phone number:

Date: January 7, 2021

Time: 6:00 PM

Link: https://www.gotomeet.me/LanceDavis/adultusecannabisapplicants

Phone: +1 (872) 240-3412

Access Code: 452-339-301

The proposed Adult Use Marijuana Retail Establishment for Sira Naturals is anticipated to be located at 240 Elm Street, Somerville, MA 01244. Interested members of the community are encouraged to ask questions and receive answers from company representatives about the proposed facility and operations. Questions can be submitted in advance of the January 7th meeting to <u>community@siranaturals.org</u>. Responses to these questions will be provided at the meeting.

A copy of this notice has been published in the Somerville Times at least fourteen (14) calendar days prior to the meeting as well as filed with the appropriate municipal entities, including the Town Clerk. This notice was also certified mailed at least seven (7) calendar days prior to the meeting to all abutters within 300 feet of the property line of the petitioner. You can view background information from the Mayor's Marijuana Advisory Committee (MAC) by visiting: https://www.somervillema.gov/ departments/programs/adult-use-marijuana-establishments. You can view project information and meeting materials by visiting: http://Siracommunity.com/somerville.

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#### **Community Outreach Meeting**

Notice is hereby given that a Community Outreach Meeting for a proposed Marijuana Establishment is scheduled for **January 7, 2021 at 6:00pm** via GoToMeeting.

You can join the meeting by going to <u>https://www.gotomeet.me/</u> <u>LanceDavis/adultusecannabisapplicants</u> or dial (872) 240-3412 and enter Meeting Access Code: 452-339-301.

The proposed Cannabis Retail Facility is anticipated to be located at 255 Elm St. Somerville, MA 02144.

There will be an opportunity for the public to ask questions. Questions may also be sent in advance to <u>info@theharvestclubs.com</u>.

Applicant information can be obtained prior to the meeting by visiting: https://www.somervillema.gov/departments/programs/ adult-use-marijuana-establishments

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT Re-Rebid IFB#21-28

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

**Ready Mix Concrete Supply** 

An Invitation for Bid may be obtained online at http://www.somervillema.gov/departments/finance/purchasing/bids



LEGAL NOTICE CITY OF SOMERVILLE MAYOR'S OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Pursuant to 24 CFR 91.105(e) (1), the City of Somerville will hold a public hearing to present the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for the City's 2019-2020 programs funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); and to obtain public input on the City's performance regarding its current grants funded by HUD, including the Community Development Block Grant Program, the Emergency Solutions Grant Program and the HOME Program.

The Public Hearing will be held virtually at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, January 14, 2021 and will be accessible via the following link: <u>https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/420051013</u>

Individuals with disabilities who need auxiliary aids and services for effective communication, written materials in alternative formats, or reasonable modifications in policies and procedures, in order to access the programs and activities of the City of Salamoun, at <u>NSalamoun@somervillema.gov</u>. Accommodations for non-English speaking persons are available by contacting (OSPCD) at ospcd@somervillema.gov. All requests for accommodations should be made by the close of business on Tuesday January 12th, 2021. General questions about the hearing should be directed to the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development (OSPCD) at <u>ospcd@somervillema.gov</u>. Written comments will be accepted until Thursday January 28, 2021 @ 7:30 p.m. and should be sent to the attention of Elizabeth Twomey at the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development (OSPCD), 39 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA 02143 or via email to ospcd@somervillema.gov.

Joseph A. Curtatone Mayor

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court NOTICE OF INFORMAL PROBATE

G.L. c. 190B, § 3-306 MIDDLESEX Division Docket No. MI20P5679EA

Estate of:			
	Barbara	J.	Richards
	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name
Also Know	vn As:		

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#### Date of Death: October 09, 2020

To all persons who have or may have some interest in the above-captioned estate and, if interested, to the Office of the Attorney General and the Department of Veterans Affairs, notice is hereby given on\_ <u>December 16, 2020</u> that the Petitioner

Billie Jeann	e	Kanavich	of	South Boston	MA
First Name	M.I.	Last Name		(City/Town)	(State)

Intends to file with the above named Probate and Family Court, not sooner than (7) seven days after this notice, a

[x] Petition for Informal Probate of a Will

 $[\mathbf{x}]$  Petition for informal Appointment of Personal Representative, to serve [] with  $[\mathbf{x}]$  without surety on the bond.

Billie Jeann	е	Kanavich	of	South Boston	MA	
First Name	M.I.	Last Name		(City/Town)	(State)	

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Rep-

FORCHASING DEPARTMENT     IFB#21-40     The City of Somerville, through the Purchasing Department invites         sealed bids for:     Security Monitoring and Maintenance for School and City Buildings     An Invitation for Bid may be obtained online at     http://www.somervillema.gov/departments/finance/purchasing/bids or     from the Purchasing Department, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Ave.,     Somerville, MA, 02143 on or after 01/06/2021. Sealed bids will be received	or from the Purchasing Department, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA, 02143 on or after 01/06/2021. Sealed bids will be received at the above office until: 1/20/2021 1:00PM. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing. The contract term shall be for a period of 1 year with 2 optional renewals.	resentative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administra- tion. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representative appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner. 1/6/21 The Somerville Times
at the above office until: <u>1/20/2021</u> <u>12:00PM</u> . The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing. Please contact Prajkta Waditwar at <u>pwaditwar@somervillema.gov</u> for more information. <u>Prajkta Waditwar</u> Construction Procurement Manager	Please contact Prajkta Waditwar at <u>pwaditwar@somervillema.gov</u> for more information. <u>Prajkta Waditwar</u> Construction Procurement Manager 617-625-6600 x. 3407 1/6/21 The Somerville Times	TO PLACE LEGAL ADVERTISMENTS IN THE SOMERVILLE TIMES, CONTACT US <b>BY 12 PM MONDAY</b>
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#### The Somerville Teachers Association (STA) and community members turned up, wearing red, at a January Somerville School Committee Meeting, advocating for better wages for the city's many paraprofessionals. A tentative agreement on a 3-year contract was ultimately reached in June.

The GLX Project continued wreaking commute time havoc with its road and bridge closures throughout the first half of the year, with gradual improvement and a relative return to normalcy taking place later in the year.

In February, the city's ban on plastic straws and stirrers went into effect.

Later in the month, Somerville officials and local organizations responded to the Trump administration's decision to deploy 100 border patrol agents to ten major sanctuary cities, including Somerville. Mayor Curtatone called the new plan, "a despicable election stunt that puts hard working people seeking to escape violence and poverty in the crosshairs."

In March, the City Council welcomed new Councilor At-Large Kristen Strezo as she stepped in for former Councilor At-Large Stephanie Hirsch, who had resigned for personal reasons.

Somerville residents learned of the extent of the COVID-19 pandemic that was developing worldwide. City buildings and schools were closed and social distancing was encouraged. The governor issued temporary stay at home advisories as entertainment venues in the city closed their doors for the remainder of the year. The use of masks and the importance of hand washing was also stressed.

Educators and parents coped with school closures by encouraging home schooling via virtual classrooms.

The city imposed a moratori-

result of the pandemic.

The federal CARES Act provided funds to individuals earning less than \$75,000. Most Americans received \$1,200 and businesses were given the opportunity to borrow funds to sustain their operations.

Somerville's Assembly Row played host to a mechanical system capable of sterilizing as many as 80,000 respirator masks per day, a tremendous boon to medical facilities engaged in the fight against the COVID-19 epidemic.

With the coronavirus closing businesses and putting people out of work, and more individuals losing their main source of income, affecting their financial stability and forcing them to find alternate means, Somerville's Project SOUP (Share Our United Pantry) provided a free food pantry for residents in need.

Tufts University made its residence halls available to house medical personnel, first responders, and patients, including those recovering from COVID-19, in an effort to help contain the spread of the virus.

Mayor Curtatone and the Somerville Board of Health issued an order to cease all non-emergency construction in Somerville by March 27. Exceptions were allowed only for efforts to make sites safe and for health- and safety-related activities.

In April, Mayor Curtatone announced the launch of a \$1 million Somerville Small Business COVID-19 Relief Fund to provide financial support of up to \$10,000 to Somerville small businesses impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Also, in April, residents of the Mt. Pleasant senior apartment building in Somerville have been placed under a mandatory minimum 14-day quarantine after eight cases of COVID-19 were the residence.

By the end of the month, the Somerville Board of Health announced that Somerville's facial covering advisory would become mandatory. The new order required anyone over the age of two to wear a clean face mask or face covering when in any indoor or outdoor space that is open to the public.

In May, the annual Somerville Open Studios (SOS) event took place, but not in its traditional form. The citywide art event featured virtual galleries by 336 artists. During the event, six artists held Zoom livestream tours of their studios for virtual audiences.

The annual PorchFest was transformed into CouchFest, the same basic event for local musicians to perform at home for audiences, but this time from a safe distance, broadcasting online.

In an effort to provide more walking and biking routes that allow for more social distance, the city's Mobility Team developed a shared streets plan based on international best practices and customized to Somerville's public health needs. For Shared Streets, low-volume or residential side-streets are opened up to pedestrians, cyclists, and other users while still allowing vehicles but limiting those vehicles to abutters, first responders, and delivery.

Strict guidelines due to the COVID-19 pandemic forced new protocols to be put in place for open-air farmers markets nationwide, and in Somerville the market organizers were as cautious as ever to keep residents safe. Both the Union Square and Davis Square markets had to adapt accordingly before re-opening.

Somerville High School contended with the COVID-19 situation by holding a series of "drive-up" graduation events at confirmed by the Massachusetts the Dilboy Stadium parking lot dents faced unemployment as a Department of Public Health at over the course of two days in

June. Each graduate individually walked across the stage, received their diploma, and had their photo taken.

Also, in June, \$1.5 million in rental assistance was provided by the city for Somerville residents experiencing financial hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The funding, which was provided by the federal CARES Act, was distributed to local nonprofits to support rental assistance for low- and moderate-income households.

Under strict guidelines, barbershops and hair salons were finally allowed to reopen in June. Protestors came together in Davis Square in June to peacefully express their feelings about the deaths of African Americans such as George Floyd and others. No instances of violence or vandalism were reported.

In addition, a candlelight vigil in honor of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Ahmaud Arbery and others killed by police brutality and racist violence took place at the East Somerville Public Library.

At the end of July, The Jeanne Jugan Residence Advisory Board for the Little Sisters of the Poor sent the nuns off to their Provincial Residence in Queens, NY. A caravan of police, firefighters and a color guard kicked off the parade with over 200 vehicles of families, friends and grateful residents in recognition of their dedication to the community for the past 150 years of Catholic ministry in the greater Boston area for taking care of the elderly poor.

The Winter Hill Urban Renewal Plan, which includes the vacant 31,000 sq. ft. Star Market, was approved by the Somerville Redevelopment Authority (SRA) in September.

Also, in September, A local organization created a Black Lives Matter mural in the middle of opment Project was approved by the Somerville Zoning Board of Appeals in October, clearing the way for Somerville's most ambitious affordable housing project in recent years.

Also, in October, Michael Mc-Grath, a Somerville police officer, was placed on administrative leave and his pay revoked after an investigation into an October 1, 2019 arrest reportedly turned up evidence that he had used pepper spray on a suspect who had been placed under arrest and was already in handcuffs.

Former Acting Chief of Police Charles Femino agreed to serve as the Acting Chief of Police effective December 12 until a permanent replacement is found for departing Chief David Fallon, who announced his pending retirement in March.

Throughout the latter part of the year, various shutdowns and temporary closures seemed to be a daily occurrence. Several restaurants and entertainment venues either went dark for the winter or closed altogether.

Various Phases and steps towards reopening wavered back and forth in response to increases and decreases of reported COVID-19 infections being reported.

Public events such as Somer-Streets, the Fluff Festival, and HONK! were either cancelled or went virtual for the year.

Meanwhile, Zoom became a household word as virtual meetings and town halls picked up where in-person contact was deemed to be too risky.

Yet through it all, people came together to help one another get through the most trying time they will likely ever know. Whether making and donating face coverings, providing food and other essentials to those in need, or any number of other acts of selfless generosity, the people of this city rose to the occasion in grand fashion.

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Magoun Square. May 2021 bring us to a safer, The Clarendon Hill Redevel- more peaceful state of being.

### Fundraiser established to help victims of early morning fire in Somerville

The grandchildren of Claudia and Sal Ferro have set up a gofundme account to help them after an early morning fire destroyed their home. If you would like to help go to: https:// gofund.me/a0fcdde3.

"Please donate anything you can, neither of them are working so they don't have extra funds for anything. My grandparents are good people and don't deserve this to be happening. We are just thankful everyone is out of the house safely. We believe the house is completely gone, standing but not livable by any means. Anything helps. Please, if you can't donate money they will need clothes and other essentials to get back on their feet."



— Arianna Andujar

#### Two firefighters injured in Somerville fire

At 1:59 a.m. on Wednesday morning, December 30, the Somerville Fire Department responded to a house fire at 20 Kensington Avenue. Firefighters were confronted with heavy fire conditions in the basement spreading rapidly up the rear stairway. Two occupants were also trapped on the second floor in the rear. A ladder was thrown and they were removed to safety. Two firefighters were injured during the rescues and required transport to Mass General Hospital. They have both been released and will be recovering at home. An additional seven firefighters sustained minor injuries but were able to remain on duty. The house is presently uninhabitable and suffered extensive fire, smoke and water damage. The cause of the fire remains under investigation.

— Charles J. Breen Jr., Somerville Fire Department, Chief Engineer

### Ways to uplift small businesses in the community

CONT. FROM PG 1

exchanging gifts? Ask for store credit instead of cash. It helps keep money with a small business and makes their cash flow more stable.

Many shops have safety measures in place, such as limiting occupancy or offering contactless pick-up.

2. Eat local. Support your neighbors by dining at locally-owned establishments. Getting takeout or having food delivered? Order directly from the restaurant rather than through third-party sites that take a cut. When it comes to food shopping, opt for neighborhood grocers, which often carry produce from small family-owned farms and other locally-sourced goods. Many offer the same curbside pickup and delivery options as major chains.

3. Uplift diverse-owned businesses. Keep in mind that minority- and women-owned businesses have been hard hit by COVID-19. Many are counting on your patronage to survive.

To help entrepreneurs stay open and support local jobs, Wells Fargo is deploying approximately \$400 million from its Open for Business Fund to nonprofits serving small businesses. The initiative focuses on increasing access to training and flexible capital that businesses can use for rent, utilities, payroll and other business needs. If you are a business owner looking for assistance and resources, visit wellsfargo.com/shoplocal to learn more. business. Whether it's expanding outdoor patios and installing heat lamps or updating tech to facilitate contactless checkout, small businesses have had to get creative to stay relevant. One simple way of supporting businesses as they make these changes is to follow them on social media and give positive reviews on websites like Yelp.

As part of its "Many hearts. One community" campaign, Wells Fargo is highlighting the determination, resilience and creativity that so many small businesses have shown this past year.

"Community has meant everything to me," says Kadijatu Ahene, owner of Dija's Touch Designs, which benefitted from Wells Fargo and Local Ini-



tiatives Support Corporation working together. "The challenges we're dealing with have brought us closer. Whether its friends and neighbors checking on me and my girls, delivering food and more, COVID has reminded us that we need each other to move forward in unity." (*StatePoint*)

4. Shine a light on your favorite

### No resolutions CONT. FROM PG 3

so many are out of work, worrying about bills, or dealing with a sick family member. Try taking a deep breath before you roll that car window down and unleash a vulgar tirade on another motorist. I'm trying to do that.

do that. One of the only good things that happened in 2020 was

the heroic rescue of two of my dearest friends and their family. Thank God no one was seriously injured. Their house was destroyed but their lives were spared. If you want to know the true meaning of a hero, look no further that The Somerville Fire Department. By the way, you can provide some much-needed support by giving to the gofundme page set up for them at https://go-fund.me/a0fcdde3.

So, 2020 is gone but not forgotten. The Covid-19 virus hit a few of my friends and even an immediate family member. All are recuperating and so far, so good. And since I didn't really have a New Year's resolution, I figured what the hell, maybe it's time to start up a few old bad habits. So, I'll stop at the Smoke Shop, pick up a pack of butts and hit Sligo in Davis Square. Nah ... I'll just have a cup of coffee and watch *Leave It to Beaver*. (Sligo is closed anyway!)



#### Newstalk CONT. FROM PG 7

19-help-food-housing-and-financial-assistance to learn more. There you will find a chart that includes local food pantry schedules, contact information, languages spoken at the food pantry, and whether or not you need to bring ID.

Hate incidents impact victims as well as the community. In an effort to make reporting hate incidents easier for the residents of Somerville, you may now report them using an online form. Visit the Somerville Police website under the Home tab and submit your Hate Incident report: www.somervillepd. com/home/.

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CHA Somerville Hospital offers free testing at Assembly Row. To make an appointment, call 617-665-2928, Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. The mobile COVID-19 testing unit also offers testing in our neighborhoods. Mobile testing schedules and more information on both can be found under the "Symptoms, Testing, & Medical Info" tab on somervillema.gov/covid19. The state also operates several Stop the Spread testing sites, including in the nearby communities of Chelsea and Everett. For more information, visit the state's website: https://www.mass.gov/ info-details/stop-the-spread.

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### January 6

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1912 - New Mexico becomes the 47th U.S. state of the Union.

**1919** – Theodore Roosevelt, the 26th president of the United States, dies at the age of 60 in his home at Sagamore Hill, New York.

1941 – President Franklin D. Roosevelt asks Congress to support the Lendlease Bill to help supply the Allies.

1946 - Ho Chi Minh wins in the Vietnamese elections.

1967 – Over 16,000 U.S. and 14,000 Vietnamese troops start their biggest attack on the Iron Triangle, northwest of Saigon.

**2001** – In one of the closest Presidential elections in U.S. history, George W. Bush was finally declared the winner of the bitterly contested 2000 election.

2014 – US Senate confirms Janet Yellen as the first woman to chair the Federal Reserve Bank.

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7:00am	Town Hall on Race and Equity in Policing	11:30
8:30am	City Council Spotlight - Mark Niedergang	Tuesc
9:00am	First Flag Raising at Prospect Hill	12:00
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11:00am	Fit 4 Life 2020 #1	1:00a
11:30am	SPL Gardening w/Green City Growers	3:00a
12:00pm		6:30a
1:30pm	Yoga with Jenn Falk - Practice Four	6:50a
2:15pm	In the Principal's Office - Glenda Soto	7:00a
2:30pm	School Committee Update: Emily Ackman	7:40a
3:00pm	Allen St. Playground Ribbon Cutting	8:00a
4:00pm	Fit 4 Life 2020 #4	8:45a
5:00pm	Legislative Matters 12.17.20	9:00a
5:30pm	Structural Racism Panel 6.23.20	9:30a
7:00pm	Senior Circuit: Nutrition	11:00
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Wednesday, January 6

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0pm	In the Principal's Office - Glenda Soto	
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12:00am	First Flag Raising at Prospect Hill	
12:40am	In the Principal's Office - SHS	
1:00am	Land Use Meeting 12.8.20	
3:00am	City Council Spotlight - Mark Niedergang	
6:30am	SPL Gardening w/Green City Growers	
6:50am	SPL Cooking 08 - Nicoise Salad 06072020	
7:00am	First Flag Raising at Prospect Hill	
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8:00am	Yoga with Jenn Falk - Practice Four	
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11:00am	Fit 4 Life 2020 #3	
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Finance Committee Meeting 12.14.20

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Fit 4 Life 2020 #4

Finance Committee Meeting 12.14.20

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#### Wednesday, January 6

8:00pm

In the Principal's Office: Glenda Soto 7:00am 7:30am El Sistema Virtual Winter Concert 2020 8:00am SPS Virtual Winter Concert 2020 SHS Girls Basketball vs Winthrop 9:00am SHS Boys' Basketball vs Danvers 1.8.19 11:00am School Committee Meeting 12.21.20 1:00pm 4:30pm Student of the Qtr. Awards - Healey School Student of the Qtr. Awards - WHCS 5:00pm 5:30pm Student of the Qtr. - Kennedy School Special School Committee Meeting 1.6.21 6:00pm 10:00pm SHS Girls Basketball vs Winthrop Thursday, January 7

First Flag Raising at Prospect Hill

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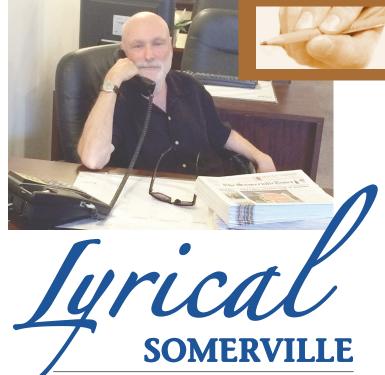
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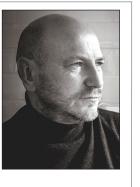
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Our poet this week is Adrian Shaw. Adrian writes us from England: Adrian's poetic enquiries have been recently collated into a collection of two volumes, and the final one of this trilogy is, at present, unfolding. https://youtu.be/pazx3fFYuaU www.instagram.com/spiritualamnesiac www.instagram.com/the.fotografa/



— Adrian Shaw

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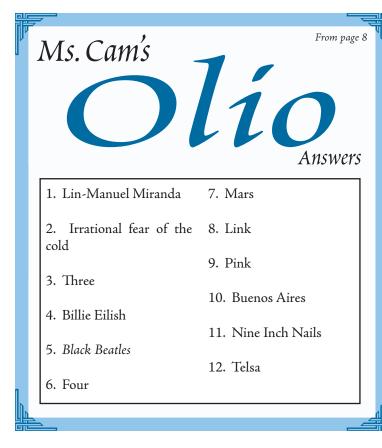
What you have been told you were is no longer relevant, for your eyes have opened and your wings are stretching beyond bound. Your innocence constrained by birth, the discord and directive voice scatters into the winds of their own limitations, no more can your own voice remain silent.

No more do you conform. No more will you not recognize the pervasive game. No more will you sit in the shadow of another. And no more will you not know your own divinity!

It is a time of great rebirth, a recognizing of truth and the emerging of understanding: that element of knowing you brought with you at the point of conception.

You are pure light, it is now time for it to shine!

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### **OFF THE SHELF** by Doug Holder

# 'Murder in the Marsh' by Kevin Carey

The year 1980. The city of Revere. It is a coastal town right outside of Boston, but the Hub's skyline looks like OZ to the denizens of this goneto-seed burg.

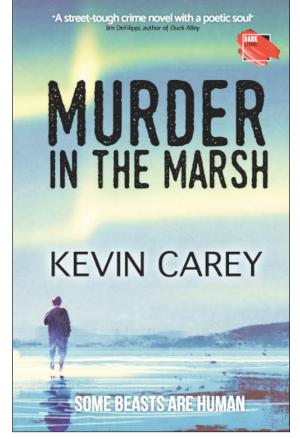
Carey, who is originally from Revere, knows the walk and can talk the talk. He is able to catch the bullshit banter of the barroom, and the invective from the numerous poseurs, thugs and cops, that circle each other in a compost heap of their own making. Carey's brutal dialogue reminds me of my favorite Boston crime writers – the late George Higgins (*The Friends* of Eddie Coyle).

Have, if you will, detective Eddie Devlin. A 40ish disgraced cop with a bad elbow. He has only one true friend, and a wheelchair-bound almost girlfriend, Gwen. She is a muse to this brooding poor man's Hamlet, as he tries to track the murderer who ruined his career and life.

Carey chooses the Marsh in Revere, a poignant symbol of all the hidden and repressed secrets that are below the scum of the surface. The Marsh is a cesspool of corpses and rotting detritus – it envelopes the whole story.

Devlin is on a journey to redeem himself, and Carey brings his crazed quest into full bloom. He portrays Devlin as almost as feral as his prey.

I can see echoes of Dennis Lehane and Robert



Parker in this story. But this story has a unique Revere feel to it, with all its greasy fried clams, stunted lives, rotgut booze, and the biker bars, wonderfully brought to seedy life.

### **Rita Baum Holder passes at 94**

Rita Baum Holder (March 16, 1926 to Dec. 30, 2020) - wife of the late Lawrence J. Holder, beloved mother of Don and Doug Holder, grandmother to Josh and Sarah Holder, and mother-in law to Evan Yionoulis and Dianne Robitaille, passed away Dec. 30, 2020 at Mercy Hospital in Rockville Center, NY due to complications from cancer. Holder was born in the Bronx, attended James Monroe High School, and later graduated from Brooklyn College. For many years Holder was a high school biology teacher in the New York City School System. Holder was passionate about the arts – theatre, literature, opera, and film – and instilled this sensibility in her two sons. Later she was proud to attend the Tony Awards, where her son Donald, a noted theatrical lighting designer, was honored on several occasions. She also attended many poetry readings that her son Doug was involved in, and even made former U.S. poet laureate Robert Pinsky laugh. For many years Holder was an active member of the Arts Guild of Rockville Centre and received an award for her many contributions. Holder and her late husband Lawrence were world-travelers, and she often documented her trips with wonderful photographs and storytelling. Holder was a volunteer at the Museum of Natural History in New York City, a position she was very passionate about. She will be missed by many friends, former students, and family. She was a devoted wife, friend, and grandmother. May she rest in peace.



L to R: Sarah Holder, Rita Holder, Doug Holder, Josh Holder, Donald Holder, and Phil Segal.

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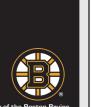
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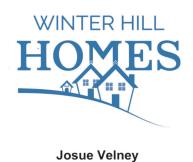
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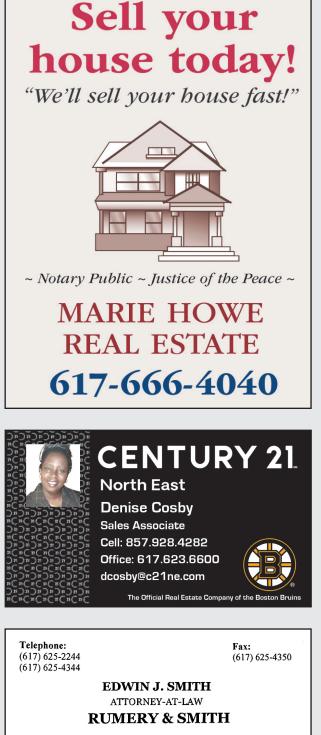
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