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HAPPY ST. VALENTINE'S DAY

from the publisher and staff of The Somerville Times



City to review and update gender equity policy



The Somerville Board of Aldermen has asked the administration to look into the issues of gender inequity in the areas of leadership and pay for city employees such as police, fire, and emergency services personnel.

By Jim Clark

Discussion took place at the latest Regular Meeting of the Somerville Board of Aldermen related to gender equity issues. Specifically, it was noted that a great disparity exists between the number of women employed in leadership roles by the city compared to men.

Alderman At-Large Stephanie Hirsch shared some eye-opening data with the Board saying, "Something I've been thinking about a lot in the last few weeks and before that is differences in leadership and wages, and I got the total numbers of women in police and fire. There are only 3.5 percent of the command staff in police and fire combined are women."

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Somerville shows some love for local artists

By Emily Blackwood

There's a drill for last-minute Valentine's Day gifts that most of us are aware of: roses, chocolates and wine. And while you could pick that up at the nearest grocery or convenience store, Jam Sessions offered an interesting alternative to this romantic classic.

During Somerville Local First's February Market, the popular "Your My Jam" gift basket included Cranapple Rose, Raspberry Chocolate, and Red Wine jams. Like the classic, only better.

Hundreds of unique Valentine's Day gifts were available from the over 40 vendors that gathered on February 11 at Arts at the Armory, 191 Highland Ave.

Charged Glassworks showed off their hand blown glass pineapple planters with live air plant crowns, great for the person who thinks that have a green thumb. Little love note "pills" from 4 Good Vibes came

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Afton Cyrus poses with the popular Raspberry Chocolate jam.

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Happy Valentine’s Day to all our readers and fans. We hope everyone has a great day with their significant other or with close family and friends. Enjoy the day!

Happy birthday this week to the following: Happy birthday to Elaine Hill, formerly of Ball Square and now in Florida. We wish Elaine the very best on this, her birthday. You can easily find Elaine on Facebook. Happy birthday to Lou Ferrara, a lifelong resident and now retired from the Sheriff’s Department. We wish Lou the very best on his birthday. Happy birthday to Patricia Latham, formerly of Somerville, now of Somerville with trees: Billerica. We wish Patty the best on her birthday. Happy birthday to a great lady, the very popular Cheryle Snow, self-employed with her husband Wayne in accounting. We wish Cheryle the very best on her birthday. Happy birthday to a well-known commercial real estate agent, Bernard Gibbons of ABG Realty. We wish him the very best on his birthday. To the many others not mentioned here but in our thoughts, we wish you a very happy birthday!

We were sad to hear that Phil Crane passed away recently. He was 95 years old and was the owner of Wedgwood/Crane insurance agency on College Ave. Phil was a nice man who was always good spirited, and well established in Somerville’s recent past. We extend our personal condolences to his family. We have great memories of Phil.

Demets Donuts in Medford is getting very busy, but those donuts and the large variety are like the old Day’s Donuts, huge and tasty. Almost a sin facing you when you come in for just coffee. It’s hard to not get that jelly or lemon, not to mention the coconut donuts. The Somerville Times is available every Wednesday at the donut shop. Stop in, get a coffee and few of those delicious donuts, or maybe the real – and we mean real – egg sandwiches, from real eggs.

Don’t forget, if you miss the Board of Aldermen meetings on Somerville City Cable (Comcast 22, RCN

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Comments of the Week

Response to: City officials consider home rule petition on real estate transfer fee

Joe Beckmann says:

First, the transfer fee should be simple and concise. The models – from Seattle to Berkeley, California, to Nantucket & Martha’s Vineyard – make no distinction about “who pays,” since it is ONLY the buyers who pay.

Second, the home rule amendment should be submitted with the active support of the Metro Mayors Coalition, since that is Somerville’s primary reason for participating in that Coalition, and passage is our highest priority. Additionally, the Coalition’s participation will guarantee that the funds from that fee will have concrete and documented impact – unlike other affordable housing initiatives. Targeting that housing – and other forms of economic development – will deliver on that guarantee to both Somerville voters and the other members of our coalition.

TheoNa says:

We need to take a stand on the addition of all of these home rule fees. Somerville now has a \$40 parking permit fee, water bill fees and is looking for even more fees. This is another attempted way to bypass taxpayer protections that reside within Proposition 2 1/2. Somerville needs to live within its budget much the same way as its taxpayers need to live within their budgets.

Old Taxpayer says:

just another way to impose a tax on those of us who simply cannot afford any more. Selling a house should not be a windfall for the city. It should have nothing to do with them and they have no business at all doing this to us. Just because they overspend and do not know how to make up the difference. Cut out the waste and get down to business. we are already paying way to much for things that are none of our business.

ritepride says:

Yes Prop 2&1/2, and in the following years additional budget cuts, many hardworking employees laid off while many new hack positions were created. Thus all the monies that were to be saved were not. Common sense is if you are laying off employees you should not be supporting projects to build gazebos, etc. Then the P.T. Barnum fraud projects like taxing again the black boxes that feed water meter readings to the city. These were installed several decades back to replace city workers who read the meters and the boxes were paid by tax monies then. All the newly created fees to double tax the residents/renters. Thus Double Jeopardy exists, a true injustice to the residents/renters of this city. The State Attorney General and Auditor should be looking at this.

The problem says:

absolutely a back door method to add taxes. a disgrace

Highlander says:

Transfer Fee. LOL. This will die on Beacon Hill. There is zero chance this transfer fee ever happens, nice try by our liberal elite BOA to think this will ever see the light of day. Just another swing and miss by this amateur BOA.

Annie says:

So we tax housing to make housing more affordable? Hmmm.

#nothappy says:

So I’m supposed to be happy that after maintaining a multi-family house for years, always renting at below-market rate, that the city wants to take part of the sale price of my home? How is that fair or reasonable? Anyone who thinks this will add affordable housing is living in an alternate universe. Buyers will deduct the fee from what they are willing to pay for the house. And since most of the buyers today are wealthy developers they don’t care, but will add the fee back in to their asking price. Where are the winners and losers? I see someone like myself as a huge loser, and they city slush fund as a huge winner.

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Union Square Portraits: Conversations about America – with Joe

By JT Thompson

Joe, mid 50s, a former lieutenant on the Somerville police force, retired in 2015 after 26 years of service as a cop, and now works with disadvantaged teenagers.

Joe is a big guy, round-shouldered and burly, with friendly, intelligent eyes, a frizzy, grey goatee, a bald head, a dark leather jacket, and slender reading glasses with pink frames. He is deeply comfortable in his own skin and moves easily in his storytelling between sturdy strength and emotional vulnerability.

As we settle in to talk at a bench in the Bloc 11 courtyard, he tells me about a jazz show he saw the night before, brimming over with enthusiasm as he describes the night.

“We had seats right up front, it was amazing...Brian Blade, the leader, who’s on drums, the guy must be all of 130 pounds. But he was sizzling. He was so far inside the music...so lush. That guy’s the real cat!”

Joe grew up right off Powderhouse Boulevard, by Tufts, “in a neighborhood full of very middle class people. Insurance salesmen. Cops. My dad was a cop. My mom was an RN. There were a lot of nuclear families, unlike today, now it’s all condos.

“I spent 45 years in that house – my mother’s parents lived on the first floor.

“This cold weather reminds me of how into hockey I was as a kid. I’d shoot pucks in the driveway till my mom couldn’t stand the sound anymore, and I’d come inside with snot pouring out of my nose,” he laughs.

“Another great memory is my YZ80 dirt bike, which dad got me when I was about 10 or 11. When I was that young, dad was an MDC detective, he always had an unmarked Ford LTD. We’d put the motorcycle in the trunk and head up to the Stoneham woods, and I’d ride there.

“ I love that if you just kind of mind your own business, you can do whatever you want. If you come from somewhere with nothing, you can do ok here”

“You couldn’t do that today. He’d sit in the car reading the newspaper, while I was out there blasting away. I wore a helmet, but it was a freer time, just a great abandon. Now, cops would have stopped me.”

Joe’s lifetime love of music took

off in high school, where he was a lead trumpet in the jazz, marching and concert bands.

“I still have the trumpet dad bought me when I was in 5th grade. It cost \$575 in 1975, which must have been at least a week’s pay. I’d alternate between practicing trumpet in the house, and hockey. As I got older, I played hockey year round, and dad and I would drive all over the place together.

“He always had seized cars, all muscle cars. A 1970 black Charger. A 1972 Buick Riviera with a boat tail like a Corvette. He’d let me start them, warm them up in the driveway. The Riviera had been used in five Miami bank robberies, the cops couldn’t catch the car. Finally, they caught it, and somehow my dad ended up with it.

“We’d go out driving, and at the Northgate rotary, he’d rip around the curve and when we hit the straightaway, the Lynn Marsh Road, he’d just bury it. The car would almost stand up,” Joe laughs. “We’d be going well over 100 miles per hour. And he was a cop! It was awesome,” Joe chuckles.

“He’d drop me off at school, and kids would see me in this muscle car with tinted windows – nobody had tinted windows then. He’d have the window rolled down just far enough so you could see his brown scally cap, and green army jacket, and long white hair. The kids would be, Who is that guy?! He was a bad ass. Such a great guy.”

I ask him if things he loves about America are coming to mind.

“I love that if you just kind of mind your own business, you can do whatever you want. If you come from somewhere with nothing, you can do ok here.

“Now we’ve got a boob in the White House. Uneducated. Unintellectual. I’m just embarrassed.

“But there’s nobody climbing over a wall trying to get out – with all the bad mouthing that we’re racist. I don’t see that. When I see jazz shows, race, gender, they’re not there. Everybody’s just enjoying the music.

“The outrage over the kneeling and all that – it’s just a distraction.” Joe reaches over and taps the side of my head. “All the hatred spewed every day in the media – much of it is manufactured. A lot of it doesn’t exist. I look around and people are being polite to each other.

“I spent 26 years as a cop.



Former Somerville police officer, Joe.

I loved it. When I walked through Davis Square, people knew me, I put them at ease. I loved arresting bad guys. I loved just talking to people.”

Joe hit a pivotal moment in his career and personal life in 2011.

“There was a confrontation, and I had to shoot a kid. A kid I knew from the Y.”

After the shooting, in which one of his fellow officers was shot five times (and survived), Joe was awarded the George L. Hanna Medal of Honor. His father had also been awarded the Hanna medal; they are the only father and son to be awarded the medal in Massachusetts law enforcement history.

“Afterward, I ended up turning away from my family, not into it.”

Joe ended up leaving his wife and reconnecting with an old love, Stephanie, who he is still with today. “I wouldn’t want to spend five minutes away from her.”

After retiring from the police force, Joe eventually ended up working at Alliance House, a 12 bed residential treatment center for teenagers charged with crimes, and committed there for group therapy and individual therapy.

“They’d had six directors there in three years. No one could get a handle on it.

“It was chaos there, it was horrible when I took over. It was being run like a hospital, the kids were just being warehoused.

“In six months, I transformed

that f**king place.

“I got rid of the overheard lighting, brought in floor lamps. And hundreds and hundreds of books. I started a literature and poetry program. And music – drums, keyboards. I brought in a recording guy, set up a little recording studio on a table so they could record their own songs.

“It’s the hardest work I’ve ever done. Sixty hours a week, driving around a 100 miles a day. If it had been 11-7 Monday through Friday, if the phone hadn’t always been going off at 2am, if I didn’t always have Saturday work because people were bailing, if everything hadn’t always ended up in my lap – I’d still be doing it.

“But I was losing my sanity, losing my health. In the morning before heading in, I’d be crying at the breakfast table. Stephanie kept telling me I should quit.

“I wanted to last at least two years, and made it to 13 months.

“It was sad. I loved working with those kids. I got tight with maybe three or four of them. They loved me, I loved them back. They’d had tough circumstances. Drug addicted parents, or alcoholics.

“There was this redheaded kid, he broke windows, would run away. I turned him around. I was with him for 11 months, and he ended up asking me if I would adopt him.

“Those kids, their entire identity was the street, the gang, the block, nothing else. *Continued on page 17*

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'THE WEEK IN CRIME'

By Jim Clark

'Scary man' gets his wish

Police officers were dispatched to an Assembly Row location last Saturday evening on reports of an unwanted person.

Upon arrival, the officers were flagged down by an Assembly Row Security Officer, who pointed to a man, later identified as Bryan Kelleher, of Saugus.

The officers spoke with an employee of a bar that Kelleher was patronizing who stated that he was cut off and then asked to leave.

The employee reportedly told police that Kelleher refused to leave, and then trespassed him from the property.

As the officers questioned Kelleher, they noted that he appeared to be extremely intoxicated and as he told them that he did not have to leave public property.

The officers explained to Kelleher that Assembly Row is private property and they would like him trespassed and was asked once again to leave.

Kelleher reportedly began to raise his voice and cause a scene, saying, "This is why I f**king hate cops."

According to reports, there were numerous people stopped and gathered due to Kelleher's behavior, including a small group of underage females that he made lewd remarks to.

The officers explained to Kelleher that he was becoming disorderly, and he then stated that they should arrest him.

The officers promptly complied with his request, and placed Kelleher under arrest for disorderly conduct and trespassing.

Kelleher reportedly continued to swear and yell for people to film the arrest, and again yelled lewd remarks at the young group of children.

Once Kelleher was taken away, the children reportedly told police, "That man was scary."

SOMERVILLE POLICE CRIME LOG

Arrests:

- Joaquin Arias**, of 118 Stearns St., Lawrence, February 6, 7:24 a.m., arrested at Grand Union Blvd. on a charge of operation of a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor.

Tracy Carvalho, of 1374 Broadway, February 7, 1:32 p.m., arrested at Washington St. on a warrant charge of felony daytime breaking and entering.
- Patrick McGonagle**, of 87 Elm St., Charleston, February 9, 5:27 p.m., arrested at Broadway on charges of receiving a stolen motor vehicle, drug possession to distribute, and possession of a class B drug.

Carl West, of 21 Walden Square, Cambridge, February 9, 7:26 p.m., arrested at Mystic Ave. on warrant charges of failure to stop or yield, license revoked as HTO, and motor vehicle operator failure to identify self.
- Maliek Anderson**, of 1757 Dorchester Ave., Dorchester, February 9, 7:26 p.m., arrested at Mystic Ave. on warrant charges of motor vehicle lights violation, operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended registration, and misdemeanor breaking and entering.

Stephen Tolliver, of 240 Albany St., Cambridge, February 10, 2:11 p.m., arrested at Alston St. on warrant charges of possession of a burglarious instrument and misdemeanor breaking and entering.
- Richard Byrnes**, of 54 Gledale St., Everett, February 10, 2:23 p.m., arrested at Assembly Row on warrant charges of destruction of property over \$250, felony breaking and entering of a truck, miscellaneous municipal ordinance violation, receiving stolen property over \$250.

Bryan Kelleher, of 1 Hanson Rd., Saugus, February 10, 9:52 p.m., arrested at Assembly Row on charges of disorderly conduct and trespassing.
- Alexander Aiello**, of 38 Prichard Ave., February 11, 10:30 p.m., arrested at Broadway on charges of operation of a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor and negligent operation of a motor vehicle.

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That's 3 women and 84 men are commanders in the police and the fire departments."

Hirsch went on to explain that a mere 9.5 percent of regular officers in the police and fire departments are women, representing of 18 out of 171 such officers.

"11 out of the 14 E-911 operators are women and they make about \$55,000," Hirsch continued. "0 out of the 10 fire alarm operators are women, and they make about \$85,000-90,000. So that's just incredibly stark, and it's really hard to fix this kind of stuff. It's far beyond Somerville and it's going to take a really huge amount of determination, hard conversations, to get to the root of these very extraordinary differences, and gaps in leadership and representation."

Hirsch said that she hopes people will be willing to ask those hard questions. She also emphasized that she was not being critical of the police and fire departments, and that she has a lot of respect and admiration for the work they do.

"But I kind of feel the same way about teachers," Hirsch said. "I walk away from Argenziano School with all three of my kids there. These teachers – there are, like, 30 of them – and they have 600 kids. And they have them all day. We have a lot of amazing, brave people in the front lines, public safety, teaching. I challenge all of us to think about how to have this comprehensive systematic change, as well as

doing the more symbolic changes."

Ward 5 Alderman Mark Niedergang expressed support for Hirsch's remarks and told the Board, "I just want to thank Alderman Hirsch for bringing those numbers into the discussion. They are very stark and they show the reality. They make it clear that this is a real problem that should be addressed here in the city."

Niedergang added that he thinks the same is true in terms of racial and ethnic diversity, especially in the police and fire departments.

"We've taken more strides in the police department in that regard than the fire department," Niedergang said. "But these are real issues in our city, especially as our city is very different in terms of its racial composition than it was 20-30 years ago."

The gender equity discussion arose while the Board addressed agenda items related to requesting that the administration review and update the city's sexual harassment policy for all city staff, as well as work with the Board to implement a Code of Conduct policy and discuss training all staff, union members, and aldermen.

Additionally, a resolution was put forward That the Administration and Director of Parks and Recreation develop a financial policy for programming for persons under 18 years of age that ensures gender equity when using public funds.

Each resolution was approved.

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Special happy birthday gathering



By Donald Norton

Lifelong resident Irving “Elmer” Johansen celebrated his 95th Birthday twice last week. Johansen (pictured here with his daughter, Diane Johansen) celebrated at his church with all the church members joining in.

They all turned out on Sunday after services to wish Johansen a happy birthday. The luncheon and desert was on Johansen, who insisted on taking care of the cost because he wanted to show his gratitude to his fellow church members.

Also, last Thursday a small group of friends gathered for a lunch at one of Johansen’s favorite luncheon places, the

Chateau in Andover.

Johansen is a great guy to talk to. He has so many stories of how wonderful Somerville has been to him over the years. He grew up here, went to school at SHS, married his high school sweetheart, Peggy, and raised his son Robert and daughter Diane.

Johansen still lives here in the city and loves Somerville, and has a different story regarding the history of the city every time you talk to him. He sat on many boards here in Somerville, including the YMCA and The Somerville Home, just mention a few. Anyone who knows Johansen knows how much he loves Somerville.

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THE HOUSE AND SENATE: *Beacon Hill Roll Call* records local senators' votes on roll calls from the week of February 5-9. There were no roll calls in the House last week.

CHANDLER WILL BE SENATE PRESIDENT FOR ALL OF 2018 (S 2298)

Senate 37-0, approved a motion to remove the adjective “Acting” from Acting Senate President Harriette Chandler’s title and make the Worcester senator the permanent Senate president for the remainder of 2018. Chandler, 80, was majority leader and second in command in the Senate before former Senate President Stan Rosenberg resigned on December 4. Rosenberg’s resignation came after allegations in the *Boston Globe* that his husband, Bryon Hefner, groped three men and kissed another one against his will. The *Globe* story also included claims that Hefner has said he speaks for Rosenberg and talks about Senate business with legislators and their staffs. The Senate Ethics Committee is currently investigating the matter.

“I did not allow Bryon Hefner to influence my actions and decisions as Senate president, or to influence the Senate’s actions and decisions, despite any suggestions to the contrary,” said Rosenberg. “I continue to rely on the Senate Ethics Committee investigation to determine all the facts, and I look forward to its completion.”

Following Rosenberg’s resignation, Chandler was elected to fill the spot temporarily until the investigation was over and Rosenberg or another senator is elected president. Chandler has said repeatedly she does not want to be the permanent Senate president for a long period of time and will not be a candidate for the position in January when the new Senate, following the November 2018 election, is scheduled to elect a new Senate president. Four senators are said to be already jockeying for votes for Senate president: Sens. Sal DiDomenico (D-Everett), Karen Spilka (D-Ashland), Eric Lesser (D-Longmeadow) and Eileen Donoghue. (D-Lowell).

Chandler plans to soon move into the plush office of the Senate president and will also name a new majority leader, the post she held before being elected Senate president. She said that the focus continues to be on policy, the budget and the business of legislating. “We have now reached a point where we are into the business of doing what we’re here to do, which is legislating,” said Chandler. “We have a budget ... We have work to do for the people who have elected us, and ‘acting’ doesn’t quite do it anymore. We are now at the point where we need a president who has the full responsibilities and the full authority of a president of the Senate.”

Both Chandler and Rosenberg intend to run for re-election in November.

(A “Yes” vote is for making Chandler the president through the end of 2018.)

Sen. Patricia Jehlen Yes

\$3.65 BILLION FOR REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS (S 2279)

Senate 37-0, approved authorizing up to \$3.65 billion in bonds for repairs and improvements of capital facilities across the state including \$475 million for improvements to state university and community college campuses; another \$475 million for campus improvements to UMass; \$85 million for clean energy and efficiency programs at state-owned facilities; \$675 million for trial

court facility improvements; and \$500 million for public safety and security facilities.

“This bill invests in capital projects across the state, to ensure our state facilities are well-maintained and well-equipped to best serve our residents and communities,” said Sen. Karen Spilka (D-Ashland), chair of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means. “These bonds are a strong step in our continued work with the governor and the House to support projects in a range of areas, including health, safety and education, that are critical for our cities and towns.”

“Long-term capital investment in these facilities is critical, and this bond ensures that necessary planning and investment will continue without interruption,” said Sen. John Keenan (D-Quincy), chair of the Senate Committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets.

The House approved a different version of the package in November. A House-Senate conference committee will work out a compromise.

(A “Yes” vote is for the \$3.65 billion in repairs and improvements.)

Sen. Patricia Jehlen Yes

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

AUTOMATIC VOTER REGISTRATION - The Election Laws Committee gave a favorable report to legislation that would establish a system under which eligible voters would automatically be registered to vote when they interact with a state agency like the Registry of Motor Vehicles or MassHealth.

“We’re very excited to see Automatic Voter Registration (AVR) take the next step towards passage in our state,” said Pam Wilmot, Executive Director of Common Cause Massachusetts which is the leader of the Election Modernization Coalition. “We are grateful to the legislators who share our passion for giving all Bay Staters a voice in elections, and for making our election system more accurate, secure and inclusive by supporting AVR.”

Supporters note that an estimated 680,000 eligible Massachusetts voters are currently not registered. The said that in Oregon, the first of ten states to implement this system, more than 230,000 voters registered in its first six months, and more than 265,000 inaccurate registrations were updated.

SAFE BABY SLEEP (H 4074) – The Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities Committee held a hearing on a proposal that would require the Department of Children and Families to establish a safe sleep program that provides infant safety information on its website for expecting and new parents. An online training course would also be offered to educate them on infant safety and safe sleep techniques.

The measure also provides free safe sleep boxes for infants and additional infant care necessities for anyone who has completed the training course to the satisfaction of the department. These baby boxes are made from durable cardboard and include a firm mattress and a collection of products including diapers, breastfeeding accessories, baby clothes and other items.

The use of baby boxes originated in Finland, where they helped that country achieve one of the lowest infant

mortality rates in the world,” said the bill’s sponsor Rep. Diane DiZoglio (D-Methuen). “In 2017, an estimated 93 percent of infant fatalities associated with Sudden Unexpected Infant Death Syndrome were related to sleep environments.

ADOPT A SHELTER DOG AWARENESS MONTH (H 1653) The House gave initial approval to legislation that proclaims October as “Adopt a Shelter Dog Awareness Month.”

MARIJUANA BILLS – The Committee on Marijuana Policy held a hearing on 28 bills last week including:

REPEAL LEGALIZATION OF MARIJUANA (S 1060) – Completely repeals the law, approved by voters on the 2016 ballot, that legalized the recreational use of marijuana.

URGE CONGRESS TO LIFT THE FEDERAL BAN ON MARIJUANA (H 3196) – Urges Congress to repeal the federal law that makes marijuana illegal in order to put a stop to the conflict between the federal government’s ban and the Bay State which has legalized it.

Supporters of the repeal cited a recent statement by U.S. Attorney for Massachusetts Andrew Lelling that he would not rule out prosecution of any of the many players in the state’s marijuana industry.

“Congress has unambiguously made it a federal crime to cultivate, distribute and/or possess marijuana,” said Lelling. “As a law enforcement officer in the Executive Branch, it is my sworn responsibility to enforce that law, guided by the Principles of Federal Prosecution. Deciding, in advance, to immunize a certain category of actors from federal prosecution would be to effectively amend the laws Congress has already passed, and that I will not do. The kind of categorical relief sought by those engaged in state-level marijuana legalization efforts can only come from the legislative process.”

Repeal supporters also noted that 18 medical marijuana dispensaries have ceased to take debit cards and have become cash-only operations. The debit card companies that process payments for the dispensaries severed their relationship with the shops out of fear they could be prosecuted for their participation in the sale of marijuana.

EXPUNGE PRIOR MARIJUANA ARRESTS (S 1075) – Allows the courts to expunge the criminal record of anyone who has been arrested, charged or convicted of possession of less than an ounce of marijuana.

“People shouldn’t be unduly penalized for non-violent minor offenses that are now legal behaviors,” said the bill’s sponsor Sen. Jason Lewis (D-Winchester). “This legislation was written to provide an avenue for appropriate redress.”

REQUIRE EFFICIENT USE OF ENERGY AND WATER BY MASSACHUSETTS POT GROWERS (S 1076) – Requires the secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs, in consultation with the commissioners of Energy Resources, Environmental Protection and Agricultural Resources, to make recommendations for energy and water use efficiency for licensed marijuana cultivators in Massachusetts. The Cannabis Control Commission would then develop and implement regulations based on these recommendations.

Beacon Hill Roll Call

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QUOTABLE QUOTES

“With over 2,000 megawatts of solar now installed, Massachusetts continues to lead the nation in solar deployment and clean energy innovation. Through our next solar incentive program, SMART, and our forward-thinking solar grant programs, we look forward to doubling that amount of solar and building a sustainable and affordable clean energy future for the commonwealth.” — Gov. Charlie Baker on his administration’s efforts to diversify the state’s energy portfolio to reduce energy costs for ratepayers and meet the Global Warming Solutions Act’s greenhouse gas reduction requirements.

“The inclusion of Head Start and special education programs highlights our commitment to ensure that every student in Massachusetts has access to safe, clean drinking water. I am proud to work collaboratively to provide these programs the funds they need to test water in their buildings.” — State Treasurer Deb Goldberg, chair of the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust, on the expansion of the Lead in School Drinking Water Assistance Program to include Head Start and special education programs.

“It’s pretty obvious to me, as the census director and in the communication I’ve had with the Commerce Department so far in preparing for the 2020 Census which is now just two years away, that the Trump Administration intends to politicize this census. They are clearly setting us up for a shortfall in states such as Massachusetts with some of the policies that they’re considering and have already implemented.” — Secretary of State Bill Galvin accusing the Trump Administration implementing new census policies aimed at producing an undercount of voters in Massachusetts.

“Nothing is more basic or fundamental than ensuring Massachusetts families and businesses have access to clean and safe water. Suspending the Clean Water Rule and its critical protections poses a serious threat to public health, our environment, and our economy. My office is fighting this latest illegal and dangerous action by the Trump Administration.” — Attorney General Maura Healey on her lawsuit against the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the United States Army Corps of Engineers over the agencies’ illegal two-year delay of the Clean Water Rule, a federal regulation designed to ensure the nation’s rivers, streams and wetlands are protected from pollution.

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 February 5-9, the House met for a total of seven hours and one minute while the Senate met for a total of 10 hours and 13 minutes.

Mon. Feb. 5House 11:00 a.m. to 11:10 a.m.

Tues. Feb. 6Senate 11:08 a.m. to 11:20 a.m.
House 11:20 a.m. to 11:33 a.m.
No Senate session

Wed. Feb. 7House 11:03 a.m. to 5:27 p.m.
Senate 11:12 a.m. to 4:57 p.m.

Thurs. Feb. 8House 11:03 a.m. to 11:17 a.m.
Senate 11:07 a.m. to 3:23 p.m.

Fri. Feb. 9No House session
No Senate session

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Recent Single Family Homes Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month:

Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
82 Line	6 room, 5 bed, 3f 1h bath Contemporary	40	\$1,449,000	\$1,375,000
66 Chandler Street	8 room, 4 bed, 3f 0h bath Victorian	8	\$1,500,000	\$1,525,000
28 Hawthorne St	7 room, 3 bed, 3f 1h bath Other	18	\$1,549,000	\$1,575,000
23 Elston St	9 room, 5 bed, 4f 1h bath Colonial	14	\$1,795,000	\$1,915,000

Recent Condominiums Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month:

Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
15 Wilson U:1	5 room, 3 bed, 3f 0h bath 2/3 Family	38	\$849,900	\$825,000
211 Tremont Street U:9	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 1h bath Mid-Rise	6	\$875,000	\$940,000
1 Summer St U:6	6 room, 2 bed, 2f 1h bath Loft	84	\$995,000	\$1,000,000
33 Glenwood U:1	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 1h bath 2/3 Family	24	\$998,900	\$998,000
30 Teele Avenue U:1	7 room, 3 bed, 3f 0h bath 2/3 Family	95	\$1,044,900	\$1,010,000
33 Glenwood U:2	6 room, 3 bed, 2f 1h bath 2/3 Family	46	\$1,178,900	\$1,164,500
79-1 Irving U:1	7 room, 3 bed, 2f 1h bath Townhouse	145	\$1,199,900	\$1,200,000
290 Highland Ave U:3B	7 room, 3 bed, 3f 0h bath Low-Rise	125	\$1,275,000	\$1,225,000

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

Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
14-16 Joseph St	3 unit, 12 total room, 6 total bedroom 3 Family	25	\$1,265,000	\$1,150,000
35 Merriam St	3 unit, 20 total room, 7 total bedroom 3 Family	25	\$1,269,000	\$1,240,000
90 Morrison Ave	2 unit, 12 total room, 6 total bedroom 2 Family	26	\$1,290,000	\$1,205,400
52 Porter St	2 unit, 14 total room, 6 total bedroom 2 Family	55	\$1,295,000	\$1,250,000
24 Belknap Street	3 unit, 17 total room, 8 total bedroom 3 Family	16	\$1,579,000	\$1,400,000
34 Heath Street	6 unit, 24 total room, 6 total bedroom 5-9 Family	23	\$2,300,000	\$2,200,000
255 Highland Ave	6 unit, 23 total room, 8 total bedroom 5+ Family	7	\$2,500,000	\$2,560,000
11 Austin Street	6 unit, 34 total room, 16 total bedroom 5+ Family	125	\$2,750,000	\$2,500,000

Somerville shows some love for local artists

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with little pieces of paper to write your own sentimental note. And ParTea booze infusers were perfect for your broken-hearted best friend who'd rather celebrate Galetine's Day instead.

One of the most popular stands, of course, was Chocolats Passion, where Chocolatier Catherine Wiersema was giving out free samples of her chocolates that looked like glass marbles and tasted like absolute heaven.

"This is better than that junk that's in Nutella," Wiersema said while handing out samples of her own homemade Hazelnut Chocolate Crème. "It's not health food, obviously, but it's made

with organic butter and good quality ingredients."

And that's the point of markets like these, according to Courtney O'Keefe from Somerville Local First, to give the artists you might not see on your daily commute a chance to interact with their community.

"It's an opportunity for artists who don't have a brick and mortar to have a brick and mortar for the day," she said. "That's the least we can do for our artists."

For more information about Somerville Local First or to stay informed about their upcoming events, visit www.somervillelocalfirst.org.



Hundreds of people came out to attend Somerville Local First's annual February Market.



Rebecca Pierce shows just how tiny the little love note "pills" from 4 Good Vibes are.



Sarah Michalik understands what it's like to be a plant murderer, which is why she sells low maintenance air plants with her hand blown planters at Charged Glassworks. — Photos by Emily Blackwood

Dorothy's Corner

BY DOROTHY DIMARZO



Taza Chocolate

If you're looking for that last minute treat for your Valentine, Taza Chocolate has a variety of bars and discs featuring many flavors that are sure to please that special someone. Stone ground and organic, this unique chocolate is minimally processed and is packed with tantalizing flavors. If you're not able to visit the factory, check out their website for a list of purveyors where their items are available for purchase.

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OBITUARIES


Philip H. Crane

July 3, 1922 – February 8, 2018



Philip H. Crane, a fixture in Somerville's Davis Square business community for 50 years, died at his home in Naples, Florida, on February 8, 2018. He was 95 years old. Mr. Crane was the long-time owner of the Wedgwood Crane Insurance Agency (now Wedgwood-Crane & Connolly). He was an active member of the local Chamber of Commerce and past president of the Kiwanis Club. Mr. Crane called himself a proud product of the 1930's depression. Philip was one of nine children born on a farm in New Brunswick, Canada. They immigrated to Somerville, Massachusetts at a time when depressed farm prices forced many family farms out of business. He sold newspapers door to door from the age of 10 at a time when every penny was counted and saved. He grew up to run his business and personal life on those conservative principles. Even after achieving financial success he used to say, "just because you have it doesn't mean you should spend it." Philip was a member of the "greatest generation," a World War II veteran, who served in Europe and witnessed the Nazi War Crimes trials in Nuremberg. Philip retired to Naples, Florida with his wife Marion, a former school teacher in Milton, Massachusetts. She died in 2003. Philip is survived by his youngest sister, Marjorie Sutcliffe, and several nieces and nephews.

Lucy E. (Stoico) Davidio



of Arlington, Sandra McGoldrick and her husband Donald of Somerville. Dear grandmother of Jackie and Valarie. Great grandmother of Christopher. Sister of Mary Haratsis, Nancy Stoico and the late Joseph Stoico. Funeral procession from the George L. Doherty Funeral Home, 855 Broadway (Powder House Sq.) Somerville, Thursday morning at 8:00 a.m., followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Clement Church, Somerville at 9:00 a.m. Relatives and friends invited.

Members sought for Internet Access Task Force

The City of Somerville is forming an Internet Access Task Force to explore options to preserve and expand affordable and neutral internet service across the City. Community members interested in serving as members are encouraged to apply. Area experts willing to serve as occasional or one-time advisors are also sought for a wide range of knowledge areas from public utilities management and small cell technology to federal communications policy.

Task Force members will meet with experts, conduct research, and participate in discussions to inform recommendations they will submit to the City. Areas for consideration may include, but are not limited to, increasing internet service provider competition, establishing a municipal or quasi-public internet provider, and developing policies that encourage equitable access and service.

"Internet access has become a necessity of modern life," said Mayor Joseph Curtatone. "The internet provides access to job opportunities, educational resources, instant communication, and a wealth of knowledge that everyone should be able to access. Through the Internet Access Task Force's work, we hope to find innovative new ways to expand internet service and remove cost barriers for our residents." The Task Force will also explore ways to encourage or require net neutrality in Somerville.

The Task Force will meet at least once a month for approximately a year to work on a series of recommendations. Outside of meetings there may be research or reading for members to complete and/or additional subcommittee meetings. Advisors to the Task Force will be called on to consult in their area of expertise as needed. The Task Force will also be jointly staffed by the City's IT, Communications, and SomerStat Innovation and Analytics departments.

Community members committed to equitable and neutral internet access are encouraged to apply to serve on the Task Force as members. Experts willing to serve as advisors are also encouraged from outside Somerville as well. Areas of expertise that would be helpful among the membership and advisors, but that are not required for membership, include knowledge or experience in utility/Internet equity initiatives; related legal or policy experience at the local, state, and federal level; fiber optic broadband cabling; utility servicing; the mechanics and management of municipal utilities; the broadband industry; municipal wireless; commercial wireless; procurement; closed networks; small cell technology; public-private partnerships; 5g; and other related areas.

Community members who would like to apply to be on the Task Force should send a brief statement of interest and information on any relevant qualifications to mackerman@somervillema.gov by Friday, February 23. Persons interested in serving as advisors may send their information on a rolling basis to mackerman@somervillema.gov as well. While there is no deadline for advisors to respond, early replies are welcome.



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Data Download with Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone



By Joseph A. Curtatone

Taking a closer look at notable city data—and interesting numbers.

59 percent census return rate: Did you know that census responses do more than simply provide us with useful data? Because some federal funding is population based, census responses help determine how much money Somerville receives in some cases. These funds help pay for City programs and services and you can help ensure your city receives its fair share simply by returning your census form. Returning your completed census form is also important because it keeps you on the voter rolls. When inactive voters do not return their census form, the State may invalidate your voter registration. Last year, 59 percent of Somerville residents returned theirs, which is better than most area towns. But surely we can do better.

The 2018 census forms were sent out in late January, and as of February 12, we have received nearly 8 percent or 4,980 responses. I challenge you, Somerville, to surpass last year's return rate. Help the City ensure our population data is accurate and return your 2018 census form to the City by emailing census@somervillema.gov or faxing it to 617-625-5643. Blank forms can be found at www.somervillema.gov/vote by clicking on the 'Census' tab.

More than 12,000 hours of requested field use: It's no secret that there's a high demand and limited supply for field space in our 4.1-square mile city. In fact, more than 12,000 hours of field use was requested last year alone. Although our Parks and Rec Department permitted more than 9,000 hours of field use across City-maintained fields in 2017, we were left with more than 3,000 hours of unmet demand. Of the permits granted, 72 percent of them were for youth groups or events (and the vast majority of adult uses were after 8 p.m., meaning adults are not competing for field space with youth teams).

There's no magic answer or silver bullet to solve the supply and

demand challenge at hand, but we're constantly in discussions exploring creative alternatives. With new fields like the Winter Hill Community School Field and the athletic field being built as a part of the new Somerville High School project, we're working to chip away at some of the unmet demand.

15 percent reduction in burglaries: Examining end-of-year police data shows a 15 percent reduction in burglaries from 2016 to 2017. While the number of incidents is down, data shows similar trends in burglary type, target, entry methods, and property stolen between the years. Residential burglaries were most common in 2017, making up 86 percent of the total incidents. The majority of burglaries last year were considered 'No Force' entries like entering through an unlocked door or window, and small electronics topped the list of most common property stolen.

Of course our goal is to have no burglaries, and the Somerville Police Department is always working toward that, but here are a few steps they suggest you can take to protect yourself and your property. Ensure that all windows and common doors lock and remain locked

at all times (including doors to back hallways, basements, patios, and windows where an AC is installed). Use deadbolts on outside doors as pushbutton locks are easy for burglars to open. Consider a home security system as they have become more affordable over the past several years. Register your electronics where possible. Leave lights on when you go out. If you are going to be away for a length of time, connect some lamps to automatic timers to turn them on in the evening and off during the day. Be cautious about what you are setting on the street for trash and recycling pickup. For example, a flat screen TV box announces to potential burglars that you have a brand new TV. And don't leave a spare key hidden outside.

32 percent more snow calls: During our first – and thankfully only – snow emergency of the season, 311 fielded more than 1,500 total calls related to snow. It was a big storm and presented some unique challenges for us all, but for perspective, that's 32 percent more calls than we received during both of the snow emergencies in February 2017 combined. And for the real winter test, it's slightly more calls

than 311 took during the first snow emergency of the historic 2015 season.

It wasn't just the snow that led to more calls for 311. During the two weeks of record-breaking cold in late December and early January, 24 calls came in for no heat or hot water. That's more than double the 10 calls received on the same issue for the entire last winter season. We seem to be past our coldest spell, but it's important to remember that if you lose heat or hot water you can call 311, and they'll work with the Inspectional Services and Health and Human Services Departments to rectify the situation and make sure everyone in the home stays safe and warm.

Data-based decision making is at the core of how the City of Somerville develops policy and sets priorities. Every day we check the latest 311 stats, and throughout the week we meet for in-depth review of departmental data and city trends. The monthly Data Download column shares some of the data we've been reviewing recently, as well as interesting updates. To see more Somerville Data, visit the online Somerville Data Farm at <http://www.somervillema.gov/datafarm/>.

Looking ahead: Let's work together to keep making positive change in Massachusetts



By Rep. Christine Barber
34th Middlesex District

As we settle into 2018, most of us are looking for a new start and more hopeful news, instead of the challenges and division we faced in 2017. Make no mistake, we have good reason to be angry or fearful at many of the federal policies leveled at us. But despite terrible news, we in Massachusetts have good reason to be optimistic.

From my work with neighbors throughout Somerville and Medford, I have seen positive

signs of hard work and resistance. Here are three things that I am hopeful about in 2018:

- Our Commonwealth is made up of people who care about their communities and neighbors. It is clear, again and again, that residents are ready to stand up for each other. We have the strongest levels of health coverage in the nation, but when the Affordable Care Act was threatened on the federal level, and Governor Baker threatened to roll back the Medicaid coverage for low-income people at the state level, residents pushed back to protect health care. We also saw hundreds of activists come to the State House to support women's health and ensure contraceptive coverage for all in Massachusetts, even as the Trump Administration rolled back these protections. Amid federal challenges to Temporary Protected Status, ending DACA

and increasing deportations, I was proud to stand with neighbors at many rallies and public hearings to support policies like the Safe Communities Act, in-state tuition for DREAMers and other undocumented students, and other policies to support immigrants. Massachusetts residents are passionate and care deeply about their community. I know in 2018 we'll continue to stand up for our values.

- We have already accomplished a lot, and can build upon that. Progress at the state level can get lost in the daily news. The Massachusetts House and Senate have each passed, and are now finalizing, a large-scale criminal justice reform bill that will be transformative for communities. This bill will likely include reductions in mandatory minimum sentences for non-violent drug crimes, restorative justice practices, new focus on

how women are treated in the justice system, and limitations to solitary confinement.

Other accomplishments have been a long time coming, but are real. After decades of advocacy, meetings, and legal briefs, the federal and state governments have finally moved forward on funding Phase I of the Green Line Extension, including the Community Path, though Somerville and Medford, which will start construction this year. One of our strengths in Massachusetts is our ability to work together, stay the course and lead. Victories may not come easily or quickly, but we are able to move forward.

- We are fighting for critical issues, and they are winnable if we keep working together. In this era with new policies every day that provoke fear in our immigrant communities, we are working hard to move forward

on legislation that protects immigrants, like the Safe Communities Act. We need to ensure state tax dollars are spent on keeping our communities safe, not stoking fears of interaction with law enforcement or tearing apart families. What's more, policies that promote economic justice are only going to happen at the state level – we cannot count on the federal government to act. Massachusetts is working to increase the minimum wage to \$15 an hour and a fair wage for tipped employees, who often still make \$3.75 an hour. This increase would lift thousands of families out of poverty.

Amid the housing crisis in our region, the state legislature is working on both a Housing Bond bill that funds state capital programs for affordable housing, and also zoning reforms that could encourage innovative solutions

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COMMENTARY

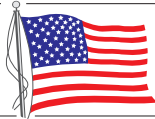
SIGNS OF THE TIMES

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Feel the love, Somerville.

Our View Of The Times



Sure, many people think it's a corny occasion. Just another gimmick to ramp up sales of candies, cards, wine and what-not. For others, it's a special time that provides an opportunity to express their deepest affections to the one – or many – who mean so much to them.

Whatever one's personal view, it's difficult to disagree with the idea that we could all use a soft touch and a few gentle words in these times of contentious bickering and extreme divisiveness. It doesn't take a box of chocolates or a 32 stanza love poem to show a little appreciation for one's friends and family, or that one special someone.

Remember when we were kids, and part of the day was spent passing out those store bought or handmade "Be My Valentine" cards at school? Some did so, while others didn't. Still, it was a nice ritual that brought us all a little closer and exposed us to some rudimentary social skills, so important for the growing child.

What would it be like as adults to swap such tokens of sentiment with our co-workers, colleagues, etc.? Embarrassing? Endearing? Who can say? Perhaps some higher authority – if one existed – should mandate that we do just such a thing. Would it make the day as special for us again as it once was when we were children? This make for a worthwhile social experiment.

If nothing else, take a moment or two on this day to smile at a stranger as you pass them by. Open a door for another. Find ways to show that you have love within you. This can be far more satisfying than giving or getting a mere box of chocolates.

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13) or online at <https://www.somervillema.gov/video> every other Thursday night, you can view them in their entirety by going to <http://somervillecityma.iqm2.com/Citizens>. Watch your city at work and see how these dedicated members of our community are serving you, the public.

Our condolences go out to the family of **Lucy E. (Stoico) Davidio** who passed away recently. For those that knew her she was a lovely lady. She is being waked out of **Doherty's Funeral Home**. Her full obituary can be seen both in this week's paper and on our website.

The mayor wants to institute a transfer tax on those wishing to sell their homes, anywhere from 1% to 2%. which will go to the **City Treasury** (probably to buy some more city vehicles – doesn't it seem like everyone working for the city has one?). Did you know the city already gets a piece of the sales tax? Check that DD slip next time you get a cup of coffee. We hear that the new current Board is excited to pass this tax on to us, the taxpayers. It seems like the city has never done a tax cut, not even once, but looks like it is in the hands of the **Board of Aldermen**.

We'll throw in our side on the issue of the recent neighborhood elections in **Union Square**. First of all, slates should not be allowed, should be open and above board. As a consequence, 13 of the 15 elected were slated candidates, and frankly not very many are known. In the end we elect city officials, **the mayor** and the **Board of Aldermen** who make the final decisions. If they make a decision based on an election that was a slate with one point of view, then the mayor and the aldermen will be held responsible and have to answer the public.

The Shriners in **Wilmington** will be hosting the annual **Kids Fun Fair and Petting Zoo, February 17, 18 and 19**, this week. If you have a child between the ages of 2 and 13 years of age, we here at *The Somerville Times* have free tickets with paid adults. Go online at www.KidsFunFair.com and come to 699 Broadway or call 617 666-4010 for free tickets, again for ages 2 to 13 years. We have about 20 of them.

A new item in the paper this week to be run weekly is "**Bobby's Dad Jokes Corner**" by **Bobbygeorge Potaris** (page 20). Every week he will submit a funny, silly dad joke. Bobby is a lifelong resident and is self-employed, doing masonry work. It's meant to bring a smile to your face!

The Somerville City Club is looking to expand its membership and for a limited time they are accepting applications. Phone 617-625-5730 and ask for membership. The club is presently located at 20 Inner Belt Road, directly across from the **Holiday Inn**. It has a beautiful function hall that is rented to the community and has been for many local events. The club is a social organization open to all residents of Somerville or with a Somerville connection. The club has been celebrating 50 years this past year.

Over the next few weeks Somerville residents will be receiving the **2018 Annual City Census** in the mail and the city urges everyone to fill out and return theirs. Completed census forms can be returned via the postage paid return envelope included in the mailing, by scanning the form and emailing it to census@somervillema.gov, by dropping it off in a census box located in city buildings and libraries, or by faxing it to 617-625-5642. Contact 311 or 617-666-3311 with any questions.

Non-profit organizations in Somerville are invited to apply for grants from the **Tufts Neighborhood Service Fund (TNSF)**. Interested organizations should contact the **Government and Community Relations office** at Tufts University at (617) 627-3780 or obtain an application at <http://go.tufts.edu/TNSF>. Individual grants will be made in amounts ranging from \$250 to \$2,000. Applications are due by **Friday, March 2**, and awards will be announced **before April**.

Appreciation Night in Somerville

By Donald Norton

Five former aldermen that recently left office here in Somerville were honored at an “Appreciation Night” event this past Friday, February 9, at the Somerville City Club.

A crowd of some 200 family members, supporters and friends of the five gathered to show their appreciation for all the hard work they have put in while serving the city.

The former aldermen who were honored were Ward 2 Alderman Maryann Heuston, who served for 13 years; Ward 3 Alderman Robert McWatters, with 4 years; Ward 4 Alderman Tony Lafuente with six years; Alderman At-Large Jack Connolly, with 33 years; and Alderman At-Large Dennis Sullivan, with 20 years.

The Master of Ceremonies was former Ward 5 Alderman Sean O'Donovan. The event was by invitation only, with the aldermen personally sending out invitations to their individual supporters.

Many other former aldermen and elected officials were present and some spoke, giving the honorees some positive information on what to expect now that they are out of office and the phone doesn't ring anymore. Things that happen when you leave office. Lots of laughs and memories were shared by everyone present, and everyone had a great time.

After several former Somerville officials got up and said a few words of encouragement, former Mayor Eugene Brune then presented each of the five with a Certification of Appreciation, which is customarily done for the aldermen.

The event was well received by everyone present. In the end, the former aldermen thanked everyone for coming, and they in turn gave thanks to those present for their support over the years.

Many thanks to the following for generously donating to help and make the event the success it was: The food was donated by Mortadella Head of Davis Square, with a full Italian spread. The cake was custom made and donated by Juscelia LoRusso of Juscelia's Cakes, which was a completely edible Somerville cake with the Powder House building on top. George Landers donated his time and a fantastic rendition of his usual great selection of music to fit the occasion. Balloons donated by UP, UP and AWAY were from Susan Fontano.

The organizers planned this event as a thank you to both the former aldermen and their supporters. Everyone present was touched and delighted to be together once again. The event was free but donations were gladly accepted. Several people made donations, and others are still sending them in. Once collected, the money will be donated to a local charity on behalf of the former aldermen.





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Photos by Claudia Ferro



SPORTS

SHS Girls Basketball update – February 14



Somerville High School Girls Basketball played Everett Tuesday night in Somerville. The Freshman won 28–24. Junior Varsity lost 30–52, and Varsity lost to Everett 54–40. — Photos by Karen Toner

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place a McDonald's franchise used the Golden Arches logo?

2. What is known as "The Most Exciting Two Minutes in Sports"?

8. What is the name of the largest gem-quality rough diamond ever found?

3. Where did the Saint Valentine's Day Massacre take place?

9. What movie did the band Alice in Chains perform in a bar scene?

4. What kind of doctor was Benjamin Spock?

10. Where did the Limbo dance originate?

5. Who holds the record for the most X-Games gold medals?

11. When did tennis re-turn as a full medal sport in the Olympics?

6. What is Jerolim?

12. What does NA-SCAR stand for?

7. Where was the first

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Somerville Youth Sports parent workshop

By Jake Wilson
Somerville Youth Soccer League

Everyone wants to win. That's the first goal in sports. But in youth and high school sports there is a second, more important goal: teaching life lessons through sports.

THE SECOND-GOAL PARENT®: Developing Winners in Life Through Sports teaches sports parents why and how to focus on that second goal. This workshop conveys the essence of the philosophy and several tips and tools parents can use to help their children get the most from youth and high school sports. The workshop guides parents in:

- Assessing their children's goals and desires in youth sports in comparison with their own
- How to talk with your child about practices, games and what they are learning through sports
- How to enact and reinforce the following principles: Mastery of Sport (Not Just Scoreboard Results), which values effort, learning and bouncing back from mistakes and adversity; Filling Emotional Tanks, with the correct mix of truthful, specific praise and constructive criticism; and Honoring the Game through appropriate sideline behavior and interaction with coaches.



Somerville Youth Soccer League (somervillesoccer.org) has partnered with the Positive Coaching Alliance (positivecoach.org) to present this event. It will take place at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, February 16, in the auditorium of Somerville High School and all parents of Somerville youth athletes are invited.

There is no cost to attend, but seating is available on a first come, first served basis. The first 100 families will receive a copy of Positive Sports Parenting, a book written by PCA's Founder and CEO, Jim Thompson.

About Somerville Youth Soccer League: Founded in 1990, Somerville Youth Soccer League is a recreational and developmental soccer league for youth ages 2 to 18 in Somerville. SYSL is a volunteer-run, non-profit 501(c)(3) organization with an elected board of directors.

About the Positive Coaching Alliance: Positive Coaching Alliance (PCA) develops "Better Athletes, Better People" through resources for youth and high school sports coaches, parents, administrators and student-athletes. In addition to 1,500+ free audio-video and printable tips and tools at www.PCAdDevZone.org, PCA has partnered with roughly 3,500 schools and youth sports organizations nationwide to deliver live group workshops, online courses and books by PCA Founder Jim Thompson that help those involved in youth and high school sports create a positive, character-building youth sports culture.

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LEGAL NOTICE
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 **Tuesday, March 13, 2018 at 6:00pm**, in the Aldermanic Chambers on the Second Floor of Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA, to receive public comments concerning the following:

ADOPTION OF A NEWSOMERVILLE ZONING ORDINANCE TO SUPERSEDE THE CURRENT ZONING ORDINANCE AS ORIGINALLY ADOPTED ON MARCH 23, 1990.

Items may be continued to later dates. Please check the agendas for the Planning Board and/or Land Use Committee on the City's website or call before attending. Continued items will not be re-advertised.

Interested persons may provide comments to the Planning Board and Land Use Committee 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.

Copies of the ordinance and maps are available on-line at the Zoning Overhaul Website at: www.somervillezoning.com

Copies of the ordinance and maps are also available for review in the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development, located on the third floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA, Mon-Wed, 8:30 am-4:30 pm; Thurs, 8:30 am-7:30 pm; and Fri, 8:30 am-12:30 pm.

NOTE: In preparation for this public hearing, on **Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.** in the Aldermanic Chambers on the Second Floor of Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA the City Administration will introduce the code, provide an overview and highlight how the 2018 overhaul is different than the proposed 2015 zoning overhaul.


Per *Section 1.2.1.a* of the proposed new ordinance, any discretionary or administrative permit issued, under current zoning regulations, prior to the date of adoption of the new Ordinance will remain valid, subject to all conditions of approval, notwithstanding the publishing of this advertisement.

Attest: Kevin Prior, Chairman, Planning Board

Attest: Alderman Lance Davis, Chair, BOA Land Use Committee

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A joint public hearing for all interested parties will be held by the Planning Board and the Board of Aldermen Land Use Committee on **Tuesday, February 27, 2018 at 6:00pm**, in the Aldermanic Chambers on the Second Floor of Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA, to receive public comments concerning the following:

35atSummer LLC proposing a zoning amendment to re-zone their property at 3-5 Summer St to NB.

Property owner of 125 Lowell Somerville LLC submitting a proposed zoning map amendment for certain parcels on Lowell Street, Belmont Street, Summer Street, and Highland Avenue, including the property they own at 125 Lowell Street.


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PUBLIC HEARING

The Mayor's Office of Strategic Planning & Community Development (OSPCD) will hold two community forums on the City's 2018-2022 HUD Consolidated Five Year Plan and 2018-2019 One-Year Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) program, and the HOME program.

The dates and locations scheduled are:


Thursday March 1, 2018	Albert F. Argenziano School 290 Washington Street, Somerville 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria
Thursday March 8, 2018	East Somerville Community School 50 Cross Street, Somerville 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria

The purpose of these hearings is to present an overview of the 2018-2022 HUD Consolidated Five Year Plan process, the One Year HUD Action Plan (July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019) and to provide the opportunity for community feedback and input. Staff will also be available to answer questions regarding the RFP application process.

The facilities are handicap accessible. Accommodations for persons with disabilities are available. Please contact Nancy Salamoun at 617-625-6600 x 2323 by the Monday prior to the meeting. Accommodations for non-English speaking or hearing impaired persons are available by contacting (OSPCD) at 617-625-6600 x2500; requests for accommodations should be made by the close of business on Monday prior to the meeting. General questions about the hearing should be directed to the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development (OSPCD) at 617-625-6600 x2500. Written comments will be accepted until close of business Monday, April 9, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. and should be sent to the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development (OSPCD), 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA 02143 Attn: Elizabeth Twomey or email ospcd@somervillema.gov.

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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, February 21, 2018, at 6:00 PM**, in the Committee Room on the 2nd Floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, on the petition of C & S Donuts Corp., dba Dunkin Donuts, for an Extended Operating Hours License at 504 Broadway, to remain open at all times for take-out service and dine-in service only (no delivery service).

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND AND BE HEARD.

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General Bids will be received until 11:00 A.M., March 2, 2018 and publicly opened forthwith, at the Offices of the Somerville Housing Authority, Administration Bldg., 30 Memorial Road, Somerville, MA 02145. Bids may be mailed to Somerville Housing Authority, 30 Memorial Road, Somerville, MA 02145 and must be received before the time specified.


General Bids shall be accompanied by a bid deposit that is not less than 5% of the greatest possible bid amount (considering any alternates) and made payable to the Somerville Housing Authority.

Bid forms and Contract 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 February 14, 2018 or you may downloading them from our web site www.sha-web.org under our Bid Opportunities tab. There will be no charge for these documents. If downloaded, you must register with Anthony Crespo at TonyC@sha-web.org and leave a contact email to receive changes, or updates. If received, you will receive confirmation of reception via reply to your email.

A site visit is scheduled for February 20, 2018 at 9:00 A.M. All interested parties will meet at Somerville Housing Authority, Administration Building, 30 Memorial Road, Somerville, MA 02145. Prior notification that you are interested in attending the site visit is required. Please notify Anthony Crespo by email TonyC@sha-web.org if you are attending.

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Savvy caregiver dementia training returns in March

By Nathan Lamb

A free training program that provides family caregivers with skills and knowledge about dementia is returning to Somerville-Cambridge Elder Services (SCES) in March.

Registration is now open for the next round of Savvy Caregiver training, which starts March 23. SCES social worker and Savvy Caregiver instructor Nathaniel Meyer said the research-based program is tailored to help family caregivers navigate the many challenges of dementia.

"A major focus of the program is that caregiving is often a role that people were not expecting and not prepared for," said Meyer. "Much of the training is geared toward developing knowledge and working on strategies that will help the caregiver."

Understanding dementia, its various stages, and how its progression can impact daily life is an important first phase of the program, added licensed social worker and Savvy Caregiver In-

structor Liz Aguilo.

"Memory loss isn't just about forgetting where your keys are, it also has an impact on how you function," said Aguilo. "Things we take for granted – like making a meal – there's a lot of little steps in there, and if you're losing some cognitive ability, it can have a large impact."

"If you don't understand how that works, you're setting yourself and the person you're caring for up for frustration," continued Aguilo. "But once you understand what's happening, you can intervene in a way that sets things up for success, both for you and person you're taking care of."

Savvy Caregiver is geared toward understanding the middle and late-early stages of dementia. While there is a lecture component to the class, Meyer said it's also highly interactive.

"I think one important aspect of Savvy Caregiver is learning to turn the theoretical learning into action," said Meyer. "During our last round of training, some of the later classes really focused on how the students were ap-

Savvy Caregiver instructors Nathaniel Meyer (left) and Liz Aguilo recently appeared on Somerville public access to discuss how the program provides family caregivers with skills and knowledge about dementia. SCAT program host Nathan Lamb is also in the photo.

plying knowledge from the class to better help the people they're caring for."

The six-week class will meet Fridays from 9:00–11:30 a.m., starting on March 23. The free classes are open to a limited number of participants, allowing the caregivers to work closely with the facilitators. Subsidized respite options are also available to some caregivers.

For more information or to register, call SCES at 617-628-2601 or email info@eldercare.org.

Meyer and Aguilo recently discussed Savvy Caregiver on Aging Well, a monthly production of SCES that's produced in partnership with the Somerville Media Center. Aging Well airs on SCATV Channel 3 on Sundays at 10:00 a.m., Mondays at 7:30 a.m. and Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. Episodes are also available through the SCES YouTube channel.

Union Square Portraits

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"A Dominican kid, a gang-banger, who liked to paint, I brought him canvasses and painting materials. He was 17 years old and had never been to a museum. The first day he was eligible for a day pass, he and I got in my Cadillac and drove to the MFA.

"This kid lost his mind. At the top of the stairs was Sargent's Daughters of Boit, it's about 8-10 feet tall, about 16 feet wide. The kid spread his arms, Oh my god! That's a f**king oil painting! How the f**k did he do that?!

"Another kid, from Peru, he didn't know about Machu Picchu. That's the sadness. An amazing culture, and he didn't

know he was part of it. I brought him a poster of Machu Picchu and he hung it over his bed."

I ask Joe about his own culture – whether there are things about America that he thinks are great. A long pause, and then a chuckle.

"Wow, that's a loaded question."

Joe looks away with a smile, then back at me.

"What's great is that really no one is telling me what I can do and can't do. There's very little of that. I can ride my motorbike too fast. I can listen to my sons' music.

"They're three of the most talented kids you could ever f**king meet. They play all over,

their band is named Helen, after my mother. They had grown up in that house on Ossipee Road.

"It's a country of f**king complainers at this point. People have a very short historical memory of how far we've come in offering opportunities. It's not perfect, no. But people from all over the world are coming here. No one's fleeing here to get to China. Or El Salvador. Or Syria.

"It's an indication that we are doing something right. That we are offering opportunities.

"Are there lots of elitist jerks here? Yes, definitely.

"When I was a cop, I saw immigrants living 14 in a house, sleeping and eating in shifts.

You can come from anywhere, and make something of yourself. I know people will say, Ahh, we're racist, but nobody's telling people what they can and can't do. You may have to work a shitty job, but you can get somewhere."

Following his work at Alliance House, Joe was recently asked to be on the Board of Directors of Elevate Youth, a non-profit based in Somerville whose website says their "mission is to empower youth from underserved neighborhoods by cultivating long term mentoring relationships through engagement in transformative outdoor experiences."

Joe is in the process of buy-

ing a sailboat, "a 33 foot French sailboat from the 80s. I want to get kids out sailing. It's the same population I was working with at Alliance House.

"I understand we gotta teach math, biology, chemistry. But what the f**k are they going to do with that? We should focus more on the arts. These kids have never seen anything beautiful."

Joe has faced a lot of ugliness in his life, but that hasn't burnt out his own sense of beauty, or his desire to share that with others. He's faced some intense challenges in his professional and personal lives, and has come through them with his kindness and generosity intact.

Looking ahead: Let's work together to keep making positive change in Massachusetts

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to address the housing crisis, including accessory dwellings, artist space and multi-family housing. Finally, as Washington moves backward on climate change, we have the tools to continue to move forward in Mas-

sachusetts. I continue to work on a bill to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through financial incentives for utilities to fix gas leaks quickly, rather than pass the costs on to consumers. With all of these legislative proposals

under consideration at the State House, there is a lot to do, but these are attainable goals if we keep working together.

It is easy to feel distraught and cut off by what is happening at the federal level. But positive

changes are possible in Massachusetts, and have the ability to strengthen our communities. It is more critical now than ever that our state has people to fight for what we care about most. I have seen the action and activi-

ty over the past year, and I trust that it will continue to grow stronger. Here in Massachusetts, we can work together to build social and economic justice that supports our communities, and the work starts at home.

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CHILDREN AND YOUTH
Wednesday|February 14

Central Library
Wilson reading tutoring
9 a.m.-11 a.m.
11:00AM-11:45AM
Teen Game Day
2:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

East Branch Library
PreK Puppet Story Time!
11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.|115 Broadway

Thursday|February 15

Central Library
Preschool: Storytime for 3 to 5 year olds
10:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m.|
TELL (Teen Library Leaders) Meeting
3 p.m.-5 p.m.
SPF100 Youth Group Meeting
4:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

West Branch Library
Preschool Storytime
11 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|40 College Ave
Lego Club!
3:30 p.m.-5 p.m.|40 College Ave

East Branch Library
Children's Book Group:The One and Only Ivan
3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.|115 Broadway

Friday|February 16

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

Monday|February 19

Library Closed

Tuesday|February 20

Central Library
Homeschool Reading Group for Ages 14-16
9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
Middle School Writers' Den
5:45 p.m.-8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

West Branch Library
Preschool Storytime
11 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|40 College Ave
Singalong: Music with Emily
11 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|40 College Ave
Singalong: Music with Emily
3 p.m.-4 p.m.|115 Broadway

Wednesday|Febraury 21

Central Library
Wilson reading tutoring
9 a.m.-11 a.m.
Somerville Positive Forces
1 p.m.-3 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

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

MUSIC|ARTS

Wednesday|February 14

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: Brian O'Donovan (of "A Celtic Sojourn" on WGBH)|7 p.m.
Comedy Night with Arty P.|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
The A-BEEZ
10 p.m.|366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Thunder Road
379 Somerville Ave

Highland Kitchen
150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
Miele
Whistle Jacket, Kirk Windsor, Hot Molasses
7:30 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co.
Russell Turnquist
6:30 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory
Been Out Here Teen Open Mic
7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

The Rockwell
La Zombiata: A Zombie Love Story
8 p.m.|255 Elm St

Thursday|February 15

Sally O'Brien's
Spring Hill Rounders grassy Thursdays
8 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Front Room
Matt Borrello, Mike Verge & Company|9:30 pm
Backroom Series: WUMB Presents Spotted Tiger|7 p.m.
Scattershots|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
Krush Faktory(Dub Down)
10 p.m.|366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Thunder Road
Sagamore Whiskey Tasting 21+ Free|7 p.m.
The Thursty Journeymen – An Evening of Whiskey and Song (Third Thursdays)|8 p.m.
379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
Major Stars
Black Helicopter, Henry H. Owings
8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co.
Dan Blakeslee|4 p.m.
Phil Steffen Jazz Trio|7 p.m.
14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory
Presidents Only Cruise
8 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

The Rockwell
Sh!t-faced Shakespeare: The Taming of the Shrew|7 p.m.
255 Elm St

Friday|February 16

Sally O'Brien's
Larry Flint & The Road Scholars |6 p.m.
Jittery Jack & Miss Amy, Stop Calling Me Frank, The Kenny Highland Klan \$10 cover|9 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Front Room
Irish Session|9:30 p.m.
Back Room: Mountain & the Viper, Lara Murray |7 p.m.
Jimmys Down|10 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge
Mothballs*Donald*GraveyardoftheAtlantic*Mik
345 Somerville Ave

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

Bull McCabe's
Evan Goodrow
10 p.m.|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
West End Blend (Soul Funk)
8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
The Shills
The Lights Out, Party Bois, Left Hand Does
8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co.
Xenia Dunford|8 p.m.
Meaghan Casey|9 p.m.
Xenia Dunford|10 p.m.
14 Tyler Street

The Rockwell
Sh!t-faced Shakespeare: The Taming of the Shrew|7 p.m.
255 Elm St

Saturday|February 17

Sally O'Brien's
One Thin Dime |6 p.m.
HearNowLive presents \$10 cover|9 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Front Room:
Irish Session|9:30 p.m.
Back Room |Patrick Coman CD Release Party w/ Peter Parcek P|7 p.m.
TBD|10 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge
TheStraightEights, HeavyAmerica, TheHeaveHo, CarryTheOne
7:30 p.m.|345 Somerville Ave

Orleans Restaurant and Bar
Karaoke
65 Holland St

Bull McCabe's
Timo Shanko
10 p.m.|366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

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

Thunder Road
Kids' Union Dance Party||3 p.m.
Mammal Dap Plays The Music Of Beck Featuring Shira Elias Of Turkuaz (Tribute)|9 p.m.
379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co.
The Group Activity
7:30 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

The Rockwell
Sh!t-faced Shakespeare: The Taming of the Shrew|6 p.m.
BCF: Champions of the Boston Comedy Festival|8 p.m.
255 Elm St

Arts at the Armory
Sloth Machine
8 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Sunday|February 18

Sally O'Brien's Bar
The Natural Wonders
4:30 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.
Leo Son & The Q-tip Bandits with special guests: Baerd & Gentle Temper
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
Sunday Funday Brunch.
10 a.m.|379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
Lee DeWyze
Frank Viele
7 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Arts at the Armory
Journeys in Sound Presents: Martin Grosswendt & Susanne Salem-Schatz: American Roots
3 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co.
Possum|3 p.m.
The Sky Comedy Show|7:30 p.m.
14 Tyler Street

The Rockwell
Vah Jay Jay Day!
7:30 p.m.|255 Elm St

Monday|February 19

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|6:30 p.m.
Helena Delaney, Johnny O'Leary & Friends Irish Session:9:30 p.m.
Back Room:
Stump Trivia|8:30 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge
CC Funk, A Team, Gregg Perry
8 p.m.|345 Somerville Ave

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

Thunder Road
379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
Toddlerbilly Takeover|5 p.m.
Rock and Roll Trivia|7 p.m.
156 Highland Ave

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

Tuesday|February 20

Sally O'Brien's Bar
SYM Tuesdays
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
Metal Yoga with Black Widow Yoga at Thunder Road
6:30 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
Heavy Metal Tuesday|7 p.m.
Michael Barr|8 p.m.
Apache Chief, Kid Fame
156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co
Books and Brews: Hosted by the Somerville Public Library
6:15 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory
First and Last Word Poetry
7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Wednesday|February 21

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: Comedy Night with Arty P.|10 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge
Exit 18, People Skills, Rebecca Moreland, Stairway to Zeppelin
7:30 p.m.|345 Somerville Ave

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

Bull McCabe's Pub
The Nephrok Allstars
10 p.m.|366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Thunder Road
379 Somerville Ave

Highland Kitchen
150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
The Moth: True Stories Told Live – Secrets
7:30 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co.
Araqsana
8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

The Rockwell
La Zombiata: A Zombie Love Story
8 p.m.|255 Elm St

CLASSES AND GROUPS

Thursday|February 15

Central Library
Yoga for Teachers
3 p.m.-4:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave
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
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|February 17

Central Library
Getting Cozy @ the Library
2:30 p.m. -4:p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Somerville Winter Farmers Market
9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.|Arts at the Armory|191 Highland Ave

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|February 18

Arts at the Armory
SLF February Market - Local is for Lovers
11 a.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

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|February 19

Library closed

Tuesday|February 20

Central Library
Learn English at the Library
6 p.m.-8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Company
Books & Brews Book Club
6:15 p.m.- 7:15 p.m.|14 Tyler St

Wednesday|February 21

Central Library
Mindfulness and Your Inner Strengths
6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave
Working Parent Community Conversations
7 p.m.-8 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.

CENTER LOCATIONS, TIMES & SCHEDULES

Holland Street Senior Center: located at 167 Holland Street (between Davis Square and Teele Square) Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Fridays: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. 617-625-6600, Ext. 2300

Cross Street Center: located at 165 Broadway (East Somerville) Mondays & Tuesdays - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Thursdays - 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. 617-625-6600, Ext. 2335 Fax: 617-625-1414

Ralph and Jenny Center: located at 9 New Washington Street (behind the Holiday Inn) Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. 617- 666-5223

Main Office: located at 167 Holland Street (between Davis Square and Teele Square.) Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Thursday: 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. 617-625-6600, Ext. 2300 Fax: 617-625-0688 TTY: 866-808-4851

ONGOING PROGRAMS

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.

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. Must apply beforehand. Pick up at the Ralph & Jenny Center, 9 New Washington Street on the 4th Thursday of every month unless otherwise specified. 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. Pick up for January 25th will be at 9 New Washington Street, 8:30am-10:30am

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 is 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. 2317. Refreshments will be served. Future dates: Feb. 5, Mar. 5, Mar. 19, Apr. 2 & May 7.

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.

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 woodwind instrument. To reserve your spot or for additional information please call Debby Higgins at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321.

“Year of the Dog” Bingo – Friday, February 16 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at our Holland Street Center.

\$8.00 – Bingo will be played at 10:30 followed by lunch. Limited seating and transportation. For additional info, questions or to reserve your spot please contact Connie by calling 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Afternoon at the Movies - Tuesday, February 20 starting at 12:30 p.m. at our Holland Street Center. This month’s movie is "Victoria & Abdul" starring Judi Dench & Ali Fazal with a running time of 1 hour and 52 minutes. For additional information, questions or to reserve your spot please contact Josephine by calling 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Fiore’s Restaurant – Monday, February 26 - \$25 includes transportation and lunch. Meal choice are salmon, lasagna or lemon pepper chicken. Check in time is 10:45 a.m. at Holland Street and 11:00 a.m. at Ralph & Jenny. If you require additional information, have any questions or want to reserve your spot please contact Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

A Driving Symposium, with Lunch & Bingo – Tuesday, February 27 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at our Holland Street Center. Hear from our panel of guest speakers about staying safe behind the wheel. Followed by lunch and bingo. If you require additional information, have any questions or want to reserve your spot please contact Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Lindsay Straw, Folk Singer & Guitarist – March 13 at 11:30 a.m. with a special Irish lunch then concert at 12:00 p.m. at our Holland Street Center. Cost is \$5 per person – Traditional Irish ballads and classic Irish-American sing alongs. For more information, questions or to reserve your spot please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Lucky Leprechaun Super Bingo – Thursday, March 15 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at our Ralph & Jenny Center. \$12 includes lunch, coffee, dessert, cards and prizes. Limited seating and transportation. If you require additional information, have any questions or want to reserve your spot please contact Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Foxwoods Casino – Monday, April 30th, \$25 includes transportation, \$10 bonus slot and a \$10 buffet. Check in time is 7:00 a.m. at Holland Street and 7:15 a.m. at Ralph & Jenny with an approximate return time of 7:00 p.m. If you require additional information, have any questions or want to reserve your spot please contact Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Blood Pressure Screening – Cross Street Center located at 165 Broadway. Scheduled for the 2nd Thursday of each month: March 8, April 12, May 10 and June 14. If you require additional information please contact Debby Higgins at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321 or email dhiggins@somervillema.gov

LGBTQ EVENTS:

LBT Women Fit-4-Life - Fitness Class is 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. 2315. **LGBTQ Lunch:** Come, relax, enjoy lunch and talk with your peers. Scheduled lunch dates for 2018 are February 21, March 14, April 18, May 16, June 20, July 18, August 15, September 19, October 17, November 14 and December 12.

HOLLAND STREET GROUP INFORMATION

The Moonlighters – aka Somerville’s Swinging Singing Seniors. Mondays, 10 -11 a.m.

Book Club – Meets the third Friday of each month from 10:00 a.m. t o 11:30 a.m. This group self-facilitates. Group members choose both fiction and non-fiction titles on a quarterly basis. Books are available on reserve at the Central Branch of the Somerville Library. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300.

Caregiver Support Group – Meets the third Tuesday of each month from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Our Social Worker, Ashley Speliotis, facilitates this group. Are you caring for a parent, relative, spouse or close friend? Feeling isolated or overwhelmed? You are not alone! Come share your experience and practical support. Open to all and new members are always welcome. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Ashley at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2318.

Current Events Group – Meets every Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Our Social Worker, Natasha Naim, facilitates this group. Join a group of your peers

to discuss current events. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Natasha at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2317.

De-cluttering support group - If you have concerns around your clutter, this group may be for you. This closed group meets both in spring and fall for 6-8 weeks. This group is co-facilitated by Natasha Naim and Marina Colonas. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Natasha at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2317.

Gardening Club – Meets the second Monday of each month starting at 9:00 a.m. and running for an hour most times. Principal Master Gardener, Vilma Sullivan, facilitates this group. A different topic each month ranging from gardening tips & secrets to inexpensive “greenhouses.” If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300. This group does not meet in January and February.

CROSS STREET GROUP INFORMATION

English Conversation – Meets every Monday, Tuesday & Thursday beginning at 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Maureen Bastardi, Program Coordinator and Sandy Francis, Cross Street Center Volunteer, work together to facilitate this group. No books, no tests, no stress – just a great group of older adults from all over the world who help each other to listen, speak and learn English. Continue conversation throughout a healthy lunch. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Maureen at 617-625-6600, ext. 2335.

Arts & Crafts – Meets the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month starting January 11th - from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Join us in a relaxing atmosphere as we learn about a wide range of arts & crafts from weaving to watercolor pencils. Maureen Bastardi, Program Coordinator facilitates this group. Must call a week in advance if you plan on attending. This is necessary to ensure we have enough material for everyone. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Maureen at 617-625-6600, ext. 2335.

Social Service Drop In – The 3rd Thursday of every month Social Workers, Ashley Speliotis and Natasha Naim will be taking turns and having a Drop-in Social Service hour from 11:00 a.m. to noon at the Cross Street Center. They will be available to address any of your Social Service needs. Stop by or if you need additional information please call Maureen at 617-625-6600, ext. 2335

RALPH & JENNY GROUP INFORMATION

Knitting Blankets – Every Tuesday & Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Join us as we knit blankets for babies. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Judy at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

WEEKLY EXERCISE AND NUTRITION CLASS SCHEDULE

Monday: Keep Moving Walking Club** - 9:15 a.m. (H) / Tai Chi – 11:30 a.m. (H) / Fit-4-Life Group C - 1:00 p.m. (H)

Tuesday: Strengthening - 9:15 a.m. - \$3 per class (H) / Fit-4-Life - 11:15 a.m. (C) / Bike Club – 12:15 p.m. (H)

Wednesdays: Fit-4-Life - Group A (exercise) - 8:45 a.m. / Group B (nutrition) - 9 a.m./ Group B (exercise) - 10:00 a.m. (H) / Group C (nutrition) - noon (H) / Group C (exercise) - 1:00 p.m. (H) / Zumba 4 All - 5:15 p.m. - \$3/class (H)

Thursdays: Yoga - 9:00 a.m. (H) / Fit-4-Life - 11:15 a.m. (C) / LBT Fit-4-Life, 6:00 p.m. (H)

Fridays: Fit-4-Life - Group A - 8:45 a.m. (H) / Fit-4-Life - Group B - 10:00 a.m. (H) /Group A (nutrition) 10:00 a.m. (H)

Adventure Group – Please call for details
*All Fit-4-Life classes are \$10 per month and require pre-registration
** Keep Moving Walking Club is on hiatus until the Spring

DID YOU KNOW?

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

You can receive our monthly newsletter that is always filled with useful and important information. For a \$5.00 yearly fee you can receive it via the U.S. Postal service or a free version can be sent electronically. Please contact Connie at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300 to sign up.

Capuano sports the wings



U.S. Representative Michael E. Capuano of Massachusetts made good on a Super Bowl bet Tuesday by wearing a Philadelphia Eagles helmet to a meeting of the House of Committee on Financial Service. It shows that Rep. Capuano is not only a good sport, but he also pays up after losing a bet. He also congratulated the Eagles on their first Super Bowl win.

— Photo courtesy of Rep. Michael E. Capuano

Public meeting to discuss tree removal for SHS project

All interested residents are invited to join the Office of Capital Projects and Planning, the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development, Ward 3 Alderman Ben Ewen-Campen and Alderman at Large Mary Jo Rossetti for a public meeting on Monday, February 26, to discuss upcoming tree removal as part of the construction process for the new Somerville High School.

Trees to be removed include those between the rear of Somerville High School and the train tracks. The meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Somerville High School Library, 81 Highland Ave. This is the second public meeting regarding tree removal, and City and project staff will review plans for removal of trees in the rear of the building before construction begins this spring.

For full information about the Somerville High School project, including plans and past meeting minutes, visit www.somervillema.gov/highschool.

BOBBY'S DAD JOKES CORNER

By Bobbygeorge Potaris



What did the grape say when it got stepped on?
It let out a little wine!

The "Original"
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Power Washing
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Community Media Mixer

Somerville Media Center (AKA SCATV, SCAT, whatever your heart desires) is celebrating creativity by throwing a Media Mixer event. SMC kicks off the first event in the free 2018 event series on Sunday, February 25, from 4:00–6:00 p.m. at Aeronaut Brewing Company. Get to know other media makers, filmmakers, editors, actors, aspiring creatives and more at this event. Aeronaut Brewery is a safe space to bring your own snacks and non-alcoholic beverages. There will be two picnic tables off to the left-hand side in the beer garden.

WHY SHOULD YOU COME?

You will get information about upcoming classes, networking opportunities, crew calls, community media membership and more. Members, fans and curious locals are encouraged to attend. They hope to see you there. If you can come, please RSVP to Erica Jones at ejones@somervillemedia.org. They will be rotating to other Somerville spots to host this series. Here is the full list for upcoming Media Mixers:

FEB 25TH	AERONAUT BREWERY <small>IN COLLABORATION WITH MALDEN MEDIA CENTER</small>
APR 29TH	ARMORY CAFE <small>IN COLLABORATION WITH WOMEN IN FILM & VIDEO OF NEW ENGLAND</small>
JUNE 24TH	DARK HORSE PUB <small>IN COLLABORATION WITH BOSTON INSTITUTE FOR NONPROFIT JOURNALISM</small>
AUG 26TH	AMERICAN FRESH BREWERY <small>IN COLLABORATION WITH MASS ACCESS & ALLIANCE FOR COMMUNITY MEDIA NORTHEAST</small>

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12:00am	Free Speech TV
6:00am	SCATV Community Bulletin Board
7:00am	Wide Angle
7:30am	DW In Good Shape
8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
9:00am	DW Global 3000
9:30am	Both Sides of the Bars
10:00am	Poet to Poet/Writer to Writer
10:30am	Somerville Storytellers
11:00am	Fallon's Daily Toast
12:00pm	The Thom Hartman Show
1:00pm	Health is Wealth
1:30pm	Green Card Voices
2:00pm	SOM ARTS
2:30pm	Somerville Neighborhood News
3:00pm	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
4:00pm	NASA TV Video File News Feed
5:00pm	Justicia Migrante
5:30pm	Going Postal
6:00pm	Haitian Poetry in 3 languages
7:00pm	The New Tax Law and the Arts
7:30pm	Aging Well
8:00pm	LIVE: Somerville Pundits
8:30pm	LIVE: Heavy Leather Topless Dance Party
9:30pm	Reeling Review
10:00pm	Duck Village Stage Series
10:30pm	Ojo Rojo
11:00pm	SCATV SECRET STASH: Flotilla

Thursday, February 15

12:00am	SCATV Secret Stash Hour
1:00am	Free Speech TV
6:00am	SCATV Community Bulletin Board
7:00am	Perils for Pedestrians
7:30am	DW Focus on Europe
8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
9:00am	DW Tomorrow Today
9:30am	Hello Neighbor
10:00am	The Kamla Show
10:30am	Somerville Pundits
11:00am	Art and Ideas
11:30am	Justicia Migrante
12:00pm	The Thom Hartman Show
1:00pm	Tufts University MLK Symposium
3:00pm	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
4:00pm	The New Tax Law and the Arts
4:30pm	The Struggle
5:00pm	Words on Film
6:00pm	Somerville Neighborhood News
6:30pm	Beyond Boston
7:00pm	LIVE - The Boston Medium
7:30pm	Poet to Poet/Writer to Writer

8:00pm	Greater Somerville
8:30pm	Somerville Pundits
9:00pm	The Beantown Beatdown
10:00pm	The Chatman Booth
10:30pm	TUTV
11:00pm	SCATV SECRET STASH: Public Access Boyz
11:30pm	SMC Presents:Duck Village Stage Sessions

Friday, February 16

12:00am	Heavy Leather Topless Dance Party
1:00am	Free Speech TV
6:00am	SCATV Community Bulletin Board
7:00am	The Bill Press Show (Free Speech TV)
8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
9:00am	SOM ARTS
9:30am	Cambridge Calendar
10:00am	NASA TV
11:00am	Aging Well
11:30am	DW Tomorrow Today
12:00pm	The Thom Hartman Show
1:00pm	The Yellow Jacket Lady
1:30pm	Reeling Review
2:00pm	Somerville Neighborhood News
2:30pm	The World Fusion Show
3:00pm	Democracy Now
4:00pm	Gay USA
5:00pm	The Chatman Booth
5:30pm	What's new in Massachusetts?
6:00pm	The Boston Medium
6:30pm	NASA TV
7:00pm	(LIVE) Fallon's Daily Toast
8:00pm	Tufts University MLK Symposium
10:00pm	Heavy Leather Topless Dance Party
11:00pm	Totally Working Out
11:30pm	Totally Working Out

Saturday, February 17

12:00am	DIWHY The Show
1:00am	SCATV secret stash hour
2:00am	Free speech tv
5:00am	Effort Pour Christ
6:00am	SCATV Community Bulletin Board
7:00am	Tele Magazine
8:00am	Democracy Now
9:00am	SMC Youth Media
9:30am	Somerville Storytellers
10:00am	Dead air Live
11:00am	TeleGalaxie
12:00pm	Art and Ideas
12:30pm	The Literati Scene
1:00pm	African Television Network
2:00pm	The Beantown Beatdown
3:00pm	Democracy Now!
4:00pm	The New Tax Law and the Arts

4:30pm	What's New Massachusetts?
5:00pm	DW Focus on Europe
5:30pm	Both Sides of the Bars
6:00pm	Beyond Boston
6:30pm	Hello Neighbor
7:00pm	StartUp TV Boston
8:00pm	Somerville Neighborhood News
8:30pm	Henry Parker Presents
9:00pm	Nossa Gente e Costumes
10:00pm	DIWHY The Show
11:00pm	SCATV Secret Stash
11:30pm	Ojo Rojo

Sunday, February 18

12:00am	Flotilla
1:00am	SCATV Secret Stash
2:00am	Free Speech TV
6:00am	NASA TV
12:00pm	SCATV SECRET STASH: Flotilla
1:00am	SCATV Secret Stash
2:00am	Free Speech TV
6:00am	NASA TV
7:00am	Nossa Gentes e Costumes
8:00am	Tele Magazine
9:00am	Tele Kreyol
10:00am	Art and Ideas
10:30am	DW Conflict zone
11:00am	The Chef's Table Series
12:00pm	Somerville Neighborhood News
12:30pm	Effort Pour Christ
1:00pm	Reeling Review
1:30pm	Teen Empowerment: Youth Matters Media
2:00pm	StartUp TV Boston
3:00pm	African Television Network
4:00pm	Dedilhando a Saudade
5:00pm	Tufts University MLK Symposium
7:00pm	Gay USA
8:00pm	NASA TV
8:30pm	Somerville Neighborhood News
9:00pm	Words on Film
10:00pm	TUTV
10:30pm	The Boston Medium
11:00pm	Box House Productions Presents
11:30pm	SCATV Secret Stash

Monday, February 19

12:00am	Free Speech TV
6:00am	SCATV Community Bulletin Board
7:00	Aging Well
7:30am	Going Postal
8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
9:00am	The Stephanie Miller Show (Free Speech TV)
10:00am	Both Sides of the Bars
10:30pm	SOM ARTS

11:00am	Beyond the Badge
11:30am	DW conflict Zone
12:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show
1:00pm	Somerville Neighborhood News
1:30pm	DW Global 3000
2:00pm	Science 360
3:00pm	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
4:00pm	DW Euromaxx
4:30pm	Esoteric Science
5:00pm	Tele Galaxie
6:00pm	SMC youth Media
6:30pm	The Kamla Show
7:00pm	LIVE - The Yellow Jacket Lady
7:30pm	SMC Presents: Duck Village Stage Sessions
8:00pm	(LIVE) Somerville Overcoming Addiction
9:00pm	Dedilhando au Saudade
10:00pm	DIWHY The Show
11:00pm	Heavy Leather Topless Dance Party

Tuesday, February 20

12:00am	Free Speech TV
6:00am	SCATV Community Bulletin Board
7:00am	DW Euromaxx
7:30am	Esoteric Science
8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
9:00am	The Chef's Table Series
10:00am	The New Tax Law and the Arts
10:30am	DW In Good Shape
11:00am	DW Tomorrow Today
11:30am	Beyond the Badge
12:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show
1:00pm	Words on Film
2:00pm	Somerville Overcoming Addiction
3:00pm	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
4:00pm	Aging Well
4:30pm	Teen Empowerment: Youth Matters Media
5:00pm	Poet to Poet/Writer to Writer
5:30pm	What's New Massachusetts?
6:00pm	Storytime with Drag Kings, Queens and Their Friends
6:30pm	Beyond Boston
7:00pm	Somerville Neighborhood News
7:30pm	Greater Somerville
8:00pm	Dead Air Live
9:00pm	The Yellow Jacket Lady
9:30pm	SMC Presents: Duck Village Stage Sessions
10:00pm	Public Access Boyz
10:30pm	SCATV Secret Stash
11:00pm	Box House Productions Presents
11:30pm	New Kids on the Rock

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Wednesday, February 14

8:30am	Fit-4-Life #1 2017
9:00am	Aldermen at Work: Stephanie Hirsch
9:30am	SomerViva em Portuguès
11:30am	MLK Jr. Day Celebration
1:00pm	Board of Aldermen Meeting - 2.8.18
6:30pm	The Bilingual Brain: Benefits of Bilingualism
7:30pm	SomerViva en Espanol
8:00pm	Three Kings Festival at St. Benedict's Parish
8:30pm	Aldermen at Work: Stephanie Hirsch
9:00pm	Talking Business
9:13pm	School Committee Meeting - 2.5.18

Thursday, February 15

12:00am	Multi-Lingual ResiStat Meeting - 11.2.17
1:30am	SomerViva em Portuguès
2:02am	The Bilingual Brain: Benefits of Bilingualism
8:30am	Fit-4-Life #6 2017
9:00am	SomerViva en Espanol
9:30am	Raising Families "Kindergarten Registration"
11:30am	Talking Business
12:00pm	Senior Circuit
12:30pm	Raising Families "Special Needs Education"
1:00pm	Three Kings Festival at St. Benedict's Parish
1:30pm	BOA Legislative Matters of the Whole
6:30pm	Haitian Cultural Celebration
8:00pm	Seriously Somerville w/Jimmy Del Ponte
8:30pm	Aldermen at Work: Stephanie Hirsch
9:00pm	MLK Jr. Day Celebration
10:18pm	SomerViva em Portuguès

11:00pm	Talking Business
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Friday, February 16

12:00am	MLK Jr. Day Celebration
2:33am	TPS Solidarity Rally at State House
8:30am	SomerViva em Espanol
8:30am	Fit-4-Life #5 2017
9:00am	School Committee Meeting - 2.5.18
12:00pm	The Bilingual Brain: Benefits of Bilingualism
1:00pm	Aldermen at Work: Stephanie Hirsch
1:30pm	SomerViva em Portuguès
2:02pm	Haitian Cultural Celebration
6:30pm	MLK Jr. Day Celebration
7:48pm	HeatSmart CoolSmart
8:00pm	Three Kings Festival at St. Benedict's Parish
8:21pm	HeatSmart CoolSmart
8:30pm	2018 Inaugural Ceremonies
10:11pm	Seriously Somerville w/ Jimmy Del Ponte
10:37pm	SomerViva en Espanol

Saturday, February 17

12:00am	Board of Aldermen Meeting - 2.8.18
8:30am	Fit-4-Life #1 2017
9:00am	Aldermen at Work: Stephanie Hirsch
9:30am	Talking Business
11:30am	The Bilingual Brain: Benefits of Bilingualism
12:30pm	Haitian Cultural Celebration
2:00pm	SomerViva em Portuguès
2:32pm	Seriously Somerville w/Jimmy Del Ponte
3:00pm	SomerViva en Espanol
3:30pm	Three Kings Festival at St. Benedict's Parish

6:30pm	2018 Organizational Meeting
7:10pm	Talking Business
7:30pm	Seriously Somerville w/Jimmy Del Ponte
8:00pm	Multi-Lingual ResiStat Meeting - 11.2.17
9:17pm	The Bilingual Brain: Benefits of Bilingualism
10:30pm	SomerViva em Portuguès
11:02pm	HeatSmart CoolSmart

Sunday, February 18

12:00am	Senior Circuit
12:30am	School Committee Meeting - 2.5.18
2:32am	SomerViva en Espanol
8:30am	Fit-4-Life #1 2017
9:00am	The Bilingual Brain: Benefits of Bilingualism
11:30am	Talking Business
12:00pm	Senior Circuit - February 2018
12:30pm	SomerViva em Portuguès
1:02pm	BOA Land Use Committee of the Whole
6:30pm	Seriously Somerville w/Jimmy Del Ponte
7:00pm	Senior Circuit - February 2018
7:30pm	Aldermen at Work: Stephanie Hirsch
8:00pm	Haitian Cultural Celebration
9:14pm	Talking Business
9:30pm	The Bilingual Brain: Benefits of Bilingualism
10:30pm	SomerViva em Portuguès
11:02pm	Aldermen at Work: Stephanie Hirsch

Monday, February 19

12:00am	Senior Circuit - February 2018
12:30am	BOA Land Use Committee of the Whole
8:30am	Fit-4-Life #2 2017

9:00am	MLK Jr. Day Celebration
11:30am	Three Kings Festival at St. Benedict's Parish
12:00pm	The Bilingual Brain: Benefits of Bilingualism
1:00pm	Aldermen at Work: Stephanie Hirsch
1:30pm	2018 Inaugural Ceremonies
6:30pm	Seriously Somerville w/ Jimmy Del Ponte
7:00pm	School Committee Meeting - 2.5.18
9:02pm	Aldermen at Work: Stephanie Hirsch
9:30pm	Housing Lottery for Units at The Flatiron
10:00pm	MLK Jr. Day Celebration

Tuesday, February 20

12:00am	Senior Circuit - February 2018
12:30am	Seriously Somerville w/ Jimmy Del Ponte
1:00am	BOA Legislative Matters of the Whole
8:30am	Fit-4-Life #2 2017
9:00am	School Committee Meeting - 2.5.18
12:00pm	Senior Circuit - February 2018
12:30pm	The Bilingual Brain: Benefits of Bilingualism
1:30pm	Multi-Lingual ResiStat Meeting - 11.2.17
3:00pm	Seriously Somerville w/ Jimmy Del Ponte
6:30pm	Raising Families "Kindergarten Registration"
7:00pm	Senior Circuit - February 2018
7:30pm	Seriously Somerville w/ Jimmy Del Ponte
8:00pm	The Bilingual Brain: Benefits of Bilingualism
9:00pm	BOA Land Use Committee of the Whole

Wednesday, February 21

12:00am	Senior Circuit
12:30am	The Bilingual Brain: Benefits of Bilingualism
1:30am	BOA Land Use Committee of the Whole

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Wednesday, February 14

9:00am	SHS Boys Basketball vs Salem
11:00am	SHS Hockey vs Latin Academy
1:00pm	WSNS Winter Concert 2018
2:00pm	SHS Girls Basketball vs Everett
4:00pm	SHS Hockey vs Gloucester
6:00pm	SHS Boys Basketball vs Salem
8:00pm	SHS Hockey vs Latin Academy
10:00pm	WSNS Winter Concert 2018
11:00pm	Argenziano School Winter Concert

Thursday, February 15

12:00am	SHS Girls Basketball vs Everett
2:00am	SHS Hockey vs Gloucester
9:00am	WSNS Winter Concert 2018
10:00am	SHS Student Health Survey 2018
11:00am	Student of the Qtr. Awards - WHCS
11:30am	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Brown School
12:00pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Healey School
12:30pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - WSNS
1:00pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - ESCS
2:00pm	SHS Hockey vs Gloucester
3:30pm	SHS Hockey vs Latin Academy
5:00pm	SHS Boys Basketball vs Salem
7:00pm	SHS Girls Basketball vs Gloucester
10:00pm	SHS Girls Basketball vs Gloucester

Friday, February 16

12:00am	SHS Girls Basketball vs Gloucester
2:00am	SHS Girls Basketball vs Everett
9:00am	SHS Girls Basketball vs Gloucester
11:00am	SHS Girls Basketball vs Everett
1:00pm	SHS Girls Basketball vs Swampscott
2:30pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - ESCS
3:30pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Argenziano
4:00pm	Argenziano School Winter Concert
5:00pm	SHS Girls Basketball vs Gloucester
7:00pm	SHS Girls Basketball vs Everett
8:30pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Argenziano
9:00pm	SHS Girls Basketball vs Swampscott
10:30pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - ESCS
11:00pm	SHS Hockey vs Latin Academy

Saturday, February 17

12:10am	SHS Boys Basketball vs Salem
2:00am	SHS Boys Basketball vs Peabody
9:00am	SHS Boys Basketball vs Medford
10:30am	SHS Boys Basketball v Winthrop
12:00pm	SHS Girls Basketball vs Gloucester
2:00pm	SHS Hockey vs Revere
3:30pm	SHS Hockey vs Everett
5:00pm	SHS Student Health Survey 2018
6:00pm	SHS Boys Basketball vs Medford
7:30pm	SHS Boys Basketball v Winthrop
9:00pm	SHS Girls Basketball vs Gloucester
11:00pm	SHS Hockey vs Revere

Sunday, February 18

12:30am	SHS Hockey vs Everett
2:00am	SHS Student Health Survey 2018
3:00am	Public Domain Theater
9:00am	SHS Boys Basketball vs Medford
10:30am	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Healey School
11:00am	SHS Girls Basketball vs Medford
1:00pm	SHS Boys Basketball vs Saugus
2:30pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - WHCS
3:00pm	SHS Girls Basketball vs Everett
5:00pm	SHS Girls Basketball vs Charlestown
6:30pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - WHCS
7:00pm	SHS Boys Basketball vs Medford
8:30pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Healey School
9:00pm	SHS Girls Basketball vs Medford
11:00pm	SHS Boys Basketball vs Saugus

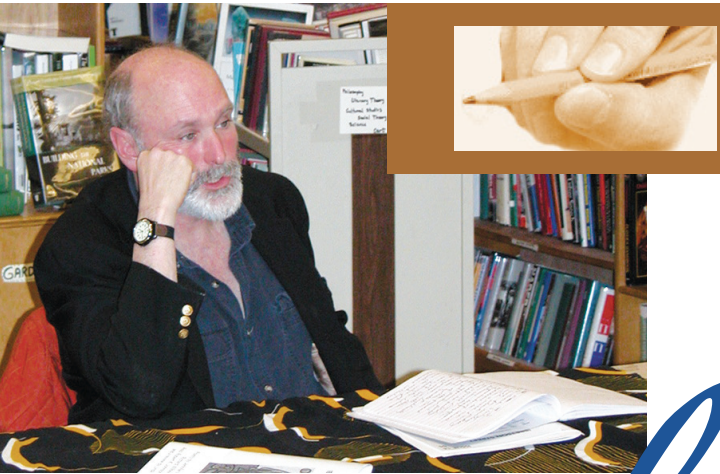
Monday, February 19

12:30am	Student of the Qtr. Awards - WHCS
1:00am	SHS Girls Basketball vs Everett
3:00am	SHS Girls Basketball vs Charlestown
5:00am	Public Domain Theater
9:00am	SHS Student Health Survey 2018
10:00am	SHS Girls' Basketball vs Malden
12:00pm	SHS Girls Basketball vs Beverly
1:15pm	SHS Girls Basketball vs Gloucester
3:00pm	SHS Boys Basketball v Winthrop
5:00pm	SHS Boys' Basketball vs Marblehead

6:30pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - WHCS
7:00pm	SHS Student Health Survey 2018
8:00pm	SHS Girls' Basketball vs Malden
10:00pm	SHS Girls Basketball vs Beverly
11:15pm	SHS Girls Basketball vs Gloucester

Tuesday, February 20

1:00am	SHS Boys Basketball v Winthrop
2:30am	SHS Boys' Basketball vs Marblehead
9:00am	Student of the Qtr. Awards - ESCS
9:30am	Student of the Qtr. Awards - WSNS
10:00am	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Healey School
10:30am	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Brown School
11:00am	Student of the Qtr. Awards - WHCS
11:30am	SHS Student Health Survey 2018
1:00pm	SHS Girls Basketball vs Gloucester
3:00pm	SHS Boys Basketball vs Salem
5:00pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - ESCS
5:30pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - WSNS
6:00pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Healey School
6:30pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Brown School
7:00pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - WHCS
7:30pm	SHS Student Health Survey 2018
9:00pm	SHS Girls Basketball vs Gloucester
11:00pm	SHS Boys Basketball vs Salem
1:00am	SHS Girls Basketball vs Everett
2:30am	SHS Hockey vs Latin Academy



OFF THE SHELF

by Doug Holder

Musician Jack Holland:

Sprouting 'Dutch Tulips' in Somerville

Jack Holland arrived at my anointed spot at the back of the Bloc 11 cafe in Union Square, Somerville.

At age 29 he still sports apple cheeks and a thoughtful boyish manner. But don't be fooled. Holland is a serious musician and lyricist. He is the founder of the Somerville-based rock band, Dutch Tulips, aptly named considering his last name.

Holland and his band of friends consist of Holland himself on guitar and lead vocals, Michael Holland, his brother, on bass and vocals, Justin Mantell on guitar, synth and vocals, and Union Square resident Matt Freake on drums and voice.

They are planning to have a release party at Charlie's Kitchen in Harvard Square, February 19, for their new, self-tilted EP.

I asked Holland about how he would describe their music. Holland replied, "The Dutch Tulips take pop songs and often pervert the themes and sounds and deliver it all with passion and emotional immediacy. At once neurotic and gratifying, the Tulips pay tribute to bands like Weezer, the Cars, and the Beach Boys."

Holland, originally from the hinterlands of New Hampshire, has lived in Somerville for a number of years. He reflected, "I love being here because people are so creative and attuned about what's going on in the world." And like many artists who have fled the city because of gentrification and skyrocketing rents, Holland is uncertain about how long he will be here. He said, "I am living in the moment. If my rent increases I may have to look at other options."

Holland said he has had a fair number of gigs in the city. He and his band have performed at such venues as the Greek American Social Club in Union Square, Once Ballroom, the Somerville Armory, etc. He informed me that he has a few gigs coming up in Brooklyn, NY that will occur after



the release of his new EP.

Holland writes the lyrics to many of the songs his band plays. They often deal with mental illness, as Holland has worked for a number years in the field. He said, "I take my experiences and render them into extreme versions of things that have happened in my life or at work." Holland, who always has sported a strange sense of irony and an ample dose of biting wit, titled one of his recent songs *Love It or Loathe It*. He is a man who likes to cover both sides of the coin.

Holland is dedicated to his art. And if he has to continue to work a day job to make the daily nut – well, he has no problems with that. He usually works around midnight to 3:00 a.m. on his music. So if you see a light burning during this time – during your dark night of the soul, on some god-forsaken Somerville street – it could be our musician burning the midnight oil.

When I think of Holland I am reminded of these lines from the poet Edna St. Vincent Millay,

"My candle burns at both ends;
It will not last the night;
but ah, my foes, my friends –
It gives a lovely light."

I think Holland will be burning his candle for many years to come.

Lyrical

SOMERVILLE

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Butterflies and Breathing

On a cold January night,
with snow touching our tongues of pink and moon,
I reach out my heart and take hold of you.
With your showering gaze of adoring hemlock,
you asked me to come toward you...
like pretty keys turning latches long untouched, how could I not.
Your faithful horse, at your side, almost an extension of your arm.
You, an exotic desert strand, a breed of man like crystal sand -
I find my lips pressed against yours...
it felt as if two pearls were meeting on a rising silver queen.
You told me butterflies and breathing.

— Jennifer Matthews

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3. The Lincoln Park neighborhood in Chicago

4. A pediatrician

5. Shaun White

6. A Croatian island

7. Phoenix, Arizona

8. The Cullinan Diamond

9. Singles, in 1992

10. Island of Trinidad

11. The 1988 Summer Olympics

12. National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing

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