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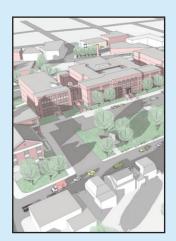


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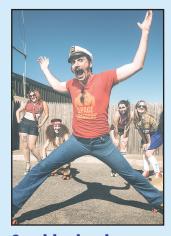
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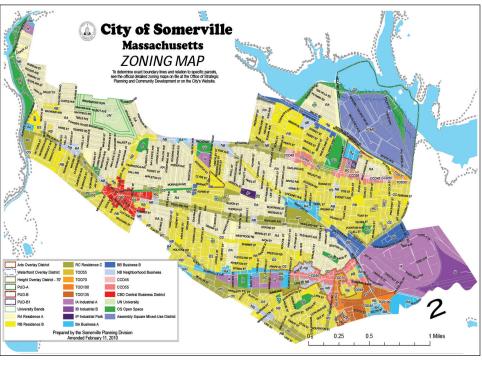
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Board of Aldermen discusses land use in Somerville



An increase in the inclusionary zoning rates proved to be a hot-button topic at last week's Board of Alderman meeting.

By Sal Ghamo

On March 24, The Board of Aldermen discussed the Land Use Committee's March 22 meeting that concerned a citizens' petition supporting an increase in the inclusionary zoning rates to 20% citywide.

The goal of the Land Use Committee is to strengthen the physical environment and mold the external character of the City of Somerville by applying the Somerville Zoning Ordinance. Zoning is a police power that permits cities to regulate size and density of development and use of land. Zoning, in some circumstances, also allows for design review.

Ward 6 Alderman Lance Davis briefly touched upon Mr. Proakis' presentation of the Planning Board's recommendation to the committee. After the presentation, there was a spirited question and answer session, and following that Mr. Proakis described the model Continued on page 5

The Shirts and Shoes: defying obvious categorization

By Blake Maddux

The Shirts and Shoes is a rock quartet that consists of college sophomores Tyler Charron (lead vocals, rhythm guitar), Emiliano Calvo (lead guitar), Alec Gervais (bass), and Eric Gonnam (drums). Gonnam is a student at Merrimack College, while the other three attend Umass Lowell.

In addition to being full-time students and working part-time jobs, the members of The Shirts and Shoes are nearing completion of the group's first EP. Although live gigs have been hard to come by given their busy schedules, they will be performing at PA's Lounge in Union Square on April 7.

Tyler Charron spoke to The Somerville Times by phone in advance of that date and the band's appearance on WEMF on April 1.

Somerville Times: How long have the members of The Shirts and Shoes known each other? **Tyler Charron:** Me and Continued on page 4

The Shirt and Shoes will be on at P.A.'s Lounge on Thursday, April 7.

— Photo by Katie Pawlows, the band's biggest fan

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Odd/even parking starts this week on April Fool's day, and will continue through to December 31. Those traffic and parking people will be walking around handing out tickets, so watch the signs for the day your street is earmarked for street cleaning.

Somerville Recreation will be holding a road race in conjunction with the Mayor's Shape-Up Somerville Initiative. The race to be held on Sunday, April 24, with the kids race at 10:30 a.m., while the adults 5K race starts at 11:00 a.m. The proceeds will go to the Somerville Youth and Recreation Foundation (SYRF). This non-profit foundation was formed exclusively for charitable purposes. For more information go to www. Somerville Youth RecF.org.

Happy Birthday to a lot of our friends and fellow Villens here this week: Happy birthday a great guy, John Kendzierski, who although new to the city, has many friends here. We wish him the very best of birthdays. Happy birthday to Diane O'Brien, who is self-employed here in Davis Square as tax person. Big time happy birthday to younger Jimmy Halloran, who is celebrating this week. Jimmy has been part-timing as a real estate agent at the Norton Group for several years. We wish him a good day. Happy birthday to Andrea Gregory, who is a fantastic reporter and now is Editor of couple of magazines. She was very involved here at The Times not too long ago. We wish her a happy day. Happy birthday to Andrew Lafuente, a nice guy and the son of Ward 4 Alderman. We wish Andrew a good day for himself. Also celebrating his birthday this week is another good guy, Jeffrey Lewis. We wish Jeff a very happy birthday.

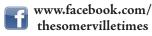
There's a new website in town. Check it out at www.somervillema.com. *The Somerville Times* is on the site. Also check out www.medfordma.com. Someone asked online why we keep these two web sites in Newstalk, guess because we like them.

For those that might be interested in obtaining certification for firearms should look up the Lawrence Continued on page 11

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TheSomervilleTimes.com Comments of the Week

Response to: Record breaking home sale in Somerville

MarketMan says:

I wonder who it is, and I wonder if the family will actually live there or will be one of their homes that spend some time in.

SMHC says:

Looks like Mr. Douglas made a nice tidy profit. Purchased for \$450K. Mortgaged for \$788K for the rehab. Sold for \$1.7M.

Chris says:

Congratulations Donald and Pat! I am sure you gave the customers great service and welcomed them to the community!!

LindaS says:

Wait...we actually have people buying HOMES here?? Or are they planning to convert it into a condominium? Maybe that would be novel, actually building homes here instead of apartment buildings. It might even wind up being more profitable. :-)

Frankly says:

It is a beautiful home, congratulations to the young family and welcome to the neighborhood!

Freebie says:

LindaS, many people call Condos home too, there are quite a few large ones around. Many of my kids friends are growing up in them.

Response to: The Somerville Journal office pulls out of city

Rumpleforeskin says:

That paper has been useless forever. I'll take the Times any day.

Response to: The wages of sin is...Trump

Roy says:

Bill

Good points thank

Failing institutions include political as per low participation rate, justice as per highest incarceration rate, education, welfare and others

good institutions need time to develop and meanwhile need to fend off highly creative methods of corruption by politicians, citizens and the bureaucrats themselves.

I wish there was a catchy phrase that means prioritizing institutional performance so that it would be easier to make a political issue. and we need objective performance metrics derived from comparing states and nations

Response to: City approves requests for Fire Dept. funding

Cooper says:

The Department should be granted all of the funds necessary to be properly staffed. These brave individuals require our full support.

Response to: SHS student wins Science Fair

Gail Thornton says:

Congratulations to Charlotte. She's a hard working student who deserves this success!

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Important traffic pattern change

Beginning on Monday, April 11 (weather permitting), the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) will permanently close the off-ramp from McGrath Highway southbound to Somerville Ave., and will open a new at-grade, signalized connection from Somerville Ave./Medford St. to McGrath Highway north-



bound. The existing tunnel from Somerville Ave. to Washington St. will be permanently closed.

Traffic will be rerouted as follows:

- McGrath Highway southbound to Somerville Ave.: Vehicles will be rerouted to the Washington St. off-ramp to Medford St. (NOTE: the Washington St. exit is BEFORE the Somerville Ave. exit. Please follow signage.)
- + Medford St. and Somerville Ave. northbound: Vehicles will follow a new traffic pattern and new traffic signal/connection at the Somerville Ave./Medford St. intersection.

This work is an interim improvement phase of the long term McGrath Boulevard Project. When fully complete in the summer of 2016, this interim measure will provide increased pedestrian and bicycle access at both the Washington St. and Somerville Ave. intersections with McGrath Highway Traffic signal upgrades will be made at Somerville Ave.

For transportation news and updates visit MassDOT at our website: www. mass.gov/massdot, blog: www.mass.gov/blog/transportation, or follow Mass-DOT on twitter at www.twitter.com/massdot and Facebook at www.facebook. com/massdotinfo.

'How to Open a Business' Workshop

Are you a local entrepreneur interested in starting a business, but not sure where to start? Come to the City of Somerville's second "How to Open a Business" Workshop on Thurs., March 31, from 6 to 7 p.m. at Canopy, 212 Elm St., 3rd floor, to speak with City staff and business liaisons to learn more! Offered by the Somerville Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development (OSPCD) and Somer Viva, the City's language liaison program, the workshop will provide information on how the City can help you find a suitable location for your business, navigate regulations, and receive financial and technical assistance, among other assistance programs. Representatives from Inspectional Services, Planning/Zoning, the City Clerk's Office, and others will be on hand to help you answer any questions. For more information, contact the Economic Development Office at 617-625-6600 ext. 2515.

SHS Building Committee meetings, public forums to continue

By Louise Carpenter

Residents are being given the opportunity to have their voices heard as the City of Somerville considers options for the future of Somerville High School.

The Somerville High School Building Committee (SBS) is inviting all interested residents to upcoming meetings to learn more about options for future plans for Somerville High School, and share their comments.

Meetings will include opportunities for question and answer, general discussion, and feedback. Additionally, residents are encouraged to visit the SBC website, www.somervillema.gov/highschool, and share feedback on each of the remaining proposed options for the future high school. Remaining public meetings are as follows:

+ Wed., March 30, 2:45 p.m., Somerville High School Auditorium, 81 Highland Ave.

A meeting specifically for Somerville youth to learn about the future of their

+ Tues., April 5, 6:30 p.m., East Somerville Community School Library, 50 Cross St.

Public Forum with presentations in English, Haitian Creole, Spanish, and Por-



tuguese (translation for other languages available upon request).

+ Mon., April 11, 5:30 p.m., Healey School Library, 5 Meacham St.

SBC Regular Meeting. SBC Business will be followed by open Q&A.

• Tues., April 26, 6:30 p.m., Somerville High School Auditorium, 81 Highland

Public Forum. A presentation by SBC members along with community discus-

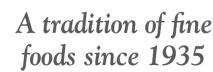
For a full meeting schedule and much more detail about the SBC, the SHS project, and more, visit www.somervillema.gov/highschool.

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EWEEKIN CIR By Jim Clark

Eager 'shopper' gets a little greedy

Police responded to the Saks Fifth Avenue at Assembly Row last Friday evening on reports of a shoplifter in the store.

Upon arrival, a store employee reportedly told officers that a man, later identified as Volodymyr Gurin, of Newton, selected four pairs of sunglasses, removed

their security tags and concealed them in his coat pocket. He then selected a pair of shoes, went to the register and paid for them.

According to the employee, Gurin then concealed two belts and two pairs of underwear in his coat. He then selected three coats and a white shirt and entered the fitting room. When Gurin came out of the fitting room, one coat was reportedly missing.

Gurin then proceeded to the shoe section and concealed two pairs of shoes in his shopping bag. He then selected another pair of shoes, went to the register and paid for one pair, according to reports.

Gurin then selected a white shirt and concealed it in his bag before exiting the store. Loss prevention agents reportedly stopped Mr. Gurin outside the store and escorted him back to their office.

The store manager cancelled the two purchases that Gurin made and returned the money to him. Gurin was trespassed from Saks in Somerville and Wrentham.

The police officers then placed Gurin under, charging him with larceny over \$250 and removal of a theft detection device.

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Arrests:

Stephen Remick, March 21, 1:51 p.m., arrested at College Ave. on charges of trespassing, disorderly conduct, and threat to commit a crime.

Jeffrey Mayne, of 12 Ken-

dall Ct., Bedford, March 21, 3:37 p.m., arrested at Medford St. on warrant charges of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, larceny from a person, assault and battery, and nighttime break-

Robert Perez, of 42 Weaver Ct., Roxbury, March 21, 4:11 p.m., arrested at Foley St. on warrant charges of larceny under \$250, possession of a class

ing and entering of a vehicle A drug, shoplifting over \$100 by concealing merchandise, shoplifting by asportation, and larceny over \$250.

Volodymyr Gurin, of 205 Craft St., Newton, March 22, 7:13 p.m., arrested at Canal St. on a charge of larceny over

Jose Salazar, of 28 Otis St., March 25, 12:46 p.m., arrested at Broadway on a charge of receiving stolen property over

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Eric have been playing together in bands since middle school. There's a music school called The Real School of Music in Burlington and we used to take lessons there. We got thrown into an ensemble together and have just been playing since. Alec and Emiliano were two kids that I met in my dorm building my freshman year, last

ST: When did you begin learning how to play music?

TC: I've been playing music since I was a little kid. My parents got me started on piano when I was like in kindergarten. Then I moved on to trumpet, which was my main instrument from like third grade until about my sophomore year of high school, when I started really getting into singing. I just picked guitar up along the way.

ST: Is there a story behind the name The Shirts and Shoes?

TC: We've gone through a lot of different band names. You name yourself one thing, everybody expects you to be this kind

of genre, you know? And we thought it'd be cool to just kind of have a name that couldn't really put us anywhere in particular. It was just kind of simple, and it sounds nice.

ST: How often do you play

TC: As of late, not nearly as frequently. We've been trying to pick that up, but we've only had this one single out, our single Fair Warning, and because of that it's a lot harder to get clubs and stuff to let you play because we don't have as much to show off. It's been kind of challenging to find a place, but we're almost done recording our EP. We were in the studio last night [Friday, March 25]. We got out about midnight. It wasn't that bad, though. We had one session last semester that was from about 10 p.m. to about four in the morning. We're going to be done with that EP, hopefully, by the end of the semester.

ST: Does the group spend much time in the studio?

TC: The studio is definitely

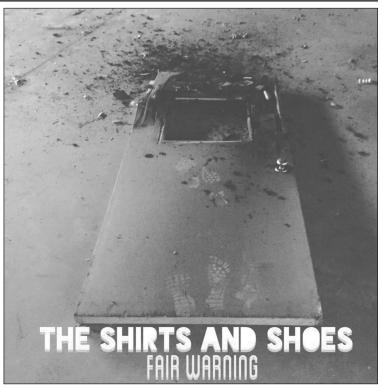
a less frequent thing because most of the time it's relatively expensive and we're all poor college students. Mainly it will take like two or three sessions to finish a song or a couple of songs. So right now, we just went in last night, we're going to go in next Friday [April 1], and maybe the Friday after that if we need to. But next Friday, hopefully, we're going to be finishing up.

ST: Which bands are some mutual favorites of the members of The Shirts and Shoes?

TC: I know me and Eric are both really into Queens of the Stone Age, and Foo Fighters and Them Crooked Vultures. Basically anything with Dave Grohl or Josh Homme is good for us. We kind of all like The Black Keys, The White Stripes, The Rolling Stones. Stuff like that.

ST: You mentioned that you were all poor college students. What do you do for money?

TC: We all actually work at the same Starbucks. Eric first



The Shirts and Shoes' first single, Fair Warning.

started working there and he got me a job over the summer. And I got Alec a job just this past semester, and Alec just got Emiliano a job. He just had his second shift this past Thursday. Eric's already there. We got out last night at 12, and he had to be there at 5:30.

The Shirts and Shoes with Threat Level Burgundy, The Angry Tides, and Barefoot Young. Thursday, April 7 at P.A.'s Lounge, 345 Somerville Ave, Union Square. Doors at 7:30 p.m. /21+/\$8 at the door, \$5 in advance via www. eventbrite.com.

City considers renaming Otis Park to Deanna Cremin park

By Jim Clark

Ward 1 Alderman Matthew McLaughlin sponsored a resolution at the latest regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen last Thursday asking the administration to consider renaming Otis Park to Deanna Cremin Park.

In speaking for the resolution, McLaughlin said, "We discovered that Otis Park is not named after anyone, it is named after the street, basically. So I would love to see this happen."

McLaughlin invited Jesse Clingan to address the Board on the proposed name change.

"Basically, I'm just looking for support for the renaming of this park. We want a positive place to honor Deanna's memory and who



Jesse Clingan addressed the Board on Thursday night, speaking in favor of renaming Otis Park in honor of the memory of Deanna Cremin.

she was," Clingan told the Board. "She spent a lot of time at that park, and I just think it's a perfect fit. I just want to stress that this isn't going to be a place of mourning. This is what Deanna was all about. She was a free spirit. She lution unanimously.

was a very loving person."

Clingan said that he has received much support from members of the community for this change in the name of the park.

The Board approved the reso-

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developed by consultants R.K.G.

The idea behind the model was to give the Committee a theoretical look at different areas of the city, while also allowing them to observe land acquisition, costs, and a wide variety of other variables.

This approach is intended to determine how best to maximize the affordable units that would be developed under certain circumstances. The Committee's request concerns increasing zoning rates to 20%.

The Board's initial concern with this request, which was made in the context of the zoning overhaul, was that if the zoning percentage is increased then will the amount of affordable units actually increase, or will it negatively affect other rates in a less progressive way than the Land Use Committee intends. The Committee's real goal here is for the rate of return on a developers project to hit 15%. If 15% isn't reached then the project will not go through.

The Committee was also concerned with no-fault evictions. This means that the people of Somerville should not be susceptible to eviction for no reason. Alderman Davis recommended that the issue be sent to the Committee on Legislative matters, but all other matters were kept within the Land Use

The Committee looks forward to talking more about the concerns addressed at the latest Board of Alderman meeting at their next meeting on April 5.

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Beacon Street Beat

By Bob (Monty) Doherty

Beacon Street is part of Somerville's southern border with Cambridge, but wasn't always called by that name. It was originally part of a toll road called the Middlesex Turnpike. Its marathon length of twenty-six miles connected the Charles River and the Merrimack River over land. Built in 1805, its competitors, the Lowell Railroad and the Middlesex Canal, put it out of business. Today, the turnpike's existence is almost forgotten and best brought to mind by the Burlington Mall's address at 75 Middlesex Turnpike. Let's explore our section of the Turnpike: Beacon Street.



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LEGOLAND® Discovery Center announces search for Creative Crew

By Charles Lane

LEGOLAND® Discovery Center Boston has announced the search for their 2016-2017 Creative Crew. The Creative Crew are twelve children aged 5-12 who will assist LEGOLAND® Discovery Center Boston Master Model Builder Megan Quigley in various tasks including building and testing new models, attending special events and being the first to test new rides and games.

The Creative Crew will also serve as a "kid panel" to share tips about everything from the best seat in the 4D theater to how to get the highest score on rides and other little known facts about visiting LEGOLAND Discovery Center Boston.

The contest will run through Sunday, April 24. To apply, chil-

dren must answer the question, "How does LEGO inspire you?" and submit a video or photo with a written answer. Submissions should also include a LEGO build that the child created. The contest is open to children throughout New England who are willing to come to LEGOLAND Discovery Center Boston once a month for Creative Crew events.

Winners will be chosen by Megan Quigley and announced on Sunday, May 1 on LEGOLAND® Discovery Center Boston's Facebook page. The induction of the new Creative Crew will be held on Sunday, June 5.

"For our Creative Crew, we are looking for LEGO inspired youngsters who have the passion to build unique models and can serve as junior ambassadors for our attraction," said Megan



Quigley, LEGOLAND Discovery Center Boston's Master Model Builder. "We also want a

fun group that will enjoy spending time at LEGOLAND Discovery Center Boston learning about building with LEGO bricks and trying out our new features."

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Recent Single Family Homes Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month:					
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16 Partridge Ave	5 room, 2 bed, 1f 1h bath Cottage	20	\$549,900	\$642,000	
27 Shore Dr	7 room, 3 bed, 2f 0h bath Colonial	115	\$589,900	\$570,000	
9 Berkeley St	9 room, 3 bed, 1f 1h bath Colonial	82	\$679,900	\$662,000	
50 East Albion St	8 room, 2 bed, 2f 1h bath Multi-Level	19	\$689,000	\$701,000	
40 Adrian St	8 room, 4 bed, 1f 1h bath Colonial	116	\$799,900	\$736,000	
152 Summer Street	10 room, 4 bed, 2f 1h bath Victorian	17	\$1,298,000	\$1,350,000	
30 Conwell Ave	8 room, 4 bed, 4f 0h bath Victorian	380	\$1,399,900	\$1,330,000	
63 College Ave	9 room, 4 bed, 3f 2h bath Victorian	1	\$1,690,000	\$1,690,000	

Recent Condominiums Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month:						
Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price		
6 Bedford U:2R	4 room, 2 bed, 1f 0h bath Low-Rise	6	\$295,000	\$325,000		
63 Waterhouse St U:3	4 room, 1 bed, 1f 0h bath Low-Rise	27	\$315,000	\$315,000		
36 Moreland Street U:3	4 room, 2 bed, 1f 0h bath 2/3 Family	42	\$419,000	\$425,001		
6 Century St U:A	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	142	\$424,900	\$412,500		
27 Electric Ave U:3	4 room, 1 bed, 1f 0h bath 2/3 Family	22	\$475,000	\$485,000		
73 Prichard Ave U:1	5 room, 2 bed, 1f 0h bath 2/3 Family	25	\$495,000	\$547,000		
32 Dartmouth U:3	4 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath Other	39	\$495,000	\$510,000		
15 Wheatland St U:3	3 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	14	\$529,000	\$550,000		
32 Warwick Street U:32A	5 room, 3 bed, 1f 1h bath Townhouse	7	\$529,000	\$636,551		
18 Belmont St. U:6	6 room, 3 bed, 1f 1h bath Low-Rise	202	\$529,900	\$520,000		
26 Cherry St U:1	6 room, 2 bed, 1f 0h bath 2/3 Family	43	\$575,000	\$590,000		
15 Wheatland St U:2	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	19	\$599,000	\$599,000		
50 Pinckney St U:50	7 room, 3 bed, 2f 0h bath Duplex	33	\$599,900	\$650,000		
22B Beacon PI U:2	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 1h bath Townhouse	249	\$599,900	\$600,000		
186 Willow Ave U:1	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	16	\$600,000	\$675,000		
593 Somerville Avenue U:5	4 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath Mid-Rise	19	\$608,000	\$608,000		

Recent Multi-Family Homes Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month:					
Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price	
24 Wigglesworth Street	2 unit, 11 total room, 6 total bedroom 2 Family	69	\$569,000	\$588,000	
14-16 Gordon Street	2 unit, 10 total room, 4 total bedroom 2 Family	27	\$667,000	\$657,000	
31 Grant St	2 unit, 10 total room, 4 total bedroom 2 Family	176	\$669,000	\$610,000	
44 Spencer Ave	2 unit, 11 total room, 5 total bedroom 2 Family	62	\$1,100,000	\$1,000,000	

63 College Ave Somerville

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'Villens United by Chris Haskell

Old School Game Show



Imagine someone gave a former 70's porn star his own variety hour/game show where laughs were had, tears were shed, and life lessons were learned and you may start to get an idea of what Old School Game Show is all about.

The brainchild of self proclaimed "pervert with a heart of gold" Mike D'Angelo; Old School Game Show is a strange amalgam of Sonny & Cher's Variety Hour, Richard Dawson's Family Feud, and Piper's Pit.

The alt variety trivia show has been a staple of the Davis Square Theatre for the last three years and has begun to develop a cultlike following. Fans of the local comedy scene have embraced the silly, naughty (yet non-offensive) interactive fun of OSGS and regulars often come dressed in costumes matching the show's theme of the night. Host D'An-

gelo invites several contestants throughout the night to come up to the podium to join in the madness and answer pop culture trivia questions for the chance to win prizes donated by local businesses. Regardless of being chosen to be a contestant or not, everybody leaves this show a winner just for having experienced it.

Fond memories of watching syndicated daytime television with his grandmother and his obsession with the music and pop culture of his childhood are what fuels D'Angelo's twisted sense of humor, and are often the rotating themes of the monthly show. Whether it be classic pro-wrestling, 80's hair metal, or a John Hughes-a-palooza prom night, each show artfully parodies a particular theme of "Old School" pop culture. The cast and crew enjoy working on fresh new themes that often include photo shoots and video shorts for particular shows. Hip retro poster art heralds each coming show such as Get to the Chopper, Panty Dropper and Stylin', Profiling, & Piledriving Steel Cage Smacktacular.

The hilarious themes and cos-

tumes are only enhanced by the crazy enthusiasm brought by the cast of local comedians, musicians, and burlesque dancers that make up the Old School Game Show family. Host D'Angelo credits the success of OSGS to the great creative team they've developed over the years and finds working with such amazing talent a reward in itself. The vocal talents of Will Smalley, the goofy humor of Megan Ward, and the dance moves of exec producer Ginny Nightshade are all a part of the recipe for the show's success; as are the musical numbers played by the house band or other visiting performers. The chemistry between the cast is electric and their love for the show is visibly obvious in their performances.

What once started as a fun game played at friends' birthday parties has now become the most unique interactive comedy show in the Boston area. If you haven't seen the show yet you are seriously missing out on one hell of a good time. The small Davis Square Theatre, although intimate, won't be able to hold a show this big for much longer.



— Photo by Ben Gedo

Creator D'Angelo is happy with the current success of the show, but ultimately to be able to perform Old School Game Show on television would be his dream come true. In the meantime, Ginny, Mike and the rest of the OSGS cast are hard at work thinking up new shows to tickle your funny bone and charm the pants off you.

Old School Game Show at The Davis Square Theatre in

Somerville. Tickets range from \$15- \$25. Be sure to check out oldschoolgameshow.com videos and future show dates or you can follow the Old School Game Show fan page on Facebook. And don't forget to join in the fun and come in costume!

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Dear readers,

As I near my retirement date of April 3, 2016, I want to say goodbye to all of my former working colleagues, and a special "Thank You" to Mayor Joe Curtatone. I have been honored to work for this Mayor since the beginning of his tenure. The changes he has helped implemented in Somerville is staggering. I sincerely thank him for his trust

he placed in me these many years, and I have never been so proud to be a "Villen."

To the residents of our city, and the many people I have had the pleasure of interacting with the last sixteen (16) years, either @ ISD, the DPW, or the Housing Division of OHCD, please know that I always tried my best to be fair, and to treat everyone with respect.

I will miss the people I worked with, but I look forward to spending more time with my wife Joani, and our new grandsons Dominic (Nico) Calioro and Samuel (Sam) Landers.

It has been a wonderful "ride," and I will see you in the neighborhoods and squares of Somerville.

George Lander (casements11@yahoo.com)

To the Editor:

I propose that the city seek bids from private developers to construct a building on the site of the municipal lot which now hosts the farmer's market. The developer would be required to build a 3-4 story building that would meet the following specification: The building's basement would host a daily live

music venue modeled on Johnny D's, except during business hours on Wednesdays when the basement would host a year-round farmer's market. The first floor of the building would be a public parking garage. Then 2nd floor would be retail space while the 3rd and 4th floor would be available for use as the developer sees fit. The winning bidder

would be given a 100 year lease on the land. This building would thus preserve existing parking spaces, generate tax revenue for the city, extend the season of the farmer's market and ensure that Davis Square continues to host a live music venue.

Hayward Zwerling Somerville

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Our Legislators in the House and Senate for Somerville:



Rep. Christine Barber

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



Rep. Denise Provost

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



Rep. Timothy Toomey

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



Sen. Patricia Jehlen

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

THE HOUSE AND SENATE: Beacon Hill Roll Call records local senators' and representatives' votes on roll calls from the week of March 21-25.

DRUG OFFENSES AND DRIVER'S LICENSES

(S 1812)

House 157-0, Senate 38-0, approved and sent to Gov. Charlie Baker a bill that would repeal a 1989 law that requires anyone convicted of a non-violent drug crime to have his or her license suspended, regardless of whether the crime itself involved driving a vehicle. The measure also allows automatic license suspension for anyone convicted of trafficking in illegal drugs, except for marijuana. Another provision repeals the current law that requires offenders to pay a \$500 fee to get their license back. The bill is retroactive and also applies to people who currently are without a license because of this law.

Supporters said the current law is outdated, illogical and counterproductive because it prevents many offenders from driving to work or to get a new job, driving their children to school, traveling to a doctor and using their car for the things necessary in day-to-day life.

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

Rep. Christine Barber Yes Rep. Denise Provost Yes Rep. Timothy Toomey Yes Sen. Patricia Jehlen

\$168 MILLION SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET (H 4116, S 2193)

House 157-0, Senate 37-0, approved different versions of a \$168 million fiscal 2016 supplemental budget to replenish some accounts and programs that are running out of money.

Supporters said the packages are balanced ones that makes vital investments in the state while continuing fiscal responsibility. A House-Senate conference committee will likely work out a compromise version of the budget.

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

Rep. Christine Barber Yes Rep. Denise Provost Yes Rep. Timothy Toomey Yes Sen. Patricia Jehlen

PROHIBIT UNSOLICITED LOANS (S 175)

Senate 37-0, approved and sent to the House a bill that would prohibit banks from issuing unsolicited loans through the mail unless the recipient is already a customer of the bank. And even those customers would have ten days to rescind the loan and pay the bank back the entire amount, without any interest or fees. Another provision prohibits the person to whom the loan is sent from being held liable for any debt incurred by the unauthorized use of the loan by someone else. The measure also imposes fines of up to five years in prison and a \$25,000 fine on any bank or person who violates this law.

Supporters said these loans prey upon unsuspecting victims including the sick and elderly. They noted the recipient does not understand all the fine print and suddenly is paying enormous interest rates and fees.

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

Sen. Patricia Jehlen Yes

COST OF COLLEGE (S 2184)

Senate 36-0, approved and sent to the House legislation that would require all colleges and universities to give applicants who have been accepted to the college a uniform financial aid information shopping sheet, developed by the federal government, to assist with the financial part of the decision whether or not to enroll in that school.

Supporters said requiring each college to present the costs of the school per semester on the same standard form will allow potential students to compare the schools' costs side by side. They argued it is difficult to compare costs when they are presented in a different way by each school.

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

Sen. Patricia Jehlen

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

BILLS APPROVED BY HOUSE - The House gave initial approval to several bills last week including:

BUSINESSES OPT INTO "DO NOT CALL" LIST

(H 159) - Restricts telemarketing companies doing business in the state by allowing businesses to sign up for a "do not call" list and fining companies up to \$5,000 if they call a business on the list. Current law only allows individual consumers to sign up for the list.

Under the bill, all current laws that now apply to individuals would also apply to businesses and would allow a business on the list to sue a telemarketing company for up to \$5,000 if the company violates the list and calls the individual more than once a year. Other provisions prevent companies from blocking their number from appearing on any business' Caller ID box; prohibit companies from using recorded message devices to make these calls; and restrict these calls to between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.

Supporters said this long overdue bill will finally allow businesses to put a stop to these annoying calls. They argued the system has worked well for consumers and will be a success for businesses.

ALLOW MORE CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS

(H 542) - Allows donors to contribute the maximum \$1,000 twice per year to a candidate who runs for the Legislature in a special election and a regular election in the same year. Current law only allows donors to give a maximum of \$1,000 in any calendar year.

Supporters said it is unfair to a candidate who runs in a special election and then runs for re-election in the same year but is limited to \$1,000 per donor for the entire year. They argued current law gives an advantage to some candidates who are only running in the second election.

BUSINESS TELEPHONE LISTING (H 250) -

Prohibits a business from listing a local telephone number in a phone directory if calls are routinely forwarded to a non-local number and the listing does not give the true physical address of the business.

Supporters said this would prohibit businesses from misrepresenting their location and fooling people into thinking an out-of-town company is actually in town.

INSURANCE MONEY RECEIVED BY TOWNS

(H 1830) - Increases from \$20,000 to \$150,000 the amount of money from an insurance settlement that a town is allowed to spend to replace the insured item without being required to get town meeting approval. The approval could be given at either a regular town

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meeting or the community can call a special town meeting.

Supporters said the current \$20,000 limit established in 1992, is way out of date because the average replacement cost of a police cruiser is \$30,000, trucks \$40,000 to \$90,000 and heavy equipment such as bulldozers and excavators often cost more than \$100,000. They argued that currently some towns end up waiting months until the next town meeting when they can finally purchase the equipment.

HANDICAPPED PLATES (H 1861) - Waives the \$275 court fee for any driver who owns a handicapped placard but is ticketed for allegedly illegally parking in a handicapped parking space.

Supporters said the measure was filed following an incident in which a woman received a \$250 ticket for parking in a handicapped space. She actually is handicapped and does have the appropriate placard but it fell on the floor of the car where the police officers did not see it. She was planning to appeal the ticket but decided not to because the non-refundable \$275 fee for the appeal is \$25 more than the ticket itself.

DESIGNATE ON BALLOT THAT CANDIDATE IS A VETERAN (H 3160) - Allows the word "veteran" to be placed next to any candidate's name, if requested by the candidate, on any general election and city or town election ballot. Current law only allows this designation on primary election ballots.

PARENTS CAN'T BE FORCED TO TESTIFY AGAINST THEIR CHILDREN (H 1245) - Protects parents from being forced to testify against their children. Current law only protects children from being forced to testify against their parents.

Supporters said it is time to get rid of this double standard and to have an even playing field.

PROTECT VETERANS' PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENTS (H 4029) - Allows veterans and their surviving spouses who put their primary residence into a trust to still be entitled to property tax abatements from

their city or town. Current law prohibits them from receiving an abatement if the property is in a trust. The law would only take effect in cities or towns that adopt it.

Supporters noted that many veterans and surviving spouses are putting their primary residences in a trust for estate planning purposes. They argued a trust should not take away from these heroes the savings that come from a property tax abatement.

QUOTABLE QUOTES

"Approximately 7,000 people had their license suspended last year due to a drug conviction even if that conviction had nothing to do with the operation of a motor vehicle. That's 7,000 people who cannot drive to their jobs and miss court dates and rehabilitation meetings, making it harder for them to rejoin their families and their communities." — Senate President Stan Rosenberg (D-Amherst) on passage of a bill that would repeal a 1989 law that requires anyone convicted of a non-violent drug crime to have his or her license suspended, regardless of whether the crime itself involved driving a vehicle.

"With this bill we have the opportunity to be a leader in alleviating the student loan debt crisis and set the standard for other states and our federal government to follow." — Rep. Kate Campanale (R-Leicester) on her bill to give a tax credit and personal income tax deduction for student loan assistance.

"Horrific attacks like the one that took place at the Brussels airport highlight the sensitive nature of all work at the airports. We must continue to invest in both the physical and human capital that keeps passengers safe. Workers put safety first every day and must be prepared, trained, and properly compensated as they keep airports secure." — Roxana Rivera, Vice-President of 32BJ District 615 on legislation that would raise the minimum wage to \$15 per hour for baggage handlers, airplane cleaners, wheel-chair assistants and other employees at Logan Airport.

"Thousands of workers receive training through these grants, making themselves and their work environments safer." — Lt. Governor Karyn Polito on release of \$215,000 in grants to train employees to prevent workplace

injuries, illnesses and death.

"I acknowledge we have a great health care system, but it's a health care system that doesn't work for everybody."

— Sen. Jamie Eldridge (D-Acton) testifying on his bill to create a state-run "Medicare For All," single-payer health care system.

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 March 21-25, the House met for a total of six hours and 29 minutes and the Senate met for a total of six hours and 23 minutes.

Mon. March 21	House 11:03 a.m. to 11:12 a.m. Senate 11:06 a.m. to 12:54 p.m
Tues. March 22	No House session No Senate session
Wed. March 23	House 10:03 a.m. to 2:29 p.m. No Senate session
Thurs. March 24	House 11:04 a.m. to 12:58 p.m. Senate 11:02 a.m. to 3:36 p.m.
Fri. March 25	No House session

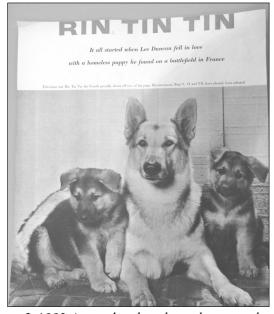
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No Senate session

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communicating science skills. This list just scratches the surface of the esteemed membership list which includes over 100 Pulitzer Prize winners and over 200 Nobel Peace Prize winners, all leaders in their separate fields.

- * A large statue of a dog stood for years on the site of 94 Beacon Street, before the eight-story Beacon Place Condominium was erected. It commemorated the alert actions of a canine that saved its family from a fire. In the eyes of his family, he was their Rin Tin Tin.
- + 205 Beacon Street marks the intersection of Ivaloo Street that was the address of Caroline Kennedy in 1980 when she graduated from Radcliffe.
- The area just west of the intersection of Beacon Street and Washington Street is called Duck Village. It received its nickname during the prohibition when locals would "duck in" the close-knit area to avoid the G-men of the era and safely quench their moonshine thirst.
- Speaking of thirst, one of Somerville's most popular pubs is located at 70 Beacon Street. The Thirsty Scholar Pub is famous for movie stars' visits and the iconic opening scene of the movie The Social Network.



+ In1982, in an abandoned warehouse at the rear of 307 Beacon Street, an historical discovery occurred. Workers found over a dozen trunks belonging to the famous Arctic region explorer Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd who was the first man to fly over the North Pole. The trunks were full of historical artifacts from his polar expeditions.

With its celebrity-studded history, Beacon Street is hard to beat!

Johnny D's memorabilia sale this weekend

Johnny D's memorabilia and restaurant ware sale will take place Friday and Saturday, April 1–2, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and, if they still have anything left on Sunday, April 3 beginning at 10:00 a.m. They have all things food and bar service, ceiling fans, office desks, framed pictures, tap handles, holiday decorations, to go containers, bar stools, free CDs and band posters, and more. They might even offer a couple of decorated tabletops. They also plan to have T-Shirts with an image of their very last marquee for sale. They also found a few more Second Line handkerchiefs.



COMMENTARY

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Thwump... Let's talk potholes, and about taking part



By Joseph A. Curtatone

One of the most surprising facts about Somerville is that we have managed to fit 100 miles of paved road inside a city of 4.1 square miles. Combine that with the densest population in New England and our streets get heavy usage. We've got 52,500 registered vehicles in Somerville alone using those roads—plus visitors. We also get New England weather, roadways scraped by snowplows, and asphalt-cracking freeze-melt cycles. Combine it all together and what you get is a never-ending fight against potholes. Consider this your clarion call to join us in that battle.

In my 20 years of public service—as an alderman first, and the Mayor—one thing has been consistent: People have always hated potholes. I'm right there with you. They're bad for cars, bad for bikes and bad for business. If I'm trying to show off parts of our city to companies and nonprofits that might want to move here and bring new jobs with them and I see potholes, it's like having an acne breakout on the day of your school photo. As a general rule I preach against hatred, but everybody can and should hate potholes.

But one good thing about potholes is that we all agree what to do with them: fix them, and fix them now. So that's what we strive to do, especially at the end of winter. Right now, we are in the midst of a pothole blitz. We've got a hot-top truck and a pothole truck that each hold three tons of asphalt and we're emptying them every day. The running total through March at the time I'm writing this is 573 potholes filled this month, bringing our total for the year up to 940. Our total for all of 2015 was 646 potholes filled. So a round of applause for our DPW crews who are hitting our streets hard.

This is where you come into the picture. We can only fix the problems we know about. We do scan for potholes, but this time of year they sprout up like mushrooms-on our 100 miles of roadway. So we ask you to take on the simplest form of 21st century civic responsibility: If you see a pothole, call it in. This is so much easier than the civic duties past generations had like helping to construct the new one-room school house or jumping out of bed in the middle of the night to help the bucket brigade put out a fire. So give it a try.

You can just call, tweet or Facebook our 311 service center, which is always ready to take your call so our DPW can spring into action. And as of this week, it's even easier to report to 311. Just download our new, much improved 311 app (for iOS or Android) and send us a picture of the offending pothole and its location with just a few taps. We need you to be our eyes. You see a pothole, report that pothole. That's how things get fixed.

Often, I use this space to write about complicated challenges facing the city. But basic customer services like pothole repairs are just as important when it comes to local government. That day-to-day work may often go uncelebrated and undiscussed. But DPW is out there year-round cleaning up graffiti, fixing cracked sidewalk panels, trimming downed tree limbs,

replacing missing or damaged signs, repairing broken playground equipment, tending to our garden beds and green spaces citywide. This too, you can be a part of.

Basically, if you see something that needs to be fixed, tell us and we'll fix it. That's the meat and potatoes part of civic life. We fix thousands of these issues every year. Our pledge is we'll take care of every single item on our list. You alert us. We take action. You should be given a clear timetable for when a public works issue will get fixed and, if it isn't fixed inside that timetable, you should be given a clear reason why there's a delay. We hold ourselves to that standard and we want you to hold us to that standard.

Don't be a stranger. Take ownership of your community. Put the city to work for you. We really are here to serve-with you and for you.

Changing Somerville

Part 3: The Portuguese



By William C. Shelton

From the end of World War II through the 1970s, as many as half of Somerville's long-time residents left the city. The first distinct group of newcomers who replaced them was Portuguese immigrants.

Portuguese people had been in Massachusetts since before the American Revolution, but until the 1960s, they did not represent a sufficient concentration to create much potential for political influence. Nineteenth Century Portuguese immigrants were primarily from the Azores, drawn to New Bedford in the 1830s by commercial activity, Gloucester and Provincetown in the 1840s-1850s to earn their living from the sea, and Fall River in the 1890s to work in the cotton mills.

Mainland Portuguese moved

here in greater numbers following the 1910 fall of the Monarchy. By 1912, about 58,000 Portuguese lived in Massachusetts.

They were slow to enter electoral politics. In the 1940s, Joseph Francis was the first Portuguese American to be elected to Commonwealth-level office, as a State Senator.

Twentieth-Century Portuguese immigrants often felt a cultural affinity with Italians and settled in the North End, East Cambridge, and Somerville. Mary Roderick, whom the bridge on Beacon Street was named after, was a Portuguese community leader who provided aid and guidance to newcomers. John A. Roderick, who posts to this column from time to time, explained to me that her name was an Anglicization of Rodrigues.

Two mid-century events substantially increased Somerville's Portuguese population. In 1958, severe earthquakes and volcanoes brought destruction to the Azorean island of Faial. New England Senators John Pastore and John Kennedy sponsored a bill authorizing visas for almost 5,000 displaced Azoreans. This was not an act of unilateral generosity. The U.S. asked for and received a military base in the

Four years later, then President Kennedy submitted an immigration bill, first proposed by Italian-American lobbyists to boost the quota for Southern Europe. It languished. After his assassination and months of contentious debate, his two brothers successfully sold the bill to 75 of their Senate colleagues as part of his legacy.

Ted Kennedy said, "If there is one guiding principle to this bill, it is that we are going to treat all men and women who want to come to this country as individuals, equal in the eyes of the law." Lyndon Johnson signed it in November 1965, eliminating the previous quota system and setting a 20,000-immigrant limit for each nation.

Like the Italians before them, Portuguese immigrants experienced some discrimination on the part of the resident Irish. Portuguese are, perhaps, the most hospitable and least arrogant people in Western Europe. Within a generation, they had become an essential part of Somerville.

They did not, however, become a cohesive force in the city's political life. Although Portuguese Americans like Mayor Tom August and former School Committee Member Teresa Cardoso have won political office, their victories did not come from any concerted effort by Portuguese

Portuguese community leaders cite several reasons for this lack of cohesive political engagement. Before 1974, Portuguese immigrants had spent their adult lives living under a dictatorship that allowed scant opportunity to participate in government, much less vote. They developed a taken-for-granted attitude that, as long as there was peace and a means of livelihood, challenging government policies was unwise.

They came here mostly from small communities. When they formed clubs here, such as Santo Cristo, Luscitania, the Portuguese Civic League, or various sports clubs, they did so with people from their particular island or mainland town. The local or regional identity that they had brought with them dominated their Portuguese identity. So when a candidate ran for office, he was not perceived so much as Portuguese, as from São Miguel or Minho.

Because of this lack of political cohesion, most politicians disregarded the Portuguese as a potent voter segment. The primary exception was Tim Toomey, State Representative for the southeast corner of Somerville He sponsored a popular annual soccer tournament for Portuguese teams, and he continues to be well regarded by the Portuguese community.

Elected officials like Dennis Sullivan, Maryann Heuston, the Mayor and Tony Lafuente may be found from time to time at the Somerville Sports Club on Somerville Avenue. But that probably has more to do with their fondness for fine Purtuguese food and good company than with trolling for votes.

In 2003, Tony Lafuente unsuccessfully ran for mayor. Brought to America as a small child by his Portuguese parents, he had developed Continued on page 15

COMMENTARY

SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Illustrated by Jim Clark



Our View Of The Times



Spring has finally arrived, and with it comes the inevitable regular street sweeping activities throughout the city.

As inconvenient and annoying it may be to comply with schedule, it is an inescapable fact of life for us all and we must make the adjustment accordingly.

Practically speaking, the Traffic and Parking department is doing its best to keep city residents informed and ready to make sure they avoid the \$50 fine that has been mandated for those who fail to comply with the parking regulations.

The city has provided complete schedules on various Web pages as well as offering email reminder services and access to scheduling data on its 311 phone line. Additionally, all streets affected are fur-

nished with signs indicated the days and hours of sweeping times.

So all in all, there is little excuse for getting caught with your car being parked in the wrong place at the wrong time. The information is out there, and you can mark your calendars, set your phone apps, tell your mom to call and remind you, etc.

We can grouse and moan about the inconvenience, but let's face facts. We all want our streets to be safe and clean, and complying with these reasonable regulations isn't so much to ask of us, is it?

Consider it your small contribution to keeping our great little city looking as good as possible. Pitch in and do your part, or at least be ready to pay the price.

Newstalk CONT. FROM PG 2

Rod & Gun Club. They provide an extensive program at the end of which you receive certification for Massachusetts/NRA Certified Firearm Safety Classes. They run a class once a month, which is limited to 10 people and we hear that this is the place to go to learn safety when handling guns. Email gunclub@earthlink.net for more information and or go to their website at www.lawrencerodandgunclub.org and read up about the course. We've been told that the course has seen a major increase in people applying for it, especially women. We can tell you first hand here that it's a great course and quite thorough. The same goes for this in Newstalk. The club has informed us that many residents of Somerville have called or gone to the club to find out about certification.

Sad news here in the city. Another life long resident and nice guy, Paul Gauthier, passed away recently. Paul was an accountant and a friend to many here in the city. Our condolences to his many friends and relatives.

The East Somerville Reunion is being planned for this coming June 25 at the Somerville City Club, across from Holiday Inn. They have a Face-

book page set up to take reservations: East Somerville Reunion 2016. The first reunion was very successful, with well over a 100 people attending, and lots of old friendships were restarted. If you grew up in East Somerville in the 60's, 70's and 80's you should set aside the date and make your plans to attend. You won't be disappointed. The reunion people are looking for financial support, so go to their Facebook page and help if you can. This is an exciting event, sort of like a High School reunion, but different age groups are coming together with one purpose: to celebrate their youth growing up in East Somerville. Many thanks to the committee for doing this, the second reunion.

This week, the Somerville Democratic Ward and City Committee will be meeting at the Cafeteria at the High School on Sunday, April 3 at 1:00 p.m. for their 2016 caucus to elect delegates to the Democratic State Convention, and for their reorganizational meeting of seven Ward Committees. All Democrats are invited to attend and run as delegates. All recently elected members of the Ward Committee are invited to participate and vote in the reorganization. All other interested parties may

attend. Funny how back 30 and 40 years ago each ward would attract hundreds of ward members, and that's when fewer were registered and more were involved in the community. There are about 40K registered voters here in the city, and the Democratic Party members are lucky to get over a 100 citywide. It would be nice to see those newly welcomed residents who registered to vote, who care about local elections and either run or encourage people to run for office.

The Highland Masonic Building Association is once again hosting their annual "Giggles Comedy Nite" on Wednesday, April 20, at the Prince of Pizza on Rte. 1 in Saugus. The public is welcome. A private room with some of Boston's finest comedians, great pizza and – best of all – silent auctions held afterwards. Everyone wins. Contact Donald Norton at 617-623-6600 x 11 for information. Tickets at the door or reserved are \$25, a donation to the HMTA insurance fund, not a tax deduction.

Somerville and Medford Representative Christine Barber will host office hours Saturday, April 9 from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. at Angelina's Pizzeria, 230 Holland Street, Somerville. Joining

Representative Barber will be Somerville's Ward 7 Alderman, Katjana Ballantyne, and Ward 7 School Committee Member Carrie Normand. Rep. Barber invites constituents from the Somerville neighborhoods of Teele Square, Winter Hill, and Ten Hills, and the Medford areas of Hillside and South Medford to attend. Constituents are encouraged to take this opportunity to meet the Representative and share any thoughts or concerns they might have regarding issues in the district or current legislation. Drop-ins at the State House are also welcome, or you can schedule a meeting with the Representative by contacting the office at Christine.Barber@mahouse.gov or (617) 722-2430.

The Harmony Sweepstakes A Cappella Festival will take place on Saturday, April 16. Join in for the 26th annual Boston Regional this spring at the Somerville Theater featuring eight sensational vocal ensembles and hosted by the 2015 National Runner-Up, Audience Favorite and 2015 Boston Regional Champs, Timepiece. Tickets are \$20 + fees and can be purchased online, directly through the Somerville Theater box office at 617-625-5700 or on the day of the event.

Let's go to the zoo!

Do you know that snow leopards, black bears, North American river otters, jaguars and Canada lynx are just a few of the amazing animals that call Stone Zoo home? During April school vacation week, you're invited to visit the Zoo to learn more about these animals and see them up close.

Throughout the week, there will be special zoo-keeper encounters at 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., during which guests will have the opportunity to learn more about the Zoo's residents and ask questions directly to the staff that cares for them.

For hours and direction visit http://www.zoonewengland.org/stone-zoo













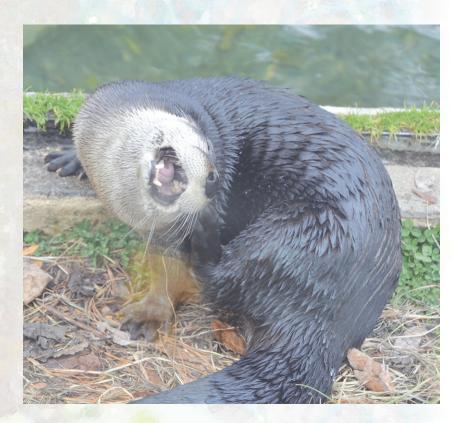


















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SPORTS

7th Annual Shape Up Somerville Kick-Off and Somerville Recreation 5K Road Race

By Tom Bannister

Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone has announced that the City's Annual Shape-Up Somerville Kick-Off and Somerville Recreation 5K Road Race will be held on Sunday morning, April 24, starting and ending at the Somerville High School concourse, 93 Highland Avenue.

The day will begin with a 1-mile children's "Fun Run" at 10:30 a.m., followed by a 5K adult race & walk at 11:00 a.m.

Registration is open to all at a price of \$5 for youth under age 10 and \$25 for adults. Price includes a commemorative

T-Shirt, race medal, refreshments and a celebration immediately following the adult race. A celebration will be held for any runners at Casey's, located at 173 Broadway, Somerville, MA 02145.

All Race Proceeds Benefit the: Somerville Youth & Recreation Foundation (SYRF)

See the Following for Race Applications:

- 1.) Online (SYRF Web Site): http://SomervilleYouthRecF.
- 2.) Casey's Bar: 173 Broadway Somerville, Ma. 02145
- 3.) Somerville Recreation: 19 Walnut Street, Somerville, Ma. 02143







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Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

- 1. In Scotland, April Fool's Day is often called Hunt the Gowk Day what is a gowk?
- 2. What long-lived soap opera made its debut on the first of April, 1963?
- 3. Which famous celebrity was shot on April 1, 1984?
- 4. What novel has the earliest recorded association between foolishness and April 1?
- 5. The French often stick cutouts of what kind of creature onto people's backs on April 1?
- 6. What island was hit by

- a tsunami on the April 1,
- 7. What cup might you win in yacht racing?
- 8. Who lost the World Series in 2015?
- 9. By size, which cat is the third largest?
- 10. How many eyelids does a camel have?
- 11. When did the Beatles release their debut studio album Please Please Me?
- 12. What fictional character from J. R. R. Tolkien lost his precious to a hobbit?

Answers on page 23

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Somerville group is **Singing That Thing!**



 $Some rville singing group \ Mass \ Whole \ Notes will appear on the season two premiere of WGBH's televised$ singing competition, Sing That Thing! on Friday, April 1 at 8:30 p.m. on WGBH 2.

Somerville Arts Council hosting Art Summit

Calling local artists! The Somerville Arts Council wants to hear from the arts and cultural community to better understand the issues you face with work, life, programs, etc. The SAC's work is always evolving and changing, and we are always seeking ways to add and expand our initiatives to better serve you. In addition to our current programs and initiatives, listed below, we want you to help us shape and guide our efforts to meet your needs. To that end, we will host an Art Summit on Sun., April 10, from 2 to 5 p.m. at Arts at the Armory (191 Highland Ave.). For more information on the Summit and our current programs, visit www.somervilleartscouncil.org.

Current programs and initiatives include:

- Youth programming.
- Cultural economic development work.
- + Festivals and events that support artists and promote cultural and civic engagement.
- Direct grants to artists and organizations.
- Culinary entrepreneurial initiatives.
- · Physical space development.

15th annual rabies clinic

Health & Human Services Director, Douglas Kress and Animal Control Officer April Terrio announced that the city will hold its 15th annual rabies clinic for cats and dogs on Saturday, April 9, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the yard at the Department of Public Works, 1 Franey Rd. Enter gate to the right of the main building and follow signs for the Rabies Clinic. Rabies vaccinations and on-site licenses for dogs will be available at the clinic. The cost of the vaccine is \$10, and a dog license is \$20 for spayed and neutered dogs with proof and \$30 for all other dogs. Prior vaccination records are not required and all vaccinations will be valid for one year. All Somerville residents are required to license their dogs and a current rabies vaccine is required to obtain a license. For more information please contact the Health & Human Services Department at 617-625-6600 ext. 4300.

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a thriving business here. Many of the community's leaders cite this as the first time that a critical mass of Somerville's Portuguese residents from diverse backgrounds came together to support a candidate.

In 2011, Tony was elected to be Ward 4 Alderman, which he remains. Time will tell whether this was a unique event, or whether Somerville's Portuguese may politically coalesce around some future candidate or issue.

5th Hyperlocal News & Media Meetup

Somerville Community Access Television is happy to host the 5th Hyperlocal News & Media Meetup on Thursday, April 14th at 7p.m. This quarterly meetup will be followed by a tour of SCATV. Our featured guests are the founders of Boston Institute for Nonprofit Journalism - find out more about who BINJ is and how you can get involved in their local news efforts!

Hyperlocal News & Media Meetup

Knowledge exchange, networking & community building











organized by SCATV | SOMERVILLE COMMUNITY ACCESS TELEVISION CHANNEL 3

In addition to the special talk from BINJ, you will meet people doing work in the hyperlocal journalism field and learn more about what is happening in and around the greater Boston area in terms of community journalism and alternative media. We will explore best practices in the local news/media, collaborations/partnership ideas, marketing tips and have a chance to build a stronger community media field! Please come to also show support for the hyperlocal news efforts.

The agenda for the night:

- 1. Hear from our guests from BINJ
- 2. Show examples of work people are doing people should come with questions if they are seeking any feedback re: production, story quality, etc
- 3. Go around and share biggest hurdles and biggest successes from doing a local news or TV show
- 4. Get a tour of SCATV
- 5. Mingle!

Additional questions please contact Erica Jones at ejones@scatvsomerville.org

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT **JOSEPH A. CURTATONE** MAYOR

MICHAEL F. GLAVIN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PLANNING DIVISION

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing for all interested parties will be held by the Zoning Board of Appeals on Wednesday, April 6, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chambers, 2nd Floor, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA.

290 Highland Ave: (Case #ZBA 2015-01-E1-0316) Applicant & Owner, 290 Highland Ave LLC, seek a time extension (SZO §5.3.10) for Special Permit ZBA 2015-01 to alter a nonconforming structure, a Special Permit with Site Review to establish 7 units and Variances for dimensional requirements such as lot area per dwelling unit, building story height, and setbacks. A Variance is required for parking relief. RC Zone. Ward 5.

18-20 Kent Ct: (Case #ZBA 2015-110) Applicant and Owner, Krypton, LLC with Keith Glover, Manager, seeks a Special Permit per SZO §9.13 for relief for 3 parking spaces. RC Zone. Ward 2

12 Columbus Ave: (Case #ZBA 2016-08) Applicants and Owners, Randall & Iris Creel seek a Special Permit under SZO §4.4.1 to alter a non-conforming structure by enclosing an existing porch that is within the front, right, and left side yard setbacks. RA zone. Ward 3.

49 Chetywnd Rd: (Case #ZBA 2016-09) Applicant and Owner, Timothy Colman seeks a Special Permit per SZO §4.4.1 to alter an existing, non-conforming structure by finishing the basement, replacing windows and installing a spiral stairway off the existing second floor back porch. RA Zone.

18 Highland Ave: (Case #ZBA 2016-12) Applicant and Owner, 18 Highland Avenue, LLC, seeks a Special Permit per SZO \$4.4.1 to substantially alter an existing, non-conforming 3-unit structure to create a 4-unit residence at 18 Highland Avenue. Applicant also seeks a Special Permit per SZO §9.13 for relief for one parking space. RC Zone. Ward 3.

31 Hancock St: (Case #ZBA 2016-22) Applicant Charles Zammuto, and Owner CZWROX LLC, seek a special permit to modify a nonconforming three family structure by adding rear decks. RB Zone, Ward 2.

80-82 Yorktown St: (Case #ZBA 2016-23) Applicant & Owner 80 Yorktown LLC seek a Special Permit to alter a nonconforming two family house to add a dormer and living space in the basement, RB zone, Ward 7.

98 Central St: (Case #ZBA 2016-24) Applicants and Owners Aaron Drasner and Alison Pruchansky, seek a Special Permit to modify a nonconforming structure by adding a dormer. RA Zone, Ward 2.

120 Central St: (Case #ZBA 2016-28) Applicant, John Murphy, and Owner, 120 Central Street, LLC, seek a Special Permit under SZO §4.4.1 to alter a non-conforming structure by changing the existing hip roof at the rear of the property to a Mansard, add a bedroom and bath to one of the units and add rear decks to the second and third floor. RA zone. Ward 5.

10 Aberdeen Rd: (Case #ZBA 2016-29) Applicant, Daniel Chong, & owners, Daniel Chong & Jessica Bodner seek a Special Permit to alter the 3-family dwelling to add living space in the basement of the nonconforming dwelling. RB zone. Ward 5.

69 Concord Ave: (Case #ZBA 2016-27) Applicant and Owner Rebecca Kusko seek a Special Permit to modify a nonconforming three family structure by adding a roof deck. RB Zone, Ward 2

25 Albion St: (Case #ZBA 2016-30) Applicant and Owner, Maria Jose DaCosta, seek a Special Permit to modify a nonconforming three family struc-

23 Cleveland St: (Case #ZBA 2016-34) Applicant and Owner, 23 Cleveland Street, LLC, seeks a Special Permit per SZO §4.4.1 to substantially alter an existing, non-conforming single-family structure to construct a two-family residence. Applicant also seeks a Special Permit per SZO §9.13 for relief for 2 parking spaces, RB Zone, Ward 6.

Copies of these applications are available for review in the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development, located on the third floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA, Mon-Wed, 8:30 am-4:30 pm; Thurs, 8:30 am-7:30 pm; and Fri, 8:30 am-12:30 pm; and at www.somervillema.gov/planningandzoning. As cases may be continued to later dates, please check the agenda on the City's website or call before attending. Continued cases will not be re-advertised. Interested persons may provide comments to the Zoning Board of Appeals at the hearing or by submitting written comments by mail to OSPCD, Planning Division, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA 02143; by fax to 617-625-0722; or by email to dpereira@somervillema.gov.

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Attest: Dawn Pereira, Administrative Assistant

As published in The Somerville Times on 3/23/16 & 3/30/16.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Suffolk Probate and Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114

Docket No. SU15W1802WD

ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING

Gloria Yanes

Upon motion of plaintiff(s)/petitioner(s) for an order directing the defendant(s), to appear, plead, or answer, in accordance with in accordance with Mass.R.Civ.P./Mass.R.Dom.Rel.P.Rule 4, it appearing to the court that this is an action for Custody/Support/Parenting Time files on Sentember 10, 2015.

Defendant(s) /Respondent(s) cannot be found within the Commonwealth and defendants(s)/respondent(s) present whereabouts are unknown. Personal service on defendant is therefore not practicable, and defendant(s)/respondent(s) has/have not voluntarily appeared in this action.

It is Ordered that defendant(s)/respondent(s) is/are directed to appear, plead, answer, or otherwise move with respect to the complaint therein on or before April 07, 2016.

If you fail to do so this Court will proceed to a hearing and adjudication of this matter.

It is further Ordered that the accompanying summons be published once in The Somerville Times a newspaper published in: Somerville, 699 Broadway, MA, 02144, 617-666-4010

the publication to be 20 days at least before said return day. It is further **Ordered** that a copy of the summons be mailed to the defendant(s)/respondent(s) at his/her last known address by registered or certified mail.

Date: 1/25/16

Virginia M. Ward JUSTICE OF PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE **PURCHASING DEPARTMENT**

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

Web Hosting and Administration

The City of Somerville is seeking a vendor who is capable of providing offsite hosting and remote administration for the City of Somerville's Drupal 7 website.

Proposal packages for may be obtained online at http://www.somervillema.gov/departments/finance/purchasing/bids or may be picked up at the Purchasing Department, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, First Floor, Somerville, MA 02143 beginning on **Monday** March 28th, 2016.

Sealed bids must be submitted no later than 11:00 A.M. Friday April 29th, 2016.

Please contact Michael Richards, Procurement Analyst, 617-625-6600 x 3403, or email mrichards@somervillema.gov for information and the bid package.

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

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PLANNING DIVISION

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing for all interested parties will be held by the Planning Board on Thursday, April 7, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chambers on the Second Floor of Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA.

654 Mystic Ave: (Case #PB 2016-05) Applicants Anthony Fava and Ryan Hunt and Owner Fieldcom Realty Trust, seek A Special Permit for a Subdivision to divide the .22-acre property into 3 lots of approximately 3,200sf each. BB zone. Ward 4.

Copies of these applications and amendments are available for review in the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development, located on the third floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA, Mon-Wed, 8:30 am-4:30 pm; Thurs, 8:30 am-7:30 pm; and Fri, 8:30 am-12:30 pm; and at www.somervillema.gov/planningandzoning. As cases may be continued to later dates, please check the agenda on the City's website or call before attending. Continued cases will not be re-advertised. Interested persons may provide comments to the Planning Board at the hearing or by submitting written comments by mail to OSPCD, Planning Division, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA 02143; by fax to 617-625-0722; or by email to planning@somervillema.gov.

Attest: Kevin Prior, Chairman

To be published in The Somerville Times on 3/23/16 & 3/30/16.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS The Trial Court **Middlesex Probate and Family Court** 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141

Middlesex Division

Docket No. MI16P1288PM

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF **CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT** TO G. L.c. 190B, §5-304 & §5-405

In the matter of: Helene M Davis RESPONDENT (Person to be Protected/Minor)

Of: Somerville, MA.

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by

Donald A. Davis of Fairfield, IA

In the above captioned matter alleging that Helene M Davis is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that

Donald A Davis of Fairfield, IA

(or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve With Surety on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that a protective order or appointment of a Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed conservator is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court.

You have a right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return day of 04/05/2016. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. If the above- named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

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

Date: March 08, 2016

Tara E. De Cristofaro **Register of Probate**

ORDER OF NOTICE

It is ORDERED that a copy of this citation be: Served with a copy of the petition, in hand to **Helene M Davis**

by a disinterested person at least Fourteen (14) days prior to the re-

turn date; or if applicable, pursuant to G. L.c. 190B, \$5-405, by leaving a copy of the petition and citation at the Respondent's last and usual place of order: and

Served on the Department of Developmental Services and/or the United States Department of Veterans' Affairs, if interested, and served on all other interested persons as defined in G. L.c. 190B, \$5-304(a) and §5-206(b), at least Fourteen (14) days prior to the return date by delivering in hand or by mailing by certified, registered, or first-class mail as described in G. L.c. 190B, §1-401; or by publishing a copy of Somerville, the citation once in The Somerville Times

(Newspaper city/ town) (Newspaper) publication to be at least <u>Seven (7)</u> days prior to the return date.

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

Date: March 08, 2016

Tara E. De Christofaro **Register of Probate**

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A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the **Somerville Licensing Commission** on **Monday April 11, 2016** at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at **6:00PM** on the application of NU Café Somerville, LLC d/b/a NU Cafe for an All Forms Alcohol Restaurant License, a Common Victualler License and an Entertainment License by Patrons and Devices at 197 Washington St., Somerville, MA

For the Commission Andrew Upton Vito Vaccaro John J. McKenna

Attest: Lori Jean Batzek Administrative Assistant

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For the Commission Andrew Upton Vito Vaccaro John J. McKenna

Attest: Lori Jean Batzek Administrative Assistant

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SENIOR CENTER HAPPENINGS:

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

All clubs and groups welcome new members.

Holland Street: 167 Holland Street

*Monday through Friday 9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

617-625-6600 Ext. 2300

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

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

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

Free Smoke Alarm/Carbon Monoxide Detectors –

Starting April 1 – The Somerville Council on Aging, The Health & Human Services Department partnering with The Somerville Fire Department are offering free smoke alarm / carbon monoxide detectors (they are one unit) to Somerville older adults and residents with a wide range of disabilities. To qualify you must be an older adult, 60 years of age or older, and live in Somerville (own or rent) or a Somerville resident with a disability (Photoelectric Alarms with ADA Compliant Strobe Light are available.) There is a brief application that will need to be filled out, signed and returned. Please contact Maureen Bastardi, Outreach Worker at the Somerville Council on Aging, at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 to request an application. This program is on a first come / first serve basis. This is a Federally funded grant and services will be provided until the grant is exhausted.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

Friendly Caller Program - Do you know someone who could benefit from a friendly call? Maybe you are feeling isolated and want someone to talk to – or you just want someone to listen. Please call Natasha at 617-625-6600 ext. 2300 to sign up for our "Friendly Caller" Program. Please note that the Fit-4-Life Walking & Talking Group is on hiatus until Spring Time. We will keep you posted. The day trip to Foxwoods scheduled for Monday, April 11th is SOLD OUT.

Please note all centers will be closed on Monday, April 18th in honor of Patriot's Day

The Older American's Month Celebration at the WHYC scheduled for Thursday, May 5th is SOLD OUT.

The Pine Grove Dude Ranch trip scheduled for May 15th through May 20tis BOOKED SOLID. Call Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 to have your name put on the waiting list. This trip, costing \$449 pp/dbl and \$499 pp/ single includes round trip motor coach transportation, 5 nights deluxe accommodations, 3 great meals each day and a wide variety of entertainment and programs.

The Lowell Spinners outing scheduled for Wednesday, August 10th is SOLD OUT.

LGBTQ EVENTS:

LGBTQ Event Night – Wednesdy, May 16 – "Dinner & Coming Out Stories" mark that date on your calendar - more information to follow.

LGBTQ Advisory Group –This group meets the 2nd Monday of every month excluding City Holidays and snow emergencies. We are looking for new members who would like to serve on the Advisory Group. Please call Maureen Bastardi at 617-625-6600, ext. 2316 or email at MBastardi@Somervillema.gov if you have any questions or if you should need additional information.

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

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

STAY ACTIVE:

Walking & Talking Group – Starting on Monday, May 4th at 8:30 A.M. – out of our Holland Street Center. We'll take a gentle 30 minute walk around the community every Monday – meeting in the downstairs lobby of the Holland Street Center. For more information or to sign up please contact Chris Kowaleski our Health & Wellness Coordinator at 617-625-6600 ext. 2315.

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

Weekly Exercise Class Schedule

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

Mondays:

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

Tuesdays:

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

Wednesdays:

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

Thursdays:

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

Fridays:

8:45 Fit 4 Life* Group A 9:55 Fit 4 Life* Group B

11:00 Nutrition Counseling with Mimi

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

Upcoming Schedule

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

Wednesday | March 30

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

12:45 Bingo (RJ)

1:00 Forget Me Knot Group (H)

1:00 Bowling at Flatbreads

Dinner & Bingo – Mt. Vernon

Thursday | March 31

10:00 English Conversation (C)

10:00 Current Events (H)

10:00 Knitting for Babies (RJ) 10:00 Cards (RJ)

11:00 Computer tutorial with Barbara (H)

11:30 Reminiscing Group (H)

11:30 Lunch (C)

11:30 Lunch (RJ) – joint lunch with Holland – Portuguese Food

12:45 Bingo (RJ)

Friday | April 1

10:00 Book Club

11:30 Lunch (H)

12:45 Bingo (H)

Monday|April 4

9:30 Monthly Breakfast (H)10:00 English Conversation (C)10:30 Moonlighters at VNA Lowell Street1:00 Bereavement Group (H)2:00 Berklee / Anglo Celtic

Tuesday April 5

9:00 Living Frugally (H) 10:00 English Conversation (C)

10:00 Cards (RJ)

10:00 Knitting for Babies (RJ)

10:30 Men's Group (H)

11:30 Lunch (RJ, C)

12:00 Computer tutorial with Norbert (H)

12:45 Bingo (RJ)

5:30 Community Building Baby Shower (H)

Wednesday | April 6

11:30 Lunch (RJ)

12:45 Bingo (RJ)

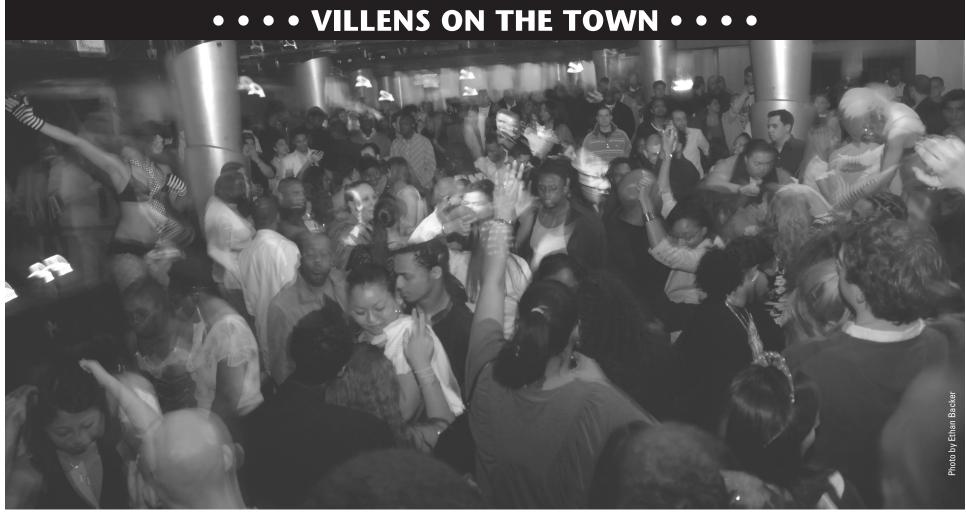
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1:00 Bowling at Flatbreads

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Thursday March 31

Central Library

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Friday | April 1

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Preschool: Storytime for 2 year

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Central Library

Sing Along with Jeremy Lyons 11 a.m.- 12 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Central Library

SHS teen group 2:45 p.m.- 4:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

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Highland Ave

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Costa Rican Comedian Daniel

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6 p.m.|Performance Hall|191

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Marley Monday with The Duppy Conquerors reggae|10 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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CLASSES AND GROUPS Wednesday | March 30

Central Library

Mystery Book Group 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland

Thursday | March 31

West Branch Library

Memoir Writing Workshop with Judah Leblang

7 p.m.-9 p.m.|40 College Ave

West Branch Library

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Central Library Lincoln and the Public Mind 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Saturday April 2

Central Library

Conference on Public Intellectuals 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. | 79 Highland Ave

Arts at the Armory

Somerville Winter Farmers' Market

9:30 a.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

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Sunday April 3

Central Library

Constellations Poetry Reading 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.|79 Highland Ave Fourth Step to Freedom Al-Anon **Family Groups**

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7:00 P.M. | 6 William Street

Monday April 4

Central Library

Drop In Coloring for Adults 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Central Library Chess Night

7 p.m.-8:45p.m.|79 Highland Ave

East Branch Library Learn English at the Library! (Session 1) 6 p.m.-7 p.m.

(Session 2)7 p.m,-8:15 p.m.

115 Broadway

Tuesday April 5 **Central Library**

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Central Library

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

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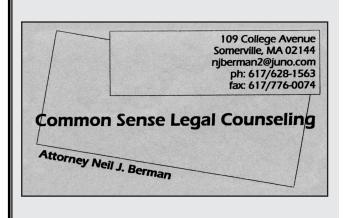
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High School Building Committee Forum

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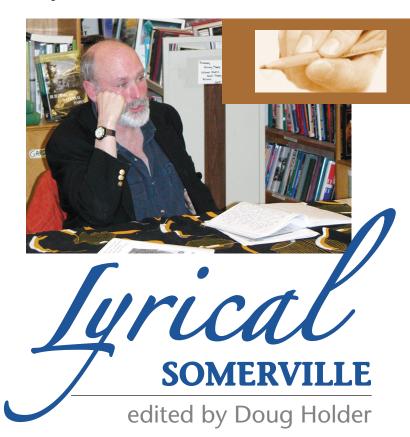
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Public Domain Theater



Our poet this week is David P. Miller. Miller is a member of the Somerville Bagel Bards, a literary group that has been meeting every Saturday since 2004.



Awake in the Sleeping Car

The orange rabbit-faced moon skews its eyes down sideways, just above the shadowed horizon behind snowfields blacked out at dusk. Our lingering, languid train leaves Schenectady: the moon's avatar rises in neon over brick: script-entwined G and E in a great green radiant circle. The spheres attend this little population on rails passing in the new-fallen night, lagging late hours toward home.

— David P. Miller

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America's Cup, also

FF THE SHELF

by Doug Holder

Mass Poetry's Laurin Macios:

A poet who 'feels' her poems

Laurin Macios is a poet who feels her poems. She is not so much about the reader understanding the poem, but she is all about evoking emotion, and vivid sensory experiences in his or her reading of

Laurin Macios directed Mass Poetry's programs, including Student Day of Poetry, Poetry on the T, Common Threads, U35, and Professional Development, and managed the crew of dedicated volunteers and interns who help make Mass Poetry run smoothly. She holds an MFA from the University of New Hampshire, where she taught on fellowship for three years, and has a background in publishing. Her publications and other personal poetic happenings can be found at www. laurinbeckermacios.com. I spoke with her on my Somerville Community Access TV show Poet to Poet/Writer to Writer shortly before she relocated to New York City.

Doug Holder: I read in an interview with you that as a child you loved the smell of old books. Does smell stoke your poetic flames?

Laurin Macios: It does actually. And old books are a big one. There are also a lot of flowers in my poems. A lot of memories are evoked by scent.

DH: What is it about the scent of an old book? LM: I don't know. I am one of those people who will never be a Kindle person. I love holding books in my hand. I feel I have a relationship when I read. An old book has that tangible scent about it – it has been around.

DH: You studied with Charles Simic, and David Rivard at the University of New Hampshire. Simic was the U.S. Poet Laureate. What was your experience with both of these poets?

LM: I think David Rivard is a master. He is always using language in interesting ways and is always challenging you to do that. I actually sat in all of David's workshops that I wasn't enrolled in. I learned a lot from him and what other workshop participants were contributing. This affected my writing. Charles Simic's workshops are funny. They are very quick like his poems. They are very to the point. My favorite piece of advice from him was, "The poem needs a cat in it." Conference time with my teachers at UNH was very important. They showed me what is the best to do in your poem - not necessarily what you want to do.

DH: You have described yourself as a poet from

LM: When I turn to poetry it is to feel. When some people read my poems and say, "What are they about?" I don't feel the need to answer that question. I turn to poetry to write about things that are not easily explained.

DH: As Program Directory at Mass. Poetry you were involved with running a number of interesting programs. What comes to mind is *Poetry on the T* and *U*35.

LM: Poetry on the T is my favorite. We put poems into ad space in the T. Luckily, we got a non-profit rate. We are doing well with this. Right now we have two sets of poetry on the T. We adopted U35 from Daniel Evans Pritchard. We took it over last year. Basically, it consists of poets under 35 in a bar seating, reading from their work. We have videos of the readings on our website http://www.masspoetry.org.

DH: You have a background in publishing, correct?



LM: Most recently I worked for Pearson - an educational publisher. I loved the free textbooks I got there.

DH: In your poem A Little Breath you write about a cliff in Japan that has a sign near the abyss that states "A Dead Flower Will Never Bloom." Supposedly, this sign gives hope to potential leapers. Did you think your poems could offer hope to someone in this kind of pain?

LM: I would hope my poems offer hope, but I don't harbor that delusion. I feel poetry has the potential power though.

DH: Who are your poetic influences?

LM: I am very influenced by Mary Oliver and also a lot by Whitman.

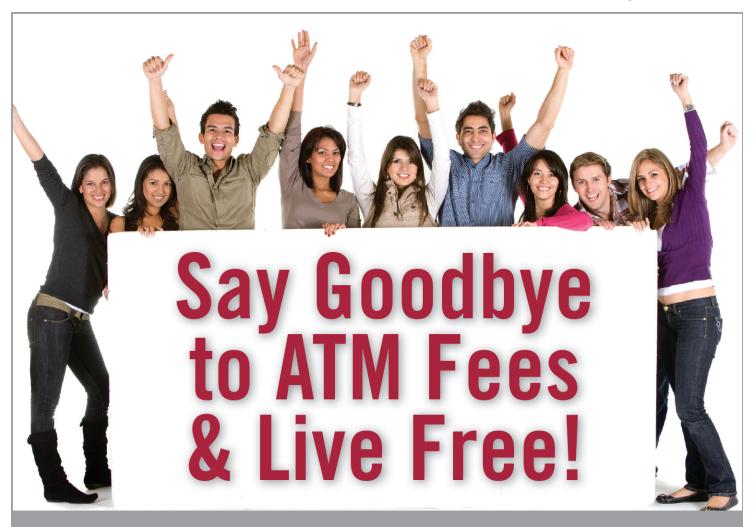
DH: As we mentioned before you work for the Mass. Poetry Festival. This will be held in Salem, Mass, April 29, 2016 to May 1, 2016. Any hints about what's happening there this year?

LM: Well, some headliners will be Marie Howe, David Rivard and Mark Doty. There will be a small press fair - and a hundred other sessions readings, workshops, etc.

A LITTLE BREATH

"Wait a minute. A dead flower will never bloom." — A note to those contemplating suicide at the cliffs of Sandanbeki, Japan

A dead flower will never turn itself toward the sun, like a ship backing slowly out of port. Time, in fact, will have let go. You are one soft ocean full of mountains, full of bright cellsin depths we'll never see. Wait and think of nothing. Think of never thinking of nothing again. Never waiting again. Think of losing the air that is touching the tips of your fingers. Don't your fingers suddenly feel a little breath? Do they seem to maybe be tentacles? Are you inhaling? Exhale. Think of exhaling. Are you sure you're ready for the dead gone years to stack? Soon you'll have been dead for longer than you lived. You don't think it will be soon? You're forgetting how long it has taken to get hereyour two legs braced, clothed, this cliff beneath you raised from nothing. Years ago you would have been swimming in this spot. Years from now you could be something else entirely.



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