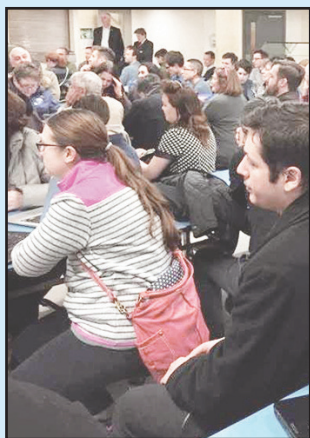
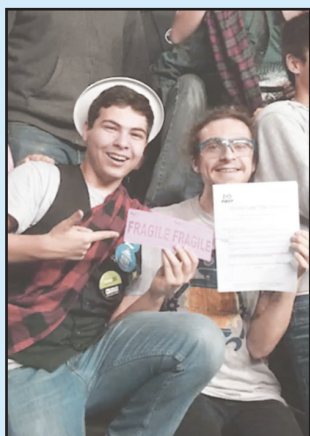


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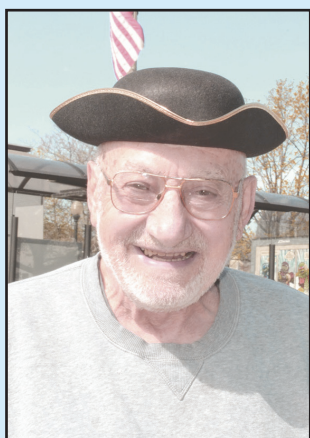
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City to examine data on car ownership and parking issues



A need is seen for the gathering of information regarding the capacity for parking spaces for Somerville residents in the face of continuing development throughout the city.
— Photo by Bobbie Toner

By Jim Clark

An order for the Executive Director of the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development to provide the Board of Aldermen with data on car ownership and parking issues at developments permitted in the past five years was put forward and passed at their latest regular meeting last week.

The Board is specifically inquiring as to the number of cars registered per unit and bedroom, and indicating the location of the developments and whether or not they are in transit-oriented districts.

The order sponsor, Ward 5 Alderman Mark Niedergang, told those in attendance at the meeting, "What I'm really looking for here is data that would inform the discussions I think all of us ward aldermen have about development projects – and those

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Cooking for a cause

By Ariana Colozzo

The goal of Community Cooks is to make sure no hungry or vulnerable neighbor goes without food, and to achieve that goal, they work with dozens of partner organizations and hundreds of volunteer cooks. Due to budget cuts that many of their partner agencies face, they are no longer able to provide all necessities, including food.

In 1990, a small group decided they wanted to help fill in the gap and wanted to help stop the rise of homelessness by supporting the Somerville Homeless Coalition. Eight neighbors from the Westwood Road in Somerville joined together to cook their first meal for the SHC's shelter. And they continued cooking one a month for the SHC.

In the last 27 years, Community Cooks has grown to nearly 1,000 volunteers and many different supporters and partnering agencies in the Greater Boston Area and beyond with one goal: serving homeless adults and children, women in crisis, at-risk youth, low

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Community Cooks, in collaboration with organizations such as the Somerville Homeless Coalition, is doing its part to see to it that no one in the city goes hungry.

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Don't forget, tonight popular **Ward Two Alderman Maryann Heuston** is having a campaign fundraiser. Join in to kick off her campaign to continue serving as your Ward Two Alderman. With special guest, Somerville **Mayor Joe Curtatone**. The kick-off will be held at the **Kirkland Tap and Trotter** on **Wednesday, April 19**, starting at 5:30 p.m. She looks forward to seeing you there. Just in case you didn't know, we'll tell you, Maryann has not missed a hearing or vote on any issue in her ward. That's more than couple of other ward aldermen can say. Maryann is considered a constituent's alderman. always looking to make Ward Two better, just saying!

The annual **Somerville High Scholarship Foundation fundraiser** is once again upon us, with the chance to win \$10K CASH, plus up to 24 prizes of \$100 each. **Friday, May 12** at the high school's **Highlander Café**. Tickets for the \$10K drawing are \$100 each and only 250 tickets will be sold. A great cause serving the students from Somerville. Over the years the foundation committee has raised over a million dollars and each year many students from Somerville High benefit from the generosity of the foundation and those that support it. Contact **Eugene Brune** or mail a check for \$100 to SHS Raffle c/o **Joseph Favaloro**, P.O. Box 440275 Somerville 02144.

Happy birthday to a couple of our friends and fellow Villens here this week: Happy birthday to **Ward 7 Alderman Katijana Ballantyne** who is celebrating this week. We hope she has a great birthday. Also another alderman, this time **Alderman at Large Jack Connolly** is celebrating this week. Jack's been around and has been very good serving on the Board of Alderman over the years.

The **Highland Masonic Building Association** will be holding its annual (now 5 years) **Giggles Comedy Night** on **Wednesday, April 26**, at **Prince of Pizza** on Rte. 1. Come join in and have a night of laughs and a chance to win any one of over 25 gift baskets. Every year over 100 locals gather and have a great night of comedy with 3-4 professional comedians, plus a few surprises again this year. Contact Continued on page 11

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TheSomervilleTimes.com Comments of the Week

Response to: *Six Massachusetts districts launch consortium to bring alternative measures to schools*

Paul Hoss says:

What a crock. I can only hope there will be reasonable, rational and pragmatic citizens in these six districts who will step forward to debunk this load of subjective, progressive nonsense. It's all a smokescreen to get more students in your districts to be awarded a FALSE high school diploma through questionable hoopla such as portfolios and performance assessments. All one needs to do is examine the composition MCIEA and their deleterious promise of alternative assessments to measure student growth/learning. The PRESIDENT of this "consortium" is none other than Barbara Madeloni, also president of the Massachusetts Teachers Association, the largest teacher union in the state. Ask yourself, what could possibly be her interest/incentive for forming/leading such a group? Could it possibly have anything to do with eliminating the state's MCAS test, the linchpin for having made Massachusetts public schools the gold standard for the fifty states which rivals any and all other systems of public schools worldwide? Such a consortium has already introduced a bill on Beacon Hill to put a three year moratorium on the MCAS test. Again, why would anyone attempt to "fix" a system which is not only, not broken, but thriving? Among other scams, Mandeloni and the MTA are attempting to protect all teachers statewide, good or bad, from objective, quantifiable teacher evaluations. Wake up citizens of Boston, Winchester, Somerville, Lowell, Attleboro, and Revere. This group is falsely attempting to lure you into a false sense of security about how your students/schools are performing. It's all a hoax.

MarketMan says:

Paul: I hear you and have my reservations, but Winchester is already doing well.. why would they be interested in making high school diplomas easier to obtain? I agree that Mass is doing well in education, but is it because of MCAS or in spite of? I ask honestly. I'm not a fan of standardized tests, but I also don't have enough history in the state to know how well Mass was doing before MCAS. I read an article that said that Mass revamped it's system about 20 years and has been a leader since. When was MCAS introduced?

teacherman says:

The Massachusetts Education Reform Act was passed in 1993. MA schools did pretty well but since MCAS and new frameworks were established 20 years ago, MA students and schools have seen scores, graduation rates, AP and SAT scores continuously improve. Testing isn't only reason but it has been an important part of the success. Many if the people involved in this effort are well meaning but also oppose testing.

Becky McCullough says:

It wasn't MCAS that improved academic performance in MA. It was the surge of money into the system and the idea that education mattered.

Response to: *GLX is back on track with full federal funding*

LindaS says:

Let's just hope that they don't tell us at some point that they have yet again underestimated the funds needed to complete the project and suck more money out of taxpayers who are already paying for a new High School on top of the GLX. Many of us will never need or use the GLX, but will always need to pay our bills, rents and property taxes. And that is getting harder and harder to do here every day.

Matt says:

Linda, my hope is that the GLX will take some of the cars off the road in our neighborhood, when this happens everyone of us will benefit, even if you are not using it on a daily basis.

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John Connolly

By Joe Ruvido

The Somerville Democratic City Committee held a caucus to select representatives to send to the Massachusetts State Democratic convention in June. About 200 Somerville Democrats went to Somerville High School on Thursday, March 30 to select the delegates and establish their positions on the Democratic Party platform. All present were allowed at least a minute to speak before the caucus. Delegates were selected from each of Somerville's seven wards. Delegates at the statewide convention on June 3 will help establish the party platform and strategize on elections, including the 2018 gubernatorial election, where Governor Charlie Baker is expected to run for a second term.

There was much excitement at the caucus in spite of recent democratic electoral defeats and long odds in the 2018 mid-term elections. In addition to the Massachusetts Governorship, nationally the republicans now control the White House, Senate, and Congress. Ten Democratic senators face reelection in states that the Republicans carried in 2016.

“There was no anger, just excitement,” said Democrat Diane Masters, who noted that the crowd at the caucus included newcomers in addition to long-time Somerville Democrats. “Many new people who had never been involved in the Democratic Caucuses were there for the first time to support their friends and

neighbors and to run for delegates.”

The caucuses included currently elected officials in the city. “We’re moving past the presidential election, and working to make Massachusetts a truly progressive state,” said an excited Ward 1 Alderman Matt McLaughlin after the caucuses. McLaughlin lauded the progressive stances of many elected delegates at the caucus. “84% of delegates selected at the caucus are Our Revolution members,” he said.

“We’re moving past the presidential election, and working to make Massachusetts a truly progressive state”

Our Revolution – the political action organization that spun out of Vermont Senator Bernie Sanders’s failed presidential bid – held a rally of its own in Boston the following night, featuring Senator Sanders and Massachusetts Senator Elizabeth Warren. Alderman McLaughlin and Ward 6 Alderman Lance Davis were in the audience of 1600 that gathered to hear fiery progressive speeches against the current administration and the Republican congressional agenda.

"This movement is changing the Democratic Party," said Davis at the



The Somerville Democratic City Committee recently selected their representatives to send to the Massachusetts State Democratic convention in June.

rally, who also noted the many new faces he saw in the crowd at the caucus the previous night.

The connection between national politics and local issues was laid bare in the first few weeks of the Trump administration by rhetoric and threats against sanctuary cities. Mayor Joe Curtatone and the Board of Aldermen have been speaking out against federal penalties on immigrant-friendly municipalities.

Groups like Our Revolution support immigrant rights, and electing progressive delegates to the state convention is seen as one step in getting more cities, towns, and eventually the state to adopt sanctuary city policy.

Alderman Davis continued to strike a defiant tone about Somerville's immigration policy. "If that means we're going to lose money, we'll figure it out, we'll find it somewhere, we'll tighten the belt."

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THE WEEK IN CRIME

By Jim Clark

Boots not just made for walking

Last week, police officers were dispatched to a Homer Sq. location on reports of an unwanted person. Dispatchers informed the officers en route that the person in question, Kelly Susi, also had an outstanding warrant for abuse prevention order violation.

Upon arrival, officers approached Susi and asked for her name. Susi then reportedly became hostile and would not give her the name. She finally told the officers her name, after which she was advised that she had an outstanding warrant.

As an officer took her by the wrist to put her under arrest, Susi reportedly pulled away and began to flail her arms. According to reports, she attempted to get away from one of the officers who was able to grab her by both arms. Susi reportedly continued to use her body in attempt to get out of the officer's grasp.

The reporting party ran out of the residence and tried to assist the officers in subduing Susi. She reportedly became even more hostile and began screaming at the reporting party and spat at him. The officers were eventually able to get Susi into handcuffs as backups arrived on scene. When officers tried to get her to sit down, Susi kicked the reporting party with her right foot, police said.

After Susi was under control, officers spoke with the victim, the reporting party, who reportedly stated that Susi came to the house and wanted to get in but she was not welcome. When she was not let in she allegedly ripped the screen that was on a window on the back porch of the house completely in half.

The victim also reportedly stated that when he helped to subdue Susi she kicked him in the groin with her boots on.

Susi was subsequently placed under arrest and charged with assault and battery with a dangerous weapon and defacing property, and on the aforementioned warrant charge.

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Arrests: Kelly Susi , of 270 Washington St., April 10, 5:14 p.m., arrested at Homer Sq. on charges of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon and defacing property, and on a warrant	charge of abuse prevention order violation. Renata Canas , of 216B South St., Jamaica Plain, April 12, 1:22 a.m., arrested at Broadway on warrant charges of uninsured motor vehicle or trailer, operation of a motor vehicle	with a suspended registration, and unregistered motor vehicle. William Beers , of 186 Oakland Ave., Methuen, April 12, 1:57 a.m., arrested at Bond St. on charges of receiving a stolen motor vehicle, operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended	license, and operation of a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor. Rene Peralta , of 14 Alston St., April 15, 10:18 p.m., arrested at Memorial Rd. on warrant charges of unarmed robbery, assault and battery, and
			unarmed assault to rob. Javier Ochoa , of 49 Pearl St., April 16, 1:07 a.m., arrested at Washington St. on warrant charges of destruction of property over \$250, disorderly conduct, and assault with a dangerous weapon.

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City to examine data on car ownership and parking issues

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Aldermen At-Large who are also involved – around parking issues in proposed new developments.”

Niedergang asserted that a key issue in a new development has to do with parking, that it is almost always an issue in any new development.

“We spend huge amounts of time discussing this,” Niedergang said. “And one of the difficulties is that I’m not aware of data that’s available to indicate when a development was permitted in the past, how many cars ended up being connected to that development. There’s always arguments about how many cars does a two-bedroom apartment generate, how many cars does a three-bedroom apartment generate.”

The Ward 5 Alderman felt that it would be great to have some data that could inform these discussions and debates.

Of particular interest to Niedergang was an amendment attached to the order in question stated as follows: permitted in the past five years, specifically the number of cars registered per unit and bedroom, and indicating the location of the developments and whether they are in transit-oriented districts or not.

“So, the location of a development is relevant as well,” according to Niedergang. “I just want to make sure that all this information gets communicated to the Planning Department so that they understand exactly the information that would be useful in these often contentious community discussions about whether it makes sense to permit a certain development or not, based on the parking.”

Alderman At-Large Mary Jo Rossetti pointed out that in fiscal year 2015 residential parking stickers numbered 33,210, and in fiscal year 2016 the total had risen to 4440, 165. “As you can tell, that is quite a percentage of increase in the amount of vehicles and parking permits that were asked for,” Rossetti said. “I know we’ve talked about this with Zoning and in multiple meetings with residential developments.”

Ward 2 Alderman Maryann M. Heuston added, “I know that all along Beacon St. it’s like a public parking lot because it’s not the residents that are taking up a lot of those spots. It’s the business permits.”

Heuston stated that she thinks it is a good thing that the city is beginning to think about and look at the issue. “It is the number one topic when a development is proposed and it’s the number one issue in a lot of the neighborhoods. Traffic and parking is the number one issue. I know we grapple with other issues around this horseshoe, but when we get down into the nitty-gritty of the neighborhood this is the first thing of the tips of people’s tongues. And I think

Ward 5 Alderman Mark Niedergang emphasized the need to gather relevant data on parking issues going into future evaluations of proposed new developments.

it’s an important thing for us to look at the data to see what’s going on here, and to become more innovative in terms of our parking regulations.”

Heuston warned that unless this was done the city would be stuck in a quagmire by not being able to respond to the resident issues regarding parking.

Board President William A. White Jr. echoed Heuston’s concerns by pointing out that the upcoming new zoning regulations should take this matter into consideration as well.

The order was subsequently approved and submitted to the Traffic and Parking Committee.

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Highlander Robotics Team to compete in World Championships

By Rebecca Danvers

Somerville High School's Robotics Team is headed to the FIRST Robotics World Championships after impressive performances this season including at last weekend's New England District Championship in New Hampshire. The Highlanders are only in their second year competing as a team and have been facing off against much more seasoned competitors throughout the year. Not only has the team been among the top finishers at each of the events in which they've competed, they have also garnered recognition for outstanding sportsmanship and creativity, earning the Creativity Award at the Bridgewater SE event, their first event of the season, and the Gracious Professionalism® Award in Revere.

This is a fantastic achievement when you consider this is only the second year SHS has had a robotics team. They were competing against teams that had

20 years of shared knowledge, experience and robotics parts.

Teams have six weeks to design and build their robots and ready them for the season's competition. Teams register in the fall, and district and regional events begin in late February and continue through April. Qualifying teams are invited to FIRST Championships, which is where Highlander Robotics team is headed next. They travel to the America's Center in St. Louis the week of April 24th for their first appearance at the FIRST Robotics World Championships. Visit <https://www.gofundme.com/HiglanderRobotics> if you would like to support the team.

Learn more about the 2017 FIRST Robotics competition at <https://www.firstinspires.org/node/3651> and <https://www.firstinspires.org/robotics/frc>. Visit <http://thehighlanders6201.weebly.com/> to learn all about the Highlander Robotics team.



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Somerville poet honored



Somerville poet Bert Stern received the Ibbetson Street Press Lifetime Achievement Award on April 9 at the Boston National Poetry Festival, held at the Copley Square branch of the Boston Public Library, and founded by Harris Gardner (left). Past recipients include, Afaa Michael Weaver, David Godine, Sam Cornish, Gloria Mindock, Jack Powers, Robert Pinsky, Robert K. Johnson, Steve Glines, Harris Gardner, and others.

Week of the Young Child Celebration

Join in the celebration of Somerville's youngest learners on Thursday, April 27, from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. at Somerville's City Hall.

This year's theme during this annual celebration explores "What does it mean to be kind and fair?" To read the SFLC social story "Somerville, a Kind and Fair City" visit the Resources for Parents/Guardians at www.somerville.k12.ma.us/families. For more information about the Week of the Young Child, visit www.naeyc.org/woyc.

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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. Mike Connolly

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: There were no roll calls in the House or Senate last week.

As the first order of business back in January, the Leg-

islature approved an \$18 million pay raise package including hiking the salaries of the two leaders who filed the bill, House Speaker Robert DeLeo (D-Winthrop) and Senate President Stan Rosenberg (D-Amherst), by \$45,000 from \$97,547 to \$142,547. The measure also hikes the pay of the Legislature’s two Republican leaders, Sen. Bruce Tarr (R-Gloucester) and Rep. Bradley Jones (R-North Reading) by \$37,500 from \$85,047 to \$122,547. Another provision hikes the salaries of the governor and the other six constitutional officers by raises ranging from \$30,048 to \$47,083; and hikes the pay of the state’s judges and court clerks by \$25,000.

The only part of the package that applies to all 200 legislators increased the annual general expense allowance for each member from \$7,200 to \$15,000 for members whose districts are within a 50-mile radius of the Statehouse and to \$20,000 for districts located outside of that radius. Prior to this increase, the most recent increase in the general expense allowance was a hike from \$3,600 to \$7,200 in 2000.

According to the state treasurer’s office, the mileage from a legislator’s home to the Statehouse is calculated “using the standard of quickest route (time to destination).”

The expense allowance is used at the discretion of individual legislators to support a variety of costs including the renting of a district office, contributions to local civic groups and the printing and mailing of newsletters. Legislators are issued a 1099 from the state and are required to report the allowance as income but are not required to submit an accounting of how they spend it.

Beacon Hill Roll Call has obtained the list of how much each senator and representative is receiving as an expense allowance under this new system.

When each legislator received a flat \$7,200 under the old system, the total spent was \$1,440,000. Under this new system, the total spent will be \$3,174,052. That’s an increase of \$1,734,052.

Nine legislators decided against taking the raise and are still collecting only the original \$7,200. Another 136 asked for and are receiving the raise from \$7,200 to \$15,000 while 53 legislators are receiving \$20,000 because they said they live more than 50 miles from the Statehouse. One legislator decided to take \$9,252. Another decided not to take an expense allowance.

The package also put an end to legislators collecting per diems which are travel, meals and lodging reimbursements collected by the legislators. The amount of the per diem varies and was based on the city or town in which a legislator resides and its distance from the Statehouse. In 2016, 103 or more than one-half of the state’s 200 legislators were paid per diems totaling \$278,601.

Under current federal law, the same 53 legislators who live more than 50 miles from the Statehouse are eligible for a special federal tax break that has been criticized for years. A 1981 federal law allows them to write off a daily expense allowance when filing their federal income tax return. The complicated system determines a daily amount, ostensibly for meals, lodging and other expenses incurred in the course of their jobs, which can be deducted for every “legislative day.”

Under the Massachusetts Legislature’s system and schedule, every day of the year qualifies as a legislative

day. The Legislature does not formally “prorogue” (end an annual session) until the next annual session begins. This allows these legislators to take the deduction for all 365 days regardless of whether the Legislature is meeting or not. Legislators do not even have to travel to the Statehouse to qualify for the daily deduction.

The amount of the deduction is based on the federal per diem for Massachusetts. It varies from year to year. The daily per diem for legislators for 2016 varied in different parts of the state and is seasonal. It ranges from \$162 per day to \$366 per day or between \$59,130 and \$133,590 annually.

The 53 legislators who took the \$20,000 state expense allowance are eligible for this federal deduction because they said they live more than 50 miles from the Statehouse. Each legislator who takes advantage of this deduction will have paid, and continue to pay, little or no federal income tax on their legislative salaries for many years.

HOW MUCH EACH LOCAL LEGISLATOR WILL RECEIVE IN EXPENSE ALLOWANCE

Here is the amount of an expense allowance each legislator will receive annually.

Rep. Christine Barber	\$15,000
Rep. Mike Connolly	\$15,000
Rep. Denise Provost	\$15,000
Sen. Patricia Jehlen	\$15,000

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

NEW STATE SEAL AND MOTTO (H 2873) - The State Administration and Regulatory Oversight Committee’s public hearing included a proposal creating a special commission to examine the state seal and motto including those parts of it which have been controversial or misunderstood.

The commission would develop a revised version of the seal which currently includes a Native American holding a bow in one hand, an arrow in the other hand and a disembodied arm holding a sword above him. The motto is “By the sword we seek peace, but only under liberty.” The commission would determine “whether the seal and motto accurately reflect and embody the historic and contemporary commitments of the Commonwealth to peace, justice, liberty and equality, and to spreading the opportunities and advantages of education.”

Supporters of revisions said the current seal is politically insensitive and the bow and arrow depict violence. “I sincerely request that you consider our shared history and be cognizant of the genocidal accuracy of the symbolism that the seal in part portrays,” said John Peters, executive director of the Commission on Indian Affairs and a descendant of the Indians who met the Pilgrims in 1620.

Wompimeequin Wampatuck, chief of the tribal council of the Mattakeeset Tribe, said the sword-wielding arm is that of Captain Miles Standish, a pilgrim whose army killed many Native Americans in the 1600s. He testified that this antiquated image portrays Indians in a “surrender state.”

No one testified against the bill but in the past supporters of the current seal have said that it is a sacred symbol. They argue that the depiction is appropriate and note that arrow is pointing downward which is known as a Native American symbol signifying peace.

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IMPOSE SALES TAX ON ITEMS BOUGHT ONLINE (H 1524) - The Revenue Committee held a public hearing on several bills including the controversial one that would require the state to prepare to collect the state’s 6.25 percent sales taxes on all items purchased online if and when the federal government authorizes states to mandate that Internet sellers collect sales taxes. The committee last year recommended approval of the same bill but it was sent to a study committee where it died.

Federal law currently only requires the sales tax to be collected by sellers who have a physical presence like a store or warehouse in the state. Amazon has had a presence in the Bay State since 2013 when it started Massachusetts residents the sales tax for its online sales.

Supporters of the tax say brick-and-mortar retailers in the state are losing millions of dollars in annual sales and the state is missing out on millions in tax revenue. They note many consumers are using brick-and-mortar retail stores as a showroom to look at items and then buy them on the Internet to get a lower price and save the sales tax.

Opponents say this is simply an unwarranted tax hike that will cost consumers millions of dollars. They note it would also discourage other online retailers from bringing a facility and jobs to Massachusetts.

GROUP THAT IS MONITORING TRUMP HOLDS FIRST MEETING - The 9-member Trump Administration Working Group that will provide guid-

ance on how the Legislature should respond to the actions of the Trump Administration and help find possible legislative responses and solutions had its first meeting last week.

The group, created by House Speaker Bob DeLeo (D-Winthrop), has a mission to determine the local consequences of Trump’s actions with the focus on economic stability, health care, higher education and the state’s most vulnerable residents. All nine members of the group are Democratic legislators. The group is co-chaired by Reps. Patricia Haddad (D-Somerset) and Ronald Mariano (D-Quincy).

At its first meeting, the group said it will be pushing hard for a bill that prohibits Bay State sheriffs from sending Massachusetts inmates out of state to help build President Donald Trump’s U.S.-Mexico border wall. Bristol County Sheriff Thomas Hodgson has said for several months that he would like inmates from the Bristol County House of Correction to go down south and assist in the construction.

The group also plans to push for another bill that would prohibit state money being used to train local law enforcement or correction officers in immigration law.

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 April 10-14, the House met for a total of 22 minutes and the Senate met for a total of one hour and 22 minutes.

Mon. April 10 House 11:03 a.m. to 11:18 a.m.
Senate 11:15 a.m. to 12:24 p.m.

Tues. April 11 No House session
No Senate session

Wed. April 12 No House session
No Senate session.

Thurs. April 13 House 11:01 a.m. to 11:08 a.m.
Senate 11:02 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.

Fri. April 14 No House session
No Senate session

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

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96 Putnam Rd	6 room, 3 bed, 1f 0h bath Colonial	22	\$519,000	\$553,000
36 Bond St	4 room, 2 bed, 1f 0h bath Cottage	23	\$549,900	\$562,000
26 Hinckley St	6 room, 3 bed, 2f 1h bath Other	14	\$619,000	\$701,000
81 Yorktown St	5 room, 2 bed, 1f 0h bath Colonial	20	\$700,000	\$760,000

Recent Condominiums Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month:

Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
18-20 Arlington St U:1	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath Mid-Rise	20	\$699,900	\$725,000
292 Summer St U:2	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	86	\$699,900	\$680,000
51 Pitman U:3B	4 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath Mid-Rise	130	\$699,900	\$685,000
45 Endicott Ave U:3	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath Low-Rise	6	\$719,000	\$785,000
935 Broadway U:# 1	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	260	\$719,900	\$700,000
18-20 Arlington St U:2	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath Mid-Rise	40	\$724,900	\$724,900
31 Hancock U:1	6 room, 3 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	194	\$725,000	\$720,000
42-44 Puritan Road U:2	8 room, 3 bed, 2f 0h bath Townhouse	27	\$739,900	\$733,000
42 Myrtle Street U:B4	6 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath Loft	8	\$749,000	\$782,000
17 Banks U:1	6 room, 2 bed, 1f 0h bath 2/3 Family	21	\$769,900	\$777,000
35 Victoria St U:1	6 room, 2 bed, 3f 1h bath Mid-Rise	22	\$799,900	\$810,000
53 Kent Street U:2	5 room, 3 bed, 2f 0h bath Mid-Rise	21	\$899,900	\$890,000

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

Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
29 Jackson Rd	2 unit, 15 total room, 9 total bedroom 2 Family	17	\$625,000	\$625,000
57 Franklin St	3 unit, 11 total room, 5 total bedroom 3 Family	67	\$749,000	\$680,000
51-53 Woods Ave	2 unit, 12 total room, 5 total bedroom 2 Family	19	\$799,995	\$852,000
158 Walnut St	2 unit, 12 total room, 6 total bedroom 2 Family	10	\$874,900	\$874,900
195 School Street	3 unit, 11 total room, 5 total bedroom 3 Family	58	\$925,000	\$900,000
108 Cross Street	3 unit, 11 total room, 5 total bedroom 3 Family	41	\$1,200,000	\$1,225,000
8 Hardan Rd	2 unit, 13 total room, 4 total bedroom 2 Family	134	\$1,275,000	\$1,145,000
55 Bonair St	4 unit, 22 total room, 10 total bedroom 4 Family	20	\$1,499,999	\$1,550,000

Somerville High Career Fair

The 4th annual SHS Career Fair took place on April 12 at the Somerville High School Gym. Approximately 400 juniors and seniors along with their teachers attended the event. The goal is to provide students with the very best career, training, and educational opportunities in the local area as they formulate their post-secondary plans. With over 80 exhibitors, students were able to explore a range of opportunities that interested them.

— Photos by Claudia Ferro



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The Somerville Times Historical Fact of the Week

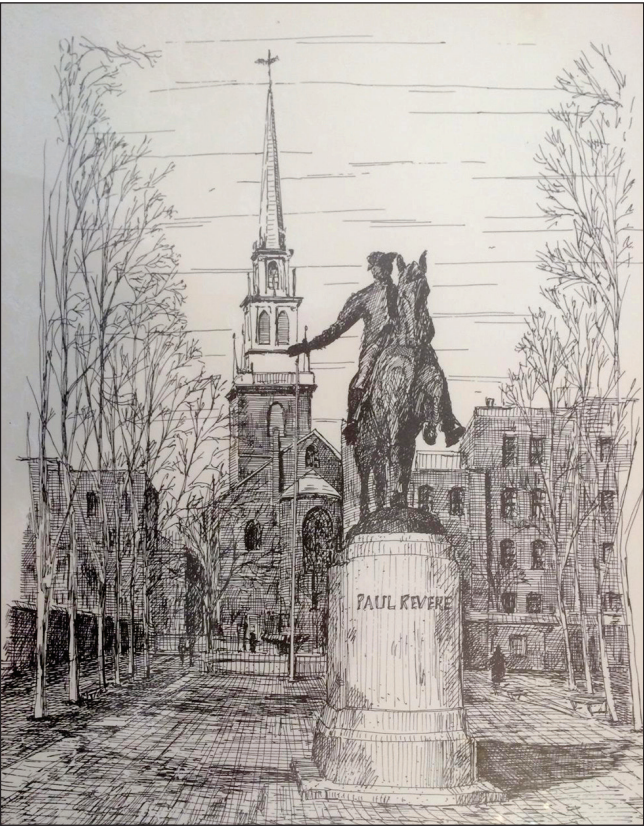


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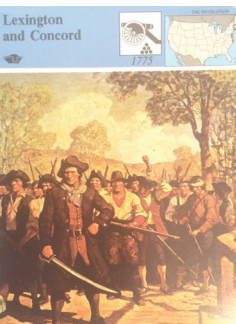
By Bob (Monty) Doherty

Somerville's Prospect Hill Monument celebrates the raising of America's first flag. It took place on January 1, 1776, and was the 40th birthday of one of General Washington's soldiers. At the time, this new United States trooper had already proven his allegiance to the colonial cause. Eight months before, on the eve of April 19th on a daring midnight ride through Somerville and beyond, he triggered the American Revolution. His name was Paul Revere and the trail he and his horse left across this city that night was far reaching.



A stone tablet in front of the Holiday Inn on Washington Street marks the spot where he narrowly escaped a trap set by the British cavalry on that night. He evaded the ambush by changing his direction, riding over Winter Hill to Broadway and Main Street and on to the town of Lexington. Today on Winter Hill, this is the site of Paul Revere Park, the smallest federal park in the nation. President William Howard Taft visited it and spoke in 1910. The park is appropriately encircled by three apartment buildings named the Concord, the Lexington and the Paul Revere. Across the street, Paul Revere Beverage touts the coldest beer in the city.

How popular was he? He was a creative silver and coppersmith who worked for American's first millionaire, Elias Haskell Derby of Somerville. He copper sheathed the State House dome in Boston and the hull of the U.S.S. Constitution. He cast bells that are still in existence today. Some are in our own Somerville churches. Today's Paul Revere Road in Arlington Heights and the City of



Revere, celebrate him. He is also honored in towns in Minnesota, Missouri and Washington state. Companies such as Charlestown's Revere Sugar and the Revere Silver Company kept his name alive. Somerville Statesman, Edward Everett, first brought Paul Revere's ride to notice

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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Zoning loophole may harm Union Square’s public spaces

By Tim Talun on behalf of Union Square Neighbors

With precious few open and green public spaces in Somerville, it is a priority to preserve and care for the spaces we do have. This is particularly true in Union Square where millions of square feet of new development are being planned. Despite a long planning process, identifying and limiting the negative impact of this development on some of our most important public spaces has not yet been a priority. Now, a loophole in the proposed Union Square zoning ordinance threatens harm to the Union Square plaza and Prospect Hill Park by failing to place appropriate limits on building heights.

City planners recently presented shadow studies to the Board of Aldermen Land Use Committee showing the impact of new development. One of the things these studies showed is that the height of new buildings on the so-called D-6 block (which extends from the exist-

ing Dunkin Donuts to Mid Nite Convenient along Somerville Avenue) will directly affect how the Union Square plaza is cast into shadow.

Imagine going to the Farmers Market in Union Square Plaza on a sunny but chilly early November day. The plaza would be bathed in sunlight and even if it was cold, people would likely linger at different vendors, talking with neighbors, listening to music.

Imagine that same day with the entire plaza cast into shadow by new buildings on the D-6 block. Maybe the Farmers Market would still be there, but without sunlight people would be more likely to hurry from vendor to vendor instead of stopping to talk or linger. Union Square’s benches would sit empty more often. This would be a loss for our community and a poorer experience for all, but it is not inevitable.

Cities have long recognized that access to direct sunlight fundamentally impacts the health, well-being and quality of life of people. Since zoning first came into being it has been used to place limits on the size,

shape and/or height of buildings in order prevent private property owners from cutting off sunlight and throwing their neighbors or public spaces in permanent shadow.

New zoning for Union Square should include reasonable controls on building heights, especially in sensitive locations such as the D-6 block. Under current zoning most properties in Union Square including D-6 are limited to 70 feet including mechanical spaces. Under the proposed zoning, there would no longer be an overall limit on building height. Instead, buildings are proposed to be limited by the number of stories. This is a good change; however, the zoning also prescribes minimum upper story heights instead of maximum upper story heights. This loophole would make it possible for a 110 foot five story building to be built on the D-6 block and other locations where only a 70 foot tall building is permitted today. Placing a reasonable overall height limit of 80-85 feet would still allow for modern five-story buildings, but significantly reduce the amount

of shadow cast on the Union Square plaza.

Cities also use zoning to minimize impacts on important public views and vistas. Sitting above Union Square is Prospect Hill Park, an irreplaceable treasure which offers a dramatic panoramic view of Boston, Cambridge and Somerville from its grassy hillside. On any given day, a diverse array of Somerville’s people can be found sitting on the park’s benches or on blankets looking out at the city beyond, the view offering a respite from whatever the rest of their day entails.

The Union Square Neighborhood Plan calls for a “carefully crafted skyline”, noting that distant views from the park “contribute to Union Square’s geographic and cultural history”. This dynamic view is constantly changing, and will continue to change with Union Square’s redevelopment. But if a 110-foot-tall building were built on the D-6 block, it would leave people to look out at the side of a rooftop mechanical space instead of the city beyond. An 80 – 85 foot tall building may sit below the horizon line and be much

less impactful.

Understanding and controlling the impacts of building height is even more important because proposed zoning would allow many building types ‘by right’ instead of by ‘special permit’ as with current zoning. This means that there would no longer be any authority to regulate building height beyond confirming compliance with the story limit.

It is possible to increase current building heights in some locations, but it is irresponsible and unnecessary to allow unlimited height by right. To be clear – overall, the proposed zoning has many merits and we hope the ordinance and good development can move forward quickly. But it is frustrating that this and other important issues we have raised still have not been addressed. We ask the Board of Aldermen to request that this be made a priority so it can be resolved before passing the zoning ordinance.



Tim Talun is an architect and a member of Union Square Neighbors.

‘Well Being of Somerville: Health Across the Life Stages’

By Lisa Brukilacchio

On Thursday, April 27, The Somerville Community Health Agenda, an innovative partnership between Cambridge Health Alliance, the Somerville Health Department and the community that works collaboratively to improve the health of Somerville, invite residents to an evening focused on the well being of the community at Winter Hiss Community Innovation School

Cafeteria, 115 Sycamore Street, in Somerville. A light meal will be available starting at 5:45pm. From 6 - 8pm, there will be a brief presentation of data gathered in partnership with the Institute of Community Health. Community members will have opportunities to provide input and insights on issues impacting the health and well being across the life stages and to help prioritize recommendations to improve the



health residents in Somerville.

The impact of social determinants on health and well being was the focus of the 2011 Well Being report,” states Mary Cassesso, CHA’s Chief Community Officer, “We are very excited that the new approach for this upcoming report expands on that model, looking at issues that weave through the lifespan, recognizing that factors in one stage impact health later in life. Somerville partners, such as the City, are key to the CHA mission of improving the health of residents in the communities we serve.”

Participation by residents and providers of all ages is welcomed and highly appreciated. According to Mayor Joseph Curtatone, “Joint efforts such as the development of the Well Being of Somerville report, in collaboration with Cambridge Health Alliance, reinforce our commitment to making our

city a great place to live, work, play and raise a family in a healthy and sustainable community. As always, we are grateful that Somerville residents take advantage of opportunities such as this to explore data and make recommendations that can influence the future health of our city’s residents.”

RSVP at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/well-being-of-somerville-health-across-the-life-stages-tickets-33212863569>, or Eventbrite.com. Or to volunteer or ask questions, please call 617-591-4433 or email lbrukilacchio@challiance.org. Contacts: Lisa Brukilacchio*, Director Somerville Community Health Agenda, lbrukilacchio@challiance.org or 617-591-4433; Doug Kress*, Director, City of Somerville Health and Human Services, dkress@somervillema.gov or 617-625-6600

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Data Download with Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone



By Joseph A. Curtatone

Taking a closer look at this month's notable city data—and interesting numbers.

1,315: That number represents the estimated number of crosswalks painted by our Traffic and Parking Department since 2010. Now that warmer weather has arrived, we can expect more people – residents and visitors alike – to be out walking in our squares, lively business districts, and other areas of the city, and it's imperative we do our part in keeping them safe. Our crews are planning to paint another 200-300 crosswalks this year, and as soon as weather and

construction schedules allow, you'll see them out repainting the markings or applying thermoplastics. We recognize that crosswalk maintenance is just one piece of the puzzle in keeping pedestrians safe, which is why we also use pedestrian impact systems to enhance the visibility of the crosswalks, and this year we are experimenting with more durable devices that can be affixed into the road. Over the last several years, Somerville has increasingly been commended for our commitment to walkability and bikeability, and we intend to do all that we can to ensure we remain at the top of those national rankings by making our streets safe for all modes of transportation.

36: That's the number of trees the City is hoping to plant this year as part of a tree lab, a space within the city that is designated to the research of trees and their growing patterns. The City is working to find a space for the

tree lab now, and once a location is identified, it would feature three different experiments in the areas of climate change and whether or not species adapted for warmer Plant Hardiness Zones can survive in Somerville now, soil additives and how they affect tree growth and survival, and an urban tree well size demonstration. Because urban forestry is a relatively new field, there's still have a lot to learn about how trees tolerate stressful urban conditions and figuring out how to give each tree its best chance at success. The tree lab will allow us to explore ways to grow the best possible urban forest in Somerville, for today as well as tomorrow. As part of our overall commitment to increasing the City's tree canopy, in addition to the tree lab, we will plant 70 new trees this May and June and begin implementing a new watering system that will allow us to better care for the healthy trees we already have.

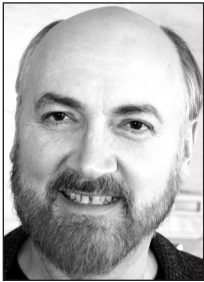
500: That's the approximate number of volunteers who kicked the winter blues and gave back to the community at last year's Annual Spring Cleanup. This year's event is set to take place on Earth Day, Saturday, April 22, from 10 a.m. to noon in each of the city's seven wards. Volunteers will get the city ready for spring and summer by planting flowers, weeding open spaces, and general cleanup. Refreshments, t-shirts, and hats will be provided and all participants are invited to a community BBQ immediately following the cleanup at the Blessing of the Bay Boathouse on Shore Drive. Let's make this year's cleanup even bigger and better! For more information, visit <http://www.somervillema.gov/events/2017/04/22/annual-spring-clean-bbq>.

14,760: That's the total number of tulips and daffodils planted in Somerville since 2011 in the city's "Bulb Blitz," a fall event

that brings together resident volunteers to plant in public spaces. We're already seeing some of the bulbs start to bloom. As you're out walking or biking and see swaths of bright, colorful flowers in planting beds, medians, parks, and along the community path, take a minute to stop and appreciate the work of your neighbors. Be sure to check back on the City's website later this fall for more information about how to participate in the "Bulb Blitz."

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

A world without jobs
Conclusion: Anticipating the future



By William C. Shelton

*I like to think
(it has to be!)
of a cybernetic ecology
where we are free of our labors
and joined back to nature,
returned to our mammal
brothers and sisters,
and all watched over
by machines of loving grace.*

I remember reading these lines in a mimeographed broadside published by the Communications Company on Haight Street during the Summer of Love. It's the last verse of a poem that appeared later that year in Richard Brautigan's fifth poetry collection.

Despite that decade's upheavals, it was a gentler and more generous time. Wealth produced by technology-driven productivity gains was broadly shared among workers, investors, and management. Economic in-

equality would, for the next three years, remain at its lowest level in modern American history. Martin Luther King was still alive, and the Civil Rights Movement's successes portended expanding political, as well as economic, equality.

One could risk imagining a hopeful future in which digital technology and robotic devices would greatly reduce drudgery, leaving people free to perform more fulfilling work and form enriching relationships with others and with nature. Forty years later, it seems naïve, and suggesting it invites ridicule.

It's not that such a future is technologically impossible. On the contrary, with already existing technology, we could provide a decent, if basic, standard of living to all humanity. And for thirty years, it's been possible to algorithmically resolve resource allocation problems much more efficiently than markets can.

But since the late 1970s, the U.S. has gone in the opposite direction. The productivity gains produced by precursors to the machines about which Brautigan rhapsodized have been almost entirely absorbed by the wealthiest Americans.

Corporate America's dominant philosophy has shifted from stakeholder capitalism—think Market Basket—to shareholder capitalism, in which a corporation's only purpose is near-term increases to its owners' wealth.

In politics, leaders of both major parties have followed suit, drastically reducing taxes on the wealthiest of us while disinvesting from infrastructure, research, education, and the social programs that enable people to manage hard times or get a leg up.

So we've reached a point where, as superstar economist Thomas Picketty observes, "wage inequality in the United States "is probably higher than in any other society at any time in the past, anywhere in the world."

The same capitalist dynamic that forces corporations to pursue the highest possible rate of return, drive out their competitors, and thereby concentrate economic and political power obligates them to automate. If they don't replace every human worker wherever possible with a machine that can do the job more cheaply, their competitors will.

In the near term, this will cre-

ate more jobs. Workers will be needed to design and install the hardware and software that will drive trucks, construct buildings, write legal documents, diagnose patients, and so on—the machines themselves will probably be built elsewhere.

But capitalism requires selling things. And eventually we will reach a point, somewhere near the middle of this century, when there are so few people with enough wherewithal to buy one category after another of goods and services, that those commodities' production and sale become no longer profitable.

Avoiding this within the current system would require massive taxation of the wealthy to provide a minimum income to the growing mass of unemployed people. But our political institutions have become increasingly controlled by those who serve the wealthiest and are ideologically opposed to the redistribution of income, much less wealth.

The visionaries who framed the Constitution could not anticipate this situation because the society they lived in consisted only of farmers, tradesmen, or slaves, with a smattering of doc-

tors, lawyers, and clergy. It "was shockingly equal at the time, in ways that seem really surprising to us today," argues legal scholar Ganesh Sitaraman.

In *The Crisis of the Middle Class Constitution*, published last month, he shows that because of that relative equality, the founders did not build into the Constitution means for managing class conflict, such as the plebian tribunes in the Roman republic, or the Houses of Lords and Commons in Britain.

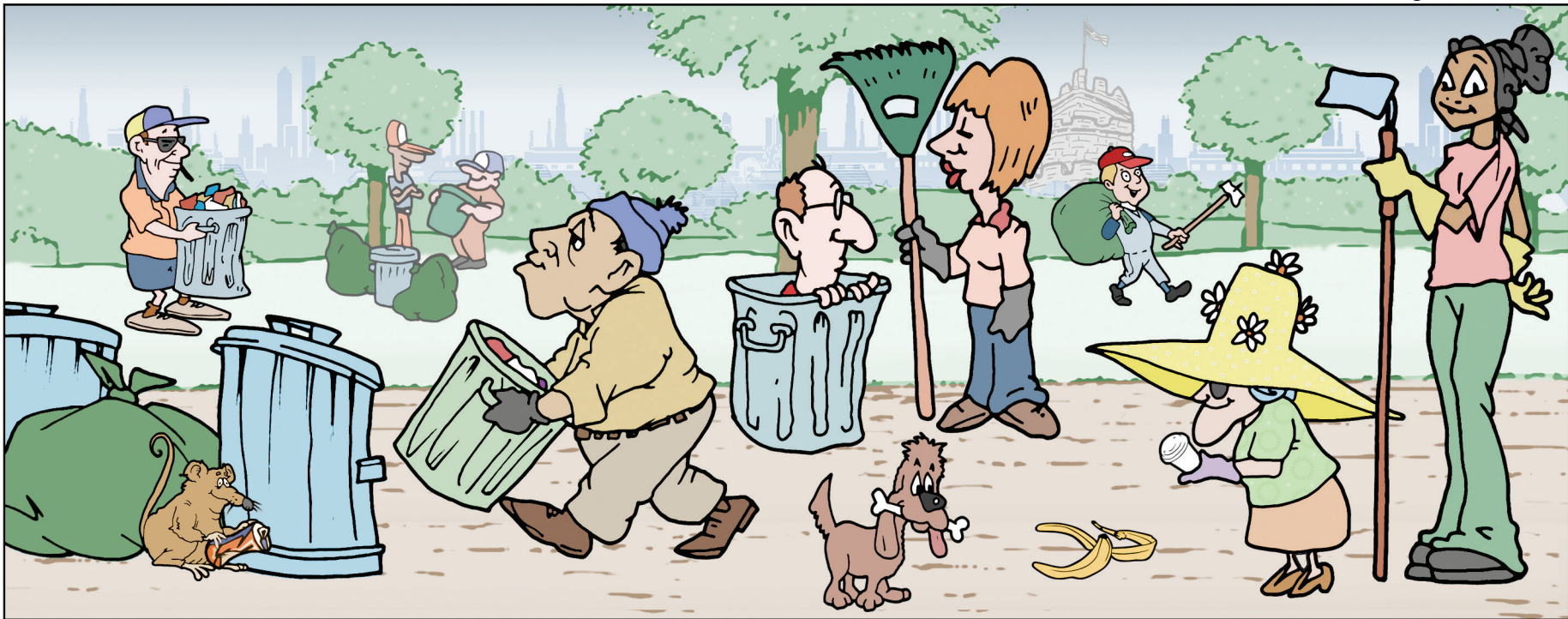
Historically, when societies became extremely unequal, either the rich would repress and disenfranchise the poor, or the poor would "turn to a demagogue who would overthrow the government — only to become a tyrant. Oligarchy or tyranny, economic inequality meant the end of the republic."

A transformation of our economic, social, and political institutions—that is, a revolution—would seem to be inevitable. Immanuel Wallerstein, the dean of World Systems Theory, forecasts capitalism's "terminal crisis" as coming in mid-century. Contrary to Marxist prophecies, he observes that "History is on nobody's side." *Continued on page 17*

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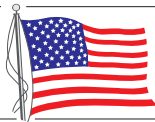
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The Mayor’s Spring Clean Up brings out the best in us for Somerville.

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Community volunteerism is an uplifting thing to observe and, especially, to participate in. When the efforts involved result in making the community a bit cleaner and a more comfortable place to live then it is all to the better.
So it is with the annual Somerville Spring Cleanup coming up this Saturday as many residents pitch in, pick up, and sweep out the old, unwanted refuse and

generally celebrate our mutual appreciation of the city we live and work in.
Not only do locals lend their time and elbow grease in doing the actual work involved, but many individuals and business concerns also donate tools and cleaning supplies to help out with the cleanup.
A community breakfast and BBQ will be held at the Blessing of the Bay Boat House on Shore Drive before and after

the cleanup, and the generous volunteers will be rewarded with fine food, drink, and fellowship. The warm glow of satisfaction with a very worthwhile job well done shall prevail, and everyone present should have a well-deserved good time.
It is comforting to see that in these times when so many with a cynical view of modern day society feel that most people are too selfish or lazy to contribute

to the common good, such ideas can be very wrong. There are still a lot of folks around who are more than willing to give of themselves in order to make the community a better place for all.
To volunteer for the clean up go to <http://www.somervillema.gov/news/somerville-spring-cleanup-scheduled-saturday-april-22>.
We thank you and salute you.

Newstalk CONT. FROM PG 2

Donald Norton at donaldfnorton@gmail.com or Bobby Potaris at potarisconstruction@yahoo.com.

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 websites in Newstalk. We guess it’s because we like them.

For those that might be interested in obtaining certification for firearms should look up the **Lawrence 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.

It’s 2017 and **Demet’s Donuts** over on Mystic Avenue is the best. We’re noticing more and more Somerville residents over there getting their coffee and donuts to start the day. The ladies working there are fantastic and always smiling. If you’re in the mood for a huge, great tasting donut drop over early since they disappear as the day gets on.

Good guy and a great alderman here in the city, **Bob McWatters** from **Ward 3** was seen just the other night walking around his ward and stopping in to say “Hi” on his way home on Summer Street. We hear his kickoff fundraiser is being planned for sometime in May. We know it’s going to be at the now famous **Sally O’Brien’s** on Somerville Avenue. Every time he has a fundraiser he packs them in like no one else does.

Oh boy, we hear that **Ward One Alderman McLaughlin** just might be facing two opponents this coming year. Both, we hear, are lifelong residents who are

very popular in the ward.

Union Square Main Streets is having a **Design Contest** for the **2017 Fluff Festival**. Do you have a great design to celebrate the 100th anniversary? Send it along. Submission deadline is Sunday, April 30. For more information: <http://www.unionsquaremain.org/2017-fluff-design-contest/>.

Mike’s Pastry, the iconic Italian bakery, will bring its famed cannoli’s, lobster tails and other pastries to **Assembly Row**, 445 Revolution Drive, beginning on **Thursday, April 20**. The store will open at 8:00 a.m. with **Annette Mercogliano**, one of the founding owners, serving the first cannoli. A formal ribbon cutting, featuring Somerville Mayor **Joe Curtatone**, will follow at 3:00 p.m. The opening marks the beginning of Assembly Row’s second phase, which will unfold throughout the year and feature new retailers, restaurants, entertainment venues and open-air space. Assembly Row will mark the third location for the 55-year-old bakery. Mike’s will be open every day from 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. It has indoor seating and accepts credit and debit cards at this location.

Celebrate **Arbor Day** at the **Quincy Street open space** with nature walks, art projects, tree planting and interactive activities for people of all ages. The **Somerville Arts Council** and the **Somerville Office of Sustainability and Environment** present the **Tiny Great Outdoors Festival**, a free Arbor Day and **SustainaVille** event, at the city’s tiniest “urban wild,” Quincy Street Open Space, 16 Quincy St., from noon to 2:00 p.m. **Sunday, April 23**. (Rain date: April 30.) Join scientists on tiny hikes in the park exploring wildlife here in Somerville. Learn how global warming is changing the environment, even in our backyards. Help plant a tree and take home a free seedling, and participate in activities, games, and art. The idea for the Tiny Great Outdoors Festival was dreamed up by **Greg Cook**, the freelance event planner behind Somerville’s **Pity Party** in 2015 and **Tiny Tall Ships Festival** in 2016. He created the festival to celebrate “urban wilds,” a term for what are often small pockets of nature within our cities. Located on the site of a burned down house, it’s been reclaimed as a tiny sustainable woodland landscape created in a dense, residential urban neighborhood.

Somerville Celebrates Patriot's Day

The City's annual Patriot's Day celebration was held at Foss Park on Monday. Today's events included Colonial games, light refreshments, live music by the Somerville High School band, and a visit from "Paul Revere" on horseback on his historic ride from Boston to Lexington through Somerville.





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Photos by Claudia Ferro



SPORTS

Lyric's Champs Skating Club wraps up another successful season

By Eric Saulnier
Somerville Fire Dept.

It was a star-studded event on April 2 at the Somerville rink, with many local celebrities coming out to show their support, headlined by Blades, the Boston Bruins mascot and Dave and Cathy Harrington of The Ryan Harrington Foundation.

Lyric's Champs Skating Club is a learn-to-skate program offered 100% free of charge and designed specifically for children with Autism Spectrum Disorder and other developmental disabilities. Lyric's Champs provides one-on-one skating instruction in a sensory friendly environment.

Sunday marked the end of their five-week program and put

a wrap on their third successful season for Lyric's Champs. On the surface, it looks simple but there's a lot that goes in to getting the yearly program off the ground and a lot of people who come together to make it happen. My wife Linda and I wanted to personally thank all the people that make it possible.

A big thank you to Dave and Cathy Harrington and family of The Ryan Harrington Foundation for providing the team with jerseys for each of the skaters. Thank you to The Brian Higgins Foundation for their on-ice instruction; the rink staff, John Curley and Steve Burlamachi; Joey Bariola of Razor's Barber-shop for making our custom made hockey stick frame; Pini's Pizza for our timely end of the



The Lyric's Champs Skating Club, with its free learn-to-skate program for children with developmental disabilities, just ended its latest successful season.

Ms. Cam's

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Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

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1. To win, you need to score five hits in which sport?

2. How many eggs at a time do the most productive starfish release?

3. What animal's skin is the source of true Moroccan leather?

4. What does the O stand for in O. J. Simpson?

5. Who sang *To All The Girls I've Loved Before* with Julio Iglesias?

6. Which color appears with white on the UN flag?

7. What first appeared in Ohio in 1914 to affect traffic?

8. Whose concert had 11 people trampled to death in Ohio in 1979?

9. What actress played *The Bionic Woman* in the 70s?

10. What is the BRAT diet?

11. What is the world's largest herb?

12. What part of the orange is the albedo?

Answers on page 23



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season pizza party; and Albie "Blades" Pellecchia for making a guest appearance and posing for 2,000 pictures with our skaters and their families. We'd also like to thank The Somerville Fire Department's Local 76 for their generous donation.

Last but certainly not least, a special thank you to all of our volunteer staff who sacrifice their Sunday each week for five

weeks. Growing the program to 20 skaters meant we needed 20 volunteers on the ice each week to keep the program to one-on-one instruction and as usual you folks shined. Without your generosity, time, and patience this wouldn't be possible. Job well done!

Each year for the past three years I have called on our community to help us with this program and each year I have

been overwhelmed by the love and support we have received. It means the world to us.

These are the people who support our community and I encourage you to support them. To learn more about these wonderful foundations or to donate, you can visit Thebrianhigginsfoundation.org and Ryanharringtonfoundation.org.

See you next season!

Meet and Greet with Julian Edelman



The PUMA Store at Assembly Row welcomed football star and New England favorite Julian Edelman to Somerville on Saturday, April 15. The beloved PUMA ambassador was in-store hosting a fan and consumer meet. During the event, fans got the chance to have their picture taken with Edelman. The line was long getting in to see Edelman, but fans thought it was well worth the wait.
— Photo by Ariana Colozzo

Historical Fact CONT. FROM PG 8

in his 1825 Lexington oration. Later, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow solidified Revere’s fame with his legendary 1860 poem, Paul Revere’s Ride.

Revere worked for and with his dear friend Dr. and General Joseph Warren, martyr of Bunker Hill. Somerville was almost named after him. Warren’s body was identified by Revere who had performed dental work on him. Revere’s next born son was named after the hero.

For many years, City Hall concourse was the setting for an unusual looking, rustic fountain called the Wilson Monument. It was constructed of surface rock from Revere’s original route in East Somerville that he and his steed traversed. One of Revere’s grandsons, Edward Revere Curtis, made Somerville his home. He was born on George Washing-



ton’s birthday, February 22, in the year 1822 when Boston became a city. He was a popular businessman and Alderman. Curtis Street in Teele Square was named after him. Out of 776 buildings lost in the Great Boston Fire of 1872, his was the last to burn.

History doesn’t officially record the name of Paul Revere’ horse. On that historic night, it was borrowed from his friend, Deacon John Larkin, and was nameless. It is known that he was astride the New England bred, Narragansett Pacer mare. This horse and her rider, Paul Revere, successfully spread the word throughout the countryside before the British raid on Lexington. Ironically, one of America’s greatest horse races was accomplished on ... a horse with no name!



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SCATV rebranded as
Somerville Media Center

After over 30+ years of operation, SCATV has created an umbrella brand for their three main programs: SCATV, Boston Free Radio, and Somerville Neighborhood News. The Somerville Media Center launch party will take place on April 28th from 12pm – 4pm at 90 Union Square. All are welcome to come and check out the new signage, have a tour, meet more of your community media neighbors and enjoy some snacks.



This is not to say that SCATV is going away. Nor is BFR or SNN, the other marquee activities at Somerville Media Center. In fact, the logo, designed by Annie Smidt of Somerville-based Durable Creative, a brand, design and web consultancy, specifically includes the SCATV, BFR & SNN initials in the design. Says Zipp, “After more than 30 years of building goodwill in the community under the name SCATV, the last thing we want to do is ‘throw the baby out with the bathwater.’” Zipp was quick to point out that cable TV content on SCATV channel 3 in Somerville, remains a core activity. However, “We want the expectation that comes to mind when referring to this organization to go beyond TV. We are Boston Free Radio. We are Somerville Neighborhood News. We have a vibrant youth media program, workshops in the media arts, and audio and video content shared not only on our web site, but via social media, youtube and beyond.”

Zipp also revealed that this planning predates his arrival in April 2016 as Executive Director. The SCATV board under Jesse Moos began the process more than a year ago with a committee comprised of board members and SCATV staff.

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Somerville students create new Logo for Somerville Community Preservation Committee

By Tom Bannister

When the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) decided to update their logo, they could have hired a professional, but instead they chose to partner with the talented students in the Somerville High School Graphic Design & Visual Communications Program of the Center for Career and Technical Education. By all accounts, it was a great choice.

Teacher Nelia Braga challenged the six seniors in the program to develop a new logo that reflected the work of the Community Preservation Committee and Somerville’s character as a city. So Dylan Alvarado, Anthony Araujo-Amaral, Steven Bates, Augusto Oliveira Da Silva, Michael Rosenberger, and Manny Santiago got to work. They coordinated closely with CPC members to refine their initial ideas into the final design, and both the new logo and the professionalism of the students garnered high praise.

“The future of Somerville be-

longs to our youngest residents, and we saw the logo project as an opportunity to both spread the word about the work of the CPA and to engage and celebrate the talent and energy of our teens,” said Liz Duclos-Orsello, CPC member and chair of the logo sub-committee. “It is with gratitude that we thank them and Ms. Braga for their seriousness of purpose, their professionalism, and the final product, which is truly a unique reflection of this wonderfully dynamic city. As a parent of an SHS student, a member of the CPC, and an advocate for service-learning and youth development in my professional life, I could not be prouder of this new logo and the process by which it came about.”

Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds can be used to fund affordable housing, historic preservation, open space and outdoor recreation land projects. The new logo artfully unites those four categories into one attractive design. Its four squares contain symbols that represent completed CPA projects in each

of the four funding areas. One image represents Prospect Hill Tower, which was stabilized with CPA funds in 2015 and is now open to the public for special events such as First Flag and docent tours during warm weather. Another represents CPA funds that are contributing to the creation of 45 new units of affordable housing in Somerville. The Community Path will be repaved this year and the City will start a design process to improve the existing Path, all using CPA funds, and an image of a bicycle on a path depicts that effort. Finally, the Board of Aldermen is currently considering the CPC’s recommendation to provide funding to the Mystic River Watershed Association and the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation to start a design process for the Blessing of the Bay Boathouse Park. A symbol of the river and park thus completes the logo.

“The CPA in Somerville is, I believe, a model of how the funding can be used to broad-



en the idea of who has a stake in the city’s future,” said Duclos-Orsello. “Part of this approach has been a commitment to increasing the range of voices and perspectives “at the table” at each step of our work. It was in this spirit that we reached out to the graphic design students at Somerville High School, rather than to a more traditional

graphic design consultant, to help us create a unique logo for CPA funded projects. The entire Community Preservation Committee commends them for their outstanding work. I hope they are as proud of the logo they created as we are of them.”

For more info on the CPA visit the City’s website at www.somervillema.gov/cpa.

Cooking for a cause CONT. FROM PG 1

income families, seniors and students, veterans, those with mental disabilities, and anyone else in need of a meal. Today, Community Cooks serve over a hundred meals each month to almost 4,000 participants.

“I can’t believe people take time out of their own life to cook food for someone like me, someone they don’t even know. I feel like part of a family,” a participant said.

There are different kinds of volunteers that keep the program running. Individual cooks sign up and are put in teams, or volunteers can create

their own teams with family and friends. Each member cooks one part of the meal – meat, side grain, vegetable or salad, and dessert or fruit. Larger teams, like workplaces or churches, can provide even more meals to those in need. Members also provide lunches or “snack packs,” with smaller meals of sandwiches and fruit.

In July 2016, Community Cooks began their “Year in Transition,” in which the founder and president, Vicky, began to step back. Since then, the organization has recruited a new program director to work with

the staff and community board members to continue the mission of Community Cooks. To celebrate Vicky’s many years of devotion, Community Cooks is holding a gala in her honor, aptly named Celebrate: Our Founder, Our Future.

The gala will be held on Saturday, May 20 at the MIT Media Lab in Cambridge, MA, featuring cocktails, hors d’oeuvres, an auction, and look the future of Community Cooks.

To find out more about Community Cooks and how you can help go to <http://community-cooks.org/>.



A world without jobs CONT. FROM PG 10

We have no way of anticipating whether the revolution will be peaceful or violent, whether it will result in an oligarchical and fascist police state, an egalitarian socialist democracy, or a descent into tribal barbarism.

But we can begin today to build the future that we hope for. The current President campaigned as a populist, but is appointing plutocrats. I understand the motivation behind the demonstrations that he has provoked. But too many demonstrators seem unwilling to talk—and more importantly, listen—to Trump’s supporters, who will dispropor-

tionately suffer from his policies. The demonstrators will need to learn what the Occupy Movement did not—how to build and sustain a structure, craft an effective strategy, and develop leadership. Strategically, they need to focus on issues that are winnable and, through winning, build their constituency and momentum.

Political economist Gar Alperovitz has the same idea in a different context. He describes a political checkerboard in which “some of the squares on the board are clearly blocked, but others are open. The goal, of

course, is to expand the number of squares that are receptive to democratization efforts...”

He’s not talking about national public policy, but about creating local and regional institutions that “restore economic health and sustainability in struggling communities [and] demonstrate viable alternatives to strategies that are faltering elsewhere.”

In his book, *What Then Must We Do?* he makes a case for building the future now with worker-owned businesses, community credit unions, municipally owned utilities, state-level single-payer healthcare, partic-

ipatory budgeting, mobilized faith communities, responsive universities, and more.

A serious challenge that we face is the disintegration of the institutions that once nourished community and in which people listened to each other, sought consensus, and planned actions. John McKnight’s and Peter Block’s *The Abundant Community* is as good a primer as any for community building tactics.

Creating the future that we want will be neither easy nor assured. Wallerstein writes that, “we have a fifty-fifty chance of getting the world system that we prefer. But

50-50 is a lot, not a little.”

Or if we are willing to risk the hopefulness expressed by Richard Brautigan, we might be comforted by another poet, Nikos Kazantzakis, who in an earlier era wrote,

*To be sure
the present moment and
the one immediately ahead
are horrifying and will
become increasingly so....
But the moment further on
In the distance will be
utterly brilliant.....
The belly of the earth
is still full of eggs...*

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CHILDREN AND YOUTH
Wednesday|April 19

East Branch Library
Sulinha for Kids! A multi-cultral music concert
11 a.m.- 12 p.m.|115 Broadway

Thursday|April 20

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

West Branch Library
Lego Club
3:30 p.m.-4:45 p.m.

Central Library
Lego Club
3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Friday|April 21

Central Library
TELL (Teen Library Leaders) Meeting
3 p.m. – 5 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Saturday|April 22

Central Library
Rehearsal of the Puppet Show Jack and the Beanstalk
10 a.m.-1 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Monday|April 24

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

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

West Branch Library
Book Club for Kids!
7 p.m.- 7:45 p.m.|40 College Ave

Tuesday|April 25

Central Library
Homeschool Reading Group for Ages 13-15
9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|79 Highland Ave

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

Central Library
Somerville High School Anime Club
2:45 p.m.-4:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Wednesday|April 26

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

Central Library
Teen Poster Making Contest for Earth Day and SustainaVille Week
3 p.m.-4:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

MUSIC|ARTS

Wednesday|April 19

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

The Burren
Front Room
Exile on Elm
Back Room
Backroom Series| Cantrip WITH Fódhla (Double Bill)|7:30 p.m.
Comedy Night With Jordan Handren-Seavey|10 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge
The Green Sisters
So + So
Ten Dollar
9 p.m.|345 Somerville Ave

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

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

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

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

Highland Kitchen
150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

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

Joshua Tree Bar & Grill
Pub Trivia
8:30 p.m.|256 Elm Street|(617) 623-9910

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
Wacken Metal Battle USA - Boston
FINAL
Coffin Birth, Goblet, Upheaval
9 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

The Rockwell
WICF: What a Joke!|7 p.m.
WICF: Crab Apples|9:30 p.m.
255 Elm St

Aeronaut Brewing Co.
Unnamed Colors
8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

Thursday|April 20

Sally O'Brien's
Spring Hill Rounders grassy Thursdays|7:30 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge
Radium Girls|8 p.m.
Autumn Passing (PA)
Mission Man
Dancehall Lounge
345 Somerville Ave

On The Hill Tavern
Live DJ Music
499 Broadway|617-629-5302

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

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

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

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

Thunder Road
Breakfast For The Boys CD Release
Party (Rock/Soul)
8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co.
2 Beat
9:30 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory
Castle of Comedy
7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

The Rockwell
Comedians from NYC's Greenwich Village Comedy Club|7 p.m.
Comedy Roast Battle Boston |9:30 p.m.
255 Elm St

Friday|April 21

Sally O'Brien's
Larry Flint & The Road Scholars |6 p.m.
Matt Minigell, The Spearmint Sea, Cold Expectations \$5 cover |9 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Front Room
Irish Session|9:30 p.m.
Backroom Series: Octopladd and The Page Turners|7 p.m.
Spike The Punch|10 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896 247

P.A.'s Lounge
Eye Witness
Brett Gleason --- Album Release Show
The Only Humans
Surf Vietnam
8 p.m.|345 Somerville Ave

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

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

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

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

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

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Live music
9 p.m.|608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

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Thunder Road
Pace Car Joe (Indie/Prog Rock)|8 p.m.
379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
Rock & Roll Rumble Finals with Special Guests
9 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co.
DJ Tina
8:30 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

The Rockwell
Shit Faced Shakespeare: Romeo and Juliet|7p.m.

WICF: Headlining Stand-Up Show-case|1 p.m.
255 Elm Street

Arts at the Armory
Richard Cambridge's Poets' Theatre
8 p.m.|Café
Lee Camp
8:30 p.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

Saturday|April 22

Sally O'Brien's
Patsy Hamel Band |6 p.m.
HereNowLive presents Dioniso, sueos rotos, Los Stone \$10 cover |9 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge
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The Stampede
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345 Somerville Ave

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Karaoke
65 Holland St

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Live Band & DJ
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Thunder Road
Disco Saturdays @ Pop Icon Brunch
Thunder Road|11 a.m.
Barns & Zac Mac Band (Alt Rock)|8 p.m.
379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
The Hot 8 Brass Band
Viva La Hop
8:30 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

The Rockwell
255 Elm Street
Aeronaut Brewing Co.
14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory
Ars Nexa Tempora
8 p.m.|Performance Hall
Penny 4 Ya Thoughts?
8 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Sunday|April 23

Sally O'Brien's Bar
Roy Sludge Trio |6 p.m.
John DeCarlo & Company|9 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

PA'S Lounge
345 Somerville Ave
Bull McCabe's Pub
Dub Apocalypse
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

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

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

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

Thunder Road
Kelly Clarkson's Birthday Brunch: "Catch My Brunch"|10 a.m.
Americana Sundays w/ Greg Klyma
7 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co.
April Residency: Sammy D and the Late Risers|2 p.m.
14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory
Randy Black with Thea Hopkins
4 p.m.|Café
7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

The Rockwell
WICF: Diversity Comedy Showcase|1 p.m.
WICF: The Adults Only Children's Show|4 p.m.
WICF: Mom and Dad Are Out of the House|7 p.m.
WICF: Festival Closing Show|9:30

p.m.
255 Elm St

Monday|April 24

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

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

P.A.'s Lounge
345 Somerville Ave

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

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

Thunder Road
Jatra Nepal Proudly Presents Jam @ 9 Session VI Boston Featuring Yantra
7 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
156 Highland Ave

Arts at the Armory
Queer Tango
6:30 p.m.|Café
Skillshare: All About Astrology
7 p.m.|Café
Skillshare: Social Justice Poetry
8 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Tuesday|April 25

Sally O'Brien's Bar
The Silver Mirrors, Duskwhales
9 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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

PA's Lounge
Open Mic Night
345 Somerville Ave

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

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

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

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

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

Thunder Road
379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
Simpsons Trivia|8 p.m.
Isenordal|10p.m.
Glacier
156 Highland Ave

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

Wednesday|April 26

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

The Burren
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge
Bright Brown|8 p.m.
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Bearly Dead – Wednesday Night

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8 p.m.| 379 Somerville Ave

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8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

The Rockwell
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8 p.m.|255 Elm St

Aeronaut Brewing Co.
The Freeway Revival Band
8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory
Music of Reality: Beauty from Nothing
6 p.m.|Performance Hall
Hearth Book Club
7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

CLASSES AND GROUPS

Wednesday|April 19

Central Library
SCATV fake news session
10 a.m.- 1 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Thursday|April 20

Ciampa Manor
Intergenerational Music Program
10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|27 College Ave.

East Branch Library
Family Game Night!
6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|115 Broadway

Central Library
Trust Women Coalition General Meeting
7 p.m.-8:45 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Central Library
Fiddler Christine Hedden
7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

West Branch Library
Learn English at the Library!
(Session 1) 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
(Session 2) 7:15 p.m.-8:15 p.m.
40 College Ave

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

First Church Somerville
Debtors Anonymous- a 12 Step program for people with problems with money and debt. 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|89 College Ave (Upstairs Parlor).
For more info call: 781-762-6629
Saturday|April 22

Central Library
Reading with James William Brown
3 p.m.-4 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Somerville Winters Farmer Market
9:30 a.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

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

Sunday|April 23

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

Monday|April 24

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

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

Central Library
Pathways to Carbon Neutrality
7 p.m.-8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Tuesday|April 25

Central Library
Learn English at the Library
6 p.m. - 7 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Wednesday|April 26

Central Library
Author Event: Master Thieves with Steve Kurkjian
6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Central Library
Mystery Book Club
6:30 p.m.-8:45 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

PLACES TO GO, THINGS TO DO!

SENIOR CENTER HAPPENINGS:

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

All clubs and groups welcome new members.

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

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

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

The Council on Aging wants you! – The SCOA is supporting D.A. Marian Ryan’s Project C.A.R.E. and Project Linus. Helping children of trauma have some comfort in their time of need by providing them with home-made blankets. Help us reach our goal of 200 blankets. Knitted, crochet or handmade fleece accepted. Please contact Debby Higgins at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321.

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

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

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

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

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

Howie Newman – Thursday, April 20 - 10:30 a.m. at our Holland Street Center. Join us for a morning of baseball songs and trivia. Lunch & bingo will be held following the performance. Please RSVP by calling 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Memory Café – Wednesday, May 3 – 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. at our Holland Street Center – The café is geared towards individuals with early to moderate Alzheimer’s and their care partners as well as those who worry about memory problems. For additional information, contact Natasha or Ashley at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Gentle Movement Workshop – Monday, May 8 – 10:00 a.m. at our Holland Street Center. Contemporary

dance artist Heather Stewart will lead a gentle movement workshop. Please sign up by calling 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Storytelling through Art with Linda Cohen – Fridays, May 12, 19 and 26 – 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at our Holland Street Center. Bring colored pencils. For additional information, questions or to RSVP please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Women’s Group – Starting Tuesday, May 16 - from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at our Holland Street Center. This group will meet the 3rd Tuesday of each month starting in May. May 16th, June 20th, July 18th, August 15th, September 19th, October 20th – Please call Ashley at 617-625-6600, ext. 2318 to sign up. Space is limited.

Singer/Entertainer Tommy Rull – Tuesday, May 23rd - 12:30 p.m. at our Holland Street Center. Join us for a musical journey through the years. Lunch will be served. RSVP by calling 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Stayin Alive: Bee Gees Tribute – Tuesday, May 23 - \$83 per person includes transportation, lunch and show at the Danversport Yacht Club. For questions, additional information or to reserve your spot please call Kim or Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Reminiscing Group – starting Friday, May 26 and running for 5 months on the fourth Friday, June 23, July 28, August 25 and September 22. 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at our Holland Street Center. Join the Reminiscing Group as we go back in time. To RSVP and join the fun please contact Debby Higgins at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321.

Union Square: The History of Somerville’s Oldest Commercial District – Wednesday, May 31 – 10:30 a.m. at our Holland Street Center. Slideshow and discussion about the economic history of Union Square. Please RSVP by calling 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Mohegan/Foxwoods – June 1st and 2nd - \$219 per person single and \$169 per person double – includes motorcoach transportation, one nights lodging and casino bonuses. Check in time is 7:30 a.m. at Ralph & Jenny on Thursday, June 1st with an approximate return time of 7:00 p.m. on Friday, June 2nd. For more information or to reserve your spot contact Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Tall Ships – Tuesday, June 20th - \$57 includes narrated tour along historical Boston Harbor and lunch at the Mt. Vernon Restaurant. Check in time is 9:30 a.m. at Holland Street and 10:00 a.m. at Ralph & Jenny with an approximate return time of 4:30 p.m. For more information or to reserve your spot contact Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

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. Call Natasha at 617-625-6600 ext. 2300 to sign up for our “Friendly Caller” Program.

The trip to Mohegan Sun scheduled for Tuesday, April 18th is SOLD OUT.

The Older American’s Month Celebration scheduled for Monday, May 1st at the WHYC is SOLD OUT.

Mother’s Day Super Bingo scheduled for Tuesday, May 9th is BOOK SOLID.

The trip to the Kentucky Derby scheduled for May 4th – 9th is SOLD OUT.

The day trip to the Lowell Spinners scheduled for Thursday, August 10th is SOLD OUT.

The Pine Grove Dude Ranch trip scheduled for September 24th – 20th is BOOK SOLID. Call Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 to put your name on the waiting list should there be an opening.

The trip to NYC scheduled for December 8th, 9th and 10th is SOLD OUT. Call Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 to put your name on the waiting list should there be an opening.

LGBTQ EVENTS:

LGBTQ Health & Wellness Fair – Thursday, April 27 from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. at our Holland Street Center. For more information call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

LGBTQ Advisory Group – This group meets quarterly in the conference room of our Holland Street Center at 4:30 p.m. and run for one hour. We are always looking for new members who would like to serve on the Advisory Group. Please call Debby Higgins, Outreach Coordinator at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321 or email dhiggins@Somervillema.gov if you have any questions or if

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

2017 Advisory Dates – 4:30-5:30 p.m. at Holland St. July 10, October 16.

2017 Event Dates
April 27 – Health Fair @ Holland St. Center 4:30-6 p.m.
June 2 – Dance @ The Holiday Inn 6:00 p.m.

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.

Weekly Exercise Class Schedule
Holland = (H) Ralph & Jenny = (RJ) Cross Street = (C)

Mondays:
1:00 Fit-4-Life Group C (H)

Tuesdays:
9:15 Strengthening - \$3 per class (H)
11:15 Fit-4-Life (C)
1:00 Dalcroze Eurhythmics***
6:00 LBT Fit-4-Life* (H)

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

Thursdays:
9:00 Yoga (H) (5 week series) – On hiatus till January
9:30 Strengthening - \$3 per class (RJ)
11:15 Fit-4-Life (C)
6:00 LBT Fit-4-Life*(H)

Fridays:
8:45 Fit-4-Life Group A (H) - Exercise
10:00 Fit-4-Life Group B (H) – Exercise
*All Fit-4-Life classes are \$10 per month and require pre-registration

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

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

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

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

Every Friday
9:45 Coffee & Conversations (H)
11:30 Lunch (H)
11:45 Bingo (H)

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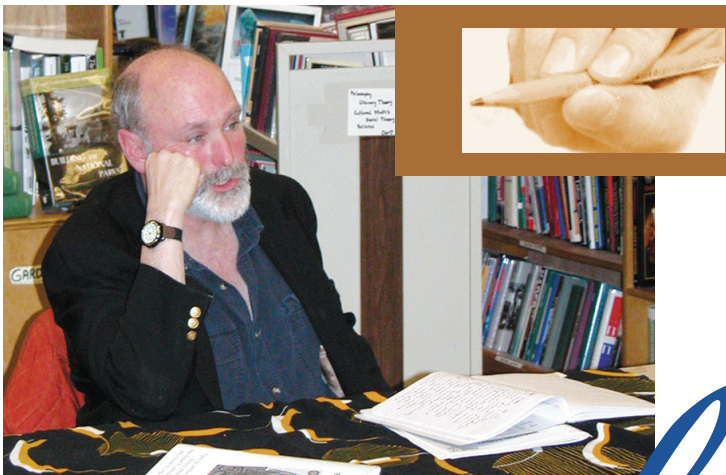
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12:00pm	The Thom Hartman Show	6:00am	SCATV Community Bulletin Board	10:00pm	The Folklorist	7:00pm	Start Up TV Boston
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1:30pm	Fallon's Daily Toast	8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	11:00pm	Flotilla	8:00pm	(LIVE) Somerville Overcoming Addiction
2:00pm	StartUp TV Boston	9:00am	Caring for Others: Caring for Ourselves	Sunday, April 23		9:00pm	Dedilhando au Saudade
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5:30pm	Justicia Migrante	12:00pm	The Thom Hartman Show	9:00am	Heritage Baptist Church	6:00am	SCATV Community Bulletin Board
6:00pm	Rising Up! with Sonali (Free Speech TV)	1:00pm	Aging Well	10:00am	Aging Well	7:30am	Art at SCAT
7:00pm	The Beantown Beatdown	1:30pm	Health is Wealth	10:30am	International Church of God	8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
8:00pm	LIVE: Somerville Pundits	2:00pm	Somerville Neighborhood News	11:00am	Chef's Table Series	9:00am	The Chef's Table Series
8:30pm	LIVE: Heavy Leather Topless Dance Party	2:30pm	SCOUTV	12:00pm	Let's Talk Somerville Real Estate	10:00am	Estoy Sano!
9:30pm	Beyond Boston	3:00pm	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	12:30pm	Health is Wealth	10:30am	Fallon's Daily Toast
10:00pm	SCATV Presents: Duck Village Stage Series	4:00pm	Gay USA	1:00pm	Tufts University Jumbo Sports	11:00am	What's Left
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Thursday, April 20		5:30pm	What's New Massachusetts	4:00pm	Dedilhando a Saudade	12:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show
6:00am	SCATV Community Bulletin Board	6:00pm	Real Estate Answers	5:00pm	Bate Papo com Shirley	1:00pm	(LIVE) Words on Film
7:30am	Esoteric Science	6:30pm	The Language of Business	6:00pm	DW In Good Shape	2:00pm	Somerville Pundits
8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	7:00pm	StartUp TV Boston	6:30pm	Somerville Neighborhood News Digest	2:30pm	Taking Back Your Health
9:00am	SCATV Throwback Thursday	7:30pm	(LIVE) Fallon's Daily Toast	7:00pm	African Television Network	3:00pm	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
9:30am	Somerville Pundits	8:00pm	(LIVE) The Somerville Line	8:00pm	Telemagazine	4:00pm	Aging Well
10:00am	Dead Air Live	10:00pm	Heavy Leather Topless Dance Party	9:00pm	Public Domain Film Festival	4:30pm	The Struggle
11:00am	Greater Somerville	11:00pm	Simply Hanging with Pete and Nate	11:00pm	Simply Hanging with Pete and Nate	5:00pm	(LIVE) Poet to Poet/Writer to Writer
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4:00pm	Poet to Poet/Writer to Writer	9:00am	Jeff Jam Sing Song Show	8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	7:30pm	(LIVE) Greater Somerville
4:30pm	Off the Shelf	9:30am	Henry Parker Presents	9:00am	SCATV presents Duck Village Stage Sessions	8:00pm	(LIVE) Dead Air Live
5:00pm	DW Global 3000	10:00am	TeleGalaxie	10:00am	Perils for Pedestrians	9:00pm	Public Access Boyz
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Wednesday, April 21							
9:00am	Women's History Month Celebration	12:00pm	SomerViva em Português	2:00am	Inventing the Charles River	5:00pm	Seriously Somerville w/Jimmy Del Ponte
10:00am	Seriously Somerville w/Jimmy Del Ponte	12:30pm	Congressional Update	3:30am	Life Resurrected	6:00pm	Connecting Communities
12:00pm	Raising Families "Special Needs Education"	1:00pm	Patriots Day Celebration	9:00am	Connecting Communities	7:00pm	Senior Circuit "Learn to Live Your Life Well"
12:30pm	Somerville's 175th Birthday Celebration	2:00pm	Seriously Somerville w/Jimmy Del Ponte	10:00am	Senior Circuit "Learn to Live Your Life Well"	8:00pm	SomerViva em Português
1:00pm	Seriously Somerville w/Jimmy Del Ponte	6:00pm	Mayor's Business Town Meeting	11:00am	Congressional Update	9:00pm	Congressional Update
1:30pm	Connecting Communities	7:30pm	Rally Point	12:00pm	Patriots Day Celebration	10:00pm	Guns n' Hoses Hockey Game
2:00pm	SomerViva em Português	8:00pm	Life Resurrected	12:30pm	Seriously Somerville w/Jimmy Del Ponte	Tuesday, April 25	
6:30pm	Guns n' Hoses Hockey Game	9:00pm	Patriots Day Celebration	1:00pm	Davis Sq. Neighborhood Meeting	12:00am	Life Resurrected
7:30pm	Seriously Somerville w/ Jimmy Del Ponte	9:30pm	Maura Healey Town Hall	3:00pm	Charles Bulfinch & the Barrell Mansion	1:00am	Connecting Communities
8:00pm	Patriots Day Celebration	11:00pm	Rally Point	4:30pm	Maura Healey Town Hall	1:30am	Seriously Somerville w/ Jimmy Del Ponte
Thursday, April 20		Saturday, April 22		6:00pm	Connecting Communities	2:00am	Life Resurrected
9:00am	Patriots Day Celebration	12:00am	Life Resurrected	7:00pm	Senior Circuit "Learn to Live Your Life Well"	9:00am	Parks & Recreation Fair
9:30am	Keep Moving: Exercises for Older Adults	9:00am	Davis Sq. Neighborhood Meeting	8:00pm	Congressional Update	9:30am	Women's History Month Celebration
12:00pm	Connecting Communities	11:00am	Congressional Update	9:00pm	Patriots Day Celebration	10:30am	Cong. Michael Capuano Town Meeting
1:00pm	Senior Circuit "Learn to Live Your Life Well"	11:30am	Connecting Communities	9:30pm	Seriously Somerville w/Jimmy Del Ponte	1:00pm	Maura Healey Town Hall
2:00pm	Seriously Somerville w/Jimmy Del Ponte	12:00pm	Life Resurrected	10:00pm	Davis Sq. Neighborhood Meeting	2:30pm	Patriots Day Celebration
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7:30pm	Patriots Day Celebration	2:30pm	Greek Independence Day Celebration	12:00am	Charles Bulfinch & the Barrell Mansion	3:30pm	Connecting Communities
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Educational TV 15 Schedule

Wednesday, April 21							
9:00am	2017 Youth Peace Conference	11:30pm	SHS Boys Basketball Highlights 2016-17	2:30pm	Our Schools, Our City - Student Leaders	11:00am	Our Schools, Our City - Student Leaders
12:00pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Kennedy School	Friday, April 21		3:30pm	2017 SHS National Honor Society	12:00pm	2017 SHS National Honor Society Induction
12:30pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Brown School	12:00am	SHS Girls Basketball Highlights 2016-17	5:00pm	SHS Boys Basketball Highlights 2016-17	1:30pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Kennedy School
1:00pm	2017 SCAP Annual Meeting	12:30am	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Brown School	5:30pm	SHS Girls Basketball Highlights 2016-17	2:00pm	2017 SHS National Honor Society
3:00pm	SHS Boys Basketball Highlights 2016-17	1:00am	2017 Youth Peace Conference	6:00pm	SHS Football 2016	3:30pm	SHS Boys Basketball Highlights 2016-17
3:30pm	SHS Girls Basketball Highlights 2016-17	4:00am	Public Domain Theater	7:00pm	Argenziano School Malian Drum & Dance	4:00pm	SHS Girls Basketball Highlights 2016-17
4:00pm	Our Schools, Our City -Student Leaders	9:00am	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Brown School	8:00pm	2017 Youth Peace Conference	4:30pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Brown School
4:30pm	SHS Football 2016	9:30am	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Kennedy School	10:00pm	Our Schools, Our City - Student Leaders	5:00pm	2017 SCAP Annual Meeting
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8:00pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Kennedy School	11:30am	SHS Football 2016	12:00am	2017 Youth Peace Conference	8:00pm	2017 SHS National Honor Society
8:30pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Brown School	12:00pm	El Sistema Somerville Concert	2:30am	SHS Boys Basketball Highlights 2016-17	9:30pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Kennedy School
9:00pm	2017 SCAP Annual Meeting	1:00pm	SHS Career & Technical Education Fair	3:00am	SHS Girls Basketball Highlights 2016-17	10:00pm	2017 SHS National Honor Society
11:00pm	SHS Boys Basketball Highlights 2016-17	1:30pm	Girls Indoor Soccer Finals 2017	9:00am	Our Schools, Our City - Student Leaders	Tuesday, April 25	
Thursday, April 20		3:00pm	Our Schools, Our City - Student Leaders	9:30am	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Brown School	12:00am	SHS Boys Basketball Highlights 2016-17
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		1:00am	2017 Youth Peace Conference	9:00pm	SHS Football 2016	5:00pm	2017 Youth Peace Conference
		3:00am	Public Domain Theater	9:30pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Kennedy School	8:00pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Kennedy School
		9:00am	SHS Boys Basketball Highlights 2016-17	Monday, April 24		8:30pm	Student of the Qtr. Awards - Brown School
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OFF THE SHELF

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Somerville Poet Sharon Amuguni chats about the Massachusetts Poetry Festival

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With increments of spring beginning to appear, residents of Massachusetts are looking forward to the potential for activity that good weather brings. As a poet residing in Somerville, a creative, and member of Mass Poetry staff, I am especially looking forward to the start of spring because it signals the oncoming of the Massachusetts Poetry festival.



In its 9th year the Massachusetts Poetry Festival, a three-day festival in Salem dedicated to poetry, is doing a remarkable job of highlighting the complex diversity of the state. The workshops mirror the wide range of lives and how poetry and the arts intertwine with unexpected facets. This year we're excited to host a variety of panels and workshops with themes ranging from character development for maternal poetry, post rock poetry, building bridges between physics and poetry, to seeds for multilingual multicultural narrative poems. We've got a panel for every type of writer. The multitude of events is something we're proud of and is an indicator of how multifaceted our state is. Along with that we're pleased to be able to bring in renowned poets into the local sphere.

more accessible to the greater public. I believe it's vital that we work towards removing the idea that poetry is a cumbersome solely academic subject critiqued in university classrooms and far away fellowships by older men with degrees and publications. Poetry has many faces each stemming from individuals with varied experiences.

Of course, the headliners are always a big hit, drawing a wide crowd of devoted poetry cohorts from all over the state. This year I look forward to hearing from Kazim Ali, Louise Gluck and Ross Gay, as well as local poet Emily Pettit, who I heard speak at my first Student Day of Poetry workshop. Each writer brings a narrative distinctive to their experience.

But, truly my favorite aspect of the Massachusetts Poetry festival is what goes on amidst the headliners. Sitting in on the smaller workshops, I am always impressed by the wide reach that poetry has. Throughout the weekend, I witness poets who usually moonlight as teachers, dog walkers, and mathematicians get the opportunity to unfold in their natural environment. For many, these workshops are a chance to shed the weight of their daily responsibilities and bask in their identity as writers and creatives. The audience is a mix of all ages, students, families, poetry lovers and strangers who happen to wander into downtown Salem. For both workshop leaders and participants, the three-day festival is a moment of shared joy, catharsis, and expression.

At the end of the weekend what I hope festival goers take away is that there isn't one monolithic approach to poetry. You don't have to be a best-selling author, or headliner to write or be interested in poetry. Within our sixty plus workshops there are everyday people sharing how poetry moves them in their daily lives. That's the real essence of the Massachusetts Poetry Festival, making poetry

Poetry is not this unfathomable thing separate from you. It is what your dentist devotes their free time to, how your mother finds peace when you leave for school, how children learn about their own emotions. It's a tool for healing, a medium for community activism and a mouthpiece social justice.

I see this urge to synthesize art and community activism present throughout Somerville. From finding remnants of Mary Oliver's poems meticulously placed in hidden corridors (which happened to a friend of mine earlier this week) to seeing organizations like Somerville Media Center, there is a focus on utilizing the power of the arts to revitalize communities.

This want to bring poetry and the arts to the forefront of the public experience is shared at Mass Poetry. Through our Poetry on the T and raining Poetry projects we aim to bring poetry to the people and push forward this notion of poetry being a present and uniting element in everyone's life. We hope to act as a resource to make it accessible to all community members.

In these next weeks prior to the festival, I implore all community members in Somerville and beyond to set aside some time. Explore how poetry may have played a role in your life and those around you. How access to resources or lack thereof affects individuals and communities' ability to grow creatively. Then stop by the festival for a day. Bring a friend that loves poetry, two friends who may not be as well versed and a host of strangers with no idea of what to expect. Expose them to the power and freedom in poetry. Most importantly, after the weekend ends, act. Continue to use creative production in your daily lives. Use it to inspire others and explore your own understanding of the issues around you. Use it to showcase diversity and as a platform for activism, knowing that there is a place for everyone in the world of poetry.

— SharonAmuguni

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For Molly

We skipped high school just once
when Borges spoke at First Church

we biked the five quiet blocks
leaving English class behind

Mr. Randall's "who's that?"
made us feel even more smug

we squeezed into the back
he was tiny behind a table

bald head muttering at
a microphone that didn't work

now Mr. Randall's dead too
and we're on opposite coasts

— Margaret Young

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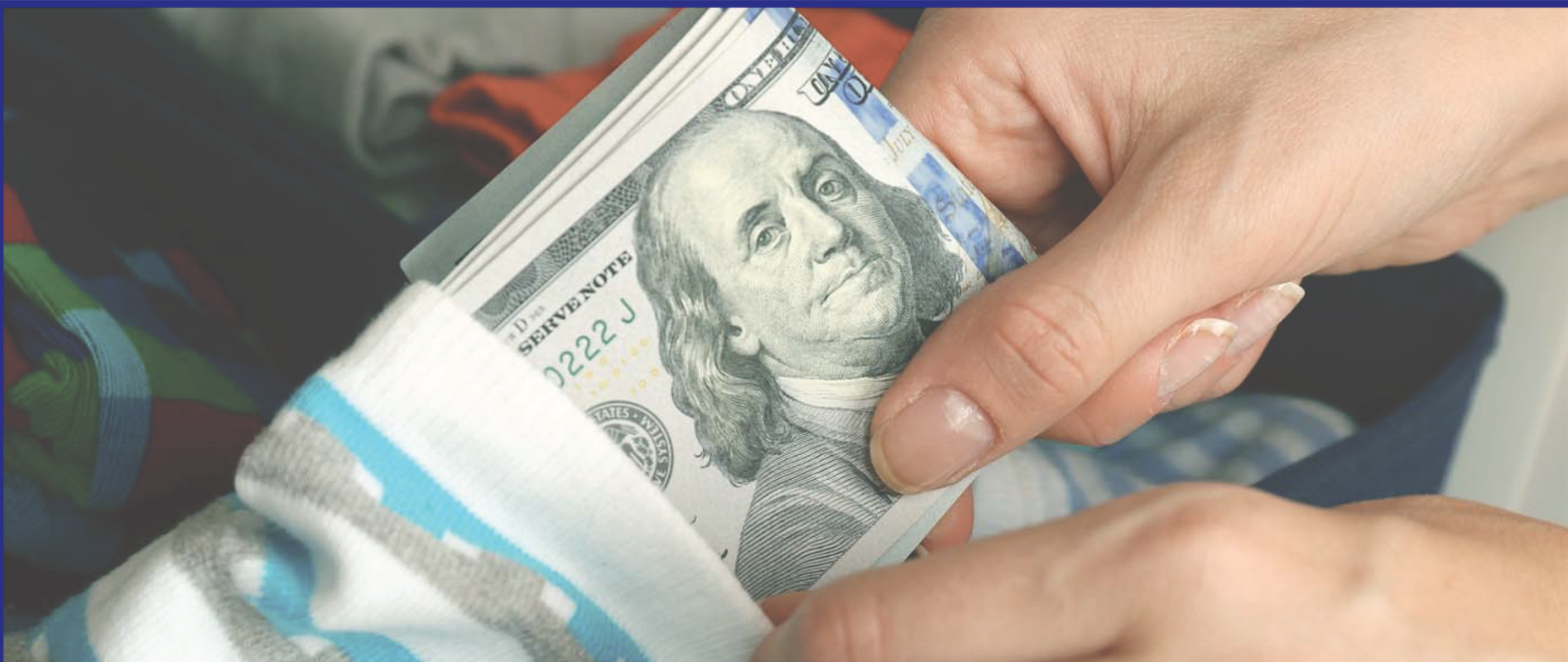
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Answers

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| 1. Fencing | 8. The Who |
| 2. Up to 2.5 million | 9. Lindsey Wagner |
| 3. The goat | 10. A diet of bananas, rice, applesauce and toast |
| 4. Orenthal | 11. The banana |
| 5. Willie Nelson | 12. The bitter-tasting white tissue |
| 6. Blue | |
| 7. Traffic lights | |

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