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Board of Aldermen addresses public health and safety



The city is taking a closer look at needed infrastructure improvements following reports of inadequate lighting

By Sal Ghamo

On April 28 Somerville's Board of Aldermen discussed developments concerning the committee on public health and safety that last met on April 19.

For the bulk of the April 19 meeting, Alderman at Large John M. Connolly made reference to the lack of street lamp contractor

The Department of Public Works (DPW) commissioner Stanley Koty attended the meeting. Koty spoke in detail about the 805 new lights that had been installed on Broadway, Medford Street, Highland Avenue, as well as on the main and crosstown roadways.

The DPW is currently looking into why 79 of the new lamps do not have power. Koty will be communicating with Eversource to solve the problem. Power outages have also been reported, and the work schedule Continued on page 4

Generous residents turn out for the annual Somerville Spring Cleanup

By Jim Clark

The annual Spring Cleanup and Community Barbecue took place on Saturday, April 30, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

All participants were invited to meet at the Blessing of the Bay Boat House on Shore Drive, at 9:00 a.m. for breakfast with local elected officials and coffee before setting out to help clean up their respective wards.

After the Cleanup, a free community BBQ will take place at the Boat House.

Residents were invited to join Ward Captains and city officials in each of the city's seven wards to help prepare the city for the spring and summer by planting flowers, weeding open spaces, and otherwise cleaning our community following the long winter months.

Refreshments, t-shirts, and hats were provided to all participants and they were invited to the community barbecue immediately following the cleanup.



Residents came together, then spread out through the city to help clean up and spruce up areas where a little – Photo by Donald Norton

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Ward 4 Alderman Tony Lafuente will be hosting his Fourth Annual Cinco De Mayo celebration plus fundraiser next week on Wednesday, May 11. Tony's choices are always good. This year it will be held at the newly opened Winter Hill Brewing Company, 329 Broadway in Winter Hill. The event will be from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tony knows how to throw an event and if you haven't been to the new Winter Hill Brewing Co. then check it out.

A good guy and friend to many here in the city, Alderman at Large Bill White, has told us he's going to have a fundraiser coming up on June 2 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Cantina La Mexicana. As soon as he sets it in motion, we will let you know. We're very lucky to have Bill on the Board of Alderman. He's one of the smartest and most forward thinking aldermen we have. He is currently in his fourth year as President of the Board of Alderman. You know you're good when your colleagues on the Board keep voting for you every year for the office of President. Not in our lifetime has that accomplishment ever been made.

The good Alderman from Ward 7, Katjana Ballantyne, who is also Vice President of the Board, will be hosting a fundraiser herself on Monday, May 23, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at 212 Holland Street. Alderman Katjana is a new face on the scene here in Somerville. She's doing a great job up there in Ward 7, as we're told by many who live there.

We hear that the committee on pay raises for non-union employees will be submitting their recommendations very shortly. We also hear that they are recommending a substantial pay

ly. We also hear that they are recommending a substantial pay raise for the aldermen. The aldermen are also looking to hire assistants, especially for those who don't have full time jobs. As we all know, they do work hard but it's a part-time position under the City Charter. We will be following very closely the report when it's finished and presented to both the administration and then to the aldermen. Remember, budget time is coming up and there's a lot on the city's agenda: the new high school, City Hall and library, and pay

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TheSomervilleTimes.com Comments of the Week

Response to: Important and urgent

Bill Shelton says:

CORRECTION: In my haste to submit this column on deadline, I transcribed the wrong amount of monthly revenue that we are foregoing by not having a transfer fee in place. The correct number, based on the last three years of Somerville property sales, should be around \$1 million, not \$6 million. (article has been corrected)

timmy says:

this article is crap, to say new residents are somehow lesser than current residents because they can afford current market prices is just laughable

in the USA prices go up and neighborhoods change, deal with it

Jim G. says:

Love this anti-speculation tax and a transfer fee idea. That should put the brakes on some of this looney business. Great thinking.

MarketMan says:

I have generally been opposed to affordable housing, because the implementations that I have seen proposed don't work in my opinion. But this one seems interesting, but I don't understand them. Is there a document you can point me to so that I can understand the details? How does the land trust work? How are prices kept below market rate, etc?

timmy: I think he is proposing a way to deal with it:)

it's not about new vs current residents having priority. It's about building communities that go beyond just the highest bidder.

Bill Shelton says:

Thank you for your questions, MarketMan. The hyperlinks in the column are to sites that contain extensive answers. To summarize them, community land trusts buy and own land, while individuals and families only have to pay for the homes on that land.

The homes are kept permanently affordable by deed restrictions that limit the amount of equity that homeowners can appropriate when they sell. They will realize a reasonable capital gain, rather than the 56-to-80% appreciation that we've seen in just five years.

This form of ownership may be of an entire home, or as a share of a limited-equity co-op. Often, limited-equity homeowners accumulate savings that they eventually use as a down payment on property that has no such restriction. People who purchase the homes receive the benefits of homeownership, such as the mortgage interest deduction on their federal income taxes. For moderate-income families, this is an enormous savings. The city receives property taxes that nonprofit housing organizations would not pay.

The market become less volatile and the community, more stable. The more that market prices inflate, the more affordable, relative to the market, these homes become. And home owners tend to invest themselves more in the life of the community than do renters.

This form of ownership isn't for everyone. But it's good to have it as an option.

Response to: Paper or plastic? Somerville wants neither

A Moore says:

Too many decisions made for me here which is why I no longer shop or get takeout food in Somerville. I will decide what I want or don't want. This is still America.

Celia Morgan says:

Store bags are not formulated to break down in the landfills like actual trash bags are. They are built to last. The right ones may cost a bit (not that much really) but it's the responsible thing to do. That's why these laws are being enacted. People are not doing it voluntarily.

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Tracking unaccompanied youth in Somerville

By Charles Lane

According to information provided by the City of Somerville, there is a lack of comprehensive information about homeless youth both nationally and locally. But an effort is underway to gain a clearer understanding of the demographics, housing status, and story of youth without a stable place to stay on any given night in area communities including Somerville.

For the third year in a row, the Massachusetts Commission on Unaccompanied Homeless Youth, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development, and the Interagency Council on Housing and Homelessness are partnering with the 16 Continuums of Care (CoC) in Massachusetts, including the Somerville-Arlington CoC, to conduct a count and survey of unaccompanied homeless youth.

The Commission defines an unaccompanied homeless youth as a person 24 years of age or younger who is not in the physical custody or care of a parent or legal guardian, and who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. In 2014, 24 youth in Somerville met the Commission's definition of homeless, 18 youth met HUD's definition of homeless, and 9 youth were potentially experiencing risk.

The Somerville-Arlington CoC, which



is led by the City of Somerville, is one of the 16 CoCs partnering in the statewide youth count, and has also been involved with efforts for the past two years as well. The CoC has partnered with Wayside, JRI, Baycove and Teen Empowerment, and from May 2 to May 15, 2016, emergency shelters, street outreach teams and other service providers in Somerville and Arlington will help count unaccompanied homeless youth and young adults.

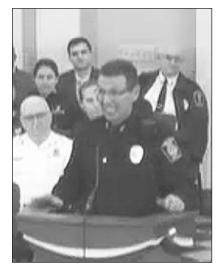
Somerville and Arlington providers will survey young people known to be unstably housed in areas where youth congregate, as well as at drop-in centers, community meal sites, and other programs. Agencies throughout both municipalities will have hard copies of the surveys available in both Spanish and English, and there is also an online survey in English which can be accessed from May 2 to May 15 at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/massyouth.

For more information about the count, please contact Kelly Donato at 617-625-6600 x2560 or kdonato@somervillema.gov.

City honors Jerry Carvalho

At the latest regular of the Board of Aldermen on April 28, Alderman at Large Jack Connolly, the Entire Board of Aldermen, and Mayor Curtatone commended Jerry Carvalho for 40 years of dedicated service to the Auxiliary Police Department, including the last 18 years as Chief.

Pictured here, Deputy Chief Stephen Carrabino of the Somerville Police Department addressed the Board and spoke of the many sacrifices made by Carvalho throughout the 40 years that he volunteered his services to the city.



OBITUARY

Amy Elizabeth Gardner

Amy Elizabeth Gardner, age 58, passed away April of 2016. She was born in Long Beach, California; she spent her formative years in Winchester, MA and was active in Forum in the First Congregational Church of Winchester. For the last few years she has resided in South Boston and Somerville, Massachusetts.

Amy was the beloved daughter of Richmond Gardner of Quogue NY, and the late Helen "Lyn" Lovejoy Gardner. She was the loving sister to Cindi Gardner Willis of Ambler, PA, and to her brothers Richmond L. Gardner of Horsham, PA and Dave F. Gardner of New York City, New York. She was the

devoted godmother and aunt to Amanda J. Willis of Ambler, PA.

In her career, she moved more than 10 times and lived in Idaho, California, Alabama, Maine, Virginia, Connecticut and New York among other places until she settled back in the Boston area.

A visitation took place at Lane Funeral Home located at 760 Main St, Winchester, MA 01890 on Wednesday April 27, 2016 6 to 8 pm. For online condolences please visit www.lanefuneral.com.

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WEEKINCR By Jim Clark

He takes his bike everywhere

Police officers were dispatched to the Rite Aid store on Somerville Ave. last week on reports of an alleged shoplifter engaging in theft of store property at that location.

The officers were informed that the suspect, later identified as Domingo Peters, of Cambridge, had walked his bicycle into the store with him. Upon arrival, the officers had no trouble locating Peters as he was the only one in the store who had a bicycle with him.

Before confronting Peters, the officers were briefed by store personnel regarding the suspect's action prior to their arrival.

According to the store employee's report, Peters entered the store carrying a semi-transparent shopping bag marked as coming from Star Market containing a few items. As time passed, the bag appeared to be filling up with more items.

The store employee also reportedly told the officers that someone from the nearby Star Market had alerted them to keep an eye on Peters as he entered the store.

The officers approached Peters and asked if he had receipts for the items in the bag.

Peters reportedly told the officers that he had bought the items at the Dollar Tree store and that he did not have the receipts with him.

When the officers pointed out that Peters was carrying a Star Market bag, not one from Dollar Tree, he reportedly became angry and started shouting at the officers, and insisted that he paid cash for the items in the bag.

The officers reportedly pointed out that some of the items in the bag had Rite Aid tags on them, at which time Peters reportedly became even more boisterous and shouted insults at the officers.

Peters was subsequently placed under arrest and charged with shoplifting by asportation and disorderly conduct. Both he and his bicycle were taken in for booking.

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Arrests:

Moises Aguilar Reyes, of 332 Lowell St., April 25, 4:31 p.m., arrested on warrant charges of assault to murder, assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, and mayhem.

Domingo Peters, of 362

Cambridge, Ave., April 27, 8:27 p.m., arrested at Somerville Ave. on charges of shoplifting by asportation and disorderly conduct.

Edward Avery, of 21 Brookings St., Medford, April 28, 4:27 p.m., arrested at Somerville Ave. on warrant charges of drug violation near

a school, conspiracy to violate drug law, and drug possession to distribute.

Luis Acevedo, of 153 Alewife Brook Pkwy., April 29, 2:08 a.m., arrested at Elm St. on warrant charges of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle and possession of a class B drug.

David Goggin, April 29, 1:24 p.m., arrested at Lowell St. on charges of drug possession to distribute, distribution of a class A drug, and conspiracy to violate drug law.

Peter Prado, of 21 Better Way, Springfield, April 30, 8:06 p.m., arrested at Artisan Way on warrant charges

of shoplifting by asportation and shoplifting by concealing merchandise.

Herver Medrano, of 73 Pearl St., May 1, 8:18 p.m., arrested at Broadway on charges of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle and operation of a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor.

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Board of Aldermen addresses public health and safety **CONT. FROM PG 1**

that has been constructed to lamp repairs. repair this problem will coincide with street sweeping and parking restrictions that may be imposed to allow for the servicing. Alderman Connolly stated that, "First priority for any of the darker neighborhoods are being dealt with."

Somerville has also acquired a new lighting contractor. The relationship between the contractor and the city has proven itself to be a harmonious one. "We will be getting additional information, as we go along, about the progress that they're making and how rapidly these lamps have been repaired over the course of time," Connolly said. The committee will continue to follow up with DPW concerning the results of the street

Alderman Connolly closed the discussion by briefly reporting on traffic delays and the issue of intersections being blocked by automobiles. "We will be hearing additionally from both the chiefs of police and fire about the progress with the matrix report for the fire department, and also about blocking the intersections that we're currently working with right now," said Connolly. "Don't block the boxes of program that we're trying to institute so that vehicles won't be obstructing a major intersection causing more traffic delays."

The next regular Board of Alderman meeting will occur on May 12.



Alderman at Large Connolly updated the Board of Aldermen on the latest findings of the Health and Safety Committee at its latest regular meeting last Thursday.

Shooting reported in Somerville

By Jim Clark

At approximately 3:15 p.m. on Sunday, Somerville police received a report of a man shot in the neck at the corner of Lowell and Albion Streets. Police have confirmed that upon arrival officers found one male seated in a vehicle shot one time

The victim, a 19-year-old male from

West Roxbury, was taken to Mass. General Hospital. The wound appeared to be not life threatening, according to reports.

Neither the victim nor alleged suspect has been named at this time.

The incident is currently under investigation by Somerville police. Further details will be reported as they are release by the authorities.



Investigators are looking into to a reported shooting at a Lowell St. location on Sunday afternoon. – Photo by Bobbie Toner

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Purple Wishes and the 2nd Annual Walk for Melissa Cowan

By Tom Bannister

Denise Cosby, Real Estate Agent for Somerville's Norton Group and Carol Manaj, superstar Nicki Manaj's mother, delivered messages on domestic violence at the 2nd Annual Walk for Melissa Cowan on Sunday, May 3 in Lancaster, PA.

Melissa Cowan was murdered on May 2, 2014 in Lancaster, Pennsylvania by her husband. Two weeks prior to the murder the couple appeared on the syndicated Trisha Show to prove to her husband that she had been faithful to him and he was indeed the father of her 4-month-old twins.

On May 2, 2014, Melissa had taken three of her children to school. When she returned home, Melissa and Joseph engaged in an argument. She attempted to leave and he became outraged and began to stab her.

After breaking three knives in her, he had stabbed her 82 times before she took her last breath. Her 4-month-old twins were in their car seats, ready to leave with their mother. But when the police arrived they were covered with so much blood it was hard to tell the little

girl from the little boy.

Melissa's husband declared that it was self-defense, but his story was not believed by the judge. After waiting two years for justice, Carrington Joseph, Melissa's husband, was sentenced to life in prison with no chance of parole.

Kelly Cowan, Melissa's mother, has set up a Foundation called Purple Wishes to grant gifts to children who have lost their parents to violence. Denise Cosby lost her son to murder at Harvard University in 2009 and has become a board member for Purple Wishes.

If you would like to make any contributions to the Foundation to help grant wishes the children who are victims of violence please contact:

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Denise Cosby is an agent for Somerville's Norton Group Real Estate, and author of www.Survingmurder1.com.



Denise Cosby (above) spoke out against domestic violence at the 2nd Annual Walk for Melissa Cowan this weekend. The event included a walk (below) demonstrating community solidarity in the fight against



Classmates of Boston Marathon bomber screen short film

By Jessica Kenney

On Thursday, April 28, classmates of Boston Marathon bomber Dzhokhar (Jahar) Tsarnaev aired a twelve-minute film as part of the Independent Film Festival Boston at the Somerville Theatre based on the realization that their friend had assisted in carrying out the horrible attacks on Boston. The film, simply titled *Jahar* was written by Henry Hayes and Zolan Kanno-Youngs, both of whom went to school with Tsarnaev at Cambridge Rindge and Latin.

The friends tried to write this film a couple times. At first, Henry Hayes, director of the film, states, "The emotions were a bit too raw," and that they revisited the idea a year later, at which time it was written.

Hayes explained that the film was fictionalized, focusing on a "college student from Cambridge" but not a specific one of Jahar's friends.

The film opens up with a powerful scene in which one of Jahar's friends sees the name "Dzhokhar" on the news. While his roommates have trouble pronouncing the name, Jahar's friend knows it well.

A particular theme in this movie was the mispronunciation

of Jahar's name, and this theme was even comedic at times, as it was sometimes pronounced as "Jizz" by his friends.

The film flashes back to when the boys were all still in high school together, playing basketball and getting high. A conversation is conducted where the friends assure each other that they "won't forget this place," meaning their current hometown in Massachusetts. The conversation proves eerie, as viewers know what is to come.

"This is a smaller pain"

Jahar often supplies his friends with car rides. One night, he is planning to take them into the city, but he suddenly changes his mind, informing them that he "needs to help his brother with something." That scene reflects the media controversy about whether Tamerlan Tsarnaev, Jahar's older brother, brainwashed him into conducting the attacks or if they were equal partners in plotting the crime.

After the bombings, Jahar's friends are left to make sense of what happened. Some believe their friend is innocent while others doubt the person



The short film Jahar examines the relationship between Dzhokhar Tsarnaev and his friends before and after the Boston Marathon bombing.

they once knew.

The last scene of the film depicts a police officer conducting an interview with one of Jahar's friends. The final line is a question everyone is curious about: "What kind of person was Jahar?" The question lingers long after the film concludes, as it encourages viewers to ask themselves: was he originally the kind of person depicted in this film or someone more sinister?

Hayes states that he and Kan-

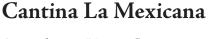
no-Youngs simply want to tell their personal story with this film. "We want to make it very, very clear that we do not want to compare our pain to the victims.' This is a smaller pain." Jahar's friends feel that their narratives and their healing process have definitely been suppressed in the media. This film calls on viewers to hear their story, another side of the tragic Boston Marathon bombing saga.

Jahar is s a powerful film. It

shares with viewers the pain and difficulty that Jahar Tsarnaev's friends faced in learning about the attacks at the Boston Marathon in 2013. It calls on audience members to simply consider their story, and perhaps ask themselves some questions about the person they've seen on the news time and time again. A blend of comedy, tragedy, and real life events, *Jahar* is a potent cinematic depiction of the aftermath of the Boston Marathon bombings.

Dorothy's Corner

BY DOROTHY DIMARZO



A staple in Union Square since 1995, Cantina La Mexicana, formerly known as Taqueria La Mexicana, where the typical street food of Mexico for fast takeout was served, expanded to serving drinks to accompany the food, creating a gathering place for people to meet and hang out together creating a more laid back atmosphere, a cantina. They offer many choices, including tamales, gorditas, burros, enchiladas, tostadas, empanadas, flautas, tacos and more.

To start, we were offered house made chips and fresh salsa that had a really nice kick. The mango habanero margarita was well balanced, it had a sweet, citrus flavor that was more enhanced with the slight heat of the habanero, truly refreshing. The tacos al pastor with pork were truly special. The pork was marinated in a combination of dried chiles and spices along with pineapple. It is cooked on a vertical rotisserie just like you would see shawarma prepared. It's

served on a double corn tortilla with chopped pineapple, chopped white onion, cilantro, sliced avocado and lime wedges. This dish is not spicy, but well worth asking for the house made hot sauce. The sweet, hot, and citrus along with the freshness of the onion, cilantro and creamy avocado is the perfect combination that will have you looking for more. The beans were fresh with just the right amount of texture of creaminess to beans. The rice was fluffy and simply prepared with a mild flavor that is perfect for palate cleansing.

If you're a fan of margaritas, they have a unique selection to choose from ranging from \$8-\$14. Not sure what type of tequila you should have, not a problem. They offer tequila flights with a list of over 50 offerings!

If you're looking for a great ending to your meal, I would recommend ordering the flan for dessert. This comes with a warning though. It's enough for two, it's that big!

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'Villens United by Chris Haskell

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Winter Hill Brewery



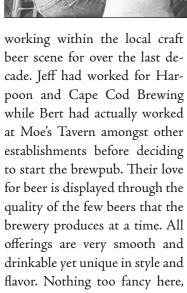
Other neighborhoods in the 'Ville have hip brewpubs and speakeasy style bars that have become destinations for beer lovers and fun local hangouts, but Winter Hill has stubbornly clung to what's left of Old Somerville (or Slumerville). Pizza joints, sub shops, pharmacies and liquor stores are all scattered a top Winter Hill, but there is no cool neighborhood bar or hangout. Not much seemed to have changed since the Whitey Bulger era. Beer enthusiasts had very little reason to hike up the hill until Winter Hill Brewery opened its doors in early April.

Winter Hill Brewery isn't your average bar hangout. If you're looking to suck down light beer and greasy food while watching the game, then you've come to the wrong place. Winter Hill Brewery is the type of bar you

come to if you want relax with friends after work over good beer and conversation. The brewery has already become a hotspot for young professionals and locals looking to grab some craft beer and a bite to eat, but has also impressed many of the older lifelong Somerville residents.

The real charm of the brewpub is its quality and simplicity. From the friendly staff greeting you at the door to chatting with the founders who often bartend, the WHB has quickly found its niche as Winter Hill's neighborhood pub. The pub itself is small but spacious, with a long bar in front of the brew tanks of the different rotating beers they have any current day. Five different beers will always be on tap, with 3 rotating. (Frequency Kolsch and Darlin's IPA are among their current selections.) The small kitchen offers a handful of options of tasty appetizers, salads, and sandwiches that pair well with their beers. I'm personally a huge fan of their reuben sandwich and the beer batter fried pickles are a must try.

Winter Hill Brewery was founded and is currently managed by Bert Holdredge and Jeff Rowe; two beer enthusiasts themselves who had been



Fine ales aren't the only thing that they're brewing at the brewpub; mornings are open for Counter Culture brewed coffee bles as a cafe from 7:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. on the weekdays and 8:00 a.m. - noon on the weekends. It's become the only place on the Hill where you can get a decent cup of coffee and grab a bite to eat in the morning. While the brewery is open all week for morning coffee, it's closed for dinner and beer on Monday and Tuesday nights.

The first month has been a success for Winter Hill Brewery and the neighborhood has embraced the small brewpub with open arms. It seems to have found the perfect balance of appeal to both new and old residents of Somerville.

"The turn out has been great. We've been at capacity nearly every night.," Bert Holdredge says with a smile. "The community has been very supportive of what we're doing here. It's great to see people enjoying what were brewing."

Unlike many new Winter Hill businesses, this one's here to stay. Within a month, this small brewpub has already become a neighborhood staple and I'm interested to see what the future will bring for Bert, Jeff, and Winter Hill Brewing. This could be but the first step in a larger journey for Winter Hill Brewing. In the meantime, I'll be stopping in from time to time for a house ale and some of those Parmesan rosemary fries. I'm looking forward to sampling their future seasonal beers.

Winter Hill Brewery, 328 Broadway, Winter Hill, Somerville.

Check them out on Facebook for menu updates and visit their home site at winterhillbrewing. com for any further information. Later 'Villens. Get out and enjoy our beautiful city while spring is in full bloom! But beware the dreaded allergies.



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Our Legislators in the House and Senate for BUDGET (H 4200) Somerville:



Rep. Christine Barber

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



Rep. Denise Provost

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



Rep. Timothy Toomey

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



Sen. Patricia Jehlen

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

THE HOUSE AND SENATE: Beacon Hill Roll Call records local senators' and representatives' votes on roll calls from the week of April 25-29.

APPROVE \$39.5 BILLION FISCAL 2016 STATE

House 156-0, approved and sent to the Senate a \$39.5 billion fiscal 2017 budget.

Supporters said the budget is a fiscally responsible and balanced one that makes vital investments in the state while continuing fiscal responsibility and not raising taxes.

Some critics said too much of the work on the budget was done behind the scenes. Here's how it worked with the cooperation of Democrats and Republicans: Individual representatives filed dozens of proposed amendments to the budget on similar subject matter, such as the amount of state aid to cities and towns, social services and public safety. The representatives were then invited to "subject meetings" at which they pitched their proposed amendments to House leaders who then drafted "consolidated amendments" that included some of the individual representatives' amendments while excluding others. Any legislator has the right to ask that his or her individual amendment be brought to the floor for a separate vote if the amendment is not placed in the consolidated package. The consolidated amendments were all approved unanimously.

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

Rep. Christine Barber Yes Rep. Denise Provost Yes Rep. Timothy Toomey

STUDY GAS TAX EXEMPTION FOR CITIES **AND TOWNS (H 4200)**

House 120-38, voting mostly along party lines, approved a Democratic leadership-sponsored amendment requiring the state to conduct a study of a proposal exempting cities' and towns' vehicles fuel purchases from the 21 cents-per-gallon gas tax. The study amendment would replace a proposal to simply exempt the fuel purchases. All Democrats except four supported the study while every GOP member opposed it and instead favored the exemption itself.

Supporters of the study said the proposal is attractive but noted that the loss of revenue would impact the ability to send money back to cities and towns and could force cuts elsewhere to the budget. They also noted that the budget already provides a record increase in local aid.

Opponents of the study said the exemption would save cities and towns between \$10 million and \$15 million that they could use to make up for local aid cuts. They also noted that none of these alleged studies are actually done and are simply tactics to kill the proposal without having a direct vote.

(The roll call vote is on the amendment to study the tax exemption. A "Yes" vote is for studying the exemption. A "No" vote is against the study and favors the exemption.)

> Rep. Christine Barber Yes Rep. Denise Provost Yes Rep. Timothy Toomey Yes

STUDY SALES TAX CUT FROM 6.25 PERCENT **TO 5 PERCENT (H 4200)**

House 116-42, approved a Democratic leadership-sponsored amendment prohibiting a proposal reducing the sales tax from 6.25 percent to 5 percent from taking effect until the Department of Revenue studies the economic impact of the exemption. The study amendment would replace a proposal to simply lower the tax to 5 percent. All Democrats except eight supported the study while every GOP member opposed it and instead favored the reduction itself.

Supporters of the study said the state cannot afford the estimated \$1.25 billion loss of revenue and predicted that this tax cut would result in reductions to local aid, education, health care and human service programs. They also noted that Gov. Baker did not include any similar sales tax cut in his proposed budget.

Opponents of the study said this increased sales tax is hurting consumers and retail operations, especially those on the state's borders. They argued that none of these alleged studies are actually done and are simply tactics to kill the tax reduction proposal without having a direct vote on it.

(The roll call vote is on the amendment to study the tax cut. A "Yes" vote is for studying the tax cut. A "No" vote is against the study and favors the tax cut.)

> Rep. Christine Barber Yes Rep. Denise Provost Yes Rep. Timothy Toomey Yes

USE SURPLUS FOR LOCAL AID TO CITIES AND TOWNS (H 4200)

House 37-121, rejected an amendment that would require one-half of any state tax revenue, above the projected \$26.8 billion in expected revenue in fiscal 2015, to be distributed to cities and towns as unrestricted additional local aid. The amendment would cap the amount at \$100 million.

Amendment supporters said this would ensure that the Legislature does not squander any budget surplus. They argued that struggling cities and towns deserve this surplus money.

Amendment opponents said it is fiscally irresponsible to guarantee surplus revenue to cities and towns before replenishing the state's Rainy Day Fund. They noted that the existing budget already includes a record increase in local aid and cautioned that the amendment could damage the state's bond rating and increase borrowing costs.

(A "Yes" vote is for the amendment requiring that up to \$100 million go to local aid. A "No" vote is against the amendment.)

> Rep. Christine Barber Rep. Denise Provost No Rep. Timothy Toomey No

PUNISH "SANCTUARY" CITIES AND TOWNS (H4200)

House 34-124, rejected an amendment that would withhold local aid from any cities or towns that do not enforce federal immigration laws. The withholding would also apply to communities that have established themselves as "sanctuary" cities or towns that offer protection in a variety of ways to illegal immigrants. All Democrats except three supported the study while every GOP member opposed it and instead favored the local aid ban.

Amendment supporters said cities and towns that encourage law-breaking are hurting this nation. They argued the state should do everything it can to dissuade those who seek to come here illegally.

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Some opponents said the amendment is a mean-spirited political stunt and questioned why supporters would want to punish students by taking away local aid from their schools. Others said the amendment is unenforceable, just like a municipality declaring itself a sanctuary city is nothing but symbolism.

(A"Yes" vote is for cutting off local aid to sanctuary cities and towns. A "No" vote is against cutting it off.)

Rep. Christine Barber No Rep. Denise Provost No Rep. Timothy Toomey No

BAN USING LIVE FETUS FOR RESEARCH (H 4200)

House 40-117, rejected an amendment that would prohibit any state money from going to any organization which violates the Massachusetts law that prohibits a live fetus from being used for scientific, laboratory, research or other experimentation. Current law also prohibits the sale, transfer, distribution or give away of any fetus any of those uses.

Amendment supporters said that any organization that violates a state law should not be entitled to any of tax-payers' hard earned money. They cited the controversial case in which undercover videos led to accusations that Planned Parenthood was illegally selling fetal tissue to researchers for profit.

Some amendment opponents said that current state law already prohibits any such funding and noted that the attorney general had already reviewed the issue and found no evidence to support the claim. They argued the amendment is a smokescreen for yet another attack on Planned Parenthood and other important women's health organizations. Others said this proposal should be filed as a separate bill and go through the regular legislative process including a public hearing rather than be attached as a budget amendment.

(A "Yes" vote if for the amendment. A "No" vote is against it.)

Rep. Christine Barber No Rep. Denise Provost No Rep. Timothy Toomey No

RAISE TOBACCO PURCHASE AGE FROM 18 TO 21 (S 2234)

Senate 32-2, approved and sent to the House a bill that would raise the state's tobacco purchasing age from 18 to 21 effective July 1, 2017. Other provisions ban pharmacies and health care institutions from selling any tobacco products; prohibit sales of e-cigarettes to minors; and ban the use of electronic cigarettes in all places where smoking is currently banned. Hawaii is the only state that has raised the age to 21.

Supporters said the bill will save lives and reduce health care costs. They argued that many 18-year-olds are in high school and are a major source of providing tobacco products to younger high schoolers and middle schoolers.

Opponents said this is another example of state government overstepping its bounds and trying to regulate behavior. They argued if you're 18 you can join the military, vote and serve on a jury and should not be banned from purchasing a legal product.

(A "Yes" vote is for the bill. A "No" vote is against the bill.)

Sen. Patricia Jehlen Yes

DELAY DRUG STORE BAN (S 2234)
Senate 9-25, rejected an amendment that would delay from January 2017 to January 2018 the deadline

lay from January 2017 to January 2018 the deadline by which pharmacies and health care institutions are banned from selling any tobacco products.

Amendment supporters said the delay is fair and will give pharmacies more time to sell the tobacco products they already have in stock.

Amendment opponents said the earlier 2017 deadline is reasonable and still allows pharmacies to unload their current stock.

(A"Yes" vote is for the delay to January 2018. A No" vote is against the delay.)

Sen. Patricia Jehlen No

EXEMPT MILITARY PERSONNEL FROM HIKE TO 21 (S 2234)

Senate 14-19, rejected an amendment that would exempt members of the military from the hike in age to 21 to buy tobacco products.

Amendment supporters said these heroes who protect our nation should be allowed to smoke and not be treated like children.

Amendment opponents said the exemption weakens the bill and noted the military itself is currently working to cut down on tobacco use by our troops.

(A "Yes" vote is for exempting military personnel. A "No" vote is against the exemption.)

Sen. Patricia Jehlen No

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

RULES FOR KAYAKING (H 2180) - The House approved and sent to the Senate a bill that would regulate the increasingly popular sport of kayaking. The measure would require kayak instructors to take basic water rescue, first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training. It also requires instructors to receive certification from the American Canoe Association and be certified by the American Red Cross in small craft safety. Other provisions require each kayak to carry a Coast Guard-approved personal floatation device and require students to be taught safety procedures including "wet exit training" - the practice of escaping from a capsized kayak.

Supporters said present law is too loose and does not sufficiently regulate kayaks. They argued the bill would save lives and prevent injuries.

HOME CONTRACTOR LICENSES (H 4022) -

House gave final approval to and sent to the Senate a bill allowing a home improvement contractor to pay his or her registration fee to the Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation using a credit card. The contractor would also be responsible for paying any transaction fees charged by the credit card company. Current law allows these fees to be paid only by check.

Supporters said this pro-small business bill would cost the state nothing while expediting this process and bringing this payment system into the 21st century.

MOTORCYCLES (H 2996) - The House gave initial approval to a bill giving motorcycle owners ten days, instead of the current seven days, to get their vehicle in-

spected. Supporters said the additional three days are necessary because there are not an abundance of stations that perform motorcycle inspections and riders are often not able to ride on rainy and snowy days.

OPTION TO WEAR HELMETS FOR SOCCER

(H 3799) - The House gave initial approval to a bill allowing, not requiring, any student who participates in soccer games or practices to wear protective headgear on the field, provided that such headgear satisfies relevant federal standards for headgear used in soccer.

Supporters said students, in consultation with their parents should have the power to decide whether or not to wear a helmet. They noted that helmets can help prevent injuries and save lives.

Some opponents said that some studies show the headgear is good for reducing abrasions and lacerations, but not for protecting against concussions to any significant degree. They noted that the illusion of this added protection would also result in more aggressive play that could lead to more injuries.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES AND SPORTS (H 4145) – The House gave initial approval to a bill that would require that students with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in mainstream physical education programs, and try out for and, if selected, participate in mainstream athletic programs.

Supporters said that students with disabilities are often unfairly denied the opportunity to participate in mainstream sports. They argued that a student with a disability should be judged based on his or her individual abilities, and not excluded based on faulty generalizations, assumptions and stereotypes.

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 25-29, the House met for a total of 27 hours and 41 minutes and the Senate met for a total of five hours and 54 minutes.

Mon. April 25	House 10:07 a.m. to 9:15 p.m. Senate 11:06 a.m. to 11:19 a.m.
Tues. April 26	House 10:02 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. No Senate session
Wed. April 27	House 10:03 a.m. to 3:40 p.m. No Senate session
Thurs. April 21	House 11:05 a.m. to 11:23 a.m. Senate 11:08 a.m. to 4:49 p.m.

Fri. April 22 No House session No Senate session

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COMMENTARY

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Coming soon, at last A new and improved Beacon St.



By Joseph A. Curtatone

Beacon Street reconstruction is finally getting underway. Crews start work on the site on May 9. We need this. It's not just that the upcoming reconstruction of Beacon Street will improve conditions for motorists, bicyclists, and pedestrians alike. Freshening up this major streetscape and making it better to bike and walk should infuse it with new street life and knit these 1.4 miles of roadway more tightly into our community.

Perhaps because it doesn't connect directly to any of our major city squares, and it's separated from much of rest of the city by Commuter Rail tracks, Beacon St. gets a bit overlooked. I have run into people who don't realize it's part of Somerville. Yet it's an integral part of the city: Beacon St. is home to a slew of great local restaurants, businesses, and shops, as well as the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and a wonderful community garden. By improving Beacon, we hope not just to smooth everyone's commute, but draw more Somerville-style vibrancy to this main thoroughfare. The stats back us up.

Numerous studies have shown that increasing bike and foot traffic benefits local businesses. In some areas, bike improvements increased spending at local retailers by up to 50%. Other studies show that cyclists and pedestrians visit more often, stay longer, and spend more money. More customers walking and biking to local establishments doesn't just help our entrepreneurs. They also make our streets safer, our business districts more inviting, and help build community.

But right now, the sidewalks,

crosswalks, and landscaping on Beacon don't encourage the kind of foot traffic that would bolster the local businesses. The pothole-prone roadway itself has been the bane of motorists as well. That's one of the main reasons why we're doing the full-depth reconstruction rather than simply mask the larger issues with temporary fixes like the pavement overlay we completed just last fall. It's like stripping a house down to the studs and then doing a complete makeover. We're going to end up with a much firmer roadbed that isn't as likely to get potholes as the current street. In the process we'll also get a more attractive boulevard that will encourage more drivers to stop and check out our businesses - and more cyclists and pedestrians to do

Construction is expected to start May 9 and it will be a two-year project. Most of the first year will be focused on putting in the new roadway and improving the drainage. We already repaired the water and sewer pipes last year. In 2017, we'll be putting in brand new sidewalks, installing a separated bike lane (also known as a cycle track), planting more than 200 new trees, putting in new traffic signals and signs, striping easy-to-see crosswalks, and adding details like new benches and attractive trash receptacles.

Cyclists will also see improvements. During commuter times, we see more than 500 bikes per hour along Beacon, which makes it part of the busiest bike commuting corridor in New England. The cycle track being built to accommodate this bike traffic will be the first of its kind in Somerville. Yet it's an increasingly common transit and safety feature. You can see similar lanes nearby along Western Avenue and Vassar Street in Cambridge.

What we'll end up with is a much more complete street – one that works for everybody who wants to drive, bike, or walk along Beacon. Combined

with the redesign of Lincoln Park, it's an exciting time for the southern portion of our city. These are going to be significant quality-of-life enhancements for the neighborhoods around them.

The end product should be something we can look upon with pride - after we get through the inconvenience of construction. For regular project updates, construction schedules, and detours visit http://www. somervillema.gov/beaconstreet to sign up for updates, or contact our 311 city information service to get on that list (and of course we will do city alerts to all for any major detours). For bicyclists we will have a permanent, marked detour for the duration of the project.

The key is to remember this is construction that gets us to a very appealing end for commuters, for businesses, and the community. It will be well worth the temporary disruption. It's Beacon Street's turn to get the attention it deserves.

Rep. Barber's budget amendment helps homeless students

By Louise Carpenter

During the House budget debate this week, State Representative Christine P. Barber, represents Somerville Medford, successfully added an amendment to create a new commission to examine the costs and challenges of transporting homeless students in the Commonwealth. Currently, school districts provide and fund transportation services for homeless students through a federal requirement. This often comes as a struggle for school districts whose budgets are already stretched, as federal and state funds often do not cover the costs incurred to transport students from hotels and motels far from their original school district. And for children, this disjointed system can mean long bus rides and complicated schedules.

"Keeping students who become homeless in their original schools is one of the major points of stability in a child's life," said Rep. Barber. "Our school districts have worked to make the challenging system of transporting kids from shelters work over the years, but this commission will address will address some of the larger issues, like transportation procurement, to better serve students and improve the system."

Working with Medford School Committee member Erin DiBenedetto, Rep. Barber drafted this budget amendment to look at the issue more closely and develop solutions. With the support of eighteen cosponsors, the amendment was included in the Education and Local Aid consolidated amendment, and adopted unanimously by the House on Monday. The amendment establishes an 11 member commission that includes members of the House and Senate, the Commissioner of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and the Commissioner of the Department of Transitional Assistance, as well as representatives from a transportation company and an organization that serves homeless families.

"Medford has been working hard to address challenges faced by homeless children," said School Committee member DiBenedetto. "This amendment will help our school district manage transportation and costs. Our goal is to help keep these families in stable environments."

The purpose of the commission will be to review costs and challenges to funding homeless student transportation services, and to make recommendations on how to improve this system. Before July 2017, the commission will create a report that will include a review of the federal McKinney-Vento Homeless Chil-



Thirty-fourth Middlesex District State Rep. Christine Barber.

dren and Youth Assistance Act, a budget assessment, a review of methods used by school districts to bid for and procure transportation, a review of best practices in other states, and finally, recommendations for improvement.

COMMENTARY

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Our View Of The Times



Established in 1852, our beloved and venerable institution known as Somerville High School has come to a crossroads, as most of us are well aware.

The current structure is no longer capable of providing the safety, security, and support required of a modern-day facility of its kind. The time is clearly here for major renovation and additions to the ex-

isting location.

This we already know. The question before us has been how best to serve the needs of our community as we proceed towards a final commitment in our search for the ultimate plan.

Many variations have been proposed. Should we replace the existing structure altogether? Add to it? Just what exactly?

The Somerville High School Building Committee has been tasked with exploring the ramifications and merits of the many different options that have been proposed by designers and engineers.

It looks now as though they are closing in on a plan that involves keeping the old building in place, while putting up modern structures nearby to serve as the primary working facilities.

This seems like a good idea. The old building houses a lot of priceless memories for many thousand of former students, parents, teachers, and administrators. Whatever function it may serve in the future, it's a good feeling to know that it will still be there.

And now, in with the new.

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raises. It looks like taxes will be going up substantially.

It's interesting that we hear there are a lot of new jobs being handed out at City Hall, with some interesting relationships involving some of them. A couple of large families members are already employed and maybe a couple of others are rumored to be hired as well. One family has over five members on the payroll, and we hear another family – which currently has three – is looking to put another on the payroll as well. That personnel department is working hard, but we wonder if they are doing wide enough searches.

Middlesex County District Attorney Marian T. Ryan, who is originally from Somerville, is having a fundraiser on June 15 over at Restaurant Dante, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., at the the Royal Sonesta Hotel. Her campaign coordinator here in the city, Ward 3 Alderman Bob McWatters, has let us know he is looking for a good showing from Somerville. Marian Ryan is doing a great job as District Attorney working hard here in both Somerville as well as Middlesex County. We supported her in her very first election bid for the seat back couple of years ago and see that she has done a great job

Hurry up and get your ticket for the drawing for The Somerville High Scholarship Foundation that is once again having its huge drawing coming up in May 13 at the Highlander Café at Somerville High School. Refreshments will be served beginning at 7:00 p.m. Drawing at 8:00 p.m. Several door prizes will be given out during the drawing for the \$10,000 grand prize. Tickets for the drawing are \$100 each. You can purchase one or share the cost of one with many in your home/office or with friends. It's a great fundraiser for the kids. Over the years the SHS Foundation has benefitted many students. Make your check out to S.H.S. Raffle and send it to SHS Raffle c/o Joseph Favaloro, P.O. Box 440275 Somerville 02144. It's been a great organization here in the city since 1990 and has grown over the years, serving many Somerville graduates to further their education. See you at the drawing. It's a lot of fun and a great night out.

Our good friend, not to mention great criminal lawyer, Attorney Damien Gillietti, is very busy this year as the newly elected President of the Middlesex Bar Association. What a nice guy and very popular as well. Plan on hearing a lot from Attorney Gillietti regarding Somerville and Middlesex County over this next coming year as he serves as President. By the way, he's a loyal fan of *The Somerville Times*, as are all the clerks, court officers, probation department personnel and judges at Somerville District Court. We thank them all for a job well done.

Our good friend Alderman Bob McWatters is planning on a fundraiser in June. We don't have a date yet but you can bet it's going to be at his favorite place, Sally O'Brien's. He doesn't have large developers or property owners sponsoring or throwing fundraisers for him. He packs the place every time on his own. He's that popular.

Ward 2 Alderman Maryann Heuston is being thrown a fundraiser as well at the Mt. Vernon Restaurant on lower Broadway, hosted by her good friends the Tauro family. We're sure a lot of the regulars will be present and we hope she raises a lot of money for her campaign war chest. Maybe she's running for something other than Alderman?

Happy Birthday to a lot of our friends and fellow Villens here this week:

Happy Birthday to Linda Norton-Beebe. We wish her many more to come. Happy birthday to a great lady, Florence Lewis, who is well known down in East Somerville. What a great lady. We hope she has a great birthday. Former Ward 4 Alderman Walter Pero is celebrating this week as well. We wish him the very best. Another well-known Villen, Antony Fraser, is celebrating this week as well. Happy birthday to Leo Saltman, a nice guy who is celebrating as well. To a lady we also think highly of, Ms. Aida Sousa-Braga, an amazing person. We wish her the very best. Someone we know very well is going to be surprised, with a surprise birthday party thrown by her family and friends. We here at The Times are going and, of course, we will report on

GIANT YARD SALE/BOOK SALE at Unity Somerville, 6 William St. (corner of College Ave., 3 blocks from Davis Sq.) on Saturday, May 14, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Rain or shine!

Talk about a crowd up in Ward 7. Alderman Katjana Ballantyne had a huge crowd gathered at last Saturday's Spring Cleanup. She and lots of residents were at Dilboy Continued on page 16

Generous residents turn out for the annual Somerville Spring Cleanup

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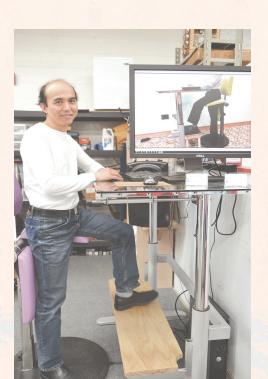
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A look inside the Asylum

Artisan's Asylum, at 10 Tyler Street, opened its doors to the public last weekend as part of Somerville Open Studios. Twice a year, they open our doors to the public. Visitors checked out individual maker studios, watched plasma cut metal, picked up unique gifts at the maker market, and watched epic robot battles throughout the weekend.













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SPORTS

M.O.M.'s Run 2016 registration is now open

ed by cancer in each of our lives.

By Louise Carpenter

M.O.M.'s Run 2016 takes place on Mother's Day, this Sunday, May 8, with the Kids 0.1 Mile at 9:30 a.m.; Walkers 5K at 9:45 a.m.; and the Runners 5K at 10:00 a.m.

In the past 14 years, M.O.M.'s Run has raised over \$130,000 benefiting the Claudia Adams Barr Program in Innovative Basic Cancer Research at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. They owe this success to the thousands of runners, countless volunteers, and generous sponsors who have partaken over the years.

They are gearing up for 2016

to be their biggest year yet. Whether it is to celebrate moms, promote health, to commemorate cancer survivors or to honor those who have been lost, it is hoped that you will join in on Mother's Day for a 5K, delicious food and a fantastic raffle.

Mary (Pilotte) O'Brien, who was a longtime Somerville resident, lost her brief battle to cancer on November 19, 2002. Mary was involved in many local organizations throughout her life, and dedicated much of her time to helping others. All are invited to join in at this community event to honor the amazing mothers and women, and countless others that have been affect-

A full 100% of the funds raised by M.O.M.'s Run benefits the Claudia Adams Barr Program in Innovative Basic Cancer Research at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, widely recognized as

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M.O.M.'s Run 2016 takes place this Sunday morning, taking off from Dilboy VFW

Little League Opening Day in Somerville



Somerville Little League's Opening Day ceremonies were held on Saturday. Longstanding coach John Roderick summed it up best: "Today was the 65th Opening Day for Somerville Little League. The League honored several friends: Bob Schofield, for his years of coaching in Babe Ruth and SLL baseball; Sean Fitzgerald, who has served as a member of the League Board for the past five years and coached both Minors and Majors; and a special posthumous award to the family of Fred Caruso, who passed away in mid-March. Fred had been involved with Somerville Little League since 1960, including four terms as League President. In addition to that, he served for 25 years as the District 12 (Eastern Massachusetts) Administrator, our local representative to Williamsport."

— Courtesy of Somerville Little League

Ms. Cam's Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous H52.4

1. What British writer created The Lord of the Rings?

mixture, hodgepodge

- 2. Most of the works of painter Norman Rockwell appeared as cover illustrations for what magazine?
- 3. There are two U.S. states each of which borders 8 other states which states are they?
- 4. In which year did East and West Germany unify into the current Germany?
- 5. Under what name did Joseph L. Barrow gain fame in the world of sports?
- 6. What is the only kind of deer whose females have antlers?

- 7. What is the name of the first Sherlock Holmes story?
- 8. What high-tech company was named after the city of San Francisco?
- 9. What is considered the precursor to the Constitution of the United States?
- 10. What Pittsburgh radio station is considered to be the first to broadcast in the U.S.?
- 11. Venetian blinds were invented in which country?
- 12. Which female was the first Olympic gymnast to receive a perfect 10 rating from the judges in the 1976 Olympics?

Answers on page 16

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Learn about ancient Mexico and create some art about Somerville

Ever wonder what life was like in an Aztec village? Well there are some very old and amazingly illustrated books called "Codices" that exist and give us a little window into the daily life that existed in ancient Mexico. And this year at the Cinco de Mayo festival in Union Square, Somerville Artist Fellowship awarded artist Johanna Finnegan-Topitzer will present a large version of a page from one of these books. The opposite page will be blank for festival attendees to add their own drawings of what daily life is like in Somerville.



Come on down and enjoy the festival beginning at 6:00 p.m. in Union Square. Enjoy food from participating restaurants, music and dancing, and kids' activities. Help create a record of life in our great city by adding your drawings to an art project.

Cinco de Mayo Festival, Thursday, May 5, 6:00–10:00 p.m., Union Square, Somerville. Contact: Neichner@somervillema.gov.

Beacon Street construction begins on May 9

By Rebecca Danvers

The City of Somerville has announced that the private contractor hired by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) will begin major construction activities on Beacon St. on Monday, May 9. Newport Construction, which was selected through a competitive bid process administered by MassDOT, will be responsible for the expected two-year project, which stretches from Oxford St. / Somerville Ave. south to the Cambridge city line near Inman Square.

During the week of May 9, construction crews will begin mobilization efforts in advance of major construction. Though residents and businesses may notice trucks and crews on site, traffic and other impacts are not expected to begin until May 16.

"Biggest Portion" of Construction Occurs May 16 –27

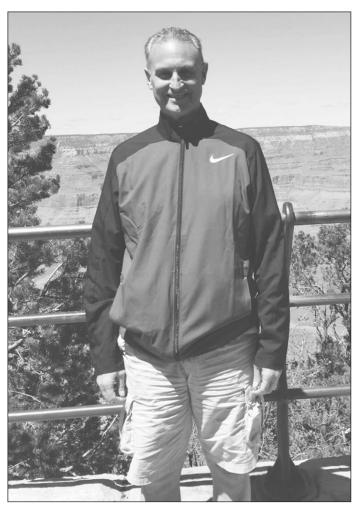
Beginning on Mon., May 16, and lasting for approximately

two weeks, contractors will undertake what is considered to be the "most disruptive" portion of the entire project. Contractors will work to install a single, 28' deep utility manhole in the Oxford St. area which will require the closure of Beacon St. to eastbound traffic between Beacon St. and Oxford St., between the hours of 8 a.m. and approximately 3 p.m., Monday through Friday. During these hours, eastbound traffic will be detoured on Somerville Ave. to Park St. Vehicles and cyclists will be able to access Oxford St. by traveling westbound on Beacon St., and all westbound traffic on Beacon St. will be maintained. Cyclists will be also be detoured up Park Street to pick up the dedicated bike lanes on Beacon Street. The City will also be posting secondary detour routes for bicyclists traveling towards Porter and Inman Square.

"Our residents and local merchants along the Beacon St. corridor have been living with antiquated infrastructure for more than a decade, and the negative impacts have included poor drainage, pedestrian accessibility and traffic safety. I appreciate the public's patience during the first phases of construction, and I applaud our partners at Mass-DOT for their hard work to push this work across the finish line," said Mayor Curtatone.

"I am so happy to be able to announce the start of this project, at long last," said Alderman Heuston. "As not only the representative for the Beacon St. district, but also an abutter, I know how long overdue this project is. I also know how important the communication process is. We simply can't depend on large public meetings alone to get the word out and solicit feedback. We're going to push the envelope by using drop-in office hours and community walking meetings, in addition to the existing communications methods the City already employs.

McWatters visits the Grand Canyon



Ward 3 Alderman Bob McWatters, this week at a business conference in Phonex AZ, decided to travel north to the Grand Canyon along with some of his colleagues. Pictured here on the glass bridge, he was very much in awe, like everyone else who visits the Canyon and beholds its majestic sites.

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Recent Single Family Homes Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month: **Address Description DOM List Price Sale Price** 7 Montrose St 8 room, 6 bed, 1f 0h bath Colonial 16 \$459,900 \$470,000 16 Wesley Street 8 room, 5 bed, 1f 0h bath Colonial 81 \$569,900 \$545,000 193 Morrison Ave 7 room, 3 bed, 1f 1h bath Other 29 \$799,000 \$851,500

	Recent Condominiums Sold in Somerville Over	the Past Month	1:	
Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
1 Hayden Terrace U:4	5 room, 3 bed, 2f 0h bath Rowhouse	19	\$649,000	\$650,000
11 Morton St U:2	5 room, 3 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	16	\$659,000	\$671,000
15 Wheatland St U:1	7 room, 2 bed, 3f 0h bath 2/3 Family	57	\$659,000	\$645,000
21 Mason St U:21	6 room, 3 bed, 2f 1h bath 2/3 Family	23	\$699,000	\$779,000
29 Farragut Ave U:1	7 room, 2 bed, 3f 0h bath 2/3 Family	17	\$749,900	\$775,000
20 Prichard Avenue U:20	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	22	\$768,880	\$775,000
29 Farragut Ave U:2	6 room, 3 bed, 3f 0h bath 2/3 Family	21	\$819,900	\$844,500
6 Dresden Cir U:1	6 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	41	\$874,900	\$910,000
11 Rogers Ave U:1	7 room, 3 bed, 2f 1h bath Townhouse	23	\$945,000	\$940,000
6 Dresden Cir U:2	7 room, 3 bed, 2f 1h bath 2/3 Family	61	\$974,900	\$945,000
100 Vernon St U:3	7 room, 3 bed, 2f 1h bath Townhouse	40	\$999,900	\$1,050,000
139 Summer U:1	8 room, 3 bed, 3f 1h bath Townhouse	127	\$1,199,900	\$1,199,900

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	Recent Multi-Family Homes Sold in Somerville Over	the Past Mor	nth:	
Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
199 Pearl St	2 unit, 13 total room, 8 total bedroom 2 Family	364	\$699,900	\$575,000
65 Alpine St	2 unit, 12 total room, 6 total bedroom 2 Family	109	\$799,000	\$855,000
38 Oliver St	4 unit, 15 total room, 7 total bedroom 4 Family	117	\$899,900	\$860,000
17 Sycamore Ter	4 unit, 20 total room, 8 total bedroom 4 Family	174	\$989,900	\$950,000
45 Lexington Avenue	2 unit, 11 total room, 6 total bedroom 2 Family	19	\$999,999	\$1,090,000
94 Grant St	3 unit, 16 total room, 8 total bedroom 3 Family	11	\$1,000,000	\$1,020,000
89 Josephine Ave	2 unit, 12 total room, 5 total bedroom 2 Family	111	\$1,025,000	\$940,000
429 Medford St	3 unit, 18 total room, 12 total bedroom 3 Family	57	\$1,599,000	\$1,335,000
19 Bow St	6 unit, 18 total room, 7 total bedroom 5-9 Family	1	\$1,700,000	\$2,200,000

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

MICHAEL F. GLAVIN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

The Somerville Historic Preservation Commission (SHPC) shall hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 17, 2016 at 6:40 p.m. in the Third Floor Community Room, at the Visiting Nurses Association (259 Lowell Street) regarding proposals by: 1) 10 Emerson LLC to demolish a c.1870 wood frame house at 10 Emerson Street; 2) D. A. & A. A. Caspariello to demolish a c. 1890 wood frame house at 17 Porter Street, 3) Michael LoPresti to demolish a c. 1890 wood frame workers cottage at 22 Woodbine Street; and 4) Maria Valente to demolish a c. 1874 woodframe workers cottage at 46 Horace Street.

The subject of the hearing will be reviews of the initial determinations by the SHPC that under the City of Somerville Zoning Ordinance Section 7-28b(2), the structures are considered "Significant." Public testimony followed by discussion and a vote by the Commission will be taken regarding if the building should be "Preferably Preserved." For further information, please contact (617) 625-6600 x 2500 or historic@somervillema.gov.

4/27/16, 5/4/16 The Somerville Times

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

MIDDLESEX Division

Docket No. MI16P1882P0

CITATION ON PETITION FOR ALLOWANCE OF ACCCOUNT

In the matter of: The Teresa S. Schnetzer Revocable Trust

Date of Death

To all interested persons:

A Petition has been filed by:

Maria F. DeRosa of Burlington, MA

requesting allowance of the 1st account(s) as Trustee and any other relief as requested in the Petition.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on 05/16/2016.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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

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

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Date: April 07. 2016



CITY OF SOMERVILLE OFFICE OF CITY CLERK **BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

There will be a Public Hearing before the Board of Aldermen's Committee on Licenses and Permits on Wednesday, May 18, 2016, at 6:30 PM, in the Committee Room on the 2nd Floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, on the Petition for a Mobile Food Vendor License for Clover Fast Food Inc., dba Clover Fast Food, which seeks to operate at Tufts University on College Avenue Mondays through Wednesdays from 4 to 8 PM, in Davis Square on Holland Street in front of the Red Line headhouse Thursdays and Fridays from 4 to 10 PM, and in Union Square in the Parking Lot in front of the Independent Saturdays from

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND AND BE HEARD.

JOHN J. LONG CITY CLERK

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Newstalk CONT. FROM PG 11

Field with a large contingency, including from one of Tufts fraternities. It's that charm she has with her big smile, not to mention they must have heard Rick won a brand new outdoor grill last week at the Comedy Club in Saugus. We know we're looking for a well-done burger with cheese sometime this summer.

A special Happy Anniversary to lifelong residents and great couple Phil Ercolini and his lovely wife Ann Cassesso-Ercolini. They are celebrating their 37 years together. Both are lifelong residents. We hope they had a great anniversary celebration and enjoy many more to come.

There's a new website in town. Check it out at www.somervillema.com. The Somerville Times is 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 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.

Remember, for the best footwear and other name brand clothing go online to www.shoebuy.com, compliments of local resident and SVP Zach Zasloff.

If there were a bar in Somerville that would be considered the "Cheers" bar - you know, "Where everyone knows your name" - Sally O'Brien's is the place. Want a great on the site. Also check out www. lunch in particular great sandwiches and Burgers 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.? Mention you saw it here and get ½ off sandwiches and burgers. Liam, the friendliest of bar owners here in Somerville, tells us he has different entertainment every single night with many bands as well as other entertainment. Some nights the place is packed. Check it out for yourself and when you drop in make sure you introduce yourself. You will usually find Liam there in person and on many nights various local politicians, including some popular alderman just might be sitting and enjoying the bands and great food. You should too.

Another great place here in the city is Vinny's on Lower Broad-

way. It has one of the best Italian food menus around, if not the very best anywhere. Great lunches and the best sauce around. Mention you saw it here.

A short commentary: Something to think about, this year marks the 50th anniversary of Somerville High graduating class of 1966. Did you know that the class graduating ceremony was held on June 6 at Dilboy Field? That's the 6th month/6th day /at 6:00 p.m. In 1966. Is that too many 6's for one event? A memorable day for many of us who were growing up here in Somerville. A year back in those days when it seemed like the nation was on the verge of something bad happening. We were involved in the Vietnam War, which was very unpopular. There were many anti-war demonstrations and race riots – and not just countrywide, but right here in the Boston area. Two short years later in Chicago we all witnessed the Democratic convention riots, with the brutality in the streets that shocked the country. Fifty years later and we see what is going on politically and how far we have come - in many ways for the good - and how far we have to go as well. Demonstrating for what we believe in is good, but when it gets violent and we try and stop others from exercising their right to free speech, then it becomes dangerous. Everyone has a right to their opinions without being threatened or harassed. Thankfully, we all live in a country where different opinions exist. Just a thought.

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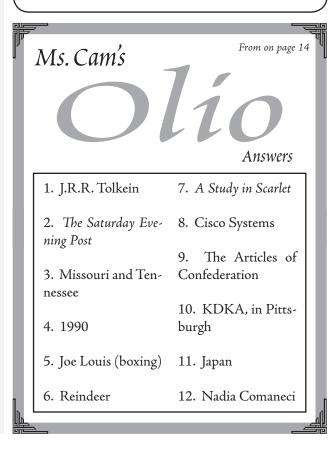
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SHS Building Project: **Upcoming Building Committee Meetings**

Join in at an upcoming building committee meeting to learn more about and comment on the Somerville High School building project preferred option. You can also comment online at http://www.somervillema.gov/highschool.

- May 9 | 5:30 p.m.: SHS Building Committee meeting, with opportunity for public comment. Capuano Early Childhood Center conference room, 150 Glen St.
- + May 23 | 5:30 p.m.: SHS Building Committee meeting, with opportunity for public comment. Somerville High School library, 81 Highland Ave.



HAPPENINGS: CENTER $N \mid O$

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

All clubs and groups welcome new members.

Holland Street: 167 Holland Street

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

617-625-6600 Ext. 2300

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

Cross Street Center: 165 Broadway

Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. Wednesday - 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. (Please note time

change) (617) 625-6600 Ext. 2335.

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

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

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 on 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.

Ageless Grace - Mondays, April 25 to May 23 at our Holland Street Center from 8:30 A.M. to 9:15 A.M. Anti-aging exercises almost anyone can do. Only \$20 for 5 classes. Please contact Chris at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 to sign up or if you should have any questions.

New Berklee College of Music & Tufts University - See the country's next big vocal, instrumental and theatre Stars! These are free events. Pre-registration is required. Very limited seating. Please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 to register for the following event: Wednesday, May 4 at 7:30 P.M. – Vocal Jazz Festival: Concerts of vocal jazz ensembles under the direction of Ned Rosenblatt, associate professor in Berklee's Voice Department at The Berklee College of Music.

Senior Health Insurance 101 – Starts on Monday, February 29th and will meet the last Monday of each month until June 27th - 10:00 A.M. at our Holland Street Center - Are you covered? Are you looking for affordable insurance? Come and learn about Medicare, Medicaid and much more. Please contact Suzanne at 617-625-6600, ext. 2318 for additional information and to sign up.

Forget Me Knot Group –Wednesdays from March 16 through June 15th from 1:00 to 2:00 P.M. at our Holland Street Center - A 3 month support group about memory and aging. Our Forget Me Knot Group hopes to answer questions & provide educational, emotional and social support. Please call 617-625-6600 ext. 2300 if you should have any questions, require additional information or to reserve your spot.

Older American's Month Celebration – Thursday, May 5 at the WHYC – 11:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. - \$10 fee – limited seating and transportation – Please contact Connie for additional info at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Keep Moving Walking Club – Starting Monday, May 2 at 9:30 A.M. at our Holland Street Center. We'll be taking gentle 30 minute walks around the neighborhood. For more information and to sign up please call Chris at 617-625-6600, ext. 2315

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

Friendly Caller Program - Do you know someone who could benefit from a friendly call? Maybe you are feeling isolated and want someone to talk to - or you just want someone to listen. Please call Natasha at 617-625-6600 ext. 2300 to sign up for our "Friendly Caller" Program. The Older American's Month Celebration at the WHYC scheduled for Thursday, May 5th is SOLD OUT.

Dinner & Bingo scheduled for Wednesday, May 11 is SOLD OUT.

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

The Mohegan / Foxwoods overnight trip scheduled for June 9 & June 10 is SOLD OUT.

Hayday Big Bands scheduled for Tuesday, July 19 is SOLD OUT.

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

The Indianhead trip scheduled for December 6, 7 and 8 is BOOK SOLID.

Please note the time change for the "Forget Me Knot" group from 1:00 P.M. to 11:30 A.M.

LGBTQ EVENTS:

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

LGBTQ Advisory Group – This group meets the 2nd Monday of every month excluding City Holidays and snow emergencies. Our next meeting will be in the conference room of our Holland Street Center located at 167 Holland Street. We are always looking for new members who would like to serve on the Advisory Group. Please call Maureen Bastardi at 617-625-6600, ext. 2316 or email MBastardi@Somervillema.gov if you have any questions or if you should need additional info.

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

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

STAY ACTIVE:

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

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

Weekly Exercise Class Schedule

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

Mondays:

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

Tuesdays:

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

Wednesdays:

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

Thursdays:

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

Fridays:

8:45 Fit 4 Life* Group A 9:55 Fit 4 Life* Group B 11:00 Nutrition Counseling with Mimi

*All Fit 4 Life classes are \$10/month and require pre-reg-

istration**If you are interested in our Yoga classes, please call Chris Kowaleski, our Health & Wellness Coordinator at 617-625-6600, Ext. 2315.

Upcoming Schedule

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

Wednesday | May 4

11:30 Lunch (RJ) 11:30 Forget Me Knot (H) 12:45 Bingo (RJ) 1:00 Bowling at Flatbreads

Thursday | May 5

10:00 English Conversation (C) 11:00 Computer tutorial with Barbara (H) 11:30 Lunch (C) Older American's Month Celebration at the WHYC

Friday | May 6

10:00 Book Club (H) 10:00 Discharge Planning (H) 11:30 Lunch (H) 12:45 Bingo (H)

Monday May 9

9:00 Gardening Club (H)

9:30 Monthly Breakfast (H) 10:00 English Conversation (C) 10:30 Moonlighters (H) 11:30 Lunch (C) 1:00 Bereavement Group (H) 4:30 LGBTQ Advisory Group (H)

9:30 - 11:30 Coffee Hour (H)

Tuesday May 10

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

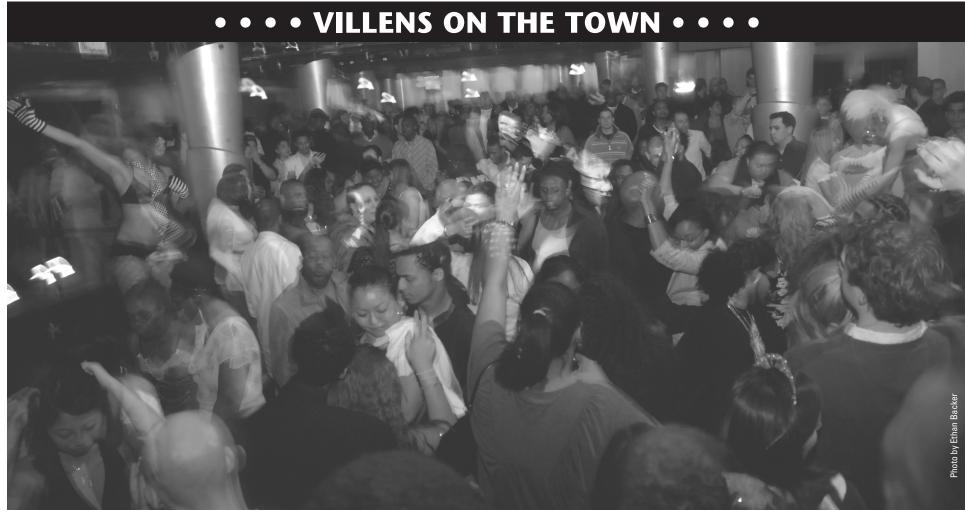
Wednesday May 11

11:30 Lunch (RJ) 11:30 Forget Me Knot (H) 12:45 Bingo (RJ) 1:00 Bowling at Flatbreads Dinner & Bingo (H)

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

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



CHILDREN AND YOUTH Wednesday | May 4

East Branch Library

Puppet Workshop with Faye Dupra 11 a.m.-12 p.m.|115 Broadway

Thursday | May 5

East Branch Library

Lego Club 3:15 p.m. -4:30 p.m. | 115 Broad-

West Branch Library

Lego Club 3:30 p.m.-3:45 p.m.|40 College Ave

Central Library

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

Friday | May 6

Central Library

Preschool: Storytime for 2 year

10:30 a.m.-11 a.m.| 79 Highland Avenue

Sunday | May 8

Central Library

Technology Petting Zoo 2 p.m.-4 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Monday | May 9

Central Library

Sing Along with Matt Heaton 11 a.m.- 12 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Central Library

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

West Branch Library

Sing Along with Matt Heaton 3:30 p.m.-4 p.m.|40 College Ave

Tuesday | May 10

West Branch Library

Preschool Storytime 11 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.|40 College

Central Library

Homeschool Reading Group for Ages 12-14 Tammy McKanan-617-591-0216

9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.| 79 Highland

Avenue

Central Library

Somerville High School Anime

2:45 p.m.-4:30 p.m.|79 Highland

Ave **Central Library**

Book Group for Kids Ages 9-12 7 p.m.- 8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Wednesday May 11

East Branch Library

Preschool Storytime 11 a.m. -11:30 p.m.|115 Broadway

Central Library

Teen Empowerment 3:30 p.m.- 5 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

MUSIC ARTS

Wednesday May 4

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Free Poker, lots of prizes! 6 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room Exile on Elm

Back Room

Backroom Series: Young Irelanders|7:30 p.m.

Comedy Night With Steve Macone|10 p.m.

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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Backroom Series: Dan Blakeslee|7 p.m.|7 p.m. Fighting Fridays | 10 p.m.

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Front Room: Bluegrass Session|2 p.m.

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Banned in DC: Photos and Anecdotes of the DC Punk Underground, 79 – 85|7 p.m. Fruit Bats & Horse Feathers | 8

156 Highland Ave

Sunday | May 8

Sally O'Brien's Bar

The Busted Jug Band 6 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room

Beatles Brunch | 11 a.m.-3 p.m. John Gannon & Friends Irish Session 3 p.m.

Back Room

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8am - 2:30pm

Alan Kaufman & Friends Old Timey|5 p.m.

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Thunder Road

Second Chances Benefit Concert featuring Charlie Farren -cancelled due to an injury 8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

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The haha mama Mother's Day Comedy Show 3 p.m. & 7 p.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

Monday | May 9

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Shawn Carter's Cheapshots Comedy Jam |7 p.m.

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

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Helena Delaney, Johnny O'Leary & Friends Irish Session|9 p.m. Back Room: Science by The Pint|8

Stump Trivia|8:30 p.m. 247 Elm Street 617-776-6896

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Jason Anick and the Swingers Swing/Jazz|8:30 p.m. **Back Room**

Open Mic w/ Hugh McGowan|8 p.m.

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6:30 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

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Back Room

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Board Game Night 7 p.m.-8:45 p.m.|79 Highland

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Central Library

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Sunday | May 8

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Monday May 9

Central Library

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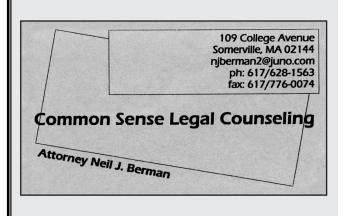
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6:30am	Exercise with Robyn	7:30pm	Let's talk about Real Estate	3:00pm	Telemagazine	2:00pm	The Literati Scene
7:00am	Poet to Poet	8:00pm	Fouye Zo Nan Kalalou (Live call-in)	4:00pm	Chef's Table Series	2:30pm	SCATV Bulletin Board
7:30am	Somerville Neighborhood News	9:30pm	Words on Film	5:00pm	Tele Kreyol	3:00pm	Exercise with Robyn
8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	10:00pm	Throwback Thursday!	6:00pm	Effort Pour Christ	3:30pm	MAPS
9:00am	Legacies	11:00pm	Rare Groove Revolution	7:00pm	Gay USA	4:00pm	Free Speech Television
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10:00pm	SCATV Presents: Duck Village Stage	4:00pm	Gay USA (Free Speech TV)	2:30pm	Taking back your health	10:30am	Cooking with Georgia and Dez
11:00pm	Walter Ness Presents	5:00pm	Reeling Review	3:00pm	Infinite Momentum	11:00am	The Somerville Line
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6:00am	JuPrey Promotions	6:00pm	Let's talk Real Estate!	4:00pm	Dedilhando a Saudade	1:00pm	Color in your life
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12:30am Women's History Month Celebration
12:48am 2016 Patriots' Day
1:31am Union Square Civic Advisory/LOCUS Meeting
9:00am Seriously Somerville w/Jimmy Del Ponte
9:30am SomerViva en Espanol
3:00pm SomerViva em Português 4.7.16
6:30pm Beyond the Badge: Law Enforcement Leaders
7:00pm Congressional Update
7:30pm SomerViva en Espanol
8:00pm Aldermen at Work - Matt McLaughlin
8:35pm GLX Community Path Public Meeting
10:35pm Seriously Somerville w/Jimmy Del Ponte
11:05pm Census 2016 PSA
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3:05am Congressional Update
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12:00pm Senior Circuit
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1:00pm 2016 Patriots' Day
1:43pm Women's History Month Celebration
2:01pm SomerViva en Espanol

A Poetry Reading at the Cross St. Center

Growing Up in Somerville

SomerViva em Português 4.7.16

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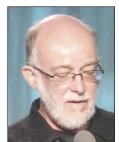
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2:00am

Mark Pawlak, a longtime editor at the acclaimed *Hanging Loose Press* has sent us a poem from his new collection, *Reconnaissance*.



Faith, Hope, Charity

Street corner morning, sidewalk littered:
plastic soda bottles, candy wrappers, aluminum cans—
flotsam after yesterday's snowmelt.
When the light's red, a man
(paper cup in hand, winter coat unbuttoned)
steps off the curb
into the sunlit lane between stopped cars.
Cradled in the crook of his arm
an improvised sign:
SEEKING HUMAN KINDNESS,
ALL MAJOR CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED.

Inside the coffee shop,
a line of patrons stretching from counter to threshold
waiting for pastries and morning java. Just outside,
three anxious sparrows twittering beneath the bench
where a young man sleeps, stretched out,
duffel bag for a pillow,
face turned away from us passersby.
Beside him some Samaritan has left
a lunch sandwich,
neatly wrapped in clear plastic, homemade.

I descend into the subway station:
The ever cheerful Metro hawker greets me,
"Have a nice day."
At the Dunkin' Donuts kiosk
a dark- skinned man-- West Indian?-curly gray hair under
the knit cap he wears in all seasons,
cargo bags at his feet,
hunches over a Bible
open on a pedestal table, his "lectern."

Some days he scribbles in a notebook—sermons?—other times, lips moving, eyes turned inward, he recites passages to himself. Today, he lifts his head, casts his gaze over the multitude, hand extended, and, citing chapter and verse, silently preaches to his congregation entering, exiting through the turnstiles—all of us sinners and no one in particular.

— Mark Pawlak

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OFF THE SHELF

by Doug Holder

Poet Richard Fox:

A Cancer Survivor Brings His Suffering to Verse

Richard Fox didn't start out wanting to write about his bout with cancer. It came to him as unexpectedly as the nefarious disease did. Fox has penned a new collection of poetry that deals with his trials and travails titled wandering in puzzle boxes (Big Table Books).

Richard H. Fox was born and bred in Worcester MA. He attended Webster University, as much artist colony as college, in the early 1970's. These diverse cultures shaped his world view and love of words. He is a former President of Poetry Oasis, Inc., a non-profit poetry association dedicated to education and promoting local poets, and was Managing Editor of its journal Diner. Richard's poems have appeared in numerous journals including Above Place, Boston Literary Magazine, OVS, Poetry Quarterly, Midstream Magazine, and Worcester Review. He is the author of two poetry collections: Time Bomb (2013) and wandering in puzzle boxes (2015). A cancer survivor, many of Richard's poems focus on cancer from the patient's point of view drawing on hope, humor, and unforeseen gifts. He seconds Stanley Kunitz' motion that people in Worcester are "provoked to poetry."

I talked with him on my Somerville Community Access TV show *Poet to Poet/Writer to Writer*:

Doug Holder: You are from Worcester. Stanley Kunitz, the late, acclaimed poet, was also from Worcester. He said that people from Worcester are provoked to poetry. What do you think he meant?

Richard Fox: While he was Poet Laureate of the United States he came back to Worcester. His home is out in Worcester. There are a lot of events out at that house. The people who own it now treat it like a museum. Getting back to your question, he was asked by someone from the press why were there so many poets in Worcester. That's when he replied that people in Worcester are provoked to poetry. Worcester has more poets that you think for a city of its size. It has interesting atmosphere of blue collar workers, many ethnic cultures – it turns out a lot of writers. Your dentist could be a poet. Poetry seems to be everywhere.

DH: Did you grow up in a poetry-loving family?

RF: I didn't grow up in a poetic background. I had an uncle who was a Beat and he introduced me to a lot of the Beat art and literature. He was a bombardier on a B24 in WWII, and went to the Rhode Island School of Design on the G.I. Bill. Later he went to Greenwich Village and supported himself as a painter.

DH: You helped found the organization Poetry Oasis in Worcester

RF: Yes. The Poetry Oasis was a weekly venue. We brought in a large selection of poets from New England and nationally. We sponsored open mics, workshops, and did outreach in schools and senior centers. There were a lot of poets who developed their voice with us. We had an eclectic mix of Slam poets, religious poets, etc. There was an acceptance of the diversity and style. There was a lot of support. You know it is a hard thing to get up there and read your poem – here we encouraged it – there was a lot of positive energy. We also had a magazine, *Diner*, that came out four times a year. This was before the internet was in vogue. We had a wide distribution of poems. Eve Rivkah was one of our poetry editors.

DH: In your poetry collection *wandering in puzzle boxes* you deal with your experience with cancer. Why did you want to revisit such a painful part of your life?

RF: I had a friend who was a medic in Vietnam. I would talk to him on the phone about his experiences. He told me, "You are fighting a war." For him, his defining time was his ten months in Vietnam before he got injured. Cancer becomes a defining moment in your life. Some people have asked me, "Did cancer change you?"



It is hard for me to look back at myself before cancer because life is incremental. Sometimes I wake up in the morning and I don't feel good. But then I say to myself, "Yeah, but you are alive." I am really all about not wasting days after seeing people with cancer not make it. It took me about 15 months after my own experience to read and write poetry. I talked to poet John Hodgen. I asked him to send me prompts. And John is a master at this. I viewed the prompts as a puzzle. I did not intend to write about cancer, but it was in my subconscious. The prompts helped bring it out.

DH: Have you read to other people who have or had cancer?

RF: I have. I have had poetry readings that specifically dealt with cancer. The Q and A after is about 50% cancer, and the other half is about poetry. You know if you haven't been through cancer then you can't really understand it. What you have to understand as a cancer victim is that the depression and despair you feel is normal. That is a hard thing to know. Most people who have it feel they have to fight harder. Your body experiences a lot of damage from chemo and radiation. Your strength is greatly diminished. You have to pick your battles.

DH: I have interviewed the playwright and screenwriter Israel Horovitz. I noticed you wrote a poem about his visit to your high school in the late 60s.

RF: In high school I had a great drama teacher. He had worked Off-Broadway as an actor, but he wanted his marriage to work so he came up to Worcester to teach. He treated high school students like professionals. He had playwriting competitions. He had top notch playwrights judge them. He also got playwrights to speak to the students. Israel Horovitz came in 1968, during the Vietnam conflict. He made his talk into a exercise in improvisation and asked the students, "Will you strike the school?" He even threw a chair across the stage. He created quite a stir. The student body was prowar. I was anti-war. The interesting thing is when I went to my high school reunion all the pro-war kids came up to tell me how wrong they were.

Chemo Brain

Lost in the grocery store you've shopped in since you pushed a cart for your Mama? Have a cup of Peppermint Tea, the red box on the shelf opposite your belt buckle. Leave your pants alone, grab a couple of bags, stumble four aisles left to the household articles, choose a ceramic mug, #1 DAD or I'M GETTING TOO OLD FOR THIS SHIT or I FART WHAT'S YOUR

SUPERPOWER? Next to the pharmacy is a water dispenser with twin taps: boiling and cold. Put the tea bags in your mug, tags over the rim. Fill with your preference but hot must be best because you are shivering suddenly. Suppose shopping is a spoiled idea when you wanderlust for two hours to fill a thirteen item list. Perhaps you should sit down here on the floor til your wife can pick you up



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