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The intersection of Albion and Lowell Streets has been earmarked by some as one of many areas in the city that are in need of traffic calming measures. - Photo by Bobbie Toner

By Denise Keniston

Somerville's "dangerous' streets" - and what to do about them - have dominated many city council meetings in 2019, as members get pressure daily from their constituents for real-time solutions to the city's "out of control" traffic problems exacerbated by GLX bridge closures.

Help could come when the city publishes its 2019 Traffic/Streets Projects List, a rundown of the locations and timing of construction and traffic calming projects slated for the 2019 season – some new, some ongoing – created through the lens of the Safe Streets Investment Program, Vision Zero.

The council was promised the list weeks ago by the Transportation and Infrastructure Department - but has yet to receive it. Meantime, city crews got the jump on several "opportunistic" street projects early this Spring, hustling to get as much done as possible

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In residency with Susan Cattaneo

By Blake Maddux

In addition to being a professor at Berklee College of Music for almost 20 years, Susan Cattaneo has released five albums of what her website's bio describes at "New England Americana with a twang." In 2018, she received a Boston Music Awards nomination for Americana Artist of the Year, won the CT (Connecticut) Folk Festival Songwriting Competition, and was a finalist at the Kerrville (Texas) New Folk Competition for Emerging Songwriters.

On April 18, Cattaneo played the first show of a Union Tavern residency that will resume on May 16 and do its third and final gig on June 13. Cattaneo's sextet The Big Loud Band will be joined at each of the performances by a guest artist. In April, it was Magen Tracy. This month, it will be Cosy Sheridan and her partner, Charlie. In June, it will be four of Cattaneo's fellow female singer-songwriters.

Cattaneo recently spoke by phone to *The Somerville Times* about how the residency came about, how it will proceed, and what she hopes to accomplish with it.

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Susan Cattaneo continues her residency at Union Tavern, 345 Somerville Ave., on May 16, with the final show scheduled for June 13.

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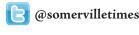
Join the Friends of the Somerville Public Library for their massive 5-day marathon of a book sale May 8 through May 12. Whether you're after chemistry or children's books, fiction or foreign languages, romance or recipes (plus DVDs, CDs, and audiobooks), they've got you covered. All items cost just \$1, and FSPL tote bags will be on sale for \$10 to help you bring your haul home. For more information, visit www.somervillepubliclibrary.org.

The next Garden Club Meeting takes place on Wednesday, May 8, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. with its presentation Pots, Plots, and Windowboxes: Gardening in Small Spaces. Small-space gardening is fun, easy and very satisfying. Flowers, herbs and vegetables will all thrive in window boxes, large buckets, plastic pots, garden bags, and raised beds. Learn which containers work best for patio and dooryard gardening, which plants thrive in your exposure, and tricks for growing in raised beds. The talk covers the best soil to use in plots and containers, seeds and plants that work well in containers, watering techniques, feeding, and vertical gardening. All Somerville Garden Club meetings are free and open to the public. Meetings are held the at the Tufts Administration Building, (TAB), 167 Holland Street, second floor, wheelchair accessible. Parking is available, and the building is a ten-minute walk from the Davis Square MBTA stop.

Porchfest is set for this Saturday, May 11. This year's performances will start in West Somerville and move eastward. Acts in West Somerville perform from noon to 2:00 p.m.; central Somerville bands (between Central and Willow streets) perform from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.; and East Somerville musicians perform from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. This staggered schedule allows music to sweep like a wave from west to east and festival goers can plan out their routes to hear as much music as possible. To see the current lineup and map go to www.somervilleartscouncil.org/porchfest. Listen to music samples Continued on page 11

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TheSomervilleTimes.com Comments of the Week

Response to: Gentrification in Somerville: The curse of the double and triple decker

Aaron says:

Oddly, we have banned the construction of triple-deckers and modestly-sized homes in most of the city. If you'd like to preserve the legacy of Somerville as a town with modestly-priced, modestly-sized homes, please let your city councilors know that you support keeping triple-deckers, by right, in all parts of the new zoning code.

Yet another poster says:

All multi family buildings in Somerville are either apartment buildings or condos. These constitute the vast majority of buildings in the city. Are you suggesting that nobody wants to raise a family in the vast majority of our city?

Developer's Delight says:

How does allowing triple deckers by right "preserve...modestly-priced homes"? You might as well throw gasoline on an already hot real estate market. It will speed-up tear-downs of smaller homes and lead to conversion of older housing stock to build more luxury condos and apartments. The idea that triple-deckers provide working class families with a path toward upward economic mobility is based on a 100-year old real estate market. The only people buying or building triple-deckers today are luxury developers who sell for \$1 to 1.5 million per unit. If you want to speed up gentrification in Somerville, do what Aaron says.

just wait says:

You think it is bad now just wait until the new zoning ordinance passes. The whole plan is to unleash a wave of development in the neighborhoods which will drive out even more families. Which is what many Our Revolution really want because they see long time residents and homeowners and small landlords as a political threat. City council and especially Lance Davis does not even care what is in zoning anymore they just want to pass something so it looks like they have done something.

Steve Keenan says:

All I have to say is this is not the Somerville I grew up in. It's still a great city with great people, but it sure is different.

Response to: Search underway for Somerville bank robbery suspect, reward offered

Bosco says:

If he is illegal will the judge give him low bail, order the ice agent out of the courtroom, then let him slither out the back door. As I have said many times If I'm ever in a jam at the Somerville court house, I just want to be treated like an illegal alien!!! Thanks Joe and Marty.

Gaspar Fomento says:

You gotta laugh, if not cry, over the nitwits going off about the "illegals" every time a hispanic person is in trouble. There's not the least whiff of an indication that this guy is undocumented, and yet... Shows their true colors.

Casimir H. Prohosky Jr. says:

Amen to that. So sick of all this racism in what was once our America. Enough already.

Yet another poster says:

Funny how ignorant folk slip "as I have said many times..." into their rants so freely, as if that somehow makes their point more forceful. Not unlike trump, with his mindless "so true..." self-affirmations. Makes you sound more like a crazy person at a bus stop.

Note to racists: you're not smart enough to use sarcasm. Just don't try.

Log onto TheSomervilleTimes.com to leave your own comments



Life in the Wille by Jimmy Del Ponte

Revere Beach



When I was a kid, a trip to Revere Beach meant a day of fun. Mom packed a lunch and off we went. After frolicking in the water we would eat our baloney and mustard sandwiches. Mayonnaise was a nono because it might spoil in the heat. Mom would reapply the Coppertone sun block and we went back to playing in the sand and water.

Revere Beach was approximately a six mile ride from Somerville. The car would be very hot as we looked out the window on our ride down Route 16. Of course, that was way before the pink condos arrived.

Dad would be up early with his checklist: cooler, ice, lounge chairs. And it wasn't okay just to go to the beach, we had to leave early to get a primo parking space. Dad liked to be within walking distance between the amusements and a lounge. Our favorite bar/lounge on the beach was the infamous and still present Sammy's Patio.

After getting our fill of waves and sand, we would hit the arcades, games and rides.

I remember playing Shooting Waters. I can still hear the guy saying, "Step right up and play Shooting Waters!" You'd squirt water from pistols and try to be the first one to burst a balloon. I never went on the daunting Cyclone rollercoaster. Here's a cool Somerville/Revere Beach connection: my friend Charlie's grandfather, who was a carpenter, helped build that wooden thrill ride. Roller coasters still scare the hell out of me. Dad wouldn't have let us go on it anyway. He did however come on the merry go round, Ferris Wheel and Wild Mouse or Caterpillar with us. My favorite ride was the small scale but authentic automobiles. I can still remember the realistic details like chrome and real rubber tires. I can also still taste the cotton candy and smell the pizza.

In the early 70's, my friends and I worked on The Dodge'Em Cars for Clement Hurley. The



Hurley family were Revere Beach concession pioneers. In his later years, when the rides were all gone, Clem and his wife Marge drove an ice cream truck up and down the boulevard.

Fast forward to 1978 and my band Shadowfax landed a gig at Hurley's Palm Garden. Then in the 90's I hosted games at Sammy's Patio when I was with Kiss 108. My pals, who played with the band The Dream Machine, were the house band at Sammy's for years. This year, Sammy's Patio is celebrating 70 years on Revere Beach. I still stay in touch with the family. Sammy was a great guy!

A friend shares the following memory: "Once a year, in the summer of course, my dad would take my brother and I to a night out at Revere Beach. We would head out knowing

dad would let us go on any ride and play any game we wanted all night. I thought he must be so rich.

Some of the rides I had to sit on one of my parents' laps because I wasn't tall enough. Oh, how I loved those Dodge'Em Cars and the merry go round. Life was much simpler then and the memories last forever." Thanks for sharing!

Today, a ride to Revere Beach may be to get food at Kelly's Roast Beef or just to drive or walk along the beach. If you decide to eat your sandwich or clams outside, watch out for hungry swooping seagulls. They have been known to dive bomb and fly off with your food bag and all!

Lots of us have fond memories of family fun at Revere Beach, the way it used to be.

In residency with Susan Cattaneo CONT. FROM PG 1

The Somerville Times: How did you get the idea for this residency?

Susan Cattaneo: For the past five years, I've been working with this great group of musicians, The Big Loud Band. We do shows probably once every three months, and I've really been thinking that I would like to have had a place where we would do a monthly gig and really develop our sound as a band. When you play every three months, it's very difficult to create any momentum because you're not playing enough with each other. Luckily, the Union Tavern needed somebody for a residency. So far, it's been really awesome!

TST: What does The Big Loud Band sound like?

SC: Imagine [Bruce Springsteen's] E Street Band but with

a girl. (laughs) That is what I'm trying to recreate. Because what I love about the E Street Band is that some of those players are talented solo artists in their own right and they're all competent masters of their instruments and their trade, and my band is like that. They all have solo careers on the side, and yet we all come together and we're terrifically supportive of each other. I really love to give them the chance to shine because they're just incredibly talented.

TST: How is this residency unique among the many in the Boston area?

SC: One of the things that for me has been an issue and important cause is the fact that while Boston has a very vibrant and wonderful music scene, I still think that it needs to do some work in incorporating women musicians as headliners and hosts of residencies. I think there's one other woman-fronted residency in town, and I think it's Ali McGuirk's First Fridays at Bull McCabe's. And that's it. All the rest are men.

TST: What is the setup for each of the shows?

SC: The way that the residency is working is that the night begins with my full band, then we do a middle set that features a local or national female musician who does like four songs. Then my band finishes out the night. And hopefully there's also collaboration between that female musician and my band. My band will play on that woman's songs and then hopefully we'll bring her in at the end to do a song together.

TST: Who was the guest for the first show and whom will it be in May and June?

SC: Our first guest was Magen Tracy. This month's guest is Cosy Sheridan. Magen Tracy is kind of Americana, definitely on the rock side, piano player. Cosy Sheridan is a folk performer, beautiful acoustic guitar player, and she plays with her partner, Charlie. They do wonderful things together, so they're going to be a duo. In June, I thought it would be fun to kind of change it up a little bit, so we're going to do an acoustic in the round with all women. It's going to be featuring Danielle Miraglia, Jenee Halstead, Lisa Bastoni, Samantha Farrell, and me.

TST: In which ways are the guest artists similar to or differ-

ent from one another?

SC: I don't think they are similar. I think they're all different. I'm not curating a show that has a specific sonic identity. It's not going to be all blues or only young folky singer-songwriters. I'm interested in booking women who are trying to write great songs in whatever genre that happens to be.

TST: What do you hope to achieve with this residency?

SC: The first thing is I want to showcase The Big Loud Band. I really want to highlight and showcase these fabulous musicians that I get to work with. Secondarily, but equally importantly, I want to highlight and showcase some of the amazing women that I have met in this community and in communities outside of Boston.

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By Jim Clark

Gas pumps nearly set ablaze

A Somerville Police officers were dispatched to Cumberland Farms on Somerville Ave. last week on reports of a suspicious person starting a fire.

Upon arrival, the officer spoke with a witness who reportedly told them that a man, later identified as Sherwood Byers, who was acting strangely, walked up to her and requested money. The witness did not provide any money to Byers and he walked away.

She also stated that Byers was able to set a gas pump spout on fire, but unknown means.

Another customer acted quickly, and was able to extinguish the

fire with a fire extinguisher that was readily available.

After the fire was extinguished, another gas pump spout was set on fire on the other side of Cumberland Farms. This second fire was extinguished by a water hose, which was available a few feet away from the second gas pump.

Byers the reportedly broke off the drain downspout, which was on the side of Cumberland Farms building.

According to reports, Byers ran from the rear of Cumberland Farms, toward Union Sq.

A short time later, Byers was apprehended by police –

thanks to descriptions of him provided by witnesses – and placed under arrest on charges of burn personalty, assault and battery, and malicious wanton defacement of property.

Video surveillance was made available to police, and no injuries were reported.

Crime Tip Hotline: 617-776-7210

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SOMERVILLE POLICE GRIME LOG

Arrests:

Jeff Bosquet, of 387 Ferry St., Everett, April 29, 8:30 a.m., arrested at Mystic Ave. on a charge of shoplifting by asportation

Paul Phaneuf, of 59 Marlboro, Woburn, April 30, 12:57 a.m., arrested at Josephine Ave.

on warrant charges of felony nighttime breaking and entering and larceny over \$1200.

Sherwood Byers, April 30, 8:30 p.m., arrested at Somerville Ave. on charges of burn personalty, assault and battery, and malicious wanton defacement of property.

Jeovani Robinson, of 61 Boston Ave., Medford, May 3, 6:16 p.m., arrested at Beacon St. on charges of failure to stop or yield, drug possession to distribute, possession of a firearm without FID card, failure to wear a seatbelt, and carrying a firearm with ammunition.

Robert Favreau, of 28 Newtowne Court, Cambridge, May 3, 6:16 p.m., arrested at Beacon St. on charges of drug possession to distribute, possession of a firearm without FID card, failure to wear a seatbelt, and carrying a firearm with ammunition.

Carlos Fernandez, of 45 Co-

lumbus Ave., May 5, 5:57 p.m., arrested at Beacon St. on a warrant charge of destruction of property over \$1200.

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Councilman eyes \$220K traffic mitigation fund, city wants to 'preserve' it CONT. FROM PG 1

in a short construction season, starting with two glaring problems, Temple and Park Streets.

"Temple Street now has new bike facilities and traffic calming measures to slow down the 11,000 cars that use Temple Street every day," says Brad Rawson, Director of Transportation and Infrastructure. "Park Street by Union Square, Spring Hill and Beacon Street, on the back side of Porter Square, is a massively important connection route for people on bikes, and we were able to install new bike facilities on Park Street just two weeks ago. These are a couple of wins for us early in the construc-

Temple and Park Streets are just two of the many "hot spots" needing attention. Ward 5 Councilor Mark Niedergang points out there have been 27 accidents on the stretch on Lowell Street between Highland Avenue and Albion Street in five years making it one of the most dangerous stretches in the city.

"This is the most dangerous

area in my ward and it's my number one traffic calming priority," says Ward 5 councilor Mark Niedergang at a recent council meeting. "I've heard over the past couple of weeks from three fathers who live right near there who are terribly concerned for their children."

In the case of Lowell Street, money is not the problem. Back in 2011, Maxwell's Green developers seeded a fund with \$220,000 for future traffic mitigation expenditures specifically, earmarked for use on Lowell Street). This fund has been "sitting" unused for eight years. Maxwell's Green is a luxury apartment complex on Lowell Street. Niedergang is calling for the city to free up those funds.

"The money is sitting there, and I've been told for years we're waiting for the Green Line Station to come in on the bridge," says Neidergang. "And frankly, I don't want to see someone get killed while we wait for the Green Line Station to come in and then figure out how to fix

this area on Lowell Street."

The city ultimately controls the funds and points out that Lowell Street has been the focus of many traffic calming measures over the years without dipping into the \$220,000 Maxwell's Green Fund.

"We've made crosswalk upgrades and a system of reflective signage to help slow vehicles and improve safety for pedestrians," says Meghann Ackerman, Public Information Officer. "More recently, chicanes - sidewalk bump-outs that help slow vehicles - were installed along the full length of Lowell Street between Maxwell's Green and Magoun Square, traffic calming measures using road paint were used on the southern portion of Lowell Street, and chicanes were also installed along Cedar Street. Safety zones with 20 mph speed limits were also introduced at targeted locations and signage was installed throughout the area. These projects were funded using other sources, preserving the funding from Maxwell's Green for



future projects in the area.

Ackerman also said the city currently has no plans to free up those funds, despite Neidergang's request. "There have been various ideas proposed for additional traffic calming projects near Maxwell's Green using these dedicated funds, including an intervention at Albion and Lowell Streets, and the Transportation and Infrastructure and Engineering teams will work with the community to determine the best application of this funding."

Bridge closures will likely ag-

gravate traffic congestion over the hot summer months and further increase the pressure on both city councilors and City Hall while they hold out for the completion of the long-awaited Green Line Extension.

"Enough is enough. Let's try to prioritize human health in all aspects of the transportation system," says Brad Rawson. "Rather than taking this 1960's automobile-centric, suburban-based approach to allowing automobiles to dominate our urban fabric, we're going to try to do things differently."

Having a great Gyro Day

By Courtney Young

You don't have to be able to pronounce all the names of food on a menu in order to be appetized by them. In the case of annual Gyro Day at Dormition of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church in Somerville, the advertising for this special day could be done solely through the wafts of delicious gyros and kabobs cooking from the tents outside the church.

Aside from the two main attractions at this event, the staff and volunteers at the church prepare tyropita, spanakopita, loukaniko, baklava, loukaniko, and chicken souvlaki, as well as many vegetarian options: Greek delicacies raved about from visitors who venture from other towns and cities just to taste perfection.

Diane Karavatis, volunteer and Parish Council President of Dormition of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church, is optimistic about the renovations and care that the parish will receive after events like Gyro Day. They hope for general maintenance and repairs as well as projected major renovations like redoing the entire outside, as the building itself is almost 100 years old. "It is this event, as well as our major festival over Labor Day

Weekend that has been ongoing for over 50 years now, that brings people far and wide. We have people who come from all over New England, and even as far as the Midwest, because our Greek food is that good,"

A projected one thousand people come to support the church as well as their mission of union for this weekend alone. Father Anthony, who has only been with the parish for 35 days, states his praises about the event. "There is a unique intimacy when you share food with others in close proximity, when you are facing one another and not facing the street," he says. "We hope that non-orthodox, orthodox, and all others will come together and find fellowship."

Both Anthony and Karavatis share the same goal, as well as other fellows in the church: To bring people together, and not necessarily only the religious or spiritual: anyone is welcome. "Greek culture is huge on hospitality, and so we welcome all others from any and all walks of life to come and eat with us," Karavatis states.

The church shares a love for Somerville, as the city is one of the most diverse and flourishing in the state of Massachusetts, and it appears that many more areas than just Somer-



Parish Council President of Dormition of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church Diane Karavitis and Father Anthony.

— Photo by Courtney Young

ville shares a deep love for the church. Although people have branched out and settled into other cities, members of Dormition of the Virgin Mary will still travel to get back to their home church, as the parish

gives its guests an identity that cannot be replaced elsewhere, especially because it is the oldest Greek church in Somerville.

The Greek Orthodox Church has many hopes for those who they serve on Gyro Day: that people may come to the church and find healing, or that they feel the parish is a safe haven to congregate and be themselves, but the main goal is just for those to feel comfortable, be fed, and share a great gyro.

Search underway for Somerville bank robbery suspect, reward offered

State and local police, as well as FBI personnel, are searching for a suspect who reportedly fired gunshots while engaged in an attempted robbery at Middlesex Federal Savings in Somerville on Wednesday. Witnesses said that the suspect fired a shot in the air as he entered the bank and later shot at a police officer who engaged the suspect. The officer was uninjured, according to police, and the suspect immediately fled the scene on foot.

It was reported that a suspect was taken into custody shortly after the incident, but the individual was cleared by police and released. The Davis Square area was closed off for approximately an hour while police searched for the suspect. An intense search of the area, including surrounding residences, was conducted by police in response to the incident.

Mayor Curtatone and Police Chief Fallon were on the scene and spoke to the media, confirming that the search is still underway for the suspect. A backpack believed to be left behind by the suspect was located and, according to reports, contained a firearm.

According to the city's Community Alert System, the suspect is considered armed and dangerous and is described as a roughly 20-35-year-old light skinned male, approximately 5 ft 9 in. tall, and 175 pounds. He was last seen wearing a black stocking hat, camouflage jacket, blue jeans and

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black sneakers. Photos are available at www.somervillema.gov. Another person of interest has been detained and is cooperating with police.

The FBI Boston Violent Crimes Task Force and the City of Somerville are offering a reward of up to \$10,000 for information leading to the identification and arrest of a suspect in yesterday's bank robbery in Davis Square. Anyone with information should call the FBI Boston Division's Violent Crimes Task Force at 857-386-2000. Tips can also be electronically submitted at tips.fbi.gov.

Anyone with relevant information is encouraged to contact the Somerville Police Department at 617-625-1600 ext. 7220 (during business hours) or ext. 7254 (24/7). Tips may be left anonymously through text. Begin your text message with 617spd and send it to TIP411 (847411).

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THE HOUSE AND SENATE: There were no roll calls in the House or Senate last week.

INTEREST GROUPS RATE YOUR LEGISLA-

TORS - This week, *Beacon Hill Roll Call* continues its series that looks at the ratings senators and representatives received from interest groups which measured legislators' support or opposition to the group's legislative agenda in the 2017, 2018 and/or 2019 session.

This week's report features the scores received from the Massachusetts Fiscal Alliance, Associated Industries of Massachusetts and Progressive Massachusetts.

MASS FISCAL ALLIANCE - 2017 AND 2018

Statement from MFA: The MFA is a non-partisan, non-profit organization committed to improving the quality of life in Massachusetts by advocating for fiscal responsibility through right of center economic, fiscal and good government solutions. As a non-profit organization, our primary focus is to promote social welfare. As residents of Massachusetts, we are concerned for our fiscal future.

"MFA advocates for fiscal responsibility, transparency, and accountability in state government and increased economic opportunity for the people of our commonwealth," said Paul Craney, Executive Director of the MFA.

Key to ratings: The MFA scores each legislator based on key votes (269 for the House, 271 for the Senate) on issues selected to demonstrate their commitment to government transparency, holding the line on taxes and supporting small business.

More details on the scorecard are at https://massfiscal-scorecard.org/ Choose 190th session from the drop-down box

Here is the percentage of time local representatives and senators voted with the MFA in 2017 and 2018.

Rep. Christine Barber 0 percent Rep. Mike Connolly 0 percent Rep. Denise Provost 3 percent Sen. Patricia Jehlen 2 percent

MASS FISCAL ALLIANCE - JANUARY 2019 TO APRIL 2019

Key to ratings: The MFA scores each legislator based on key votes (14 for the House, six for the Senate) for the first four months of the 2019-2020 session.

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Here is the percentage of time local representatives and senators voted with the MFA so far in 2019.

Rep. Christine Barber 0 percent Rep. Mike Connolly 79 percent Rep. Denise Provost 79 percent Sen. Patricia Jehlen 33 percent

ASSOCIATED INDUSTRIES OF MASSACHU-SETTS (AIM) – 2018 and 2019 RATINGS

Statement from AIM: Associated Industries of Massachusetts (AIM) is the pre-eminent statewide employer association, serving the needs of all types of employers through public-policy advocacy, resources and commu-

nity. AIM supports public policy that creates economic opportunity and job growth. We are a professional statewide lobbying organization with the unique size, influence, respect and professional talent to shape the economic future of Massachusetts. AIM saves every employer in Massachusetts an average of \$2,000 per employee per year through its role as the premier voice of business.

"The AIM Legislative Scorecard ensures that the organization's 3,500 member employers know each legislator's record on key economic and public-policy issues," said Richard Lord, President and CEO of AIM. "The document also recognizes lawmakers who understand the importance of a vibrant economy for all residents."

Key to ratings: AIM: scores each legislator based on key votes (five for the House, eight for the Senate) on issues ranging from energy to economic development.

More details can be found on the scorecard are at https://votesmart.org/interest-group/1846/rating/11081#. XMnFoOhKhPa

Here is the percentage of time local representatives and senators voted with AIM in 2017 and 2018.

Rep. Christine Barber 60 percent Rep. Mike Connolly 60 percent Rep. Denise Provost 60 percent Sen. Patricia Jehlen 50 percent

PROGRESSIVE MASSACHUSETTS

Statement from Progressive Massachusetts: "Progressive Massachusetts is a statewide, member-driven grassroots organization built from the ground up by organizers and activists from across Massachusetts to advocate for progressive policy. Progressive Mass advocates for a Massachusetts where social, racial, and economic justice; environmental sustainability; health care as a right; equal access to quality public services; respect for all residents; and accountable and transparent government are given top priority. Its chapters and members around the state work to hold all elected officials accountable to progressive values."

"Since its founding, Progressive Mass has been devoted to shining a light on the Statehouse and organizing to hold all elected officials accountable to the progressive ideals that are cherished throughout the commonwealth," said Jonathan Cohn, chair of the Issues Committee at Progressive Massachusetts. "Given our state's liberal reputation, many people think that everything is fine here at home, but Massachusetts has high inequality and lags behind other states from immigrants' rights to voting rights to climate action."

Key to ratings: Progressive Massachusetts scores each legislator based on 43 votes in the House and 66 in the Senate.

More details on the scorecard are at https://scorecard.progressivemass.com/

Here is the percentage of time local representatives and Thurs. May 2 senators voted with Progressive Massachusetts:

Rep. Christine Barber 81 percent Rep. Mike Connolly 95 percent Rep. Denise Provost 95 percent Sen. Patricia Jehlen 94 percent

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

BIOMETRICS (H 287) – The Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee held a hearing on a proposal that would add biometrics to the Security Breach Law that the Legislature approved in 2007. That law requires the Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation to regulate the use and protect the security of personally identifying information including passwords and social security numbers. It also imposes a duty on third parties who hold such information to report breaches in security. Biometric indicators are unique biological attributes or measurements that can be used to authenticate the identity of a person including finger-prints, genetic information, iris or retina patterns, voice recognition, facial characteristics and hand geometry.

Supporters say the 2007 law has worked well and has resulted in the identification of thousands of breaches and the protection of millions of Massachusetts residents, including 947,000 Target customers whose information was compromised in 2013. They argued the law must be updated to keep up with new and changing technology and to protect consumers.

The House and Senate gave initial approval to the same bill in 2017 but it was never given final approval.

DEBT-FREE PUBLIC COLLEGES (H 1221) – Gives free college tuition including mandatory fees to Massachusetts residents who have a high school diploma or equivalent; have been admitted or are already enrolled in a public college or university or at certificate, vocational or training programs at a public institution; and maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0.

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 29-May 3, the House met for a total of one hour and 40 minutes while the Senate met for a total of one hour and 37 minutes.

Mon. April 29 House 10:03 a.m. to 11:18 a.m. Senate 11:06 a.m. to 11:16 a.m.

Tues. April 30 No House session No Senate session

Wed. May 1 No House session
No Senate session

Thurs. May 2 House 11:04 a.m. to 12:29 p.m. Senate 11:09 a.m. to 12:36 p.m.

Fri. May 3 No House session
No Senate session

Bob Katzen welcomes feedback at bob@beaconhillrollcall.com



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Christopher Roy Memorial Fundraiser

On December 9 2018 Worcester Fire Fighter Christopher Roy lost his life fighting a fire. He left behind a 9-year-old daughter, Ava Roy.

Kenny Manzi is doing a fund raiser to try and help with the future of this little girl. The Amazing Sensations have agreed to donate their time and perform at this fund raiser.

Tickets will be on sale at the door, or you can reach out to Kenny Manzi on Facebook and purchase or reserve tickets. There will be food and raffles. So mark your calendars and come out and help with this fund raiser. Tickets are \$20. Saturday, May 11, 2019, 6:00 -10:00 p.m., Somerville City Club, 20 Innerbelt Rd., Somerville.

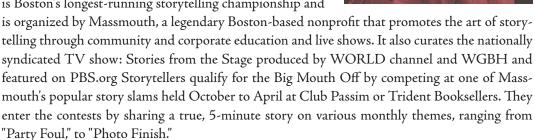


Massmouth's 10th Anniversary Big Mouth Off

Storytellers from throughout the region will face off with their best true stories at Massmouth's championship finale, the Big Mouth Off, Thursday, May 9, at the Somerville Theatre in Davis Square.

This year's finalists, who have advanced through multiple rounds of competition, will tell true stories on diverse themes such as About Last Night and Going Solo, in their quest to be named Big Mouth Off champion.

The Big Mouth Off, now celebrating it 10th Anniversary, is Boston's longest-running storytelling championship and



The winners advance to semifinals slams, and the victors – who emerge from a field of over a hundred tellers - join the Big Mouth Off. This year's finalists include both seasoned and first-time tellers and represent diverse voices - a graduate student, photo archivist, and cycling instructor, among others. "The Big Mouth Off celebrates the truth that we all have amazing stories to share," said Cheryl Hamilton, Massmouth Director. "The tellers on May 9 will make our slam audiences laugh, cry, cheer, and gain the courage to tell their own stories. We are excited to feature the best of the best; there is certainly a story for everyone."

Treasure Hunting with Bob





Income streams

Succeeding in the antiques and collectibles business is difficult. Friends try it and last a few weeks. I'm lucky in that I have a background in the jewelry business.

I first worked for a guy on Mass Ave. in Porter Sq. He taught me a bunch. Plus, I would study by going to auctions where I could pick up the pieces, turn them over and see how they were constructed, how they felt, the stones, etc.

When I would go to Skinner's auction house in Boston, I would ask to see an item, the lovely woman would take it out of the case, hand it to me and before I knew it, there would be a young BC lineman in a dark suit standing inches behind me in case I tried to run off with it.

I guess I make most of my money buying and selling precious metal items and most people don't have that knowledge. As for art, a friend once told me when buying paintings, look for a confident brush stroke. That advice has made me many bucks over the years. Recently, I sold a nice painting for \$1,275 that I bought at a Davis Square second-hand store.

As a fallback, I have a few other streams of income. I'm an Airbnb host and I drive up to ten rides a week for Uber. If things get tough buying and selling, I can ramp up the Uber and make \$500 per week easily.

Luckily, I've been finding a fair amount of fun items that I can resell. Today was a bust. I only got one good painting (for \$6). I think I can make \$100-200 off of it. But, this past weekend was fun. I bought some good heavy gold jewelry at a few second-hand stores. I spent \$25 and got \$1600 in gold. All of it was marked too. I don't know how they missed the karat stamps and I didn't ask.

Bob Adams has been in Somerville 27 years but was a frequent visitor prior to moving here. He worked as a jeweler in a few shops in his younger years, owned his own shop for a bit, sold real estate for 10 years and is always hunting for his next treasure. He has been an antique and collectibles dealer for 30 years. He can be reached at 27winter@gmail.com. Visit his website at www.Somerville.com.

The Somerville Times **Historical Fact of the Week**



Eagle feathers #178

Brick by Brick

By Bob (Monty) Doherty

If you live or work in a house or building constructed of brick, the odds are you share a sense of warmth, comfort, security, and shelter you might not necessarily get from another type of construction. Brick is down to earth. It has ancient roots and its origins go back over 7,000 years.



Wet sand and sunbaked bricks have survived many thousands of years, as well as the billions of today's modern kiln-baked clay bricks. Somerville's first cornerstone was her brick industry. She had superior clay, the best of sand and a location next to our capital city

Brick manufacturing in Massachusetts began as early as 1629, the year of Charlestown's charter. Charlestown's Peter Tufts built a brick home for his son in Medford in 1678. It is the oldest brick house in New England; and through the years, this extended family became large landowners and brick makers in both Medford and Somerville.



The underlying clay surface of the two towns produced an industry that spawned dozens of brickyards. Somerville alone had over twenty, and they contributed to the building of Somerville, Boston, Lowell and other cities and towns.



Somerville has been acquainted with bricks as far back as Colonial times. Early European ships used bricks for ballast while en route to their provinces. Some of the

many artisans that Governor Winthrop brought with him were men who could build hearths and chimneys. Look around next time you walk or drive through town.

Bricks saturate our neighborhoods and envelope private homes, businesses and religious buildings. For over 150 years, most of the city's municipal buildings, firehouses, police stations and schools have been adorned with brick. They cover sidewalks and crosswalks, Continued on page 20

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Malnutrition Awareness Week focuses on life-saving education

By Andrea Svartstrom

Malnutrition is prevalent among older adults and can lead to a wide range of health problems. Unfortunately, it often goes undiagnosed. To help change that, Somerville Cambridge Elder Services (SCES) and agencies across Massachusetts will host informative clinics for Malnutrition Awareness Week, which starts May 13.

Malnutrition is a lack of proper nutrition - usually caused by an excess or deficiency of nutrients - which can cause health problems. Roughly half of adults aged 65 or over are either malnourished or at-risk, according the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. Malnutrition makes hospital visits more likely, and greatly increases the chance of death or hospital readmission.

This makes it important to know the warning signs and understand common risk factors, which include:

- Low weight or sudden weight
- Gaunt or sunken features

- Limited food access
- Reduced bone density
- Decreased appetite
- Depression and/or social isolation
- Overweight
- Eating disorders or dietary restrictions

Two more important points: first, the risk for malnutrition is higher when an elder is staying in a hospital, rehab center, or nursing home, but also occurs in community settings. Second, there's a common misconception that malnourished people are always thin, but overweight people are often malnourished, because they are not eating the right amount and types of food their body needs.

Elder service agencies are often on the front lines of combatting malnutrition. We have professionals trained to evaluate concerns of malnutrition. We also provide dietary counseling, home delivered meals, congregate meals, nutritional supplements, and referral to other food assistance programs.

These programs are provided

through the Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs (EOEA) Elderly Nutrition Program, which is funded by the Older Americans Act and state funding. Statewide, it provided more than nine million meals to approximately 75,000 older adults last year.

Malnutrition Awareness Week is a new event. Timed to coincide with May being Older Americans Month, it will feature 76 malnutrition awareness clinics and events across the Commonwealth. The clinics will include malnutrition risk screenings, educational presentations, free snack giveaways, recipe demonstrations, healthy diet information, and Q&A with a nutrition professional. As part of that effort, SCES is hosting the following sessions:

- Cambridge Citywide Senior Center, May 13 at 1:00 p.m.
- Holland St Senior Center in Somerville, May 14 at 10:30
- Manning Apartments, Cambridge, May 15, 10:30 a.m.

Please consider joining us to learn more. Malnutrition is a common problem in every community, but working together we can raise awareness



SCES Nutrition Programs registered dietitian Andrea Svartstrom.

and save lives.

Andrea Svartstrom MS, RD, LDN is a registered dietitian with the Nutrition Programs at Somerville-Cambridge Elder Service (SCES) a non-profit agency that supports the independence and well-being of older people in Somerville and Cambridge. For

more information, visit eldercare. org or contact the SCES Aging Information Center at 617-628-2601 for free advice and guidance.

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2019 Class Day Festivities



Somerville High School is looking for 50 graduates from the Class of 1969 to participate in this year's Class Day festivities.

Class Day will take place on Friday, May 31 beginning at 8:00 a.m. at Somerville High School.

Class Day is a traditional celebration that honors graduates from 50 years past, this year's graduating class, and the rising freshmen and senior classes.

If you would like to participate in the Class of 2019 Class Day activities, please email Barbara Favaloro, SHS Main Office, Head Clerk (bfavaloro@k12.somerville.ma.us), or call 617-625-6600 x6110.



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MONDAY May 13

7 p.m. Shawn Carter's Cheapshots Comedy 10 p.m. Marley Monday with The Duppy Conquerors

TUESDAY May 14

8 p.m. Christian McNeill & Tim Gearan

WEDNESDAY May 15

6 p.m Spring For Children benefit for The Mystic Learning Center! with fun raffles, buffet dinner, merriment, music by The Tom Hagerty Band - \$20 donation See you next week for poker!

THURSDAY May 16 8 p.m. Even Twice, Trusty Sidekick,

Triple Thick - \$10 cover

FRIDAY May 17

6 p.m. David Johnston Band 9 p.m. Big Giant, The Curtain Society, The Knock Ups - \$10 cover

SATURDAY May 18

6 p.m. One Thin Dime 9 p.m. Lights Out, Newfane, Cold Expectations - \$10 cover

SUNDAY May 19

11 a.m. Brunch! Roundtable Acoustic Series featuring The Eggmen 4:30 p.m. The Natural Wonders 10 p.m. African Night, SambaLolo and guests





COMMENTARY

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Data Download with Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone



By Joseph A. Curtatone

May is Water's Worth It month and a good time to reflect on how vital our water system is to our day-to-day lives and what we can do to make sure we protect it.

2.1 million people: More than 2 million people in 61 communities including Somerville get some type of water and/or sewer services from the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA). The water in the MWRA system comes from the Quabbin and Wachusett reservoirs in Central Massachusetts and the MWRA provides services to most communities in Eastern Massachusetts, from the North Shore to South Shore, and to communities as far west

as Chicopee.

70+ locations monitored: The MWRA monitors water quality in more than 70 locations in the Boston Harbor and its tributary rivers, including the Mystic River. Discharges from the Deer Island Treatment Plant can introduce bacteria into the water system. Prior to 1991 water in the Boston Harbor frequently had levels of bacteria above water quality standards. Thanks to a federally mandated 20-year, \$5 billion Boston Harbor project, those numbers are way down. Maintaining healthy bacteria levels is good for wildlife that lives in and around the Boston Harbor as well as for swimmers who want to enjoy the water. We can also help to keep local waterways healthy by not sending chemicals and medication down the drain because whatever goes down the drain ultimately ends up in our water system. If you're not sure how to dispose of something, visit the Somerville Waste Wizard at www.somervillema.gov/wizard where you can type the item in and find out the correct way to handle it.

21 tests per week: Each week, Somerville's Water and Sewer Department conducts 21 water quality tests at locations around the city. Somerville's drinking water is pre-treated by the MWRA, but these tests let us know if there is a local problem that affects water quality. Watch your mailbox in the coming weeks for the 2018 water report, which has information on both the MWRA system and the results of our local testing.

13 million tons: Many of us think about plastics as being a problem for landfills and fossil fuel use, but discarded plastics are also threatening our waters and water wildlife – and they can clog sewers and exacerbate flooding. According to the World Economic Forum, 13 million tons of plastics find their way into our oceans each year, and they estimate that by 2050, there could be more plastics in

the oceans than fish. They also report that toxic and carcinogenic chemicals used to produce some plastics are ingested by sea life and can make their way up the food chain into the food we eat. So putting recyclable plastics in your zero-sort recycling bin and reducing your plastics consumption overall can help reduce this problem.

0.5% available fresh water: Although more than 70% of the Earth's surface is water, very little of it is available to be used for drinking, agriculture, and many industrial uses. Fresh water makes up only 3% of the planet's total water, but 2.5% is still unusable because it's part of glaciers and polar ice caps, part of the atmosphere, in soil, too polluted, or is so far underground that it can't be tapped affordably. We can't afford to lose more of our usable water supply, which is why we need to do what we can to keep our water systems healthy.

Pre-1940: Like many older

cities, Somerville has an aging water and sewer system. The vast majority of our water and sewer system was built before 1940, including a large amount built before 1900. That means we're simultaneously working on making immediate repairs and undertaking longer term projects to upgrade the system. Just to give you an idea of what that entails: Somerville has 125 miles of water mains, 128 miles of sewer mains, more than 29,000 water and sewer connections, and over 1,600 fire hydrants.

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

Applications available for fiscal year 2020 Community Preservation Act funding

Applications for this coming fiscal year's Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds as well as the fiscal year 2020 Community Preservation Plan, which sets the funding allocations and priorities for the year, are now available. An estimated \$900,000 is available for projects that preserve Somerville's historic resources and expand and improve our parks and recreation land. The City invites residents, organizations, and businesses to submit eligibility determination forms to see if they qualify for the funding. The forms and additional information are available on the CPA website at www.somervillema.gov/cpa under the "Apply for CPA Funding" tab.

Community members who would like to propose a project on City-owned land or request funds for a feasibility study must first submit a pre-application form, which is due Wednesday, May 15, by noon. The Community Preservation Committee requires the relevant City department to be a co-applicant on all projects on public lands. The CPA Manager will share submitted pre-application forms with the relevant department for review. The department will decide to sign on as a partner, propose the project be developed further and submit-



ted in a future funding round, suggest the applicant join an existing effort related to the project, or decide not to sign on as a partner. If the department elects to sign on, staff will begin working with the applicant to submit the eligibility determination form.

This year is also the first year that the minimum funding allocations have changed since the CPA began in FY15. This year's funding allocations are:

Affordable housing = 50% minimum, estimated \$1,021,986

Historic resources = 15% minimum, estimated \$306,596

Open space and recreational land = 20% minimum, estimated \$408,795

An additional 10% (estimated \$204,397) is available in flexible funding. These monies go towards projects in the three categories above based on demand. For example, due to the large number of requests for open space/recreational land funds in FY18, 100% of the flexible funds were allocated to open space projects. The remaining 5% (\$102,199) of CPA revenue goes towards the administration of the program.

Eligibility determination forms for all projects are due by Wednesday, July 10, at 4:30 p.m. and can be sent to City CPA Manager Kristen Stelljes@somerville-ma.gov. Applicants who are unsure of their proposal's eligibility or have other questions may contact her via email or by phone at 617-625-6600 ext. 2107.

Two application workshops are being offered this year and prospective applicants are strongly encouraged to attend in order to learn more about the application process, both will be at the Central Library at 79 Highland Ave.: Tuesday, June 4 at 6:30 p.m. and Wednesday, June 5 at 1 p.m. A video of the workshop will be posted online for those who are not able to attend in person.

The Committee will contact applicants later in July to let them know whether their proposal is eligible for CPA funding and can enter the full application process. The Somerville Affordable Housing Trust Fund will release the application materials for affordable housing projects later and will have an estimated \$704,986 available for projects after the first debt service payment is made on the 100 Homes \$6 million bond that was approved in FY18.

For more information on the CPA, sign up for the CPA Email Newsletter by visiting the City's website at www.somervillema.gov/cpa and clicking "Sign Up Now for CPA News."

COMMENTARY

SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Illustrated by Jim Clark

Heads up, Somerville - PorchFest is right around the corner.

Our View Of The Times



This year's installment of PorchFest will be hitting the city this coming weekend. Those who have, in the past, taken notice of the event – and it is an event that is rather difficult not to notice – usually have fairly strong opinions of approval or distaste for the goings on.

For the uninitiated, PorchFest invites local musicians to give something of an

informal concert outside their homes, either on a front or back porch, yard, garden, etc.

The event is organized and presented by the Somerville Arts Council, who register participants and provide interested parties with maps to the "stars" homes.

Some folks love it, others hate it, and of course there are plenty who fall in the

middle. Naysayers complain that some of the participants get too loud, and that there is sometimes public drinking at certain locations that goes beyond legal limitations. Some complain that the "concerts" go on longer than the scheduled times and that they often evolve (or devolve) into full on block parties.

It is, of course, up to each individual

participant to follow the guidelines and be responsible "promoters" of their own presentations. A few bad apples ideally shouldn't spoil the entire barrel.

So, if you're free for the day, you might want to take in one or more presentations at a porch near you. For a complete schedule of performances go to: http://www.somervilleartscouncil.org/porchfest.

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and plan out your day. Want to play PorchFest? Registration is still open until Thursday, May 9. Go to the website for more information and to register your act.

Join the Somerville Arts Council and the Somerville Flea for a roaming series of three night markets that will take place throughout the city between May and July. The after-hours pop-up markets will feature live music as well as artisan and vintage vendors, and more, in Union Square, Ball Square, and Winter Hill. The series kicks off with a night market hosted as part of ArtsUnion on Union Square Plaza on Saturday, May 11, from 5:00 to 10:00 p.m. More than 35 vendors featuring fantastic vintage and artisan wares will fill the plaza as three musical acts perform, and 21+ visitors can enjoy the beer garden sponsored by Brass Union. This pop-up market is part of a series of Night Markets that will take place from 5:00 to10:00 p.m. throughout the city between May and July. For more information, visit somervilleartscouncil.org/artsunion/2019/ nightmarket.

The 13th Annual Somerville Youth Peace Conference takes place on Satur-

day, May 11, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Somerville High School. Teen Empowerment Somerville youth are working to create a powerful stage show that addresses issues that youth face and brings our community together. The all-original show features theater, spoken word, music, and speeches on mental health, discrimination, gentrification, relationships, violence, and more. Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$6 at the door. For more information on ticket and event details call (617) 625-6600 x2254 or email danielle@teenempowerment.org.

Project Outlook is a group of constituents with low or no vision who enjoy getting together for camaraderie and socialization. Project Outlook meets monthly on the second Tuesday of the month from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Holland Street Senior Center, 167 Holland Street. Project Outlook has been around for 30 plus years. Come join in the conversation, we look forward to meeting you. For more information, please call Claudia at 857-237-1801.

The Somerville Council on Aging is seeking various professionals, speakers and entertainers who can contribute to the programming offered by the Coun-

cil. They are currently looking for attorneys that will do pro bono work at their center for elders in need and at risk. The center is located at 167 Holland Street and specific office hours for legal guidance would be scheduled at a mutually convenient time. They are also seeking entertainers, speakers, an arts specialist and any other professional service provider who could offer services and/ or programming at no cost or a small fee. Please contact Cindy Hickey at the Council on Aging for more information: chickey@somervillema.gov 617-625-6600 ext.2300.

A third East Somerville Reunion is set for this year. Dan Rogovich has let us know he is once again planning it. Lots of people who grew up in East Somerville have missed the last two but wanted to have a third. Thanks to Dan, who is an East Somerville lover, managed to get the Somerville City Club booked on Saturday, June 15. Dan and his assistants worked hard on the past two and they will do the same this year to make it a success. Many here at *The Times* are from East Somerville and we will be there, and we have already reached out to others. A small group of "down backers"

behind the Bucket who grew up there in

the 60's will all be there. They meet every four or so months to talk about old times and great times. Help make this a success. Go online to Facebook to check it out. Ask Dan what you can do to help. He is looking for the food, entertainment and just plain East Somerville fun.

The Somerville City Club manager Donny Johnson is looking all the time for new members to join the club, if you think you'd be interested give him a call at 617-623-9340. It's a great local club for the residents of Somerville, and has been around now for over 40 years, their location on Innerbelt Road. Plenty of parking and some say the best deal in Somerville. Call the hall and ask for details at 617-623-9340.

Somerville Open Studios 2019

Somerville Open Studios celebrated its 21st year this past weekend as more than 300 artists across the city opened their studios during one of the largest single weekend open studio events in the nation.

From fashion to film to interactive art, there was something for everyone. The annual SOS weekend continued to inspire and enchant the art-loving public as artists open their doors in this family friendly event.

For event information, go to https://www.somervilleopenstudios.org.



































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SPORTS

Somerville residents and businesses team up to celebrate river herring

Come run with the herring-literally! Join the Mystic River Watershed Association and twenty-one Somerville residents, on Saturday, May 18, to celebrate the annual return of the herring. Each spring over 600,000 herring swim from Boston Harbor to the Mystic Lakes--the Herring Run and Paddle celebrates this spectacular wildlife migration.

The 23rd annual Herring Run and Paddle will take place at the Blessings of the Bay Boathouse in Somerville. Participants can partake in the 5k run and/or

the 3, 9, or 12-mile paddle, or bike ride followed by food, music, prizes, and fun for the whole family. Run, walk, paddle, bike or cheer, this race is for all

Local Somerville businesses and organizations, Assembly Row, Paddle Boston, Community Credit Union, Gentle Giant Rowing, and the Law Office of Michael Fager, are sponsoring the race in addition to big-name outdoors companies like Patagonia and REI.

The event, which kicks off at 9:00 a.m., serves to raise awareness of the returning herring to



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mixture, hodgepodge #677

- 1. What race is called "The Most Exciting Two Minutes In Sports"?
- 2. In what year was the first Kentucky Derby held?
- 3. When did the first television coverage of the Kentucky Derby take place?
- 4. What horse holds the record with the fastest time ever run in the Kentucky Derby?
- 5. How many horses receive a share of the purse of the Kentucky Derby?
- 6. What is the traditional

beverage of the Kentucky Derby?

- 7. What month is Barbecue Month?
- 8. What day is Star Wars Day?
- 9. Who is recognized as the founder of the Mother's Day holiday?
- 10. Where did the first Porchfest take place?
- 11. Which musical featured the song *Tonight?*
- 12. Someone with doromania has a compulsion to do what?

Answers on page 18

the river, promote stewardship of the watershed, and provide access to open space and recreation for residents. It is a day to highlight the beauty and recreational value of the Mystic River as well as the environmental challenges it faces.

Scanner Cheung, winner of the 2018 Herring Run and Paddle's Iron Herring Award, said, "I think the Mystic River Herring Run & Paddle really brings together some of the best and most unique parts of Boston: the waterways and the tight-knit running community. Some of the biggest events here

are the Head of the Charles and the Boston Marathon, but not many races can claim to combine the two. I could tell this race was really a grass-roots event, sponsored by local companies – with great prizes – and dedicated to protecting the natural resources, like the Mystic River, that make exercising outside in Boston so great."

"I had raced it a couple years earlier (2015) and remembered it being a fast, flat course," said Beverly Atunes, winner of the Herring Run and Paddle women's 5k race. "It is a really well-organized community event."

Registration is open until Wednesday, May 15, and is only \$25 per person. For more details about the event, or to register online, head to www.mysticriver. org/herring-run-paddle.

About the Mystic River Watershed Association:

The Mystic River Watershed Association (MyRWA) works to improve the lives of the more than half million residents of Mystic River communities through its efforts to protect and restore water quality, natural habitat and open space throughout the 76 square mile watershed. For more information, see MysticRiver.org.





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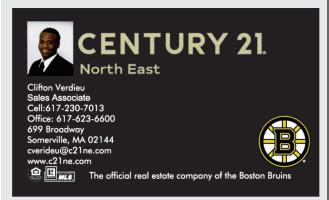
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CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
JOSEPH A. CURTATONE MAYOR

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PLANNING DIVISION

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing for all interested parties will be held by the Zoning Board of Appeals on Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council <u>Chambers</u> on the 2nd floor of <u>City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA</u>.

*** Cases are sometimes postponed to later dates. To sign up for emails to inform you of a change of hearing date for a project near you, please use the URL associated with your address of interest that appears at the end of this legal notification.3

39 Tennyson Street (ZBA 2018-149): Applicant, Derick Snare, and Owner, Eddie and Dulce Giron, seek a special permit under SZO §4.4.1 to alter a nonconforming structure to alter the roof with a rear gable and dormers and constructing decks in the right side yard. RB Zone. Ward 4.

96 Wheatland Street (ZBA 2018-175): Applicant / Owner, Xia Li, seeks a special permit under SZO §4.4.1 to alter a nonconforming structure to construct a rear addition, RB Zone, Ward 4.

312 R Beacon Street (aka 25 Harris Street, Cambridge, MA) (ZBA 2019-31): Applicants / Owners, Robert Gillig and Christine Cuttitta, seek a Special Permit pursuant to conditions of a previous ZBA Decision (ZBA 2005-53) and under SZO \$7.11.a.c, \$4.4.1, and \$9.13 for parking relief to make alterations to a nonconforming structure by constructing an addition and establishing a sixth residential unit on the site. RC Zone. Ward 2.

90 Morrison Avenue (ZBA 2019-35): Applicant, Cindy Siyuan He, and Owner, Siyuan He Trustee of 90 Morrison Realty Trust, seeks a special permit under SZO §4.4.1 to alter a nonconforming structure to construct a dormer on the left side of the roof. RA Zone. Ward 6.

101 South Street (formerly 2 Earle Street A.K.A. MBL 97-B-26 sub-lot of 153 South Street) (ZBA 2019-43): Applicant & Owner, RECP V Boynton Yards Owner LLC, seek a Variance under SZO §5.5 to increase the building height to a 9-story commercial building and increase the FAR to 270,000sf of office/R&D uses, 13,500sf of arts-related uses, and 9,800sf of retail. Zone TOD-135. Ward 2.

39 Tennyson St: http://eepurl.com/gpsY15

96 Wheatland St: http://eepurl.com/gpsZaP
312 R Beacon St (aka 25 Harris St, Cambridge, MA): http://eepurl.com/gnJKoX

90 Morrison Ave: http://eepurl.com/go-thT 101 South Street: http://eepurl.com/dNujfl

Submittals may be viewed in-person in the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development, located on the third floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA, Mon-Wed, 8:30 am-4:30 pm; Thurs, 8:30 am-7:30pm www.somervillema.gov/planningandzoning

As cases may be continued to later dates, please check the agenda on the City's website or call before attending a meeting. Continued cases will not be re-advertised. Interested persons may provide comments to the Zoning Board of Appeals at the hearing or by submitting written comments by mail to OSPCD, Planning Division, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA 02143; by fax to 617-625-0722; or by email to planning@somervillema.gov.

Attest: Sarah Lewis, Planning Director As published in The Somerville Times on 5/1/19 & 5/8/19

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Date of Death: February 15, 2019 To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner Joanne DiGregorio of Somerville

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The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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A Public Hearing for all persons interested will be given by the **Somerville Licensing Commission** on **Monday, May 20, 2019** in the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at <u>6:00PM</u> on the Application of a 7 Day All Forms Alcohol Restaurant License for the Enhancement Area to Somerville Comedy Group LLC d/b/a Union Comedy, and a Common Victualler License, and an Entertainment by Devices, and Performers License, for 434 McGrath Hwy, Somerville, MA

> For the Commission Christopher Allen Joseph P. Lynch Jr. John J. McKenna

Attest: Lori Batzek Administrative Assistant

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE **PURCHASING DEPARTMENT**

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

Landscaping services for the City

An Invitation for Bid may be obtained online at http://www.somervillema.gov/departments/finance/purchasing/bids or from the Purchasing Department, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA, 02143 on or after 05/08/2019. Sealed bids will be received at the above office until: 05/23/2019 1:00PM. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

The contract term shall be for a period of 1 year with 2 optional renewals from 06/01/2019 to 05/31/2020

Prevailing wage rates apply. 5% bid deposit required.

Please contact Prajkta Waditwar at pwaditwar@somervillema.gov for more information.

> Angela Allen **Purchasing Director** 617-625-6600, x3400

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> For the Commission Christopher Allen Joseph P. Lynch Jr. John J. McKenna

Attest: Lori Batzek Administrative Assistant

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PLANNING DIVISION

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A **public hearing** for all interested parties will be held by the **Planning** Board on Thursday, May 16, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the Visiting Nurses Association (VNA), 259 Lowell Street, Somerville, MA 3rd Floor Com-

114-120 Broadway: (PB 2019-13): Applicant and Owner, Goodfood Restaurant Group, LLC, seek a Special Permit with Site Plan Review (SPSR) under §5.2 of the SZO to replace a one-story building with a 5-story mixed-use building (+/- 4,000square feet ground floor retail and 39 residential units on floors 2-5). Inclusionary units provided under Article 13of the SZO and parking relief under article 9 of the SZO. CCD45. Ward 1.

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Attest: Michael Capuano, Chairman As published in The Somerville Times on 5/1/19 and 5/8/19

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE **PURCHASING DEPARTMENT** RFP 19-86

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

Housing Search and Stabilization Services

A request for proposals (RFP) may be obtained online at http://www. somervillema.gov/departments/finance/purchasing or from the Purchasing Department, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA, 02143 on or after May 8th, 2019.

Sealed proposals will be received at the above office until: <u>June 5th, 2019 at 2:00pm ET</u>. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

Please email tchukhatsang@somervillema.gov for more information.

Thupten Chukhatsang Procurement Analyst 617-625-6600, x3400

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE **PURCHASING DEPARTMENT** IFR 19-90

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

Michael E. Capuano Field & East Somerville Community School **Turf Renovation Project**

Bid packages for may be obtained online at https://www.somervillema.gov/departments/finance/purchasing or may be picked up at the Purchasing Department, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, First Floor, Somerville, MA 02143 beginning on Wednesday May 8th, 2019

An optional pre-bid site visit will be held on Monday May 15th. Consult the bid package for complete timing and location details.

Sealed bids will be received until Thursday May 23rd, 2019 at 2:00PM. Late bids will not be considered. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

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

> Michael Richards **Assistant Purchasing Director**

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The Somerville Housing Authority, the Awarding Authority, invites sealed bids from Electrical Contractors for the Weston Manor Generator Replacement Project for the Somerville Housing Authority in Somerville, Massachusetts, in accordance with the documents prepared by NANGLE ENGINEERING INC.

The Project consists of: The removal of two (2) 50kW diesel generators that serve the buildings emergency loads and fire pump with a new exterior mounted 150kW diesel generator with sub-base tank, and new emergency power supply system.

The work is estimated to cost \$237,460.00

Bids are subject to M.G.L. c.149 \$44A-J & to minimum wage rates as required by M.G.L. c.149 \$\$26 to 27H inclusive.

General bidders must be certified by the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (DCAMM) in the category of Electrical and must include a current DCAMM Prime Contractor Certificate of Eligibility and a signed DCAMM Prime Contractor Update Statement.

General Bids will be received until <u>2:00pm, Thursday, May 30, 2019</u> and publicly opened, forthwith.

All bids shall be submitted electronically online at www.Projectdog.com no later than the date and time specified above. Hard copy bids will not be accepted by the Awarding Authority. Tutorials, instructions and videos on how to complete the electronic bid documents are available online as well as in the Instructions to Bidders. For assistance, call Projectdog, Inc at 978-499-9014 (M - F 8:30AM - 5PM).

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

Bid forms and contract documents will be available at www.Projectdog.com or for pick-up at: Projectdog, Inc, 18 Graf Road, Suite 8 Newburyport, MA 978-499-9014 (M - F 8:30AM - 5PM), on Wednesday, May 15, 2019.

Go to www.Projectdog.com and click Sign Up for free, or login with your existing account. Enter Project Code Salect "Acquire Documents" to download documents, review a hard copy at Projectdog's physical location, or request a free project CD.

There is a plan deposit of **\$50.00** per set (maximum of 2 sets) payable to Projectdog. Inc.

Refundable deposits must be a certified or cashier's check. This deposit will be refunded for up to two sets for general bidders upon return of the sets in good condition within ten (10) days of receipt of general bids. Otherwise the deposit shall be the property of Projectdog, Inc.

Bidders requesting Contract Documents to be mailed to them shall include a separate check for \$35.00 per set, payable to Projectdog, Inc., to cover mail and handling costs.

Bidders must submit as part of their bid a completed form HUD-5369A, "Representations, Certifications, and Other Statements of Bidders".

The job site and/or existing building(s), at 15 Weston Avenue, will be available for inspection at 10:30am, on Thursday, May 23, 2019.

The Contract Documents may be seen, but not removed at:

Construction Market Data 75 Second Avenue - Suite 320 Needham, MA 02194 F.W. Dodge - McGraw Hill 24 Hartwell Ave. Lexington, MA 02174 (or closest regional F.W. Dodge Company)

For an appointment call <u>Brian Langton, Director of Modernization</u>

The Somerville Housing Authority reserves the right to waive any informalities in or to reject any and all bids, or to waive any informalities in the bidding. No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days, Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excluded, after approval of the award by the Dracut Housing Authority without written consent of the Somerville Housing Authority.

Joseph Macaluso, Executive Director Somerville Housing Authority May 15, 2019

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT RFP 19-83

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

Payment Gateway and Merchant Services

A request for proposals (RFP) may be obtained online at http://www.somervillema.gov/departments/finance/purchasing or from the Purchasing Department, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA, 02143 on or after May 8th, 2019.

Sealed proposals will be received at the above office until: May 23rd, 2019 at 2:00pm ET. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

Please email $\underline{tchukhatsang@somervillema.gov} \ for \ more \ information.$

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The Somerville Housing Authority, the Awarding Authority, invites sealed bids from Contractors for the Housing Type: Family 200-2 Development for the Somerville Housing Authority in Somerville Massachusetts, in accordance with the documents prepared by Brown, Richardson + Rowe.

The Project consists of: The repair of a selection of areas of deteriorated concrete paving across the housing development. Concrete is replaced by stamped asphalt, standard asphalt, and concrete panel replacement.

The work is estimated to cost \$ 99,895.87

Bids are subject to M.G.L. c.30 \$39M & to minimum wage rates as required by M.G.L. c.149 \$\$26 to 27H inclusive.

General Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 15 and publicly opened, forthwith.

This project is being Electronically Bid (E-Bid). All bids shall be prepared and submitted online at www.Projectdog.com and received no later than the date & time specified above. Hard copy bids will not be accepted by the Awarding Authority. For E-Bid Tutorial and Instructions, download the Supplemental Instructions To Bidders for Electronic Bid Projects from www.Projectdog.com. For assistance, contact Projectdog, Inc. at 978.499.9014.

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

Bid Forms and Contract Documents will be available online and for purchase at for pick-up at www.Projectdog.com, **project code** 831644 ·

There is a plan deposit of \$50.00 per set (maximum of 2 sets) payable to Projectdog, Inc.

Deposits must be a certified or cashier's check, or money order. This deposit will be refunded for up to two sets for general bidders and for one set for sub-bidders upon return of the sets in good condition within ten (10) days of receipt of general bids. Otherwise the deposit shall be the property of the Awarding Authority.

Additional sets may be purchased for online at www.Projectdog.com. CD-ROMs are available upon request. \$ Amount

Bidders requesting Contract Documents to be mailed to them shall include a separate check for \$35.00 per set, payable to Projectdog, Inc., to cover mail handling costs.

The job site and/or existing building will be available for inspection between 2PM and 4PM on Wednesday, May 8, 2019.

For an appointment call Anthony DiGiovanni at (617) 625-1152 x330, AnthonyD@sha-web.org.

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT RFP 19-85

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

Legal Assistance Services

The City seeks qualified proposers to provide high quality legal representation, consisting primarily of full representation but also including the provision of legal advice, where appropriate, to (1) individuals and families referred by the OHS (Office of Housing Stability) who are at risk of displacement due to loss of housing or a housing subsidy; and (2) as to legal advice, to OHS staff upon request.

A request for proposals (RFP) may be obtained online at http://www.somervillema.gov/departments/finance/purchasing or from the Purchasing Department, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA, 02143 on or after May 8th, 2019.

Sealed proposals will be received at the above office until: <u>June 5th, 2019 at 1:30pm ET</u>. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

Please email $\underline{tchukhatsang@somervillema.gov}$ for more information.

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For the Commission Christopher Allen Joseph P. Lynch Jr. John J. McKenna

Attest: Lori Batzek
Administrative Assistant

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BID ADVERTISEMENT

The Somerville Housing Authority invites sealed bids from contractors to furnish, install, and repair blinds and shades as needed, in various State and Federally Funded housing developments at various locations throughout Somerville Massachusetts, in accordance with the documents prepared by the SHA Purchasing Department.

The Project consists of Furnishing, installing, and/or repairing of Shades and Window Blinds as needed.

The work is estimated to cost \$95,000.00

This is a Three-year contract

Bids are subject to M.G.L. c.149 \$44A-J & to minimum wage rates as required by M.G.L. c.149 \$826 to 27H inclusive.

General Bids will be received until 11:00 a.m. on May 22, 2019 and publicly opened, forthwith at Somerville Housing Authority's, Administration Bldg., 30 Memorial Road, Somerville, MA 01245.

Bid Forms and Contract Documents will be available for pick-up at Somerville Housing Authority, Administration Offices, Reception, 30 Memorial Road, Somerville, MA 02145 after 11:00 A.M., on May 8, 2019, or you may download them from our web site http://www.sha-web.org, under our Bid Opportunities tab. If downloaded, you must register with Anthony Crespo at Tonyc@sha-web.org and provide contact information, including Company Name, Contact person\s, email and phone number to receive changes, or updates. You will receive a reply to your email confirming reception.

General Bids shall be accompanied by a bid deposit or bid bond that is not less than 5% of the greatest possible bid amount (considering any alternates) and made payable to the Somerville Housing Authority. Bids may be mailed to Somerville Housing Authority, Purchasing Department, 30 Memorial Road, Somerville, MA 02145 and must be received before the time specified. SHA is not responsible for lost or late bids.

A site visit is scheduled 9:00 a.m. on May 13, 2019. All interested parties will meet at Somerville Housing Authority, Administration Building, 30 Memorial Road, Somerville, MA 02145. Prior notification that you are interested in attending the site visit is required. Please notify Anthony Crespo at 617-625-1152 extension 336 or email Tonyc@shaweb.org if you are attending.

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

PUBLIC HEARING

The Mayor's Office of Strategic Planning & Community Development (OSPCD) will hold a public hearing on Wednesday May 22, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. at the Somerville Central Library, 79 Highland Avenue on the 2019-2020 One Year Action Plan and invites community input on priority needs related to affordable housing, community development, and homelessness for grants funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the Community Development Block Grant Program, the Emergency Solutions Grant Program, and the HOME Program.

Accommodations for non-English speaking or hearing impaired persons are available by contacting (OSPCD) at 617-625-6600 x2500; requests for accommodations should be made by the close of business on Monday, May 20, 2019. Individuals with disabilities who need auxiliary aids and services for effective communication, written materials in alternative formats, or reasonable modifications in policies and procedures in order to access the programs and activities of the City of Somerville or to attend meetings, should contact the City's ADA Coordinator, Nency Salamoun, at 617-625-6600 ext. 2323 or via email at NSalamoun@somervillema.gov

General questions about the hearing should be directed to the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development (OSPCD) at 617-625-6600 x2500. Written comments must be submitted by Monday June 24, 2019 @ 4:30 p.m. and should be sent to the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development (OSPCD), 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA 02143 Attn: Elizabeth Twomey or email to OSPCD@ somervillema.gov.

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For the Commission Christopher Allen Joseph P. Lynch Jr. John J. McKenna

Attest: Lori Batzek
Administrative Assistant

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL COMMITTEE **8 BONAIR STREET** SOMERVILLE, MA 02145 BID #S2019-06

A The School Committee of the City of Somerville invites sealed bids for a 2019 fourteen (14) passenger activity vehicle for the Somerville School Department.

Every bid shall be submitted in accordance with the Specifications which may be obtained at the Finance Director, Somerville School Department, 8 Bonair Street, Somerville, MA 02145 on or after May

All bids shall be filed no later than 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 4, 2019 at the Office of the Finance Director, Somerville School Department, 8 Bonair Street, Somerville, MA 02145 at which time and place they shall be publicly opened and read aloud.

The School Committee of the City of Somerville reserves the right to reject any or all bids or any part or parts thereof, and to award the Contract or not to award the Contract, as the School Committee deems to be in the best interests of the City of Somerville School Department.

Francis Gorski **Finance Director** Somerville Public Schools

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A Public Hearing for all persons interested will be given by the Somerville Licensing Commission on Monday, May 20, 2019 in the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at 6:00PM on the Application for an Alteration of Premises for AutoWmz LLC d/b/a La Cucina, at 400 Assembly Row, Somerville, MA

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Attest: Lori Batzek **Administrative Assistant**

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

The Somerville Historic Preservation Commission (SHPC) shall hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 6:40 p.m. at the Visiting Nurse Association, 249 Lowell Street the regarding a proposal by Applicants: Broadway Investment LLC to demolish the c. 1884 Mansard houses at 152-154 Broadway and 156-158 Broadway; Peixinho Realty Trust to demolish the pre-1852 house at 430 McGrath Highway; and WashDev2, LLC to demolish c. 1874 Mansard house at 7 Washington Street.

The subject of the hearing will be a review of the initial determination by the SHPC that under the City of Somerville Zoning Ordinance Section 7-28b(2), the structure is 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 Commission Staff Kristi Chase at (617) 625-6600 x 2525 or Sarah White at (617) 625-6600 x 2534 or by e-mail at historic@somervillema.gov.

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> For the Commission Christopher Allen Joseph P. Lynch Jr. John J. McKenna

Attest: Lori Batzek Administrative Assistant

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A Public Hearing for all persons interested will be given by the Somerville Licensing Commission on Monday, May 20, 2019 in the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at 6:00PM on the Application of a Change of Manager for New England Neapolitan Assembly d/b/a Midici, and an Entertainment by Performers License, at 463 Assembly Row, Somerville, MA

> For the Commission Christopher Allen Joseph P. Lynch Jr. John J. McKenna

Attest: Lori Batzek Administrative Assistant

5/8/19 The Somerville Times

A Public Hearing for all persons interested will be given by the Somerville Licensing Commission on Monday, May 20, 2019 in the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at 6:00PM on the Application of a 7 Day All Forms Alcohol Restaurant License for the Enhancement Area to Joss Mgmt. Co. d/b/a Jae's Cafe, and a Common Victualler License, an Entertainment by Devices License, and Sunday Hours License, for 243 Elm St., Somerville, MA

> For the Commission Christopher Allen Joseph P. Lynch Jr. John J. McKenna

Attest: Lori Batzek Administrative Assistant

5/8/19 The Somerville Times

A Public Hearing for all persons interested will be given by the Somerville Licensing Commission on Monday, May 20, 2019 in the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at 6:00PM on the Application of an Alteration of Premises for Pepe Bocca Italian Specialty Market, Inc. d/b/a Pepe Bocca, at 414-418 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA

> For the Commission Christopher Allen Joseph P. Lynch Jr. John J. McKenna

Attest: Lori Batzek **Administrative Assistant**

5/8/19 The Somerville Times

A Public Hearing for all persons interested will be given by the Somerville Licensing Commission on Monday, May 20, 2019 in the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at 6:00PM on the Application for Recinos Corporation d/b/a Recinos Cafe, for a Common Victualler License and an Entertainment by Devices License for 85 Broadway, Somerville, MA

> For the Commission Christopher Allen Joseph P. Lynch Jr.

Attest: Lori Batzek

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the most recognizable comedians in show business. Since his first appearance on David Letterman at the age of 20, Bobcat made a number of hit movies in the 80s and 90s including Police Academy and Shakes the Clown and later expanded his resume directing movies including Call Me Lucky and World's Greatest Dad starring Robin Williams, directing comedy specials by Patton Oswalt and Eugene

Bobcat Goldthwait is no stranger to entertainment and is one of

Comedy legends Bobcat Goldthwait and Dana Gould are bringing their

The Show with Two Heads tour to the Somerville Theatre on Wednes-

day, May 15 at 8:00 p.m. At each stop on their 12 city tour, audiences have enjoyed new material from Bobcat and Dana as they trade off

Bobcat's Showtime special You Don't Look the Same Either is a self-deprecating and topical instant comedy classic. His stand-up draws fans across the country with his hilarious riffs on his personal life, politics, and humorous stories about his over 30 years in show business.

'The Show with Two Heads'

tour comes to Somerville

Boston native Dana Gould started his professional comedy career at age 17 and has since become a bona fide comedy legend whose credits include The Simpsons, Seinfeld and Parks and Recreation. Dana has released six solo stand-up comedy specials and has made multiple late night appearances including Conan, Jimmy Kimmel

Live and The Late Show with David Letterman.



Dana is also the creator/writer/executive producer of the IFC comedy horror series Stan Against Evil starring John C. McGinley. The show premiered in October of 2016 to strong reviews and stronger ratings and ran for three seasons on IFC. It is now available on Hulu. He also hosts his monthly podcast The Dana Gould Hour which frequently hits iTunes' Top Ten Comedy.

Dana's newest comedy album Mr. Funny Man was released by legendary punk label Kill Rock Stars and debuted at #1 on iTunes.

Tickets are available at https://www1.ticketmaster.com/ event/01005673130FCAF6.



The Kentucky Derby

7. May

2. 1875

8. May 4, "May the 4th be with you"

3. May 7, 1949

9. Anna Marie Jarvis

Secretariat in 1973 at 1:59.4

10. Ithaca, New York in 2007

5. 5, 1st to 5th place

11. West Side Story

6. Mint Julep

12. Give gifts

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CHILDREN AND YOUTH Wednesday | May 8

Central Library

Homeschool Reading Group 10:15 a.m.- 12:15 p.m.|79 Highland

East Branch Library

Preschool Story Time 11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.|115 Broadway

Pajama Storytime! at VOX Pop 11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.|431 Artisan Way, Assembly Row

Thursday | May 9

Central Library

Preschool Storytime for 3 to 5-year-

10:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m.|79 Highland

Friday | May 10

Central Library

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

Monday | May 13

Central Library

Sing Along with Jeremy 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|79 Highland Ave

West at TAB

Kids' Book Club 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.| 167 Holland St,

Tuesday | May 14

Somerville Community Baptist

Preschool Storytime 11 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|31 College Ave.

East Branch Library Paws, to Read!

3 p.m.- 4 p.m.|115 Broadway

Wednesday May 15

East Branch Library

Preschool Story Time 11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.|115 Broadway

Davis Square Farmers Market

Farmers Market Fun! 12 p.m.-1:30 p.m.|Day & Herbert

Central Library

Streets

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

MUSIC/ARTS

Wednesday | May 8

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Free Poker, lots of prizes! 8 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room: Americana Session with: Grain Thiefl9 p.m.

Back Room: Haley Richardson & Quinn Bachand with The Ruta Beggars|7:30 p.m. Comedy Night with Arty P.|10 p.m.

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65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Bull McCabe's Pub The A-Beez

10 p.m.|366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Thunder Road

Bearly Dead – Wednesday Night Residency

8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave **Once Somerville**

156 Highland Ave

Highland Kitchen

150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Aeronaut Brewing Co.

Steven Chagnon 8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory

Been Out Here Teen Open Mic

6 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Thursday | May 9

Sally O'Brien's

Box of Records

8 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-

The Burren

Front Room:Americana Session with Matt Borrello, Mike Verge & Company |7 p.m.

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

Bull McCabe's

Krush Faktory(Dub Down) 10 p.m.|366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Thunder Road 379 Somerville Ave

Once Somerville

Defeater

Born Without Bones, One Step Closer,

8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co. Seba Molnar Quartet 8:30 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory

Pub Sing

7 p.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

Friday | May 10

Sally O'Brien's

Jim Coyle & Sneaky Pint|6 p.m. Hear Now Live / Tiny Oak present The Othership's Funk'd Fridays with special guest Lux - \$10 cover|9pm 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room: Irish Session|9:30 p.m. Backroom: Mammals | 7 p.m. Fightin Fridays | 10 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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Earth Crisis

Drop Dead, Eco Strike, Kind! 8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

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DJ starting at 10 p.m. 65 Holland St|617-591-2100

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Night Beats

Zip Tie Handcuffs, Today Junior 8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

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Brass Friday: Desperate Measures Street Band|6:30 p.m. Brass Friday: Hartford Hot Several|8:30 p.m.

14 Tyler Street

The Rockwell Dreamland Silent Disco 9:30 p.m.|255 Elm St

Arts at the Armory

BTC Teen Touring Troupe 7 p.m.|Performance Hall Sentient Robots 7 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

Saturday | May 11

Sally O'Brien's

Tom Hagerty Band|6 p.m. Lowreck's 40th Spin Around the Sun! The Downhauls, The Dents, Duck & Cover, Skytigers - \$10 cover|9 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room:Bluegrass Session|2

p.m.Hunter Americana|5 p.m.|Irish Session|2 p.m.

Back Room: Octavia & Hankus Netsky! 7p.m. Spittin Vinnies|10 p.m.

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Thunder Road

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8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

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Porchfest @ ONCE Somerville|12 p.m. Eye Witness, Marcela Cruz, Justine's **Black Threads**

SCORCH FEST: 8 p.m. Birnam Wood, Iron Gag, Bitter Wind, BEDTIMEMAGIC, Sevan

Aeronaut Brewing Co.

Skybear 8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

156 Highland Ave

Arts at the Armory Rick and Friends

10 a.m.|Café

Irish Session

2 p.m.|Cafel|191 Highland Ave

The Rockwell Smoke & Shadows Burlesque & Variety Show 9:30 p.m.|255 Elm St

Sunday | May 12

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Brunch! Roundtable Acoustic Series featuring Sepia Tones 11 a.m. The Natural Wonder 4:30 p.m. African Night, SambaLolo and guests 10 p.m.

335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren Front Room: John Gannon & Friends|2 p.m., Alan Kaufman & Friends|6 p.m., Los Goutos|9 p.m. Backroom: Rebetoparea 4 p.m. Savoir Faire Presents: A Guitarist

Is|7:30 p.m.

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Dub Apocalypse

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Highland Kitchen Sunday Brunch Live Country &

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

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Game Night 65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Thunder Road Americana Sundays with Samantha

Farrell 7 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

Once Somerville

Iron Reagan|9 p.m. Sacred Reich Leeway, Enforced

156 Highland Ave Aeronaut Brewing Co. Possum with Ryan Lee Crosby

12:30 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory

AFTer Hours Adult Folktale Telling Series 7 p.m.lCafé Dear Sun Girl 7:30 p.m.|Performance Hall|191

Monday | May 13

Highland Ave

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Shawn Carter's Cheapshots Come-

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

Front Room: Bur-Run|6:45 p.m., Run, Helena Delaney & Friends 9:30 p.m. Back Room: Stump Trivia|8:30 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

Bull McCabe's Pub

Jimmy James Trivia|8:30 p.m. 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Thunder Road 379 Somerville Ave

Once Somerville John Paul White

Erin Rae, Grace Givertz 9 p.m.|156 Highland Ave Aeronaut Brewing Co.

Board Game Bonanza

6:30 p.m.|14 Tyler Street Arts at the Armory

6:30 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Tuesday | May 14 Sally O'Brien's Bar

Queer Tango

Christian McNeill & Tim Gearan 8 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

440-6045

Front Room: Jason Anick & The Swingers|8:30 p.m. Back Room: Silver Arrow Band 8 p.m. 247 Elm Street 617-776-6896

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Highland Kitchen First Tuesday of the Month|Spelling Bee Night hosted by Victor and Nicole of Egoart.

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156 Highland Ave **Aeronaut Brewing Co**

Indie Trivia

8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street Arts at the Armory

Women's Voices - An Evening of

7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Wednesday | May 15 Sally O'Brien's Bar

Spring For Children benefit for The Mystic Learning Center! with fun raffles, buffet dinner, merriment, music by The Tom Hagerty Band - \$20

See you next week for poker! 6 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-

The Burren

Front Room: Americana Session with: Grain Thief|9 p.m. Backroom: Jarlath Henderson 7:30

Comedy Night with Arty P.|10 p.m.

247 Elm Street 617-776-6896 Orleans Restaurant and Bar

65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Bull McCabe's Pub The A-Beez

10 p.m.|366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045 Thunder Road

Bearly Dead - Wednesday Night

Residency 8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave **Once Somerville**

The Blasters

Diablogato, Dead Trains, DJ Easy Ed 8:45 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Highland Kitchen

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Aeronaut Brewing Co.

Seth Warner & Susanne Gerry 8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory

Red Cross Blood Drive

2 p.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

CLASSES AND GROUPS

Wednesday | May 8

Central Library

Friends of the Somerville Public Library Book Sale 6 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Thursday | May 9

Central Library

Friends of the Somerville Public Library Book Sale 6 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Debtors Anonymous- a 12 Step

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program for people with problems with money and debt. 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|89 College Ave (Upstairs Parlor). For more info call: 781-762-6629

Library Book Sale 12 p.m.-4 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Saturday | May 11

Friday | May 10

Central Library

Central Library Friends of the Somerville Public Library Book Sale

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. | 79 Highland Ave

Friends of the Somerville Public

The Vegan Market: Mothers' Day

Arts at the Armory

Edition! 11 a.m.|Performance Hall

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

Holland St

Sunday | May 12

Central Library Friends of the Somerville Public Library Book Sale 1 p.m.-5 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Fourth Step to Freedom Al-Anon **Family Groups** 7:00 P.M. | 6 William Street

Unity Church of God Enter upstairs, meeting is in basement

Monday | May 13

East Branch Library Chair Yoga! 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|115 Broadway

Central Library Somerville Commission for Women Meeting 6:30 p.m.-7 p.m.

Science Fiction and Fantasy Book

7 p.m.-8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave Tuesday | May 14

Chess Night

7 p.m.-8:45 p.m.

Central Library Repeal Taft-Hartley Lecture 6 p.m.-8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Wednesday | May 15

Central Library Drop in Knitting and Needlecraft

12 p.m.-2 p.m. Researching the History of Your House and Family 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Historical Fact CONT. FROM PG 8



patio and plazas, and grace porticos throughout the city.

From the heights of its tallest smokestacks to the depths of its storm drains and sewers, city bricks still perform. Brick Bottom, a section of the city near Washington Street and McGrath Highway, was once a village where many of the workers lived. It encircled the many clay pits located near Union Square. Bricks were never inexpensive.

Somerville was once called the City of Homes and her most exclusive residences had full brick foundations. Less costly homes had below ground fieldstone foundations with above ground brick

basement skirts. Brick making and laying has always been an arduous and honorable occupation.

Somerville's Sanborn bricks were known as some of the best-made bricks of their time. William Sanborn, wishing to mark his best grade product, stamped these bricks with a prominent letter "S." They can be found on the sidewalks at the Somerville Museum and throughout the city. There were many conflicting opinions throughout the years that the "S" represented Sanborn versus Somerville. Either way ... they are a superior representation of the city ... Somerville is brick solid!



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6pm: Ribbon Cutting & Live DJ music by BLAIRE

7pm: Opening Comedy Show featuring: Dana Jay Bein, Angela Sawyer, Janet McNamara, Chloe Cunha, Kevin Taylor, Isha Patnaik, and Dom Smith. Hosted by: Caitlin Arcand.

Disclaimer: Due to the nature of stand up comedy, material may not be suitable for younger audiences. Parental discretion is advised.

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Friday, May 10, 2019: 7pm-9pm Second Fridays

Enjoy the very best of community made short films that are so offbeat, fun, wacky and (sometimes) disturbing! Come Second Fridays Friday from 7-9pm and watch the best kept secret stash in Somerville and mingle with others. Learn about SCATV and SMC and maybe hear from a few of the filmmakers in person

Intro to Digital Photography

Tuesday, May 14, 2019: 6:30pm-8pm

Register here: www.somervillemedia.org/2019digitalliteracy/

This workshop covers basic concepts and practice of digital photography, including understanding and use of the camera, lenses, and other basic photographic equipment. The workshop will address aesthetic principles as they relate to composition, space, exposure, light and color. Many of these elements tie into the art of filmmaking as well. This is taught by award winning photographer, Jason Corey.

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CC-Finance Meeting - 5.7.19

City Council Special Meeting

The Week of the Young Child

SomerViva em Português

The Week of the Young Child

Aldermen at Work - JT Scott

Upcoming Meeting Agenda

City Council Meeting - LIVE

Senior Circuit

Proposed Sewer & Water Rates Hearing

Community Preservation Plan Hearing

Prospect Hill Groundbreaking Ceremony

programs including, Cooking with Caitlin, Fit-4-Life Nutrition Class, Meal in a Mug and more. For more information call Caitlin at 617-625-6600, ext. 2316.

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Monthly Book Club Selections - Meets the 3rd Friday of each month from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. April 19: "Soul of America" by Jon Meachem.

Country Western Line Dancing - The 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month- Holland Street Center. \$3 per class no experience needed. For additional information or questions call at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Annual Nutrition Fair - Thursday, May 9 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Dilboy Post. There will be food demos, healthy eating tips, recipes, giveaways and much much more. Join us for a healthy lunch and bingo after the fair. RSVP is a MUST. If you have questions, need additional information or want to RSVP please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Castle Island – Monday, May 13 from 8:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Transportation provide – lunch is on your own. \$5 - If you have questions, need additional information or want to RSVP please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Mohegan Sun – Tuesday, May 14 – check in time 7:30 a.m. Holland Street and 8:00 a.m. Ralph & Jenny Center. Approximate return time of 7:00 p.m. \$25 includes transportation and a bonus package which includes \$10 food coupon and a \$10 free bet. For additional information or to reserve your spot please call Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

The Preakness - Thursday, May 16 - Sunday, May 19th – Baltimore, Maryland - \$719 / per person double \$969 / per person single. Includes motor coach transportation, deluxe accommodations, reserved seating concourse level for the Preakness Stakes and more. For questions, additional information or to reserve your spot please call Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

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Fiore's Restaurant - Wednesday, May 22 - \$25 per person - check in time is 10:45 a.m. at Holland Street and 11:00 a.m. at Ralph & Jenny. Meal choices are Salmon, Lasagna or Chicken Parmesan. Question, need additional information or to reserve your spot please call Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Happy Wedding Anniversary – Wednesday, June 5 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Dilboy Post located at 371 Summer Street. Are you a married couple celebrating 50 years or more of marriage? Join us for a wonderful celebration. Couples celebrating 50 years or more are free! Friends and family are \$15 per person. If you require additional information, have any questions or want to reserve your spot please call at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Revere Beach – Friday, June 7 from 8:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Transportation provide – lunch is on your own. \$5 - If you have questions, need additional information or want to RSVP please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

CITY TV 22 (Comcast) 13 (RCN) Schedule

Wednesday, May 8

8:00am Middlesex Update w/Marian Ryan The Bilingual Brain: Benefits of Bilingualism 8:30am White Nationalism Community Response 10:00am 11:55am City Council Spotlight - Ben Ewen Campen 12:01pm CC-Finance Meeting - 5.7.19 Letters of World War II at Council on Aging 6:30pm 8:00pm White Nationalism Community Response 10:00pm SomerViva en Espanol - April 2019 10:30pm Talking Business "Bow Market" Proposed Sewer & Water Rates Hearing 11:00pm

Thursday, May 9 12:00am City Council Spotlight - Ben Ewen Campen

12:31am 8:30am 9:30am 11:30am 12:00pm 12:30pm 2:14pm 2:30pm 3:00pm 3:30pm 4:00pm 7:00pm

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Friday, May 10

Proposed Sewer & Water Rates Hearing White Nationalism Community Response SomerViva en Espanol - April 2019 Opioid Documentary Discussion Panel Middlesex County Update w/Marian Ryan City Council Meeting - 5.9.19 SomerViva em Português White Nationalism Community Response SomerViva en Espanol - April 2019 White Nationalism Community Response CC-Finance Meeting - 5.7.19

Saturday, May 11

1:00am 1:31am 2:00am 3:00am 8:30am 9:00am 9:30am 10:00am 12:00pm 12:30pm 2:00pm 6:00pm

City Council Spotlight - Ben Ewen Campen Talking Business "Bow Market" Proposed Sewer & Water Rates Hearing SomerViva em Português Raising Families "Youth Vaping & Smoking" The Week of the Young Child Talking Business "Bow Market" Vision Zero Meeting - 3.27.19

Senior Circuit Greek Independence Day 2019 White Nationalism Community Response Letters of World War II at Council on Aging

7:13pm Prospect Hill Groundbreaking Ceremony SomerViva em Português 7:30pm 8:00pm City Council Spotlight - Ben Ewen Campen SomerVision 2040 - Development 101 8:31pm 10:30pm Opioid Documentary Discussion Panel 11:30pm White Nationalism Community Response

SomerVision 2040 - Development 101

Middlesex County Update w/Marian Ryan

Sunday, May 12 1:30am 8:00am 9:00am 11:30am 12:00pm 12:30pm 1:15pm

SomerVision 2040 - Development 101 The Week of the Young Child Senior Circuit Adult-Use Marijuana Prospect Hill Groundbreaking Ceremony White Nationalism Community Response 1:30pm 3:30pm Talking Business "Bow Market" Raising Families "Youth Vaping & Smoking" 6:00pm 6:30pm The Week of the Young Child 7:00pm Senior Circuit City Council Spotlight - Ben Ewen Campen 7:30pm City Council Meeting - 5.9.19 8:01pm

Monday, May 13 12:31am 1:00am

Senior Circuit SomerViva en Espanol - April 2019 8:30am 9:00am 11:30am 12:00pm 2:30pm 5:30pm 7:00pm 10:30pm 11:00pm

Sit & Be Fit Fibromyalgia Workout SomerVision 2040 - Development 101 SomerViva en Espanol - April 2019 School Committee Meeting - 4.22.19 Opioid Documentary Discussion Panel Raising Families "Youth Vaping & Smoking' School Committee Meeting - LIVE SomerViva em Português Adult-Use Marijuana

CC-Finance Meeting - 5.7.19

Tuesday, May 14 12:00am

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Raising Families "Youth Vaping & Smoking" City Council Spotlight - Ben Ewen Campen The Week of the Young Child Senior Circuit School Committee Meeting - 5.13.19 White Nationalism Community Response

6:00pm Land Use Committee of the Whole Wednesday, May 15

School Committee Meeting - 5.13.19 SomerViva en Espanol - April 2019

Student of the Qtr - WHCS

Wednesday, May 7

9:00am Celebration of Young Children 9:30am Our Schools, Our City - Strong Foundations SHS Spring Concert 10:00am National Honor Society Induction 12:00pm SHS Highlander Boys' Basketball 2018-19 1:05pm Packethall 2019 10 Boys' Middle School Intramural Soccer 2:00pm 3:30pm Student of the Qtr. - WSNS 3:45pm Student of the Qtr. - ESCS Celebration of Young Children 5:00pm Our Schools, Our City - Strong Foundations 5:30pm 6:00pm SHS Spring Concert 7:15pm National Honor Society Induction Ceremony 8:30pm Student of the Qtr. - WSNS 8:45pm Student of the Qtr. - ESCS Kennedy School Drama Club 9:30pm 11:00pm El Sistema- Elamanecer de la Música

Wednesday, May 8

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Thursday, May 9

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Friday, May 10 1:00am

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Saturday, May 11

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Tuesday, May 14 12:00am

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SHS Football vs CRLS String Camp Final Concert 9:00am 10:00am Kennedy K-3 Winter Concert 10:30am Our Schools, Our City - Strong Foundations 11:00am Music Around the World Concert SHS Highlander Girls' Basketball 2018-19 12:00pm 12:30pm SHS Highlander Boys' Basketball 2018-19 Kennedy School 4-8 Winter Concert 1:00pm 2:00pm MIAA Qtrfinal -SHS Boys Soccer vs E. Boston 3:30pm Student of the Qtr. - Healey School String Camp Final Concert 4:00pm Kennedy K-3 Winter Concert 5:00pm 5:30pm Our Schools, Our City - Strong Foundations Music Around the World Concert 6:00pm 7:00pm SHS Highlander Girls' Basketball 2018-19 7:30pm Student of the Qtr - WHCS SHS Highlander Boys' Basketball 2018-19 8:00pm Student of the Qtr. - Healey School 8:30pm 9:00pm MIAA Qtrfinal -SHS Boys Soccer vs É. Boston

Boys' Middle School Intramural Soccer

Megan Normandin is a Literature and Creative Writing teacher at Fitchburg High School and an adjunct instructor at Fitchburg State University. She has been featured in the UMass literary magazine, *Jabberwocky*, and has performed her poetry at the Community Poetry Cafe in Fitchburg, Boston Poetry Slam in Cambridge, and Moonlighting: A Queer



Open Mic in Jamaica Plain. Megan lives in Woburn with her partner, Erika, two kids and one dog.

I sat in the leadership team meeting and listened as male after male failed to see the implications of their words,

heard things like Uncomfortable, Distraction, Temptation -- In short, the education of students straight and male is derailed by the bodies of girls.

The comfort levels of my ostensibly straight male colleagues was being stretched and violated by the low slung tees of fifteen year olds. I heard words like Shame -- the name sewn onto our daughters' skin in childhood, the first time someone tells them to put a shirt on.

But what about Jon, my brother, and my other friends? Feeling the wind on their chests as they pop the best wheelie, climb the old pine, rocket the red rubber ball and round the makeshift bases in summer sweat...

That's different, they say.

Those are boys. You're a girl.

And even a 6 year old, who lacks the language for such sins, knows. Shame.

 $\label{eq:matter} \mbox{My body is something not my own.}$

I remember that.

And now here I am 30 years later --

a position of power -- feeling like I'm that woman again.

The one who emerges every fall when Powder Puff football reduces our female athletes to some pinked up NFL sideshow.

The one who strips all the well-intentioned fun from the

Buy-a-Date-with-a-Student-Council-Member fundraiser -- I mean, I know human trafficking affects 27 million people world-wide, but c'mon!

We have to pay for the prom favors! Well...I AM that woman, I guess.

So I will poke holes in this code of dress bigger than the ones in Tashira's half-shirt;

This code that should be called Code for Ghetto Girls Who Have Breasts, because

those are the kids that it subjugates best.

I'm sorry -- again boys -- for being that woman,

for bringing this feminist noise to this cut 'n' dry issue.

But I'm not just trying to rock my girl-power cape.

The message that girls' fashion choices are responsible for the behavior of boys and men perpetuates a culture of rape.

And if you want to feel comfortable...

I suggest yoga pants.

— Megan Normandin

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Memento Mori: Poems by Charles Coe

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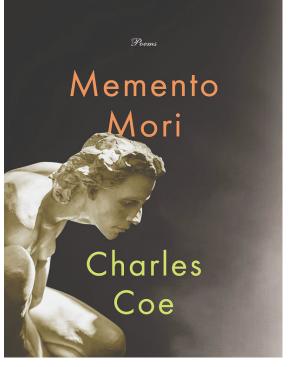
I ran into Somerville-area poet Charles Coe at the Cambridge Public Library the other day. He is a man about my age, who was roaming the space with his signature causal gait, taking in the whole scene. I didn't see him hooked to the usual digital hardware, no texting finger dances ... he was there ... in the moment. As fate would have it, he gave me his new collection of poetry *Memento Mori*. It starts out with a quote by Marcus Aurelius, "Use your numbered days to throw open the windows of your soul to the sun. If you do not, the sun will soon set, and you with it."

Coe, an accomplished writer in his sixties and holding, marks the passage of time and accepts it. He has conversations with his brash younger self – the shadow of death and the joys of life are in close proximity. He appreciates the simple beauty around him – he is forgiving – he remembers grudges, but they take on different dimensions. He often laughs at us, but just as easily laughs at himself.

I was touched by his piece *Poem for an Absent Friend*. The poet is in the Boston Commons with a friend who has a grim diagnosis of cancer. And it seems that the Commons in my life, and I am sure others, has often been a stage for any number of dramas. In these three stanzas, Cole populates his poem with "things," that infuse it with deep layers of meaning,

"So we walk across the Common past pigeons pecking in the grass, that scatter before the lion-hearted toddler's charge, past the piper who whose ancient call to

bounces unheeded off the blank faces of high-rise condos, past beautiful young women in spring finery who will offer their bodies as gifts for someone else to unwrap and your taking it all in on this farewell tour of the world, taking it in and letting it go.



A young couple near the fountain holds a baby. An older woman with a camera clicks the shutter as we pass and we are captured in a frame.

Perhaps 100 years from now someone flipping through a dusty scrapbook will pause a moment to contemplate our faded images,

tow ancient and mysterious ghosts..."

Coe also has a fair number of haiku in this collection, and one in particular made me think twice before I petted my beloved feline...

"if i were bigger i would be licking your bones sweet and gleaming white."

Coe's poetry is peppered with humor, and wry observation. He is a walker in the city, a flaneur, taking in the blues, a long lost dive bar, and the finery and scent of young women now out of his reach. Like the great photographer Walker Evans, he stalks the subway – he takes it all in, and knows one day he will have to let it go.

Tufts University Department of Music Presents Tufts Opera Ensemble: An Operatic Cinderella

The Tufts University Department of Music presents the Tufts Opera Ensemble: An Operatic Cinderella in the Distler Performance Hall at the Perry and Marty Granoff Music Center on Thursday, April 25, and Friday, April 26, at 8:00 p.m.

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72407031	15-17 Burnham St	2 unit, 13 total rooms, 5 total bedrooms	14	\$1,100,000	\$1,050,000	
72451743	57 Putnam St	2 unit, 10 total rooms, 4 total bedrooms	16	\$1,175,000	\$1,175,000	
72468503	24 Hall Ave	3 unit, 17 total rooms, 9 total bedrooms	22	\$2,099,000	\$2,050,000	
72441527	46 South Street	6 unit, 23 total rooms, 11 total bedrooms	28	\$2,400,000	\$2,250,000	
72431653	657-659 Somerville Ave	10 unit, 44 total rooms, 14 total bedrooms	88	\$5,500,000	\$4,850,000	
72483651	2-8 Broadway	24 unit, 99 total rooms, 99 total bedrooms	157	\$13,500,000	\$12,000,000	