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Public gets another chance to weigh in on proposed real estate transfer fee



Citizens and public servants alike expressed strong opinions and concerns as the Board of Aldermen draws near to a final conclusion of its real estate transfer fee Home Rule Petition efforts.

By Jim Clark

On Monday, May 7, the Legislative Matters Committee of the Whole of the City of Somerville Board of Aldermen held a public meeting to provide both city officials and concerned residents the opportunity to share their thoughts and wishes regarding the proposed Home Rule Petition that would impose a 1% transfer fee on certain property transactions within the city.

It was the second such meeting held by the Committee, and will be the last one before a final draft of the Home Rule Petition is finalized and prepared for presentation to state legislators for consideration.

The meeting commenced with the Committee Chairman, Ward 5 Alderman Mark Niedergang, updating the attendees on the steps the Board has taken to refine the

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How Somerville's newest boutique is making personal styling affordable

By Emily Blackwood

It's no secret that when you look good, you feel good and Stefanie Johnson believes that the confidence you gain from the perfect outfit should be accessible to women everywhere.

"How you look and feel in your clothes directly affects how you act," Johnson said, "and I think whether we want to believe it or not, what we're wearing, it just makes a difference."

But as many women know, finding the perfect outfit can be a struggle. That's where SwapIt comes in.

Three years ago, Johnson was living in New York City when she was elevated to a new level in her career that put her in spotlight at lot more than she was used to.

"I was being seen and photographed and talking in front in people, and I was not comfortable in what I was wearing," she said.

So, she decided to hire a professional stylist and was less than pleased

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"Clothing is mass produced," Stefanie Johnson said. "It doesn't fit everyone correctly because it's trying to fit everyone."

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This weekend, on **Saturday, May 12**, the **Union Square Farmers Market** begins, a sure sign that summer is near. And beginning on **Wednesday, May 16**, the **Davis Square Farmers Market** begins.

The Somerville High School Scholarship Foundation presents its **2018 drawing** to help our students that are graduating. The drawing is for the chance to win \$10K plus by selling \$100 tickets. If you have done this in the past you know how it's done. Make out a check payable to the S.H.S. Scholarship Foundation and mail it to SHS Raffle c/o Joesph Favaloro, PO Box 440275, Somerville 02145. Or you can call **Joe** at 617-666-8473 or **Gene Brune** at 617-628-5835. As soon as they receive your check they will mail out the ticket(s) to you. Only a certain number of tickets are being sold, so hurry up. Help a student and get the chance to win \$10K. The drawing is set for **May 18, 7:00 p.m.**, at the **Highlander Café, Somerville High School**. Refreshments will be served.

Happy birthday this week to several locals: Happy birthday to a great local cook, Rosa Moccia, of **Victor's Deli** in Ball Square. Happy birthday to **Aida Sousa-Braga**, who celebrates this week as well. Happy birthday to **Beverly Childers** this week, who also is celebrating 50 years of marriage. We hope she has a great celebration. Happy birthday to **Dennis Sullivan**, of the Berkeley St. Sullivan's. Finally, a good guy and great friend over the years that everyone knows, big **Ed Palazzolo** is celebrating this week. Ed has been in extended recovery from a broken back and is in Leesburg, VA, trying to get back on his feet. We certainly hope this is the year he gets his much needed miracle. He's suffered tremendously and wishes to come back to Massachusetts, and we hope he does so soon. To all the others we may have missed – and yes, we must admit there are a few more out there – we sincerely wish them the very best of birthdays.

Lyrics Champs presents **A Super Hero Wrestling Fundraiser** on **Friday, June 8**, at the **Somerville High** *Continued on page 11*

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TheSomervilleTimes.com Comments of the Week

Response to: *Our View of the Times – May 2*

LindaS says:
It's about time that something like this has come about. It's been too easy in the midst of the gentrification of this city to forget that it's not all populated by yuppies and higher-income professionals. Many of us are older people and long-standing families who would like to be able to continue to afford living here. I have lived here my whole life, and as a child the city seemed to be about the working class, people who weren't afraid to get their hands dirty and who all seemed to know one another. There were a lot of small businesses that were friendly and not focused solely on making money. I still remember as a little girl in East Somerville, we lived near the Princess Bakery on Washington Street, which was a bakery that made donuts and other treats for distribution to stores. My mother would take me around to the back door, where she could buy donuts fresh off the line for a reasonable price. Those are the kinds of memories that are becoming extinct today. These days it seems that people barely know anyone, either because they are too busy with their work or simply not interested in being social. All the family-owned businesses have faded away to make room for either trendy shops or expensive apartments and condos. Every city evolves and changes, but Somerville is becoming unrecognizable from what it used to be. There's no reason to have to grow at the expense of losing what made it special. I hope that the voices of those who find themselves being drowned out by "progress" will finally be able to be heard. We're not about being down on Somerville's evolution. We just don't want to be left out of it.

Old Taxpayer says:
The really sad part is the size of the mayor's salary in creases during all of this. His raise alone is equal to what I make in a year. And how many of those has he got before the workers did. The boa works part time and look at the raises they got also. The workers get put last here. The ones who actually do the work. We are also hiring more chiefs in this city when the money could be used for the working people. I may not like Trump or Romney but they do not take a paycheck for their position in public service. This city has certainly gone downhill in many respects.

DatGruntled says:
Well, passing the new zoning would be a start, but I do not see that happening with this BOA, they are more concerned with being called counselors or what ever than actually improving anything.

Villinous says:
I'm with DatGruntled, the BOA best pass the new zoning or I don't want to hear how "progressive" they are. Time to walk the walk. As for the union stuff, I've got some neighbors in those unions and they've told me money isn't the hang up. They're frustrated because they see how the teachers always manage to get their contract done. They just want to get paid and don't care about this power struggle game that's getting played behind closed doors.

Response to: *Somerville PorchFest set for Sat, May 12*

Old Taxpayer says:
Already my friend out in a request for the day off to service the elderly as last year it was just impossible to get to their homes due to the people just ignoring her and keeping her from her job. Bathing and helping them get dressed and feeding them and giving them their medications. No one seems to realize the impact these things have on people. Take it to the park and play. We can't treat the incapacitated in this manner.when their is an easy solution. I am sorry that your good time hurts so many of our needed people.

Villinous says:
PorchFest rules. Got a slice of all ages and demographics who play and enjoy it. One of the best days of the year in Somerville. Some people just gotta be miserable.

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John Connolly

Info session and public hearing on proposed FY19 water and sewer rates, May 14

To provide background, answer questions, and take public testimony regarding the proposed fiscal year 2019 Somerville Water and Sewer Rate Charges – including a fire suppression charge for the subset of customers (fewer than 630) with sprinkler systems and fire service lines – an Informational Session with Q&A followed by a Public Hearing will be held on Monday, May 14, at 6:00 p.m. in the Somerville High School Cafeteria, 81 Highland Avenue.

The Informational session with Q&A starts at 6:00 p.m. The Public Hearing will follow promptly at 6:30 p.m., and during this time, members of the community are invited to provide public testimony for the record. Additional Q&A time will be offered following the hearing if attendees have remaining topics of discussion.

Offered by the Director of the Water & Sewer Department, the purpose of this hearing is to compile testimony from Somerville rate payers relevant to the fiscal year 2019 water and sewer rates. The Informational Session will provide an explanation of the rate changes and will give ratepayers an opportunity to ask questions. All are invited to attend, join the informal discussion, and/or provide official testimony.

Written testimony will also be accepted through noon Friday, May 18. Please

send testimony with your full name and address to Director of Water and Sewer John DeLuca by email to waterandsewer@somervillema.gov or by mail to the following address below: Director John DeLuca, City of Somerville Water & Sewer Dept., 17 Franey Road, Somerville, MA 02145.

Proposed Rates

Pursuant to Chapter 11, Section 11-125 and Section 11-164 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Somerville, the table below outlines the proposed water & sewer volumetric rates for the fiscal year 2019, which runs from July 2018 through June 2019.

The FY19 rates represent no increase in water volumetric (usage) charges, a 5% increase in sewer volumetric charges, no change to existing base charges in both water and sewer, and the creation of a fire suppression charge only for customers with fire suppression systems (such as sprinklers). These adjustments are all consistent with the rate study completed during FY16.

More Information

For more information on Water and Sewer services and the proposed FY19 rates please visit www.somervillema.gov/water. If you have any further questions, please contact the Water and Sewer department at 617-625-6600 ext. 5850.

Residential		FY2019 Volumetric Charges (\$/unit)		
Tier	Usage (units of 100 cubic feet)	Water	Sewer	Combined
1	0-13	\$4.14	\$8.20	\$12.34
2	14-67	\$5.97	\$10.46	\$16.43
3	68-133	\$6.26	\$10.97	\$17.23
4	OVER 133	\$6.50	\$11.36	\$17.86

(100 cubic feet is equal to 748 gallons)

Commercial		FY2019 Volumetric Charges (\$/unit)		
Tier	Usage (units of 100 cubic feet)	Water	Sewer	Combined
1	0-10	\$4.14	\$8.20	\$12.34
2	11-100	\$5.97	\$10.46	\$16.43
3	101-200	\$6.26	\$10.97	\$17.23
4	OVER 200	\$6.50	\$11.36	\$17.86

(100 cubic feet is equal to 748 gallons)

Fire Suppression charge for those buildings with a fire suppression system			
Fire Suppression Line Size (inches)	Annual Charge	Charge per billing period for Commercial accounts (6 bills per year)	Charge per billing period for Residential accounts (3 bills per year)
0.75	\$124	\$20.67	\$41.33
1	\$124	\$20.67	\$41.33
1.25	\$174	\$29.00	\$58.00
1.5	\$248	\$41.33	\$82.67
2	\$397	\$66.17	\$132.33
2.5	\$558	\$93.00	\$186.00
3	\$744	\$124.00	\$248.00
4	\$1,240	\$206.67	\$413.33
6	\$2,480	\$413.33	\$826.67
8	\$3,968	\$661.33	\$1,322.67
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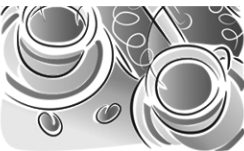
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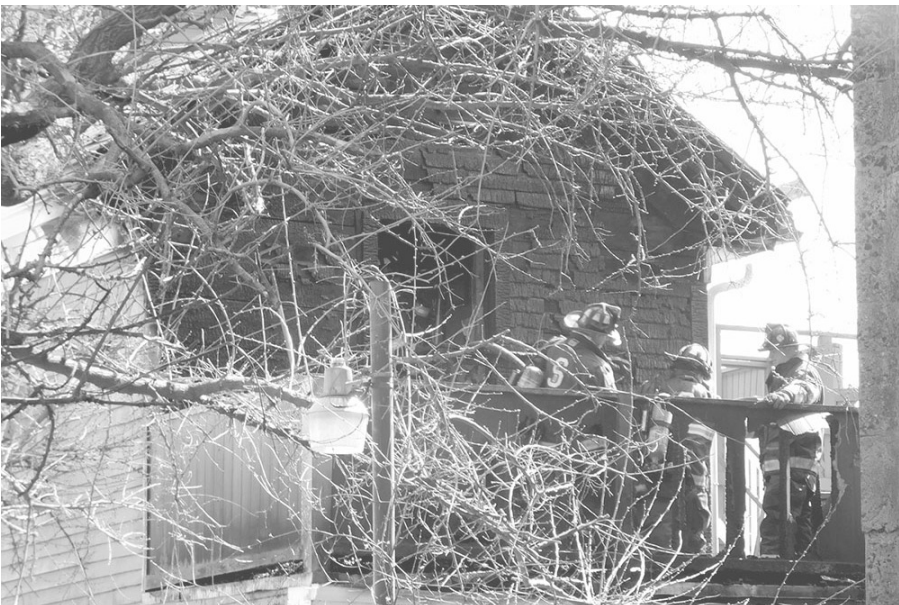
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Somerville Alderman J. T. Scott’s home damaged by fire



On Wednesday afternoon, May 2, the home of Somerville Alderman J.T. Scott was damaged with fire in the back upper floor of his home. Firefighters responded to a 2-alarm fire at 269 Washington St and dealt with the heat of the day to put the fire under control. No information is available at this time on what caused the fire.

Fire at Teele St. home

A three-alarm fire broke out at a Tufts-owned 3-story home on Teele St. in Somerville on Saturday. According to reports, sleeping students were awakened by a neighbor who spotted the blaze that appeared to have originated on the porch of the building. The four occupants were safely evacuated and there were no reported injuries. Firefighters from Somerville, Medford and Cambridge responded just before 4:00 p.m. and extinguished the fire within an hour. Extensive damage to the building was reported. The cause of the fire has not yet been determined and a full investigation is under way.

THE WEEK IN CRIME

By Jim Clark

Fireworks on Dartmouth St.

Police officers were dispatched to the area of Dartmouth St and Evergreen Ave. last Sunday on reports of a man walking down street yelling.

Upon arrival, the officers observed a man matching the description given to dispatch walking down Thurston St. towards Evergreen. The man reportedly yelling profanities about getting into an argument with his girlfriend over politics.

The officers attempted several times to calm the man down, but to no avail. He reportedly became belligerent and combative.

According to reports, the officers believed that the man was under the influence of alcohol and potentially some other substance.

An ambulance was called to help evaluate the man's condition, whose behavior escalated to threatening the the ambulance personnel, swinging his arms in a combative manner. He was making comments that led police to believe he would soon become

assaultive, so he was restrained with handcuffs and shackled, then put into the ambulance, whereupon he was transported to Somerville Hospital.

After he was taken away, a witness told police that they had seen the man with another party get out of a car and that there was a dog locked in the car. The occupants of a Dartmouth St. residence gave police a description of the male operator of the vehicle, and police soon spotted a man who matched the description walking past the vehicle.

Police asked the man if the vehicle was his, as they were concerned for the wellbeing of the animal. The man, later identified as Michael Azuola, of Denver CO, reportedly stated that he was with the man earlier in the morning, but he "freaked out" so he left him.

Azuola reportedly said his keys were at his friend's house and he would go get them to let the dog out. After retriev-

ing his keys, he took the dog and walked up to and entered a Dartmouth St. residence.

According to reports, after Azuola left officers could see a set of bottle rockets and what appeared to be several gas canisters through the window of the vehicle, in plain view. We attempted to locate Azuola had already gone inside the house and the officers were dispatched to another call.

Later, police officers spotted Azuola standing by the car and stopped him for questioning.

Azuola was informed that the police would be confiscating the fireworks and requested that he retrieve the bottle rockets for them. Azuola opened the rear passenger side door and retrieved a pack of fire crackers, and also shifted some things around as if he was hiding something, according to reports.

The officers asked Azuola why he was transporting gas canisters around. He reportedly stated that he worked events and

used the carbon dioxide for beer kegs. He was asked if he had any special permits to be transporting these cans and he reportedly said that he didn't.

Azuola was informed that the police would need all the fireworks and that they would be searching his vehicle for more. At first he attempted to argue, according to police, but it was explained that they would be searching the vehicle nonetheless.

Azuola unlocked the car, whereupon the officers opened the rear driver's side door and pulled a backpack out of the vehicle. A large gas canister was reportedly found in the back pack.

When moving the bag out of the way, an officer opened a zippered bag and found what appeared to be psilocybin mushrooms.

Azuola was placed in handcuffs, read his rights, and informed that he was under arrest. He indicated that he understood his rights and agreed

to talk to police. The officers explained to Azoula what they had already found in the vehicle and asked if he would tell them if there would be anything else that they might find. He did not answer them.

After all the tanks were removed and placed to the side, the vehicle underwent a thorough search by police. It was found to be loaded up with various items including a camp stove, sleeping bags, attachments for the tanks, food items, and several bags and backpacks. The officers came across a black backpack, inside which a clear zip lock bag with what appeared to be a brick inside was found. Upon closer examination it was determined to be hashish. Other zip lock style bags were found inside the vehicle, which police believes to be consistent with packaging used for drug sales.

Azuola was charged with unlawful possession of fireworks and multiple charges of drug possession to distribute.

SOMERVILLE POLICE CRIME LOG

Arrests:

Patrick Farris, May 2, 7:15 p.m., arrested at Myrtle St. on warrant charges of miscellaneous equipment violation, larceny over \$250, operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license, receiving stolen property over \$250, misdemeanor breaking and entering, nighttime breaking and enter-

ing of a vehicle or boat.

Daniel McKay, of 59 Broadway, May 3, 10:27 p.m., arrested at Broadway on warrant charges of assault and battery, assault with a dangerous weapon, breaking glass in a building, larceny over \$250, larceny under \$250 by false pretenses, larceny of motor vehicle, and destruction of

property under \$250.

Michael Nicolosi, May 4, 8:18 a.m., arrested at Cross St. on a warrant charge of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

Michael Marujo, May 4, 9:09 a.m., arrested at Linden St. on warrant charges of trespassing, assault and battery, and misdemeanor breaking and entering.

Michael Burris, of 39 Boylston St., Boston, May 5, 10:59 a.m., arrested at Foley St. on multiple warrant charges of larceny by check over \$250.

Tyrese Meyers-Gethers, of 10 Hannon, Dorchester, May 5, 2:57 p.m., arrested at Middlesex Ave. on charges of assault and battery on a police

officer, violation of city ordinance possession of a dangerous weapon, and shoplifting by asportation.

Michael Azuola, of 2323 Curtis St., Denver, CO, May 6, 11:15 p.m., arrested at Dartmouth St. on a charge of unlawful possession of fireworks and multiple charges of drug possession to distribute.

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proposed measure. "The administration introduced an initial version in January, and we've had nine meetings since then, where we discussed this for many hours," Niedergang said. "The Board has made many significant changes over the past four months."

Niedergang explained that in order for a Home Rule Petition to have a chance to be seriously considered by the state legislature this year, the city would need to submit it this month.

He went on to say that the Legislative Matters Committee will meet twice next week, on

Wednesday, May 16, at 6:00 p.m., and Thursday, May 17, at 6:30 p.m. The meetings will be open to the public, but there will not be any public testimony.

Niedergang said that his hope and expectations for the meeting is that the Committee will make revisions to and take a vote on the Home Rule Petition, but if necessary, the matter could be taken up again at another meeting of the Committee scheduled for May 21.

"Any vote by the Legislative Matters Committee would then have to be approved at a full meeting of the Board of Alder-

men, Niedergang said. "My hope is that this would happen on Thursday, May 24."

Mayor Joseph Curtatone was the first to address the Board, explaining to those assembled why his administration is in favor of the proposed fee.

"We all know that Somerville, and in fact the entire region is in the midst of a significant housing crisis," the mayor said. "To be more clear, the Greater Boston Metro region needs 435,000 new units of housing by 2040 to catch supply up to demand."

The mayor went on in detail, explaining his view that the

proposed Home Rule Petition would provide a valuable tool in helping to alleviate the overwhelming demand for more housing.

Several former and current city officials, along with representatives from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund also made presentations to the Board, effectively echoing the mayor's central message that the housing crisis is real and that the proposed transfer fee will help regulate and fend off speculative investment in local properties while providing needed revenue to fund affordable housing con-

struction in the short and long term in the city.

Members of the public spoke almost evenly both in favor of and in opposition to the Home rule petition. Advocates cited the dire need for affordable housing funding, while opponents questioned the fairness of the fee to property owners, as well as citing concerns over the use of such revenues generated.

Anyone wishing to view an online video of this meeting can go to <http://somervillecityma.iqm2.com/Citizens/SplitView.aspx?Mode=Video&MeetingID=2694&Format=Agenda>.

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Somerville says 'welcome' to Say Darling

By Blake Maddux

Over the past 15 years, Celia Woodsmith has played in several folk, rock 'n' roll, and bluegrass bands. One of them, Della Mae, received a Grammy Nomination for their 2013 album, *The World Oft Can Be*.

Chris Hersch is a former member of Girls Guns and Glory, who won the 2011 Boston Music Award for Americana Artist of the Year.

Although they had known each other for many years, it was not until 2016 that the two decided to join forces and form Say Darling.

In naming the artists whose music the band enjoys performing and is inspired by, Woodsmith says, "Bonnie Raitt, Tom Waits, Patsy Cline. If that was sort of all swirled together, I think that's sort of what you would hear." The band – which also includes Scott Coulter (Hammond B-3 organ), Paul Chase (bass), and Jared Seabrook – released a self-titled seven-song EP last year.

Woodsmith is from Vermont and has lived in Boston, New Hampshire, and

Maine, where she currently resides. She spoke to *The Somerville Times* by phone ahead of Say Darling's May 18 show at The Burren, where she says she "used to play every Wednesday night for three years."

The Somerville Times: How did you and Chris Hersch meet?

Celia Woodsmith: We really met one another just jamming in basements and jamming in bars in Boston. I remember jamming with him 10 years ago in some Boston or Somerville gross basement, thinking to myself, "Man, we really like a lot of the same things" and knowing that I really loved to play music with him. It was a timing thing and a friend-group thing, and I'm so grateful that it happened.

TST: Were you or he in Della Mae or Girls Guns and Glory at the time?

CW: We met actually before Chris got into Girls Guns and Glory, and I want to say a little bit before I got into Della Mae. We met at a time when we were both sort of searching around for our thing, you know, with a capital T.

TST: Why did you the two of you de-



Say Darling will be rattling the rafters at The Burren on Friday, May 18.

cide to form Say Darling when you did?

CW: Chris left [Girls Guns and Glory] about two-and-a-half years ago now, and I slowed down with Della Mae. I'd been travelling over 220 days a year with Della Mae. I think Chris had been travelling just as much or more than that. So honestly, when I took this break I was looking for something a little bit different and to kind of get back to where I started in Boston and what I thought originally my career might be in, which was rock 'n' roll and blues. I never ever saw myself getting into the bluegrass scene. The bluegrass scene just sort of found me, and of course I love it and I feel like I've been successful in it. However, the opportunity to play with electric instruments again was really intriguing and I'm so glad that Chris was also sort of searching for something to do, and we thought, "Why not start an

electric band?"

TST: How did Paul Chase, Jared Seabrook, and Scott Coulter become members?

CW: I had actually played in a band with Paul and Jared when I first moved to Boston, and the band was called Hey Mama. I performed with that band for probably two years and then went into Della Mae. When I came back out of Della Mae, we were looking for a bass player and a drummer and I said, "I know just the guys!" And then Chris brought in Scott Coulter. Scott actually lives in Philly and he commutes up for the shows, which I'm so grateful for because Scott is kind of a rare musician in that he doesn't really have a lot of ego in his playing. He's really, quite honestly, one of the only musicians I've met who purely plays for the love of music. I mean,

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THE HOUSE AND SENATE: *Beacon Hill Roll Call* records local senators’ votes on roll calls from the week of April 30-May 4. There were no roll calls in the House last week.

FORMER SENATE PRESIDENT STAN ROSENBERG RESIGNS – Former Senate President Stan Rosenberg of Amherst resigned from the Senate last week following the release of a report by the Ethics Committee that found Rosenberg violated the Senate’s IT policy by sharing his confidential computer password which gave his husband Byron Hefner, unfettered access to Rosenberg’s Senate e-mail account. The report also found that Hefner had abused that access and sent messages under Rosenberg’s name. Hogan Lovells is the law firm hired by the Ethics Committee to conduct the probe and issue a report to the committee.

The report also revealed that Rosenberg knew or should have known that Hefner racially and sexually harassed Senate employees and failed to address the issue adequately.

Investigators found that Rosenberg did not violate any Senate rules but demonstrated a "significant failure of judgment and leadership" which led to “failures that undermined the integrity of the Senate and had destructive consequences for the body and the people with business before it.”

On March 29, a grand jury indicted Hefner on felony charges connected with five sexual assaults and criminal lewdness. Calls for Rosenberg’s resignation were quick.

“The Senate’s ethics report reveals a deeply disturbing pattern of behavior, making it clear that Sen. Rosenberg has compromised the business of the chamber and trust of his constituents,” said Gov. Charlie Baker. “For the good of the institution and those who elected him to serve, I believe the senator needs to resign immediately. My thoughts remain with the victims and I commend them for their bravery.”

“Because Senator Rosenberg allowed a destructive pattern of behavior to continue over the course of many years, violating the trust that my colleagues and I invested in him, it is my firm belief that he should resign,” said Ways and Means Chair Karen Spilka (D-Ashland). “Doing so will move us towards our goal of healing the Senate and making it a safe, welcoming and productive place for everyone.”

On Thursday, Rosenberg released a lengthy statement that included his resignation from the Senate. Here is the statement in its entirety:

“As I have stated repeatedly over the last 5 months, I deeply regret the difficulties that this situation has created for the members, the staff and the institution of the Senate.

In its report, Hogan Lovells found no conduct by me that violated Senate rules or state ethics law, no evidence that Bryon influenced my actions as Senate president, and no knowledge on my part of any alleged sexual advances, assaults or attempts by Bryon to influence other senators or staff. The report does, however, summarize statements from witnesses alleging that Bryon engaged in actions that harmed them and others, and it finds fault with my not having done more to control Bryon’s access to information and to the people who worked in and around the Senate.

Although, as the report notes, I was unaware of many of the events attributed to Bryon and took steps to address those incidents that came to my attention, that does not diminish my sorrow at what reportedly transpired or my sense of responsibility for what the Ethics Committee concludes was a failure on my part in not doing more to protect the Senate. I have devoted nearly forty years of my life to public service with over 25 years in the Senate, motivated always by the best interests of that body and my constituents. To the extent my efforts fell short, and most especially to all who have been affected by the events described in the Hogan Lovells report, I convey my sincere apology.

I had hoped that, with the conclusion of the investigation, I would be able to focus, once again, on representing my constituents and contributing meaningfully to the work of the Senate. In light, however, of the disciplinary measures recommended by the Ethics Committee, it would not be fair to my constituents to have a representative in the Senate who lacked the authority to represent their interests fully. I have resigned from my position as State Senator for the Hampshire Franklin and Worcester District effective Friday May 4, 2018 at 5 pm.”

SENATE ACCEPTS ROSENBERG’S RESIGNATION AND APOLOGIZES (S 2511)

Senate 37-0, approved resolutions accepting Sen. Rosenberg’s resignation and telling the victims and others whose lives were affected by this incident that the Senate is sorry and must do better.

The Senate also pledged "to work diligently and swiftly to fortify the Senate’s systems for preventing and intervening in harassment in all its forms and [promising] that the staff and all those who walk through the Statehouse doors must be able to work in confidence that these policies are lived values and not mere pieces of paper.”

(A “Yes” vote is for the resolutions).

Sen. Patricia Jehlen Yes

BENEFITS AND SERVICES FOR VETERANS (S 2454)

Senate 37-0, approved and sent to the House a bill that would expand benefits and increase access to a range of services for veterans, active-duty military personnel and their families.

Provisions include ensuring that public workers receive paid military leave for up to 40 days if they are away from their job and can’t perform their duties; allowing cities and towns to designate a reserved parking space for veterans at city and town halls; reducing from five years to two years the residency period required for some veteran’s property tax exemptions; and increasing coverage for funeral expenses for indigent veterans from \$ 2,000 to 4,000.

“This omnibus veteran’s legislation encompasses some of the very best ideas presented by my colleagues in the Legislature and the veterans of the commonwealth to assist veterans and their families with employment protections, tax exemptions, burial expenses, court programs, medical care, and also continues to recognize those who serve and who have served,” said Sen. Mike Rush (D-Boston) the sponsor of the bill and the Senate Chair of the Committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs. “We want to ensure that Massachusetts remains number one in the nation in providing for our veterans, men and women in uniform, and their families. This leg-

islation goes a long way in accomplishing this goal.”

(A “Yes” vote is for the bill.)

Sen. Patricia Jehlen Yes

INCREASE PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION FOR VETERAN VOLUNTEERS (S 2454)

Senate 37-0, approved an amendment to a current law that allows veterans to do volunteer work in their city or town and get up to a \$1,000 property tax reduction in exchange. Local cities and towns are not required to offer the volunteer program and the decision whether to opt in is up to each individual city or town.

The amendment would raise the limit of the allowable property tax reductions to 175 hours at the current minimum wage of \$11 per hour. That would make the new ceiling \$1,925.

Amendment supporters said this additional \$925 would help many veterans and their families further reduce the cost of their property taxes and in some cases, might even prevent them from being forced out of their homes.

(A "Yes" vote is for the hike to \$1,925.)

Sen. Patricia Jehlen Yes

“I’m thrilled that the House has passed H 4051,” said the bill’s sponsor Rep. Jennifer Benson (D-Lunenburg). “This bill will provide a real disincentive to those who would consider producing or selling counterfeit airbags in Massachusetts.”

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 30-May 4, the House met for a total of one hour and 50 minutes while the Senate met for a total of seven hours and 54 minutes.

Mon. April 30 House 10:05 a.m. to 11:27 a.m.
Senate 11:02 a.m. to 12:31 p.m.

Tues. May 1 No House session
No Senate session

Wed. May 2 No House session
No Senate session

Thurs. May 3 House 11:02 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Senate 11:05 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Fri. May 4 No House session
No Senate session

Bob Katzen welcomes feedback at bob@beaconhillrollcall.com

How Somerville’s newest boutique is making personal styling affordable

CONT. FROM PG 1

with the results, especially considering how expensive it was. Then she had a thought: “I can do this better.”

And she did.

This past month, SwapIt moved into their first location in Davis Square, at 67 Holland Street, and began offering in-store affordable personal styling services. For \$50 you can book a 45-minute session with a stylist who will select your items and show you how to wear them. You also get to take five pieces home and can purchase more if you’d like.

“When it really comes down to it, we’re more than a styling service. We’re a system on how to make getting dressed easier,” Johnson said.

Every item in the store is second-hand, which is Johnson’s way of not only making personal styling more affordable but reducing the large amounts of textiles that go into landfills. According to the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the average U.S. citizen throws away 70 pounds of clothing and other textiles every year.

“We found that women are more than happy to give us their stuff. They like to know it’s going to be worn in their community and that nothing is ending up in a landfill,” she said.

Johnson hopes that setting up the SwapIt storefront to be more like a boutique will take the overwhelm out of thrift shopping, which usually means rummaging for hours through tight racks full of clothes.

In the future, Johnson said she hopes to expand and open more stores as well as offer more services. She also wants to create more partnerships like the one they currently have with TeePearls, an accessories company that turns t-shirts into jewelry. SwapIt will donate any items they can’t use to TeePearls and then those items will be made into accessories that SwapIt can sell in their store.

Though she’s got her sights set on a big vision, Johnson said it’s witnessing that moment when one of her customers finds that perfect look that keeps her motivated.

“It’s the most beautiful thing when someone who doesn’t feel good about themselves finds an outfit that fits them correctly. If you don’t have to think about what you’re wearing, it just changes your demeanor and that in turn really changes your life.”

SwapIt is open for appointments from Wednesday to Sunday, and open for donations Thursday to Sunday. Visit www.swapit.cool to set up an appointment.



Photo by Bobbie Toner

Somerville says 'welcome' to Say Darling

CONT. FROM PG 5

I have an ego, Chris has an ego. When you’re a front person, you kind of tend to operate like that. Watching Scott play is almost liberating because you’re like, “Wow, you are doing this 100% for the love of what you’re doing right in this moment.”

TST: Will you be working with Della Mae or anyone else this year?

CW: Yeah. I’m doing probably one week a month with Della Mae. And then I’m doing quite a bit of stuff with Say Darling this month. I’ll also be doing a little bit of work with another sort of bluegrass quartet called Walsh/Woodsmith Quartet. So I’ve got three things in the works.

Walsh/Woodsmith is sort of like a twice-a-year thing, Say Darling is probably a couple of times a month, and Della Mae is the one that I tour the most with.

TST: Do you ever play solo gigs?

CW: Every once in while I do a solo show. I’m going to be releasing a solo record of just my songs and my sort of concepts later in the year. I’m probably actually going to use Say Darling to tour that since they have the exact instrumentation that I used on my album.

TST: What will Say Darling be playing at The Burren in addition to the songs from the EP?

CW: Well, we do have quite a few other original tunes that I’ve written over the years that we also play. Some of the stuff I’ve played with Della Mae, we’ve rearranged to fit a rock band. We do quite a few original tunes, but we also have a lot of covers that we love. Honestly, we go the range between Tom Waits, we do some Texas swing, some Bob Wills, we do some jazz types of tunes. So we’re kind of all over the board, but it’s got that base of sort of blues rock ‘n’ roll.

TST: Do you every hold your Grammy nomination over the heads of your bandmates?

CW: (laughs) No! I thought my life would maybe change a little bit more than it had after we got that. Though it is sort of a feather in your cap, it doesn’t really change that much about booking shows. It is kind of a nice tag line to have. Maybe more people would look at an email if you put that up right in front. I guess it has sort of made me want to work harder, because I’ve been to the Grammys and maybe one day I can go back and take it home!

Say Darling with The Carleans. Friday, May 18. The Burren, 247 Elm St. Doors at 6, show at 7. \$14 in advance, \$18 day of show.

Somerville Rotary Club zeroes in on Arbor Day



The Somerville Rotary Club accepted the challenge of Rotary International President Ian Riseley to plant one new tree for each Rotarian in the club. The challenge was intended to combat global warming and beautify local communities. Australian native Riseley explained, “Environmental issues have not featured highly on the radar of Rotary International in a corporate since 1990-91. I was keen to give Rotarians an incentive and the opportunity to show their concern for the environment.” Local Rotary District 7930 and Somerville Rotary donated the native New England trees at no cost to Linda Cornell, President/CEO of the Somerville VNA Visiting Nurses Association. The goal was to plant approximately 2,000 trees in the Rotary District by Arbor Day on Friday, April 27, 2018. Pictured: Somerville Rotarians Paul Kaufman, Kevin Su, Ann Kirby & John Keegan handing off 25 Sugar Maple and 25 White Dogwood tree saplings to Linda Cornell, President/CEO of Somerville VNA of Eastern Massachusetts.

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OBITUARY

Anthony J. ‘Tony the Barber’ Matarazzo



Anthony “Tony the Barber” Matarazzo- of Somerville.

Beloved husband of the late Rosemary (Amarosi). Relatives and friends are invited to attend a Funeral Mass for Tony on Monday, May 7th at 10am in St. Ann’s Church, 399 Medford St., Somerville. Interment will be privately held. Tony was the owner and operator of Tony’s Barber Shop on Winter Hill in Somerville for years cutting generations of family’s hair.

Tribute to Tony Matarazzo

By Phil Chisholm

Today I, or should I say the City of Somerville, lost one its beloved residents, Tony Matarazzo of Tony Matarazzo’s Barber Shop’s at 294 Broadway, Somerville.

He was a friend to all that came into his barber shop. Always a

friendly "How you feeling or what do you think about what’s happening to our city."

A hero of WWII and when he came home he worked with his Dad on Mystic Ave. cutting hair.

I could go on and on but to those who knew him, he was our Tony The Barber, a friend.

God Bless you.



7th Annual Choral Festival



On Wednesday, May 2, the 7th Annual Choral Festival took place at Somerville High, highlighting the vocal talents of 7th and 8th grade students from all Somerville schools citywide. — Photos by Claudia Ferro

Dorothy’s Corner

BY DOROTHY DIMARZO



Neighborhood Produce

Right in the heart of Medford Street there’s a little grocery store that packs a not so little array of items for an almost endless variety of choices to make your next great meal. This little gem has been open since November of 2017 and was started up from a kickstarter campaign.

To get the word out about their plan, they partnered with the Winter Hill Brewing Company to run a farmers market in their parking lot, offering fresh produce and educate the public of their intentions to open a storefront in the neighborhood.

They offer locally sourced items from around the area like Taza Chocolate, Deano’s Pasta, and Pig

Rock sausages. One way to offer many items is to sell those items in bulk. There are containers of rice, dried beans, pasta, and dried fruits. You can also pick up loose teas and a variety of spices. Milk, eggs, cheese, yogurt, juices and non-dairy milk are also available.

Of course, let’s not forget the produce! What may be deemed non salable by a supermarket because it may be a slightly different shape or have a blemish or it just doesn’t meet other certain cosmetic standards, those very fruits and vegetables are provided here at a lower cost to the public. So if you’re in the area I highly recommend stopping by and checking it out.

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Somerville, MA 02145



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2018 Preservation Month Events Schedule

The Somerville Historic Preservation Commission (SHPC) announces the 2018 events in honor of Preservation Month, celebrated each May. Throughout the month, the SHPC partners with other local organizations to host events honoring Somerville's history and historic assets. All events are open to the public. Upcoming events are as follows:

• Launch of Volunteer Docent Program, May-October. Three Historic Sites:

Prospect Hill Tower, Milk Row Cemetery, and Old Powder House. Full season schedule on weekends and Thursday evenings is posted on the SHPC website (www.somervillema.gov/historicpreservation) and at each physical site.

• Thursday, May 10, 6 – 8 p.m. First Seasonal Public Opening of Prospect Hill Tower.

Enjoy the first major project completed using the City's Community Preservation Act

(CPA) funds – stabilization work on the Tower. Local historian Larry Willwerth, along with other volunteer docents in period clothing, will tell stories about "The Lesser Known His-

tory of Prospect Hill." Heavy rain cancels.

• Sunday, May 13, 2 - 4:30 p.m. Walking Tour: "Gilman Square and East Somerville:

Historical Look Before the GLX Arrives." Ed Gordon, President of the New England Chapter of the Victorian Society in America, will lead a lively walking tour of historic buildings and landscapes already undergoing many changes. Co-sponsored by East Somerville Main Streets.

Meet at City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue. End at Viny's Ristorante, a neighborhood institution at 76 Broadway, that is offering complimentary refreshments. Rain or shine.

• Thursday, May 17, 6 – 8 p.m. Milk Row Cemetery Public Opening:

Dressed in period clothing, Barbara Mangum, Objects Conservator and President of the Somerville Museum, will lead an informative tour about this fragile and very compact burial ground founded in 1804 by Samuel Tufts on farmland once part of Charlestown. Learn about who is buried here, the extraordinary monu-

ment dedicated to Somerville soldiers fallen during the Civil War, and both past and current municipal enhancements using grants from the State and the City's CPC. Light refreshments donated by Market Basket, Friend of the Cemetery. Meet at front gate, 439 Somerville Ave. Heavy rain cancels.

• Sunday, May 20, Veterans Memorial Parade:

Join the Historic Somerville contingent! Dress up in period clothing. Begins at City Hall at 3 p.m. and ends at Teele Square. For more information contact admin@historicsomerville.org The Parade will be held rain or shine.

• Wednesday, May 23, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. "Researching the History of Your House and Your Family":

This talk will be given by Preservation Planner Kristi Chase, Archivist Nadia Dixon, and Kevin O'Kelly, Reference Librarian for the Somerville Public Library. Find out how each place can help you research the history of your house and family through a mini tour of genealogy resources at the Somerville



Library and beyond, as well as some tips for getting started. The talk will be held at the Somerville Central Library, 79 Highland Avenue.

• Thursday, May 24, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m. Historic Preservation Awards Ceremony:

A reception, with light refreshments, will be followed by the 23rd Annual ceremony to honor 11 Somerville property owners for their award-winning preservation work on the exterior of their properties. Properties include both historically designated homes as well as older buildings in the City. SHS students will present

their original drawings of each property to the owners. The event takes place in the historically unique space within the Somerville Armory, 191 Highland Ave. Also see the mobile exhibit of the artwork at the Nu Kitchen at 195 Washington St., in addition to other City venues during subsequent months.

For more information on Preservation Month programming, contact SHPC Executive Director Brandon Wilson at 617-625-6600 x2532 or bwilson@somervillema.gov, or visit www.somervillema.gov/historicpreservation.

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Somerville Youth Peace Conference

The conference features an all-original show with theater, spoken word, music, and speeches. The Youth Organizers and Associates have been working to create a powerful show to address the issues that youth face in Somerville, and to bring the community together. Some of the topics that they'll address include issues relating to school walk-outs, mental health, discrimination, gentrification, relationships, violence, substance abuse, and more. The conference will take place on Saturday, May 12, from 6:30 – 9:00 p.m. at the Somerville High School Auditorium. This year's theme is A Tale of Two Cities, Voices Unheard. More than 300 Somerville youth and adults are expected to attend.



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Monday May 14

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

Tuesday May 15

SYM Tuesdays \$5 cover 8 p.m.

Wednesday May 16

Spring For Children benefit for the Mystic Learning Center 6 p.m.
Great raffles, food, fun, and the Tom Hagerty Band til 10!
\$20 suggested donation – see you next week for poker!

Thursday May 17

Spring Hill Rounders grassy Thursdays 7:30 p.m.

Friday May 18

Jim Coyle & Sneaky Pint 6 p.m.
Juke Joint \$10 cover 9 p.m.

Saturday May 19

One Thin Dime 6 p.m.
Sue's Birthday Party Rock Show 9 p.m.

Sunday May 20

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COMMENTARY

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Data Download with Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone



By Joseph A. Curtatone
Taking a closer look at notable city data—and interesting numbers.

4.9 percent increase in library circulation: We’ve always known Somervillians are thirsty for knowledge and now our latest library stats offer more proof. The libraries report a 4.9 percent increase in overall materials circulation when comparing the second quarters of fiscal years 2017 and 2018, and the trend remains upward. Between quarters one and two this year, circulation increased an additional 2.9 percent.

Library staff attributes the increase to not only more programming and events at the branches but also better quality programming like this past

weekend’s Comic Con event at the Central Branch that drew approximately 1,300 attendees, many of whom appear to be new faces. We’d like to see you at the library too. Learn more about library programming and events and browse the catalog of books, movies, music, and more at www.somervillepubliclibrary.org.

Approximately 50 percent of residents within 10-minute walk to grocery stores: Access to good, nutritious food is a basic human need. Over the course of the past 18 months, Shape Up Somerville has been conducting a city-wide basic food systems assessment to better understand food access and food equity in Somerville. The process has included focus group interviews with 75 residents, working group discussions, retail assessment, and more. The retail assessment revealed that currently only approximately 50 percent of residents are within a 10-minute walk of at least one of the eight grocery stores in Somerville. Among other goals for addressing

food access and food insecurity, we aim to raise that number higher to ensure more residents are in walking distance of affordable fresh foods.

The assessment is set to be released later this spring, and after that action planning will begin so that we can best identify ways for people to more easily access nutritious food, whether that involves working with the 23 additional neighborhood markets in the city, improving transportation routes to grocery stores, or other strategies. Keep an eye on www.somervillema.gov/departments/health-and-human-services/shape-up-somerville for updates.

58 percent increase in match transactions at the Somerville Mobile Farmers’ Market between 2015 and 2017: An important component of our overall strategy for improving food security is the Somerville Mobile Farmers’ Market. Over the past three seasons, the mobile market saw a significant increase in sales – nearly doubling sales from \$15,210 in 2015 to \$29,916 in 2017. The market has also seen a notable increase

in use of the match program, with match transactions increasing 58 percent between 2015 and 2017. The match program provides a 50 percent discount to shoppers who receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits, senior farmers’ market nutrition coupons, WIC farmers’ market coupons, or are Somerville Housing Authority residents. Match transactions accounted for 77 percent of all Somerville Mobile Farmers’ Market transactions in 2017.

The Mobile Market is gearing up for another successful season starting in July. Check www.somervillemobilefarmersmarket.wordpress.com or www.facebook.com/shapeupsomerville for more information.

23rd Annual Historic Preservation Awards Ceremony to honor 11 property owners: Somerville certainly boasts an interesting and unique history, and every May we celebrate Historic Preservation Month to keep that history alive. As part of this year’s festivities, 11 Somerville property owners will be recognized for their award-winning

preservation work on the exterior of their properties. Honored properties will include both historically designated homes as well as older buildings in the city, and Somerville High School students will present their original drawings of each property to the owners.

The event will take place Thursday, May 24 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Somerville Armory, 191 Highland Ave. For more information on Historic Preservation Month, including a complete list of scheduled events, visit www.somervillema.gov/historicpreservation.

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.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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2 May 2018

Dear Mayor Curtatone:

I find myself to be writing on this occasion in a state of some distress due to the concern that I’ve developed in connection with the way in which the matter of dealing with citizens concerned by the planned removal of trees along Somerville Avenue in the Union Square area is being handled by city government. My distress has mainly to do with what in my mind is the fact that the plan that has been announced to remove these trees is not likely to be justified by the case I expect to be made this evening at the public hearing at the police station, based on what I experienced at the “hearing” I attended in that same location last week which was called for the purpose of talking about a similar plan to remove trees that remain after what I understand to be an unauthorized felling of 37 trees on Beacon Street <<http://somerville.wickedlocal.com/news/20171006/contractors-remove-trees-on-beacon-street-in-somerville-without-city-knowledge>> last fall, for which no immediate financial or other material penalty has been imposed upon the contractor for what many, especially

those living and working in the area, consider to be this outrage.

I have enjoyed being a resident of Somerville since 1984, and have during the period between then and now seen many changes, but they have been mostly of a minor sort -- buildings being refurbished or replaced, alterations in traffic patterns, the redevelopment of Assembly Square (which, of course, is not at all minor) and the various beautification and improvement efforts that have taken place, largely during your own administration, such as what is now ongoing in Lincoln Park. Having attended a number of meetings with you and a handful of other people, I know you to be sincere, dedicated and very hard working. I know you, as a lifelong resident of the city, love the place as much, if not more, than I do myself, and that you are quite caring and compassionate as a person.

It is with this latter thought in mind that I call to your attention the source of my distress, which has to do primarily with what I, at least, perceive to be a flawed process with regard to informing citizens as to the necessity of the removal of trees along Somerville Ave. which is being planned. For one thing, though

I know that the requirement for all comments, like those I am now sending, to be submitted prior to what is being billed as a “hearing” come from state law, I feel confident that it would be possible to permit letters sent to you and those within your administration who are making presentations to be accepted and given equal weight for a period of time following such a meeting, after people have had an opportunity to evaluate what has been said and to discuss the matter among themselves. (What sense does it make for people to voice their objections on incomplete and possibly faulty information?)

Further, as a matter of the law of the Commonwealth, I have learned of a provision <<http://malegislature.gov/Laws/GeneralLaws/PartI/TitleXIV/Chapter87/Section4>> thereof which states:

/Section 4: //Cutting down or removing public shade trees; approval of selectmen or mayor/

/Section 4. Tree wardens shall not cut down or remove or grant a permit for the cutting down or removal of a public shade tree if, at or before a public hearing as provided in the preceding section, objection in writing is made by one or more persons, unless such cutting or removal

or permit to cut or remove is approved by the selectmen or by the mayor. /

Though, unlike yourself, I am not a lawyer, the language here seems fairly straightforward and easy to interpret (and it does expose the source of the pre-hearing comments protocol about which I was just complaining). This provision of law seems to mean that, given that you will have received objections /by one or more persons/, many of them far less conditional than my own, the decision is to be governed by a vote of the Board of Aldermen and/or an order coming from yourself, rather than being a more routine administrative matter, which would only require a signoff by the tree warden and/or arborist.

Going back to the cause of my distress, my experience at the previous “hearing” left me feeling that those on your staff who were listening were:

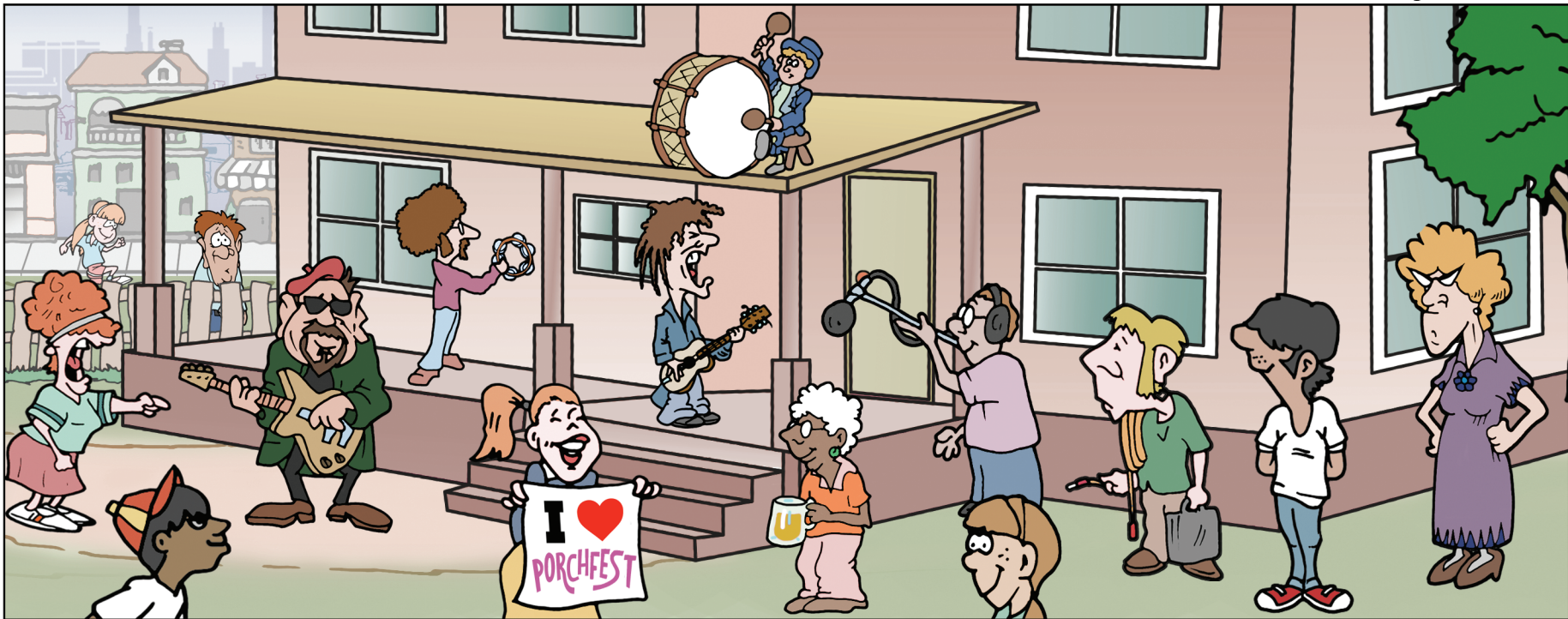
- * not giving direct answers to many of the important questions that were asked,
- * not themselves offering obviously relevant information, such as whether according to the plan that has been put in place for sewer/storm drain separation and road reconstruction there is an absolute necessity for trees

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COMMENTARY

SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Illustrated by Jim Clark



Tune up and tune in, Somerville – PorchFest is coming this weekend.

Our View Of The Times



Ready or not, 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.

With no road closures involved and a minimum amount of inconvenience to neighbors being reported, for the most part, PorchFest can be a pleasant experience for those who would like to get out and hear some nice, original live music.

So, if you’re free for the day, you might want to take in one or more presentations at a porch near you. For better or worse, it’s a cheap show at twice the price.

For a complete schedule of performances go to: <http://www.somervilleartscouncil.org/porchfest>.

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School Field House at 81 Highland Avenue. Tickets are available online at www.LyricsChamps.org. The cost is \$15.

Last week we made a mistake and, of course, we always own up to our mistakes. And since this is a gossip column we know that mistakes will happen. On the **Somerville Affordable Housing Trust Fund** piece, we said that “**Dennis LeBlanc**” sits on the board of the **Somerville Community Corp.**, but it is really **Danny LeBlanc**. He is the director of the agency that receives money from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund. Again, how is it possible for an official audit of the Affordable Housing Trust fund not to be done? Taxpayer money goes into the fund and SCC is the benefactor of the fund, but with no audit? Oh, the city says it has the last two years posted on their website, but we’re told that it’s just a review, not an audit. So where does the money come from? From taxpayers? Who benefits from the fund and how do the taxpayers of Somerville benefit? And the **Board of Aldermen** (mostly made up of those that are associated with SCC) doesn’t ask for transparency?

This past Monday night at the **Board of Aldermen’s Legislative Matters Committee** meeting, another public hearing concerning the new tax the city wants to impose on homeowners took place. The rewritten proposal doesn’t mean anything. Our sources say that at any time the Board can change the 1% figure to whatever they want. They can change who pays, from developers to any homeowner’s property they want. Watch this Board of Aldermen and remember who voted for taxes to be raised for a fund that has no accountability, with its money given to another agency that hasn’t given information audit on who benefited from the money.

Congratulations to **Lisa Ramos** of **Century Bank** here in Somerville. She was recently promoted to Branch Manager of the Fellsway and Mystic Avenue branch. Lisa has been with the bank for several years and we are glad she was promoted. We are sure she will handle her new promotion and be a credit to the bank. This location is Century Bank’s first branch. The bank started here in 1969 and Lisa will actually occupy the office once held by **Marshall Sloan** himself, and a great list of others who followed. Lisa takes over from **Jeannie Scarpa**. We will miss Jeannie’s always smiling face at the bank. We understand she retired and we wish her the best.

Congratulations to **Frank and Beverly Childers**, celebrating 50 years of marriage. They grew up here in Somerville and moved to “Somerville with trees” in Stoneham. We here at *The Times* wish them both the very best and congrats on 50 years with 50 more plus.

The city’s **ward aldermen**, along with the **At-Large BOA representatives**, are kicking off the **2018 Block Party Challenge**. Residents can contact their respective ward aldermen or **Stephanie Hirsch** (stephanie@stephaniehirsch.org) for more information. Their goal this year is to increase the number of block parties held throughout the city. Block parties are easy to organize and a great way to build community. More about this effort and FAQs on organizing block parties are to be found here: <http://www.somervilletogether.com/blockpartychallenge>.

Don’t forget, you can catch the **Board of Aldermen** meetings on **Somerville City Cable** (Comcast 22, RCN 13) or online at <https://www.somervillema.gov/video> every other Thursday night.

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

Somerville High School and the **Career and Technical Education (CTE) Graphic Design & Visual Communications department** proudly present the first annual **CTE Design Gallery Show** on **Saturday, May 19, 12:00-2:00pm** at the **SHS Atrium** and is open to the public. Guests will enjoy light refreshments provided by the **Culinary Arts Bistro** while perusing the art and designs students in CTE have created.

Somerville Open Studios 2018

Last weekend, local artists will open their studios and workshops all over the city to the public during the 20th annual Somerville Open Studios (SOS).

Organized by the non-profit organization of the same name, over 360 artists participated in the admission-free event. Additionally, on Friday, May 4, some artists opened their studios as a preview of the event.

This year's event was coordinated by Ellien Laramée-Byers, a photographer, illustrator, and part of the Somerville-based Mad Oyster Studios, pictured here.

Somerville Open Studios (SOS) is a non-profit organization formed for the purpose of producing an annual open studio and related events in Somerville, Massachusetts.

For more information about SOS, go to www.somerville-openstudios.org.





Go to www.thesomervilletimes.com for more photos

Photos by Claudia Ferro



SPORTS

9th Annual Playworks Run for Recess 5K

On Saturday, May 19, students and staff members from four Somerville schools will participate in the 9th Annual Playworks Run for Recess 5K presented by Playworks New England in partnership with the New Balance Foundation. Funds raised through the family friendly 5K and 1-Mile Fun Run, which will take place along Franklin Park's world-famous cross country course adjacent to the zoo in Roxbury, will support play and physical activity in 140 elementary schools across New England.

The participating schools from Somerville include: East Somerville Community School, West Somerville Neighborhood School, Dr. Albert F. Argenziano School, and Benjamin G. Brown School.

Somerville team members will join an expected 1,000 partic-

ipants, including students and families representing 49 elementary schools in the Greater Boston area, who will run with the collective goal of raising \$15,000 for Playworks New England. In its 12th year, the nonprofit, which is part of a national organization, brings play and youth development programming into schools during recess as a means to improve the health and well-being of children and to enhance learning through the power of play.

"Playworks is the only national nonprofit working to leverage recess as a time of day when kids can be active and play as well as learn important social and emotional skills, such as conflict resolution and collaboration, needed to thrive in the classroom and beyond," says Jonathan Gay, Playworks New England Executive Director. "We are grateful



The 9th Annual Playworks Run for Recess 5K takes place this Saturday, May 19.

to our partner schools who allow us to work with their staff and students every day to create a welcoming place on the playground for all students."

Participants can choose from one of two running routes along the Franklin Park Playstead Field. All runners will get a Playworks goodie bag. The first 400 runners registered will receive a free Playworks t-shirt. An award presentation for the top three finishers will take place at the

conclusion of the race. All participants will receive certificates.

Registration and start times are as follows:

Pre-Registration and Registration opens at 8:30 a.m.

One Mile Fun Run begins at 10:00 a.m.

5K Run for Recess begins at 10:30 a.m.

Recess 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

All ages welcome. Registration fees range from \$10 to \$50, dependent upon route and group

packages. All fees increase by \$5 for onsite at Franklin Park. To register for the 9th Annual Playworks Run for Recess 5K on May 19, to support a school team, or to volunteer, visit: <https://www.playworks.org/new-england/event/playworks-9th-annual-run-recess/>. For further questions, contact Karleen Herbst, Playworks New England Development Manager, at kherbst@playworks.org or call (617)-708-1734.



Ms. Cam's

Olio

Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

#627

1. What NBA team has won the most NBA Championships?

2. What film festival is Robert Redford the founder of?

3. Who played the role of Justice in the film *Poetic Justice*?

4. Who was the creator of the TV series *The Twilight Zone*?

5. What Roman numeral does actor Ted Danson have after his name?

6. What musical had the song (*When I Marry*)

Mister Snow?

7. What are newborn penguins called?

8. What horse won the 2018 Kentucky Derby?

9. What is a nickname for the Kentucky Derby?

10. What is the upper shell of the turtle called?

11. What is someone who has the habit of biting their nails called?

12. Which actor has a son named Sage Moonblood?

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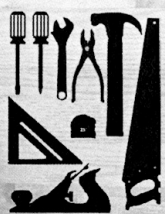
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LEGAL NOTICE
OF PUBLIC HEARING

A **public hearing** for all interested parties will be held by the **Zoning Board of Appeals** on **Wednesday, May 16, 2018** at **6:00 p.m.** at the **Visiting Nurse Association (VNA), 3rd floor Community Room, 259 Lowell Street, Somerville, MA.**

*** 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.***

20 Electric Avenue (ZBA 2018-49): Applicant and Owner, 20 Electric Ave LLC c/o Frank Rocci, seeks a Special Permit under SZO §4.4.1 to alter a nonconforming structure by extending an existing dormer on the right side of the ridge. RA Zone. Ward 7.

26-28 Upland Road (ZBA 2018-43): Applicant and Owner, Upland Road, LLC, seeks Special Permits under §4.4.1 of the SZO to, at a minimum, finish the basement and install window wells within the side yard setback. Parking relief under Article 9 of the SZO is also needed. RA zone. Ward 7.

10 Oak Street (ZBA 2018-10): Applicant, 10 Oak LLC, and Owner, Rolando Dongo, seek Special Permits under §4.4.1 to upwardly extend the non-conforming right side yard setback, increase the GFA by more than 25% and parking relief under Article 9 of the SZO. RC zone. Ward 2.

69 Rush Street (ZBA 2018-50): Applicant and Owner, 69 Rush Street, LLC, seek Special Permits under §4.4.1 of the SZO to alter a non-conforming structure, including, but not limited to constructing a rear addition to add another dwelling unit, and parking relief under §9.13 of the SZO. RB zone. Ward 1.

22 Cedar Street (ZBA 2018-45): Applicant and Owner, William Coombes, sees Special Permits under §4.4.1 of the SZO to increase the size of a dormer within the side yard setback and enclose a roof deck. Parking relief under Article

100 Bartlett Street (ZBA 2018-35): Applicant and Owner, Douglas Beaudet, seeks Special Permits under §4.4.1 of the SZO to alter a non-conforming 3-family structure by increasing the size of the rear decks, replacing, front façade window with a new entry door (to create a second entry), re-place rear windows with doors to decks, convert existing rear doors to windows, replace all windows from 1-over-one to two-over-one. Proposal includes increasing the number of parking spaces from 1 to 3 and creating two bicycle spaces. Parking is addressed under Article 9 of the SZO. RA zone. Ward 5.

134 Holland Avenue (ZBA 2018-48): Applicant and Owner, Silva Realty 2, LLC, seeks Special Permits under §4.4.1 of the SZO to alter a 3-family structure with alterations to include creating an areaway within the non-conforming right side yard setback. Parking relief under Article 9 of the SZO


20 Electric Ave: <http://eepurl.com/dtkeHb>
26-28 Upland Rd: <http://eepurl.com/dtnkDD>
10 Oak St.: <http://eepurl.com/dtnk8P>
69 Rush St.: <http://eepurl.com/dtnllb>
22 Cedar St.: <http://eepurl.com/dtnlMv>
100 Bartlett St.: <http://eepurl.com/dtnlVn>
134 Holland Ave.: <http://eepurl.com/dtnl4P>

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: Dawn Pereira, Administrative Assistant
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The contract term shall be for a period of 1 year with 2 optional renew-als from 05/28/2018 to 05/27/2019.

Prevailing wage rates apply. 5% bid deposit required.

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

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

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

The **Somerville Historic Preservation Commission (SHPC)** shall hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 22, 2018 at 6:40 p.m. in the Third Floor Community Room, at the Visiting Nurses Association (259 Lowell Street) regarding proposals by 1) Somerville Realty Ventures, LLC to demolish the 1914 storage garage; and 2) Adragna Dedic, LLC to demolish a c. 1869 wood-frame at 14 Pearl Street.

The subject of the hearings will be a review of the initial determination by the HPC 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 (617) 625-6600 x 2500 or historic@somervillema.gov.

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE
OFFICE OF CITY CLERK
BOARD OF ALDERMEN

There will be a Public Hearing before the Board of Aldermen on **Tuesday, May 22, 2018, at 6:00 PM**, in the Aldermen's Chambers, 2nd Floor, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, on the Order of Alderman Wil-liam White Jr., Chairman of the Committee on Finance, for public input on #205501, an Administrative Order proposed by the Mayor providing for the appointment of school physicians and nurses by the School Committee.

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND AND BE HEARD.

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Letter to the Editor

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to be removed, and what is the basis for that necessity,

* not really in a position to modify the plan based upon input they received during that interaction.

I plan to attend the meeting tonight, though I doubt that you do. Still, from what I have been able to gather from various sources, I think that this decision rests in your hands. I have created a page <<http://unionsquareneighborhood-council.org/51-events/112-180502-somerville-ave-tree-removal-hearing>> on the new Union Square Neighborhood Council site, of which I am the webmaster, to give my fellow USNC members the benefit of what information I've managed to learn during the short space of time during which I've been studying the subject.

I intend to remain active in whatever struggle might ensue following this hearing. Again, my primary concern has to do with the process, which for me does not appear designed to allay the sentiments of those who, like myself, would be very sad to see the trees which have been surviving along Somerville Ave. for so many decades to have their lives ended prematurely and replaced after a few years by saplings (that may or may not survive in individual cases) which would take something approaching another half century to reach the size of those we know and love.

I look to you for a personal statement about this matter, shared with all concerned citizens, and hope you can and will understand why some of us feel as strongly as we do.

Respectfully yours,

Gary S. Trujillo
Union Square

Valuable donation made to SHS

On Tuesday, May 1, representatives from Fastenal Company and Milwaukee Tool delivered a generous donation of tools and supplies to the Electrical Technologies Program at Somerville High School.

The donation will help ensure the continued growth of the program and increase the students' ability to be competitive in the ever changing world of construction. The Students will be using the tools to accomplish their project tasks within the Electrical Technologies Program.

The students will also be using the tools to install and maintain electrical systems in classrooms around the school. Teachers are constantly requesting electrical services from the program and in the past we were unable to accomplish the tasks due to tool restrictions. With the latest do-

nations from Fastenal, they will now be able to not only meet the increasing demands but give students the real world experiences they need to be successful when they graduate from Somerville High School.

Fastenal is also looking at possible opportunities to recruit some of these students for paid part-time/ co-op positions as well as hiring former graduates.

Special thanks to Michelle Perry and Braedon Perry (SHS Student) who reached out and made Fastenal aware of the needs, and got the ball rolling.

If you are interested in donating to the Electrical Technologies Program at Somerville High School, please contact Guy Ando at gando@k12.somerville.ma.us or call 617-625-6600 extension 6243.



Left to right: Lee Elliott, Account Specialist at Fastenal; Mike Gillette, General Manager at Fastenal; Tyler Mcshinsky, Sales Rep. at Milwaukee Tools; and Guy Ando, Electrical Technologies Teacher at Somerville High.



Looking for care in a family-based setting?

By Jeanne Leyden

Helping people care for a loved one at home is central to our mission at Adult Family Care (AFC). But sometimes we help by introducing qualified caregivers to those who need live-in support.

We are a MassHealth-funded, non-profit program that specializes in helping caregivers succeed. We know many experienced live-in caregivers and have an extensive review process to ensure the match is happy and safe.

Our program serves people 16+, unable to live alone, and have a chronic medical or psychiatric diagnosis requiring assistance with at least one

Activity of Daily Living (such as bathing, dressing, toileting, transferring between positions, ambulating, eating). The people receiving care must either be MassHealth/Medicaid eligible (Standard, Common-Health, SCO, One Care) or

able to pay privately.

The following caregivers have been vetted, and are willing to open their homes to somebody who needs care in a community setting:

Dorchester - Female: Lives with cousin and nephew. Speaks Haitian-Creole & English. Is a RN currently working as a visiting nurse p/t. Prefers clients be 19 years+. Bedroom is on 2nd floor.

Dorchester - Female: Lives with adult daughters. Previous work experience as a RN and caring for a disabled daughter. Bedroom is on second floor.

Hyde Park - Female: Lives with husband. Speaks English and Spanish. Has experience caring for elderly family members. Was a children's foster care provider for 10 years. Works at a daycare. Bedrooms are on first floor. There are five steps into the home. Client must have ADH.

Lynn - Female: Lives with husband and daughter. Currently works in a residential facility

and has experience working with individuals with hearing and/or vision impairment. Bedroom is on the first floor.

Revere - Male: Lives with wife and 2 daughters (17 and 25). Speaks Swahili & English. Previous AFC Host. Works at a group home. Prefers younger client(s). Bedrooms are on first and second floors.

Woburn - Female: Lives with daughter & close female friend (24). Provides care to an AFC Participant. Speaks English and Spanish. Bedroom is on first floor. There are 5 steps into the home.

If you think any of the above caregivers could be a match, or you wish to learn more about our program, contact AFC Social Work Manager Nina Cohen at 617-628-2601, ext. 3100 or via email at ncohen@eldercare.org.

Jeanne Leyden is Director of Adult Family Care, a non-profit program at Somerville-Cambridge



SCES Director of Adult Family Care Jeanne Leyden.

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CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Wednesday|May 9

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

Central Library
Somerville Positive Forces
1 p.m.-2:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Thursday|May 10

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

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

East Branch Library
Children's Book Group:Roller Girl
3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.|115 Broadway

Friday|May 11

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

East Branch Library
Pop Up Playgroup!
10:30 a.m.-11:45 a.m.|115 Broadway

Monday|May 14

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

Tuesday|May 15

Central Library
Homeschool Reading Group for Ages 14-16
9 a.m.-12:15 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

West Branch Library
Preschool Storytime
11 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|40 College Ave

Wednesday|May 16

East Branch Library
PreK PUPPET STORY TIME!
11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.|115 Broadway

Central Library
Teen Game Day
2:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

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Good CRAFTernoon
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8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory
Been Out Here Teen Open Mic
6 p.m.|Café Mommybites: Ultimate Moms' Night Out
6:30 p.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

Thursday|May 10

Sally O'Brien's
The Ways & Means Committee
8 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Danielle M and The Glory Junkies|7 p.m.
Scattershots|10 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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
Mickey Rickshaw, Buster Shuffle
8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
The Slum Raisins
Elsewhere, Greg Allen's Fringe Religion
8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co.
Mike and Mike Present: Open Mic|6 p.m.
John Williams Jam Band| 8 p.m.
14 Tyler Street

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

Friday|May 11

Sally O'Brien's
Bucky Bear & The Titanium Hipsters |6 p.m.
Outlaw Road Show: Daniel Miller & The High Life, Chris Moreno EP release|9 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Backroom Series with Tom Bianchi
Honeysuckle w/Special Guest, Aurora Birch|7 p.m.
Jimmys Down |10 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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

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366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

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

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

Thunder Road
The Ward Eights (R&B Soul Revue), Jill McCracken
8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
Beantown Underground
P. Goods, Slipwax, Treva Holmes, Jay Boston, Stu Lee, 4th Quarter
9 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co.
14 Tyler Street

The Rockwell
Sh!t-faced Shakespeare: The Taming of the Shrew|7 p.m.
B.U.M.P|9 p.m.
Dirty Disney|10:15 p.m.
255 Elm St

Saturday|May 12

Sally O'Brien's
Tom Hagerty Band |6 p.m.
Watts, Dents, We Can't Work It Out
\$12 cover |9 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Jeff Jam Family Dance Party!|4 p.m.
Abbie Barrett, Lily Black|7 p.m.
Spittin Vinnies|10 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

Orleans Restaurant and Bar
Karaoke
65 Holland St

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

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

Thunder Road
NIGHT MOVES: A Boston Bob Seger Tribute Featuring Ryan Pinette & The Bay Staters & More Special Guests!
8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
Berndsen|7 p.m.
w/Hermigervill

Citrusphere
Kanga|10 p.m.
CMB, Sølve, The Blood Of Others
156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co.
Le Prestige
8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

The Rockwell
KERPLUNK!|11 a.m.
Sh!t-faced Shakespeare: The Taming of the Shrew|7 p.m.
255 Elm St

Arts at the Armory
Boston Theater Company's Teen Touring Troupe presents: Love's Labor's Lost
2 p.m.|Performance Hall
Arabic Karaoke Night with DJ Gabriel
6:30 p.m.|Mezzaine|191 Highland Ave

Sunday|May 13

Sally O'Brien's Bar
The Natural Wonders|4:30 p.m.
Jan Marie Music|9 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Beatles Brunch 9 a.m.- 3 p.m.
Backroom series with Tom Bianchi|7 p.m.
Randall Bays & John Coyne, with Owen Bays and Rory Coyne|4 p.m.
Robt Sarazin Blake, Ali McGuirk |7:30 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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

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

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

Thunder Road
Lincoln Durham, The Ghost Wolves & Greg Klyma at Americana Sundays
7p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
Them Evils
Murcielago
8:45 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co.
Roses and Cigarettes
2 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

The Rockwell
The Huntress And Holder Of Hands
8 p.m.|255 Elm St

Monday|May 14

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

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

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

Thunder Road
379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
Tav Falco's Panther Burns
Trabants
8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

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

Tuesday|May 15

Sally O'Brien's Bar
SYM Tuesdays \$5 cover
8 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Front Room
Jason Anick and the Swingers Swing/Jazz|8:30 p.m.
Open Mic Night with Aaron Yang|10 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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

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

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

Thunder Road
379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
Simpsons Trivia|7 p.m.
Heavy Metal Tuesday|7 p.m.
156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co
Indie Trivia
8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

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

Wednesday|May 16

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

The Burren
Backroom Series with Brian O'Donovan (of "A Celtic Sojourn" on WGBH)|7:30 p.m.
Comedy Night with Arty P.|10 p.m.
Emerald Rae: CD Release|7:30 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

Grateful Dead Residency
8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

Highland Kitchen
150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co.
Phil Holub|8 p.m.
Maxwell Bailey|9 p.m.
Gentle Temper|10 p.m.
14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory
Red Cross Blood Drive
2 p.m.-7 p.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

The Rockwell
Starstruck: Close Encounters of the Awkward Kind
7 p.m.|255 Elm Street

CLASSES AND GROUPS

Wednesday|May 9

Central Library
First Day of the Friends of the SPL Book Sale
5 p.m.-8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Thursday|May 10

Central Library
Friends of the SPL Book Sale
5 p.m.-8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

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

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

Friday|May 11

Central Library
Friends of the SPL Book Sale
12 p.m.-4 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Saturday|May 12

Central Library
Friends of the SPL Book Sale
10 a.m.-2 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

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

Sunday|May 13

Central Library
Friends of the SPL 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 14

Central Library
Chess Night
7 p.m.-8:45 p.m.
Science Fiction and Fantasy Book Club
7 p.m.- 8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Tuesday|May 15

Central Library
SMEA
3 p.m.-4 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

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

Wednesday|May 16

Central Library
Boston Light: Stories of a lighthouse keeper
6 p.m.-8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

PLACES TO GO, THINGS TO DO!

SENIOR CENTER HAPPENINGS:

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

CENTER LOCATIONS, TIMES & SCHEDULES

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

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

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

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

ONGOING PROGRAMS

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

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

Free Groceries Every Month? – You may be eligible for the Commodity Supplemental Food Program! CSFP is a once a month food distribution for individuals 60 years of age or older. You may be eligible to receive two free bags of food once a month containing healthy shelf stable products. Proof of identity and age are all that is required to apply. Must apply beforehand. Pick up at the Ralph & Jenny Center, 9 New Washington Street on the 4th Thursday of every month unless otherwise specified. For more information or to apply please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 – applications are available at the front desk of our Holland Street Center.

Friendly Caller Program – Do you know someone who could benefit from a friendly call? Maybe you are feeling isolated and want someone to talk to – or you just want someone to listen. Please call Natasha at 617-625-6600 ext. 2317 to sign up for our “Friendly Caller” Program.

Winds for All –Tuesday mornings – 10:00 a.m. at our Holland Street Center. \$10 per class – A music immersion class for those who have never played a woodwind instrument. To reserve your spot or for additional info please call Debby Higgins at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321.

Nutrition Fair – Thursday, May 10 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at our Holland Street Center. There will be health screening, food demos, healthy eating tips, recipes, giveaways and more. Join us for a healthy lunch and bingo after. RSVP is a must. If you have any questions, require additional information or want to reserve your spot please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Finger Lakes Region – Monday, May 7th to Friday, May 11th – 5 days and 4 nights - \$989 per person double or \$1389 per person single – includes transportation, lodging, 4 breakfast, 2 lunches, 2 dinners, 1 winery, 2 casinos and so much more. For additional information, questions or to reserve your spot please contact Connie by calling 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Mother’s Day Special Lunch & Bingo – Monday, May

14 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Holland Street Center. \$5 fee includes lunch, coffee and dessert. Limited seating and transportation. For additional information, questions or to reserve your spot please contact Connie by calling 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Housing Fair – Thursday, May 17 – 10:00 a.m. at our Holland Street Center. Meet with local agencies to learn the many ways to age in place. Guest speakers will include Somerville Home, Just-A-Start, Somerville Cambridge Elder Services, Somerville Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development, The VNA & More. For additional information call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Memories of Lost Ones – Wednesday, May 30 – 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at our Holland Street Center. Join Nancy Duffy from Beacon Hospice for a day of remembrance in which we will take time to remember and honor those we have lost over the years. For additional information or questions please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Belmont Stakes – Friday, June 8 to Sunday, June 10 – 3 days and 2 nights - \$552 per person double or \$772 per person single includes transportation, lodging, 2 breakfasts, 2 dinners, reserved seating for the Belmont Stakes, and guided tour of the Sagamore Hill National Historic Site. For additional information, questions or to reserve your spot please contact Connie by calling 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

A Chorus Line – Thursday, June 14 - \$32 per person – First come first serve – Space is limited. Check-in at Holland Street 1:30 p.m. with an approximate return time of 6:00 p.m. For additional information, questions or to reserve your spot please contact Debby by calling 617-625-6600, ext. 2321.

Dollar Days at the Movies – Tuesday, June 19 – 12:00 p.m. Somerville Theatre Davis Square. This month’s movie is Wonder. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. - \$1 per person. For additional info, questions or to reserve your spot please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Castle Island – Friday, June 22 check-in time at Ralph & Jenny at 8:30 a.m. \$5 for transportation – lunch is on your own. Approximate return time of 1:00 p.m. For additional info, questions or to reserve your spot please contact Connie by calling 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Fire Cracker Super Bingo – Monday, July 16 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Cross Street Center. \$12 fee includes lunch, coffee, dessert, cards and prizes. Limited seating and transportation. For additional information, questions or to reserve your spot please contact Connie by calling 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

LGBTQ EVENTS:

LBT Women Fit-4-Life - Fitness Class is Thursday evenings starting at 6:00 P.M. \$10 a month fee - scholarships available & it just might be covered under your insurance. We have available slots and would love to have you. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact our Health & Wellness Coordinator, Chris Kowaleski at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2315.

LGBTQ Lunch: Come, relax, enjoy lunch and talk with your peers. Scheduled lunch dates for 2018 are May 16, June 20, July 18, August 15, September 19, October 17, November 14 and December 12.

HOLLAND STREET GROUP INFORMATION

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

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

Current Events Group – Meets every Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Our Social Worker, Natasha Naim, facilitates this group. Join a group of your peers to discuss current events. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Natasha at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2317.

De-cluttering support group - If you have concerns around your clutter, this group may be for you. This closed group meets both in spring and fall for 6-8

weeks. This group is co-facilitated by Natasha Naim and Marina Colonas. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Natasha at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2317.

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

Golden Gals: a.k.a. Women’s Group - Meets the last Tuesday of the month from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Social Worker, Ashley Speliotis, facilitates this group. A fun, safe, social group to discuss women’s issues and growing older. Next date: December 26th - For more information, please call Ashley at 617-625-6600 ext. 2318.

CROSS STREET GROUP INFORMATION

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

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

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

RALPH & JENNY GROUP INFORMATION

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

WEEKLY EXERCISE AND NUTRITION CLASS SCHEDULE (Please cut out and save)

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

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

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

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

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

Adventure Group – Please call for details

*All Fit-4-Life classes are \$10 per month and require pre-registration

** Keep Moving Walking Club is on hiatus until the Spring

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'A Night for Charlene Harris' fundraiser

On Friday night, May 11, Northeast Championship Wrestling is proud to present A Night for Charlene Harris, a special fundraiser celebrating the life of the late Charlene with all proceeds of this event going to the Charlene Harris Scholarship Fund.

Taking place at Somerville High School, A Night for Charlene Harris will be more than your typical pro wrestling show. Hosted by the venerable John Cena Sr. (Johnny Fabulous), the event will feature special musical performances by the Somerville High School Chorus & Band, special guest former NFL Superstar and Somerville's own Gosder Cherilus, and the very best of Northeast Championship Wrestling and its champions.

Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for all Somerville High School students with student ID, and \$10 for all kids twelve and under. All ticket purchases come with vouchers for a free food and drink combo. Tickets are also available at theNCW.com/Charlene-Harris, with a special "HOPE" cancer awareness bracelet provided to all who purchase tickets online.

Former NCW New England Champion "The Dan Ram" Danny Ramirez has had one goal in mind while getting this event scheduled in honor of his mother, to take down the NCW Tag Team Champions The Kool People (DJ AC & Sammy Deleon) and celebrate this fundraiser with championship gold around his waist. Before "The Dan Ram" could announce his partner for the Tag Team Showdown May 11th in his hometown of Somerville he was cut off by the irate and irrational "Heavy Hitter" Shay Cash, but nothing will stop Ramirez from bringing back up for this challenge against The High Class Cartel.

A Night for Charlene Harris will also feature an NCW Heavyweight Championship Match when the two time NCW Champion The Lumberjake defends his Heavyweight Title against narcissistic and egotistical Perry Von Vicious, as PVV continues his quest to collect all the gold in Northeast Championship Wrestling whether it be by winning matches or writing checks.

Also will be Somerville's own Beau Douglas, NCW 2017 Breakout Star Channing Thomas, CrossFit ("The Selfie-Made Man" Vern Vicallo & "DTF" Dan Terry), NCW New England Champion "The Native American" Tomahawk, Todd Harris, "Insane" Dick Lane, Delilah Hayden, Curry Boy, Osirus, "Foxy" Calvin Campbell w/ Doc Ozone, The Middlesex Express (Steven Broad & Steven Lust), and many more.

For more information on Northeast Championship Wrestling please visit theNCW.com, like us on Facebook at facebook.com/NCWwrestling, and like us on Twitter @theNCWtweets.



3rd Annual Cinema Somerville Outdoor Film Festival



The Somerville Arts Council and Somerville Media Center present an Arts Union and Cinema Somerville Short Film Fest on Saturday, May 19 from 8:00 to 9:30 p.m. held in Union Square plaza or indoors at SMC (in case of inclement weather). Any further questions, please contact Erica Jones at ejones@scatvsomerville.org. This year's festival theme is *Local Voices*.

These are films driven by powerful stories, captivating subjects and important themes. These are films that portray a distinct viewpoint on our world, by filmmakers with a confident voice. Some examples of LOCAL VOICE are "voices of creativity, voices of change, voices of protest, voices of hopes and dreams, giving voice to the voiceless, etc." The selection committee plans to screen several short films for the audience to enjoy.

The CSFF3 Film Festival Lineup: *(this is not the official order for the screening)*

- Katrina Li: Split
- Taylor Copeland: Connecting Leave No Trace to Gentrification
- Mike Messier: The Nature of the Flame
- Crystal Chandler: Dear Little Project
- Emilio Guido: Echoes of What Used to Be
- Emily Freed: Muse
- Linda Fitzpatrick: AI
- Nino De La Cruz: Miranda Warning
- Ian MacLellan: KIT+RENEE
- Risa Gelles-Watnick: Waiting
- Chantal Arslan: Museum of Modern Renaissance
- John DiLoreto: High Energy Vintage
- Rachel Napoliello: Voices
- Adrienne Jorge: Songs of Azores
- Jessie Hansen: SELF CONSCIOUS

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12:00amFree Speech TV

6:00amSCATV Community Bulletin Board

7:00amWide Angle

7:30amDW In Good Shape

8:00amDemocracy Now! (Free Speech TV)

9:00amDW Global 3000

9:30amBoth Sides of the Bars

10:00amPoet to Poet/Writer to Writer

10:30amSomerville Storytellers

11:00amNASA TV

12:00pmThe Thom Hartman Show

1:00pmHealth is Wealth

1:30pmArt Seen at SMC

2:00pmArtist Residencies 101

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3:00pmDemocracy Now!

4:00pmSomerville Neighborhood News

4:30pmThe Literati Scene

5:00pmSOM ARTS

5:30pmThe New Tax Law and the Arts

6:00pmBeyond Boston

7:00pmDonnie Steubins

7:30pmLIVE -Somerville pundits

8:00pmJusticia Migrante

8:30pmMediaBot Short Cuts

9:00pmLIVE - Boston Come Through

10:00pmHeavy Leather Topless Dance Party

11:00pmFlotilla

Thursday, May 10

12:00amSCATV Secret Stash

1:00amFree Speech TV

6:00amSCATV Community Bulletin Board

7:00amPerils for Pedestrians

7:30amDW Focus on Europe

8:00amDemocracy Now! (Free Speech TV)

9:00amDW Tomorrow Today

9:30amHello Neighbor

10:00amThe Kamla Show

10:30amSomerville Pundits

11:00amArt and Ideas

11:30amPerils for Pedestrians

12:00pmThe Thom Hartman Show

1:00pmThe Somerville Line

3:00pmDemocracy Now!

4:00pmHello Neighbor!

4:30pmThe Struggle

5:00pmWords On Film

6:00pmSomerville Neighborhood News

6:30pmSomerville Pundits

7:00pmLIVE - The Boston Medium

7:30pmLIVE - The Boston Medium

8:00pmStartup TV Boston

Friday, May 11

9:00pmThe Beantown Beatdown

9:30pmThe Beantown Beatdown

10:00pmThe Chatman Booth

10:30pmTUTV

11:00pmDIWHY the show

12:00amHeavy Leather Topless Dance Party

1:00amFree Speech TV

6:00amSCATV Community Bulletin Board

7:00amThe Bill Press Show (Free Speech TV)

8:00amDemocracy Now! (Free Speech TV)

9:00amWide Angle

9:30amCambridge Calendar

10:00amNASA TV

11:00amSOM ARTS

11:30amDW Tomorrow Today

12:00pmThe Thom Hartman Show

1:00pmThe Yellow Jacket Lady

1:30pmArt Seen at SMC

2:00pmSomerville Neighborhood News

2:30pmSMC Youth Media

3:00pmDemocracy Now!

4:00pmGay USA

5:00pmThe Chatman Booth

5:30pmWhat's New in Massachusetts?

6:00pmLIVE - Fallon's Daily Toast

6:30pmNew England Pride TV

7:00pmSOM ARTS

7:30pmCambridge Calendar

8:00pmthe grandstanders

8:30pmGreater Somerville

9:00pmThe Boston Medium

10:00pmDIWHY Arbor Day Mini-Marathon

11:00pmDIWHY Arbor Day Mini-Marathon

11:30pmDIWHY Arbor Day Mini-Marathon

Saturday, May 12

12:00amDIWHY The Show

1:00amDIWHY The Show

2:00amDIWHY The Show

3:00amDIWHY The Show

5:00amDIWHY The Show

6:00amSCATV Community Bulletin Board

7:00amRoad to Recovery

8:00amDemocracy Now

9:00amSMC Youth Media

9:30amSomerville Storytellers

10:00amDead air Live

11:00amHaitian Poetry in 3 languages

12:00pmTelegalaxie

1:00pmAfrican Television Network

2:00pmThe Beantown Beatdown

3:00pmDemocracy Now!

4:00pmGraphic Content

Sunday, May 13

12:00amFlotilla

1:00amSCATV Secret Stash

2:00amHeavy Leather Topless Dance Party

3:00amFree Speech TV

6:00amEvangelista Camillo Fodera

7:00amNossa Gentes e Costumes

8:00amTele Magazine

8:00amNASA TV

7:00amNossa Gentes e Costumes

8:00amTele Magazine

9:00amTele Kreyol

10:00amArt and Ideas

10:30amAging Well

11:00amThe Chef's Table Series

12:00pmSomerville Neighborhood News

12:30pmThe World Fusion Show

1:00pmOff the Shelf

1:30pmTalking Money

2:00pmStartUp TV Boston

3:00pmAfrican Television Network

4:00pmDedilhando a Saudade

5:00pmArt Seen at SMC

5:30pmJusticia Migrante

6:00pmthe grandstanders

6:30pmNew England Pride TV

7:00pmGay USA

8:00pmDear Little Black Girl, Dear Little Black Boy

8:30pmSomerville Neighborhood News

9:00pmWords On Film

10:00pmThe Boston medium

10:30pmThe Boston medium

11:00pmBox House Productions Presents

11:30pmSCATV Secret Stash

Monday, May 14

12:00amFree Speech TV

5:00amEvangelista Camillo Fodera

6:00amSCATV Community Bulletin Board

7:00amPerils for Pedestrians

7:30amGoing Postal

Tuesday, May 15

12:00amFree Speech TV

6:00amSCATV Community Bulletin Board

7:00amDW Euromaxx

7:30amEsoteric Science

8:00amDemocracy Now!

9:00amThe Chef's Table Series

10:00amRoad to Recovery

10:30amDW In Good Shape

11:00amGraphic Content

11:30amDW In Good Shape

12:00pmThe Thom Hartmann Show

1:00pmWords On Film

2:00pmSomerville Overcoming Addiction

3:00pmDemocracy Now!

4:00pmSMC Youth Media

4:30pmTeen Empowerment: Youth Matters Media

5:00pmPoet to Poet/Writer to Writer

5:30pmWhat's New Massachusetts?

6:00pm2018 Tufts Food Systems Symposium

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7:00pmSomerville Neighborhood News

7:30pmGreater Somerville

8:00pmLIVE - The Somerville Line

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10:00pmTUTV

10:30pmPublic Access Boyz

11:00pmBox House Productions Presents

11:30pmMediaBot Short Cuts

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Wednesday, May 9

8:30amSit & Be Fit Balance & Fall Prevention

9:00amFamily Engagement for Equity Seminar

11:30amLand Use Committee

2:40pmSomerViva en Español

3:00pmThe Week of the Young Child Celebration

6:00pmSomerViva em Português

6:31pmCongressional Update

7:01pmFamily Engagement for Equity Seminar

8:30pmSomerViva en Español

9:00pmCelling Your Soul

11:00pmRaising Families "Special Needs Education"

Thursday, May 10

12:00amCongressional Update

12:30amSomerViva en Español

1:00amLand Use Committee of the Whole - 5.1.18

8:30amSeriously Somerville w/Jimmy Del Ponte

9:00amMiddlesex County Update

11:30amRally Point "Women In the Military"

12:01pmSenior Circuit April 2018 "Assisted Living"

12:30pmFamily Engagement for Equity Seminar

2:00pmFirst Flag Raising at Prospect Hill 2018

4:00pmUpcoming Meeting Agenda

7:00pmBoard of Aldermen Meeting - LIVE

Friday, May 11

12:00amLegislative Matters Committee

1:30amThe Week of the Young Child Celebration

2:00amSomerViva en Español

2:30amLand Use Committee of the Whole - 5.1.18

8:30amMiddlesex County Update

9:00amCelling Your Soul

11:30amSomerViva em Português

12:01pmAldermen at Work - Will Mbah

12:32pmSeriously Somerville w/Jimmy Del Ponte

1:00pmRally Point "Women In the Military"

1:31pmThe Week of the Young Child Celebration

2:02pmCongressional Update

2:31pmSomerViva em Português

6:00pmThe Week of the Young Child Celebration

6:30pmCongressional Update

7:00pmConway Field and Playground Information

8:02pmSeriously Somerville w/ Jimmy Del Ponte

8:30pmFamily Engagement for Equity Seminar

10:00pmSomerViva en Español

10:30pmFamily Engagement for Equity Seminar

Saturday, May 12

12:00amLegislative Matters Committee

1:30amCPC Public Hearing

8:30amFit-4-Life Home Exercise Program #6

9:00amFamily Engagement for Equity Seminar

12:00pmSenior Circuit April 2018 "Assisted Living"

Sunday, May 13

12:00amFamily Engagement for Equity Seminar

1:30amSomerViva en Español

2:00amLand Use Committee of the Whole

8:30amSit & Be Fit - August 2013

9:00amThe Week of the Young Child Celebration

9:30amSomerViva en Español

11:30amRally Point "Women In the Military"

12:01pmSenior Circuit April 2018 "Assisted Living"

12:30pmHousing & Community Dev. Committee

2:30pmAldermen at Work - Will Mbah

3:00pmSeriously Somerville w/Jimmy Del Ponte

6:30pmSomerViva em Português

7:01pmSenior Circuit April 2018 "Assisted Living"

7:31pmRally Point "Women In the Military"

Monday, May 14

8:02pmAldermen at Work - Will Mbah

8:33pmBoard of Aldermen Meeting - 5.10.18

12:03amSenior Circuit April 2018 "Assisted Living"

12:33amFamily Engagement for Equity Seminar

2:00amHousing & Community Dev. Committee

8:30amCongressional Update

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9:30amCelling Your Soul

12:00pmBoard of Aldermen Meeting

6:30pmFamily Engagement for Equity Seminar

8:00pmThe Week of the Young Child Celebration

8:30pmSomerViva en Español

9:00pmCelling Your Soul

11:00pmCongressional Update

Tuesday, May 15

12:00amSchool Committee Meeting - 5.7.18

8:30amSit & Be Fit Allamerican Workout

9:00amWomen's History Month Celebration

9:30amThe Week of the Young Child Celebration

11:30amSeriously Somerville w/Jimmy Del Ponte

12:00pmSenior Circuit April 2018 "Assisted Living"

12:30pmFamily Engagement for Equity Seminar

1:50pmLegislative Matters Committee

3:00pmConway Field and Playground Information

6:00pmLand Use Committee of the Whole - LIVE

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Wednesday, May 9

9:00amSHS Girls Lacrosse vs Matignon

10:00amSFLC Family Engagement Leadership

11:30amStudent of the Qtr. - ESCS

12:00pmSHS Spring Concert

2:00pmWeek of the Young Child Celebration

3:00pmStudent of the Qtr. - Kennedy School

3:30pmStudent of the Qtr. Awards-WSNS

4:00pmSHS Girls Lacrosse vs Matignon

5:00pmSFLC Family Engagement Leadership Seminar

6:30pmStudent of the Qtr. - ESCS

7:00pmSHS Girls Lacrosse vs Matignon

8:30pmStudent of the Qtr. Argenziano School

9:00pmSHS Spring Concert

11:00pmSHS Girls Lacrosse vs Matignon

Thursday, May 10

12:00amSFLC Family Engagement Leadership

1:30amStudent of the Qtr. - ESCS

2:00amSHS Spring Concert

4:00amWeek of the Young Child Celebration

9:00amSHS Softball vs Winthrop

12:00pmSHS Spring Concert

2:00pmEl Sistema Somerville 2018 Gala

3:30pmStudent of the Qtr. - WSNS

4:00pmStudent of the Qtr. - Healey

4:30pmStudent of the Qtr. - WHCS

5:00pmStudent of the Qtr. - ESCS

5:30pmSHS Softball vs Winthrop

8:30pmStudent of the Qtr. - WSNS

9:00pmSHS Spring Concert

10:45pmEl Sistema Somerville 2018 Gala

Friday, May 11

12:00amSHS Girls Lacrosse vs Matignon

1:00amSFLC Family Engagement Leadership

9:00amSHS Career Fair

10:00amSHS GIRLS BASKETBALL 2017-18

11:00amOur Schools, Our City - WHCIS

12:00pmSHS BOYS BASKETBALL 2017-18

1:00pmSHS Girls Lacrosse vs Matignon

2:00pmSHS Spring Concert

4:00pmStudent of the Qtr. Argenziano School

4:30pmStudent of the Qtr. - Kennedy School

5:00pmSHS Career Fair

6:00pmSHS GIRLS BASKETBALL 2017-18

7:00pmOur Schools, Our City - WHCIS

8:00pmSHS BOYS BASKETBALL 2017-18

9:00pmSHS Girls Lacrosse vs Matignon

10:00pmSHS Spring Concert

Saturday, May 12

12:00amStudent of the Qtr. Argenziano School

12:30amStudent of the Qtr. - Kennedy School

1:00amSHS Spring Concert

9:00amGirls' Indoor Soccer Finals

10:00amBoys' Indoor Soccer Finals

11:00amSHS Alumni Tour

12:00pmSHS GIRLS BASKETBALL 2017-18

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2:00pmSFLC Family Engagement Leadership

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8:00pmSHS GIRLS BASKETBALL 2017-18

Sunday, May 13

12:00amSHS Girls Lacrosse vs Matignon

1:00amSHS Spring Concert

3:00amPublic Domain Theater

9:00amSHS Spring Concert

11:00amWeek of the Young Child Celebration

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1:30pmSHS Career Fair

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12:00pmSHS Career Fair

Tuesday, May 15

12:30amStudent of the Qtr. - WHCS

1:00amStudent of the Qtr. - ESCS

1:30amStudent of the Qtr. Brown School -

9:00amOur Schools, Our City - WHCIS

10:00amWeek of the Young Child Celebration

11:00amCelling Your Soul

1:00pmSHS BOYS BASKETBALL 2017-18

2:00pmStudent of the Qtr. - WSNS

2:30pmStudent of the Qtr. - Kennedy School

3:00pmGirls' Indoor Soccer Finals

4:00pmBoys' Indoor Soccer Finals

5:00pmOur Schools, Our City - WHCIS

6:00pmWeek of the Young Child Celebration

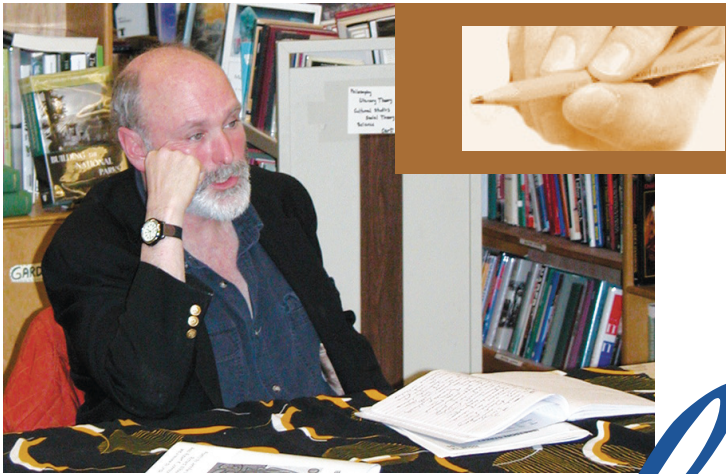
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11:00pmGirls' Indoor Soccer Finals



OFF THE SHELF

by Doug Holder

Storytelling is Brewing at the Aeronaut Brewing Company

I have been to the Aeronaut Brewing Company on several occasions and I have always enjoyed the brews and the company I was with at the time. I had the privilege to interview the owner of this impressive space, just outside Union Square off Somerville Ave. It is not only an impressive space, that makes fine craft beers (I sampled a stout recently – loved it), but it is also a home to many artistic events and venues that encompass music, poetry, etc.

I was here on this particular rainy, ungodly evening because I was to interview the women behind Boston Gust GrownUp StoryTime, and to hear a story of my late Uncle David Kirschenbaum that I wrote, and that was to be performed by a professional storyteller.

I have often read my poetry in various venues, but I can't say that about my stories. I am prone to write memoir essays, and I never really read them in public. So it was a particular pleasure to come to hear a professional performer do it.

Colleen Moore, the founder of Boston Gust, lassoed the idea for this series when she was living in Houston, Texas, and was part of BOOTTOWN, the mother of this Boston group.

Moore told me she lives in Somerville and loves its welcoming environment for artists of all stripes. Her co-conspirator is Kelly Smith of Brookline. Both women, I am happy to report, are warm and welcoming. They both have experience in the theater and writing. "The Aeronaut has been a dream come true," Moore told me. She continued, "Our first night we had over a hundred people. This speaks to the kind of community we have in Somerville and at the Aeronaut."

After our chat, I grabbed my beer and took a seat for the reading. The crowd was generally on the young side, but not exclusively. I saw a number of gray-heads bob up in this sea of people. Scott Caseley , who had his piece "The Moth Entered" read by Jason McCool, sat next to me. He told me he is a novelist and filmmaker, and currently in-



Colleen Moore and Kelly Smith.

volved in a podcast project. And from the snippets of chatter I heard around me it seemed like there was a very engaged band of brothers and sisters.

The show was hosted by Paul Dome, a comedian and founder of a small advertising agency in Cambridge, MA. An eclectic group of readers and writers were presented. Comedian/actor Ben Scurria read my memoir essay *The Last Time I Saw Uncle Dave*, about my uncle Dave Kirschenbaum, who was a prominent book dealer in New York City, and owner of the Carnegie Bookstore.

And let me tell you, Scurria has his act down. It was a real pleasure to listen to a man who had just the right cadence. He knew when a pregnant pause was just the right touch, and when to engage a fleet-footed staccato. The stories were all well-presented and they ranged from tales of unrequited love, a vision of Jesus as a regular dude, cockroaches as a catalyst to a stalled life, and others.

Another interesting point is that each writer is paid a small sum from funds derived from a passed around box. Although admission is free it is suggested that you make a five-dollar donation. I would encourage all Somervillians to attend this grand gathering the last Wednesday of each month.

For more information go to <http://www.boston-gust.com>.

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edited by Doug Holder

William Harney (far left) has just retired as a professor of English at Endicott College, where I teach. Harney's poetry has appeared in *Ibbetson Street* the *Lyrical Somerville*, and other publications He is a very generous, salt-of-the earth guy that I admire. He extended a branch of friendship to me early on and has been a font of information on Endicott, and BEAT poetry. He was always willing to help with any problem that I have had during my tenure here. I know that we will all miss him.



Eephus Pitcher
I think of how Lee nicknamed Zim "The Gerbil,"
How, on a trip to Cuba to play the game for fun,
He packs tubes of hair care product to give Havana's taxi drivers
(They'll use it in place of banned automotive supplies
To keep their aging GM cars going).
How he gives away old wooden bats to young boys
Who need them for pick-up games in vacant lots all over Cuba.
How he loves the old Cuban players and their skills
And still runs out plays, despite his damaged knees.
How he rides in backseats without legroom or on buses on poor roads
To play baseball with anyone who loves the game as much as he does.
And, for a moment, I'm as happy as I was as a boy
When my father first threw the slow arcing pitch to me
Telling me the story of Rip Sewell and the Splendid Splinter,
Happy as Bill Lee must have been decades later
Throwing the same moon ball to Tony Perez three consecutive at-bats
Defying logic and his Red Sox handlers to enter
One way or the other the permanent lore.

— William Harney

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Tufts University Department of Music Presents Tufts Sunday Concert Series: Tufts Youth Philharmonic

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Answers

1. Boston Celtics

2. Sundance Film Festival

3. Janet Jackson

4. Rod Serling

5. III

6. Carousel

7. Chicks

8. Justify

9. The Run for the Roses

10. The carapace

11. Onychophagist

12. Sylvester Stallone

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