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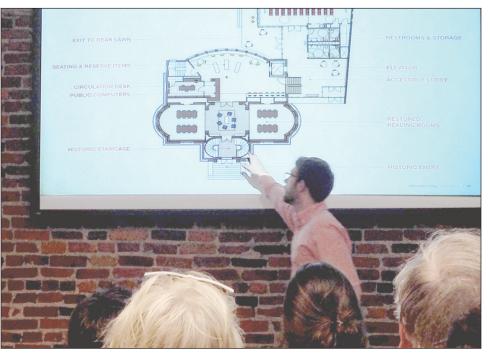


Class Day 2016

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West Branch Library proposals met with mixed reviews



By Josie Grove

One should not judge a book by its cover, but Davis Square-area residents were quick to judge the proposed addition to the West Branch Library by its exterior and landscape. Many of the hundred-odd neighbors gathered in the Tufts Administration building last Wednesday were vehemently opposed to the addition to the library, and expressed skepticism about the value of new programs it would enable. Although the design was selected from four options based on input from community members, neighbors at the meeting were upset about the proposed addition and reworked grounds.

"Let's not play 'yell at the designers," implored Ward 6 Alderman Lance Davis, but that is exactly what ensued. Scarcely five minutes into the designers' presentation, neighbors lobbed loaded questions at them, such as, *Continued on page 4*

A band called Mallcops

By Jimmy Del Ponte

Mallcops is a Boston based "emo-punk " band that is currently in the midst of a ten state tour with the band Sleeping Patterns. They left on Wednesday, June 1 and two of those "cops" are my sons.

When they were little, they played in a band with me called Electric Smile. My sons Joey Del Ponte, 20, and Jimmy Del Ponte, 18, were 8 and 6 when they played in front of people for the first time at The West Somerville Neighborhood School Talent Show in 2004. Soon they got older, threw me out of the group (lol), and formed a band called Stainless with their friend Lance Mahon. They performed at the first Porchfest in 2011 (before it got crazy.) They played their original songs at Somerville Rocks shows, The Sad Café in NH, and lots of other venues around Mass and NH for about 3 years. They also practiced in the music room at my house where they still do – at least until the neighbors on Morrison Ave. called ... the real cops! Continued on page 6



A graduation into the future

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² 6 Somerville's own Mallcops, out on the road and having the time of their lives.

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So for the umpteenth time, let's make it clear once more: Newstalk has been around forever with the paper. It's all about the news locally here in the city, what's happening, what might happen and, frankly, it's a gossip column. Politicians are public figures and therefore are subject to scrutiny, more so than the private citizens on the street. For one thing, they are or represent our elected officials. Last week at a political function, while conversing with a few people, I was interrupted and found out rather quickly and by surprise that the Alderman from Ward 1, Matthew McLaughlin, wasn't happy with me. It seems that the current Alderman from Ward 1 has a beef with what was reported last week regarding him not being present at the Memorial Day Parade. He chose not to be present. For whatever reason, he wasn't there. We made the comment that he wasn't there. I couldn't tell if he was upset over the fact his name WASN'T mentioned in Newstalk (you know how some politicians like to hear their names) or that we reported that the Alderman from Ward 1 wasn't in the parade. In any event, his verbal assault about how much of a coward we are went on, all the time never saying why he was upset. He came over and rudely interrupted a conversation that a few other people and I were having, repeatedly making sure I understood his displeasure with us. I didn't say much and walked away, but then thought about some of the words he used, which were not about his not being there but rather about me and my personal life. Maybe he was having a bad day and saw me and wanted to take it out on me, which wouldn't be the Continued on page 11



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TheSomervilleTimes.com **Comments of the Week**

Response to: Without new zoning, our open space goals are at risk

LindaS says:

You mean that there's actually space here that's not going to be designated for apartments and condo building?

I think the issue of "open and public space" wouldn't exist to this extent if it weren't for the Mayor allowing the continual building of new living spaces here.

Don't keep bringing more people to Somerville and then say we need to preserve space because we're a densely populated city. You can't be the problem AND the solution at the same time.

Matt says:

Open space in an industrial park isn't valuable to the community, people want access to it, so yes, smarter development is the answer

smartzoning says:

Linda is correct. The administration is attempting to be the solution for the problem they have created and continue to exacerbate. Zoning variances are given so routinely, that if you live in a 2-family zone you can pretty much expect new development will be 3- or 4-family. Developers are encouraged to build right to the curb leaving no green space at all, and are also allowed to donate to a green space fund in lieu of adding, or maintaining the existing, green space on their property.

Response to: Green Line Extension funding: A big issue for the city

ritepride says:

The new sports/training complex being built in Allston includes New Balance Shoe Company constructing a complex. Included with this complex is a \$50 million dollar "T" commuter line station which New Balance is paying the entire cost.

The GLX extension should get funding from Tufts, which will get its own GLX station and area businesses which also benefits.

In Colorado a university and its area businesses wanted the public trolley system extended into their area and the state made it mandatory that the University and businesses pay 50% of the cost.

JAMES says:

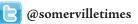
LET'S TAKE IT OUT OF US HOME OWNER IN SOMERVILLE AGAIN JUST LIKE THEY DID DOWN IN ASSEMBLY ROW, YOU KNOW WE ARE SO RICH HERE IN SOMERVILLE, SO HERE GOES THE RENTS GOING UP FOR PEOPLE THAT ARE JUST MAKING IT BY

A Moore says:

Some people don't think before they say anything. Some of that Wynn money would have come in handy now.

Jason says:

...hey Steve, ya, Joe here, um yeah, that EPA suit I ot going against you, well I got a number for you to help make it go away...





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Somerville on the offense against Wynn casino start

By Jim Clark

The City of Somerville aggressively presented its case at a hearing in Boston last Thursday that the Department of Environmental Protection incorrectly gave its approval for the Wynn Boston Harbor project to go ahead with construction of its casino complex in Everett.

The hearing was intitiated by Wynn Resorts in order to clear the way for construction of the casino complex to begin.

Five challenges to the development have been made by the city over the past few years, including one questioning the gaming license granted to the project in 2014. The remaining lawsuits have primarily focused on the environmental impact of the casino on the general area, including the City of Somerville.

Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone contends that the resort's impact on the area will be significant and that policing and traffic regulation issues will be severely impacted.

Steve Wynn, CEO of Wynn Resorts Limited, has characterized Curtatone's efforts as "self-



The \$1B Everett Wynn Casino's construction, originally set to begin in April of this year, is on hold until environmental impact issues are officially resolved.

ish" and has steadfastly resolved to see the project through to completion.

At Thursday's hearing, both sides questioned one another's expert witnesses, consultants and representatives.

Consulting city attorney Donald Pinto stated that the decision to grant the casino an 85-year environmental license was "fatally flawed." He stressed that the decision to grant the lease was based on public pressure rather than a thoroughly researched study of the impact the resort would have on the region.

City spokesman Denise Taylor has estimated that the cost of the legal actions against the Wynn complex is in excess of \$400,00 at this point in time.

Representatives of the Wynn Everett resort declined public comment.

Closing briefs by both sides must be filed by June 21. A decision on the appeal is expected to be made by mid-July, and a final ruling on the matter would follow soon after, approximately three weeks later.

City ward and city Democratic meeting

By Donald Norton

On Tuesday evening, May 31 at the Somerville High School library, the Somerville Democrats met to handle business of each ward and to vote on business of the committee.

A motion was made to endorse Denise Provost for re-election to the State House of Representatives, as well as Christine Barber, who was also endorsed by the committee for her re-election to the State House.

The main event was a debate between the two candidates for the state senate seat currently held by eleven year incumbent Pat Jehlen and her challenger in the Democratic primary, Leland Cheung, who is currently a City of Cambridge council member.

The debate started out by each one giving an introduction and history of themselves and their accomplishments. The questions asked were very good, and were by no means soft questions. Each candidate answered them by effectively articulating their point of view. In some instances they both agreed on the same answers. Both candidates received a good round of applause. Senator Jehlen, we've been told, is going to be working hard over Continued on page 23 the summer

State senate candidates, incumbent Pat Jehlen and challenger Leland Cheung engaged in a lively debate at last week's Democratic meeting. — *Photo by Donald Norton*





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A lot of breaking but no entering

Police were dispatched to a Medford St. location last Friday evening on reports of a breaking and entering in progress.

According to police, the reporting parties told the dispatcher that they had heard a loud banging sound and could see a figure standing at the entrance to the building, the offices of Carroll & Sons Roofing

Upon arrival, the officers reportedly spotted the individual in question, later identified as John Sennott, of Billerica, trying to gain entry into the building by using a hammer and what appeared to be a crowbar.

According to reports, Sennott appeared to the officers to be under the influence of drugs. He was reportedly sweating heavily and the pupils of his eyes were severely dilated. Additionally, the officers reported that Sennott could not focus when he was spoken to.

When asked what he was do-

ing, Sennott reportedly told the officers that he was trying to get into the building because he worked there and had left his keys inside. He also reportedly said that the lock on the door was broken and that what he was doing was how all the employees got into the building.

The officers noted that the deadbolt mechanism on the door had been freshly destroyed and that parts were strewn on the porch floor.

A call to the owner of the business established that Sennott was unknown to him and that the door's lock had not been damaged earlier that day.

Police then placed Sennott under arrest, charging him with attempt to commit a crime. When asked if he had any other tools on his person that would be used for breaking into the building and he reportedly said that he did not.

turned up a needle, two baggies containing a white powdery substance, and a folded up dollar bill containing a white rocky substance. The officers suspected, and it was later confirmed, that the substances on Sennott's person were cocaine and heroin.

Sennott was additionally charged with possession of a class B drug, possession of a class A drug, and possession of a burglarious instrument.

A search of Sennott's person

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Arrests:

Danyell Hardy, of 60 Westville St., Dorchester, May 31, 5:23 p.m., arrested at Middlesex Ave. on a charge of shoplifting by concealing merchandise and on warrant charges of assault and battery, assault and battery on a family or household member, and resisting arrest.

Dmitri Edmond, of 129 Sherwoodglen, Somersworth, NH, June 1, 4:56 p.m., arrested at Broadway on a charge of fugitive from justice and on a warrant charge of assault and battery on a police officer.

Franklin Argueta, of 40 Memorial Rd., June 1, 6:40 p.m., arrested at Temple St. on charges of distribution of a class D drug, drug possession to distribute, and conspiracy to violate drug law.

Matthew Nicholls, of 16 Cedar Ave., Randolph, June 2, 12:52 p.m., arrested at Middlesex Ave. on charges of shoplifting by asportation and assault and battery on a

police officer, and on warrant charges of negligent operation of a motor vehicle, marked lanes violation, removal or alteration of motor vehicle VIN, possession of a burglarious instrument, possession or use of a false RMV signature, and receiving stolen property.

Matthew Haley, of 413 Central St., Saugus, June 2, 4:13 p.m., arrested at Broadway on warrant charges of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon and aggravated assault and battery.

John Rafuse, of 9 Virginia St., Dorchester, June 2, 7:11 p.m., arrested at Middlesex Ave. on a warrant charge of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

Antonio Amaral, of 111 Locust St., Woburn, June 3, 12:02 p.m., arrested at Fellsway on warrant charges of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license, operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended registration, and uninsured motor

vehicle or trailer.

John Sennott, of 33 Chiampa Rd., Billerica, June 3, 10:21 p.m., arrested at Medford St. on charges of possession of a class B drug, possession of a class A drug, attempt to commit a crime, and possession of a burglarious instrument.

Jonathan Daniell, of 174 Washington St., Arlington, June 5, 10:21 a.m., arrested at Broadway on a warrant charge of shoplifting over \$100 by asportation.

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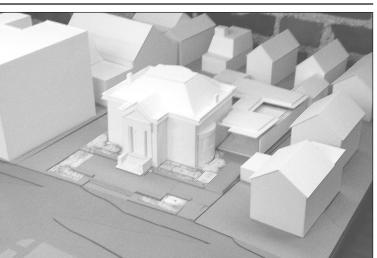
"Tell me how in good conscience you can cut down a hundred-year-old-tree." The tree in question is a Norway maple at the back of the library's lot, which would probably have to be cut down to accommodate the addition.

"We're arguing about a hundred-year-old tree, but let's think about what we're gaining," said resident Tom Sackton. The addition would include more restrooms and a 130-seat "community room," which Somerville Library Director Glenn Ferdman says would create space for more programs at the West Branch, such as lectures and ESL classes. West Branch Library manager Karen Kramer said, "I think the library and the patrons who use the library would benefit so much from a dedicated program space." Ferdman added that the room would relieve pressure on the large meeting room at the Central Library. That room, Ferdman said, is the only large meeting room in the Somerville library system and is booked constantly with both library programs and community events. But de-

spite the benefits of a program space, that tree and two others remained a major source of tension at the meeting.

"Let's not play 'yell at the designers"

lected comments from the past year of community meetings, but several residents felt that those meetings had not been well-publicized and said they had not registered their opinions. A few residents suggested a show of hands at the meeting to determine whether or not there should be a community room at the library. Others noted that finding childcare was difficult, and so



Residents asked about other configurations of the building, in the hopes of accommodating both library patrons and trees. Austin Ward of Design-LAB Architects parried each suggestion, saying his firm had considered different arrangements, but each posed significant challenges in safe egress, security, and would limit library programming.

Several residents challenged the need for a large meeting room in the library and urged the city to find other meeting space in West Somerville.

Ferdman and the designers explained that they had colmany parents were not able to make the meeting and could not show their hands for or against the addition. One resident asked for an email survey to be distributed.

King said there were difficulties in sending out an email survey: how would it reach residents without regular computer access, the very people the West Branch library wants to better serve? He said he would work with the city's communications department to collect more comments about the West Branch Library, using a more inclusive strategy.

Addition aside, the renovation would make the building more accessible to disabled people,

Questions about the necessity to cut down trees and discussion over the value of large meeting spaces punctuated the debate at the meeting. — Photo by Josie Grove

and adapt to the changing technology needs of library users. Kathy Van Sleet, president of the library's board of trustees, asked neighbors to consider the technological differences between today and the 1970s, when the library was last renovated. For Van Sleet, technology in the library can close the gap those who have computers and those who do not."The library is serving to bridge the digital divide," she said.

The project will cost \$10 million total, \$5 million for the renovation and \$5 million for the addition. Half the cost of the renovation will be covered by funding from the Community Preservation Act, and the remaining \$7.5 million will go before the Board of Aldermen for approval.

The meeting was tense, and residents voiced strong opinions both in favor of and opposed to the project. Despite the lack of consensus shown at the meeting, King said he hopes to break ground in the spring of 2017. Residents are invited to send feedback to Rob King at rking@ somervillema.gov.

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Drinking water at Somerville public schools tested for lead

By Charles Lane

In light of recent national and local news regarding the presence of lead in drinking water, the City of Somerville with the Somerville Public Schools recently conducted additional lead testing for drinking water in the Somerville schools. Currently, federal water testing regulations for lead in school water sources require limited sampling rather than the testing of all fixtures. To ensure that no lead levels exceeding allowable federal limits were left undetected, further testing of every drinking water fountain, cafeteria water source, and school nursing station sink at every school in the District was conducted. Additional testing of other water sources at Somerville public parks and libraries is also currently underway.

Testing was conducted at all 11 public school buildings on a total of 192 water fixtures. According to United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requirements, lead levels in drinking water may not exceed 15 parts per billion. Initial results indicate that two publicly accessible drinking water fixtures exceeded EPA lead levels: a second floor drinking fountain in Somerville High School, which tested at 29 parts per billion, and a classroom combination sink and water fountain in room 103 at the West Somerville Neigh-



The city is taking extra steps to insure that safe and clean drinking water is provided for students in Somerville public schools.

borhood School, which tested at man Services Doug Kress. 23 parts per billion.

"We don't want to see any levels exceeding the EPA recommended maximum allowable lead content. But it should be noted that at the slightly elevated levels found by our testing, current medical research indicates a very minimal health risk, especially with the small quantities of water usually consumed by fountain users. Anyone with concerns or questions is however welcome to contact the Health Department or contact that health provider. Additionally, we'll be happy to answer any questions at the upcoming informational meeting on June 9th," said Director of Health and Hu-

Three additional fixtures also exceeded acceptable levels but contain no risk of student exposure as they are either not publicly accessible or not involved in food preparation. An additional fixture, a water fountain that is not publicly accessible at the former Cummings school, was additionally found to contain elevated copper levels. Upon receipt of results for the affected fixtures, water was either immediately shut off or access was prohibited for these fixtures. The city is currently awaiting the results of testing to confirm the lead levels for these identified fixtures.

The final report from the district-wide testing was received by the City late Tuesday, May 31, 2016. As noted, a second round of confirmation tests in the schools for the five fixtures that exceeded lead levels as well as results from ongoing testing of drinking water fixtures at public parks and libraries is expected in the coming weeks.

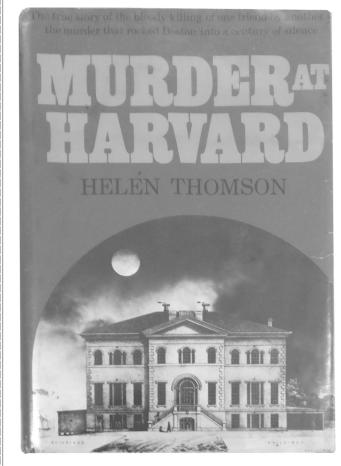
Once all results are available

The Somerville Times Historical Fact of the Week



Two Centuries – Two Trials By Bob (Monty) Doherty

They were both called the trial of their century. The first was the Parkman/Webster murder trial of 1849 to 1850 that was based on money. It shook Boston's high society to its core. Both George Parkman and John Webster were Harvard-educated doctors and popular members of Boston's elite.



Dr. Parkman inherited his wealth from one of Boston's richest families during the 1800's. He was the victim of his former friend, Dr. Webster, in the century's most high profile murder. Parkman was a well-known benefactor to many. He gave the land to his alma mater, Harvard University, to build its first medical school. The building was erected on the site where Massachusetts General Hospital is now located. Ironically, it became the setting of the gruesome crime that Dr. Webster was later convicted of and executed for. Parkman Street in the West End of Boston displays his name.



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and confirmed, the next step will be to determine the source of the lead in any fixtures confirmed to have exceeded allowable lead levels and to either repair or replace them or otherwise remediate the issue. Potential sources of lead in these fixtures may include the fixture itself, the soldering, or the local connecting pipes. "Providing safe, quality drinking water for our students and school staff is an absolute priority, and if the testing requirements set by our federal and state environmental agencies are not refined enough to catch all unacceptable lead levels in our school drinking water, we will have to consider establishing more Continued on page 9

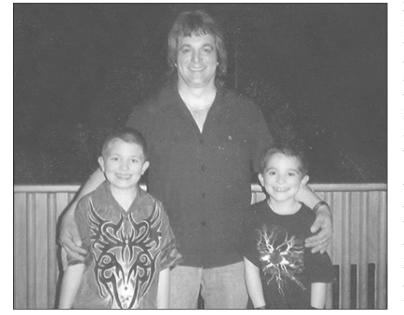
Many people benefited from Parkman's generosity, including Dr. Webster. Famous artist, John James Audubon, author of Birds of North America, was a dear friend and recipient of Parkman's kindness in covering his art supplies and excursions. Audubon named a newly discovered bird after him, the Parkman Wren. To this day, his fortune supports the continued blossoming of the Boston Common. Parkman's brother-in-law was Robert Continued on page 15

A band called Mallcops CONT. FROM PG 1

Then they got a little punkier and formed a band called The Posion Girls Club. This group lasted a couple of years and they had some pretty cool original songs. Eventually they evolved into their current band, Mallcops. They call themselves "emo-punk" but I think they are more "pop rock" as their songs are catchy, upbeat and memorable. My biggest kick is hearing frantic, moshing audiences singing along to their songs at their shows.

The bass player for The Poison Girls Club, Drew Moro, formerly with the band The

Blind Commissioner, is now playing guitar. Eventually, they added another well respected guitar player, Connor Farnham, formerly of the band New Jupiter. Joey was on bass, keys and lead vocals, and Jimmy was on drums. They all contribute backing vocals. Mallcops currently have two CD's out with four songs on each. The first CD is The Funniest Joke You've Ever Told, and the second one is called Teeth. Go to mallcopz. bandcamp.com to listen. They also have a Facebook page and a couple of videos on YouTube. I chuckled at the name of



Electric Smile before a concert: Joey, Dad and Jimmy.

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As Joey Del Ponte tells us: "Zach Boudrot (guitarist of Sleeping Patterns,) booked this tour completely on his own, utilizing friends made on the internet and connections from bands that have toured through MA. Most of the shows are in small DIY (do-it-yourself) venues like private parties in people's basements, kitchens and living rooms along with clubs and halls. The shows have been well attended and we've been making friends with tons of people through the Midwest. Other members of Sleeping Patterns are Sam, Stevie, Chris, and Evan."

"All of the shows so far have been great, but a highlight was when our show got shut down by the cops in Indianapolis. Just when we thought it was over, a kind neighbor offered up their sound proofed basement and the whole show moved across the street and it continued with-



Mallcops are (L to R): Drew Moro, Joey Del Ponte, Connor Farnham, and Jimmy Del Ponte.

out a problem."

"The best part of being a small, DIY touring band is the willingness of those we meet to help us out. Everyone we've met (especially those who have toured independently, and know the struggles of being a band on the road) has been extremely Kind. Many people have offered up their couches and floors for us to crash on, pointed us in the direction of awesome local food places and donated money or bought band merchandise (T-shirts, hats, CD's and tapes) from us to help with gas and other expenses. The best part of touring is seeing new places every day, meeting new and different people, and exploring. We love being on the road and playing for a different crowd every night and

we're absolutely having the times of our lives."

Also touring with Mallcops is photographer Alec Gervais.

The states on the tour are Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Maryland, New Jersey, Massachusetts and Connecticut.

I am a big fan of Mallcops music and of the four hard working and dedicated full time college students (Jimmy starts in September) who make up the group. I admire that they believe in their music and have the courage and determination to follow their dream. Good luck to Mallcops and Sleeping Patterns. Drive carefully, be safe, rock on, have fun, and I look forward to seeing you guys home just in time for Father's Day.

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Recent Single Family Homes Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month:				
Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
39 Oxford St	6 room, 3 bed, 1f 0h bath Colonial	6	\$475,900	\$490,000
49 Hinckley St	6 room, 4 bed, 1f 1h bath Colonial	11	\$479,000	\$479,000
32 Lincoln Ave	5 room, 2 bed, 1f 1h bath	136	\$479,925	\$460,000
9 Sellon Place	9 room, 5 bed, 1f 0h bath Colonial	69	\$525,000	\$500,000
23 Oak Street	6 room, 4 bed, 2f 0h bath Cape	9	\$699,000	\$704,000
88 Ossipee Road	8 room, 4 bed, 2f 1h bath Victorian	16	\$1,175,000	\$1,250,000
44 Chester Street	11 room, 5 bed, 3f 0h bath Victorian	20	\$1,275,000	\$1,280,000
Recent Condominiums Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month:				

Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
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70 Pearl U:2	3 room, 1 bed, 11 Uh bath Low-Rise	37	\$319,000	\$377,000
33 Summer Street U:1	3 room, 1 bed, 1f 0h bath Rowhouse	7	\$319,900	\$335,000
25 Cross St U:4	4 room, 1 bed, 1f 0h bath Low-Rise	12	\$325,000	\$406,000
9 Nashua St U:3	4 room, 2 bed, 1f 0h bath 2/3 Family	20	\$329,000	\$345,000
432 Norfolk Street U:4A	2 room, 0 bed, 1f 0h bath Low-Rise	7	\$349,000	\$351,500
400 Broadway U:3	4 room, 2 bed, 1f 0h bath Low-Rise	66	\$379,000	\$441,000
275 Highland Avenue U:3	4 room, 1 bed, 1f 0h bath Attached	110	\$399,900	\$425,000
46 Harrison St U:46	5 room, 1 bed, 1f 0h bath 2/3 Family	8	\$419,000	\$451,000

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

Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
26-28 Kensington Ave	2 unit, 13 total room, 8 total bedroom 2 Family	16	\$674,900	\$675,000
31 Dane Ave	2 unit, 8 total room, 4 total bedroom 2 Family	71	\$789,000	\$740,000
152 Walnut St	2 unit, 13 total room, 8 total bedroom 2 Family	16	\$799,000	\$900,000
35 Victoria	2 unit, 11 total room, 5 total bedroom 2 Family	27	\$799,999	\$840,000
74 Lowell St	2 unit, 11 total room, 6 total bedroom 2 Family	9	\$825,000	\$925,000
10-12 Madison St.	2 unit, 13 total room, 7 total bedroom 2 Family	47	\$869,900	\$901,000
50 Lowell Street	3 unit, 14 total room, 6 total bedroom 3 Family	5	\$899,900	\$899,900

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Tongue in Cheek Singers back for spring show



By Amy Swain

Fans of theatrics, mark your calendars. June 17 brings The Tongue in Cheek Singers to Arts at the Armory for a "boundary-breaking evening of song."

The show is part of the three-times-yearly tradition the group has been observing since 2011. Seven of the group's ten members will put on their cabaret-style show beginning at 7:30 pm.

This spring into summer time event is themed "Bustin Out All Over." "Songs range from Broadway musical numbers, to pop country, to folk, to rock, and everything in between," said group member Jennifer Lawrence. Past themes have included "Unlucky in Love" and "Trouble With a Capital T." and each show tends to last roughly ninety minutes. The group is comprised of women with long histories in the music and performance arena, specifically in the Boston area. Each woman brings something unique to the table, and together they bring magic. "We actually met when I worked at Arts at the Armory and we put together a show for Joes Jazz and Blues Fest," Lawrence revealed. "Some of the singers did one Jazz Fest in 2010, as well. In 2011 we realized we really liked performing together, and decided to try it regularly."

They have styled themselves as "always in good fun, and almost never in good taste." These women have seen success separately, and this group has been received in the same fashion, as the show required a move from the small café space they were in to the larger armory in 2014 to accommodate the audience.

When asked about their commitment to this group despite other successes, Lawrence said "We all really enjoy one another and, of course, love to perform! It keeps us coming back."

So stop by next Friday and take it all in. The show is free, there will be food and drink available for purchase, Tom La-Mark at the piano, and much fun to be had.

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Fields Master Planning Staff Report issued

The City of Somerville Fields Master Planning Report for athletic fields in Somerville is now available online on the city's website.

The report lays out a path for steady rehabilitation of the city's athletic fields and identifies priorities for a preliminary schedule of major improvements and renovations as well as new field creation and acquisition.

Building upon two community meetings on fields master planning held in March, the plan is guided by thoughtful feedback, comments, and constructive criticism from community members and elected officials, and prepared by an interdisciplinary staff team included data specialists, planners, field managers, landscape architects, engineers and construction managers. The plan may be viewed or downloaded at www.somervillema.gov/fieldsmaster. For more information, please contact Luisa Oliveira, Senior Planner for Landscape Design at loliveira@somervillema.gov or (617) 625-6600 ext.



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Somerville YMCA's CIT/LIT Job Readiness Program



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By Louise Carpenter

Plenty of spaces are still open for the first session and second sessions of the Somerville CIT/ LIT Job Readiness program.

The program serves approximately twenty four 13-15 year olds in each of the two four-weeklong sessions, a total of 48 youth in eight weeks.

With partnership from the Somerville YMCA, Somerville Community Youth Program, Healey Community School and the Teen Empowerment Program this motivational program provides youth leadership, team building, and job readiness training activities.

The purpose of the program is to train youth for future employment in a summer camp program or other job opportunities when they are age appropriate. The program runs 30 hours a week, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The facility is the Healey Community School, 5 Meacham St, Somerville, MA 02145.

In addition to the many aspects the program will cover, the youth will learn how to fill out job applications, create resumes, go on mock job inter-

views, as well as learn to set up bank accounts.

During the program, teens spend time as a counselor in training for a few hours at the YMCA and other local summer day camp programs. At the end of the four week session the participating youth will receive a certificate of achievement and stipend for completing the program.

The first session runs from June 27 to July 20 and the second session runs from July 21 to August 12. Applications are still being accepted for both sessions and are available at



the Somerville YMCA, 101 Highland Ave, Somerville, MA 02143 as well as online at www. somervilleymca.org.

For more information please contact Matt O'Donnell or Joe Pinto at the YMCA (617) 625-5050 or jpinto@somervilleymca.org, citlit@somervilleymca.org. Also offering full party rental needs from tables, tents, chairs, linens and more!

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Our Legislators in the House and Senate for PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION Somerville:



Rep. Christine Barber

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



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



Rep. Timothy Toomey

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

AGAINST **TRANSGENDER PEOPLE (H 4343)**

House 116-36, approved the bill that would expand current law prohibiting discrimination against transgender people by adding "gender identity" to existing Massachusetts civil rights laws that already prohibit discrimination in public accommodations on the basis of age, race, creed, color, national origin, sexual orientation, sex, religion and marital status. The proposal also allows transgender people to use public facilities, including restrooms and locker rooms, that match their gender identity rather than their biological sex.

Supporters said transgender individuals still face the threat of discrimination in many public accommodations. They argued that under current Massachusetts law, there is no protection ensuring that transgender people cannot be turned away from a restroom, locker room, hotel, restaurant, retail stores and many other places simply because they are transgender. They said it is time to have Massachusetts join the other 17 states that offer these protections.

Opponents said the privacy rights of children matter and asked how youngsters might react to a transgender classmate using the same bathroom. They argued that bathroom and locker room use should be based on the gender on one's birth certificate, not on an inner sense of feeling or expression. They said that male predators could use this law as cover to excuse their presence in women-only spaces.

The Senate has approved a different version of the bill. The House version now goes to the Senate for consideration. Gov. Charlie Baker has indicated he favors the House version. And as extra insurance, both branches have sufficient votes to override any unexpected veto by the governor.

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

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

EXEMPT SCHOOLS (H 4343)

House 36-120, rejected an amendment that would exempt schools from the proposed transgender law.

Amendment supporters said exempting schools would make the bill more palatable and not create problems for students.

that the gender-related identity is sincerely held as part of a person's core identity."

Amendment supporters said this will establish a medical standard instead of just allowing people to decide what they are every morning when they wake up.

Amendment opponents said the amendment goes too far. They noted that transgender people should continue to have the right to choose their identity without a doctor's interference.

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

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

EXEMPT LOCKER ROOMS AND BATH-**ROOMS (H 4343)**

House 32-124, rejected an amendment that would exempt showers and locker rooms from the proposed transgender law.

Amendment supporters said this exemption is very narrow and would simply give business owners and religious organizations the opportunity to decide on their shower and locker room policies.

Amendment opponents said the amendment kills a main portion of the proposed law and would allow discrimination.

(A"Yes" vote is for exempting locker rooms and showers. A "No" vote is against the exemption.)

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

PARENTS CAN ACCOMPANY CHILDREN UN-DER 12 TO BATHROOM (H 4343)

House 42-113, rejected an amendment that would allow parents or legal guardians, regardless of their gender, to accompany their children under the age of 12 into a public restroom.

Amendment supporters said no parent should be forced to let their young child go alone into a restroom knowing that there might be problems inside.



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

THE HOUSE AND SENATE: Beacon Hill Roll Call records local representatives' votes on roll calls from the week of May 30-June 3. There were no roll calls in the Senate last week.

Amendment opponents said the exemption would allow hundreds of schools to discriminate.

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

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

MEDICAL STANDARD (H 4343)

House 11-145, rejected an amendment that would require that gender identity that is different from a person's assigned gender at birth, must be proven by providing evidence including, medical history, care or treatment of the gender-related identity. Current law allows gender identity to be proven by "consistent and uniform assertion of the gender-related identity or any other evidence

Amendment opponents said the amendment waters down the bill and could lead to a slippery slope and more exemptions.

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

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

BAN SEX OFFENDERS (H 4343)

House 58-94, rejected an amendment that would prohibit Level 2 and Level 3 sex offenders from using any sex-segregated facility, bathroom or locker room that is not consistent with his or her assigned sex at birth. Level 2 offenders pose a moderate risk of reoffending while Level 3 ones pose a high risk.

Amendment supporters said a sex offender who is a

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transgender woman (a person who was assigned male at birth but whose gender identity is that of a woman) should not have access to places where women and girls expect to see only other women and girls.

Some amendment opponents said the bill is civil rights legislation and should not be muddied up with these various amendments that fool with and water down the bill. Others said that sex offenders have an extremely low rate of recidivism.

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

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

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

PUBLIC RECORDS (H 4333) - Gov. Charlie Baker legislation designed to ensure that the state and local municipalities comply in a timely way with requests for public records. The measure would also reduce costs to people making the requests.

The legislation requires each state agency and municipality to appoint at least one public records access officer to serve as the point of contact for all public records requests; limits to \$25 per hour the fees municipalities and state agencies can charge for time spent responding to requests; and requires agencies and municipalities to make documents available in electronic form.

Supporters say this will make state and local government more transparent. They argued it is not acceptable for the members of the news media or for ordinary citizens to face unreasonable delays and high costs to gain access to information that is supposed to be public.

MOVE OVER FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLES

(H 4244) - The House gave initial approval to a bill expanding the current "Move Over Law" to include public utility vehicles. The current law requires drivers to reduce their speed to that of a "reasonable and safe speed for road conditions" when they spot an emergency vehicle with flashing lights on the side of the highway. The current law applies to fire trucks, police vehicles, ambulances, disaster vehicles and highway maintenance vehicles.

REQUIRE REPORTING OF CHILD ABUSE (H

132) - The House gave initial approval to a bill adding drug and alcoholism counselors, athletic coaches, tutors and any employees at public and private schools to the current list of professionals required to report instances of the abuse, sexual abuse or neglect of a child under 18. The current list of mandated reporters includes doctors and medical personnel, teachers and educational personnel, police officers, firefighters and many human service professionals.

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approval to a bill that would allow Ear, Nose and Throat (ENT) doctors to sell hearing aids to their patients.

Supporters, noting Massachusetts is one of two states that does not allow ENT doctors to sell hearing aids, said this will allow patients, especially seniors, to get fit for and buy their hearing aids at their doctor's office. They argued that it is inconvenient and sometimes difficult for patients to find a nearby place to buy hearing aids and that this bill will give them more choices.

Opponents said the bill will hurt audiologists whose sole living is from selling hearing aids. They argued that allowing ENT doctors to sell hearing aids is more about money and profit than it is about convenience.

PROHIBIT MINORS UNDER 18 FROM TAN-NING INDOORS (S 1994) A new law that took effect in May will prohibit anyone under age 18 from operating or using an indoor tanning device. Prior law prohibited teens age 16 and 17 from indoor tanning without parental permission and banned anyone under age 16 from indoor tanning.

Supporters say these booths are dangerous and increase by 75 percent a person's chance of getting melanoma, a dangerous and sometimes fatal skin cancer. They note that while adults can make their own decisions, it is the state's job to protect children.

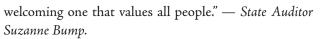
Opponents say this is another example of government intrusion into what should be a decision made by parents. They warn against a slippery slope in which children under 18 are banned from eating things like fast food and junk food, which often lead to health problems.

GIVE ADOPTEES ACCESS TO BIRTH RE-CORDS (S 1144) - The House gave initial approval to a bill giving adoptees who are over 18 and were adopted between July 17, 1974, and December 31, 2007, access to their birth certificates including the names of their biological parents. This right is currently given to all other adoptees except those born in that time period.

Supporters said that adoptees have a right to get the names of their biological parents. They noted that the measure would save lives by allowing these adoptees to have access to their families' medical histories.

Opponents said the bill violates the confidentiality that birth parents were promised. They argued the bill would increase the number of abortions because biological parents would no longer be guaranteed anonymity.

QUOTABLE QUOTES - Special Transgender Edition: Quotes on passage of the bill that would protect transgender individuals from discrimination in public accommodations. Thurs. June 2



"The bill allows people on a routine basis to decide if they are male or female. Your anatomy is no longer relevant. This has absolutely nothing to do with discrimination, it has everything to do with changing our society and social engineering by those on the left. I'm not interested in changing society." — *Rep. James Lyons (R-Andover)*

"This law will help ensure dignity and respect for transgender people and allow them to more fully thrive in Massachusetts. Today's victory would not have been possible without the brave voices of transgender people who have been telling their stories and educating lawmakers for decades." — Carly Burton, campaign manager of Freedom Massachusetts.

"The bill as passed allows registered sex offenders to claim a gender identity in order to access whatever bathroom they want ... and makes it a crime for a parent to question a biological man who seeks to use the same locker room or bathroom as their daughter." — Andrew Beckwith, Executive Director of the Massachusetts Family Institute.

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 May 30-June 3, the House met for a total of eight hours and one minute and the Senate met for a total of one hour and five minutes.

Mon. May 30	No House session No Senate session
Tues. May 31	House 11:04 a.m. to 11:10 a.m. Senate 11:04 a.m. to 11:07 a.m.
Wed. June 1	House 11:01 a.m. to 6:04 p.m. No Senate session



HEARING AIDS (H 262) - The House gave initial

"Today, the Massachusetts House joined the Senate Fri. June 3 in taking an important step toward ensuring the stain of discrimination against transgender people is a relic

of the past. This vote demonstrates that our state is a Bob Katzen welcomes feedback at bob@beaconhillrollcall.com

House 11:03 a.m. to 11:55 a.m. Senate 11:07 a.m. to 12:09 p.m.

No House session No Senate session

Drinking water at Somerville public schools tested for lead CONT. FROM PG 5

rigorous testing requirements of our own. We will work with the schools to ensure that every identified issue is addressed and that our school drinking water remains safe for our students and staff," said Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone.

"I'd like to thank DPW for coordinating this important testing for us. Access to safe drinking water is a core resource that our students, staff and families should be able to count on. I'm glad that we have the results of this testing so that we can ensure every fixture in our schools meets safe drinking water standards because even one water fountain that exceeds levels is too many," said Mary Skipper Superintendent of Schools. It is the City and School's desire with this announcement to share this information without delay. All results will be posted to the City of Somerville and Somerville Public Schools websites along with additional information as soon as possible. An FAQ with answers to related questions is also in progress. The Somerville Department of Health and the Somerville Public Schools will host an informational meeting for parents and the public at the West Somerville Neighborhood School at 177 Powder House Blvd. on Thursday, June 9, at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome.

To get answers to your questions prior to the meeting, please feel free to contact the Director of Health and Human Services, Doug Kress, at 617-625-6600 x4310 or dkress@somervillema.gov.

For more general information on lead in drinking water, please visit the Massachusetts Department of Environmental website at http://www.mass.gov/ eea/agencies/massdep/water/ drinking/lead-in-drinking-water.html.

COMMENTARY

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Congratulations to the SHS Class of 2016



By Joseph A. Curtatone

"No doubt it ain't easy, but we got teachings," goes the chorus of Somerville High School's 2016 class song. Boy, did you ever! Few classes exemplify the school motto "Honor and Progress" as well as the 270 young women and men who received their SHS diplomas this week.

I congratulate you and your parents and guardians on reaching this milestone. You've brought honor to Somerville through your progress, and there has been much progress to tout. In your four years here, Somerville High has made enormous increases in academic performance on the MCAS tests. I have to give credit to your teachers and administrators, but you took the tests and, as the school song goes, "Somerville leads the way."

Somerville public schools had made steady gains in the MCAS in recent years, but shot up dramatically during your SHS tenure. In your freshman year, SHS leapfrogged two levels on the state's accountability scale, moving it up to Level 1 for the first time in the school's history. The next year, your growth measured against other schools with at least 1,000 students was phenomenal. And last year, you did it again. A student growth percentile score of 40 is considered to be moderate, but SHS scored a 77 in English language arts and a 69 in math. If you were to examine a bar chart of your progress, you'd think you were looking at a staircase going up. Test scores are merely one measure of your collective success. The Career and Technical Education program has a 99 percent placement rate for your class of 2016. Eighty-two of this year's graduating seniors that's about 30 percent of you qualified for the John and Abigail Adams Award, making this the largest amount of qualifying students in any one graduating class in the school's history. You have a National Merit Scholar, a prestigious national award, among your ranks. You've earned countless academic and athletic accolades, awards, and championships over the course of your Somerville Public Schools career which, when added up among all of the graduates, spans about 600,000 total days in school. That's a lot of learning, and you have a lot to show for it.

You also helped make the world a smaller place through your travels, including the first trip to Cuba by Somerville students since 1959.

Many of you will attend college locally (including MIT, Tufts, Wellesley, and Harvard), while others are off to colleges throughout the continental United States _ places like Ithaca College, Swarthmore, UC-Davis, and Barnard. A few of you have chosen to take advantage of a gap year by joining a program called Year Up, where you'll work for tech and finance companies and earn college credits as well as money. The Somerville High class of 2016 will be represented in all five branches of the armed forces. Some will build on the excellent vocational training you received at our Career and Technical Education department. Others will begin earning a living by immediately entering the workforce.

Your diploma marks the end of your schooling in Somerville, but it's certainly not the end of your learning. You will use the skills you learned in the last 12 years for the rest of your life. Expand on them. Learn from people with experience, just as others will learn from you as you get older. Think of problems as puzzles you can solve.

SHS was a big community for you. Find new ones, either through work or college or your hometown. As you go through life, you'll realize the importance of building and maintaining communities. Make connections and keep them, and they'll serve you well.

I'm proud of the knowledge that Somerville High has given you for the next journey in your life, wherever it takes you. I wish you all the best of luck. I encourage you to make waves and messes wherever you go. You'll learn from your mistakes. I realize that not all of you will remain in Somerville. Should you decide to spread your wings, don't let Somerville leave you.

'Villens United by Chris Haskell

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Somerville's own Double Dragon



For the last ten years, the Goode brothers have been teaching and healing locals with a rare form of martial arts. Twin brothers Jonathon and Alex Goode were raised in Somerville and sought out martial arts in their teens as a form of exercise and healthy discipline. Today they instruct their students in Oom Yung Doe; a form of martial arts rarely taught in the states that combines several different styles to achieve overall physical and mental health improvement. I had recently been looking for interesting new ways to keep in shape and a friend had set up an appointment for me with Jonathon and Alex for a lesson in Oom Yung Doe. The style of Oom Yung Doe was founded by Grandmaster Iron Kim who had trained with martial arts masters in the mountains of Korea from a small child until adulthood. After fighting in the Korean War, Master Iron Kim brought His Oom Yung Doe style west and began teaching in the United States in the 1970s. Since then it has quietly developed a following and now there are almost 20 schools in the country.

My first lesson was very basic, but not easy. The brothers took the time out to show me some fundamental stances and stretches that start off most lessons. After holding some stretches for a few minutes I began to sweat bullets and really felt my core strengthening. My knees that had been damaged long ago in car accident, struggled to keep me up off the floor. I was definitely getting the workout I came looking for. Luckily I survived and was then taught some meditation techniques to help calm my mind and body. Although I hadn't felt as if I had done much, I was already feeling the benefits of the practice. Shortly after my lesson, my knees had felt better and sturdier than they had in years.

Doe, it may just be the brothers Goode themselves. While growing up in Somerville, Jonathon suffered many illnesses including blood disease, asthma, and back problems. He credits his discipline to the practice for the healthy young man he has now become, and enjoys sharing the same life-changing experience with others.

"Many of the people who come to our school are simply looking



Alex Goode (left), Jonathan Goode (right) of Oom Yung Doe New England.

If there is any physical proof of the health benefits of Oom Yung to feel better and want a better quality of life, Alex tells me. "I had an elderly woman who could barely walk come in for classes because she wanted to get out of the house and get some exercise, Jonathan recalls.

"She needed a walker just to get through the door her first lesson; but after a couple months she was full of energy and walking from her house to the studio without any assistance. People are often amazed at how much better they feel after a few lessons."

The brothers currently oversee a couple Oom Yung Doe studios in the area and hope to branch out even more. They had originally opened in Davis Square, but raising rents drove them out and Alex later opened their Medford location in 2008 and a Cambridge location soon followed. Oom Yung Doe New England often performs at live events; hoping to bring in new students. The brothers have recently performed during a Celtics game at The TD Bank North Garden, Chinatown festivals, and they also have a Fenway performance coming up during a Red Sox game on August 31. Oom Yung Doe New England is holding an Open House on Tuesday, June 14, 7:00 p.m. at their new Cambridge location (31 Belmont St.) for anyone interested in coming in and learning all about Oom Yung Doe

and the possible benefits it may hold for you. Classes range in age anywhere from college students to senior citizens so don't feel as if you it's not your scene. I can honestly say that you will walk out of your first lesson feeling like a new person. Oom Yung Doe New England 31 Belmont St. Cambridge, MA 02138 (New location!) Open House - Tuesday June 14th at 7:00 p.m. Check out their website for more info @ http://www.oomyungdoe-ne.com

Later 'Villens. Enjoy your summer in the 'Ville! Tank top season is here! Sun's out, gun's out! (Guns meaning arms here, people)

COMMENTARY

SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Illustrated by Jim Clark



Our View Of The Times



Still, achieving the goal of completing a set course of study is especially satisfying and sets the stage for even bigger accomplishments.

And so we applaud the achievements of the class of 2016. May they go on to know great success in their professional and personal lives. They so clearly deserve it.

Another year passes and we pause at this time to congratulate and honor the hard working students who achieved their goal of successfully completing their courses of studies at their respective high schools and colleges.

It takes a lot of dedication and commitment to follow through to completion in this world, which is filled with

Newstalk CONT. FROM PG 2

first time, I guess. But again, I was thinking of his comments, especially when he informed me that he served in the military and what did I do? I simply told him I didn't. I had bone cancer and he made the statement in front of people that "that was great, good for me, and that he was glad" and then made a comment about one of my family members, which actually was over the top. In this case we reported what we saw, said nothing that would evoke such anger and disgusting comments from him. He simply wasn't at the parade and we told you he wasn't. You can read it in last week's edition of Newstalk. Now, if he's upset we mention that or we're mentioning it now. He should realize once and for all he's a public official, a figure representing our city. If he doesn't want to be in the local gossip column maybe he should get out of politics? Now, funny he would be upset with us, over a year and half ago he was quoted in another blog online about "Freedom of the Press""they can print anything" if he wants we can show him and remind him what he said. Then there is the issue of his temperament. This guy not only represents the residents of Ward 1 but now he's campaign manager for Senator Pat Jehlen's re-election. Maybe both he and the good senator might want to have a talk about freedom of the press? Guess

so many challenges and distractions. It is no small feat to take one's education to the limit, and these moments represent important milestones along the path to success in life.

We should lavish these kids with praise for their accomplishments and encourage them to take it to the next level. To constantly strive to better themselves, be

the only good thing about it is we weren't

as nasty as others representing so-called

media outlets here in Somerville would

On another note, an apology to the

other alderman we mentioned regard-

ing the Memorial Day Parade who was

in front of his house, and not march-

ing like most. We were told this week

by another person he had a very serious

knee operation. We didn't know that

have been.

it moving on to college or grad school, professional or vocational schooling. Going yet another step further shows ambition and a sense of belief in oneself that can propel one to success unimagined by those who fall short of the mark.

It can be said that one's life is a never-ending process of discovery and learning. That we are always in school, in fact.

lowed? Again, we hope it's not true. We will let you know once we can confirm. *****

The mayor submitted his fiscal budget 2017 to the Board of Alderman this week. It's on TV. Over the next few weeks various departments' heads will appear before the Board to answer questions. It's been told to us that the mayor's budget has about a 5% increase over last year. We're wondering when was the last time a budget was submitted that was less than the year before? Watch those Lance Davis of Ward 6 and wish him a meetings and make your voices heard. The taxpayers will be asked to accept a huge tax increase, not to mention a proposition 2.5 override will be on the ballot next year as well. One thing we think is good about the budget: regardless of what you think about Mayor Joe Curtatone, we think he deserves a huge raise for the job he has done and how he's fundamentally changed the city to what it is today. Mayor Joe Curtatone, more so than the other elected officials, has a lot more responsibility with his job. In case you didn't know, the mayor under our charter is head of everything. The Board of Alderman is part time, not full time. *****

ever-popular Sally O'Brien's on Somerville Avenue, Union Square. No one packs them in like Bob does. Last time hardly anyone could move around. He's very popular on his own, doesn't need anyone especially property owners and developers and whatever to throw him a sellout time. He's popular because he is truly a constituent Alderman and reaches out to all the residents of Ward 3, not just the special interest of a few. He's got support from all sides, and yes, he's a great guy.

last week, so we apologize to Alderman speedy recovery.

We heard but can't verify that at the recent State Democratic convention in Lowell, candidate Leland Cheung, who is running for the Democratic nomination for State Senator, was rebuked by the Democrats because he's running against another Democrat, current Senator Pat Jehlen. We made some calls to confirm this, but as of press time we haven't heard back. If that is true, what does that say about our current Democratic progressive left wing on diversity and inclusion? Not just chastising a fellow Democrat, but a progressive Democrat, for exercising his right to run for any office. In fact, what does that say about Senator Jehlen's campaign if that was al-

Ward 3 Alderman Bob McWatters will be having a fundraiser on Wednesday, June 22 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the

Happy birthday to a lot of our friends and fellow Villens here this week: Happy birthday to Rosa Luciana, a Somerville resident and although we don't know her, we heard about her. We hope she has a great birthday. Big happy birthday our good friend and former resident from a well-known Somerville family, Raymond Trant. We hope he has a great day. Happy birthday to another good friend, Muriel White, formerly Muriel Berry. We wish her the very best and a great day. Former State Senator and Cambridge City Councilor Anthony Galluccio is celebrating this week. We wish him a great day. A relative newbie to Somerville, Brendan Mansfield, a great guy, good sense of humor is cele-Continued on page 17 brating his birthday

Class Day 2016

By Donald Norton Class of 1966

Class Day 2016 at Somerville High School was held this past Friday, and as is traditional, the school invited alumni of 50 years ago to join in and celebrate this, the class of 2016, maybe to show them what they will look like in 2066 when they will look like in 2066 when they will come back. Not to worry, we looked nothing like our parents back in 1966, and there were no walkers to help us get around.

About 35 to 40 alumni of the class of 1966 were on hand and it was great to see some familiar faces. Unfortunately, we had to be reminded of names. 50 years is 50 years.

It was nice to see how everyone was doing. Some of us haven't seen each other in many years. Some moved out of the city early on and some of us stayed. To talk and have some time with the alumni of 1966 was a time full of memories.

One thing we all talked about was how much the City of Somerville has changed since we grew up here. In many ways unthinkable back then, as to how it's come to be today. Back then the school library was the gym, where we held our prom. The school population was much higher and it only had three classes back in those days, 10th, 11th and 12th grades. There were three junior highs in the city, Northeastern Junior High on Marshall Street Winter Hill, Southern Junior High on Summer and Vinyl Avenue and Western Junior high, which is now the Tufts building on Holland Street.

Back then you were identified by the junior high you came from. You knew pretty much everyone in your junior high class, and coming up to the high school was one of the biggest things in your life up to then, to get to know others from various other parts of the city. Class sizes were larger then and in the 60's it was a turbulent time. All eligible boys had to register for the draft and then waited and hoped their numbers never came up.

The class of 1966 saw many changes in the country with riots and demonstrations, with the war in Vietnam War ragging on. Hippies were a new thing in Harvard Square and Boston Common. The Beatles were still selling number one hits, as was one memory from Peter Noonan of Herman's Hermits' song Mrs. Brown You've Got A Lovely Daughter a big hit, along with plaid cloths and some not so bad "mini-skirts" - and even more mini than today (at least that's my recollection).

Lots of fond memories and a high school that was loved by all who attended. Lots of fun and it was great talking to others who shared that experience with you.

Somerville Pride was strong in 1966 and just as strong today with the young graduates. It was a great thing to see various students given scholarships and to hear what college they are going to go to or what they will be doing after graduation.

The class of 1966 had the distinction of graduating on the sixth month, sixth day, at six o'clock (at Dilboy) and we heard - but can't confirm - 666 students graduated in 1966. Pretty amazing when you think about it. What is sad is that Somerville Trade High School, which was then in East Somerville, had a graduating class about 60 students, but there has never been recognition for their efforts. No official class reunion, and no one at class day from Trade. Maybe that can change in the years ahead.

The 1966 class 50th reunion is scheduled for sometime in October at the Hilton in Lynnfield. At the end of the class day, we all said our goodbyes again and made reference to see each other at the class reunion.

Congratulations to all the students, teachers and staff at Somerville High School for carrying on the tradition. Our best regards to them for a successful future for each and every one of them. Somerville leads the way, pride for our school and city will always remain!











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SHS Graduation Day 2016























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SPORTS

Top track stars headed for Somerville

By Charles Lane

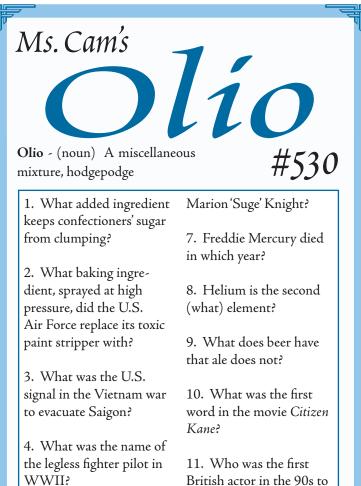
A half dozen of the top athletes in the U.S. will join two-time Olympic gold medalist and World Record-holder Meseret Defar of Ethiopia, 2008 Olympic silver medalist Nick Willis of New Zealand, and 2015 IAAF World Champion Wayde van Niekerk of South Africa at Dilboy Memorial Stadium to compete in the adidas Boost Boston Games, organizers have announced.

The adidas Boost Boston Games, a two-day festival featuring both a fan-friendly track event in Somerville and Boston's first-ever "street meet," will debut on June 17-18. Races 400 meters and longer will be held Friday evening, June 17, at Dilboy Stadium in Somerville, and

will be highlighted by a postrace barbecue and autograph session at which fans can mingle with Olympic stars.

"Somerville is honored and excited to host this prestigious event at Dilboy Stadium," said Somerville Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone. "This is an incredible opportunity for residents, and our own up-and-coming athletes, to witness some of the best athletes in the world, and we look forward to the possibility of hosting this event for years to come."

Van Niekerk is the latest international star set to compete at Dilboy. The 2015 World Champion at 400 meters, van Niekerk ran 9.96 in March to become the first athlete in history to run under 10 seconds for 100 meters, under 20 seconds for 200 me-



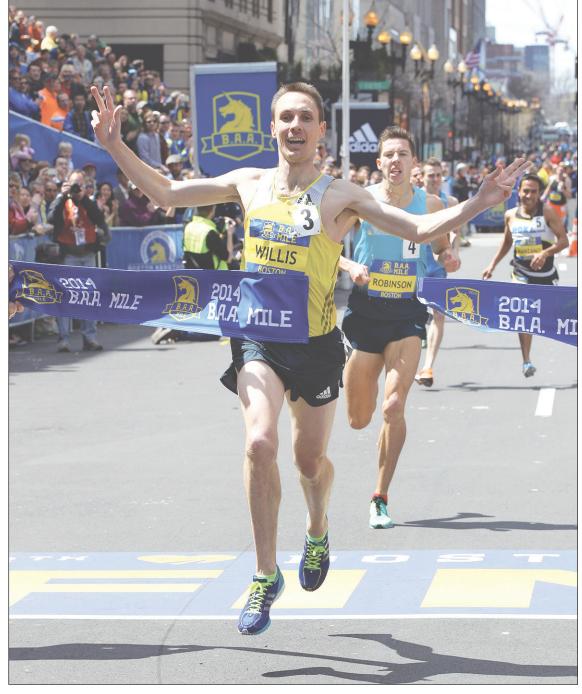
Nick Willis winning the B.A.A. Invitational Mile in Boston in 2014. ters, and under 44 seconds for near Hanover, NH. 400 meters.

Garrett O'Toole, who in 2014 posted the fastest high school mile (4:01.89) and 1500 meters (3:45.55) in the country while at Middlesex School in Concord, will compete at 1500 meters against, among others, Willis and Andrews. O'Toole, who is the fastest prep miler in Massachusetts and New England history and now competes for Princeton, will be attempting to run 3:38.0 or faster to qualify for the U.S. Olympic Trials this summer. Meanwhile, in Saturday's "street meet," sprint sensation Tori Bowie has just been added to the lineup. Bowie, whose times of 10.80 and 21.99 for 100 meters and 200 meters, respectively, are the fastest in the world this year, is the 2015 World Championships bronze medalist at 100 meters. She joins, among others, 2012 Olympic gold medalist Jenn Suhr in the pole vault and two-time Olympic silver medalist sprinter Yohan Blake. The street meet, which will put sprints, hurdles, pole vault, and long jump in the spotlight,

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is set for Saturday afternoon, June 18, and will feature a Mondo track constructed on historic Charles Street between the Boston Public Garden and Boston Common. The street meet will be broadcast live on the NBC Sports Network (NBCSN).

The adidas Boost Boston Games is produced by Boston-based Global Athletics and Marketing, Inc., an athlete-management and sports marketing firm that from 2005 to 2015 served as organizer of the adidas Grand Prix in NYC and since 1996 has given Boston fans an annual, world-class indoor meet at the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center at Roxbury Community College. More U.S. and international stars and further details on the adidas Boost Boston Games, part of the 2016 USATF Championship Series, will be announced soon on the event website at http://www.adidasboostboston.com; on Facebook adidasBoostBostonGames; at and on Twitter at @adidas-BoostBos.



What was Richard Gere's first movie?

6. Who founded the Death Row label with 12. Who was the first baseball player to have his number retired? Answers on page 23

win the Best Actor Oscar?

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en-time national champion and 2013 IAAF World Cross Country Championships team silver medalist; Robby Andrews, who placed fourth at 1500 meters in the 2016 IAAF World Indoor Championships; Liz Costello, who finished fourth at 10,000 meters in the 2015 Pan American Games; and Abbey D'Agostino, a seven-time NCAA Champion for Dartmouth University, who competed for the U.S. at the 2015 IAAF World Championships. Uceny, Costello, and D'Agostino, who grew up in Topsfield, MA, all train in Boston, while

True, a native of North Yar-

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U.S. starts just added to the

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Ajeé Wilson, the reign-

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Championships silver medalist;

Morgan Uceny, who was

ranked #1 in the world in 2011

at 1500 meters; Ben True, a sev-

of the event include:

Somerville Squeezebox Slam 2016



A celebration, of accordions, button boxes and other free reed instruments takes place this weekend. The Nave Gallery and the Somerville Arts Council present the 5th Somerville Squeezebox Slam! As with the first festival, accordionists of all skill levels and musical genres are invited to stroll around the neighborhoods of Somerville, sharing their melodious sounds, and like pied pipers from an alternative fairy tale, beckon all to come and follow them as they head to Davis Square for a concert of some of New England's finest squeezebox players. So dust off your grandfather's squeezebox that's been sitting in the attic and join us for an afternoon of pumping the bellows! Accordion themed art/crafts will be for sale. Curated by Michael McLaughlin.

From 12-3pm accordionists will stroll around Somerville, ultimately congregating in Davis Sq. Local accordionists bring your boxes, band together or find your own corner and play. There are no rules! This is accordion anarchy. At 3pm, head to Seven Hills park in Davis Square where the party continues.

Location	Performance
Seven Hills Park	Forró Zabumbeca with Paddy League
Seven Hills Park	Ben Holmes & Patrick Farrell Duo
Seven Hills Park	Emerald Rae & Somer O'Brien
Seven Hills Park	Gogofski with Tom Pixton
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Historical Fact CONT. FROM PG 5

Gould Shaw, Colonel of the spirited Massachusetts 54th all-black regiment. *Glory,* the film starring Oscar winner, Denzel Washington, was based on this regiment.

Trained in medicine, Doctor Parkman's passion was to become a Samaritan for the insane. He yearned to be the superintendent of the McLean Asylum in Somerville. Through a misunderstanding, he was passed over for the top position. Despite his disappointment, he still donated \$16,000 dollars to establish this institution on Cobble Hill. One of the later recipients of this post was Dr. Luther Bell who was an Appeals Court member during the famous trial. Somerville's Bell School, later the Southern Junior High School, was named after him.

The next century's trial was the O.J. Simpson double-murder trial of 1994 to 1995 viewed by millions. Orenthal James Simpson was a former National Football League player, actor, and football broadcaster. He was tried for the murder of his ex-wife and her friend. Since winning the Heisman Trophy in 1968 at the University of Southern California and through

the trial, he was in the national spotlight. A group of high-profile lawyers were hired to defend him; and ultimately, O.J. Simpson was acquitted.

Playing a key roll on this "dream team" was defense attorney F. Lee Bailey of Massachusetts. Bailey was a spectacular defender. He had represented Dr. Sam Sheppard, object of the movie The Fugitive; Patty Hearst; the Boston strangler, Albert De Salvo; U.S. Army Captain, Ernest Medina; the Great Plymouth mail truck robbery suspects and others. Probably the biggest fan in Bailey's corner was his father F. Lee Bailey, Sr. who would sit in court and observe his son in action. Frank Bailey lived for over three decades in Somerville. He first lived at 21 Tenny Court, a now extinct street that was razed to build the Assembly Square Mall. Mr

What's on Somerville Neighborhood News

On this edition of *Somerville Neighborhood News* we sit down with Director of Transportation and Infrastructure Brad Rawson. The department looks at everything from the GLX to protecting the city's ash trees. Every project starts long before the construction machinery shows up. Rawson believes community input must be the foundation of policy decisions made by the department. For Rawson, transportation and infrastructure improvements are means to a more important end, connecting people. Watch the full interview online at www. somervilleneighborhoodnews.org or on SCATV Ch.3 at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays.



Somerville Neighborhood News is a production of Somerville Community Access Television, made by professional journalists, volunteers and staff. The half-hour news show has as its mission to provide a lively, informative newscast focusing on the events, issues and information impacting Somerville residents.

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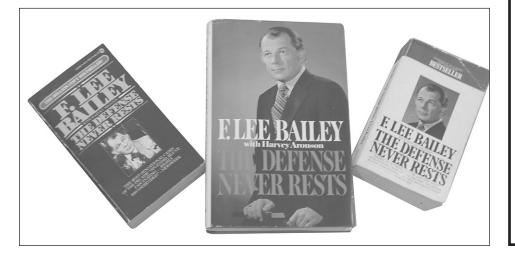
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Bailey then acquired an East Somerville home on Myrtle Street.

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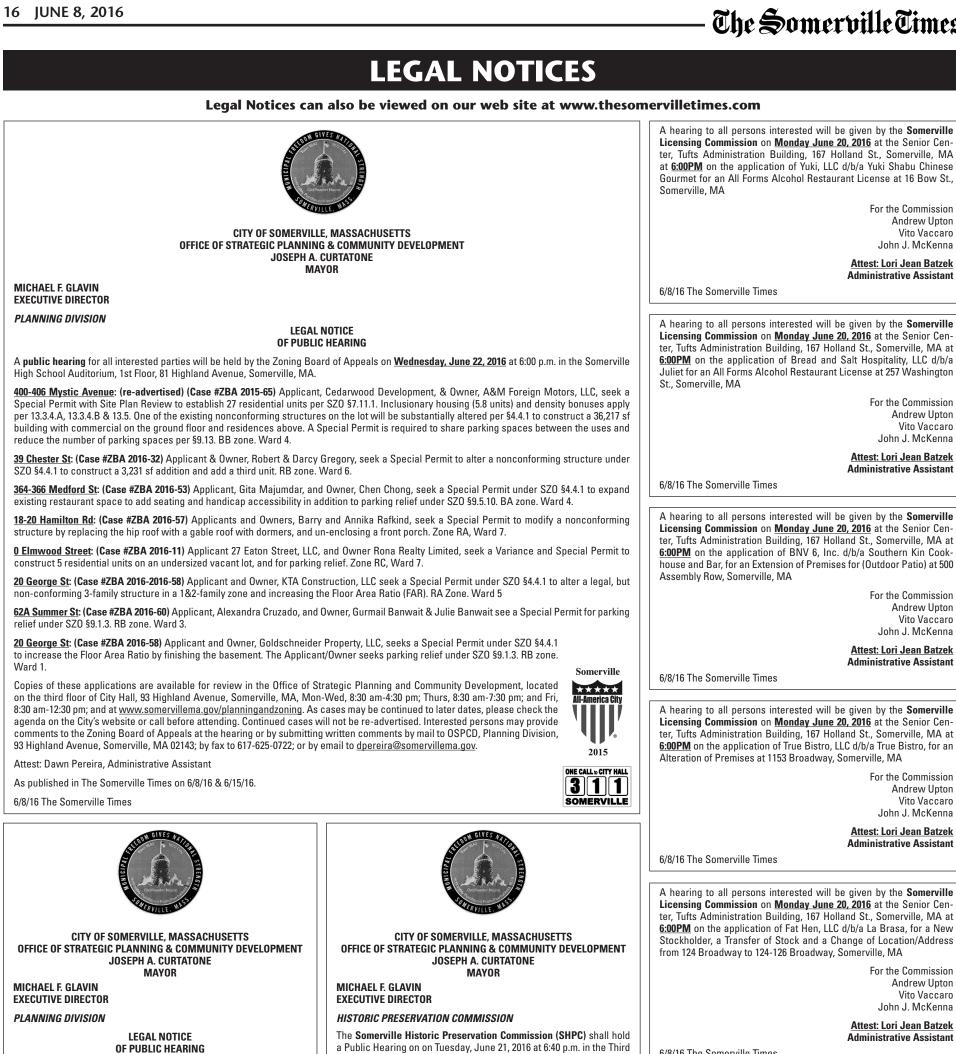
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A public hearing for all interested parties will be held by the Planning Board on Thursday, June 23, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chambers, 2nd Floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA.

434 McGrath Hwy: (Case #PB 2016-06) Applicant Zipcar, Inc. and Owner MBP Realty Trust, Melissa Piantidosi, Trustee, seek a Special Permit to convert one nonconforming use to another, by leasing space for a car share program. Zone CCD 45, Ward 3.

Floor Community Room, at the Visiting Nurses Association (259 Lowell Street) regarding a proposal by: 1) Sing Cheung to demolish a c.1924 harness makers workshop at 88 Dover Street.

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

Licensing Commission on Monday June 20, 2016 at the Senior Center, Tuffs Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at <u>6:00PM</u> on the application of Yuki, LLC d/b/a Yuki Shabu Chinese Gourmet for an All Forms Alcohol Restaurant License at 16 Bow St., For the Commission

Andrew Upton Vito Vaccaro John J. McKenna

Attest: Lori Jean Batzek Administrative Assistant

A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the Somerville Licensing Commission on Monday June 20, 2016 at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at 6:00PM on the application of Bread and Salt Hospitality, LLC d/b/a Juliet for an All Forms Alcohol Restaurant License at 257 Washington

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

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There will be a Public Hearing before the Board of Aldermen's Committee on Finance on Tuesday, June 21, 2016, at 6:00 PM, in the Al-dermen's Chambers, 2nd Floor, City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, on the Order of Finance Committee Chairman Alderman Tony Lafuente, for public input on the proposed FY 2017 budget.

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND AND BE HEARD.



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#201523, establishing a Water and Sewer Department that would report directly to the Mayor.

#201524, establishing a Capital Planning and Engineering Department that would report directly to the Mayor.

#201525, establishing a Parks and Recreation Department that would report directly to the Mayor.

#201526, establishing a Fleet Division within the Department of Public Works.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPART-MENT OF THE TRIAL COURT Case No.: 16 SM 004299 ORDER OF NO-TICE TO: Joan E. Hayes and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. App. Section 501 et seq.: U.S. Bank National Association, As Trustee For Banc of America Funding 2009-FT1 Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2009-FT1 claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Somerville, numbered 29 Tennyson Street, given by Joan E. Hayes to Fleet National Bank, dated June 3, 2003, recorded or filed at Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 40326, Page 239, and now held by Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before July 4, 2016 or you will be forever barred from claiming that you are entitled to the benefits of said Act. Witness, JUDITH C. CUTLER, Chief Justice of this Court on May 23, 2016 Attest: Deborah J. Patterson Recorder A-4578504 06/08/2016

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City seeking performers for Annual Haitian-Brazilian Festival

The City of Somerville's SomerVIVA program is bringing back its Haiti and Brazil Hit the Ville! Festival for its third year on Sunday, July 24, 2016, and we need performers! The Festival celebrates Haitian and Brazilian food, culture, and entertainment, and performers of all varieties who celebrate and exhibit one or both of those cultures are invited to apply for limited spots available during the three hour festival in Union Square. A committee will select acts for limited time spots. The Festival is free to attendees, and includes dozens of local vendors, artists, and restaurants. Several thousand attendees are expected for this year's festival. To apply, please provide the following in an email. Name of artist, band or group Contact info: Contact person, e-mail and snail mail, phone number, and website, mp3 to music(if applicable) Brief description of performance/type of art and images, video etc. (if applicable) Number of artists/performers Fee requested and length of performance Technical requirements Somerville affiliation (if any) To apply: send an e-mail to JRossetti@somervillema.gov with the subject header "Haiti & Brazil," by Friday, June 10.

'Puppet Palooza!' delights through June 20

By Rebecca Danvers

The Somerville Arts Council continues one of its most popular citywide events with *Puppet Palooza!* Events like this allow the community to participate, interact, and engage in non-traditional ways in untraditional venues while cultivating the idea of Somerville as a cultural arts incubator without walls.

The remaining events for this year's edition are as follows:

Once Upon A Time by Behind the Mask Theater on Thursday, June 9 at 6:00 p.m. (rain date is Friday, June 10 at 6:00 p.m.) at Chuckie Harris Park, 3-17 Cross St. E.

A masque of magical stories from the Brothers Grimm, Italo Calvino, and Celtic legend, performed to music as old as the yarns themselves, but as new as the telling. Hark to the Hobgoblin, laugh with foolish Arlecchino, learn the lore of the Druid, understand the language of animals, and let the siren spell of the mermaid's song enchant you into a wondrous world of rags to riches, the hero's quest, and true love lost and found. Join us for charming tales of fantasy, unlikely romance, and lessons about kindness and generosity. Recommended for ages 5 and up. Website info: http://www. behindthemask.org.

PUNSCHI by Jana Zeller and Shoshana Bass of Sandglass Theater on Tuesday, June 14 at 6:00 p.m. (rain date is Wednesday, June 15 at 6:00 p.m.) at Chuckie Harris



Park, 3-17 Cross St. E.

Step right up to the greatest show on Earth, featuring two performances for the price of one. Fritzi's Flea Circus welcomes audiences into a delightful world of circus acts presented by a tiny flea with a big personality. Experience the amazing feats of Fritzi as the strong man, the high diver and even watch as him as he is shot out of a cannon into the audience. Next, Kasper packs to go on a journey, but before he can leave, a cow steals his suitcase. With the help of his best friend, the endearing giant Augustin, Kasper has to go on a rollicking chase to reclaim his suitcase from the cow. Join Jana Zeller & Shoshana Bass of Sandglass in this lively production, filled with action-packed, laugh-out-loud fun. Recommended for ages 4 and up. Website info: http://sandglasstheater.org.

Cardboard Explosion! by Brad Shur of the Puppet Showplace Theater on Monday, June 20 at 6:00 p.m. (rain date is Tuesday, June 21 at 6:00 p.m.) at Glen Park at the Capuano School, 150 Glen St.

With a simple snip of the scissors, adventures unfold for a oneof-a-kind puppetry experience. Cardboard Explosion brings five original stories to life using nothing but cardboard and the power of your imagination. In each story audience members help puppeteer Brad Shur transform simple cardboard shapes into elaborate puppet characters right before your eyes. Get ready to outsmart dragons, choose-your-own superpower, and train adorable animal sidekicks in this fun, energetic, participatory show. Recommended for ages 4 and up. Website info: http://www.puppetshowplace.org.

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this week. We wish him the very best. Also, happy birthday to **Richard Maggio**, who is celebrating this week as well. We forgot to wish a happy birthday to **Nancy Wollenburg**, who celebrated last week. We just bet her husband **Rod** treated her to a great birthday dinner.

map showing where you can get the paper, even outside the boxes. If you would like to see the paper at some location near you, call us at 617-666-4010.

For those that might be interested in obtaining certification for firearms should look up the **Lawrence Rod & Gun Club**. They provide an extensive program at the end of which you receive cerover on Mystic Avenue. Trust us, better coffee – much better coffee – awesome donuts and the best "real" egg sandwiches. You can't find any better. We love the place. The staff behind the counter is friendly too.

The East Somerville Community School is having a spring concert this month, entitled (by their students) *Mu*- SHPC Executive Director Brandon Wilson at 617-625-6600 x2532, bwilson@somervillema.gov, or visit www. somervillema.gov/historicpreservation.

Due to forecasts of thunderstorms, **Taste of Somerville** will be postponed until Wednesday, June 15. All other details remain the same.

Somerville Times is on the site. Also check out www.medfordma.com. Someone asked online why we keep these two websites in Newstalk. We guess it's because we like them.

Special happy birthday to baby Gianni Fucile, who celebrates his first birthday. Hard to believe it's been a year. His mom is Nancy Moccia-Fucile and dad is Jason Fucile of Victor's Deli fame. Drop in and give your greetings and mention you saw it here.

The Somerville Times is in the process of putting out some more boxes, approximately 12 more in strategic places to make it more assessable. There will be some new boxes at Assembly Square as well. A list of boxes will be out with a tification for Massachusetts/NRA Certified Firearm Safety Classes. They run a class once a month, which is limited to 10 people and we hear that this is the place to go to learn safety when handling guns. Email gunclub@earthlink.net for more information and or go to their website at www.lawrencerodandgunclub.org and read up about the course. We've been told that the course has seen a major increase in people applying for it, especially women. We can tell you first hand here that it's a great course and quite thorough. The same goes for this in Newstalk. The club has informed us that many residents of Somerville have called or gone to the club to find out about certification.

We're still pushing Demet's Donuts

sic from Around the World. The concert will take place on June 14 at 8:45 a.m. at ESCS, 50 Cross Street, in the Auditorium.

Join the Somerville Historic Preservation Commission and East Somerville Main Streets on Sunday, June 12, from 2:00 to 4:30 p.m., for a walking tour entitled Evolving Face of East Somerville: From Horse Drawn Trolleys to Transit Stations. Ed Gordon, President of the New England Chapter of the Victorian Society in America, will lead a lively walking tour exploring changes in the historic buildings and landscape of this area. Meet at the East Branch Library, 115 Broadway, and end at Assembly Row with complimentary refreshments. Rain or shine. For more information, contact Alderman at Large Dennis Sullivan will bring his mobile neighborhood office hours across the city starting this Saturday for the next three Saturdays. He's held nearly 150 office stops since being elected to the board to meet and learn from residents and share ideas. Sullivan will make the following stops as part of his spring office hours: Saturday, June 11 outside the East Branch library on lower Broadway at 9am, followed by the Union Square Dunkin' Donuts at 10:00 a.m.; Saturday, June 18 outside Dunkin' Donuts at the corner of Highland Ave. and Central Street at 9:00 a.m., followed by the Winter Hill Post Office at 10:00 a.m. and Ball Square at 11:00 a.m.; Saturday, June 25 at Statue Park in Davis Square at 10:00 a.m, followed by Teele Square at 11:00 a.m.

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CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Wednesday|June 8 East Branch Library Preschool Storytime 11 a.m.- 11:30 a.m. 115 Broadway **Central Library**

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

Thursday|June 9

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

Friday June 10

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

Saturday|June 11

Carnaval @ SomerStreets. East Broadway (McGrath Highway to Pennsylvania Ave 2 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Monday June 13

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

Central Library SHS teen group 2:30 p.m. - 4 p.m. 79 Highland Ave

Tuesday June 14

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

Wednesday June 15

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

MUSIC ARTS Wednesday|June 8

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The Burren Front Room Exile on Elm Back Room Backroom Series: The Kane Sisters with Pat O'Connor and Eoghan O'Sullivan|7:30 p.m. Comedy Night With Steve Macone|10 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge Mike Cappelluti Seth Adam Heather Woods Aubrey Haddard Tristan Bouchard 345 Somerville Ave

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

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

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

The Burren Front Room Lunchtime Concert Series 1-2pm Dave Gallagher & The Donegal Rednecks|9:30 pm Backroom Series - Silver Arrow Bandl7 p.m. Scattershots|10 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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

256 Elm St. |617-623-9910 Samba Bar & Grille 608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

Somerville Theatre Awkward Compliment's Thursday Night Comedy Night 8 p.m.|55 Davis Square

Thunder Road Naughty Professor (Future Funk/Jazz) 8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave **ONCE Lounge & Ballroom**

156 Highland Ave **Davis Square Theatre** Encyclopedia Show|9 p.m. 255 Elm Street

Arts at the Armory Joan & Joni: A Tribute to Joan Baez & Joni Mitchell 7:30 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Friday June 10

Sally O'Brien's Bucky Bear & The Titanium Hipsters Friday Finale |6 p.m. Hear Now Live presents Zagnutt and Falling Rock Zone |9 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren Backroom Series: Chris Trapper|7 p.m. Spike the Punch|10 p.m.

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896 P.A.'s Lounge Spanish Rock Night 345 Somerville Ave

Orleans Restaurant and Bar DI

10 p.m.|65 Holland St On The Hill Tavern 499 Broadway |617-629-5302

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

Bull McCabe's TBA 10 p.m.|366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045 Joshua Tree DJ McRiddleton

256 Elm St. |617-623-9910 Samba Bar & Grille

Saturday June 11

Sally O'Brien's Tom Hagerty Band |6 p.m. Fur Purse, The Gala, Noble Rot \$10 cover|9 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren Front Room: Bluegrass Session|2 p.m. The BagBoys|5 p.m. Irish Session 9:30 p.m. Back Room The Burren Backroon Saturday & Sunday Jazz Brunch with Tom Pendergast 8 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Jeff Jam Family Dance Party! 4 p.m. Backroom Series: Chris Trapper 7 p.m. Spittin Vinnies|10 p.m.

P.A.'s Lounge The Bald Eagles The Billy Connors Project Stop Calling Me Frank The Angel Martins 345 Somerville Ave

Orleans Restaurant and Bar Karaoke 65 Holland St

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

Bull McCabe's TBA 8 p.m.|366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

256 Elm St. |617-623-9910

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

173 Broadway|617-625-5195

Thunder Road Scissorfight (Rock) 379 Somerville Ave

255 Elm St

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom Lysten Boston Presents: Analog Heart, The Life Electric, Junior Classics

Arts at the Armory

Sunday|June 12

Sally O'Brien's Bar One Thin Dime Sunday Suppah|6 p.m.

335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589 The Burren Front Room

Beatles Brunchl11 a m -3 n m

150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131 Samba Bar & Grille

cone|10 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896 608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

P.A.'s Lounge Ten Dollar Mistake See Through Casper and the Ghost Boys Bill Dwyer Band Second Day Venom 345 Somerville Ave

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

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

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

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

Highland Kitchen 150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

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

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

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom 156 Highland Ave

CLASSES AND GROUPS Wednesday|June 8

Central Library Somerville Positive Forces 1 p.m.-3 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Central Library Somerville Arts Council Board Meeting 7 p.m.-8:45 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Thursday|June 9

Central Library Income Inequality Reading Group 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. 79 Highland Ave

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

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

Saturday June 11 **Central Library**

Howie Newman and Jackie Damsky in Concert 2 p.m.. - 3 p.m. 79 Highland Ave

Arts at the Armory The Somerville Flea Market 10 a.m.- 4 p.m.|191 Highland Ave

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

Sunday June 12

Central Library

Jam |7 p.m. Marley Monday with The Duppy Conquerors reggae|10 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

p.m.

Samba Bar & Grille

Telelectrix (Electronic/Dance)

Shawn Carter's Cheapshots Comedy

8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

Monday|June 13

Stump Trivia 8:30 p.m.

Free Mondays featuring:

8 p.m.|345 Somerville Ave

499 Broadway 617-629-5302

366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

The Murdock Manor Stripped Sets

7:30 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

Mari Black and the World Fiddle

7:30 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

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

Jason Anick and the Swingers Swing/

Open Mic w/ Hugh McGowan|8

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom

8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

On The Hill Tavern

Bull McCabe's Pub

Stump! Team Trivia

Monday Night Series

Arts at the Armory

Tuesday June 14

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Ensemble

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The Burren

Front Room

Back Room

PA's Lounge

Open Mic Night

345 Somerville Ave

On The Hill Tavern

Bull McCabe's Pub

Highland Kitchen

Stump Trivia (with prizes)

The Ghetto People Band

499 Broadway 617-629-5302

366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

First Tuesday of the Month|Spelling

hosted by Victor and Nicole of

The fun starts at 10:00p.m.

p.m.

Jazz|8:30 p.m.

Thunder Road

P.A.'s Lounge

Adam Morrison

Andrew Soucy

Spoke Car

Blue Manic

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Live Band & DJ

Thunder Road

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

Joshua Tree DJ El Sid!

Casey's Entertainment every Saturday

Davis Square Theatre Comedy Benefit for Clowns without Borders 7 p.m. Boston's Unscripted Musical Project 10 p.m. Dirty Disney|11:30 p.m.

9 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

5th Annual Hyper-Local Craft Brewfest 3 p.m. – 10 p.m.|Performance Hall The Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki Trio 7:30 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave Squeezebox Slam 2016 12 p.m.| Seven Hills Park|78 Meacham Road

Thunder Road

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

Highland Kitchen 150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Samba Bar & Grille

608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

Joshua Tree Bar & Grill

Pub Trivia 8:30 p.m.|256 Elm Street|(617) 623-9910

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom 156 Highland Ave

Arts at the Armory Been Out Here Teen Open Mic

6 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Thursday|June 9

Sally O'Brien's Bryan Mac's 6/9 Anti-Valentines-Day Party 8 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

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

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

Thunder Road

Steady Rollin' Bob Margolin (Blues) 6 p.m. HmfO Hall and Oates Tribute|9 p.m. 379 Somerville Ave

Davis Square Theatre

Shit-faced Shakespeare: Much Ado About Nothing|7 p.m. Scars on 45|10 p.m. 255 Elm St

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom Balkan Soul Fest 2016 6 p.m. 156 Highland Ave

Arts at the Armory

Eyes, Ears & Tears: A night of film, music and other rara aves 7 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

John Gannon & Friends Irish Session 3 p.m.

Back Room

The Burren Backroon Saturday & Sunday Jazz Brunch with Tom Pendergast 8am - 2:30pm Comedy on Tap|3 p.m. Alan Kaufman & Friends Old Timey|5 p.m. Burren Acoustic Music Series 8 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

PA'S Lounge 345 Somerville Ave

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

608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

PJ Ryan's

Bee Night

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Pub Ouiz 10 p.m.|239 Holland St.|617-625-8200

Thunder Road

Ebass Open Mic with George Woods 8:30 p.m. 379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom Heavy Metal and Pizza 8 p.m. 156 Highland Ave

Wednesday|June 15

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

The Burren Front Room Exile on Elm Back Room Backroom Series: Frankie Gavin|7:30 p.m. Comedy Night With Steve MaBabywearing International of Boston New Leader Training Session 1 p.m.-3 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Central Library

City of Somerville Diversity Committee Meeting 4 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 June 13

East Branch Library Learn English at the Library! (Session 1) 6 p.m.- 7 p.m. (Session 2) 7 p.m. - 8:15 p.m. 115 Broadway

Tuesday June 14

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

PLACES TO GO, THINGS TO DO!

SENIOR CENTER HAPPENINGS:

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

All clubs and groups welcome new members.

Holland Street: 167 Holland Street *Monday through Friday 9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300

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

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

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

De-cluttering Peer Support Group – this is a closed support group for individuals who are concerned about their clutter. Please contact Natasha Naim at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 if you are interested in attending.

Free Smoke Alarm/Carbon Monoxide Detectors –

Starting April 1 – The Somerville Council on Aging, The Health & Human Services Department partnering with The Somerville Fire Department are offering free smoke alarm / carbon monoxide detectors (they are one unit) to Somerville older adults and residents with a wide range of disabilities. To qualify you must be an older adult, 60 years of age or older, and live in Somerville (own or rent) or a Somerville resident with a disability (Photoelectric Alarms with ADA Compliant Strobe Light are available.) There is a brief application that will need to be filled out, signed and returned. Please contact Maureen Bastardi, Outreach Worker at the Somerville Council on Aging, at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 to request an application. This program is on a first come, first serve basis. This is a Federally funded grant and services will be provided until the grant is exhausted Free Groceries Every Month? - You may be eligible for the Commodity Supplemental Food Program! CSFP is a once a month food distribution for individuals 60 years of age or older. You may be eligible to receive two free bags on food once a month containing healthy shelf stable products. Proof of identity and age are all that is required to apply. For more information or to apply please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 - applications are available at the front desk of our

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

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

contact Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300

Know Your Consumer Rights: Fraud Prevention & Protection – Thursday, June 16 from 10:30 to 11:30 A.M. at our Holland Street Center located at 167 Holland Street. Presented by the Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulations - Please RSVP by calling Suzanne at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Senior Health Insurance 101 – "Dental Care" – Monday, June 27 at our Holland Street Center from 10:00 to 11:00 A.M. – Dental Insurance Options, Low Cost Dental Schools, Dental Discount Programs and more. Please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 to reserve your spot or for additional information.

Revere Beach – Friday, July 22 – Departing Holland Street at 8:30 A.M. and Ralph & Jenny at 8:45 A.M. with an approximate return time of 1:00 P.M. \$5 with provide transportation. Lunch is on your own. For more information please contact Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

Friendly Caller Program - Do you know someone who could benefit from a friendly call? Maybe you are feeling isolated and want someone to talk to – or you just want someone to listen. Please call Natasha at 617-625-6600 ext. 2300 to sign up for our "Friendly Caller" Program.

The Mohegan / Foxwoods overnight trip scheduled for (Thursday & Friday) June 9th & June 10th is SOLD OUT. The Essex, Gloucester & Rockport day trip scheduled for

Wednesday, June 15th is SOLD OUT.

The day trip to Venus De Milo / Highwaymen scheduled for Thursday, June 23rd is SOLD OUT.

The day trip to Mohegan Sun scheduled for Monday, July 25th is SOLD OUT.

The Gloucester Harbor Cruise / Lobster bake day trip scheduled for Thursday, July 28th is SOLD OUT.

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

The trip to Lancaster, PA & Atlantic City scheduled for October 11th -15th (Tuesday to Saturday) is SOLD OUT. The Weekend gateway to NYC scheduled for Saturday & Sunday, November 5th & 6th is SOLD OUT.

The Indian Head trip scheduled for December 6th, 7th and 8th (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday) is BOOK SOLID.

LGBTQ EVENTS:

LGBTQ Advisory Group –This group meets the 2nd Monday of every month excluding City Holidays and snow emergencies. Our next meeting will be on Monday, June 13th at 4:30 P.M. in the conference room of our Holland Street Center located at 167 Holland Street. We are always looking for new members who would like to serve on the Advisory Group. Please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 if you have any questions or if you should need additional information.

*If you require additional information or have any questions regarding the LGBTQ events or the Advisory Group, please call 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300

LGBTQ Advisory Group is holding a LGBTQ Pride Dance at the Somerville Holiday Inn on Friday, June 3rd from 6:00 to 10:00. For additional information please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300. Wellness Coordinator at 617-625-6600 ext. 2315.

Weekly Exercise Class Schedule

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

Mondays:

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

Tuesdays:

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

Wednesdays:

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

Thursdays:

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

Fridays:

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

Upcoming Schedule

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

Wednesday|June 8

11:30 Forget Me Knot (H)12:30 Taking Care of Yourself / Taking Care of Others (H)HairsprayRalph & Jenny will be closed today

Thursday|June 9

10:00 English Conversation (C) 10:00 Current Events (H) 11:00 Computer tutorial with Barbara (by appointment only) (H) 11:30 Lunch (H,C) 12:45 Bingo (H) Mohegan / Foxwoods

Friday June 10

11:30 Lunch (H) 12:45 Bingo (H) 6:00 – 10:00 LGBTQ Pride Dance at the Holiday Inn Mohegan/Foxwoods

Monday|June 13

9:00 Gardening Club (H) 10:00 English Conversation (C) 10:00 – 11:30 Social Service Drop In Hours (C) 11:30 Lunch (C) 4:30 LGBTQ Advisory Group (H)

Tuesday|June 14

10:00 English Conversation (C) 10:00 Cards (RJ) 10:30 Low Vision Group (H) 11:30 Lunch (RJ, C) 12:00 Computer tutorial with Norbert (by appointment only) (H) 12:45 Bingo (RJ) **Wednesday |June 15** 10:00 English Conversation (C) 10:00 Cards (RJ) 10:30 Low Vision Group (H) 11:30 Lunch (RJ, C) 12:00 Computer tutorial with Norbert (by appointment only) (H)

Drop In Social Service Hours – Monday, June 13th from 10:00 A.M. to 11:30 P.M. at our Cross Street Center located at 165 Broadway. No appointment needed! Drop by our Cross Street Center and take advantage of having a Licensed Clinical Social Worker available to answer your questions, address your concerns and assist you in any number of areas. Social Services can be very useful to families and caregivers seeking help for their elderly loved ones. If you have questions or require additional information please call Natasha Naim at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Essex, Gloucester & Rockport – Wednesday, June 15 - \$25 fee includes motorcoach transportation and lunch. Luncheon choices are between baked haddock, seafood medley or roasted chicken. Seating is limited. Check-in time is 9:30 A.M. at our Holland Street Center and 10:00 A.M. at our Ralph & Jenny Center with an approximate return time of 5:30 P.M. For more information or to reserve your spot please **LBT Women Fit-4-Life** - Fitness and Nutrition Classes. Classes are Tuesday and Thursday evenings starting at 6:00 P.M. \$10 a month fee - scholarships available & it just might be covered under your insurance. We have available slots and would love to have you. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact our Health & Wellness Coordinator, Chris Kowaleski at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300

Mark your calendars for these great upcoming LGBTQ Events:

Monday, July 18th – Ice Cream Social Monday, August 15th – Safety Seminar Monday, September 19th – Out Vets Presentation Monday, October 17th – LGBTQ Health Fair Monday, November 21 – Painting to Reduce Stress

STAY ACTIVE:

Walking & Talking Group – Starting on Monday, May 4th at 8:30 A.M. – out of our Holland Street Center. We'll take a gentle 30 minute walk around the community every Monday – meeting in the downstairs lobby of the Holland Street Center. For more information or to sign up please contact Chris Kowaleski our Health & 12:45 Bingo (RJ)

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Connecting Communities	6:30pm	SomerViva em Português	2:46am	Memorial Day Parade 2016	9:17am
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FF THE SHELF by Doug Holder

Poet Jennifer Barber and her 'New Works on Paper'

Poet Jennifer Barber is the founder of Salamander magazine based at Suffolk University in Boston, and the author of a number of poetry collections. Her latest collection is Works on Paper. We discussed her new book and other aspects of her rich and varied career on my Somerville Community Access TV show Poet to Poet/Writer to Writer.

Doug Holder: Salamander used to be based at your home. Now it has been at Suffolk University in Boston for a number of years. How have things changed for the magazine since its transition?

Jennifer Barber: Well, my dining room table has been cleared of manuscripts. We can actually eat on it. Being at Suffolk has been great for us in a number of ways. I have a managing editor who helps me now. We have a budget from Suffolk - that makes things much more stable. And, of course, office space makes a big difference.

When I started the magazine I had recently graduated from the MFA program at Columbia University. I loved the work of my fellow students but I did not see any of it in journals at the time. So I started the journal to see their work more often. We started out mostly with writers from New York and New England. Now it has expanded and we get work from around the country.

DH: Who do you have in the current issue?

JB: We have selections from Martha Collins' new poetry collection Admit One: An American Scrapbook. We have two poems from Gail Mazur who founded the Blacksmith House Poetry Series. We have an emphasis however on newer writers. One that comes into mind is Jessica Greenbaum - she regularly appears in The New Yorker.

DH: Has the magazine helped your career in any way?

JB: I think it has helped my writing. As you know, when you edit a journal you see a lot of manuscripts. At one point I think I was letting myself get away with things stylistically. So after seeing some really fine manuscripts, I was inspired to make my work stronger. I started the magazine when my son was very young, and I was isolated from a lot of writers in the area. So through the magazine I became friends with poets like Fred Marchant, the founder of the Poetry Center at Suffolk University.



work and those of his contemporaries. I loved his work, especially the poems about the Southern landscape of Spain. In general, I love Romance languages. Back in the 80s I lived in Spain with my husband, who is a translator and fiction writer. So I was immersed in the culture and language.

DH: Are you competitive with your husband?

JB: No, not now anyway. We critique each other's work. And he never questions the time and commitment I put into writing because he is a writer himself.

DH: I noticed your new collection is dedicated to your late father?

JB: Yes, he passed in 2014. In his later years he took classes on poetry. He was in the lighting business for many years. But he had many interests that he pursued. I remember that we had a lot of books around our house and my mom used to read to us all the time.

DH: You got your MFA at Columbia University. Who did you study with? Who made an impression on you?

JB: Well, I took workshops with Dan Halpern, and Stanley Kunitz to name a few. I really love Stanley. He was inspiring ... he got to the essence of poetry.

DH: Has poetry changed you?

JB: When I was young Emily Dickinson really had an effect on me. I loved her intensity ... what she did with a few short lines.

DH: You seem to be hyper-aware in your poems. I saw that in a number of poems in your collection – one that concerned a falcon that was killing a pigeon, and another about the anticipation of the onset of rain.

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DH: I have noticed you won a grant from the St. Botolph Foundation for translation.

JB: Yes. I translated the work of Emilio Prados, a contemporary of Lorca. After the Spanish Civil War he went to Mexico. He published his own

JB: I am very aware – the rain, nature, etc. I think it is part of being a poet.

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