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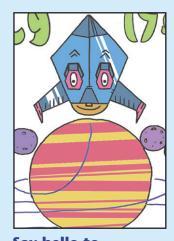
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# Brickbottom district to host 'ArtFarm'



ArtFarm promises to become a haven for the arts and a focal point for Somerville's creative community.

#### By Sarah Levine

The area of Somerville near the Brickbottom district and Poplar Street used to be something that Somerville would not be proud to call its own. Home to a waste transfer station, residents often complained of rodents and unpleasant odors.

Thanks to generous grants from Artplace America and The Massachusetts Cultural Council, along with the hard work and dedication of the Somerville Arts Council since 2013, plans are underway to turn the space into something truly reflective of the artistic and community centered spirit of Somerville. Given the name ArtFarm, the location will be home to open spaces of grass, art studios, shops, a cafe,

Peter Marquez, calling himself a "long time Somerville resident," said at a Wednesday night meeting that the title of ArtFarm was born when the people of Somerville got together to develop an idea for a place

# Legendary British folk rock band to Span generations at Johnny D's

#### By Blake Maddux

Steeleye Span released its first album in 1970 and soon joined Pentangle and Fairport Convention as one of the prime purveyors of British folk rock.

Four and a half decades and innumerable line-up changes later, lead singer Maddy Prior continues to record and tour with the band, which released its most recent album, Wintersmith, in 2013.

One of the relative newcomers to the sextet is Julian Littman. Born in 1953 to an Irish mother and Indian father, Littman was adopted at birth. He began working on the British children's program Rainbow in 1973. Since then, he has remained consistently busy in television, movies, theater, and music. Among those with whom he has worked are Pete Townshend, David Bowie, Richard and Linda Thompson, Gerry Rafferty, Dexy's Midnight Runners, Sheena Easton (for



whom he co-wrote the 1984 Continued on page 17 Steeleye Span, with Julian Littman on guitar and vocals, will be rocking Johnny D's on Friday, July 24.

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Art Beat 2015 is happening this weekend starting on Friday the 17th, 6:00-10:00 p.m. and again on Saturday the 18th, 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. in Davis Square. This year's festival theme is Loops. Line up and content is looping in, check it out. Art Beat is one of the area's largest and most innovative arts festivals, with over a dozen bands, dance troupes, 75 craft vendors, food and loop-themed activities. Let's celebrate all things that loop, encircle, repeat and play back in endless cycles. Various artists and community members explore how looping - the repetition of a pattern, sound or idea - informs a work of art or a concept. "Loops" evoke many things: music that repeats a riff throughout an entire song or performance, dance in which movement suggests circles, looping film shorts, and cylindrical visual works of art. They will be celebrating circles and all things loops in the Davis Square block repeatedly throughout the festival as well as theatrical performances in which scenes are repeated in Groundhog Day-esque fashion. It's time to abandon linear thinking! It's time to loop back.

A Somerville institution and a great man, Dennis "Danny" Kallis passed away last Sunday from a heart attack. We extend our condolences to his wife Denise, as well as his entire family and friends. Danny was a great guy. He operated Dapper Dan's Restaurant at the Assembly Square Mall back in the 80's, and was recently part of the Armory on Highland. A well respected businessman here in the city, he will be missed. Look on our website this week for time and place arrangements. Calling hours Thursday, July 16, from 4-8 pm.

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Rumors are flying over the sudden removal of the Director of Veterans Services, Christian Kulikoski. Apparently, from what we hear, he ticked off the administration and was against the move to place the department within the Health & Human Services Department. We heard from several sources he was told that because he objected the move he would be out of a job by Labor Day. We guess he really ticked them off because he was gone by

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# TheSomervilleTimes.com Comments of the Week

#### Response to: Love wins

#### Gail Thornton says:

Yes, it's a great victory for equality. It shows that we are growing and evolving as a people, in spite of the efforts of those who just can't see how wrong this sort of discrimination is. Score one for love.

#### Rachel Klein says:

The Supreme Court decision is a great victory indeed. That, along with sustaining the Affordable Care Act, confirms that we can as a nation rise above the petty, regressive biases that have plagued us so badly in recent years. Time to celebrate!

#### Molly says:

Cheers to the Supreme Court for doing the right thing on a couple of extremely important issues. It proves that right can prevail in spite of the efforts of the regressives.

#### Susan Lassiter says:

This is a great achievement for sure. Harrah for the brave justice(s) who jumped the reservation and did the right thing for once.

#### Jack the Destroyer says:

You betcha. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K5G1FmU-ldg:)

#### Melinda Stiles says:

It's kind of scary to think there are still so many in our land who do not get it. Thank God the Supremes got it. Now it's time to educate the haters.

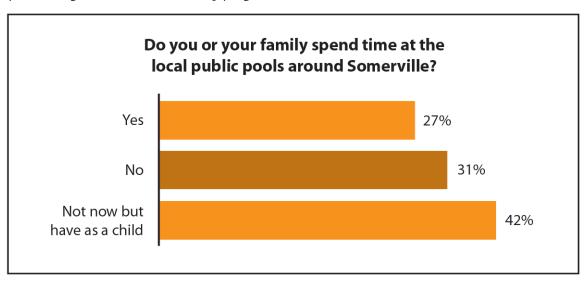
#### Randy Miller says:

I love it that not one negative comment has been made on this issue. You read about so much hate and intolerance of same sex marriage, but I'm not finding it in our community. It shows how people with widely divergent political and social views can agree on matters pertaining to fundamental human rights. God bless Somerville and all the forward thinking folks who recognize a good thing when it happens.

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## TheSomervilleTimes.com poll of the week

In addition to breaking news, sports and opinion, TheSomervilleTimes.com also features a daily poll in which you, the reader, tell us where you come down on local issues. Last week's poll concerned your views on whether or not you or your family spend time at the local public pools around Somerville. If you don't agree with the results, simply log onto TheSomervilleTimes.com.





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# **Board of Aldermen weighs public safety** and neighbor concerns

#### By Josie Grove

The Finance Committee, Committee of the Whole, of the Board of Aldermen held a public hearing on Monday, July 6, addressing the proposal requesting an Order of Taking of real estate property at 515 Somerville Ave. to provide for the relocation of the Fire Department from its current facility in Union Square.

In the controversy surrounding the proposed fire station at 515 Somerville Ave., Alderman Maryann Heuston's priorities are clear: "What's best for public safety and response times in Ward 2 and Ward 3." Heuston represents Ward 2, which includes the fire station's potential location. It will be several months before the aldermen decide on the proposal from the city administration to buy the property via eminent domain. The Board of Aldermen voted last week to keep the proposal in committee while they collected more information.

The fire station has inspired a vocal opposition, organized into a group called Save Spring Hill. Last week, this group and other neighbors packed the Aldermanic Chambers for a public hearing on the matter, with several people speaking for and against the fire station. Heuston said this was the most hotly con-

tested issue she has seen at City Hall in almost ten years.

Opponents of the fire station are concerned about how it would affect their homes and businesses. Many opponents live and work very near the site, and worry that a fire station would cause their property values to decrease, and that it would fail to draw people into the area. Mayor Joseph Curtatone denied that property values decreased around fire stations. "People's investments are sound," he said. "Any property available in the city, there's a line out the door of people who want to purchase it."

Save Spring Hill's leaders own a business on the same block of Somerville Ave. "Many of us live near the property and are concerned about our property values and quality of life, but our concerns are shared throughout the city," reads the group's website.

At the public hearing, traffic on Somerville Ave. was the chief concern for opponents of the fire station. Several people believed that traffic would adversely affect response times, despite assurances from Fire Chief Patrick Sullivan. Alderman Heuston pushed back against the idea that there would be a less-busy location for the fire station. "Where in Somerville is there not a lot of traffic?" she asks.



Area residents took advantage of the opportunity to voice their opinions on the proposed placement of a new fire station at the 515 Somerville Ave. location recommended by Mayor Curtatone and Fire Department officials.

Alderman Heuston said she has received about the same number of comments on both sides of the issue. "It's running about fifty-fifty," she said, noting that some neighbors would rather have a fire station than a residential development. "Some people supporting it are a little skeptical about what's going to be there instead of a fire station," said Heuston, pointing out that a large residential building could create as much noise and traffic as a fire station.

Tom Ross, President of Firefighters Local 76, supports the proposal. He said that the fire department needs more space to accommodate equipment, and to train firefighters. "This is a terrific opportunity to make these improvements," said Ross of the city's proposal.

Jay Colbert, Secretary-Treasurer of the Professional Firefighters of Massachusetts, echoed Ross' calls for more infrastructure, and supported a fire station at 515 Somerville Ave. "Public safety in this city is a challenge. Fighting fires in this city is a big challenge," he said, citing the density and bad traffic throughout Somerville. "We need infrastructure improvements, and this is the perfect locale for that."

Those improvements will not come quickly. The Board of Aldermen voted last Tuesday to keep the proposal in committee, neither accepting nor rejecting it. "We're going to have to weigh a lot of factors," said Heuston. "Nothing is going to move very quickly with this fire station."

One of the things that will take the most time is the matrix study .The city will use this study to determine the best place for a fire station based on response times."I am very much interested in getting that study," said Heuston. "One of my primary concerns will be what is best for response times. I think public health and public safety comes first in my mind. You have to make decisions based on those considerations."

The Board of Aldermen will discuss the matter this fall. Somerville residents who want to make their voices heard still have a chance. "I'm still taking phone calls," said Heuston.

Representatives of Save Spring Hill did not return repeated calls for comments in this article.

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# Somerville's Comicazi going to Boston Comic Con

By Tom Bannister

Comicazi of Somerville will participate as a vendor in the upcoming Boston Comic Con, which will take place at the Seaport World Trade Center from Friday July 31 through Sunday August 2, 2015. Boston Comic Con includes celebrity guests, artist meet-and-greets, a film festival, a costume contest, a comic art auction, Cosplay Harbor Dinner Cruise and an official after-party with Laugh Boston.

"We are thrilled to have Comicazi join us this year as we are

expecting more artists, collectors, vendors, and fans at Boston Comic Con than ever before," said Founder and Co-Promoter of Boston Comic Con, Nick Kanieff. "Comic fans are always excited to see their local shops participate in the festivities and with our convention full of action packed events and meet and greet opportunities, we are looking forward to the most exciting and successful convention yet."

Tickets will only be sold online, not at the door. General admission and 3-day passes are on sale now, as are tickets for celebrity photo ops. Boston



Comic Con is also accepting entries for this year's film festival. Friday's events run from 12 p.m. - 8 p.m., Saturday's events run from 10 a.m. - 7 p.m., and Sunday will be 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

For info on ticket sales please visit: www.bostoncomiccon.com.

# By Jim Clark

# Memory buff couldn't come up with

Police officers were dispatched to the Target store on Somerville Ave. after reports of a shoplifter being detained were called in.

Upon arrival, officers were met by store Loss Prevention personnel and advised that the man being detained, later identified as Michael Taylor, had been observed slicing open packages and placing merchandise in his pockets.

Eyewitness accounts were noted and police were advised that Taylor had been spotted on the video surveillance system as he opened packages and concealed their contents on his person, police said.

The officers conducted a pat down of Taylor and reportedly discovered a double edge box cutter type razor blade along with two memory disks that were removed from their packages. The disks reportedly had a cumulative value of \$74.98.

No identification was found on Taylor and when asked who he was he reportedly refused to say.

The officers asked him repeatedly to identify himself but he would not do so, according to reports.

Faced with no other option, police placed Taylor under arrest and charged him with shoplifting by asportation.

His identity was later confirmed during the booking process.

#### stranger' unwelcome

Police responded to a report of a car break in at a Norfolk St. residence last Thursday evening. Arriving officers spoke to the victim, who told them he had

just returned home from the

bakery and left his car doors unlocked. He reportedly stated that when he returned to the car a few moments later to retrieve some items he found a woman, identified as Robin Partee, of

Cambridge, sitting in the driver's seat, rummaging through his belongings.

The victim said that he then pulled Partee out of his car, but she insisted on going back inside

because she had left her backpack in there. At that point he reportedly called the police.

According to reports, the police officers felt that Partee was intoxicated and the got nowhere when attempting to question her.

She was subsequently placed under arrest and charged with misdemeanor breaking and entering.

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#### **Arrests**:

Lorenzo Perkins, of 46 Theodore St., Mattapan, July 6, 8:40 a.m., arrested at Linden St. on warrant charges of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, marked lanes violation, and speeding.

Linda Hennessey, of 10 Russell St. Cambridge, July 6, 11:04 a.m., arrested on a warrant charge of unarmed robbery.

Elija Lewis-Jean, of 28 Ripley Rd., Boston, July 7, 9:02 a.m., arrested at Broadway on a charges of possession of a class D drug, no inspection sticker, open alcohol container, and operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license, and on a

warrant charge of possession of a class B drug.

Marcel Camelier, of 449 Ferry St., Everett, July 7, 12:40 p.m., arrested at Broadway on warrant charges of state highway traffic violation and unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

Brian Howell, of 277 Bunker Hill St., Charlestown, July 7, 6:13 p.m., arrested at Broadway on a charge of resisting arrest.

Laura McNally, of 39 Boyleston St., Boston, July 9, 12:02 p.m., arrested at Middlesex Ave. on a charge of larceny over \$250.

Robin Partee, of 113 Hampshire St., Cambridge, July 9, 6:13 p.m., arrested at Norfolk St. on a charge of misdemeanor breaking and entering.

Kyle St. Martin, of 20 Vincent Ave., Worcester, July 10, 12:01 p.m., arrested at Alewife Brook Pkwy. on warrant charges of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, failure to stop or yield, and motor vehicle light violation.

James Coco, of 40 Harvard St., July 10, 6:55 p.m., arrested at Cummings St. on warrant charges of possession of a class B drug, operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license, and unregistered motor vehicle.

Jesse Batista, of 256 Market St., Lowell, July 10, 6:57 p.m., arrested at Mystic Ave. on a charge of conspiracy to violate drug law.

Angel Borrero, of 22 Floyd St., Lowell, July 10, 6:57 p.m., arrested at Mystic Ave. on charges of conspiracy to violate drug law and drug possession to distribute.

Nelito Oliveira, of 286 Lexington St., East Boston, July 11, 11:13 a.m., arrested at Cross St. on charges of drug violation near a school and drug possession to distribute.

Mary Florentino, of 20 Charlestown St., July 12, 8:57 p.m., arrested at Somerville Ave. on warrant charges of operation of a motor vehicle with suspended registration, unregistered motor vehicle, and uninsured motor vehicle.

Michael Taylor, of 20 Charlestown St., July 12, 8:57 p.m., arrested at Somerville Ave. on a charge of shoplifting by asportation.

Jose Hernandez, of 3 Royces Pl., July 1 3, 3:57 a.m., arrested at Pearl St. on a charge of violation of city ordinance possession of a dangerous weapon and on a warrant charge of indecent assault and battery on a person 14 or older.

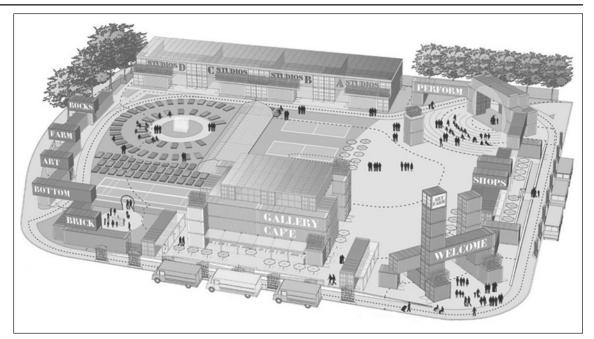
Tonis Perez-Melgar, of 10A Memorial Rd., July 13, 3:57 a.m., arrested at Pearl St. on a charge of violation of city ordinance possession of a dangerous weapon.

#### Brickbottom district to host 'ArtFarm' **CONT. FROM PG 1**

that would "cultivate art, grow the community and really show who we are in Somerville." It would be a model of what an open space could be, "especially as part of a growing and competitive part of the country."

According to Marquez, the facility will begin construction as early as next year and will feature 65,000 square feet of open space, 32,000 square feet of space for art projects, 50-55 artist studios, and a yearround theater, cafe, and gallery. There will be room for food trucks and shops that grow local businesses and hopefully will draw people from out of town to Somerville in addition to giving the city's residents a family focused and community centered open space. Plans are even underway for a mini-museum highlighting the Brickbottom district to showcase the progress that the area has made.

The plans underway for the carbon neutral site are also purposefully being made as sustainable and as good for the community as possible. With solar roofs, room to plant flowers and vegetables, year-round meeting and gathering spaces, and youth and educational programs, the ArtFarm is focused on community utility or "making it useful for the whole city."



plans for "pop up activities" to center and the good things it

Throughout 2015, there are get a taste for the community

has in store for the future of Somerville.

# State FY 2016 Budget to include funding for Mystic River preservation

#### By Rebecca Danvers

According to information provided by Senator Patricia Jehlen, Representative Denise Provost, Representative Christine Barber, and Representative Tim Toomey, two crucial appropriations for the Mystic River were included in the legislature's final FY 2016 Budget. Both the \$250,000 requested for the Mystic River Master Plan and the \$100,000 requested for the Mystic River Aquatic Invasive Species Control were fully funded for the upcoming fiscal year.

"I'm proud that we were able to secure appropriations for the implementation of the Mystic River Master Plan and for water chestnut removal" said Representative Barber (D-Somerville). "This funding will go toward restoring, preserving, and beautifying our Mystic River and will allow for greater enjoyment by residents of Medford, Somerville and the surrounding areas."

am extremely pleased with the funding directed toward the Mystic River in the FY'16 budget," said Senator Jehlen (D-Somerville). "This is a tremendous opportunity to improve the Mystic and its surrounding areas. We can revitalize the watershed and finally restore this wonderful resource to its full potential."

The Mystic River Reservation was one of the original five reservations delineated by the Metropolitan Park Commission in 1893. It is enjoyed by runners, dog-walkers, bird-watchers, pho-

tographers, boaters, and many more who live and visit the surrounding communities. Unfortunately, the once-beautiful waterfront parks along the Mystic have since fallen into disrepair and need substantial updating and restoration.

The Mystic River Master Plan outlines comprehensive provements to more than 370 acres of the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) and park system. These improvements, when complete, will transform the park and the lives of more than 800,000 Massachusetts residents within easy reach of the park's amenities. The study area includes key public park space on the waterfront in several communities along the Mystic River including Medford and Somerville.

"Those appropriations, along with the passage of the Mystic River Water Quality Commission in the last session, show that the Mystic River is finally getting the attention it deserves" said Representative Provost (D-Somerville). "The new state park and development of Assembly Square have brought growing awareness of the river's potential."

"Funding for the Mystic River Master Plan will help activate valuable and extensive park space along the Mystic River and its tributaries," said EkOng-Kar Singh Khalsa, Executive Director of the Mystic River Watershed Association. "The clean-up of Boston Harbor and the Charles River highlight the



State funding will help preservation efforts for the Mystic River and its immediate environs.

value of investing in the Mystic River now. The Mystic offers the same promise: providing expansive, popular green space for residents of this highly urbanized environment."

The \$250,000 expenditure will allow DCR to complete design development plans and construction specifications for the park improvements that are delineated in detail in the Master Planning document. Once complete, these plans and permit drawings will provide DCR personnel with "shovel-ready" projects that can utilize funding when it becomes available. Money for projects like these often comes from private developers, lawsuit settlements, and state and federal government park improvement funds.

The additional \$100,000 will help to protect the Mystic River watershed from a non-native species called the water chestnut, which has already fully blanketed 30 acres of the Mystic with thick mats of vegetation. The water chestnut population in the river has increased by more than 3,000% over the past decade, and this growth will accelerate if the Department cannot expand its harvesting efforts.

"With support from this funding, invasive water chestnut can be effectively eliminated from the Mystic River within two or three years," said Khalsa. "In 2014, DCR, MyRWA, and its many partners succeeded in removing this noxious plant from

90% of the river - allowing for safe and unimpeded recreational use and protecting healthy river ecology. Continuing this important work will pay great dividends and honor the work and commitment by City and State agencies and thousands of volunteers."

"Completing the Mystic River Master Plan will pave the way for the revitalization of existing parkland and the creation of new open space on the Mystic riverfront," said Representative Toomey (D-Cambridge). "This investment, along with continued funding of invasive species control efforts, reflects the legislature's commitment to restoring the Mystic to its original beauty."

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# D.A.'s 'Summer Safety' campaign underway

#### By Rebecca Danvers

It was announced last week that Middlesex District Attorney Marian Ryan met with Cambridge Health Alliance's Chief of Pediatrics Gregory Hagan and Chief Community Officer Mary Cassesso at the CHA Windsor Street Care Center to raise awareness about summer safety for children.

CHA will partner with District Attorney Ryan as part of her annual "Summer Safety" educational campaign for parents, caretakers, and children by making materials available in



L to R: CHA Chief of Pediatrics Gregory Hagan, CHA Patient Snyder, Middlesex District Attorney Marian Ryan, CHA Chief Community Officer Mary Cassesso.

CHA waiting rooms that aim to prevent accidental child deaths or serious injury by promoting water safety, preventing window falls and reminding parents to never leave a child alone in a car.

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# **Davis Square gets loopy:** ArtBeat Festival takes place this weekend

#### By Amy Swain

Somerville is gearing up for the annual ArtBeat Festival in Davis Square. This event has been a Somerville staple since 1986. July 17 and 18 will see Davis Square transformed into a world of loopy expression and creativity - the theme of this year's event is "Loops."

Rachel Strutt, Somerville Art Council's Cultural Director, has been part of organizing the festival for thirteen years. Her excitement about this year's theme is that it is so open: "It's playful and can be interpreted in many ways."

On Friday, the 17th, beginning at 5:30 p.m., the excitement kicks off with Somerville's own School of

Honk street band on Traffic Island, and continues until 10:00 p.m on the Seven Hills Stage with comedy, visual, and melodic acts. Both days of the event are free, but a \$3 donation is suggested.

On Saturday, the 18th, Davis Square is shut down for the festivities, which open up at noon, starting with local singer/songwriter Rose Polenzani, and boasting many other musical acts including swing, indie, Brazilian reggae, dark groove, pop and even "galactic surf."

Beyond the music, Saturday's festivities will embrace many dance numbers, including expressive, belly dancing, and theatrical and kinetic dance styles from local as well as travelling companies. Also in attendance will be puppeteers, a one man band, and of course - hula hoopers.

Performances on Saturday will occur simultaneously on the Seven Hills and Elm Street stages, Traffic Island, and the Somerville Theater. During the organized performances, all day long, patrons can visit over 100 craft vendors, and the Nibble table culinary area, which includes purveyors of many different cultures and flavors. Other community organizations that will be participating all day include cheerleading, knitting/crocheting, Somerville's own Open Air Circus, and the M.U.S.C.R.A.T. bus, an area of Davis Square story-telling and free popcorn. The fun continues until 6:00 p.m.

For Rachel Strutt, the shining star is Ronald Regan, a sax duo that comes armed with cultural humor and wit. To see when and where they will be performing, as well as all of the other acts, visit somervilleartscouncil.org/ artbeat/2015/schedule.





#### 'Christmas in July' at LEGOLAND

Once a month, adults take over LEGOLAND Discovery Center Boston, 598 Assembly Row, in Somerville, for fun and games all with a LEGO twist. This month they're decking the halls and doing a "Christmas in July" theme on Wednesday, July 15, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Join in for a Fa-la-la good time with holiday-themed activities including a build-off and soft brick challenge. Dress up in your favorite holiday garb or ugly sweater and receive a raffle ticket for a chance to win great prizes.

In addition, to get into the holiday spirit, they will be raising money for LEGOLAND Discovery Center Boston's charity Merlin's Magic Wand, which provides magical experiences to ill, disabled or disadvantaged children.

Guests must be over 18 years old and food and adult beverages will be available for purchase.

Tickets: Online and Walk-up price: \$23. More info: https://www.legolanddiscoverycenter.com/boston/news-events/event/8102/adultnight-christmas-in-july.aspx



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#### Wednesday July 22

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## **Thursday July 23**

Mt Peru, Found Audio, Baxter Wolf 9 p.m.

#### Friday July 24

Tom Hagerty Acoustic Band 6 p.m. Hear Now Live presents Seismic Gaps, Alen of Dale, Big Bad Wolf \$10 cover 9 p.m.

#### **Saturday July 25**

BYOBluegrass Jam 2 p.m. Patsy Hamel Band 6 p.m. The Shambolics, Jay Berndt & The Orphans, Birch Hill Dam 9 p.m.

#### **Sunday July 26**

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Farro can also be referred to as spelt, emmer or einkorn, depending on the region where it's grown around Europe. It's commonly used in soups and salads in Italian cuisine. It is firm in texture and has a nutty flavor. For more information about this ancient grain, please check out this link, http://italianfood.about.com/library/rec/ blr0002.htm.

2 cups dried farro, prepare according to cooked)

3 large shallots 1/2" dice

1/2 medium butternut squash 1/2" cubed or 1 large sweet potato 1/2" cubed

1 medium fennel bulb 1/2" cubed, core removed

1 lemon, zested and juiced 6 Tbl olive oil, divided Salt 2 tsp, divided, plus 1/2 tsp Black pepper 1 tsp, divided 6 scallions, thinly sliced on the bias 1/2 cup fresh parsley, roughly chopped

Serves between 8-10

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Cook the farro according to package instructions and add 1 tsp of salt to the water. In a medium bowl, add the shallot, butternut squash or sweet potato and fennel. Add 3 Tbl of olpackage, (yields approximately 5 cups ive oil, 1/2 tsp salt and 1/2 tsp pepper to the bowl with the vegetables and mix well. Pour the mixture onto a lined baking sheet and spread out evenly. Roast for 18 minutes just until the squash is fork tender. Once the farro is drained and still hot, add the lemon zest and juice along with the remaining 3 tablespoons of olive oil and mix well. Add the vegetables and 1 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon pepper, parsley and scallions to the farro and carefully mix together not to break up the squash/sweet potato. The dish can be served hot or cold.

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#### **OBITUARY**

# **Dennis P. 'Danny' Kallis: 1945 – 2015**

Dennis P. "Danny" Kallis—70, Of Medford, formerly of Arlington. Suddenly on July 12, 2105.

Dan had a long career as a restaurateur as the owner and operator of The Rosebud, Coronet and Dapper Dan's Restaurants in Somerville, Demi's Santa Fe Grill and Charlie's in Ogunquit, Maine.

Danny was a real people person who loved fishing and spending time with his family and friends.

He was devoted husband of Denise R. Kallis.

Loving father of Peter D. Kallis of Great Barrington, and Demitra M. Kallis

of Medford.

Brother in law of Roland and Carol Racicot, Elizabeth and Ted Campo, Marie and Jim Cotter, Barbara and John Mobilia, Robert, David, John, Yvonne and the late Joseph Racicot.

Dear friend of John Bossi, Edward Houser and Milt Vargelis.

He is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews and extended relatives and friends.

Funeral Procession from the George L. Doherty Funeral Home 855 Broadway (Powder House Sq.) Somerville, Friday morning, July 17, 2015 at 9:00 am fol-

lowed by a Funeral Service in St. Athanasius the Great Greek Orthodox Church, Arlington at 10:00 am.

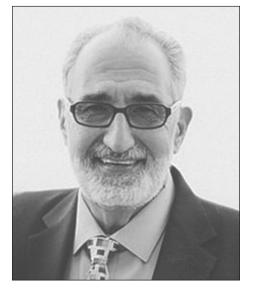
Relatives and friends are invited.

Calling Hours Thursday, July 16, 2015 from 4-8 pm.

Interment, Mt. Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge.

Late member of Arlington Touchdown Club.

Donations may be made in Dan's memory to Berkshire Meadows, for the benefit of his son Peter Kallis, at 249 North Plain Rd., Housatonic, MA 01236.



# **Veterans Services Director removed**

#### By Tom Bannister

Rumors are flying as to why the latest Director of Veterans Services has been placed on leave pending an investigation.

Sources have told us that the recent director Christian Kulikoski was removed because he was not in favor of moving the Veterans Services Department to the newly created Department of Health and Human Services.

Apparently, from what our sources have told us, the Di-

rector of the Department of Health and Human Services is not a veteran and cannot sign any documents relating to the department. The only ones who can at present are the mayor or the Veterans Services Director.

The Veterans Service Department, according to Massachusetts General Law, states that the Department must be independent and that the directors have to be veterans.

Every month the Department has to report to the Massachu-

setts Department of Veterans Services, answer to the mayor and city treasurer, and report to SomerStat.

Other sources told us that the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services was hired with a salary of \$110K, which is \$25K more than the former director. To justify this jump in salary to the Board of Aldermen, the city proposed that the two separate departments – The Council on Aging and Veterans Services – merge

under the newly named Department of Health and Human Services.

The Veterans Services Department cannot effectively do their job in receiving applications and offering benefits to local veterans at this time since it has no director at the moment.

One source has said that the Department is not in a position to assist any veterans right now on Veterans Administration case files.

The Board of Aldermen discussed this and was strongly



against the proposed move and wanted to keep it as it is as a separate department with a veteran as the Director. They even passed a resolution to the mayor unanimously.

# A reunion of some old friends from East Somerville

#### By Donald Norton

Last week, a long awaited reunion of a small group of Villens that hung out at the "Three Bells" pizza and sub shop across from the Bucket of Blood Bar took place.

The long time friends met and enjoyed each other's memories of growing up in Somerville together in the 1960's.

There were lots of laughs and memories. One member has not been seen by some of his old

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friends since 1968, when he was being shipped off the Vietnam.

It is funny how you grow up and those that you knew as friends grow up grow apart, but the friendship never dies.

It was like it was yesterday when everyone saw each other. The guys have been around Somerville for the better part of the past 50 years in one way or another, but have moved in different circles.

Memories were shared of the days when they would sit in the Three Bells, play handball down back behind the Bucket of Blood, move around the area on Washington Street drag racing in some of the best vintage cars the 50's had to offer us in the 60's.

We talked about those who have passed away over the years. Some went to war, others married and moved away, and then came back. New friends were made and life went on.

Little reunions like this can be had and memories are such that it made for a great night at Sally



Pictured left to right: Rick Clark, Artie Mason, Russell "Rusty" Smith, Bob McGowan and Donald Norton.

O'Brien's on Somerville Avenue. A meeting with some others who grew up between Mt. Vernon and Myrtle is being planned for August.

What a great feeling it was to see old friends, spark great conversations and listen to our travels throughout the past 50 years or so.

Somerville was a far different city then. We never knew we were poor, we had lots of things to take up our time and we all enjoyed each other.

One thing that was mentioned out of all the kids in the 60's that grew up across from the Bucket of Blood, no one ever had a bad thought or fought each other in the group. Everyone enjoyed each other's company then and equally now, 50 years later.

Old friendships never die, they are just put on hold sometimes for a long time until reunions like this happen and then the memories flood in.

By the way, it was Facebook that reconnected us.

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Our Legislators in the House and Senate for Somerville:



Rep. Christine Barber

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



Rep. Denise Provost

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



Rep. Timothy Toomey

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



#### Sen. Patricia Jehlen

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

THE HOUSE AND SENATE: Beacon Hill Roll Call records local representatives' and senators' votes on roll calls from the week of July 6-10.

\$38.1 BILLION FISCAL 2016 STATE BUDGET

(H 3650)

House 153-1, Senate 31-5 and then 36-0, approved and sent to Gov. Charlie Baker a conference committee's compromise version of a \$38.1 billion fiscal 2016 state budget. Baker has ten days to sign the budget and to veto sections of it. It would then take a two-thirds vote of the House and Senate to override the veto. The conference committee version was hammered out after the House and Senate each approved different versions of the budget.

In the end, the changes in tax policy included in the Senate version of the budget but not in the House one did not make it into this compromise version. In addition to freezing the income tax at 5.15 percent instead of letting it drop to as low as 5 percent over the next few years, the Senate version also would have raised personal income tax exemptions.

The budget includes a provision that permanently eliminates a 2008 tax break for multinational corporations that has never been implemented. It also increases the earned income tax credit for low-income working families with children living at home from 15 percent of the federal credit to 23 percent of the federal credit. The credit is applied toward the taxpayer's liability, and if it exceeds the liability, the taxpayer receives the excess credit as a refund.

Another interesting provision that flew beneath the radar is a \$10,000 two-part pay raise for the eight elected members of the Governor's Council. A \$5,000 hike would bring their current salary of \$26,025 to \$31,025 almost immediately, and then another \$5,000 hike to \$36,025 would take place in January. The Governor's Council screens and votes on the confirmation of the governor's judicial appointments and votes on requests for pardons and commutations of sentences.

The budget includes many reforms at the MBTA and gives Gov. Baker the increased authority over the operation that he has long been seeking. The most controversial provision in the compromise version turned out to be the temporary three-year suspension of the 1993 "Pacheco Law" as it relates to the MBTA. The law regulates the privatization of state services that cost more than \$200,000. It includes several requirements including mandating that a state agency compare the cost of using a private company to the cost of the services if the current state employees were to work in the most cost-efficient manner rather than to the actual current cost. The state auditor also has the final say and can reject a contract that he or she determines has not met all of the requirements or is "not in the public interest."

Supporters of suspending the "Pacheco Law" said it is so restrictive that it has virtually stopped the privatization of state services and cost the state millions of dollars. They argued that private companies can often provide services at a lower cost than the state. They noted that suspension of the law for the MBTA would allow more privatization of MBTA services and save millions of dollars that could be used to fund local aid and other important programs.

Opponents of suspending it said that prior to passage of the law, former Gov. William Weld's administration implemented extensive privatization of state services without any oversight or regulation of the process. They argued the suspension is clearly anti-union and noted that the law has worked well and is designed to ensure that the quality of privately delivered services is equal to

services that would be delivered by the state. They noted that since the law was passed in 1993, a majority of privatization requests by the MBTA have been approved.

Supporters of the budget said it is a balanced one that makes vital investments in the state while continuing fiscal responsibility.

Opponents of the budget mainly objected to the suspension of the "Pacheco Law."

There were two votes on the budget in the Senate and one in the House. The Senate approved the compromise version on a 31-5 vote and then on a unanimous 36-0 vote gave it final approval. The House voted 153-1 in favor of the compromise version and then gave it final approval on a voice vote without a roll call.

Sen. Jamie Eldridge (D-Acton), one of the five senators who voted for and then against the budget, said that the vote against it was a vote against the suspension of the "Pacheco Law," which he said will further privatize the MBTA and potentially cut the wages and benefits of workers. He said he voted in favor of final approval of the budget because he supported the entire budget as a whole.

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

Rep. Christine Barber Yes
Rep. Denise Provost Yes
Rep. Timothy Toomey Yes
Sen. Patricia Jehlen Yes/Yes

#### ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

**2,478 STATE WORKERS RETIRE EARLY** - The final figures are in, and the State Retirement Board has processed 2,478 applications from state workers for early retirement, 45 percent fewer than the 4,500 that supporters had predicted. Gov. Charlie Baker in early May signed into law a bill creating the Employee Retirement Incentive Program that offers early retirement to thousands of state workers in the executive branch. In order to qualify, a worker must have minimum of 20 years of service or be at least 55 years of age.

The top three departments with the most retirees were the Departments of Revenue, Transitional Assistance and Public Health. The fewest retirees were from the Division of Professional Licensure and the Departments of Agriculture Services and Youth Services.

PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION (H 2583) - The House gave initial approval to a bill providing up to a \$2,500 property tax exemption for taxpayers who serve as volunteer call or auxiliary firefighters and emergency medical technicians. The exemption would be available only in cities and towns that adopt this local option law.

**PUBLIC HOUSING AND VETERANS** - The Housing Committee will hold a public hearing on July 28 at 10 a.m. in room A-2 at the Statehouse on legislation to give veterans preference in renting all state-subsidized housing (H 1095).

Supporters say that these brave soldiers who risked their lives and often returned home wounded deserve to have priority over others in securing state-funded housing.

Another bill on the agenda would require all current

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tenants and new applicants for subsidized housing to provide their social security number and for the housing agency to verify the number (H 1092).

Supporters say it is outrageous that currently people can get subsidized housing without producing a social security number. They noted this must stop so that people who are verified and struggling can get this valuable housing.

Opponents said this would take housing away from immigrants including people who were granted temporary status from Haiti, Sudan and Syria, and those who suffered from domestic violence, torture and crime in their country.

OTHER HOUSING MEASURES - Other bills that will be heard by the Housing Committee on July 28 include establishing a program that would provide up to \$2,500 to cover closing costs for income-eligible firsttime homebuyers (S 721); creating a home loan program for first responders who are required to live within a minimum distance from the municipality they serve (S 713); and establishing a bill of rights for homeless persons. This bill of rights prohibits denial of any person's rights, privileges or access to public services solely because he or she is homeless. Specifics include guaranteeing a homeless person's right to use and move freely in public spaces, including sidewalks, parks and public transportation buildings; equal treatment by all state and municipal agencies; emergency medical care; the right to vote; and a reasonable expectation of privacy of his or her personal property to the same extent as if he or she were in a permanent residence.

2015 SALES TAX HOLIDAY (H 2634) - The Revenue Committee will hold a public hearing on July 21 at 10 a.m. in room A-1 at the Statehouse on legislation allowing consumers to buy most products that cost under \$2,500 on Saturday, August 15, and Sunday, August 16, without paying the state's 6.25 percent sales tax.

Supporters of the bill say that the holiday would boost retail sales and noted that consumers over the past several years have saved millions of dollars during similar tax-free holidays. They argued that the state's sales tax revenue loss would be offset by increased revenue from the meals and gas tax revenue generated by shoppers on those two days.

Some opponents of the bill say the state cannot afford the up to \$40 million revenue loss and argued the holiday actually generates little additional revenue for stores because consumers would buy the products even without the tax-free days. They argue that the Legislature should be looking at broader, deeper tax relief for indi-

education and other program cuts made over the past in the budget. few years.

TAX "JUNK FOOD" (H 2575) - Also on the Revenue Committee's July 21 agenda is a bill titled "An Act to Reduce Childhood Obesity." It imposes the state's 6.25 percent sales tax on the sale of candy, and soft drinks, both currently exempt.

Supporters say this will help reduce the consumption of junk food, especially by children. They noted junk food costs the health service millions of dollars every year.

Opponents argue the tax is another example of big government unnecessarily interfering in people's lives. They say this is a slippery slope that will lead to more taxes on other unhealthy food

MAKE MORE "STUFF" TAX-FREE - Several proposals before the Revenue Committee on July 21 offer exemptions for certain items from the state's 6.25 percent sales tax. These exemptions include used books and other items sold by libraries for the purpose of raising money to be used for the libraries (H 2536); any retail sale made within 10 miles of the New Hampshire border (H 2619); gun safes and trigger locks (H 2626); original and creative work, written, composed created and sold by a writer, composer or artist (H 2697); medical alert services like Lifeline's "I've fallen and can't get up" (H 2624); artisan products sold in a cultural district, a geographical area of a city or town with a concentration of cultural facilities located within it (H 3292); and boats built or rebuilt and delivered in Massachusetts (S 1486).

**QUOTABLE QUOTES** — Special "What they are saying about approval of the \$38.1 billion fiscal 2016 state budget" edition

"Over the last decade, new HIV diagnoses in Massachusetts have plateaued around 700 per year. This renewed investment in fighting HIV/AIDS will help the state break through that plateau and get to zero new infections." — Carl Sciortino, executive director of AIDS Action Committee, on the increased funding of HIV/AIDS programs in the budget.

"Restoring funding to these agencies will help ensure that our water bodies are healthy, fishable, and swimmable; our state parks and beaches are open, staffed, and well-maintained; and we're resilient to a changing climate." — Environmental League of Massachusetts Legislative Director Erica Mattison, arguing there is insufficient funding for the environment in the budget.

"These major steps, if approved, will go a long way to preventing the types of commuter hardships we saw this viduals and businesses and not a tiny tax-free holiday. past winter at the transit system that is vital to commut-Others say that legislators should not vote for this tax ers and our economy." — GOP Senate Minority Leader

"We are ... concerned about the budget provision repealing the ... business tax deduction ... The deduction was designed to offset business tax increases. Eliminating the deduction now will hurt our credibility and the predictability of our business climate." — James Rooney, president and CEO of the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce, on a budget provision that permanently eliminates a 2008 tax break for multinational corporations that has never been implemented.

"It appears that our elected representatives, for the most part ... decided to respect their constituents' mandate on the 2000 ballot and allow the roll back of the 'temporary' income tax hike of 1989 to proceed." — Chip Ford of Citizens for Limited Taxation on the conference committee's decision not to include a freezing of the income tax at 5.15 percent but instead letting it drop to as low as 5 percent over the next few years.

#### 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 July 6-10, the House met for a total of five hours and 51 minutes and the Senate met for a total of 12 hours and 15 minutes.

Mon. July 6	House 11:00 a.m. to 11:09 a.m.
	Senate 11:02 a.m. to 11:16 a.m.
Tues. July 7	House 2:12 p.m. to 3:58 p.m.
	Senate 1:00 p.m. to 6:25 p.m.
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Wed. July 8	House 1:28 p.m. to 5:19 p.m.
	Senate 11:06 a.m. to 5:29 p.m.
Thurs. July 9	House 11:03 a.m. to 11:09 a.m.
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	Senate 11:01 a.m. to 11:14 a.m.
Fri. July 10	No House session
- ,	No Senate session

holiday when they have not yet restored all the local aid, Bruce Tarr (R-Gloucester) on the MBTA reforms included Bob Katzen welcomes feedback at bob@beaconhillrollcall.com

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# **COMMENTARY**

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# Shopping local supports community and economy



#### By Joseph A. Curtatone

Winter may seem like a distant memory at this point, but our local businesses are still feeling its effects. So last month the City teamed up with the Chamber of Commerce, Somerville Local First, and the East Somerville and Union Square Main Streets organizations to hold the SomerBliss promotion to encourage people to shop local and help our local retailers put a difficult winter behind them. Now we're into July, which is Independent Retailer Month and another occasion to support our local businesses. But really, we shouldn't need a special event to support our local businesses. We should always take advantage of their offerings when we can. Because they are the lifeblood of our vibrant streets, our thriving local economy, and our safe community. And like our residents, local businesses embody what's great about Somerville: Our dogged persistence, our diversity, and how we help and support one another.

So while you do your part to shop, dine and seek services locally, we'll do ours. To start, we're investing even more into supporting our local businesses. The Board of Aldermen recently approved an additional \$150,000 for our Commercial Property Improvement Program. Since 2008, the City has invested approximately half a million dollars in storefront improvement projects through this program, which reimburses business owners who upgrade the outside front of their businesses to make our streets more appealing and draw in more customers. The program has been restricted up to this point because we've used federal grants that are earmarked specifically for low- and moderate-income neighborhoods within the city. But if our home rule petition passes at the state level, we'll be able to offer this successful program citywide, which is important because some cash-strapped businesses are located in the more affluent areas of town and they too need our support.

We're also making targeted changes to make it easier for businesses to start and oper-

ate. We're now allowing them to apply for permits and licenses—and renewals—through our online CitizenServe portal. Our proposed zoning overhaul seeks to create incentives for small local businesses and encourage more by creating spaces for neighborhood corner stores, the arts and creative economy, and fabrication. We've also launched a pilot small business assistance program in Winter Hill and Magoun Square, providing technical assistance and implementation support for local businesses, and our partners at US2 are funding the program in Union Square as well. Our dedicated small business-to-City liaison can guide business owners through these programs and connect them with more, and assistance for business owners who speak Portuguese, Haitian Creole and Spanish is also available thanks to City Communications staff in the SomerViva Language Liaison program.

The diversity of our businesses is a reflection of what makes Somerville and this country great. It speaks to the dreams of so many who came to these shores seeking a better life for their families, and the opportunity to create and own something. Their dreams become

part of the fabric of a neighborhood. We like to talk about placemaking in Somerville, about how we can best make our public spaces inviting and vibrant spaces for our community. It's why we're committed to making Somerville the most walkable and bikeable city in the nation. Local businesses are a huge part of that, too. They draw people into our public spaces, fill our sidewalks with people and make our squares and neighborhoods vibrant and safe. The more people out and about shopping, dining, and running errands, the better to prevent crime. And local independent businesses make our squares and neighborhoods stand apart, giving them a character all their own. When you look around and see businesses that you've never seen anywhere else, you know you're in Somerville.

Local businesses lend to our community's unique character. They also lend themselves to supporting one another and a stronger local economy. We've been fortunate in Somerville that businesses small and big, local and national have been terrific partners, helping us with community events and programs. Not every city is so lucky. Nu-

merous studies have shown that money spent at independent retailers stays in the community longer and is spent several times more at other local businesses, while money spent at national chains quickly circulates out of the community.

Why does this happen? Research firm Civic Economic has studied this effect in numerous communities and finds that independent businesses spend more on local labor, local goods for resale, and services from other local businesses. For instance, a Civic Economic study in Salt Lake City found that local retailers returned 52 percent of their revenue to the local economy compared to only 14 percent for national chains, and local restaurants returned 79 percent of their revenue compared to 30 percent for chain restaurants. When you shop local, you're not only supporting one local business-you're supporting all of them. This is one reason why our proposed zoning ordinance seeks to only permit chains and big-box stores by special permit. Not every chain in and of itself is a bad thing, but we want to put a check in place to make sure that the businesses in Somerville are right for our community and our local economy. Continued on page 17

#### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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Union Square Neighbors encourages restoration of historic Eberle Building in Union Square as US2 moves in

Union Square Neighbors (USN), a grassroots, independent neighborhood association comprised of residents and stakeholders in Union Square congratulates the US2 master developer team on their recently announced plans to partner with WorkBar and establish a joint office and co-working space in Union Square on the ground floor of the historic Eberle Building at 31-34 Union Square.

Establishing a physical presence in Union Square was an important criterion during the selection process for a Master Developer, and we are glad that US2 has chosen to locate in one of Union Square's most prominent historic commercial buildings in the middle of Union

Square's existing commercial district. Their partnership with WorkBar is a positive step towards their commitment to helping establish Union Square as an employment center. US2 has also committed to helping preserve the historical character and authenticity that everybody loves about Union Square today, and part of realizing this commitment should include helping encourage the preservation and restoration of the part of the building they are occupying.

The Eberle Building is one of the few surviving examples of late 19th Century commercial architecture in Union Square, a period of time not so different from today when Union Square underwent significant growth as a result of improvements in streetcar lines and new businesses locating here. Erected in 1884 by the German businessman Philip Eberle who lived

nearby on Columbus Street, the building is also an example of the significant contributions of immigrants to the area's late 19th-century development.

US2 and WorkBar will occupy the larger retail space on the ground floor, and the smaller space remains occupied by Third Life Studio. Other stores that have been located here over the years include Elegant Furniture, the Backer Hardware Company and the Modern Furniture Company. The top floor housed a meeting hall which was used as meeting space for numerous social and fraternal organizations that flourished in the late 19th Century. Years later, the top floor was used as a dance hall. Unfortunately, today this fantastic space is being used only for storage, and a 2011 study commissioned by the City found that significant work is needed to undertake a full restoration and bring the space up to modern building code requirements, which the current owners have not done.

The Eberle Building remains the best preserved of the large commercial buildings that are left in Union Square, and has been recommended as eligible listing in the National Register of Historic Places by the Massachusetts Historic Commission. This would be among the most important buildings in a future Union Square Historic District.

Remarkably, the ornate wood and glass storefront on the ground floor has survived largely intact, though it has fallen into disrepair after years of neglect by the building owner. The richly detailed windows and panels are a unique part of Union Square's character and a really nice part of walking down this street.

In its current condition, the existing storefront likely needs

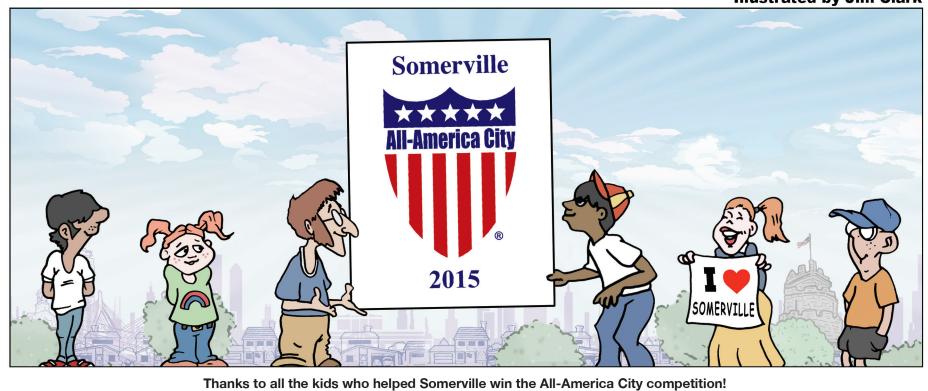
significant restoration work or replacement, and it would be a shame if the owners of the building elected to take the cheapest route and replace the historic storefront with generic windows. Given the changes that are anticipated around the Union Square neighborhood in the years to come, it is important to balance the new with conservation of a sense of the historic neighborhood where appropriate and where possible. We encourage the owners of the Eberle Building to undertake a historically sensitive renovation of the storefront, and hope that US2's occupancy and investment in the space they are leasing can act as a catalyst for a full restoration of the building in the future.

Signed, Tim Talun, Chairman of Union Square Neighbors

# COMMENTARY

# SIGNS OF THE TIMES

# Illustrated by Jim Clark



**Our View Of The Times** 



Even though it has been over a month since the City of Somerville was chosen as All-America City by the National Civic League, many here are still basking in the afterglow of victory.

We especially take pride in the magnificent job our delegation to the competition did in representing us, while ultimately bringing home the award and the special sense of accomplishment it stands for.

At the core of this team there stood a special group of individuals who gave fully of themselves and won over the hearts and minds of those who judged the competition. That group was the team of talented and thoughtful kids from The Center for Teen Empowerment.

This great youth organizing and social change program has sites in Somerville, Roxbury, and Dorchester, MA, and in

Rochester, NY. At each site, Teen Empowerment hires a group of youth, ages 14-21, and trains them as community organizers, providing them with the support, resources, and ongoing training they need to organize initiatives that involve both youth and adults in addressing community issues.

Members of this organization went to Denver for us to demonstrate what a

great city Somerville is.

Check out this video to see this great group of kids working together to represent our city and its people in the best way possible: https://www.youtube. com/watch?v=KhYceO3Gvbs.

We think you will agree. These wonderful young people deserve our heartfelt gratitude and wholehearted respect. Thank you, one and all.

#### Newstalk CONT. FROM PG 2

July 4th. We also heard that his sudden removal was not related to his job, so as you can see the grapevine here in the city is heating up. We also agree with the Board of Aldermen who passed a resolution to move the department out from under the Health & Human Services Department. We think that veterans deserve to have their own agency - as written into Massachusetts general law - where veterans can go and talk about their situations confidentially. So far the mayor's office isn't backing down and isn't moving the department.

Save the date, Saturday, October 17, as the SHS Scholarship Foundation will be celebrating its 25th Anniversary at the Holiday Inn. For updates go to their Facebook page.

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Happy Birthdays this week to some of our Villen friends and just friends of The Times: Joe Vanessa, who is the owner at Modelo Butcher Market as well as Panifcadora Modelo and New Color Painting. Joe is a busy guy. We hope he has a great birthday. A great lady, Charlotte Pye celebrates this week. We hope she also has a great day. Ali Koty-Fernandes is celebrating this week as well and we wish her a happy birthday. A local favorite of ours who we've known for a long time, Rick Spinosa, of the well-known local Somerville family. Happy birthday, Rick. We know you will enjoy it, we just know it! Happy birthday to Steven Soares, another local guy. We wish him the very best as well. Happy birthday also to Margo Carafotes-Popken, who is celebrating this week as well. Margo is part of another large and great family.

Our condolences to the family of Louise T. Rossetti who passed away last week. She was a long time Somerville resident, from a wonderful family. We extend our sincere sympathy to her family.

There's a new web site in town. Check it out at www.somervillema.com. The Somerville Times on the site.

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The only primary this year here in Somerville will be in Ward 6 for the vacant alderman seat. The primary is set for Thursday, September 17. That's right, Thursday and not Tuesday. The four candidates running for the vacant seat met at City Hall this week to establish their positions on the ballot. Position number one is Elizabeth Weinbloom, position number two is Charles Chisholm, position number three David W.S. Lieberman and last position is Lance Davis.

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Check out Style Café located on Middlesex Avenue across from Assembly Square. What a nice place. The pastry is great, and they have a full menu for breakfast and lunch. Check them out at www.stylecafeonline.com.

The City's Historic Preservation Commission and Historic Somerville are looking for additional volunteers to open the City's oldest burial ground, the 1804 Milk Row Cemetery, to the public one Sunday afternoon per month from 1-4 p.m., and ideally one weekday evening for two hours from June through November. The volunteers would be part of a Docent Program started three years ago to help guide interested visitors around the cemetery and answer questions about the site and those buried there. Volunteers, known as "docents," will be trained by a member of Historic Somerville to serve as a guide, highlighting the history of the site, and offering an informational hand-out. Two docents are scheduled at each opening of the cemetery and are expected to be 18 years old or older, unless accompanied

by a guardian. They are encouraged, but not required, to wear period appropriate clothing, supplied by Historic Somerville if needed. If interested, please submit your contact information to admin@historicsomerville.org along with a brief biography and a statement of why you would like to become a docent. If possible, please include your dates of availability for Sunday afternoons or a weeknight from June through November of this year. For further information, please contact Brandon Wilson via bwilson@somervillema.gov, or 617-625-6600, ext. 2532.

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Several weeks ago it was reported that the House and Senate here in Massachusetts passed a bill regarding newspapers posting their legal ads online. We're glad they did because The Somerville Times has not only published all its legal ads online, but we have a dedicated place on our web site that has all the legal ads (run at no extra cost to anyone). We have a dedicated page for legal ads and have them posted there for a month. Also, if you check the sidebar on the right of our Web pages we also have a link for downloading PDF versions of our paper going back years.

# ESCS kids visit the zoo

Students from East Somerville Community School paid a visit to the Stone Zoo in Stoneham towards the end of the school year.

The Somerville Public Library offers passes to Zoo New England, of which Stone Zoo is a member.

Each pass admits 6 people at a price of \$6 per adult and \$4 per child.

At the Franklin Park Zoo in Boston, families can watch zebra and ostrich roam the grasslands of Bongo Congo and enter the Tropical Forest for an encounter with gorillas, warthogs, and bats.

At the Stone Zoo in Stoneham, families can peek at the snow leopards and tortoises, and visit the Animal Discovery Center. Both zoos are open seven days a week.

Details on how to get a pass can be found at: http://www.eventkeeper.com/code/events.cfm?curOrg=S-VILLE.















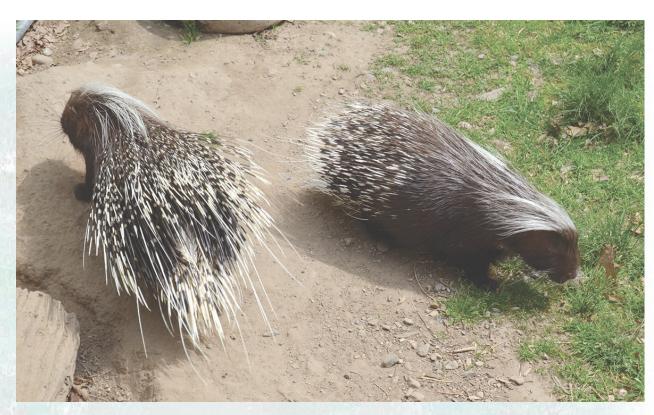
















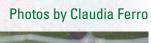














# **SPORTS**

# Somerville cyclists take on Climate Ride

#### By Patrick McDonagh

"My dad took me to a parking lot of a local high school where there were sixteen-year-olds learning how to drive," Virginia recalls. "I was learning how to fall on a bike." Summer 2013, Virginia Aprahamian's Cannondale Synapse Six Alloy features disc brakes that slow her face-melting forty mph downhill to leisurely speed with the squeeze of a handle. Sans training wheels, the carbon mount is more than capable of taming her father's push in the high school parking lot. With her father's help, Aprahamian learns to ride a bike in one day.

Virginia Aprahamian and fellow Somerville resident Laura DeBenedetto will be traveling 390 miles, joining more than one hundred cyclists on Climate Ride's Bar Harbor to Boston 5 day fundraising excursion. The two-year transition between learning to ride and marathon

cycling trips was inevitable for Aprahamian. "I don't have any other sensation like it," she said.

Bulgarian born Aprahamian lived rurally with little more than chickens, goats, and grandparents in the Eastern Bloc country until six years of age; four of which separated from her mother.

Aprahamian moved to the states joining her then single parent following an early 90's end of Bulgarian dictatorial rule. A former New Yorker, she learned to ride after completing an undergraduate degree at Dartmouth, moving to Somerville, and realizing the necessity of cyclist transportation without a driver's license. Aprahamian's hybrid bike is both work transportation to the attorney general's office, and a means for weekend escape. "Within thirty minutes I am out of the city and into a very peaceful landscape," She effuses. "I go fast enough that the wind is so loud I can't



Virginia Aprahamian relishes the thought of taking on Climate Ride's Bar Harbor to Boston 5 day fundraising challenge.

# Ms. Cam's

Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

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- 1. How many Grand Slam single titles has tennis star Roger Federer won?
- 2. Who won the first ever FIFA Women's World Cup?
- 3. In what year did Disneyland open?
- 4. What Cleveland disc jockey first used the term "Rock'n' Roll" in 1951?
- 5. Which aspiring rock and roll singer appeared on the Ed Sullivan show in 1956, but could only be shown from the waist up?
- 6. What type of airplane

- appears in Dr. Strangelove?
- 7. Who leaked the Pentagon Papers in 1971?
- 8. Who created The Muppets?
- 9. What new type of telephone was invented in 1963?
- 10. Ruth Eisemann-Schier was the first woman to get on what list?
- 11. Time Magazine named what as the Man of the Year 1982?
- 12. What was the first American team to win the Stanley Cup??

Answers on page 19

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hear too much around me except for tunneling wind going past. I am zooming and making myself zoom that fast. I am sure my motivation is some combination of endorphins, it is just fulfilling for me. My phone is on silent, and there is total attachment to the ride. I am in my happy place, smiling by the end of every ride." Aprahamian will be riding with Team Awesome For Allison in memory of her close friend Allison Smith killed in a car crash February of this year.

The Climate Ride Growth Fund will be receiving a portion of Team Awesome's fundraising as tribute to Allison; an avid environmentalist and Climate Ride enthusiast. Allison and wife Lucy Pollard were en route for February skiing when struck. A 2005 Jeep Liberty and a 2009 Subaru outback both totaled, Allison sustained fatal injuries, Pollard survived. Friends and loved ones of Allison Smith decided a proper tribute for the cyclist would be riding Climate Ride's first Northeast trip and fundraising in her honor.

Once met, Climate Ride's minimum individual fundraising goal of \$2,800 can be distributed to advocacy groups, non-profits, and organizations of the rider's choosing. Team Awesome For Allison's group goal of \$10,000 will be utilized in ways the "humble yet vivacious environmentalist" would have wanted, while the five-day coastal ride

will provide for team's emotional release. Aprahamian agrees, "There is no better way to heal as a group than to sweat for five days, get your endorphins out just pedaling as hard as you can with a bunch of really cool people who are doing the same thing." Winter cyclist, frequent marathoner, and Somerville resident, Laura DeBenedetto, is one of these people.

"This is the first winter I decided I was going to bike the whole way through," DeBenedetto jokes uneasily, recognizing her

timely choice coinciding with record snowfall. "Yeah, I decided in the fall. I definitely worked from home a couple of days and took the T two or three times. The roads got smaller every time it snowed. When they plowed there was significantly less room. The commute is about five miles door to door for me but my car is an old 98 rear weal drive. It fishtails so it usually sits in its spot all winter."

DeBenedetto's EnerNOC energy analyst office is equipped with bike

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Laura DeBenedetto and friend chilling before heading out for a ride.

## A new look at Leone's

#### By Donald Norton

Gone on vacation until the 20th of this month, Leone's is closed and, as you can see here, they are sporting a new look on their menu board, replacing the old one with a new digital model, as well as replacing the old register. Lots of new things are happening at Leone's, but one thing they won't change is the quality of the best subs and pizza's around.

This family owned tradition here in Somerville has been recognized by thousands over the years as the best. For as long as anyone in Winter Hill can remember, Leone's has been around. A true neighborhood family run business that is still there.

The writer here has been going to Le-

one's since the 60's when in Junior High, where it was always packed after school would let out.

In a day when franchises are the current fad, we can be very lucky here to have many different sub shops and pizza places, but number one around here has to be Leone's.

If you are new to Somerville and want to see what the locals recognize as the best, drop by and say "Hi" to Nick and Vic and the family. You can't miss the place, it has a huge sign out front on Broadway in Winter Hill.

Oh, and by the way, they also cater. Gee you'd think this was an ad or something, but it's not. It's an endorsement for the best and number one here in *The Somerville Times*' book.





 $\label{eq:constraints} The menu board at Leone's has gone from analog (above) to digital (below), but however you slice it, it's still the best sub and pizza shop in Winter Hill. \\ -- Photos by Donald Norton$ 

# Tour Historic Milk Row Cemetery on Sunday, July 19

Ever pass by the old cemetery on Somerville Avenue next to the Market Basket parking lot and wonder who is buried there? What's the story behind this place? Milk Row Cemetery dates back to 1804 and due to its fragile condition is often closed to the public, but it will be open this weekend.

Visit the cemetery on Sunday, July 19, from 1:00-4:00 p.m. when volunteer docents – often dressed in historic period clothing – will help you learn a little about the buried residents, from as far back as Revolutionary times, and their history within the community once known as "Beyond the Neck." The grounds may also be appreciated as a peaceful retreat for reading and contemplation. The cemetery is also open with docents by appointment.

For more information, or if you are interested in being a docent or joining the Friends of the Milk Row Cemetery, please contact bwilson@somervillema.gov or 617-6600 extension 2532, or Barbara Mangum at info@historicsomerville.org or Also check www.somervillema.gov/historicpreservation for other Summer /Fall 2015 openings.

# What's on Somerville Neighborhood News

In the latest *Somerville Neighborhood News*cast, the news team brings you some of the latest headlines and happenings in Somerville. Here are the headlines:

Somerville Real Estate Getting Too Hot To Touch – The real estate market in Somerville this spring was so hot many homebuyers felt left behind. Find out what's fueling the frenzy.

ArtFarm Rises From Waste Station Ashes – The old waste transfer station along McGrath Highway is being transformed into ArtFarm, a self-sustaining complex that incubates art, life and nature. The Somerville Arts Council sees it as a model for redevelopment and community building.



ArtBeat: In the Loop – ArtBeat, one of Somerville's oldest arts festivals will see artists and performers interpret this year's theme: loops. The events lined up include hoola hooping, stilting workshops and a large loop-knitting event. Not only is ArtBeat trying to bring in fresh talent from the Somerville area but is also making it a more diverse community event.

Into The Mystic – As the overall health of the Mystic River improves, welcoming boaters and wildlife to its waters, an invasive plant species threatens to choke the waterway. The Mystic Watershed Association is welcoming many hands to help their clean up efforts.

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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#### **BID ADVERTISEMENT**

The Somerville Housing Authority, the Awarding Authority, invites sealed bids from General Contractors for (666-4) Bryant Manor Landscape Improvements for the Somerville Housing Authority in Somerville, Massachusetts, in accordance with the documents prepared by MILA Landscape Architects LLC, Boston

The Project consists of: rehabilitation of existing landscape design into a fully functional and attractive exterior open space for the residents to use and to enjoy.

The work is estimated to cost \$ 99,500.00

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

THIS PROJECT IS BEING ELECTRONICALLY BID AND HARD COPY BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. Please review the instructions in the bid documents on how to register as an electronic bidder. The bids are to be prepared and submitted at <a href="https://www.biddocsonline.com">www.biddocsonline.com</a>. Tutorials and instructions on how to complete the electronic bid documents are available online (click on the Tutorial" tab at the bottom footer).

General Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m., Thursday July 30, 2015 and publicly opened online, forthwith.

All bids should be submitted online at <a href="www.biddocsonline.com">www.biddocsonline.com</a> and received no later than the date and time specified above.

#### SUB TRADES NONE

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

Bid Forms and Contract Documents can be viewed at Bid Docs Online and hard copies can be ordered through Bid Docs Online for delivery or pick-up at Nashoba Blue, 433 Main St, Hudson, MA, 978568-1167

There is a plan deposit of \$25.00 per set (maximium of 2 sets) payable to Biddocsonline Inc.

Plan deposits may be electrconailly paid or by check. This deposit will be refunded for up to two sets for general bidders upon return of the sets in good condition within thirty (30) days of receipt of general bids. Otherwise the deposit shall be the property of the Awarding Authority.

Additional sets may be purchased for \$25.00.

Bidders requesting Contract Documents be mailed to them shall include a separate check for \$40.00 per set for UPS Ground (or \$65.00 per set for UPS overnight), non refundable, payable to the Biddocs ONLINE Inc., to cover mailing cost.

A pre-bid meeting will be held on site **Wednesday July 22, 2015, at 10 – 11:30 A.M.** It is strongly recommended that prospective bidders attend the meeting. Project site:75 Myrtle Street between Pearl and Perkins Street, Somerville, MA.

Contact Person: Gabriel Ciccariello 617- 625 - 1152 x 330.

The Contract Documents may be obtained from the following:

BidDocs ONLINE, Inc. P.O. Box 51 Groton, MA 01450 www.biddocsonline.com

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Department 208 Cambridge Street Cambridge, MA 02141

MIDDLESEX Division

Docket No. MI 15D1426DR

DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING

Farah Elodie Victor vs. Bediet Victor

#### To Defendant:

The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for <u>Irretrievable Breakdown of the Marriage 1B</u>

An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party .SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon: Laura E. Flynn, Esq

Justice Center of Southeast Massachusetts 231 Main Street Suite 201

The Complaint is on file at the Court.

Brockton,MA 02301

your answer, if any on or before **08/18/2015**. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

 $\label{eq:Witness} \textbf{Witness, Hon. Edward F Donnelly, Jr., First Justice of this Court.}$ 

Date: July 7, 2015.

Tara E. De Christofaro Register of Probate

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#### **BID ADVERTISEMENT**

The Somerville Housing Authority, the Awarding Authority, invites sealed bids from General Contractors for (667-4) Bryant Manor Public Restroom Modernization for the Somerville Housing Authority in Somerville, Massachusetts, in accordance with the documents prepared by Reverse Architecture.

The Project consists of: Complete renovation of two public bathrooms, including new finishes and fixtures throughout.

The work including one Alternate is estimated to cost \$ 73,600.00

Bids are subject to M.G.L. c.30 § 39M & to minimum wage rates as required by M.G.L. c.149 §§26 to 27Hinclusive.

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The job site and/ or existing building will be available for inspection between 9:00 AM and 10:30 AM on Thursday July 23rd. Project site:75 Myrtle Street between Pearl and Perkins Street, Somerville, MA.

Contact Person: Gabriel Ciccariello 617- 625 - 1152 x 330.

The Contract Documents may be obtained from the following:

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#### ADVERTISEMENT

# SOMERVILLE HOUSING AUTHORITY INVITATION FOR BIDS LEASE OF ROOFTOP SPACE FOR TELECOMMIUNICATIONS DEVICES SHA Job No. 1420

The Somerville Housing Authority (the "Authority") is soliciting sealed bids for the lease and use of rooftop and penthouse space on various buildings operated by the Authority throughout the City of Somerville, Massachusetts. These spaces are available for the installation and operation of radio communications facilities. These facilities can include, but are not limited to cellular telephone, personal communications systems, paging and land mobile radio. The lease and use of these spaces will be on a non-exclusive basis.

Sealed bids will be received until 2:00 P.M., Wednesday, October 1, 2014 at the Somerville Housing Authority, 30 Memorial Road, Somerville, MA 02145. At such time, the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids may also be submitted until 2:00 P.M. on the last Wednesday of each month beginning October 31, 2014 through August 26, 2015.

Invitation for Bids(IFB) copies are available free of charge for pickup on Wednesday, August 13, 2014 at the Authority's Modernization Office, 30R #1 Memorial Road, Somerville, MA 02145. The Authority will e-mail an Invitation for Bids free of charge upon request.

Please direct questions, or requests for IFB documents, to Somerville Housing Authority, 30 Memorial Rd, Somerville, MA 02145, Attn: Frank Smith. Tel. 617-625-1152, Fax: 617-623-0137, or e-mail to <a href="mailto:franks@shaweb.org">franks@shaweb.org</a>.

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### CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

MIDDLESEX Division

Docket No. MI 5560

Estate of:

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Date of Death: <u>4/27/1874</u>
To all interested persons:

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A Petition has been filed by:

William J Brann of South Portland ME

Requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order that

William J Brann of South Portland ME

be appointed as Successor Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **With Personal Surety** on the bond and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. other relief as requested in the Petition.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00a.m. on 07/23/2015.

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

This estate is being administered under formal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but recipients are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

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

Date: <u>June 25, 2015</u>

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

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PLANNING DIVISION

### LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A **joint public hearing** for all interested parties will be held by the Planning Board and the Board of Aldermen Land Use Committee on **Thursday, August 6, 2015** at 6:00 p.m. in the **Aldermanic Chambers on the Second Floor of Somerville City Hall**, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public comments concerning

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SOMERVILLE ZONING OR-DINANCE, SECTION 7.15 MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT FACILITIES

Copies of the ordinance 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 <a href="www.somervillema.gov/planningandzoning">www.somervillema.gov/planningandzoning</a>. 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 Zoning Board of Appeals at the hearing or by submitting written comments by mail to OSPCD, Planning Division, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA 02143; by fax to 617-625-0722; or by email to <a href="mailto:planning@somervillema.gov">planning@somervillema.gov</a>.

Kevin Prior, Chairman, Somerville Planning Board

Dennis Sullivan, Chair, Board of Aldermen Land Use Committee

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A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the **Somerville Licensing Commission** on **Monday July 20, 2015** at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at **6:00PM** on the application of 99 Restaurants of Boston, LLC d/b/a 99 Restaurant & Pub, for an Entertainment License consisting of Entertainment by Performers at 20 Cummings St., Somerville, MA

For the Commission Andrew Upton Vito Vaccaro John J. McKenna

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro
Executive Secretary

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#### CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT RFP #16-07

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

#### **Food Waste Compost Collection and Composting**

The City of Somerville is seeking vendors to launch and operate a 1-year, 1000-household pilot project of food waste compost collection and composting. Vendors will be responsible for curbside collection, hauling, and disposal to composting facilities.

Proposal packages for may be obtained online at <a href="http://www.somer-villema.gov/departments/finance/purchasing/bids">http://www.somer-villema.gov/departments/finance/purchasing/bids</a> or may be picked up at the Purchasing Department, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, First Floor, Somerville, MA 02143 beginning on **Wednesday**, **July 22nd, 2015**.

Sealed bids must be submitted no later than 11:00 A.M. Friday, August 7th, 2015.

Please contact Michael Richards, Procurement Analyst, 617-625-6600 x 3403, or email <a href="mailto:mrichards@somervillema.gov">mrichards@somervillema.gov</a> for information and the bid package.

Angela M. Allen Purchasing Director 617-625-6600 x. 3400

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For the Commission Andrew Upton Vito Vaccaro John J. McKenna

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro Executive Secretary

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A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the **Somerville Licensing Commission** on **Monday July 20, 2015** at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at **6:00PM** on the application of Somerville Brewing Company Inc., for an Entertainment License consisting of Entertainment by Performers at 15 Ward St., Somerville, MA

For the Commission Andrew Upton Vito Vaccaro John J. McKenna

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro Executive Secretary

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For the Commission Andrew Upton Vito Vaccaro John J. McKenna

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro

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A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the **Somerville Licensing Commission** on **Monday July 20, 2015** at the Senior Center, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at <u>6:00PM</u> on the application of Taco Party LLC, for an Entertainment License consisting of Entertainment by Devices at 711 Broadway, Somerville, MA

For the Commission Andrew Upton Vito Vaccaro John J. McKenna

Attest: Jenneen Pagliaro Executive Secretary

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# Legendary British folk rock band to Span generations at Johnny D's CONT. FROM PG 1

hit *Strut*), Philip Bailey, and (gulp!) Right Said Fred.

Littman and his five bandmates will arrive at Johnny D's on Friday, July 25. He spoke to *The Somerville Times* by phone from London about his long and varied career as an entertainer.

Somerville Times: When did you become a member of Steeleye Span? Julian Littman: I joined in 2011. I was very much into the folk rock thing when it came out. One of the forms that grew during the late 60s was the amalgamation of Irish, Scottish, and English folk music. I suppose particularly Fairport Convention and Steeleye Span at the time put electric guitar with it, and drums. That meant that they crossed into the rock side of things, which meant that they played colleges and universities and people were getting down to it. It suddenly had relevance. It worked a treat because you're telling these stories that are very, very robust which means that they can lend themselves to the rock treatment, and that leads on to the more progressive thing, which is kind of where we are at the moment.

**ST:** Who are some of the other more recent additions to the band?

JL: Maddy is still with us. She's the main girl. And then we have Rick Kemp, who is her husband, who plays bass. However, when we come to Boston, we will be with Rick's son, Alex, because Rick - he's 73 now - said that he would do Europe and England, but asked if we would mind if he bowed out of [Canada and America]. And I had the brilliant idea of saying, "Well what about Alex?" He has added so much to what we will be doing. His actual profession is that he's a rapper. He won't be rapping in the show we'll be doing, but that's what he does. Very good, as well.

We have a new fiddle player, Jessie May Smart, who's a mere 27 years old. With her and Alex, it brings the average age of the band down considerably! [laughs] It's really given the band a kick. It's great. The phi-



Steeleye Span circa 2015.

losophy of this band, way before I joined, was always to retain the traditional but push the barriers with what we're doing.

ST: How did you come to be considered as a possible replacement for former guitarist Ken Nichol?

JL: What happened was years ago, myself and Liam [Genockey] – who's the drummer – were in Gerry Rafferty's band in the days of *Baker Street* and all that, when Gerry was huge in America. We were in the band that toured that stuff in Europe and a bit in America. We've been pals ever since.

I happened to know [Steeleye Span's] manager, John Dagnall, through other endeavors because I work a lot in theater. Liam said to him that I might be right to fill in the place.

My audition was on video. I had to put my MacBook on in my flat and play along to one of their tracks on my guitar. Eventually they said, well, let's do one tour, and that was 2011, to see how we go. We did, and that was all good. Now I'm sort of writing stuff for the band and doing lead vocals on about three or four songs.

**ST:** Were you intimidated at the prospect of joining a band that was so well established?

JL: Absolutely intimidated. I was terrified! The two guitar players [Bob Johnson and Ken Nichol] before me are awesome, and they were big shoes to fill. I would say that I am not as much of a virtuoso as those two, but I brought other things to the party.

average age of the band down considerably! [laughs] It's really given the band a kick. It's great. The phither band a kick is great. The phither band are an accomplished actor and prior. John Stage and screen. Tell me about the filming of the 1996 movie Evita.

JL: I played Eva Peron's brother, so I played the brother of Madonna. I worked for three months with Madonna quite a lot. I was onset with her most of the time and we got on great. We were good pals and it was really good fun. I thought the film was really good. I sang some lines on it and stuff like that. That was just an extraordinary experience. We were in Argentina with Madonna, or "M" as we had to call her, and Antonia Banderas. Argentina for three weeks, maybe more, then Budapest to shoot all the funeral scenes, and then in London to shoot the rest of it.

**ST:** What can the crowd expect at Johnny D's on July 24?

JL: It's going to be a mixture of old and new. There will be a few tracks from this thing we did with Terry Pratchett called Wintersmith, which goes slightly more into the progressive rock thing. And then we've got very old ballads of brutality, magic, and chivalry, which come from Steeleye Span's canon of work from a long time ago. We've reworked a couple of things, because we've got Rick's son, and he said, "Oh, I don't want to sing that like me dad," which is fine. And then there's some really delicate stuff as well, where we just pare it right down. We go right from the gentle to the quite heavy metal. So you can expect an evening of really, really different dynamics. By the end, we're rocking like there's no tomorrow!

things to the party. Steeleye Span featuring Maddy ST: You are an accomplished actor of stage and screen. Tell me about the filming of the 1996 movie Evita. Steeleye Span featuring Maddy Prior. Johnny D's. Friday, July 24. 8:00 p.m./Doors at 5:30 p.m. \$40-the filming of the 1996 movie Evita.

# Shopping local supports community and economy CONT. FROM PG 10

We will continue to work at attracting more businesses to Somerville, and they in turn will invest in us via the funds they contribute in taxes. When we expand our commercial tax base, we can invest more in our schools, infrastructure and the services we all

rely on. And more businesses results in more workers in the city during the day, who in turn will patronize our local businesses. So the impact just builds. But perhaps most important, the story of Somerville is a compilation of individual success stories that high-

light the creativity, commitment and care of our people. Nowhere is that story better portrayed than in the hardworking people behind our local businesses, whose dreams have helped build our community.

Be sure to visit us online at www.TheSomervilleTimes.com and on Facebook at www.facebook.com/thesomervilletimes and follow us on Twitter at @somervilletimes

### **CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

Wednesday July 15

East Branch Library Sing Along with Jeff Jam! Meghan Forsell-617-623-5000 x2970 11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.| 115 Broadway

**Central Library** 

Night of the Mics

Marco Jean-Baptiste-857-237-4206 5:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.| 79 Highland

#### Thursday July 16

**Central Library** 

Preschool: Storytime for 3 to 5 year

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

**East Branch Library** 

Paws to Read: Meet and Greet Daisy the Therapy Dog! Meghan Forsell-617-623-5000 x2970 2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.| 115 Broadway

**West Branch Library** 

Lego Club Annamarie Almeida-617-623-5000

3:30 p.m.-4:30 .m.| 40 College Avenue

**Central Library** 

Lego Club Cathy Piantigini 617-623-5000 x2950 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.| 79 Highland

#### Friday July 17

**East Branch Library** 

Every Hero Has a Story & Craft! 11 a.m.-12 p.m.|115 Broadway

**Central Library** 

Movie on the Lawn! Back to the

Cathy Piantigini-617-623-5000 x2950 8 p.m.-10 p.m.| 79 Highland Avenue

Artbeat 2015 5 p.m.|Davis Square

Saturday July 18

Artbeat 2015 12 p.m.(All Day)|Davis Square

Monday July 20

**Central Library** 

Evening Sing Along with Jordan

Cathy Piantigini-617-623-5000 x2950 7 p.m.-7:45 p.m.| 79 Highland Avenue

Tuesday July 21

**Central Library** 

Kidstock! Old Monet Had a Farm! Cathy Piantigini -617-623-5000, x2950

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

West Branch Library

A Visit from Local Hero LT Firefighter Ken Lippens

Annamarie Almeida -617-623-5000 x2977

11 a.m.-12 p.m.| 40 College Avenue

**Central Library** 

Book Club for Kids Ages 6-9 Cathy Piantigini 617-623-5000 x2950 4 p.m.-5 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Wednesday July 22

**East Branch Library** 

A Visit from Local Hero LT Firefighter Ken Lippens

Meghan Forsell-617-623-5000 x2970 11 a.m.-12 p.m.| 115 Broadway

**Central Library** 

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

#### **MUSIC** | ARTS

#### Wednesday July 15

Johnny D's

Sehrang Boston Premiere: Live at Johnny D's 17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar

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

The Burren

Front Room Exile on Elm Back Room

Comedy@10 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge

And Then There Was One Fat Randy Hoochie Coochie Men **lackson** 

Ryan Sheley from Homemade Wine 8 p.m.|345 Somerville Ave

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

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

**Bull McCabe's Pub** 

The A-Beez – Funk & Soul 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

**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

Arts at the Armory Tanner Lavallee

7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Thursday|July 16

Johnny D's

ABJEEZ (World Indie Rock) Ten Foot Polecats + Tsunami of Sound and Sprained Ankles 17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Spring Hill Rounders

grassy Thursdays|7:30 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room Acoustic/Bluegrass|9:30 p.m. Back Room

Scattershot

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge

Jason Sibi-Okumu Tyrone Shoelaces Catalion Argon Red

8 p.m.|345 Somerville Ave

On The Hill Tavern

Live DJ Music

499 Broadway|617-629-5302

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

**Bull McCabe's** 

Dub Down Reggae

366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Joshua Tree

256 Elm St. |617-623-9910

Samba Bar & Grille

608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

Awkward Compliment's Thursday Night Comedy Night

8 p.m.|55 Davis Square **Davis Square Theatre** Strange Behavior

8 pm|255 Elm Street

Arts at the Armory Castle of Comedy 8:30 p.m.|191 Highland Ave

Friday July 17

Johnny D's

Shelley King plus Swinging Steaks We Dig Free Fridays presents VINAL + **Background Orcs** 17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's

Hashtag Hoedown | 6 p.m. Richie Parsons, Asa Brebner, Trick Wallace Trio \$5 cover|9 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave 617-666-3589 The Burren

**Red Square** 

Front Room

Irish Session|9:30 p.m. Back Room

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247 Elm Street|617-776-6896 P.A.'s Lounge Kave Kraft

Order of Thieves Thirty Silver Red Sky Mary

8 p.m.|345 Somerville Ave

**Orleans Restaurant and Bar** 

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 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Joshua Tree DI McRiddleton

256 Elm St. |617-623-9910

Samba Bar & Grille

9 p.m.|608 Somerville Ave|617-718-

9177

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

**Davis Square Theatre** Shit-faced Shakespeare

7 pm|255 Elm Street

Arts at the Armory Richard Cambridge's Poetry Theatre 8 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Artbeat 2015

5 p.m.|Davis Square

Saturday July 18

Johnny D's Jazz Brunch

The Band That Time Forgot Aquanutz & Bikini Whale 17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's

The Legendary Tom Ghent|2 p.m. Roy Sludge Trio |6 p.m. One Thin Dime|9 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Back Room

Dave Foley 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge

Daniel Amadee **Emily Grogan Band Jennifer Tefft** Ghost Ayeria

Marco Gomez w/ band 8 p.m.|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

366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Joshua Tree DJ El Sid!

Live Band & DI

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

608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

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

Arts at the Armory

Rick, Dave, & Friends 10 a.m. Café Kat Kennedy Performance 6:30 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

12 p.m. (All Day) | Davis Square Sunday July 19

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Johnny D's **Iazz Brunch** 

Open Blues Jam! featuring Matthew **Smart Band** 

17 Holland St.|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Bob Enik with Danielle Miraglia 7p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

Sunday Americana with Sean Staples, Eric Royer, Tim Gearan, Dave Westner and Dan Keller 7 p.m.

Back Room

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896 **Bull McCabe's Pub** 

Sunday Brunch Live Country & Bluegrass

150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Orleans Restaurant and Bar Game Night

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

Stump! Pub Trivia|8:30 p.m. 17 Holland St | 617-776-2004

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

Marley Mondays with The Duppy Conquerors 10 p.m.

The Burren

Front Room

Helena Delaney, Johnny O'Leary & Friends Irish Session|9 p.m. Back Room

P.A.'s Lounge

8 p.m.|345 Somerville Ave

**Bull McCabe's Pub** Stump! Team Trivia

Tuesday July 21

Johnny D's

Sally O'Brien's Bar

335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896 On The Hill Tavern

**Bull McCabe's Pub** The Ghetto People Band

366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045 Highland Kitchen

First Tuesday of the Month|Spelling

Samba Bar & Grille

Pub Ouiz

608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

Arts at the Armory

8200

Johnny D's Jeff Jam Dance Party|5 p.m. 17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar

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

The Burren

Front Room Exile on Elm

Back Room The Jeremy Kittel Band|7:30 p.m.

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896 P.A.'s Lounge Oxen 8 p.m.

345 Somerville Ave

On The Hill Tavern 499 Broadway|617-629-5302 **Orleans Restaurant and Bar** 

65 Holland St|617-591-2100

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

Highland Kitchen

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

608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

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

Joshua Tree Bar & Grill Pub Trivia

9910

**CLASSES AND GROUPS** Wednesday July 15

**Central Library** Staff Meeting Wendy Wood

3 p.m.-4 p.m.|79 Highland Ave Thursday July 16

617-623-5000 x2946

**Central Library** Somerville Food Security Coalition Nancy Bacci-617-625-6600 x2250 5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.| 79 Highland

West Branch Library Learn English at the Library!

(Session 1) 6 p.m.-7 p.m. (Session 2)7:15 p.m.-8:30 p.m. 40 College Avenue

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 July 18

**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

Fourth Step to Freedom Al-Anon

Enter upstairs, meeting is in base-

Family Groups 7:00 P.M. | 6 William Street

Sunday July 19

**Unity Church of God** 

Monday July 20

**East 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. 115 Broadway

Tuesday July 21

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

Arts at the Armory Prenatal Yoga 7 p.m.|Mezzanine|191 Highland Ave

Wednesday July 22 **Central Library** 

Avenue

Creative Writing Class Amy Shea -617/623-5000 x2942 6 p.m.-8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

The Burren Front Room

**Burren Acoustic Music Series** 

**Dub Apocalypse** 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045 **Highland Kitchen** 

Sunday Night Live Music

65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Monday July 20

Johnny D's

Sally O'Brien's Bar

335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

247 Elm Street 617-776-6896 Americana Mondays

Science by the Pint

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

366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

17 Holland St|617-776-2004

**TBA** 

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

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

Stump Trivia (with prizes) 499 Broadway 617-629-5302

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

10 p.m.|239 Holland St.|617-625-

First and Last Word Poetry Series 7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Wednesday|July 22

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 a.m. – 3 p.m.

617-625-6600 Ext. 2300

Cross Street Center: 165 Broadway Tuesday & Wednesday 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

(617) 625-6600 Ext. 2335

Ralph and Jenny Center: 9 New Washington Street, Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. (617) 666-5223.

The Farmers Market is back – Running through Friday, October 30th. The Mobile Farmers Market will be at the Holland Street Center every Friday from 11:00 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. The Somerville Mobile Farmers Market sells fresh, local and reasonably priced produce. Anyone using SNAP or WIC receives a 50% discount. Cash, credit, debt & farmers market coupons accepted.

#### PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

The Fun Friday trip to the JFK Museum for August 14 is BOOKED SOLID.

The trip to the Lowell Spinners scheduled on August 26 is SOLD OUT.

Please note our Cross Street Center is now open Tuesday through Thursday from 8:30 A.M. to 2:30 P.M. and the events are listed in the "UPCOMING SCHEDULE."

#### **LGBT EVENTS:**

LGBT Advisory Group – Monday, August 10 – 4:30 P.M. at our Holland Street Center. We are looking for new members and would love to have you as part of our group. This group meets the 2nd Monday of every month excluding City Holidays and snow emergencies. Please note the July meeting has been cancelled.

LGBT Monthly Lunch – Monday, August 10 – 11:30 A.M. at our Holland Street Center. A choice between hot and cold lunch provided by Somerville Cambridge Elder Services. To date, the August menu has not been released. This lunch happens the 2nd Monday of every month excluding City Holidays and snow emergencies.

LBT Women Fit-4-Life - 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 Chris Kowaleski at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300.

#### STAY ACTIVE:

Walking & Talking Group – Starting on Monday, May 4th at 8:30 A.M. – out of our Holland Street Center.

We'll take a gentle 30 minute walk around the community every Monday – meeting in the downstairs lobby of the Holland Street Center. Become more active – make new friends – boost your brain power – feel healthier. For more information or to sign up please contact Chris Kowaleski our Health & Wellness Coordinator at 617-625-6600 ext. 2315.

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

#### **Weekly Exercise Class Schedule**

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

#### **Mondays:**

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

#### Tuesdays:

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

#### Wednesdays:

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

#### Thursdays:

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

#### Fridays:

8:45 Fit 4 Life\* Group A 9:55 Fit 4 Life\* Group B

11:00 Nutrition Counseling with Mimi

\*All Fit 4 Life classes are \$10/month and require pre-registration\*\*If you are interested in our Yoga classes, please call Chris Kowaleski, our Health & Wellness Coordinator at 617-625-6600, Ext. 2315

#### **Upcoming Schedule**

Holland = (H) Ralph & Jenny = (RJ) Cross Street = (C)
Wednesday|July 15

10:00 English Conversation (C)

10:00 Cards (RJ)

11:30 Lunch (H, RJ, C)

1:00 Computer Lab (C) 12:45 Bingo (RJ)

2:30 Intergenerational Picture Frame Making (C)

#### Thursday July 16

Winter Hill Yacht Club

Holland & Ralph & Jenny Centers Closed

Cross Street is OPEN

9:30 Let's Get Healthy with Mimi (C)

10:30 Fit 4 Life (C)

11:30 English Conversation (C)

12:30 Lunch (C)

1:30 Computer lab open hours (C)

#### Friday July 17

11:00 Farmer's Market (H)

11:00 Individual Nutrition with Mimi (H)

11:30 Lunch (H)

12:45 Bingo (H)

Fun Fridays at the Larz Anderson Auto Museum

#### Monday July 20

8:30 Walking & Talking Group (H)

9:30 Veterans Group (H)

11:30 Lunch (H)

12:00 Individual Nutrition with Mimi (H)

5:30 LGBT Dinner & Movie (H)

#### Tuesday July 21

9:00 Intergenerational Nutrition (C)

10:00 Scarves for Soldiers (RJ)

10:00 Cards (RJ)

10:30 Gardening with Vilma (C)

10:30 Fit-4-Life and exercise(C) 11:30 English Conversation (C)

11:30 Lunch (RJ)

12:00 Computer tutorial with Norbert (H)

12:30 Lunch (C)

12:45 Bingo (RJ)

6:00 Caregiving Session: Overview of Respite Services

#### Wednesday|July 22

10:00 English Conversation (C)

10:00 Cards (RJ)

11:30 Lunch (H, RJ, C)

12:45 Bingo (RJ)

1:00 Computer Lab (C)

2:30 Intergenerational Picture Frame Making (C)

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

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

## Somerville cyclists take on Climate Ride

CONT. FROM PG 14

room, tools, and "pseudo bike mechanic" co-workers. Her fundraised money will be allocated to the Boston Cyclists Union, and Bikes Not Bombs, an organization that reclaims, refurbishes, and internationally distributes donated bicycles.

Fundraising is decidedly the most stressful aspect of Climate Ride for the New York to DC ride veteran. 60-80 miles of back road riding for DeBenedetto is fundraising motivation while marathons are more anxiety educing. "Biking is easier to enjoy while you are doing it as opposed to being in complete agony while running," She said. "Not as much pounding on

your joints. You can go slower for a few hours, pick it up if you want, but there is no one chasing you telling you to keep a specific time. Biking is more leisurely than running for me." DeBenedetto describes an atmosphere determined by rider motivation, from the hardcore to the relaxed and ridiculous.

"A lot of people will bring bike mounted speakers for the ride," DeBenedetto's uncertain laughter precedes story; a New York to DC ride with overzealous Lion King fans. "There was one group that just had all Disney songs the whole time. You ride with them for five minutes and then you are doomed for the rest of the day

singing Circle Of Life in your head for the next few hours."

Downtime consists of dinner, socializing and speaker presentations. Both riders are eager for Climate Ride Northeast's coastal vistas and history studded route. The later 64-mile finish passing the American Revolution's first battlefield, through Paul Revers ride from Lexington, with an ending along the Charles River into Boston's public Commons.

Both riders plan on hosting fundraiser events prior to the September 17 start date. There is talk of a local brewery or bar event in the near future. Dates and logistics are to be announced. Answers

1. 17

7. Daniel Ellsberg

2. The U.S.A

8. Jim Henson

3. 1955

9. The Touch Tone

4. Alan Freed

10. The FBI's ten most wanted

5. Elvis Presley

11. The computer

6. The Boeing B-52

12. Seattle Metropolitans

# **US2 & Union Square Main Streets** 'Union Lunch' Summer Series

#### By Rebecca Danvers

Union In partnership with Square Main Streets, Union Square Station Associates (US2), Somerville's master developer partner for Union Square's revitalization, today announced its "Union Lunch" summer series showcasing delicious lunch fare from a different neighborhood restaurant each Friday through September 18th on Union Square Plaza.

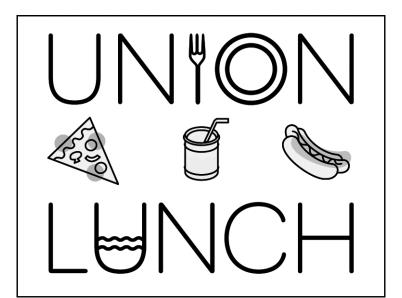
Sponsored by US2, the events will be free to the public and will feature live music by local bands and lawn games while local businesses host workshops and classes. A rotating selection of local restaurants will be on site offering lunch for purchase. The events will take place from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

"Union Lunch is a great opportunity to enjoy the best Union Square has to offer - fantastic cuisine, eclectic music, interesting businesses and community," said Greg Karczewski, president of US2. "We hope this regular Friday gathering will help shine a spotlight on our local business community, add additional daytime energy to the Square, and bring people together for an early start to the weekend."

"Union Lunch will be a uniquely Union Square experience, so bring your friends, family and coworkers to enjoy the festivities this Friday and every Friday for the next ten weeks," said Esther Hanig, executive director of Union Square Main Streets."

The first Union Lunch will take place this Friday, July 17 and will feature dishes by Nepali and Indian restaurant Momo N Curry, music by the Somerville Ukulele Club, and jewelry-making demonstrations by BeadKreative.

Weekly updates advertising



details of upcoming lunches at www.us2unionsquare.com/ can be found on US2's website

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Wednesday, July 15		6:00pm	TBT: Throwback Thursday	1:00pm	Art as Protest	9:00am	The Stephanie Miller Show
6:30am	Road to Recovery	6:30pm	Health is Wealth	1:30pm	MAPS Health Connector	10:00am	Bay State Biking New
7:00am	Somerville Film Group	7:00pm	Taking Back your Health (Live call-in)	2:00pm	Henry Parker Presents	11:00am	Pearls of Irregular Shap
7:30am	Life Matters	7:30pm	Active Aging	3:00pm	Telemagazine	12:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show
8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	8:00pm	Fouye Zo Nan Kalalou (Live call-in)	4:00pm	Somerville Neighborhood News	1:00pm	Somerville Film Grou
	SCATV Presents Potluck and Lecture Series	9:30pm	The White House Chronicle	4:30pm	Culture Club	2:00pm	Exercise with Robyn and Ma
10:00am	Somerville Neighborhood News	10:00pm	Somerville Film Group	5:00pm	Tele Kreyol	2:30pm	Esoteric Scienc
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12:00pm:	The History of Agriculture in Somerville				
1:00pm:	Superintendent Pierantozzi's Farewell				
2:00pm:	Connecting Communities –				
	National Night Out				
2:30pm:	Taste of Somerville				
3:00pm:	BOA Finance Committee Meeting – 7.6.15				
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	National Night Out				
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9:00am:	Congressional Update				
12:00pm:	Senior Circuit				
12:30pm:	SomerViva em Portugues				
1:00pm:	Porchfest 2015				
1:45pm:	Somerville By Design: Union Sq. – 6.24.15				
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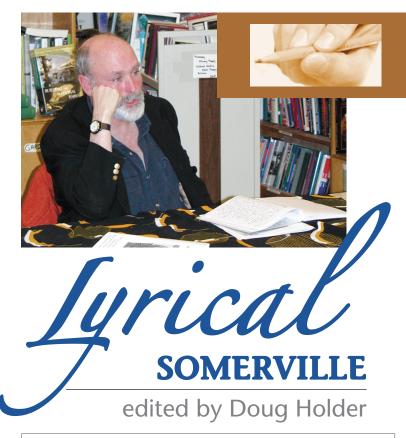
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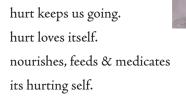
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Somerville Bagel Bard Martha Boss sent us a poem and it "hurts."

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it will do everything in its power to keep from getting hurt.

i thought i was alone sitting on the couch when suddenly hurt sat down beside me. all smiles. begging for my company

you can make a robot from hard feelings. & i know how the branches that trusted the water felt when they were ice-trapped.

and i know a rock layer by layer formed from what we said & what we did when we were hurting each other, ourselves.

i know we owned that hurt. i know it became a precious stone. i know the hold we have on perfecting hurt until its the diamond that cuts.

— Martha Boss

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# **House You Cannot Reach:**

## Poems in the Voice of My Mother and other Poems

Somerville Bagel Bard Alice Weiss is our guest colum- Here's a cruet for his nist this week. She reviewed the latest poetry collection by noted local poet and teacher Tom Daley.

House You Cannot Reach: Poems in the Voice of My Mother and other Poems. By Tom Daley (FutureCycle Press)

Review by Alice Weiss

This is a book of Browningesque dramatic monologues. A character is designated, "My Mother." A character is designated, son. He is the recorder, the redacter. He gives her voice, and what a voice it is! Here is Mother, an angel bathing her between her legs, addressing her sons:

> And that's where you you head firsters, blind and slick,

scraped your glossy scalps and heaven knows why

With every contraction in every post-Eden birth, I salute the smirk

in Eve's twinge. I bless her broken water and her trespassing teeth.

Note the movement from the scrappy comedy of birth and delivery, to the mythical. Revising the story of Eden, defying it and claiming it: Eve's twinge smirks, and her teeth "trespass" Just that word conjures up another prayer, Don't bother to forgive our trespasses, this last is the ritual ordinary and then: "we will all one day/ fall—or swim unbounded by any womb," fall out of the myth into:

> ... a tub's clean porcelain, forgetting to drown or crawl.

Read as a whole, the book is filled with clusters of language that shake up convention, bring comic exaggeration to a disturbingly precise level of linguistic experience.

> In a whalebone walkabout he unties the fire-blight of his smiles smiles scored like stone Buddhas, smiles that implode

Snowing rock dust over pastures and shoals. "Prodigal at Point Reyes"

See how complex the alliteration in whalebone walkabout, the w's, and b's, the 'l' in whale, silently echoed by the'l' in walk, but pointing to the compressive activity of the accented, rhythmic 'walkabout', and then the contrast in the next line, all long is, but reinterpreting the 'I's in sound as well as meaning as the smiles betray themselves.

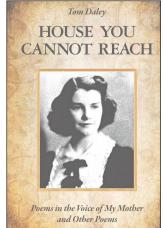
> Here's a hope chest Where mothballs Seal the rot in his slapstick.

The hoard the stains where his T-shirts sweated out Trotskyist proverbs.

a vat for his vinegar. "My Mother Speaks with Two Police Of-

Who Arrive at Her Door on Good Friday Afternoon"

In this last quote, from a poem referring to the speaker's



brother's suicide, the Mother enumerates his (metaphoric) possessions, the hoard of stains, the Trotskyite proverbs and the cruet for his chrism," a small bottle for the anointing oil used in the Mass, and " the enormous "Vat for his vinegar." Vinegar stinging scouring wine turned bitter. "Confession," she holds, "is a tongue stroked into blare," in "My Mother's litany for the Feast Day of Saint Bibiana," the saint of headaches. In another poem, "After a Stroke, My Mother Listens to a Chapter of Tolstoy's War and Peace," a novel in which she finds cold comfort:

> Frostbite is an indifferent fever, is a blackhead's Passion Play, is a discharge of burning.

It is evident from the beginning of the book even from reading the table of contents that there is an underlying narrative threading through the pages. A Passion Play is a form of drama that tells the story of the death of Jesus. The mother's is a blackhead's Passion Play. First Mother and son curled around each other in a comedic and agonizing reflection of the virgin and her son. The father from whose abandonment the mother never recovers, The mother whose sensual memories last as long as her fury at his betrayal. God and the various Saints, whose failure is nowhere more evident than in the inability of the wedding sacrament to hold the man to her, leaving her

> a woman sucker-switched and swatting wide.

After a stroke the mother loosens her language. turns even wilder and yet miraculously projects a reasoned, if jaded a reasoned grasp of the world and its troubles. The final drama for her is her children's failure to give her descendents. It strands her in time. With these poems, the son, the narrator gets the better of that. She in fact descends like the angel Gabriel blowing a complex heavenly horn.

One more thing. The issue of descendents of the biological replication of the self, reveals itself in the quietly saddest poem:"My Mother Explains Why She Threw Away All My Dolls." She is the mother, for all their closeness, who cannot but point out that his "dowsing stick [is] bent in the wrongest ways." She threw away the Raggedy Anns. She was the "Erasing Angel," she admits, but she cannot budge.

> Son, if you cannot speak to sorrow in the full skin

of a man. I will not hedge tomorrow just to lose it in your hands.

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