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City staff updated the public on the current state of planning for construction of traffic mitigation and safety measures for Powder House Blvd. at its last community meeting.

By Jim Clark

The City of Somerville held a community meeting at the West Somerville Neighborhood School where developments in the planning and implementation of construction plans for Powder House Blvd. were presented to the public.

The meeting included a brief presentation with construction updates, parking study results, questions about the temporary, short-term solution to stripe a bike lane in one direction on a portion of the Boulevard, and the completion of traffic calming measures this summer.

The presentation was prepared by George Proakis, Executive Director of OSPCD, Brad Rawson, Director of Mobility, Adam Polinski, Transportation Analyst, Brian Postlewaite, Assistant Director of Engineering, and Toby Berkman, The Consensus Continued on page 4

Renovated Capuano Field now open

By Melissa Rosales

On Friday, August 9, Mayor Joseph Curtatone cut a red ribbon to celebrate the opening of the newly renovated Capuano Field, located at 150 Glen St. The project was carried out with the cooperation of the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development (OSPCD), Ward 1 City Councilor Matthew McLaughlin, The Mayor's Office, East Somerville Community School committee, and Somerville Youth Soccer League.

"When I grew up at Somerville, this park was known as the 'dust bowl," McLaughlin said. "Unfortunately, it was a dangerous place to be. It was an unsafe area. And I'm very proud to see that this park is now one of the most actively used parks in the city, a place that people feel safe, a place that the community feels like they have ownership over."

The original field was built with a synthetic surface about 12 years ago, but Curtatone said after a decade the synthetic field must be replaced. The field is one of the Continued on page 5



Residents and city officials celebrated the reopening of the newly renovated Capuano Field last week by – Photo by Melissa Rosales holding a ribbon cutting ceremony.

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Somerville poet and State Representative Denise Provost will read from her new collection of poetry, Curious Peach, in the Central Library auditorium, 79 Highland Ave, Somerville, on **Thursday, August 15**, from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Happy birthday this week to several locals: Happy birthday to Brandon Wilson, the Executive Director of Somerville Preservation Commission. We wish her a great birthday. Happy birthday to Donna Cassaro-Sides, we wish her the very best on her birthday. To all the others here in the city who are celebrating their birthdays this week and we missed you here, we wish a happy birthday to you.

The Friday Night Fight this year is scheduled for Saturday, August 17, at Dilboy, hosted by Somerville Youth Development & Boxing Club, located at 18 Otis Street. The event starts at 5:00 p.m. and will run most likely to 10:00 p.m. \$20.00 for adults and \$10.00 for teens. Children under 13 free. For more info, visit the Somerville Youth Development & Boxing Club Facebook page.

The **deadline** to register to vote in the primary to be held on Tuesday, September 10, is August 21. It's easy to register, just head up to City Hall, School St. entrance at the Elections Department.

August 13 was International Left Hander's Day. So, on behalf of the few left handers here at *The Times*, and to all those out there in Somerville: Happy Left Hander's Day! FYI, in the USA today it's estimated that 13.1% of the population is left handed.

Attention shoppers and those that have frequented the several food establishments in Ball Square: Letting you know that the square is not that difficult to get to, especially since the bridge has been out. All the businesses would Continued on page 11

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TheSomervilleTimes.com Comments of the Week

Response to: Somerville seeking residents to serve on newly formed Pedestrian and Transit Advisory Committee

joe says:

I would suggest the committee's directive be amended to task them with seeking ways to improve pedestrian and public transit while simultaneously improving car traffic or at worst not harming it. My concern is that some of the so-called improvements seem to do great harm to traffic flow while making negligible improvement to pedestrian or public transit (the first that comes to mind is the three hundred foot long bus lane on Prospect St going into Union Square... horrible!)

Response to: Our View of the Times – August 7

joe says:

Horrible ordinance. A developer looking to build additional units absolutely will cut down a tree, ordinance or not. Just pay the fine and roll it into the cost of the unit. Private owners, myself included, will completely ignore the rules. I for one am definitely not paying for a survey and a permit in order to maybe be approved to cut down a tree that I own. And the most alarming part is that this ordinance, like the so-called protections for elderly and low-income renters ordinance, is creating a longterm disincentive. If you want trees, you don't add to the total cost of tree ownership! Similarly, if you want to look out for elderly renters, you don't make it more annoying in the long run to rent to elderly people. It might preserve the ones currently in place... but the hell if you're getting new ones.

Response to: From My Heart To Yours' documentary about opioid crisis in Somerville premiere

Been There says:

What is meant by the 'racial bias within the issue'? There is no racial bias in the addiction industry that I've ever seen or read reports of. Ms. Addison is doing good things to help people with addiction and I respect her as someone in recovery from alcohol, but I disagree with her statements that opioid addiction is being presented as a white affluent problem and don't appreciate her comments seemingly chastising everyone for discrimination. This film is supposed to be about the opioid crisis in Somerville. Are there any statistics showing how many of various races in Somerville have battled addiction? And affluent? I would venture to say no one battling opioid addiction in Somerville has been affluent.

Please let's stop making everything about discrimination and start addressing the real problems.

Response to: What we don't want the river to look like

I grew up in the mystic ave projects, went to the grimmons school, spent a lot of time around the mystic river. My father told me stories of the Somerville beach, how he and a lot of kids jumped off the Wellington bridge and swam in that river. I know where the bath house was and the soap factory, care to guess where all the crap from both went??? We had a saying growing up, "don't fall in, you will glow in the dark" it was a joke then, not any more.

Response to: City passes updated Tree Preservation **Ordinance**

LindaS says:

IndependentlySomerville:

You call folks lazy who prefer not to deal with landscaping their yards. Well, I have plenty of greenery growing all over the place. I live by myself and can't afford to have anyone do it for me, so it's just overgrown everywhere, and I have to try and clear out what blocks the sidewalks, and sapling trees that are growing wild when I can all by myself, and when the weather allows for it. It gets harder and harder to do every year.

I used to have it nice 20 years ago, but it got to the point where I just couldnt keep up with it, so I just gave up and let it go. As much as I like having plants in my yard, I wouldn't mind having it all out if it meant I wouldn't have to deal with it anymore.

Everyone gets old eventually, and not everyone can afford to have their property maintained the way they want to. I suppose it's folks like you that complain when people get rid of all of it, and also complain when people let it all grow wild. Good luck when you get too old to do it, and too old to care to do it.

Like Old Taxpayer said, people should be able to do whatever they want with their property. If the City wants to pay for my landscaping, they are welcome to do whatever they want to my property.

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Life in the Jimmy Del Ponte

Somerville High Jinx



Every time I drive by Somerville High School my memory starts going wild. The term "old school" takes on a new meaning now

that the "old school" is mostly gone. I can't help but think about my days at Somerville High in the hectic late '60's and early

I still get a little anxious and stressful at this time of year when the kids are on the home stretch of summer vacation. I still hate seeing school clothes ads and back to school sales.

Most of my Somerville High memories are set in the auditorium doing music or sitting in my building master's office doing time. I was always in trouble. So the part of the old school that they kept is my favorite part.

It was Christmas time around 1970 and the Boys Glee Club was all dressed up, on stage, on risers, with the curtains closed. Mr. Andy Smith, the director was a very serious and passionate guy. He didn't put up with any baloney.

Now you have to remember that the Boys Glee club was made up of a few kids serious about singing, and the rest were just looking for an easy period or needed the few credits. I don't like to name names here but the roster included some of the

most colorful people ever to have come out of that high school. Football stars, wise guys and just fun people.

So Mr. Smith is on stage introducing the Glee Club to a packed house in the Somerville High School auditorium. We were still behind the closed curtain. All of a sudden we broke into the popular Schaefer Beer jingle really loudly. "Schaefer is the one beer to have when you're having more than one!" The audience began to laugh hysterically until Mr. Smith barged in behind the still closed curtains and ripped us all new ones. I've never seen a teacher get so upset and furious. His face was beet red and I swear smoke was coming out of his ears. We did a lot of detention for that stunt but it was worth it. Mr. Smith was a great guy who for some reason or another left Somerville and finished his remarkable career in Arlington.

Somerville High School had a Ski Club, but hippies like me and my friends thought it wasn't cool. But it was cool enough for two of my long haired spaced out friends and me, another guy and a young lady, to sneak on the bus heading up to a ski trip in North Conway, NH.

We had two duffel bags each filled with two six packs of 16 oz. Budweiser cans, two bottles of Ripple, chips and Cheezit's. We were hidden all the way at the end of the bus, but were caught by the advisor



and kicked off the bus.

We immediately headed to 93 North and started hitchhiking. We got a few rides but one in particular took us into a pizza joint and treated us. We got back on the highway and stuck our thumbs out. We made it to the designated ski lodge in NH, got a room for the night, and went outside and sat on the steps to have a Bud and a smoke.

About 45 minutes later the bus carrying the Somerville High ski club pulled up. We greeted them with waves and loud laughter. We beat the bus even though we "thumbed" and stopped for pizza! Sweet!

The look on the advisor's face who tossed us off the bus was pretty much the same look that Mr. Smith the Glee Club director had! Flabbergasted!

These are two more tales of a time gone by. A time when Somerville High School had a smoking area, we wore bellbottom pants, protested against the Vietnam War and enjoyed six channels on TV. We had big hair, big dreams and big fun.

Good luck goes out to the returning Somerville High students. I hope you have as much fun as we did. Soon you'll have a nice new state of the art building for you to create lasting memories. Enjoy!

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By Jim Clark

Unlicensed tailgater's wings clipped

While performing traffic enforcement on Monday, July 29, parked at Broadway at Kenneson Rd., a public way with a 30 mph posted speed limit, a Somerville Police officer's attention was drawn to a vehicle that was following another car, dangerously close.

The vehicle in question was only a foot or two behind the

other car. It abruptly and without signaling pulled to its right, into the other lane of traffic, and increased its speed.

The vehicle passed the other car, and pulled to its left, back into its original lane. The rear end of the passing vehicle almost struck the front end of the other car.

Once past the other car, the

vehicle increased its speed and headed eastbound on Broadway. The officer estimated that the passing vehicle was traveling approximately 50 mph at this point.

The officer activated his blue lights and siren and the speeding vehicle stopped in the parking lot of the Speedway gas station, at 709 McGrath Highway.

I officer exited his cruiser and approached the parked vehicle. The operator was identified by a Massachusetts identification card as Richard Powers Jr. He was the only person in the vehicle.

A check of Powers' license status showed that his right to operate was revoked for being a habitual traffic offender.

subsequently Powers was placed under arrest on charges of license revoked as HTO and reckless operation of a motor vehicle, and on warrant charges of larceny under \$1200 by false pretenses, failure to wear a seatbelt, operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license, and receiving stolen property over \$1200.

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The future of Powder House Blvd. construction presented to public

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Building Institute.

Updates on the progress of construction activities included the following:

- + Sidewalk reconstruction and paving have been completed.
- Three new radar feedback signs have been installed along the Boulevard.
- The Curtis St 4-way stop pilot was rescheduled for August, following the suggestion for the trial to begin while school is out. The stop signs were expected to go in this month, remaining bagged until crosswalks and stop bars are put down, at which time the 4-way stop pilot starts.

Somerville's first asphalt speed humps will be installed outside the school. It was reported that that the rubber speed tables were a success.

The city expects to take advantage of the current contract with the company that paved the Boulevard, and permanent humps will be installed where the rubber tables were. These were expected to be constructed in the first 2–3 weeks in August.

The HAWK signal at the school entrance is still under review. The final design at Hardan Rd is dependent on the success of Curtis St. pilot, the effect of permanent speed humps on behavior at crosswalks, and the evaluation of local HAWK sig-

If any changes need to be made, they will be discussed at the next community meeting. If not, design of HAWK signal will begin

It was further reported that city staff have reviewed handouts and an online survey from the last meeting and the results were discussed in detail.

In the presentation, it was stressed that the City of Somerville is committed to a number of transportation and community goals and has already been working to provide safer facilities while balancing on-street parking needs.

As a next step, while the community process continues, a tem-

porary bike lane will be painted in one direction to provide traffic calming and improved bike facilities in the interim.

In response to the question of why the street has to be striped as soon as possible, it was pointed out that speeds are decidedly higher when travel lanes are wider, and in order to reduce ve hicle speeds and improve safety, the boulevard must be striped as soon as possible. This paint will fade over the course of the next 12 months, allowing for the opportunity to change the design.

presentation acknowlthat the community process needs to continue to determine best solution for the Boulevard. That stakeholders have raised a number of questions that still need to be answered before additional changes can be made, such as:

- How will parking and curb use needs be addressed?
- Which protected bike lane concept is the safer option?
- What happens at intersections?

· How does Broadway fit into the mobility discussion?

An additional next step consists of the continued study of parking. The city has collected some initial parking data for the Boulevard, which is now posted on the Powder House Boulevard Planning web page.

The follow-up study will be in the fall when Tufts is in session. This will also allow staff to collect data on nearby streets to better understand parking demand across a larger portion of the neighborhood and will fold into citywide parking study, which is being developed now.

According to the points addressed in the presentation, working with neighborhood institutions to address unique transportation and parking needs is important.

Investigation of parking mitigation strategies will be examined. Specifically, how the unique needs of neighborhood institutions will be addressed. This includes Doherty's, the

Presbyterian Church, the Open Center, the Nave Gallery, the West Somerville Neighborhood School, SHA Clarendon Hill, Triangle Field users, and others. Also, what happens in special cases such as street sweeping, snow emergencies, or large Tufts events.

The city further plans to con tinue developing new design options and testing different cross sections. One alternative includes switching the parking lane and bike lane.

The city also plans to expand the conversation to include a larger portion of the neighborhood. According to planners, a unique street network, a variety of destinations, and upcoming resurfacing projects underscore the need to think more holistically about the neighborhood.

The next community meeting will be in Fall 2019. The city says it will have data, study results, and possible solutions for the questions that were raised in the last meeting.

Renovated Capuano Field now open

the most heavily used athletic fields in Somerville. Neighbors and adults use the park daily for walking and play. Somerville Youth Soccer League and other high school soccer teams practice in the field too.

Lillian Martin, 13, lives across the street from the field. She plays soccer for leisure and training with the Somerville Youth Soccer League and Massachusetts Youth Soccer's Town Select League. "I'm excited because there used to be like a giant hole in this field," Martin said. "It was like really annoying and the field was kind of trashy and nobody really wanted to play on it. So it's good that it's like a new field and it's like better now."

Project manager and landscape architect Luisa Oliveira said they decided to replace the crumb rubber in the turf field with plant based infill instead. The new infill lessens heat radiating from the field. This is a new technology the OSPCD use on the field and East Somerville Community School.

"We also want to make sure we meet our

sustainability goals. Our goal is to take on climate change. This field is the first plant based infill field here in the city," Curtatone said. "It's not as bouncy, which could be too bouncy with the crumb rubber, but a better give than a traditional grasp. That's important for safety purposes."

Capuano Field is only one of the many projects OSPCD are working on to improve the city including Prospect Hill Park, different playgrounds, community paths and more. The strategic reinvestment program aims to modernize athletic fields and spaces in the city and make sure they're available to Somerville residents.

"I'm a Somerville resident. I'm a lifelong soccer player and I have coached in our youth leagues," Director of Mobility at OSPCD Brad Rawson said. "I have coached on this field when it was in really, really rough shape. It gives me great pride and great excitement, to know that our residents and our young athletes are going to have a modern safe facility for everybody to enjoy and play on."



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call votes in the House or Senate last week. This week, Beacon Hill Roll Call reports local senators' roll call attendance records for the 2019 session through August 9.

The Senate has held 91 roll call votes so far in 2019. Beacon Hill Roll Call tabulates the number of roll calls on which each senator was present and voting and then calculates that number as a percentage of the total roll call votes held. That percentage is the number referred to as the roll call attendance record.

In the 40-member Senate, 36 senators (90 percent) have 100 percent roll call attendance records.

The senator who missed the most roll calls is Sen. Adam Hinds (D-Pittsfield) who missed 7 roll calls, (92.3 percent attendance record).

"Sen. Hinds did miss seven roll calls on June 27, 2019 because he was appointed by the Senate president to attend the National Conference of State Legislatures' Budget and Tax Academy in Washington DC," said Bethann Steiner, Hinds' chief of staff.

Two senators missed one roll call each and have a 98.9 percent record: Sens. Ryan Fattman (R-Sutton) and John Keenan (D-Quincy).

"I was unable to be present for a single roll call due to attending my brother's U.S. Army Aviation graduation from Fort Rucker in Alabama," Fattman told Beacon Hill Roll Call.

"I was unable to be recorded in the first procedural roll call vote of the year because I was in Lesvos, Greece working in the Moria Refugee Camp at the time," said Keenan ... "Since then, I have maintained a 100 percent voting record on all legislation this session."

By tradition, Senate President Karen Spilka (D-Ashland) does not vote on most roll calls so her figures are not included.

2019 SENATORS' ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE **RECORD THROUGH AUGUST 9**

The percentage listed next to the senator's name is the percentage of roll call votes for which the senator was present and voting. The number in parentheses represents the number of roll calls that he or she missed.

> Sen. Patricia Jehlen 100 percent (0)

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

POSSIBLE 2020 BALLOT QUESTIONS - Sponsors of possible ballot questions for the November 2020 election faced their first deadline in the long process to get their proposed law or constitutional amendment on the ballot. Sponsors had until August 7 to submit the proposal and the signatures of 10 citizens.

There were 16 initiative petitions for proposed laws or constitutional amendments filed with Attorney General Maura Healey's Office, including 13 proposed laws and three proposed constitutional amendments. Healey will decide by September 3 if the proposals pass muster and meet constitutional requirements.

If a proposal for a law is certified by Healey, the next step is for supporters to gather 80,239 certified voter signatures by December 4, 2019. The proposal would then

THE HOUSE AND SENATE: There were no roll be sent to the Legislature and if not approved by May 3, 2020, proponents must gather another 13,374 signatures by July 1, 2020, in order for the question to appear on the 2020 ballot.

> Proposals for laws filed last week include requiring that all gun owners store their weapon in a gun safe and providing that all gun owners be held equally responsible for any and all actions and crimes committed by any person using unsecured weapons obtained from any residence, business or vehicle regardless of owner consent or non-consent; establishing laws to protect the rights of and require humane treatment of people with disabilities; updating the state's 2013 law ensuring independent repair shops have access to diagnostic information for vehicles; limiting political donations from individuals and political action committees that are outside of Massachusetts; protecting whales; ensuring adequate funding of nursing homes; preventing Massachusetts from becoming a sanctuary state; limiting payouts to state workers when they leave public service; and requiring ranked-choice voting (RCV) to be used in Massachusetts elections. RCV is an electoral system in which voters rank candidates by preference and if a candidate wins a majority of first-place votes, he or she wins the election. If no candidate wins a majority of first-place votes, the candidate with the fewest first-preference votes is eliminated and the system continues until a candidate wins a majority.

> One of the proposed constitutional amendments declares that corporations are not people and do not have the same rights as individuals and that money is not free speech and may be regulated. That amendment is in response to the Supreme Court decision in Citizens United v. Federal Elections Commission, which allows corporations to donate an unlimited amount of money to Super PACs that are formed to support or oppose candidates. The PAC is not allowed to communicate directly with the candidate or his or her campaign.

> The two other proposed constitutional amendments would restore voting rights to people with felony convictions and restrict public funding of abortion.

In the 2018 election, 28 proposals for a law or for a constitutional amendment were submitted, with only three ultimately collecting sufficient signatures to make it to the ballot. A move to repeal the law prohibiting discrimination against transgender people in public accommodations was defeated, leaving the law intact. Also defeated was an attempt to place a limit on how many patients can be assigned to each registered nurse in Massachusetts hospitals.

The only question that was approved was the creation of a citizens' commission to consider and recommend potential amendments to the U.S. Constitution to establish that corporations do not have the same constitutional rights as human beings and that corporations' campaign contributions and expenditures may be regulated.

PROVIDE HOMELESS CHILDREN WITH TRANSPORTATION TO SCHOOL (S 344) – The Education Committee is considering a bill that would provide school transportation to homeless students. The schools would be reimbursed by the state for any costs that aren't covered by federal funding.

Supporters cited a 2018 report that says over 3,000 students in Massachusetts experience homelessness in a given year.

"One of the biggest factors for determining positive life outcomes for a child is education, and the quality of that education is an equally important determinant," said Sen. Dean Tran (R-Fitchburg), the sponsor of the proposal. "Fortunately for those of us who live in the commonwealth, we have the ability to take advantage of the best educational system in the country. Unfortunately, the overall quality of our education system is meaningless if our children cannot get to class."

WOMEN ON BOARDS OF DIRECTORS (S 1879) - A bill being considered by the State Administration and Regulatory Oversight Committee would require that corporate boards of directors of large Massachusetts-based firms include at least one woman on their board of director by January 2022. In January 2024, boards of directors with six or more directors would be required to have three female board members and boards of directors with five or fewer directors must have two female members.

"Increasing diversity in our state's workforce and leadership, in the public and private sectors, is both a moral and economic imperative for our commonwealth," said the bill's sponsor Sen. Jason Lewis (D-Winchester). "In Massachusetts, women only make up 21 percent of the directors on the boards of the 100 largest public companies. Eleven of these companies have only men serving on their boards. We can and must do better to ensure that our business and civic leadership reflects the gender and racial diversity of our commonwealth."

HIGHER EDUCATION FINANCIAL LITERA-CY COUNSELING (H 1224) - The Higher Education Committee is considering a measure that authorizes the Board of Higher Education to require that all public colleges and universities provide students with financial literacy counseling once the student is accepted to the school. The bill also authorizes the board to provide students with a financial aid shopping sheet developed by the federal Consumer Financial Protection Bureau and the United States Department of Education. The sheet would include the full estimated cost of attending college, including tuition and fees, housing and meals, books and supplies, transportation and other education costs as well as grants, scholarships, work-study and loan options.

"There are more than 45 million student loan borrowers in the United States with an average debt per borrower of \$27,975," said the bill's sponsor House Minority Leader Brad Jones (R-North Reading.) "To reduce the likelihood of significant financial stress after their postsecondary education is completed, students need to clearly understand their borrowing options. By making currently available data more accessible, easier to understand, and easier to compare, [the proposal] will help students better identify colleges that provide the best value and fit based on their individual circumstances, needs and goals."

QUOTABLE QUOTES

"The Trump Administration is shamefully putting industry interests above the health of our children and the environment. We are asking the court to order the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to do its job and ban this toxic pesticide from our food." — Attorney General Maura Healey announcing her suit against the EPA for failing to ban the use of a toxic pesticide chlorpyrifos which is widely used on food consumed by infants, young children and pregnant women.

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"Teacher training is critical to ensure teachers throughout the commonwealth are prepared to lead effective civics education lessons for the one million students." — Steven Rothstein, John F. Kennedy Library Foundation's executive director on the \$1.5 million allocated to the Civics Project Trust Fund to ensure equitable and effective implementation of Massachusetts' landmark civics education law enacted in November 2018.

"Congestion is a complicated problem with a complicated and interconnected set of causes. There is no silver bullet. There is no one thing the commonwealth can do that will make congestion better here. But there are a lot of things that we have to do if we take congestion seriously." — Transportation Secretary Stephanie Pollack on release of "Congestion in the Commonwealth," a Baker administration report about traffic in the Bay State indicating congestion has gotten worse largely because the state and regional economy are doing so well, and the population and labor force are growing.

"While there are several meaningful and positive ideas included in the governor's congestion report, it's hard to take seriously any proposal that recommends adding highway capacity in 2019. We have known for decades that building new highway lanes, even if they are tolled, doesn't fix congestion — it encourages more driving, which increases air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions." — Matt Casale, MASSPIRG's Staff Attorney and Transportation Campaign director on the congestion report.

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 August 5-9, the House met for a total of one hour and 13 minutes while the Senate met for a total of one hour and 10 minutes.

Mon. Aug. 5

House 11:02 a.m. to 11:07 a.m.

Senate 11:21 a.m. to 11:31 a.m.

Tues. Aug. 6

No House session

No Senate session

Wed. Aug. 7 No House session
No Senate session

Thurs. Aug 8 House 11:01 a.m. to 12:09 p.m. Senate 11:13 a.m. to 12:13 p.m.

Fri. Aug. 29 No House session
No Senate session

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	Recent Condominiums Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month:							
	MLS#	Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price		
	72464755	56 Line Street U:1	8 room, 3 bed, 3f bath	3	\$1,085,000	\$1,200,000		
	72448116	40 Harvard St U:2	7 room, 4 bed, 3f bath	27	\$1,099,900	\$1,085,000		
	72403300	12 Columbus Ave U:12	7 room, 4 bed, 2f bath	199	\$1,145,000	\$1,100,000		
	72485889	35 Woodbine Street U:35	6 room, 3 bed, 2f 1h bath	7	\$1,148,000	\$1,155,000		
	72476091	5 Elmwood Street U:1	6 room, 2 bed, 3f bath	7	\$1,175,000	\$1,195,000		
	72458234	33 Bay State Ave U:2	7 room, 3 bed, 2f 1h bath	29	\$1,190,000	\$1,141,500		
	72418896	9-11 Sherman Ct U:9	7 room, 4 bed, 3f 1h bath	159	\$1,299,900	\$1,250,000		
	72460554	22 White Street Place U:2	7 room, 3 bed, 3f 1h bath	31	\$1,419,000	\$1,380,000		

Recent Multi-Family Homes Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month:							
MLS#	Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price		
72322821	46-48 High Street	11 total rooms, 5 total bedrooms 2 Family	368	\$1,250,000	\$1,100,000		
72476211	78 Morrison Avenue	12 total rooms, 3 total bedrooms 3 Family	15	\$1,350,000	\$1,400,000		
72452986	30-32 Whitman St	14 total rooms, 6 total bedrooms 2 Family	51	\$1,374,900	\$1,342,500		
72487492	94 Albion Street	10 total rooms, 5 total bedrooms 2 Family	20	\$1,398,000	\$1,400,000		
72497854	11 Preston Rd	17 total rooms, 7 total bedrooms 3 Family	9	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000		
72469003	242 Broadway	21 total rooms, 9 total bedrooms 4 Family	31	\$1,649,999	\$1,560,000		
72463745	65-69 Adams Street	36 total rooms, 18 total bedrooms 5-9 Family	21	\$3,650,000	\$3,200,000		

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Fun in Furnas



Former Ward 3 Alderman Bob McWatters is enjoying some vacation time in Furnas, a civil parish in the municipality of Povoação on the island of São Miguel in the Portuguese Azores. He is pictured here with with John Correia and Mario Riberio.

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Ireasure Hunting with Bob BY BOB ADAMS



Reuse, resell

I go out every day hunting for things that I can resell or reuse. While driving to stores, I've been known to trash pick items along the way and then donate them for a 20% off coupon when I arrive at the store. Any legal way to make/save a buck

Sometimes I buy things knowing they're good but not knowing exactly how good. Gold and silver, I can just put on a scale and know to the dollar how much it's worth. But a painting has to wait for months before going up and selling at auction. By then, I've forgotten where I got it from and how much I paid for it.

I had a painting sell last night at auction that I can't remember buying at all. I'm sure I paid less than \$10 for it. The painting sold for \$380. The auction lasted five days and this painting almost tripled in price on the

Yesterday, at one of my stops, the regular jewelry person called in sick. So, her manager took over the pricing duties. She was just shoveling jewelry into large vases and pricing them \$20 each. She put out three vases while I was there and I bought the two most promising looking ones. And I used my 20%

I looked through them at home and found five ounces of sterling silver and a quarter ounce of 14K gold. That's \$235 total. Not bad. No heavy lifting either.

My Legos didn't fare too well at auction. I sold about 120 pounds of mixed legos and only got back my original purchase price. Oh well, at least I didn't lose anything on them. Next time I come across a box of them, I'll leave them for the next dealer.

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

The Somerville Times Historical Fact of the Week

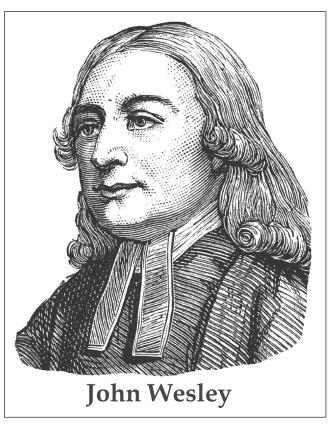


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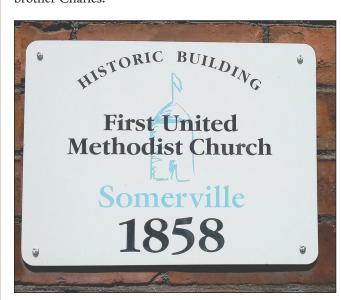
The Wesleys

By Bob (Monty) Doherty

Clergyman John Wesley was the founder of Methodism, an alternative movement from the Church of England. He was born in England on June 17, 1703, the same date of the future American Battle of Bunker Hill.



After narrowly surviving a house fire in his youth, his faith and purpose in life were born. On becoming an ordained minister, he traveled to America to preach with his brother Charles.



His open-air lectures, exhaustive by American standards, were commonplace to him. After returning to England four years later, he became a nomadic preacher for the remainder of his life. He covered forty to sixty miles a day on horseback, averaging 15 sermons a week for the next fifty years, almost 40,000 in his lifetime. He also wrote a best-selling medical text during his era, while becoming one of England's greatest spiritual leaders.



John's brother, Charles, was a prolific writer who wrote over 6,000 hymns. Among them was Hark the Herald Angels Sing. He was considered the greatest hymn writer in England. In 1736, Charles preached at Boston's Old North Church where there is a plaque commemorating Continued on page 20

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Beyond the March: Visions of a more balanced America

By JT Thompson

Margaret Garrett is the guitarist and singer of Mr. Airplane Man, a duo that she formed with her close friend Tara McManus, who plays the drums. Their website describes the band as blending "hypnotic blues, haunting slide guitar, and idiosyncratic rock and roll with dreamy girlgroup melodies." Mr. Airplane Man got its start on the streets of Somerville and Cambridge and the duo has toured with nationally known bands like the White Stripes, Holly Golightly and Morphine.

Rolling Stone describes Garrett's guitar sound as a "real salvation. It cuts and swings and explodes, crying" and Guitar Player says, "every riff, scream, moan, chord stab, solo, tribal groove, and rave-up is that real, and Garrett delivers thrilling and impassioned performances."

Garrett speaks with the reflectiveness and depth of someone with a strong sense of who they are, and also moves easily into the lightness and sense of humor of someone openly exploring who they will be.

Garrett's mother has deep

roots in Somerville's arts scene.

"My mother is a visual artist. When I was young, she had a little studio in the basement, then eventually she got a studio at Brickbottom in Somerville. She is very involved in the Somerville scene, she makes an effort to be part of the city's decision making process, she has always taken the idea of civic responsibility very seriously.

"She led by example. Do your thing. Be who you are. Be creative"

"She led by example. Do your thing. Be who you are. Be creative. She's in her 80s now and is still doing new work and exhibiting.

"I first lived in Somerville in 1997. I was working at the 1369 coffeehouse, Tara was at the Wine and Cheese Cask. We got our start playing in Harvard Square.

"At first Harvard Square was a little intimidating. Playing there



Mr. Airplane Man guitarist and singer Margaret Garrett.

was a serious business for some people. You had to fight for a good spot. Eventually we had some regulars who would come by and watch and from that we got our first Plough and Stars gig which turned into a residency every Monday night.

"Thinking back on when I use to live in Somerville, I wish I could move back there now but I've been priced out."

Garrett and McManus first met in summer camp when they were 10.

"Our bond was musical from the beginning. We use to light candles and listen to The White Album. Later we got into punk rock and would send each other mixed tapes and go to shows. But there was always a love of music from all over the world. In high school our friend Tony Flacket made us a mixed tape of Saccharine Trust, Dead Kennedy's and King Sunny Ade.

"It was Mark Sandman who got the ball rolling with Mr. Airplane Man. Tara and I were both huge Morphine fans and I was lucky enough to be living in Boston at the time and get to know Mark on a personal lev-

el. One night after a Morphine show at the Middle East, I got up the courage to ask him if he'd give me some music lessons. He told me he wasn't much of a music teacher but that I could stop by his loft in Cambridge. It became a regular thing where he'd play me recent recordings and patiently try to answer my many questions That was our relationship, he became a teacher and a mentor. He helped me to see past the obvious and into the deeper nature of things, the closest thing I've ever had to a Zen master.

"When I asked him how to start a band, he told me to travel. He saw my lack of life experience and knew that going out into the world was what I needed in order to evolve. That's a really profound insight that I think still holds true today as a song writer and musician. Out on the road touring and encountering different cultures, having adventures and engaging in other's people's lives is what keeps music vital.

"When I began the journey that Mark suggested, Tara was living in Arizona. This gave me a Continued on page 17 destination

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TUESDAY August 20

Christian McNeill & Tim Gearan 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY August 21

Free Poker, lots of prizes! 8 p.m.

THURSDAY August 22

The Gravel Project, The Background Orcs 9 p.m.

FRIDAY August 23

Tom Hagerty Acoustic Band 6 p.m. Hear Now Live / Tiny Oak present - \$10 cover 9 p.m.

SATURDAY August 24

Patsy Hamel Band 6 p.m. Skull & Roses - \$10 cover 9 p.m.

SUNDAY August 25

Roundtable Acoustic Series: Betty & The Bellhops 1 p.m. Jan Marie Music 5:30 p.m.

African Night, SambaLolo and guests 9:30 p.m.





COMMENTARY

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Data Download with Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone



By Joseph A. Curtatone

Taking a closer look at notable city data—and interesting numbers.

50%: This summer marks the halfway point on construction of the new Somerville High School and the first portion of the new building is on schedule to open at the beginning of the 2020/2021 school year. In 2016, 72% of voters approved a ballot question that allowed the

City to fund the construction of a new high school. Somerville High School was made up of a series of additions that had been built from 1852 through 1986, which meant it had not been designed for modern educational needs and presented a variety of challenges around maintenance and heating and cooling.

3 million pounds: Earlier this week we held a topping off ceremony to celebrate the placement of the final steel beam in the western wing of the new school – a more than 130,000 square foot addition that will house classrooms, labs, and common space. What goes into building a space that big? It took 3 million pounds of steel and 500,000 pounds of rebar to get the build-

ing frame up. Over the next few months crews will be finishing the outside of the building and work inside is expected to begin in October.

127,400 hours: The materials needed to complete the high school only tell part of the story. Construction crews have been working diligently to keep the project moving forward and on time. So far workers have put in a total of 127,400 hours on the new Somerville High School. The high school's home on a hill can sometimes make construction more difficult, but crews have taken on those challenges and are keeping the project on schedule.

377,406 square feet: When

finished, the new Somerville High School will be 377,406 square feet and was designed for up to 1,590 students. Around 1,200 students currently attend Somerville High, but in recent years the city's population has grown. The new building will make sure we meet the needs of current students and have some room to grow.

6 floors: The tallest part of the new high school will be made up of five above-ground floors and one lower level. Because Somerville is a densely populated city, we often need to build up instead of out, but building a taller Somerville high school also solves a logistical problem for students. The old building's layout was long and low,

so a student who had classes at opposite ends of the building would need to hustle to get between them in time. The more vertical design of the new high school will make for shorter trips between classes.

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

Revitalization projects provide a much-needed sustainable environment in Union Square

By Marshall Collins

Last month, the Somerville Planning Board approved an application by US2, the city's master developer partner for Union Square, to begin the revitalization of the area with its first LEED Gold project, a seven-story life science building. This week, US2 will come before the board once again as it determines whether to approve the proposed LEED Gold residential buildings and civic open space that will ensure equal access to Union Square's future Green Line station.

The project restores contaminated land for productive use with new housing, commercial jobs, public open space as well as easy access to transit, and as the Planning Board review US2's residential and open space plans, it's become clear that the proj-

ect's holistic approach to sustainability is a common thread that unites each individual element of the project.

This is not the first time the project's environmental performance has been examined - in June, the full project was found to comply with the objectives and regulations of the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA). The certification came after 18 months of analysis by US2 and state agency review, to ensure that "all feasible measures to avoid, minimize and mitigate damage to the environment to the maximum extent practicable" would be taken.

The MEPA process is an exhaustive review, and US2's successful application was likely facilitated by the CIty of Somerville's vision for sustainability and definition of a path toward climate resilience. The

City has developed a variety of resources, including the Greenhouse Gas Inventory in 2016 and 2018, the Somerville Climate Change and Vulnerability Assessment in 2017 and, most recently, Somerville Climate Forward in 2018. US2 has ensured that its current design aligns with the City's goals and with the following plans:

Resilient and public open spaces:

- Restoring contaminated land and utilizing 35 percent of that land for public open space
- Adding 14,800 square feet of new urban tree canopy above the planned plaza, increasing shade while combating the projected increases in high heat days
- Implementing green infrastructure to support tree growth to full maturity
- Designating tree species based on resilience character-

istics

• Introducing 18,500 square feet of permeable surface to promote infiltration and reduce flooding

High performing and adaptive buildings:

- 100 percent of building energy needs will be met through green power sources for a minimum of 10 years
- Designing above-code walk performance, achieving between
 12 and 14 percent greenhouse gas emission reductions
- Photo-voltaic ready construction and dedicating a "future proof" area for the integration of onsite renewable energy generation

Equitable low-carbon mobility

- Prioritizing pedestrian walkability, supporting by enhancements to the public realm
- Incentivizing bicycle use by adding 698 bicycle parking

spaces

- Prioritizing green vehicles, with accomodations for low-emitting vehicles, car share and carpools
- + Committing to mode share goals to achieve 60 percent non-auto trips
- Electric vehicle charging infrastructure and adaptive capacity for future expansion
- Providing access to and provision of transportation alternatives with investments in the Green Line, bus mobility and offsite infrastructure

Let's hope that the City of Somerville continues to work with, and support, the advancement of the Union Square revitalization project. The sustainability benefits, not to mention the jobs, affordable housing, public space and increased transportation access are just a few of the undeniable benefits of this project.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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RE: 4 Way Powder House and Curtis St

I don't know if 48 years of living on Powder House Blvd. constitutes a "study". Traffic traveling from North Street along the boulevard in the evening, 25% of it turns left onto Curtis Street causing

a back-up because cars traveling from Powder House Circle don't allow them to turn. Traffic on Curtis Street, from Tufts, has to turn left or right but traffic from Teele Square mainly goes straight not allowing cars to turn left. If you change signals so the one lane of traffic

is moving at a time, this would allow traffic to keep moving. You would have 3 lanes of traffic stopped at any one time. You would also have a pedestrian signal allowing safe crossing.

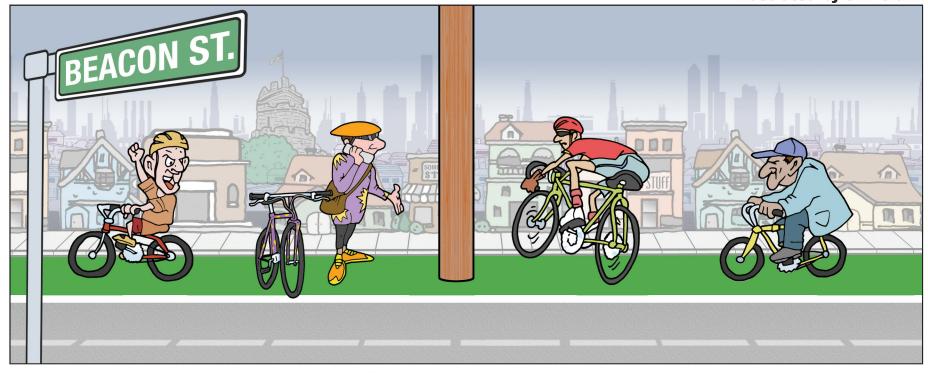
There are 3 blind people who walk the boulevard and Curtis Street and listen for the "clicks" of the traffic signals to cross the street. No traffic signals, no "clicks"! How are they going to cross the street?

Gary Goodwin Powder House Blvd resident

COMMENTARY

SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Illustrated by Jim Clark



Who put their pole in my path?

Our View Of The Times



It rises up from the ground and stands, an enigmatic and featureless monolith, vaguely suggestive of the one in the sci-fi classic 2001: A Space Odyssey. It seems to inform us of ... something ... but we're not quite sure what.

Or perhaps as in another popular film, Close Encounters of the Third Kind, where the main protagonist stares vacantly at a towering mound of mashed potatoes and utters in a state of profound bewilder-

ment, "This means something."

What, in actual fact, we are being informed of is the head-scratching ineptitude of the civil engineering planners who left a utility pole smack dab in the center of what is supposed to be a dedicated bike lane on Beacon St.

The presence of the ominous obstacle became painfully apparent after the designated strip of roadway was freshly painted in its present neon green, prompting cyclists to cry "foul" and stir up a hornets nest full of reactions from city officials and fellow riders.

Said officials – from the mayor, to city councilors, and so on – are calling for an explanation and remediation of the situation, whoever may be responsible for the unmistakable error.

The prevailing consensus seems to suggest that MassDOT, as part of its Beacon St. renovation project, is ultimately on

the hook for both the blunder and the fix. One wonders, however, what with the recent history of prolonged road work and renovation in the city, just how long it will take for this one to be addressed and resolved, if ever.

Perhaps the incident can serve as a metaphor for what many perceive as then ongoing disarray and disorder in our streets as a result of all of these vexing projects.

That indeed, this means something.

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appreciate you still dropping by to shop, eat, or just say "Hi" – it would be very welcome. The Ball Square Café, Sound bites, Kelly's Dinner – or almost everyone's favorite, Victor's Deli – don't forget Lyndell's Bakery and, of course, True Grounds are open for business as well. Traffic around the square is good, with plenty of parking. So there's no excuse for not shopping there.

Jack Connolly has announced that he will be running for City of Somerville Councilor At-Large in the Tuesday, November 5, election. Jack has served Somerville for a total of 16 terms for over 30 years. Go to his website to learn more about Jack and his candidacy: http://www.connolly4counciloratlarge.com/

The next Somerville Garden Club meeting will take place Wednesday, August 14, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. This month's topic is Local Mushrooms: How do they grow? This talk will be presented by Elizabeth Almeida, owner and farmer at Fat Moon Mushrooms, a local farm that supplies gourmet, organic mushrooms to the finest restaurants, grocery stores, and farm stands in the Merri-

mack Valley. Elizabeth will talk about the science and business of producing locally grown mushrooms. The program will include demonstration of mushroom cultivation techniques you can try at home such as tissue culture, grow kits, and log inoculation. This evening is for those who support our local food system, foodies who love mushrooms, and life-long learners who are curious about the science of mushrooms. There will also be our usual plant roundtable and raffle. All Somerville Garden Club meetings are free and open to the public. Meetings are held 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. at the Tufts Administration Building (TAB), 167 Holland Street, second floor, wheelchair accessible. Parking is available, and the building is a ten-minute walk from the Davis Square MBTA stop. For additional information please visit www. somervillegardenclub.org.

The Somerville City Club manager Donny Johnson is looking all the time for new members to join the club, if you think you'd be interested give him a call at 617-623-9340. It's a great local club for the residents of Somerville, and has been around now for over 40 years, their

location on Innerbelt Road. Call and ask for details at 617-623-9340.

In its 24th year, the Somerville 5K has hit a detour. Major road closures throughout Somerville have necessitated a temporary detour to Arlington. The race will be held Sunday, October 6 at 9:00 a.m. at the back of Arlington High School. This is a major fundraiser for SHC and we can't afford to "miss a step" in getting everyone out to the race. For more info, visit https://www.somervillehomelesscoalition.org/events/.

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The Somerville Fire Department will begin the annual inspection of all fire hydrants on Monday, August 19 and conclude on Saturday, August 31. This procedure requires the flushing of water from the hydrants as well as a check of the mechanical operation of the hydrant. The inspection/testing

program will take approximately two weeks to complete. As a result of testing, some sediment may be disturbed in the water mains causing rusty water in homes or business establishments. It is suggested that residents and businesses draw sufficient water for drinking and cooking. The rusty water will appear dirty or discolored but does not pose a health hazard. This rusty condition will be a temporary one and should clear in a few hours. Though water will remain safe to drink, it is suggested that residents refrain from washing clothes, especially white fabrics, until the water runs clear. If rust stains do appear on wet laundry, the clothes should not be dried, and residents may call 617-666-3311 to obtain a free bottle of rust remover. Inspections/testing will be conducted Monday through Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. and if necessary, in the evening, from 6:15 until 8:15p.m. Annual fire hydrant inspection is a safety measure. Testing is necessary to ensure hydrants will operate properly during an emergency. Anyone with questions regarding this procedure may contact the Somerville Fire Department at 617-623-1700.

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Mayor's 40th Annual Senior Picnic

Mayor Joseph Curtatone's "Old Time" Senior Picnic took place on Wednesday, August 7 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Powder House Park.

It was a wonderful day of food, dancing, music, entertainment and prizes galore.





















































16th Annual National Night Out

The 16th Annual National Night Out takes place on Tuesday, August 6, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. at Foss Park, featuring first responders and vehicles, community partners, performances, family fun, music and food. Go to www.thesomervilletimes.com for more photos. — Photos by Claudia Ferro





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- 1. Who thought to put an granite? eraser on a pencil?
- 2. What was the name of the world's first reusable spacecraft?
- 3. Where in the Ukraine was there a nuclear explosion in 1986?
- 4. Who played The Elephant Man on film?
- 5. Minnie Pearl wore a hat with a price tag hanging from it – what was the price displayed on the tag?
- 6. What type of rock is

- 7. What is Radon?
- 8. In which area of the world do tropical rainforests occur?
- 9. In 1993, Michael Jordan retired from basketball to play what sport?
- 10. What design is on Charlie Brown's sweater?
- 11. How old is the Sun?
- 12. In the X files, what is Mulder's first name?

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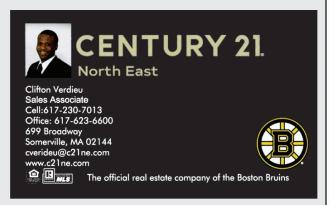
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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
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LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A <u>public hearing</u> for all interested parties will be held by the <u>Zoning Board of Appeals</u> on <u>Wednesday, August 21, 2019</u> at <u>6:00 p.m.</u> in the <u>City Council Chambers, 2nd Floor Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue.</u>

25 Ivaloo Street (ZBA 2019-64): Applicants and Owners, Tuesday Thomas & Can Keskin seek a Special Permit under §5.3.10 of the SZO to extend a previously-issued special permit (ZBA 2016-145) by one year from the original special permit expiration date. RB zone. Ward 2.

515 Somerville Avenue (ZBA 2018-122-R1-7/19): Applicant, YEM Somerville Ave LLC, and Owner, DEVB LLC, seek a revision under SZO §5.3.8 to a previously approved (ZBA 2018-122) Special Permit with Site Plan Review and Variance to construct a hotel. Revisions include changes to the parking layout, floor plans, site plan, and architecture. The Applicant also seeks a six-month time extension of the Variance under M.G.L Ch. 40A Sect. 10 to extend the time for exercising such rights. BA and RB Zones. Ward 2.

34-38 Dane Street (ZBA 2017-31-R1-07/19): Applicants and Owner, Paulo DaSilva and Cassia Silva, seeks a special permit under SZO §5.3.8 to revise a previously approved special permit (ZBA 2017-31) to construct a roof deck on the rear of the proposed three family dwelling. RC Zone. Ward 3.

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

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

Attest: Sarah Lewis, Planning Director As published in The Somerville Times on 8/7/19 & 8/14/19

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT RFP #20-13

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

Assembly Square Neighborhood Plan Update

A request for proposals (RFP) may be obtained online at http://www.somervillema.gov/departments/finance/purchasing or from the Purchasing Department, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA, 02143 beginning on <a href="https://www.somerville.gov/departments/finance/purchasing-purchasin

Sealed proposals will be received at the above office until: 2:00 PM, Wednesday, September 11th, 2019. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

Please email tchukhatsang@somervillema.gov for more information and to register for the RFP package.

CITY OF SUMERVILLE

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

RFP # 19-87 REBID

Acquisition of Commercial Office Space by Lease

for Inspectional Services Department

The City of Somerville, acting through the Purchasing Department in-

vites sealed bids to relocate the Inspectional Services Department

(ISD) offices in an effort to improve operations and the constituent

experience. The proposal may offer an entire facility or a portion of a

facility. The City is seeking a minimum of 7,000 square foot space in

order to accommodate the Inspectional Services Department offices.

A request for proposals (RFP) and specifications may be obtained at

the Purchasing Department, City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville,

MA 02143 on or after Wednesday June 31st. Sealed proposals will be

received at the above office until Friday September 6th, at 11:00am.

at which time sealed proposals will be opened. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole

judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served

The City will only consider facilities that provide a minimum of 35 off

street spaces for 35 vehicles within the City of Somerville. The desired

lease term is three years plus options to extend the lease for up to two

additional years. Lease start date shall be October 1st, 2019 and end

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT RFP #20-12

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

Valuation of Personal Property

A request for proposals (RFP) may be obtained online at http://www.somervillema.gov/departments/finance/purchasing or from the Purchasing Department, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA, 02143 beginning on Monday.degust12th, 2019.

Sealed proposals will be received at the above office until: 2:00 PM, Wednesday, August 28th, 2019. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

Please email tchukhatsang@somervillema.gov for more information and to register for the RFP package.

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT IFB #20-16

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

On-call repairs / replacement and maintenance of Doors

An invitation for bids (IFB) and specifications may be obtained at the Purchasing Department, City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA. 02143 on or after: Wednesday, August 14th, 2019. Sealed bids will be received at the above office until: 08/28/2019 at 1:00PM EST at which time sealed bids will be open. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

The contract term shall be for a period of 1 year from 09/01/2019 through 08/31/2020, with two one-year options to renew. The City reserves sole discretion to exercise renewal options.

A 5% bid deposit is required. Prevailing wage applies to this procurement.

For more information, please contact Prajkta Waditwar: pwaditwar@somervillema.gov

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Section 00.11.13 ADVERTISEMENT TO BID

The Somerville Housing Authority, the Awarding Authority, invites sealed bids from Contractors for the Weston Manor Common Area Flooring Replacement, SHA project #1824, for the Somerville Housing Authority in Somerville Massachusetts, in accordance with the documents prepared by Reverse Architecture dated August 1, 2019.

The Project consists of: Removal and replacement of existing carpet and LVT flooring and resilient wall base in the common areas, hallways, and elevator lobbies with new LVT flooring and resilient wall base on 8 floors.

The work is estimated to cost \$69,150.

Bids are subject to M.G.L. c.149 §44A-J & to minimum wage rates as required by the Davis/Bacon Wage Rate. The project is subject to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 and the Somerville Housing Authority is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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 www.biddocsonline.com. 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 pm on Thursday, 22 August 2019 and publicly opened online forthwith.

All bids should be submitted online at www.biddocsonline.com and received no later than the date and time specified above.

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

Bid forms and Contract documents will be available for pick up at www.biddocsonline.com (may be viewed electronically and hardcopy requested) or at Nashoba Blue, Inc. at 433 Main Street, Hudson, MA 01749 (978-568-1167).

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

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

Additional Sets may be purchased for \$50.00.

Bidders requesting Contract Documents to 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), payable to <u>BidDocs ONLINE, Inc.</u>, to cover mail handling costs.

PRE-BID CONFERENCE / SITE VISIT: Date and Time: **Wednesday, August 14 at 10:00AM** Address: Weston Manor, Entry Lobby 15 Weston Avenue, Somerville, MA.

It is strongly suggested all prospective bidders attend the site visit.

Questions or requests for an appointment to see the work site should be directed to Brian Langton at brianl@sha-web.org or 617-625-1152, Ext 331.

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

Somerville Housing Authority 30 Memorial Road Somerville, MA 02145 617-625-1152 Nashoba Blue Inc. 433 Main Street Hudson, MA 01749 978-568-1167

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT RFP #20-11

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

Banking Services and Automated Teller Machines in City Buildings

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Sealed proposals will be received at the above office until: 1:00 PM, Wednesday, August 28th, 2019. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

Please email tchukhatsang@somervillema.gov for more information and to register for the RFP package.

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Cross Street Center barbecue

A barbecue for seniors was held at the Cross Street Center on Thursday, August 8. The event was presented by the Council on Aging.

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10th Annual Somerville Dog Festival - DogFest 2019

The Somerville Foundation for Animals (501(c)3) announces the 10th Annual Somerville Dog Festival. The festival will be held at Trum Field on Sunday, September 8, 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Admission is free and donations are accepted for activities to support the fund. All well-mannered dogs on leash and current on their vaccinations are invited! Please be aware the bridge in Ball Square is under construction, so anyone driving in from the West should plan to reroute via Cedar Street. Parking is limited, so public transportation is encouraged.

The 10th Annual Somerville Dog Festival is a community-wide event to celebrate dogs and the families who love them. This year, the Somerville Foundation for Animals, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, is partnering with Mass Vet Referral Hospital to proudly host the festival with 100% of the proceeds benefitting local animal-related charities.

This year, on the 10th anniversary of the Somerville Dog Festival, we are excited to announce a new charitable endeavor that will benefit from the proceeds: the CARe (Community Animal Resources) Van, which will provide free veterinary care to homeless and at-risk family pets throughout the greater Boston area. The festival and its proceeds will help champion the combined mission of the Somerville Foundation for Animals and Mass Vet Referral Hospital to help pets in our community stay with the families who love them.

"DogFest 2019" will incorporate lively entertainment and educational opportunities for dog owners. Planned activities include a wide variety of dog sports, working dog demonstrations including a police K-9 unit and the popular Doggie Fun Zone. There will be dog-themed contests, food trucks and a special performance by the Fairy Tails Theater. For more information, check out our website at: somdogfest.org.



Beyond the March: Visions of a more balanced America

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on my cross-country trek. She "When it came time to name challenge is to to keep distilling on her own. let me stay with here for a few months at the cabin in the desert she was living. I tried playing with a drummer friend of hers but it didn't really click. I managed to talk Tara into playing with me instead. She was studying Afro Cuban and Haitian dancing at the time. She had a strong sense of rhythm but hadn't yet played on a drumkit. We were well matched int the way we both approach things intuitively not to mention the years of listening and talking about music together. It worked. It didn't take long before moving to San Francisco where we started playing in a rehearsal space every night into the wee hours.

the band we cycled through a few names before settling on Mr. Airplane Man, a song by Howlin' Wolf that we listened to obsessively. There wasn't much thought about the 'Mr.' or 'man' in the title given that we are two women. I guess it's the perfect example of how music always came first for us. Being gendered was never that relevant."

How would you describe the relationship between being inspired by a wide range of music you love and finding your own voice?

"It's a process of finding and refining your own voice. We don't know why we resonate with the music we do but I think we are always seeking something personal in the universal. Then the it down to the essence of where that connection lies.

"When Mr. Airplane Man opened up for the great Tuareg guitar player M'Dou Moctar this past New Years Eve, M'Dou heard me playing my song i'm in love during sound check and said it sounded Tuareg to him. He asked if he could sit in on it. It was pretty great to have Tuareg guitar line going with a song that in my mind was part John Lee Hooker part Alan Vega."

Recently, Garrett has been pursuing solo work under the name Margaret Airplaneman. She put out a solo album on Bandcamp, Live at the Charles River Museum of Industry, and is touring Europe this summer

I was out in L.A. and discovered that I could create a more layered type of song with a loop pedal. There were new options available to me that hadn't been possible in a drums/guitar duo and I really have enjoyed that."

What was your experience of the Women's March?

"I was in L.A at the time and missed the beginning part of the march but made it in time for the very end gathering. That was a good thing because I don't like big crowds so catching it toward the end spared me from a panic attack probably."

What do you think a more woman led society would be like?

"It depends on the woman," Garrett laughs. "There are women that I'd hate to see leading society. Simply being a woman does not make you fit for the job. Maybe the question is about introducing more feminine energy into the mix. How can we find a better balance of male/female energy in ourselves as individuals and as a society. How do we find balance and harmony in our ways of relating to each other."

What would you like to say to women in America today?

"Believe in yourself. Tune out the voices of doubt. Women have more role models now. It's helpful to have that validation. So, yeah, believe in yourself."

"By the way," Garrett laughs, "I'm not there - I'm still work-

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CHILDREN AND YOUTH Wednesday August 14

East Branch Library

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

Davis Square Farmers Market

12 p.m.- 1:30 p.m.| Day & Herbert Streets

Central Library

Make Your Own Board Game 3 p.m.-4 p.m.

Middle School Summer Writers' Den 5:30 p.m.- 8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

VOX Pop

Pajama Storytime! at VOX Pop 6:30 p.m.- 7:30 p.m.| 431 Artisan

Thursday August 15

Central Library

Preschool Storytime for 3 to 5-year-

10:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m. TELL (Teen Library Leaders) Meeting 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

West at TAB

West Branch End of Summer Popsicle

6 p.m.- 8 p.m.| 167 Holland St, 2nd

East Branch Library

Night Owls NIGHT SKY Storytime 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|115 Broadway

Friday August 16

Central Library

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

Monday August 19

Central Library

Middle School Summer Writers' Den 5:30 p.m.- 8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Tuesday August 20

Somerville Community Baptist Church

Preschool Storytime

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

Wednesday August 21

East Branch Library

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

Central Library

Middle School Summer Writers' Den 5:30 p.m.- 8 p.m.

Summer Reading Club Awards Cer-

6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Central Library Front Lawn

Family Movie Night on the Lawn 7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

MUSIC ARTS

Wednesday August 14

Sally O'Brien's Bar

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

The Burren

Front Room: Americana Session with: Grain Thief 9 p.m.

Backroom: SON (Susan O'Neill)|7:30

Comedy Night with Arty P.|10 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

Orleans Restaurant and Bar

65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Bull McCabe's Pub

The A-Beez

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

Thunder Road

Bearly Dead – Wednesday Night Residency

8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

Once Somerville

Deke Dickerson, Bloodshot Bill, Jittery Jack, DJ Easy Ed

8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Highland Kitchen

150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Aeronaut Brewing Co.

Redwood Rain 8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

The Rockwell

Keith Harkin World Tour

6 p.m.|255 Elm St Arts at the Armory

Strummerville

7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Thursday August 15

Sally O'Brien's

Eminent Domain, Motown, Adam with Mother Pluckers, Catch a Dinosaur

8:30 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

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

Back Room: Martha Scanlan & Jon Neufeld, Kaiti Jones 7 p.m. Scattershots 10 p.m.

Orleans Restaurant and Bar

65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Bull McCabe's

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

Thunder Road

The Press War with special guests Drive!Drive!, Shiver, and Amber Ais 8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

Once Somerville

Kitty w/vverevvolf + Photocomfort 7 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co.

Adam Janjigian Quartet

8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street Sunsetters

26 Trull Street|7 p.m.

Friday | August 16

Sally O'Brien's

Larry Flint & The Road Scholars|6

Lady Lupine, The Dirty Dotties - \$10 cover |9 p.m.

335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room: Irish Session|9:30 p.m. Backroom: Mally Smith, Redwood Rain|7 p.m.

Jimmy's Down 10 p.m. 247 Elm Street 617-776-6896

Once Somerville

Summer Cannibals w/Field Mouse, Lost Dog 8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Orleans Restaurant and Bar

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

Bull McCabe's

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

Joshua Tree

DJ McRiddleton

256 Elm St. |617-623-9910

Casey's

Entertainment every Friday 173 Broadway|617- 625-5195

Cook Bag (Album Release Show) with special guests Planet Mercury, The Hideout, and Shrink Ray 8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co. Adult Lunchbox

8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

The Oregon Fail: You Have Died of Comedy 7 p.m. Good Luck Comedy|9 p.m. 255 Elm St

Saturday August 17

Sally O'Brien's

One Thin Dime|6 p.m. Condescendants - \$10 cover|9 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room:Bluegrass Session|2 p.m.Hunter Americana|5 p.m.|Irish Session 2 p.m.

Back Room: The Social No.11|7 p.m. Scattershots 10 p.m. 247 Elm Street 617-776-6896

Orleans Restaurant and Bar

Karaoke 65 Holland St

Bull McCabe's

366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Entertainment every Saturday 173 Broadway|617- 625-5195

Thunder Road

School of Rock Lynn Presents: Summer of Metal

Once Somerville

Stranger Sounds 8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

2 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co.

Singer-Songwriter Summer Saturday Series: Dean Harlem 2 p.m. The Z-Boys 8 p.m.

14 Tyler Street Arts at the Armory

Rick and Friends

10 a.m.|Café Reception: August Art Exhibit - Draw-

ing the Line 2 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

Sunday August 18

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Roundtable Acoustic Series: Betty & The Bellhops 1 p.m. The Natural Wonders 4:30 p.m. African Night, SambaLolo and guests 10 p.m.

335 Somerville Ave 617-666-3589

The Burren Front Room: John Gannon & Friends|2 p.m., Alan Kaufman & Friends|6 p.m., Los Goutos|9 p.m. Back Room: Maddy Roop, Brianna Nelson, Elliah Heifetz with Jane Bruce 7:30 p.m.

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

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Highland Kitchen

Sunday Brunch Live Country & Bluegrass

150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131 **Orleans Restaurant and Bar**

Game Night

Sunday Night Live Music

65 Holland St|617-591-2100 **Thunder Road**

379 Somerville Ave

Once Somerville The Leafies You Gave Me, Weather is Happening, Cheap City 8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co. BYOP: Greg Klyma & friends 2 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory Klezwoods and Brivele 4:30 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

The Rockwell

BLOWW: Summah Stunnah! 7 p.m.|255 Elm St

Monday August 19

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Comedy Night! The Up n Coming Open Mic|7 p.m.

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

The Burren

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

Bull McCabe's Pub

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

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

Arts at the Armory

Queer Tango

6:30 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave Tuesday | August 20

Sally O'Brien's Bar

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

The Burren

Front Room: Jason Anick & The Swingers|8:30 p.m. Back Room: Nora Tirrell Going Away Party w/ Special Guest, Noah White-

side|8 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

Bull McCabe's Pub Ghetto People Band

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

First Tuesday of the Month|Spelling Bee Night hosted by Victor and Nicole of

The fun starts at 10:00p.m.

150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

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

Neighbor Tuesdays in Union Square,

Thunder Road

Somerville! 7 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

Once Somerville

Asian Glow 7 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co

Indie Trivia 8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory First and Last Word Poetry

Wednesday August 21

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

7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

The Burren

Front Room: Americana Session with: Grain Thief|9 p.m.

Backroom: John Doyle, Mick McCauley, and Oisin McCauley, with Dermy and Tara Diamond 7:30 p.m. Comedy Night with Arty P.|10 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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

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440-6045

Thunder Road

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8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

Once Somerville

Miss Mojo, Jill McCracken, Noble

7 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Highland Kitchen

150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Aeronaut Brewing Co.

Bertrand Laurence 8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

The Rockwell

6 p.m.|255 Elm St

Keith Harkin World Tour

Wednesday August 14

Central Library Drop in Knitting and Needlecraft

CLASSES AND GROUPS

12 p.m.-2 p.m.|79 Highland Ave **Davis Square Farmers Market**

12 p.m.-6 p.m.|Day & Herbert Streets **Central Library**

A Summer Poetry Reading 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Thursday August 15 Ciampa Manor

Central Library

Learn English with the Library! 6 p.m.-8 p.m.|27 College Ave

Denise Provost book launch: Curious Peach 7 p.m.- 8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

First Church Somerville

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

Central Library Lawn

Gardening Workshop with Green City

Saturday August 17

2 p.m.-3 p.m.|79 Highland Ave **Union Square Farmers Market**

9 a.m.- 1 p.m.|Union Square Plaza

Growers

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

Family Groups

Sunday August 18 Fourth Step to Freedom Al-Anon

Unity Church of God Enter upstairs, meeting is in basement Monday | August 19

7:00 P.M. | 6 William Street

Central Library Queer Clothing Swap

Tuesday August 20 **Central Library**

12 p.m.- 8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

10 a.m.-12 p.m.|79 Highland Ave **Aeronaut Brewing Company** Books & Brews Book Club

6:15 p.m.-7:15 p.m.|14 Tyler St

Wednesday August 21

Central Library Urban Ecology 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Urban Ecology

Drop in Knitting and Needlecraft 12 p.m.-2 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Davis Square Farmers Market 12 p.m.-6 p.m.|Day & Herbert Streets

PLACES TO GO, THINGS TO DO!

SENIOR CENTER HAPPENINGS:

CENTER LOCATIONS, TIMES & SCHEDULES

Holland Street Senior Center: located at 167 Holland Street (between Davis Square and Teele Square)
Monday through Wednesday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Fridays: 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

617-625-6600, ext. 2300

Cross Street Center: located at 165 Broadway (East Somerville)

Mondays & Tuesdays – 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Thursdays – 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Fridays – 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

617-625-6600, ext. 2335

Fax: 617-625-1414

Ralph and Jenny Center: located at 9 New Washington Street (behind the Holiday Inn)

Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. 617- 666-5223

Main Office: located at 167 Holland Street (between Davis Square and Teele Square.)

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Thursday: 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. 617-625-6600, ext. 2300

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Volunteers needed for the Engage for Brain Health Study. Are you starting to have problems with your memory or have trouble climbing stairs? Engage B might be right for you! 24 week study for people 60 to 89 years of age. Call Chris at 617-625-6600, ext. 2315 or email him at ckowaleski@Somervillema.gov for questions and additional information.

Fit-4-Life Nutrition Classes – Thursday afternoons from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. with our Nutritionist Caitlin McAfee. Learn about our new and upcoming nutrition programs including, Cooking with Caitlin, Fit-4-Life Nutrition Class, Meal in a Mug and more. For more information call Caitlin at 617-625-6600, ext. 2316.

Healthy Steps – Thursdays – Holland Street from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Healthy Steps is a therapeutic, gentle, movement class for anyone who needs to get moving, particularly anyone recovering from surgery, frail elders or those living with chronic fatigue or arthritis. Class is free. For additional information or questions to call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300

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

Somerville Mobile Farmer's Market – Running until Saturday, October 19. Fridays: 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Council on Aging Holland Street Center. 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. East Somerville Community School. Saturdays: 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. North Street Housing Development and 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Mystic Housing Development.. The Somerville Mobile Farmer's Market sells fresh, affordable produce. 50% off for residents of Mystic or North Street Housing, or for showing your SNAP, MassHealth, WIC or Senior Coupons. Questions please call 617-625-6600, ext. 4321.

Afternoon at the Theatre – La Cage Aux Folles – Thursday, August 15 at 2:00 p.m. \$33 per person. First come – first serve, space is limited, no refunds. Check in time is 12:30 p.m. at Holland Street with an approximate return time of 5:00 p.m. Payment due at time of reservation. Please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 for more information.

Movie Day Tuesday – August 20 starting at 10:30 a.m. Sister Act starring Whoopi Goldberg. Lunch and Bingo to follow. Please call Josie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 to reserve your spot.

Arts & Crafts with Judy – Wednesday, August 21 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at our Holland Street Center. Bingo and lunch will follow. Please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 for more information or to sign up.

Christmas in August Special – Wednesday, August 21 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at our Holland Street Center. \$12 includes lunch, coffee, dessert, cards and prizes. Limited seating and transportation. For more information, please contact Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

BBQ at the Ralph & Jenny Center – Thursday, August 22 starting at 10:00 a.m. 9 New Washington Street. Join us for a BBQ of hot dogs and hamburgers and Bingo

too. Please call Josie or Vivian at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 to RSVP.

Twin Rivers Casino – Monday, August 26 - \$25 per person includes transportation and a yet to be determined bonus package. Check in time is 9:00 a.m. at Holland Street and 9:30 a.m. at Ralph & Jenny with an approximate return time of 6:00 p.m. For more info or to sign up please call Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Music and Movement with Steve Gintz – August 26, September 30 and October 28 from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at our Holland Street Center. Steve Gintz is a board certified music therapist and mental health clinician. He will inspire those with and without memory decline to connect with one another as we move and groove to music. For more information or to RSVP please call Ashley at 617-625-6600, ext. 2318.

Positive Thinking with Roberta Robinson – Wednesday, August 28 at our Holland Street Center starting at 10:00 a.m. Come and learn how this mental attitude can affect every aspect of your life. Please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 to reserve your spot.

The Diabetes Support Group – Penne for Your Thoughts – a six week group starting on Wednesday, September 4 from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at our Holland Street Center. Please join our Nutritionist, Caitlin and Social Worker, Natasha as they explain common myths and facts about diabetes and discuss strategies to help manage your diabetes. To sign up please call Natasha at 617-625-6600, ext. 2317.

Mohegan by Day and Foxwoods Overnight – Thursday, September 5 and Friday, September 6. \$209 per person single or \$149 per person double. Trip includes roundtrip motorcoach transporation, Mohegan bonus package and Foxwoods bonus package. Check-in time is 7:30 on the 5 at Ralph & Jenny with an approximate return time of 7:00 p.m. on Friday the 6. For more information or to reserve your spot please call Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Finger Lakes Region – Sunday, September 8 to Thursday, September 12. 5 days/4 nights \$859 per person triple, \$999 per person double and \$1199 per person single. Trip includes roundtrip motorcoach transportation, 4 nights lodging, 4 breakfast, 3 lunches and 3 dinners and so much more. For more info or to reserve please call Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Granite State Chocolate & Wine Tour – Tuesday, September 17 departing Ralph & Jenny Center, 9 New Washington Street at 8:00 a.m. with an approximate return time of 5:30 p.m. \$89 includes luxury coach transportation, Sanborn Fine Candies, lunch at Warren's Lobster House and The Flag Winery for a wine tasting. Lunch choices are crab crusted salmon, top sirloin steak, ritzy filet of haddock or seafood casserole. RSVP to Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Wrentham Outlets – Sunday, November 10 – check in at 10:00 a.m. at Holland with an approximate return time of 5:00 p.m. \$10 per person for transportation to the outlets; lunch is on your own. For more info or to sign up please call Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

LGBTQ EVENTS

LBT Women Fit-4-Life at Holland Street Center 167 Holland Street - Fitness class is Thursday evenings starting at 6:00 P.M. \$10 a month fee - scholarships available & it just might be covered under your insurance. We have available slots and would love to have you. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact our Health & Wellness Coordinator, Chris Kowaleski at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2315.

WEEKLY EXERCISE AND NUTRITION CLASS SCHED-ULE (PLEASE CUT OUT AND SAVE)

Monday:

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

Tuesday:

Strengthening - 9:00 a.m. - \$3 per class (H) Fit-4-Life - 11:00 a.m. (C) Bike Club – 12:15 p.m. (H)

Wednesdays:

Fit-4-Life Group A (exercise) – 8:45 a.m. (H) Fit-4-Life Group B (exercise) - 10:00 a.m. (H) Fit-4-Life Group C (exercise) - 1:00 p.m. (H)

Thursdays:

Yoga - 9:00 a.m. (H) Fit-4-Life - 11:00 a.m. (C) Healthy Steps – 12:30 p.m. (H) Nutrition Class – 3:00 p.m. (H) LBT Fit-4-Life, 6:00 p.m. (H)

Fridays:

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

Adventure Group – Please call for details

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

HOLLAND STREET GROUP INFORMATION

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

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

Conversations of the Heart – Meets bi-monthly on Mondays from 1:00 to 2:00 P.M. at our Holland Street Center. Social Worker, Natasha Naim, facilitates this group. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Natasha at 617-625-6600 ext. 2317.

Cribbage Club – Meets every Monday from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. This group is facilitated by volunteer Nortbert DeAmato. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Josie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Current Events Group – Meets every Thursday at 9:30 a.m. Our Social Worker, Natasha Naim, facilitates this group. Join a group of your peers to discuss current events. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Natasha at 617-625-6600 ext. 2317.

De-cluttering support group – If you have concerns around your clutter, this group may be for you. This closed group meets both in the spring and fall for 6-8 weeks. This group is co-facilitated by Natasha Naim and Marina Colonas. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Natasha at 617-625-6600 ext. 2317.

CROSS STREET GROUP INFORMATION

Lunch is served every Monday, Tuesday & Thursday please call Maureen at 617-625-6600, ext. 2335 for sign up.

Coffee & Conversation – Meets every Monday, Tuesday & Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Maureen Bastardi, Program Coordinator and Sandy Francis, Cross Street Center Volunteer, work together to facilitate this group. Come meet people from all over the world and join in the discussion of a different topic every day. Conversation is followed by the Fit-4-Life exercise program and then lunch. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Maureen at 617-625-6600, ext. 2335.

Game Hour – Every Tuesday from noon to 1:00 p.m. at our Cross Street Center. Join us for lunch and activities. Immediately following lunch we will have a "Game Hour." Yahtzee, Sorry, Jenga, Cards, Scrabble, Checkers, Clue, Qwirkle, Dominoes, Uno & Connect 4 are available to play. Community Cooks provides us with a family style lunch on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays and Food Services provides us with lunch on the off days. If you are interested in joining, please call Maureen at 617-625-6600, ext. 2335.

Gardening Club – Meets the second Monday of each month starting at 9:00 a.m. Vilma Sullivan, facilitates this group. There is a different topic each month ranging from gardening tips & secrets to inexpensive greenhouses. Group runs for approximately an hour. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call 617-625-6600 ext. 2300.

Historical Fact CONT. FROM PG 8



him. Also, a white marble memorial honoring both brothers is in Westminster Abbey, London, England.

Union Square's First Methodist Church was erected in 1874. It held and filled the largest audience room in the city. Today, like many other religious affiliations, it has drifted to the wayside. It is now a re-born prestigious condominium com-

plex, but its memory stands proud in its location at One Summer Street. It is on the corner of Bow Street and Wesley Park, which overlooks Wesley Square and honors this often quoted man. John coined the terms:

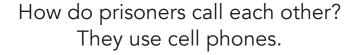
- + Agree to disagree
- Eat a little less than you desire
- Lord, let me not live to be useless One of his many mottos was:

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Come join in for a night under the stars watching original youth produced videos. Somerville Media Center will be hosting their fourth annual Out Takes Youth Film Festival on Thursday, August 15, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m., at the Somerville Community Growing Center, 22 Vinal Ave.

They will be showing a selection of youth produced videos from the 2018-2019 school year and summer youth media program. The event is outdoors, so feel free to bring a lawn chair or a picnic blanket to spread out and get comfy.

They will be serving free pizza for everyone attending, but they can't guarantee how long it will last, so be sure to get there early for a spot and a slice.

They will also be polling the audience for their favorite shorts, and awarding a cash prize to the winner. Prizes will only be disbursed to youth who attend, so be sure to come and bring friends.

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Somerville Storytellers

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Wednesday, July 17

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White Nationalism Community Response 7:30am SomerViva em Português - August 2019 SPD Ride Along Senior Picnic 2019 - 8.7.19 10:00am 11:00am 12:00pm 12:30pm SomerStreets: Seize the Summer 2019 Central Hill Campus Plan Meeting 2:00pm 2:43pm Haiti in the 'Ville SPD Ride Along East Somerville Walking Tour - 6.16.19 National Night Out 2019 3:00pm 5:00pm Raising Families "Youth Vaping & Smoking" SPD Ride Along Art Beat 2019 6:00pm 7:00pm 7:15pm Senior Circuit "Cooking w/ Caitlin" 8:15pm 8:31pm 9:00pm Talking Business "Bow Market" Central Hill Campus Plan Meeting 10:30pm SomerStreets: Seize the Summer 2019 POW Veterans' Cemetery Ceremony 11:00pm

Words on Film with Dan Burke

Community Lens Somerville Pundits

11:30pm Talking Business "Bow Market' Thursday, August 15 City Council Meeting - 7.11.19 Senior Picnic 2019 - 8.7.19 12:00am 7:30am 8:30am Senior Circuit "Cooking w/ Caitlin" SPD Ride Along SomerViva em Português - August 2019 8:46am 9:01am Pride Flag Raising 9:30am 11:00am SomerVision 2040: Values & Equity 2019 Raising Families "Youth Vaping & Smoking" Senior Picnic 2019 - 8.7.19 11:30am 12:00pm 1:00pm 1:16pm Senior Circuit "Cooking w/ Caitlin" Pride Flag Raising 1:33pm 2:00pm SomerViva en Español SomerVision 2040: Values & Equity 2019 2:30pm 4:00pm SomerVision 2040: Quality Open Space Independence Day Celebration & Fireworks 6:30pm 7:30pm Joe's Jazz & Blues Fest - 6.15.19 Powder House Blvd Community Update SPD Ride Along 9:10pm 9:30pm

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Saturday, August 17 1:00am 2:01am 7:30am 9:00am

National Night Out 2019 SomerVision 2040: Quality Open Space Copp's Hill Burying Ground SomerViva en Español Letters of World War II at Council on Aging SPD Ride Along Connecting Communities

Haiti in the 'Ville 11:30am 12:45pm 1:00pm SomerViva en Español 2:00pm

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2:00am 8:00am 9:00am 9:30am 10:00am SomerStreets: Seize the Summer 2019
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Monday, August 19

12:00am Somerville Ave. Construction Public Meeting

Historic Preservation Awards 2:00am SPD Ride Alona 2:30am SHS Topping Off Ceremony National Night Out 2019 3:05am 7:30am Art Beat 2019 8:00am Raising Families "Youth Vaping & Smoking" Haiti in the 'Ville 9:40am 10:00am SPD Ride Along 11:00am SHS Topping Off Ceremony 12:00pm National Night Out 2019 Powder House Blvd Community Update SPD Ride Along 2:00pm 3:00pm Pride Flag Raising 6:00pm

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Community Bulletin Board

Perils for Pedestrians

Going Postal

Connecting Communities Haiti in the 'Ville SPD Ride Along Capuano Field Ribbon Cutting City Council Meeting - 7.11.19 Senior Picnic 2019 - 8.7.19 Capuano Field Ribbon Cutting National Night Out 2019
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:00pmCelling Your Soul: Raising Kids in a Digital Age 7:00pmSenior Circuit "Cooking w/ Caitlin" - July 2019 7:30pm Senior Picnic 2019 - 8.7.19 SHS Topping Off Ceremony Capuano Field Ribbon Cutting SomerViva em Português - August 2019 Connecting Communities POW Veterans' Cemetery Ceremony

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Connecting Communities National Night Out 2019

Joe's Jazz & Blues Fest - 6.15.19

East Somerville Walking Tour - 6.16.19

Box House Productions Presents

Tuesday, August 20 12:00am

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Powder House Blvd Community Update Letters of World War II at Council on Aging 2:00am Celling Your Soul Art Beat 2019 7:30am 9:30am Connecting Communities
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Educational TV 15 Schedule

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Wednesday, August 15

9:00am 10:00am WSNS Science Fair Winners Argenziano School Spring Concert Rec All City Track Meet El Sistema Year End Concert 11:00am 12:30pm SHS Boys' Soccer vs Beverly Kennedy School K-3 Spring Concert 1:00pm 2:30pm 3:00pm ESCS Spring Concert Healey School Spring Concert 4:30pm WSNS Science Fair Winners Argenziano School Spring Concert 5:00pm 6:00pm Rec All City Track Meet El Sistema Year End Concert 7:00pm 8:30pm 9:00pm 10:30pm SHS Boys' Soccer vs Beverly Kennedy School K-3 Spring Concert 11:00pm ESCS Spring Concert Thursday, August 15

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SING! Somerville String Fest & Summer HONK Concert 1:00am SING! Somerville SHS Football vs Medford 9:00am 10:00am SHS Girls Soccer v Waltham 12:05pm SHS Boys Soccer vs Brockton 2:00pm 4:00pm 5:00pm Argenziano School Spring Concert SING! Somerville SHS Football vs Medford 6:00pm SHS Girls Soccer v Waltham 8:05pm

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Sunday, August 18 Argenziano School Spring Concert 12:00am

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Monday, August 19 12:00am

Kennedy School 4-8 Spring Concert SHS Graduation 2019 SHS Boys Soccer vs Brockton SHS CTE Awards Night 2019 - 5.8.19 Student of the Qtr. - Kennedy School Student of the Qtr. - Argenziano School Student of the Qtr. - ESCS Student of the Qtr. - WSNS Student of the Qtr. - Brown School

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Tuesday, August 20

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SHS Graduation 2019

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Ron A. Kalman was born in Haifa to parents who fled Budapest during the Hungarian uprising of 1956, and after living near Paris for a few years, he came to America at age 6. He received his MFA from Emerson College and works as a limo driver in the Boston area. His poems and translations have appeared in



The Exquisite Corps Annual, The Main Street Rag, Muddy River Poetry Review, Beacon Street Review and other publications.

THE MOMENT

I want to write a poem every night. I want to come home from the hospital with its antiseptic carpets washed and vacuumed daily and feel like William Carlos Williams.

I want to lie about at night beneath the radiating bulbs of my apartment and I want the walls to dance.

I want to leap from my bed to the computer and redeem the wasted years.

I want to be as prolific as Bukowski.

And if I hear a siren pass outside my window (is there an arrest somewhere? a fire?) I want to be arrested

because I am fire.

I want to throw in a touch of Frank O'Hara

because I love the way he wrote.

I don't want any deep memory revelations.

I just want one ecstatic moment every night.

— Ron A. Kalman

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OFF THE SHELF

by Doug Holder

Filmmaker Olivia Huang:

She sees the graffiti on the wall, and the spirit of poetry at the Grolier



The Modica Way filmmaker Olivia Huang.

A screening of The Last Sacred Place of Poetry and talk with Olivia Huang and Doug Holder will take place on September 3, 6:00 p.m., at the Cambridge Public Library.

When I first met Olivia Huang she was in the midst of making a documentary about the famed Grolier Poetry Book Shop in Harvard Square titled The Last Sacred Place of Poetry: Grolier Poetry Book Shop. And I was proud to be one of the talking heads in this film about the much-revered shop.

I think the film takes on even more importance with the death of its owner, Ifeanyi Menkiti. Menkiti, a longtime Somerville resident, was a Professor of Philosophy at Wellesely College for many years, as well as a respected poet. He passed away in June, 2019. And for now things are in a state of transition.

When the film was completed, Huang sent it around and, according to her, it has been screened at the North Beach American Film Festival, The Massachusetts International Film Festival, Barcelona Planet Film Festival, and others.

Huang told me that she is not finished with work on the film. She said, "I am currently editing the film to bring in 15 more minutes of footage. I want an even fuller view of the store and the activities in and around it."

Huang, a woman of abundant energy, has also set her sights on new subjects since we last talked. The former Somerville resident received a grant from the Cambridge Arts Council to produce a film examining the art and community around the famed graffiti alley in Central Square, Cambridge. The film's tentative title is The Modica Way.

Huang reflected, "I was working in that area, and I passed the alley twice a day. It was fascinating to see folks from all walks of life - not professional artists for the most part – put their work up."

According to Huang, the graffiti artists' work is up for a while, but eventually it will be painted over by another artist. It is this ever changing canvas that Huang places her gimlet eye on.

Huang told me she is working with acclaimed dancer and choreographer Wendy Jehlen and her company ANIKAYA. She films Jehlen's dance company productions and has other duties.

When I left the Bloc 11 Cafe, Huang was at work on her laptop, undoubtedly pursuing another worthwhile project here, in the Paris of New England.

A trailer for The Modica Way can be seen at https:// www.youtube.com/watch?v=nXYju D_rqT0 .

Deke Dickerson at ONCE Somerville

The one and only Deke Dickerson is coming to ONCE Somerville on Wednesday, August 14. Dickerson has devoted his long career to keeping America's roots music alive while interjecting new creativity into genres of music that flourished in decades previous. Dickerson has provided rootsy music for a slew of television shows and movie projects, including scoring the music for last year's Paramount Pictures film starring Johnny Knoxville, Action Point. In 2019 Dickerson won the



Ameripolitan Music Award for Musician of the Year. Dickerson will be joined onstage by Canadian wildman Bloodshot Bill. Jittery Jack and Miss Amy open the festivities at 8:00 p.m.



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