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# STATE PRIMARY ELECTION RESULTS

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# Somerville comes together to overcome addiction



Friends and family members of drug abuse victims gathered seek understanding and healing at Somerville Overcoming Addiction's candlelight vigil held at Somerville High School last week.

#### By Gabriela C. Martinez

Somerville Overcoming Addiction (SOA), a grassroots community dedicated to raising awareness about substance abuse, held its First Annual Vigil this past Monday night at Somerville High School. The vigil is one the events to initiate this year's Recovery Month in Somerville, which is held annually every September.

Members of the Somerville community gathered in front of the high school to collectively mourn and remember family members whose lives were lost to addiction. On the walls of the entrance of Somerville High School there were photo collages honoring those who lost their lives due to substance abuse.

"This is a community healing event. We're here to hold each other up," said Jesse Clingan, a SOA member and community organizer.

SOA's mission is to "connect the community with the addiction support and recovery services, remove the stigma of addiction and eliminate overdose fatalities."

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# Rockabilly and country legend Sleepy LaBeef to rock Somerville

# By Jim Clark

"Sleepy speaks ... liars tremble."

These words of tribute by music industry giant Nick Lowe say it all, wholly and succinctly. And this from the man who wrote and recorded a widely popular song entitled *All Men Are Liars*.

The subject of the lofty accolade is the one and only Sleepy LaBeef, a giant in the realm of rockabilly and country music – both figuratively and literally, considering his 6'-6" stature – whose storied recording career has spanned nearly 60 years.

LaBeef will grace the stage at Johnny D's this coming Saturday evening for a 7 p.m. show that affords a rare opportunity to witness one of the last remaining pioneers of the genre not only at work, but just as vital and dynamic as he has ever been.

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The primary election is over and by the time the results come in we have already gone to press, so look for the results on www.thesomervilletimes.com or on our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/thesomervilletimes) as well. Now let's hope the ones with the stupid commercials lost so we don't have to hear them any more. We can now settle back and hear new stupid commercials for the final elections. Are all these politicians as dumb as they sound in their commercials?

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Somerville High Adult Evening School courses are starting up again this fall, and registration is over the next two weeks, Tuesday and Thursday nights at the High School main office. One class in particular being offered again this semester is the real estate course, for only \$165, which is more than half of what it would cost anywhere else. Plus it is a live course with interaction with the teacher who has over 35 years of experience to offer. Register directly with the Principal Sophia Carafotes by emailing her at scarafotes@k12.somerville.ma.us or visit the high school at 6 p.m. and see how many great courses that they have to offer the public at real low prices you can't find anywhere. Let Sophia know you saw it here. She's one of Somerville's finest teachers.

Last week we missed wishing Happy 25th Anniversary to Bob and Nancy Trane. The stories Nancy could tell – lol. We wish them both a big Happy 25th, working towards the 50th.

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Happy Birthdays to some of our fans here and around the Ville. Big time Happy Birthday to our favorite active (we have to be careful here – we don't want to offend Denise – you know who we mean) Patty Oppedisano celebrates her 29th birthday and looks even younger. Always smiling, always with gossip. Happy Birthday Patty. Also this week to a local favorite former Winter Hill lady, Judy Medeiros, whom we have known a long time, from a great family. We wish her the very best. This week a big time to Bob – that wild guy – Trane, at home relaxing and enjoying his retirement from the Board of Alderman. We wish him the very best as well. Happy Birthday to the former voice of the City of Somerville,

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# TheSomervilleTimes.com Comments of the Week

# Response to Bicyclist pays her tickets

#### jake says:

After taking a look at the published crime incidents it seems that these resources are misplaced when it takes a team of back up officers to arrest a woman who didn't provide her name after running a red light on her bike. Do we really need to clog the courts and waste city resources on incidents like this, which could be used on matters more important?

#### Marc says:

Yes, Jake, we do. Every time I turn onto a one-way street and barely miss a bicyclist, or when going through a green light I almost hit a bicyclist who is running the red lights, I will be thanking these officers for doing their duty, which is to protect the public, which is me.

#### Nobody says:

The officer was doing his job. She is the one wasting city resources by resisting arrest and breaking the law. Why make it worse on yourself by resisting arrest? All this for \$20 bucks...

"Violations of traffic laws are subject to a penalty of twenty dollars or impoundment of the conveyance if the operator is under the age of eighteen. An offender who refuses to state his or her name and address, or who states a false name and address, is subject to a penalty of fifty dollars."

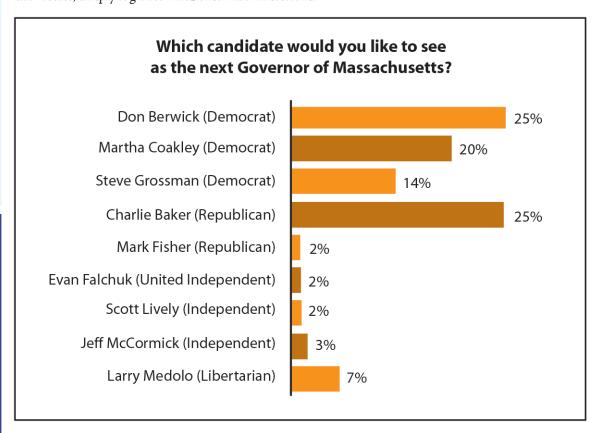
#### Jack the Destroyer says:

Don't tase me sis!:) The Ferguson craziness is spreading.

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# TheSomervilleTimes.com poll of the week

In addition to breaking news, sports and opinion, TheSomervilleTimes.com also features a daily poll in which you, the reader, tell us where you come down on local issues. Last week's poll concerned your views on which candidate you would like to see as the next Governor of Massachusetts. If you don't agree with the results, simply log onto TheSomervilleTimes.com.





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# Expanded polystyrene ban enforcement underway

By Jim Clark

The city's restaurants and other food-related establishments have recently been updated regarding the ban on expanded polystyrene – popularly referred to as Styrofoam - that has gone into effect. The city has sent out specific information about alternative methods of packaging to-go foods and drinks, as well as outlining the penalties that would be incurred by violating the new regulations.

The foam containers are no longer permitted to be used by restaurants, food trucks, delis and other food-based businesses operating in the city. The regulations apply to carry-out containers, plates and cups that once were freely used in the take out food industries.

Substances such as biodegradable plastics, aluminum, cardboard, plastic and compostable materials are being touted as viable alternatives to the foambased delivery options. Business owners have been advised to check with their suppliers to see what alternatives may best work for them. It has been reported that many of the affected businesses have already made the transition away from the foambased products and are considered to be in compliance with the mandated regulations.

Inspectional Services (ISD) will begin inspecting the facil-

ities of the affected businesses for the use of prohibited foam food containers beginning Oct. 1, and will conduct such inspections throughout pre-operational inspections, routine inspections and during food license renewals.

A first violation of the foam ban will result in a warning, a second violation will result in a \$100 fine, and third and subsequent violations will result in a \$300 fine.

The Board of Aldermen unanimously passed the polystyrene ban ordinance in May 2013 prohibiting Somerville restaurants and food establishments from using polystyrene, which is not biodegradable or easily recyclable and contains an ingredient on the U.S. Department of Health's list of carcinogens.

Ward 6 Alderman Rebekah Gewirtz, chairwoman of the Board of Aldermen's Legislative Matters subcommittee commented on the matter, saying, "The Board of Aldermen passed this ordinance last year because of the impact expanded polystyrene has on our personal health and the health of the environment. Our local businesses have been great partners with the city in reducing our impact on the environment, increasing our recycling and making Somerville a healthier city for all, and I know they will partner with us on this initiative too to rid our city of polystyrene."



Gone the way of the Dodo – expanded polystyrene cups and containers are now a thing of the past in Somerville.

City Director of Sustainability and Environment Oliver Sellers-Garcia has said, "The City of Somerville is sharing in the commitment to reduce foam use—this year, Somerville Public Schools stopped using expanded polystyrene trays to serve meals. We look forward to working with our local businesses and encourage them to reach out with any questions they may have, so they can transition to other materials for their business."

For more information about the foam ban and the fee schedule for violations in Somerville, please visit www.somervillema. gov/styrofoam, call 311 or contact the Office of Sustainability and Environment at 617-625-6600 ext. 5070. Questions regarding enforcement of this ordinance or other Board of Health regulations should be directed to the ISD Health Division at (617) 625-6600, ext. 4331. All information online is available in English, Spanish, Portuguese, Haitian Creole and Mandarin Chinese.

The city will host a Styrofoam Recycling Day on Saturday, Sept. 13 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. at the Department of Public Works, located at 1 Francy Rd. Businesses and residents are welcome to bring any unused or clean foam containers and packaging materials for recycling.

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# Somerville film screening about tap water

Where does your tap water come from? Is tap water better than bottled water?

Join SCATV at6 The Uniun, 11 Sanborn Court, on Sept. 18 from 7-9 p.m. to learn about the health and economic benefits of drinking local tap water. Somerville

Community Access Television is proud to partner with Shape Up Somerville, Mass. Water Resources Authority and the Cambridge Health Alliance on this awareness campaign.

These two films will be screened during the event:

The Story of Bottled Water and Tapped the Movie. In addition to the screenings there will be a discussion with experts working in the health and environmental services. More info: www.scatvsomerville.org/ tapwater.



# LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Readers are invited to send letters to the editor to The Somerville Times. Please email your letters to News@TheSomervilleTimes.com or mail them to 699 Broadway, Somerville, MA 02144. The Somerville Times Reserves the right to edit letters for style, grammar and length. All letters must include an name and contact information. Contact information will not be shared with the public. We look forward to hearing from you.

Letter to the Editor

Re: Roche Brothers plans a market for Davis Square, seen in another newspaper

Dear Editor:

This article is very good, and glad to know that there'll be another market in Davis Square. As a senior, at the beginning of each month, I bunny hop to all of the available markets in Somerville. Those are: Market Basket for dry & frozen products, Stop & Shop, also McKinnon's and Star Market. I search for all the sales. All of them are great. But it'd be great to have an even wider choice. Some, but not all. Of these stores carry high prices.

In this article I saw too many "no's" to the idea of having Roche Brothers be a part of Somerville. I agree that they should have their day, and when we lived in Hyde Park, Roche Brothers was one of our favorites. They have lots of sales. I highly recommend having another in our area. We are five minutes away from Elm Street. There is always room for a newcomer.

The writer mentioned Stop & Shop on Alewife Parkway, Cambridge which is not that close. Better to have mentioned the much closer Stop & Shop right off Broadway in Somerville. A thought: Why doesn't Roche Brothers

(or even Star) take on the closed-fora-long-time Star Market on Broadway? People in that area need a supermarket. Many miss it now.

My father owned and ran a large grocery market with a soda fountain and hot soup and sandwiches along with his brother (far larger than a corner grocery store), in Roxbury from the 1920s through the 1980s, the Sunrise to Midnight. All of us: family, relatives, aunts, uncles, cousins and friends, worked there.

Sincerely,

Carol Rae Bradford, M.Ed., Author Somerville resident

# By Jim Clark

# Motorist catches a few winks on the road

Police were dispatched to Broadway last Thursday evening on reports that a driver was nodding off while his car was in motion, going through red lights.

A patrol unit caught up with the vehicle where Broadway intersects with Franklin St., a good distance from where the initial reports were called in.

Officers ordered the driver to pull over via their loudspeaker and the car came to a stop.

One of the officers approached the vehicle and recognized the driver as Mark Pantanella, 28, from previous dealing with him. The officer reported that Pantanella was glassy eyed, and that his pupils were "pinned" closed.

The officer believed that Pantanella was operating the vehicle under the influence of something, according to reports.

Pantanella was questioned as to whether or not he was under the influence of anything, and told that there had been reports of his driving erratically, at which time he reportedly stated that he was off drugs and was taking Suboxone, of which he had a portion that day.

As other officers approached the vehicle Pantanella was reportedly observed moving his

arm, which appeared to show signs of hypodermic needle use, along with some blood.

According to police, Pantanella wiped blood from his arm as he was removed from the vehicle, and eventually admitted to police that there was a capped syringe filled with heroin hidden between the front seats of the car.

Police located the syringe,

which reportedly contained a brown tinted fluid that officers judged to be a solution of heroin.

Pantanella reportedly admitted to officers that he had injected himself with heroin within a half hour of being stopped by police. He was placed under arrest and charged with operation of a motor vehicle under the influence of drugs and possession of a class A drug.

#### loses argument with police **Angry** woma

Reports of a domestic dispute being loudly played out in the middle of the street at approximately 7:30 a.m. last Thursday brought police to the Loring and Osgood St. area to investigate.

Upon arrival, officers reportedly spotted a man and a woman arguing with one another in the street. According to reports, the woman, identified as Krystal Morelli, 29, was particularly

boisterous, screaming at her boyfriend as the argument ensued.

The couple had been assisted by police earlier that morning, as Morelli's boyfriend had told the officers that she intended to harm herself.

After convincing police that the matter was resolved they cleared the area, only to be called back a short time later due to the public disturbance underway as they arrived the second time.

The officers interceded and tried to calm the situation, according to reports, but Morelli continued shouting and declared that it was a public street and that she had every right to be there.

Morelli's boyfriend was questioned by the officers and he reportedly told them that Morelli had threatened to do damage to his car.

As police questioned the man Morelli reportedly became even more agitated and began walking away, saying that she was going to their apartment where she would destroy his personal property.

Officers made an attempt to explain to Morelli that the boyfriend intended to have a restraining order placed against

her and that she should not go to the apartment and should not destroy any of his property.

Officers continued to follow Morelli, attempting to calm her down, but she reportedly continued screaming and making threats, including ones to the officers.

After a brief struggle, Morelli was placed under arrest and charged with disorderly conduct.

## **Arrests**:

Ryan Gfeller, 20, of 607 Fellsway, Medford, September 2, 4:31 a.m., arrested at 16 Puritan Rd. on a charge of nighttime breaking and entering of a vehicle or boat.

Vando Macedo, 24, of 175 Norfolk Ave., Boston, September 3, 9:13 a.m., arrested at Broadway on a charge of possession of a class B drug and on a warrant charge of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

Edmilson Gomes, 25, of 187 Bartlett St., September 3, 9:13 a.m., arrested at Broadway on charges of possession of a class B drug, violation of city ordinance possession of a dangerous weapon, operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license, threat to commit a crime, and witness intimidation, and on a warrant charge of destruction of property over \$250.

Ronald Collins, 48, of 7 Memorial Rd., September 3, 4:10 p.m., arrested at home on charges of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, malicious wanton defacement, assault and battery on a family or household member, and assault and battery.

Emeli Jessica Cruz, 26, of

480 Mystic Ave., September 3, 10:47 p.m., arrested at 460 Mystic Ave. on a charge of receiving a stolen motor vehicle.

Jason Slamin, 27, of 4 Glines Ave., Boston, September 3, 10:47 p.m., arrested at 460 Mystic Ave. on a charge of operation of a motor vehicle with a revoked license.

Hicks-Hinson, Lorenzo 27, of 419 Diamond Hill Rd., Woonsocket, RI, September 3, 10:47 p.m., arrested at 460 Mystic Ave. on charges of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license and receiving a stolen motor vehicle and on warrant charges of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license and failure

Krystal Morelli, 29, of 32 Kent St., September 4, 7:31 a.m., arrested at Loring St. on a charge of disorderly conduct.

Matthew Henebury, 44, of 70 Boston St., September 4, 5:39 p.m., arrested at Joy St. on a warrant charge of credit card fraud over \$250.

Mark Pantanella, 28, of 18 Liberty Ave., September 4, 7:02 p.m., arrested at Broadway on charges of operation of a motor vehicle under the influence of drugs and possession of a class A drug.

Benjamin King, 28, of 15 Dudley St., Medford, September 4, 7:53 p.m., arrested at Mystic Ave. on a charge of possession of a class B drug.

Marquille Morrisey, 26, of 9 Oliver St., Everett, September 5, 9:13 a.m., arrested at Broadway on charges of operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license and possession of a class C drug.

Juan Campos, 26, of 182 Washington St., September 5, 10:33 a.m., arrested at 290 Washington St. on charges of trespassing, disorderly conduct, and assault and battery.

**Kevin Silva**, 22, of 460 Mystic Ave., September 5, 4:52 p.m., arrested at home on warrant charges of drug possession to distribute and conspiracy to violate drug law.

Rakim Smith-Lartey, 22, of 23 Mansfield St., September 7, 1:27 a.m., arrested at 48 Harrison St. on a warrant charge of unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle.

Maxon Mathurin, 25, of 4 Porter St., Woburn, September 7, 9:04 p.m., arrested at 2 Meacham St. on a warrant charge of assault and battery.

# **Incidents**:

Theft:

September 2, 10:38 a.m., police reported a theft at Conwell

September 3, 8:53 p.m., police reported a theft at Highland Ave.

September 3, 4:46 p.m., police reported a theft at 775 Mc-Grath Hwy.

September 3, 5:32 p.m., police reported a theft at Summer

September 3, 7:22 p.m., police reported a theft at Moss-

September 5, 1:09 p.m., police reported a theft at Central St.

September 6, 12:38 p.m., police reported a theft at Albion

September 6, 1:22 p.m., police reported a theft at 850 Broadway.

# **Breaking & Entering:**

September 7, 12:47 a.m., police reported a breaking & entering at 734 Broadway.

## Vehicle Theft:

September 3, 8:47 p.m., police reported a vehicle theft at Mystic Ave.

## Assault:

September 2, 2:03 p.m., police reported an assault at Washington St.

September 5, 1:10 p.m., po-

lice reported an assault at Summer St.

# **Destruction of Property:**

September 3, 3:37 p.m., police reported a destruction of property at Broadway.

September 3, 4:10 p.m., police reported a destruction of property at Memorial Rd.

September 6, 9:48 a.m., police reported a destruction of property at Madison St.

September 7, 1:50 p.m., police reported a destruction of property at Myrtle St.

## Trespassing:

September 5, 10:33 a.m., police reported a trespassing at 290 Washington St.

## **Drug Violation:**

September 2, 9:29 p.m., police reported a drug violation at Marshall St.

September 4, 7:02 p.m., police reported a drug violation at Broadway.

September 4, 7:42 p.m., police reported a drug violation at Mystic Ave.

September 5, 9:13 a.m., police reported a drug violation at Broadway.

# **Disorderly Conduct:**

September 4, 7:31 a.m., police reported a disorderly conduct at Loring St.

# The Somerville Times -

# Somerville cyclist killed in crash

By Jim Clark

State police responded to reports of a serious injury crash involving a bicyclist and a motorcyclist on Route 16 at Interstate 93 last Friday evening at approximately 7:39 p.m.

Upon arrival, troopers discovered that a 2013 BMW motorcycle had collided with a bicyclist. The bicyclist sustained serious, life-threatening injuries, and later succumbed to those injuries after being transported to Mass General Hospital.

The bicyclist, a 29-year-old man from Somerville has been identified as Mohamed A. Zeidan, 29, of Somerville.

The motorcyclist, identified as Donald Y. Wood, 52, of Topsfield was also transported to Mass General wife non-life threatening injuries.

The facts and circumstances of the crash are currently under investigation.

# Map your own Union Square

Neighbors,

As part of the many collective efforts to understand how Union Square can keep its special character with the coming of the Green Line and multiple new developments, we're asking you to map your own Union Square - the things you value today, the things you'd like to change, and what you would like to see in the future. The interactive tool we've built called My USQ http://www.myusq.net/ allows you to map and annotate your own experience of the City. It's easy and fun to use, and there's plenty of opportunity for you to share your observations and opinions.

We'll be presenting the initial results of this community mapping at the Mobility Revolution workshop at the Armory on Saturday, September 13 from 10 am until 2 p.m., right before the Prospect Hill community picnic. The workshop is focused on how our city can be a leader in taking advantage of the big national changes in mobility that are around the corner, including transit, to create a neighborhood that is better for jobs, businesses, housing, open space, and community, and preserves the unique creative culture of the Square. We'll also be sharing the results with the Civic Advisory Committee, the Master Developer (US2), as well as with Union United, Union Square Neighbors, and Union Square Main Streets. The workshop is free and open to the public, but sign up soon as space is limited.

Please share this information, or the link http://www.myusq.net/ with your friends, neighbors, children, and others. The more people who participate, the more valuable the tool becomes, and our email lists are limited. Thank you!

Philip Parsons

The Mobility Revolution workshop on the future of Union Square in sponsored by the http://audi-urban-future-initiative.com/ and hosted by the Congress for New Urbanism - New England. The US team in this year's Audi Urban Future Award, competing with teams from Berlin, Seoul, and Mexico City, is led by Philip parsons, a long-time Union Square resident.

## **OBITUARY**



# Kate Thomas

Kathleen "Kate" Thomas, of Jamaica Plain, passed away at home on Aug. 25, at age 41.

Born in Bangor, Maine, on March 15, 1973, Kate was a graduate of Riverview High School in Oakmont, Penn. She received her bachelor's degree from Boston University and was a licensed social worker.

Kate was an advocate and champion of LGBT elders. Through her work at Somerville Cambridge Elder Services, Kate founded the Cambridge Café at Ryles, originally Cadbury Café, a monthly dinner for LGBT seniors. In June, the Cambridge LGBT Commission presented her with a Recognition Award at their 24th Annual Pride Brunch.

Kate was treasured by her neighbors, co-workers and friends for her caring and generous spirit. She loved cooking for people while listening to Nina Simone, and she'd never turn down perfectly ripe raspberries or a well-poured Guinness. She will be remembered as an avid sports fan, doting cat mom to her sweet Rosie, and lover of all things dance, Muppets and Sesame Street.

She is survived by longtime friend and partner, Tina Cincotti of Jamaica Plain; her father, Calvin Thomas II of Daytona Beach, Fla., and his partner Janie Phillips; her brother, Calvin Thomas III of Lake Hopatcong, N.J., and his partner Vicki Hantke; her uncle and aunt, Timothy and Ann Rittal of Anchorage, Alaska; her mother-in-law and father-in-law, Marilyn Hancock and Frank Cincotti, both of Randolph; her brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Michael and Kristen Cincotti, and her niece and nephew, Kyla and Leo Cincotti, all of North Attleboro. She was the daughter of the late Constance Rittal Thomas.

Visiting hours were at the P.E. Murray Funeral Home, 2000 Centre St., West Roxbury, on Sept 2. A celebration of life was held on Sept. 3 in Jamaica Plain. Interment will

Donations in her memory may be made to the LGBT Aging Project; please make checks payable to "Fenway Health," indicate "LGBT Aging Project" in the check memo line, and mail to Fenway Development Dept, 1340 Boylston St., Boston,

# **United Stationers donates** backpacks, school supplies to ESCS students

East Somerville Community School (ESCS) students began the 2014-2015 school year sporting new backpacks filled with school supplies, courtesy of United Stationers Charitable Foundation. Currently in its fourth year supporting the Back to School Backpack program, United Stationers Charitable Foundation donated a backpack for each of the more than 650 students at the ESCS, in its first year supporting the Somerville Public Schools.

"We are incredibly grateful to United Stationers for their generosity and their enthusiasm in helping students at the East Somerville Community School start off the school year ready to learn. Not only does their support provide essential resources to our students, it also sends a very clear message to our students about the importance of making a positive difference in other people's lives," stated Superintendent Tony Pierantozzi. "We also very much appreciate the volunteer support of Tufts' FOCUS students during the backpack distribution event. Once again, our students got to see first-hand what it means to work together, as a community, to support one another."

Six associates from United Stationers, Inc. - Ram Yuvakumar, Mark Olson, Ian Arnold, Cat Diaz, Gladys Arellano, and Steve Rossetti - and 10 volunteers from Tufts University's FOCUS group distributed the backpacks to students during a special backpack distribution



Tufts FOCUS student volunteers help unload and organize backpacks donated by United Stationers Charitable Foundation for the Back to School Backpack distribution event at the East Somerville Community School in late August.

event held at the school in late August. Backpacks were filled with school supplies such as erasers, crayons, pencils, pencil box, pens, notebooks, and other items. Approximately 35 local United Stationers Associates used their own time during work breaks or before/after scheduled work hours, to help fill backpacks with the school supplies and get them ready for the distribution event.

A group of Tufts University FOCUS (Freshman Orientation CommUnity Service) students were on hand during backpack distribution event, helping unload, organize and distribute the backpacks. FOCUS is a pre-orientation program for incoming Tufts University students that introduces freshmen to their firstyear peers, while providing them with the opportunity to explore their local communities through community service projects.

The focus of the United Stationers Charitable Foundation is to generate funds to support the Back to School Backpack and other charitable programs through events with company Associates, then give back locally. This year, United Stationers Inc., an office/stationeries wholesale distributor based in Woburn, Massachusetts, will provide more than 40,000 backpacks nationwide. For more information about United Stationers, Inc.'s Charitable Foundation, visit http://www.unitedstationers.com/GivingBack. aspx. To learn more about Tufts FOCUS group, visit http:// tuftsfocus.org/.



The Back to School Backpack distribution event was held at the East Somerville Community School in late August. Every ESCS student received a free backpacked filled with school supplies, courtesy of United Stationers Charitable Foundation.

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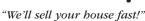
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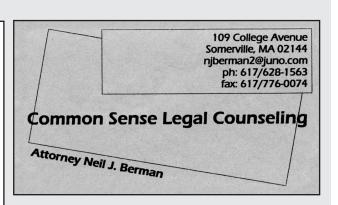
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# Somerville comes together to overcome addiction CONT. FROM PG 1

The organization chose Somerville High School for the vigil because they strive to create drug awareness among youth. "Most addicts start when they're in middle school," said Nancy Medeiros, a member of SOA. The organization is currently working on a milder, younger version of the documentary *Anonymous People* and hopes to screen it at Somerville High School.

"We could have held this vigil at City Hall, but we wanted this to be more about the community, not the politics," said Medeiros.

The program started off with a performance by Maggie Leon, who sang Where Has My Brother Gone, a song she wrote after her brother's best friend died from an overdose.

Following Leon's performance, there was a speech by Sandra Pacheco, who lost her 23-year old son, Steve Pacheco, to a heroin overdose.

"How many parents here have lost a child to addiction.

Raise your hand," said Pacheco. Numerous hands stood out amongst the crowd. "There are a lot of us."

> "I don't know anyone who hasn't talked to their kids about drugs."

"People will look at you funny when you tell them it was a drug overdose that took your child. They will question your parenting skills and wonder whether you talked to your kids about the dangers of drugs. I don't know anyone who hasn't talked to their kids about drugs."

The second speaker was Mike Duggan, a certified interventionist and founder of Wicked Sober, an organization that provides addiction treatment. Before beginning his speech, Duggan proudly announced that he

has been sober for three years.

In between speakers and performers, Justin Hildebrandt, a member of a religious community called Connexion, took to the podium to lead a brief prayer.

The program also included poem recitations by Thomas Warner, whose bother was murdered by an addict, and Joann Rivieccio, who also lost her son in 2009. She recited her poem *The Fallen Addict*.

Once the program ended, the mourning audience, as well as the members of SOA, lit candles to honor the memory of their loved ones. Families huddled together around candlelight. Many cradled the flame of their candle close to their chests, as the members of the SOA called out the names of their departed loved ones.

In addition, there were other organizations that provide support to addicts present at the vigil, such as the Somerville Office of Prevention, Wicked Sober, Learn 2 Cope, and the Cambridge Needle Exchange.

# Donald N. meets Arthur T.



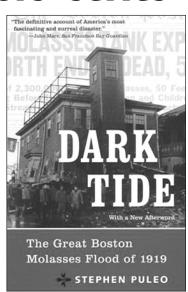
On a recent late afternoon at Somerville Avenue's Market Basket, the CEO of Market Basket, Arthur T. Demoulas, was walking through the crowded store shaking hands and thanking customers and employees alike for their support. He stopped as well to say "Hi" to our own Donald Norton, who just happened to be in the store. Demoulas appears to be a very genuine and humble man, sincerely making sure he got to as many people as he could before the loudspeaker in the store announced he was present. A huge round of applause was given by those in the store, with smiles and various people running up to him to get a selfie, just like Mr. Norton. He stopped and thanked everyone before moving on. His words to Norton were basically the same as to everyone: He couldn't do it without the support.

# Somerville Public Library to host 'Meet The Authors' series

The Somerville Public Library launched its fifth annual "Somerville Reads" campaign this summer, selecting *Dark Tide* by Stephen Puleo as its highlighted 2014 book. Somerville Reads is a project that promotes literacy and community engagement by encouraging all Somerville residents to read and discuss the same book.

Dark Tide retells the events of the Great Boston Molasses flood of 1919. A 50-foot-tall steel tank filled with 2.3 million gallons of molasses collapsed on Boston's waterfront, disgorging its contents as a 15-foot-high wave of molasses that at its outset traveled at 35 miles per hour. It demolished wooden homes, even the brick fire station. The number of dead wasn't known for days. It would be years before a landmark court battle determined who was responsible for the disaster.

The companion children's book, The Great Molasses Flood, Boston 1919 by Deborah Kops chronicles the catastrophic events for



younger readers.

As part of the program, the Somerville Public Library is hosting two "Meet the Author" events in September and October, as follows: Meet Stephen Puleo, author of *Dark Tide*, Wednesday, Sept. 17 at 7 p.m., and Meet Deborah Kops, author of *The Great Molasses Flood*, Sunday, Sept. 21 at 3 p.m.

Copies of each book in a variety of formats are available for check out at all Somerville Public Library locations.





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THE HOUSE AND SENATE. There were no roll call votes in the House or Senate last week. This week, Beacon Hill Roll Call reports local representatives' roll call attendance records for the 2014 session through September 5.

Our Legislators in the House and Senate for Somerville:



Rep. Denise Provost

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



## Rep. Timothy Toomey

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



# Sen. Patricia Jehlen

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

The House has held 226 roll call votes. Beacon Hill Roll Call tabulates the number of roll calls on which each representative 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.

Only 56 of the House's 155 members have 100 percent roll call attendance records.

Some representatives may have poor attendance records because of a variety of reasons including health problems or military service. Beacon Hill Roll Call does not ask each individual representative why he or she missed roll call votes.

The representative who missed the most roll calls is Rep. Christine Canavan (D-Brockton), who missed 108 (52.2 percent attendance).

Rounding out the top five worst are Reps. Thomas Conroy (D-Wayland), missed 76 roll calls (66.3 percent attendance); Sean Curran (D-Springfield), missed 66 roll calls (70.7 percent attendance); Kay Khan (D-Newton), missed 41 roll calls (81.8 percent attendance); and Jennifer Benson (D-Lunenburg), missed 37 roll calls (83.6 percent attendance).

# REPRESENTATIVES' 2014 ROLL CALL AT-TENDANCE RECORDS THROUGH SEPTEM-

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

> Rep. Denise Provost 99.1 percent (2) Rep. Timothy Toomey 100 percent (0)

#### ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

## TRANSGENDER PROTECTION (H 3625) -

Gender identity is now protected from discrimination in the Boston housing market. The bill was signed into law in May and took effect a couple of weeks ago. Existing law already prohibited discrimination in several areas including race, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, religion, handicap, source of income and military status.

TELEVISIONS IN CARS (H 4419) - The House gave initial approval to a bill amending the current law that prohibits television screens or any other equipment that receives a television broadcast in a car from being in the view of the driver while driving. The proposal exempts images that provide the driver with navigation, traffic reports and weather reports. Other exemptions include images used to enhance the driver's view and permit the driver to monitor vehicle occupants seated in the back seat.

SUICIDE PREVENTION (S 1134) - The Senate approved and sent to the House a measure creating a special commission to study the prevention of suicide among prisoners and correctional officers.

The commission would recommend changes to reduce instances of prisoner and correctional officer suicide; evaluate suicide prevention training for correctional facility staff; improve housing for inmates identified as suicidal; examine ways to reduce corrections officers' stress, anxiety and depression; and improve observation and treatment plans for inmates identified as suicidal.

LOWER STATE SHARE OF RACING REVE-NUE (H 4365) - The House and Senate approved and sent to Gov. Deval Patrick a bill that would reduce the number of live horse racing days that Suffolk Downs in East Boston and Plainridge Racecourse in Plainridge must host in order to be able to accept wagers on outof-state horse races that are shown live at those tracks.

Both branches agreed to Gov. Patrick's amendment deleting a provision that would have reduced the state's piece of the action on out-of-state greyhound races that are shown live at Raynham Park. Patrick said that the bill does not provide any replacement for that lost revenue and "would leave the Racing Division nearly \$600,000 short of its operating budget this year, and would create an annually recurring shortfall of approximately the same amount."

**QUOTABLE QUOTES** - Gov. Patrick Special Edition

"(They are) deeply flirtatious ... I've had my backside pinched by any number of them." — Gov. Patrick on senior citizens he meets on the campaign trail.

"I'm a Leo." — Patrick recounting what he said in response to a senior citizen who told him on the campaign trail, "Governor, I'm a cougar." Patrick didn't know that a cougar means an older woman who wants to have a relationship with a much younger man.

"I tried wicked hard ... It's hard to get the accent right unless you are from here." — Chicago-born Patrick on his attempt to mimic a Boston accent on a radio show.

"I love this president." — Patrick when asked about his opinion of President Obama.

"Shrimp and grits." — Patrick when asked what was served when he had dinner with The Obamas on Martha's Vineyard.

## 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 September 1-5, the House met for a total of 39 minutes and the Senate met for a total of 42 minutes.

Mon. September 1 No House session No Senate session

Tues. September 2 House 11:01 a.m. to 11:19 a.m. Senate 11:05 a.m. to 11:23 a.m.

Wed. September 3 No House session

No Senate session

Thurs. September 4 House 11:01 a.m. to 11:22 a.m.

Senate 11:00 a.m. to 11:24 a.m.

Fri. September 5 No House session

No Senate session

Bob Katzen welcomes feedback at bob@beaconhillrollcall.com



# Somerville youths awarded scholarships to BC High

#### By William Burke

William J. Kemeza, President of Boston College High School, is pleased to announce that Kunchok Dingyon, of Prospect Hill Academy, Somerville and Sean Sullivan of Winter Hill Community School, Somerville have been named recipients of Boston College High School Academic Merit Scholarships.

Each year, Boston College High School awards over \$1.7 million in scholarship and financial aid to qualified students from all four-class years.

The scholarships were award-

ed to students from a diverse and highly competitive applicant pool to the BC High class of 2018. The students were selected based on their outstanding work on the entrance examination, recommendations from teachers and their distinguished academic performance at their schools.

"We have carefully selected the most qualified young men from a highly competitive applicant pool to become part of BC High's 150-year tradition of academic excellence, character development and service to others," said President Kemeza.

"At BC High, they will be challenged in a nurturing and supportive environment and will graduate as leaders marked by competence, conscience and compassion; leaders who will engage our Church and our world."

Boston College High School is a Jesuit, Catholic, college-preparatory school for young men in grades 7 to 12. Founded in 1863, the school enrolls approximately 1,600 students from more than 140 communities in eastern Massachusetts. For more http:// www.bchigh.edu.



Boston College High School scholarship recipients Kunchok Dingyon and Sean Sullivan.

# COMMENTARY

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# **Community Preservation Committee seeks applicants**

In November 2012, Somerville voters overwhelmingly supported the adoption of the Community Preservation Act (CPA). The CPA establishes a small residential tax surcharge to be used exclusively for historic preservation, open space, outdoor recreation, and affordable housing in Somerville. Investments in all of these areas will improve our city and ensure that we remain a welcome home to people of all backgrounds.

Combining the surcharge, the Board of Aldermen's generous match, and the state match we will receive, the City will have at least \$4.5 million for CPA projects in the coming year. The Community Preservation Committee (CPC) looks forward to receiving applications for projects that will make Somerville a better place to live - projects of all sizes and from all corners of the city. No idea is a bad idea, and we are excited to see what creative ways you have to use this money. Although only property owners can apply for funding for projects on their land, if you and your neighbors have particular projects in mind for public properties, we encourage you to speak with your Aldermen and the relevant City Departments, and to help advocate for the projects you believe would benefit your neighborhood. The Board of Aldermen has the final determination on the projects the CPC recommends funding, so working with your

Aldermen will help familiarize them with the benefits of projects on which they may be voting.

Over the last eight months, the CPC worked diligently with our residents, elected officials, community groups, and others to create a plan that serves as a guideline for our priorities in assessing applications. We held several public hearings, on both ends of the city, to maximize public input on how we prioritize spending money on projects in our neighborhoods.

Based on this process, we decided to devote 45% of our budget - at least \$2.1 million this year - to create or retain permanent affordable housing and support programs that achieve the same. Affordable housing is a critical need that is expensive to provide. This investment will help keep Somerville families in their homes, continue our long tradition of welcoming diverse new residents, and help house our homeless. We are proud to partner with Somerville's Affordable Housing Trust Fund, who will evaluate applications for CPA funding for affordable housing projects. With more than 20 years of experience funding these very projects, the Trust's expertise will be immeasurably helpful.

Again, reflecting community priorities, we are also devoting 15% of our budget, a minimum of \$700,000 in this year alone,

to create, preserve, and rehabilitate recreational and open space. Somerville is the most densely populated community in New England, and we have among the least amount of green space per resident. We must prioritize not only the creation of more green space, but the improvement of those areas we already have. Somerville has done an admirable job of this over the past twenty years - the availability of CPA funding allows us to do even more.

Similarly, we are dedicating 15% of our budget to historic preservation projects. We are fortunate to have historic landmarks, homes, and artifacts within our borders. Until now, we have not had adequate resources to preserve them. With the availability of CPA money, we hope to protect these resources for generations to come.

We have set aside a full 20% - at least \$930,000 this year - as an unrestricted reserve to supplement, if appropriate, projects in the three focus areas. While we are not required to spend this reserve during this year, it is helpful to be able to fund specific, worthy projects that go above and beyond the already-budgeted Ezra Glenn - General public representaamount. We expect to direct this money mostly toward open space and historic projects, in light of our high initial commitment to affordable housing. The money that is not spent this year will be

saved for projects in future years. Finally, up to 5% of the budget, or up to \$230,000, may be used for administrative costs - paying for a much-needed historic preservation plan, due diligence on project proposals, and our staff person's salary. Unspent administrative funding will also be devoted to projects in future years.

We look forward to hearing your ideas for new projects and working with you to make Somerville a better place to live for all of us.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Capuano, Esq., Chairman -Planning Board representative

Dick Bauer, Esq., Vice Chairman - Historic Preservation Committee representative

Tanya Cafarella - Housing Authority representative

Elizabeth Duclos-Orsello, Ph.D. - General public representative

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# Assembly Station a beacon for our future



By Joseph A. Curtatone

Assembly Station is open. It's a short four-word sentence, but the story that led to this accomplishment is a novella. And like any great story, there's a lesson to take away. Assembly shows how we can build a sustainable economy for our city and the entire Commonwealth by investing in transportation and the infra-

structure our economy needs to thrive in the 21st century. It also shows that by staying committed—from the grassroots to the governor's office—that we can achieve a grand shared vision of remaking a forgotten and underutilized corner of our city into an economic hub and thriving neighborhood.

It took a lot of people, organizations and institutions to make Assembly Station happen. And, it wasn't always a sure thing. The Great Recession hit just as plans for Assembly Square were coming along, and funding for the station was delayed. How did it survive? By the city, the Commonwealth and Federal Realty all having skin in the game.

That meant investing in a down economy. It meant developing a new private-public model to get things done. It meant believing in ourselves by investing in ourselves. It meant staying true to the community's vision and to who we are as a city.

We are not a sprawling suburb, nor should we strive to be that. We're a densely populated city in a metro region that has some of the most diverse talent, creativity and innovation of any region in the world. That's why the historic return to the urban core continues—and why there's such pressure in the regional housing market. People seek the vibrancy and connectivity of city neighborhoods where they can walk, bike and take public transit to work, services, shopping and more. That's what residents want, and that's what 21st century industries want, too. The innovation economy is fueled by that interconnectedness.

Public transportation is the backbone of all of this. If we're going to not only survive but thrive in the coming century, making our city and the state sustainable both economically and environmentally, we need to invest in public transportation. That's how we're going to build our local economy and expand our tax base, fairly sharing the cost of the city services that we all rely on.

Assembly Square illustrates

how this can happen. A new neighborhood anchored by a new T station has arisen from what was once a monument to post-industrial urban blight. The first phase of building at Assembly has already created 700 permanent jobs, and the state's largest employer, Partners HealthCare, is consolidating more than 4,700 jobs right next to Assembly Station. An estimated 2,100 of the region's needed new housing units will be built at Assembly, including more than 260 permanently affordable units, and roughly 5,000 solo car trips per day are expected to disappear from our roads as drivers instead take the Orange Line Continued on page 21

# Berlin, Seoul, Mexico City, and...Union Square



By William C. Shelton

Audi sponsors a biennial Urban Future Award competition among teams that propose and pursue new ideas about urban mobility. By "mobility," they mean all the ways that we move around a city.

This year's finalists are conducting projects in Berlin, Seoul,

Mexico City, and Union Square. Longtime Union Square resident Philip Parsons leads the home team, and he invites you to participate in a kickoff event, this Saturday at the Armory.

# Modes of mobility matter

Perhaps no force has shaped Somerville's development more than transportation infrastructure innovations. The completion of the Middlesex Canal in 1803 enabled the first industries in what had been a farming community.

The mid-19th Century's Grand Junction Railroad construction linked Somerville to three other rail lines, fostering local glass, manufacturing, meatpacking and other industries, and making the city a residential suburb populated by professionals who worked in Boston.

The advent of streetcars linking Somerville to Boston in the 1870s greatly accelerated both trends, making the city an industrial center and a magnet for immigrant labor.

The postwar highway system facilitated Somerville's suburban diaspora in the 1950s and 60s, and I-93 tore the heart out of East Somerville in 1969.

Last week the first new MBTA station in twenty-seven years

opened in Assembly Square. The Green Line extension promises to revitalize neighborhoods across the city.

Public and private stakeholders who seek the best outcomes for neighborhood revitalizations are well advised to anticipate how the three broad elements of today's mobility revolution will transform tomorrow's urban life as profoundly as railroads, streetcars, and highways transformed yesterday's.

# Vehicle innovations

As much as half the land in American cities is devoted to the automobile. That figure is less in Somerville, which was laid out before the mid-Century car-ownership explosion. But zoning ordinance requirements push new construction back toward the national norm.

Auto and technology companies are producing innovations that, when fully implemented, can dramatically change urban design. A piloted parking facility allows drivers to exit their cars at the entrance and let the facility itself do the parking. Its vertical and horizontal space requirements are cut in half, since drivers don't need access to their cars.

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# Life in the William by Jimmy Del Ponte

# The missing class ring



I got a message on Facebook last week that was quite odd. Here it is: "Sometime in the early 80's (84-85) I was living at 901

Mass. Avenue in Cambridge. In front of the building there was a bit of a green space with bushes. I was raking them out a bit for the landlord to get rid of some of the trash when I found the ring. I wanted to find the owner but back in those days searching for someone was more of a challenge. I put the ring in a box of stuff in my office and there it has sat through several moves in Cambridge. Every once in awhile I'd think about the ring and how it ended up in the bushes. I thought perhaps a lovers' quarrel where the ring was tossed or perhaps on a cold day it slipped

off. Recently I came across the ring again and I thought, 'I've got to find the owner of this ring!' My daughter tweeted about it and it was picked up by the City of Somerville and Somerville High School but still no response. Through the power of the Internet I found your name by typing "Somerville High 1971" and discovered you were writing a column and just happened to graduate that year. I'd love to find the owner of the ring and return it to him or to his family. Thanks for the help!"

I responded that I would start to help her look for the owner of the ring. The first person I thought of was my friend Rich S., but he said the ring wasn't his. He had the correct middle initial but alas, the wrong name. He told me it could be a late member of our class also with the initials RS. I found our former classmate's wife who told me his middle initial was not what we were looking for, and that her son now had the ring.

My next move was to look through the 1971 Somerville High School yearbook for a male with the initials RS. Good thing I had borrowed a copy of the yearbook last month and still had it. All together there were seven male classmates who were in the 1971 yearbook with the initials RS. I thought of another late former classmate with the initials RS. I spoke to his sister who was a friend of mine. She told me that his middle initial was W. Also wrong! AARRGGH! I had to cross his name off my list.

I then found another RS from my class on Facebook and sent him a message describing my dilemma. I just heard back from him this morning. He said he hasn't



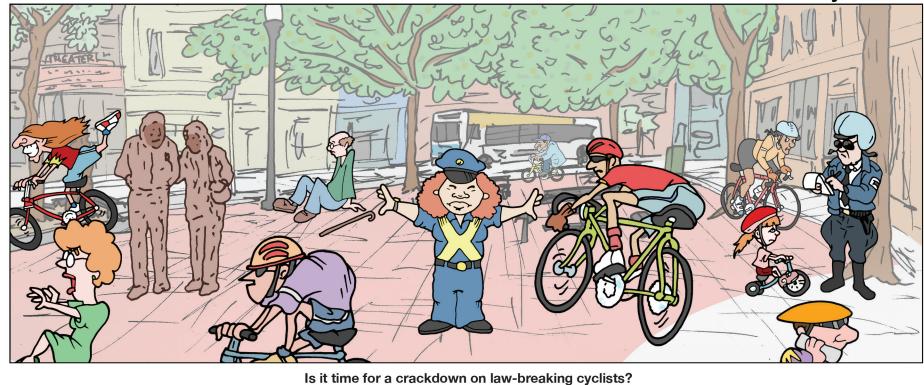
seen his class ring in years but that his middle initial was E. That's one more name eliminated. I started out with seven classmates with the initial RS, and now I am down to three.

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# COMMENTARY

# SIGNS OF THE TIMES

## **Illustrated by Jim Clark**



# The View Of The Times



It seems like a no-brainer, doesn't it? You put a penny in the machine, you get back a gumball. The most fundamental of business transactions imaginable. Penny. Gumball. Every time.

If every day life - in relation to our dealings with one another - was as equally straightforward and uncomplicated, what

a lovely world it would be. Right? Certainly. But we're not all that uncomplicated, are we?

Take, for example, how so many of us turn a blind eye to certain "victimless" infractions of the law. Substance abuse, prostitution, and the like, are often cited as examples of victimless crime, and therefore they should be decriminalized. All that is a debate in itself. But when it comes to matters of public safety - where real potential victims unquestionably exist - we must recognize the need to exercise more control in what sometimes becomes an out of control situation.

Bicyclists should and must follow laws

and regulations the same way everyone else does. People can get hurt, so reasonable safety measures must be taken. If law enforcement needs to get a little more aggressive to make that happen, then let it be so.

Break the law, pay a penalty. Penny. Gumball. No brainer.

# Newstalk CONT. FROM PG 2

Mr. Tom Champion himself. We wish him a good day. To the Ward 4 Alderman and all around great guy with a smile on his face, Tony Lafuente. Happy birthday Tony, and many more. The better half of the *Somerville Pundits* TV show, Mr. Daniel Hurley is celebrating this week as well. We wish him a good day for himself.

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It sounds like the planes have gone away. They are not as low and directly over our heads as they were. See what a loud voice Somerville can have when we flood their lines with complaints? Thanks to many, but Mary Jo Rossetti took the lead in this.

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Thank you for the suggestions of where to place some of our new boxes when they get out in the city. We're looking at some 23 new places throughout Somerville right now, including down at Assembly Square. You can't miss them, the sharp tall Red boxes clearly marked *The Somerville Times*.

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We will bestowing the "Best of Somerville" awards again this year. Started 30 years ago by one of our past owners, Bob Publicover, it continues to this day. This year we will have a different twist on it by adding popular food items to the categories. Best Hamburger, Mac

& Cheese, Pastry, Donuts, etc. And if you have a suggestion, again, send it along to 617 666-4010. Leave a message for the category you'd like to see nominated. We will be rolling out the ballots shortly for the "Best of Somerville 2014". A couple of our readers called this past week giving us suggestions and we thank them very much. We will ad them to our list.

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The universal free breakfast program helps students start the day off right. Students throughout the District are encouraged to get an early start to their school day with a free school breakfast. Breakfast is from 7:30-8:00 a.m. at most schools (7:30-8:45 a.m. at the Capuano, 7:00-7:45 a.m. at SHS). Winter Hill is piloting a Breakfast in the Classroom program this year.

Due to the severe storms and high heat on Saturday, Sept. 6, the Community Path Party co-sponsored by the City of Somerville and the Friends of the Community Path was postponed until Saturday, Sept. 20, from 2 to 6 p.m.

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Retired Somerville firefighter Patrick Sullivan and his wife Joan will be celebrating their 55th wedding anniversary on Friday, September 12. We wish them

many more happy years together.

This week we congratulate the great George and Joan Landers here in Somerville on celebrating their 42nd year anniversary. A nice couple, hopefully looking at another 42 years together.

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The public is invited to join the Somerville Historic Preservation Commission (SHPC) for a Union Square Walking Tour, "Union Square: An Intermixing of Industry, Immigration and Innovation," on Sunday, September 21 2 to 4:30 p.m. The tour is free, and will step off from Somerville High School, 91 Highland Ave. It will include interior tours of the historic St. Anthony's Church and the new Greentown Labs, and will end with a reception at Machu Picchu Restaurant. For more information, contact Brandon Wilson via bwilson@somervillema.gov or 617-625-6600 ext. 2532. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

The City of Somerville invites all community members to join in the annual 9/11 Vigil Walk to honor those who lost their lives in the attacks on the World Trade Centers, the Pentagon, and on Flight 93 in 2001. The walk will step off from the Cedar Street end of the Community Path at 6 p.m. on Thursday,

Sept. 11, and end with a brief ceremony in Davis Square.

The Lincoln Park Design Community Meeting has been rescheduled for September 15, 2014. Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone, Ward 2 Alderman Maryann Heuston, and the Mayor's Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development (OSPCD) invite all interested community members to the third in a series of meetings to discuss the renovation plans for Lincoln Park, located next to the Argenziano School just outside Union Square. The meeting will be held at the Argenziano School Cafeteria, at 290 Washington St., on Monday, September 15 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Attendees will review the community process to date, the city's plans to hire a landscape architecture design firm for the renovation, and the issues to be addressed in any new park design. \*\*\*\*\*\*

Nicholas Lanzilli, State Representative candidate for the 34th Middlesex District, invites local residents to join him for a campaign fundraiser on Friday, September 19th from 6:00-9:00pm at the Dante Club on 5 Dante Terrace in Somerville. Pizza, salad, and desserts will be served and music will be played too.

# Strike Up the Bands @ **SomerStreets**

The city celebrated the latest installment of its SomerStreets series with Strike Up the Bands @ SomerStreets on Sunday, September 7 on Holland Street.

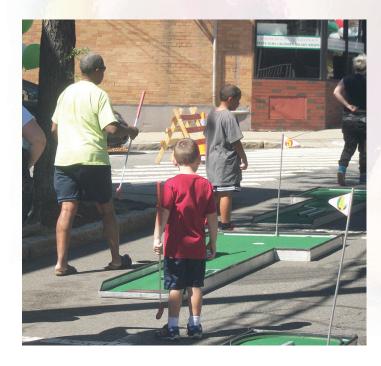
Free, family-friendly activities and entertainment that included live music at Johnny D's Uptown and Rudy's Café, as well as children's activities, family-friendly programming, and student-friendly fun (welcome back, students!) throughout the afternoon.

SomerStreets is the City of Somerville's take on the internationally renowned Open Streets concept, closing busy city streets to vehicles and opening them up for cycling, walking, dancing, running, and other modes of activity.

Through SomerStreets, the city and its community partners aim to promote and encourage easy access to physical activity, fresh foods, and reconnecting with neighborhoods and businesses and their unique cultural elements in a thriving urban environment.



































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# **SPORTS**

# Gillette Stadium rendered by LEGO

In celebration of professional football's opening weekend, New England's only LEGOLAND® Discovery Center (http://www.legolanddiscoverycenter.com/boston/) unveiled the latest feature for its MINILAND® attraction last week, a large-scale replica of Gillette Stadium constructed from more than 33,000 LEGO® bricks. A video is available at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cOdtgeS5taA.

The 19-square-foot (5'9" x 3'2") model, which took 380 hours to build, features many of the stadium's details, including Lighthouse, video scoreboard, concourses, bathrooms and a locker room. It also includes MINIFIGURES on the field and more than 500 seats.

"Gillette Stadium is home to one of our favorite championship teams, so it's only fitting that it will have a spot in MINILAND," said David Gilmore, General Manager for LEGOLAND Discovery Center Boston. "Along Fenway Park and TD Garden, MINILAND now will feature the homes of each of our four major professional teams."

Displayed outside LEGO-LAND Discovery Center Boston on Thursday, Sept. 4, the model soon will be installed permanently in MINILAND.

MINILAND features dozens of iconic buildings and landmarks from across Massachusetts, including the Prudential Tower, Boston Public Library and the Massachusetts State House.

Tickets for LEGOLAND Discovery Center are now available and can be pre-purchased online (http://www.legolanddiscoverycenter.com/boston/tickets-and-offers/ticket-prices.aspx) in order to guarantee admission.





# 2014 Somerville High Preview and Greater Lawrence Stats

The 2014 SHS Football team is very young. 6 returning starters on defense OLB/TE 6'5 235 Jr. Captain and GBL All-star Justin Berry, FS JR. Captain and GBL All-star Carls Alphonse 5'10 185, SS Sr. Matt Collins 5'10 185, DT Jr. Carlo Gertin 6'1 290, Jr. OLB/Long-Snapper Dante Gulla 6'2 190, Jr. DE James McCarter 6'2 220

Remaining Starters Defense: Manny Santiago ILB So.; Matheus Bragatto ILB Fr.; Wilbins Vincent Corner Sr.; C.J. Felix, Corner, So; Gulla DE, Fr.; Marcus Thomas SS, Fr. Defense was solid and held the talented Greater Lawrence offense to no touchdowns.

The Offense has 1 returning starter OT Isaiah Clark 6'5 275.
Remaining Starters on Offense: Isaac Saron QB Sr. Capt.;
Kevin Raymond Sr. TB; Shaq Joseph WR Jr.; Justin Berry TE Jr. Capt.; Jiovanny Pierre WR Fr.; Chapman WR Jr.; Andre James Slot Receiver Jr; Bocage OT Fr.; Claude Blanc OG So.; Albert Herrera C So; Josh Carrillo OG So.

Final score: Somerville 27, Greater Lawrence 6.

S-44 yard pass Saron to Chapman 2 point Saron run. S-Saron 2 yard run – kick failed. G – Yoel Battista 70 yard kick return – run failed. S-Saron 4 yard run – kick failed. S-Raymond 9 yard run – Barientos kick.

Key stats: Saron 14-26 145 yds 1 td passing; Kevin Raymond 14 carries 101 yds TD; Matt Collins 1 int; CJ Felix 1 int; James McCarter 12 tackles 2 Sacks; Justin Berry 9 tackles and 4 rec for 57 yds; Joe Gulla 2 Sacks; Dante Gulla 2 Sacks 5 Tackles; Defense is the key to our success most experience players.

# Ms. Cam's 1100

Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

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- 1. Which Michael starred in Doc Hollywood?
- 2. Which veteran pop singer has the first names Roderick David?
- 3. In football, where do the 1990's come from?
- 4. Who was the first man to fly in space?
- 5. What common legal item literally means "under penalty"?
- 6. To whom did Mahatma Gandhi write for advice on diet and exercise?
- 7. What does the Australian slang word hooroo mean?

- 8. What does a vexillologist study?
- 9. In which Hitchcock movie did the actress Shirley MacLaine debut in 1956?
- 10. What was Scarlet O'Hara's original first name?
- 11. What mythological beast has the head of a man, the body of a lion, and the tail and feet of a dragon?
- 12. What were Kleenex tissues marketed as when the were first introduced in 1924?

Answers on page 23

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# Berlin, Seoul, Mexico City, and... Union Square CONT. FROM PG 10

With piloted cars and "Car-to-X" communications, digital systems can drive our cars, manage traffic, prevent collisions, adjust speeds to maximize traffic flow, minimize fuel consumption, and greatly reduce street and road space requirements. Google already has driverless cars cruising up and down U.S. 101.

#### Service innovations

Big-data management technologies and digital networking have made services like Zip Car, Uber, and trip information aggregators possible. Increasingly, city dwellers, particularly those of the millennial generation, don't feel the need to own a car. They simply summon the kind of vehicle they need, when they need it.

Philip Parsons reminds me that for his and my generation, "independence" meant having a driver's license. For millennials, it's having a smart phone.

Car ownership is already declining within cities. Zip Car founder and Somerville resident Robin Chase says that vehicle trips also go down about 70% when city dwellers use Zip Car. Since they haven't already incurred the sunk costs required to own, insure, and maintain a car, they are more selective as to when they choose to use one.

Aggregator services have moved beyond providing the kind of driving, walking, and public transit directions offered by Google Maps. RideScout is an app that will tell you the fastest and cheapest way to get from one place to another, comparing transit, bus, bike, car share, rideshare, parking, and walking directions. It will adjust its information in real time, based on congestion and whether a public conveyance is on time.

# Pricing and regulation innovations

Anyone who drives is acquainted with what thirty years of disinvestment have done to our roads and bridges. Today state and local gas taxes and tolls produce revenue that's only half the cost of maintaining them. The Highway Trust Fund is bankrupt, left on temporary life support by a Congress on vacation.

London, Copenhagen, Milan, Singapore and other cities are implementing new ways to finance transportation infrastructure. And fifteen American states are exploring replacement of the gas tax with a road tax.

It's now possible to know when any car is on any road. In turn, that technology

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makes possible charging drivers for the infrastructure that they use and how much they use it. If people pay the real cost of driving a car into the city rather than expecting others to subsidize them through general taxes, their behavior could dramatically change.

A near-term implementation stumbling block is maintaining data privacy. But it can probably be overcome with anonymizing processes and protocols.

#### Heaven or hell?

Mr. Parsons and Ms. Chase suggest that how vehicle and service innovations are implemented will make cities more heavenly or more hellacious, depending in large measure on how well tax and regulatory innovations are mobilized.

Effective use of open-source comprehensive mobility data by governments and consumers, as well as entrepreneurs and corporations, could give city dwellers more open space, livelier economies, lower housing costs, cleaner air, less congestion, and more time for family, leisure, and civic engagement. In the absence of such a "Multi Modal Mobility Marketplace," the opposite conditions could well obtain. Imagine driverless cars with no place to park endlessly cruising city streets while their owners work or play.

#### Bringing it all back home

In many ways Union Square represents what's best about America. It's vibrant, multicultural, economically diverse, innovative, entrepreneurial, community conscious, and it works. Revitalization plans now being formulated for the Square could enhance or erode those qualities.

One essential element in determining outcomes will be the extent to which planners anticipate the mobility revolution. Implementation time scales for urban plans and technology diffusion are often similar. So if we're smart, we'll factor in mobility innovation now, rather than after infrastructure is laid down and superstructures put up.

This is the focus of Saturday's event at the Armory, 191 Highland Avenue. It's called "After the Mobility Revolution: Rethinking the Future of our American City." It's an opportunity for a broad group or stakeholders to imagine how their aspirations for the Square can be realized in the context of rapid change in mobility innovation and practice. And it's about developing commitments to getting it right.

If you would like to participate, show up at 10:00 AM. If you would like to eat a free lunch as well, register at usqmobility. splashthat.com.

The Immigration Again series will conclude in two weeks.

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# What's on Somerville Neighborhood News

What to expect in the latest edition of Somerville Neighborhood News: Did you know that one million workers don't get paid sick time in the state but Somervillians are fighting back. Are all City of Somerville buildings and facilities accessible to all residents? Why did a drone land in Union Square? What's the new T station like and what to Tufts students think about a law that would help police crack down on apartments that illegally have more than four people? These stories and more on Somerville Neighborhood News #22, you can watch it on Channel 3 if you have cable TV, or online at www. somervilleneighborhoodnews.org. Somerville Neighborhood News is a production of Somerville Community Access Television, made by professional journalists, volunteers and staff. The half-hour news show has as its mission to provide a lively, informative newscast focusing on the events, issues and information impacting Somerville residents.



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**LEGAL NOTICE** OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing for all interested parties will be held by the Planning Board on Thursday, September 18, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chambers on the Second Floor of Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA

102-104 Broadway: (Case #PB 2014-15) Applicant and Owner, Luis Morales, seeks a Special Permit under SZO §6.1.22.D.5.a to alter a nonconforming structure which includes modifications to signage, lighting, doors, and windows. CCD55 zone. Ward 1.

434 McGrath Hwy: (Case #PB 2014-23) Applicant, MBP Realty Trust with Melissa Piantidosi as Trustee, and Owner, Ardprop, Inc. c/o Sunoco Inc. Tax Dept., seek a Special Permit with Site Plan Review under SZO §6.1.22.D.1 to construct one new four-story building composed of 48 residential units (§7.13) and small retail/service space. Ward 3. CCD 45 zone.

61 Medford St: (Case #PB 2014-25) Applicant, Matthew Kochaba, and Owner, Tim Coskren, seek a Special Permit with Site Review to establish an approx. 100,000 square foot office use per SZO §7.13.A. TOD-100 Zone. Ward 2.

Assembly Row, Block 6, 479 Canal Street: (Case #PB 2014-24) Applicant and Owner, SRI Assembly Row B6, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, seek a Special Permit with Site Plan Review-A, final level approval of "Block 6" (identified as MBL 85-A-13 & 85-A-15) of the Planned Unit Development Preliminary Master Plan (PUD-PMP) approved by the Planning Board on December 14, 2006 and as revised on August 5, 2010 and June 19, 2014. Applicant and owner seek approval under SZO Article \$16.8.3 and \$5.2, to construct a mixed-use 640,800 net sf building with approx. 40,000 sf retail/restaurant space, 447 residential units and approx. 671 parking spaces. The uses include those approved in the PUD-PMP. The residential development is subject to inclusionary housing requirements under \$13.2. The Applicant and Owner also seek a special permit for signage under \$5.1 and \$6.4.14 to install signs that are over 35 feet from finished grade. Waivers are sought (S.Z.O. \$6.4.12 & 16.5.5) for fewer loading spaces than required under \$9.16.3 and \$9.7, alteration to bike parking dimensions under \$6.4.7 & 9.15.2, and to waive the Planning Board's right of first refusal or option to purchase the inclusionary units under §13.3.5. Assembly Square Mixed Use Somerville District (ASMD); Planned Unit Development Overlay District - A (PUD-A) / Ward 1.

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

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**Vincent Ciampa Deputy Sheriff** 



Attest: Kevin Prior, Chairman To be published in The Somerville Times on 9/3/14 & 9/10/14.

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## **INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE**

**MIDDLESEX Division** 

Docket No. M14P4335EA

(City/Town) (State)

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**First Name** 

Also Known As:

Date of Death: 08/06/2014

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of

**Middle Name** 

O'Donovan of Somerville Petitioner Alessandra M.I. Last Name First Name (City/Town) Alessandra O'Donovan of Somerville

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First Name M.I. Last Name

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

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#### **LEGAL NOTICE** OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing for all interested parties will be held by the Zoning Board of Appeals on Wednesday, September 17, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chambers, 2nd Floor, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA.

101 Orchard St: (Case #ZBA 2014-84) Applicant and Owner, Deborah Baskin & Robert Larsen, seek a Variance under SZO §5.5 and §10.7.1 to construct an 8 foot fence along the side property line within the rear yard. RB Zone. Ward 6.

1154 Broadway: (Case #ZBA 2014-72) Applicant, Shelly McPhee, and Owner, JCCK Realty Trust c/o Robert S. Casey, Trustee, seek a Special Permit with Site Plan Review (SZO §5.2) to establish 11 residential units (§7.11.1.c) and 6,300 sf of retail space (§7.11.9) in a new structure. Also, a Special Permit (§5.1) is sought for the number of compact parking spaces (§9.13.b). A Variance is sought to reduce the parking requirement by approximately 11 spaces (§9.5). NB zone. Ward 7.

Copies of these applications are available for review in the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development, located on the third floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA, Mon-Wed, 8:30 am-4:30 pm; Thurs, 8:30 am-7:30 pm; and Fri, 8:30 am-12:30 pm; and at www.somervillema.gov/planningandzoning. As cases may be continued to later dates, please check the agenda on the City's website or call before attending. Continued cases will not be re-advertised. Interested persons may provide comments to the 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  $\underline{\text{dpereira@somervillema.gov}}.$ 

Attest: Dawn Pereira, Administrative Assistant

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A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the Somerville Licensing Commission on Monday September 15, 2014 in the Alderman's Chambers, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA at 6:00PM on the application of Distinct Beer & Wines Inc., d/b/a Distinct Beer & Wine, for a Transfer of Wine and Malt Package Store License from McGrath Beer & Wine, Inc., d/b/a McGrath Beer & Wine, 14 McGrath Highway, Somerville, MA

> For the Commission Andrew Upton Vito Vaccaro John J. McKenna

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# SENIOR CENTER HAPPENINGS:

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

#### All clubs and groups welcome new members.

Holland Street: 167 Holland Street Monday through Friday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300

Cross Street Center: 165 Broadway Tuesday & Wednesday 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. (617) 625-6600 Ext. 2335

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

#### Some exciting events in the coming weeks:

New England Goes Country – Thursday, September 18 – Danversport Yacht Club, come back to the days of cowboy boots & hats, saddle up those horses and enjoy the music of Jimmy Lehoux & Nicole Frechette as well as country's upcoming stars. The fee of \$72. Includes transportation, entertainment & (meal choice) boneless breast of chicken or fresh scrod (includes cheese & crackers, salad, rolls, bread, vegetables, potatoes, dessert, coffee & tea.) Depart time is 10:00 AM at our Holland Street Center and 10:15 AM at our Ralph & Jenny Center with an approximate return time of 5:30 PM. Contact Flo at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300 to reserve your spot or if you have any questions.

**Twin River Casino** – Monday, September 22 – For a fee of \$22.00 you receive Motorcoach Bus transportation, \$10.00 Free Bonus Play and a \$7.00 Food Credit. Check in times are 9:30 A.M. at Holland Street and 9:45 A.M. at the Ralph & Jenny Center. Approximate return time is 7:00 P.M. For more information or to reserve your spot please contact Connie at 617-625-6600, Ext. 2300.

Fall Foliage Trip – East Hill Farm, Troy, NH: Tuesday, September 30 – Enjoy the fall foliage and a delectable homemade family style lunch including: tomato cheddar soup, fresh baked bread, fritters with maple syrup, roast pork with gravy, mashed potatoes, green garden peas, applesauce, berry cobbler, coffee, tea & milk. We will be visiting Allison's Apple Orchard for apples, pumpkins and lots of other fall goodies. Free Pumpkin included. Trip fee is \$45.00 - Check in times are 8:45 a.m. at the Ralph & Jenny Center & 9 a.m. at the Holland Street Center. Approximate return time is 4:30 / 5 p.m. Please contact Connie or Flo at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300 to reserves your spot.

Mohegan Sun – Monday, October 27 – For a fee of \$25.00 you receive your transportation, \$10.00 Food Coupon and \$10.00 Free Bet. Check in times are 8:00 A.M. at Holland Street and 8:15 A.M. at the Ralph & Jenny Center. Approximate return time is 8:00 P.M. Please contact Connie at 617-625-6600, Ext. 2300 for more information or to reserve your spot.

Honor Flight. Documentary – Monday, October 27 – 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. - Honor Flight is a heartwarming documentary about four living WWII veterans and a Midwest community coming together to give them the trip of a lifetime. Holland Street Center in the Atrium – lunch is available by request – to register please call Suzanne Norton at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2318

Halloween Super Bingo – Friday, October 31 – 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at our Holland Street Center – 167 Holland Street. Your \$10. Fee includes lunch, coffee, dessert, cards & prizes. Come & have a fun filled day. Limited seating and transportation available so please call Flo at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300 to reserve your spot or if you have any questions.

Thanksgiving Super Bingo – Thursday, November 20 – 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at our Ralph & Jenny Center – 9 New Washington Street. Your \$10. Fee includes lunch, coffee, dessert, cards & prizes. Come & have a fun filled day. Limited seating and transportation available so please call Kim at 617-666-5223 to reserve your spot or if your should have questions.

## PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

The Fall Foliage trip to East Hill Farms scheduled for September 30 is **SOLD OUT**.

The trip to the Taj Mahal Resort in Atlantic City scheduled for October is **SOLD OUT**.

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The Mobile Farmer's Market is at our Holland Street

Center every Thursday throughout the summer from 1:00 to 3:30 PM.

Suffolk Downs - Wednesday, September 17.

#### **LGBT EVENTS:**

**LGBT Advisory Group** – Meets on the 2nd Monday of each month

**LGBT Dinner & Movie** – Monday, September 15 – 5:30 meal time – 6:30 movie time –September's movie is "Shelter" and back by popular demand is pizza & salad for dinner. \$5.00 fee. Must RSVP by 10:00 AM on Monday, September 15.

\*If you require additional information or have any questions regarding the LGBT Lunch, Dinner & Movie or the Advisory Group please contact Maureen Bastardi at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2316 or email her at MBastardi@ Somervillema.gov

LBT Women Fit-4-Life - Fitness and Nutrition Classes. Classes are Tuesday and Thursday evenings starting at 6 p.m. \$10 a month fee - scholarships available & it just might be covered under your insurance. We have available slots and would love to have you. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact our Health & Wellness Coordinator, Chris Kowaleski at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300.

#### **GROUP INFORMATION:**

Men's Group – Meets the first Tuesday of each month from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. This group is led by our volunteer, Norbert DeAmato. Are you recently retired? Looking to connect with other men in the community? Join our men's group where you can connect with old friends and make new ones. All men 55 and over are welcome. Come chat about what is on your mind. If you have any questions or require additional information, please give us a call at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300.

Caregiver Support Group – Meets the third Tuesday of each month from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Our Social Worker, Suzanne Norton, leads 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 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300 and ask to speak to Suzanne.

Veterans Group – Meets the third Monday of each month from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m Our Social Worker, Suzanne Norton, leads this group. Are you a veteran? The Veterans Group is the perfect opportunity to socialize, have solidarity, to reminisce and to meet other veterans. If you are interested or require additional information, please call 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300 and ask for Suzanne.

Low Vision Support Group – Meets the second (2nd) Tuesday of each month from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Our Social Worker, Suzanne Norton, leads this group. Do you know someone who has trouble seeing? Do you have low vision? Join our Low Vision Support Group for educational and informative information and peer support in a confidential environment. Lunch and transportation may be available on request. Please call Suzanne at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300 if you are interested in attending, have any questions or require additional information.

Current Events Group – Meets every Thursday from 10 to 11 a.m. Our Social Worker intern, Simone Martell, leads this group. Join a group of your peers to discuss current events. Please call us at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300 for additional information or if you have any questions.

**Book Club** – Meets the first Friday of each month from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Senior Project Manager, Janine Lotti, leads this group. Join this group to read and discuss a different book each month. In most cases, copies of the book are available in the COA office. Contact Janine at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2321 or JLotti@Somervillema.gov if you require additional information.

## IMPORTANT NEWS:

The Somerville Council on Aging in conjunction with the Somerville Fire Department are installing free, new smoke alarms & carbon monoxide detectors to eligible Somerville older adults as part of the Senior SAFE Program. If you are an older adult (60 years of age or older) and live in Somerville (own or rent) please contact Maureen Bastardi, Outreach Worker at the Somerville Council on Aging at 617-625-6600, Ext. 2300 to find out how to get yours. Please note that due to the high demand we are still waiting for a new delivery of

detectors and future installation dates will not be until sometime in September.

On Thursday, October 16 from 9:00 AM to Noon, the Somerville Council on Aging will be holding its 4th Annual Health & Wellness Fair. This year the fair is entitled "Mastering the Aging Process" and will be held at our Holland Street Center located at 167 Holland Street. If you are interested in being a participate or one of our sponsors please contact Suzanne Norton at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2318 to register or if you go to the SCOA's portion of the City's web site and go to the "Department Calendar" on that day you will be able to access a registration form.

#### **STAY ACTIVE:**

#### Mondays:

Wii Bowling, noon, Free. (H) Fit 4 Life\* Group C, 1:00 P.M. (H)

#### Tuesdavs:

Strengthening, 9:15 A.M., \$3 per class (H) Dalcroze Eurhythmics, Free, 1:00 P.M., (H) LBT Fit 4 Life\*, 6:00 P.M., (H)

#### Wednesdays:

Fit 4 Life\* Group A, 8:45 a.m. (H)
Fit 4 Life\* Group B, 9 a.m. (H)
Fit 4 Life\* Group C, Noon (H)
Bowling @ Flatbreads, 1 p.m.
Zumba for All, 5:15 p.m.., \$3 per class (H)

#### Thursdays

Strengthening, 9:30 a.m. \$3 per class (RJ) LBT Fit 4 Life\*, 6 p.m.

#### Fridays:

Fit 4 Life\* Group A, 8:45 a.m. Fit 4 Life\* Group B, 9 a.m. Fit 4 Life\* Group C 12 p.m.

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

#### Upcoming Schedule:

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

## Wednesday | September 10

10:00 Cards (RJ)

10:00 English Conversation (C) 11:30 Lunch (H, RJ, C) 12:45 Bingo (RJ)

## Thursday | September 11

10:00 Cards (RJ)

10:00 Current Events (H)

11:00 Computer tutorial with Barbara

11:30 Lunch (H, RJ)

12:45 Bingo (RJ, H)

1:00 Mobile Farmer's Market

# Friday | September 12

Lunch (H)

Bingo (H)

Monday|September 15

9:00 Gardening (H)

9:30 Veterans Group (H) 11:30 Lunch (H)

5:30 LGBT Dinner & Movie

## **Tuesday | September 16**

10:00 Learn about Facebook with Meghann Ackerman

10:00 English Conversation (C)

10:00 Cards (RJ)

11:30 Lunch (RJ)

12:45 Bingo (RJ)

# Wednesday | September 17

10:00 Cards (RJ)

10:00 English Conversation (C)

11:30 Lunch (H, RJ, C)

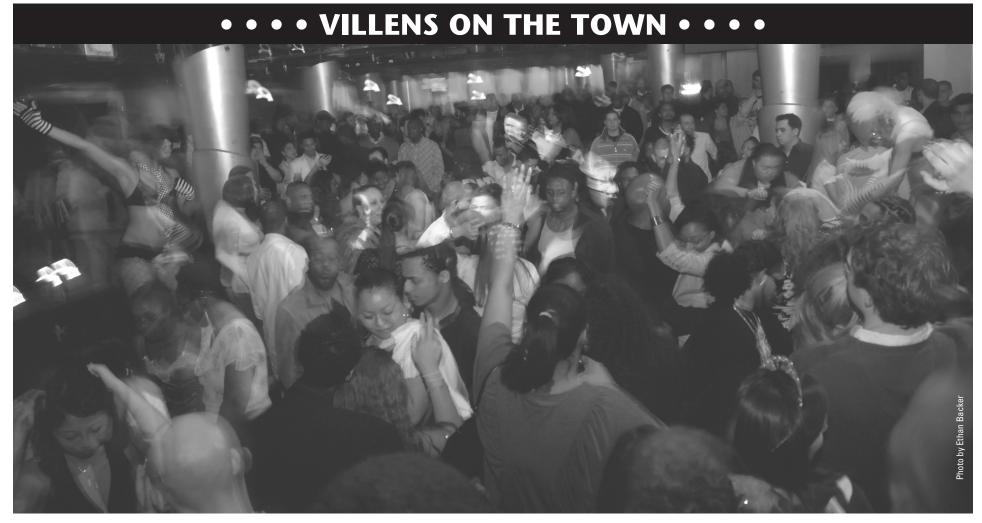
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Suffolk Downs

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# **CHILDREN AND YOUTH** Thursday | September 11

**Central Library** 

Preschool: Storytime for 3 to 5 year olds

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

## Friday | September 12

**Central Library** 

Preschool: Storytime for 2 year

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

## Monday | September 14

**Central Library** 

Sing-along with Liza Kitchell 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.|79 Highland

## **Tuesday** | **September 15**

**Central Library** 

Homeschool Reading Group for Ages 11-13

Tammy McKanan 617-591-0216 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.| 79 Highland Avenue

West Branch Library

Preschool Storytime

11 a.m. - 11:45 p.m.| 40 College Avenue

# **MUSIC**

# Wednesday | September 10

Open Mic with Dr Grant 7:30

17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar

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

The Burren

Front Room Exile on Elm

Back Room Comedy@10

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

PA'S Lounge

WEMF Radio|Joe Skahan|Genevieve|Blues Brats 345 Somerville Ave|617-776-

1557

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

**Bull McCabe's Pub** 

The Nephrok All Stars 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-

**Highland Kitchen** 

150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Samba Bar & Grille

608 Somerville Ave|617-718-

Joshua Tree Bar & Grill

Pub Trivia

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

Arts at the Armory

Extremely Casual III: yeah, comedy! yeah, musical noises! 7 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

# Thursday | September 11

Johnny D's

The Revelations 8 p.m. 17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's

Flatt Rabbit grassy Thursdays 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-

The Burren

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

Back Room Scattershot |10 p.m.

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

PA'S Lounge

"Free Your Soul!" (no cover)|-Clam Jam|What Can Happen|The Hep-tet

345 Somerville Ave|617-776-

On The Hill Tavern

Live DJ Music

499 Broadway|617-629-5302

Orleans Restaurant and Bar

65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Bull McCabe's

6045

Dub Down Featuring The Scotch **Bonnet Band** 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-

Joshua Tree

256 Elm St. |617-623-9910

Samba Bar & Grille

608 Somerville Ave|617-718-

**Somerville Theatre** 

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

Arts at the Armory

**FOLK New England Presents:** Greg Klyma

7:30 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

## Friday | September 12

Johnny D's

Tim Gartland Group, CD RE-LEASE!|7:30 p.m. Chicago Afrobeat Project featur-

ing Tony Allen of Fela Kuti plus DJ Afro-Marc|10 p.m.

17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's

Bucky Bear Band | 6 p.m. Sunbird, Gnarly Charlie, Bron Don \$5 cover | 9 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room Irish Session 9:30 p.m.

**Back Room** Scattershots

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

**Orleans Restaurant and Bar** 

10 p.m.|65 Holland St

PA'S Lounge

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chael Bellar 345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

On The Hill Tavern

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65 Holland St|617-591-2100

**Bull McCabe's** 

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

**Ioshua Tree** 

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Live music

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Casey's

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Arts at the Armory

Slam Up

7:30 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

# Saturday September 13

Johnny D's

Sleepy LaBeef|7p.m. Malabar Band with special guest DJ Sham 10 p.m.

17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's

Julie Dougherty Band|6 p.m. Rotary Prophets, American Thread, Jay DiBiasio Band \$5 cover |9 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-

3589 The Burren

Back Room

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6045 Joshua Tree

DJ El Sid!

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Live Band & DJ 608 Somerville Ave|617-718-

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Sunday | September 14

#### Johnny D's

Open Blues Jam! featuring Matthew Smart Band 4 p.m. 17 Holland St.|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Jody Blackwell |7 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

Sunday Americana with Sean

Staples, Eric Royer, Tim Gearan,

The Burren Front Room

Dave Westner and Dan Keller | 7

p.m.

**Back Room Burren Acoustic Music Series** 247 Elm Street 617-776-6896

PA'S Lounge

345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

**Bull McCabe's Pub Dub Apocalypse** 

366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

**Highland Kitchen** 

Sunday Brunch Live Country & Bluegrass Sunday Night Live Music

150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

**Orleans Restaurant and Bar** 

65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Game Night

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

9177

Arts at the Armory Metcalf & Roy Cabaret/Jazz 7:30 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

# Monday | September 15

Johnny D's

Johnny D's Comedy Showcase Presents Interesting Points 7 p.m. Stump! Pub Trivia|8:30 p.m. 17 Holland St | 617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Shawn Cater's Cheapshots Comedy Jam |7 p.m. Marley Mondays with The Duppy Conquerors 10 p.m.

335 Somerville Avel617-666-3589

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The Burren

Front Room

Bur-Run

Helena Delaney, Johnny O'Leary & Friends Irish Session|9 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

On The Hill Tavern

499 Broadway|617-629-5302

PA'S Lounge

345 Somerville Ave|617-776-1557

**Bull McCabe's Pub** 

Stump! Team Trivia 366A Somerville Ave|617-440-

# **Tuesday | September 16**

Johnny D's

The Harmondo Players: Comedy & Karaoke|5 p.m.

17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar

Fred Griffith & The Valvetta Boys 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-

The Burren

Front Room

Jason Anick and the Swingers|8:30 p.m.

Back Room

Open Mic w/ Hugh McGowan 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

On The Hill Tavern

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

PA'S Lounge

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The Ghetto People Band

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

PJ Ryan's

Pub Quiz

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

Arts at the Armory

First and Last Word Poetry Series 7:30 p.m.|Cafe|191 Highland Ave

# Wednesday | September 17

Johnny D's

New Riders of the Purple Sage|8

17 Holland St|617-776-2004

Sally O'Brien's Bar

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

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9177

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

# **CLASSES AND GROUPS** Wednesday | September 10

**Third Life Studio** 

Beyond beginning Belly Dance with Nadira Jamal 7:30 p.m.|Level 2|33 Union Sq|w-

# Thursday | September 11

**Central Library** 

ww.nadirajamal.com

Commission on Energy Use & Climate Change Meeting Oliver Sellers-Garcia 917 826

7 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

**West Branch Library** 

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

First Church Somerville

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

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**Third Life Studio** 

Roots and Rhythm 33 Unions Sq.| www.libana.com

# **Saturday | September 13**

**Bagel Bards** 

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

#### Sunday | September 14

**Unity Church of God** 

Fourth Step to Freedom Al-Anon **Family Groups** 

7:00 P.M. | 6 William Street Enter upstairs, meeting is in basement.

**Third Life Studio** 

Discover Belly Dance with Nadira Jamal

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.|33 Union Sq|www.nadirajamal.com

#### Monday | September 15

**East Branch Library** 

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

**Central Library** 

Book Group: Books-into-Movies **Discussion Group** 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

#### **Central Library**

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

Arts at the Armory

Prenatal Yoga

7 p.m.|Mezzanine|191 Highland Ave

**Third Life Studio** 

The Art of Group Singing For Women

with Susan Robbins, www.libana.

7 p.m. - 9:15 p.m.|33 Union Sq

#### Wednesday | September 17

**East Branch Library** 

Veronique Fontenelle: Somerville's Broadway Streetscapes **Project** 

Marylin Eastwood| 617-623-5000 x2971

12 p.m.- 1 p.m.| 115 Broadway

**Central Library** 

Arts Council LCC Info Meeting **Heather Balchunas** 617-625-6600 x2985 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM |79 Highland

**Central Library** 

Avenue

Somerville Reads Kickoff: Stephen Puleo, author of Dark Tide Marita Coombs 617-623-5000 x2942

7:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Avenue

**Third Life Studio** 

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# Sleepy LaBeef to rock Somerville CONT. FROM PG 1

received his nickname due to a "sleepy eye". After moving to Houston, Texas at the age of 18, he began singing gospel music on local radio and put together a band that played such legendary venues as the Houston Jamboree and Louisiana Hayride.

LaBeef began making records

in 1957 and has maintained a steady output of material ever since. Latching onto the then massive popularity of rockabilly – rubbing shoulders with superstars of the day such as Elvis Presley, Roy Orbison and Wanda Jackson – he carved his own niche among the pantheon of

the genre's brightest luminaries. He scored hits in the 60's with Every Day and Blackland Farmer.

While never achieving the same level of fame as his contemporaries among the masses, LaBeef has remained one of popular music's best kept secrets for these many decades, while those in the know

relish the opportunity to enjoy his records and live performances whenever they can.

As productive as ever, he has issued a DVD/CD package, Sleepy LaBeef Rides Again, featuring live performances recorded at the RCA Studio B in Nashville.

Somerville audiences have a rare opportunity to catch the tireless magic of LaBeef's talents at Johnny D's this weekend. Sleepy speaks ... enough said.

Sleepy LaBeef, Saturday, September 13, 7:00 p.m., at Johnny D's, 17 Holland Street, Somerville.

# Boy Scouts of America recruiting in Somerville



Scouting in Somerville and Medford has a long history. The Boy Scouts of America started in 1910, and Troop 3 in Somerville was founded in 1909, and was registered with the BSA on October 10, 1910 to the College Avenue United Methodist Church, Somerville, Massachusetts.

The Troop's first Scoutmaster, Willis Munro, was honored by The State of Massachusetts in February, 1975 as the state's longest serving Scout leader with over 65 years of service to Scouting. Troop 3 is still in operation 104 years later as one of the longest running Scout Troops in America. Troop 3 recently moved from College Ave. to Lower Broadway and is doing a great job providing a strong program for its members.

Over the years, Somerville has had many troops and served hundreds of boys. During the late 1960's to the mid 1970's Scouting was at its peak in Somerville with over 700 boys in the program learning to be good citizens, developing strong character and physical fitness skills. Scouting was one of the few ways young men got out into the country back then, with each troop taking the boys camping monthly and to summer camp every year.

St. Clement's sponsored Scout units Pack 71 and Troop 71 up until around 2000, and now Terry Dolson, a former member and adult leader is working to bring Scouting back to St. Clements. There will be a sign up night on Wednesday, Sept. 17 from 6:30-8 p.m. at Monsignor Barry Hall at St. Clements High School on Boston Road in Medford. This is a great opportunity to for boys from ages 7-18 to have fun, participate in a lot of activities and develop into great citizens. The Scouting community is hoping for a great turnout, and knows Somerville can support both Troop 3 and a reborn Troop 71.

# Assembly Station a beacon for our future CONT. FROM PG 10

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At full build-out, Assembly Row will yield \$18 million a year in local tax revenue. An additional \$18 million a year will be a huge boost to our schools, public safety and city services, while allowing us to reduce the tax burden on our residents and our locally owned, independent businesses. Assembly shows how we can create real, sustainable tax relief while continuing our award-winning ser-

vices—and it's the T station that anchors this progress.

Strategically located transit in areas ready for smart-growth can and will lay the foundation for the long-term economic growth both in Somerville and statewide. It's why the community's plan in SomerVision focuses on smart-growth around future Green Line station areas like Union Square and Boynton Yards, and bringing back neighborhoods like Brickbottom and Inner Belt that were, like Assembly, left behind.

This is how Somerville will thrive. Our shared vision of tens of thousands of new jobs, thousands of new homes, green space and real, sustainable tax relief is all possible because we're willing to invest in public transportation. Assembly Square shows us how to make our vision a reality.

# The missing class ring CONT. FROM PG 10

Of the remaining three, one has a very common last name, one has a very UN-common last name and the other has a nice, not too uncommon Italian surname.

So now I am basically at an impasse. I have hit a brick wall. I Googled the last remaining three classmates names and came up with nothing. I really don't want to print these guys' names because it will breach their privacy. So all I can do is keep my "lost ring" post updated on Facebook, and possibly place a lost and found ad on Craig's list. Last but not least, I hope that the owner of the lost ring or a family member may see this story. All they have to do is prove that they graduated from Somerville High School in 1971, and that their initials are RS with the correct mid-

dle initial. I feel like a detective! But wouldn't it be great to reunite the owner with his long lost ring? I never got a class ring or a yearbook for that matter. My mother gave me her 1944 Somerville High School class ring that I proceeded to lose about 30 years ago. It may be somewhere in that messy pit that I call my room.

I must also mention how nice the person is that found the ring. She could have just sold it, or kept it, or done nothing at all. She must be a very decent person.

By all means, if anyone knows of a 60-ish 1971 Somerville High School man with the initials RS, please give him my email address. I will continue to look for the owner and keep you in the loop. You can always give me a "ring" at *The Somerville Times* office!

# **Magic Without Tricks:**

# A New Kind of Salon

"Those who don't believe in magic will never find it." —Roald Dahl

Why is magic making a resurgence in our collective conscience? The quest to perceive, conjure, capture and bottle it is age old. It's been the provenance of artists and imposters, saints and witches, scientists and charlatans, and all of those looking to enchant, transform, and transcend the realm of reality.

Their quests, improbable as it seems, have common themes.

Famed Nobel Prize-winning scientist Niels Bohr kept a horseshoe hung at his entrance for good luck, baffling guests who thought him impervious to superstition. To them he replied: "It brings luck to even those who don't believe in it."

Do you believe in magic? Alexander the Great, Newton, Yeats, Alejandro Jodorowsky... visionaries, scientists, magicians, surrealists of all stripes, and others did and still do. To each their own brand of magic!

Yet the question seems to linger in our collective consciousness anew. Fairy tales have reemerged as a rich source material and reference point. Even Woody Allen, ever the consummate zeitgeist reader, has a new movie out called "Magic in the Moonlight." Why this sudden interest in



magic? What are we really after when we look for it? Knowledge, power, enchantment, remedy... or just freedom from the shackles of our own reality?

To explore this, I am curating a salon that is an amalgamation of art show, literary reading, conversation and ultimately an immersive shared experience. The salon is part of the Magic without Tricks exhibition at the Nave Gallery Annex, and will take place on Friday, September 12, from 7:00 pm-9:00 pm.

Hope you can make it!

— Arlinda Shtuni

DATE & TIME: Friday, September 12, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Nave Gallery Annex, 53 Chester St, Somerville, MA



# Somerville Community Access TV Ch.3 Programming Guide

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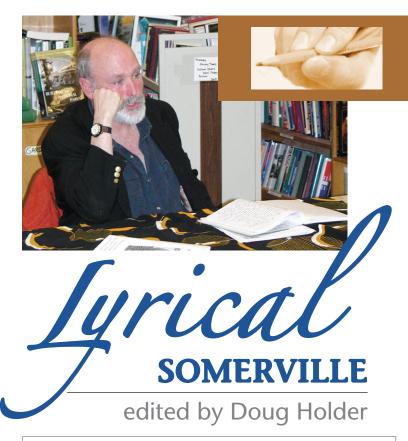
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# The Somerville Times -



Philip Burnham, Jr. writes of the Ukraine - the carnage - the pain, and yet perhaps a hint of beauty and transcendence.



#### Flight 17: In the Ukraine

Bright fields of summer's wheat grow tawny tall In the Ukraine beneath July's great days Where those who fell a meteoric fall In sudden, deliberate, brutal ways Through a dark night to earth have come to lie In battle's field, raw conflict's casualties Without enlistment, and yet caught in flight Not from but to another destiny. They will not wait a harvester's intent To scythe the grain, grind flour and bake bread, Whose sustenance prolongs this life of ours. Here a separate gleaning - a descent Of angels come to gather in the dead, Raising their souls once more among the stars.

— Philip E. Burnham, Jr.

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# Review: 'A People's **History of New Boston'**

Our guest reviewer this week is Tom Miller. Miller is a Somerville Bagel Bard, a history graduate student at Salem State University, and a retired auto industry executive.

A PEOPLE'S HISTORY OF THE NEW BOSTON By Jim Vrable University of Massachusetts Press Amherst and Boston 2014 235pages Review by Tom Miller

"Boston, today, is seen as one of America's best cities-one that works for its resident, generates jobs, welcomes visitors, remembers its past, and embraces its future... Credit for building the New Boston usually goes to a small group of "city fathers"... But that is only half of the story..." So starts a book that is a story not so much about what happened as what did NOT happen and WHY it did not happen.

Like many Northeastern and Midwestern cities in the aftermath of the mobilization for World War II, Boston fell into at least stagnation if not decay in the 1940s and 50s. Spurred by federal programs to revitalize the cities, most notably Urban Renewal, Boston leaders in both the public and private (for profit) sectors set forth an ambitious if not totally coherent plan to remove the blight of poor and run down areas in the city. Their vision was to replace them with grand buildings and expressways creating a "world class" city focused upon a dynamic and vital city center while essentially ignoring if not removing the contiguous outlying areas of the rest of the city. Jobs and growth. Jobs and growth were the mantras. And credit must be given to these initiatives for Boston having become what it is today.

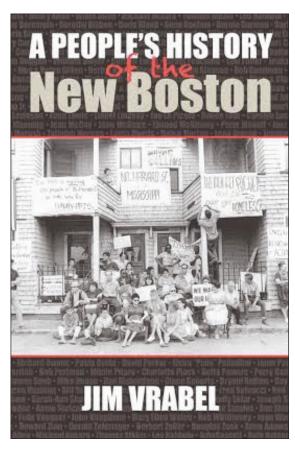
However, this transition from the "Old Boston" to the "New Boston" as Jim Vrabel defines then versus now was not without difficulty. The fact that Boston is a livable, vital and caring place to live and work lies as much in the hands of those who spoke out against overbearing government and private interest groups. These entities were so focused on the material results that they gave little if any concern to the effect upon those folks who resided in the various communities and were in fact the heartbeat of the city.

As Vrabel notes, Boston was a conglomeration of neighborhoods that were not necessarily insular but nonetheless were culturally unique within their somewhat loosely defined boundaries. Most were blue collar to middle class. Some were ethnic. Some were minority. Each had developed an individual sense of community and pride in that community.

In the rush to construct the New Boston, these communities were never considered in any fashion other than as objects to be overcome and thus the people who lived in them were never consulted about what was to take place and how it might affect them.

The essential if not intended thrust of Urban Renewal was to remove blighted structures and replace them with modern ones. In most plans it was a given that there would be fewer living units (and more expensive ones) than what had existed previously, but little if any concern was expressed about what was to happen to those families who were displaced in this transition. Where would they live? No one seemed

The obliteration by Urban Renewal of Boston's West End neighborhood was the opening salvo in this campaign and it served as THE wake up call to all the other neighborhoods in Boston. From this ac-



tion came awareness. From awareness came reaction. And from reaction sprang the rise of the activists of the 1960s and 70s which forced governments - city, state, national - to become accountable and concerned.

Mr. Vrable has very skillfully detailed the complex currents of events that occurred often in concert with one and other during this tumultuous era. Quoting interviews, scholarly works, news reports and other sources he manages to walk us through a very intricate fabric of the causes and manners of ordinary peoples' reactions to how decisions made by others affected their lives and what they did about it. He names names. He defines the dozens of community action groups that arose, who led them, what successes and failures they had. He takes to task some leaders of government, particularly mayors and their designees, and city and state agencies as well. But he also gives credit where credit is due.

In his final chapter Mr. Vrabel states, "The New Boston has come a long way from the Old Boston, but all this progress didn't come about by accident. For the last sixty years, the city has benefited from having capable leaders (particularly mayors), strong institutions, and the imagination and nerve to strike off in new directions. But it also benefited - in the 1960s and 1970s - from having residents who refused to just follow along."

Neighborhoods, expressways, jobs, schools and busing, Viet Nam and a variety of other issues, including The Public Garden, caused activism and organization at a grass roots level within the city. In 22 chapters and 235 pages Mr. Vrable touches on them all. This book is not intended to be a definitive study of any particular group, cause or effect but rather to give an introduction and an overview of what happened in Boston in a specific time when ordinary citizens chose to be heard. And not only to be heard but to participate in decisions that were being made that would affect their lives and communities. Their actions in combination have had perhaps the most significant effect in how Boston has come to be the city that it is today. As such the book serves as an opening door inviting a more in depth study of community dynamics and should be of particular interest to community planners, sociologists and historians.

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