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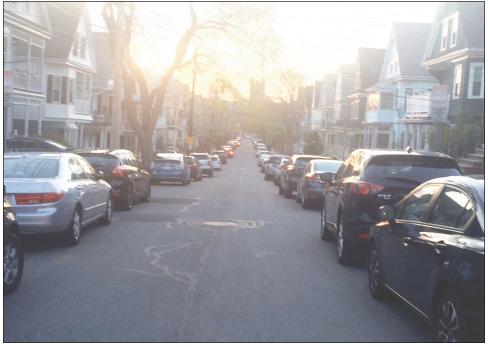


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City looking to regulate residential parking permit renewal dates



The Director of Traffic and Parking will be reporting to the Board of Aldermen this week to clarify parking permit policy. - Photo by Bobbie Toner

By Jim Clark

At the latest Board of Aldermen meeting, an order was put forward and approved requesting that the Director of Traffic and Parking explain to the Board in writing by September 26, 2017 why residential parking permits are not issued with a renewal date of one year from the last day of the month it was purchased, and appear before the Board on September 28, 2017 to discuss the matter.

Alderman At-Large Mary Jo Rossetti expressed some frustration as a written report from the Director was expected sooner.

"I guess I needed to be more succinct in my request that [the explanation] be received in writing, because I have not heard from the Director of Traffic and Parking," Rossetti said. "I was anticipating a memorandum or report."

Rossetti then requested Continued on page 4

'What the fluff?' Festival strikes again

By Eesha Pendharkar

In 1917, a candy salesman named Archibald Query invented marshmallow fluff in Somerville's Union Square. Last Saturday, an estimated 20,000 fluff enthusiasts gathered to celebrate hundred years of Query's invention and revel in an afternoon of sticky, sweet fun.

The "What the fluff?" festival was started by Mimi Graney in 2006 as part of the arts union project, presented by the Somerville Arts Council with a number of partners. Graney pitched the Fluff Festival on behalf of Union Square Main Streets, the organization that runs the festival. "I had known that marshmallow fluff was invented here," Graney said, "and had seen that anytime I mentioned that, people got really animated." Graney took a step back from running the festival in 2015 to write a book of fluff entitled "Fluff: The Sticky Sweet Story of an American Icon."

The Fluff festival has now become one of the most recognizable quirks of Somerville, being featured in magazines and

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It doesn't look a day over 99, but Marshmallow Fluff is celebrating its 100th anniversary, and the "What the — Photo by Eesha Pendharkar"

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Next week, on Wednesday October 4, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Ward 3 Alderman Bob McWatters will be having a campaign get together and fundraiser at Sally O'Brien's on Somerville Ave. The last time his opponent sent spies to monitor the event. Alderman McWatters is a good person. He's being accused of taking money from developers, but maybe some unopposed candidates might want to stop spreading lies. They might find an opponent in two years that they might not like.

There's still time, this week the **The Somerville Police Department** will be holding a golf tournament in memory of police officer **William "Billy" Nolan**, a great officer and wonderful family man who is remembered by many here in the city. The tournament will be held on **Friday, September 29**, at 7:00 a.m. for coffee. 7:45 board golf carts and 8 Shotgun start. Golfers are \$150 and Dinner only is \$50, to be held at the **Hill-**

view Country Club, 149 North St., No. Reading. If you'd like to participate and want more information contact Somerville Police Relief Association c/o Captain Michael S. Cabral, at the Police Department, 22 Washington St., Somerville 02143. If you'd like to help out by sponsoring, the cost is \$100, send to same.

We noticed that there is a lot of hullabaloo about *The Times* making a whopping \$100K from legal ads from the city since 2011. Yup we won't deny it, but that works out to about \$14K per year. Do we have to teach them how to do math? Simply divide 7 years into 100K and the answer is roughly \$14K a year. Sorry guys, but that's not even enough to pay a year's printing costs. It seems like **Mayor Joe's opponent** is also making a big deal out of \$100K over 7 years. Maybe to them it's a lot of money, but it doesn't even come close to covering our expenses. After all, we print several thousand papers more than they do. Yeah, sure, we're bought by the mayor with all those ads, which by law the city has to run somewhere. No, we're not for sale at \$14K, but maybe they are!

Happy birthdays this week to the following: Big happy birthday to **Wayne Snow**, a local guy who is a

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TheSomervilleTimes.com Comments of the Week

Response to: Newstalk - September 20

Nose says:

Corbett gets crunched, Hamlin embarrassed in Ward 1— Our Revolution, 0 for 2 — Matt Mc-Laughlin 0 for 2 — not a great start. Poor Matt, he worked hard for both Peyton and Hamlin in Ward 1 — he better start worrying about himself. Too late, goodbye Matt, not nice knowing you.

Response to: Newstalk - September 13

Ward 1 Resident says:

Matt & his cronies are no strangers to making crappy comments about women. Just ask Rand Wilson what he called Lee Palmer and ask Matty about his comments about Rebecca Cooper; Dorothy Kelly Gay; Courtney O'Keefe; & Carrie Normand. These blowhards have been doing this for years.

yetanotherposter says:

I'm not ward 1, but if what you're saying about Matt is true then you're screwed, because Elio is even worse.

BMac says:

"Matt & his cronies are no strangers to making crappy comments about women. Just ask Rand Wilson what he called Lee Palmer and ask Matty about his comments about Rebecca Cooper; Dorothy Kelly Gay; Courtney O'Keefe; & Carrie Normand. These blowhards have been doing this for years."

Vicky says:

Matt needs to go

Response to: Meet the Candidates: Preliminary Election 2017

George Landers says:

I will not comment on the Ward 1 candidates as I live in Ward 5.

I cannot imagine Payton Corbett or Kenneth C. Van Buskirk III doing a better job for this city than Joe Curtatone. I have lived here for 42 years, and Joe has continued the incredible progression that was started by Gene Brune, Mike Capuano, and Dorothy Kelly Gay. His imprint is indelibly stamped into all aspects of this City. He has now hired all the bright minds that now have us on a trajectory that makes this one of the hottest places in the country to call home. Is he perfect, absolutely not, but the alternatives we face in this election pale in comparison. I will continue to support this Mayor and ask all of my fellow "Villens" to do the same.

Mike says:

I'll be voting Joe too

Barbara Millicent Roberts says:

Joe all the way. We are lucky to have him.

Villenous says:

The only policies making Somerville more prohibitively expensive are good schools (my kids go to them), safer streets and really attractive neighborhoods. Also, the one mayoral candidate I see mentioning specific programs to make Somerville more affordable is the mayor. The other two seem to think tapping their heels together and wishing for it will get the job done. Might not want to use the words "specific policies" and "concrete plan" if you don't have those things.

As a left wing guy who cares about putting meat on the bone, I can't get behind vapor candidates. I'm picking ability, experience and tangible proposals over platitudes. All this race is doing is making me appreciate how good a mayor we've got.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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Dear Editor,

Green & Open Somerville and Union Square Neighbors call on city leaders and Union Square master developer, US2, to make good on commitments to design, develop, and build new parks in and around Union Square.

Under the new Union Square zoning, US2, Union Square's master developer, must construct a "Neighborhood Park" that is at least half an acre. During the zoning review process, US2 promised the Union Square community that we would have the opportunity to evaluate several different locations for this park.

On September 18, US2 submitted its master development permit application after holding an "open house" presenting its plan. However, during US2's open house, only one location was shown to the public as a serious option for the park - one that has never been presented before. The location has serious drawbacks that need consideration. We left written comments and spoke to US2's represen-

tatives and landscape architect about our concerns, however, we've learned after reviewing their permit application that their plans remain largely unchanged.

The success of this park will be determined by it being used. If the community is not part of the process to decide the location and design, there is a significant chance it will not succeed.

We call upon US2 to fully engage the community in good-faith and allow informed public discussion on the location for the park. We believe locating the park on the D7 block (site of the existing Citizens Bank and parking lot next to Properzi Manor) may better serve the Union Square community and is worth evaluating. We must wonder if US2 is shoving their plan down our throat because it makes their build-out easier to design and maximizes their profit. Somerville's Planning Board should not approve US2's permit application until the neighborhood has a chance to weigh in.

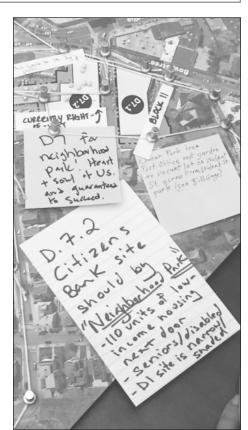
Secondly, we call upon the Mayor and

the Board of Aldermen to develop a plan to acquire, design, and develop a park on Charlestown Street - consistent with recommendations of the Union Square Neighborhood Plan. The site is currently owned by the MBTA and is slated for temporary use as a storage yard during construction of the Green Line extension. Whether this means talking to US2, negotiating for a fair price from the MBTA, applying for grants, etc., it needs to start now. We cannot let this great idea remain a distant future possibility that moves further from our grasp.

Great parks come from great planning. We invite all interested residents and stakeholders to sign our online petition: https://www.change.org/p/unionsquare-station-associates-new-parks-forunion-square

Sincerely,

Renée Scott, Co-founder On behalf of Green & Open Somerville Rob Buchanan, Chairperson On behalf of Union Square Neighbors



Residents left feedback on location of a new park for Union Square master developer during an open

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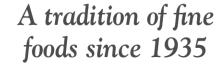
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Somerville Overcoming Addiction Fourth Annual Vigil



Come celebrate the lives of loved ones that have passed on due to addiction as the community gathers for the Somerville Overcoming Addiction Fourth Annual Vigil. Saturday, October 7, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. at the East Somerville Community School Atrium. Somerville Overcoming Addiction is a grass roots community action group that has come together to join the fight against the disease of addiction. The group is made up of family members of addicts, people in recovery, and people working in the field. Like most people, they have all been affected by addiction in one way or another. All are welcome to attend. The group seeks to connect the community with addiction support and recovery services, remove the stigma of addiction, and eliminate overdose fatalities in Somerville.

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By Jim Clark

She got a bed after all

Police officers were dispatched to Saint Patrick's Shelter on Washington St. last Friday evening on reports of a resident refusing a request for her to leave.

Upon our arrival, the officers spoke to a facility staff member who reportedly said that a resident, Lidiya Pasholikova, missed curfew, and by policy was automatically barred from the shelter for three days.

Pasholikova was reportedly informed by the staffer that she needed to leave the premises and was barred until Monday of this week, and that the bed assigned to her was now assigned to someone else. Pasholikova reportedly told the staffer that she was not leaving because it was not fair.

As a result of the verbal commotion created by Pasholikova, one of the three women sharing the same room was woken up from her sound sleep. A second female who was present was patiently waiting for Pasholikova's assigned bed.

According to reports, the staffer told police that the woman who was waiting was now assigned Pasholikova's former bed.

The officers suggested to Pasholikova that she could stay at the Somerville Police Station lobby until they were able to locate another shelter with an available bed. They also offered to give Pasholikova a ride to the station.

Pasholikova reportedly refused the officers' offer, but was reminded that she was being asked to vacate the premises at the facility's request. Pasholikova again refused to leave.

Pasholikova was informed that another woman was waiting for the bed, and she was also reminded her that the facility's staffer, as well as the police, had asked her to leave to avoid any further incident. Pasholikova reportedly stated, "I am not leaving because it is not fair."

She had been informed numerous times that because she was not back at the shelter for curfew, the bed was assigned to someone else. According to the staffer, the facility had to turn away ten other women because they were at full capacity.

Pasholikova reportedly told police that she did not want to leave the shelter because of her health. She was asked twice if she would like medical attention, but she refused both times.

According to the officers, they offered Pasholikova a ride to the station, and make phone calls to other shelters in the area to locate an available bed, and that they would provide her with a

meal at the station while they made the phone calls.

She reportedly refused all the suggestions and stated, "I am not leaving here, take me if you are going to take me. It is not fair."

The officers agreed that Pasholikova was not willing to cooperate with them. As one officer attempted to collect Pasholikova's bags, she reportedly slapped his forearm. She was informed that this was the last opportunity she had to leave the property willingly or she would be placed under arrest. Pasholikova stated once again that she was not leaving, police said.

Pasholikova was then advised that she was being placed under arrest. As an officer showed his handcuffs, she reportedly placed her hands behind her back and under a back pack she was wearing. Pasholikova also laid on her back on top of the bed to halt the attempts at placing her into handcuffs on her. She was eventually handcuffed and escorted outside.

As the officers were assisting Pasholikova into the prisoner transport vehicle, she reportedly began digging her fingernails into one officer's right arm. She was immediately asked to release her grip, but rather than comply she buried her fingernails even deeper into his arm, according to reports.

With an open palm, the officer struck her back pack, which she was still wearing, in order to stop her fingernails from digging further into his arm.

Pasholikova was booked and processed in the usual manner on charges of assault and battery on a police officer, disturbing the peace, and trespassing.

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Arrests:

Corey Stein, of 70 Hollace St., Waltham, September 18, 12:19 p.m., arrested at Greenville St. on a warrant charge of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license.

Yessenia Garcia, of 25 Ca-

nal Lane, September 19, 10:34 p.m., arrested at home on a warrant charge of operation of a motor vehicle under the influence of liquor 2nd offense.

Thomas Bates, September 20, 9:31 a.m., arrested at Buena Vista Rd. on a warrant charge

of municipal bylaw or ordinance violation.

David Loughran, of 20 Oak St., Stoneham, September 27, 7:51 p.m., arrested at Buena Vista Rd. on a charge of shoplifting by asportation, and on warrant charges of possession of a class E drug, furnishing a false name or Social Security number, and trespassing.

Sarah Ingegneri, of 86 Henry St., Quincy, September 22, 3:16 p.m., arrested at Artisan Way on charges of resisting arrest, violation of city ordinance

possession of a dangerous weapon, and larceny over \$250. **Lidiya Pasholikova**, of 270

Washington St., September 22, 6:30 p.m., arrested at home on

Washington St., September 22, 6:30 p.m., arrested at home on charges of assault and battery on a police officer, disturbing the peace, and trespassing.

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City looking to regulate residential parking permit renewal dates

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that the order be amended to change the due date for the report to September 26, 2017, while having the Traffic and Parking Director appear at the next Board meeting on September 28.

The original order had referenced the state's inspection sticker policy. Speaking on the

matter, Ward 6 Alderman Lance Davis said, "I know that the last time we discussed this there was some quick discussion about state inspection stickers and how that system might be slightly different."

"I fully agree, support, and cosign on this order," Davis continued. "As I understand it, the point is why can't we — when someone gets a parking permit — have it last for a year? Period. That's the point and that's the question we're trying to ask."

The language of the order was amended to omit the reference to the state's inspection sticker policy and unanimously passed by the Board.



Board members are eager to get parking permit protocols established.

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Tufts Community Day

Tufts University, in cooperation with the cities of Medford and Somerville, hosted the 15th annual Community Day festival on Sunday, Sept. 24. The eventwas held on the Tufts University Academic Green in the center of the Medford/Somerville campus. This annual event is a wonderful opportunity for neighbors, residents and families of the cities to explore the work and accomplishments of community organizations and city departments. Live performances included dance, song, music and a street band parade by the School of Honk. Student artists provided face painting, caricature drawing and craft activities. A free BBQ lunch







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Treasure Hunting with Bob BY BOB ADAMS



Jeffries Point

Quite a few years ago, I was sending items to a new auctioneer. He would take my small items and not give me grief when they didn't do a thousand dollars. We sold a bunch of stuff.

One day I got to asking him about what happens to the houses that he's cleaning out. He figures that the estate sells them off. I told him that he's missing the boat. He's buying the beds, tables, big furniture and making a few hundred dollars on the stuff and missing the sale of the house where the big money was. I told him to buy the house outright. He told me he didn't have that kind of money. I told him, I did. A partnership was born.

A month went by and I finally got a call from him. It seems a landlord was getting pressured from the City of Boston to cleanup his drug infested house in East Boston or start paying a hefty fine.

My partner was cleaning it out and asked him how much he wanted for the house that had no plumbing and was covered inside in gang graffiti. The landlord wanted a fast sale and told us he wanted \$125,000 for this triple in Jeffries Point. I told him we could close in a few weeks.

We needed access to the building to get it ready for sale (smoke alarms, paint over the graffiti, etc.). He allowed it and we went to work.

We bought it on a Friday. Sunday, we had an open house. We got four offers. One was for \$200K with an inspection and mortgage contingency and one was for \$190K cash. I took the cash offer and we closed in seventeen days. Sweet. We went on to buy two more houses together before he got out of the business.

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

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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. Mike Connolly

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



Sen. Patricia Jehlen

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

THE HOUSE AND SENATE: There were no roll calls in the House or Senate last week.

This week, Beacon Hill Roll Call records local representa-

Our Legislators in the House and Senate for tives' votes on several of the roll calls from September 13 overriding Gov. Charlie Baker's cuts of \$320 million in spending. A two-thirds vote in both branches is needed in order for a veto to be overridden. The Senate has not yet taken up the vetoes. The House restored an estimated \$275 million.

> House Democratic leaders say the budget is balanced and that Baker's cuts were unnecessary and would hurt many people including the sick, seniors, children and minorities.

> Gov. Baker and some Republicans say that state revenues are running behind projections and urged the House to wait several weeks to see whether revenues increase and whether restoring the funds makes fiscal sense. Some GOP members said because of the uncertainty, they voted to sustain all of Gov. Baker's vetoes, even though it meant voting against restoring funding for many good programs they would otherwise have supported.

CUT ENTIRE \$1 MILLION FOR REACH OUT AND READ PROGRAM PROGRAMS (H 3800)

House 139-13, overrode Gov. Baker's veto of the entire \$1 million in funding for the Reach Out and Read (ROAR) program. ROAR is a national nonprofit group that began in 1989 at Boston Medical Center to address the problem that most pediatricians' waiting rooms did not have books available to read. Nationally, the group annually distributes 6.5 million books.

The Massachusetts ROAR program trains pediatricians and nurses to advise parents about the importance of reading aloud to their children in order to prepare them for school. The program also funds the purchase of books to give to children who are six months to five years old during their visits to their doctors. Some 254 hospitals and clinics in Massachusetts participate in the program, serving 186,000 children and families.

(A "Yes" vote is for spending the \$1 million. A "No" vote is against spending it.)

> Rep. Christine Barber Yes Rep. Mike Connolly Yes Rep. Denise Provost Didn't Vote

\$1 MILLION FOR TUFTS VETERINARY SCHOOL (H 3800)

House 122-30, overrode Gov. Baker's \$1 million veto reduction (from \$5 million to \$4 million) in funding for Tufts Veterinary School in North Grafton. Tufts is the only veterinary school in New England.

The school offers a four-year professional Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) degree program, three combined DVM/Masters of Science degree programs, and four stand-alone graduate programs.

Its website says that its progressive academic programs, high-quality clinical care services and original research have brought them national and worldwide acclaim.

(A"Yes" vote is for spending the \$1 million. A"No" vote is against spending it.)

> Rep. Christine Barber Yes Rep. Mike Connolly Yes Rep. Denise Provost Didn't Vote

\$600,000 FOR BOSTON REGIONAL INTELLI-**GENCE CENTER (H 3800)**

House 128-24, overrode Gov. Baker's \$600,000 veto reduction (from \$850,000 to \$250,000) in funding for the Boston Regional Intelligence Center (BRIC) to upgrade, expand and integrate technology and protocols related to anti-terrorism, anti-crime, anti-gang and emergency response.

According to its website, "Information gathered by the BRIC pinpoints areas of crime, shootings and gang violence, as well as helping to identify major players and ex-offenders returning to neighborhoods."

(A "Yes" vote is for spending the \$600,000. A "No" vote is against spending it.)

> Rep. Christine Barber Yes Rep. Mike Connolly Yes Rep. Denise Provost Didn't Vote

\$250,000 FOR CHELSEA SOLDIERS' HOME (H

House 142-10, overrode Gov. Baker's \$303,734 veto reduction (from \$27,210,690 to \$26,906,956) in funding for the maintenance and operation of the Chelsea Soldier's Home, a Bay State VA Hospital serving veterans.

(A "Yea" vote is for spending the \$303,734. A "No" vote is against spending it.)

> Rep. Christine Barber Yes Rep. Mike Connolly Yes Rep. Denise Provost Didn't Vote

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

HIKE MINIMUM WAGE TO \$15 PER HOUR

(H 2365) - The Labor and Workforce Development Committee held a jam-packed hearing on legislation that would raise the minimum wage from the current \$11 per hour minimum by \$4 over the next four years, beginning in January 2018, until it reached \$15 per hour by January 2021. Future wages would be raised to reflect increases in the consumer price index.

Supporters said this pro-worker bill would ensure economic justice and help thousands of families who are living near the poverty level even though the breadwinner works more than 40 hours weekly. They argued that a minimum wage hike is one of the best anti-poverty programs available.

Opponents said the hike is unfair to businesses that are already faced with skyrocketing health care and energy costs and would also hurt consumers by forcing businesses to raise prices and pass the increase along to the consumer. They argued that employers will have no choice but to fire some employees, resulting in significant job losses to the state.

"We've been seeking some guidance and some input from a bunch of different folks around the commonwealth about whether or not [the recent hike to \$12] had positive or negative or both impacts on employment generally and I would really like to hear the results of that before I take a position on whether or not we should do this again," said Gov. Baker.

HOUSING FOR VETERANS AND THEIR SPOUSES (H 2244) - The Housing Committee held a hearing on legislation that changes current law by prohibiting veteran's benefits from being counted when determining whether a veteran or spouse is eligible for

Beacon Hill Roll Call continued



Chapter 116 public housing. The program provides financial aid for food, shelter, housing, clothing and medical care to veterans and their dependents who have limited incomes. Under current Law, housing authorities count all income in determining the rent.

"This piece of legislation aims to make housing more affordable for veterans and military families," said Rep, Harold Naughton (D-Clinton), the sponsor of the proposal. "Veterans and their families put the needs and security of our nation before their own each day. While we can never fully express our gratitude, we can work to provide them with the best benefits and services possible."

CROSSBOW HUNTING (H 713) - The Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture Committee's hearing also included a proposal allowing all Massachusetts hunters to use crossbows. The bill would repeal the current law that allows only permanently disabled hunters to use a crossbow if their disability precludes them from using a conventional bow and arrow.

A crossbow is mounted horizontally on a stock and fired with a trigger unlike a regular archery bow, which is held vertically. Crossbows don't require the strength needed to use a regular bow.

Supporters say the bill is designed to help seniors and younger people who don't have the strength to shoot a regular bow and arrow but are not disabled and therefore are not allowed to use a crossbow. "The use of cross-

bows provides a reasonable accommodation to those who are interested in bow hunting but do not have the strength to pull back a bow," said sponsor Anne Gobi (D-Spencer). "Anyone who has ever fired a bow will tell you, it isn't easy. Other states have utilized crossbows in their youth hunting programs to teach the principles of bow hunting."

Opponents say a crossbow is more powerful than a regular bow and arrow and say expanding their use increases the possibility of accidents, injuries and even death.

EQUAL COVERAGE FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE (H 2214) - The Health Care Financing held a hearing on legislation that would require that coverage under MassHealth for hospital and medical expenses for treatment of substance abuse be the same as coverage for treatment of other medical conditions. MassHealth is the state's Medicaid program that provides health care for low-income and disabled persons.

"It's an equity issue, period!" said Rep. Tom Golden (D-Lowell). "People who suffer from substance abuse ... should be treated with the same scope of coverage as people who suffer from other medical conditions."

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 18-22, the House met for a total of 23 minutes while the Senate met for a total of 31 minutes.

Mon. Sept. 18	House 11:05 a.m. to 11:17 a.m. Senate 11:04 a.m. to 11:24 a.m.
Tues. Sept. 19	No House session No Senate session
Wed. Sept. 20	No House session No Senate session
Thurs. Sept. 21	House 11:05 a.m. to 11:16 a.m. Senate 11:02 a.m. to 11:13 a.m.
Fri. Sept. 22	No House session No Senate session

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28 Avon St	7 room, 3 bed, 1f 0h bath Other	16	\$750,000	\$750,000
166 Summer St	7 room, 3 bed, 2f 1h bath Victorian	22	\$1,090,000	\$1,200,000
7 Montrose St	8 room, 4 bed, 2f 1h bath Colonial	55	\$1,150,000	\$1,125,000
34 Magnus Ave	10 room, 4 bed, 4f 0h bath Colonial	72	\$1,249,000	\$1,200,000

	Recent Condominiums Sold in Somerville Over	the Past Month	:	
Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
25 Auburn Avenue U:2	6 room, 3 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	33	\$795,000	\$760,000
146 Hudson St U:2	4 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	6	\$799,000	\$810,000
3-5 West St U:2	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath Duplex	50	\$799,900	\$795,000
266 Beacon Street U:1	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath Low-Rise	14	\$899,000	\$925,000
46 Belmont St U:1	7 room, 2 bed, 2f 1h bath 2/3 Family	18	\$969,900	\$970,000
266 Beacon Street U:4	5 room, 3 bed, 2f 0h bath Low-Rise	8	\$1,099,000	\$1,099,000
266 Beacon Street U:5	6 room, 3 bed, 2f 0h bath Low-Rise	8	\$1,150,000	\$1,150,000
139 Summer U:1	8 room, 3 bed, 3f 1h bath Townhouse	48	\$1,199,000	\$1,190,000
46 Belmont St U:2	8 room, 3 bed, 2f 1h bath 2/3 Family	37	\$1,199,900	\$1,200,000
21 Cleveland St U:21	9 room, 4 bed, 3f 1h bath Townhouse	50	\$1,220,000	\$1,215,000
23 Cleveland St U:23	9 room, 4 bed, 3f 1h bath Townhouse	15	\$1,220,000	\$1,220,000
266 Beacon Street U:PH	6 room, 3 bed, 2f 1h bath Low-Rise	13	\$1,795,000	\$1,795,000

Recent Multi-Family Homes Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month:					
Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price	
11 Pleasant Ave	3 unit, 16 total room, 5 total bedroom 3 Family	7	\$1,150,000	\$1,310,000	
5 Parkdale St	2 unit, 12 total room, 4 total bedroom 2 Family	154	\$1,150,000	\$1,110,000	
30 Otis St	3 unit, 14 total room, 8 total bedroom 3 Family	72	\$1,195,000	\$1,150,000	
100 Flint St	2 unit, 13 total room, 8 total bedroom 2 Family	28	\$1,200,000	\$1,150,000	
7 Russell Rd	3 unit, 15 total room, 0 total bedroom 3 Family	19	\$1,229,000	\$1,200,000	
2 Gilson Terrace	3 unit, 15 total room, 6 total bedroom 3 Family	7	\$1,250,000	\$1,750,000	
84 Lexington Avenue	2 unit, 12 total room, 5 total bedroom 2 Family	6	\$1,750,000	\$1,750,000	

By Dre Joseph

In the summer of 1989, a group of high school social outcasts in the Americana town of Derry, Maine are brought together by vicious bullying and uncaring adults to investigate a rash of missing children taken by a demon who appears in the form of a clown and uses their worst fears against them.

From Super 8 to Stranger Things, the pop culture of late has been ripe with a generation of filmmakers who were inspired by the Speilberg/Amblin Entertainment films of the 80's in their childhood and seek to pay homage to, and recreate, those films in adulthood.

It has all those hallmarks, set in a real-world pre-Stranger Danger when kids rode their bikes around town, playing outside, and a movie world that puts them in actual life threatening harm's way instead of coddled PG-13 comic book dangers. It, however, feels more authentic than most, partly because the source material is genuinely from that period and partly because the movie feels like such an excited labor of love by director Andy Muschietti.

The novel, It, is King at his best. An opus of pure omnipresent fear directed at the weakest and most fragile among us. It is as campy, nihilistic and all over the road as King usually is but with real teeth to it;

Linguine

'It' rises to the occasion both about its monster and the real-life bullies and parents that

kids suffer under.

It's amazing to think this is the first time this book has been brought to the big screen and the second time across all mediums (a cheap and cheesy 90's TV movie has been elevated from best-we-could-do to the gold standard by some serious rose-colored nostalgia goggles recently). Muschietti's It is a red-blooded, barnstormer of a movie that embraces all of King's silliness to make one of the top-tier adaptions of the prolific author's work to date (along with Frank Darabont's The Mist).

It's not exactly subtle work. It's loud and obvious, like a bull in a horror movie shop bucking around breaking everything while guys like James Wan and Ti West dive around trying to keep their slow-burn 70s horror aesthetic just as alive.

It's also not a particularly scary movie. Uninterested in mining tension from a darkly lit set piece or working with shot composition to misdirect the audience, instead the movie cocks back and fires jump scare after jump scare at us. Every scare in the film is exactly what it seems. Every adult is some pervert or degenerate. Every bully is a sadist in the making.

The film doesn't hold back on the reality of being a teenage outcast, threatening to swing



It awaits the pleasure of your company at the Somerville Theatre, in Davis Square.

the pendulum all the way to hyperbole. If you're looking for a tense, atmospheric horror film that plays with the visual language of cinema to create goosebumps, this isn't it, but the movie's lack of interest in that is also part of its charm. It plays better as a coming-of-age adventure of likable little heroes fighting their own internal and external demons.

One of the things that vaporizes any suspense is how unclear and arbitrary the limits of the demon's power seem from minute to minute. One minute it can take any form and be everywhere, the next it's being beaten up by a group of kids. One min-

ute it draws strength from your collective fear and the next it just goes after anyone in front of it. One minute he can be anything, the next he's just a clown, the next he's got some beast underneath that (the way this movie ultimately visualizes that is the creepiest thing in it). He goes after the kids and kills them, or he just lets them run away. This is the kind of stuff that would ordinarily sink a movie, but It is an effective carnival ride. Sure, it doesn't quite feel on the up and up but it is too robust and fun to make me care.

Muschietti (whose only other film is the solidly weird Mama) puts the focus in the right places. It isn't a story about Pennywise the clown, but about a group of pre-teen outcasts and its group of young heroes is realized wonderfully.

The performances are all very good, their characters are clearly defined personalities instead of just quirks, their relationships feel authentic and their backand-forth banter is often hilarious. It's refreshing to hear teenage boys in a movie talk like real teenage boys in all its dick joke, sex-posturing R-rated glory. Muschietti doesn't hang a lantern on their one-liners either, framing the group with room to breathe and letting them talk in a way that Continued on page 17

Dorothy's Corner

Paprika Shrimp and Parsley for garnish

There is a smoky, sweet, with a hint of spice that permeates throughout the dish. A perfect meal for a busy weeknight. This dish can be on the table in under 30 minutes when all ingredients are prepared ahead.

1 lb Shrimp, shelled and deveined (21-30/lb.)

1-1/2 Tablespoons Smoked Paprika 1/2 Teaspoon Salt

1/4 Teaspoon Black Pepper, freshly ground

3/4 lb Thin Linguine

2 Tablespoons Olive Oil, Plus 1 Tablespoon

3 Garlic Cloves, sliced

1/2 Teaspoon Red Pepper Flakes

1 Cup Onion, small dice

1 14.5 Oz can Petite Diced Tomatoes Additional Salt and Pepper as needed

In a medium bowl, add the paprika, salt and pepper and blend well. Add the shrimp and coat well. Let it rest in the refrigerator for at least 1/2 hour. In the meantime, prepare the rest of the ingredients and get a pot of water on the stove for the pasta.

In a 12" skillet, over medium heat, add the olive oil, garlic and red pepper flakes and sauté for a minute. Add the shrimp, making sure they are in a single layer. Cook for 1-1/2 minutes per side, then remove onto a large plate and set aside.

Bring the pasta water to a boil and add enough salt to season like the sea. Add the pasta and cook about one minute shy of the recommended cooking time on the box.

Add the final tablespoon of olive oil to the skillet along with the diced onion and cook down until translucent, about 6 minutes.



Add the tomatoes and cook for 3 minutes. Add the shrimp to the skillet. Once the pasta is cooked, drain and add to the skillet, reserving a 1/2 cup of the pasta water to thin the

Then add the pasta to the skillet marzo2002.wix.com/thymethief.

and coat with the sauce. Serve immediately garnishing with fresh parsley. Crusty bread adds a vessel to mop up the sauce. Serves 3 people.

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Somerville's Annual Domestic Violence Vigil



Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone, the Somerville Commission for Women, and RESPOND announce the annual Candlelight Vigil in support of Domestic Violence Awareness Month on Wednesday, October 4, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at Statue Park in Davis Square.

The vigil is an annual event bringing the community together in remembrance of those who have lost their lives over the last year to domestic violence.

In addition to the vigil, there will be a display of the Clothesline Project, a visual display that honors survivors as well as victims of intimate partner violence. There will also be resources available and an opportunity to talk with local service providers from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

For more information contact Community Services Manager, Chris Hosman, at 617-625-6600 x2406 or chosman@somervillema.gov. For more information about domestic violence, resources, or support services, contact RESPOND at their Hotline number 617-623-5900 (TTY accessible for the hearing impaired), or visit www.respondinc.org.

Massachusetts Autism Waiver Program

The MA Department of Health and Human Services Autism Waiver Program will be holding an Open Application period from October 17 through October 31 for families with children under the age of 9 diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder. The program provides one-to-one interventions and related support services for up to three years. Visit http://www. mass.gov/eohhs/provider/licensing/programs/autism-waiver/ to learn more and to obtain an application.



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Things change, so don't sleep on Medicare open enrollment

By Colleen Morrissey

Change is one of the few constants in life, and because of that it's important to be mindful of Medicare Open Enrollment, even if you're satisfied with your current coverage.

Medicare is a great program that provides health coverage for more than 44 million Americans. But it's also complex and ever-changing. Because of that, you might need to make some changes during the open enrollment period, to ensure the best possible coverage in the coming year.

The open enrollment period runs from October 15 to December 7, and in most cases it's the only time of year Medicare recipients can change plans and coverage. So it's important to get things right during this window. Here's a few quick tips on how to successfully navigate Medicare Open Enrollment.

Review to Prepare Change happens with Medicare, so you'll want to be sure that the premiums and prescription coverage for your current plan will still be a good fit in the coming year. There are a few ways you can do this.

- Every plan is required to send a notice of upcoming changes to participants every year, and it usually arrives by September. It will list all of the changes, but because of that it can be rather bulky.
- + If the notice seems overwhelming, sometimes it can be helpful to call your plan and run through your list of medications, to ensure everything is covered.

Another important note: If you are in a Medicare Part C or Medicare Advantage Plan, doctor networks can change from year to year. If you are attached to your current doctor, you'll want to contact your plan to confirm they're still in-network.

Comparison Shop. Even if there are no detrimental changes to your current plan, it's still a good idea to get a sense of the overall market, to ensure you're still getting the best deal. Medicare's official website, Medicare. gov, has a really useful tool that allows users to enter their information and search for the best deals on health and drug plans.

It's a great tool for outlining your options, but it can also be a little bit overwhelming, so some-



SCES Resource Specialist Colleen Morrissev

times it's best to...

Ask for help. Medicare is complicated, but fortunately there's a great program called SHINE (Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Everyone), which provides free, unbiased counseling on Medicare in Massachusetts.

SHINE counselors are volunteers who have undergone 40 hours of training, with the goal of helping others receive the best possible coverage. To set up an appointment with a SHINE counselor, contact the Aging Information Continued on page 17

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Be Somerville



By Joseph A. Curtatone

A monthly look at ways to get involved with your city: Don't just live in Somerville, be Somerville ResiStat season is upon us. At this twice-yearly series of community meetings (we hold one in each ward) you have the opportunity to interact with me, your aldermen, other elected officials, leaders from the Somerville Police Department, City staff—and your neighbors. We'll be sharing the latest city and neighborhood updates as well as the data-based problem solving discussions that help drive decision making here at City Hall. ResiStat meetings are a great way to get involved at the neighborhood level and often serve as gateway meetings to deeper involvement and a pathway to the kind of ground-up leadership and civic contributions that makes our city thrive.

It doesn't matter if you're a lifelong resident or a newcomer, whether you're just looking to dip your toe in the water by attending ResiStat or ready to dive in by getting involved with the re-launch of the Davis Square Neighborhood Plan process or the formation of the new Innovation and Opportunity Lab, there's an engagement opportunity for you this month.

Fall ResiStat Neighborhood Meetings

All meetings take place from 6:30 to 8 p.m. with free pizza and socializing beginning at 6. Coming early for pizza is a great way to talk to officials and staff one on one. This fall's meeting schedule is below.

If you don't know what ward you live in, look up your address at somervillema.gov/mysomer-

- Ward 4 (Winter Hill, Ten Hills): Wed., Sept. 27, at the Healy School, 5 Meacham St.
- Ward 1 (East Somerville, Assembly Square): Tue., Oct. 3, at the East Somerville Community School, 50 Cross St.
- Ward 2 (South Union Square, Perry and Lincoln Park areas, Beacon St. area): Wed., Oct. 4, at the Argenziano School, 290 Washington St.
- Ward 3 (North Union Square, Prospect Hill, Spring Hill, Central Hill): Thurs., Oct. 5, at the Somerville High School cafeteria, 81 Highland Ave.
- Ward 6 (Greater Davis Square area): Tues., Oct. 17, at the Somerville Community Baptist Church, 31 College Ave.
- + Ward 5 (Magoun Square, Cedar and Lowell Street areas, Porter Square area): Wed., Oct. 18, at the Kennedy School, 5 Cherry St.
- Ward 7 (West Somerville, Teele Square): Wed., Nov. 1, at the West Somerville Neighborhood School.

Innovation and Opportunity Lab Members Sought

Are you passionate about innovation and entrepreneurship and do you want to help Somerville continue to foster a supportive environment for these opportunities? Apply for a spot in the newly created Innovation and Opportunity Lab. This advisory committee will comprise nine members, and aims to advance the local innovation economy by forging partnerships and examining best practices around municipal innovation policies. A list of qualifications as well as application instructions can be found at www.somervillema. gov/innovationlab. For more information, contact Ben Sommer BSommer@somervillema. gov. Applications are due Friday, September 29.

Affordable Housing Opportunities

Creating new affordable housing opportunities is a central component of the community's 20-year SomerVision Plan. We know we have a long way to go, but we are pleased that 56 affordable rental units in the new Montaje building in Assembly Row will be offered to low- and moderate-income eligible households through the City's Inclusionary Housing Program via an application and lottery process. The application is available at www.s-e-b.com/ property/montaje/ as well as City Hall Annex, 50 Evergreen Ave. 2nd Floor, and all branches of the Somerville Public Library. Listed below are some important events and dates to keep in mind.

• Multi-lingual application assistance (in English, Spanish, Portuguese, Haitian-Kreyol; volunteers for other languages sought): Bring proof of residency or full-time employment in Somerville. Contact somerviva@somervillema.gov for more info or to volunteer. When/where: Thursdays, October 12 and 26, from 5 to 8 p.m. at 521 Assembly Row (the storefront between Chico's and DAVID-sTEA)

- + Application informational session: Application details will be reviewed and your questions answered. When/Where: Thursday, October 19 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the East Somerville Community School, 50 Cross St.
- Applications deadline: Monday, November 13, by 2 p.m.
- Rental Unity Lottery: Units will be selected by lottery from the pool of qualifying applications. Applicants are welcome to attend the drawing. When/where: Monday, December 11, at 10 a.m. at Somerville City Hall

Important Election Deadlines

The unofficial preliminary election results are in and can be viewed at www.somervillema.gov/votingresults, but there's still time to register or change your address before casting your vote in the November municipal election. For information on registering to vote, visit www.somervillema.gov/departments/elections/register-to-vote.

- Wednesday, Oct. 18: Last day to register or change address for the Nov. 7 City Election. Register by 8 p.m.
- Tuesday, Nov. 7: Municipal Election

Davis Square Neighborhood Meeting, 10/19

At a neighborhood meeting earlier this week, attendees worked on identifying topics for discussion. The October 19 meeting will take a deeper dive into the community-selected topics and identify action steps to address the goals and needs related to each. City staff will bring in resources and experts on the topic areas selected in the first meeting to serve as a resource during discussions. Whether your concerns are open space, traffic, parking, accessibility, streetscape, bicycle infrastructure, housing or more, we hope you'll join us. For more information, please contact planning@somervillema.gov.

When/where: Thursday, October 19, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Community Baptist Church, 31 College Ave.

Board of Aldermen Meetings, 10/19 and more

The next regular meeting of the Somerville Board of Aldermen will take place on Thursday, September 14. As a reminder, the Board's complete meeting schedule (including committee meetings), agendas, and minutes can be found at www.somervillecityma.iqm2.com/Citizens/calendar.aspx.

When/where: Thursday, October 19, at 7 p.m. at Somerville City Hall Aldermanic Chambers, 93 Highland Ave.

City Newsletter

For weekly updates on city cultural and civic events, new services and programs, and more, sign up for the City e-newsletter at www.somervillema.gov/newsletter.

City Calendar

Look up city events and meetings (as well as agendas and minutes) 24/7 on the City calendar at www.somervillema.gov.

More than we bargained for

By Somerville Labor Coalition

The City of Somerville joined the Group Insurance Commission (GIC), the Commonwealth's health plan for public employees, in 2011. At the time, several press reports suggested that Somerville's unions overwhelmingly agreed.

These stories implied that city officials engaged in give-and-take negotiations, rather than forcing employees into the GIC under new, more restrictive, and less democratic conditions.

While this makes for a feel-good story, it is inaccurate. The

Massachusetts Legislature and Somerville officials paid lip service to the spirit of collective bargaining. But behind the scenes, they ruthlessly manipulated the rules to strip unions of their collective bargaining rights. Setting the Stage

Mayor Curtatone began with scare tactics, preying upon retirees and increasing the proportion of healthcare premiums that they pay to 25 percent.

Then, city officials doubled their projection of the rate that health insurance costs would grow, to 18 percent. In 2010, the City adopted Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter

32B, Section 19 of Massachusetts General Laws, forcing all Somerville unions and retirees to bargain for healthcare insurance collectively.

A City law requires that labor negotiating bodies designate a union leader to represent them, and Massachusetts Retirees Association also appoints a delegate for each union. So Somerville's dozen municipal unions formed a Public Employee Committee (PEC), with representation proportionate to each union's membership.

Legislative Changes

In the summer of 2011, new legislation eased the way for mu-

nicipalities to join the Group Insurance Commission. It allowed them to join without collective bargaining if they could prove that they were under significant budget strain.

That August, Governor Patrick amended the regulations to allow cities to enter the GIC with only a simple majority vote from union representatives, rather than the 70 percent weighted vote previously required. This ended up usurping the power of the city's diverse unions.

Pick Your Poison

Somerville unions knew that we would probably be forced into the GIC. But we wanted to negotiate the best deal we could get to protect our members and retirees. Under Massachusetts G. L. Ch. 32B, Section 23, the unions' premium percentages would remain the same, each union would retain the right to bargain for health care contracts, and the City would be required to return 25 percent of the savings resulting from GIC membership (projected at \$2.3 million) to its unions and retirees.

But if the unions entered the GIC under Section 19, the Public Employee Committee would negotiate premium increases. And a simple majority vote of that Continued on page 17

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Happy 100th, Marshmallow Fluff!

Our View Of The Times



The "What the Fluff?" festival hit Union Square once again this past weekend, an event that has grown in the hearts of so many here. It also hit a significant milestone as the sweet, sticky confection itself turns 100 years old this year.

For all these years Marshmallow Fluff has been a favorite snack food for many, while others clould, frankly, take it or leave it. Either way, few would argue that the annual festival itself is chock full of fun and frivolity for everyone who attends.

A lot of public events come and go over the course of each year: road races, music festivals, family events ... you name it. What is it though about the celebration of this sweet stuff that kindles a spot of warmth in so many of our hearts? Is it the generally whacky nature of the event itself? The overall tongue-in-cheek nature of each event within the event?

It is certainly a unique affair, with a rich history and heritage that sparks the imagination and brings out the kid in all of us.

The timing of it may have some influence on our affection towards it. As we bid farewell to the summer months and ring in the beginning of autumn, we may view the festivities as a last hurrah of the

Oh, we almost forgot. We heard that

high season. One last fling in the warmth of the sun as we gently roll along towards the darker days of winter.

Whatever mysterious forces may exist that compel us to smear, spread, consume or bathe in the stuff, most of us have a real good time at it.

That's what it's all about in the end. Enjoying the day. So, happy birthday, Marshmallow Fluff!

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CPA. We hope he has a great day this week for himself. Happy birthday to a great local lady, Joan O'Meara. A nice lady married to husband Dan. We hope she has a great day and week on this, her birthday. Happy birthday to the director of the Somerville Homeless Collation, Mark Aston-Follansbee. A nice guy and a great advocate for the homeless here in the city. We hope he has a great day and week for his birthday. Happy birthday a young lady who grew up in East Somerville, Sue MacLeod. We hope she has a great birthday. To all others celebrating this week, we wish them a happy birthday.

We heard from a Cambridge resident recently – or maybe it was a Somerville resident from Ward 1, were not sure now – but we did check it out and appears that the following has been verified. As you know, Ward 1 Alderman Matt McLaughlin now has a full time job as aide to Cambridge City Councilor Carlone, where he will be required to attend the evening meetings of the councilors and committees and all the neighborhood meetings as well as any meeting his boss will want him to attend, never mind the day meetings they have over in

Cambridge as Councilor Carlone's aide. We again congratulate Matt on his new adventure over in Cambridge, but we do have to wonder how he's going to fulfill his requirements here in Somerville as the Ward 1 alderman? You know, the aldermen are pretty busy here as well, with Board meetings themselves, committee meetings, and let's not forget neighborhood meetings - and how about other board meetings like ZBA or Planning meetings? Lots of work, and rightfully so, that's why they voted themselves a raise to just over \$41K a year in Somerville. We know how busy the City Councilors are over in Cambridge, so how can he be in both places, same time? How can he do his job working for the good councilor over in Cambridge and serve the thousands of residents in East Somerville? Something the residents of Ward 1 will have to consider when they go to the polls on November 7, where they at least have a choice between Matt McLaughlin, the current alderman who is working over in Cambridge for City Councilor Carlone, or they can choose a lifelong resident, business owner, tax payer and - best of all - family man who has been committed to Ward 1 his entire life, Elio LoRusso. Just saying.

Ward 1 Alderman Matt McLaughlin doesn't like us here at Newstalk. He made it clear on election day, talking to many of the workers. Matt, if we say something that's not true please let us know. We'll be glad to retract it. Meantime, we heard that Matt is bragging that he has sponsored over 600 Board requests these past few years to various departments to get things done or to look into an item. We have a suggestion for you, Matt. You could pick up a phone and call the various departments directly and ask nicely or call the Mayor's office. Better yet, we have that 311 **system**. With this system they follow up the progress of a request. Now, what is a Board order you ask? It's an alderman's request to a department to ask for something to be looked into or something to be fixed. Simply put, a resident calls the alderman and asks for tree branches to be cut back or for the DPW to look into a missing sign, street light out, driveway cut, rodents in the neighborhood, etc. Putting in Board orders looks good to the public, but nothing gets done. It is also not proven that anything was done,

even if there was just a Board order. All

this takes time and, frankly, sometimes "board orders get misplaced" - we do have a busy city. Just because you filed 300 or 600 Board orders it doesn't mean that you're getting things done, and you have to keep putting in orders on the same issue. Remember, it's a red tape procedure that the order goes through. Plain and simple, the alderman doesn't have time to do his job, which is basically to serve the residents of his or her ward in local issues. Again, this is where Matt fails. He's on to other issues like state or federal. We have a simple question to the residents of Ward 1: ask yourselves and other aldermen who files 300 or 600 board orders, and why? Again, an order by an alderman means its goes through a bunch of red tape, when we have a 311 system that anyone can call and ask for something to get done - even Alderman McLaughlin, who should know the DPW's extensions or various departments at City Hall. If not, Matt can call 617-625-6600 and ask for the department. Better yet, call 311 (one call does it all). But we know he won't because only filing orders on the Board constitutes proof that something was done, even if it's just a request.

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'What the fluff?' Festival strikes again

CONT. FROM PG 1

travel to-dos across the country. This year, it had fluff-themed games, innovative recipes and the cooking contest. The theme was "FluffCentennial: Inspiring the Next Century of Union Square Invention," supporting local innovation in Union Square.

Invention Alley was the newest addition, celebrating a new era of invention in Somerville. A robot that launched marshmallows was a kid favorite, and every time a marshmallow flew through the air, the kids jostled with their red butterfly nets to catch a few.

Mayor Joseph Curtatone made an appearance to announce the cooking contest winners and mingle with festival guests. "It's an affirmation of people recognizing Somerville's creativity, originality and diversity," Curtatone said.

Between the live music on main stage and activities like fluff jousting and fluff musical chairs on the shenanigans stage, parents and kids found plenty of entertainment at the festival. Fluff jousting champion, 14-year-old Cecily Schultz, who came down from New Hampshire for the festival revealed why she won. "I don't mind getting dirty or sticky," she said. "And I'm very aggressive."

Midway games at the very back of the festival was another favorite spot where people could take a break from the crowds and play a few games like Fluff bowling and Fluff ring toss. Somerville High School students walked around selling Fluffernutter sandwiches and Lesley university students volunteered to run the games. Sharon and Mark Miller from Cambridge stood in line to play Fluff corn hole with their 3-year-old daughter, Abigail. They said their favorite part was the music, but Abigail disagreed. "I like marshmallows," she said.

Esther Hanig, who succeeded Graney as festival coordinator said her favorite part was watching the festival happening after months of planning with her "fluff team." Hanig doesn't identify with the fluff-induced New England nostalgia since she grew up in Texas and Indiana, but she said she likes to watch people having fun at

"I love that it's kept its flavor of being a really local event," Graney said. "Its lots of local, independent businesses doing what they normally do-put a fluff spin on it."

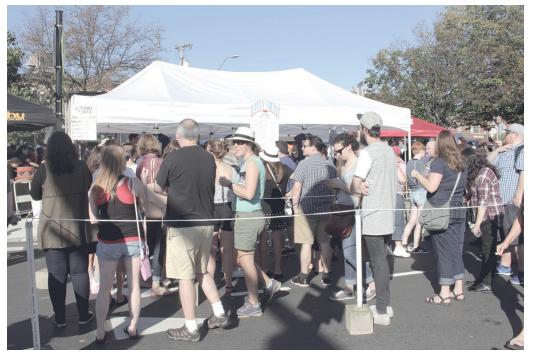














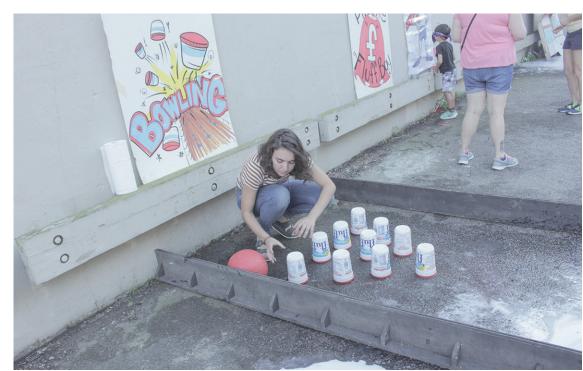


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SPORTS

STEM Education Day at Fenway

communities on:

Signs and Symptoms of concussion

Sports concussion regulations for schools

Prevention and Management of youth concussion

Return to school and athletics after a concussion

By Somerville Public Schools

Students from about 20 schools throughout the Boston area took part in a STEM Education Day at Fenway Park last week, as part of the CITGO STEM Talent Pipeline Program offered in partnership with the Boston Red Sox.

150 students from the West Somerville Neighborhood School and the Argenziano School were among the hundreds of students who spent the day participating in STEM activities at Fenway Park, then took in an afternoon Red Sox game against the A's. Graham, from the West Somerville Neighborhood School, took top honors in the bottle rocket challenge that afternoon.

Several students, including a student from the Argenziano and one from the WSNS, also had an opportunity to speak with astronauts on the international space station.



Graham, seen here in the red shirt, won the bottle rocket challenge at STEM Education Day at Fenway last week.

Concussion Awareness Training

September 28, 5:30-7:30pm at ESCS

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health in partnership with the Massachusetts PTA

and Concussion Legacy Foundation is offering free trainings to parents, educators, schools and

Get the facts, learn what to do, and know how and where to get help. Training will be held on

Thursday, September 28, 5:30-7:30pm at the East Somerville Community School Auditorium,

50 Cross St. Childcare and translation (Spanish, Portuguese, H Creole) will be available. To

register, contact Mary Lou Carey-Sturniolo at mmlcs@aol.com. For more information, contact

Mary Lou Carey-Sturniolo or Michelle Kelly at mkelly@k12.somerville.ma.us.

Ms. Cam's 110 Olio (paus) A miscellaneous

Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

- 1. What National Memorial near South Dakota took from 1927 to 1941 to complete carving?
- 2. In the show *The Dukes* of *Hazard*, what was the name of Daisy Duke's white 1980 Jeep?
- 3. What meat product gain popularity during WWII when meat was being rationed?
- 4. Who is credited with inventing basketball?
- 5. What rap group was the first to get a Grammy Award nomination?
- 6. What Superhero was quoted as saying "Suffering Sappho!"?

- 7. In the TV Show *Bewitched*, what was the name of Samantha's identical cousin?
- 8. How did musician Sting get his nickname?
- 9. What is a tide just after a new or full moon called?
- 10. In the TV series The Man From U.N.C.L.E., what does U.N.C.L.E. stand for?
- 11. What singer's music was alleged to be a possible factor in the 1999 Columbine massacre?
- 12. What is the only continent that does not have spiders?

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Free Boys Basketball Clinics for Grades 4-8

September 27-October 25, 2017

Somerville Recreation is offering FREE Boys Basketball Clinics for grades 4-8, on the following Mondays and Wednesdays. Clinics will be held at the SHS Field House and will be instructed by SHS Boys Basketball staff and Somerville Tradition Basketball staff. Questions? Contact Coach Mark Antonelli at mantonelli@k12.somerville.ma.us.

- · Wednesday, September 27, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
 - · Monday, October 2, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
 - · Wednesday, October 4, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- · Monday, October 9: NO CLINIC HOLIDAY
 - · Wednesday, October 11, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
 - · Monday, October 16, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
 - · Wednesday, October 18, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
 - · Monday, October 23, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
 - · Wednesday, October 25, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

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Fall 2017 ResiStat Meeting Schedule

Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone and the Board of Aldermen invite residents to the Fall 2017 ResiStat Community Meetings, a twice-yearly effort to share the latest City news, data, and neighborhood updates directly with residents and gather their feedback.

ResiStat is more than a great way to get an overview of what's happening specifically in your neighborhood as well as citywide. The social time before and after the meetings also offer an easy opportunity to talk one-on-one with the Mayor, your Aldermen, and City staff and police – and to connect with your neighbors. They serve pizza and kid-friendly, healthy snacks to make it more fun to come and chat.

Seven neighborhood meetings, one in each ward, and a Spanish-language meeting will be held in the coming weeks. (See schedule below.) Mayor Curtatone, ward and at-large aldermen, members of the Somerville Police Department, and City staff will discuss issues important to residents and there's always a lively Q&A where residents can pose questions directly to the Mayor and Aldermen.

This year they will be taking a deep dive into SomerVision, Somerville's community-written comprehensive plan to see what's been accomplished, what's upcoming, and where work still needs to be done. Meetings will also include brief updates on neighborhood projects and public safety data and information.

Refreshments will be served at a meet-and-greet before each meeting. Interpretation into Spanish, Portuguese, and Haitian Creole will be provided at every meeting. At the Spanish-language meeting there will be interpretation into English, Haitian Creole, and Portuguese. For more information about ResiStat, or with any questions, contact ResiStat Coordinator, Meghann Ackerman, at MAckerman@somervillema.gov or 617-625-6600 ext. 2120.

Fall 2017 Schedule:

Ward 4 (Winter Hill, Ten Hills): Wed., Sept. 27, Healey School, 5 Meacham Sr

Ward 1 (East Somerville, Assembly Sq.): Tue., Oct. 3, East Somerville Community School, 50 Cross St.

Ward 2 (S. Union Sq., Perry and Lincoln Park neighborhoods, Beacon St. area): Wed., Oct. 4, Argenziano School, 290 Washington St.

Ward 3 (N. Union Sq., Prospect Hill, Spring Hill, Central Hill): Thurs., Oct. 5, Somerville High School cafeteria, 81 Highland Ave. (Use the Field House doors for an accessible entrance.)

Ward 6 (greater Davis Sq. neighborhood): Tues., Oct. 17, Somerville Community Baptist Church, 31 College Ave.

Ward 5 (Magoun Sq., NE Ball Sq., Cedar & Lowell St. areas, NW Porter Sq.): Wed., Oct. 18, Kennedy School, 5 Cherry St.

Ward 7 (West Somerville, Teele Sq.): Wed., Nov. 1, West Somerville Neighborhood School, 177 Powder House Blvd.

Spanish-language meeting: Thurs., Nov. 2, East Somerville Community School cafeteria, 50 Cross St.

Meetings run from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., with refreshments at 6:00 p.m.

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Come and read at Banned Books Week

The Somerville Public Library and Somerville Media Center invite you to celebrate your right to read! Come and read excerpts from various banned books. If you wish to participate, just show up with a book that has been threatened to be banned or pick from a reading that the library provides.

The event will take place at the Somerville Public Library (Central Library) on Saturday, September 30 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at 79 Highland Ave. Can't stay for the whole thing? No worries. Drop in, read or listen, and leave

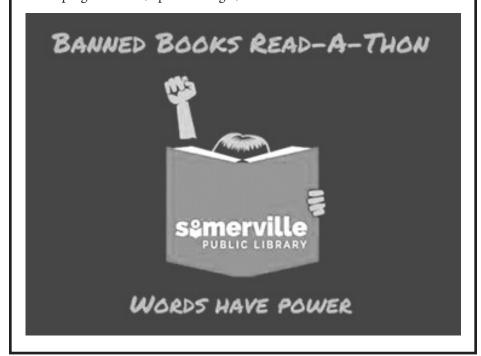
when you need to. Food will be provided by Cuisine en Locale.

About Banned Books Week

Banned Books Week was launched in 1982 in response to a sudden surge in the number of challenges to books in schools, bookstores and libraries. More than 11,300 books have been challenged since 1982 according to the American Library Association. Check out some of the banned books online here.

For more information, please call Heidi or Mary at 617-623-5000 ext. 2955 or e-mail hdowning@minlib.net.

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT RFQF 18-16

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

Central Hill Campus Planning Services

Bid packages for may be obtained online at https://www.somervillema.gov/departments/finance/purchasing or may be picked up at the Purchasing Department, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, First Floor, Somerville, MA 02143 beginning on Tuesday September 26th, 2017.

Sealed proposals will be received until Tuesday October 31st, at 11:00am. Late proposals will not be considered. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

Please contact Michael Richards at 617-625-6600 x 3403, or email mrichards@somervillema.gov for information and the bid package.

> **Michael Richards Assistant Purchasing Director**

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A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the Somerville Licensing Commission on Thursday, October 12, 2017 in the Atrium, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at 6:00PM on the application of Narae Holdings LLC d/b/a Bukkyung, 9A Union Sq., Somerville, MA for a Chapter 142, Acts of 2016 Enhancement Area All Forms 7 Day Alcohol License, and an Entertainment by Devices License.

> For the Commission Andrew Upton John J. McKenna

Attest: Lori Batzek **Administrative Assistant**

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT IFB 18-17

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

2018 Various Trips for Council on Aging

Invitations for Bid (IFB) may be obtained online at https://www.somervillema.gov/departments/finance/purchasing or from the Purchasing Department, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA, 02143 on or after Wednesday, September 27th , 2017. Sealed bids will be received at the above office until: Wednesday, October 18th, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. The Purchasing Director reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

The City of Somerville, Council on Aging (COA), is seeking qualified Contractors to provide various excursion packages that include complete chartered bus services.

Please contact Thupten Chukhatsang at tchukhatsang@somervillema.gov for more information.

> **Thupten Chukhatsang Procurement Analyst** 617-625-6600 x 3412

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A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the Somerville Licensing Commission on Thursday, October 12, 2017 in the Atrium, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at 6:00PM on the application of Moroccan Hospitality LLC d/b/a Moroccan Hospitality Restaurant, 585 Somerville Ave., Somerville, MA for a Wine and Malt 7 Day Restaurant License and an Entertainment by Devices License.

> **Attest: Lori Batzek Administrative Assistant**

The Somerville Licensing Commission is accepting applications for 2 Wine and Malt 7 Day Restaurant Licenses. These are City Wide Li-

Interested Parties must apply online at somervillema.gov. ABCC applications must be filed online at www.mass.gov/abcc/.

The deadline for the submission of complete applications is 4 weeks prior to the Licensing Commission meeting. Both the Somerville Licensing Commission application and the ABCC application must be submitted. CITY AND ABCC APPLICATONS MUST BE COMPLETE OR THEY WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Please contact the Somerville Licensing Commission for Further in-

For the Commission Andrew Upton John J. McKenna

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A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the Somerville Licensing Commission on Thursday, October 12, 2017 in the Atrium, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at 6:00PM on the application of Remnant Brewing, LLC d/b/a Remnant Brewing LLC, 337 Somerville Ave., Somerville, MA for a Farmer Pourer License, Extension of Premises (Outdoor Seating) and Open before Noon on Sunday Licenses.

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Attest: Lori Batzek Administrative Assistant

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A hearing to all persons interested will be given by the Somerville Licensing Commission on Thursday, October 12, 2017 in the Atrium, Tufts Administration Building, 167 Holland St., Somerville, MA at 6:00PM on the application of Everest Mart d/b/a Union Mart, 71-72 Union Sq., Somerville, MA for a Change of D/B/A to Union Square

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Newstalk CONT. FROM PG 11

All Attention lately is on the NFL over the kneeling down during the national anthem. So now the School Committee member from Ward 3, Lee Erica Palmer, sat down (you heard about it or saw it on local access TV). She actually sat down in her seat during the pledge of allegiance at the opening of the School Committee meeting this past Monday night. What a disgrace. A School Committee member showing distain for our country and flag during the pledge of allegiance. We heard she tried to pressure her friend on the School Committee to do the same but he wouldn't do it. He wouldn't be intimated by her actions. He and others had more courage. No wonder she is proving to be a very unpopular member of the School Committee. Regardless of whatever reasons she gives, it's the pledge of allegiance and it is how all school and city elected officials open their meetings. It's her job as a School Committee member to set an example for our students, especially those in the grammar schools that don't understand

the reasons why it's being done. Is this the message you want her to send to the students of Somerville? If not, then on November 7, Election Day, don't vote for her. Yes, she is unopposed, but you can vote blank and that will send a message to Ms. Palmer about her lack of patriotism. Maybe in two years she will have someone run against her that won't push their personal opinions on others at the School Committee. Ask yourself why is she doing this now? Patriotism and love of country and service to those that have served in the military is the example we need to set for the children. Some NFL members chose to kneel during the national anthem. She chose to lower the bar, whereby an elected member of the School Committee sits down during the pledge. She should be ashamed. There is no excuse for sitting down as an elected official while the pledge of allegiance is being spoken by all her fellow members. Vote blank. She'll see all the blanks and get the message.

We still insist that the Winter Hill

Yacht Club needs to clean house of those that have criminal records. Triple and double worth repeating: notify our State Senator Pat Jehlen and both State Representatives Denise Provost and Christine Barber to look into the lease of the Winter Hill Yacht Club for Criminals. We hear that the club is not at all comfortable with the publicity regarding allowing convicted felons as members. Again, we can't understand why the club who rents from the state that beautiful piece of land - which has a huge fence around it, not to mention a gate to keep out residents - can still occupy the premises. We understood that the lease with DCR states no criminals can be members, or is that the club rules? We get confused sometimes. We also understood that over 90% of the membership doesn't even live here in the city and we know that many from the city have applied but must wait their turn. Maybe they don't have a criminal record, might that be a reason that the club won't open its membership? Just saying. There needs to be an investigation of

their membership list and their applications. We raised this question before and we will keep raising it until the club cleans up its act. Don't forget, some of us here used to be "Life Members" until the E board changed the rules. It seems like they always want to change the rules when it suits them. We think it would be good to see DCR revoke the lease and make it a public boat landing for the residents of our city. We're for opening up the facility for public use by the residents of Somerville.

Join the Somerville High Class of 1987 30th Reunion for a night filled with fun and laughter, November 4, 6:00 to 11:00 p.m. at the Crown Plaza Hotel, 15 Middlesex Canal Park Drive, Woburn, MA 01801. Dinner and DJ included. Tickets: \$55 pp. Please send online payments through Paypal to Cherie Dell'Anno, account name: cdell99@yahoo.com. Please make checks payable to: Cherie Dell'Anno and send to 16 Carson Ave, Wilmington, MA 01887. Email cdell99@yahoo.com with any questions.

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More than we bargained for **CONT. FROM PG 10**

committee would force those changes on all city unions and retirees.

Divide and Conquer

Although the Board of Aldermen voted to adopt the GIC under Section 23, the Mayor was never going to let this happen, because it would preserve each union's right to bargain for healthcare separately. And it would require the \$2.3 million rebate.

He knew that if he persuaded the teachers unions, the city's most populous, then their vote alone would represent the simple majority of the Public Employee Committee needed to enter the GIC under Section 19. All he had to do was manipulate the thirty-day window within which a decision had to be made, and then let the PEC's union representatives fight it out.

Sure enough, the Somerville Teachers Union led the negotiations. Despite opposition from multiple unions, they negotiated and ratified a deal with the city.

Some unions lost access to healthcare plans in which they had specific contractual rights, such as health insurance carriers, plan options, and contribution percentages. Hard earned indemnity and premium splits were collateral damage. And when it would come time to renegotiate, the Mayor could control the PEC, since he controls staffing levels. The game was rigged.

The Bottom Line - More Than You Bargained For

The amendments to MGL Section 19B that changed a 70 percent vote requirement to a simple majority are a one-two punch to collective bargaining and union solidarity. The switch to the GIC saved millions for the city and employees in annual premiums, but visits to the doctor became much costlier.

Under Section 19B, unions whose members face the greatest potential health problems—firefighters, police, and DPW workers-have no control over their healthcare decisions. The hardearned percentage limits on what they contributed to their healthcare costs were bargained away by 51 percent of the Public Employee Committee.

The Legislature's collective-bargaining healthcare laws allowed Somerville's administration to change the rules in the middle of the game, preventing municipal unions from having their voice heard and their vote counted. It's not fair in sports and it's not fair in the workplace. Sincerely,

Co-Chair Ed Halloran Co-Chair Thomas Ross Somerville Firefighters Secretary Steven Ross SLC Co-Founding Member Jim Roderick, SMEA Treasurer Peter Blaikie, NCFO Local 3 School Custodians SLC Co-founding Member Mike McGrath Police Patrolmen SLC Co-Founding Member Terri Mederios 911 Operators of SEIU Local 888

SLC Member Michael Cabral, Police Superior Officers

Things change, so don't sleep on Medicare open enrollment CONT. FROM PG 9

at Somerville-Cambridge Elder Services or your local Council on Aging.

Also, be sure to call early: there are a limited number of counselors, and they are booked fairly quickly.

Don't be Late. The December 7 deadline is firm for most Medicare beneficiaries, and in most cases your coverage for the coming year will be whatever you determined by that date. So don't procrastinate!

One final word of advice: our

SHINE counselors always advise people reviewing Medicare plans to take all of the factors into account, when choosing a plan. For example, a lot of Medicare Advantage plans like to highlight that they have \$0 premiums, which sounds really good - but generally the lower the premium, the more money you'll pay for a hospital visit or rehab stay. Those factors, along with the prescription drug costs, are all part of determining how much you'll pay out-of-pocket each year, so it's good to stay focused on the big picture.

Colleen Morrissey is a Resource Specialist at Somerville Cambridge Elder Services (SCES), a non-profit agency that supports the independence and well-being of older people in Somerville and Cambridge. For more information, visit eldercare.org, follow us on Facebook and Twitter, or contact the SCES Aging Information Center at 617-628-2601 for free advice and guidance.

'It' rises to the occasion CONT. FROM PG 8

feels natural. It is, ironically, one year. Didn't see that coming.

It announces its gruesome intentions in a daring first sequence and along the way has a few other gems. There is a bully rising from bad kid to full-blown villain with a gift from Pennywise (my favorite scene, that nails that mix of pulpy macabre violence and twisted humor the entire movie has aimed for) and a Nightmare on Elm Street style blood-bath where young Beverly's (Sophia Lillis, who is terrific handling the responsibility of being the sole girl in a group of unabashedly horny teenage boys) most vulnerable shame is used against her in the most insidious way.

of the funniest movies of the favorite adventure movie tropes: it's a worthy, juiced-up, fully rethe "one shot left" in Chekhov's gun. The movie lets its CGI flag fly and is composed almost entirely out of the special effects blow-outs that most other studio horror films. The visual effects are cleverly realized conjuring up gonzo images of bone-cracking, form-contorting Pennywise, but they are just used to service new ways for the fanged clown to jump out of things.

Muschietti has wrestled the tentacles of King's crazy book into a terrifically entertaining picture that crams a lot in, but doesn't feel aimless or overstuffed. It hits its beats just right and is leaps and bounds over this year's The Dark Tower or The Mist TV series. What It

The film even has one of my does well, it does very well, and alized call-back to when tales of kids on bikes fighting monsters weren't just homages.

> It is currently playing at the Somerville Theatre in Davis Square (go to: http://somervilletheatre.com/movie/it/ link to view listed show times). Before I leave you to your own devices, let me say this, if Krusty the Clown from The Simpsons TV series is the extent to which you can stand clowns, perhaps consider playing the bench on this one. If, however, that isn't the case for you, then go for it and, in the words of the King himself, "Enjoy ... if you can." And, of course, as per tradition, don't forget ... tell them Dre sent you!

3rd Annual Evolution of Hip Hop Festival



The 3d Annual Evolution of Hip Hop Festival will take place on Sunday, Oct 1, from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. in Union Square Plaza. This free ArtsUnion festival is by the City of Somerville and Somerville Arts Council in partnership with Wat's da WURD and Xperience Creative.

The festival will be hosted by Crystal Chandler & Shardai Sam-Clarke and feature rappers, singers, spoken word poets, dancers, beatboxers, and visual artists from the Somerville community and surrounding cities.

Attendees can also enjoy live art and interactive activities, and visit information tables offered by local community groups. Thank you to Boston Smoke Shop for helping to sponsor the festival.

- + Musical performances by Oompa, Marcela Cruz, Notoriety, Devin Ferreira, DJ Slipwax, Genie Santiago, BusyBars, Anturazh, Dzidor Azaglo, Lil' Static & JDel, CeloDAMF, Von Don, Vid the Visionary
- + Dance performances by QWAM, VibeStyle & Friends, and CrewNex.
- + Live art by Acoma Art, B. Cartier, V.Kash, Marisa Kang, Jessie Nocella, Joey Free, Nic Nak, Basement Trybe, and Baboon This is an ArtsUnion festival.

Now in its 12th year ArtsUnion has been instrumental in reinvigorating the artistic and business landscape of Union Square. ArtsUnion presents numerous events and markets, and leads cultural tours. In addition, ArtsUnion has commissioned temporary art installations and artisans to fabricate street furniture and advocated successfully for zoning incentives for arts-related development in the square. The Somerville Arts Council and the Mayor's Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development created ArtsUnion, in partnership with numerous other local organizations through funding from the Massachusetts Cultural Council's John and Abigail Adams Program and the City of Somerville.

Please contact lisa@xperiencecreative for available vendor opportunities. For questions about the festival, please contact Special Events Manager, Nina Eichner at 617-625-6600 ext. 2998.

From on page 14 Ms. Cam's Answers

wearing a black and yel-

low sweater with hooped

stripes while playing in

the band, the Phoenix

Command for Law and

11. Marilyn Manson

United Network

1. Mount Rushmore

2. Dixie

3. Spam

4. Dr. James Naismith, in

5. Run D.M.C

6. Wonder Woman

7. Serena

12. Antarctica

Jazzmen

9. A spring tide

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CHILDREN AND YOUTH Wednesday | September 27

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

Central Library

Book Talk and Craft: Come discuss 'El Deafo' and make your own Warm Fuzzy!--Somerville Reads 2017 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Thursday | September 28

Central Library

Preschool: Storytime for 3 to 5 year

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

West Branch Library Lego Club

3:30 p.m.-4:45 p.m.|40 College Ave

East Branch Library Family Game Night

6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|115 Broadway

Central Library

Author Talk with Jennifer Rosner--Somerville Reads 2017 7 p.m.- 8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Friday | September 29

Central Library

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

Central Library

Is it Right to Not Have Rights? 3:30 p.m.- 5:30 p.m.|79 Highland

Monday October 2

Central Library Sing Along

11 a.m.-11:45 a.m.|79 Highland Ave

Central Library Creative Drama Workshop

4 p.m.-5 p.m.|79 Highland Ave **Central Library**

Middle School Writers' Den 5:45 p.m.-8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Tuesday October 3

Central Library

Homeschool Reading Group for Ages 14-16 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|79 Highland

West Branch Library

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

Wednesday October 4

East Branch Library Preschool Storytime

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

Central Library

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

Central Library

Presentation on Language Deprivation and Growing Up Deaf -- Somerville Reads 2017 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

MUSIC ARTS

Wednesday | September 27

Sally O'Brien's Bar

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

The Burren

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge 345 Somerville Ave

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

Bull McCabe's Pub

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

Thunder Road

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

Highland Kitchen

150 Highland Ave 617-625-1131

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom No BS Brass Band

8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co.

Polar Sea

8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory

Hearth Book Club 7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Thursday | September 28

Sally O'Brien's

Be Nice Or Leave Brass Band 8 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-

The Burren Front Room

Matt Borrello, Mike Verge & Company|9:30 pm Backroom Series: WUMB Presents Say Darling|7 p.m

Scattershots 10 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge

Above The Din / People Live Here / Ours & Yours / Matthew Connor 8 p.m.|345 Somerville Ave

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

Bull McCabe's

366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Thunder Road

Populace (Funk) 8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom

GRCB Name That Tune Punk Rock Game Show

Hilken Mancini 7p.m|156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co.

The Gravel Project & Science by the

6:30 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

The Rockwell

Première à Trois - Magen Tracy & the Missed Connections (Video Premiere) 8 p.m.|255 Elm St

Arts at the Armory

AMC Young Members Game Night 6 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Friday | September 29

Sally O'Brien's

Jim Coyle & King Blue |6 p.m. Ryan Jordan, Shiny Beasts \$5 cover 9

335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

Front Room Irish Session|9:30 p.m. Back Room: The Kennedys | 7 p.m.

Spike the Punch|10 p.m. 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge Jodie Road / Copilot / Shotgun Waltz / The Deep State 8 p.m.|345 Somerville Ave

Orleans Restaurant and Bar DJ starting at 10 p.m.

65 Holland St|617-591-2100 Bull McCabe's

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

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Thunder Road

10th Annual Virgo A Go Go Music Festival (Benefit) 8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom

Fuzzstival

Ovlov, Ava Luna, Horse Jumper of Love, A band Called E, Lisa/Liza, Laika's Orbit, Way Out, earthquake party!, Mint Green, Bat House 7 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co. Dingonek Street Band

8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory PALAVER STRINGS: something for the

8 p.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

The Rockwell

Sh!t-faced Shakespeare: Romeo and Juliet. 7 p.m.|255 Elm St

Saturday | September 30 Sally O'Brien's

Jan Marie Music | 6 p.m.

Haymakers, Stop Calling Me Frank, Angel Martins, Lucky 88s \$5 cover|9 p.m.

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335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren

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

Back Room:

Louis Apollon Trio, Erica Leigh and Albino Mbie 7 p.m. Cover Up|10 p.m.

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge

LargeBodies / GlassHouse / Nothings-TheRule / AlternateWeekends 8 p.m.|345 Somerville Ave

Orleans Restaurant and Bar Karaoke

65 Holland St **Bull McCabe's**

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Thunder Road Luther "Guitar JR" Johnson (Blues/

6 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom Flat Duo lets

8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave Aeronaut Brewing Co. DJ ABD

8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street Arts at the Armory

Scientist Turned Comedian Tim Lee 8 p.m.|Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

The Rockwell

Sh!t-faced Shakespeare: Romeo and 7 p.m.|255 Elm St

Sunday October 1

The Natural Wonders 4:30 p.m. 335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

Sally O'Brien's Bar

The Burren Front Room Beatles Brunch|11 a.m.-3 p.m. John Gannon & Friends Irish Session|3

Los Goutos|9 p.m. The Sweetback Sisters | 7 p.m.

247 Elm Street|617-776-6896 PA'S Lounge

345 Somerville Ave

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

Highland Kitchen

Sunday Brunch Live Country & Bluegrass Sunday Night Live Music

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

Game Night 65 Holland St|617-591-2100

Thunder Road Girl Band Tribute Brunch "Brunch In My Arms Again"10 a.m. Americana Sundays w/ Greg Klyma

379 Somerville Ave **ONCE Lounge & Ballroom** 156 Highland Ave

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Mark Shilansky & Fugue Mill|1 p.m. Pindrop sessions debut:7 p.m. 14 Tyler Street

Monday October 2

Sally O'Brien's Bar Shawn Carter's Cheapshots Comedy|7 p.m.

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

The Burren

Front Room Bur-Run

Helena Delaney, Johnny O'Leary & Friends Irish Session|9 p.m. Back Room Stump Trivia|8:30 p.m.

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8 p.m.|345 Somerville Ave

P.A.'s Lounge

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Thunder Road 379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom Avev Tar 8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Aeronaut Brewing Co. 14 Tyler Street

Arts at the Armory

Queer Tango 6:30 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

The Rockwell Smoke & Shadows 8 p.m.|255 Elm St

Tuesday October 3

Sally O'Brien's Bar **SYM Tuesdays** 8 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-

3589 The Burren

Back Room:

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

Open Mic w/ Hugh McGowan|10 247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

PA's Lounge 345 Somerville Ave

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

Highland Kitchen First Tuesday of the Month|Spelling Bee Night

hosted by Victor and Nicole of Egoart. The fun starts at 10:00p.m.

150 Highland Ave 617-625-1131 PJ Ryan's

Thunder Road

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

Vehicles (KS), (New Wave/Neo-Psychedelic)

8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave ONCE Lounge & Ballroom Heavy Metal Tuesday 7 p.m. The Trashcan Sinatras|8 p.m.

156 Highland Ave **Aeronaut Brewing Co** Indie Trivia

8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

Wednesday October 4 Sally O'Brien's Bar Free Poker, lots of prizes!

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

The Burren Front Room Americana Jam with: Grain Thief|9

Backroom Series: Comedy Night With Jordan Handren-Seavey|10 p.m.

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

AmateurAthletes, FreshPerspective, ThreatLevelB, Church&Puppets 8 p.m.|345 Somerville Ave

Orleans Restaurant and Bar 65 Holland St|617-591-2100 **Bull McCabe's Pub**

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Grateful Dead Residency

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8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave **Highland Kitchen** 150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

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Aeronaut Brewing Co. And Then There Was One 8 p.m.|14 Tyler Street

Wiretap Wednesday Open Stage

Arts at the Armory

8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

CLASSES AND GROUPS Wednesday | September 27

Central Library

Mystery Book Club

7 p.m.-8:15 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Central Library

Municipal Candidate Discussion 7 p.m.-8:15 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Thursday | September 28

East Branch Library

Family Game Night 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|115 Broadway

Central Library

You are Here by Hiawatha Bray 7 p.m.- 8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave West Branch Library

Learn English at the Library

6 p.m.-8 p.m.|40 College Ave **East Branch Library** Drop in Knitting at the East Branch

6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|115 Broadway **Central Library**

Yoga at the Library 6 p.m. – 7 p.m.|79 Highland Ave First Church Somerville Debtors Anonymous- a 12 Step

program for people with problems

with money and debt. 7 p.m.-8:30

p.m.|89 College Ave (Upstairs Parlor).

Indivisible Somerville: Action Planning

3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

For more info call: 781-762-6629 Friday | September 29

meeting 10 a.m.-12 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Central Library

Saturday | September 30 Central Library Banned Books Read-A-Thon 2017 11 a.m.-2 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Is it Right to Not Have Rights?

Indivisible Somerville New Member Orientation 2 p.m.-4 p.m.|79 Highland Ave Know Your Resources: Information for

2:30 p.m.-4:15 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Union Square Farmer's Market 9 a.m.-1 p.m.|Union Square Plaza **Bagel Bards** Somerville Writers and Poets meet

9 a.m.-12 p.m Au Bon Pain 18-48 Holland St

weekly to discuss their work

Immigrant Families

Sunday October 1 Fourth Step to Freedom Al-Anon

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

Monday October 2 **East Branch Library**

Family Groups

Chair Yoga 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.|115 Broadway **West Branch Library**

American Sign Language (ASL) Class--

Central Library

Somerville Reads 2017

Chess Night 7 p.m.-8:45 p.m.|79 Highland Ave **East Branch Library**

Learn English at the Library

6 p.m.-8 p.m.|115 Broadway

7 p.m.-8 p.m.|40 College Ave

West Branch Library Drop in Knitting at West Branch

Tuesday October 3

American Sign Language (ASL) Class--Somerville Reads 2017 7 p.m.-8 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|40 College Ave

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

Central Library

tion and Growing Up Deaf -- Somer-

PLACES TO GO, THINGS TO DO!

Central Library

Central Library Learn English at the Library!

Wednesday October 4

Presentation on Language Depriva-

ville Reads 2017 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

SENIOR CENTER HAPPENINGS:

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

All clubs and groups welcome new members.

Holland Street: 167 Holland Street

*Monday through Friday 9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

617-625-6600 Ext. 2300

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

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

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

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

Ageless Grace – Ageless Grace, the Council on Aging's new Fitness class for the body and mind. Held on Mondays at 4:00 p.m. at the Holland St. Center, the Ageless Grace program is an innovative wellness and fitness program done seated in a chair to upbeat music. Classes are playful, imaginative and different every time. All the movements are designed to focus on the healthy longevity of the body and the brain. Contact Chris at 617-625-6600 ext. 2315 for more information and to sign up. Cost is \$20.00 for 5 classes.

Yoga - Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. 5-week Yoga series is a low-impact and easy-to-follow paced program that lets you stretch and relax to help start your day. Contact Chris at 617-625-6600 ext. 2315 for more info and to sign up. Cost is \$20.00 for 5 classes!

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

Free Groceries Every Month? – You may be eligible for the Commodity Supplemental Food Program! CSFP is a once a month food distribution for individuals 60 years of age or older. You may be eligible to receive two free bags of food once a month containing healthy shelf stable products. Proof of identity and age are all that is required to apply. For more information or to apply please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 – applications are available at the front desk of our Holland Street Center.

Conversations of the Heart – Mondays (see dates below) from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at our Holland Street Center. When you experience a loss; whether it be a loved one, a place of employment or even a change in your life, don't process these feelings along; come join our group where we process difficult emotions together in a safe and welcoming environment. For more information or questions please contact Natasha at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300. Refreshments will be served. Future dates: September 25, October 16 and 30, November 13 and 27 and December 11.

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

Blood Pressure Screening – Cross Street Center located at 165 Broadway. Scheduled for the 3rd Thursday of each month: October 19, November 16 and December

14. If you require additional information please contact Debby Higgins at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321 or email dhiggins@somervillema.gov.

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

Yoga in the Park – Thursday, September 28 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at Hodgkins – Curtin Park located 113 Holland Street (Class will be inside the Holland Street Center if we have inclement weather.) This free event is easy to follow and low impact! For more information, questions or to RSVP please contact Chris at 617-625-6600, ext.2300.

Bowling is Back – starting Wednesday, September 20 at Sacco's Bowl Haven at Flatbreads Pizza located in Davis Square. \$3 weekly fee which includes shoe rental, three strings of bowling and dues for bowling banquet. For more information, questions or to reserve your spot please contact Debby Higgins at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321.

Arts & Crafts – Thursday, September 28, Thursday, October 19, Thursday, November 16 and Thursday, December 7 at our Cross Street Center from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Join us for the free event as local artist Jodi Colella joins us and shares her many talents. You must RSVP a week in advance to make sure we have enough materials for everyone. For more information or to RSVP please contact Maureen Bastardi at 617-625-6600, ext. 2335 or mbastardi@somervillema.gov.

Wildwood, NJ – Thursday, October 12 to Sunday, October 15 - \$411 per person double - \$527 per person single includes transportation, lodging, 3 breakfasts, 2 dinners, dance party and so much more. For more information, questions or to reserve your spot please contact Connie or Kim at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

A Very Vermont Tour – Tuesday, October 17 to Thursday, October 19 - \$353 per person double or triple - \$469 per person single includes transportation, lodging, Billings Farm Museum, Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Facility and so much more. For more information, questions or to reserve your spot please call Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Fall Festival Lunch & Bingo – Monday, October 23 at the Cross Street Center from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Seating is limited. For more information, questions or to reserve your spot please call Maureen at 617-625-6600, ext. 2335.

Halloween Party & Dance – Tuesday, October 24 at the Holiday Inn located at 30 Washington Street from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Limited seating and transportation. For more information or to reserve your spot please call Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Health & Wellness Fair – Thursday, October 26 at the Holland Street Center from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Guest speakers, blood pressure screening, flu shot clinic, healthy eating information and more! Come learn how to build a healthier you! You must RSVP by calling 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Atlantic City - October 29 to October 31 is SOLD OUT Call Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 to put your name on the waiting list should there be an opening. Doo Wop Revue with the Corvettes – Thursday, November 9th at Lake Pearl in Wrentham. \$69 includes transportation, lunch and show. For questions, additional information or to reserve your spot contact Kim or Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Thanksgiving Lunch & Bingo – Thursday, November 9 at the Cross Street Center from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Seating is limited. For questions, additional information or to reserve your spot contact Maureen at 617-625-6600, ext. 2335.

Wrentham Outlets – Sunday, November 12 - \$10 for transportation, lunch is on your own. Check in time is 10:00 a.m. at the Holland Street Center with an approximate return time of 5:00 p.m. For questions, more information or to reserve your spot contact Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

LGBTQ EVENTS:

LGBTQ Advisory Group – October 16. This group meets quarterly in the conference room of our Holland Street Center at 4:30 p.m. and run for one hour. We are always looking for new members who would like to serve on the Advisory Group. Please call Debby Higgins, Outreach Coordinator at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321 or email dhiggins@Somervillema.gov if you have any questions or if you should need additional information.

LBT Women Fit-4-Life - Fitness and Nutrition Classes. Classes are Tuesday and Thursday evenings starting at 6:00 P.M. \$10 a month fee - scholarships available & it just might be covered under your insurance. We have available slots and would love to have you. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact our Health & Wellness Coordinator, Chris Kowaleski at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300.

LGBTQ Monthly Lunch is Back – Please join us the second Wednesday of the Month at the Senior Center at 167 Holland Street. A Hot Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. on September 13, October 11, November 8, December 13. Please RSVP to Debby Higgins at dhiggins@ somervillema.gov or 617-625-6600 ext. 2321. A \$2.00 donation is suggested.

STAY ACTIVE:

Weekly Exercise Class Schedule Holland = (H) Ralph & Jenny = (RJ) Cross Street = (C)

Mondays:

9:00 Walking Club (H) 11:00 Tai Chi (H) 1:00 Fit-4-Life Group C (H)

Tuesdays:

9:15 Strengthening - \$3 per class (H) 11:15 Fit-4-Life (C)

Wednesdays:

8:45 Fit-4-Life Group A (H) – Exercise 9:00 Fit-4-Life Group B (H) - Nutrition 10:00 Fit-4-Life Group B (H) – Exercise 10:00 Fit-4-Life Group A (H) – Nutrition 11:00 Nutrition one-on-one (H) 12:00 Fit-4-Life Group C (H) - Nutrition 1:00 Fit-4-Life Group C (H) - Exercise 5:15 Zumba for All - \$3 per class (H)

Thursdays:

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

Fridays:

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

Every Monday

10:00 English Conversation (C) 11:30 Lunch (C)

Every Tuesday

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

Every Wednesday

9:00 Bowling at Flatbreads 9:45 Coffee & Conversations (H) 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Wacky Wednesdays (RJ)

Every Thursday

10:00 Current Events (H)
10:00 English Conversation (C)
11:00 Computer tutorial with Barbara (H)
11:30 Lunch (C, H, RJ)
1:00 Arts & Crafts (C)

Every Friday

9:45 Coffee & Conversations (H) 11:30 Lunch (H) 11:45 Bingo (H)

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6:00am	SCATV Community Bulletin Board	8:00pm	Greater Somerville	2:30 pm	Graphic Content	1:00pm	Somerville Neighborhood News
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10:00am	Poet to Poet/Writer to Writer	11:30pm	New Kids on the Rock	8:30pm	TUTV	6:00pm	SMC Youth Media
10:30am	Somerville Storytellers	Friday, Se	ptember 29	9:00pm	Nossa Gente e Costumes	6:30pm	The Kamla Show
11:00am	Fallon's Daily Toast	12:00am	Heavy Leather Topless Dance Party	10:00pm	DIWHY: The Show	7:00pm	Legacies
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1:00pm	Book Talk with Somerville Public Library	6:00am	SCATV Community Bulletin Board	Sunday, C	October 1	8:00pm	(LIVE) Somerville Overcoming Addiction
1:30pm	Green Card Voices	7:00am	The Bill Press Show (Free Speech TV)	12:00pm	SCATV SECRET STASH: Flotilla	9:00pm	Dedilhando au Saudade
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7:00pm	Somerville 2017 Candidate Profiles	12:00pm	The Thom Hartman Show	10:30am	DW Focus on Europe	7:30am	Legacies
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	, September 28	5:00pm	NE Pride TV	3:00pm	Tele Magazine	12:00pm	The Thom Hartmann Show
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6:00am	SCATV Community Bulletin Board	6:30pm	Real Estate Answers	6:00pm	Reeling Review	3:00pm	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)
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9:00am	Road to Recovery	10:00pm	Heavy Leather Topless Dance Party	8:00pm	Tufts Jumbo Sports	5:00pm	(LIVE) Poet to Poet/Writer to Writer
9:30am	SCATV Throwback Thursdays	11:00pm	DIWHY the Show	10:00pm	SCATV Member Submissions	5:30pm	Cambridge Calendar
10:00am	Dead Air Live	Saturday,	September 30	11:00pm	Box House Productions Presents	6:00pm	What's New Massachusetts?
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9:00am	5th Anniversary of Somerville CPA
11:30am	SomerViva em Português
12:00pm	The Old Powder House
1:00pm	9/11 Vigil in Davis Square
1:19pm	Talking Business "Quesadillas & Kimchi"
1:38pmCo	nnecting Communities "Human Services"
2:00pm	Multi Modal Mobility and Safety
2:30pm	Somerville Fight Night at Dilboy
6:30pm	Multi Modal Mobility and Safety
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9:05pm	9/11 Vigil in Davis Square
9:30pm	The Old Powder House
10:20pm	SomerViva em Português
10:51pm	Talking Business "Quesadillas & Kimchi"
Thursday,	September 21
12:00am	Congressional Update
12:31amTh	ne Old Powder House: 300 Years of History
1:21am	Somerville Fight Night at Dilboy
9:00am	The Old Powder House
11:30am	Congressional Update
12:01pm	Senior Circuit

The Old Powder House

9/11 Vigil in Davis Square

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Climate Forward Meeting - 6/26

Raising Families "Immigration Law"

12:30pm

1:20pm

2:30pm

3:00pm

6:30pm

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8:09pm Our Ville Stands with Your Ville 9:10pm **Evolving Face of East Somerville Tour** Raising Families "Immigration Law" 10:37pm Friday, September 22 5th Anniversary of Somerville CPA 12:00am 2:05am Congressional Update Raising Families "Immigration Law" 2:37am 8:30am Keep Moving: Exercises for Older Adults 9:04am Climate Forward Meeting - 6/26 10:12am POW/MIA Observace Day 11:30am 5th Anniversary of Somerville CPA Senior Picnic 2017 1:35pm 3:00pm **Connecting Communities** SomerViva em Português 6:30pm 7:00pm 8:00pm Connecting Communities 8:19pm 5th Anniversary of Somerville CPA 10:25pm The Old Powder House Saturday, September 23 12:00am POW/MIA Observace Day 12:30am 5th Anniversary of Somerville CPA The Old Powder House 9:00am 10:00am 11:30am 9/11 Vigil in Davis Square

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her eyes

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Iron Moon: An Anthology of Chinese Migrant Worker Poetry Edited by Qin Xiaoyu Translated by Eleanor Goodman White Pine Press 2016

Review by Kate Hanson Foster

Iron Moon, An Anthology of Chinese Migrant Worker Poetry originates from the documentary of the same name directed by Qin Xiaoyu and Feiyue Wu. This collection gives voice to the voiceless - unknown names penning a "sharp-edged oiled language of cast iron ... language of tightened screws." (Alu, "Language"). To be a migrant worker in the 21st century is a calloused portrayal of rural residents voyaging into the city for the first time, abandoning their autonomy and transforming into human machines:

"The name blank is easy to fill, each time there's no need to think about it. I can write in the color

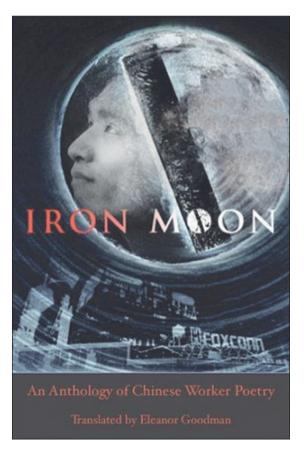
of mud that my parents use for a name." (Ni Wen, "Filling Out Job Applications")

This new reality, the shift from self-sustaining individual to a substratal interchangeable number, renders an uncertainty and spiritual yearning that is exhaustive. "How can trash become holy and pure?" writes, Bing Ma in Cleaning a Wedding Gown. Chen Nianxi writes in Demolitions Mark, "I don't often dare look at my life/ it's hard and metallic black."

To shift from thought to action for extensive amounts of time can bring about a grave personal crisis. The anthology does not bridle the dark confessions of self-destruction, and some poems hit with the brute force of a plain spoken secret: "You will never understand what I have suffered," writes Li Zuofu in Like a Horse at Full Gallop. "After work, the handwriting gets fuzzier/why not just turn to ash?" writes Hubei Quingwa in Moon's Position in the Factory.

The "iron" in Iron Moon is an image that fuses itself coldly and frequently. It is the ear splitting sounds of cutting gears and kinetic friction. Other times, iron is a metal deeply unheard, "Covered by twilight the huge cooling chunk of iron/gives off a darkening silence." (Alu, "An Elegy for C") Iron is an all-consuming crude symbol of broken dreams; the ethos of metal and machinery that is a heavy hit on one's intelligence and artistry.

The term "Iron Moon" comes from Xu Lizhi, who was born in 1990 and was an assembly line worker making Apple products up until his suicide in 2014. To Lizhi, suicide was the only inevitable



exit to what felt like a vagrant life stuck indefinitely in an assembly line. To end one's life is the ultimate heartsick sacrifice to modern industry. The anguish of "iron" is perhaps best described best Xu Lizhi in I Swallowed an Iron Moon:

I swallowed an iron moon They called it a screw

I swallowed industrial wastewater and unemployment forms

bent over machines, our youth died young

I swallowed labor, I swallowed poverty swallowed pedestrian bridges, swallowed this rusted-out life

I can't swallow any more everything I have swallowed roils up in my throat

I spread across my country a poem of shame

The translations by Eleanor Goodman are an impeccable achievement of negotiating two linguistic landscapes. Multiple layers of artistry are at play here, integrating the raw spirit of the original poems while also strategically fitting language into larger aesthetic dimensions. This collection reminds us of the many human complexities of industrial life, and the exceptional literary value in working class poetry. This book should be a staple in every poet's respected collection.

Tufts University Department of Music Presents Tufts Sunday Concert Series: Ella and Me

The Tufts University Department of Music presents Tufts Sunday Concert Series: Ella and Me, by Patrice Williamson, in the Distler Performance Hall at the Perry and Marty Granoff Music Center on Sunday, October 8, 2017 at 3 p.m. Keeping the tradition of straight ahead jazz and scat singing alive, Ms. Williamson is performing her 9th concert in her Celebrating Ella!" series.

2017 marks the anniversary of Ella Fitzgerald's 100th birthday. To mark such a special occasion, Williamson and guitarist, Jon Wheatley recorded a tribute album to Ella Fitzgerald and Joe Pass, whose recordings in the 1970's are legendary gems in Ella's expansive discography. The afternoon concert will feature selections from Williamson's new release and include some of Ella's hits like How High The Moon.





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