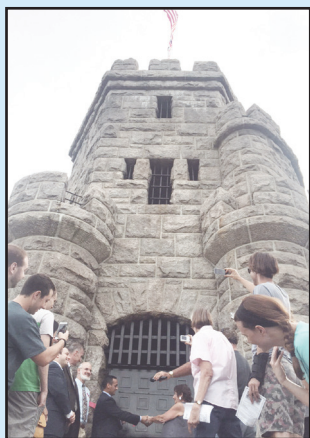


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Board of Alderman talks cyclist solutions



Discussions regarding bicycling safety and the responsibilities of both cyclists and motor vehicle operators took a front seat at last week's regular meeting of the Board of Alderman.

By Amy Swain

Last Thursday's Board of Alderman regular meeting opened with the familiar topic of cyclist safety and responsibility. All members of the Board voiced their support for the city's bicycle population, citing the many benefits to a city from biking. However, with the growing numbers of both bikes and cars, it is obvious that steps to keep everyone safe and comfortable are in order.

The Board submitted a request that the Department of Traffic and Parking install signage at all traffic intersections for enforcement of cycling regulations. "This is not anti-bicycle," said Alderman at Large Mary Jo Rossetti, "but pro-safety."

There is also a request with the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development to implement a cyclist and pedestrian safety education campaign. This would include reminders and notices in addition to

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ArtsUnion's AgriCultural Festival at ArtFarm

By Louise Carpenter

The first ever AgriCultural Festival will take place at ArtFarm, 10 Poplar St., in Somerville on Saturday, October 1, 3:00-7:00 p.m. (rain-date October 2).

The festival is a celebration of everything we grow from the earth, and the people who grow it. This fantastical festival will celebrate Somerville farmers, artists and new urban agricultural initiatives. Come out and share about what you grow and learn from local growers.

The festival will include displays of local produce, bees and chickens, chances for urban agriculturists to share knowledge, hands on demonstrations, and participatory art.

For the second half of the festival, 5:30-7:00 p.m. there will all be square dancing for beginners and experienced square dancers, led by Old-Time Square Dance with the Dead Sea Squirrels and caller Tony Parkes as well as food from local vendors.

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Coming up quickly on Saturday, October 8, the **Somerville High 50th Class Reunion**, for graduates in 1966. This re-union will be held at the **Four Points by Sheraton Wakefield Boston Hotel**, One Audubon Road Wakefield 01880. A Dinner/Dance takes place from 6:00 p.m. to midnight. Make check out to SHS Class of 1966 and send to 44 Morrison Road, Wakefield, MA 01880. We know some have heard this before, but this class graduated in the sixth month, sixth day, at six o'clock 1966, 6/6/6/66 at Dilboy Field on a hot evening. Some say it was hell out there on the field, get it? Believe it or not a lot of the class of '66 still lives in Somerville and surrounding communities.

Last week's **Board of Alderman meeting** saw sparks fly over the recent **Water Department's** new charges to the public (already done and in your bill, and is going to happen two more times as well this year). Several of the aldermen grilled the **Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund Acting Superintendent, Mark Lawhorne**, and **Head of Finance for the city, Ed Bean**, along with the consultant that was hired. The entire Board took turns letting them know that they didn't appreciate not being told about the rate hike at budget time earlier this year, just before summer. It appears that during the 90's the Board of Alderman, through a charter change, gave away their right to regulate or be able to stop any rate hikes, so it appears that the Board will sponsor an amendment to the ordinance that will allow no more hikes without them coming before the Board first. Not present were the mayor or the DPW commissioner. We were thinking how interesting this water hearing at the Board was. It appears that maybe a whole new can of worms opened up here. The Board found out that the infrastructure in Union Square regarding the Water Department might cost taxpayers an additional amount estimated to be between \$50 and \$70 million.

Once again the local Masonic Lodge here in the city, **King Solomon's Lodge AF & A.M.** at 125 Highland Avenue (rear up the driveway to the right of the building) doors will be open for residents to come and tour and ask

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TheSomervilleTimes.com Comments of the Week

Response to: *Somerville needs traffic calming*

Matt C says:
Lowering the speed limit without enforcement has negligible effect. Set up mobile speed cameras and place them around the city on small side streets and large main streets. Move them every 2-3 days and start fining people. I am far more concerned about cars rocketing down my little one way road on a street choked with kids than I am union sq where people expect to have to look prior to crossing the street.

Matt says:
Traffic calming is one tool to help solve the problem, but regular enforcement of current traffic laws need to be strictly enforced throughout the city.
Drivers constantly run through red lights at the intersection of Broadway to Assembly Row under I-93. Cars speed down the residential streets of East Somerville as a short cut and barely slow down for the stop signs on the street.
Random and consistent enforcement traps would do wonders to helping Somerville's traffic problems. I do see enforcement traps set up, but they are a day or couple of days at one location. It is predictable and avoidable. You might catch a few offenders and calm traffic in only that area for a short time, but as soon as drivers realize the detail is no longer there, the drivers revert back to ignoring the rules of the road. If drivers know there is a consistent operation of enforcement traps in the area, but do not know where, they are forced to drive more cautiously for greater areas.
It would also not be an expensive solution since the police are already working, and even if you needed OT to cover the details, the tickets would offset the costs.

A Moore says:
I do not see any of these measures to be of any help here. We have a lot of aggressive driving here in Somerville and also a lot of ignoring of laws. Plus road rage added to the mix. Since I spend many hours on the roads for many years I can say that drivers are going to keep it up until they are hit in the pocketbook enough or even going so far as to confiscate their vehicles. It is crazy here and it seems the more that is done to regulate it the worse it gets. And you can perform these actions in front of the police and stand a good chance nothing will be done. I have witnessed that many times also. For some reason Somerville seems to be worse than the other cities around here.

MarketMan says:
I agree. How can we help this cause?

Christine says:
I think you're missing the real point here. This traffic calming is minimizing the lanes, thus causing more traffic. Making wider sidewalks, bump outs, more bike lanes, removing a car lane, are all contributing to the influx of traffic on the streets of Somerville. Yes, they are well marked, and yes they cause people to slow down, but you're also causing so much congestion on the main roads. This forces drivers to not only being aggressive, but they must find alternative routes. Now, they are driving very aggressively, down the neighborhood side streets to avoid the overly congested main roads. I've been a Somerville resident for almost my entire life and this traffic is the worst I've ever seen it, at any given time of the day.

Jim says:
How are people supposed to stay calm when the traffic is so horrible

MarketMan says:
Christine: So is it better to raise the speed limits so that people can fly through our neighborhoods?

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Residents join mayor at dedication of renovated Prospect Hill

By Joe Ruvido

On Tuesday, September 20, residents of Somerville joined Mayor Joseph Curtatone at an opening ceremony for the newly renovated Prospect Hill Tower.

Speeches were made by the mayor, Ward 3 Alderman Robert McWatters, Somerville Historical Society president Barbara Mangum and other community members.

Refreshments and cake were served during the speeches, after which attendees climbed the steps of the renovated tower for the first time.

Mayor Curtatone, who grew up in the Prospect Hill neighborhood, spoke of the importance of public spaces and parks like the one surrounding the monument. "I grew up here in the neighborhood," recalled the mayor, talking about how he played as a kid in the park, and warning that he "broke his arm jumping from the second tier" of the monument.

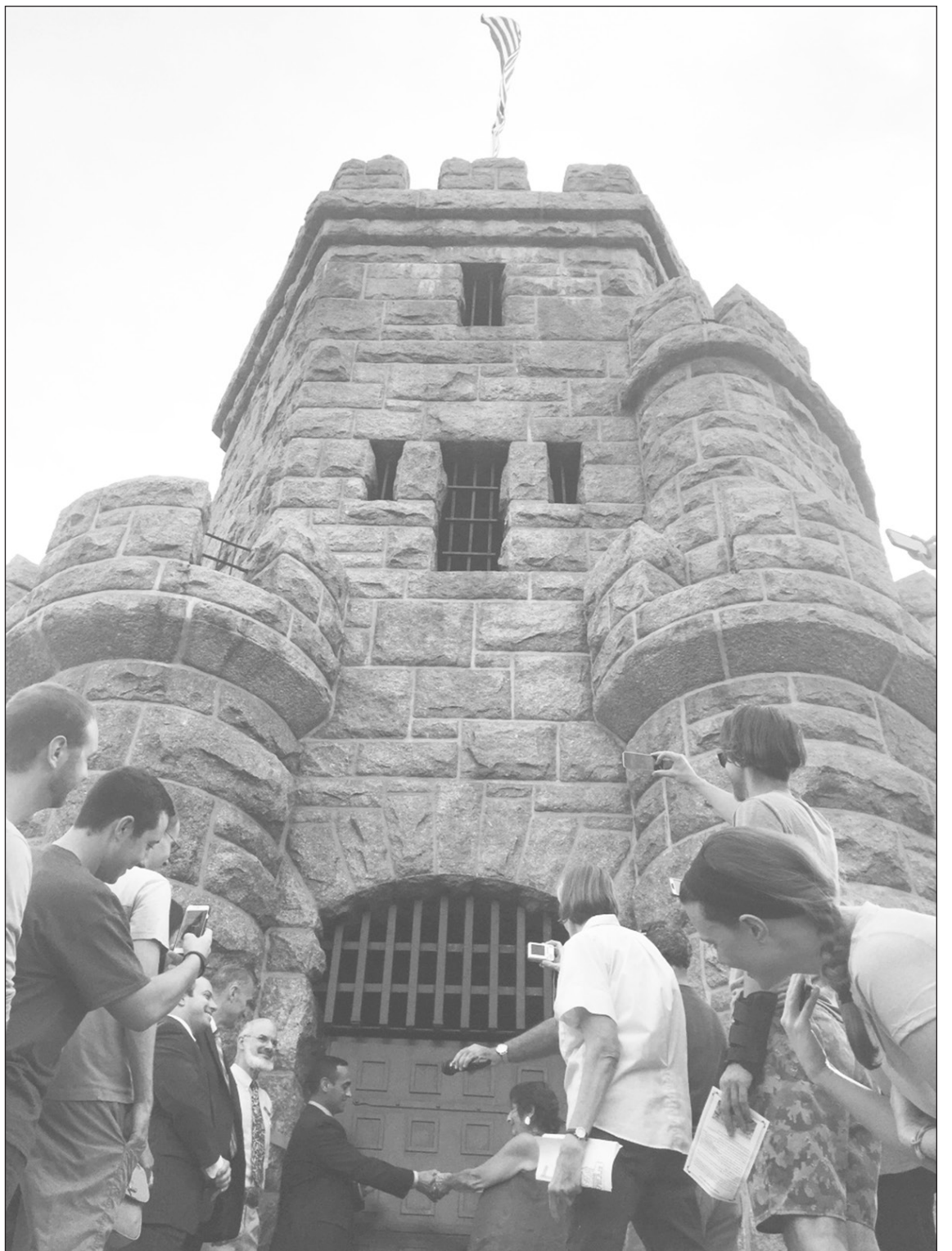
He and the other speakers thanked all those involved in the two-year project, plans for which were presented in late 2014. Long time Ward 3 resident Janine Fay helped Mayor Curtatone cut the ceremonial red ribbon. "The view is the greatest," she remarked after the ribbon cutting, echoing the feelings of others in attendance.

The tower was renovated us-

ing funds from the Community Preservation Act (CPA) which provides funds "devoted solely to affordable housing, historic preservation, open space, and outdoor recreation projects," according to its website. The funds are raised through 1.5% surcharge on property taxes, municipal revenue and distributions from the State's Community Preservation Trust Fund. The upkeep and paving of the Somerville Community Path and the Milk Row Cemetery project serve as two examples of CPA funds at work.

It was hard to disagree with Fay's assessment of the view. After winding up two spiral staircases in the tower's main entrance the tower's turret offers sweeping views of Charlestown and Downtown Boston to the south and east; Medford Somerville and Arlington to the North and West. It was these views that made Prospect Hill important strategically for the Colonial Army in the Revolutionary war.

Under the Command of General Israel Putnam the Colonial Rebels used the hill as a fortification and vantage point, monitoring the British troops stationed in Charlestown and Boston Harbor. According to Mangum of the Historical Society, "the British had 7 Man-of-War ships stationed in the harbor off of Charlestown that were monitored daily from the hill."



The newly renovated Prospect Hill Tower was ceremoniously reopened and dedicated last week, as city officials and the general public toured the monument and enjoyed the view from above. — Photo by Joe Ruvido

In the 19th century, earth from the hill was used to fill in a rapidly developing Union Square. The monument itself was not constructed until the 20th century in the progressive-era push for more historical preservation. The monument was built to the height of the original hill, allowing the public to enjoy the

same view the colonists had before its leveling.

One of the goals of the CPA is to get more residents informed and involved with history in their community. The Somerville Historical Society shares that same mission. History teacher Matt Campbell agrees that monuments like Prospect

Tower can help teach the public about the past. "It's quite exciting for anyone passionate about history," said Campbell, noting that General Washington ordered the Union flag flown from the tower after the British evacuated Boston. Residents can expect the tower to be open for visiting hours starting this fall.

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Hoyt-Sullivan Playground community meeting

All interested community members are invited to a community meeting to review design plans for the renovation of Hoyt-Sullivan Playground. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 29, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., in the Community Room of the VNA at 259 Lowell St. City staff will present a plan for the new playground design that is based on community feedback, and will seek final input to be sure the design reflects the needs of the community. For more information, please contact Arn Franzen at 617-625-6600 ext. 2545, or AFranzen@somervillema.gov.

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THE WEEK IN CRIME

By Jim Clark

Litterbug armed to the teeth

Police officers were dispatched to a Bolton St. location last week on reports of a suspicious vehicle. Upon arrival, officers located the parked vehicle in question, occupied by two men, and approached them for questioning. The officers reported that they could detect a strong odor of burned marijuana coming from the car as they came near. According to reports, as one officer questioned the driver of the vehicle, another officer observed on the sidewalk next to the passenger side of the vehicle a paper floor mat, an empty water bottle and packaging to blunt wrappers. Inside the vehicle he reportedly observed another paper floor mat and a water bottle of similar design as the items on the sidewalk. The officer asked the passenger, later identified as Steeve Alphonse, of Cambridge, to exit the vehicle and pick up the refuse on the ground. As Alphonse got out of the car the officer reportedly spotted a folding knife clipped to his pocket and he asked for it to be handed over. Upon examination of the knife, the officer determined that the blade measured approximately 3.5" in length. While conducting a pat frisk of Alphonse, the officer reportedly found an additional folding knife with a blade measuring 3.25" in length, as well as a set of brass knuckles. Alphonse was subsequently placed under arrest and charged with two counts of violation of city ordinance possession of a dangerous weapon. The driver was frisked and was not found to be carrying a weapon, but a large buck knife measuring approximately 4.75" inches in length and a quantity of marijuana was found in his backpack.

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<p>Arrests:</p> <p>James McKenna, of 14 Tennyson St., September 21, 1:42 p.m., arrested at Broadway on warrant charges of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license and operation of a motor vehicle under the influence of drugs fourth offense.</p> <p>Steeve Alphonse, of 130 Harvard, Cambridge, September 21, 5:59 p.m., arrested at Bolton St. on multiple charges of violation of city ordinance possession of a dangerous weapon.</p> <p>Gary Mercer, of 20 Berkeley St., September 21, 8:15 p.m., arrested at Dartmouth St. on charges of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license, carrying a firearm without a license, possession of a class A drug, and possession of ammunition without a FID card, and on warrant charges of operation of a motor vehicle with a suspended license, larceny over \$250, larceny under \$250, and felony nighttime breaking and entering.</p> <p>Jennifer Castro, of 62 Walpole St., Norwood, September 21, 8:15 p.m., arrested at Dartmouth St. on charges of carrying a firearm with ammunition, carrying a firearm without a license, possession of a class A drug, and possession of ammunition without a FID card.</p> <p>David Concannon, of 26</p>	<p>Baldwin St., Malden, September 21, 10:10 p.m., arrested at Wheatland St. on warrant charges of assault and battery, shoplifting by concealing merchandise, and threat to commit a crime.</p> <p>Brawel Diaz, of 61 Thorndike, Lawrence, September 22, 12:21 p.m., arrested at Somerville Ave. on charges of conspiracy, utter false instrument, forgery of check, and larceny by check over \$250.</p> <p>Michael Santos, of 404 Howard St., Lawrence, September 22, 12:21 p.m., arrested at Somerville Ave. on charges of conspiracy, utter false instrument, forgery of check, and larceny by check over \$250.</p> <p>Kelvin Vargas, of 306 Mar-</p>	<p>ket St., Lawrence, September 22, 12:21 p.m., arrested at Union Sq. on charges of conspiracy, utter false instrument, forgery of check, and larceny by check over \$250.</p> <p>Stephen Tolliver, of 76 East St., Foxborough, September 22, 6:49 p.m., arrested at Windsor St. on charges of possession of a burglarious instrument and felony nighttime breaking and entering.</p> <p>Jean Welch, of 12 Wall Ct., Canton, September 23, 11:41 a.m., arrested on charges of conspiracy to violate drug law, heroin / morphine / opium trafficking, and drug possession to distribute, and on warrant charges of drug possession to distribute, distribution of a class A drug, operation of a motor vehicle with a revoked license, and failure to stop or yield.</p> <p>John Cater, of 82 Mount Vernon St., September 23, 12:06 p.m., arrested at home on charges of conspiracy to violate drug law, heroin / morphine / opium trafficking, and drug possession to distribute.</p> <p>Victor Simmons, of 10 Sewall St., September 24, 3:19 p.m., arrested at home on a charge of malicious damage to a motor vehicle.</p> <p>Kerri Santos, September 25, 3:26 p.m., arrested at Grand Union Blvd. on warrant charges of larceny over \$250 and shoplifting by asportation.</p>
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Board of Alderman talks cyclist solutions

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the signage, placed in locations frequented by those travelling outside a car. However, this obvious aim at cyclists did not quite sit well with Ward 6 Alderman Lance Davis who said, "This is the absolute wrong message to send." He suggested that supporting our bicycle-friendly city image is important for everyone, and that the campaign should focus on drivers, or at least everyone equally. Signs reminding cars to be mindful of bike lanes, for instance, could be just as useful. While everyone should be very aware and careful in traffic situations, cars have the potential to do the most damage to their own passengers as well as cyclists. Ward 2 Alderman Maryann Heuston brought up the lack of information regarding bicycle boxes. These were painted on city streets to help with traffic flow, but may not be getting used to their potential. Many motorists do not recognize the painted space for what it is, and so cyclists may be reluctant to use them. The common thread here seems to be that knowledge and awareness is key, and the city is working to spread both. The topic concluded with all members in favor of moving forward with education programs. On a related but separate note, the Somerville Bicycle Committee will be holding a Bike Talk Social Hour on October 5 at the Aeronaut Brewery. This could be beneficial to all.



What we don't say about love counts, too

By Kristen Strezo
Member, the Somerville
Commission for Women

Preventing dating abuse is important to the Somerville Commission for Women (SCW). We connect with the community to raise awareness. Every October we hold our annual Domestic Violence Vigil.

Likewise, we believe that teenagers are an important focus for getting out the word out against abuse. Last year, we funded the Peacekeepers, a youth leaders club that raises awareness about dating and domestic abuse to prevent and transform conflict (I'm looking forward to talking about the Peacekeepers, Somerville's own anti-violence task force, in a future article).

And, it's important to consider the messages we send about love, what we choose to talk about—or, fail to mention—and how it affects the younger generations. Parents and guardians want to talk about dating, but may inadvertently graze the deeper conversation.

Take a 2009 survey conducted by Teenage Research Unlimited for the Family Violence Prevention Fund and Liz Claiborne Inc., which found that while three of four parents report talking to their kids about healthy relationships, 74 percent of sons and 66 percent of daughters report no conversation about dating abuse.

Maybe we're too optimistic. That same study found that four out of five parents thought that they would be able to tell if their child was in an abusive relationship. But when asked to provide symptoms of dating violence, 58 percent of parents could not identify all of the symptoms of abuse.

"... until negative dating statistics are a thing of the past, we must have the conversations and we must raise awareness"

Information is available for those ready to initiate a dialogue about dating violence. Parents and guardians can to help spread the message about dating abuse, or maybe guide kids to resources, should they ever doubt. For instance, Loveisrespect.org invites teens to text 'loveis' to 22522 and a peer advocate will offer to answer questions or comments. The campaign is also available for online chat and has a 24-hour hotline (866-331-9474).

Here in Somerville, we have RESPOND, New England's oldest domestic violence prevention organization. RESPOND works closely with the commu-



Somerville Commission for Women member Kristen Strezo.
— Photo by Maja de Silva

nity to get the word out, and like Loveisrespect, the RESPOND crisis hotline is accessible 24 hours a day at 617-623-5900.

I understand that the topic of dating violence can be difficult to talk about with loved ones. We all want to believe that our kids are savvy enough to know the difference between abusive relationships or when to draw the line against name-calling. But, until negative dating statistics are a thing of the past, we must have the conversations and we must raise awareness.

Our annual Candlelight Vigil to commemorate Domestic Violence Awareness Month, will be on Wednesday, October 5th from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Statue Park in Davis Square. We hope you will join us.

Kristen Strezo is a Commissioner on the City of Somerville's Commission for Women; however, the views and opinions expressed in this article are entirely her own and do not necessarily reflect the official policy or position of the City of Somerville.

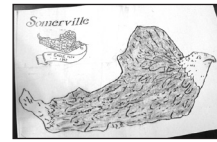
The Somerville Commission for Women's (SCW) purpose is "to act as a centralizing force in the City of Somerville to ensure the equal status of women in educational, economic, political, health, legal, and social spheres including the provision of information, referrals and guidance." SCW monthly meetings are held the third Tuesday, 7:00 p.m., at the Public Safety Building (220 Washington St., Union Square) and are wheelchair accessible. Contact the SCW at chosomean@somervillema.gov or call 617-625-6600 ext. 2406.

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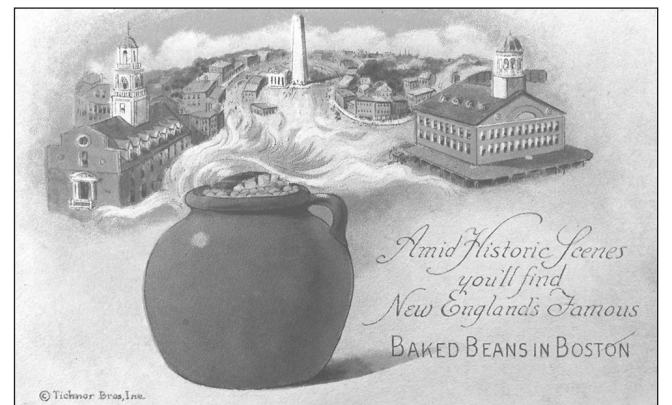


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Beansprouts

By Bob (Monty) Doherty

"And here is good old Boston, the home of the bean and the cod, where the Lowells speak only to the Cabots, and the Cabots speak only to god." So went the famous toast given by Dr. John Collins Bossidy at the 1907 Holy Cross Alumni Dinner in Boston. The toast referenced not only the Boston Brahman elite, but also one of the most important staples that nourished early immigrant settlers ... the bean.



At Ten Hills Farm, Governor John Winthrop and the Puritans' existence in America relied heavily on the help of the Massachusetts Indians. Upon their arrival, friendly Native Americans helped them ward off starvation by teaching them their "three sisters" form of planting. Three crops of corn, beans, and squash were seeded in one spot. They would first establish corn, until it grew to about six inches. Next was the bean plant, which would grow up and twist around the tall corn stocks. This was followed by squash, whose large leaves would shade the root systems. At peak time, the three crops could be harvested from one spot.

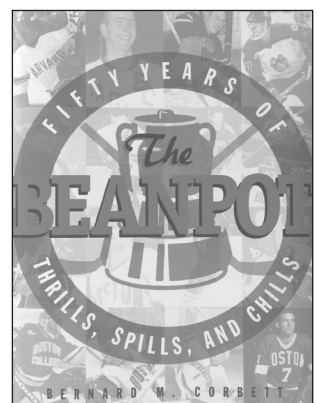
Of these, beans became a special New England favorite, flavored originally with bear fat, maple syrup, and later molasses. The Puritans slow baked them in pots on Saturdays because cooking on Sunday was forbidden. This created an over three hundred-year New England family tradition of beans on Saturday night.

Beans and brown bread fundraising suppers became the norm. They were and still are sometimes held at school halls, churches, and firehouses. It's a good way to generate funds for the needy or pay for school supplies and sports activities. Speaking of sports, the early name for the Boston Braves was the Bean Eaters. Linked to our economy, beans have run the gauntlet from depression food to an exported delicacy.

In 1952, the four largest Boston colleges grouped together to form a local hockey tournament. They were Northeastern University, Boston University, Harvard University and Boston College. Their quest was a silver trophy called "The Bean Pot." The annual event has heated up the winters in New England with excitement for the past 64 years.

During this time, Boston University has dominated play behind the remarkable coaching of Somerville's Jack Parker. Throughout his combined 47-year history as a player and coach at BU, he tore up the record books. In his two score and seven years with the Terriers, he was a player for three years, assistant coach for three years, and head coach for forty years. A partial list of

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ArtsUnion’s AgriCultural Festival at ArtFarm

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This festival is an ArtsUnion production put on the City of Somerville Arts Council as well as many local artists and community partners.

This festival will feature:

- Donuts on string, egg carrying contest and bike pull races
- Bike-pulled hay ride
- Apple cider press – bring your own jars and apples and use the press to make cider
- Help create a raised bed at ArtFarm – learn how to build a raised bed at 4:00 p.m. and plant cover crops at 5:00 p.m.

- Hens climbing a 5 ft. replica of the Prospect Hill Monument
 - Agricultural craft projects including bee wax candles, chicken feather crafts, nature prints
 - Interactive art including fairie house, interactive sound art, and a rocket ship of dreams
 - Learn how to make a worm bin for composting & food waste
 - See bees, chickens, locally grown veggies, and more!
- For more information about ArtsUnion, visit www.somervillema.gov, or www.somervilleartsunion.org.



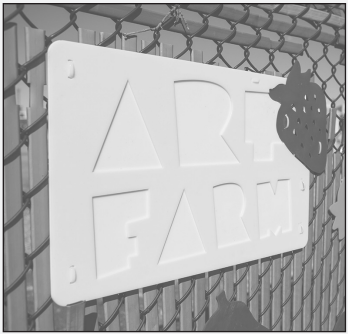
Local residents give the ArtFarm a facelift

By Connie Blaszczyk

Why would a group of local volunteers give up a beautiful Sunday afternoon to work at the ArtFarm? To give the site an agricultural facelift.

ArtFarm supporters be-decked the area’s 2.2 acre fence with colorful cutouts of fruits and vegetables. The Plexiglass forms are a harbinger of the site’s planned urban agriculture.

Sister and brother artists Andrew and Alyssa Ringler collaborated on the project in response to an open call for art decorations on the ArtFarm



fence from the Somerville Arts Council, who sponsored the installation. While Brooklyn-based Alyssa did most of the illustrative work and design, Boston-based Andrew completed the forms at Artisan’s Asylum in Somerville and at MassArt.

“The idea of an urban farm mixes the human-built city with the natural: food, fruits and vegetables,” says Andrew. “We decided to laser cut fruits and vegetables out of

Plexiglass because it embraces this contrast.”

The former waste transfer site at 10 Poplar Street has hosted a variety of local Somerville arts events, including Project MUM, the Tiny House Festival and the upcoming Agricultural Festival on Saturday, October 1.

The ArtFarm-branded signage can be seen along Poplar and Chestnut Streets and near the adjacent McGrath Highway bus stop.

Secretary of State Kerry meets with foreign ministers at Tufts University

By Charles Lane

Secretary of State John Kerry hosted a ministerial meeting at Tufts University Saturday with his counterparts from the European Union, United King-

dom, France, Germany and Italy to discuss a broad range of global issues.

During his opening remarks, Kerry highlighted the situation in Syria saying, “What is happening in Aleppo today is



(L-R): Boris Johnson, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; Jean-Marc Ayrault, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Development of the French Republic; U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry; and Paolo Gentiloni, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Italian Republic.


— Photo by Alonso Nichols, Tufts University

unacceptable. It is beyond the pale. If people are serious about wanting a peaceful outcome to this war, then they should cease and desist bombing innocent women and children, cease cutting off water and laying siege in

medieval terms to an entire community, and work with the international community in order to be able to bring peace to people who are starving – literally starving, but also starving for the possibilities of a future with-

out chlorine dropping on them out of the sky, barrel bombs, and indiscriminate bombing. And Russia needs to set an example, not a precedent – an unacceptable precedent, I might add, for the entire world.”

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ResiStat meetings update

This week’s ResiStat meetings are set for **Wednesday, September 28 for Ward 7** (West Somerville, Teele Sq.) West Somerville Neighborhood School, 177 Powder House Blvd. and **Thursday, September 29 for Ward 6** (greater Davis Sq. neighborhood) Somerville Community Baptist Church, 31 College Ave.



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'Villens United by Chris Haskell

Boston Free Radio



Since moving to Somerville a decade ago, I've become fascinated with the local arts and music scene that my city has to offer. Whether it's PorchFest, The Fluff Festival, or catching live music at Aeronaut on the weekend, there is always some fun entertainment to be had in your neighborhood. In my never ending quest to inform the community of all the great entertainment the Somerville area has to offer, I recently started broadcasting my own radio talk show *The Villens Den* on bostonfreeradio.com.

Debuting in 2011, bostonfreeradio.com is a user produced community radio website that broadcasts live and pre-recorded shows out of The Somerville Community Access TV building in the heart of Union Square. Members pay a very small fee for classes and annual membership and are given access to the studio and equipment. DJs both young

and old are fully responsible for creating and crafting their own shows. Radio shows range anywhere from political talk to old school jazz, representing the different interests of our rapidly growing community.

Boston Free Radio station manager Heather McCormack has been overseeing the station and its programming for the last year and even hosts her own show *Fresh Greenz*. Heather has brought an infectious and energetic passion to the fledgling radio station and is always looking to expand the station's audience. Heather encourages Boston Free Radio DJs to join her hosting fun live events and broadcasts at Aeronaut Brewery, La Cantina Mexicana, and other local hangouts. She is also teaching high schoolers about the world of radio and media as the station's youth media coordinator as well.

Getting the word out about a community internet radio station hasn't been easy for the BFR crew. A few months ago half the station's time slots were empty. These days it takes a little bit of shuffling to find time slots for new DJs. With many becoming dis-

trustful of mainstream media and news, more people seem to be showing more interest in user produced podcasts and local community news outlets. Boston Free Radio has now developed a small following and members are planning future community events to reach new listeners.

A few months ago I came up with the idea to broadcast my own radio show to go along with my column here in *The Somerville Times*. After a couple easy classes at BFR, I was recording my own show. Since then I've been having a blast with my guests in studio and I have been treated to some great live in-studio music from the likes of Mickey Rickshaw, Carissa Johnson, and Kali Stoddard Imari. Along with discussing upcoming projects, musicians and artists also join me in studio to discuss the important issues surrounding our community.

Traditionally I like to keep my show lighthearted and fun, but this week were going to be discussing some serious social issues. I'd like to invite my readers to tune into *The Villens Den* on bostonfreeradio.com this Thursday from 5:00-7:00

p.m. This week we'll be discussing the recent shootings in Tulsa and Charlotte, The Black Lives Matter movement, and the presidential debate. I'll be taking live calls this week and I'm sure that there will be no shortage of opinions on these matters. We can also be found streaming through the Boston Free Radio Facebook page. For anyone who may be in-

terested in joining us at Boston Free Radio be sure to check us out online at bostonfreeradio.com for more information and feel free to stop by the station sometime at 90 Union Square Somerville if you'd like to sign up for an annual membership and start your new hobby as an uncensored radio DJ!

Later Villens ... keep on rockin' in the free world.



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Monday October 3

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

Tuesday October 4

Brazen Invasion and live Beatles Karaoke 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday October 5

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

Thursday October 6

BYO Bluegrass with Dave Rizzuti
grassy Thursdays 7:30 p.m.

Friday October 7

Hashtag Hoedown 6 p.m.
Hunter and guests 9 p.m.

Saturday October 8

Tom Hagerty Band 6 p.m.
Trusty Sidekick, Modern Day Idols, Shotgun Waltz
\$10 cover 9 p.m.

Sunday October 9

Bucky Bear & The Titanium Hipsters
6 p.m.

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Fourth Annual Somerville Moms Diaper Drive

The Fourth Annual Somerville Moms Diaper Drive launched on Saturday, September 24, and runs through Sunday, October 9. All diapers will be donated to the Somerville/Cambridge WIC office, which serves Somerville, Cambridge, Arlington, Watertown, Lexington, and Belmont. There are a variety of ways to donate including dropping diapers off at one of the many businesses and organizations hosting boxes in the area or purchasing diapers from the Amazon registry and having them sent directly to the WIC office.

Many businesses and schools/daycares have agreed to host a collection box for the Drive. While there may be some additions to the list, diapers can be dropped off in Somerville at Bright Horizons in Davis and Teele Squares, Magpie Kids, Two Little Monkeys, Harvard Vanguard's Pediatrics Department, Davis Square KinderCare, and all branches of the Somerville Library. All diapers are accepted, even opened packages, swim diapers, and pull-ups.

More information about the Fourth Annual Somerville Moms Diaper Drive can be found on their website at <http://somerillediaperdrive.blogspot.com/> and on their Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/somervillmomsdiaperdrive/>.



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Our Legislators in the House and Senate for Somerville:



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



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



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



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

THE SENATE: There were no roll calls in the House or Senate last week. *Beacon Hill Roll Call* has obtained the 2016 official list from the state treasurer’s office of the “per diem” travel, meals and lodging reimbursements collected by the Legislature’s 160 state representatives

from January 1, 2016, through September 15, 2016.

The list reveals that representatives collected a total of \$115,485. Combined with the \$32,843 that the state’s 40 senators collected as reported in a recent Beacon Hill Roll Call, the grand total for both branches is \$148,328.

Under state law, per diems are paid by the state to representatives “for each day for travel from his place of residence to the Statehouse and return therefrom, while in the performance of his official duties, upon certification to the state treasurer that he was present at the Statehouse.” These reimbursements are given to representatives above and beyond their regular salaries.

The amount of the per diem varies and is based on the city or town in which a representative resides and its distance from the Statehouse. The Legislature in 2000 approved a law doubling these per diems to the current amounts. The payments range from \$10 per day for legislators who reside in the Greater Boston area to \$90 per day for some Western Massachusetts lawmakers and \$100 per day for those in Nantucket. Representatives who are from areas that are a long distance from Boston’s Statehouse most often collect the highest total of annual per diems.

Some supporters of the per diems say the system is fair and note the rising costs of travel, food and lodging. They argue many legislators spend a lot of money on travel to the Statehouse and some spend the night in Boston following late sessions. Others say that some legislators accept the per diem but use all of the revenue they receive to support local nonprofit causes. They say that not taking the per diem would leave that money in the state’s General Fund to be spent on who knows what.

Some opponents argue most private sector and state workers are not paid additional money for commuting. They say the very idea of paying any per diem is outrageous when thousands of workers have lost their jobs and homes, and funding for important programs has been cut. Others say the per diem is especially inappropriate given the 3-cent-per-gallon hike in the state’s gas tax that the Legislature approved in July 2013.

The 2016 statistics indicate that 61 (38 percent) of the state’s 160 representatives have received reimbursements ranging from \$252 to \$6,030 while 99 (61 percent) have so far chosen not to apply for any money.

The representative who received the most per diem money in 2016 is William “Smitty” Pignatelli (D-Lenox) who received \$6,030.

The other nine representatives who received the most are Reps. Sarah Peake (D-Provincetown), \$5,402; Patricia Farley-Bouvier (D-Pittsfield), \$4,680; Robert Koczera (D-New Bedford), \$3,960; Benjamin Swan (D-Springfield), \$3,780; Stephen Kulik (D-Worthington), \$3,256; Todd Smola (R-Palmer), \$3,195; Brian Mannal (D-Centerville), \$3,050; Timothy Madden (D-Nantucket), \$3,000; and Jim Arciero (D-Westford), \$2,964.

REPRESENTATIVES’ 2016 PER DIEMS THROUGH SEPTEMBER 15, 2016

In the list below, the dollar figure in the first column following the representative’s name shows the total amount of per diem money the state paid him or her from January 1, 2016 to September 15, 2016. The number in the second column (in parentheses) shows the days that the

representative certified he or she was at the Statehouse during those eight and a half months.

Representatives who have not requested any per diems have “0 days” listed. That is not meant to imply that these representatives didn’t attend any sessions but rather that they chose not to request any per diems.

Rep. Christine Barber	\$0	(0 days)
Rep. Denise Provost	\$900	(90 days)
Rep. Timothy Toomey	\$0	(0 days)

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PRESCRIPTIONS DURING AN EMERGENCY (H 1988) - The House approved and sent to the Senate a measure requiring the state to develop and publicize a statewide plan for ensuring the availability of prescription medications during a state of emergency. The plan would include allowing early refills of prescriptions; ensuring that vehicles delivering medications to pharmacies and hospitals be treated as emergency vehicles; and establishing a toll-free telephone number and a website for citizens to get assistance in locating prescription medication if no medications are available to them locally.

EXEMPTION FROM HEALTH CARE PENALTY (H 1037) - The House gave initial approval to a bill that exempts Massachusetts residents who live overseas for at least 330 days of a 12-month period from the financial penalty for not adhering to the state’s requirement to obtain and maintain health insurance coverage.

Current law imposes a penalty on most adult residents of the state age 18 and older who don’t carry health insurance that meets minimum coverage standards. The penalty varies and is based on a number of factors. Current law also exempts from the penalty anyone who has a “sincerely held religious beliefs that are the basis of his or her refusal to obtain and maintain creditable coverage.”

RECORKING WINE (H 199) - The House and Senate gave final approval to and sent to Gov. Charlie Baker a bill that would expand the current law allowing restaurant and hotel customers to bring home an unfinished bottle of wine. The proposal would expand the law to taverns, clubs and veterans’ organizations like American Legion posts. The wine would have to be resealed and then placed in a one-time-use tamper-proof, transparent bag.

Supporters said it is time to expand this law to ensure that people do not finish their bottle of wine just so it doesn’t go to waste. They noted that often leads to drunken driving.

REGISTRY OF DEEDS (H 3862) - The House approved and sent to the Senate a bill allowing the Registries of Deeds to keep their records in electronic form. Current pre-computer age law requires the records to be kept in a book.

Supporters said it is long past time to bring these registries into the computer age.

PEACE DAY (S 2181) - On Thursday, September 22, one day too late, the House and Senate approved and sent to Gov. Baker a bill declaring Wednesday, September 21 as Peace Day to recognize and advance the goals of Peace Day in the United States and International Peace Day, in memory of those lost to acts of violence.

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The bill was filed way back in March but the two branches were too slow to approve it and Peace Day came and went without the bill being approved and signed into law. International Peace Day was created by the United Nations in 1981 and was first celebrated in 1982. If Baker signs the bill into law, it would apply to 2017 and all future years.

BAN CELL PHONES UNLESS HANDS-FREE (H 3315) - The latest attempt to prohibit all drivers from using a hand-held cell phone but allow them to use a hands-free one has met the fate of previous efforts. The measure was given initial approval by the House in November but is still languishing in a House committee where it will likely stay and die when the 2016 session ends in early January.

Supporters say the bill would save lives and prevent accidents. They noted that the measure does not ban cell phone use but simply requires the use of hands-free ones. They pointed to accidents, deaths and injuries involving cell phones. They plan to file the bill again next year.

Opponents say the restriction is another example of government intrusion into people’s cars and lives. Others note that there are already laws on the books prohibiting driving while distracted.

BAN SEXUAL ORIENTATION CONVERSION THERAPY (H 97) - Another bill that won’t emerge for further debate this year would prohibit psychiatrists and other mental health professionals from providing con-

version therapy to lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender minors under 18, designed to change their sexual orientation or gender identity. The bill has been approved by three committees including the Committee on Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities, the Committee on Health Care Financing and the Steering and Policy Committee but is hasn’t moved anywhere since January.

Supporters of the ban say being gay, bisexual or transgender is not a disease and therefore does not need a cure. They argue this type of “junk therapy” is very destructive and argue there is no sound evidence that it ever works.

Opponents of the ban say the treatment has been successful for children whose sexuality was influenced by sexual abuse. They note that the conversion therapy should not be used on any patient who believes that he or she is simply born with a specific sexual preference.

PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR SENIORS (H 4030) - Also stuck in a committee since March, when the House gave it initial approval, is a bill that would allow cities and towns to exempt up to 50 percent of property taxes for seniors over 65 whose annual property taxes exceed 10 percent of their annual income. The house or condo would have to be owner-occupied and applicants must have lived in the city or town for at least 10 consecutive years.

Supporters say this targeted tax relief would help thousands of senior citizens living on fixed incomes remain in their hometowns. They noted that the bill is a local option one that leaves the decision up to local communities.

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 19-23, the House met for a total of 34 minutes while the Senate met for a total of two hours and 13 minutes.

Mon. Sept. 19	House 11:07 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Senate 11:10 a.m. to 11:22 a.m.
Tues. Sept. 20	No House session No Senate session
Wed. Sept. 21	No House session No Senate session
Thurs. Sept. 22	House 12:34 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Senate 11:05 a.m. to 1:06 p.m.
Fri. Sept. 23	No House session No Senate session

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Recent Single Family Homes Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month:

Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
9 Sunnyside Avenue	8 room, 4 bed, 2f 1h bath Colonial	7	\$739,900	\$765,000
21 Cedar Ave	6 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath Colonial	12	\$799,900	\$820,000
23 Elston St	9 room, 4 bed, 2f 0h bath Colonial	42	\$850,000	\$855,000
29 Highland Rd	8 room, 4 bed, 4f 1h bath Other	42	\$1,749,900	\$1,625,000

Recent Condominiums Sold in Somerville Over the Past Month:

Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
60 Tufts St U:1	6 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath Loft	23	\$650,000	\$645,000
6 Conwell St U:2	7 room, 4 bed, 1f 0h bath 2/3 Family	66	\$659,000	\$659,000
8 Electric Avenue U:1	7 room, 3 bed, 1f 1h bath 2/3 Family	14	\$679,000	\$745,000
31 Hancock Porter Square U:2	5 room, 2 bed, 1f 0h bath 2/3 Family	19	\$699,000	\$650,000
24 Hall Street U:2	6 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	4	\$749,900	\$795,000
22 Hall Street U:2	6 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	6	\$774,900	\$800,000
1328 Broadway U:1	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 1h bath Townhouse	17	\$789,000	\$765,000
131 Lowell Street U:2	6 room, 3 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	71	\$789,000	\$860,000
68 Powder House Boulevard U:68	6 room, 3 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	22	\$798,000	\$775,000
50 Bow St. U:4	5 room, 2 bed, 2f 0h bath Mid-Rise	61	\$799,500	\$750,000
11 Village Street U:E	4 room, 2 bed, 1f 1h bath Townhouse	55	\$879,000	\$880,000
50 Hamilton Road U:50	8 room, 3 bed, 2f 0h bath 2/3 Family	35	\$888,000	\$835,000
32 Lexington Avenue U:1	9 room, 3 bed, 3f 0h bath 2/3 Family	57	\$989,000	\$989,000
7 Fairview Terrace U:7	8 room, 3 bed, 3f 1h bath Detached	58	\$1,099,000	\$1,050,000

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

Address	Description	DOM	List Price	Sale Price
57 Webster Ave	3 unit, 17 total room, 9 total bedroom 3 Family	9	\$1,100,000	\$1,300,000
9 Willoughby Street	3 unit, 14 total room, 6 total bedroom 3 Family	27	\$1,200,000	\$1,100,000
50 Powder House Blvd	2 unit, 13 total room, 8 total bedroom 2 Family	125	\$1,239,000	\$1,115,001
24 Rush St	9 unit, 32 total room, 14 total bedroom 5-9 Family	28	\$1,400,000	\$1,300,000
27-29 Cutter Ave	2 unit, 12 total room, 6 total bedroom 2 Family	54	\$1,480,000	\$1,380,000
44-46 Medford	6 unit, 30 total room, 10 total bedroom 5+ Family	116	\$1,999,999	\$1,650,000

A Hospital-to-home checklist can help avoid trouble

By Colleen Morrissey

Patients are typically eager to return home after a stay in the hospital, but common mistakes often lead to unnecessary re-admissions. The good news is, a hospital-to-home checklist is a simple and effective tool for reducing that risk.

Somerville-Cambridge Elder Services (SCES) offers several programs that can enhance health, well-being and independence for patients returning home from the hospital. We recommend the following steps for success:

- Make sure to get a copy of the discharge plan that outlines any new care needed at home or new prescriptions.
- If the return home includes a stay at a rehab facility, be clear on the costs and services provided.
- Understand the costs of the hospital stay. Contact the hospital's financial office or the SHINE program at SCES for more information.
- Determine if home modifications are needed.
- Make an appointment with your primary care doctor, prefer-

- ably within a week of discharge.
- Arrange for home delivery of medications, if needed.
 - Request home care services through a local Aging Services Access Point (ASAP), for assistance with personal care, home-making and other needs.
 - Consider if care management is needed. A Private Care Manager (PCM) can coordinate details of the transition to home.

SCES also provides several community resources that can assist with hospital-to-home transitions:

- The SCES Hospital-to-Home program coordinates with primary care providers and the visiting nurse association to provide community resources and make referrals. Offered through a partnership with Cambridge Health Alliance, this program is free for patients with Medicare A&B.
- As an ASAP, SCES provides home care services for Cambridge and Somerville residents, many of which are free for eligible households.
- SCES offers PCM services through Community Living Options (CLO), and the pro-



A home-to-hospital checklist can help patients avoid the cost and inconvenience of being re-admitted to the hospital shortly after discharge.

gram can manage all aspects of hospital-to-home transitions, along with meeting ongoing care needs.

SCES launched the CLO program earlier this year to address the unmet need for comprehensive and ongoing service for those who don't meet government eligibility restrictions. The care manag-

ers at CLO are nurses and social workers, who specialize in assisting clients and families with challenges of aging and disability throughout the life continuum, said SCES Director of Program Development Tiffany Bruschi-Barber.

"Creating a smooth hospital-to-home transition can be a real challenge," said Bruschi-Bar-

ber. "The value of an expert PCM is the time, money and energy they can save patients and their families."

Colleen Morrissey is an SCES Resource Specialist. SCES programs can be accessed by calling the Aging Information Center at 617-628-2601. CLO can be reached by calling 617-756-1026

Addiction and Recovery Forum at Tufts University

Cambridge Health Alliance and the Massachusetts Organization for Addiction Recovery are sponsoring a free forum focused on education and awareness on addiction, recovery and access to services on Saturday, October 1. The forum, open to the public and aimed at a wide audience including patients, providers, local organizations and those in recovery, will support community conversations that have been building around addiction and recovery.

WHAT: A series of workshops and speakers covering topics including treatment options and recovery, along with support for families and loved ones.

WHEN: Saturday, October 1, 8:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

WHERE: Tufts University (Barnum Hall), 163 Packard Avenue, Medford

WHO: John Rosenthal, co-founder of Police Assisted Addiction and Recovery Initiative (PAARI), will be the keynote speaker. For more information, or to register for the event, visit <https://www.challiance.org/chaaddictionforum>.



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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To Union Square, Fluff isn't just a treat. It's a symbol of innovation.

In 1917, Union Square resident Archibald Query created the candy-like confection in his home kitchen and traveled door-to-door selling pints to his neighbors. The invention was scooped up by two investors, who soon needed to scale up to meet the demand for the perfect complement to peanut butter.

As a site of strategic importance during the American Revolution, Union Square's independent spirit certainly didn't start with Fluff. Given the immense entre-

preneurial spirit of our residents and local businesses, it won't end there, either. Union Square's annual celebration of Fluff is a showcase of our independent, innovative, creative and some would say quirky spirit.

Union Square has much to offer and has made companies like ours better as a result of our becoming part of this community. The What the Fluff Fest is a terrific way to celebrate all that is Union Square. It was wonderful to see neighbors unabashedly taking pride in their community and its history, and it is a joy to feel

a part of a larger vibe that underlies the success of Union Square.

We have been challenged to meet and exceed the standards that residents have set for Union Square and we hope that we can take the energy, spirit and lightheartedness that was on display this weekend to foster the next generation of Union Square's development. By harnessing the creativity and innovative nature of the areas residents, restaurateurs, business owners, researchers and developers, we hope to strike the right balance of character and growth to enable Union Square

to bolster its image as an unmatched destination for our region.

To the organizers of Fluff, thank you for all that you do for Somerville and thank you for welcoming us into your community and allowing us to be a part of the fun.

Bill Jacobson
Founder & CEO, WorkBar

Greg Karczewski
President, Union Square Associates (US2)

COMMENTARY

SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Illustrated by Jim Clark



Can we all just slow down a little, please?

Our View Of The Times



So-called “traffic calming” has become a recent topic of discussion between those concerned with the declining quality of safety on our neighborhood streets and residents who question how best to address and remedy the situation.

Advocates of “streetscaping” and similar measures designed to slow down vehicular traffic by means of placing visually

unobtrusive obstacles in the streets – such as landscaping and small structural elements – feel that this is the preferred way to go.

Many question the wisdom of such an approach, citing costs of installing such features, potential impedance of emergency response vehicles, etc.

Others are arguing for lowering speed

limits in residential neighborhoods, such as has been recently proposed and approved in the state legislature. While this may look good on paper, the question of effective enforcement of these lower limits is yet to be answered. It simply isn’t possible to assign a traffic cop to every other corner on our city streets. Electronic surveillance and ticketing technologies

are expensive and might be considered too invasive by many residents.

This issue is far from being worked out and resolved. Debate about the best approach to a solution goes on and remains something of a speed bump in our overall picture of how our city’s roadway infrastructure should be handled now and in the future. Unfortunately so.

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questions about the Masons, the lodge and the building they occupy. Saturday, October 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. King Solomon’s Lodge was chartered September 5, 1783, just two days after the **American Revolution** ended. Their charter was signed by **Paul Revere** and they owned and built the original Bunker Hill Monument in Charlestown. They even have on display the actual documents conveying the land to the Masonic Lodge in Charlestown. Officers and members will be present and light refreshments will be served.

There are questions on the ballot here in the city on November 8. One particular question the administration wants you to vote on is overriding **proposition 2.5**, which would make it possible for the city to raise your taxes to pay for certain items. Did you know they need about \$50M for the Green Line? Then don’t forget about the new proposed High School. And what else?

Sources tell us, that the **Board of Alderman** will be looking into just how much all this is going to cost the taxpayers here in Somerville, including what bonds will become due in the next few years. Watch out, the estimated tax bill of about a

thousand for single family homes at the very least just might become reality.

The one and only original “**Best of Somerville**” ballot will be out next week and the winners will be announced the first Wednesday in November, so hurry up and nominate in your favorite category. We also want best idea this year and worst idea this year for 2016 here in Somerville. You can email, mail, call in or just drop your votes in the mail slot at 699 Broadway, Somerville.

Get out and register to vote. There should be no excuses. **The deadline to register is October 19** and new to the election process will be Advance Voting, which will begin on October 24 at the Board of Alderman chambers, second floor at City Hall. For more information and also for absentee ballots for those who can’t get out to vote, call the **Election Department** at 617-625-6600. They are hard working people in that department and will be glad to assist you. They are very dedicated and committed to making sure the process here in Somerville will go smoothly. Right now we have just over 50,000 registered voters and voting early will be a big help.

We want to give thanks for the several calls our office here at *The Somerville Times* received in regards to two new missing paper boxes. We are in the process of reviewing a tape of one of them and then make a decision on what to do next. In the meantime, we will be placing another box at **Twin Cities Mall** next week, but at a different location. If you see anyone messing with any of our boxes you can call 617 666-4010 the office, and if we find any missing box because of your lead we have a \$200 gift certificate to a fine local establishment for you. Again, thank you for your support. We will be placing more boxes in the upcoming weeks in the city. If you have a suggestion as to where one should go, call the office and let us know.

Happy birthday to a lot of our friends and fellow Villens here this week: Happy birthday to **Richard Mangan**, a guy who grew up in East Somerville. We wish him the very best. Happy birthday or anniversary to **PJ Ryans Pub** on Holland Street, Teele Square. Happy birthday to a good friend, **Frank Ricardo**, who is celebrating this week. Finally, to the memory of over very good friend who has passed away, former Publisher/Editor **Robert JL Publicover**, a great

guy and loved by the community here in Somerville. He’s missed by his many friends and his mate **David**. Happy birthday, Bob, we miss you!

The latest on our **Winter Hill vs. Ten Hills turkey**: from good sources we hear there are two of them and can be seen many times on top of the Mystic Avenue projects. This past Monday, around 8:00 a.m., between traffic nonstop on Mystic Avenue, our turkey waited patiently in the middle of the busy street to cross over, with most cars flying right by him or her. This is a city turkey and if you’ve seen it in action, contrary to myth, it seems pretty smart.

There’s a new website in town. Check it out at **www.somervillema.com**. *The Somerville Times* is on the site. Also check out **www.medfordma.com**. Someone asked online why we keep these two websites in *Newstalk*. We guess it’s because we like them.

Has anyone gone to view the **Hudson Street painting** in the middle of the street? Well, we hear through sources that maybe not all the local residents were pleased about it. It seems like they painted it first, but

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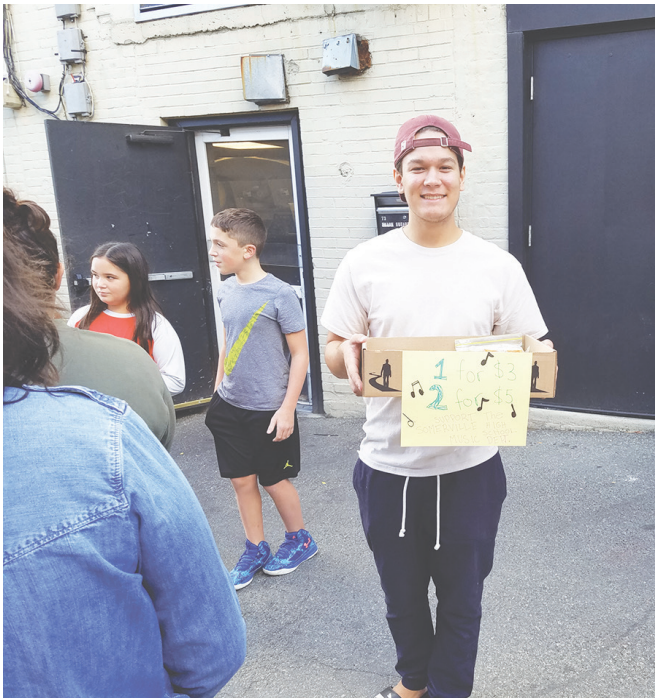
Fluff U: A Sweet Education

The celebration of the genius of Archibald Query, who invented Fluff right in Union Square in 1917, took place on Saturday, September 24 in Union Sq.

Artists, musicians, theatrical performers, culinary geniuses and the general public paid tribute to this great American creation in a zany, fun-filled festival.

The 11th annual event featured musical performances, a cooking contest, fluff-themed games, activities, antics and fun for every age, and Fluff treats of every sort. With this year's theme of "Fluff U: A Sweet Education", the beloved Union Square was transformed into a sticky, sweet campus.

The festival is produced in partnership with Esther Hanig and Union Square Main Streets. For more info: <https://unionsquaremain.org/fluff-festival>.





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Photos by Kevin Dickinson



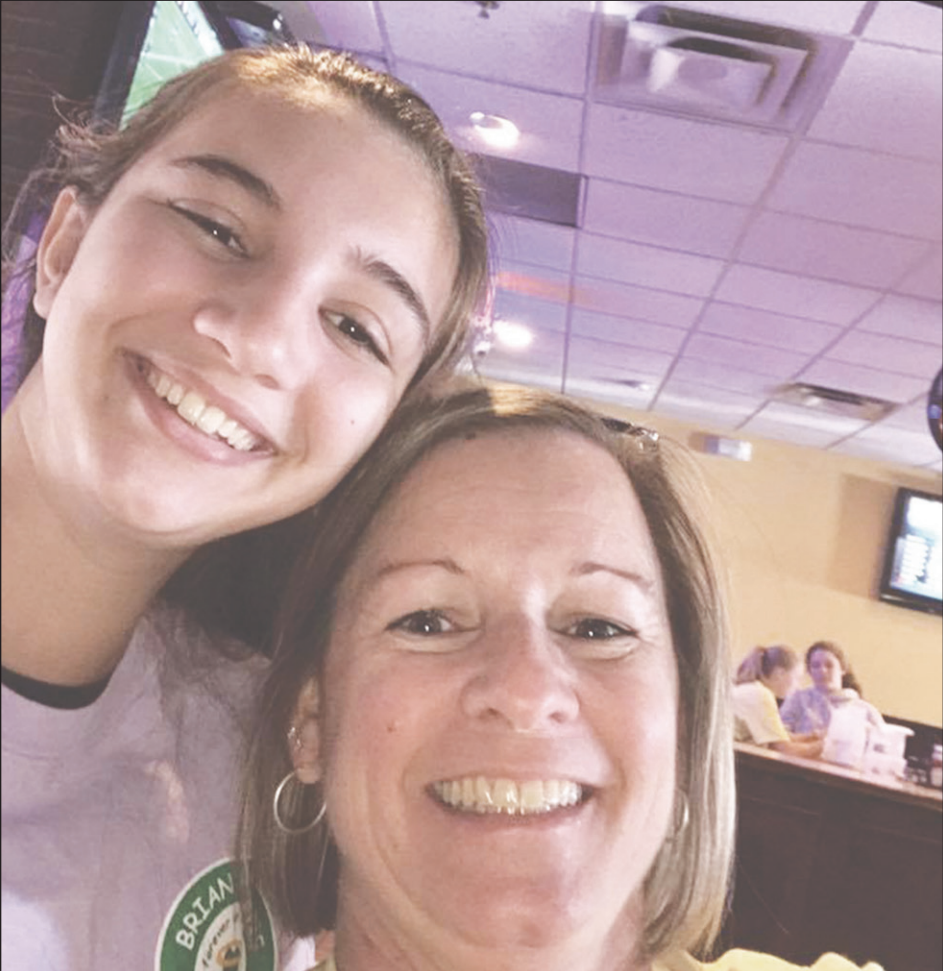
SPORTS


Brian Higgins Foundation Road Race

By Rebecca Danvers

The 8th Annual Halfway to St. Patrick's Day 4.2-mile Road Race to benefit the Brian Higgins Foundation was held on Sunday, September 25. The event was hosted by The Pub, Ball Square, Somerville. Each year over 150 people compete in one of Somerville's most successful and

enjoyable fundraising events. The money collected at this event is used entirely for the kids and their families. There are no hidden administrative costs, or payrolls to be met. Every single penny goes to the kids. First place finishers in this year's race are (Men's) Johnny Miller of Somerville, and (Women's) Haley D'Arcangelo of Methuen.





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8:55am	Border Street, East Boston, Liberty Plaza (McDonald's)		

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PICK-UP TIME	LOCATION	ARRIVE CASINO	DEPART CASINO
8:00am	Clippership Drive, Next to Medford Senior Citizen Drop-In Center Medford	9:15am	2:30pm
8:15am	Centre Street MBTA bus stop (next to Stop & Shop)		
8:25am	Speedway Gas Station MBTA bus stop (near Sullivan Square train station), Washington Street, Somerville		

DOWNTOWN BOSTON MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY*

PICK-UP	LOCATION	ARRIVE CASINO	DEPART CASINO
8:00am	85 Bedford Street	9:00am	2:00pm
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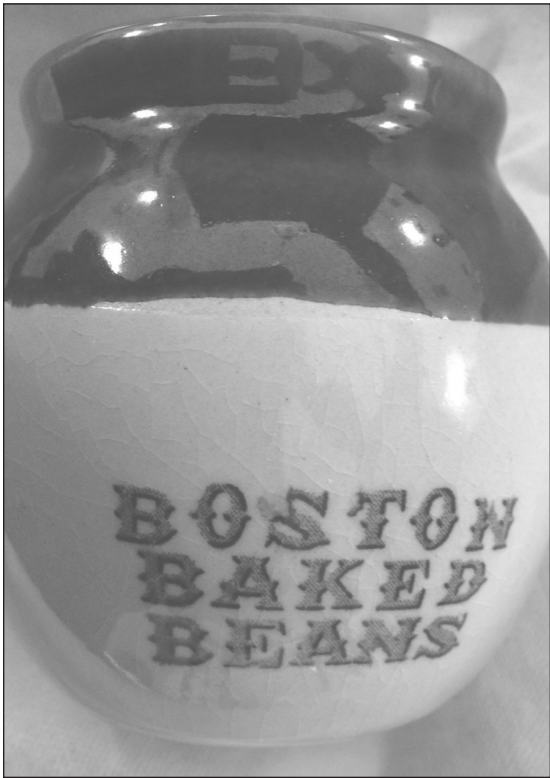
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his coaching accomplishments include five-time Hockey East Coach of the Year, six-time New England Coach of the Year, and three-time NCAA National Coach of the Year. He is in Boston University's Athletic Hall of Fame, the Bean Pot Hall of Fame, as well as having Boston University's new hockey arena named in his honor. The Boston Bruins tried many times to recruit him as their coach, but his loyalty toward his kids proved solid and he stayed with his alma mater.

For many years, Union Square's popular Neighborhood Restaurant and Bakery honored Jack and his players for their feats by decorating its walls with their team photos. In 2013, the year of his retirement, this city invited him to do the honors of opening the Founders Memorial Skating Rink on Somerville Avenue. With twenty-nine Bean Pot Tournament victories to his credit, he richly deserved the nickname, "Jack and the Bean Pot." Somerville's most famous bean sprout ... Jack Parker!



What's on Somerville Neighborhood News

In this segment of *Somerville Neighborhood News* we want to showcase the segment on one of Union Square's iconic stores: The Vango Convenience.

"Saying Good bye to the Mayor of Union Square"



The Vango Convenience Store and its Mascot Hunter the dog has been a landmark in Union Square for more than a decade. On September 15 the doors will close and Hunter, known as the Mayor of Union Square will retire. It's part of the rapidly changing face of the Square as small businesses succumb to rising rents and gentrification.



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

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Ms. Cam's Olio #546

Olio - (noun) A miscellaneous mixture, hodgepodge

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| 1. What was the first James Bond film? | 8. What was the name of the hard rock group formed by David Bowie in the late 1980s? |
| 2. What town did the Pied Piper play in? | 9. What five U.S. presidents did the presidential yacht Honey Fitz serve? |
| 3. Which American state is nicknamed The Diamond State? | 10. An elephant has 400,000 what in its trunk? |
| 4. Which American state is nicknamed The Spirit of America? | 11. What is the name of the metal discs set in the rim of a tambourine? |
| 5. What martial arts name means gentle way? | 12. Who created the character of Ziggy Stardust in his glam-rock period? |
| 6. If you suffer from epistaxis what is wrong? | |
| 7. What was the first credit card? | |

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LEGAL NOTICE
OF PUBLIC HEARING

A **public hearing** for all interested parties will be held by the Zoning Board of Appeals on Wednesday, October 5, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Aldermanic Chambers, 2nd Floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA.

24 Summer Street: (Case #ZBA 2016-92) Applicant and owner, Steven Azar, seeks a Variance to construct a front porch within the front yard set-back under SZO §5.5. RB Zone. Ward 3.

21 Bow Street: (Case #ZBA 2016-101) Applicant, Eddie Giron, and Owner, Musician Realty Trust, seek a Special Permit under SZO §4.4.1 to replace three storefront windows. NB Zone, Ward 3.

88-90 Electric Avenue: (Case #ZBA 2016-104) Applicants and Owners, Paul Reinert & William McDermott, seek a Special Permit under §4.4.1 of the SZO to construct a dormer. RA Zone. Ward 7.

309 Washington Street: (Case #ZBA 2016-95) Applicant, Anthony Fava, seeks a Special Permit under SZO §5.5 and §8.6.5.c to approve a complete renovation of a 2-1/2 story 2-unit residential building with rear decks. RB Zone. Ward 2.

39 Russell Street: (Case #ZBA 2016-103) Applicant Gwen Simpkins and Delaporte Development seek to make alterations to a nonconforming structure under SZO 4.4.1 and a Special Permit with Site Plan Review under to establish a 3rd single family dwelling as a principle structure and at 39 Russell Street. RB Zone Ward 6.

65 Newbury Street, #2: (Case #ZBA 2016-99) Applicant/Owners, Shoshana Gourdin & John Wedoff, seek a Special Permit under SZO §5.5 and §8.6.5.c to approve an addition to the rear of the upper unit of a 2-family residential building. RB Zone. Ward 7.

337 Somerville Avenue: (Case #ZBA 2016-116) Applicant, BwB-Square, LLC, seeks relief from the Zoning Board of Appeals for catering uses, brewing facility and coffee roasting, and restaurant uses in a NB zoning district per SZO §4.4.1 and §7.11. The Applicant will separately seek relief from the Planning Board to alter a non-conforming structure in a CCD-55 zoning district pursuant to SZO §4.4.1 and SZO §6.1.22.D.5.A. Alterations include new windows along Somerville Avenue, new egress door and signage. A Special Permit is also sought for restaurant space over 1,500sf in a CCD-55 zone under SZO §7.13.D. NB and CCD-55 zones. Ward 2.


43 Oak Street: (Case #ZBA 2016-89) Applicant/Owner, We Close The Deal LLC, seeks a Special Permit under SZO §5.5 and §8.6.5.c to approve a renovation and expansion of a 2-story 4-unit residential building to 3-story 4-unit residential with finished basement. RB Zone. Ward 2.

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

Attest: Dawn Pereira, Administrative Assistant


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LEGAL NOTICE
OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

654 Mystic Avenue: (Case #PB 2016-05) Applicants, Anthony Fava and Ryan Hunt, and Owner, Fieldcom Realty Trust, seeks Design & Site Plan Review for a subdivision under SZO §5.4 to subdivide one lot into three. BB Zone. Ward 4.

112 Broadway: (Case #PB 2016-11) Applicant/Owner, Augusto P. Da-Cunha, seeks a Special Permit under SZO §5.5 and §8.6.5.c to approve a renovation and expansion of a mixed-use 3-story building. CCD Zone. Ward 1.

118-120 Broadway: (Case #PB 2016-16) Applicant/Owner, GoodFood Restaurant Group LLC, seeks a Special Permit under SZO §5.5 and §8.6.5.c to approve replacement of a one-story building with a new construction 4-story mixed use building (retail ground floor and 24 residential units). CCD Zone. Ward 1.

Copies of these amendments are available for review in the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development, located on the third floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA, Mon-Wed, 8:30 am-4:30 pm; Thurs, 8:30 am-7:30 pm; and Fri, 8:30 am-12:30 pm; and at www.somervillema.gov/planningandzoning.

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LEGAL NOTICE
OF PUBLIC HEARING

A joint public hearing for all interested parties will be held by the Planning Board and the Board of Aldermen Land Use Committee on **Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.** at the **Aldermanic Chambers, City Hall 2nd Floor, 93 Highland Avenue**, Somerville, MA. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public comments concerning the following two proposed amendments to the Somerville Zoning Ordinance:

AN AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO CREATE A NEW "CCD-55 COMMERCIAL" SUBDISTRICT, A NEW "CCD-45 COMMERCIAL" SUBDISTRICT, A NEW SECTION 5.8: COORDINATED DEVELOPMENT SPECIAL PERMIT, A NEW SECTION 6.7: UNION SQUARE OVERLAY DISTRICT, AND TO MAKE RELATED CHANGES TO ARTICLE 5 AND THE ZONING MAP

A PROPOSED NEW ARTICLE 16B IN THE CITY'S ZONING ORDINANCE, WITH ATTENDANT ZONING MAP CHANGES TO ESTABLISH A MINIMUM MIXED USE RATIO IN DESIGNATED AREAS


Copies of these amendments are available for review in the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development, located on the third floor of City Hall, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA, Mon-Wed, 8:30 am-4:30 pm; Thurs, 8:30 am-7:30 pm; and Fri, 8:30 am-12:30 pm; and at www.somervillema.gov/planningandzoning.

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Attest: Kevin Prior, Chairman, Somerville Planning Board
Alderman Lance Davis, Chair, Somerville Board of Alderman Land Use Committee

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PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
RFP # 17-24

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

Lease of athletic fields within a maximum 15-mile radius from Somerville for use by the Somerville Parks & Recreation Department for youth athletic programs

The RFP may be obtained online at: <http://www.somervillema.gov/departments/finance/purchasing/bids>, or by directly contacting the Purchasing Department, City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA 02143 on or after **September 21, 2016**. Proposals will be accepted at the above office until **October 21, 2016 at 11:00 a.m.** at which time responses are to be evaluated. 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.

Subject to the approval of the Board of Aldermen, the lease term shall be for an initial period of five (5) to ten (10) years with options to renew. Please direct any inquiries to purchasing@somervillema.gov.

Angela M. Allen
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Answers

1. Dr. No, in 1962	bleed
2. Hamelin	7. Diners Club
3. Delaware	8. Tin Machine
4. Which American state is nicknamed The Spirit of America	9. Truman, Eisenhower, JFK, Johnson and Nixon
5. What martial arts name means gentle way	10. Muscles
6. You have a nose-	11. Jingles
	12. David Bowie

The Growing Center's season finale includes harvest games, cider demonstration, pumpkin decorating, contests, and family friendly music. Come celebrate the growing Center's 22nd season this Sunday, October 2, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at 22 Vinal Ave.

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CHILDREN AND YOUTH
Wednesday|September 28

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

Thursday|September 29

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

West Branch Library
Lego Club
3:30p.m.-3:45 p.m.|40 College Ave

Central Library
Afternoon Storytime
4 p.m.-4:45 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Central Library
Somerville Cares About Quarterly Prevention Meeting
5:30 p.m.- 7 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Friday|September 30

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

Monday|October 3

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

Tuesday|October 4

Central Library
Homeschool Reading Group for Ages 13-15
9:15 a.m.-9:30 a.m.|79 Highland Ave

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

Wednesday|October 5

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

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

MUSIC|ARTS
Wednesday|September 28

Sally O'Brien's Bar
HearNowLive presents Elijah Ford with special guests The Silks \$10 cover
9 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Front Room
Exile on Elm
Back Room
Backroom Series: Nathan Gourley and Joey Abarta with Owen Marshall|7:30 p.m.
Comedy Night With Jordan Handren-Seavey|10 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge
Tom Maroon
The Galvanics
The Max Tribe
The Visitors
345 Somerville Ave

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

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

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

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

Highland Kitchen
150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

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

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

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
JEFF the Brotherhood
Music Band, CreaturoS
9 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Thursday|September 29

Sally O'Brien's
The Strangely Possibles
5:45 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Front Room
Lunchtime Concert Series|1-2pm
Dave Gallagher & The Donegal Red-necks|9:30 pm
Backroom Series: Surprise Last Min-

ute Show! 7 p.m.
Scattershots|10 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge
Dronehead Odyssey
Letters to Nepal
Scrodello
345 Somerville Ave

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Live DJ Music
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65 Holland St|617-591-2100

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Krush Faktory|10 p.m.
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608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

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

Thunder Road
Kat Wright & The Indomitable Soul Band
8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
Barrence Whitfield & The Savages
Diablogato
8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

Arts at the Armory
Pub Sing at the Armory Cafe
7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

The Rockwell
Netflix and Chill|7 p.m.
Roast Battle|9 p.m.
255 Elm St

Friday|September 30

Sally O'Brien's
The Tuna Rangers |6 p.m.
Hana Kahn Band, Singlecast, The Dirty Dottys, Glass Mannequins \$10 cover |9 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Backroom Series: Aoife Scott Dublin
Folk Singer/Songwriter|7 p.m.
Cover Up|10 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge
The Scenics
Fireking
headband
Life Partners
345 Somerville Ave

Orleans Restaurant and Bar
Dj
10 p.m.|65 Holland St

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

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

Bull McCabe's
Be Nice or Leave Brass Band
10 p.m.|366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Joshua Tree
Dj McRiddleton
256 Elm St. |617-623-9910

Samba Bar & Grille
Live music
9 p.m.|608 Somerville Ave|617-718-9177

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Thunder Road
SYM 10 Year Anniversary (Rock n' Roll)
8 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

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Hilken Mancini & Chris Toppin (from Fuzzy)
8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

The Rockwell
Sh!t-faced Shakespeare: Much Ado About Nothing|7 p.m.
B.U.M.P.|9:30
Dirty Disney|11 p.m.
255 Elm Street

Arts at the Armory
A Wonderful World with Palaver
Strings
8 p.m.| Performance Hall|191 Highland Ave

Saturday|October 1

Sally O'Brien's
Stan Martin & The Moonshiners |6 p.m.
HearNowLive presents presents Cloud Country Boston Swindlers Instant Shawarma \$10 cover |9 p.m.

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Front Room:
Bluegrass Session|2 p.m.
The BagBoys|5 p.m.
Irish Session|9:30 p.m.
Back Room
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Backroom Series: Evan Goodrow|7 p.m.
TBA|10 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge
The Knuckleheads|3 p.m.
No Small Matter
The Detours
The Third Wing
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Live DJ Music
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Thunder Road
New Orleans Suspects feat. Mems of Radiators, Dirty Dozen Brass Band, Meters, Neville Brothers (NOLA Funk)|6 p.m.
Six Fox Whiskey CD Release Show (Folk/Rock)|9 p.m.
379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
Masta Ace
Akrobatik, Mister Burns
8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

The Rockwell
Sh!t-faced Shakespeare: Much Ado About Nothing|7 p.m.
255 Elm St

Arts at the Armory
Somerville Songwriter Sessions
8 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Sunday|October 2
Sally O'Brien's Bar
Johnny Come Latelies|6 p.m.
335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Front Room
Beatles Brunch|11 a.m.-3 p.m.
John Gannon & Friends Irish Session|3 p.m.
Back Room
The Burren Backroon Saturday & Sunday Jazz Brunch with Tom Pendergast 8am - 2:30pm
Alan Kaufman & Friends Old Timey|5 p.m.
Burren Lantern Series|8 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

PA'S Lounge
345 Somerville Ave

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

Highland Kitchen
Sunday Brunch Live Country & Bluegrass
Sunday Night Live Music
150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

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

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

Thunder Road
Americana Sundays w/ Greg Klyma
7 p.m.|379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
156 Highland Ave

Arts at the Armory
Cafe Concert with Neha AND Ashni
7:30 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

Monday|October 3
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|617-666-3589

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.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

P.A.'s Lounge
Monday night Ska Show!
Wake the Town
Thaddeus Merritt Trio
The Duppies
Chris Murray
345 Somerville Ave

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

Bull McCabe's Pub
Stump! Team Trivia
366A Somerville Ave|617-440-6045

Thunder Road
The Murdock Manor Stripped Sets
Monday Night Series
379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
Toddlerbilly Taco Takeover|5 p.m.
Mr. Airplane Man
The Land of Enchantment
8 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

The Rockwell
Big Guy's Big Show
8 p.m.|255 Elm Street

Tuesday|October 4
Sally O'Brien's Bar
Brazen Invasion and live Beatles Karaoke
7:30 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Front Room
Jason Anick and the Swingers Swing/Jazz|8:30 p.m.
Back Room :
Open Mic w/ Hugh McGowan|10 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

PA's Lounge
Open Mic Night
345 Somerville Ave

On The Hill Tavern
Stump Trivia (with prizes)
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Bull McCabe's Pub
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First Tuesday of the Month|Spelling Bee Night
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The fun starts at 10:00p.m.
150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

Samba Bar & Grille
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PJ Ryan's
Pub Quiz
10 p.m.|239 Holland St.|617-625-8200

Thunder Road
Ebass Open Mic with George Woods
379 Somerville Ave

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
Simpsons Trivia
7 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

The Rockwell
Teaseday
8 p.m.|255 Elm Street

Wednesday|October 5
Sally O'Brien's Bar
Free Poker, lots of prizes!
8 p.m.|335 Somerville Ave|617-666-3589

The Burren
Front Room
Exile on Elm
Back Room
Backroom Series: Nordic Fiddlers Bloc|7:30 p.m.
Comedy Night With Jordan Handren-Seavey|10 p.m.
247 Elm Street|617-776-6896

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Dori Cameron
Orly Bendavid and The Mona Dahls
Leah and her J-Walkers
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The A-Beez – Funk & Soul
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Bearly Dead – Wednesday Night Grateful Dead Residency|8 p.m.
379 Somerville Ave

Highland Kitchen
150 Highland Ave|617-625-1131

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

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

ONCE Lounge & Ballroom
Dalton Rapattoni
The Detours, School of Rock Boston
7 p.m.|156 Highland Ave

The Rockwell
HUSH: The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari
7:30 p.m.|255 Elm Street

Arts at the Armory
Wiretap Wednesday Open Stage
7 p.m.|Café|191 Highland Ave

CLASSES AND GROUPS
Wednesday|September 28

Central Library
Mystery Book Club
7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Thursday|September 29

Central Library
Regional 311 Group
9 a.m.- 12:15 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

West Branch Library
Learn English at the Library!
(Session 1)- 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
(Session 2)-7:15 p.m.- 8:15 p.m.
40 College Ave

East Branch Library
Drop in Knitting at the West Branch
6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|115 Broadway
First Church Somerville
Debtors Anonymous- a 12 Step program for people with problems with money and debt. 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|89 College Ave (Upstairs Parlor).
For more info call: 781-762-6629

Friday|September 30

East Branch Library
East Branch Adult Book Group
11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.|115 Broadway

Saturday|October 1

Central Library
Lacan Reading Group
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Central Library
Banned Books Week Read-a-thon!
2 p.m.-4 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Union Square Farmers Market
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.|Union Sq Plaza

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

Sunday|October 2

The Somerville Flea
10 a.m.- 4 p.m.|52 Holland St

Fourth Step to Freedom Al-Anon Family Groups

7:00 P.M. | 6 William Street
Unity Church of God

Enter upstairs, meeting is in basement.

Monday|October 3
East Branch Library
Learn English at the Library!
(Session 1)- 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
(Session 2)-7:15 p.m.- 8:15 p.m.
115 Broadway

Central Library
Drop in Knitting at the West Branch
6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

West Branch Library
Drop in Knitting at the West Branch
6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|40 College Ave

Central Library
Chess Night
7 p.m.- 8:45 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Tuesday|October 4
Central Library
Learn English at the Library
6 p.m.-7:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Wednesday|October 5
Central Library
Somerville Positive Forces
1 p.m.-3 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

Central Library
Free Matinees on the Big Screen:
Money Monster
6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.|79 Highland Ave

PLACES TO GO, THINGS TO DO!

SENIOR CENTER HAPPENINGS:

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

All clubs and groups welcome new members.

Holland Street: 167 Holland Street

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

617-625-6600 Ext. 2300

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

Cross Street Center: 165 Broadway

Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.

Wednesday – 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. (Please note time change) (617) 625-6600 Ext. 2335.

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

National Senior Center Month – September is National Senior Center month. Visit any of the senior centers to learn about the great things happening.

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 – The current 5 week Yoga series started on Thursday, September 15 from 9:00 to 10:00am. This low-impact and easy-to-follow paced program lets you stretch and relax to help start your day. Contact Chris at 617-625-6600 ext. 2315 for more information and to sign up. Cost is \$20 for 5 classes.

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

Free Smoke Alarm/Carbon Monoxide Detectors – Starting April 1 – The Somerville Council on Aging, The Health & Human Services Department partnering with The Somerville Fire Department are offering free smoke alarm / carbon monoxide detectors (they are one unit) to Somerville older adults and residents with a wide range of disabilities. To qualify you must be an older adult, 60 years of age or older, and live in Somerville (own or rent) or a Somerville resident with a disability (Photoelectric Alarms with ADA Compliant Strobe Light are available.) There is a brief application that will need to be filled out, signed and returned. Please contact Maureen Bastardi, Outreach Worker at the Somerville Council on Aging, at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 to request an application. This program is on a first come, first serve basis. This is a Federally funded grant and services will be provided until the grant is exhausted.

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

New Arts & Crafts Group – Meeting every Thursday from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at our Cross Street Center located at 165 Broadway. Join us as we learn about a wide range of arts & crafts from weaving to watercolor pencils. We have some pretty amazing ideas already and would love for you to join us. For additional information please contact Maureen at 617-625-6600, ext. 2335.

Forming Friendships Social Group – Tuesdays, October 4, October 11, October 18 and October 25 from 9:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M. at our Holland Street Center. Are you looking to socialize and meet new people? If so, this 6 week social group is for you. There is limited spots available so call soon to reserve your spot. Please call Katey at 617-625-6600, ext. 2318.

Open House – Thursday, October 6 from 4:30 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. at our Holland Street Center, 165 Holland Street. Visit and learn what the SCOA has to offer. Light refreshments will be served. If you have any questions or need additional information please call the SCOA at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

A Watercolor Quilt with Linda Cohen, M. Ed. – Friday, October 21, October 28 and November 4 from 10:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. at our Holland Street Center. A fee of \$10 covers the cost of all supplies and materials. Each participant will have two watercolor paintings, one to take home and one to hang at the Center. Space is limited. Registration is a must. Please call Josephine or Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 to reserve your spot.

Silver Sizzle Review – Friday, November 18 – Luciano’s Lake Pearl in Wrentham, MA. \$20 fee includes transportation, lunch and show. The show features performances by former Radio City Music Hall Rockettes along with great comedy. Please contact the SCOA at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 to reserve your spot. No refunds.

Cape Cod Cranberry Days – Monday & Tuesday, November 28 & 29 – 2 days / 1 night – For a fee of \$195 / pp double and \$225 pp single this trip includes roundtrip motor coach transportation, 1 night deluxe accommodation, 1 breakfast, 1 dinner and several guided tours including The Cranberry Harvest Experience, Sandwich Village Glass Museum, Chatham Village and Plymouth Winery just to name a few. Please contact Connie at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 for more information or to reserve your spot.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

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

The Trip to Foxwoods scheduled for October 4 is SOLD OUT.

The trip to Lancaster, PA & Atlantic City scheduled for October 11 -15 (Tuesday to Saturday) is SOLD OUT.

The day trip to Hart’s Turkey Train scheduled for Tuesday, October 17 is SOLD OUT.

The Halloween Celebration at the WHYC scheduled for Monday, October 31 is SOLD OUT.

The Weekend gateway to NYC scheduled for Saturday & Sunday, November 5 & 6 is SOLD OUT.

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

The Holiday Celebration at the WHYC scheduled for Monday, December 12 is SOLD OUT.

The day trip to Yuletide Newport scheduled for Thursday, December 12 is SOLD OUT.

The trip to Atlantic City scheduled for Sunday, January 8 to Tuesday, January 10 is SOLD OUT.

Please note the Moonlighters are back:

Monday, October 3rd from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Alewife VNA (Capen Court)

Monday, October 10th – Columbus Day (No Moonlighters)

Monday, October 17th – To Be Announced

Monday, October 24th – Rehearsal at the Holland Street Center

Monday, October 31st – No Moonlighters

LGBTQ EVENTS:

LGBTQ Advisory Group –This group meets the second Monday of every month excluding City Holidays and snow emergencies. We are always looking for new members who would like to serve on the Advisory Group. Please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 if you have any questions or if you should need additional info.

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

Mark your calendars for these great upcoming LGBTQ Events:

Monday, October 17th – LGBTQ Health Fair

Monday, November 21 – Painting to Reduce Stress

STAY ACTIVE:

Walking & Talking Group – Starting on Monday, May 4th at 8:30 A.M. – out of our Holland Street Center. We’ll take a gentle 30 minute walk around the community every Monday – meeting in the downstairs lobby of the Holland Street Center. For more information or to sign up please contact Chris Kowaleski our Health & Wellness Coordinator at 617-625-6600 ext. 2315.

Weekly Exercise Class Schedule

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

Mondays:

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

Tuesdays:

9:15 Strengthening - \$3 per class (H)

11:15 Fit-4-Life (C)

1:00 Dalcroze Eurhythmics***

6:00 LBT Fit-4-Life* (H)

Wednesdays:

8:45 Fit-4-Life Group A (H) – Exercise

9:00 Fit-4-Life Group B (H) - Nutrition

10:00 Fit-4-Life Group B (H) – Exercise

10:00 Fit-4-Life Group A (H) – Nutrition

12:00 Fit-4-Life Group C (H) - Nutrition

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

5:15 Zumba for All - \$3 per class (H)

Thursdays:

9:00 Yoga (H) (5 week series) – On hiatus till January

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

One-on-one nutrition is on hiatus til further notice.

Wednesday|September 28

9:00 Bowling at Flatbreads

Thursday|September 29

10:00 Current Events (H)

10:00 English Conversation (C)

10:00 Cards (RJ)

11:00 Computer tutorial with Barbara (by appointment only) (H)

11:30 Lunch (C)

12:45 Bingo (RJ)

Friday|September 30

11:30 Lunch (H)

12:45 Bingo (H)

Monday|October 3

9:30 Monthly Breakfast – Culinary Arts

10:00 Social Service Drop In (C)

10:00 English Conversation (C)

10:30 Moonlighters – Lowell VNA

11:30 Lunch (C)

Tuesday|October 4

9:30 Monthly Breakfast – Culinary Arts

10:00 Social Service Drop In (C)

10:00 English Conversation (C)

10:30 Moonlighters – Lowell VNA

11:30 Lunch (C)

Wednesday|October 5

9:00 Bowling at Flatbreads

10:00 De-Cluttering Kick Off (H)

11:30 Lunch (RJ)

12:45 Bingo (RJ)

Jersey Boys

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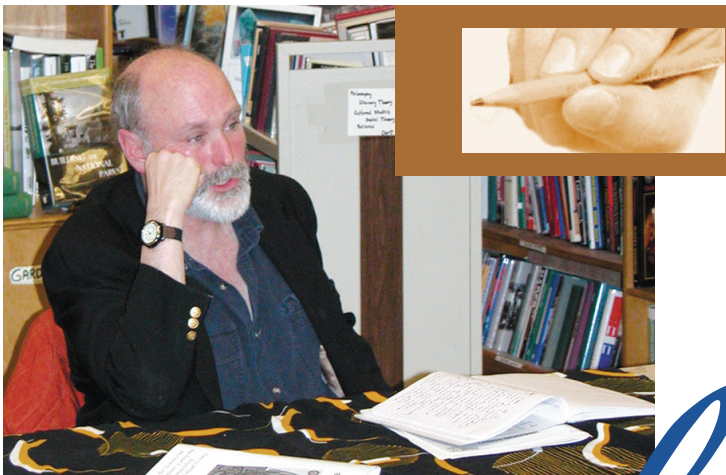
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5:00pm	Art At SCATV	10:00am	Middlesex Representative District Debate	7:00am	Nossa Gente's e Costumes	11:00pm	Visual Radio
5:30pm	Messier Mantra	10:30am	Somerville Good Old Days	8:00am	Effort Pour Christ	Tuesday, October 5	
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7:00pm	Creative Somerville Series	12:00pm	Free Speech TV	10:00am	Aging Well	6:30am	Esoteric Science
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10:00am	Dead Air Live	11:00pm	Grownup Story Time	11:00pm	Simply Hanging with Pete and Nate	5:00pm	Poet to Poet/Writer to Writer
11:00am	Greater Somerville	11:30pm	SCATV Bulletin Board	11:30pm	Grown Up Story Time	5:30pm	Duck Village Stage
11:30am	Legacies	Saturday, October 1		Monday, October 4		6:30pm	Beyond Boston
12:00pm	The Thom Hartman Show	6:00am	Life matters	6:00am	Health is Wealth	7:00pm	Somerville Neighborhood News
1pm-3pm	SCATV Cooking Bloc	6:30am	Eat well be Happy	6:30am	Villain News Network	7:30pm	Greater Somerville
1:00pm	Chef's Table Series	7:00am	The Folklorist	7:00pm	The Struggle	8:00pm	Dead Air Live
2:00pm	Eat Well be Happy	7:30am	Wild Tales - Song of the River	7:30am	Aging Well	9:00pm	Mondays at 9
2:30pm	Cooking with Georgia and Dez	8:00am	Villain news Network	8:00am	Democracy Now! (Free Speech TV)	9:30pm	Infinite Momentum
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4:00pm	Free Speech Television	9:00am	Jeff Jam Sing Song Show	10:00am	Baystate Biking news	10:30pm	Middlesex Representative District Debate
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12:00pm	9:40pm	Fight Night at Dilboy	1:45am	Connecting Communities - Mobile Market	8:30pm	Aldermen at Work - Jack Connolly
3:30pm	Friday, September 30		9:00am	Connecting Communities - Mobile Market	9:00pm	What the Fluff?
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6:00pm	12:30am	Prospect Hill Tower Re-Opening	9:25am	Solarize w/the Mayor	Monday, October 3	
7:02pm	1:30am	Fight Night at Dilboy	9:30am	Aldermen at Work - Jack Connolly	12:00am	Senior Circuit
8:02pm	3:00am	Talking Business	12:00pm	The Jews of Somerville & Greater Boston	12:30am	Tracking Progress - Union Square Tour
8:32pm	3:00am	SomerViva en Español	1:00pm	Open Space Open House	2:00am	Ignite! Fire & Street Food Festival
8:43pm	9:00am	Aldermen at Work - Jack Connolly	2:38pm	Prospect Hill Tower Re-Opening	2:56am	Solarize w/the Mayor
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9:16pm	10:00am	Tracking Progress - Union Square Tour	7:26pm	Solarize w/ the Mayor	12:00pm	What the Fluff?
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Thursday, September 29	1:00pm	SomerViva em Português	9:00pm	Aldermen at Work - Jack Connolly	4:00pm	Upcoming Meeting Agenda
12:00am	1:30pm	What the Fluff?	9:30pm	Project STAR '16	7:00pm	School Committee Meeting - LIVE
12:30am	2:00pm	Haiti & Brazil Hit the Ville	10:30pm	SomerViva em Português	Tuesday, October 4	
1:00am	2:30pm	Connecting Communities - Mobile Market	Sunday, October 2		12:00am	Fight Night at Dilboy
9:00am	6:30pm	Ignite! Fire & Street Food Festival	12:00am	B2Green Expo	1:30am	A Moonlighters' Performance
10:00am	7:26pm	Push Ups for Veterans	12:13am	Solarize Mass - Meet the Installer	2:18am	Open Space Open House
12:00pm	7:28pm	Solarize w/the Mayor	1:44am	Prospect Hill Tower Re-Opening	9:00am	Open Space Open House
12:30pm	7:31pm	The Jews of Somerville & Greater Boston	2:44am	SomerViva em Português	12:00pm	Senior Circuit
12:58pm	8:31pm	Aldermen at Work - Jack Connolly	9:00am	What the Fluff?	12:30pm	SomerViva em Português
1:00pm	9:00pm	SomerStreets: Strike Up the Bands	9:30am	B2Green Expo	1:00pm	What the Fluff?
1:30pm	9:30pm	What the Fluff?	12:00pm	Senior Circuit	1:30pm	Open Space Open House
2:30pm	10:01pm	SomerViva en Español	12:30pm	Aldermen at Work - Jack Connolly	7:00pm	Senior Circuit
6:30pm	10:20pm	POW/MIA Flag Raising	1:00pm	The Jews of Somerville & Greater Boston	7:30pm	Raising Families - Welcome Project
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7:30pm	10:34pm	Raising Families - Welcome Project	2:01pm	Prospect Hill Tower Re-Opening	8:30pm	School Committee Meeting - 10.3.16
8:00pm	Saturday, October 1		3:00pm	Haitian Community Meeting #3		

Wednesday, September 28		7:00pm SHS Boys Soccer vs Medford		5:00pm SHS Girls Soccer vs Cambridge		3:00pm Connecting Communities	
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1:00pm	SHS Girls Soccer vs Cambridge	2:00am	SHS Boys Soccer v Medford	9:00pm	SHS Football v Whittier	8:00pm	SHS Girls Soccer vs Cambridge
3:00pm	Connecting Communities	4:00am	Public Domain Theater - Sept	11:00pm	Team Up Day Kickoff at SHS	10:00pm	Connecting Communities
4:00pm	Our Schools, Our City - Working Together	9:00am	Our Schools, Our City - Working Together	Sunday, October 2		11:00pm	Our Schools, Our City - Working Together
5:00pm	Raising Families - Welcome Project	10:00am	SHS Girls Soccer vs Cambridge	12:00am	SHS Girls Soccer v Medford	Tuesday, October 4	
5:30pm	Team Up Day Kickoff at SHS	12:00pm	Connecting Communities	1:25am	SHS Boys Soccer v Medford	12:00am	Somerville Fight Night
6:00pm	SHS Football v Whittier	1:00pm	SHS Girls Soccer v Medford	3:00am	Public Domain Theater	1:30am	Team Up Day Kickoff at SHS
8:00pm	SHS Girls Soccer vs Cambridge	3:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer v Medford	9:00am	SHS Boys Soccer v Medford	2:00am	Chris Herren Speaks to SHS
10:00pm	Connecting Communities	5:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer v Burke	11:00am	SHS Girls Soccer v Medford	3:30am	Public Domain Theater
11:00pm	Our Schools, Our City - Working Together	7:00pm	Our Schools, Our City - Working Together	1:00pm	SHS Football v Whittier	9:00am	Raising Families - Welcome Project
Thursday, September 29		8:00pm	SHS Girls Soccer vs Cambridge	3:00pm	SHS Girls Soccer vs Cambridge	9:30am	Connecting Communities
12:00am	SHS Girls Soccer vs Cambridge	10:00pm	Connecting Communities	5:00pm	Our Schools, Our City - Working Together	10:00am	SHS Boys Soccer vs Everett
2:00am	SHS Boys Soccer v Medford	10:30pm	SHS Girls Soccer v Medford	6:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer v Medford	12:00pm	Our Schools, Our City - Working Together
5:00am	Public Domain Theater	Saturday, October 1		8:00pm	SHS Girls Soccer v Medford	1:00pm	SHS Girls Soccer vs Cambridge
9:00am	SHS Girls Soccer v Medford	12:00am	SHS Boys Soccer v Medford	10:00pm	SHS Football v Whittier	3:00pm	SHS Boys Soccer v Medford
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The Crossing Guard

1

You can't miss the crossing guard—
that luminescent lemon drop
at the corner each day.
He waits with the patience of Job
ready to perform his sacred duty.

With hands as old as vines twisted by time
he holds the divine red lollipop—
its simple command in four black letters.
When he raises his arm, bikes, cars and trucks
like well-trained soldiers grind to a halt
as he ferries the children across the dangerous divide.

2

He'll be there at the river to help us on board,
hold the ferry steady when the wind picks up,
or the currents are strong.
Are you ready? He'll ask smiling—
the last words we'll remember
as we embark and watch the shore fade away
before we turn to face the wind
and whatever lies ahead.

— Ed Meek

Recently I interviewed poet Kevin Carey on my Somerville Community Access TV show "Poet to Poet: Writer to Writer." And here is my review of his latest poetry collection.

Jesus Was A Homeboy
by Kevin Carey
CavanKerry Press 2016

When you reach a certain age, say sixty or so, things start to haunt you. You are well into the second half of the roller coaster ride, and you are looking back at what you left behind. Poet, documentary filmmaker, and Salem State University professor Kevin Carey is familiar with all this and brings it home in his evocative and expertly crafted collection of poetry *Jesus Was A Homeboy*. Carey, who is a native son of Revere, Massachusetts, a working class, beach town with its share of rough-trade, hash houses, and dead-ends, often uses this city-on-the-sea as a setting to explore the themes in his collection.

Carey wonders about the child he once was and the adult sensibility he grew into. In the poem *Summer Storms* he crosses his wonderment as a child, with his fears as an adult, while he contemplates his own mortality. Here a bolt of lightning gives the reader a charged insight:

...When did the lightning start to scare me?
As a kid I loved the summer storms
hunkered in my room by my closet,
the walls of my mother's house
much stronger than my own.
There are days now when everything
frightens me, my own impending death,
the quick dark skies
and their wild bursts of life,
the violence in everyone waiting to erupt,
the randomness,
the wrong step on the wrong highway,
the wrong movie theater on the wrong night,
the empty street in a lightning storm,
where a young kid stands
under the open sky expecting
his mother's arms to hold him,

going dark, never knowing what hit him...

In the poem *Looking at an Old Man in the Pleasant Street Tea Room* he captures his late mother's dementia in a stunning stanza:

My mother remembers things
she can't tell me
she said: Did you hear the good news?
And then grows quiet trying to think what it was.
The other day she wrapped half a sandwich
in a napkin and asked me
to give it to the man in the television.
She doesn't know it's hard to see her this way.

From reading the works of Carey I am well aware that he always has a knack for setting. William Carlos Williams had Paterson, N.J., Carl Sandburg had Chicago, Ferlinghetti has San Francisco, but Carey has Revere. And as the reader discovers that Carey is intimately acquainted with the metaphorical night, he is equally enamored with a Revere Beach summer night. In this case it is outside a fast food joint on the beach. If you have been there and done that, you will see the portrait he paints is spot on in the poem *Revere Beach After Hours*.

"The crowds swell after the bar breaks
and the people are more drunk
with each order and a girl and a guy
make out in the front of the line
and someone yells, Get a room,
and a white Cadillac pulls up
to the curb and turns a radio loud.
They all start dancing, long hair,
tight pants, hips moving to the disco beat,
boogie oogie oggie, and a plane
flies overhead on its way
to east Boston....

In this collection Carey explores his vulnerabilities, the dreams that headed south, yet there is always a deep appreciation of life – a sweet/sadness, a taste of honey – a touch of bitterness – that we all can relate to if we are being honest.

Highly Recommended.

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