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COBBLE HILL ELDERS ENJOY BREAKFAST WITH SANTA AT SOMERVILLE HOLIDAY INN



By Martin Polignone

This past week, the Bunker Hill Holiday Inn treated their elderly neighbors at the Cobble Hill Apartments to a breakfast with Santa complete with Christmas music and gifts

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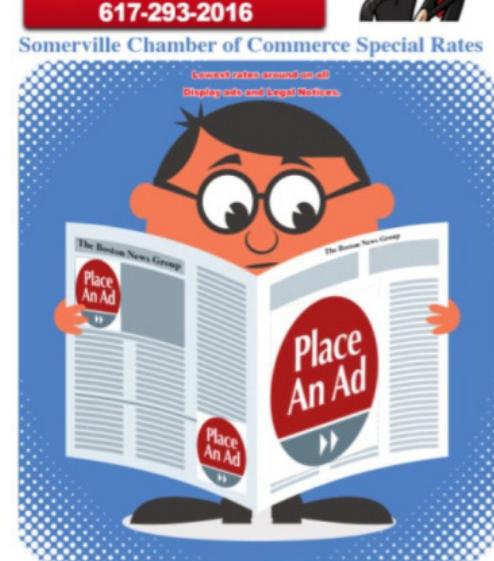
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SOMERVILLE'S CULINARY TALENTS SHOWCASED AT MIDDLESEX FEDERAL'S BUSINESS CUSTOMER APPRECIATION NIGHT



Local Somerville culinary talents showcased their talents at Middlesex Federal's Business Customer Appreciation Night held last week. Jeff Stuart, Culinary and Pastry Instructor, Somerville High School worked with his students to create a custom ice sculpture.

The event was held at Saloon and catered by head chef Shayne Nunes, who attended the Somerville High Culinary Program.

This Spring Middlesex Federal will present a \$1,000 scholarship to a Somerville High School's culinary student.

A full-service community bank headquartered in Davis Square Somerville, Middlesex Federal also has branch offices in Teele Square, Somerville and Medford Square, Medford, as well as a Loan Center located on Highland Avenue in Davis Square.

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A MESSAGE FROM SOMERVILLE ALDERMAN-AT-LARGE JACK CONNOLLY



Citizens and Friends of Somerville,

Thank you very much for your willingness to send me to City Hall as an elected Alderman for all these past years (1984-2005; 2007-2017).

I would especially like to say thank you to each one of the Mayors and the administrations I've had the pleasure to work with, sometimes battle with, but most importantly sharing many successes with, over all these years. Thank you Mayor Brune, Mayor Capuano, Mayor Dorothy Kelly Gay, and present Mayor Curtatone; much has been accomplished during our collective tenure!

Just thinking back, these come to mind: the planning and building of the Redline together with the Davis Square task force, the Post T rebuilding of Davis Square, the Harvard Vanguard building development, saving the Somerville Theater, planning and building of 212 Elm Street, bringing in businesses such as The Burren, The Diesel Café, the Joshua Tree, securing the Social Security Office, bringing lights and new pathways to Powder House Park, creating the University 'green belt' district for the Tufts neighborhood, planning and constructing the community path, and many more accomplishments!

All of these efforts were done with the cooperation and interaction with city administration, state and regional commissions and authorities, neighborhoods and Aldermen and School Committee colleagues in one fashion together.

More recently, the Assembly Square planning and construction, together with the Orange Line Station construction, the emergence of the Green Line extension throughout the City, the plans for the new Somerville High School, the rezoning of Union Square and many other efforts have all been done or will be done only with our mutual cooperation sometimes after heated and protracted debates, discussions, and many neighborhood meetings.

Four of my Board of Alderman colleagues and I are leaving the board soon, but I submit we have left the bar set very high for those capable folks who follow.

It is my impression that much has been accomplished working together over the years, and our only agenda consisted of improving the quality of lives for all of us whether you were a Somerville lifer or new to the 'Ville community.

It has certainly been an honor and a distinct pleasure to have served the City of Somerville.

My best wishes to the Mayor and his administration for his soon to be next term, and also my best wishes for continued successes for the incoming Board of Alderman for 2018 and 2019.

I wish you all a happy and healthy holiday season!

Thank you,
Jack Connolly

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SOMERVILLE NEWS WEEKLY'S SOMERVILLE POLICE ARRESTS/CRIMES OF THE WEEK



Somerville Police Arrest Log / REAL LIFE POLICE STORIES!



SOMERVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT WEEKLY ARREST LOG 12/11 – 12/18

PAUL DENIS
(OUI LIQUOR)

On Saturday, December 16, 2017, I, Officer Paul Beckford, was on duty for the Somerville Police (E3). At approximately 3:34 AM, Officer Jose Ramirez (E2), and I were dispatched to 50 Tufts St. for a check condition of a motor vehicle parked in the middle of the road. Tufts Street is a two way street in the City of Somerville.

Upon arrival, we located a man sleeping behind the wheel of a motor vehicle. The owner and operator of this vehicle was a Mr. Paul Denis. I used the cruiser air horn to see if Mr. Denis would wake up, which this did not work. While looking through the driver's side window I could see that the vehicle is still in drive and his foot was still on the brake. I used the right side of my fist to bang on the driver's side window. After several attempt, Mr. Denis finally woke up. I ordered Mr. Denis to roll down his window, put the vehicle in park, and take the key out of the ignition. Mr. Denis appeared to be confused. After several attempts Mr. Denis was able to complete the task.

While speaking with Mr. Denis his eyes were red and glassy and I could smell a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from his person. I ordered Mr. Denis to step out of the vehicle. I asked Mr. Denis if he was feeling sick, and if he needed to go to the hospital. He stated "I'm not sick, I'm fine." I asked Mr. Denis where he lived, he stated

"Cambridge." I then asked Mr. Denis if he knew what city he was in. He replied "Cambridge, Somerville, Cambridge." I asked Mr. Denis where he was earlier. He stated "I was at a house party." I asked if they served alcohol at the house party and if so did you have a drink? He stated "Yes, they had liquor and I only had two drinks." Based on my training and experience it appeared that Mr. Denis was possibly under the influence of alcohol. I advised, Mr. Denis that I would like for him to perform a series of field sobriety tests. If he was unable to perform the test for medical reasons, he could let me know at any point. Mr. Denis agreed to take the test. He stated "I don't have any medical problems."

The first field sobriety test was the Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus (HGN). I instructed, and demonstrated on how to perform the HGN test. I informed him to let me know when he's ready to begin. During the HGN there was a lack of smooth pursuit, and sustained HGN at maximum deviation. I had to stop and demonstrate several times because he was using his head while following the tip of my pen, which was not what I instructed.

The second field sobriety test I instructed, and demonstrated was the walk and turn. Officers made sure that the test area was flat, and well-lit with the cruiser spot lights. During the test Mr. Denis was unsteady on his feet and was using his arms for balance. He fell off the line several times to catch his balance. Mr. Denis fell off the line at 5,6,7 and on the way back he fell off the line at 4,5,6. Mr. Denis did not maintain contact between his heel and his toe.

He failed to take short choppy steps while turning. He did not take 9 steps as instructed and demonstrated, he took 10 steps and on the way back he took 11 steps.

The third field sobriety test that I instructed, and demonstrated was the one leg stand. During the test Mr. Denis could not maintain his balance. He was using his arms and sudden hops on one leg in an attempt to maintain balance.

Mr. Denis was placed under arrest for OUI Liquor. The motor vehicle was towed by Pats. Mr. Denis was transported to the Somerville Police Station by Officer George Dervishian with our transport vehicle (200). Once at the station, he was booked in the usual manner by the overnight Commander Lieutenant Richard Lavey. After Mr. Denis was Mirandized, he informed Lt. Lavey that he was at a lounge in Chinatown and his last drink was at 1:30 AM. He also informed Lt. Lavey that his last meal was a slice of pizza sometime during the afternoon. While at the station Mr. Denis volunteered to take the breathalyzer, which was administered by Officer Dervishian. Mr. Denis results regarding breathalyzer was 0.11.

Respectfully submitted
Officer: Paul Beckford
Badge: 319

FELIPE LEAO
(DISTRIBUTE CLASS D)

The following is a brief sum-

mary pertaining to Incident #17075367:

On Thursday, December 14, 2017, I was working in the Somerville Police Drug Unit as Delta-18. At approximately 4:45 P.M., I was running routine surveillance around the Edward Leathers Park along with Detectives Costa, Legros, Goncalves, McNally, and Sgt. Detective Capasso. My attention was drawn to a gray Nissan Sentra parked illegally directly next to the park. Within a few minutes I observed the rear passenger step out of the vehicle and use their cell phone. As the male was on the phone, I identified him as XXXXX. XXXXX is known to me from previous complaints filed against him for various Marijuana possession offenses. After approximately twenty minutes, this gray Nissan began driving west on Medford Street with XXXXX seated in the rear driver's side. The vehicle traveled westbound as detectives followed directly behind it.

The gray Nissan drove directly onto Highland Avenue where it took a right onto College Avenue and parked illegally in front of the MBTA station with its hazards on. As the vehicle parked, I parked directly behind it and observed XXXXX exit the rear of the vehicle and immediately begin to use his phone. XXXXX walked to the front of JP Licks and got off his phone. As XXXXX was walking in a circle in front of JP Licks, Detective Costa was on foot observing XXXXX. Within a few seconds a male party, Felipe Leao, walked out of Boston Burger and met with XXXXX. I would note that Mr. Leao is well known

to members of the SPD Drug Unit from prior Marijuana distribution offenses. XXXXX and Mr. Leao walked over to a gray BMW parked alongside Holland Street. Detectives Legros and Costa stated that Mr. Leao got into the driver's side seat while XXXXX got into the passenger side seat. Within ten seconds both males exited the gray BMW. Mr. Leao went back into Boston Burger while XXXXX began walking back to the gray Nissan parked in front of me. At this time, in my training and experience, I believed a hand to hand drug transaction had just taken place between both males. At this time, I asked Detective Costa and McNally to stop Mr. Leao as I would be stopping XXXXX along with Detectives Legros and Goncalves as well as Officers Lorenti and Clark. As I stopped XXXXX, I asked where he had been coming from to which he stated, "Nowhere." I then informed XXXXX that I had been following him. XXXXX stated that he had just met with Mr. Leao. At this time, I read XXXXX his rights pursuant to Miranda from a card I keep in my wallet. XXXXX stated he understood. XXXXX stated he had met with Mr. Leao and purchased a "dub" from him. XXXXX stated he paid ten dollars for the Marijuana and it was in his right pocket. XXXXX then went into his right pocket and retrieved a white piece of paper which was wrapped around a green leafy substance I believed to be Marijuana.

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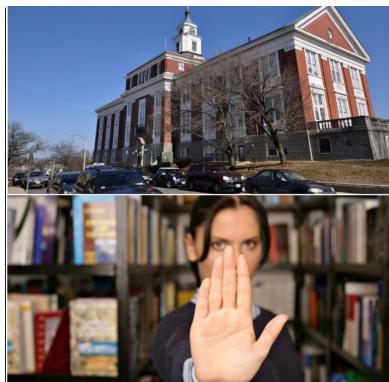


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LETTER TO THE EDITOR: SEXUAL HARASSMENT SPEAK-UP BUSTERS OF SOMERVILLE



Dear Billy T and Somerville News Weekly Speakup Line,

Our local as well as municipal employers here in this very city should hold sexual harassers accountable!

Could you please do an investigative series on sexual harassment stories from victims working for the city? You should!

Maybe this letter to the editor will encourage other victims in Somerville to break their silence and "Speakup!"

"There is not a woman I know," Driver said, "myself included, who has not experienced verbal abuse and sexual epithets their whole fucking life, right up to being manhandled and having my career threatened several times by men I wouldn't sleep with."

Here's my take on sexual harassment —

As someone who encountered

it at the workplace, I'd say it's one of the most difficult problems to face especially by men in powerful positions.

Again, this is where employers fail because their first consideration is protecting the men in power not the woman who support them or work in the same office. In most cases, the women are wrongfully terminated (they will make up lies to get rid of employees who won't go along), and faced to pay thousands to pursue legal action if they decide to take that route, but most don't have \$100k+ to spend on their case and why these men will target vulnerable, single women.

Generally, there is a reason why they are targeted and it has nothing to do with sex- it's all about power and control. If the woman poses a threat, does not go along with the politics or wrong doing, it's only a matter of time she is discredited out of her job and labeled.

I've seen this happen too many times to women. In most cases, they are forced out due to other powers at play, internal conflicts with managers or women sociopaths in power who are envious.

The completion at the workplace can get fierce when bosses pit employees with one another. The media does not report much of what goes on

or how it starts from the beginning. What can seem like an innocent friendship at work can become a nightmare of one person unable to handle rejection and the innocent worker who tries to escape them.

Women in power are also to blame for sexual harassment in the workplace. But most men are unwilling to come forward with their stories because society expects men to deal with it on their own.

I was later told that a woman in power was forcing male employees to visit her at her home when her husband was out of town. This is how some bosses control their employees. I was told by a guy at work who refused the invitation. Turns out the person who harassed me was boss of the female harassing male workers.

In this case, she got the boot but many years later. As did the woman I supported who was siding with the male harasser(while using services of female harasser), I was dealing with— all were trying desperately to save their jobs and using employees in anyway they could to supply information. If you didn't go along, you would get a poor performance review then threatened with "job elimination".

If these jobs are high profile and political— it's a hard climb

so be prepared to deal with the destruction, fallout and consequences.

When you are dealing with an employer who provides your income, it is very difficult to ignore this problem because you find yourself pretending that it doesn't bother you. Then you have to deal with the office whores (men and women, but mostly women), who will resent you and consider it wanted attention when it is not.

The only recourse is to get out. Lastly, there is a big difference in leading someone on and telling them to F off. Even when you tell them to F off they won't go away, sometimes it makes the predator worse. They turn it into a sick game. I do understand why women may try to go along. They are trying to save their jobs — also those who get caught up and hoping if they go along it will stop.

Once you are placed into that situation- it does not matter. Nothing will ever be the same again. Even if you tell them you are involved with someone else, it won't matter. The woman's reputation will always cost more. This man has been getting away with it for years. He's feared due to his position and his connections.

The other issue is when people

lie for revenge. I don't doubt this happens and those who put innocent people through this hell, I'd say some form of punishment needs to be enforced just as upon the sexual harasser.

On some level, I'm also wondering about this becoming an out of control witch hunt to stir up more lawsuits for lawyers and remove targeted employees who refuse to participate in these cesspools.

I assure you, if the victims were allowed to share their stories without the backlash, the public would be shocked at who the sexual harassers are and where these incidents take place.

There's also go to be an underlying mental illness in most cases of these bullies. Most likely they were abused as children and dealing with deep rooted insecurity issues and refection. The two I knew, people pretended to like them because otherwise they would get targeted. I rejected both (man and two women), but in the end, I still became unemployed. All I can hope for is karma.... mom always said, "you reap what you sow".

Sincerely,

Not you average Jane Doe of Somerville/Out for Justice

SOMERVILLE KIWANIS HOST ANNUAL 2017 HOLIDAY TRI-MEETING TOYS FOR



By William Tauro

Somerville-This past Thursday afternoon Somerville Kiwanis Club President Paul Upton and Kiwanis Club members, joined by the Somerville Lions Club President Billy Tauro with Lions Club members and the

Somerville Rotary Club President Ann Kirby with her club's members held their Annual Holiday Tri-Meeting Toys for Tots Luncheon.

Forty members from the three local community service clubs gathered together, bringing toys that members had collected or donated for the United States Marine Corps Toys for Tots program.

The Somerville High School Chorus joined the event to provide holiday music, which is one of the club's highlights of

the year.

Last year, this program provided toys to 88,000 deserving children in our region according to Marine Corps Corporal Sosa, and they hope to help even more children this year.

After the buffet lunch, members helped to load the Marine Corps van with so many toys that they had to return for a second trip.

Somerville Kiwanis Annual Toys for Tots campaign would not be successful without the

generosity and support of the members of the Kiwanis, Rotary and Lions Clubs and their customers and friends, said Kiwanis President Paul Upton.



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THE SOMERVILLE NEWS WEEKLY'S SPECIAL PERSON OF THE WEEK

Alderman-At-Large Dennis Sullivan and his lovely wife Melissa Hurley



By William Tauro

Meet this week's "Special Persons of the Week": Alderman-At-Large Dennis Sullivan and his lovely wife Melissa Hurley

Alderman-At-Large Dennis Sullivan and his lovely wife Melissa Hurley, one of the nicest couples that you can ever meet here in the Ville!

The Sullivan's are always there to help out and support many good causes here in the Ville and Somerville is very lucky to have this family in our fine city!

The Sullivans are both fantastic people with a great personalities and they really care about Somerville. We thank them for all their dedicated years in public office serving the people of Somerville!

We here at the Somerville News Weekly salute you both for everything that you do to make Somerville a better place.

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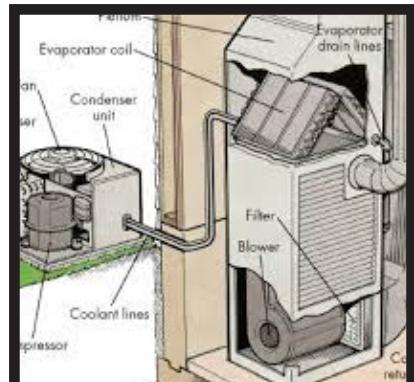


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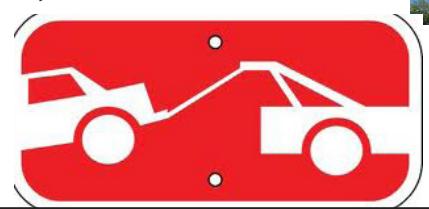
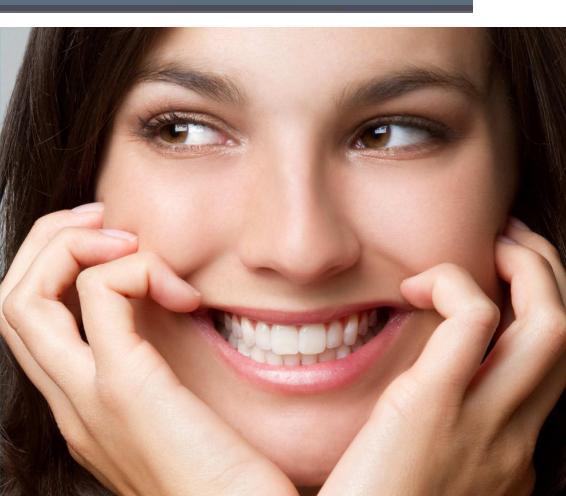
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SOMERVILLE POLICE HOLIDAY SHOPPING TIPS

This month marks the beginning of the annual holiday gift buying season. Each year, more and more shoppers are using online or catalog services to order gifts to be delivered to their homes. Unfortunately, this is also the season when the theft of delivered packages increases across the nation and Somerville is no exception.

Credit card fraud is also on the rise this year. Everyone should always be vigilant when it comes to shopping this year. On average during the holiday months (11/1 – 1/31) the Somerville Police Dept. sees an average of approximately 9 package thefts reported compared to the non-holiday months (2/1-10/31) when this number is approximately 4.

The goal this year is to reduce this type of theft from happening at all. Always keep your financial information private. The fewer burglars know about you, the more you'll enjoy your holiday shopping this season. #holidayshoppers #shopsafe #SomervilleMA

SOMERVILLE NAMED GOLD LEVEL BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY BY THE LEAGUE OF AMERICAN BICYCLISTS

City now one of two communities in Massachusetts to earn the Gold Level award. Designation is the result of a surge in construction and utilization of bicycle infrastructure, expansion of the Neighborways Program, and more efforts.

SOMERVILLE – The League of American Bicyclists last week recognized the City of Somerville with a Gold Level Bicycle Friendly Community (BFC) award, advancing from the City's previous Silver Level distinction. Somerville joins its neighbor Cambridge as one of only two communities in Massachusetts to earn the Gold Level award. There are 29 Gold Level Bicycle Friendly Communities across the country.

"Over the past four years, Somerville has continued to pedal closer to becoming a pre-

miere bicycle community and the Gold Level award recognizes that," said Mayor Joseph A. Curtatone. "With the recent construction of protected bicycle lanes in Union Square and the upcoming completion of the cycle track on Beacon Street, as well as the expansion of the Neighborways program, residents and visitors of varying ages and abilities are seeing cycling more and more as a safe way to get around the city. But we do have more to do. In addition to expanding our bicycle program education efforts, we will continue to strive to expand our low-stress bicycling network and make it possible to travel throughout the city on safe and continuous bikeways."

The Bicycle Friendly Community program is revolutionizing the way communities evaluate their quality of life, sustainability, and transportation networks, while allowing them to benchmark their progress toward improving their bicycle-friendliness. With this round, there are now over 400 BFCs in all 50 states. The Gold Level BFC award recognizes Somerville's commitment to improving conditions for bicycling through investment in bicycling promotion, education programs, infrastructure, and pro-bicycling policies.

"We applaud these communities for making bicycling a safe and convenient option for transportation and recreation.

" said Bill Nesper, Executive Director at the League of American Bicyclists. "We are encouraged by the growing number of leaders who see bicycling as a way to build more vibrant, healthy, sustainable and connected communities and be a part of the solution to many complex challenges faced at both the community and national levels. We look forward to continuing to work with these communities as we move closer to our mission of creating a Bicycle Friendly America for everyone."

The BFC program provides a roadmap to building a Bicycle Friendly Community, and the application itself has become a rigorous and an educational tool. Since its inception, more than 800 distinct communities have applied and the five levels of the award – Diamond, Platinum, Gold, Silver, and Bronze – provide a clear incentive for communities to continuously improve.

As of Fall 2017, 430 communities are Bronze, Silver, Gold, or Platinum Level Bicycle Friendly Communities. See the full list at www.bikeleague.org/community.

About the Bicycle Friendly AmericaSM Program

The Bicycle Friendly CommunitySM, Bicycle Friendly StateSM, Bicycle Friendly Business and Bicycle Friendly UniversitySM programs are generously supported by program partner Eco-Counter and by League Members. To learn more about building a Bicycle Friendly America, visit www.bikeleague.org/BFA. The League of American Bicyclists is leading the movement to create a Bicycle Friendly America for everyone. As leaders, our commitment is to listen and learn, define standards and share best practices to engage diverse communities and build a powerful, unified voice for change.



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By Bob Katzen

THE HOUSE AND SENATE. There were no roll call votes in the House or Senate last week. This week, Beacon Hill Roll Call reports local representatives' roll call attendance records for the 2017 session through December 15.

The House has held 305 in 2017. We tabulate the number of roll calls on which each representative was present and voting and then calculate that number as a percentage of the total roll call votes held. That percentage is the number referred to as the roll call attendance record.

Several quorum roll calls, used to gather a majority of members onto the House floor to conduct business, are also included in the 305 roll calls. On quorum roll calls, members simply vote "present" in order to indicate their presence in the chamber. When a representative does not indicate his or her presence on a quorum roll call, we count that as a roll call absence just like any other roll call absence.

Only 65 (41 percent) of the House's 160 members have 100 percent roll call attendance records.

The representative who missed the most roll calls is Rep. James Arciero (D-Westford) who missed 74, (75.7 percent attendance).

Also included in the top five worst records are Reps. Angelo Puppolo (D-Springfield) who missed 70, (77.0 percent attendance); Aaron Michlewitz (D-Boston) who missed 69, (77.4 percent attendance); Alice Peisch (D-Wellesley) who missed 68, (77.7 percent attendance); and Brian Ashe (D-Langmeadow) who missed 66, (78.4 percent attendance).

Beacon Hill Roll Call requested a statement from those five representatives. Here are their responses.

Rep. James Arciero: Jeff Tucker from Arciero's office responded, "The representative's mother had terminal lung cancer and he spent some time with her at the end of her life. She lived in North Carolina, so [he] missed these roll calls."

Rep. Angelo Puppolo: He did not respond to repeated requests for a statement.

Rep. Aaron Michlewitz: "The reason I missed those roll calls was it was the week I was on my honeymoon in Europe."

Rep. Alice Peisch: "I was unexpectedly hospitalized from September 18th to 28th during which time I had abdominal surgery. On September 27th, while I was in the hospital recovering from the surgery, the House voted on about 60 veto overrides. That was the only day that I was not present for a formal session this year. Had I been able to attend that day, my voting percentage this session would be in line with my high percentage in past sessions. I take my job as State Representative for the 14th Norfolk District very seriously and do not lightly miss votes, as is evidenced by the fact that I was present for all roll call votes on October 4th, less than a week after I was discharged from the hospital and still recuperating."

Rep. Brian Ashe: "Unfortunately the votes that I missed were all on one day. I was at a National Conference of State Legislatures working on cybersecurity issues facing the commonwealth and the entire country. I had committed to the conference months in advance and it was too late to cancel by the time I found out that we would be in session. I was disappointed that I had to miss any votes as I had only missed one formal session in the past nine years."

REPRESENTATIVES' 2017 ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE RECORD THROUGH DECEMBER 15

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

calls that the representative missed.

Rep. Christine Barber	100 percent
(0) Rep. Mike Connolly	100 percent
(0) Rep. Denise Provost	78.6 percent
(65)	

ALSO UP ON BEACON HILL

ATTLEBORO'S REP. PAUL HEROIX VIOLATES SEVERAL CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAWS – The Office of Campaign and Political Finance (OCPF) entered into an agreement with Rep. Paul Heroux of Attleboro to resolve issues concerning non-disclosure of campaign contributions, accepting prohibited contributions, poor recordkeeping and personal use of campaign funds in 2015 and 2016. Heroux was elected mayor of Attleboro in November and will resign his House seat when he begins his term as mayor. As part of the agreement, OCPF agreed not to refer Heroux or his committee to any other law enforcement agency, including the Office of the Attorney General, for the violations.

OCPF's review of Heroux's campaign finance reports found that Heroux did not keep adequate records of the bank records and campaign finance reports. Violations include failure to disclose \$2,737 in contributions; failure to disclose \$3,766 in expenditures, \$1,725 of which were transfers to Heroux's personal bank account; accepting \$235 in prohibited business contributions; a 2016 year-end report disclosing an ending balance of \$16,808 while the actual bank balance was \$13,780; and expenditures totaling approximately \$900, in which campaign funds were used for personal expenditures, and subsequent transfers were made from Heroux's personal account to the committee's account to reimburse the campaign. OCPF found that some of the personal use expenditures occurred at a time when Heroux's personal bank balance was minimal.

To resolve these matters, Heroux agreed to pay a civil disposition totaling \$2,500. He has made a personal payment of \$1,435 to the state's General Fund and has repaid his committee \$1,065 for the personal use of campaign funds.

As part of the agreement, Heroux and his campaign committee agreed to an enhanced reporting schedule for 2018 and 2019 — two additional paper reports in 2018, and two additional paper reports in 2019. Paper reports are filed in addition to the regular reports that are e-filed. Heroux and his committee also agreed to provide OCPF with copies of its bank statements, expenditure checks, deposit tickets and contributor checks with each report through 2019; to cease making transfers between the committee's bank account and Heroux's personal bank account; to cease making personal expenditures from the committee account; and for Heroux and his committee treasurer to attend an OCPF educational seminar no later than February 28, 2018.

Here is Heroux's response, taken directly from the agreement:

"I'm very pleased to have worked with OCPF to resolve a discrepancy in my campaign account. When I noticed there was a difference between my bank account and my campaign account, I tried to reconcile the difference on my own. When it became clear to me that I could not find out what happened I requested an audit from OCPF, readily providing them with access to my campaign account and my personal checking account. I had nothing to hide."

It turns out that mistakes were made on my campaign account, which I am ultimately responsible for. The first mistake involves the manner in which I purchased work related items with my personal debit card and was intentionally reimbursing myself from my campaign account at a later date, which I did. However, I reimbursed myself using a wire transfer, but I later learned this is not permitted. It is technically a commingling of accounts.

Over the last 5 1/2 years I loaned my campaign account thousands of dollars. There were times when I would need to reimburse myself with the intention of redepositing money into my account in order to maintain a healthy balance.

However, as it turns out, because of some inconsistent reporting between me and campaign volunteers, I thought I had a balance, or I should say campaign liabilities, that I was able to reimburse myself for. I withdrew funds and later

redepositing them. Put another way, my thinking was that I had still had a balance of loaned campaign funds, when in fact I did not. The consequence of this was that I was borrowing from my campaign account, which was unintentional, but not permitted nonetheless.

There was an easy way to avoid all these errors and that is if I was in the depository system that other elected officials are in. I'm glad to have worked with OCPF. Mistakes were made with my campaign account, which I am responsible for. I don't expect to make these mistakes again in the future."

COUNTERFEIT AIRBAGS (H 4015) – The House gave initial approval to legislation that would impose a 2.5-year prison sentence and/or up to \$5,000 fine on anyone who imports or sells counterfeit airbags in Massachusetts. Over the past few years, thousands of counterfeit airbags have made their way into the Bay State through purchases and sales on the Internet.

"I filed this bill to protect Massachusetts drivers from being injured and killed when counterfeit airbags fail to deploy properly," said Rep. Jennifer Benson (D-Lunenburg).

THE REGISTRY MAKES DRIVER'S LICENSE RENEWAL EASIER – The Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles (RMV) has extended the length of time a driver's photo is valid on his or her license from nine years to 14 years. Bay State driver's licenses are valid for five years. That means customers can now renew their license online three times (once every five years) before they must go to a Registry office to have a new picture taken. Under the prior 9-year system, drivers could renew their license online only twice before being required to have a new photo taken.

"Studies have repeatedly shown that a variety of toxic chemicals we come in contact with every day are linked to chronic diseases and disorders," said Sen. Cindy Friedman (D-Arlington). "This bill would aid in protecting the health of our children by requiring certain manufacturers to disclose the toxic chemicals in their products. It's time we made serious efforts to reduce the use of toxic chemicals in children's products by urging manufacturers to use safer alternatives."

QUOTABLE QUOTES

"The freest economies operate with comparatively less government interference, relying more on personal choice and markets to decide what's produced, how it's produced and how much is produced. As government imposes restrictions on these choices, there's less economic freedom and less opportunity for prosperity."

Fred McMahon, co-author of the "Economic Freedom of North America Report," published by Boston's Pioneer Institute and Canada's Fraser Institute, that ranked Massachusetts 13th "in economic freedom out of the 50 states."

"The Soldiers' Home in Holyoke is responsible for providing our brave men and women with a safe and secure home and care befitting the sacrifices they have made for us. I'm pleased that the home has indicated its commitment to implementing our recommendations."

State Auditor Suzanne Bump on her audit of the home and her recommended improvements to several things including the system of documentation of inspections of safety equipment, dormitories, and care areas after the home could not provide evidence that these inspections occurred as required. The home indicated in the audit report that it is working with the appropriate authorities to implement proper electronic tracking and monitoring of inspections.

"Companies cannot use deceptive practices to increase their profits, while compromising the safety and well-being of patients. With this settlement, we are bringing more than \$2 million back to Massachusetts after uncovering this unlawful conduct."

Attorney General Maura Healey announcing that Massachusetts will receive \$2.4 million from a medical device company in a multistate settlement resolving allegations that the company unlawfully promoted a device used in certain surgical procedures.

"Bitcoin is just the latest in a history of speculative bubbles that most often burst, leaving the average investors with a worthless product ... Chasing the next best thing will, more often than not, end in disaster for the average investor."

Secretary of State Bill Galvin on the digital currency Bitcoin.

"Massachusetts can be a leader again in fighting tobacco by increasing funding for tobacco prevention and cessation programs and raising the tobacco age to 21. As Massachusetts itself has shown, we can win the fight against tobacco and make the next generation tobacco-free, but Massachusetts needs to keep doing its part to help us achieve these goals. Raising the state's tobacco age to 21 would be an excellent step forward."

Matthew Myers, President of the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids, on a new report that ranked Massachusetts ranked protecting kids from tobacco, as measured by funding for anti-smoking programs.

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.

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During the week of December 11-15, the House met for a total of 55 minutes while the Senate met for a total of 49 minutes.

Mon. December 11 House 11:00 a.m. to 11:33 a.m.
Senate 11:06 a.m. to 11:27 a.m.

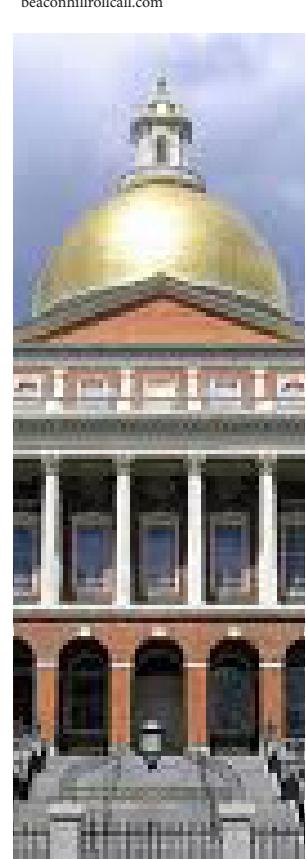
Tues. December 12 No House session
No Senate session

Wed. December 13 No House session
No Senate session

Thurs. December 14 House 11:01 a.m. to 11:23 a.m.
Senate 11:10 a.m. to 11:38 a.m.

Fri. December 15 No House session
No Senate session

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Investigators Urge Anyone with Information to Come Forward

SOMERVILLE – Middlesex District Attorney Marian

Ryan and Somerville Chief of Police David Fallon have announced that Joshua Bohrer, 37, of Somerville, was indicted yesterday by a Middlesex Superior Court Grand Jury on two counts of rape in connection with alleged sexual assaults of two female customers of his massage business, Karma Body Work, in Somerville. The defendant was previously directly indicted on January 31, 2017 and arraigned on two counts of rape and one count of indecent assault and battery on March 9, 2017 in connection with two alleged sexual assaults of two different female customers.

All four victims were first-time clients of the defendant who

reported that in the course of their massages the defendant inappropriately touched them.

Between May and August of 2016, the Somerville Police Department received two complaints from two different women who alleged that they had been sexually assaulted by the defendant during their massages. Somerville Police and the Middlesex District Attorney's Office investigated these incidents resulting in the defendant being directly indicted. At his arraignment on March 9, the defendant was released on personal recognizance on the condition that he not have any female massage clients.

On November 6, 2017, a third female reported to Somerville Police that she had allegedly been sexually assaulted by the defendant on October 31, 2017. The defendant was subsequently arrested on November 7 and has been held without bail. On December 8, a fourth woman informed authorities that she had allegedly been inappropriately touched during her massage by the defendant on September 29, 2017.

Anyone with information or who would like to come forward is encouraged to contact the Family Services Unit of the Somerville Police Department at (617) 625-1600 ext 7237

These charges are allegations and the defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty.

The prosecutor assigned to this case is Assistant District Attorney Kate Kleimola. The Victim Witness Advocate is Joseph Bernstein.



SOMERVILLE REMEMBERING FORMER SOMERVILLE POLICE CHIEF ARTHUR PINO



PINO, Arthur J., Sr. – 81, Retired Officer, Somerville Police Dept., Of Somerville, December 8, 2017 surrounded by his loving family.

Beloved husband of Maureen E. (McCoy). Dear son of the late John & Domenica Pino. Devoted father of Mary Beth Pino-Fee and her husband Joseph of Medford, Arthur J. Pino, Jr. and his wife Sharon of Methuen, Thomas B. Pino and his wife Julie of Melrose, William J. Pino and his wife Noelle of Somerville. Loving brother of Susan Carleton of Barnstable, Salvatore J. Pino of Somerville and the late Anthony, John, Sadie, Mary, Josephine, Joseph,

Rudolph, Frank, and Samuel. Brother in-law of Marlene Pino of Somerville. Dear Papa of Michael, Gianna, Vanessa, John, Francis, Thomas, Jason, Vincent, Robert, Isabella, and Ava. Brother in law of Alice Holloran and her late husband Joseph, Peter and Lucille McCoy, Cathy and Frank Mainero, William and Jeanette McCoy, Susan and Michael Coveney and the late Nancy and John Christopher.

Also survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral procession was from the George L. Doherty Funeral Home this past Monday morning at 9:30 am followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Joseph Church, Medford at 10:30 am.

Relatives and friends were invited. Calling Hours Sunday 2-6 pm. Interment, Puritan Lawn Cemetery, Peabody. If you wish

donations may be made in Arthur's memory to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. For more information please visit dohertyfuneralservice.com. George L. Doherty Funeral Service Somerville, MA

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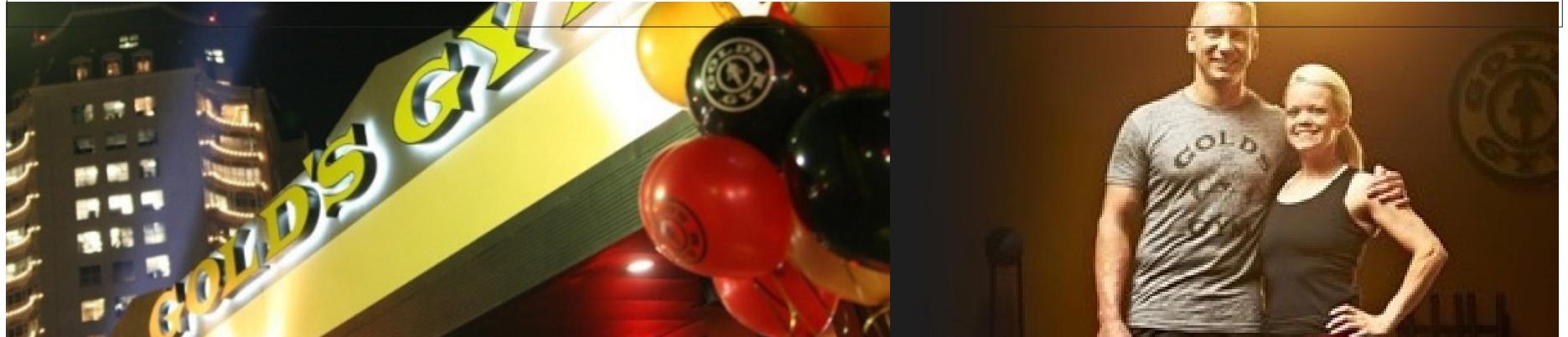
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Silver Alert Program – The Somerville Council on Aging with the Somerville Police Department have implemented a program to take a proactive approach towards protecting some of Somerville's most vulnerable citizens who suffer with serious cognitive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

Free Groceries Every Month? You may be eligible for the Commodity Supplemental Food Program! CSFP is a once a month food distribution for individuals 60 years of age or older. You may be eligible to receive two free bags of food once a month containing healthy shelf stable products. Proof of identity and age are all that is required to apply. Must apply beforehand. Pick up at the Ralph & Jenny Center, 9 New Washington Street on the 4th Thursday of every month unless otherwise specified. 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. Pick up for December 21st will be at 167 Holland Street, 8:30am-10:30am

Conversations of the Heart – Mondays (see dates below) from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at our Holland Street Center. When you experience a loss; whether it is a loved one, a place of employment or even a change in your life, don't process these feelings alone; come join our group where we process difficult emotions together in a safe and welcoming environment. For more information or questions please contact Natasha at 617-625-6600, ext. 2317. Refreshments will be served. Future dates: December 11th.

Friendly Caller Program

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Winds for All – Tuesday mornings – 10:00 a.m. at our Holland Street Center. \$10 per class – A music immersion class for those who have never played a woodwind instrument. To reserve your spot or for additional information

please call Debby Higgins at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321.

Holiday Party & Bingo – Thursday, December 19th is SOLD OUT. Call Kim at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300 to put your name on the waiting list should there be an opening at the Holland Street Center.

Holiday Fun Day – Friday, December 22nd from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at our Holland Street Center. Come in and join us for some Holiday fun. Wear your favorite pajamas or ugly sweater. If you would like to participate in a gift swap bring a \$5 gift. For additional information, questions or to reserve your spot please contact Kim by calling 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Arts & Crafts – Starting Thursday, January 11th and meeting the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Cross Street Center. Join us in a relaxing atmosphere as we learn, share and teach each other various crafts. Because we want to make sure we have enough material for everyone please call a week in advance if you are planning on attending. For additional information, questions or to reserve your spot please contact Maureen by calling 617-625-6600, ext. 2335.

Amateur Classical Guitarist, Dan Shugrue – Tuesday, January 16th at our Holland Street Center from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. RSVP by calling 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Bring a Friend Monday – Monday, January 29th starting at 10:00 a.m. at our Cross Street Center. Join us and make new friends, have some great conversations and learn what the SCOAs has to offer. Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. For additional information, questions or to reserve your spot please contact Maureen by calling 617-625-6600, ext. 2335.

Atlantic City – Wednesday, January 31st to Friday, February 2nd – \$189 per person double or \$259 per person single – Includes: motorcoach transportation, 2 nights lodging, \$25 slot dollars, 2-\$30 meal credit and 2 casino show tickets. For additional information please contact Connie or Kim at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Powers Music School Neighborhood Concert Series – Thursday, February 1st starting at 10:30 a.m. at our Holland Street Center. If you require additional information please contact Debby Higgins at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321 or email dhiggins@somervillema.gov

Blood Pressure Screening – Cross Street Center located at 165 Broadway. Scheduled for the 2nd Thursday of each month: January 11th, February 8th, March 8th, April 12th, May 10th and June 14th. If you require additional information please contact Debby Higgins at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321 or email dhiggins@somervillema.gov

Blood Pressure Screening – Holland Street Center located at 167 Holland Street. Scheduled for the 1st Thursday of each month: January 4th, February 1st, March 1st, April 5th, May 3rd and June 7th. If you require additional information please contact Debby Higgins at 617-625-6600, ext. 2321 or email dhiggins@somervillema.gov

Blood Pressure Screening – Ralph & Jenny Center located at 1 New Washington Street. Scheduled for the 3rd Thursday of each month: January 18th, February 15th, March 15, April 19th, May 17th and June 21st.

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

LGBTQ EVENTS

LBT Women Fit-4-Life – Fitness Class is Thursday evenings starting at 6:00 P.M. \$10 a month fee – scholarships available & it just might be covered under your insurance. We have avail-

able slots and would love to have you. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact our Health & Wellness Coordinator, Chris Kowaleski at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2315.

WEEKLY EXERCISE CLASS SCHEDULE

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

WEEKLY EXERCISE AND NUTRITION CLASS SCHEDULE

(PLEASE CUT OUT AND SAVE)

Monday: Keep Moving Walking Club** – 9:15 a.m. (H) / Tai Chi – 11:00 a.m. (H) / Fit-4-Life Group C – 1:00 p.m. (H)

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

Wednesdays: Fit-4-Life – Group A (exercise) – 8:45 a.m. / Group B (nutrition) – 9 a.m./ Group C (exercise) – 10:00 a.m. (H) / Group C (nutrition) – noon (H) / Group C (exercise) – 1:00 p.m. (H) / Zumba 4 All – 5:15 p.m. – \$3/class (H)

Thursdays: Yoga – 9:00 a.m. (H) / Strengthening – 9:30 a.m. – \$3 per class (RJ) / Fit-4-Life – 11:15 a.m. (C) / LBT Fit-4-Life, 6:00 p.m. (H)

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

Adventure Group – Please call for details

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

** Keep Moving Walking Club is on hiatus until the Spring

HOLLAND STREET GROUP INFORMATION

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

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

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

Current Events Group – Meets every Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Our Social Worker, Natasha Naim, facilitates this group. Join a group of your peers to discuss current events. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Natasha at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2317.

De-cluttering support group: – If you have concerns around your clutter, this group may be for you. This closed group meets both in spring and fall for 6-8 weeks. This group is co-facilitated by Natasha Naim and Marina Colonas. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Maureen at 617-625-6600, ext. 2335.

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Gardening Club – Meets the second Monday of each month starting at 9:00 a.m. and running for an hour most times. Principal Master Gardener, Vilma Sullivan, facilitates this group. A different topic each month ranging from gardening tips & secrets to inexpensive "greenhouses." If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300. This group does not meet in January and February.

Golden Gals: a.k.a. Women's Group – Meets the last Tuesday of the month from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Social Worker, Ashley Speliotis, facilitates this group. A fun, safe, social group to discuss women's issues and growing older. October 31st, November 28th and December 26th – For more information, please call Ashley at 617-625-6600 ext. 2318.

Low Vision Support Group – Meets the second Tuesday of each month from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Our Social Worker, Ashley Speliotis, facilitates this group. Do you know someone who has trouble seeing? Do you have low vision? Join our Low Vision Support Group for educational and informative information and peer support in a confidential environment. Lunch and transportation may be available on request. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Ashley at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2318.

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

Moonlighters (Senior Chorus) – Meets every Monday from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Holland Street Center. The Moonlighters are facilitated by Jimmy DelPonta and runs September through June. For more information please call 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

Senior Housing 101 – Meets the last Tuesday of every month from 10:00 to 11:30 A.M. Social Worker, Natasha Naim will be facilitating this group. Participants can learn about the range of options that older adults have when thinking about where to live. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Natasha at 617-625-6600 Ext. 2317.

Veterans Group – Meets the third Monday of each month from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Our volunteer, Norbert DeAmato, facilitates this group. Are you a veteran? The Veterans Group is the perfect opportunity to socialize, have solidarity, to reminisce and to meet other veterans. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call 617-625-6600 Ext. 2300.

CROSS STREET GROUP INFORMATION

English Conversation – Meets every Tuesday & Thursday beginning at 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Maureen Bastardi, Program Coordinator and Sandy Francis, Cross Street Center Volunteer, work together to facilitate this group. No books, no tests, no stress – just a great group of older adults from all over the world who help each other to listen, speak and learn English. Continue conversation throughout a healthy lunch.

If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Maureen at 617-625-6600, ext. 2335.

Arts & Crafts – Meets the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month starting January 11th – from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Join us in a relaxing atmosphere as we learn about a wide range of arts & crafts from weaving to watercolor pencils. Maureen Bastardi, Program Coordinator facilitates this group. Must call a week in advance if you plan on attending. This is necessary to ensure we have enough material for everyone. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Maureen at 617-625-6600, ext. 2335.

Social Service Drop In – The 3rd Thursday of every month Social Workers, Ashley Speliotis and Natasha Naim will be taking turns and having a Drop-in Social Service hour from 11:00 a.m. to noon at the Cross Street Center. They will be available to address any of your Social Service needs. Stop by or if you need additional information please call Maureen at 617-625-6600, ext. 2335

RALPH & JENNY GROUP INFORMATION

Knitting Blankets – Every Tuesday & Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Join us as we knit blankets for babies. If you are interested in joining, have any questions or require additional information please call Judy at 617-625-6600, ext. 2300.

CENTER LOCATIONS, TIMES & SCHEDULES

Holland Street Senior Center: located at 167 Holland Street
(between Davis Square and Teele Square)

Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Fridays: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
617-625-6600, Ext. 2300

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

Mondays & Tuesdays – 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Thursdays – 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
617-625-6600, Ext. 2335

Fax: 617-625-1414

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

Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
617- 666-5223

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

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Thursday: 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
617-625-6600, Ext. 2300

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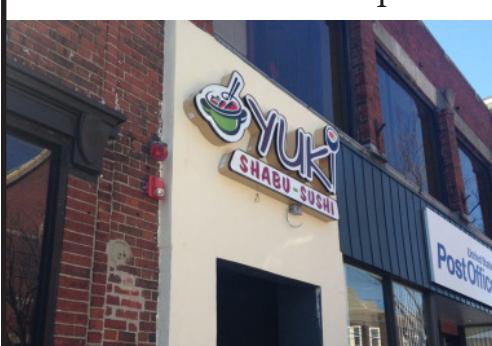
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Inquiries can be referred to School Safety Officer Sean Sylvester @ 617 625 1600 X7248 or by email: ssylvester@police.somerville.ma.us

Attention: Somerville PD/City of Somerville is looking to hire school crossing guards to provide essential public safety for students crossing intersections along routes to school. If you or someone you know is interested. Applications are available and must be submitted to City Hall Personnel Office at 93 Highland Ave. #SomervilleMA If you have additional questions, contact School Safety Officer Sean Sylvester. Check out details below. #BacktoSchool #Winter2017 #Schoolsafety

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The Somerville News Weekly SOMERVILLE'S OUR REVOLUTION SPONSORS BREAKFAST WITH LOCAL UNION MEMBERS



By William Tauro

This past Saturday morning, a political breakfast sponsored by Somerville's "Our Revolution" was held at the Mount Vernon Restaurant for local Somerville union members.

The event was well attended with many local union members and elected officials breaking bread together.

Our Revolution's Mission:

Our Revolution will reclaim democracy for the working people of our country by harnessing the transformative energy of the "political revolution." Through supporting a new generation of progressive leaders, empowering millions to fight for progressive change and elevating the political consciousness, Our Revolution will transform American politics to make our political and economic systems once again responsive to the needs of working families.

Our Revolution has three intertwined goals: to revitalize American democracy, empower progressive leaders and elevate the political consciousness.

Revitalize American Democracy

Our Revolution will revitalize American democracy by unifying the millions of people who got involved over the course of U.S. Senator Bernie Sanders' presidential campaign in support of progressive causes. Our Revolution will give the people a major voice in the political system by activating supporters and engaging millions more Americans in the political process.

Empower Progressive Leaders

Our Revolution will empower the next generation of progressive leaders by inspiring and recruiting progressive candidates to run for offices across the entire spectrum of government. From school boards to congressional seats, a new generation of political leaders, dedicated to transforming America's corrupt campaign finance system and rigged economy, will become involved. Our Revolution will provide leaders inspired by the "political revolution" with the unparalleled digital tools, organizing knowledge and grassroots support successfully utilized throughout Senator Sanders' campaign.

REAL LIFE SOMERVILLE POLICE STORIES

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I next spoke with XXXXX in the back of a Cataldo Ambulance, where she was waiting to be transported. XXXXX stated that she was waiting in line to pay for items when she observed Kafia at the customer service desk. She noticed that Kafia was video recording her by cell phone and told her to stop. Kafia replied that she could record whoever she wanted. Kafia then aggressively approached the two women and attacked XXXXX, while YYYYYY was in between trying to defend XXXXX. XXXXX stated that Kafia punched her in the head and stomach; and also scratched her face. XXXXX was transported to Massachusetts General Hospital to be evaluated.

I then spoke to two employees who witnessed the fight. I interviewed each witness separately. I first spoke with ZZZZZZ, who stated that he heard screaming and came running to see what was going on. He then stated that he observed Kafia yelling and punching XXXXX, with YYYYYY between the two parties trying to defend XXXXX. ZZZZZZ and another employee were able to break up the fight, and call 911. ZZZZZZ stated that it seemed as if Kafia was the primary aggressor. Next, I spoke with AAAAAA, another employee, who stated a similar story. She stated that after the fight had been broken up, Kafia remained "belligerently out of control."

Based on the above facts I placed Kafia under arrest for aggravated assault and battery, and handcuffed her. Kafia complied and was taken into custody without incident. She was transported to the station by Unit 200 Officer Haley and processed by Lieutenant Rymill. Kafia is being charged with:

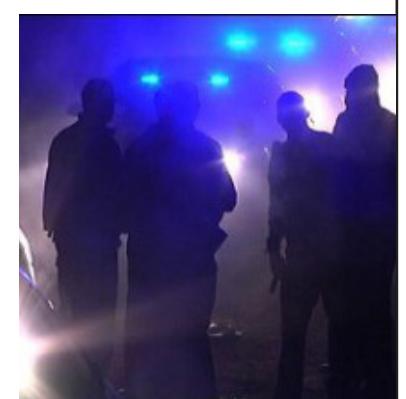
M.G.L Aggravated Assault and Battery (Pregnant Women).

Respectfully submitted,

Officer Eli Kim

Badge #307

Somerville Police Department





COBBLE HILL ELDERS ENJOY BREAKFAST WITH SANTA AT SOMERVILLE HOLIDAY INN

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"They are always doing something nice for us" remarked one elder, as earlier this year they treated us to an ice cream truck visit on a hot sum-

mer day, and an all you could eat pizza and movie night as well". "This is the Somerville we grew up in" remarked another elder," As local business

people cared about making the neighborhood and community the best it could be.

Santa also attended the

joyful event while spreading Christmas cheer and proving that you're never too old to sit on Santa's lap. Everyone was very grate-

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➤ Blessing Backpack Checklist ◀

BASICS:

- Wool beanie (hat)
- Smart wool socks
- Gloves
- Scarf

TOILETRIES

- Multi-purpose wipes
- Chapstick
- Facial wipes
- Moisturizer
- Comb
- Toothbrush & tooth paste
- Grooming kit

FOOD & DRINK

- Quality instant coffee
- Tea
- Energy drink
- Beef jerky
- Dried fruit
- Fruit leathers
- Trail mix
- Nuts
- Granola bars
- Protein powder packets
- Restaurant gift cards

SURVIVAL

- First aid kit
- Water bottle with built in filter
- Heat-pack
- Multi-purpose tool

TREATS:

- Chocolates
- Fruit snacks
- Cookie snack packs
- Candy (individually wrapped)
- Mints
- Chewing gum

SPLURGE:

- Starbucks gift card
- Compact reusable bag

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nations that have been coming in of much needed supplies of foods, hygienic items and warm clothing from the generous people of Somerville is overwhelming.

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feel free the join the page and follow all the good that is being done everyday by the good people of Somerville.

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SOMERVILLE NEWS WEEKLY CORRUPTION HOTLINE/SPEAKUP LINE



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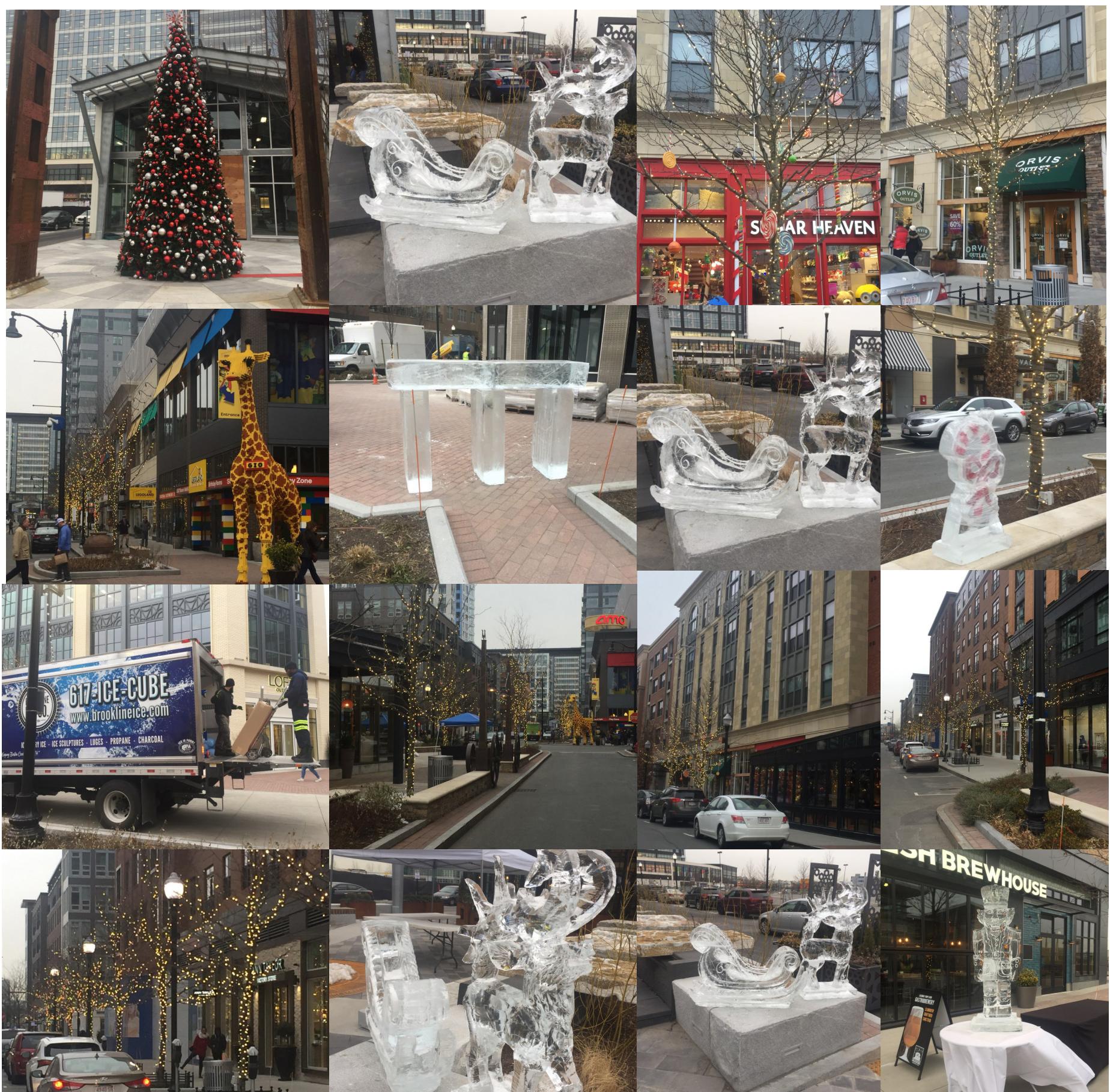
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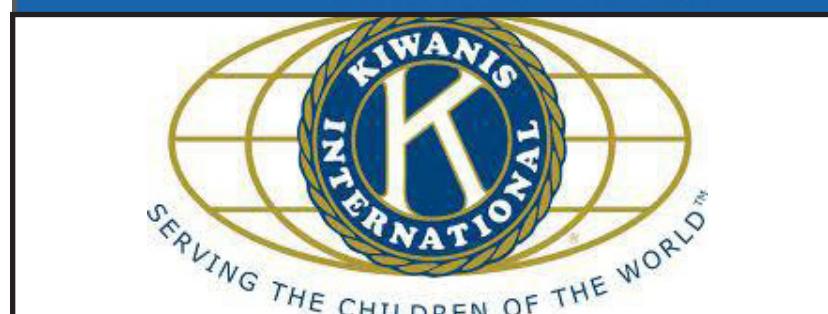


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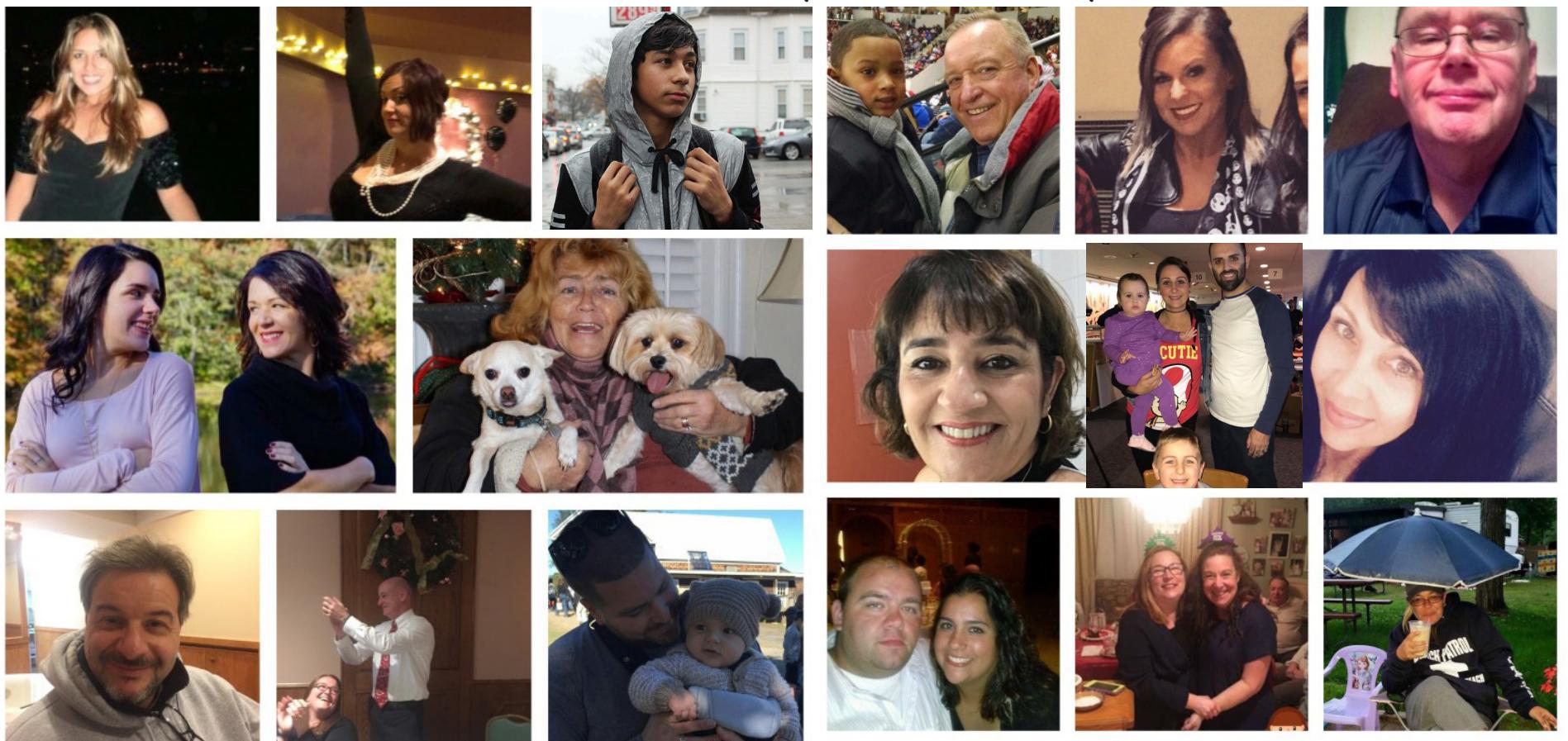
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To provide, through Kiwanis clubs, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service, and to build better communities.

To cooperate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism, and goodwill.



The Somerville News Weekly Favorite Birthday Photo Series



Many Villens celebrating their birthdays this week in the Ville! Happy Birthday greetings go out to John Hickey, Stacy Finos Fialho, Bruna Araujo M, Leo R Bracken, Kim Brown, Jennie D'Alelio, Joe Nardella, Lea Bowler Hardy, Mary Agritha, Michael McWilliams, William LaCourse, Terri Martin, Mariluce Alves Braga, Christina Perrotti, Jim Henry and Joshua Furtado!

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Why you should remove the snow from your roof?

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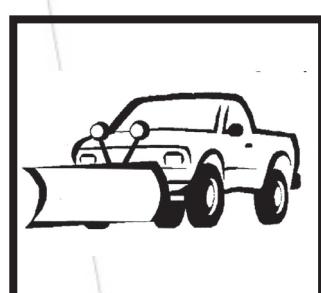
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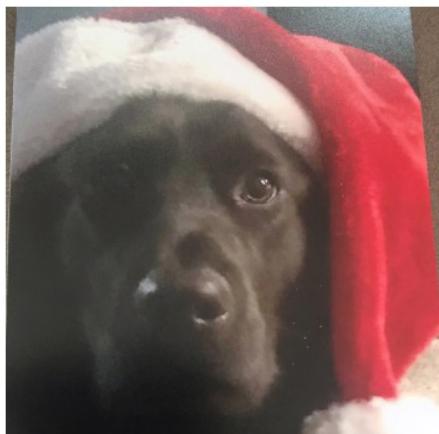
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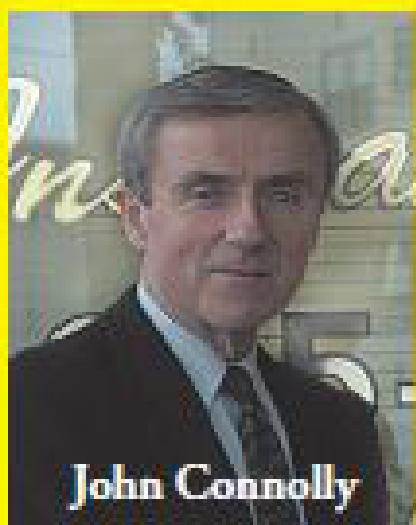
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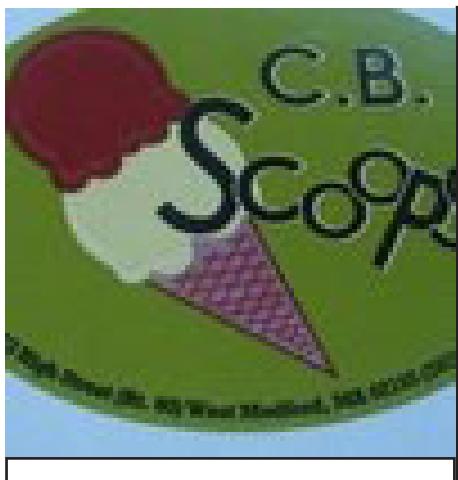


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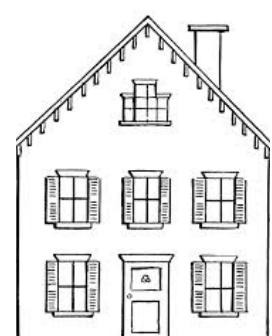
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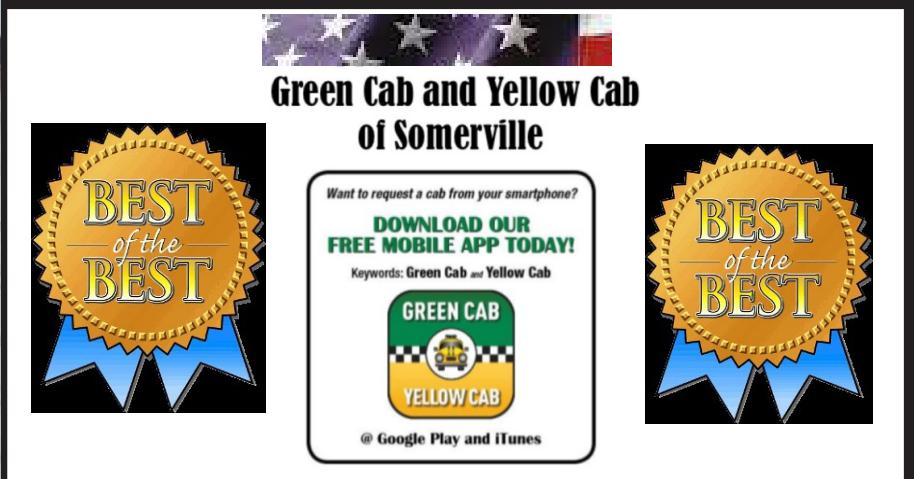
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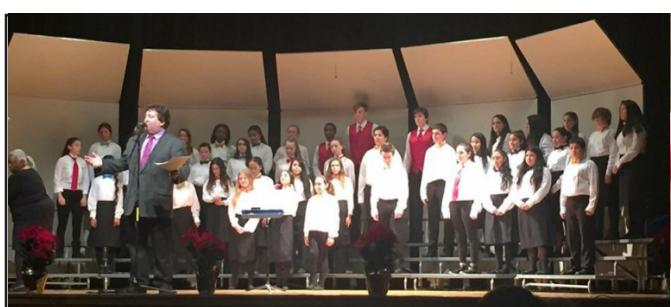
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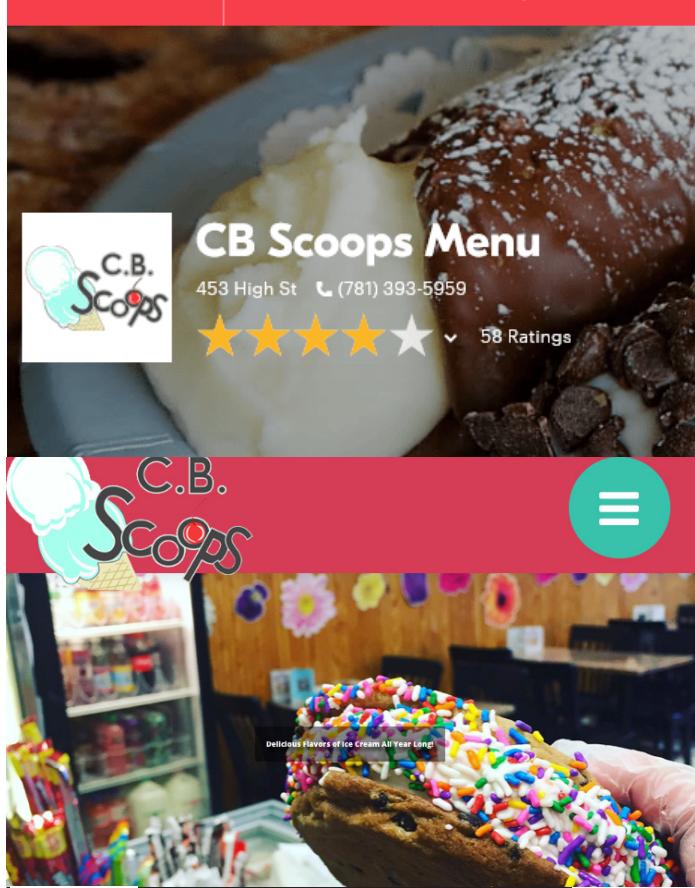
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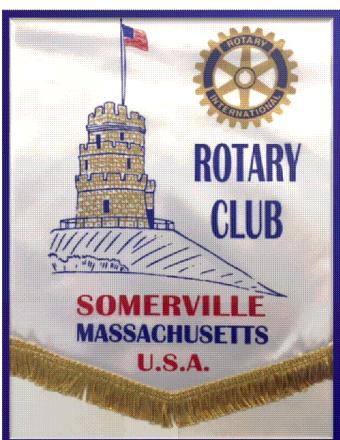
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Somerville Rotary is a small but active club. Through our service projects we "engage Rotary" and in the process "change lives". Locally we support the Regional Science Fair at Somerville High School, give scholarships to Somerville students, support the work of many of our non-profit agencies, ring the bell for the Salvation Army during the holidays, and read monthly to elementary school students. Rotary members volunteer in communities locally and abroad to support education and job training, provide clean water, combat hunger, improve health and sanitation, eradicate polio, and many more projects to make this world a better place for everyone. The Somerville club has participated in joint projects with another Rotary club to provide a vision testing machine to a community in Columbia and has sponsored the purchase of a walk-in freezer for a Columbian orphanage that houses 40 children.

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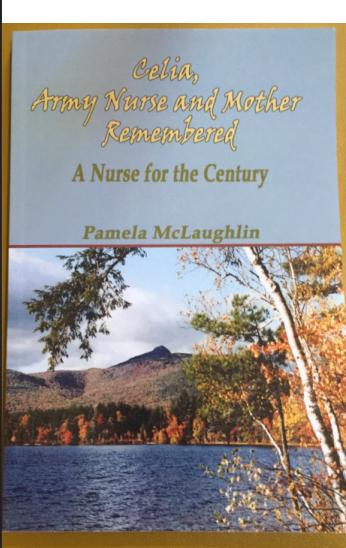
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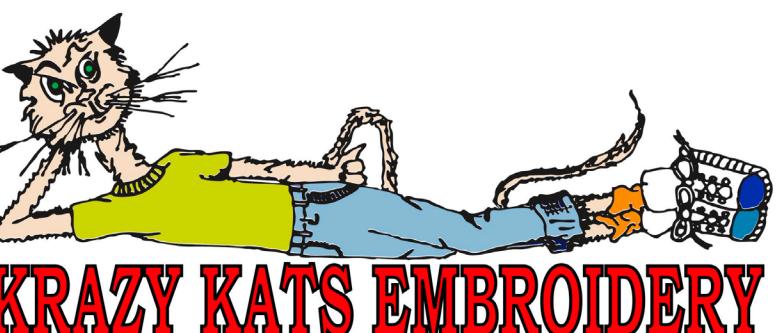
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SMEA ANNUAL TOY DRIVE DONATES TOYS TO TLC



Photo: SMEA President Ed Halloran and Vice President Jimmy Roderick

Photo by Frankie Saint

By William Tauro

Hundreds of toys were collected and donated to the Toys for Local Children (TLC) from members of the Somerville Municipal Employees Association.

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Detox

Detox or Acute treatment services (ATS) programs are medically monitored detoxification (detox) services. Programs provide 24-hour nursing care, under the consultation of a medical director, to monitor an individual's withdrawal from alcohol and other drugs and alleviate symptoms. ATS programs are community-based inpatient programs that provide clients with 24 hour evaluation and treatment. All clients collaborate with a case manager in the development of a service plan for aftercare services including outpatient counseling, transitional support services, residential rehabilitation, or opioid treatment as clinically appropriate. Average length of stay is 3 to 5 days.

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Caritas NORCAP Program
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Dimock *
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High Point Treatment Center
High Point Treatment Center
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Clinical Stabilization / Step Down Services (CSS)

Provides clinical stabilization services for clients leaving detox or stabilization services for clients needing acute treatment but not meeting criteria for medically-necessary detox (ATS) services.

Gosnold Post Detox	Falmouth	800-444-1554
High Point Treatment Center Serenity Inn	Brockton	800-734-3444
High Point Treatment Center Stabilization	Plymouth	800-233-4478
Passages -Community Healthlink	Worcester	508-860-1142
Post Detox Step Down -Lohey	Duxbury	800-323-2224
Spectrum Post Detox	Weymouth	781-351-3799
SSTAR Step Down Services	New Bedford	508-324-7763
The Hope Center -BHD	Springfield	413-301-0500
Womens Renewal - Dimock	Roxbury	617-442-8800

TSS-Transitional Support Services

Transitional Support Services (TSS) are short-term residential programs for individuals who need further stabilization after detoxification. Admission is limited to clients discharged from ATS and homeless clients. Average length of stay is 14-21 days. TSS programs provide 24-hour structured, supportive residential housing and services using case management and psycho-education to assist clients in implementing an Individual Service Plan. Case Managers provide linkages and interagency collaboration to next step programs and assist clients in obtaining the credentials necessary to apply for social service benefits, i.e. copy of birth certificate, identification, etc.

Phoenix Arbor House	Holyoke	413-538-8188
High Point Treatment Center	New Bedford	508-984-1897
Lynn Transitional	Lynn	781-591-9434
New Hope	Weymouth	617-878-2550
Spectrum Residential Program	Westborough	800-366-7732
Transitions Transitional	Mattapan	617-534-4150
Women's Hope	Dorchester	617-288-3906



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LEGAL AD NOTICE

THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION BY THE POWER VESTED IN IT THROUGH A SPECIAL ACT OF THE LEGISLATURE, CHAPTER 397 OF THE ACTS OF 1978, HEREBY AMENDS THE TRAFFIC ORDINANCES WITH THE ADDITION OF THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS:



2017-69 Article V Section 5-5 "Parking Locations and Prohibitions" Schedule D is amended with the following: No Parking during Snow Emergencies on Wilson Av, both sides

2017-70 rescinds 2017-60 and replace as follows: Article V Section 5-5 "Parking Locations and Prohibitions" Schedule D is amended with the following: 30 Minute Parking, Mon-Sat 8am-6pm; 2 hour parking except by permit Mon-Sat 6pm-2:30am; permit parking only 2:30am-8am at 290 Highland Av (3 spaces)

2017-71 Article V Section 5-15 "Handicapped Parking" Schedule H is amended with the following additions: 53 Putnam Rd

2017-72 Article VI Section 6-3 "Do Not Enter Regulations" Schedule K is amended with the following additions: Do Not Enter from 7a-9a and 4p-6p, except city residents and bicycles onto Hamlet St from Highland Av

2017-73 Article VI Section 6-3 "Do Not Enter Regulations" Schedule K is amended with the following additions: Do Not Enter from 7a-9a and 4p-6p, except city residents and bicycles onto Village St from Dane St

2017-74 Article V Section 5-5 "Parking Locations and Prohibitions" Schedule D is amended as follows: Pick Up/Drop Off Live Parking Only at 212 Elm St

2017-75 Article V Section 5-5 "Parking Locations and Prohibitions" Schedule D is amended as follows: Pick Up/Drop Off Live Parking Only 5pm-8am at 411 Highland Av (add to the existing loading zone)

2017-76 Article V Section 5-5 "Parking Locations and Prohibitions" Schedule D is amended as follows: Pick Up/Drop Off Live Parking Only 5pm-8am at 30 Holland St (add to the existing loading zone)

2017-77 rescinds a portion of 2017-31 by removing the 90 day trial period for the handicapped parking space at 46 Putnam Rd

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Suzanne Rinfret, Director

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Somerville Police Officer Louis Remigio Family Fund



On October 8, 2017 Officer Louis Remigio of the Somerville Police Department was involved in a motorcycle accident while off duty in North Hampton, NH. Louie passed away a day later at the Portsmouth, NH Hospital. Lou left behind two young daughters who also lost their mother just 18 months ago. His brothers and sisters at the Somerville Police

Department would like to help make sure that his daughter's are provided with financial support as they face this difficult and tragic time in their lives. The Somerville Police Relief Association will be accepting donations for the daughters of our late brother Officer Louis Remigio. The Somerville Police Relief Association is a registered 501(c)(3) organization and 100%

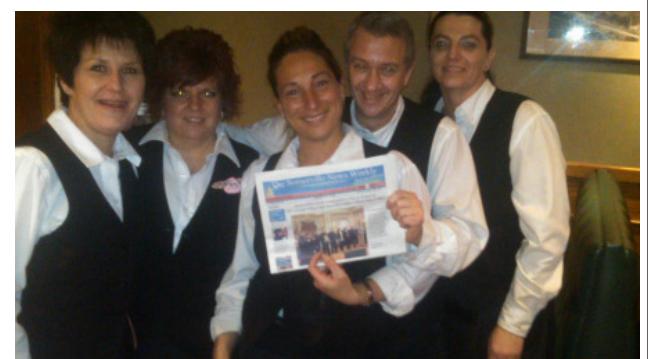
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By William Tauro

This past Friday morning Somerville Firefighters battled an overnight three alarm fire at 15 Connecticut Avenue in Somerville.

Multiple engine companies from Cambridge and Boston also responded to the call.

While temperatures plunged into the single digits and hydrants and hoses were on the verge of freezing, firefighters were exposed to the bitter cold elements fighting this fire in most dangerous conditions.

No injuries were reported but seven people displaced from their homes.

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I greatly appreciate the efforts of my committee and its chairman, Mark Killoran. A special thanks to Diane Ferola who, once again, went above and beyond the call of duty.

My thanks to all who participated in this event which allowed us to present a check for \$1341.00 to Toys for Tots.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Hardy, Commander VFW Post 529

NOTE: Dilboy VFW Post 529 lost one of our finest veteran's this year. Jimmy Hogan lost his battle with cancer; he was a veteran, former police officer and a friend to everyone. He will be missed.

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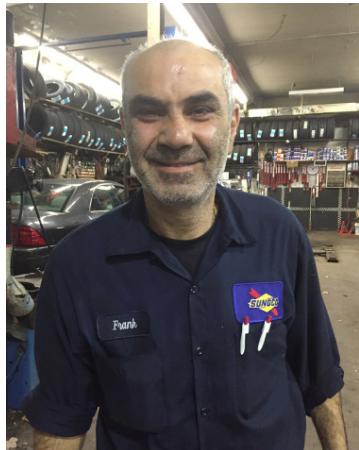
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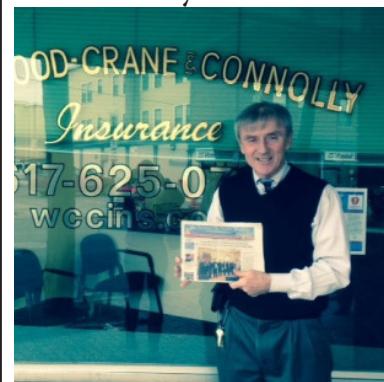


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SOMERVILLE WARD 5 ALDERMAN MARK NIEDERGANG “CITY BOARDS TOOK STEPS FORWARD IN REDEVELOPMENT OF THE SEVEN “D BLOCS” IN THE HEART OF UNION SQUARE



“D blocs” in the heart of Union Square.

The Board of Aldermen approved bonding for \$63 million for sewer and streetscape improvements on Somerville Ave and two bonds for \$3.6 million to pay for design of two other major sewer projects.

We also passed a DIF (District Improvement Financing) plan and district which will enable the City to borrow money on better terms, which will save money. In all, the Administration anticipates asking the BOA to approve a total of \$141.5 million for these infrastructure improve-

ments, which will actually benefit 60% of the City, not just Union Square.

These sewer projects are needed to alleviate the flooding in the Union Square area during heavy rains and also to meet the City’s obligations to the state and federal governments to separate storm water and waste water in our sewer system, leading to cleaner rivers. They will also make possible development planned for the heart of Union Square.

At almost exactly the same time, the Planning Board voted to approve Master Developer US2’s applica-

tion for a Coordinated Development Special Permit (CDSP) — a master plan for what will be built on the seven development blocs.

I testified at the Public Hearing on Nov. 30th and noted the many problems with the CDSP application that community members had pointed out, and urged the Planning Board to spend the full three months they legally had to review the application and all comments carefully.

Guess they didn’t listen to me, or to the many other community members who urged them to proceed methodically, with care and

diligence! But US2 still has two major hurdles.

They need to pass the state environmental review (MEPA, or the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act), and they will need to submit a specific design and detailed plans and hold neighborhood meetings for each and every building.



By Mark Niedergang

This past Thursday night, a couple of City Boards took steps forward in the redevelopment of the seven

NEW ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS IN SOMERVILLE



Somerville is getting three new electric vehicle (EV) charging stations. Charging points in Teele Square and East Somerville (across from the Mount Vernon Restaurant) were installed in November, and another station in Magoun Square

is coming in the next few weeks. Along with the stations in Somerville, EV drivers can also find nearby charging stations in Medford and Cambridge. Visit ChargePoint to find one near you.



MASSACHUSETTS SENATE CANCELS HOLIDAY PARTY



By Bob Katzen

Acting Senate President

Harriette Chandler (D-Worcester) has canceled the annual holiday party for senators and their staffs. Chandler's office told Beacon Hill Roll Call, "There will be no Senate holiday party this year. After speaking with her leadership team, the Acting Senate president made the determina-

nation that a holiday party would not be appropriate."

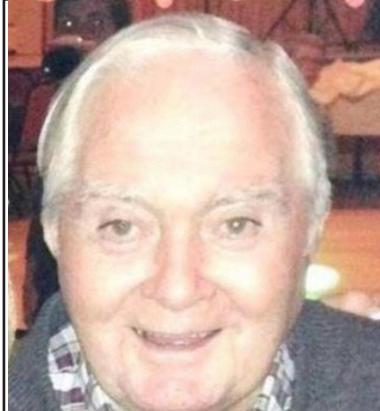
Chandler's decision was made as a result of the current situation in which she has temporarily replaced former Senate President Stan Rosenberg who stepped down from the post pending an investigation by

the Senate Ethics Committee into allegations in the Boston Globe that Rosenberg's husband, Bryon Hefner, groped three men and kissed another one against his will. The Globe story also included claims that Hefner has said he speaks for Rosenberg and talks about Senate business with

legislators and their staffs.

The Senate Ethics Committee is beginning an investigation of the sexual assault charges against Hefner, whether Rosenberg violated any rules of the Senate and if Hefner did have any influence over what happens in the Senate.

SOMERVILLE REMEMBERING JAMES MCMAHON



By William Tauro

Our condolences go out to the McMahon family for the passing of James McMahon.

James was a wonderful and kindhearted person who had many friends here in the city.

James McMahon will be sadly missed here in Somerville.

[Obituary for James P. McMahon](#)

[McMahon, James P.](#)

Of Malden, formerly of Somerville. He immigrated from Doolin, County Clare Ireland in 1954. He was called home after a lengthy illness on December 15, 2017, surrounded by his loving family. Predeceased by his parents Michael and Catherine of Doolin, County Clare Ireland. He was a devoted husband to Claire (Murphy) of

Somerville. Loving father of Kathleen Sullivan and her husband David of Myrtle Beach, SC, James McMahon and his wife Linda of Montclair, VA, Kevin McMahon of Marlborough, Maureen McMahon of Malden, Michael McMahon of Malden, Brian McMahon and his wife Debbie of Cambridge, and Eileen Woods and her husband Billy of Lowell. Cherished 'Bamps' to Colleen, Katie, Shannon, Caitlin, Shawna, Kellie, James, Michael, Connor, Meghan, Casey, Patrick, Callie, Brandon, and Ryan. Great Grandfather to Sheilagh, Murphy, Kinsley, Kayla, Jameson,

and Landon. Devoted brother of Gussie McMahon, Catherine Considine, and the late Bridget Tierney and Mary Nagle, all of County Clare Ireland. Dear brother in law to Danny and Carolyn Murphy of Medford, Emily Murphy and the late Kenny Murphy of Malden, Lawrence Murphy and the late Joyce Murphy of Somerville. He is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. Jimmy was a long time DPW Parks Department Foreman for the City of Somerville. Relatives and friends are invited to attend visiting hours in the Immaculate

Conception Church, 600 Pleasant Street, Malden MA, on Tuesday from 4-8pm. A Funeral Mass will be held in the church on Wednesday at 10am. Burial to follow in Mt. Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge. In lieu of flowers, donations in James' memory may be made to a charity of your choice.

For directions or to send a condolence visit [www.keefefuneralhome.com](#)



SOMERVILLE THIS WINTER SEASON: PARK ODD!



During snow emergencies this winter, residents must park on the ODD side of the road only, unless otherwise posted.

Residents encouraged to sign up for City alerts in advance.

SOMERVILLE – As snow season approaches, the City of Somerville reminds all residents that for winter season 2017-2018, the side of the street where snow emergency parking is allowed will change to the odd side.

In 2015, the City instituted an annually alternating parking policy for snow emergencies, using odd-side-only parking for winter seasons that begin in an odd year and even-side-only

parking for winter seasons that begin in an even year. Winter seasons begin in November and run until May of the following calendar year.

The City's existing snow removal policy dictates that residents may park only on one designated side of the street during snow emergencies (unless otherwise posted), as plows push snow to the curb on the other side of the street. Any exceptions for designated streets will be posted with official roadside signage. For example, roads that have parking only on the even-numbered side of the street year-round will also park on the even side during snow emergencies.

As a reminder, the City offers a free alert system, available for phone calls, emails, and text messages, to keep you in the loop in advance of snow emergencies as well as other important City information.

If you are not already registered, you can sign up by visiting [www.somervillema.gov/alerts](#), or by calling 311 (617-666-3311 from outside the City). Note: Database glitches resulting in your not receiving messages pertaining to parking restrictions, including snow emergencies, do not automatically qualify you for dismissal or reimbursement of tickets and/or tow fees. Please review signage on your street, pay close attention to temporary signage, and review our parking policies and snow emergency policies.

In addition, the City's outreach campaign includes but is not limited to:

- Placing informational flyers on vehicles during regular routes traveled by Parking Control Officers
- Sending information to media for inclusion in mul-

timedia postings and print materials

- Sending information to residents and businesses via the Community Alert phone, email, and text system
- Posting information to the City's website, cable bulletin boards, and social media feeds
- Including information in all City newsletters and brochures
- Public awareness banners, electronic message boards, and posters in key business districts

Snow Emergency Parking Information

- Once a snow emergency has been declared, residents have four hours to move vehicles to the correct side of the street, or into a designated City

parking lot.

- Vehicles not moved during this window of time will be ticketed (\$100 fine) and towed (\$100 fine assessed by the tow company).

- Vehicles parked within 20 feet of any intersection will be ticketed and towed.

- For a list of designated City and School parking lots available for snow emergency parking, visit [www.somervillema.gov/snow](#).

- Residents are encouraged to sign up for phone, email, and text alerts by visiting [www.somervillema.gov/alerts](#).

For more information on the City's snow removal and snow emergency policies, visit [www.somervillema.gov/snow](#), or download the City's 311 app in iTunes or Google Play, by searching "311Somerville."

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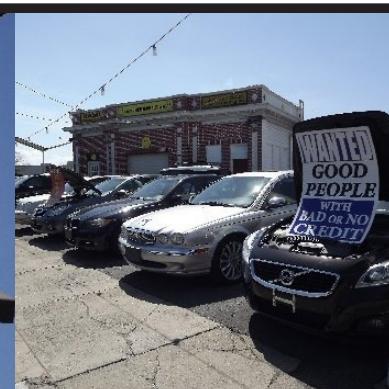
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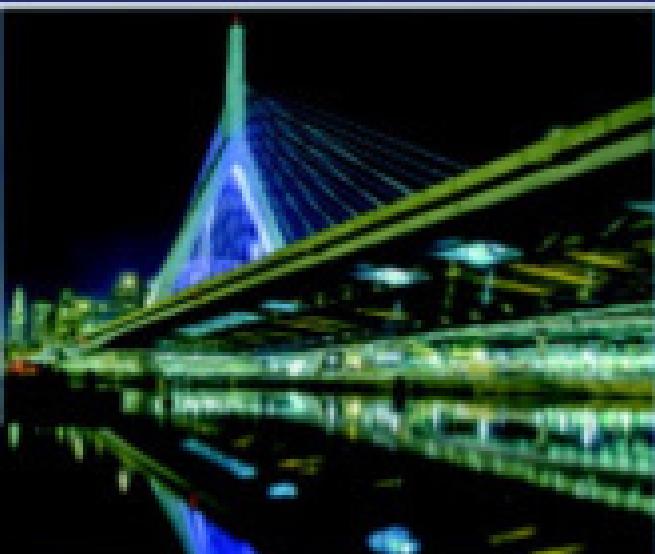


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