



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL
June 22, 1998

COUNCILLOR DAVIS
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MAYOR DUEHAY
VICE MAYOR GALLUCCIO
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- WHEREAS: Caleb was a member of the Alloy Orchestra; and
- WHEREAS: Caleb wrote and performed original musical scores for old silent films; and
- WHEREAS: Caleb composed the score for the documentary film entitled "Fast, Cheap and Out of Control;" and
- WHEREAS: Caleb's passing will leave a void in the lives of all his surviving family, his wife Kathy Hickey and his son Oliver; and
- WHEREAS: Caleb will be sorely missed by all he touched and loved; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record extending its deepest sympathy to the family of Caleb Sampson at this time of such personal loss; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Sampson family on behalf of the entire City Council.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of eight members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

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Obituaries



KAREN DECEMBRELE

Karen Decembrele, 52

Lotus Corp. manager

Karen Sullivan Decembrele, senior manager of marketing at Lotus Development Corp. in Cambridge, died of cancer Tuesday in her home in Needham. She was 52.

Ms. Decembrele was raised in Lynnfield. She graduated from the University of Massachusetts and earned a master's degree in business administration at Suffolk University. Before joining Lotus, she held positions in telecommunications with Digital Equipment Corp. and New England Telephone Co.

She enjoyed playing bridge and tennis and was a member of the Weston Pool and Racquet Club, the Needham Pool and Racquet Club and the Executive Womens Golf League of New England.

She leaves two daughters, Stacey and Blair, both of Needham; her parents, John Sullivan and Ella "Merrie" Sullivan of Lynnfield; and a brother, Jack of Mexico and Colorado.

A funeral Mass will be said at 10 a.m. tomorrow in St. Bartholomew's Church in Needham. Burial will be in Puritan Lawn Cemetery in Peabody.

Thomas Botsford, 88

Urologist and staff surgeon

Dr. Thomas W. Botsford of North Hamilton, former chief sur-

Caleb Sampson, 45

Alloy Orchestra keyboardist

Caleb Sampson of Cambridge, composer and keyboard player for the Alloy Orchestra, died Monday in Cambridge Hospital. He was 45.

Mr. Sampson, who was reported to have been depressed recently, apparently committed suicide by hanging himself in the Cambridge studio of a bandmate.

As one of three members of the Alloy Orchestra, the Lewiston, Maine, native specialized in writing and performing original scores for old silent films, including Fritz Lang's "Metropolis."

Last year the orchestra played the premiere of its score for a 1927 Lon Chaney film, "The Unknown." It also performed in Radio City Music Hall in New York and the Louvre in Paris.

Prior to the New York and Paris trips, Mr. Sampson, in a Globe interview, said, "We have become ambassadors of spreading the faith of silent films, but not through any great design."

Mr. Sampson also composed the score for Errol Morris's most recent documentary film, "Fast, Cheap and Out of Control." His other credits include music for MTV, VH1, and "Sesame Street."

He leaves his wife, Kathy Hick-ey; and a son, Oliver.

Funeral arrangements are private.

Catherine Cookson

British novelist; at 91

ASSOCIATED PRESS

LONDON — Dame Catherine Cookson, whose novels about working-class hardships in 19th-century England made her one of Britain's most popular writers, died yesterday at her home in Jesmond Dene, in northeast England. She was 91.

The author of 100 books that combined sold more than 100 million copies in 18 languages, she began life in poverty in the Tyneside area, worked as a laundress in a work-



SUSIE MARIE FINNEGAN

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Former Quincy hair stylist; at 32

A memorial Mass will be said on Monday for Susie Marie Finnegan of Desert Hot Springs, Calif., a former hair stylist in Quincy, who died May 31 of injuries suffered in a horseback riding accident in Palm Springs, Calif. She was 32.

Ms. Finnegan was born in Quincy and graduated from Quincy High School. Prior to moving to California five years ago, she was a stylist at the Rudolph Adamo and John Dellaria hair salons in Quincy Center.

In California, she was a nurse's assistant at Angel View Children's Rehabilitation Center and a counselor for the Foundation for the Retarded.

She leaves her dear friend, David Schwandt of Desert Hot Springs; her parents, Martin and Norma Finnegan of Desert Hot Springs; four sisters, Christine Koenig of Woodbine, Md., Patricia Finnegan of Medford, Janet Finnegan Kelly of Milton and Terri Finnegan Langass of Cambridge; and two brothers, Ed Mitchell of Boston and Richard Altadena, Calif.

The memorial Mass will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at St. Bartholomew's Church in Needham. Burial will be in Peabody.

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Councillor Davis and entire membership
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ORDER ADOPTED