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It's not fabulous Davis Square, but there's still plenty to do along the Somerville border. Start by noshing on chocolate-frosted or butter-crunch treats at **VERNA'S**, an old-school bakery that specializes in the Honey Tip, a honey-dipped donut named for late Congressman Tip O'Neill, who used to frequent the store. (Owner Richard Brunet's grandmother brought him Verna's donuts when he was a kid, so Brunet bought the shop from the long-time owner four years ago.) Fueled by Verna's coffee, a well-dressed man should stop by **DRINKWATER'S**. Owner Gary Drinkwater, formerly of Louis Boston and Stonestreet, sells tailored clothes from Southwick and Samuelsohn, trousers from Hertling, Jack Victor and Hiltl, dress shirts from Hilditch & Key and Ingram, and Paraboot footwear. Engineered Garment sportswear by designer Daiki Suzuki has been a store staple since Drinkwater's opened six and a half years ago. Farther up the road, devoted tipplers make the pilgrimage to **MODERN HOMEBREW EMPORIUM**. In addition to beer and winemaking supplies, the super-friendly staff offers professional beer crafting advice. For lunch or dinner, there's solid Lebanese fare at family-owned **CAFE BARADA**, serving standards like falafel and shish kebab alongside daily specials like tender lamb with peas, carrots and tomatoes simmered in tomato sauce. At **GREEK CORNER RESTAURANT**, a serious lunch can take the form of a "special gyro" or a dish of excellent mous-saka. House-made soups and prepared foods are a specialty at **PEMBERTON FARMS**. You can pick up some fresh Iggy's bread and Lakota Bakery cookies there, too. For dinner, try **FRANK'S STEAK HOUSE**, Boston's oldest, for a classic New York sizzler sirloin washed down with a nice Chianti.

Verna's | 2343 MASS. AVE. (617-354-4110) VERNASPASTRY.COM

Drinkwater's | 1007 MASS. AVE. (617-347-1067) DRINKWATERS.CAMBRIDGE.

COM **Modern Homebrew Emporium** | 2504 MASS. AVE. (617-484-0400)

HEERBREW.COM **Cafe Barada** | 2209 MASS. AVE. (617-354-2117) CAFE-

BARADA.NET **Greek Corner Restaurant** | 2381 MASS. AVE. (617-601-9652)

GREEKCORNER.US **Pemberton Farms** | 2225 MASS. AVE. (617-491-3244)

PEMBERTONFARMS.COM **Frank's Steak House** | 2310 MASS. AVE. (617-961-

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