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CP begins 'selling' of Westmount Station

But Trent says company's ads are misleading

By BERNIE O'NEILL
The Examiner

A full-page advertisement that CP Rail took out in THE EXAMINER last week is misleading, Mayor Peter Trent says.

The ad is for the CP Station at the foot of Victoria Avenue, which currently sits on property that is zoned residential, the mayor said.

However, in the ad CP suggests that the site is available for commercial or office development.

"I'm totally mystified by the ad," Trent said. "The ad is misleading."

If Canadian Pacific finds a developer through the advertisement that's fine, the mayor said. But the city will have the final say on what can be built.

The mayor reiterated that the City of Westmount has an option to buy the building and move it or acquire it and some surrounding land.

The city is still studying its options.

The city was asked to exercise its option by the end of March, after the city and railway could not agree on development of the nearby Glen Yards, a project that might have included a scheme for saving the building.

Even if the city does not choose to buy the building, it still holds all the cards because it would take a zoning amendment for the building to be turned into offices, retail space or a restaurant.

The mayor has stated that the city has no appetite for a restaurant at the site.

The ad says the building is 117 feet by 23 feet. CP is trying to sell about 47,000 square feet of land around the building, according to the ad.

Trent said this may include an adjacent piece of land that is zoned commercial, but this could

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Youngster puts out fire at neighbour's house

10-year-old Adam Kwitko credited with thinking on his feet

By BERNIE O'NEILL
The Examiner

A 10-year-old Ramezay Road boy is being credited with quick thinking after extinguishing a Friday evening fire at a neighbour's house that could have been much worse.

While others were pounding on doors and calling 911, Adam Kwitko dashed out with a fire extinguisher in hand and extinguished a small blaze at the home of Walter and Virginia Cottingham, who live across the street.

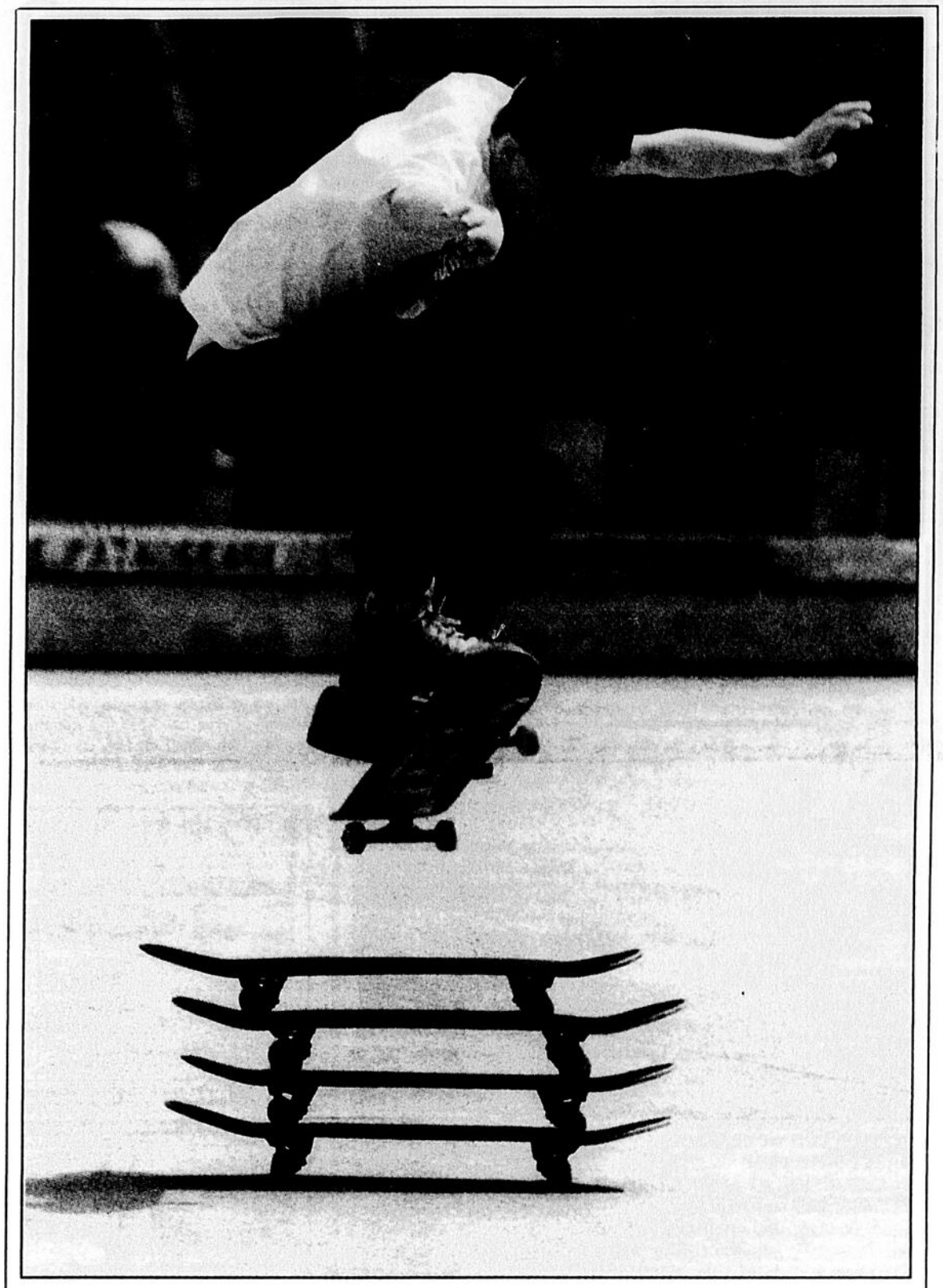
The flames were out before they could work their way up to the roof, and before City of Montreal firefighters could arrive.

"Adam was the hero and we're very grateful," Mrs. Cottingham said this week, adding that the lesson is for everyone to have a fire extinguisher in working order and

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Four on the floor

Westmount skateboarder Jamie McConnell, 17, takes advantage of some warmer weather early last week to get a start on the season. It's probably a safe bet that he wasn't skateboarding this past weekend during the snow flurries the area experienced.

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Compiled by Joy Carroll

Community Events

CEGEP Holocaust Symposium, through April 27 at Dawson College, 3040 Sherbrooke St. Info: 845-9171 or 345-2605.

Portraits of Flowers, a book by gardening expert Patrick Lima and engraver G. Brender à Brandis, will be launched on Thursday, April 20 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Galerie Mazarine, 1448 Sherbrooke. The artist will sign books and original works of art reproduced in the book will be on display and for sale.

Westmount Conservatory is now open with its display of spring flowers. Opening hours are Monday to Friday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and weekends from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Beyond Ethnicity: Religious Identity for the 21st Century, a weekend with scholar in residence Rabbi Lawrence A. Hoffman at Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom, April 21-23. April 21, 8:15 p.m. services, "From Ethnicity to Spirituality: The Challenge for Religion in our Time," free and open to public. April 22, 10 a.m. "Looking for God in Montreal," free and open to public. April 23, 9:30 a.m. "Looking for a Life that Matters: the Anxious Search for Meaning." $3 bagel breakfast. Open to the public.

St. Matthias Church Spring Rummage Sale, Saturday, April 22, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Clothing, household articles and much more. 131 Côte St. Antoine Rd. at Metcalfe.

Spring Bake Sale of the Ladies Committee of the Royal Canadian Legion R.M.R. Branch 14, Saturday, April 22, 1-4 p.m. 4625 Ste. Catherine St.

Westmount Park Church celebrates its 65th Anniversary with a Worship Service at 11 a.m. on April 23. All welcome. 4695 de Maisonneuve Blvd., corner Lansdowne Ave.

100th Anniversary of Queen Elizabeth Hospital and International Volunteer Week will be celebrated next week with special events open to the public. Tuesday, April 25: 11:45 a.m. the Union Church Gospel Choir will perform; 1:30 p.m. Stuart Robertson will speak on "Flowers for all Seasons." Wednesday, April 26: 11:30 a.m. Julian Armstrong, food editor of *The Gazette*, will talk on "Let's Talk Food with Julian;" 1:30 p.m. demonstration of classical Indian dance by Seetha Radhakrishnan. 2100 Marlowe Ave.

The Study School Bazaar, 3:30 to 6 p.m., Thursday, April 27, 3233 The Boulevard. Games and contests, baked goods, toys, crafts, tea room, haunted house and more. Proceeds to a school in Uganda.

Holocaust Remembrance Day and Yom HaShoah Service, Friday, April 28, 8:15 p.m. Survivor Ann Kazimirski will share her reflections of the post-war period before the State of Israel. All welcome. Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom, 4100 Sherbrooke St.

Literacy Partners of Quebec holds its 1995 Showcase of displays, demonstrations and materials related to literacy, Thursday, April 27, 2 to 4 p.m., in room 5B-16 of Dawson College, 3040 Sherbrooke St.

Spring and Summer Sale of used and nearly used clothing, household items, books, garden accessories etc., Friday, April 28, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday, April 29, 9 a.m. to noon, in the Parish Hall of St. Leon de Westmount Church, 310 Clarke Ave. Proceeds to the church and charitable organizations.

Spring Book Fair '95, a celebration of Quebec writing, illustrating and translation, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., April 29 and 30 at Atwater Library, 1200 Atwater Ave. Sponsored by the Association of English-language Publishers of Quebec.

Taste of the Nation raises funds for Le Bon Dieu Dans La Rue, a Montreal charity that feeds street kids. Gala food and wine tasting with live entertainment, May 1, L'Edifice 1000 de la Gauchetière. Tickets $70. Info: 392-4404.

Shaar Hashomayim's Open Gate Gala, an evening of duplicate and rubber bridge, will be held on Thursday, May 11 at 6 p.m. Buffet supper, door prizes, trophies, valet parking. Proceeds to Open Gate project for isolated seniors. Tickets $36 for Patrons and $50 for Seniors. 450 Kensington Ave. Reservations: Elsa Hoffman at 489-3372 or Mavis Solloway at 486-0458.

Art on a Plate, renowned Montreal artists provide hand-painted ceramic plates to be raffled off May 28 at the Visual Arts Centre's Annual Fund-raising Art Draw. Tickets $60. Info: 488-9558.

Meetings

Westmount Houseplant and Hydrocultural Society meets Friday, April 21, 1-2:30 p.m. in the Clubroom at Victoria Hall, 4626 Sherbrooke St. Topics: Propagating and pruning houseplants, and "Fun Plants." All welcome. Info: 489-9766.

Alliance Quebec Montreal Chapter will hold its annual general meeting on April 23 at 2 p.m. at Dawson College, 3040 Sherbrooke St. Lucienne Robillard, MP for St. Henri/Westmount, will speak on the federal government's role in the upcoming referendum at 3:30 p.m. All welcome. Info: Kathy at 875-2771.

Montreal Camera Club meets Monday, April 24, 7:30 p.m. in Westmount Park Church, 4695 de Maisonneuve Blvd. Guests welcome. Use rear entrance.

Depressed Anonymous, a 12-step support group, meets Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. at Westmount Baptist Church, 4755 Sherbrooke St., corner Roslyn. Enter by the door off the parking lot. All are welcome.

The Westmount Lawn Bowling Club holds its annual meeting on Sunday, April 30 at 1:30 p.m. at Westmount Park United Church, 4695 de Maisonneuve, corner Lansdowne.

Lectures

In Defence of Multiculturalism — a Case for Canadian Unity is the topic of a talk by Concordia University professor Maria Peluso when she addresses the Entre Nous group of Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom, Tuesday, April 25. Brown bag lunch at noon, talk at 1 p.m. All welcome. 4100 Sherbrooke St. Entrance on Elm St. Info: 937-3575.

Metamorphosis by Franz Kafka will be reviewed by P. Scott Lawrence at Book Lovers Forum 11, Wednesday, April 26 at 10 a.m. Coffee will be served at 9:30 a.m. $6 admission. Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom, 395 Elm St.

Canadian Jewish Congress and its upcoming Triennial National Plenary in Montreal is the topic of a talk by Mike Cohen, National Director of Communications with CJC, Sunday, April 30, 1:30 p.m., sponsored by the Leisure Institute of Congregation Shaar Hashomayim. Tea will be served, $2.50 for members and $3 for non-members. No reservations are required and everyone is welcome. 450 Kensington Ave. Info: 937-9471.

Performances

The Collodian Theatre Company performances this week at Dawson College have been cancelled due to illness.

J.B., a controversial play about the biblical character Job, is being presented by The Lucia Vestris Players of St. George's School at 7:30 p.m. on April 20-22 in the Bhatla Performing Arts Space. Tickets: 937-9289.

Symphony in the Square, free Saturday afternoon concerts from 1-4 p.m. at Westmount Square. This week, Sur Quatre Cordes will play violin concertos.

Music for a While is a concert series featuring Montreal's rising stars, every second Sunday afternoon at Westmount Park Church. Steve Laplante (organ) will play works by Back, Durufle and Vierne at 4 p.m., Sunday, April 23. 4695 de Maisonneuve. Freewill offering at the door.

Richard Harrison will read from his new book of poetry, Hero of the Play, Monday, April 24 at 8 p.m. at the Double Hook Book Shop, 1235A Greene Ave.

St. Matthias' Choir of Men and Boys, with visiting choir of Christ Church Cathedral, will sing Choral Evensong, Sunday, April 30, 4 p.m. Music by Howells, Purcell and Batten. 131 Côte St. Antoine. Visitors welcome.

Gerald Wheeler performs an organ recital with works by Bach, Corrette, Karg-Elert and Vierne, Sunday, April 30 at 5 p.m. Reception following. Freewill offering. St. Matthias' Church, 131 Côte St. Antoine.

No Sex Please, You're Anglophone, the 1995 Fossils Show, May 1-6 at Royal Vale School, N.D.G. Ticket info: 956-8171.

Exhibitions

Images out of New Mex[illegible] acrylics and watercolours by Ann Bald-Bloom, through May 7 at S. Space enSemble, 4928 Sherbrooke.

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Fire put out by quick-thinking 10-year-old ...

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know how to use it. Even if you're just 10 years old.

The Cottinghams had already gone to bed when the fire started at around 10:15 p.m., apparently in a nest built by finches above a light fixture over the front door of the Cottingham home, which is just outside of the Westmount border in the City of Montreal. A screen around the light also burned.

"They were Westmount birds," Mrs. Cottingham joked. "I watched them and they flew off to the west."

While it may have been the nest that caught first, the flames quickly spread to the fixture and burned part of a fan-shaped section of wood above the door.

"They were big flames. I don't want to exaggerate, but I'd say they were shooting out about three feet from both sides."

Fortunately for the Cottinghams, their neighbours, the Kwitkos (who are part in Westmount, part in Montreal) had a houseful of guests for the holiday, and were enjoying a late-night dinner in their front room across the street.

They spotted the fire.

"The next thing I know, the doorbell was ringing and people were yelling," Mrs. Cottingham said.

But while the adults were calling 911 (it appears the City of Montreal firemen didn't arrive for some time, perhaps because they had trouble finding the house) Adam had another idea.

A Grade 5 student at Selwyn House school, Adam said he had read the instructions and looked at the diagram on the fire extinguisher before, so he knew how to use it.

Adam's mother, Alicja, said the youngster acted so quickly that she almost missed it.

"He did it so fast that by the time I got up from the table he was already spraying it," she said.

She added that after the fire Adam, who is normally shy, "babbled the whole night, squirming in his chair."



Adam Kwitko holds the fire extinguisher he used to put out the fire. Behind him is homeowner Virginia Cottingham.

Photo by PETER McCABE

The fire "could have gone up on the roof and caused all sorts of problems," Mrs. Cottingham said. "Adam put it out with his fire extinguisher."

"We were very, very lucky that they were facing our front door and could see the fire," she added.

The Cottinghams have sent Adam a gift and thank-you note.

The only losers in all this may have been the birds, who do not appear to have survived.

"A little bird's egg fell down the next day," Mrs. Cottingham said. "It was kind of sad."

She had first tried to keep them from building their nest above the light, but to no avail.

Bouchard's plan for association an 'illusion': Robillard

By CRAIG McKEE
The Examiner

Recent proposals by Bloc Québécois leader Lucien Bouchard are "an illusion," St. Henri-Westmount MP Lucienne Robillard said in an interview in her riding office last week.

"Do you think (Canada) will be pleased with the separation of Quebec and react very well and give them everything?" Robillard questioned. "You'll never have some kind of association, you would have two separate countries.

"They're speaking like you won't have any change."

Robillard said a sovereign Quebec would be free to use the Canadian dollar, as proposed in the PQ's draft legislation declaring sovereignty, but would sacrifice any influence over monetary policy — in effect making Quebec less independent than it is now.

She also questioned how Bouchard and Premier Jacques Parizeau can expect Canada and Quebec to be equals in an economic union when the rest of Canada has three times the population of Quebec.

"That's completely foolish."

Robillard, who was named both minister of labour and minister in charge of the referendum from the federal side, said the delay announced by Parizeau shows that support for separation isn't there. She denied the PQ claim that the population needs more information before voting.

"People are ready to vote but not to vote for separation," she said.

She said that if Parizeau wants a delay he should be obliged to go back to the party for approval of the change in plans.

Robillard described her early weeks as a minister as a "baptism of fire" because of the national rail strike. She added that she has been most surprised by just how far to the right the Reform Party is.

"They're ready to cut anything."

Former councillors pass away

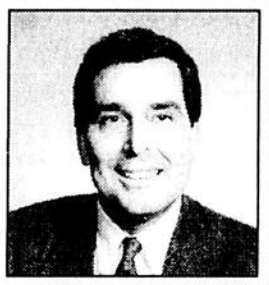
The City of Westmount has sent its condolences to the families of two former city councillors, who recently passed away.

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Expressions of sympathy were read by councillor Gail Johnson at a recent city council meeting.

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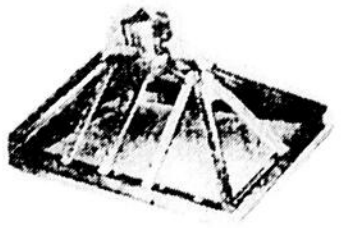
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STATION 23 LOG

By CAROLINE KUTSCHKE

Laurentian Bank held up at knifepoint

A determined thief and his getaway driver made off with cash from the Laurentian Bank last Thursday afternoon, even after employees had called 911 earlier that day reporting that the man was peering suspiciously through the bank's window.

Employees at the Sherbrooke and Victoria bank called 911 at 11:25 a.m. but when police arrived the man was gone.

Employees said that earlier, at about 10:30 a.m., the man had stood in line at the bank but left.

Finally, at about 12:45 p.m., the man, described as being a 25-year-old white male with short brown hair and brown eyes, wearing a black jacket and jeans, entered the bank again.

There were about five customers in the bank this time, but the robber seemed undeterred. Police say he got to a wicket and showed the blade of a knife to a 60-year-old male teller and demanded money. He left with an undisclosed amount of cash.

The man fled south on Victoria and jumped into a waiting car, described as a light blue Grand Marquis with dark-blue top. The driver was described as a 35-year-old white male wearing glasses.

The first man, who was photographed by the bank's video camera, is known to police, who say they expect to make an arrest.

No one was injured in the holdup, police said, however the teller was somewhat shaken and took the rest of the day off.

Car phone thieves come calling

Police were swamped with calls from people whose cellular carphones were stolen last week in seven separate incidents around the city, with several of them on Good Friday, a good day for thieves.

Four of the thefts occurred in a short span on Gordon, Belmont, Grenville and Sydenham, which are just a couple of blocks apart.

• A Motorola car phone valued at about $500 was taken from a late-model Chrysler parked on Elm Avenue for just 15 short minutes. The 57-year-old owner of the vehicle, a Côte St. Luc resident, said the car was on the street from 3:15 to 3:30 p.m. on April 12.

The glass was smashed on the front passenger side window to gain entry.

Police have no suspect and no witnesses.

• A Motorola car phone was stolen some time between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. April 12 from a 1993 Olds Regency parked at Westmount Square.

A security guard noticed the car had a broken window and contacted the 61-year-old owner, who works at the Square.

Police found a spark plug at the scene, which they said is the preferred method for shattering a window. A ceramic spark plug thrown at a window will make it shatter. Typically the thief will attach the sparkplug to a string, for re-use.

• A cell phone was stolen from a 1991 Mercedes 500SL parked in a driveway on Gordon Crescent some time between 11 p.m. last Thursday and 8 a.m. on Good Friday. Missing is a black Nokia 2120 phone, valued at around $2,000. Because the passenger door was still locked, police say the thief was able to simply smash the window and reach in to grab the phone. Police have no witnesses and no suspects.

• The window of a 1992 Cadillac Seville sitting in a driveway on Grenville Avenue on Good Friday, was smashed and a black Motorola Micro Ultralight cellular phone was stolen. The phone was valued at $1,500.

• Another cell phone may have been stolen some time Good Friday night or Saturday from a green 1995 Land Rover parked in a driveway on Belmont Avenue. A neighbour noticed that the window on the driver's side of the vehicle was smashed. Police said there was wiring inside the vehicle for a cell phone, but no cell phone. The owner of the vehicle was out of town.

• Thieves stole a $750 Motorola cell phone sometime between 2:30 and 4 p.m. Saturday that had previously been attached to a 1994 Jaguar sitting in a driveway on Sydenham Avenue. Again the thieves broke a window and appear to have simply reached inside.

• Another Motorola cellular phone went AWOL between 4 and 6 p.m. Saturday from a 1990 Mercedes 4-door parked on Redfern Avenue. Thieves broke the window on the driver's side.

Lock-picker loads up on CDs

Police believe a burglar picked the lock of an apartment on Clarke Avenue on April 12 some time between 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. The victim, a 41-year-old male, was not home at the time. The lock-picker stole CDs, a portable Sony CD player, a 35mm camera, and cash. The total value of what was stolen is in excess of $1,000.

In another incident the same day, thieves searched an apartment on Olivier Avenue, taking jewels, a bracelet, a chain, and U.S. and Canadian money. The victim, a 32-year-old female, was not home.

Police recovered fingerprints at the scene, on a bottle, which has been sent for analysis.

Computer exits during restroom break

A witness described two teenage boys as the culprits in the theft of a computer last week from an office on St. Catherine Street.

The thieves apparently went into the fourth-floor office of a brokerage firm and cut the cables to a computer while the employee was in the washroom. The incident occurred between 2:45 and 2:50 p.m. on Good Friday.

The computer was described as an Embra, model unknown.

When the employee returned he saw two youths running down a stairway.

The first youth was described as being a black male, 15, five foot seven and 130 pounds wearing a black cap and red jacket.

The other youth was described as 16, five foot seven, wearing a white jacket with red stripes on the shoulders. The computer was valued at about $1,000.

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by Sylvie Lafrenière

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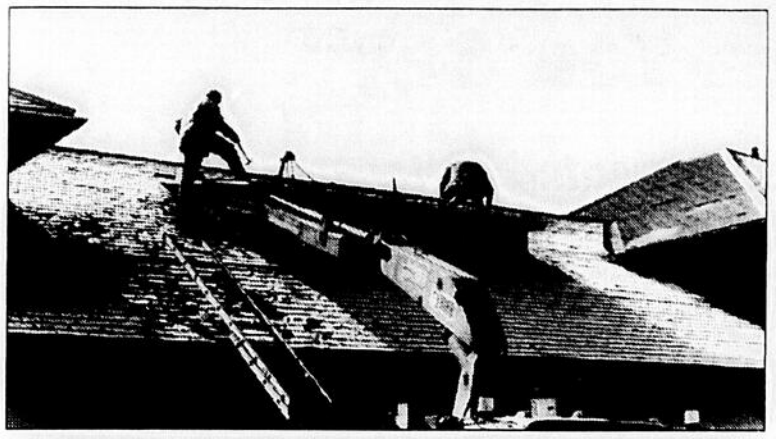
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CP Rail workmen Jean Guy McMillan (left) and Johnny Debellis replace a section of the roof at the decaying Westmount Station that was torn off by high winds two weeks ago. It's the second patch-up job on the roof in about six months, after two large holes were repaired last fall.

Photo by BERNIE O'NEILL

Station ads misleading, mayor says ...

(Continued from page 1)

not be used for retail purposes under the current zoning.

Marc Lapierre, CP's senior manager of properties, could not be reached for comment.

The ad reads: "Unique property offers unique development opportunity.

"Seldom does a site like Westmount Station become available for commercial, residential or office development.

"The station has been classified by the Historic Monuments Board and demolition is not allowed, but the building may be modified or relocated.

"If you are interested in exploring the development of this site and integrating the distinctive character of the station into your project, we will be pleased to meet with you to discuss the terms of a potential site."

Book fair at Atwater Library

The fourth annual Spring Book Fair sponsored by the Association of English-language Publishers of Quebec takes place from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on April 29 and 30 at Atwater Library, 1200 Atwater Ave.

There will be readings, book launches, author signings, film screenings, performance readings and more.

Activities for kids will take place all day, sponsored by the Montreal Children's Library.

Hydro, real estate and snow highlight '94 finances

By BERNIE O'NEILL
The Examiner

Westmount ended 1994 with a $700,000 operating surplus, city councillor David Laidley said last week in a year that, he said, shows the city remains on sound financial footing.

Revenues exceeded the total $50.8 million budget by $590,000, while spending was below budget by about $100,000, Laidley said in a review of the audited annual financial report.

Among the highlights, Laidley said legislation adopted in December 1993 changed the collection of real-estate transfer duties, with the tax now being charged on the greater of either the sale price or valuation. (In the past, the tax was collected on the sale price, even if it were less than the MUC valuation for the property.)

The new law, combined with strong sales in 1994, gave Westmount a windfall of about $485,000. There were 306 real-estate transfers compared to 263 in 1993.

On the down side, revenue was well below budget for the city's Light and Power utility at about $1.5 million, or about $500,000 less than budgeted.

Laidley said the difference was partly due to penalties the local utility paid to Hydro Quebec during peak demand in the unusually cold months of January and February 1994. Westmount Light and Power, the city's own utility, buys its power from Hydro Quebec.

Also on the weather front, above-average snowfall of nearly 260 cm compared to the annual average of 210 cm resulted in increased labour, contracting and road salt costs, putting snow removal about $270,000 over the $2.4 million budgeted.

Revenues from tickets issued last year also was less than anticipated by about $80,000, although the figure was in line with the amount collected in 1993 of around $2.4 million.

Laidley pointed out that the city's debt-financing costs represent just five per cent of the city's total expenditures, compared to nearly 16 per cent on average for the rest of the towns and cities in the Montreal Urban Community.

St. George's presents *J.B.* starting tonight

J.B., Archibald Macleish's highly contentious play about the biblical character Job and his pawn-like relationship with God and Satan, is being presented this weekend by The Lucia Vestris Players, the second-year acting class of St. George's High School.

Staged in a contest-like arena, two ex-actors (Zuss and Nickles) play God and Satan and struggle to capture Job's soul. The competition — good vs. evil — creates a backdrop of spiritual questioning for both Job and the audience.

Westmount resident Daniel Sokoloff plays the devoted J.B. Other Westmounters work behind the scenes. Rebecca Drysdale is Assistant Director, Daniel Rona-Hartzog helped design the lighting, and Daniel Elizondo designed the sound.

J.B. will be presented at 7:30 p.m. on April 20-22 in the Bhatla Performing Arts Space.

For tickets, call 937-9289.

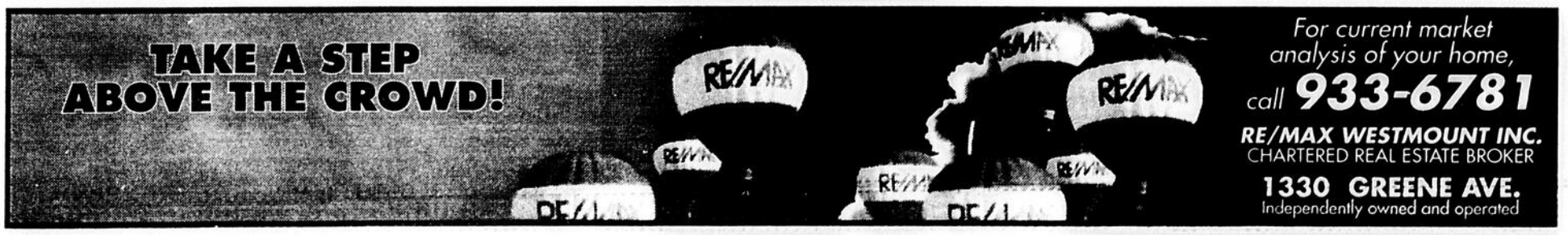
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By Reg Morden
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Pressure tactics doomed to fail

Canadian Pacific is in a position to lose a lot of money in Westmount. Well, not exactly lose money, but more like not make money it wants to make.

The thing standing in its way is the City of Westmount. The city has made it clear it won't allow high-density development of the 17-acre section of the Glen Yards located in its territory.

In response, CP has recently stepped up its pressure tactics in the hope of getting the city to make a deal. It won't work. The reason is that the city holds all the cards this time.

CP can't demolish the building, now that it has been designated as a federal heritage site. This limits its options considerably.

What limits them further is the fact that the site is zoned for residential use. Unless the company can find someone willing to turn the historic building into an oversized bungalow, they're out of luck.

A full-page advertisement in last week's EXAMINER offers the site for office or commercial development. That sounds pretty good. How about a restaurant or maybe a medical centre? Well, until Westmount changes the zoning, neither of these are possible.

The ad, as the mayor has pointed out, is misleading. It would be false if not for the careful wording: "Seldom does a site like Westmount Station become available for commercial, residential or office development." In this case, it's not even that often. The ad suggests that opportunities exist for conversion of the building into another use — opportunities that are currently not available.

The root of the dispute between the city and CP is the overall zoning of the Glen Yards rail land. Roughly 17 of the total of 50 acres is located in Westmount, the rest in Montreal.

Montreal has shown a much greater willingness to give CP what it wants in terms of higher density zoning. Westmount, rightfully so, is being picky. It can be this way because it is operating from a position of strength. It doesn't need the development, CP does.

CP pretends it will happily use the land for rail purposes if Westmount doesn't see the light but this is largely putting a brave face on the situation Mayor Peter Trent has estimated the value of the land at between $30 and $50 per square foot. The entire tract of land, needless to say, would be worth millions — money the company would dearly love to have.

The first step in the public part of the pressure campaign was the decision to publicly break off discussions with the city in February. The company clearly came to realize it wasn't going to get what it was after and decided to tap into the local concern for the preservation of the station as a way of getting the city to budge.

While they may have hoped there would be a groundswell of opposition to the city's stand, that didn't appear to happen. Trent says calls to the city were very supportive of the city's unwillingness to bend.

The CP ad is clearly the second shot in its attempt to get the city to change its position. CP is right in feeling that the public's concern about the future of the station is serious. But where they have miscalculated is in how much the public is going to link the issues of the station and the zoning of the rest of the land.

People don't seem worried about the connection because of the resolve of both sides to make sure that the station doesn't fall into ruin.

The bottom line is that the station can't be torn down and can't be developed unless the city likes what is being proposed. If CP finds someone willing to convert the building into an arcade, for example, the city would very likely refuse the zoning change such a use would require.

Now matter how you look at it, Westmount is in the driver's seat.

—Craig McKee

Congratulations to local athletes

Well, another winter season is over and local athletes have a bunch more medals and trophies to show for their efforts.

As our winter roundup on page 27 shows, a number of young athletes had big seasons and deserve a pat on the back. Among them was cross-country skier Eric Goldwarg; 10-year-old Leah Blank, who did big things both in chess and in gymnastics; women's hockey goaltender Charlotte Davet, the only Westmounter in the Canada Games; and Todd McDougall, the McGill basketball player who won the Richard Pound Award.

Older competitors had some big days as well, like 44-year-old André Cleyn, who took the local bowling scene by surprise with a perfect 300 game to go with his 1979 hole-in-one in golf.

But also deserving of praise are the many athletes who compete in the city's regular recreation program or in local school programs. It is they, along with the adult volunteers any program needs to succeed, who keep the recreational life of the community going.

The city is currently short of coaches for the upcoming summer season for sports like soccer and baseball. Anyone with some time to offer will certainly find such a commitment rewarding and would be helping the kids really get the most out of their summer. Give the recreation department a call; you won't be sorry.

—Craig McKee

You Say

Car exhaust unwanted in 'loading zone'

An open letter to the Headmaster of Selwyn House School:

I am writing you regarding the "loading zone" in front of Selwyn House where students are dropped off and picked up.

As a student at Dawson College, the endless queue of cars has become a customary sight on my walks to and from school. However, I find it somewhat disconcerting that these cars are, more often than not, left running as parents wait for their children. If you have ever been in the area at such a time, you will undoubtedly concur that the exhaust is quite malodorous. Moreover, it is obvious that such pollution can only have an adverse effect on our environment.

I fully understand parents' desire to keep their cars warm on chilly winter days but such practices become unnecessary in the spring and summer months. Consequently, I am asking you to please remind parents to turn off their cars when waiting. It is a simple gesture, but one that will no doubt go far in improving the quality of the air in the area.

I hope that you will give serious consideration to my request.

Michèle Mendelssohn
WESTMOUNT

A paper thief in Westmount?

Is someone stealing the recycled newspapers from our blue boxes?

The last two blue box pickups, the newspapers I put out were gone in the morning, although the rest of the material was untouched and the pick-up truck had not been by yet.

Newsprint is at a premium price at present — is that why it appears that some early-bird thieves have been out and about?

If so — what can we do to foil these thieves?

R. Johnston
WESTMOUNT

Debate pits dog lovers against bird lovers

The debate regarding dogs on Summit Park unfortunately tends to pit dog lovers against bird lovers. We agree entirely with Councillor Herb Bercovitz that there is "a whole constituency of residents who don't own dogs and aren't bird watchers who haven't been heard from." (EXAMINER, April 6, 1995). Visiting Summit Park can be a very disagreeable experience because inevitably large and boisterous dogs, often barking, bound up to walkers. No doubt these dogs are friendly and harmless, but it can be quite alarming, and particularly frightening for the very young and the elderly. Thus Summit Park has unfortunately become a large dog run shunned by the majority of Westmounters — those who don't own dogs.

John and Phyllis Stewart
WESTMOUNT

Dollar must be kept from falling farther

The Canadian dollar has fallen drastically against the Japanese yen reaching an all time low of below $60 recently. With the falling dollar, Canadians would be facing serious problems in trade with not only the Japanese but with other countries as well.

As the Canadian dollar becomes cheaper, people would find Canadian produced goods cheaper to buy. This will increase the quantity of export for Canada. Increasing exports have a good effect only for a very short time. When Canada tries to buy goods from other countries, they will be aware that the falling Canadian dollar means that foreign produced goods will become much more expensive than before. Export incomes in actual value would also decrease and Canada's ability to import would be hurt seriously as well. The average consumer would also have to pay much more for an imported good.

It is necessary for the Canadian government to gain investor's faith in the Canadian dollar by lowering the budget deficit and preventing the dollar from falling farther. If not, people who have Canadian dollars in their hands will soon loose confidence of the Canadian government and the Mexican peso incident might reoccur in Canada.

David Lee
MONTREAL

Changes to pensions are tokenism

On the issue of reforming MPs' pensions, Prime Minister Jean Chretien caved in to the naked greed of Sheila Copps and her cronies and stands revealed as a hypocrite.

Despite the token changes to MPs' pensions announced by the federal government, MPs' pensions will still have unlimited protection against inflation and will grow in value at a rate that's twice the legal maximum in the private sector.

When the government is talking about raising the age for receiving CPP pensions from 65 to 67, Liberal MPs have decided to give themselves pensions at age 55.

Even worse, MPs who have already qualified for pensions will still be allowed to quit their jobs and receive super huge pension pay outs regardless of their age.

To give you an idea of just how cowardly the announced changes are, if Sheila Copps retires in three years, she will stand to collect $2.7 million until age 75. Under the old plan, she would have collected $3.3 million. There's no need to hold any tag days for Sheila.

The MPs' pension plan is still gold-plated, will still cost the taxpayers millions and is still an outrage.

That this MP pension fraud comes from a government which piously preaches fairness and about the need for sacrifice makes this insulting reform plan even worse. The hypocrisy is mind boggling.

When are our elected representatives going to lead by example?

David Somerville
President
The National Citizens' Coalition

The Westmount Examiner

EXAMINING THE FILES

60 years ago

April 19, 1935

RESERVOIR PLANNED: "Plans for the erection of a reservoir on Westmount Mountain were approved by the Westmount City Council at its regular meeting. Alderman George S. Currie said McGill University, owners of the property, do not contemplate any development of the scheme at the present time."

50 years ago

April 20, 1945

MERCHANTS URGED TO BRIGHTEN UP: "The City of Westmount Council has requested the Business Association of Westmount and the Community Services Committee of the Rotary Club to endeavour to institute a co-operative spirit among merchants of the Eastern Section around Greene Avenue in a plan to make the business section look more alive and progressive. Merchants are being asked to check present window displays with the thought of making them more attractive to the passer-by. Paint and repair jobs are urged where necessary, and lighted show windows after dark until 11 p.m. are suggested."

40 years ago

April 22, 1955

AD: "AMERICAN TV RECEPTION, guaranteed! Everything you need, only $19. Includes all-channel antenna, 10 ft. mast and accessories. Easy to install. Erect it yourself and save. Teletronics Corp. Ltd. 4188 St. Catherine St. West, near Greene Avenue. Ph: FI. 9282."

30 years ago

April 23, 1965

FIGHT AGAINST DUTCH ELM: "Westmount Parks officials are cautiously awaiting to see how a new chemical works out that may save many trees that would have fallen victim to Dutch Elm disease. Last year eight trees had to be cut down because of the disease; two more will have to come down this year. The chemical, bidrin, is injected under the bark of trees. However, it is toxic to human skin, and an overdose can kill trees."

20 years ago

April 17, 1975

EARLY HOLDEN? "Addressing the Quebec Community Newspapers Association annual meeting at Mont Gabriel, Jacques Yvan Morin, leader of the Parti Quebecois official opposition in the National Assembly, said he would like to have an English-speaking PQ candidate running in Westmount, and in other anglophone constituencies, in the next general elections and would seek the support of English voters for his party's social platform and understanding of its independence-for-Quebec stand. He said the PQ would guarantee the rights of minorities in the province-state as is done 'in all civilized countries.'"

10 years ago

April 18, 1985

DOG DEAL DECLARED: "The days of confrontation between city council and dog owners — at least, the organized ones — appear to be over, according to Westmount's "dog commissioner," Paul Fortin. The alderman was joined by other council members in a series of recent meetings with members of the Westmount Dog Owners' Association regarding adherence to dog regulations.

— **Bernie O'Neillw**



Baby's future was forecast on page D6

O'NEILL-WHITE Bernie and Cindy are pleased to announce the birth of their first child, and son, Benjamin, who catapulted himself onto this planet at 1:06 a.m. Monday, April 10, at the Maison de Naissance Côte des Neiges. Weight: 7 pounds, 15 ounces; distance: 36 feet, 11 inches, for a new Canadian indoor record and Commonwealth Games gold medal in the juvenile long jump.

All are well. However, Mom and Dad, who have been changing diapers morning, noon and night for seven days, are pooped.

Second grandchild for Pat and Carol and first for Ken and Cathy, all of whom seemed startled but accepted the charges nevertheless for collect telephone calls at 3 a.m.

Nephew to Kevin and Lynne, also up to their armpits in (baby-girl) diapers in Toronto (looks like we'll be returning those hand-me-down dresses); Phil in Japan (wearing a gas mask against terrorist attacks and preparing for the next earthquake); Barb in Calgary (working for the Alberta Telephone Company: Hello, Barb!); Kathy (who thinks our domestic existence in Montreal is "right on") playing the guitar and hanging out in Vancouver; and Jason, finishing his first-year exams at UNB Fredericton, where his roommate, after initially saying, "Wow! Cool!" forgot to give Jason the message that his sister had had her baby.

Cousin to Sophie Latullipe-O'Neill, who will have a younger relative to tease and chase at family gatherings.

A million thank-yous (thank you, thank you, thank you, thank you, thank you, thank you) to our midwife, Kerstin, for all her help during the last five weeks when Ben (or Charlotte, if it were a girl) was threatening to arrive early; and for mothering us afterward; not to mention for being there at the big moment with the catcher's mitt and the measuring tape.

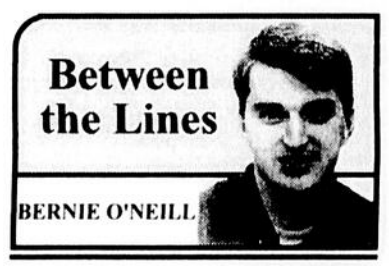
Thanks to all our friends for the cards and flowers and phone calls. It's nice to know you have so many potential babysitters.

There's even a special thank-you for the incredible number of references to Benjamin's "birth sign," Aries, which callers seemed to think was more important than, say, his weight or his hair colour or the fact that he has his dad's pointy ears. It's been an eye-opener for the youngster's father, who until this week has skipped over the all-important horoscope and concentrated on less serious sections of the newspaper, like the news section.

IF APRIL 10 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You are independent, original, dynamic, headstrong, and passionate, according to Omarr the Astrologer, writing in the April 10 Gazette, which Ben's folks are saving so he can read it 20 years from now to get a taste of what the world was like when he joined it.

Omarr makes it sound like Ben will be a handful for the proud parents. That's why they are extremely happy that they will be receiving grandparental and greatgrandparental support on holidays and in summer.

According to astrological configurations, Ben's 'current cycle' emphasizes "business investment, sale or purchase of property, and marital status," making it sound like he'll be growing up fast buying a Pizza Hut franchise, and a sprawling mansion, and settling down, all within the calendar year.



By the end of April, Ben will "decorate, remodel, improve living conditions," Omarr adds. We've done quite a bit of remodeling and redecorating in anticipation of Ben's arrival, but maybe more is on the way.

Of course, the most special thank-you is for Cindy and Ben from Old Dad, who witnessed the birth, and is not only overwhelmed by a) the incredible size of an actual placenta, b) how pleasant breast-feeding looks, not only to take in nutrients, but as a pastime, and c) how much the poor child looks like his father, pointy ears and all.

He is also realizing that words can never describe how he feels about how well everything went, and how strong Ben's mom was, and is, or how this miraculous event and the person who arrives — something that happens every day all over the planet thousands of times over — can so totally change your life.

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Where Have I Heard That Voice Before?

By JACK BRODIE
The Examiner

It is hard to believe it has been over 30 years since a young Montreal disc jockey named George Morris introduced the Beatles in concert at the Montreal Forum.

"What will forever be indelibly etched in my mind was the noise level. I thought that the Forum was going to collapse. It was impossible to hear the Beatles above the roar of 16,000 hysterical teenagers, mostly girls.

"It was incredibly intense; it actually frightened me. I wondered if in their mass hysteria, they might stampede the stage."

George Morris, a self-described "egomaniac," who says he would do most anything to make money, has had a varied career in radio and advertising, a career that has given him more than his share of unusual jobs. Not the least unusual was a job he got after high school demonstrating yo-yos. He went across Canada, going from schoolyard to schoolyard teaching kids how to use the toys — and prompting them to run out and buy their own.

"At that time I was pretty much ready to try anything."

His wife even bought him a silver-plated yo-yo for a souvenir. Morris currently owns a state-of-the-art recording studio in Old Montreal that is doing business with some of the biggest names in show business.

Morris, who went under the name Buddy G ("The big boss with the hot sauce") when he was a DJ with CKGM in the 1960s, has done dozens of voice-overs for commercials, both on television and radio. His company, Listen Audio, also creates advertising campaigns and produces the commercials to go along with them.

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"Anything that lets us make a buck and involves sound, we do."

The well-known voice of Morris is heard internationally for prestigious accounts such as Bell Telephone, General Motors, *The Gazette,* and the Labatts Brewery commercial heard on *ABC's Monday Night Football.*

Morris has also done voices for *Sesame Street* which is seen worldwide. For the last 16 years, Morris's voice-overs have been helping children learn about the number five, the difference between near and far, up and down, and that "jacket" starts with the letter "j." In fact, he still gets residual cheques for his work.

But Morris is probably best known for a series of commercials he starred in a few years ago for St. Hubert BBQ, in which he played a Texan named R.J. Rooster, who loved the restaurant's chicken so much he came all the way from Texas to get some.

Morris says that when these commercials were running his children were "embarrassed all to hell" by the attention their father was getting in public.



An animated George Morris reading advertising copy in his Montreal studio.

Photo by PETER McCABE

"We'd take them to the movies and they'd stand 200 feet back to avoid being recognized," he said, adding that he was recognized once in a St. Hubert restaurant with his family by an employee who thought he really was from Texas and wondered what he was doing Montreal.

From a very young age, the outgoing Morris knew he would be a performer of some kind.

"I'm a bit of a Polish ham, but I enjoy it."

Born Jerzy Bromiczeswki Sztajdelman in Poland in 1942, Morris was left an orphan in care of a babysitter until the end of WWII, after his mother was taken prisoner by the Germans. They were reunited a few months later. They lived in Germany until 1948 and in 1950 came to Canada.

At 10, Morris joined the Montreal Children's Theatre. After doing several radio shows, he was hooked. In the early days of television, Morris managed to get on a charade show called *Small Fry Frolics*. He later gravitated towards radio.

"I was intrigued with radio and knew it was my calling."

He sent off about 40 tapes to small stations throughout the country. In 1958, he was hired by a station in Blind River, Ontario, after lying about working at CFCF Radio in Montreal.

"After three days, they discovered I didn't know what I was doing and fired me. During those three days I learned enough information to bluff at my next radio station job in Peterborough, Ontario."

Although that station went under soon after, Morris was on his way. He headed back to Montreal and hosted a show at CKGM in 1960 called the GM Affair, combining his initials with the station's call letters. Later, after a year back at school, he was offered a job as program director at CFMB.

"On my way to CFMB I dropped by CKGM to visit my friends. The management doubled the salary offered by CFMB to come back."

Morris worked at CKGM as Buddy G from '66 to '68 but grew bored with the business, referring to himself as a "glorified taxi dispatcher."

"I wanted to get into the money end of the radio business and that was commercials, so I started freelancing as a 'voice.'"

He did that for a year and realized that most of the material he was recording, he could do better by writing and recording himself. Morris and a partner formed Listen Audio in 1969. Over the years, Morris has amassed in excess of $1 million worth of equipment. The recording studio can accommodate 20 musicians.

"We have a digital recording system which is capable of long distance recording. We can record someone who is based in Los Angeles or Japan in the same CD quality as if they were right here."

Some users of this innovative technology have included Leslie Neilson, Christopher Plummer and Donald Sutherland and the group Men Without Hats.

Studio walls are peppered with awards and accolades from within the industry, so numerous that Morris humbly concedes that hundreds remain in boxes due to a lack of wall space.

Morris says that he enjoys working behind the scenes but the performer in him still relishes doing voices himself.

"One never knows where you will hear my voice," he chuckles. "Ask my kids. On their first unsupervised holiday to Whistler they waved good-bye to me and boarded the flight to Vancouver. They were ready to party. Prior to take-off, the TV screens drop down for the safety announcements and lo and behold there is their Daddy's voice telling them to buckle up."

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Parents organize to fight Challenge program cancellation

By NANCY NELSON
The Examiner

Roslyn School parents, faced with cancellation of their Challenge program for gifted students, are refusing to admit defeat.

Protestant School Board officials had resolved in May of 1994 that the enrichment program would undergo a proper evaluation before any changes would be made. This evaluation has not taken place, though a descriptive survey has been conducted.

The PSBGM's position is that since not all elementary schools have been fortunate enough to be allocated funding for enrichment programs, the fairest way is to cancel existing programs.

Parents at the four affected schools — Roslyn, Carlyle, Dunrae Gardens and Meadowbrook — met at Carlyle last Thursday to plan their strategy. They will attend the April 26 meeting at the PSBGM, carrying letters and petitions.

"We have to hold them to their avowed resolution," said Linda Stern, president of the Roslyn Home and School Association. "An evaluation would have found that many more children need an enrichment program. The board has no vision of education. We parents don't want to play the political game but unless we do, we're not heard."

Joan Rothman, PSBGM commissioner for ward 10, expressed dismay at the announcement so late in the year and the lack of evaluation, though she realized it was inevitable in the face of major budget cuts: $2.5 million for teachers and $2 million in other programs for the 1995-96 school year.

"I don't think our prospects are very good in education," said Rothman on Monday. "It was bleak in 1976 — and this time the government is ignoring minorities, the City of Montreal and the English-speaking community.

It is disregarding the health and education of its entire population in order to fulfill its mandate for a dream that's getting farther away (sovereignty). Parents have to keep asking for the education they want and make sure that governments at the various levels respond to their needs."

Deborah Adler, past chairman of the Roslyn School Committee, feels that some funds could made available for the gifted program. She said, "Last year, for example, $250,000 was allocated to training teachers in co-operative learning. This was the third year of a three-year plan, so that could free up some money for the Challenge program."

It was estimated in a PSBGM study in 1986, that approximately 15 to 20 per cent of all school children can be identified as gifted. These children, says Stern, are very much in danger of becoming part of the 36 per cent of students who drop out of high school in the PSBGM system.

The Roslyn parent leaders, in a letter distributed to all parents last week, urged that all schools be given the same chance:

"These programs should be expanded within the schools where they now flourish and developed in schools where they unfortunately have not yet been established."

Westmount Park School principal Paul Saunders agrees: "The resources have to be shared equally among all schools; there are gifted children in all schools."

His school does not have a pull-out enrichment program, but his teachers do make use of their excellent Discovery Room. Saunders suggests that other schools could share this science resource centre.

Marilyn Tobman, Roslyn School principal, summed it up: "We all have a vested interest in meeting the needs of all our children. Gifts left unattended can waste away."

Interested parties can attend the question period of the next PSBGM public meeting, which will be held April 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the Lawrence Patterson conference room at 6000 Fielding Ave. in N.D.G.



Station 23 police log ...

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Youths pay fare, then steal cab permit

Two 17-year-olds are being blamed for the theft of a taxi cab permit, taken from a cabbie who was dropping the young men off at about 2 a.m. April 14.

Police say one youth stole the permit while the other was paying the fare. The two then ran off behind 4800 de Maisonneuve Blvd.

One man spoke English, the other French and English.

Since the MUC began limiting the number of taxi cab permits, a valid permit can sell for as much as $50,000.

Three-week-owned Porsche takes flight

Police say an Ontario man who had owned his 1985 Porsche 911 Targa for just three weeks, was the victim of a car theft from his parents' home on the weekend.

Police say the 32-year-old man was visiting his parents on Montrose Avenue when he went out at about 11 p.m. Friday night, leaving the car in his parents' driveway. When he returned, at around 1:40 a.m., the Porsche was gone.

The car had an alarm system but it was not turned on.

The people in the house said they heard nothing unusual.

Young mom loses wheels

A 1992 black Honda Civic two-door parked outside an apartment building on Sherbrooke Street near Atwater Avenue was stolen April 15.

The owner of the car is a 21-year-old female who was at work nearby.

Inside the car was a motorcycle helmet, a leather jacket and an infant car seat.

Police have no witnesses and no suspects.

Summit dog-walker's car robbed

A 1991 Honda Civic was broken into at Summit and Belvedere April 16 between 7:20 and 7:55 p.m. as the owner walked her dog at Summit Park.

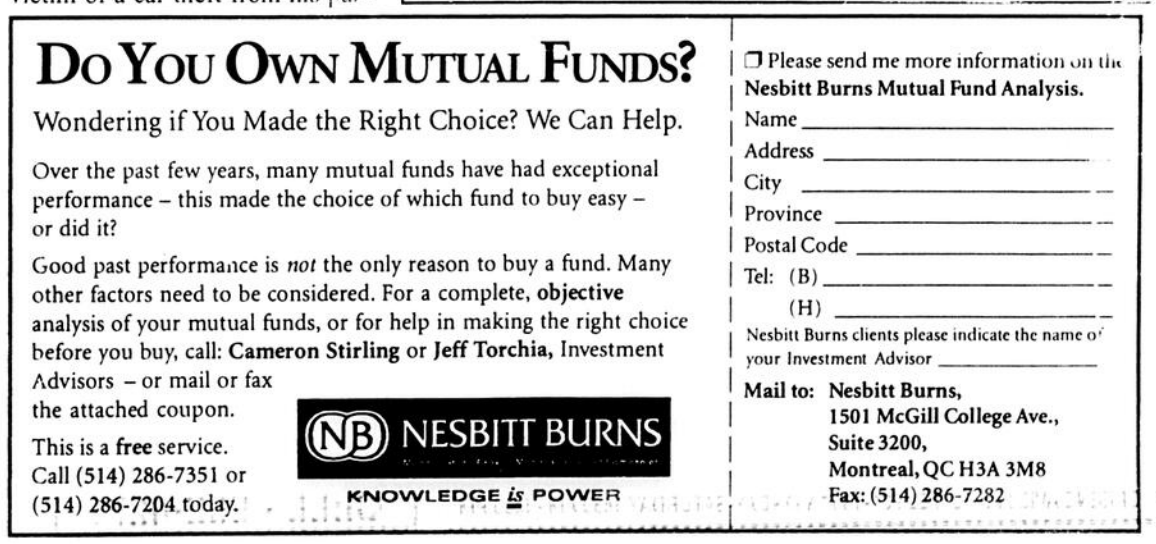
A window was smashed. Taken were a purse, some personal items, credit cards and money.

Parking permits available

The 1995 on-street parking permits are now available for residents of Westmount.

For more information, call Grajina Lunas at the City of Westmount, 989-5225.





Poor Super Man and *Substance of Fire* both must-sees

Theatre

By SUSAN GRAY
The Examiner

Illusion, and its flip side, tunnel vision, are major forces in the Centaur's latest show, Jon Robin Baitz's *The Substance of Fire*. A play about the clash of values between a European Jew, Isaac Geldhart (Westmounter Maurice Podbrey) and his three American-born children, it is an extremely moral work, but one which places personal responsibility above all else.

The play's first half is a power struggle between Isaac and children Martin (Westmounter Howard Rosenstein) Aaron (Howard Bilerman) and Sarah (Ellen Cohen). The publishing house Isaac has run with an iron fist is nearing bankruptcy and the children are convinced Isaac's old-world values are to blame.

Much anger is hurled across the long wooden table in Act One. But the writing sometimes borders on sentimentalism and South African director Anthony Akerman fails to go beyond the obvious.

Substance's second half, however, is another story. It is here that the 30-something Baitz takes dramatic risks, introducing another major character and muddying the play's moral waters.

Isaac, so fierce about preserving the past because he managed to avoid the Nazi death camps, meets his match in Marge Hackett (Marion Gilsenan) the social worker sent to examine his mental competency. The symbolic richness of Baitz's writing is matched here by Podbrey's powerful performance as Isaac — and Gilsenan's clear-witted Hackett.

The Substance of Fire does a rare thing for a young playwright — it holds up a corner of the world and examines it with prismatic intensity. In the end, Ackerman has done justice to that vision, and spectators will leave the Centaur deeply challenged both emotionally and intellectually.



Emmanuel Bilodeau and Marie-France Lambert in Brad Fraser's *Poor Super Man*.

Playwright/director Brad Fraser is not known for his subtlety, either on or offstage. The bad boy of English Canadian theatre, his plays have tended to be long on graphic sex and violence and have frequently incurred the wrath of censors, including jittery theatre companies.

Poor Super Man, currently in its Montreal première at the Théâtre de Quat'Sous, hasn't escaped this fate. Its Cincinnati première last year was almost scuttled by a nervous theatre board. The play, however, is not violent and the sex, at least in the Montreal production, is subtle. Compared to Fraser's *L'Homme laid*, (*The Ugly Man*) presented at the Quat'Sous two years ago, it ranks next to summer theatre on a sex and violence meter.

Poor Super Man is the story of David (Claude Poissant), a successful painter who returns to waitering in an attempt to find artistic inspiration. Enter Matt (Emmanuel Bilodeau) and Violet (Marie-France Lambert), the proprietors of a small restaurant where David becomes a waiter. The play's sexual, if not romantic triangle, takes shape soon after, as Matt, who disavows any gay inclinations, begins an intense affair with David, who is gay.

Poor Super Man strikes a clever balance between the mundane world of the earth-bound couple and the comic-inspired world comprised of David (a contemporary Superman of sorts) and his close friends Kryla (Louise Bombardier) and Shannon (Robert Bellefeuille), an HIV-positive transsexual.

Add to this a sixth "character" in the form of constant surtitles that describe the characters' inner thoughts and feelings and a set which allows for blending action. The result: a production that just about meets the play's stylistic challenges while providing witty, fast-paced entertainment.



Westmounter Maurice Podbrey (left) with Howard Bilerman, Ellen Cohen and Howard Rosenstein in *The Substance of Fire* at the Centaur.

Fernand Rainville's direction could have heightened the distance between the two worlds and Fraser could have reduced the distractions by placing more emphasis on David's inner life, and less on Shannon's imminent death. Still, *Poor Super Man* is a must-see for Fraser fans and should-see for contemporary theatre-watchers.

The Substance of Fire is at the Centaur until May 21. *Poor Super Man* is at the Théâtre de Quat'Sous until May 20.

Toronto artist at Galerie de Bellefeuille

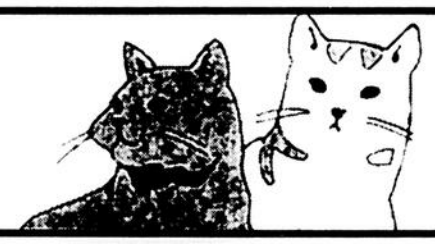
Helen Lucas, a Toronto artist who specializes in floral paintings, will be at Galerie de Bellefeuille this Saturday and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. to meet the public and talk about her works, currently being exhibited at the gallery.

Lucas' flowers are very physical, alive and burgeoning. She writes that paintings should be a positive act in a world often lacking beauty and hope. Her colourful vibrant paintings fulfill this commitment, and enliven many public and private collections.

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Bulldog Productions: still a force after hard season

Westmount's Linden helps bring company back from the brink of bankruptcy

By SUSAN GRAY
The Examiner

Westmount's Bulldog Productions is back on track. Despite a massive exodus of board members and minor but well-publicized financial problems last fall, the company, headed by Westmount resident and co-founder Ilana Linden, will present Elliot Hayes' *Homeward Bound* at the Rialto Theatre for a month-long run beginning April 27.

The show is a kind of "All in the Family for the nineties" according to director Linden. While the play starts with a serious premise — the husband of a middle-aged couple has terminal cancer, it isn't about euthanasia, she stresses. Rather, it is being billed as a "warmly touching and hilariously funny comedy about death and our fear of it and about life and the fear some of us have of that."

Homeward Bound was to have opened on February 16, as the second play in Bulldog's first three-play season. But the company's internal problems made a February opening impossible. The musical *A Clockwork Orange*, originally slated for *Homeward Bound*'s time slot, will open at the Rialto on October 12.

The couple in *Homeward Bound* will be played by veteran Montreal actors Walter Massey and Joanna Noyes. In addition to her numerous appearances at the Centaur and her film and TV work, Noyes will be known to Montrealers of late for her wry performance as Nell in Peter Nichols' *Passion*. During Massey's 45-year acting career, he has performed in over 1,000 TV, film and stage productions; his credits include playing opposite Richard Chamberlain and Rod Steiger in the TV movie *Cooke and Perry: A Race to the Pole*.

Linden is more than pleased to be directing a comedy, given Bulldog's travails this season. In November and December, eight board members (out of total of 11) resigned; there are only four members on the current board. President David Novek, who also presided over the exodus, says the flurry of resignations resulted from "panic"; he had urged the directors to do a major fundraiser following the poor box office

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take from *Teibele and Her Demon*'s October and November run.

While some former board members interviewed by THE EXAMINER expressed dissatisfaction with how the company had been handling certain financial matters, their resignation letters do not refer specifically to these problems.

Two other recent problems for the company have been its debts, and the departure of its executive director. Mary Kelly severed all ties with the company in mid-December, citing irreconcilable differences. At the time of her departure, the company owed her approximately $12,000 in "fees and commissions." The two parties have since come to an agreement, and Kelly will be paid in total by the end of 1995. Agreements have also been made with all of Bulldog's other creditors.

At the height of the crisis, Linden estimated the company's deficit to be in the $25,000 range.

Linden says she has found the season's difficulties instructive, but is determined to turn the page on the painful episode. While she had seen a lawyer at one point to discuss bankruptcy, all such considerations are now behind her. As of late March, the company was two-thirds of the way to raising $50,000, its pre-*Homeward Bound* goal. A celebrity fundraiser will be held at the Rialto on May 15.

Asked if Bulldog's recent problems had hampered fundraising efforts, Linden admitted that in some cases they had but that the situation was not as bad as she had anticipated.

She says she also received dozens of calls during the same period from people supporting the company.

Since its founding in 1988, Bulldog has acquired a reputation for producing critically and commercially successful shows, largely without government grants. In fact, it received last year's Masque award for best anglophone production for *Oleanna*.

Given its track record and ability to overcome the obstacles it has faced in recent months, it appears that the prospects for Bulldog's long-term survival are brightening.

Gwynne Dyer speaks at St. George's

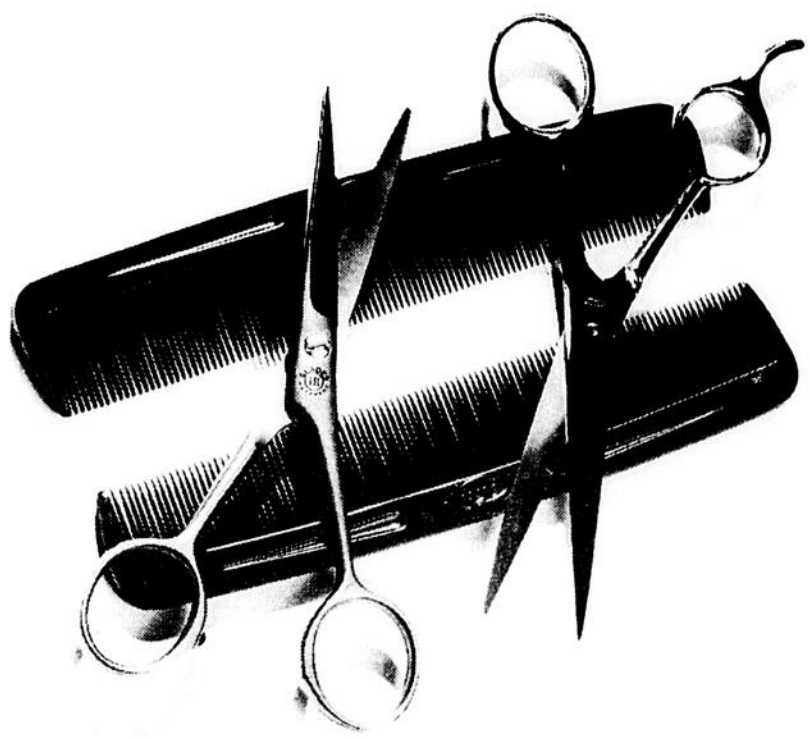
"We will enter the 21st century on a planet where over 90 per cent of humanity will live in more or less democratic societies," Gwynne Dyer told students at St. George's School recently.

Dyer, a well-known historian, believes that the mass media is creating a shared identity and a common loyalty within large societies and in this way is creating the basis for mass democracy.

He says that events like the opening of the Berlin Wall, the fall of communism in Eastern Europe and the end of apartheid in South Africa have created a momentum so large that they probably cannot be stopped.

Jacques DesRochers, head of the Social Studies Department, was pleased with the interest and keen insight shown by his students who, during the question period after Dyer's talk, challenged the optimism Dyer expressed.

The Robert T. Leicester talk is given in memory of a principal of St. George's School from 1966 to 1975 who taught World History in addition to his work as an administrator. The foundation enables the school to invite outside guest speakers to address the students on contemporary issues.



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Foster homes are not only for children

Hillside Avenue's St. Margaret program operates 12 homes in Montreal area

By CAROLINE KUTSHCKE
The Examiner

It may be a nondescript brick building, but behind the doors lies Cecily Benjamin's foster home for the elderly, where eating well tops the list of things residents say they like best about living there.

Benjamin's house on Montclair Avenue in Notre-Dame-de-Grâce is one of 12 public foster homes in the Montreal region run by the St. Margaret Foster Home Program, based on Hillside Avenue in Westmount.

The program falls under the umbrella of St. Margaret's, which took over in 1993 from Ville Marie Social Services. It also covers Hillside Avenue's St. Margaret's nursing home, St. Andrew's home and the Father Dowd home.

A resident who used to live alone in her Verdun apartment, Marjorie Noel, 67, has no plans to leave Benjamin's foster home, which caters to residents with memory loss but who are still physically active.

"I'm staying here forever," Noel tells Benjamin cheerfully. "I love it — it's a real home," she said, citing the family atmosphere.

"Besides that, I'm well fed and I like to eat," Noel said, adding that before she only used to eat a sandwich for dinner.

"I couldn't be bothered to cook."

Explains St. Margaret's program director, Mark Tobin, the foster homes are aimed at someone who is unable to live alone but who is too well to live in a nursing home.

The homes — eight in N.D.G., three in the West Island and one in Laval — are ultimately governed by provincial regulations and must meet Quebec's standards.

By law, for example, each home can have up to only nine people. The average is five, says Tobin, who holds degrees in business administration, institutional administration and social work.

Montreal has many private homes but those don't have to meet any provincial standards and regulations, he added. "They really run them as they like... Some are good and some are not so good."

Benjamin says she didn't want to open a private home for several reasons, one of them being that she wouldn't know which clients would fall under her care. In the public program, the clients are thoroughly screened by doctors and social workers.

"You can always get feedback on what is happening," on a medical level or even in terms of the client's family, adds Benjamin, who runs her home with the benefit of 25 years' experience at the Montreal Convalescent Hospital.

Tobin says he gets calls every week from people wanting to open a foster home, but only when the centre feels there is a need to open another, it holds a meeting where the program is outlined to potential caregivers.

If they're still interested, they're asked to fill in an application. Then, a multidisciplinary team, including Tobin, doctors and social workers, conducts "a rigorous interview" of the applicant and family "because we have to be very careful who we choose," Tobin said.

The interviews are followed by police and medical checks.

The team also assesses whether the caregiver is comfortable with the disability and if the home is easily accessible.

Many of the current caregivers are already nurses by profession and have experience caring for the elderly, Tobin adds.

By contrast, clients arrive at the home after a referral by a doctor or social worker, who must fill out a form outlining who the client is, medically, socially and psychologically.

The regional health council then decides what level of care is required.

Once that's done, Tobin visits the person to assess which home best meets their needs.

"The matching process is crucial," he said, adding that clients are placed with others who are on a similar level.

The rates are determined by the regional health councils and usually are about $614 a month. For those under 65, Tobin said, the rate is $481 a month.

"Realistically, you could say you wouldn't have to pay for anything more, only extra services," such as a private phone line, he said.

In private homes, no one says how much or how little to charge, he said, adding that he's seen figures of up to $4,000, but "they're generally $1,200 a month. It's whatever the market will bear."

In public homes, the caregiver also gets a premium from the government, which can bring up their pay to $800 a month per client. The caregiver usually owns the home and provides any assistance, including cooking, laundry, cleaning and bathing.

A range of services is also included, such as regular visits from a doctor and social worker.

Residents also have access to physiotherapists and dieticians; volunteers are also supposed to visit regularly and encourage participation in activities.

In addition to offering group outings, residents are encouraged to visit the community's day centres, Tobin added. "If we didn't have these types of programs our clients would sit at home and watch TV all day and that's not necessarily the best thing."

The telephone and television are shared and if a resident wants their own, they pay extra.

Most rooms are semi-private, he adds. Sometimes privacy is possible, "but we never promise because it's rare."

Talk on diabetes next week

"Exercise Guidelines for the Diabetic" will be the topic of a talk by Joy Kistler, M.S., C.D.E. and Exercise Physiologist, when she addresses the Golden Age Association next week.

Kistler is from the Joslin Diabetes Centre in Boston.

The lecture will be held in the auditorium of the Golden Age Association, 5700 Westbury Ave., from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, April 26.

Admission is free but space is limited. Call ahead to reserve tickets.

For information, call 739-4731.

THE SENIORS EXAMINER

Funding found for osteoporosis project

Federal funding has been found for an osteoporosis prevention project developed by the Quebec Chapter of the Osteoporosis Society of Canada.

The project will work toward preventing this disease, which affects a significant number of Canada's seniors.

Health Minister Diane Marleau points out that this project will meet two important objectives — improving the quality of life for seniors and encouraging their independence.

The project involves setting up and disseminating an information program that will deal with all of the biological, psychological and social aspects of osteoporosis. It could be used by group leaders and facilitators.

The first stage in the project will consist of developing video material and testing the recommended approach. The second stage will focus on disseminating the product to health and education workers and to 50,000 seniors across the province.

Health Canada has contributed $238,596 to the project under the Seniors Independence Program, a component of the Community Program for Seniors, which is administered by Health Canada.

Senior Citizens' Council offers course on natural healing

"Disease and Emotions: Tapping the Natural Healer Within" is the title of a new course given at the N.D.G. Seniors Citizens' Council.

This six-week course will examine how blocked emotion can affect our experience of disease and how moving energy directly impacts health and well-being.

Each week's course will include a short seminar to put you in touch with your natural healer within, a guided relaxation, and empowering activity.

The shy and curious are most welcome.

The class is taught by Cheryl Storey, M.A. and costs $10 plus a $10 membership fee for those who are not members of the N.D.G. Senior Citizens' Council.

Classes will be held at 6870 Terrebonne on Monday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon from April 24 to May 29.

For information or to register, call 487-1311.

Course on Symbolist Movement offered at Visual Arts Centre

Honor Robertson will be presenting a seniors workshop on the Symbolist Movement at the Visual Arts Centre in May.

The Symbolist Movement was more an approach, or an attitude, toward art than a style proper. The emphasis was on inner states and meanings in art as opposed to pure representation. The movement began in late 19th century French literary circles in reaction to the effects of industrialization and secularism.

The two-session workshop begins with an historical overview of the movement, and continues with a hands-on exploration of symbols as a means of creative expression.

In the first session, the discussion centers on Gauguin, Denis and Redon, part of the French Symbolist Movement of the 1890s. Discover these artists' personal insights as they relate to this exciting movement in a lecture, slide presentation and discussion.

In the second session, participants will take an imaginative approach to exploring and creating symbols. With the help of literary works, personal letters and stories, they will investigate the meaning of imagery, colour and shape through drawing and painting exercises.

The cost of the two-session workshop is $40 plus materials. The classes take place Wednesday, may 10 from 10 a.m. to noon, and Wednesday, May 17, from 9 a.m. to noon.

The Visual Arts Centre is located at 350 Victoria Ave. Info: 488-9558.

Yiddish film classics at Golden Age Association

Yiddish film classics like *A Brivele der Mamen* and *The Vaw* will be presented at the Golden Age Association's Annual Yiddish Film Festival from May 7 to 16.

The films will be screened every Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday at 1 p.m. in the auditorium at 5700 Westbury Ave.

Janie Respitz, a Yiddish studies graduate, will start the Festival by introducing and providing backgrounds to the movies.

The five movies are in Yiddish with English subtitles. Admission to each film is $1 for members and $2 for non-members. Tickets can be purchased at the association box office starting May 1.

Proceeds from ticket sales will go the Friends of Golden Age Association fundraising campaign.

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Westmount lawyer on the air

Daniel Lighter looks at criminal law Sundays on CIQC

By BERNIE O'NEILL
The Examiner

They've talked about the O.J. Simpson trial, the Guy Paul Morin case, the controversial drunkenness defence, and criminal law in general.

It's more fun when there are more callers.

"Any given week can be pretty interesting," says Westmount lawyer Daniel Lighter, host of the weekly Criminal Law Review, featured Sundays at 7:30 p.m. on CIQC 600 Talk Radio.

The half-hour show is part of a 60-minute program hosted by lawyer Neil Drabkin, called the Proud to be Canadian Hour.

"Some weeks are busier than others," says Lighter, 34, who says he's in it for the fun, and to help the public get a better understanding of the legal system.

"There's a lot of misconceptions about lawyers and judges," says Lighter, who has had a judge on the show, and hopes to bring in a police officer working on narcotics cases for a future installment, and a Crown prosecutor.

"I think a radio show like mine gives you an opportunity to bring people into the system and understand it better."

The listening audience is always invited to call in and discuss anything they wish. Often that means calls about the O.J. trial.

"Some people are O.J. Simpson fanatics," says Lighter, who says he follows the case, but not as closely as some of his callers, who watch the all O.J. "all-the-time" coverage on CNN.

Lighter's practice includes the representation in a wide variety of criminal cases. The Aberdeen Avenue resident's previous experience in the Crown Prosecutor's Office included three years prosecuting narcotics offences.

Lighter is now an associate at the firm of Shadley Melancon & Boro.

Holocaust survivor will give talk

Holocaust survivor Ann Kazimirski will share her reflections of a time when all thought the Shoan had ended — the post-war period before the State of Israel. This talk will be part of Holocaust Remembrance Day at Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom. There will also be a Yom HaShoah Service. Events start Friday, April 28 at 8:15 p.m. at 4100 Sherbrooke St. West.

All are welcome. Info: 937-3575.



Clockwork at WHS

Westmount High School students Eli Brown (Grade 11) and Mitzy Maino (Grade 7), seen here during a recent rehearsal, were among the actors appearing in the Drama Club's production of *Clockwork*, last Thursday. The play was attended by about 150 people.

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PSBGM trauma team seeks to help students overcome shock

By CAROLINE KUTSCHKE
The Examiner

When tragedy strikes any school or any student within the Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal, a team of psychologists and guidance counsellors is there to help students, staff and parents cope.

Headed by its creator, assistant director of student services Lew Lewis, the Traumatic Events Support team is made up of PSBGM professionals.

The 25 guidance counsellors, psychologists, social workers, drug education resource workers, ethno-cultural community school workers and moral religious education consultants are trained to assist the school community and parents in quickly and effectively handling "a very difficult and tragic situation," says Lewis.

Norma Wasserman, a psychologist on the team, says early intervention helps students and teachers by normalizing the situation and by telling them what feelings, emotions and reactions to expect.

"If someone is feeling sick to their stomach, that's normal."

The team usually faces a gamut of post-trauma symptoms, including anger, grief, confusion, changes in sleeping and eating patterns, severe emotional upset, including nightmares and nervousness, and occasionally in severe cases, post-traumatic stress.

"Often what's important to remember is that children and adults will react based on experiences in their own lives," says Lewis. "Often difficult events may be replayed in face of the situation and they may need more help and support."

The best way to cope is to share, says Wasserman, and so the team also conducts group discussions and in some cases, individual sessions. Students are also encouraged to speak with their parents or other responsible adults.

"It's not therapy, but it's therapeutic," Wasserman said, adding that assessments are also made as to whether more attention is needed on a long term basis. "We're there as early intervention and prevention."

The outside intervention has proven to help teachers, she added, because it allows them to go on with their job and coping with the children.

Wasserman said children at Roslyn have coped very well with the recent death of three-year-old Claudia Colletti, who was killed last month when she was hit by a school bus. She expressed concern not only for the family, but for the bus driver and for the babysitters.

"You're also talking about a community that's pretty together," she added.

The length of stay depends on the gravity of the situation, she said. School psychologists do follow-up the intervention; but the course of action depends on the individual case.

Lewis set up the team about three years ago after a suggestion from a former colleague.

"I felt it was appropriate because over the years there have been certain incidents — scattered — where it would have been valuable to have had a

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Our MNA *Jacques Chagnon* **says...**



Federalist mistakes never materialized

Well, the word is out. The referendum has been postponed until autumn 1995. The premier of Quebec, Mr. Parizeau, has decided to make this unendurable situation last a little longer. He obviously took a long look at the polls. Unfortunately for him, Quebecers want to remain Canadians.

The PQ government based its referendum strategy on certain elements it did not control.

They were expecting major mistakes on the part of the federal government and the prime minister of Canada, yet, not only did these mistakes never materialize, but, on the contrary, the population's satisfaction level with the federal government just kept increasing. They were expecting zealous and rash declarations coming from other provincial premiers and even some aggressive behaviour from citizens' groups outside of Quebec. Remember Jacques Parizeau's quote to the Los Angeles Times, before the Christmas holidays, that: "Give me a dozen Canadians stepping on the Quebec flag, and we've got it in the bag!" Yet, much to the government's dismay, no such events took place beyond our borders. They were hoping that the NO Committee, headed by the leader of the Liberal Party of Quebec, would break down into disarray and disagreements as the other players from the federal Liberals and Conservatives would join in. This also did not occur. On the contrary, after the Bloc Québécois's party conference, squabbling has broken out in the YES camp. A lot of tension can be felt amongst the Péquiste MNAs at the National Assembly. One can't help but wonder: are they supporters of the Bouchard camp or the Parizeau camp? The major expected strategy coup in the government's referendum plan was the organization of the regional and national commissions. What they did not predict was how we would react to this project of "supposed" consultation with the Quebec population.

Since we realized the game was fixed in advance, as the procedure of the commissioners' nominations would only marginalize the federalist MNAs, the Liberal opposition was swift in its reaction when it refused to take part in the masquerade. Of course, it followed that the majority of the commissioners were indépendantistes, who took over the commissions and kept repeating their slogan, effectively chipping away at any credibility the consultation project ever had. The pre-referendum momentum that the commissions were supposed to inspire never materialized. The whole process was a sad failure. Poll after poll shows that the independence option has reached a plateau, and anger has broken out between the indépendantiste leaders, resulting in the postponement of the referendum until autumn.

Meanwhile, the official opposition is preparing and organizing itself. In our riding, for example, we are preparing for the possible voters' enumeration, which is probably going to take place the week after Labour Day. Also, we are continuing our financial campaign work which will help us cover the costs of the referendum campaign of the NO Committee. We are organizing ourselves so that, when the time comes for the referendum, we are ready.



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8:44 p.m. Sherbrooke between Strathcona and Arlington: garbage can on fire, extinguished.

Wednesday, April 12

4:25 a.m. 4430 St. Catherine: first responder for medical assistance, transported 82-year-old female to Queen Elizabeth Hospital.

9:43 a.m. 4430 St. Catherine: first responder for medical assistance, 76-year-old female complaining of chest pains, transported to Notre Dame Hospital.

8:41 p.m. 4873 Westmount: first responder for medical assistance, 87-year-old female, feeling ill, transported to Hotel Dieu Hospital.

Thursday, April 13

6:56 a.m. 719 Upper Belmont: first responder for medical assistance, 82-year-old female complaining of chest pains, transported to Royal Victoria Hospital.

8:06 a.m. 4430 St. Catherine: fire alarm activated by dust.

10:15 a.m. 4225 Dorchester: first responder for 58-year-old female heart attack victim with history of heart problems; first in semi-conscious state then had no pulse; administered CPR, assisted in administering three injections of medication; transported by ambulance to Montreal General Hospital.

2:21 p.m. 4300 de Maisonneuve: first responder for medical assistance for 76-year-old male lying on couch complaining of pain in leg; horse fell on him three hours earlier near Hudson; assisted in taking vital signs and moving onto back board; man taken by ambulance to Montreal General Hospital.

5:03 p.m. 4430 St. Catherine: first responder for medical assistance, 87-year-old male with breathing problems, transported to Jewish General Hospital.

9:13 p.m. 4001 de Maisonneuve: first responder for medical assistance, female lying on floor at Dawson College complaining of headache, transported to Reddy Memorial Hospital.

Friday, April 14

3:15 p.m. 4574 Sherbrooke: fire alarm at library under renovations, may be defective.

6:26 p.m. 5775 Sir Walter Scott, Cote St. Luc, canceled en route.

7:47 p.m. 4720 The Boulevard: first responder for medical assistance, 75-year-old woman complaining of pain in thorax, transported to Royal Victoria Hospital.

Saturday, April 15

2:49 p.m. 52 Academy: leaking fridge, vented to outside, serviceman called.

Sunday, April 16

12:15 p.m. Claremont and Sherbrooke: first responder for medical assistance, called to scene of car accident with injuries; no injuries found.

3:15 a.m. 4430 St. Catherine: first responder for medical assistance, 79-year-old male had fallen, transported to Montreal General Hospital .

Monday, April 17

12:13 p.m. 108 Arlington: false alarm call; alarm may be defective.

1:23 p.m. 410 Victoria: fire alarm call; alarm activated by clothes dryer in operation.

Trauma team helps students cope with tragedy ...

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team trained to deal with traumatic events," said Lewis, who holds a Master's degree in Counselling Psychology.

Lewis soon cultivated a team of professionals selected for their skills, language abilities, professional background.

The team — and Lewis — must be prepared to move quickly. In wake of two traffic accidents the same day two weeks ago, Lewis dispatched 10 members to three schools in Westmount and St. Laurent by 7:30 a.m. the next day.

He adds that in other PSBGM schools where children may be upset, it's up to the administration to tell him if they feel a team is needed beyond the schools' own guidance counsellors.

Since 1991, the team has had "unfortunately" to help students, staff and parents cope with 12 events within the last two-and-half years, said Lewis. Its first major task was in connection with a violent incident involving a Riverview student about 15 months ago.

"Let me tell you, it's a service that's extremely well-appreciated and received in schools," he said.

A formal policy of procedure is expected to go before the PSBGM for approval at the April 26 board meeting.

Judy Black, a local psychologist who works with police forces and school boards on traumatic incident stress and who first suggested the idea to Lewis, later trained the team.

The ultimate goal of such teams is reducing the severity of post-traumatic stress, Black said.

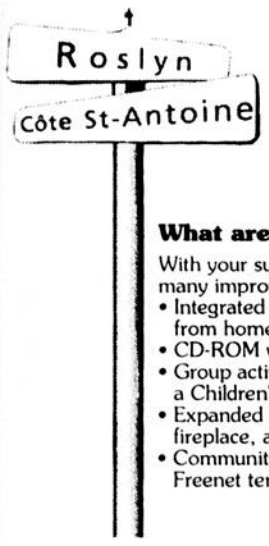
Most people who experience a traumatic incident will have a traumatic stress reaction, "which is quite normal, but so that it doesn't become a problem, early intervention reduces the severity."

Schools are often enclosed communities and, added to that, any incidents involving children tend to increase the trauma factor, she added.

"It tends to bring out our protectiveness — and our feelings of vulnerability and helplessness," added Black, who worked for 17 years in the school system before branching out into this field.

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Head gear is mandatory for free skating, and some of the youngsters' parents have been unable to provide helmets, which can cost as much as $80 when purchased new.

For more information or to help out, contact Janis Walsh at 938-9663.

Architecture dean to address 'Healthy City' group

Derek Drummond, dean of architecture at McGill University, will address the annual general meeting of the Westmount Healthy City Project next month. The meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 31 at 5 p.m. at Westmount city hall.

Drummond's topic will be architecture and environmental concerns.

For more information, contact Pat Prevost at 989-5238.

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Sadeq N. Choudhury
Restaurant Taj Mahal de l'ouest



Westmount's very first Indian restaurant, the Taj Mahal, is flourishing, says Sadeq N. Choudhury, its proud owner, who runs the restaurant with his five brothers. "We are open seven days a week. People really enjoy our food."

The restaurant, with its pink tablecloths, mahogany detailing and a well-polished sitar on one

wall, is charming, but it is the cooking of the chefs, Choudhury's two brothers, Khaled and Monjur Masud, that brings customers back for more. They are both skilled in the art of the tandoor oven which Choudhury carefully imported from his native India. The oven gives their food authentic flavour and texture. Local restaurant critics agree that they produce the best Indian food in the area.

Indian food is celebrated for its spiciness, and all dishes are well flavoured, but not all of them are hot. "Butter chicken is a favorite dish that is very mild," says Choudhury. "But anyway, my chefs can vary the spiciness of a dish to suit the eater," he says. He and his staff take care to discuss customers' tastes, especially with new clients, to help them plan a meal they will really enjoy. "And we have British beer on tap," he says with a grin, "the best drink for a hot curry."

The freshness of the ingredients which are used in his kitchen is extremely important to Choudhury. "I won't use frozen food, everything we use has to be fresh, fresh," he says. "That is what is needed for good food.

"Good food makes for happiness," Choudhury continues. "I like to make my customers happy."

Restaurant Taj Mahal de l'ouest
5026 Sherbrooke St. West 482-0076

Julia Angelini
Boutique MacDonald



Walking into Boutique MacDonald on Victoria Avenue is a little like walking into a giant game of dress-up. Dresses, skirts, pants and suits of every hue of the rainbow line the walls of this small shop which has become a Westmount fixture.

The store was first opened in 1948 by the MacDonald sisters. Originally located on Sherbrooke

Street, Boutique MacDonald catered to the mature woman. All that changed, however, when the present owner, Julia Angelini, took over in 1978.

With Julia in charge, Boutique MacDonald has geared itself to a younger market. The change has brought continued success with a loyal clientele which returns time and again for fashion advice and sometimes a cup of coffee in the back office.

Julia started working at the boutique as a seamstress in 1957. It's a profession she has practised since she was a young girl in Rome. She has seen a lot of changes in Westmount over the past 38 years, some good and some bad, but she says she "just moves with it."

Julia treats many of her customers like family. Not surprisingly, it's carried over to her staff: both her daughter, Maria, and daughter-in-law, Domenica, have worked with her for almost 15 years. Connie, the on-site seamstress, rounds out this tightly-knit group.

One thing they have in common is a passion for fashion and a love of seeing "well-dressed people." Their work at Boutique MacDonald gives them the chance to do this every day.

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Dorothy Raich
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Dorothy Raich is one of Canada's most successful real estate agents. She has awards on her walls celebrating her achievements as "Ranking 1st in Canada," "Best Achievement Award," "Outstanding Achievement Award" and more. She has won many of these commendations year after year.

She has a sign on her desk which seems to explain the reason for her continuing success: "Work. It's good for your health!"

"I work seven days a week," Raich says with a smile. "There are so many new people coming into Westmount that I am kept busy. Newcomers just love this area." She has worked in Westmount for 30 years. For years she was known for the homes she sold at the very top of the mountain, but today her listings are all over Westmount and cater to all tastes.

"I have been in 90 per cent of the houses. I really know them inside and out. I have even had some houses four times," she says. This gives her a great advantage. When she has a buyer looking for a special something, she can recall the perfect house for them.

In addition, Dorothy can give newcomers background information on Westmount which they really appreciate. "Not only was I brought up here, but I then brought up my three children in this area and they went to the Westmount schools." Today one son is a Montreal lawyer with expertise in tax and another is a stockbroker in Toronto. Her daughter is in New York studying for her Ph.D.

Much of Raich's work is from referrals. "Word of mouth has been my best publicity all my life," she says, and repeat business and re-sales are keeping her busy as spring arrives.

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Pat Sheahan
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Summer holidays are fast approaching and many parents are nervously anticipating two months of listening to Junior complain, "I'm bored."

Help is on the way in the form of the Concordia Sports Camp. Operating out of the university's west end Loyola campus, the camp, now in its fourth year, is aimed at kids from ages five to 13. There is also a recreational leadership training program for 14 and 15 year olds.

Each two-week session is jam-packed with a wide variety of both outdoor and indoor activities, ranging from baseball to squash. While primarily a sports camp, computers, theatre and arts and crafts also have a role to play, all sure to keep any youngster happy and busy.

One very special aspect of the camp is the participation of some of Concordia's outstanding athletes as counselors. It's a way of getting the university involved in the community.

"We've found that the kids are developing solid relationships with some of the athletes and it continues during the (athlete's) playing season," says Camp Director Pat Sheahan, who spends his non-summer months as coach of the Concordia Stingers football team.

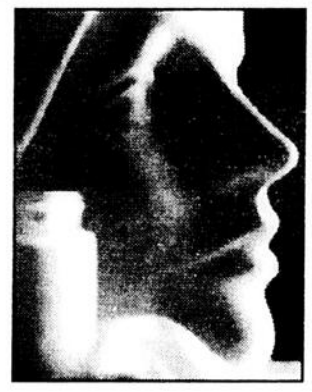
"A real family feeling is being created here at Loyola and the kids really enjoy their summer," Sheahan says.

The camp runs from June 26 to August 18 in two-week sessions. There are 270 places available per session. The cost is $255 per child per two week session, with a declining rate for additional children and sessions.

While camp hours are 8:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., an extended care program is also available from 4 to 6 p.m. to help out working parents.

Concordia Sports Camp
848-3845

Irena Drobiasko
Clinical Esthetician



Irena Drobiasko looks too young to have been a Clinical Esthetician for 22 years. In her well-equipped salon she gives facials and waxes. She teaches makeup application and skin care and loves to make up a bride. She uses top quality products: Aveda, Noevir from Japan, Gerobio from France and Phytonova from Italy.

Irena offers treatments that will improve her clients' skin texture, reduce their acne scars, minimize their wrinkles and improve their lifestyle.

"During my first session with a new client I like to do an in-depth consultation as well as a facial," she says. She emphasizes that eating patterns, sports and stress all affect the skin, and everyone reacts differently to their environment. "I allow plenty of time for each client and answer every question," Irena says. "I don't rush people, nor do I keep them waiting."

Irena trained in Germany, Canada and with Kathryn Leverette in the United States, where Clinical Estheticians are valued members of a dermatologist's team. "I like to work with a patient before an operation to improve skin elasticity, and after surgery I can reduce bruising and work on skin to greatly reduce scarring."

Irena is one of the few Montrealers trained in Glycolic Acid peeling, which gently exfoliates and softens wrinkles, dramatically reducing them. The same treatment minimizes acne scars. Irena carefully monitors her clients and adjusts the treatment to each skin's needs. "No client has to hide her face when she leaves here," she says.

"A balanced skin feels clean, soft, comfortable," says Irena, "and that's what I give my clients."

Irena Drobiasko, Clinical Esthetician
By appointment only, 733-6036

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Paula Pedicelli and Maria Pietracupa Decor Marie Paule

Paula Pedicelli and her sister Maria Pietracupa, owners of Decor Marie Paule, never dreamed their small linen store would blossom into a thriving decorating business.

"We thought it would be fun ... a hobby. Initially we shared time working at the boutique," says Paula, 21 years later.

However, the new entrepreneurs soon realized they were going to have to expand beyond linens as customers began demanding more than sheets. Interior decorators were hired to meet customers' needs. Now, upholstered beds, valances, home consultations, custom-made drapes and bedding are some of the services offered.

"As the projects got bigger, our creative ideas had no limit. It's a matter of working with your client to create the look they want," says Paula.

Continued success has led to the opening of a second location on Laurier Avenue in Outremont.

The staff at Decor Marie Paule has decorated home interiors across Montreal and Canada. There are even hunting lodges in England which have been graced with the DMP touch.

"I love country homes. You can be so playful, fun and versatile with them," comments Paula.

What Mary and Paula enjoy the most about their business is the freedom of expressing themselves through the art of decorating.

Décor Marie-Paule, 4918 Sherbrooke St. West
486-7305



Sylvie Lafrenière Chartered real estate agent Re/Max Westmount Inc.

Real estate agent Sylvie Lafrenière is continuing a family tradition. Her mother, Isabelle Lafrenière, the first woman real estate broker in Quebec, sold houses in Westmount for 33 years. Today, after 12 years in the business, Sylvie is ranked among the top agents of Re/Max with annual sales volume of several million dollars.

Her peers attribute her success to her enthusiasm. "I bring my positive philosophy of life into my business — and I really love what I do!"

Her attitude brings results. In 1994 she was awarded entry into the Re/Max Hall of Fame — a mark of distinction given to agents who have earned more than one million dollars in commissions since joining Re/Max.

Sylvie just bought "a charming Victorian house" for her growing family. Her daughter Chloé is two-and-a-half years old, and another baby is due this summer. Her husband, Jean-Luc, is a French pastry chef at Pâtisserie de la Gare in Montreal West. Their summer love is their home on Dorval Island.

Even though she is extremely busy, Sylvie finds time for volunteer work. She is a councillor for the City of Dorval Island and a contributor to Operation Enfant-Soleil. Her passion for tennis is another success story. Last summer, she won the singles and doubles championship in the city parks league, playing for Jeanne Mance Park.

Re/Max Westmount Inc.
Chartered Real Estate Broker
1330 Greene Ave. 933-6781



Corinne Aseraf-Abitbol Corinne Cosmetiques & Corinne & Dov Importations

Corinne is the queen of bridal makeup. "I love seeing the bride radiant on her special day," she says. "I accomplish a beautiful, affordable look which is designed to last."

Corinne likes to meet the bride a month before the wedding to discuss colours and style. She also instructs her client in makeup techniques and in how to cleanse and nourish her skin.

On the big day, Corinne and her team, which may include a hairdresser and manicurist, prepare the bride for the occasion. Corinne also works with the photographer to ensure beautiful photographs and goes to the reception to touch up the bride. She can also provide a selection of products for the bride to apply herself.

Corinne has always been fascinated by the art of cosmetics, and started professionally applying theatre makeup when she was 15. She has never looked back. Corinne has worked in the theatre and on many fashion shoots. She has taught a course in the theatre department at Concordia University and given seminars to the Professional Photographers Association of Quebec. Her interest has led her to develop her own range of cosmetics and skin conditioners.

Fitting makeup to fashion has helped Corinne develop as a fashion consultant. She likes to assist brides with their trousseau, their going away outfit and their honeymoon clothes. To do this, Corinne opened her fashion import boutique, Corinne & Dov, for both women's and men's wear.

Corinne enjoys her profession. She is proud that she offers a truly professional head-to-toe service.

Corinne Cosmetiques, Corinne & Dov Importations
410 Gratton, Suite 210, St. Laurent 748-6631



Susan Woods Affiliated real estate agent

Happy clients are Susan Woods' goal. She provides service above and beyond the call of duty.

"I believe in going that extra mile," says Susan. "I work hard for my clients whether they are buying or selling." Previous experience in the business world, passing the Canadian Securities Course with top marks, working in the community on numerous Boards of Directors, all bring the business acumen necessary for her number one concern, her clients.

Attention to detail, listening to the client, loyalty, and proven results are descriptions clients use when describing Susan.

"My clients look to me to advise them, and because I want to establish a working relationship that will last for many years to come, I give them expert advice in all aspects of real estate. That means the best buy for their money, the best way to buy, mortgage information, and what to do to protect them during an offer," she says.

"Let me add your name to my list of important clients, and be prepared for some extra special service," she says.

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Royal LePage, Chartered Real Estate Broker
4150 Ste. Catherine St. West 934-1818

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Joanne Wiggins
Executive Director
Adler Graduate School of Psychology



It looks like any other boardroom — a table, chairs, salmon-coloured walls adorned with a few prints — but in fact it's the Montreal campus of the Adler Graduate School of Psychology (other schools are located in Toronto, Vancouver and Chicago).

Offering a three-year Master of Arts Degree in Counseling Psychology, the school teaches Montrealers that there's more to counseling than having a sympathetic ear.

The programme is not just designed for people with an undergraduate degree in psychology.

"We're able to attract a diverse student body (from) nurses to rabbis to social workers, as well as BA students," enthuses the school's Executive Director Joanne Wiggins.

Students are able to continue working at a regular job as all classes are held on weekends.

Courses are based on the teachings of Alfred Adler, a contemporary of Sigmund Freud and Carl Jung, who believed in "the uniqueness of every individual and stress(ed) the individual's relationship with society."

Students spend the first two years in the classroom, and the third in a clinical training practicum.

Graduates can apply to join the Canadian Psychological Association and the Canadian Guidance and Counseling Association.

For information about courses, contact Joanne Wiggins at 482-8789.

Adler Graduate School of Psychology
4999 Ste. Catherine St. West
482-8789

Edith Berman
Real estate agent
Royal LePage



Edith Berman goes for the gold! This lively, energetic real estate agent is so successful that every year she wins, at the very least, the President's Gold Award for selling properties.

A Westmount resident from birth, she knows her city well. Having successfully sold real estate for 17 years, Edith knows virtually every house and is au courant with everything that is going on. While she likes to list a good cross section of properties, she has developed a special ability to handle the luxury homes which grace her city.

Edith's low-key approach makes her many new friends while keeping her old ones. "I never pressure my clients — there is always pressure but I absorb it for them," she says.

Edith makes an in-depth market analysis on any property she lists before suggesting a price. She works closely with her vendors, respecting their feelings and their goals.

She listens carefully to her buyers too, when they tell her what they are looking for, but knows that buying a home is a very emotional decision, and lets her intuition help her determine the selection of houses she shows a client. And she gets it right, assiduously avoiding mismatching that wastes the purchaser's time and energy.

"When people walk into their dream home, I know," she says. "I can feel immediately when are still in the foyer, that they are totally enchanted."

"I love the art of making a deal," says Edith. "It's a real high." She runs a seven day, seven night a week service. "I am always glad to hear my phone ring," she says. "I know my expertise is in demand — I love to feel needed and wanted. My clients have fun working with me. It is an enjoyable experience for us all."

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4150 St. Catherine St. West 934-1818

Farley Lewis
Owner
Passeport 2000



Passeport 2000 is your ticket to fun fashion.

This dynamic little store, located on Sherbrooke Street near Victoria Avenue, caters to Westmount's wide and diversified clientèle. It's the ideal spot to shop for fun, up-to-date suits, outfits and accessories.

Owner Farley Lewis describes Passeport 2000's merchandise as "Fun fashion for men and women of all ages. It's contemporary sportswear for you and yours."

In his store Lewis carries dress suits, casual sportswear with a flair, and a wide variety of accessories that will accentuate even the most creative outfit. Featured lines include upscale imports as well as a wide range of Montreal designers.

Passeport 2000 has been outfitting some of Westmount's most fashion-conscious dressers for the past four years. For a century before that, Lewis' family was in the fashion industry specializing in retail shoes. "We're a century-old tradition of service and quality," Lewis says.

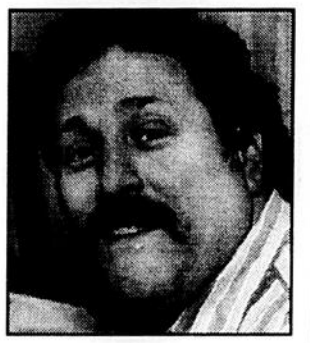
He opened his first Passeport 2000 store in St. Sauveur eight years ago. Located on rue Principale near de l'Eglise, this store is his original pride and joy. It has been open every day for eight years. Westmount's Passeport 2000 store is also open seven days a week .

Don't get fooled by the stores' pricey locales. You can get service, quality and originality at a great price at both locations. "You cannot find the same garment anywhere in the city for less. We guarantee it," promises Lewis.

Then again, you probably won't find the same outfit anywhere else in the city at any price.

Passeport 2000, 4866 Sherbrooke St. 482-2668
200 rue Principale, St. Sauveur 227-0330

Richard Held
Montreal Window Cleaning Co. Inc.



It's the end of March and a telephone rings in Westmount.

"Hello?"

"Good morning Madame. It's Richard Held from Montreal Window Cleaning."

"Good grief! Is it spring already?" This annual phone call informs Westmounters that spring is here and their windows need cleaning.

Richard and Michael Held run the family business that has cleaned the city's windows since 1904.

"We do big houses, small houses, duplexes. There's not a street in Westmount that we haven't done," Held says proudly. They also have contracts for many industrial and commercial buildings.

Montreal Window Cleaning has an impeccable reputation for honesty and efficiency. Because staff turnover is rare, customers see the same employees year after year. They get to know and trust them. The company has been serving many of the same houses since the 1930s and '40s.

The company thrives because of this repeat business and continues to expand because of referrals from satisfied customers. "We first do the mother's windows, then their daughter's windows, then their sisters' and friends' windows too," says Held.

Most people have their windows cleaned twice a year. "It amazes people how clean windows make for a happier environment," says Held. "Such a little thing can really perk up your day."

The Montreal Window Cleaning Co. is committed to pleasing their customers. "We try to be accommodating. We always try to fit people in, even if it's a last-minute rush job," he says.

But don't wait for their call. It's spring, and your windows probably need a good cleaning.

Montreal Window Cleaning Co. Inc.
392-1363

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Ginette Tremblay
Real estate agent
Royal LePage



Ginette Tremblay likes to run. This energetic real estate agent runs all around Westmount, and while she runs she looks over the houses. "They are my inventory," she says.

Tremblay has been successfully selling real estate in Westmount and downtown Montreal for 14 years, working in partnership with her mother Georgette, who has been selling for 26 years.

"We are a great team," says Tremblay with enthusiasm. "We trust each other's judgement, plus one of us is always available to our clients seven days a week."

She gets a lot of repeat business when people wish to move again. "Always the same clients return to us," she says.

The fluently bilingual Tremblay specializes in residential property — houses, condos and co-op properties.

"I was one of the first to work with co-ops, back in the '80s when banks wouldn't touch them," she says. Now people come to her for advice and help when setting up a co-op deal. "Co-ops are better understood by the public now," she says, "and these days shares are often sold instead of square footage."

It is very important to Tremblay to work with residential properties, to feel that she is working with people and their dreams rather than just conducting a business deal.

"I really like matching the right person with the right house. Most of the time the first home I show is the one they want. They are astonished. My strength is finding the right match quickly."

"It is not a problem for me, going to work every day," she says. "I really love my work. I think that is why it has been so good to me."

Royal LePage, Chartered Real Estate Broker
4150 St. Catherine St. West 934-1818

Sylvia Lackman
Fine Jewellery



Sylvia Lackman understands fine jewellery: she has been selling it for 35 years, and she is constantly honing her expertise on trips to international shows in New York, Las Vegas and California.

"Each year we buy exciting items. Often we find we are ahead of our time," says her daughter Lynn Lackman-Lober who has worked with Sylvia for the past eight years. "By the time our customers see something they like in *Vogue* or *Town & Country*, we already have it in stock."

They carry mostly one-of-a-kind pieces. "Our customers are thrilled to know they have the only piece in Montreal — and sometimes only in Canada!" Most of their pieces are also exclusive.

They credit their success to the uniqueness of their collections and the quality of their service. "We are always looking out for unusual pieces and for new exciting designers — although our collections are never trendy," Lynn says. "Also," says Sylvia, "we have a very personalized approach. Often when we are buying pieces, we know exactly who will eventually wear it."

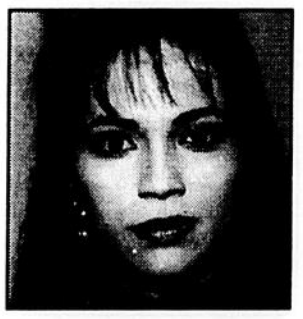
"And we're right about 95 per cent of the time!" says Lynn.

In addition to their imported jewellery lines, sterling silver and 14- and 18-karat gold, they carry a line of handbags by American designers — all exclusive to them in Montreal. And hey have started a registry service for bat mitzvahs, sweet sixteens and graduations. "This has been great for us," says Lynn. "We have an exclusive line of very pretty Victorian reproductions. It's costume jewellery and has been selling well."

They sold many pieces the day after they were featured in the recent Spring Fashion Show at Westmount Square. "I'm sure this is because our jewellery is for all budgets. The prices range from $50 to $5,000," Sylvia says.

Sylvia Lackman Fine Jewellery
1 Westmount Square 931-7706

Louise Keane
Proprietor
Clinique Efface



Wrinkles are an inevitable side-effect of aging, right?

Not so, say Louise and Marie Keane of Clinique Efface.

They use a new technique which they call Bio-Lifting for the face and muscle firming for the body that helps reduce signs of aging.

As we age, our muscles lose their youthful tone and elasticity, causing the skin to sag and wrinkle. This is most noticeable on the face, but occurs all over the body. Clinique Efface's new system uses gentle electrical currents to stimulate and firm the muscles just under the skin. As the muscles are strengthened, the facial and body contours take on a more youthful and healthy appearance. Muscles tighten and surface lines are diminished.

The treatment lasts about an hour, starting with a warm-up and then the lifting of the muscles. Follow-up treatments are necessary every month. For those interested in a non-surgical approach to face lifting, this would be a suitable alternative.

The staff at Clinique Efface is intent on providing clients with a sense of well-being. Owner Louise Keane emphasizes that her clinic is more than a beauty salon, it's an Anti-Stress Spa.

Irene is a licensed esthetician from Elizabeth Grady School of Esthetics, Boston, Mass. As well as Face and Body Fitness, they offer waxing and facials using the Guinot line of hydradermie facial products, internationally popular for their deep cleansing and deep hydrating treatments.

Until May 31 Clinique Efface offers a special price for 6 treatments, regularly priced at $400, now $275.

Clinique Efface, 1364 Greene Ave.
939-4121

Marty Cooper
Martin Industries



Windows. The right windows for your home and the best way to install them, that's what Marty Cooper understands. Cooper is a perfectionist about installation.

"People often don't realize before they start just what a difference a carefully planned installation can make," he says. "The same window can look quite different when installed by a different contractor."

Cooper is very aware of all of Westmount's stringent regulations. His company sells and installs a wide variety of windows in wood, aluminum and PVC. There is something in his range for every budget. He considers the character of a house when he suggests a type of window to use. Then he plans every detail of the installation, right down to checking that the drapes will fall clear of the window hardware. "I am happy to redo a whole house or just one or two windows at a time," he says.

Cooper employs his own team of workers, no sub-contractors, so they really care about the work they are doing and the company's reputation. Cooper designs and oversees each project himself.

Cooper's customers are his best sales representatives. They are so satisfied with the work done on their windows that they are happy to refer their friends and neighbours to Cooper.

Cooper is persistent about paying attention to fine details. Each home is treated as an individual, and its architectural integrity respected. "You don't want to change the look of a house," he says. "You want to upgrade it while maintaining that look. I can achieve this for you without spending a fortune."

Martin Industries
Tel. 486-4635 Fax. 486-7080

Who's doing what?

The following are building and plumbing permits issued recently in the City of Westmount:

Thursday, April 6

4160 St. Catherine: Compuquest, sign, $4,500.
635 Carleton: H. Hopmeyer, windows, $5,500 (contractor to be determined).

Friday, April 7

130 Clandeboye: R. Guy, repairs to damaged garage, $5,000.
47 Holton: Rimstad, repair drain, $1,200.
256 Kensington: Mr. Lansdowne, gas opening, $1,000.

Monday, April 10

598 Victoria: S. Sparling, new windows, door replacement, $10,000 (contractor not named).

Wednesday, April 12

4250 de Maisonneuve: Bethel Gospel Chapel, 30 in. by 50 in. banner, $500.
361 Clarke: BMJ Smith, change 3 rear windows, $1,500 (contractor not named).
4945 Sherbrooke: Royal Trust, renovations, $10,000.
17 Grove Park: M. Ross, 2 windows replaced on side, $2,000 (contractor not named).

Thursday, April 13

49 Rosemount: Peter Trent, replace 3 plumbing fixtures, $1,000.
15 Bethune: City of Westmount, alterations to smoking room (mess hall), $1,500.
14 Bethune: City of Westmount, alterations to garage and shops, $10,000.

Tuesday, April 18

455 Strathcona: A. Goldberg, alterations, $12,500 (contractor not named).

Galerie Mazarine
and the
Double Hook Book Shop
present:

Book Launching: ***Portraits of Flowers***
published by *The Porcupine's Quill*

"Café Causerie" with the artist:
G. Brender à Brandis

Sale of books and original works of art
Date: Thursday, April 20th from 7 to 9 pm
Place: Galerie Mazarine
1448 ouest rue Sherbrooke, Montréal
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AVIS PUBLIC
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AVIS est donné par le soussigné, assistant-greffier de la Ville, qu'en vertu d'une résolution du Conseil municipal de la Ville de Westmount adoptée à sa séance du 3 avril 1995, et en vertu de l'article 461 de la Loi sur les cités et villes (L.R.Q., chapitre C-19), un encan public aura lieu le mercredi, 10 mai 1995, à 19 h 00, à l'Aréna, 4675, rue Ste-Catherine, Westmount, pour la vente à l'encan de bicyclettes, d'objets divers appartenant à la Ville et d'objets non réclamés présentement dans la possession de la Ville.

Une liste desdites bicyclettes et desdits objets est disponible gratuitement au Bureau du Greffier de la Ville, 4333, rue Sherbrooke, Westmount, Québec, n'importe quel jour ouvrable entre 8 h 30 et 16 h 30.

Les modalités de la vente sont comme suit:

1) Tous les objets et bicyclettes achetés devront être payés lors de l'encan en ARGENT COMPTANT ou par CHÈQUE VISÉ ou MANDAT payable à "Ville de Westmount"; autrement ils seront mis en vente de nouveau.

2) Les bicyclettes et objets sont vendus dans leur état actuel et tels que vus.

3) Il est de plus stipulé expressément que la Ville ne s'oblige à aucune garantie envers l'acheteur même pour les défauts cachés.

4) Les acheteurs devront prendre possession des bicyclettes et objets qu'ils achètent immédiatement.

Les bicyclettes et objets pourront être examinés à compter de 18 h 00.

DONNÉ à Westmount, Québec, ce 20e jour d'avril 1995.

PUBLIC NOTICE
PUBLIC AUCTION

NOTICE is hereby given by the undersigned, Assistant City Clerk, that, by order of the City Council of the City of Westmount at a meeting held on 3rd April 1995, and by virtue of Section 461 of the Cities and Towns' Act (R.S.Q., chapter C-19), a public auction will be held on Wednesday, 10th May 1995, at 7:00 p.m. at the Arena, 4675 Ste. Catherine Street, Westmount, for the sale by auction of bicycles and miscellaneous objects belonging to the City and of unclaimed objects in the possession of the City.

A list of the said unclaimed bicycles and objects is available free of charge from the Office of the City Clerk, 4333 Sherbrooke Street, Westmount, Quebec, on any working day from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The terms of the sale are as follows:

1) All objects and bicycles purchased must be paid for at the auction in CASH or by CERTIFIED CHEQUE or MONEY ORDER payable to "City of Westmount". Otherwise, they will be put up for sale again.

2) All bicycles and objects are sold as they are and as seen.

3) It is expressly stipulated that the said City sells with no warranty, not even for hidden defects.

4) The buyers must take possession of the bicycles and objects they purchase immediately.

The bicycles and objects can be seen as of 6:00 p.m.

GIVEN at Westmount, Quebec, this 20th day of April 1995.

Alan Kulaga
Assistant-Greffier de la Ville / Assistant City Clerk

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Tai chi offered by recreation department

Tai chi courses are once again being offered by the Westmount recreation department this spring.

Andrew Merry and Kathy Bergmann, who also teach tai chi at the Mountain Crane Academy, will lead the courses.

Merry says that tai chi can reduce psychological stress and neurosis. "Through the practice of tai chi, the mind becomes re-[illegible] gized, the body revitalized and the emotions tranquil," he says.

The movements of this ancient Chinese art form are graceful and flow with subtlety. Tai chi can be practised without previous athletic skill or conditioning and is a highly enjoyable way to reduce stress and keep fit.

"The actions are performed slowly and deliberately under the control of a concentrated mind and, most importantly, there is no risk of injury associated with this exercise," Merry says.

Registration closes soon for the course. For details, call Westmount recreation at 989-5353 or the Mountain Crane Academy at 482-6661.

Camera club members will become judges at next meeting

Each of the regular members of the Montreal Camera Club will have a chance to be judge for the night at their meeting next Monday.

A panel of regular Montreal Camera Club judges will evaluate 24 prize-winning slides from their guests, APAL Camera Club of Laval. These slides were awarded first place in a recent Inter-Club competition. Members of the Montreal club will also participate in the judging, using individual score sheets. They will later compare and discuss the judges' scores.

A slide presentation featuring France and the Riviera Côte d'Azur by Yvon Turcotte of the Longueuil Club will conclude the evening. Guests are welcome to attend, which takes place at 7:30 p.m. next Monday, April 24, at Westmount Park Church, 4695 de Maisonneuve Blvd. Use the rear entrance.

Show cancelled

The production of Cocteau's *La Voix Humaine*, which was to have been performed this week by the Collodian Theatre Company at Dawson College, has been postponed until the 1995-96 season due to illness.

The production was to have run on April 19 and 20 as part of Dawson's '94-95 Public Events Series.

Fire Prevention ahead of schedule, department's annual report shows

By CAROLINE KUTSCHKE
The Examiner

Firefighters conducting inspections under the Fire Prevention Bureau's Home In-Service program finished two months ahead of schedule, Captain Inspector Barry Coates says in the department's annual fire report.

Firefighters, who carried out 1,255 inspections in homes north of Sherbrooke and found 434 defects, used the extra time for additional training on new equipment, according to Coates.

The department's full-time inspectors also conducted 3,702 inspections in commercial buildings, apartment buildings, institutions and public buildings. They found 1,030 defects. Inspectors also carried out 15 fire investigations.

Once a defect is found, Coates says, inspectors follow up with another inspection. Homeowners have seven days to correct the problem or court proceedings are set in motion.

Westmount hasn't had to go that far with homeowners, he added.

The city has instituted court proceedings against owners of larger buildings, especially in cases with absentee landlords, Coates said, but added that inspectors are encountering those "less and less" under the statement of offense system, which allows holders to enter a plea immediately.

The figures aren't significantly different from 1993.

The fire department is also aiming at becoming "a lot more community-oriented," according to Jim Adams, manager of Protective Services. In 1994, the bureau conducted 30 public relation lectures on fire safety, evacuation procedures and use of fire protection equipment.

As well, the Junior Firefighter program reached its 28th year in 1994, after its start by Director E.C. Harper in 1966. More than 1,000 students have graduated from it since then.

Other figures from the annual fire report: the worst fire in terms of cost in 1994 was at 38 Church Hill in April, which totalled $500,000. Its resident was also injured in the blaze. In total, damage estimates from fires at 14 homes was $951,400.

Firefighters also answered calls for 16 vehicle fires, but there were only eight total losses recorded, with damage totalling $16,800.

Firefighters also assisted in putting out 13 fires in "Mutual Aid" cities, which include Côte St. Luc, Hampstead, Outremont, Town of Mount Royal and St. Laurent. These cities in turn assisted Westmount in eight fires here.

Absenteeism totalled 12,342 hours, with 3,494 off due to injuries sustained on duty and 8,848 due to illness or injuries sustained off duty.



Dawson puts on *Finishing Touches*

Anna Papadopoulos and William Foley star in the comedy *Finishing Touches*, which runs April 26-29 and May 4-6 at the Dome Theatre, 3990 Notre Dame St. West. For information, call 931-8731 ext. 1237.

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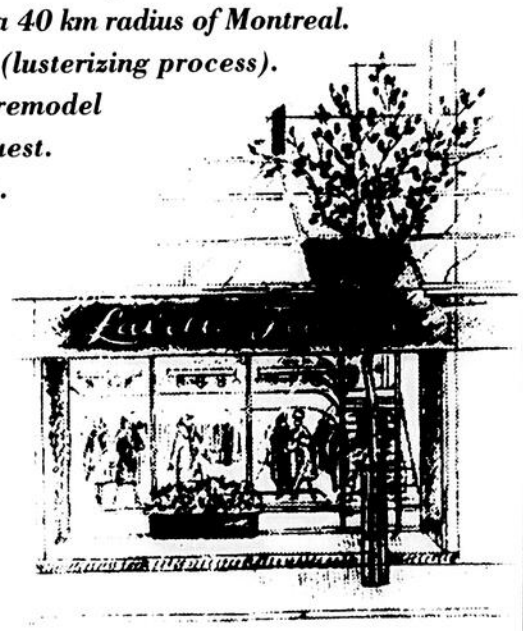
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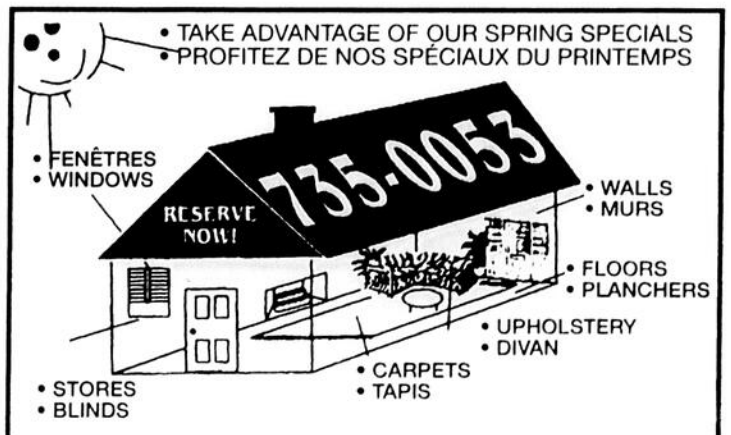
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Chess Club meets Tuesdays in the library at Centre Greene, 1090 Greene Ave. 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Special session for children 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Info: 931-6202.

Westmount Rugby Football Club is hosting a Quebec Rugby Federation Level 1 Referee Clinic. Space is limited. $30 for WRFC members, $40 for non-members. Monday, May 1 and Monday, May 8, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Info: 937-3872.

Outdoor rugby training has started. Those interested in joining the Westmount Rugby Football Club can show up on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6 p.m. at Westmount Park, or call 487-3516.

Kids stuff

Activity Club for children ages 6-12, 4 p.m., Thursdays at Montreal Children's Library, 1200 Atwater Ave. Info: 931-2304.

TGIF Friday Evening Club at Centre Greene. Activities, games and sports for kids 9-12 years old. 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Dinner provided. $5 per child. Register before Friday night. Info and registration: Mary Clarke, 931-6202.

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Westmount athletes had a very successful winter season

By BOB OLIVER
The Examiner

Sports

Well spring has sprung, the grass has riz, and the rink rats and ski bums have exchanged their winter gear for golf clubs, tennis racquets, baseball mitts and soccer balls.

So, before the summertime sports start, let's take a quick look back at some of the highlights from the winter scene of 1994-95.

Although this package is in random order, it might be appropriate to begin with bowler **André Cleyn**. The 44-year-old Westmount resident bowled a perfect 300 game, something many of us dream of, but will never experience. Cleyn seemed to be working his way up to it after two previous games of 211 and 224 that also gave him his best high-triple (735) of his 28-year playing career. Cleyn turned the trick playing in the Montreal Top Lane Monday night league at N.D.G.'s Rosebowl Lanes. Cleyn adds the perfect game to the hole-in-one he fired in 1979 at the Trout River Golf Course.

Twenty-four-year-old basketball star **Todd McDougall** was the proud recipient of McGill's prestigious Richard Pound Award given annually to a student in his graduating year or last year of athletic eligibility. McDougall won the award for combining athletic and academic excellence (3.5 plus grade-point average) with his unselfish dedication to McGill's extra-curricular activities.

A pair of female athletes also did Westmount proud this past season. **Leah Blank**, 10, picked up a pair of gold medals at the Chess 'n' Math city championships before turning her attention to gymnastics. At the Sherbrooke Games, the diminutive Westmounter won five gold medals and one silver before being named the Gadbois Gymnastic Club's gymnast of the year.

Seventeen-year-old **Charlotte Davet** made a bit of history being the lone Westmount resident to compete at the 1995 Canada Games. Davet earned her spot on the Quebec women's hockey team as the starting goaltender.

The **Selwyn House Gryphons** High School athletes did extremely well this past season in a number of sports.

The midget boys basketball team won the GMAA title and then went on to capture the provincial crown in Shawinigan.

The wrestling team hosted the 1994-95 provincial championships and won two individual titles when Andrew Johnston captured the gold medal in the 60-kilogram class, and teammate Seth Ross bested all challengers in the 55-kg category.

Eric Goldwarg — a Quebec Games silver medallist — led the cross-country ski team with a gold medal in the juvenile division at the GMAA championships. **Jordan Goldwarg** and **Tom Watt** duplicated the feat in the bantam and midget boys races.

For the second year in its two-year history, the Grade 5 and 6 Gryphons hockey team won the Selwyn House tournament at the Westmount Arena. Led by MVP Ted Kyres, the Gryphons captured the title by blanking Greenfield Park 2-0 in the championship game.

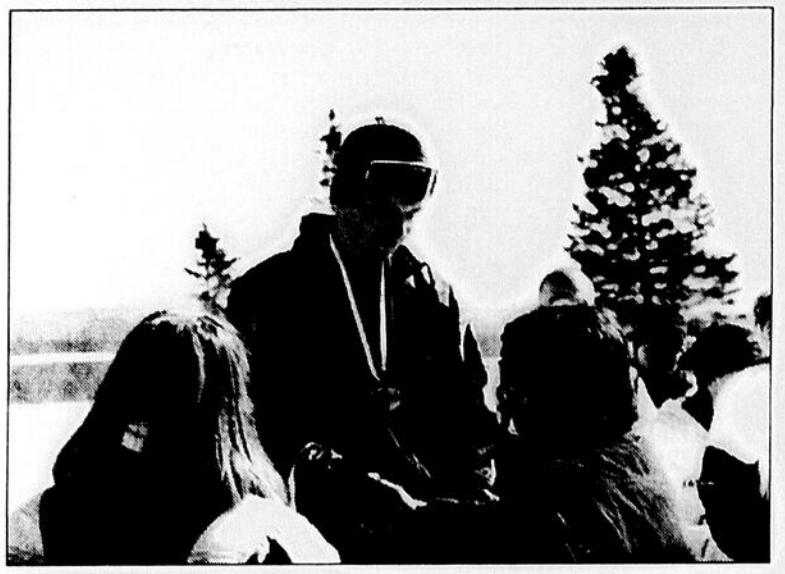
While Selwyn House was winning medals in a variety of sports, the **Westmount High School Knights** focused their attention on hockey. The Knights juvenile team won their divisional title after beating Bialik High School in an overtime shootout after the final game. Both teams were deadlocked with 1-1-1 records before Westmount broke the ice in overtime. The Knights junior team settled for second place in their playoff series after falling two straight to College Français 4-2 and 3-2.

The **Dawson College Blues** hockey and basketball teams made a gallant effort in their respective sports but close, as they say, is only good if you're playing horseshoes.

The B-ballers — finishing second in the league standings — missed getting a bronze medal at the provincial championships after losing to Montmorency in the first game and Champlain-Lennoxville in the consolation final.

The hockey Blues went on a virtual tear down the stretch of their league encounters, winning seven of their last eight games to vacate the cellar and latch on to the last playoff spot. However, meeting the West Division League champion St. Laurent Patriotes in the first round of the playoffs wreaked havoc on the Dawson squad. The Blues were eliminated in two straight games of the best-of-three quarter final.

Westmount's **benevolent old-timers SWAT team** held their sixth annual hockey tournament featuring teams from the surrounding Montreal area. Although the SWAT team bowed out of the tournament after losing their two preliminary games, the members of the team led by tournament chairman **Ken Sinclair**, were all smiles at the end of it all when they netted $10,000 for St. Justin's and the Montreal Children's hospitals.



Cross country skier Eric Goldwarg receives a silver medal in the Quebec Games in Granby in the 5-km freestyle event.

The Westmount recreation department once again held another successful Winter Carnival, featuring sleigh rides, skating, tobogganing, ski trips, shows and a good old-fashioned maple taffy day. The rec department finally got a chance to participate in the carnival on the last day and made good use of it, winning the broomball tournament.

The Westmount Recreational Hockey League completed another successful season, where the majority of the favoured teams finished the post-season round-robin series on top. With the exception of the atom **Nordiques** and the midget **Rangers**, all the other league champions captured the round robin series.

The Nordiques went from first in the league to last place in round robin play, giving way to the champion **Penguins**. The **Rangers** tied the **Sabres** in the two-team midget round robin series but the spoils went to the Sabres after their superior 28-37 goals-for record.

The novice **Sharks**, peewee **Capitals** and bantam **Flames** all

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Winter roundup in Westmount sports ...

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managed to win both league and round robin titles.

In the older categories, the **PHD** wrestled the Executive League playoff title from the defending champion LAW, with a 3-1 win in the sudden-death final.

The **Devils** made short work of the Fathers in Senior B action, taking their series in three straight games and outscoring their opponents 13-3.

The feisty, never-say-die **Whalers** rallied from a 2-0 games deficit in their best-of-five series with the Red Wings to win the final three games and the Senior A playoff crown.

The **Cape Ann Friendship Tournament** played by bantam players from Westmount and Cape Ann, Mass., epitomized the local sporting spirit. More concerned with the socio-cultural exchange than winning hockey games, the two teams traded players and mixed and matched teams for the bloody fun of it. The players from Cape Ann were billeted with Westmount families for the event, and according to Cape Ann president **Tom Miller**, "the kids, and parents, had a ball." This winter, Cape Ann will host the Westmount contingent.

To kick off the 1994-95 winter sports scene, the Westmount recreation department introduced a new winter indoor pastime — **Kinball**. Played by three teams simultaneously, the competitors use a four-and-a-half-foot nylon ball that weighs less than two pounds. Its inaugural year proved to be a resounding success and rec department organizer **Dave Lapointe** is adamant that Kinball will take its place among other winter sports.

City needs coaches for kids' soccer and baseball teams

The City of Westmount is looking for adults to coach children's teams for the upcoming soccer and baseball seasons.

Anyone interested in being a coach, should contact the recreation department as soon as possible at 989-5353 and speak to Bruce Stacey, Dave Lapointe or Claude Danis.

Westmount rugby starts training

The Westmount Rugby Football Club has begun outdoor training.

The club, the oldest in North America, fields two senior men's si[illegible]ide, a women's side and an old boys side.

Senior men's and women's sides begin league play May 6.

Anyone interested in playing rugby can show up at Westmount Park on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6 p.m. or call 487-3516.

Local gymnast wins big at city-wide games

Ten-year-old Woods sets sights on Quebec Games

By BOB OLIVER
The Examiner

Lindsay Woods flipped, twirled and somersaulted her way to four gold medals and one silver at the Montreal Games April 5 at the Claude Robillard Centre.

The eight-year-old Grade 3 Westmount resident — who competes for the Club Gymnastique de Gadbois — took first place honours in the horse, balance beam and floor exercises and finished second on the uneven bars. This was good enough to capture first place overall in her age class and marked the second year in a row she has won the title.

"I did much better than last year," said Woods, who won three silver and one bronze medal at the 1994 (Montreal) Games, but sees a "three-peat" as iffy at best. "Next year there's less chance of winning. I move up a category and the girls will be a lot better."

Competitive or not, this athlete plans to move on. Like her idol, USA's elite gymnast Dominique Dawes, Woods is looking forward to competing in the Olympics in the distant future. In the meantime, she says she'll start her climb to international fame by setting her sights on next year's Quebec Games.

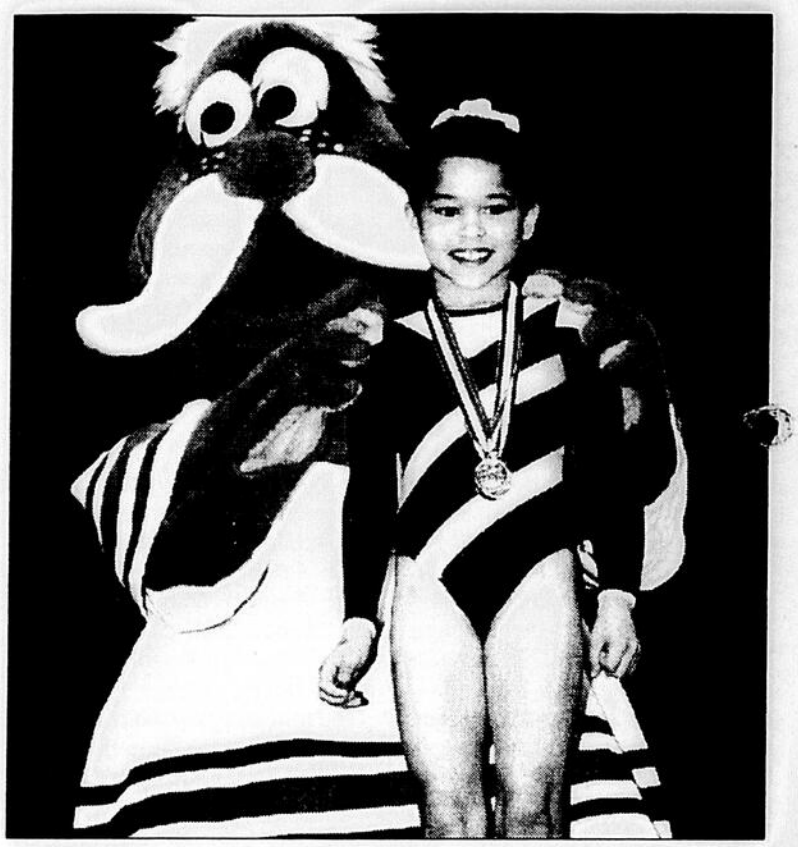
Woods trains three times per week for a total of 11 hours, and when she's not in the gym working on her routines, she enjoys rare moments rollerblading and biking.

"I really like gymnastics," said Woods, who also spends five weeks in the summer at gymnastics camp, bringing her gymnastic endeavours to a total of 11 months of the year. "But I can't do it all the time. I take piano lessons and I need time to practise that."

Woods began her career in gymnastics at the age of three, working out with the West Island WIM-GYM club before moving over to Gadbois for the past four-and-a-half years. She says an early start isn't always an advantage.

"It depends on how much you like the sport," says Woods who likes to go to the gym with her friends on "off" days.

Considering the time and dedicated effort she's put into it and the amount of success she's had in her short competitive career, it's safe to assume that this budding young star loves her sport.

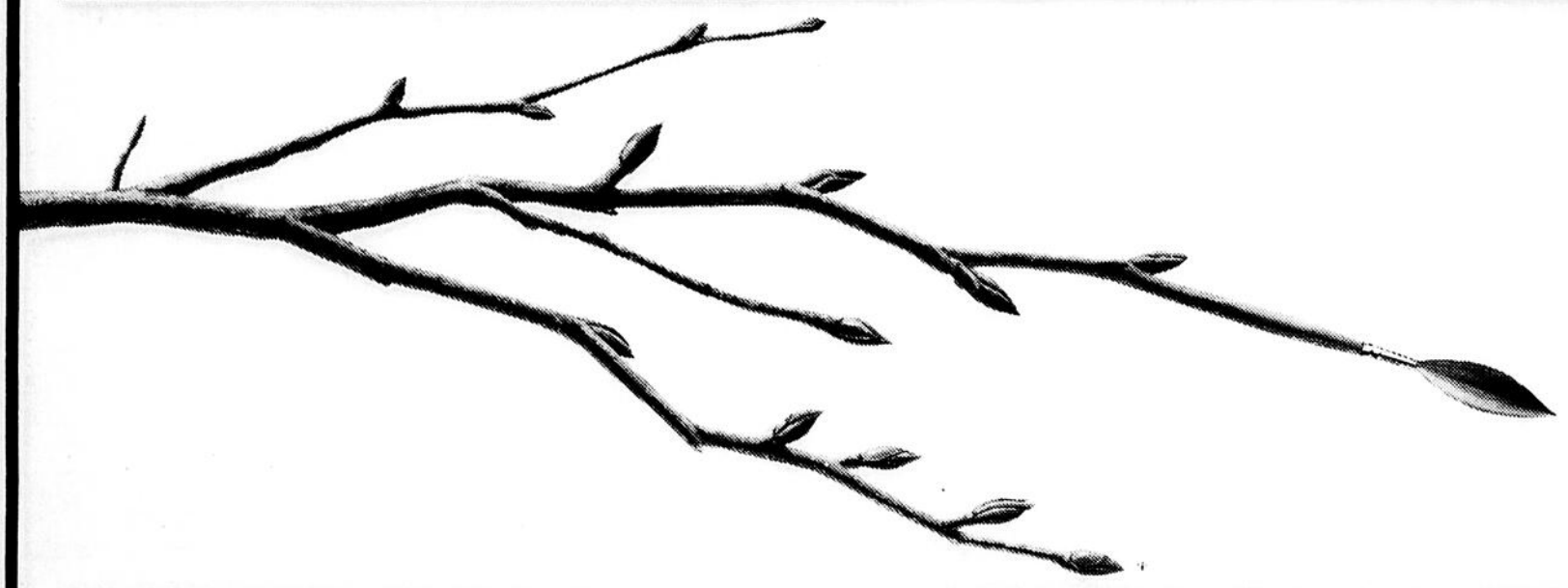


Lindsay Woods and her supporter seem equally happy with her recent success at the Montreal Games.

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