

A BLESSING: The first bishop of the Serbian Orthodox Church of Canada, **Bishop Gregory,** gave his blessing Sunday morning to members of the congregation, among them **Caroline Semple**, at the church on Melville avenue. The canadian branch of thechurch formerly shared a bishop with the eastern United States. More pictures on page 13.

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Spring comes to summit

By ELSIE MITCHELL

With the first real warmth of spring last Sunday, Westmount summit came alive with bird sounds — from the high, thin lisping of tiny golden winged kinglets to the clear, melodious notes of a fox sparrow. These were birds en route to their northern breeding grounds.

Most of the action took place in a patch of trees where the melting snow ran down one side of Summit park in a seeping rivulet. With a flash of white tail feathers, a whole flock of slate-colored birds landed near the little stream. Several went right to the water to drink. Others scratched around for something to eat, some even working over the few remaining patches of snow. And the cheery trill of a junco let you know it was spring.

A brown creeper flew to a nearby tree and started spiraling up the rough bark. Pecking away with its slim, curved bill at the bark, it used its stiff, pointed tail as a prop while it spiraled.

No time to sing

The mottled brown coloring of the creeper blends in so well with the tree you hardly notice it till it starts to work at an angle from you. Then you can't miss its whitish neck and breast. It seems so industrious as it climbs upward in a peculiar, jerky, creeping fashion; you're not surprised it doesn't often stop to sing, only to get something to eat out of a crevice in the bark and then drop down to the base of another tree and start to climb all over again.

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3,500 false alarms:

Police chief asks city for by-law to curb burglar alarms' misuse

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

WESTMOUNT's MUC police chief, Director John Dalzell, has asked the city council to enact a by-law regulating the installation of burglar alarms and setting up penalties for repeated unfounded calls.

His appeal is an attempt to help police crack down on the 3,500 burglar alarm calls answered last year in Westmount and classified as "false alarms."

These cost his station some $85,000 in unnecessary time, he estimates.

Considered together, the calls probably tied up the equivalent of the use of one patrol vehicle full-time.

Police initially asked the city three years ago for a similar by-law at a time when Hampstead and other municipalities were adopting such legislation (see story March 18, 1982).

Nothing yet done

Nothing was done about the request at that time.

Now, however, the present council is looking into the possibility of adopting legislation

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Teeter tot topples, taken for 'tention

A six-year-old girl was taken to hospital Sunday afternoon after falling off a teetertotter in Westmount Park, officials report.

The child, a resident of Dorval, injured her right arm and was taken to the Montreal Children's Hospital by Urgences Santé.

The mishap took place shortly before 1:28 pm and help was called by PSO Mario Testa who was on the scene. The fire department's first responder unit also attended.



"The employment agency sent over the young chick you asked for."

Elderly attacked by snatchers

Two elderly women had their purses snatched as they walked along Westmount streets in broad daylight last week in two similar incidents, police report.

It was not known if the cases were related, police said, but it was "possible."

In the first incident Tuesday morning, a car containing two men drew up beside a 90-year-old woman outside 664 Belmont avenue. One got out and grabbed the purse. The woman, a local resident, was reported unhurt.

The two then sped off in a vehicle described as a grey sports car. Total amount of the theft was set at $100.

The second victim was a 75-year-old woman from Côte St Luc who was walking north on

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Mountie loses his Blaupunkt

A Blaupunkt radio was stolen from a Volkswagen Rabbit parked in the lot at 1055 Greene avenue under the expressway Monday last week, police said. The car belonged to an RCMP officer.

A window was broken to gain entry and the dashboard damaged.

St Andrew's:

Church building's use by Selwyn unopposed

By ROB SOUTHCOTT

No public disapproval has been expressed over a plan by Selwyn House School to purchase the former St Andrew's Church building at 101 Côte St Antoine road.

At a public consultation meeting on the subject Monday at city hall, no doubts were raised about a proposed zoning amendment that would allow used of the St Andrew's property by the school.

In fact, the only members of the public present at the meeting were representatives of Selwyn House and the local press.

Six of the nine city councillors were present, with Mayor Brian Gallery, Ald Phillip Aspinall and Ald Paul Fortin being absent.

"Essentially, we cannot find any cons, we see only pros in this idea," said Ald Peter Trent, commissioner of planning and redevelopment, speaking for the city.

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The Mayor's
Blood Donor Clinic
Next Wednesday

Reunion proves expensive

A meeting between two former schoolmates Tuesday last week turned out to be not such a happy reunion.

The men, aged 20 and 21, apparently ran into each other in Alexis Nihon Plaza about 9:30 am. They had not been reunited since school days, police said.

One of the men invited himself upstairs to the Plaza Tower apartment of the other. He was reported to have gone into the bathroom and then abruptly left the apartment, heading to the elevator.

The resident, who intended to leave with him, entered the bathroom and discovered jewelry missing. He attempted to follow the "friend" but found he had already disappeared in the elevator.

The missing items included a ring and pendant with chain, valued together at $650. Police said an investigation would be made to locate the suspect.

WHATEVER THE WEATHER
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NEXT WEEK'S WEATHER
By Capt Eric Neal
April 25 to May 2
Mainly sunny and warm all this week. Nights cold. Scattered showers and some thunder activity in the south. Light snow in all the north. A surprise snowstorm with up to 20 cm can occur at this time, but it is exceptional. Temperature range: -2°C to 20°C. Warm, sunny periods to end the week with scattered showers in the south and snow flurries in the north. Forsythia in flower, a sign of spring.

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PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all who may be concerned that By-law 947, entitled "BY-LAW TO EXPEND AND PROVIDE A LOAN FOR THE GENERAL IMPROVEMENTS AND ALTERATIONS TO THE VICTORIA HALL BUILDING," was adopted by the Municipal Council of Westmount at a general sitting held at the City hall on the 1st April 1985.

Notices concerning the said by-law were published on the 4th April 1985, as required by law, and as no demand for a vote was made, the by-law was deemed to have been approved by the proprietors qualified to vote on the said by-law.

Details relating to the said by-law are fully set out in By-law 947, which is open for inspection by all persons interested at the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 4333 Sherbrooke, Westmount, Québec.

GIVEN at Westmount, Québec, this 19th day of April 1985.

P. Patenaude
City Clerk

WESTMOUNT
RÈGLEMENT 947

AVIS PUBLIC est par les présentes donné à tous ceux qui peuvent être concernés que le règlement 947 intitulé "RÈGLEMENT PRÉVOYANT UNE DÉPENSE ET UN EMPRUNT POUR EXÉCUTER DES AMÉLIORATIONS ET MODIFICATIONS À L'ÉDIFICE VICTORIA HALL," était adopté par le conseil municipal de la ville de Westmount, lors d'une assemblée générale, tenue à l'Hôtel de ville le 1 avril 1985.

L'avis concernant ledit règlement était publié le 4 avril 1985 tel que requis par la loi. Aucune demande de vote n'ayant été faite, le règlement était donc réputé avoir été approuvé par les propriétaires habiles à voter sur ledit règlement.

Les détails se rapportant audit règlement sont contenus au complet dans le règlement 947, lequel est ouvert pour inspection par toutes personnes intéressées au bureau du greffier de la ville, Hôtel de ville, Westmount.

DONNÉ à Westmount, P.Q., le 19ième jour d'avril 1985.

P. Patenaude
Le greffier de la ville

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THE MAYOR OF WESTMOUNT'S BLOOD DONOR CLINIC

Public notice is hereby given that the Mayor of Westmount's Blood Donor Clinic will be held on Wednesday, 1st May 1985, from 2:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., at Victoria Hall, 4626 Sherbrooke, Westmount, Québec.

All residents and employees of the City of Westmount are cordially invited to join with His Worship Mayor Brian Gallery and the other members of the Municipal Council in giving blood on the occasion of this Clinic.

P. Patenaude
City Clerk

WESTMOUNT
COLLECTE DE SANG
DU MAIRE DE WESTMOUNT

Avis public est par les présentes donné que la collecte de sang du maire de Westmount se tiendra le mercredi, 1er mai 1985 de 14h30 à 20h30, au Victoria Hall, 4626, rue Sherbrooke, Westmount, Québec.

Tous les résidants et les employés de la Ville de Westmount sont cordialement invités à se joindre à monsieur le maire Brian Gallery et les autres membres du conseil municipal et à donner de leur sang à l'occasion de cette collecte.

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Next Scheduled City Council Meeting
Monday, May 6, 8 pm.

Date de la prochaine séance du conseil municipal
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Timmons, St Louis get new perspectives on emergency measures

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

A special course in emergency response attended by two of Westmount's top personnel involved in preparing for possible disasters here is expected to have "terrific impact" on the redrafting of the city's emergency measures plan.

So says Bruce St Louis, director of services, who attended the 1985 Canadian-American Emergency Response School and Expo in Niagara Falls, Ont., with Fire Chief William Timmons April 12-14.

"It was extremely informative and certainly opened my eyes," he said, following their return last week.

"We've always approached our emergency plans from an idealistic point of view. It certainly changed our attitude."

He said he felt the city's plan seemed not to deal with certain issues which would have to be discussed further.

The city's deputy emergency coordinator, Chief Timmons, who himself is an instructor in the transportation of dangerous goods, organized city participation at the Niagara Falls course.

600 at course

"There were more than 600 registered," Chief Timmons said. "I'd like to see a similar program organized around here."

He reported that some of the instructors had been through disasters and had firsthand information to provide, such as a fire captain from Jacksonville, Florida, who had been through a series of incidents involving life and death situations.

So many different aspects of emergency and disaster situations were offered simultaneously that the two Westmount officials had to pick and choose which sessions to attend.

Chief Timmons attended many of the practical sessions dealing with firefighting and Mr St Louis concentrated on those dealing with preplanning for emergencies.

"My involvement was talking to the instructors and those attending to find out what their communities are doing in preplanning," he said.

Among the subjects treated were: oil spills, search and rescue, industrial emergencies, air crashes, handling of mass injured, acid emergencies and the testing of emergency plans.

Davis attends course

Frank Davis, Westmount's director general and co-ordinator of the city's emergency measures organization, last week attended a federal government course in emergency preparedness at Arnprior, Ont.

"It was educational and well worthwhile," he told THE EXAMINER this week. "The main thing it showed you was how to lay out a plan for emergencies."

The course, entitled "Plans and Operations (Peace)," was designed for co-ordinators of disaster plans, he said.

Also taking the course was the city manager of St John's, Nfld., he said, as well as more than 30 other municipal officials from across Canada.

Ald Sally Aitken, who attended a similar Arnprior course for elected municipal officials Feb 11-14, was believed to be the first MUC councillor ever to take the course.

Power rates increase motion tabled by city

Westmount city council has started the procedure to raise municipal electricity rates.

At a special meeting Monday, a notice of motion was presented to amend by-law 742 regarding electricity rates. The amendments will allow the city to raise both residential and commercial rates by about three percent, effective June 1.

Alex de F. Heron, the city's director of power and communications, noted that the rate hike was due to increases made by Hydro-Québec, which supplies power to the city's electricity department.

"It has been a practise in the past to have rates on a par with those of Hydro-Québec," said Mr Heron. He noted that the city was not allowed to raise its electricity rates above those charged by the provincial utility.

The last rise in Westmount's power rates was in December 1983.

The matter is expected to be dealt with again at the May 6 regular monthly statutory meeting of city council.

WESTMOUNT *Community Calendar*

Today

☐ **Westmount YMCA:** film on family planning, in the lobby of the Y, 8 pm **$**

Tuesday, April 30

☐ **Pioneer Women's Organization:** nearly new sale, Westmount Park Church, de Maisonneuve boulevard at Lansdowne, 9:30 am - 3 pm
☐ **Monarchist League of Canada:** spring meeting and slide presentation, St Matthias' Church, 7:45 pm
☐ **Westmount High School:** fashion show, 8 pm **$**

Wednesday, May 1

☐ **Rotary Club of Westmount:** luncheon meeting, Victoria Hall, 12:30 pm **w←+**
☐ **City of Westmount:** Red Cross blood drive, Victoria Hall, 2:30 to 8:30 pm
☐ **Westmount Public Library:** reading by Michel Tremblay, 7 pm **✓**

COMING UP

☐ **May 2, 3, 4:** 6th Annual Westmount Antique Show and Sale, Victoria Hall, 3 pm - 10 pm, 10 am - 10 pm, 10 am - 7 pm **$**
☐ **May 3, 4:** Westmount Park Church, rummage sale
☐ **May 4:** Psychiatric Adolescent Service of Royal Victoria Hospital, youth festival, Westmount High School auditorium, 7 pm **$**
☐ **May 6:** Atwater Library, lecture on the Quebec stock savings plan, 1200 Atwater avenue, 7:30 pm **✓**
☐ **May 13:** Westmount High School, school committee meeting, 7 pm
☐ **May 14:** Atwater Library, lecture on risk management, 1200 Atwater avenue, 7:30 pm **✓**
☐ **May 14:** Westmount Park School, school committee meeting, 7:30 pm
☐ **May 15:** Roslyn School, open house, 7 pm
☐ **May 15:** lecture by Israeli novelist Amos Oz, Shaar Hashomayim, 8:30 pm **✓**
☐ **May 24, 25:** Mr Dressup, Westmount High School auditorium, 11 am, 1 pm, 3:30 pm **$**
☐ **June 1:** City of Westmount, family day, Westmount Park, 10 am - 4 pm **a**

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When were your chimneys last swept?

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

If you haven't had your chimney swept in the past year as required by municipal by-law, what was the reason?

Were you out when the city's licensed chimney sweep called on houses in your area?

Did you ignore advance notices of his intent to call? Did you even receive such a notice?

These are some of questions city officials are looking into in connection with the city's longtime chimney sweeping procedures.

A review of the situation and various alternatives to the present method are currently being studied by city council, Mayor Brian Gallery told THE EXAMINER.

Although some 3,476 chimneys were reported swept in Westmount in 1984, a sharp increase over the 1,800 reported in 1983, numbers have been steadily declining in the long haul.

In 1981, 4,111 chimneys were swept.

Fire Chief William Timmons estimates there are approximately 4,500 chimneys in the city.

If citizens are uncertain when their chimneys were last swept, he says, a call to the fire brigade at 935-9696 can provide that information.

A recent report by the brigade's fire prevention bureau, he says, reveals that the licensed chimney sweep is encountering difficulties gaining entry to homes.

Many houses are now unattended during the daytime and the chimney sweep apparently is not well-received at night.

In some cases, the chimney sweep cannot collect the $4 fee per flue, Chief Timmons says.

The fee is low and believed well below what it would cost a citizen to use a private firm.

One alternative to the Westmount system, used in some municipalities he explains, is to have the chimney sweep work only from the roof.

"It therefore becomes the responsibility of the occupant or owner to clean the base of the chimney and check the dampers."

Another possible alternative outlined in the report is one followed in municipalities such as Outremont and Lachine where the city sweep is not paid directly by the occupant of a building, but rather from the general funds of the city.

Could cost $50

Still another alternative, that of curtailing the city involvement, would mean citizens would be faced with having chimeys swept by private firms at a possible cost of up to $50.

This could result in neglect and lead to possible fires, the report suggests.

The reason behind the city's by-law requiring yearly sweeping of chimneys is fire prevention. A build-up of creosote from furnace and fireplace use is a common cause of chimney fires.

Possible cracks or other potential fire hazards often can be detected by the chimney sweep during his visit to the home.

Meanwhile, whatever the procedures, the by-law remains unchanged: chimneys must be swept once a year.

When was yours last done?

where were they going?



The following calls were answered by the Westmount Fire Brigade during the past week:

April 16

6:21 pm: 4300 de Maisonneuve, wall falling down (see story);

April 17

12:21 am: 3180 Delavigne, electrical entry fallen off house;
8:09 am: 467 Côte St Antoine, short circuit in wall light bracket;
9:55 am: 4998 de Maisonneuve, apt 1416, problem with battery in smoke detector;

April 18

4:10 pm: 450 Kensington, code 3 automatic mutual aid from Côte St Luc cancelled at 4:12 pm, fire alarm ringing;

April 19

4:24 pm: Claremont avenue, Montreal, Villa Maria, first responder call;
8:39 pm: 5625 Emerald, code 2 automatic mutual aid to Côte St Luc cancelled at 8:43 pm;

April 20

10:47 am: 103 Côte St Antoine, first responder unit (see story);
4:32 pm: 732 Upper Roslyn, burglar alarm (see story);
9:56 pm: Sherbrooke and Claremont, firebox 245, false alarm (see story);

April 21

1:41 am: 527 Clarke, fire in chimney, out on arrival;
1:28 pm: Westmount Park, first responder unit for injured child (see story);
7:42 pm: 57 Holton, fireplace problem;
9:45 pm: King George Park, garbage fire (see story);
10:18 pm: Opposite 15 Lansdowne Ridge, strange odor of oil, nothing found;

April 22

9:24 pm: 5569 Queen Mary, code 3 automatic mutual aid to Hampstead cancelled at 9:34 pm.

Millar tells Rotarians Pratt and Whitney story

Westmount Rotarians heard some plane talk last week when Rotarian Richard Millar spoke about his work in marketing aircraft engines for Pratt and Whitney Canada Inc.

Mr Millar, a sales engineer for the Longueuil-based aeronautics firm, told the club about various gas turbine engines that the company makes for helicopters and small aircraft.



Richard Millar

Pratt and Whitney is a subsidiary of an American corporation, United Technologies. Founded in 1928, Pratt and Whitney established its roots in the '40s and '50s by manufacturing piston engines for civilian and military airplanes.

According to Mr Millar, a Westmount resident, the firm now has about 7,000 employees. It has sold over 27,000 engines for 11,000 aircraft that fly in 144 countries.

Corporate and small commuter aircraft account for the majority of the company's business, explained Mr Millar. Aircraft manufacturers using Pratt and Whitney engines include de Havilland, Piper, Beech and Cessna.

For helicopters, too

The company also makes turbine engines for helicopters, such as the Bell model 440 which is to be manufactured at that company's future plant at Mirabel.

"The requirement for the engine is derived from its end use," said Mr Millar, noting that part of his work is to determine how these uses could affect the demand for particular engines.

Along with providing power for small corporate aircraft, Pratt and Whitney also makes engines for some military, industrial and agricultural airplanes.

Mr Millar said that the company currently is developing engines for mid-sized aircraft that could carry 40 to 50 persons.

Mr Millar was introduced by Eugene Zinay and was thanked by club president Douglas Whiting.

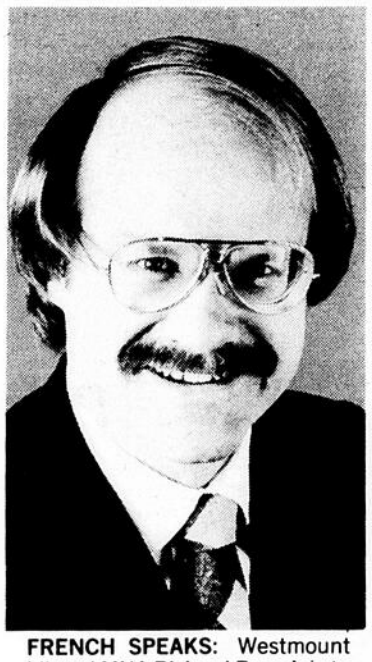
The club welcomed past Rotary district 704 governor Luc Bertrand to the meeting. Rotarian Haagen Kierulf presented Mr Bertrand with a copy of the Westmount Rotary history, *Helping Hands*. The book will be included in the Rotary district's historical collection.

Oil truck, car collide

An oil truck and a car were involved in an accident Tuesday last week in front of 560 Claremont avenue, police report.

The collision occurred about 12:30 pm when the truck was backing up to turn onto Willow avenue and struck the southbound car, police said. No injuries were reported.

The car, driven by a man living on Claremont, sustained more than $500 damage. There was little damage to the truck.



FRENCH SPEAKS: Westmount Liberal MNA **Richard French** is to be guest speaker at the Canadian Club of Montreal on Monday at 12:30 pm at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel. His subject is to be "Quebec: The New Politics." For reservations please call 871-1795.

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We Say

PCB – Pointe Claire Blunder

THE City of Pointe Claire finds itself in a spot of bother.

The surface issue is storage of the chemical compounds known as PCBs and whose manufacture generally is outlawed due to their cancer-related reputation.

The secondary issue is a decision by the Quebec government to grant a permit to a firm to store PCBs on its Pointe Claire premises.

There is a tertiary issue: communications.

The first two considerations are, in this instance, peculiar to the West Island municipality. The third has a clear Westmount context.

The storage of PCBs, even under proper and controlled conditions such as appear to be the case in the Lakeshore community, perhaps never would have surfaced except for bad timing: the spill of the substance last week from a transformer on a truck travelling through northwestern Ontario. Nothing like an incident like that to stir emotions.

But emotions are the stuff of politics, which is what the Pointe Claire - Quebec government ruckus is all about. Nearby residents of the Pointe Claire plant probably couldn't have cared less about what went on in the Reliance plant but for the alarming reports from Kenora.

P.C. Mayor Malcolm Knox is unlikely to have railed against Quebec if his citizens had not become upset. The PC administration ordinarily would have been quite happy to let provincial officials worry about industrial safety involving strange chemicals. The environment ministry is almost certain to make all kinds of decisions without consulting local municipalities.

But now we come down to communications: between Quebec and Pointe Claire and between Pointe Claire and its citizens, both direct and through their elected councillors.

It now appears that Quebec asked Pointe Claire a couple of years ago if it had any by-law or regulation prohibiting PCBs in the municipality. The reply is reported to have been no.

Crucial question: was that query and its reply treated as purely an administrative thing? Or was it made public; at the very least, was the correspondence tabled or circulated to city council members?

It is just possible that Pointe Claire has no leg to stand on. It was queried, it was given a chance to legislate against PCBs and didn't, it expressed no particular interest in the matter — until now. A bit late.

This is not to single out the good people of Pointe Claire. But our guess is that official correspondence, which surely this was, is handled in many cities and towns in a routine which leaves the local people concerned in just such an anomalous situation: of not knowing or appearing not to know what is going on.

Other municipalities are more meticulous, to say nothing of being more open. Every scrap of official correspondence, no matter how seemingly routine at the time, is circulated each month to all members of council for their direct knowledge of what is being done, or not done, in their name by the administration. It's a lot of paper, but can be more meaningful and more important than some of the other reams turned out by the civic copying machines.

The essence of the aldermanic chore and duty is to know — to know everything there is to be known currently about the interests and the workings of the municipal corporation for which they are responsible.

From recent incidents we suspect that Westmount's aldermen are not always fully informed about what the administration of the city for which they are responsible is doing. We know for certain that they are not made privy to all official correspondence handled by the management, other aldermen and the mayor. There is no routine established to achieve this.

There should be. The Pointe Claire incident is an object lesson.

Else, one of these days council individually and collectively is going to have egg on its face, concerning some item which was disposed of summarily or, worse, not dealt with.

Ignorance is no defence in law, even less so for law-makers.

I Say!

ONLY reason can convince us of three fundamental truths without a recognition of which there can be no effective liberty: that what we believe is not necessarily true; that what we like is not necessarily good, and that all questions are open.

— *Clive Bell.*

No-fault fault

OUR dissertation on this page last week on the accuracy of police reports versus eyewitness accounts tempted fate.

Even before they had read that editorial, eyewitnesses to two separate incidents came up with exceptions perhaps to prove the rule.

First was a note from a Boulevard resident with reference to an accident outside his house reported in our April 4 issue, noting some of the facts were wrong as he observed them. "The Jeep," he said, "did not cut in front of the car to turn left; rather, the Jeep was turning right and the other car attempted to pass on the inside despite the indication of the intention to turn to the right. Furthermore, the damage to the Jeep was negligible while that to the other car, no more than $100 to $200."

The second amplification came in a phone call, from a man who saw that truck roll down Claremont to damage a wall and two cars. (Page 1, last week.) It appears the driver was not in the truck; he was in a bank at Sherbrooke street, though a little girl was in the cab. (And was quite unhurt). The damages all around were slight, we learned.

The point we now make is that many accident reports, such as these, are made to the police primarily for insurance purposes. It used to be that an essential feature was establishing or, at least, indicating fault, sometimes leading to litigation. That no longer is the case. The no-fault principle relieves police of that burden and it is apparent that they gather the basic facts of traffic incidents primarily for record purposes only.

There is no question that requiring insurance companies to pay for their respective clients' damages, regardless of fault, saves a lot of paper and legal work for all concerned.

However, we remain unconvinced that in the long term society's interests are best served when careless, foolish, blameworthy acts of drivers go entirely unnoted and unpunished, at least until they kill someone.

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NOT all the fouled up mail deliveries are Canada Post Corp's fault. For example, we received last Thursday (April 18) a request from a Westmount institution to publish an item to announce an event taking place last Tuesday, April 16, and mailed to us on April 1. However, it was addressed to our old offices on St Catherine street from which we moved in 1977 — some eight years ago! Even so, one wonders why it should have taken nearly three weeks to be forwarded. No mitigating circumstances, however, for another piece received Monday of this week (April 22) mailed in Ottawa on April 4, perfectly correctly addressed. The enclosed item announces good news: egg prices dropped a cent a dozen "just in time for Easter," some enthusiastic PR person wrote. One would expect that the Canadian Egg Marketing Agency would be among those wary of entrusting delivery to the post office. If it had been eggs instead of a press release, whew!

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Benevolent post office

AS a chronic late filer of income tax returns — like so many, we are inclined to put off the distasteful — we are not quite sure we appreciate the gesture of Canada Post Corp to keep four postal stations open late next Tuesday deadline night.

It means we and many others will be tempted to put off the chore the one more evening thus available to us.

In any event, we are pleased to pass on to fellow near-defaulters that after they have sweated out those miserable forms at the dining-room table on April 30 they will be able to drive over to the Snowdon post office on Décarie near Queen Mary for weighing, buying the necessary stamps and to be sure their contributions to the Revenue Canada paper burden are appropriately date-stamped prior to the deadline.

The Snowdon one-shot facility will be open until 10 pm. If by that hour you still are trying to figure out the mysteries of the many provisions and tables, you are given an additional two hours. Station "A" at St James and Peel (the main post office) will receive you up to midnight.

If, on the other hand, you don't want to be seen in familiar downtown haunts going about this shameful business, you can head way down to 6700 Sherbrooke street east at Langelier and get service, also to midnight, at Station "K." If you have the job done earlier, you won't have to go so far: The Youville Postal Station at 300 Crémazie east is to be open until 10 pm, like Snowdon.

Apparently this innovation was cooked up between Mr Michael Warren, Canada Post head, and Hon Perrin Beatty, the national revenue minister and to whom, not incidentally, Mr Warren reports. The four Montreal facilities are among 22 across Canada allegedly to speed monies and returns into the clutches of Mr Beatty's omnivorous department.

The move set us to wondering. Canada Post Corp has a cavalier disregard for many of the needs of mail users, such as service on Saturdays and other days on which mailmen don't work and the rest of us do, and just plain reliable delivery of letters from point A to point B.

Yet when it comes to the perceived needs of a government department, Mr Warren apparently jumps to it with a "Damn the expense." We trust National Revenue is underwriting the overtime or, at least, the cost won't be counted against Mr Warren's 1985 deficit.

Maybe other federal ministries, even the Prime Minister's Office, would like to finance in this way restoration of normal mail services in the interest of the economy, national unity and the general cultural welfare of the Canadian people.

You Say

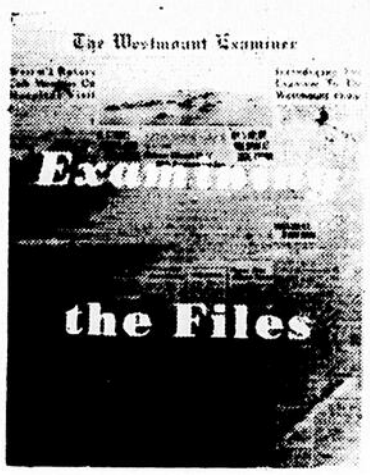
Anti-smoking by-law is urged for Westmount

Sir: It was with pleasure that I read of the passing by Côte St Luc of its anti-smoking by-law, and would urge most strongly that Westmount enact similar legislation.

While not myself a fanatical non-smoker, I feel that our rights merit as much or rather more consideration than those of the smokers, since our right not to smoke does not affect the health and comfort of those around us.

I realize that while implementation of

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Forty-five Years Ago
April 25, 1940

"Lila Deane, 19-year-old Westmount songstress who left Montreal last year to become featured vocalist with Ben Bernie's orchestra, continued her march to fame this week when she was signed to share vocal honors with screen star Susanna Foster at opening ceremonies of San Francisco's 1940 Golden Gate Exposition. Miss Deane formerly lived with her parents on Clarke avenue and studied at Westmount schools, but present commitments compel her to spend most of the time in Hollywood. . . . Lila made her radio debut three years ago on CKAC, singing with Jack Bain's orchestra. She later moved to CFCF, appearing on many shows with Matt Heft, and Lucio Agostini signed her to co-star with Dick Todd on the popular 'Cocktail Hour.' Todd is now a radio headliner with NBC in Chicago."

Thirty-five Years Ago
April 28, 1950

"The General Committee of the City Council has considered the question of opening the Westmount Athletic Grounds on Sunday afternoons for spectator events, at which admission charges will be made, and after reviewing all the circumstances, they have decided to proceed on the basis of allowing the grounds to be opened on four Sunday afternoons this year, with a view to gaining experience on such matters as interference with the peace and quietness of the neighborhood, traffic, parking, citizen reaction, attendance and general desirability."

Twenty-five Years Ago
April 29, 1960

"The St Léon de Westmount School Commission has posted notice that they intend to borrow $350,000 from the Westmount branch of the Canadian National Bank to help pay for the $575,000 additions and extensions to St Leo's and St Paul's Academies. The money will be borrowed for a period of five years at an interest rate later to be decided. The addition to St Leo's will contain a new gymnasium and classes for a total cost of $375,000. The addition to St Paul's will amount to $200,000. The Parent-Teachers Association of the academies held a meeting Monday night at which Bill Wallace was elected the new president, replacing Frank Megan."

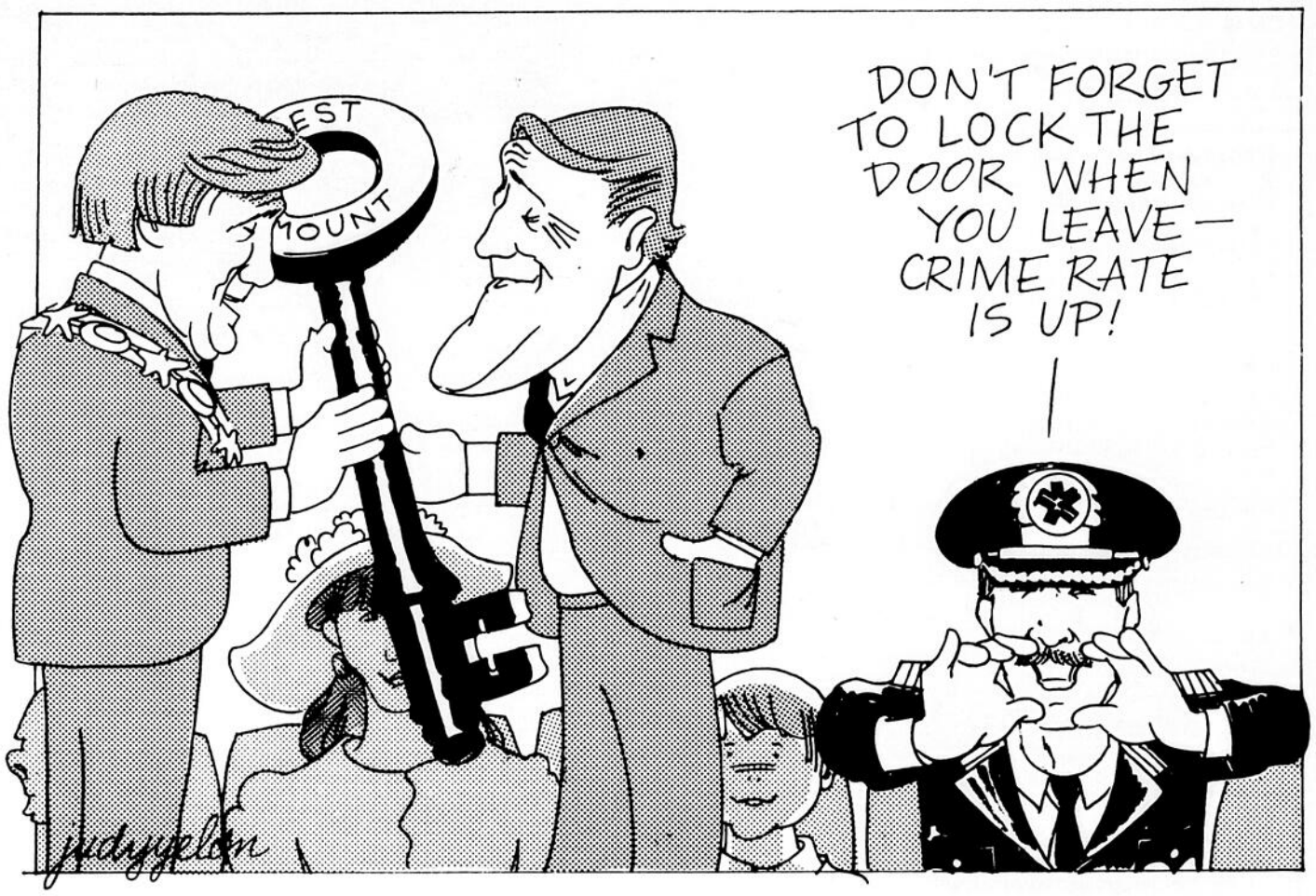
Fifteen Years Ago
April 30, 1970

"Kevin Drummond made a stunning sweep of the polls of Westmount yesterday, racking up 32,623 votes for his Liberal candidacy for the National Assembly. His closest runner-up was the new force on the provincial scene, the Parti Québécois, in the person of Pierre de Broux, who however garnered a relatively scant 3,628 ballots. Even farther behind was Bernard Codère, National Union government standard-bearer, with but 1,112. Norman Weiner for the NDP polled 251 votes and Robert Morgan, Créditiste, 320."

Five Years Ago
April 24, 1980

"Harold Mills, the founder and for over 60 years the personification of the Westmount Realties Company, died Tuesday at Central Park Lodge in St Lambert. He was 89. Funeral services will be held tomorrow, Friday, at 3 pm from St Andrew's United Church. Mr Mills was only 19 when he founded the local realty firm in December 1910, opening the company's first office on the north side of St Catherine street between Greene and Elm avenues, the present site of Westmount Square. And it was only after he turned 80, on Feb 17, 1971, that he stepped down as the company's president and chairman of the board."

MULRONEY TO GET KEY TO THE CITY JUNE 5





our M.P.
Hon. Donald J. Johnston
says . . .

Deficits everywhere

LAST week I touched upon the question of the Canadian deficit. We must now wait for the budget and see how Mr Mulroney intends to deal with it. Our government was generously criticized for the mounting public debt but it is interesting that all members of the OECD group were afflicted with the disease at approximately the same time. Why?

For example, today virtually all OECD countries are in deficit by amounts ranging up to 12 percent of gross domestic product (GDP). On average, the amount exceeds 4 percent. That level is twice what it was in 1979 and compares with less than half a percent in the first half of the 1970s.

The watershed seems to have been about 1974-75 and no doubt the sudden emergence of the OPEC oil cartel played its role. But there are other more fundamental reasons.

Treasuries replenished

Governments had grown accustomed to unusually strong economic growth in the three decades following the war. It looked like it might go on forever. Public treasuries quickly were replenished with tax dollars to finance social and economic programs, many of which were indexed to inflation.

When growth slowed the program costs did not, particularly those indexed. Other automatic stabilizers were activated largely to ease the hardship of mounting unemployment. The phenomenon called "stagflation" took hold.

Governments were torn between mounting costs and demands for more services and falling revenues. Taxation increases would only add to the crisis of weak growth. Increased deficits, financed by savers tantalized by high interest rates fueled by high inflation, was the middle ground and probably the right one.

But now the scenario is different. Inflation is down. There is some economic growth, sputtering but real. New approaches must be taken. That is what Mr Mulroney promised. Let's see him deliver.

You Say

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such a by-law would present certain problems, these seem to have been largely overcome elsewhere, notably in Britain where, despite a notoriously large number of heavy smokers, non-smoking areas long have been available in trains, buses and restaurants, and smoking totally prohibited in many public buildings such as banks.

I would urge our citizens and their council to give every support to Mrs Rothman in her efforts to introduce a similar by-law in Westmount.

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Belvedere residence offers alternative here

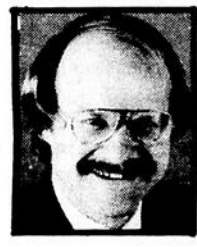
Sir: Accommodation for seniors has been the subject of several articles and letters recently in THE EXAMINER and, no doubt, one of interest to many readers.

The question of older persons sharing such facilities as bathrooms and kitchens was discussed and most would feel that exclusive access to such facilities would be an ideal situation. Unfortunately, people's resources at the moment and those of the community are limited. We adjust, therefore, to the present situation.

Manoir Westmount and Belvedere House both were referred to in EXAMINER coverage on this topic, and both provide accommodation for seniors, albeit at different cost levels. At Belvedere the residents do share facilities, they shop and prepare their own meals and feel part of a happy house. They also enjoy reasonable rates, supported by generous help from friends in the community. There may be many who are not aware of what we offer and we invite inquiries.

Given the reality of people's differing circumstances, at the present time there is this choice locally for accommodation for our older folk. The aim is to maintain and build on what exists today.

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our M.N.A.
Richard D. French
says . . .

The estimates

THE National Assembly is in the midst of an intensive exercise: the examination by its eight standing committees of $27 billion of estimates for the Government of Quebec's 1985-86 fiscal year.

Since a discussion of the estimates of a department is perforce a study of every aspect of the policies, programs and administration of that department, opposition MNAs have a very broad field of fire open before them.

The study of estimates is very important for me. It is the only occasion where I can be sure to have the opportunity to raise local cases and local problems which constituents want me to pursue. In other contexts, ministers may or may not respond. Here, they must do so, and they are on the record.

Not the perfect way

It is not the perfect way to accomplish everything one wants for constituents, but it is by far the best parliamentary forum in which to try to do so.

So for the last couple of weeks, I have been running from commission to commission trying to ensure that I arrive at the right point in the proceedings to raise my issues and not be out of order.

The problems in question vary widely. This year, it is the classification of the Westmount station, certain difficulties being encountered by Quebec medical schools, Arts Westmount, government publications not available in English, unfair procedures in property tax appeals, and so on and so forth.

You will not hear or see much of this in the media. It is too fragmentary to report. It is, however, a very important sense in which the politician may truly be said to represent his or her constituents.

In response to kind enquiries, Miss Joan Capréol is convalescing and her popular profiles of interesting Westmounters should resume shortly.

SPRING . . .

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And it wasn't the only creeper. At least three others were working away very close. One flew in to within four feet from where I was standing. Just then a white breasted nuthatch, the upside down bird, gave its nasal yank as it flew in to an even closer tree and started to work upward instead of down. Spring must have gone to its head. When I turned to look back at the creeper, he'd flown, but I caught a couple of yellow bellied sapsuckers tapping away on a birch tree, then one dropping down and the other chasing it with strange meowling sounds of their spring courtship rites.

Then a rusty crowned sparrow started bathing in the stream with much fluttering of its wings. After a while he jumped up on a branch and started preening his feathers. It was the hardy tree sparrow that nests way up north near the tree line.

Just then a wave of golden crowned kinglets flew in, some of these chickadee-sized birds taking a brief sip at the water before continuing in their search of the leafless branches for insect food. With them was the first warbler of the season, a yellow rumped, giving its faint trill something like a junco's.

A lazy "O, sweet Canada, Canada," song rang out through the patch of trees and I spotted a white throated sparrow busily scratching through some leaves near the small stream. When it turned around you could see its dazzling white throat and bright black and white stripes on its head.

Secretive thrushes

Continuing to walk again after watching the scene by the water for so long, I flushed the juncos. They flew off ahead in a small flock. At the intersection of a small path I caught up with them feeding on the ground and they took off again, flying low. Suddenly I saw a brownish hermit thrush with spotted white breast and rufous rump and tail fly quickly by. The first one of the season, I hoped to get another look at it. Very secretive, these thrushes aren't always easy to see.

As I walked along a small path, a low perch on a bush vibrated — the bird had gone. Crossing the main path that was still pretty wet and muddy for walking, I went down a number of small trails in search of the hermit thrush. I heard a rich, varied, song — not the thrush's but that of the fox sparrow, one of the few birds that sings his full song before reaching his breeding grounds near the Arctic tundra.

But I didn't see him. I kept on walking through ever smaller paths till I saw the rufous tail and brownish back of the hermit thrush. He crossed the main path and disappeared into thick shrubbery. As I was about to give up I heard leaves flying in every direction. Twice as energetic as a white throated sparrow, and a bit bigger, there was a fox sparrow, kicking the dead leaves away with both feet as he jumped up and down on them. Like the hermit thrush, his tail was a rufous red but his back had a strong tinge of this color, of a red fox, as did his wings.

I glimpsed him for only a few seconds when he took off and disappeared into the far shrubs. Passing that way, too, I put my binoculars up to see through the leafless shrubs.

What I saw was a double take: in the same tangle was the fox sparrow perched slightly above the hermit thrush. In the sunshine the fox sparrow was much redder. But it was an unusual comparison, a one in a thousand chance to get both these migrants in the same bush at the same time.

That's migration time on Westmount Summit.



AUTHOR, AUTHOR: The Westmount Public Library marked National Book Week with a visit last Wednesday by two local authors, **Sharon Sparling,** left, and **Robert Scott Lawrence,** right. The two writers read selections of their work and discussed various aspects of writing.

SELWYN . . .

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"We see this as an excellent example of recycling," said Ald Trent. He noted that the proposed changes had been approved by both the city's architectural and planning commission and the administrative traffic committee.

According to architect Bruce Anderson, Selwyn House would not make major changes to the basement of the St Andrew's building, since it already was divided into classrooms and offices.

Mr Anderson said that the chapel might be renovated to use as a drama studio and the sanctuary could be redesigned to serve as a second gymnasium for the school.

The only notable exterior change proposed, noted Mr Anderson, was to install an entrance from Côte St Antoine road to facilitate students moving from the main school to the St Andrew's structure.

"I think that the cross and spire probably would be removed from the building," added Mr Anderson.

The purchase of the building should cost Selwyn House about $1 million. Timothy Carsley, chairman of the school's board of directors, believed the proposed change would be fitting.

"I think the community will be very much served by this," he said. "It will preserve its traditions and its nature.

"For many years, Selwyn House has looked for a suitable site to expand because it was becoming difficult to operate," said Mr Carsley, noting the school's need for greater floor space.

Although the expansion would increase Selwyn House's available floor space by about 50 percent, noted Mr Carsley, the school would not increase its current enrolment of about 485 students.

Renovations to the building were expected to begin "as soon as we have the funds available," said Mr Carsley. He noted that the school currently was seeking such means.

Quebec governor reviews cadets here Saturday

Quebec's Lietenant-Governor, Hon J. Gilles Lamontagne, will be the reviewing officer at the 25th annual parade of the Royal Canadian Cadet Corps 2675.

The ceremony is to take place Saturday at 1 pm in the armory of the Third Field Engineers, 3 Hillside Lane. Parents and friends of the cadets are invited to attend.

The event will include a parade of cadets, a presentation of awards and a reception. In attendance will be cadet officers Capt B. Bunetti, commanding officer; Capt M. Vassilyadi, administration officer, 2nd Lt A. Lyras, quartermaster, and Lt B. Covington, training officer.



Hon J. Gilles Lamontagne

Lieutenant-Governor Lamontagne was the minister of national defence in the last Liberal government and is a former mayor of Quebec City. He was a wartime sergeant in the Royal Canadian Air Force.

Youths robbed by knife-wielding contemporary

One armed robbery and another attempt, both believed related, were reported in the area of the Atwater Métro station Tuesday and Thursday last week, police report.

Both involved youths who were held up and searched by a black man described as about 17 years old, armed with a knife and accompanied by two other young men, both white.

Police said the first incident occurred April 18 about 4 pm in the Métro tunnel leading under Atwater to Cabot Square.

In this case a 15-year-old Verdun boy was forced to hand over $60 cash and a watch as well as cigarets and a lighter. "Give me your money or I'll stab you," he was told.

In the second incident two days later, two Point St Charles youths, 14 and 16 years old, were forced at knifepoint to sit on stairs leading down to the tracks.

The wallet belonging to one was searched and handed back but nothing was taken. The attempt was made about 3:15 pm.

Westmount city council meetings are covered in detail by THE WESTMOUNT EXAMINER. *Issues are backgrounded in depth by Laureen Sweeney.*

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MUSICAL LADY: The Mark IV Saxophone Quartet includes **Sarah Ballantyne,** a Westmounter, who will be performing with the group in a Début series concert Saturday, 8 pm, at Pollack Hall, 555 Sherbrooke street west. Ms Ballantyne plays soprano sax. Other members of the group are **Brent Lee** (alto), **Peter Wightman** (tenor) and **Christian Quilliam** (baritone). The group will perform works by Glazounov, Bach, Rivier, Burns, Rose, Dubois and a work by Mr Lee. The Gerald Danovitch Saxophone Quartet will join Mark IV for Pachelbel's "Kanon" and Frackenpohl's "Glad Rag." The concert will be recorded by CBC.



ST GEORGE'S ON STAGE: Lauren Schaffer, Jessica Brian, Stephanie Brandman and **Kara Feifer** are members of the Senior Wind Ensemble of St George's School of Montreal. The ensemble will be featured in St George's annual spring concert, which will be held tonight at 7:30 pm in the auditorium of Mount Royal High School. The show also will feature student musicians from two schools in Stamford, Conn. The American students are visiting Montreal as part of a student exchange with St George's.

Double trouble

A car, double-parked last Thursday opposite 342 Victoria avenue, was hit from behind by another car attempting to pass, police said. The accident occurred about 11:25 am.

Grenfell body holds annual meeting on Wednesday

Dr J. D. Baxter, professor of otolaryngology at McGill University, will be the guest speaker at the annual meeting of the Grenfell Association of Montreal next Wednesday, May 1, at 6:30 pm, at the Montreal Badminton and Squash Club.

Dr Baxter has travelled extensively in the North conducting research on hearing impairment among the Inuit. He was instrumental in the establishment of a hearing program in Frobisher Bay. He heads the otolaryngology departments at both the Montreal General and Royal Victoria hospitals.

Mrs T. E. Alexander, Strathcona avenue, is president of the association, and other Westmounters on the executive committee include Mrs E. A. Whitehead, Mrs C. F. Carsley, Mrs J. Etcheverry, Mrs S. Thadhani and Mrs T. R. Carsley.

For information phone Mrs M. Huband, 932-6041.

Trike treed

Someone smashed a child's tricycle and threw it up in a tree beside the tennis court at Devon Park overnight Saturday-Sunday, according to Public Security officials. The incident was brought to the attention of a public safety patrol Sunday morning by a group of children, one of whom owned the tricycle. It apparently had been left in the park overnight. The young owner lived on Upper Lansdowne avenue.

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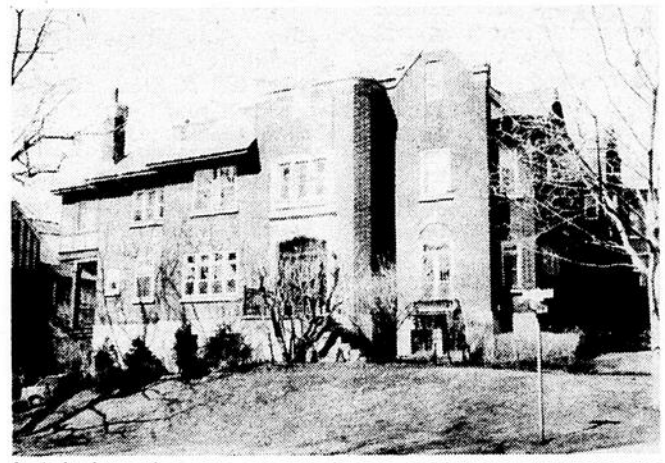
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ALARMS . . .

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regarding burglar and fire alarms, according to Mayor Brian Gallery.

He said it had not been decided, however, whether both burglar and fire alarms should be treated together.

Their problems are different, statistics show.

Westmount firefighters answered only 75 unwarranted calls from internal fire alarms last year and the city's fire by-law 895 regulates the maintenance of alarm systems (see separate story).

Burglar alarms appear to be a different story.

"We need a by-law that pressures persons who have installed alarm systems to maintain them and operate them correctly," Dir Dalzell told THE EXAMINER.

Many of the unfounded alarm calls come from the same homes or businesses, he reports.

Some are the result of defective systems, others stem from carelessness such as failure to lock doors or windows when turning on the system.

Police went 85 times to one commercial establishment here during 1984. Each call was answered on an emergency basis. Each turned out to be unnecessary.

Such offenders in the St Henri sector of station 23's district in Montreal are fined.

Under Montreal by-law 4006, bills are sent to owners of systems which ring in more than three unfounded alarm calls a year, police report.

Canada-wide problem

The problem of false alarms is so widespread across Canada that a number of municipalities have enacted some form of alarm penalties.

At one point, police in metropolitan Toronto were refusing to answer calls involving repeated false alarms, Dir Dalzell said.

Here in Westmount, statistics reveal there were 3,529 false calls in 1984. In 1983, there were 3,561.

Across the entire MUC, some 113,915 alarm calls were considered to be unfounded.

During the month of March this year, a special police survey revealed that only 1.34 percent of all alarm calls in the MUC proved founded.

So far this year in Westmount, according to the statistics, there have been 292 false alarm calls in January; 232 in February, and another 255 in March.

The following 10 tips are offered by police to help reduce false alarms:

- Make sure your alarm system is installed by a person qualified in the alarm field;
- Know how to operate your system;
- Make sure doors and windows are locked before your system is put on;
- Make sure persons having access to your system know how to operate it and are familiar with the protected zones;
- Verify your system periodically;
- Educate yourself on the subject of false alarms;
- Respect at all times the procedures established with the alarm company and advise them of all changes to the procedures;
- Avoid damage to alarm components;
- Know the area your alarm covers; and,
- Never overprotect yourself with alarm-triggering units.

Fire alarm situation is different

Westmount firefighters answered more than 200 calls regarding fire and burglar internal alarm systems, according to a survey released this week. Of 206 such calls selected for analysis, 75, or 36.4 percent, were considered unwarranted.

Another 65, or 31.6 percent, represented defective alarms and 16, or 7.8 percent, were classified as false.

Fire Chief William Timmons does not consider these numbers to present a problem to his department at present, he told THE EXAMINER.

Asked if the number of unwarranted fire alarm calls necessitated additional legislation, he answered:

"Obviously, we will be encountering more such calls as more alarm systems are installed, but who knows to what extent?

"If we are plagued by the situation, then we can look into it," he added.

At present, he said, the city had the power under fire by-law 895, a modification of the National Fire Code, to take action in some cases regarding failure to maintain alarm systems.

Many of the alarm calls answered by the brigade could be attributed, he said, to such causes as weak batteries in smoke detectors, cooking problems, power surges, lighting of fireplaces or short circuits from rain.

Others were accidentally triggered by workers or in a variety of other circumstances, he said.

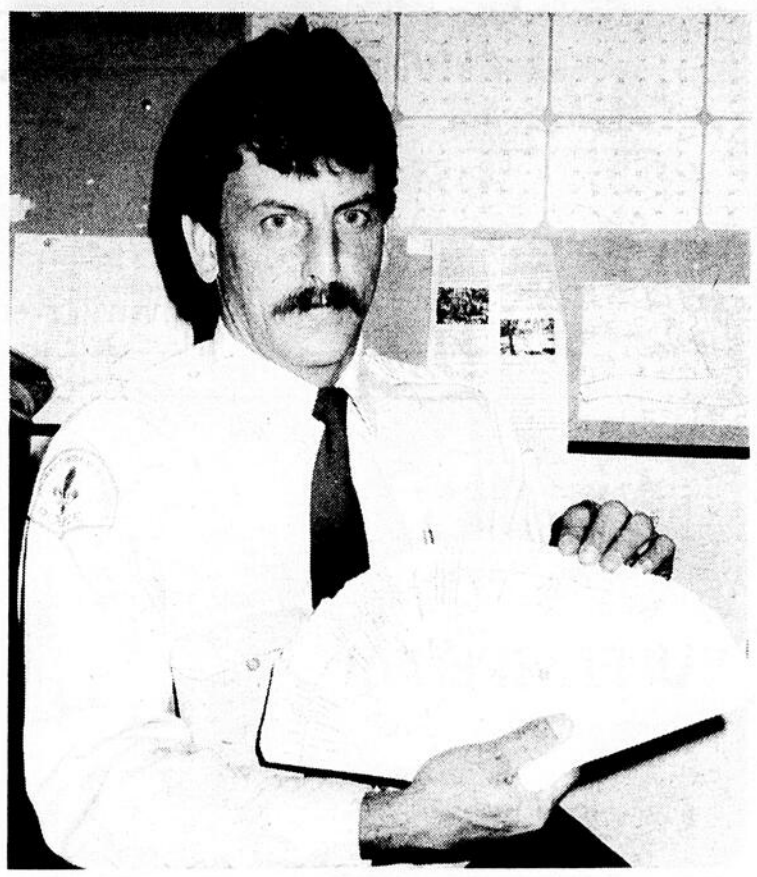
Only a handful could be considered repeat offenders, mostly owing to problems in the systems which the fire department was "on top of," he said.

Of the 206 alarm calls analysed by the fire department, 12 were burglar alarms, according to a survey made by Platoon Chief Roger Laviolette. One of the burglar alarms was accidentally tripped; the 11 others were found to be unwarranted, no reason found for the alarm.

Of the 194 remaining fire alarm calls, 75 were unwarranted, 16 were false alarms, 38 were justified, and 65 were for defects in the system.

The total number of calls were distributed as follows among occupancies: apartment buildings, 29; commercial, 30; private residences, 82, and others, 65.

Are you a fire buff or just curious? Each week's fire calls are listed under "Where Were They Going?"



THREE WEEKS OF FALSE ALARMS: Separate cards for each unwarranted alarm call are displayed at local MUC police station by **Constable Michel Caza** who records each address. This handful represents the number of calls answered by police in Westmount during a three-week period last month.

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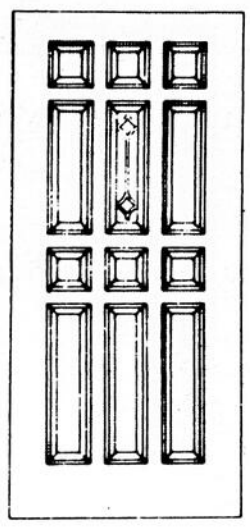
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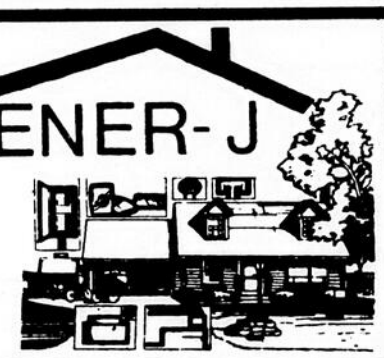
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"Oliver!" entertains children and parents



ON STAGE: Westmount youngsters showed their theatrical talents at the recent recreation department production of *Oliver!* At left, **Alana Klein**, as Mr Bumble, scolds Oliver Twist, as played by **Katherine Rother.** Upper right, **Sean Day,** as The Artful Dodger, greets a young member of the audience. Lower right, the children in the orphanage do some cleaning.



Crowds seek bargains at Rotary sale







BARGAINS GALORE: The annual spring sale and auction of the Rotary Club of Westmount, held last Friday and Saturday, proved to be more successful than even club members predicted. The large crowd waiting to get in the Westmount arena Saturday morning, upper left, shows why the club raised over $14,000, the largest amount in the eight-year history of the event. Whether it was in glassware, lower left, clothing, upper right, or toys, shoppers seemed to find some good deals and helped contribute to some of the Rotary Club's worthy community services.

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Rob Southcott



'Getting better every year'



Jennifer Aitken as Nancy sings the Oom-pah-pah song.

By ROB SOUTHCOTT

"They just keep getting better every year."

That was what one Westmount parent had to say about the recreation department's presentation of *Oliver!*, which took place Friday and Saturday at Victoria Hall.

Under the direction of girls' recreation supervisor Beverly Adams, the show entertained two full houses. Miss Adams received much aid from her assistant, Lana Romandini, from Maureen Brown, who worked on choreography, direction and make-up, and from the show's musical director, Harriet Coyle.

The theft of some props last week and the odd technical difficulty did not keep the audiences from being charmed by participants who were as young as five years old.

Following the presentation Friday, bouquets of flowers from Edgewood Florists were presented to Miss Adams and her three assistants.

Along with the work of the 135 on stage, there also were 20 volunteers who worked in the background.

"To me, it's nice to be able to get volunteers in this day and age," said Miss Adams after the show.

Transposing of the music was done by Allan MacMillan, while Lorne Robinson, Gerard McKee and Stuart Cadogan looked after lighting.

Props and scenery were built by Tony Wilson, Douglas "Buddy" Selby, Allan Aitken and Jack Kaufman.

Helen Rother prepared the slide presentation on the show, while Paul Rother operated the curtains and Glenda Small was the prompter.

Make-up was handled by Kathleen St Amour, Susan Johnson, Sylvie Daoust, Lorraine Holt and Marsha Goldberg.

The costumes were created by the cast and by numerous mothers and fathers.

Not one to rest on this success, Miss Adams said that she already was "keen and looking forward to next year."

She has been considering presenting the Broadway hit *South Pacific*.

Apparently, Miss Adams is not the only one thinking about next year.

"I had some kids come up to me and say they wanted to be in the next show," said Miss Adams. "I just said, 'Sign up for next year boys'."

'Oliver!' show props stolen

Someone stole props for last weekend's production of *Oliver!* put on by the recreation department, according to public safety officers.

The items, valued at close to $500, disappeared Wednesday last week from the supply room at Victoria Hall.

Among the items were pieces of costume jewelry contained in a wooden box as well as one set of walkie-talkies, musical tapes and a chef's hat.

Some of the stolen goods belonged to participants in the show, others to the recreation department.

Sports car found damaged

A red sports car, damaged and missing various parts, was found abandoned in front of 321 Roslyn avenue Tuesday last week, public safety officers report.

The TR7 model was brought to the attention of Sergeant Robert Stringer who noticed the car parked on the street at 12:39 pm minus the right front tire.

The left rear tire was flat and mirrors were broken. Verification with police revealed the car had not been reported stolen. It was towed to the pound.



The following building permits were issued at Westmount city hall during the past week:

April 16

4785 Sherbrooke: for 133061 Canada Inc by Levine Bros Ltd to install three gas fixtures, $4,400;

April 17

385 Claremont: for V. Errunza by Construction Turek, fireplace, $1,700;
4999 St Catherine: for Creccal Trust by the owner, alterations to suite 103, $1,000;
4999 St Catherine: for Creccal Trust by the owner, alterations to third floor corridor, $1,000;
42 York: for Hugo Wuethrich by Rivière du Nord Associés to erect one fence, $1,000;

April 19

81 Holton: for Mr Favretto, contractor to be determined, alterations, $15,000;
466 Roslyn: for M. Brownstein Eichenwald by Brodan Construction Inc, alterations to second floor, $10,000;

April 22

435 Grosvenor: for Royalco Investments Inc, contractor to be determined, add one apartment, $12,500;
Alexis Nihon Plaza: for Direct Film by Yvon Letiec, alterations to store, $35,000.

Car hits tree, two teen girls' wounds minor

Two teenage girls living in Westmount were taken to hospital in the early hours of Friday morning after the car they were riding in struck a tree at 4300 de Maisonneuve boulevard, police report.

Both sustained injuries described as minor. One victim was a 17-year-old living on Redfern avenue; the other, an 18-year-old resident of Lansdowne avenue.

Police said the accident occurred about 3 am when the driver, a 19-year-old Laval man, reportedly lost control of the car when his elbow became wedged next to the person beside him, one of the injured women.

Three of the five occupants were sitting in the front, police said.

The green 1979 Plymouth sustained more than $500 damage and had to be towed away.

Special delivery

Slight damage was caused Friday to a car parked in front of 4154 St Catherine street when it was hit by a delivery truck's rear door which flew open unexpectedly, police said. The truck was double parked beside the car. The car was legally parked when the mishap occurred about 10:35 am.

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Samedi prochain, le 27 avril à 17h00 et le dimanche 5 mai à 10h00, plusieurs enfants de la communauté chrétienne de Saint-Léon participeront entièrement à l'Eucharistie.

C'est toute la communauté qui leur fera une fête d'accueil et qui manifestera assez de dynamisme pour que les enfants et les jeunes parents soient heureux d'y revenir et se sentent partie prenante de la vitalité de cette paroisse.

On avait dit qu'il n'y avait pas d'enfants à Westmount et en particulier dans la communauté francophone. Pour se rendre compte d'une autre réalité, il s'agit seulement de participer un dimanche matin à la messe familiale et de voir de nombreux jeunes foyers, plusieurs enfants, qui se sentent très à l'aise et très heureux à cette messe très animée, pleine de rythme et de dynamisme. C'est toujours une fête!

D'autres enfants qui se préparent à la confirmation reçoivent une catéchèse et font une réflexion sur ce nouveau signe de l'amitié du Seigneur pour eux. Ils ont sûrement commencé à travailler dans ce livre: Ma Confirmation dans l'Esprit. Il est à souhaiter que les parents les accompagnent dans cette démarche et les soutiennent dans leur recherche.

Être confirmé dans l'Esprit, c'est devenir adulte dans sa foi, et témoin et participant dans l'Église du Christ. Il est indispensable que l'enfant se prépare à la réception de sa confirmation par la prière personnelle et aussi par la fréquentation assidue du Seigneur Jésus dans l'Eucharistie, particulièrement le Jour du Seigneur (messe familiale à 10h00 à la paroisse Saint-Léon).

Veuillez prendre note que la prochaine rencontre parents/enfants avec l'évêque qui les confirmera, Monseigneur Jude Saint-Antoine, v.é., évêque auxiliaire du diocèse de Montréal, aura lieu le lundi 6 mai à 19h30, à la Salle Saint-Léon (sous-sol de l'église), 310, avenue Clarke (coin de Maisonneuve). Veuillez aussi noter que la confirmation aura lieu le dimanche 19 mai à 11h15.

Que ce Temps Pascal soit pour tous un temps de renouveau et permette à chacun d'accueillir l'Esprit dans la foi.

Yeshua series continues here

Westmount Baptist Church is to host the second in a series of the religious documentary entitled *Yeshua* on Sunday at 7 pm.

The hour-long filming, entitled *The Promise Takes Root*, traces the life of Jesus from his birth until the return of the holy family to Nazareth. The film probes the complex chain of political events leading to the census that brought Joseph and Mary to Bethlehem and the psychology of the man responsible for the citywide massacre of male children that followed.

Narrated by Dr Oswald Hoffman, president of the United Bible Societies and speaker on the international radio program *The Lutheran Hour*, the second in the mini-series lays the foundation for an understanding of Jesus as he began his public ministry.

Baptist Church is host to missionary annual

Mrs Hazel Thompson, with her husband, Marshall, is to be the missionary speaker at the annual meeting of the Quebec branch of the Baptist Women's Missionary Society convention to be held at Westmount Baptist Church on Saturday, commencing at 10:30 am.

Marshall and Hazel Thompson have served under the Canadian Baptist Overseas Mission Board under direction of the Bolivia Baptist Union. They recently have been asked to undertake a research assignment relating to unreached peoples and have been taking language studies in Turkey.

Marshall Thompson was born in Dallas, Texas, and received his BA at Baylor University, Waco, followed by his BD from a Baptist seminary in Denver. He then migrated to Canada and became pastor at Upper Blackville, N.B.

Hazel Thompson was born in Houston, Texas, got her BA at Baylor and continued her studies at Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth. A year later she received an MRE degree from the Golden Gate Baptist Seminary, Berkeley, Calif.

Mrs Ruby Knights (sometimes known as the Button Lady from Sutton) also is to participate in the program and luncheon.

During the Sunday morning service, the Westmount Baptist Women will provide leadership and Marshall Thompson will preach. Marshall and Hazel Thompson are members of Westmount Baptist Church and have three children, Borden, Krystal and Karlene.

For luncheon reservations or information call 937-1009.

Lunches resume at the Temple

A popular lunch-and-learn series featuring Rabbi Kenneth I. Segel, spiritual leader of Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom, resumed on Tuesday. Rabbi Segel in the new series is discussing significant issues in Jewish law. The public is invited for 12:30 pm Tuesdays and coffee and tea are provided.

Oz speaks here

Amos Oz, well known Israeli novelist, is to deliver the Helen and Sam Steinberg Lecture at the Metcalfe Avenue Hall of Congregation Shaar Hashomayim on Wednesday evening, May 15, at 8:30 pm. There is no admission charge and all are welcome.

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St Matthias' choir to sing

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Anthems sung by the choir will include three selections by J. S. Bach: *Motet VI—Lobet den Herrn, Cantata IV—Christ lag in Todesbanden* and *Chorale Preludes on Christ lag in Todesbanden.*

Casserole supper at St A's-DD

St Andrew's - Dominion-Douglas is to hold a Congregational Casserole Supper tomorrow at 6:30 pm, sponsored by the outreach committee.

Members of the congregation and friends will learn about the many outreach projects that the congregation is involved in. There will be exhibits, games, film, fun and fellowship for all ages. Families are wanted to bring casseroles. Babysitting will be provided. Single members are asked to be present.

Sunday at 9:30 am in the chapel, Murdo Mackay will lead a Bible study on *The Messiah*. At 11 am the guest preacher will be Rev Dr E. A. Kirker. He was minister of St Andrew's from 1967 to 1979. He will be available at coffee hour to greet friends.

Monday at 7:30 pm, the Evening Book Club will meet to review and discuss the books *The Far Side of the Street* by Bruce Hutchison and *The Canadians* by Andrew Malcolm. The meeting is to be led by Virginia Barber.

History group to hear Rudin

The Quebec Family History Society meets on Tuesday, May 14th, at 7:30 pm at La Maison du Brasseur, 2901 St Joseph boulevard, Lachine. The speaker is to be Prof Ronald Rudin on "History of the English-speaking People of Quebec."

Prof Rudin is an associate professor of history at Concordia University. He holds a PhD from York University, Toronto, and has just finished writing "The History of Banking in Quebec" and a second book, "The History of the English-speaking People of Quebec."

The public is welcome. Information from Elizabeth O'Neill at 481-7608.

Royal Vic event tonight

This evening the auxiliary of the Royal Victoria Hospital's Spring Soirée will be a Monte Carlo casino, at 6:30 pm in the Hersey pavilion of the hospital.

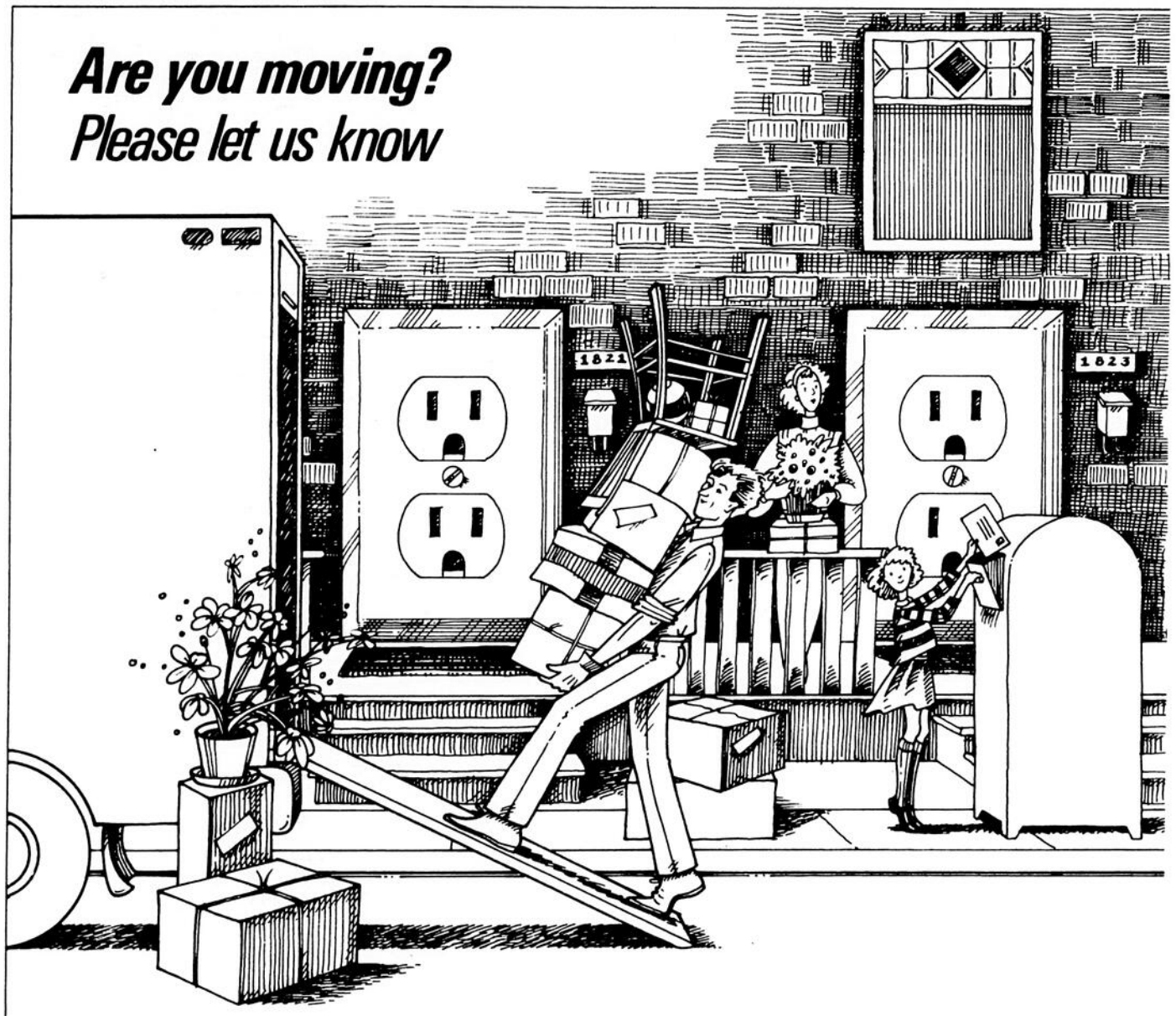


Mila Mulroney, a member of the Church, attended with her parents.



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by RICK KERRIGAN

The theatre of competition

The Quebec Drama Festival competition begins Tuesday and runs until May 4, 8:30 nightly, at the Centaur Theatre. Two plays will be shown each evening and, of the 10 plays, five are new plays written by Quebec playwrights. *Ritual for Dolls*, by George MacEwan Green, and *Next*, by Allan Patrick, will be performed Tuesday. *Fifteen Minutes*, by Linda Gorman, and *Flowers for Algernon*, by David Rogers, are on the bill Wednesday. *Next* and *Fifteen Minutes* are new Quebec plays. Other homegrown work to be performed includes *Where Kings Have Pressed Their Lips*, by Patrick Vallely, which will share the bill with non-Quebec work, *The Indian Wants the Bronx*, by Israel Horovitz, on May 2, and *Bearing Witness*, by Marc Coté, and *With a Bit of Lime*, by James Nadler, which will be presented May 3. The festival concludes with non-Quebec works: *The General*, by Steve Petch, and *Lone Star*, by James McClure, on May 4. Also that night a special presentation by Theatre Shmeatre will amuse the audience while the adjudicator (Richard Ouzounian) makes up his mind. For ticket information call the Centaur at 288-3161. Several Westmounters are involved in the festival: Elsa Bolam screened the entrants, Steven Nowell is the chairman of the festival, and Michael Regenstreif is the co-ordinator.

Students do 'Madwoman'

The English section of the National Theatre School will present Jean Giraudoux' *The Madwoman of Chaillot* Tuesday until May 4, 8 pm, at the Monument National, 1182 St Laurent boulevard. George Bloomfield is directing this play which is described as an "enchanting, quixotic fantasy." Mr Bloomfield is the senior director on the *Fraggle Rock* television series. Admission is free.

Students do 'Idiot'

The Theatre Department of Concordia University is presenting Dostoevski's *The Idiot* tonight until Sunday, 8 pm, matinées Friday and Saturday at 2, in the Chameleon Theatre of the Loyola Campus, 7141 Sherbrooke street west. In this play Dostoevski "strove to portray a positively good man, an ideal Christian in the guise of a simple and artless hero...". Admission is free.

A trio onstage

The Café de la Place always seems to have intense little plays about intense and unusual persons. The next production at the Café, which is located in Place des Arts, is *Trio* by Kado Kostzer from Argentina and which will run from Wednesday until June 15. The play, directed by Alexandre Hausvater, stars Hélène Loiselle, Monique Miller and Angèle Coutu as three sisters who live as recluses. They also live with the shadows of an old mother kept in her room, a black sheep sister and her daughter. There are performances 8:30 pm nightly except Sunday. Tickets are available at the PdA box office.

Tudors feature Gagnon

André Gagnon, Quebec pianist and composer, will be at the piano to accompany the Tudor Singers of Montreal in a choral work, *Le Miroir des Jours*, Sunday and Monday, 8 pm, at Pollack Hall, 555 Sherbrooke street west. He composed the work specially for the Tudors. Also on the program will be works by Lionel Daunais, another Quebec composer; French songs and madrigals, traditional English songs, Negro spirituals and a work by Britten. Tickets are available at Ticketron counters or by calling Teletron at 288-3782.

One life to live

The next "Behind the Scenes" discussion at the Centaur Theatre will deal with "The Life of an Actor" Sunday, 2 pm, and the participants will include Jean-Louis Roux, Florence Paterson, Anne Anglin and Jean Archambault. Maurice Podbrey will be the moderator. Come and ask questions. Admission is free. Refreshments will be served. For information call 288-3161.

A musical entertainment

The Becket Players Theatre has a full evening of music and entertainment planned for Friday and Saturday and May 3, 4, 10, 11, beginning 8 o'clock, at the Pierrefonds Arena, 13777 Pierrefonds boulevard. The evening opens with *A Salute to Irving Berlin* which is followed by a cabaret performance. Tickets are available from 7:15 pm at the door or by calling 626-9672 or 2994. All proceeds go to various groups supporting medical and nutritional needs of children.

Two composers featured

The music of Mozart and Haydn will be played by a chamber orchestra with four soloists from the Montreal Symphony Orchestra in four separate concerts. Timothy Hutchins, flute, will be the soloist on May 2 with Desmond Hoebig, cello, on May 9, Theodore Baskin, oboe, on May 16 and John Zirbel, horn, May 23. All the concerts take place at 8 pm in Redpath Hall on the McGill University campus. Richard Hoenich will be conducting. Call 737-0645 between 4 and 7 pm, for information on individual or series tickets.

Music from McGill

Paul Helmer, pianist, will play three Beethoven piano sonatas in a concert Tuesday, 8 pm, in Pollack Hall, 555 Sherbrooke street west.

On Tuesday, 8 pm, in Pollack Hall, Ling Chau Sun, pianist, will give a graduation recital of music by Haydn, Schumann, Kabalevsky and Debussy.

The Conservatory Jazz Band, directed by Peter Freeman, will perform May 2.

Marie Bouchard will give an organ concert May 3, 8 pm, in Queen Mary Road United Church, corner of Queen Mary and Finchley roads. Admission to all these concerts is free.

Join the Welsh in song

The St David Society of Montreal is holding a "gymanfa ganu" Sunday, 7 pm, at the Church of St James the Apostle, corner of St Catherine and Bishop streets. I'm sure you already know that that is a festival of hymns held in a church. You don't have to be Welsh to join in, however, so open your mouth and sing under the direction of Iwan Edwards. The St Lawrence Chamber Choir and the Montreal Male Voice Welsh Choir will make guest appearances.

Bach featured with MCO

Rosalyn Tureck, renowned authority on the music of Bach, will be the soloist with the McGill Chamber Orchestra in a concert Monday, 8:30 pm, in Théâtre Maisonneuve of Place des Arts. She will perform Bach's piano concertos in F minor and D minor. Other works on the program are by Scarlatti and Alexander Brott who is directing the orchestra. Tickets are available at the PdA box office.

Culture from Montreal

The NFB film *La Nuit de la Poésie* will be shown Wednesday, 8 pm, at the Maison de la Culture, 5290 Côte des Neiges road.

Jean Saint-Onge and his ensemble will be playing classical contemporary music Monday, 8 pm, at the Maison de la Culture de Maisonneuve, 4120 Ontario street east, and at the Côte des Neiges

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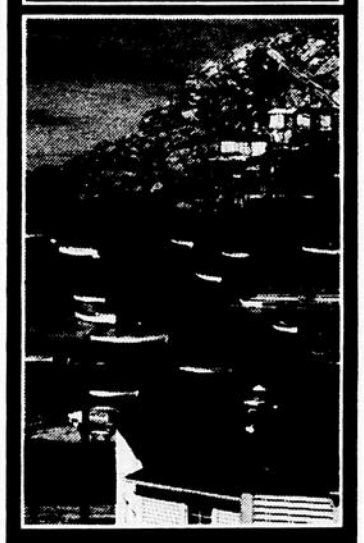
Monique Leyrac, singer, will be presenting her show *1900* Friday, 8 pm, at Côte des Neiges and Saturday at the Maison de la Culture NDG, 3755 Botrel street.

Quartango, an Argentine tango group comprising four musicians and two dancers, will perform Wednesday, 8 pm, at the Maison de la Culture du Plateau-Mont-Royal, 465 Mont Royal street east. Admission to all the above concerts is free but you must pick up tickets at the maison or at a Banque d'Épargne in the district.

Singer-songwriter Normand Perron will give a concert Wednesday, 8 pm, at Patro Le Prévost, 7355 Christophe Colomb avenue. You can pick up free tickets at that location.

"Les Joyaux Célestes" is the new show at the Dow Planetarium, 1000 St Jacques street west. There are English and French showings. For the schedule call 872-4530.





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Organ every Tuesday

There are organ recitals every Tuesday, 12:30 pm, through the end of August at St James United Church, 463 St Catherine street west. T. Woolard Harris, director of music at the church, will be giving a concert of works by Franck, Bach and Langlais on Tuesday. A contribution would be appreciated.

Exhibits about town

Commercial and personal work of members of the Canadian Association of Photographers and Illustrators in Communications currently is at the Maison Alcan, 1188 Sherbrooke street west, until May 5. ... The watercolors and gouaches of Ilio Piccioli will be at the Verdun Cultural Centre, 5955 Bannantyne avenue, from Wednesday until May 12. ... An exhibition of student work will be at the Saidye Bronfman Centre, 5170 Côte St Catherine road, from Wednesday until May 19. Works from many media will be represented. ... The annual Laval YM-YWHA Art Exhibition and Sale will take place Saturday to Monday at the Y, 755 du Sablon street. Call 688-8961 for hours. ... The Dorval Weavers' Guild and the Dorval Potters are having an exhibition and sale from tonight until Sunday at the Dorval Cultural Centre, 1401 Lakeshore road. ... "A Garden of Glass" is the name of an exhibition and competition of stained glass works at the Montreal Botanical Gardens from today until May 9. The work of over 200 artists from Quebec, Ontario and the Maritimes will be represented. ... Reproductions of four frescos and two statues are at the Rockland Shopping Centre until May 4 in conjunction with the Ramses II exhibit to be held this summer at Man and His World.

Bits'n'pieces

An organization called My Brother's Keeper is holding courses on "Serenity and Dying," "Job Search Skills and Self Evaluation" and "Family and Individual Health" for eight weeks during May and June, Monday evenings. For information call 932-3267. ... The Brome Lake Country Inn is having a Spring Festival featuring crafts, antiques, paintings, spring flowers and fashion Saturday and Sunday, 10 am to 6 pm. ... The United Church Women of St James United Church are having their spring dessert tea Saturday, 1:30 pm, at 1435 City Councillors street. The Shamrock Dancers will entertain after the tea and dessert. ... *Just for Me*, a film about the benefits of exercise for women, and *Your Move*, a film about women in sports, will be shown Tuesday, 12:15 pm, at the YWCA, 1355 Dorchester boulevard west.

More bits'n'pieces

Canadian Cultural Programmes will present Hugh Anderson speaking on "Reaganomics, Why Not in Canada?" Friday, 7 pm, at the MacDonald Stewart Foundation, 1195 Sherbrooke street west. Call 937-7937 for free reservations. ... Philippe Dubé will give a lecture in French on "L'Architecture de villégiature dans Charlevoix" Sunday, 3 pm, at the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts. ... Dr Philip Martin will speak on the prevention of and recovery from heart disease, high blood pressure and clogged arteries in a series of lectures Saturday and Sunday at the University of Montreal, 5255 Decelles street. Call 695-3311 for registration and information. ... There will be a forum on public broadcasting Friday, 2 to 4 pm, in the F. C. Smith Auditorium of Concordia University, 7141 Sherbrooke street west.

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Sponsored by Pioneer Women's Organization group Carmiel, will take place Tuesday, April 30, 1985. 9:30 am - 3:00 pm. Westmount Park Church, 4695 de Maisonneuve Blvd. West (corner Lansdowne). Merchandise for entire family. Bargains. Admission free.

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ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER

Of the Grenfell Association of Montreal will be held at the Montreal Badminton and Squash Club, 3505 Atwater Ave., on Wednesday, May 1st, at 6:30 pm. Information: 932-6041.

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Sponsored by Pioneer Women Revivim Group, Sunday, April 28th, 9:30 am to 3:00 pm. Decarie Square, 6900 Decarie Blvd. Merchandise for the entire family. Bargains. Admission free. Buses 17-51-160.

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RUMMAGE SALE

St. Saviour's Church, 5845 Upper Lachine Rd., Thursday, April 25th, 7 pm to 9 pm.

Learning disabled centre launches $100,000 drive

Lansdowne Centre, 5371 Queen Mary road, one of Quebec's oldest centres devoted to helping learning disabled students, launched its campaign this week to raise $100,000. The appeal runs to April 30.

The money is needed to expand special educational and scholarship programs and maintain fees at current levels against inflation pressure.

An estimated one in 10 students is learning disabled because of poor motor, visual or auditory skills. Since the centre's founding in 1972, more than 1,000 students have identified and developed new skills to compensate for their particular deficiencies.

Students from more than 50 Montreal area schools have used the centre, some to continue on to college and university even though this prospect would normally be ruled out.

Pressure to expand special tutoring programs is mounting in the wake of many schools adopting "mainstreaming," a policy which lumps in learning disabled children with general students.

Cost-cutting plan

The policy is seen as cost cutting and progressive because individuals aren't singled out for their deficiencies. The problem is learning disabled students no longer have special programs under the plan.

One Lansdowne parent sends her youngster to the centre because she believes the school system's new emphasis on other priorities will leave her brain-damaged daughter to languish. Once severely motor-impaired to the point she couldn't hold a pencil, the six-year-old now has taken the first difficult steps in learning to draw. She also has improved her speech and vocabulary markedly since she began working at the centre last year.



LEARNING NEW SKILLS: Children with learning disabilities learn new compensating skills at the Lansdowne Centre. The centre has launched a drive for $100,000 to further its work.

Another parent has seen his son take tremendous strides in developing his concentration since going to Lansdowne. But he still is waiting to see if his seven-year-old can transfer the success of Lansdowne's one-on-one tutorial sessions to the hurly-burly of the classroom. "We have got a lot of catching up to do," he says.

Math and language present the most common learning problems but work in all subjects is predicated on confidence-building. Most learning disabled students experienced only failure in school before going to Lansdowne.

Success in the classroom in many cases leads to a less combative atmosphere at home, as parents and learning-disabled student alike see progress for the first time.

Each Lansdowne student is evaluated before an indivdual program is drawn up for one to several hours each week. This year a weekly all-day session for small groups of severely disabled children began on an experimental basis. The group approach, which breaks from the centre's usual one-on-one tutor-pupil format, will be expanded to handle special cases next year.

Nearly half the money sought will go toward bursaries for the needy. The balance is targeted for expanding and developing new programs.

More information can be obtained from Carol Melmed or Kay Dila at 487-6516.

Identifying Learning Disabilities

Common characteristics include reading, writing and mathematical problems, visual, auditory or kinesthetic perceptual difficulty, lack of coordination and hyper- or hypoactivity. The hyperactive child becomes excessive in unproductivie activity. Hypoactive chldren are generally slow in thought, speech and movement.

Other signals include impulsiveness, nervous tension, short attention span, poor directional sense, verbal problems and developmental lag.

Here are tips parents can follow to help kids at home:

1. Devise activities that compensate for under achievement at school, possibly cooking, gardening or encouraging a new hobby;
2. Stress to siblings that the child is different, not inferior;
3. Saturate the home with reading material; double up reading with film versions where possible;
4. Make sure there's a quiet area, and make sure work is done before the TV is switched on;
5. Textbooks in problem subjects should be read aloud;
6. Try to have lots of hardware on hand — tape recorders, typewriters and so on;
7. Exercise should be encouraged daily, and in groups to encourage peer relationships;
8. Parents should keep tabs on progress at school and insist on regular reports and evaluations, and
9. Be your child's advocate. If he isn't getting the proper attention, speak to his teacher, or the principal, or the school board chairman if need be.

Antiquarian Society meets

The Antiquarian and Numismatic Society of Montreal women's branch is holding its regular luncheon meeting on Monday at noon at The Chateau, 290 Notre Dame street east, followed by the annual general meeting.

Guest speaker is to be Dr R. V. V. Nichols with an illustrated address on the "History of Railways in Canada."

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Luncheon for Old Girls at Trafalgar

The annual luncheon of the Trafalgar Old Girls' Association is to be held on Saturday, May 4, at noon at Trafalgar School for Girls, 3495 Simpson street. There will be tours of the library, formerly the gymnasium, at 11 am. Reservations: Mrs Amos, 937-4219.

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YWCA volunteers launching campaign for expansion

By ROB SOUTHCOTT

Westmounters were among the women who gathered last week at the Montreal YWCA to mark Volunteer Week.

According to Westmounter Judy Bercuvitz, the director of volunteers at the YWCA, about 85 women volunteer their time there each week. In some cases, the women work directly in programs such as Big Sisters, courses for the handicapped or the YWCA's second-hand clothing store.

In other cases, they are administrative volunteers, sitting on the YWCA's board of directors or its several committees.

"There are so many things in which the Y has had a leadership role," says Westmounter Marylyn Wilk, a member of the board. She notes that the YWCA always has been a leader in the Montreal area in the development of social programs, specially those aiding women.

A rape crisis centre, a service for battered women and a teen pregnancy program, says Ms Wilk, are some of the programs developed by the Montreal YWCA.



YWCA VOLUNTEERS: Among those who gathered at a recent reception to honor volunteers at the YWCA were several Westmounters. Front row, from left, **Helen Mehnert, Lucille Panet-Raymond** and **Marylyn Wilk.** Back row, from left, **Wanda O'Hagan, Judy Bercuvitz, Ginette Richer** and **Christiane Beauregard.**

The day-care centre, whose roots date back to 1909, is one program that has generated particular interest and attracted volunteers. Westmount resident Christiane Beauregard, another member of the YWCA board, credits it with raising her interest in the YWCA.

"There were a lot of programs that were going for a long time that I didn't know about, but, through having my child in the day-care centre, I learned more," she said.

Not only are the women at the YWCA operating programs for the present, but they are planning changes for the future. In May, the YWCA will start a campaign to raise $2 million to pay for renovations to the organization's Dorchester street home.

The advisory committee for the campaign includes several Westmounters, such as Nancy Gallery, wife of Mayor Brian Gallery, and Joan Winser, the recently-appointed Canadian consul-general to Los Angeles. Westmounter Wanda O'Hagan, the chairman of the campaign, says that the money raised will help assure the financial independence of the YWCA.

"This campaign is not for operating funds, it's to maximize usable space in the building," explains Mrs O'Hagan. "We need to increase the space for our income-producing programs so that that we can make more money from them."

Those revenue-producing programs, such as courses in management studies, may provide the YWCA with greater financial security and may guarantee the life of programs that do not generate revenue.

The official start of the campaign will take place at an auction of women's art May 5. So far, says Mrs O'Hagan, about $825,000 already has been pledged to the campaign.

Visual Arts courses set to begin

The Visual Arts Centre, 350 Victoria avenue, will begin many of its spring courses over the next two weeks.

Regular programs in ceramics, drawing and painting, and textiles begin between today and May 6. Some of the courses included will be quilt making, silk-screening, jewelry making, porcelain work and watercolor painting.

The centre also will conduct intensive courses and workshops for those more deeply involved in the visual arts.

The program for youth will commence this Monday, with courses including painting and drawing, clay work and art observation excursions.

More information about the courses is available by calling the Visual Arts Centre at 488-9558.

MacNeil here on Monday

The Women's Canadian Club's guest speaker at its annual meeting on Monday is to be Robin MacNeil, co-host of the MacNeil-Lehrer Newshour on U.S. public television. His talk is on "The Media and Our Values."

This meeting is at 2 pm in the Royal Bank Auditorium, Place Ville Marie. Coffee will be served at 1:15 pm.

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Vic Hall scene of antique show next week

Victoria Hall will be filled with a lot of old furniture next week, but not just any old furniture.

On May 2, 3 and 4, the sixth annual Westmount Antique Show and Sale will take over the hall for three days. With 25 antique dealers from Ontario and Quebec taking part, the show's promoter, Marie-Claire Lepessec, says it has become something of a regular event for many Westmounters.

"For a lot of people, it's part of their spring ritual," she says, noting that the majority of people who come to the show live in Westmount.

"Some come because they have been coming every year and there are some who come as collectors," says Ms Lepessec. "You know the serious collectors because they're there right when the doors open."

The show will include everything from small articles, such as antique fashions and jewelry, to large articles of furniture. It also will cover all price ranges.

"Some people come in and spend $20 and some come in and can spend $7,000 to $10,000," says Ms Lepessec.

Ms Lepessec says that the dealers in the show, who all are certified by provincial antique associations, enjoy the Westmount show. She notes that the affluence in Westmount makes it a good market in which to sell antiques.

Dealers rate it high

"For them (the dealers), it's a very good show, because they know that they can bring a real collectible and sell it," says Ms Lepessec.

Another benefit, she adds, is the location. Having done the first four shows in the Westmount arena, Ms Lepessec says that the move to Victoria Hall last year gave the show a "cozier" feeling that suited the displays of antiques.

Ms Lepessec, whose husband, Glen Bertie, used to own an antique shop on Victoria avenue, has seen a change in attitudes toward antiques over the six years that she has been working on the show. She says that many antique buyers today are very conscious of the value of antiques.

"Five or six years ago, people would just go and look for an old piece of furniture," she says. "Now they are looking for collectibles that are really worth their price."

Variety in one place

The advantage of a show, such as the one in Westmount, says Ms Lepessec, is that people who are interested in antiques can view a wide variety in one place. Those wanting to find out about furniture refinishing or selling their own antiques also might pick up some information at the show.

For Ms Lepessec, this all adds up to a relaxed, less-commercial image for the event.

"This show is a lot more like an exhibition and people come to enjoy it and to look around," says Ms Lepessec. "We look at it as being a little gathering for some Westmount residents."

The show will run next Thursday, 3-10 pm, Friday, 10 am to 10 pm and Saturday, 10 am to 7 pm. Further information is available by calling 486-8153.

Meeting set on epileptics

Épilepsie Montréal's Anglophone group for parents with epileptic children meets on May 15 at 7:30 pm at Centre de Réadaptation Lucie-Bruneau, 2275 Laurier avenue east. For additional information call 527-4128.



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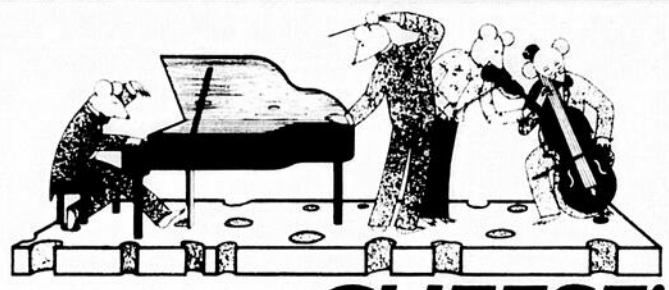
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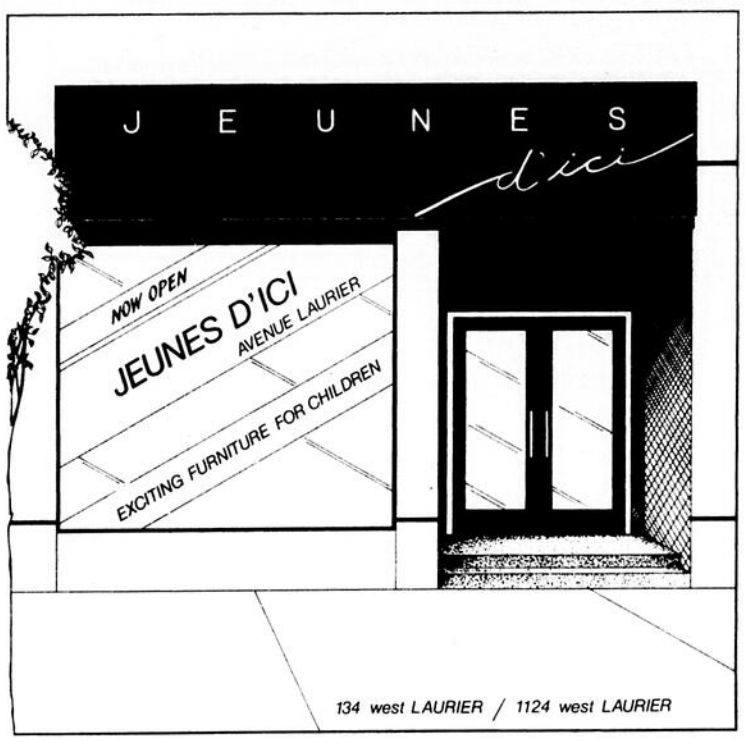




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Future senior citizens' lives set by social patterns today

By ROB SOUTHCOTT

The lives of future senior citizens have been set already by the social patterns of today, says Dr Rubin Becker, director of the community geriatric assessment unit at the Jewish General Hospital.

On Tuesday, Dr Becker addressed the final lecture in *Our Aging Community*, the lecture and workshop series sponsored by the Westmount Senior Citizens Centre and the N.D.G. Senior Citizens' Council.

Speaking on the topic "Projecting to the Year 2000," Dr Becker noted that the habits of middle-aged people today could help or hinder them when they became the elderly of tomorrow.

Dr Becker said that the rising divorce rate was causing more people to enter old age alone and was fragmenting the families that could support the elderly.

"In sickness and in health, you don't have the same devotion," said Dr Becker, referring to how this could affect family members.

He added that the increase in the migration of children away from their parents' home also could cause problems. The situation of young anglophones leaving Quebec, said Dr Becker, was a perfect example.

Isolation faced

"As a result, in the year 2000 many people living here will have their children living in another place," he said, noting the isolation that the elderly might experience.

As for the financial situation of seniors, Dr Becker predicted a large gap between those with money and those without.

He said that people with enough income now to invest in things like registered retirement savings plans could be financially independent. In addition, Dr Becker predicted that the consumer market would supply everything from condominiums equipped for seniors to "trendy" new fashions for these affluent elderly.

Those relying on state pensions, noted Dr Becker, might not be so lucky.

"They're going to be at the mercy of the work force 15 years from now," he said. "I'm not optimistic that there's going to be enough (pension) funds around to support these people. The social system we now have may fall apart."

Dr Becker was just as fearful about the health care system that might exist for the elderly. He noted that the treatment of life-threatening illnesses had improved but the treatment of chronic illnesses had not.

Can't cope with death

"We're simply going to live longer in a more frail capacity," said Dr Becker. "We are geared to cutting out death in a dramatic way but we can't cope with it when it's prolonged."

As the elderly population grew in size, explained Dr Becker, matters such as health care would have to become a greater concern to all of society. He noted that the medical profession's increasing technology could save lives, but doctors and health policy makers still could not guarantee that everyone would have access to such facilities.

"Something is going to be dangled in front of us that is not available," said Dr Becker. "Health may not be a political issue right now, but it will be by the year 2000."



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More CLSC emphasis:

Ville Marie's role with elderly shifts

By ROB SOUTHCOTT

The increasing number of senior citizens in Westmount and the surrounding area is causing greater attention to be focussed on the agencies that provide services for the elderly.

One of thoses agencies, Westmount-based Ville Marie Social Services Centre, is having to adapt to a more specified role in the system of social services.

Ville Marie's adult and elderly services department, which is located in Weredale Park, now is assuming a more limited role in the structure of services.

The Centre Local de Services Communautaires (CLSC) Métro has taken over many "front line" services in the area, such as home care and seniors' activity programs.

This has left Ville Marie to concentrate on two responsibilities: acting as a placement service for those seniors entering nursing or group homes and dealing with difficult cases of seniors with particular social, physical or psychological problems.

Jeanne Fortin, the coordinator of the department, says the role of her staff is to augment the services offered to seniors.

"In a way, our work is complementary to that of other agencies," says Mrs Fortin. "The main focus of the CLSC is to provide home care, but when someone no longer needs just these services, that's where we move in."

In the social service structure, Ville Marie is the Centre de Services Sociaux (CSS) that is responsible for Westmount, much of Montreal and several communities to the southwest among English-speaking clientele. As this, it processes applications or referrals for admission to all publicly supported facilities for the elderly.

"The elderly no longer can go to one place and ask to be put on the waiting list," says Mrs Fortin, although she notes that this does not apply to privately operated institutions such as Manoir Westmount.

A committee at Ville Marie decides if an applicant's health requires that he or she be admitted to a nursing home or if a less-elaborate group home might be sufficient.

"The purpose of centralizing the procedure is to make sure that the most-needing people get the places that we have," says Mrs Fortin.

She notes that the shrinking number of beds in nursing homes now makes it necessary for most senior citizens to have special medical needs in order to be admitted to nursing homes. The wait for such admission can take two to three months, during which the senior often must wait in a hospital bed.

Those requiring group homes usually can be placed within days. Because of the availability of such accommodation, Mrs Fortin believes that such homes may be one of the keys to housing a growing population of senior citizens.

Mrs Fortin says that, to her knowledge, there are no such group homes in Westmount that are registered with Ville Marie.

For some elderly anglophones in Quebec, Ville Marie still holds special importance because it functions in English.

Although the CLSC Métro is proving that it can provide English services for persons in Westmount and downtown Montreal, many other CLSCs in the system still are unable to provide services in English.

As a result, says Mrs Fortin, about 40 percent of Ville Marie's senior citizen cases involve providing services for anglophones outside its territory. These are services which are supposed to be provided by the local CLSCs.

Despite this, Mrs Fortin says, the presence of the CLSC in areas such as Westmount should help her staff to locate cases of elderly people who need services.

"There is a need to reach out to all the elderly of an area," says Mrs Fortin. "Since the CLSC moved into Westmount, we have had more referrals than in the past."

This increase, says Mrs Fortin, is due to the higher profile that social services can attain through a body such as the CLSC Métro. She predicts that as more seniors in Westmount learn about services through bodies like the CLSCs, more will take advantage of what is available to them.

"In a community such as Westmount, where services were not a priority and where people have had successful lives, they did not know what was available," says Mrs Fortin. "What is the use of money, though, if you don't know where to go for help?"

Dr N.R. Eade Atwater's president

Dr N. R. Eade was elected president of the Mechanics' Institute of Montreal at the 145th annual meeting held recently at the institution's Atwater Library, Atwater avenue and Tupper street. Dr Eade is the 50th president of the Institute, which was founded in 1828.



Dr N. R. Eade

Also elected to the library board were Dr W. E. S. Connolly, vice-president; Miss Madeleine Gohier, treasurer, and Daniel Lacelle, secretary.

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The family pet was found by the city's dog catcher who was called to the home at 11:40 am after the dog had been missing for about 24 hours.

He was told the family's dogs had been let out the previous day and one had not returned.

The resident noticed ice broken on the pool and feared the dog might have walked on it.

The dog catcher broke up the ice and dragged the pool with a rod used to clean the pool.

Mac attack upon purse

A thief, described as between 18 and 20 years old, snatched a purse from a table at the McDonald's restaurant here early Sunday morning, according to police.

He apparently escaped into the lane at the rear of the establishment at 4000 St Catherine street about 12:30 am.

The burgundy leather purse and contents were valued at $104. It belonged to a 25-year-old Lachine woman who was sitting with a friend at a table near the exit onto Atwater avenue.

In art show

Two Westmount residents, Tagora Katz of Kensington avenue and Elizabeth Merson Ostro of Montrose avenue, are among 35 invited artists showing at the Laval YM-YWHA annual art exhibition and sale this weekend at 755 du Sablon, Chomedey. "Arts '85" will have a vernissage on Saturday, April 27, from 8:30 to 11 pm and showings April 28 and 29 from 1 pm. Ms Katz is presenting oils and Ms Merson, a sculptor, her stone carvings.

Suit taken

A man's suit was reported stolen from a car parked in front of 4100 de Maisonneuve boulevard Friday between 6 pm and 7 pm, police said. The grey 1984 Mazda was reportedly left locked. No sign of forced entry could be found. The suit had been left in a plastic covering on a seat.

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Psycho ward sees damage

A window was broken as well as one lens in eyeglasses belonging to a hospital employee Sunday during an incident in the psychiatric ward of the Reddy Memorial Hospital, police said.

The incident at 12:20 am involved a 27-year-old patient who apparently had been refused a cigaret.

Police said a scale was thrown into a window causing $25 damage. Damage to the eyeglasses was estimated at $75.

False alarm

Firefighters were brought to the corner of Sherbrooke street and Claremont avenue Saturday night for a false alarm from a call box, fire officials report. A dance was being held at the YMCA that night and groups of teenagers were spotted all along Sherbrooke, according to Public Security Unit reports.

How'd she pay?

A visitor from Gloucester, Ont., reported her wallet stolen Saturday while she ate at the Terre Etoile restaurant about 1 pm, police said. The victim, an 18-year-old girl, had noticed her purse move but did not discover the theft of the wallet until later. The wallet contained $90 cash.

Specs found

Eyeglasses with metal frames were found Sunday at de Maisonneuve boulevard and Elm avenue. They were turned over to the Public Security Unit and subsequently to police at local MUC station 23.

Toronto the good

The police blotter at station 23 last Thursday included a report from Toronto police stating that some contents of a purse, lost here March 19, had been mailed back to the owner. Still missing were: $225, the purse itself, keys and a pillbox. No further information was available but it was believed the purse belonged to a Toronto-area resident.

Turning car gets ticket

A ticket was issued to one of two cars which collided Tuesday last week at Dorchester boulevard and Greene avenue, police said.

The mishap occurred about 1:10 pm when a westbound car was attempting to turn south, striking another car travelling east. The driver of the turning car was given a ticket for not yielding the right of way, police said.

Clothing shop is burglarized

A clothing shop on Sherbrooke street near Prince Albert avenue was broken into overnight Monday-Tuesday last week and $60 taken from the cash, police report.

The shop was entered by breaking a plate glass window in the front door, resulting in $200 damage.

The damage was spotted by someone who called the public Security Unit. The matter was referred to police. Cars from both forces responded.

Forum parker loses his car

A brown 1984 Renault was reported stolen last Thursday night after it had been parked in front of 1118 Greene avenue by a man going to the Forum, police said.

After the hockey game, about 10:30 pm, when he returned south of Dorchester for the car, it apparently was nowhere to be seen.

Silenced

A $500 Pioneer sound system was stolen from a car parked for 15 minutes at the rear of 4000 St Catherine street Saturday night, police report. When the driver returned from the McDonald restaurant at 10:45 pm, he discovered a window broken in the car. The radio and two speakers were gone.

Windscreen taken down

A wall of glass and wood used as a windscreen on the roof of 4300 de Maisonneuve boulevard was reported in dangerous condition Tuesday last week and was taken down by firefighters, police said.

The firemen were called to the penthouse area about 6:20 pm by police who reported the wall had come out of its frame.

It was believed blown over by the wind.

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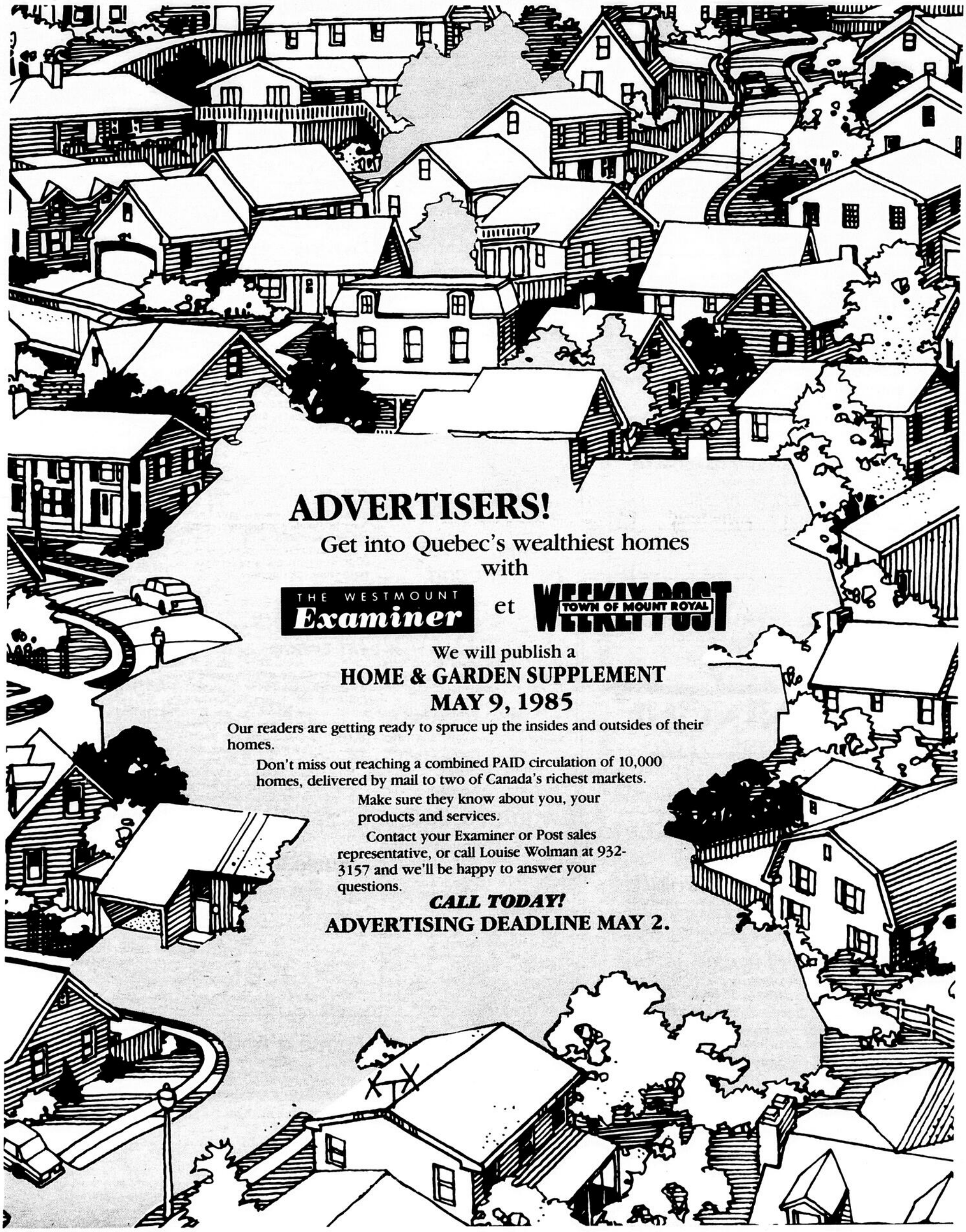
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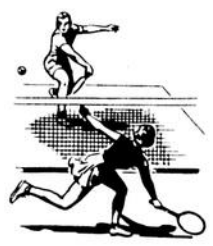
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Georgia Carpenter spends night on Hill

The fact that authorities removed the "peace camp" from Parliament Hill in Ottawa this week did not stop one Westmounter from staying overnight on the hill.

Westmounter Georgia Carpenter, one of the founders of the Westmount Initiative for Peace (WIP), spent Tuesday night with 11 other protesters who remained on the grounds.

The previous day, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police had removed the tents of the peace camp from the government property.

"It was a wonderful experience, although I can't say it's the best sleep I ever had," Mrs Carpenter told THE EXAMINER yesterday. "I was pleased to be able to be there and support the three people who have kept the peace camp going."

Don Johnston helps

The group on Tuesday was left alone by the RCMP, reported Mrs Carpenter, but it did receive visits from several supportive Liberal and New Democrat members of Parliament. Among them was Hon Donald Johnston, QC, the member for St Henri-Westmount, who Mrs Carpenter said was "very helpful" with her visit.

She added that the experience increased her belief in the work that had been carried out by WIP.

"I feel that Westmount is representative of the many communities across the country who are doing the same thing," she said. "This peace camp has been a symbol of their freedom to do that."

Mrs Carpenter said that she consulted with some members of WIP before making the trip to Ottawa.

"I did it on my own, but I felt that I had the support of the group behind me," said Mrs Carpenter.

Summit haul put at $20,000

More than $20,000 worth of items were reported stolen from a home on Summit crescent Monday last week, according to police.

Entry to the house was gained by a side window sometime between 9 am and 3:10 pm, causing $25 damage.

Among the stolen articles were jewelry, a TV, a radio, a video machine, camera and a fur hat.

Twigs, leaves burn in pond

Debris was found on fire in the centre of King George Park Sunday night, fire officials report.

The fire was put out using a pressurized extinguisher shortly after 9:45 pm when firefighters were called by a resident of Côte St Antoine road who spotted the fire.

No suspects were seen in the area, according to public safety officers, who reported that twigs and leaves were burning in the fish pond.

Ivory, stereo worth $9,000

An ivory collection and a stereo radio cassette deck were stolen from a house on Grosvenor avenue near The Boulevard Tuesday last week, police said. Total amount of the theft was $9,000.

Police said one ivory tusk worth $2,000 was damaged in the incident and left behind.

The house was broken into through a window in the front door sometime between 9 am and 12:30 pm.

Nihon tower noise dampened

Construction noise from the "growing" Alexis Nihon tower was curtailed Friday after a resident of 4000 de Maisonneuve boulevard complained to the Public Security Unit.

Officers called to the scene at 11:59 pm reported the noise coming from a heater for drying concrete. The weather apparently was warm enough for the heater to be turned off, officials said.

A similar problem involving noise from propane heaters had been reported March 27 at 1:41 am. (See story April 4.)

That incident was to have been referred to city inspectors, PSU officials reported.

The heaters were reportedly used to prevent freshly-poured concrete from freezing.

5010 apts hit twice

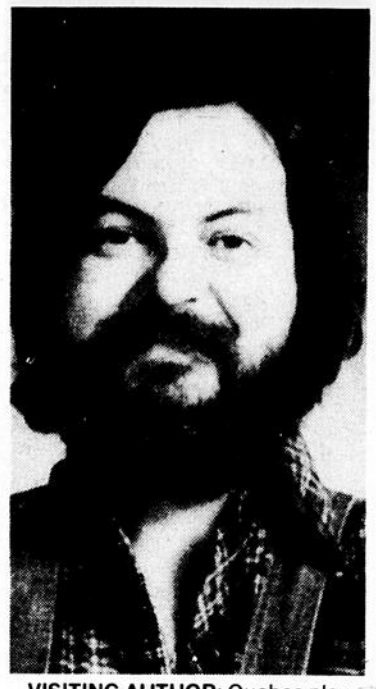
Two break-ins were reported to police last week in the apartment building at 5010 Sherbrooke street, police report.

Silverware valued at more than $2,500 was taken from one apartment Sunday where the lock was believed to have been picked.

More than $3,000 in camera equipment and cash was reported missing from another on Monday. Police said there were no signs of forced entry.

Nuclear supper

Dr Peter Appleton, a member of Scientists Against Nuclear Armaments visiting from Wrexham, Wales, will address a potluck supper sponsored by Project Ploughshares, Montreal, on Monday at 6:30 pm at Channing Hall, 3415 Simpson street. The public is welcome.



VISITING AUTHOR: Quebec playwright and author **Michel Tremblay** will read selections of his work at the Westmount Public Library next Wednesday at 7 pm. The creator of several film and stage scripts such as *Les Belles Soeurs*, Mr Tremblay's latest work was the novel *Des Nouvelles d'Edouard*. Mr Tremblay has received several awards, including the 1974 award for the best screenplay at the Canadian Film Festival, the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario's medal, the Chalmer's Award, and the Prix Victor-Morin of the Société St-Jean Baptiste. Information about registration for the evening is available by calling the library at 935-8531, ext 231.

Break try unsuccessful

An attempt to break into a house on The Boulevard near Argyle avenue Saturday resulted in $150 damage to a kitchen window, cupboard and crystal vase, police report.

In a bid to get inside, someone apparently threw a rock through a window sometime between 12 noon and 7 pm. A broom handle also was used without success. The house was protected by an alarm system, police said.

Monarchists meet Tuesday

The Montreal branch of the Monarchist League of Canada is to hold its first spring meeting on Tuesday at 7:45 pm in St Matthias' Church hall. David Freeman, a member of the World Ship Society, will give a slide presentation entitled *Travel by Liner*. Visitors are welcome.

Film show at local 'Y'

A video cassette film lasting 25 minutes, "The Ovulation Method of Natural Family Planning," is to be shown this evening at 8 pm in the lobby of the Westmount YMCA.



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Lansdowne avenue Friday about 3:20 pm, police said.

As she neared Westmount avenue, she was approached from behind by a car described as a small blue car, containing two men. One, aged 16-18, grabbed at her shopping bag, spilling the contents on the sidewalk.

He fled with the bag which contained only wool gloves and a hat valued at $12, police said. The victim managed to pick up everything else.

WHS sports scene active

By CHRIS CARTER

OPENING up with the sport scene, the Westmount High School juvenile boys' basketball team placed third at the provincial tournament held over the weekend. Unfortunately, the team was unable to capture the gold medal, which was won by Centennial High School, but did manage to edge out Quebec High School to win the bronze. It was a fine performance and a great effort and Coach Ray Melrose definitely deserves a pat on the back.

On the other court, the girls' juvenile and midget teams captured first places in the division and will proceed to the city team championships. Kim Rose placed in a tie for first place in the singles category and Chris Carter and Willa Rutherford placed first



in the doubles for the juvenile team. Karen Ansell placed first in the midget singles category. All of these were to participate in the city individual championships yesterday and today.

The track and field try-outs are being held this week for both boys and girls and the tennis team begins outdoor practices next week. The rugby team played an exhibition game against Brébeuf last Friday. Although they emerged losers, it was good practice for the team.

Grad preparations

Grad tickets go on sale this week and fashion show tickets are still on sale for the show on April 30. Table arrangements, seating plans, photograph appointments, and wild grade 11s without dates yet are sure signs of the upcoming graduation. In the meantime, everyone can catch a ray of sun.

Pair walked on car top

Two young men have been charged with mischief in connection with damage to a car parked in front of 4217 de Maisonneuve boulevard last Thursday, police said.

The car, a Volkswagen Jetta, had been walked on.

Those charged were described as 20 and 21 years old, both residents of the Montreal side of Claremont avenue.

Police reported they had responded to a call about 12:15 am from a witness who said he had seen two persons walking on the back and roof of a car.

A description of the pair was relayed on the police radio. About 12:25 am, Csts P. Boulay and R. Lefebvre in car 23-5 spotted two men near 4383 de Maisonneuve. They were arrested and taken to the local station by 12:40 pm.

Police said the Volkswagen belonged to a resident of 4219 Maisonneuve. The amount of damage was not immediately known.

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Bicycle campaign by police

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

Cyclists, beware!

The annual MUC police crackdown on wayward cyclists in Westmount started Sunday. Last year close to 800 tickets were handed out.

Although this year the campaign is a month earlier than usual, Westmount cyclists will have no excuse to argue tickets handed out for licensing. The new 1985 licenses have been on sale at city hall since April 1 at a cost of $2.

When buying licenses remember to take along the serial number of the bicycle as well as the manufacturer, city officials advise.

Last year some 900 licenses were issued, says Francis English, and the city has again ordered 900.

The "repressive" police campaign will ticket for municipal and highway code infractions, according to police.

This includes not only failure to license the vehicle, but also travelling the wrong way on one-way streets, failure to stop at red lights and stop signs as well as other rules of the road.

The campaign coincides with an educational program being taken into local schools by police prior to the bicycle road-eo sponsored by the Rotary Club of Westmount in the arena June 8.

Arts Westmount '85 has literary contest

Arts Westmount is holding a literary contest, open to any resident of Westmount, young or old, professional or amateur.

There are three categories: short story, children's story and poetry.

Entries should not exceed 10 double-spaced typewritten pages and should be submitted no later than Sept 1 to the Westmount Library, clearly marked "Literary Contest, Arts Westmount."

One prize of $100 will be awarded in each of the three categories based on the decision of a panel of four judges.

Winners in each category will be given the opportunity to read their submissions on Saturday afternoon, Oct 5, during the Arts Westmount Festival.

Entries may be in English or French.

The literary activity, including the contest, is co-chaired by Aline Gubbay, 59 Windsor avenue, and Betty-Ann Affleck, 16 St Georges Place. Judges will include May Cutler, 1985 patron.

It is intended to publish the prize-winning submissions.

Other prizes will be solicited from local business for "awards of merit" to writers. This is a year of particular interest in literature for Arts Westmount in honor of the patron, a book publisher, and to encourage new and old writers to participate.

Light-fingered

An emergency light was reported stolen from the lobby of the apartment building at 410 Victoria avenue last Thursday, police said. It was valued at $100.

Hit-and-run in reverse

A hit-and-run accident was reported last Thursday about 11:27 am at Victoria avenue and Somerville avenue, police report.

The mishap was reported by a woman who had been heading east and claimed to have hit a southbound car stopped in traffic on Victoria, police said. The second car apparently drove off.

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Softball starts Monday

By KIPPY WIEGAND

Registration is still open for all age categories in the recreation department's boys' and girls' soccer, softball and volleyball leagues. Would-be participants are asked to register as quickly as possible, as seasons will soon be starting.

Boys' softball commences on all softball diamonds in Westmount Park on Monday at 3:45 pm. Soccer will be starting in Westmount Park on Saturday, May 4. Girls' softball is scheduled to start on diamond No 3 in Westmount park at 3:45 pm on Thursday, May 2, and soccer on Monday, May 6, at 3:45 in Prince Albert Park. There still is room in the boys' and girls' volleyball leagues, which will operate on Tuesdays and Thursdays in Westmount park at 4 pm.

Officials are needed

As with every year, volunteer referees, umpires and coaches will be needed. If you are 14 years of age or older and are interested in donating time for any of these services, you are asked to contact the recreation department at 932-4293.

A reminder for all tennis players that the junior tennis courts in Devon, King George and Westmount parks are all now open.

Additional information concerning these topics may be obtained by contacting the Westmount recreation department at 932-4293 or 935-8531, local 212 or 220, or dropping by the artificial ice rink between 8:45 and 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday.

All participants in the programs should first pre-register at the recreation department offices in the Westmount arena.



Unity kids beat cops in 35th anniversary game

A special volleyball game between local MUC police and the Unity Boys' and Girls' Club to mark the youth club's 35th anniversary year took place last Thursday night.

The youths jubilantly defeated police by a score of three games to two, reported Constable Bernard Roy, who organized the police participation.

The game also was held to help celebrate national boys' and girls' clubs week, he said.

"This was the first time such a game had taken place in a long time and there was good spirit between us," Cst Roy said.

The director of Westmount's MUC station 23, John Dalzell, played on the police team along with constables Rick Caluori, Marc Hinton, Michel Carignan, Gaston Bernier, Yvon Dumouchel and Jean Bissonnette.

Among the Unity players were: Jennifer Holmes, Dion Holmes, Christian Lalonde, Gilles Gauthier, Ajey Boury, Anil Bourey, Steven Grivas, Donald Villeneuve and Norva Smith.

The game was refereed by Joel Tyrrell and held in co-operation with the acting director of the club, Bill Mahon.

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Unity Club receives grants for two programs

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Bill Mahon, acting director of the club, said Tuesday that Unity had received word from the federal government that applications had been accepted for grants to finance the two programs.

Both programs will be financed by Challenge '85, the federal government's summer job program.

The youth day-camp program, for children six to 12 years old, will receive $11,492 to pay for six employees for 10 weeks.

The teen program will receive $12,092 for six staff for the same length of time.

"The focus this year is all job-related," said Mr Mahon of the grant program. "Whoever we hire has to be wanting to work in a related field, such as recreation or social work."

Both summer programs will commence June 17 and will run until the end of August. The youth daycamp program will include a variety of sports, artistic and cultural activities for children. The teen program will include sports, camping trips and workshops on such topics as drug abuse and job training.

Party noise breaks out all over

Public safety officers were called to tone-down several noisy parties in the early hours of the morning over the weekend, according to incident reports.

A party of teenagers on Lansdowne avenue near Côte St Antoine road created a disturbance outside Saturday morning about 12:23, officers said. A fight had broken out and MUC police were called.

Another noisy party, this time on Murray Hill avenue Sunday at 4:05 am, resulted in a request to organizers to turn down a stereo.

A "group of young men" practising with electric guitars and drums also had been asked to lower the volume Saturday afternoon in the 300-block of Lansdowne avenue.

Keys found

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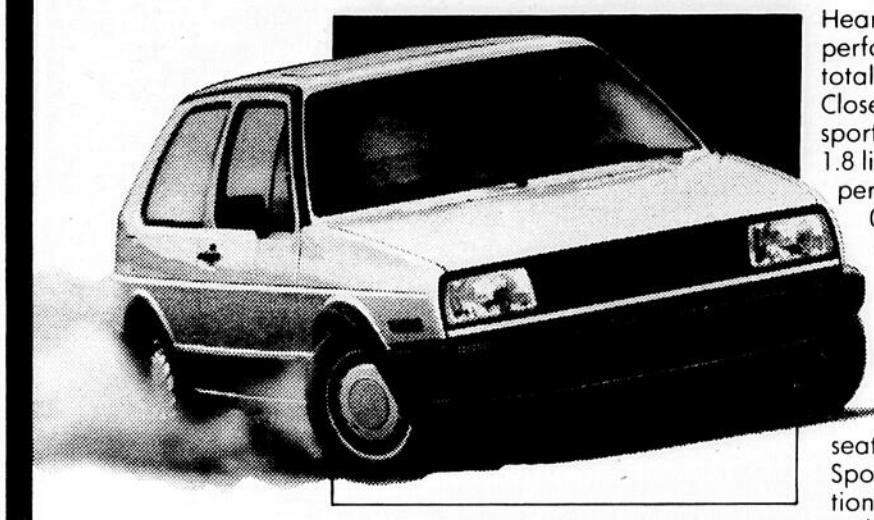
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Child Safety Week serves a vital purpose in focusing attention on the potential hazards children can encounter in their active lives and in reminding adults of the role they must play in making sure that children, as much as possible, are protected from avoidable risks.

Governments and public security authorities, including police and firemen, do a great deal in this area, regarding it as a prime responsibility to watch over the safety of children. But parental authority is primary; indeed, all older persons, even youths, can have a big influence how younger ones behave where safety is involved.

Fire claimed the lives of 459 children in the three years from 1977 to 1979. Because children are fascinated by fire, it is the duty of adults to set a good example of fire prevention that teaches and protects the young. Although fire accounts for about 12 percent of accidental deaths in children, drownings take an even greater toll, claiming 15 percent.

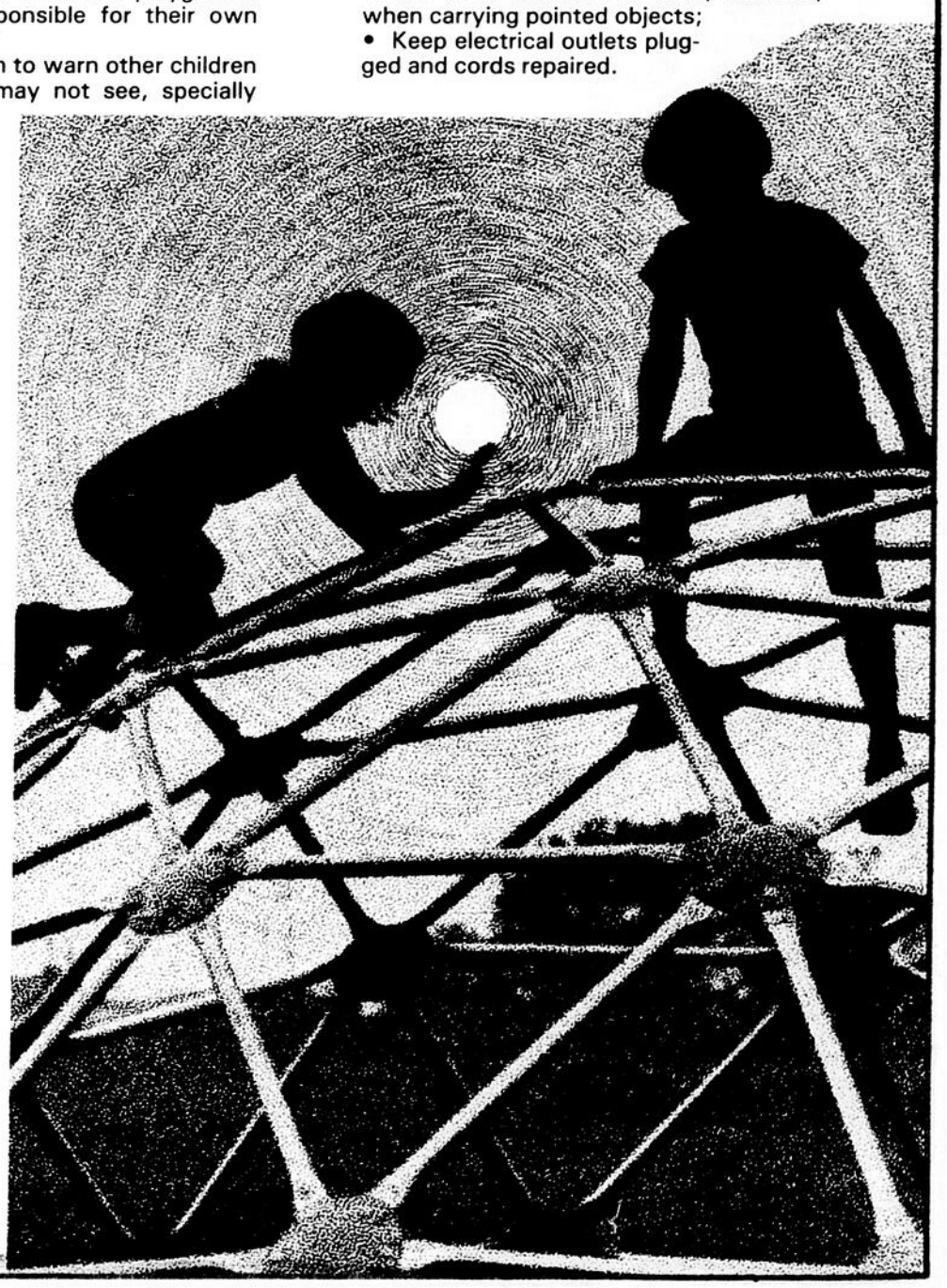
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- Never let a child operate a power lawnmower and when using one see that children are not in the immediate or adjacent area of the work;
- Inspect bicycles for safety, paying particular attention to brakes, wobbly wheels, sharp edges and incorrect size;
- Ensure that bicycles carry reflectors and reflector tape to make them easily visible to motorists;
- Teach pedestrian safety and impress upon children never to assume that a motor vehicle will stop;
- Instruct children to follow playground rules and be responsible for their own safety;
- Encourage them to warn other children of hazards they may not see, specially in the playground;
- Always keep firearms unloaded and locked away;
- Hot, scalding liquids should be kept out of reach. Turn all pot handles to the back of the stove;
- Avoid infant suffocation by keeping thin, airtight plastic out of crib or carriage;
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