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4⁹⁹
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1¹⁹
 lb 2⁵²

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 THOMPSON
 Size LARGE Gr.



9⁹⁹
 lb 2¹⁸

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 Size 11.5 gr.
 2 lb



3⁴⁹
 lb 7⁵⁸

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9⁹⁹
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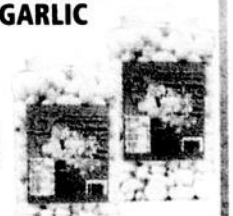
ÉPINARDS FRAIS
 Bunch - En bott.



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PEELED GARLIC

AIL PELÉ
 5 lbs



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GRAIN FED CHICKEN

POULET DE GRAIN
 Hallal



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 lb 4³⁸

LAMB SHOULDER

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 Hallal



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GROUND BEEF

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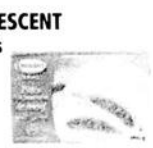
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9⁹⁹
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BEEF PATTIES

PÂTÉS DE BOEUF CRESCENT
 Hallal 8 morceaux/pièces
 896 g



4⁹⁹
 ea. ch.

NATURAL ALMONDS

AMANDES NATURELLES



2⁴⁹
 lb 5⁴⁸

DÉTERGENT À VAISSELLE

DISH DETERGENT
 950 ml



9⁹⁹
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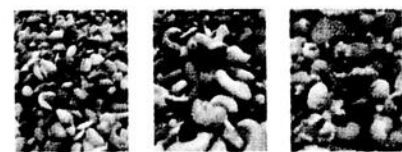
FARINE ENRICHIE BLANCHIE ROBIN HOOD
 20 kg



19⁹⁹
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3⁹⁹
 lb 8⁷⁸

MAZOLA

CORN OIL
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 2.8L



6⁹⁹
 ea. ch.

ROYAL PREMIUM AGED

BASMATI RICE
 RIZ BASMATI ROYAL
 10 lb



15⁹⁹
 ea. ch.

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3⁹⁹
 lb 8⁷⁸

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POIS CHICHE AKHAVAN
 10 lb



5⁹⁹
 ea. ch.

AKHAVAN SUGAR

SUCRE AKHAVAN
 10 lb / 4.54 kg



3⁹⁹
 ea. ch.

PICKLED CUCUMBERS

CORNICHONS MARINÉS



9⁹⁹
 lb 2¹⁸

ADORA BASMATI RICE

RIZ BASMATI ADORA
 10 lb



9⁹⁹
 ea. ch.

AKHAVAN PITA BREAD

PAIN PITA AKHAVAN
 720 g



1⁷⁹
 ea. ch.

AKHAVAN PLAIN YOGURT

YOGURT NATUREL
 750 g



1⁹⁹
 ea. ch.

MAAMOUL FRUIT FILLED COOKIES

BISCUITS FARCIS AUX FRUITS MAAMOUL
 500 g
 ASSORTED/ASSORTIS



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LOCAL NEWS

Blue collars protest latest contract offer

Notes from City Hall

Martin C. Barry

Westmounters arriving for last week's city council meeting may have been taken aback by the sight of strikers with picket signs who were parading and blowing whistles in front of city hall. The City is in contract negotiations with the Canadian Union of Public Employees' Local 301, which has represented Westmount's blue collar workers for the last two years.

On April 21, according to Mayor Karin Marks, the City's negotiating team made a "global offer" to the union members, which she said covered all monetary issues for more than five years.

"The administration felt that the offer was fair and reasonable towards the employees and it reflected the City's capacity to pay for labour-related cost increases," Marks said, adding that the City was officially informed by the union two weeks ago that the offer was rejected by a majority of the blue collars.

However the City's chief negotiator was also informed that the union is willing to continue negotiations. "Tonight's picketing is simply an additional means by which the blue collar employees are attempting to ensure that their dissatisfaction with the global package is heard by the City," she said.

Union representatives had promised the demonstration would be peaceful and lawful.

"As mayor and council, we are encouraging both parties to continue their discussions at the negotiating table."

Healthy snacks

As planning continues for the multi-million-dollar reconstruction of Westmount's pool and arena, the City might be receiving some tips on how to run a snack bar (which is slated to be included in the complex), keeping weight-awareness in mind. Mayor Marks met recently with a representative of the Coalition québécoise sur la problématique du poids, a group



Blue collar workers peacefully picketed Westmount's city hall last week.

concerned with childhood obesity that is seeking the support of cities.

"They have managed to identify schools in certain areas and look at zoning issues to discourage fast-food outlets from going there," Marks said. "They look at, of course, public buildings in communities and what sort of policies they have on food. And so I think it's very timely as we begin to look at a possible new arena what we can learn from this kind of a group."

Bowser lets one fly

Councillor George Bowser, one-half of the musical/satirical team Bowser and Blue, found it a chore, soon after being elected three years ago, keeping a straight face during official meetings. While he has held off on the humour in city council for the most part, Bowser occasionally lapses back to his more natural self.

During the council meeting last week, he

recounted telling his doctor, "I sometimes feel like a teepee and sometimes I feel like a wigwam. He said, 'That's because you're two tents.'"

Councillor Kathleen Duncan, who chairs the library committee, said she also had a report, but added, "I'm not nearly as funny."

Too many complaints

During question period, former Westmount Municipal Association president Henry Olders declared, "I do have a complaint. In the minutes of the last meeting there were six questioners, and in the minutes, I'd say that four of those questioners made a complaint. They complained, and it makes us all sound like whiners. So my complaint is could we sort of modulate that?"

Mayor Marks agreed. "I think that's absolutely an appropriate comment," she said. "And I think the city clerk has heard it and we'll find an alternate word."

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Sam Pelc
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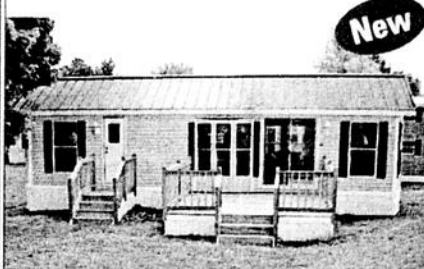
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OPINION

Preserving the peace

When it comes to the most simple luxuries, are there any more appreciated than the realization, upon awaking on a bright spring Sunday morning, that there are no pressing appointments or chores, and the opportunity for another hour of light slumber presents itself? You close your eyes, lulled blissfully away by a few singing birds or perhaps the happy pealing of a distant church bell.

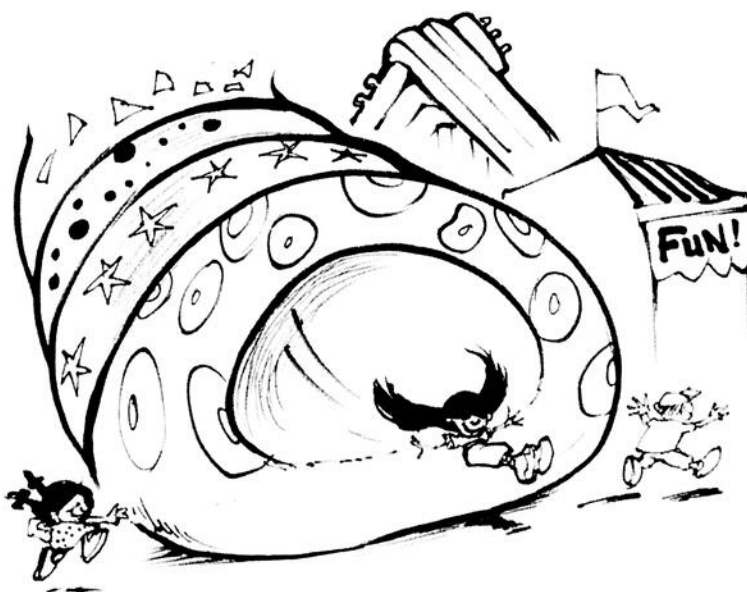
And at that precise moment, as if on cue in a bad comedy script, your neighbour fires up his lawn mower — right under your window, it seems. Or worse, it could be the scream of a circular saw or the high-pitched whine of a portable vacuum cleaner — the weapon of choice for those annoyingly hearty souls who inevitably choose sunrise as the most opportune time to suck the accumulated debris from their car's upholstery.

How many joyfully anticipated backyard events, so carefully planned for weeks in advance, have been dampened not by inclement weather but the incessant howl of some neighbouring do-it-yourselfer's power tools? And then of course there are the private construction and landscaping contractors, who begin their noisy workday at an ungodly hour when most people are still fast asleep, and take their mid-morning break when everyone else is groggily struggling to put on the kettle.

Now, as windows are flung open to admit the fresh spring breeze, the threat of local noise pollution is at its highest. It is therefore a most appropriate time for the local city council to announce its intention to revisit and accordingly amend its existing nuisance noise bylaws.

Leaf blowers — those expensive and blatantly offensive gadgets which over the past few years have all but replaced the simple dignity of the classic rake — were recently singled out as one of the main culprits behind this proposed legislation, although air conditioners have also been handed a dishonourable mention. And not all noise sources are mechanical. Last summer, a few inconsiderate buffoons were said to be laughing and shouting on the sidewalk outside the protective services building in the wee, wee hours, oblivious to all the lights suddenly snapped on in bedroom windows overlooking Stanton Street.

Thankfully, the present administration is taking a pro-active approach to this common problem. Perfect peace and tranquility is an impossibility in any urban environment, but any legislation to diminish the decibels is most welcome for those who cherish life's simpler, quieter pleasures.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A stroll down memory lane

To the editor:

I remember vividly the year Cavendish Mall was opened. It was sometime in August, 1973. My mother and I hurriedly walked through the parking lot with great anticipation to really see what all the hype was about. The splendour of it all was simply breathtaking.

The beauty of it, the shops, the lights, the architectural maze, left us agape from store to store, and all we could hear from the people surrounding us were the "oohs" and the "aahs" at the impeccable display. I clearly remember Steinberg's and Miracle Mart, (later leased to Lupton Duvall which was then bought by Kaplan), Consumer's Distributing, Warsaw, Eaton's, Tip Top, The Bootery, Birks, Elizabeth Hager, Cashmere, Ralph Men's Wear, Lily's, Silverberg's, and of course, Pumpernick's restaurant, to name a few. The shops prospered and became a cultural staple in Cote St. Luc. It was a place not only for shopping, but for bumping into friends and chatting over an espresso and a croissant.

Changes took place over the years. When Steinberg's clientele was beginning to redirect its loyalty to Warsaw, Steinberg did not renew Warsaw's lease so the latter had to vacate the premises after only a year, to be replaced by Canadian Tire. Then the back middle entrance was transformed into a

mini-playground and a food court, followed by the demise of Miracle Mart (to be replaced by Lupton Duvall, later Kaplan Duval). And Kaplan Duval was the most prestigious place to shop (bridal registry, gifts, etc.).

Recently, I went to Bureau en Gros and strolled down memory lane. The mall was like a ghost town, except IGA, Pharmaprix and an SAQ. Passing through what used to be Kaplan Duval, I was saddened by the lack of clients, messy merchandise display synonymous to a fire sale, and dirty washroom. Where have gone the days when one could hardly move an inch through the store and wait half an hour at the cash register?

What happened? With all the beautiful occupied condos around, where are people shopping?

Gabriella Namian
Sherbrooke Street

A granted wish

To the editor:

I refer to Murray Levine's letter in the Examiner on Thursday, April 3. In his letter he expressed his frustration that a particular cycling event did not allow its participants to raise money for worthy causes and that it would inconvenience motorists and pedestrians.

I wanted to inform Mr. Levine that Make-A-Wish Quebec hosts an annual

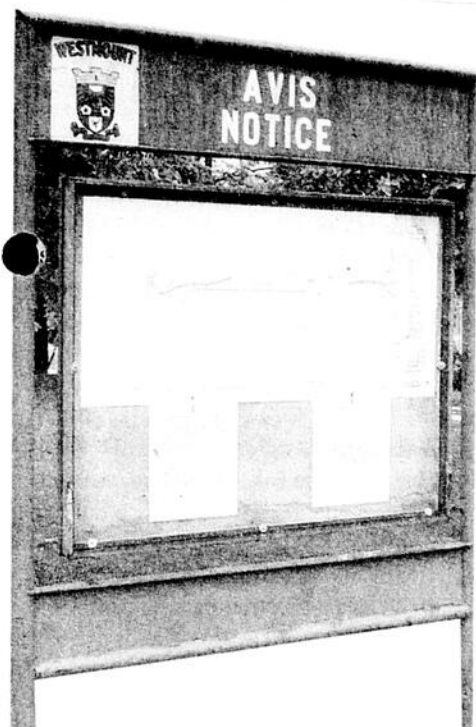
cycling event called The 48 hour Ride for Wishes. This is a fundraising event that raises money to grant the special wishes of children battling a life-threatening illness, and is held on the Gilles Villeneuve Circuit in Jean Drapeau Park, from Sept. 19-21.

So Mr. Levine, you got your wish! There is an event that raises money for a worthy charity and will not inconvenience pedestrians or motorists. We hope you will visit the "events" section of www.makeawish.ca/chapter/quebec and join us for a fun event that will give hope and happiness to sick children and their families.

Jody Banister
Executive Director,
Make-A-Wish Quebec

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Plans for the new playing fields are posted at the east and west entrances to Westmount Park.

City rejects playing-field tenders

Mayor Karin Marks said that concern for safety on the bike path, which extends between Melville Avenue and Academy Road through Westmount Park, has escalated since the City of Montreal embarked on an improvement program of its bike path network, which includes a stretch leading eastward downtown, as well as westward, along de Maisonneuve Boulevard.

She said that when city council saw the playing fields tenders and found they were facing higher-than-anticipated costs, they took a second more serious look at the bike path issue, and decided to deal with the two as specific projects.

"We said maybe it's time for us to look at this as two separate projects, because the bicycle path, as many of you have said and as other people have written, is changing its character," said Marks. "It is changing from a leisure path, which is what it was created for, to a transportation route that goes from downtown Montreal to the west end and back and it goes through our park."

Marks said the City hopes to convince the Agglomeration Council to pay for the work to reconfigure the bike path. "Bicycle paths are a responsibility of the Agglomeration, and our bicycle path really needs to be re-examined, because the City of Montreal has put one coming right up to us on both sides and, therefore has changed its vocation."

"I think it is certainly appropriate for us to find the best way to do it and then to go to the Agglo to ask them to fund it," said Marks. "We contribute a significant amount to the Agglo on a yearly basis, and therefore it would be

appropriate for us to get back something in the area that is really their jurisdiction."

However, the reconfiguration won't be done this year and "we will be looking at the whole thing — the whole bicycle path issue comprehensively — what should be done, what makes it safer," added Marks. "We will get some advice from professionals who are involved in designing that kind of thing ..."

"And we will then consult with people, particularly those who use it, and those who are interested in participating. From the discussions that we had in general committee, I think we are in agreement that we will not be doing it this year and it will be a much more comprehensive study."

Mike Deegan, director of the Westmount Sports and Recreation Department, said the department anticipates the playing fields work hopefully being completed "before we

get into the real bad weather in the late fall." According to Deegan, most the department's youth programs requiring access to the playing fields will have been completed by the time the work starts.

"But we will have to go to other areas for our summer camp and for

some our activities that are running through the summer," he said. "We'll have to use the main part of the park. Westmount Athletic Grounds and King George Park will still be open, so we'll definitely use those parks if need be."

Character of bike path has changed from leisure to transportation route —

Marks

(Continued from page 1)

the soccer field project, "because we talked about it at great length, we listened to what people had to say," added Bowser. "I think the people who will be seeing it on a daily basis will find that it's a good thing."

Bowser said the City is issuing another call to reconstruct the playing fields, based on new specifications. The tenders should come before council for approval at a noon meeting on July 10, so "there will still be time to undertake the work and complete the work before the children are back at Westmount Park School."

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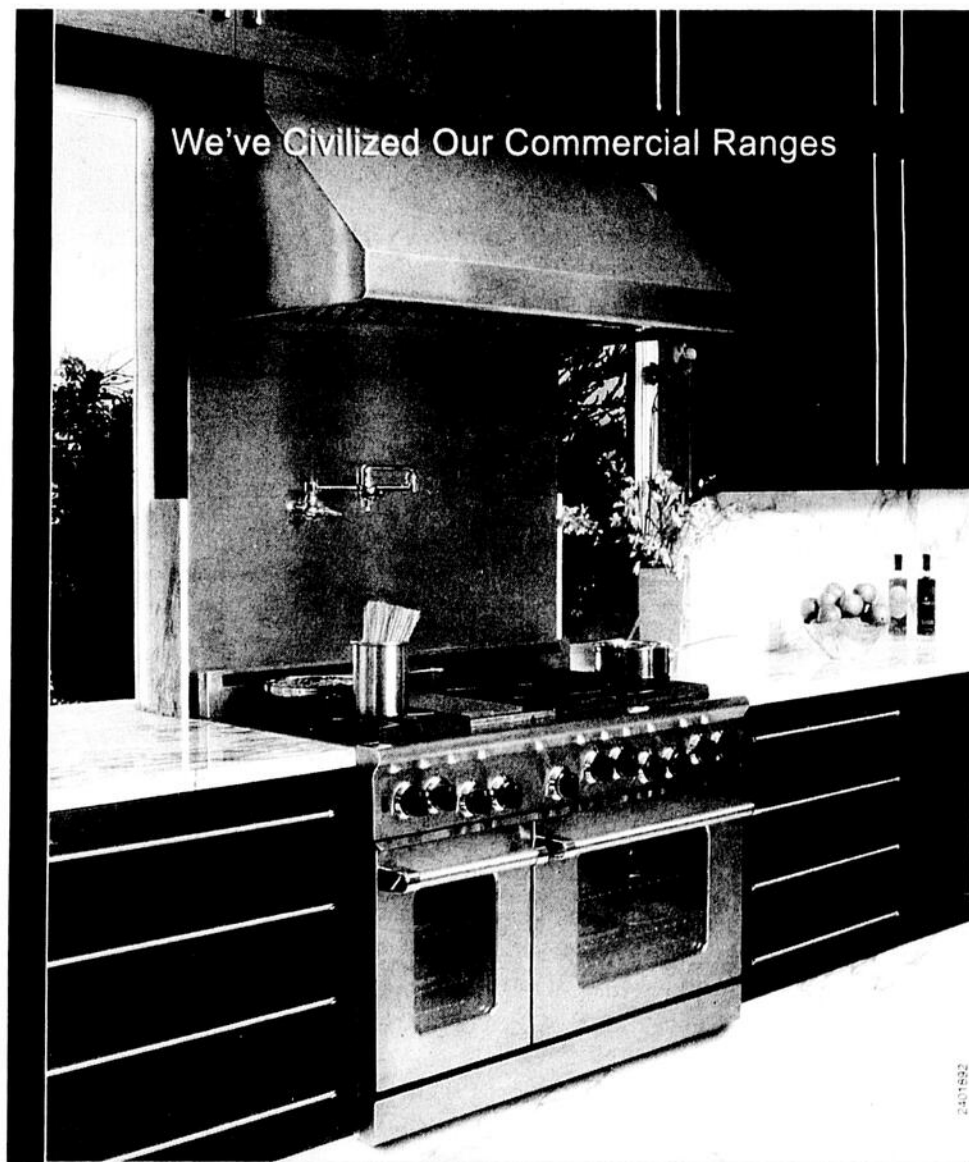
Ten Years Ago
May 28, 1998

APRON DEBATE: "Westmount City Council can expect a long, heated question period when it sits for its monthly meeting on Monday night, and its controversial parking apron bylaw will be at the centre of debate. Attending the meeting will be groups of citizens both for and against the City's plan to pass Bylaw 1231, which is designed to restrict parking on residential front lawns and to preserve the city's green space. But while the past few council meetings have seen a majority of citizens come out in favour of parking aprons, there is a growing movement which supports the City. 'We're hoping to get as many people as possible to come out on Monday and show their support to the City,'

said Claremont avenue resident Flora-Lee Wagner, who is in favour of Bylaw 1231, but believes the City should be looking at parking problems on a street-by-street basis."

Thirty-Five Years Ago
May 31, 1973

HILLSIDE PROJECT CONDEMNED: "Members of the Westmount Municipal Association Tuesday night approved by a relatively slim margin a recommendation to cancel the proposed public housing project on Hillside avenue. By an 80-62 vote which followed 90 minutes of debate on the subject, members approved a motion, made by Michael Price, that 'the Westmount Municipal Association calls for the cancellation of the public housing project on Hillside avenue.' Lively words of condemnation for the project mixed with implied charges of racism and bigotry for those who opposed the housing; though the debate never got out of hand, 15 persons rose to argue the point, often in lengthy, prepared speeches."



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Franklin recognized for outstanding contributions



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On May 29, at a ceremony in Quebec City, Westmount lawyer David Franklin was one of only 33 lawyers given the distinguished award of Avocat Emerite by the Barreau du Québec.

Franklin was recognized for the much-deserved award for his outstanding contributions to the Quebec Bar. Franklin, who is also known as the honorary consul of Iceland, recently completed his book 'International Commercial Debt Collection', published by Thomson Carswell. When he is not busy with his international practice or writing, Franklin may be found in the classroom, where he has taught law for 46 years, or perhaps at a law conference in one of the 20-plus countries where he has spoken about his specialty.

Boyadjieff selected for excellence award

The judges of the prestigious Black & White Magazine's Portfolio Contest 2008 selected an entry made by Peter Boyadjieff, one of Westmount's talented photographic artists, to receive an excellence award this year. Boyadjieff is one of only 15 winners in his category. His chosen works are published in a four-page feature in the special issue of Black & White Magazine, scheduled to arrive on newsstands this week. For more info go to



Members of The Rotary Club were serving up pancakes on Family Day.

<http://www.bandwmag.com/index.html>

Annual kids' exhibition at Vic Hall

In conjunction with the McEntyre Writing Competition awards, the Gallery at Victoria Hall is hosting an exhibition of artwork created by Westmount elementary school students. The theme for both the competition and the exhibition is Food for Thought, which will give viewers at the

exhibition much to think about until June 15, when the exhibition closes.

Pancakes in the rain

Neither rain, nor cold, nor diminished crowds stop dedicated Rotarians from serving.

"It was phenomenal," said Cynthia Campbell, incoming president of The Rotary Club of Westmount about the pancake

breakfast the club served in spite of the rain that arrived on Westmount's Family Day last Saturday. "We had the perfect recipe for pancakes. The whole contingent of Rotarians came out to flip in the rain. But the gods had other ideas. We did a lot of setting up, cleaning up and eating up," she said.

Special goalpost stolen at Family Day

In spite of the weather, Rotarian Aurelien Guillory set up his "croquet through the arches of time" adjacent to the Rotary pancake grill. Guillory used a hand-carved croquet goalpost as part of the presentation of the archi wickets. At the end of the day, the goal post was gone! The multi-coloured stake stands almost four feet tall. If a parent or other finds an unusual post in their home or garage it can be returned, no questions asked, to the Sports & Recreation Department in the Westmount arena, or to Manoir Westmount. For info, phone 514-932-8141.

In memoriam

Warm condolences to Westmount realtor Liza Kaufman, her mother Assya Osnat Karolik and her siblings, family and friends on the death of Karolik's husband of 58 years, Stephan Shlomo (Sioma) Zisman, who died peacefully on May 26 in Montreal at the age of 94. Contributions in his memory may be made to: The Stephan Zisman Memorial Fund c/o Canadian Technion Society at 514-735-5541.

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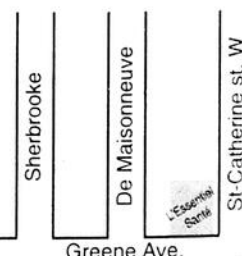
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Student stock exchange pays big dividends for ECS

Just a few weeks after a team of girls from Miss Edgar's and Miss Cramp's School won the coveted gold cup and several other awards at the CRC Robotic competition, ECS students stole the show at the 2008 Student Stock Exchange awards ceremony, held recently at Loyola High School.

The Student Stock Exchange (SSX) initiative began in the mid-1990s, when teacher Francis Scardera decided it was time to bring economics to life for his students.

Participants develop an innovative idea, form companies (complete with a CEO, treasurer, and other 'real-life' positions), then promote and sell their wares to the staff and students of the school. Stocks rise and fall according to investor backing, and are tracked live online through the SSX website.

This year, schools from across Montreal participated in the Exchange. In addition to being 'judged' by market forces, companies were also evaluated by a broad spectrum of

experts. There were 21 categories in all, and ECS companies were nominated in every one, taking home nine awards: best business plan, best video commercial, best school spirit, best promotion of healthy living, best oral presentation, best packaging and presentation, best company PowerPoint, best radio commercial, and best marketing and advertising.

One company, called Once Upon a Cupcake, also received an honourable

mention for the outstanding innovation award, thanks to their magnets, which were strategically placed all over ECS and Loyola lockers.

"These were terrific results for these girls, who did so much work on this fun and challenging project," said Student Stock Exchange staff advisor and economics teacher Stefanie Perra.

For more information on this project, visit www.studentstockexchange.com

No rat problem at apartment complex

Recent rumours of a rat infestation in one of Westmount's largest apartment buildings has had many residents worried — but officials have confirmed that 4300 de Maisonneuve is so far safe from rodents.

Last week, one resident complained that rats were getting into barbecues stored on the back balconies along the ground floor. But Stanley Baker, president of the luxury building's tenants' association, said the situation is well under control and there is no need for tenants to panic.

While a few rats were trapped outside the

building two weeks ago, none have been found indoors.

"The building is taking this very seriously and is using any possible means to eliminate these pests from the area," Baker said this week. He added that smoke tests are being carried out in the plumbing system to ensure there are no rats in the building.

Baker also pointed out that City of Westmount is conducting these tests throughout the entire area and that 4300 de Maisonneuve is not the only building where the tests have been carried out.

Roslyn block sale moved to June 14

Organizers of the annual Roslyn Avenue Charity Garage Sale have announced that it has been rescheduled to Saturday, June 14.

The sale was originally set for last Saturday, coinciding with Family Day, but heavy rains forced its cancellation. The sale

will now be held on the 14th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Roslyn Avenue below Sherbrooke Street. The event, which also features a bake sale at 393 Roslyn Ave., will raise funds for Moving Muscles Ride 2008 and the Women's Refuge of the Old Brewery Mission.

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Supporting the Children's



Dozens of volunteers braved the rain last Saturday morning to support the Montreal Children's Hospital's efforts to smarten up the exterior of its facilities. Soverdi (a non-profit organization) is managing a substantial landscaping project around the hospital. Telus Mobility designated May 31 its Volunteer Day to the MCH project under the supervision of Soverdi. Telus also contributed \$50,000 to the MCH project as part of their \$1 million "greening projects" activity.

Photo: Ralph Thompson.

Examiner wins two awards



The Westmount Examiner made a strong showing at this year's Quebec Community Newspapers Association awards night, taking home two honours in the province-wide competition. The paper won first prize for best editorial page, and editor Wayne Larsen, shown here at work in his Victoria Avenue office, was honoured for his Media column, which placed second out of 29 entries. The awards were presented at the QCNA's annual banquet on May 23.

New for kids

Mother-and-daughter team Amalia and Leah Rosenthal-Cristante recently opened Toto N Dot, a children's shoe boutique at 4930B Sherbrooke Street. It features the latest in kids' shoe fashions.



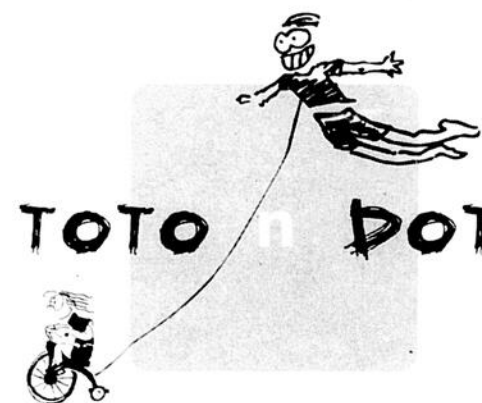
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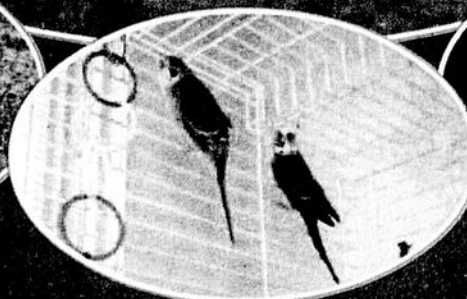
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Choosing the Right Puppy

Courtesy of Pets Magazine

Many people choose a puppy for their family based on how it looks or acts. However, there is a lot more to choosing a pet than those two factors alone.

Making the decision

Introducing a puppy into your household should be a shared decision by all family members. First you need to determine whether your family has the time, money and living arrangements to accommodate a puppy. If the answer is yes, your next concern is choosing the type of dog that will most suit your lifestyle.

Choosing the breed

Taking the time to properly research the various breeds will set you in the right direction. Yes, those big brown eyes staring at you through the window are heartwarming, but remember the scope of the commitment you are making.

Researching various breeds will help you find your ideal dog. Are you looking for an energetic breed or one that is less demanding? A busy work schedule or personal constraints can get in the way of providing sufficient exercise or even proper training. The more intelligent breeds, such as German Shepherds and Sheepdogs, need a lot of stimulation. The following are some questions to consider:

- Would a large or small dog appeal to your lifestyle?

- Are you looking for a puppy with an independent nature or one that is generally obedient?
- Do you want one that is going to require a great deal of grooming or would a short-coated breed be preferable?
- What about temperament? Are you looking for a friendly, reserved, feisty or gentle animal?

If you are buying a dog for purely esthetic reasons, the dog's behaviour and temperament could clash with your lifestyle and personality. This could cause unexpected problems such as property destruction, biting or aggression, which is why it is important to conduct research on the breed you are interested in, to further fine tune your choice.

Finding a breeder

Finding a respected breeder to purchase your puppy can be as simple as visiting a veterinarian or any other respected member of the canine community (i.e. obedience instructors, groomers, shelters, breed clubs and dog shows). Visit several breeders in your area. A good breeder will be concerned his/her animal is going to a good family. Check to make sure the breeder has the proper records for the animal you are interested in. The breeder should also have copies of the parent's pedigrees.

As for the animal, determine its sex and look for healthy signs, such as:

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Q. Can my dog get heartworm disease?

A. Yes. Every dog can be at risk, indoors and out.

Q. How can he catch it?

A. Dogs get heartworm disease from mosquitoes. It is the female mosquito that bites and transmits the infection. They are very tiny and can easily slip through cracks around windows, doors and screens.

Q. Are some dogs more susceptible than others?

A. No dog or breed of dog is immune to heartworm disease. The mosquito that bites your dog could be carrying this common and deadly parasite. If untreated, he could die.

Q. How can I tell if my dog has heartworm disease?

A. Signs of heartworm disease can take as long as 4 to 7 months to appear after initial infection. However, an infected dog may start coughing within 4 month of infection. Other signs may include sluggishness, weight loss, and difficulty breathing. A dog that is typically active may become less active. If you suspect your dog has heartworm disease, your veterinarian can perform a simple diagnostic blood test.

Q. When is the right time to get my dog tested?

A. Mosquitoes, the carrier of heartworm disease, can be found at varying times of the year depending on the climate. In Canada they usually appear some time during the spring.

Q. How can I prevent my dog from getting heartworm disease in the future?

A. If your veterinarian determines that your dog is free of heartworms, he or she will tell you how easy and convenient prevention can be. It's important to follow your veterinarian's instructions. If you don't, your dog could still be at risk. Remember, the first, most important step is to have your dog tested for heartworm.

Q. What would be the best prevention for my dog?

A. Ask your veterinarian for the most reliable easy to give prevention treatment that your animal will enjoy taking. There are several treatments available. One of them is chewable and is the only one that is 100% beef flavoured. Because it is easy to administer and can be given as a treat your dog's acceptance to this treatment will lead to a guaranteed compliance.



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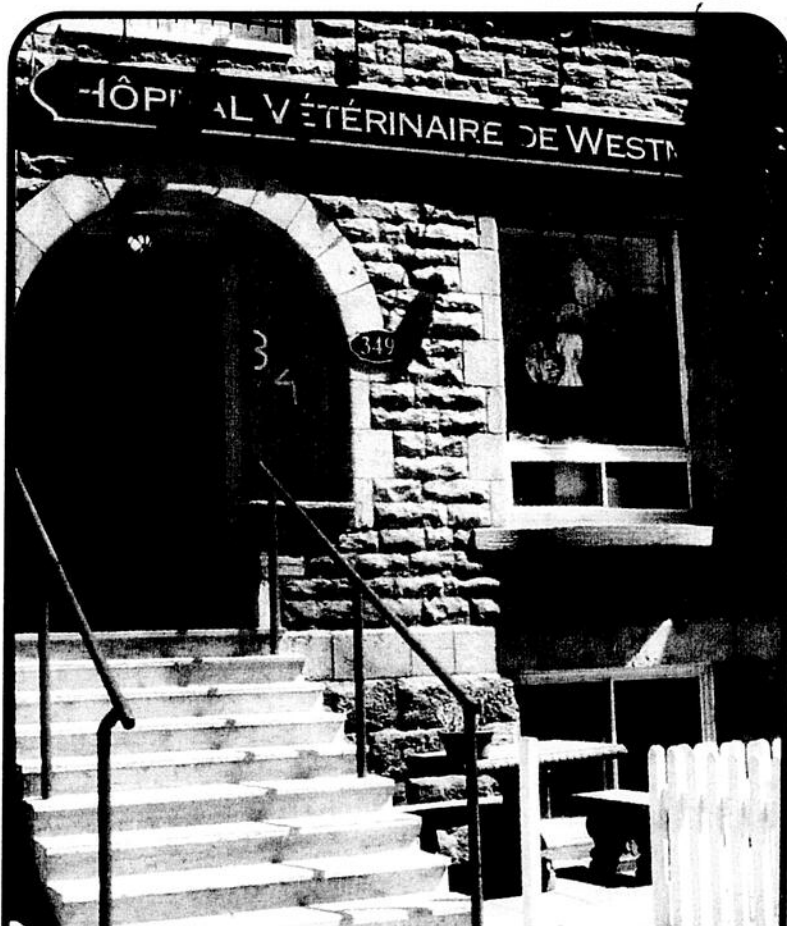
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I never intended to write about it, but sometimes a topic chooses you. Literally. And even though you might try to scrape that topic off on the sidewalk or remove it with a twig - you know it's still there. Wedged deep in the tread of your consciousness. And the only thing left is to

confront it.

So, I stepped in dog poo. Ironically while walking my *own* dog, plastic bag in hand. It's on these walks that I've established 3 types of dog owner:

1. The Responsible Dog Owner. You pick up after your pet and dispose of the bag properly.

2. The Misguided Hippie. You are the kind of person who believes in leaving the mess au naturel because after all, it's biodegradable. Which I am not totally convinced of to begin with. I've been walking past the same superturd for months and that thing is impervious to the elements. Snow, rain, global warming - it ain't budging.

Assuming dog doo DOES biodegrade, your pup isn't doing us any favours. Chances are it's going to end up on the bottom of a flip flop long before it breaks down and becomes part of the enriching cycle of life. The whole environmental tilt you try to convince yourself of is a complete fallacy, since the truth is, you just don't care. But you need an angle in case anyone calls you on your behaviour when they catch you slinking away from your dog's dirty delivery.

3. The Partial Picker. You confuse me. You actually pick up the mess, tie the bag

and then leave the bag right there on the ground. Some days in my neighbourhood, I feel like I'm picking my way through a constellation map of poo bags. You already DID the icky part but then you didn't follow through.

Are you embarrassed to carry a bag of dog doo down the street until you reach a garbage can? To this, I say - nay! You should flaunt that poo bag like it's a Hermes purse! Twirl it around a finger, toss it in the air! Swagger. It's the closest thing to screaming. BEHOLD MY BAG OF DOG CRAP! I AM A RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNER! Although, you can do that too if you want.

Look, no dog owner enjoys handling the stuff - even through a thin membrane of plastic. But put it into perspective. This is the same animal that licks his privates, pilfers turds from the cat litter, pukes and eats it. Oh, and then licks your face. And here you are, drawing the line at picking up its poo. Silly monkey.

Bottom line. If you have a dog - you have a responsibility to your neighbours, your dog and my shoes to pick up after it. Just be happy no one is asking you to wipe.

For more Nat, check out her blog at www.natlauzon.com or on the air from 10-11 on Mix 96

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Battle of the Bulge

By Peter Saunders

One of the most serious problems among domesticated dogs throughout Canada is obesity. It is the leading cause of nutritional disorders for the animals and, as such, requires their owners' immediate attention. However, not all dog owners recognize when their pets suffer from this problem. Ideally, a dog's ribs and other bony structures should be hidden under a slight covering of fat. Its waist and abdominal tuck should be well-defined.

A dog is considered obese if it is more than 15 per cent above its ideal body weight. Obese dogs have a thicker layering of fat over their ribs. The circumference of the waist will be equal to or greater than that of the chest. The abdomen will appear padded or hang low.

Fattening up

Canine weight gain can result from poor diet, lack of exercise, genetic makeup and/or hormonal disorders.

Like humans, dogs gain weight when their caloric intake is greater than the energy they expend throughout the day. Older and less active dogs, whose metabolism burns fat at a slower rate, require smaller meals and a limited number of treats. Puppies, working and active dogs and those living in colder climates need greater amounts of food for adequate energy.

For some dogs, obesity runs in the family.

Certain breeds—including the Cocker Spaniel, Basset Hound, Labrador Retriever, Cavalier King Charles Spaniel and Rough Collie—are genetically prone to developing weight problems. However, with proper feeding and exercise, they can maintain a healthy weight.

A small percentage of dogs can blame a weight problem on hormonal disorders. Thyroid or pituitary gland dysfunction, as well as hormonal imbalances caused by spaying and neutering, may reduce the dog's activity level and metabolic rate. Weight gain will result if the animal's caloric intake is not adjusted appropriately.

Unhealthy stakes

As the amount of fat increases, so too does the amount of body tissue. Requiring insulin, blood and oxygen to survive, the excessive tissue forces the organs to work harder, which can lead to diabetes and cardiovascular and respiratory problems.

In addition to overworking the organs, obesity also places greater pressure upon the skeletal structure, causing damage to joints, ligaments and bones.

Diabetes

One of the most common complications related to obesity is diabetes mellitus. This condition results when the body's demand for insulin exceeds the amount it can naturally produce.

A dog with diabetes may experience increased water consumption, leading to

increased urine production, weight loss (at times in spite of increased appetite), listlessness and sweet-smelling breath.

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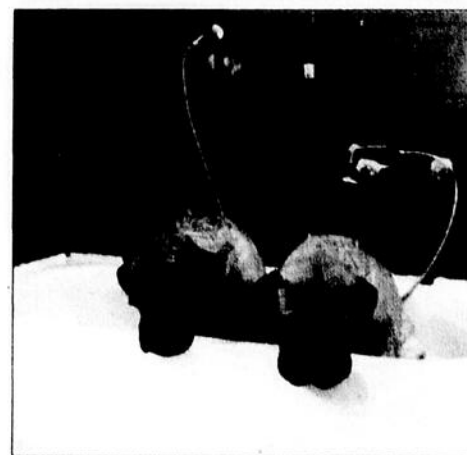
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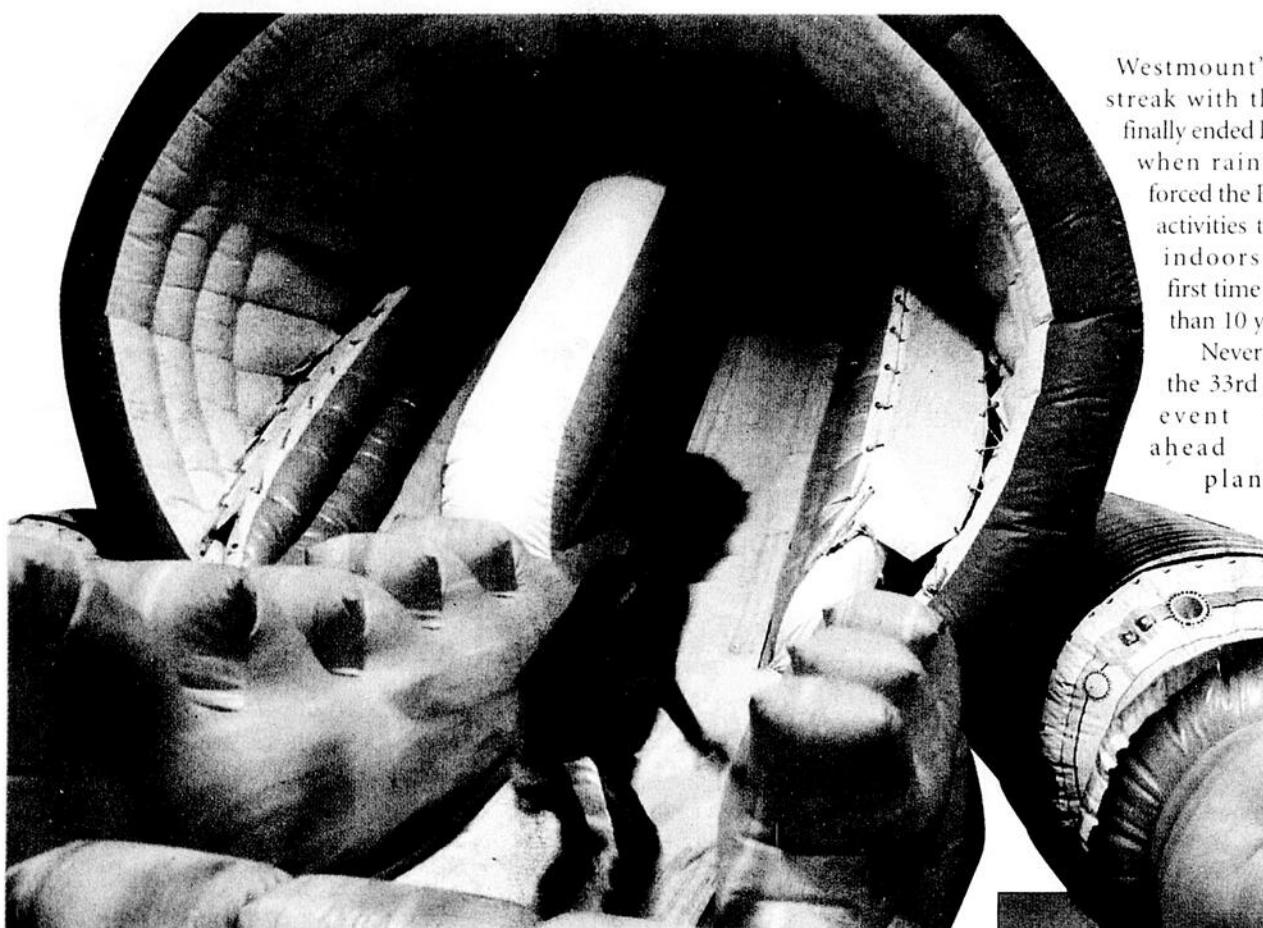
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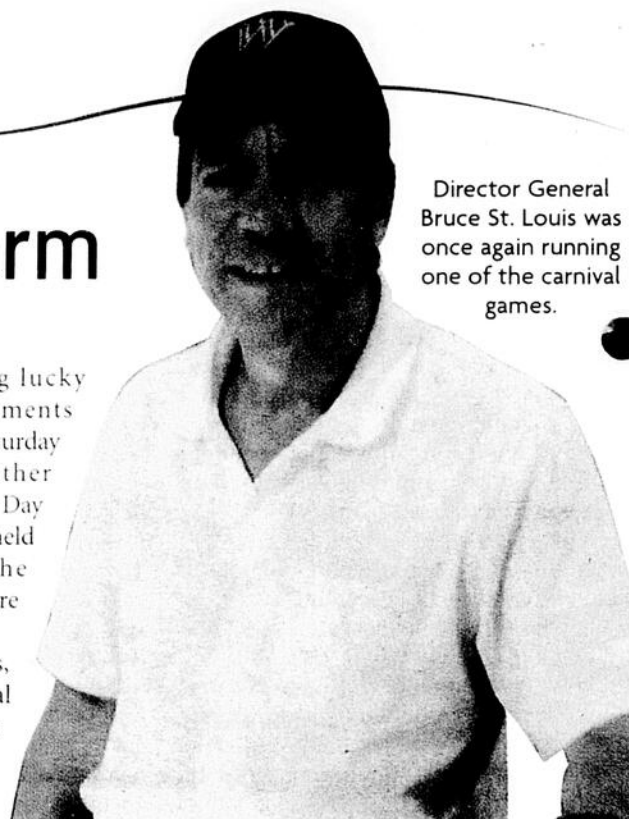
Indoor Family Day retains usual charm



The inflatable games were set up inside the arena.

Westmount's long lucky streak with the elements finally ended last Saturday when rainy weather forced the Family Day activities to be held indoors for the first time in more than 10 years.

Nevertheless, the 33rd annual event went ahead as planned



Director General Bruce St. Louis was once again running one of the carnival games.

in the brightly lit arena, although in a slightly scaled-down format. Many of the favourite attractions, such as the large inflatable games and the carnival booths were set up as usual, but strictly outdoor activities such as the egg toss, balloon toss and other athletic events could not be held in the arena. Also missing were the petting zoo and that perennial favourite with kids — the aerial slide across the Westmount Park lagoon.

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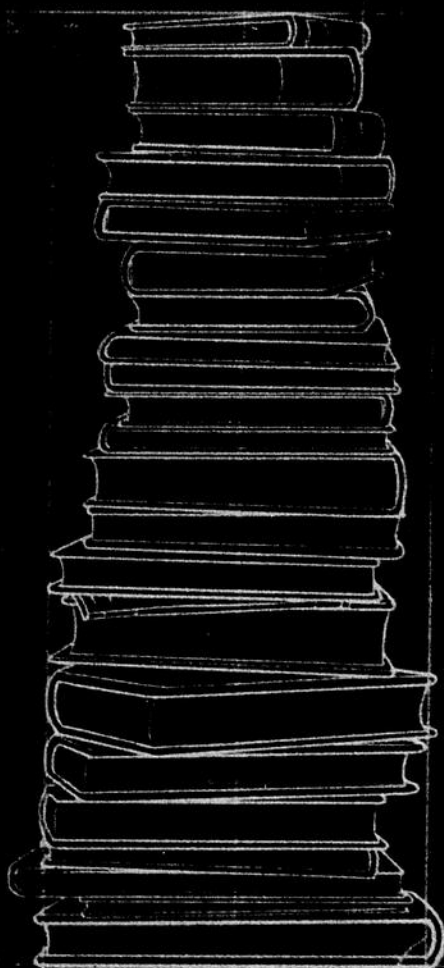
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Roslyn alumni mark school's centennial with a trip down memory lane



Jodi Hersh, class of '83, holds a Roslyn School girl's uniform that was worn during the 1960s. Next to her is an outfit a woman school teacher would have worn in the years soon after Roslyn School's founding. Photo: Martin C. Barry

Martin C. Barry

As many people who have ever returned to the school they attended during childhood will often attest, there is something in an old school that gives off a unique sort of smell — a combination of pencil shavings, rubber erasers and lockers holding old sneakers.

For former students who returned to Roslyn School last weekend for a two-day reunion and celebration marking the 100th anniversary of Roslyn's founding, the event was a trip down memory lane.

"The classrooms look exactly the same," said Krista Walsh, who attended Roslyn from grade three to grade six and graduated in 1998, adding that the school "even smells the same. I don't know what it is, but it definitely does."

Like others, Walsh was fascinated by an elaborate display of historical artifacts organizers had set up in a classroom.

They included a wide selection of official class photos taken over many decades, a Roslyn student's uniform, with school crest, that was mandatory during the 1960s, and an outfit, consisting of a starched blouse and floor-length skirt, that a prim and proper Roslyn teacher would most likely have worn in the years shortly after the school's founding in 1908.

"As you can see, I had hair back then, but that's a long time ago," said Howard Hersh, a

1984 graduate, as he examined his old class photo. "That's my grade four picture. This should be my grade five picture, if I'm not mistaken ... I saw my grade three teacher, my grade five teacher, my grade six teacher, and I also saw my principal."

The celebration started last Friday evening with a wine and cheese party for the alumni, held in the Roslyn gymnasium. More than 400 people attended. "The buzz and excitement was great," said Jasmin Uthoff, co-chair of the reunion's organizing committee. Former students got a chance to mingle and tour classrooms, which had been set up with themes representing various past eras, from Roslyn's first three decades up to the present.

On Friday and Saturday, current students gave a musical performance. An especially noteworthy display in the school's main hallway featured signed copies of CDs and books by famous Roslyn alumni, including singer/songwriter Leonard Cohen, novelist William Weintraub, writer and Gazette columnist Bill Brownstein, and celebrity photographer Heidi Hollinger.

"Unfortunately, not very many of my teachers showed up," said Mary Brierley, who also served as an organizing committee co-chair. "But being on the committee to organize, I tried to get in touch with as many people from my year as I could. We had a little group of us here last night, so it was great to see everybody."

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The actors of Dramatis Personae are amateurs, but each year the troupe hires a

professional director to help them stage the work or works selected for production. This year's piece was directed by Jacqueline van de Geer, who recently performed in a production of He/She at the Monument Nationale. "She's really making quite a name for herself as an actress in Montreal," observed actor Ellen Rubin. "She's going to be acting in Montreal, Amsterdam, and Berlin this summer."

"When we first hired her," added troupe member Ann Elbourne, "we had been advised that if we had a director who was gung-ho into teaching us, we should take advantage of it. And that's what we had." According to Elbourne, the troupe spent six months learning theatre techniques and



Dramatis Personae present Carol Shields's Arrivals and Departures at Victoria Hall this weekend.

improvisation practice before beginning rehearsals for the play in January.

No theatre experience is needed to join

Dramatis Personae. "The only requirements are that you have the free time allotted, that you come to rehearsals, and that once you're involved you follow through to the end," said Rubin. There is a nominal fee to join the troupe, which is no longer funded by the City of Westmount.

"We have to raise funds in order to pay the director," said Elbourne, noting that the troupe is now officially an associate organization of the City. "They very graciously allow us to use the space [at Victoria Hall] ... Dramatis Personae is now 23 years old, so it's been going a long time in Westmount."

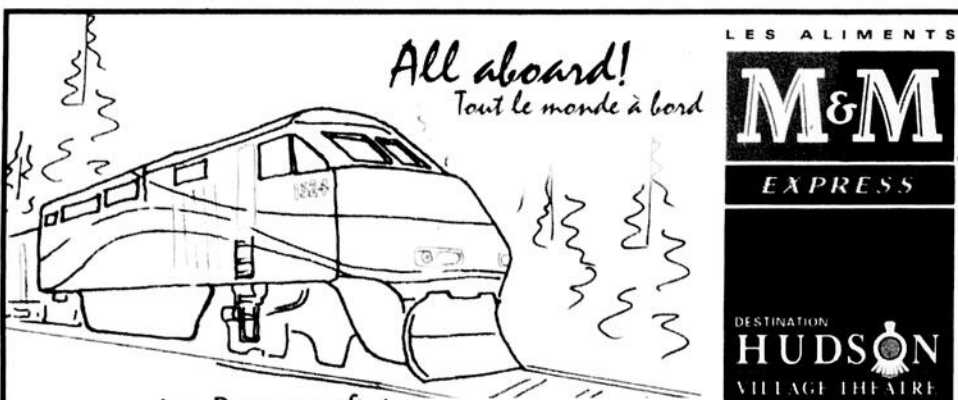
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Summer reading program attracts mystery buffs

Matthew Surridge

This year's Family Day was attended by some unusual guests who helped to kick off the library's summer reading club. A criminal with a stolen library book wandered around the Westmount arena last Saturday, pursued by the world's most famous detective, Sherlock Holmes, along with kids who wanted to sign up for the summer reading games.

Mysteries are the theme of this year's summer reading program.

"The kids have to help Holmes find the stolen book," said children's librarian Wendy Wayling, who appeared in costume along with several other library staffers. The purpose was to attract young readers to sign up for the summer reading program.

"When they sign up they'll be given a detection kit," said Wayling. "They'll get a poster, a bookmark, a log-book where they keep track of what they're reading, a book list to give them ideas for what to read over the summer, and our game."

The library is running two different games for different age groups, said Wayling. "For the older kids we're doing a game like Clue, and it's called 'The Case of the Stolen Book.' The more books they read, the more clues they get. And they have to figure out the suspect who stole it, the method by which it was stolen, and where in the library it is."

Younger kids have a slightly less elaborate game. "It's called 'Guess Who,'" said Wayling. "They get pieces of a puzzle, and they have to put them together to figure out who it is. It's a character from a famous children's book." This game is recommended for ages 3 to 7, while 'The Case of the Stolen Book' is aimed roughly at ages 8 through 13.



Staff of the Westmount Public Library appeared in mystery-themed costumes during Family Day.

"Last year we registered about 200 kids," said Wayling. "I'm hoping for more this year."

Wayling noted that the library helps participants set a reading goal for themselves over the summer: "They read at their own pace over the summer. Whenever they come to the library they bring their log-book and we stamp it ... We have a discussion with

them at the start about how much they can read. We try and get them to challenge themselves a little bit, to read a bit more than they normally read. And that's their personal goal. ... Everything's bilingual, and they can read in French or English. They don't have to read mystery or suspense books. We do have a list under the theme, so if they want to see what's new in that field they can."

The department will be decorated to reflect the theme of the competition. "One of our part-timers, Catherine Peacock, has painted a floor plan of the library to resemble a Clue board. For each hour the children read, they get a footprint. It's a visual thing to show the children how much reading has gone on over the summer."

The children's department won't be the only place to highlight the theme of mysteries. "The Sherlock Holmes society is going to lend us some paraphernalia to put into the main display case," Wayling said of the Bimetallic Question, the local Holmes appreciation society.

Other events over the summer will encourage kids to get involved with mystery stories. The library's regular arts and crafts activities will have a mystery theme, and Westmount storyteller Margaret Nicolai will help teach children how to tell a mysterious tale. "She's going to do a workshop with kids who want to know how to tell stories," said Wayling, "and that's going to focus on how to tell mysteries and riddles."

The workshop will take place over two sessions, June 7 and 14 at 10:30 a.m. On Wednesday, June 18, at 7 p.m., participants will present their stories at a public storytelling evening.

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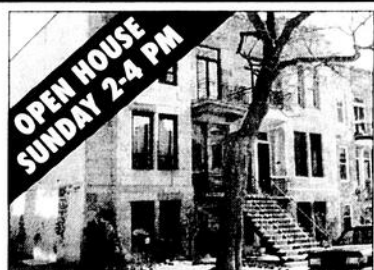
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Commonwealth Society honours students for writing skills



From left: Royal Commonwealth Society president Judith Elson, guest Marc Garneau and treasurer Walt Steeves prepare to present winners with their awards and certificates at St. Matthias' Church on May 5.

Former astronaut and federal Liberal candidate Marc Garneau was on hand at St. Matthias' Church on May 5 when the Montreal branch of the Royal Commonwealth Society honoured the winning students in the Quebec section of its annual essay competition.

Entitled Write Around the World, the century-old annual competition is a global educational project that encourages the awareness of ethical and humanitarian values among students 18 and under. In Canada, the four age categories of essays are judged at the provincial level, and winning entries are then passed onto the nationals. From there, the best Canadian entries are judged against those from other Commonwealth nations around the world.

In this year's local competition, in Class A (16 to 18 years), first prize went to Jenna Ditto of ECS, second to Lawrence Angel of St. George's, and third to Susanne Forbath of ECS.

In Class B (14 to 15 years), first prize went to Julia De Benetti, second to Jacqueline

Hanna, and third to Elisabeth Belansaran, all of Centennial Regional High School.

In Class C, (12 to 13 years), first prize went to Brandon DiPerno of Selwyn House, second to Jasmine Lau of ECS, and third to both Stephanie Pang, also of ECS, and Georgia Therriault of Sacred Heart School.

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Kavana recalled when he was asked to tour the country on Via Rail's new trains in 1992 to promote them with the other band he was in at the time. "We went all the way out to the



Denny's Dixieland Band will be on board for Hudson Village Theatre's train.

eastern provinces," he said.

The Hudson ride will evidently be much shorter, but Kavana said it would be a lot of fun as well.

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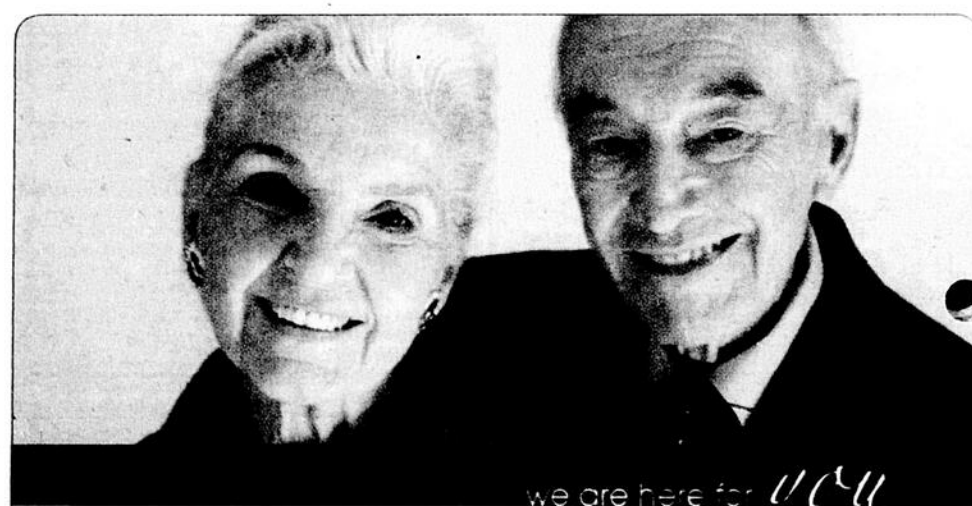
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The Atwater Library and Computer Centre, 1200 Atwater Ave., presents Liam Durcan, who will read from 'García's Heart', finalist for the Paragraphe Hugh MacLennan Prize for Fiction in 2007, at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome. Free admission. Info: 514-935-7344.

Friday, June 6

Dramatis Personae, Westmount's Community Theatre, presents Departures and Arrivals by Carol Shields in Victoria Hall, 4626 Sherbrooke St. W. at 8 p.m. Admission is free; donations welcome. Set in an airport, this is a "comedy with edges." Info: 514-486-7423 or 514-484-2016.

Saturday, June 7

Dramatis Personae, Westmount's Community Theatre, presents Departures and Arrivals by Carol Shields in Victoria Hall, 4626 Sherbrooke St. W. at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Admission is free; donations welcome. Set in an airport, this is a "comedy with edges." Info: 514-486-7423 or 514-484-2016.

Gleams Theater presents 'When a Man and a Woman', three one-act comedies, at 8 p.m. at Diamond Bookstore, 5035 Sherbrooke St. W. Admission is \$17 (refreshments included). Info/box office: 514-481-3000.

Sunday, June 8

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Tuesday June 10

The Westmount Horticultural Society holds its 10th anniversary celebration in the Westmount Public Library Storyteller Garden, 4574 Sherbrooke St. W. at 6 p.m., followed by a special tour of the greenhouse with the gardeners at 7 p.m. Info: www.whsociety.com

Wednesday, June 11

The Atwater Library and Computer Centre, 1200 Atwater Ave., presents, adventurer Tony Robinson-Smith, who will give a presentation on travelling full circle around the earth without boarding an aircraft, and read excerpts from his book 'Back in 6 Years', at 12:30 p.m. Everyone welcome. Free admission. Info: 514-935-7344.

The Atwater Book Club, led by author Mary Soderstrom, meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Atwater Library, 1200 Atwater Ave., to discuss 'Waiting' by Ha Jin. Info: 935-7344.

Saturday, June 14

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The Atwater Library and Computer Centre, 1200 Atwater Ave., presents author William Weintraub, who will read from 'Crazy About Lili', set in Westmount and Montreal in the late 1940s, and jazz saxophonist Dave Turner plays sultry and sentimental music of the period, at 12:30 p.m. Everyone welcome. Free admission. Info: 514-935-7344.

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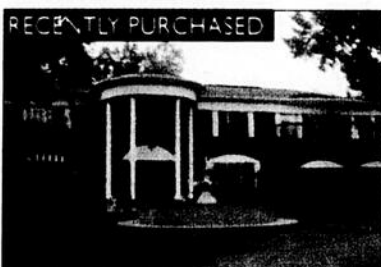
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Majestueuse résidence avec vue sur la rivière. Majestic house with river view.



REPENTIGNY 998,000\$

Imposante résidence familiale de 6 cac, bord du fleuve, piscine, spa, etc.
Impassable family home. 6 bedrooms, water front, pool, spa, etc.



VERCHÈRES 1,225,000\$

En bordure du fleuve Saint-Laurent, domaine exclusif au cachet architectural et historique unique à 35 minutes de Montréal.
Directly on the Saint-Laurent river banks, exclusive estate with a unique architectural and historical cachet located 35 minutes from Montreal.



SAINT-ROCH-DE-RICHELIEU 858,000\$

Domaine champêtre exclusif à 40 minutes de Montréal. 113 arpents.
Private estate in a country setting, 40 minutes from Montreal. 113 arpents.



SENNEVILLE 1,498,000\$

Luxueuse maison de campagne sur un terrain complètement privé de 61 000 pc. Vue sur le Lac des deux Montagnes. Magnifiques jardins et piscines creusées. Luxurious country house on a private land of 61 000 sf. View on Lac des deux Montagnes. Beautiful gardens and outdoor pool.



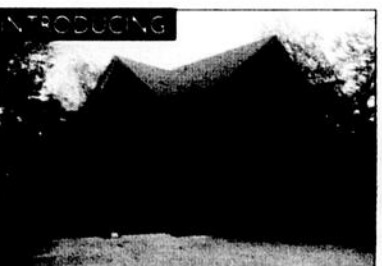
LAC CASTOR | MAURICIE 3,500,000\$

Difficile à décrire la beauté de ce domaine de 100 hectares avec lac privé en Mauricie. La 'petite cabane au Canada' a été en vedette dans de nombreuses revues européennes. Words cannot describe the beauty of this 100 hectare estate in the Mauricie region. Private lake. Timeless home featured in numerous European magazines.



VALDURN | LAURENTIDES 650,000\$

178 pieds au bord du lac Augusta. Belle résidence sur un lot visé de 3 acres et 1/2 dans un environnement protégé. Bien situé entre Ste-Agathe et Mt-Tremblant.
Water front cedar home on 3 1/2 acre lot with 278 ft. frontage on Lake Augusta. Environmentally protected community ideally located between Ste-Agathe and Mt-Tremblant.
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STE-ANNE-DES-LACS 418,000\$

Charmante et invitante maison de campagne. Située à 5 minutes de l'autoroute 15. Foyer en pierres. Cuisine de rêves avec électroménagers haut de gamme. Clé en mains.
Warm and inviting country home. Ideally situated 5 minutes from Aut. 15. Grand stone fireplace. Dream high end kitchen. Move-in condition.



STE ADÈLE | LAURENTIDES 325,000\$

Condo dans le complexe hôtelier de la seigneurie le Chanteclerc. Sur deux étages. Directement sur le Lac Rond. Condo in complexe hôtelier de la seigneurie le Chanteclerc. On two floors. Direct view on Lake Rond.



LAC MOLSON | STE-HYPPOLITE 1,850,000\$

Domaine avec lac privé à moins d'une heure de Montréal. Less than an hour from Montreal, estate with private lake.



PLATEAU MONT-ROYAL 249,000\$

Rare, garage double profondeur et terrasse privée. Rare, double garage and private terrace.

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