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Municipal budget delayed until January

The City of Westmount's 2000 municipal budget was due to be ratified at the December city council meeting, but will most likely be put off to January due to current uncertainty over Quebec's downloading policy, Mayor Peter Trent announced last week.

"We'll probably hoist it to early in the new year, which is something we've done quite a bit in the past," he said. "But citizens can still be assured that there will be no tax increases in the new budget."

Food drive going well

It looks like Westmount Protective Services' annual food drive for Christmas baskets will be a success again this year.

"It's going great," said Barry Coates, assistant director of Protective Services. "The lobby downstairs is already full of canned goods, so the drive is progressing very well. So far it seems to be on line with previous years."

Community Relations Officer James Novak, who has been spending much of his time coordinating the drive over the past few weeks, said that if all continues to go well, the baskets should be ready for delivery to needy families in the Westmount community at some point during the week of Dec. 13 to 17.

The final harvest



Photo: Wayne Larsen

With the recent announcement that the large community garden at the corner of Victoria Avenue and Ste. Catherine Street will have to be uprooted to make way for a new development next year, some of the 32 green-thumbers took advantage of last week's mild weather and were out closing up their individual gardens. Here, (left to right) Perry Shearwood, Valerie Free and Lloyd Harriman pause to examine Harriman's patch of Swiss chard, still flourishing in late November.

Superior Court may hear generator case

"We're not fooling around": Trent

BY WAYNE LARSEN

The City of Westmount plans to take legal action against the large apartment complex at 4300 de Maisonneuve for failing to install an emergency generator.

The law firm of Bélanger-Sauvé, which represents the City of Westmount, has been instructed to take all necessary action against the owner of 4300 for violating Bylaw 1241—which calls for all residential buildings of at least 10 storeys to have had a generator in place by Nov. 5.

And in order to ensure that a generator is installed in the 300-unit building, the case may be heard in Quebec Superior Court.

"It's going to go to both municipal and superior court because municipal court can only assess a fine," said Director General Bruce St. Louis. "But since the objective here is to have a generator installed, we may have to ask a higher authority to assist us with that."

Under Bylaw 1241, all Westmount apartment buildings at least 10 storeys high must have a generator to ensure the continued use of the emergency lighting

system, the fire alarm, at least one elevator reaching all floors and the intercom system between apartments and the lobby, in case of a prolonged power failure.

The bylaw was drafted last year in response to problems encountered during the power failure caused by the ice storm, and passed by city council at its Nov. 2, 1998 meeting. It gave building owners a year to install an emergency generator, and that deadline passed this Nov. 5.

"The situation is that when the bylaw took force on November 5, 1998, it granted a one-year delay to have the system installed," St. Louis said. "The inspectors checked and circumstances were such that this is the option we have to take."

City councillor John de Castell has accompanied a City inspector to 4300 and confirmed that no generator has been installed. "We found a nice empty space where the generator should be," said de Castell, who placed the numerous health and safety complaints by residents of 4300 high on his list of priorities during his recent election campaign in Ward 8.

(See **TIPMOBIL** page 2)

Break-ins may be related

Station 12 police believe that three burglaries in Westmount last week may be the work of the same culprits.

The first occurred at some point over the weekend of Nov. 20 and 21 at a house on Clarke Avenue north of Sherbrooke Street. The suspects entered the home by kicking in a side door, and made off with a camera, cellular phone, numerous CDs, a coin collection and a leather briefcase. Damage to the side door was extensive and it had to be replaced.

The second break-in took place on Monday afternoon, Nov. 22, on Burton Avenue, where the suspects gained entry by forcing open a basement door beneath the rear balcony. Once inside, they made their way to the second-floor master bedroom and helped themselves to two cameras and lenses, various items of jewelry and a laptop computer.

The third incident involved an apartment on Victoria Avenue north of Sherbrooke, at some

(See **THIEVES** page 5)



Photo: Wayne Larsen

4300 de Maisonneuve: Still no generator a year after Bylaw 1241 was passed.

Are you going through hell with private school entrance exams?
 See story on pg. 22.

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Holmes society moves into library

The Bimetallic Question, Montreal's own Sherlock Holmes society, has announced that it will now be holding its monthly meetings in the Westmount Room of the Westmount Public Library.

The organization, which is comprised

of fans of the famous fictional detective, had previously been meeting at the Coach House of the Montreal Badminton & Squash Club on Atwater. Membership includes many Westmounters, including Wildrid de Freitas and Stanley Baker, who engage

in a variety of Holmes-related activities, as well as take a quiz on a Holmes story assigned each month.

The next meeting is scheduled for next Tuesday, Dec. 7, at 6:30 p.m. in the Westmount Room, and guests are always welcome.



Sherlock Holmes: Library bound!

Tipmobil Anstalt squaring off against City

(Continued from page 1)
Electricity problem at 4300 mentioned to City Council

"The enforcement of health and safety bylaws has to be pursued to the fullest extent of our

mandate," he said. Building administrator Nicole Décary of 3264718 Canada Inc. has refused to comment on the matter. Although city council had added the impending legal action to its Nov. 22 meeting agenda under new business, it was first raised by Jeanne Randle, co-president of the 4300 tenants association, during Question Period. "Are you

aware of the fact that we're facing one more winter without electricity if there's a power failure?" Randle asked council. "We're not only aware of it, we're looking into taking it to court," Mayor Peter Trent responded. "And not just municipal court, but Superior Court... We're not fooling around." De Castell added that the City might not be taking legal action if the administration at 4300 had at least indicated that a generator will soon be installed. "But it's been noted that they have absolutely no intention of complying," he said.

According to St. Louis, all other buildings in Westmount that are affected by Bylaw 1241 have either already complied or are well into the process of having a generator installed, so no legal action has been deemed necessary. Tipmobil Anstalt, the Liechtenstein-based company that owns 4300, has also been fighting the City in Westmount municipal court for failing to produce proof that the building's heating and ventilation ducts have been properly cleaned. That case has been before the court since last year and has yet to be resolved.

Scrooge comes to Victoria Hall

Victoria Hall will once again be transformed into a throwback to the 19th century next Sunday night, Dec. 5, as CBC radio personalities join forces with Musica Orbium for a dramatic reading of Charles Dickens's seasonal classic, 'A Christmas Carol'.

Fiona Downey, Katie Malloch, Nancy Wood, Dave Bronstetter and former Westmount city councillor Stuart Robertson will all don authentic period costumes to read the enduring tale of Ebenezer Scrooge and Tiny Tim, which music will be performed by the ensemble Musica Orbium under the direction of Patrick Wedd.

This will be just one of more than 60 readings of the Dickens classic by CBC personalities across Canada. The tradition began in 1989, when CBC radio host Judy Maddren organized the first reading, and it grew from there.

Sunday's show starts at 7:30 p.m. Tickets can be obtained at the door in exchange for a donation of a non-perishable food item for the Westmount Protective Services' annual food basket drive.

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du budget est reportée
à une date ultérieure.

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The real Krieghoff emerges in 'Images of Canada'

Dennis Reid examines the life and times of an often-neglected early Canadian master

BY WAYNE LARSEN

To many, the name Cornelius Krieghoff instantly conjures up Christmas card images of everyday life in mid-19th century Quebec: sleigh races and jolly, red-faced *habitants* carousing in the snow.

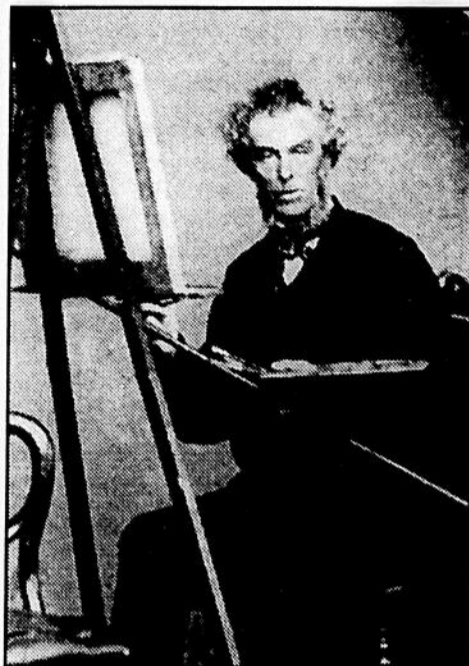
With so much coming after him, Krieghoff's legacy has spent most of the past century languishing in the attic of Canadian art, his bright, Bruegel-like paintings dusted off a few times each generation for an exhibition, but otherwise attracting little attention.

But now, with one of Canada's foremost art historians as his champion, Krieghoff is back in the public eye with a major retrospective that will travel across the country over the next two years. It is currently installed at Toronto's Art Gallery of Ontario (AGO), and after stopping in Quebec City, Ottawa and Vancouver, it will open in Montreal at the McCord Museum in June of 2001.

The man behind it all is Dennis Reid, chief curator at the AGO and professor of art history at the University of Toronto. As a companion piece to the show, Reid has put together a masterpiece of his own—the most complete and comprehensive book on Krieghoff to date.

Reid was in Westmount on Tuesday to autograph copies of the new book at Nicholas Hoare and attend a reception next door at the Kastel Gallery.

In 'Krieghoff: Images of Canada', Reid presents a multi-faceted portrait of the Dutch-born artist by assembling three extensive essays that focus on Krieghoff from different perspectives, not to mention a veritable wealth of colour reproductions representing a prolific 30-year career in Quebec that produced an estimated 2,000 canvases.



A rare, if obviously staged, glimpse of Cornelius Krieghoff at work

One of the essays, 'The Development of a Canadian Artist', was written by Reid himself, while he enlisted the aid of two fellow experts—François-Marc Gagnon and Ramsay Cook—for the others.

Gagnon, a longtime professor of art history at Université de Montréal and also McGill, is acknowledged as an authority on Quebec art (his father Maurice was a close friend of Borduas and was involved in the publication of Borduas's 'Refus Global'). In his essay, 'Perceiving the Other: French-Canadian and Indian Iconography in the Work of Cornelius Krieghoff', Gagnon examines Krieghoff's place in Quebec art from a local perspective.

On the other hand, historian Cook approaches Krieghoff as 'The Outsider as

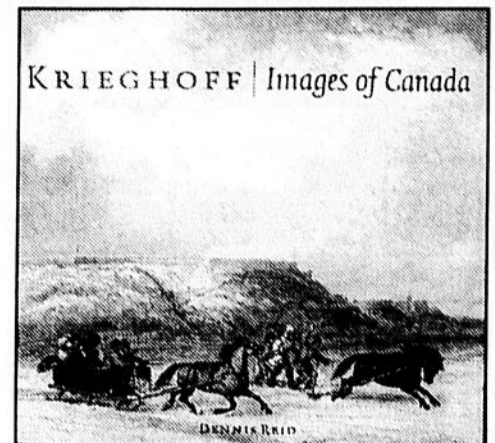
Insider', offering his impression of how accurately Krieghoff managed to portray everyday life in 19th-century Quebec.

Separating fact from myth was no easy task; the quest for the truth behind the Krieghoff legend has frequently been thwarted by records either long lost or destroyed—that is if they ever existed at all. In fact there are some periods of Krieghoff's life that have gone completely unrecorded, others accounted for by a tiny newspaper clipping announcing an exhibition. Reid has taken these considerable obstacles in stride and in a five-year labour of love successfully managed to piece together a portrait of the artists that is as accurate and complete as circumstances have allowed.

In preparing the book, Reid started with two primary sources—Marius Barbeau's 1934 book 'Cornelius Krieghoff: Pioneer Painter of North America' and J. Russell Harper's 1979 'Krieghoff'.

"Harper included a lot of social context in his book," Reid said, "but I felt it needed more of a sense of the working artist engaged in the community." Searching through Barbeau's papers in the Museum of Civilization in Hull was helpful, he said, as were Harper's papers in the National Archives, but it was only after Reid began pouring through old 19th-century newspapers with the help of some students that more evidence of Krieghoff's everyday life came to the surface. "His activities began to emerge," he said. "Here was Krieghoff engaged in society at a particular moment in time. That was what I wanted to capture."

Krieghoff was painting life in Quebec (or Lower Canada) in the days when photography was in its infancy. Consequently, it was still believed that the painter's primary duty



The cover of Dennis Reid's new book

was to reproduce reality as closely as possible. As photographs became more common, many artists of Krieghoff's era began trying to express what the camera could never capture. "By the 1860s," Reid said, "Quebec painting became much looser and painterly as a result."

Much has been made of the theory that the Group of Seven set out to define Canadian landscape painting some 85 years ago by rebelling against the then-standard dull-coloured portraits of oxen and windmills, but many forget that Krieghoff was turning out his unique, intricately-detailed genre images long before Confederation—and with a fully-loaded palette that ran the entire spectrum.

One of the most striking aspects of Krieghoff's work is that he was not only a master of the landscape—able to capture the most intricate effects of light and snow on the terrain with a few deft brushstrokes—but also a skilled storyteller. Few of his images lack an inherent narrative, often filled with wit and gentle satire, and Reid has brought this out admirably in the book. "A Krieghoff painting is a story," he said. "And like all stories it's layered, so I've tried to peel back some of the layers to see how it was seen at the time it was painted."

Although some might argue that Krieghoff's horses were rendered a bit too small and he had difficulty capturing youth in the faces of children (like Velasquez's young subjects they often appear dwarf-like), Reid is quick to rally to Krieghoff's defence. "We have to remember that he had no formal training as an artist and that often betrays him—sometimes his perspective is a bit off," he said, adding that early Quebecers favoured a smaller breed of horse imported from France and that children were not usually seen as cute but rather small adults who worked alongside their parents on the farm.

"Krieghoff was witty, wise and clever," Reid said. "He documented what was going on at the time, and I think with this book you see him as a painter in a way that hasn't been seen before."

'Krieghoff: Images of Canada', edited by Dennis Reid (Douglas & McIntyre/Art Gallery of Ontario) is currently available at all major bookstores.



'Cheating the Toll Man' (1863), from the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts, illustrates Krieghoff's often light-hearted take on life in early Quebec.



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Événements communautaires

Arrivée du père Noël à Westmount!

Venez participer au défilé du père Noël le dimanche 5 déc. prochain. Le défilé partira de la Victoria Hall à 13h et se terminera par une fête pour tous les enfants qui aura lieu au Hall à la fin du défilé. Info: Maria au 482-1820.

L'émission radiophonique *Radio One* de CBC présentera une narration théâtrale du conte classique de Charles Dickens, *A Christmas Carol*, le dimanche 5 déc. à 19h30 au Victoria Hall. Les narrateurs seront: Dave Bronstetter (émission *Daybreak*), Fiona Downey (chronique artistique), Katie Malloch (chronique *Jazz Beat*) Stuart Robertson et Nancy Wood (émission *Radio Noon*). La musique sera présentée par la chorale *Musica Orbium* dirigée par Patrick Wedd. Un don de denrées non périssables sera exigé à l'entrée. ♦



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Les résidents démunis de Westmount désirant recevoir un panier de nourriture durant la période des Fêtes sont priés de s'adresser à l'accueil des Services sociaux du CLSC, en composant le (514) 934-0354, d'ici le vendredi 10 déc. 1999. Toute personne voulant donner des denrées non périssables peut les déposer aux points de collecte suivants: tous les édifices municipaux, bibliothèque Atwater et Centre communautaire de l'avenue Greene. Seuls les jouets neufs peuvent être inclus dans les paniers de nourriture de Noël. Info: officier - relations communautaires (514) 989-5468. ♦



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Club de lecture anglaise
Le lundi 6 déc., de 19h à 21h, joignez-vous au club de lecture anglaise, qui discutera de la trilogie de Pat Barker, *Regeneration Trilogy*, qui décrit avec un réalisme brutal les effets psychologiques de la Première Guerre mondiale.

Club de lecture française
Le mercredi 8 déc., de 19h à 21h, le club de lecture française discutera des romans écrits par Albert Camus.

Série des auteurs du centenaire
Le jeudi 9 déc., de 19h30 à 21h, Neil McKenty parlera de la démarche créative entourant la rédaction d'une biographie et de la motivation requise pour écrire un essai, puis lira des extraits de son livre *The Inside Story*, qui décrit le cheminement d'un ancien prêtre jésuite, devenu animateur d'émission-débat, vers la connaissance de soi. Info: 989-5386. ♦



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Sports et loisirs

La ville de Westmount sera l'hôte de la 11^e édition annuelle du tournoi de hockey des vétérans, qui se tiendra du 2 au 5 déc. à l'Aréna. Tous les profits de ce tournoi seront versés à une œuvre de charité. Info: 989-5220. ♦

Dates à retenir

- **Du 2 au 5 déc.**
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- **Le jeu. 9 déc., 19h30**
Série des auteurs du centenaire, Neil McKenty
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- **Le mar. 14 déc., 19h30**
Société d'horticulture de Westmount, Ateliers de fabrication de couronnes de Noël et arrangements floraux, Victoria Hall

Datebook

- **Dec. 2 to 5**
11th annual Old Timers Hockey Tournament
Westmount Arena
- **Sun., Dec. 5, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.**
Santa Claus Parade
- **Sun., Dec. 5, 7:30 p.m.**
Reading of *A Christmas Carol*, Victoria Hall
- **Mon., Dec. 6, 7:00 p.m.**
English Book Club
Regeneration Trilogy by Pat Barker, Library
- **Mon., Dec. 6, 8:30 p.m.**
Council Meeting, City Hall
- **Wed., Dec. 8, 7:00 p.m.**
French Book Club novels by Albert Camus. Library
- **Thu., Dec. 9, 7:30 p.m.**
Centennial Author Series Neil McKenty, Library
- **Tue., Dec. 14, 7:30 p.m.**
Westmount Horticultural Society, Workshop on Christmas garlands and floral decorations
Victoria Hall



Community events

Santa Claus
comes to Westmount
See you on Sunday December 5 at the Westmount Santa Claus Parade! It's not too late to be part of the fun - call Maria at 482-1820. Santa will depart from Victoria Hall at 1:00 p.m. and will return to the Hall for a party with all the children. Everyone is welcome.

CBC Radio One presents a dramatic reading of Charles Dickens classic story *A Christmas Carol*, Sunday, December 5 at 7:30 p.m. at Victoria Hall. The readers are well-known CBC personalities: Dave Bronstetter (*Daybreak*), Fiona Downey (*Arts Report*), Katie Malloch (*Jazz Beat*), Stuart Robertson and Nancy Wood (*Radio Noon*). Music will be provided by the choir *Musica Orbium* directed by Patrick Wedd. A donation of non-perishable food for the Public Security Christmas food drive is requested at the door. ♦



Public Security

Needy Westmount residents that wish to receive food baskets this holiday season should contact C.L.S.C Social Services Intake Department at (514) 934-0354 by Friday December 10, 1999. Anyone willing to contribute non-perishable food items may deposit them at any of the following depots: all city buildings, Atwater Library and Greene Avenue Community Centre. No clothing or used toys will be accepted. Only new toys can be included in these holiday food baskets. Info: Community Relations Officer (514) 989-5468. ♦



Human Resources

The 2000 summer employment forms are now available in the Department of Human Resources. Please note that the deadline to submit your application is February 29, 2000 at the following address: Westmount City Hall, 4333 Sherbrooke Street West. The positions will be awarded to candidates with the appropriate qualifications and experience. Info: 989-5208. ♦



Library

Amnesty for Fines
Nov. 29 to Dec. 17
The Westmount Public Library is launching its annual **Food for Fines** drive beginning Monday, November 29. Bring in non-perishable items for our Christmas baskets along with your late books or audio-visual materials and we will cancel your fines on these items.

English Book Club
Monday, December 6, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., join the library's English Book Club as they discuss Pat Barker's *Regeneration Trilogy*, a series of books that brutally describes the psychological effects of World War I. Everyone is welcome to attend.

French Book Club
Wednesday, December 8, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., the French Book Club will meet to discuss the novels written by Albert Camus. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Centennial Author Series
Thursday, December 9, 7:30 to 9:00 p.m., Neil McKenty will speak on the creative process of biography writing, the motivation needed to create a memoir, and will also read from his book, *The Inside Story*, the journey of a former Jesuit priest and talk show host towards self-discovery. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome to attend. Info: 989-5386. ♦



Public Works

Snow removal
Few of us want to think about snow just yet, but safe streets and rapid snow removal make life so much easier. Please remind your contractor that snow from private driveways and walkways must never be placed on public sidewalks, lanes, or streets. During snow loading, snow may be added to the existing snowbanks prior to removal. Watch for more in the City Page throughout the winter. Info: 989-5311. ♦



Sports & Recreation

The City of Westmount will be hosting the 11th annual Old Timers Hockey Tournament at the Westmount Arena from December 2 to 5. All proceeds from this tournament will be donated to charity. Info: 989-5220. ♦



Santa arrives on Sunday

It's all systems go for this year's Santa Claus Parade, which will take place this Sunday, Dec. 5.

The hour-long parade will start at 1 p.m. in front of Victoria Hall and will take the same route as previous years—south on Lansdowne, west on de Maisonneuve, north on Claremont to Sherbrooke, and east back to Victoria Hall.

The parade will be followed by a party at Victoria Hall, where Santa Claus will be available for the children and the Westmount Y's Gary White will provide Christmas entertainment with his guitar. Refreshments will be provided by local businesses and volunteers.

At left: A team of eager youngsters lent a hand in making costumes for the parade last week at Victoria Hall.

SEND THE EDITOR AN E-MAIL:

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Fire calls



From the fire hall

Tuesday, Nov. 23

12:22 p.m. 1175 Van Horne, Outremont: Stood by to respond to other calls in Outremont while the local fire department attended to a fire in an apartment building.

4:51 p.m. 13 St. Georges Place: Fire alarm set off by burnt food on the stove. Ventilated by opening windows and using smoke ejectors.

Thursday, Nov. 25

3:34 a.m. 450 Kensington: Fire alarm set off by power failure in building. Electrician attended.

12:04 p.m. 357 Victoria: Smell of gas traced to sewer gas from a dry floor drain in the basement.

7:13 p.m. 4823 Sherbrooke: Report of a smell of smoke in the building was traced to exterior smoke coming in through the ventilation system.

8:13 p.m. 5790 Parkhaven, Côte St. Luc: Cancelled en route.

8:18 p.m. 223 Melville: Fire alarm set off by cooking.

Saturday, Nov. 27

7:54 a.m. 245 Victoria, #810: Defective alarm on the 8th floor.

3:33 p.m. Belvedere and Côte des Neiges: Report of smoke coming from a car turned out to be film students shooting a class project.

11:09 p.m. 1123 Greene: Water leaking down dining room wall. Turned off power and advised owner to have a plumber and electrician attend.

Sunday, Nov. 28

8:58 p.m. 28 Willow: Defective alarm.

Friday, Nov. 26

10:09 a.m. 3685 The Boulevard: Water leak from a blocked drain on the roof of St. George's Elementary School. Advised superintendent to have a plumber attend.

3:15 p.m. 466 Côte St. Antoine: Smoke coming from furnace. Advised owner to have furnace repaired.

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greene avenue community centre

Thieves made off with assorted jewelry including a Gucci watch

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point between Nov. 14 and 21. In this case the thieves broke in by tearing a screen and opening a window before making off with approximately 200 CDs, as well as numerous items of jewelry including a Gucci watch, a heart-shaped pendant, a silver bracelet, a pair of diamond earrings and a gold ring with three rubies.

In all three cases two men matching the same description were seen in the vicinity of the burglarized homes. Both are described as white males between 20 and 25 years old, of medium height and build. One has short black hair with a mustache and goatee, wearing dark clothing and a backpack. The other is described as having long brown hair and a pony tail.

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Real Estate

By Reg Morden
Birthday Sale

WAITING IN THE WINGS

Some people are luckier than others. What if you have several buyers who want the house at the price you are asking? Can you accept more than one offer? In a way — yes. In rare situations, it is possible to accept a backup offer on your property. Perhaps you sign a firm contract with Buyer A, only to find Buyer B beating down your door the next day. Buyer B is willing to do anything to own your particular house, and is willing to wait around in hopes that Buyer A's transaction somehow falls through.

You can then accept an offer from Buyer B "subject to the nonperformance of existing contract with Buyer A." Buyer A, of course, has a firm contract with you and will probably be the next owner. However, if anything goes wrong with the transaction, you can obtain a release from Buyer A and sell to Buyer B with the price and terms already agreed upon in your backup contract. You are in the enviable position of a man with a belt and suspenders.

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The Government of Canada outlines \$115 million Canadian Diabetes Strategy

MP
Lucienne Robillard



Many of you are concerned by the diabetes disease and its affects on too many Canadians. My government has recognized the need for action and long-term commitment in a Canadian Diabetes Strategy. On November 19, my colleague, the Honourable Allan Rock, announced

a five-year, \$115 million Canadian Diabetes Strategy to help prevent and control this disease—which is the fastest-growing preventable disease in Canada, now reaching near epidemic proportions. This announcement represents an increase of \$60 million over the \$55 million over three years originally allocated in the February 1999 budget.

Between one and two million Canadians are affected by this disease and it exacts a serious toll of them and their families. That number is expected to rise as our population ages.

There are approximately 60,000 new cases of diabetes diagnosed in Canada every year.

In conjunction with our partners, the Strategy is designed to inform Canadians, prevent diabetes where feasible, and help people better manage the disease and its complications.

The Strategy will have a national component of \$67 million, consisting of three priorities:

The first one is on prevention and promotion. There are two types of diabetes. Approximately 90 per cent of people with diabetes have type 2 diabetes, which usually occurs after age 40. Two major risk factors for type 2 are obesity and inactivity, which are modifiable. The strategy will link with healthy eating, nutrition and active living programs to deliver messages and education to target audiences on how to eat better and become more active. A sustained national focus on prevention and public education will aim to reduce the costs and harm associated with type 2 diabetes.

The second priority is surveillance. Diabetes surveillance is the key to presenting an accurate national picture of the disease, and its effects on the population. In turn, health care professionals use the information and perspective they are provided by surveillance to develop effective diabetes programs that teach Canadians how to prevent and control the disease, for example through lifestyle changes

The third priority is the national co-ordination.

To integrate activities country-wide, the Canadian Diabetes Strategy will establish a national action plan to co-ordinate the efforts of all stakeholders on diabetes to ensure, as much as possible, that duplication does not occur and that resources put towards diabetes are used in the most efficient manner. The plan will build on partnerships with governments, Aboriginal groups, and the voluntary, academic, and private sectors for a concerted effort to combat diabetes.

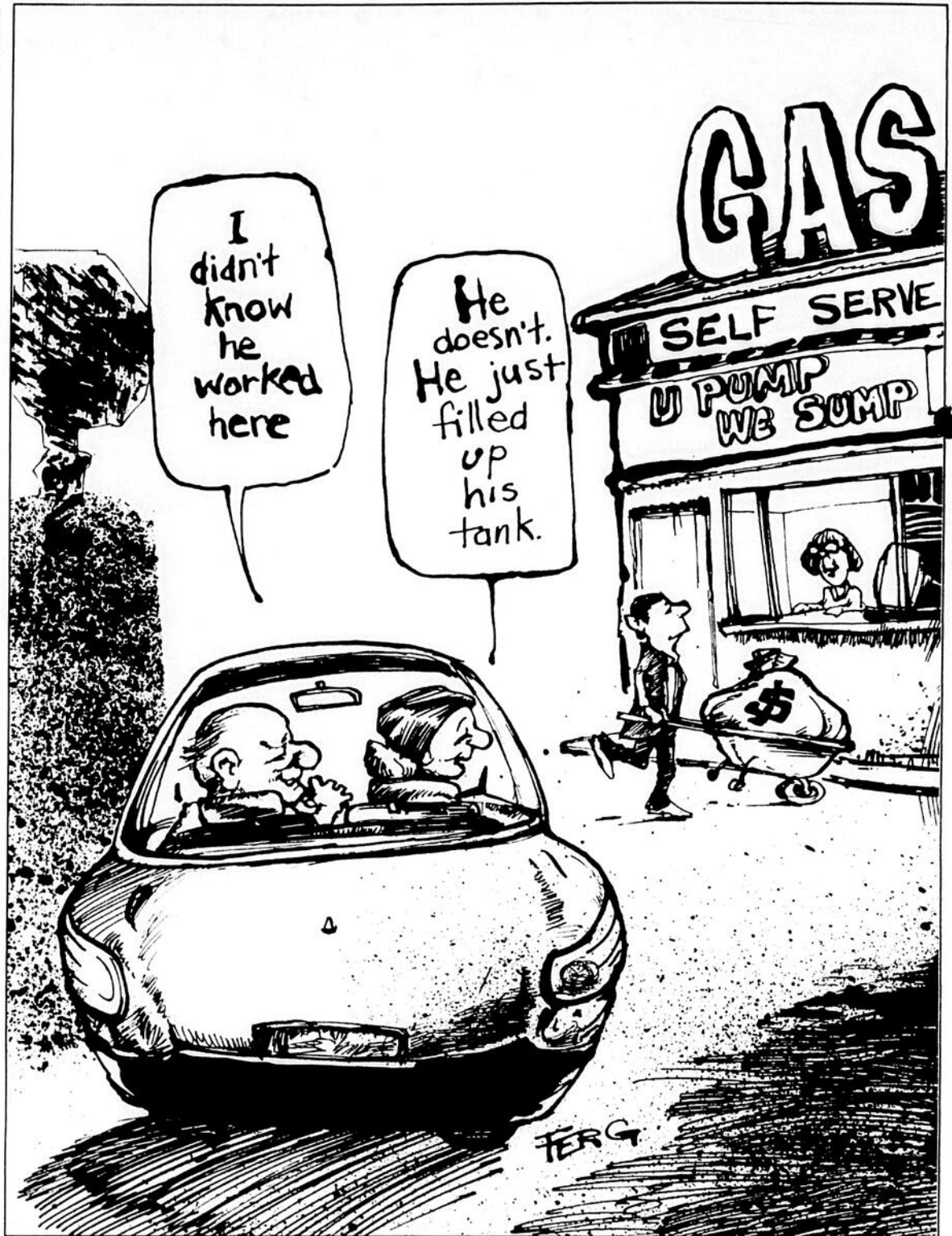
With this announcement, the Canadian Government has a reason to be optimistic and looks forward to working with its partners to meet the challenge of preventing and controlling this disease.

To know more about The Canadian Diabetes Strategy, you can call at (613) 957-2991 or visit the web site at <http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca>

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Requiem for a mail-order junkie

I was an addict, but I'm okay now.

Yes, almost every day I used to receive yet another package from a record club, a movie club, a book club and most recently, a CD club. Unfortunately, I had forgotten to send in the dreaded reply cards so I ended up with stuff like 'Johnny Mathis's Greatest Hits' or 'Yoga Bliss in 5 Minutes a Day'. Sadly, I never mastered the ~~art~~ position while grooving to 'Chances Are'.

As I recall, the addiction began as I read through a pile of magazines (which I had ordered at the special publishers rate available only to special people like me who send back reply cards—with their address on it). A certain record club, which also sells movies and now DVDs, hooked me in with the old "12 records for the price of 1" promise. I had figured it would save me time from having to go shopping. But one thing even the fine print didn't reveal was that they were, in fact, tapping into a basic human trait—forgetfulness.

When the mail arrived and I would see the reply cards, and I would put them on my desk in my home office, alongside enough other paper to build a sizeable bonfire. Filed away, as it were, they quickly became forgotten. Trouble is, when I didn't reply, I was automatically sent the 'Selection of the Month'. This, I have since figured out, is how Martha Stewart really made her millions—hordes of unsuspecting consumers who received her books and were too lazy or unfazed to send them back who paid only after receiving a tenth 'FINAL NOTICE: PAY THIS OUTSTANDING BILL OR BE FORCED TO ACTUALLY USE ONE OF THE PERFECT RECIPES IN THE BOOK'.

In a fit of sanity, I paid off every one of the clubs I belonged to and cancelled my subscriptions. But now Christmas is upon us and I have to buy gifts.

I guess I'll have to go shopping after all.

— Leonard J Gervais

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**Five Years Ago**

December 1, 1994:

MILITARY SNAFU: "A military exercise in lower Westmount startled residents and motorists and prompted more than 30 calls to police and 911, according to director Pierre Vezina of MUC police station 23. The exercises, carried out two weekends ago by 35 members of the Royal Montreal Regiment with help from the Black Watch, were supposed to be confined to the city's Corporation Yard, according to city director-general Bruce St. Louis. 'Somehow that got lost in the translation down to the lower ranks,' he said. Soldiers atop buildings could be seen by motorists on the Ville Marie Expressway, some of whom called 911 on their cellular phones. Others called about armed soldiers walking up St. Catherine Street and entering Clifford's, a dépanneur near the corner of Abbott Avenue."

Ten Years Ago

November 30, 1989:

TAX BILL PAID: "Westmount has paid up. City council passed a resolution at a hastily called meeting Tuesday evening to pay its outstanding \$512,706 tax bill, plus accumulated interest, to the Montreal Urban Community. A quorum of four councillors and the mayor was pulled together Tuesday afternoon to discuss the matter only hours after the Quebec Municipal Commission (QMC) effectively had Westmount under its trusteeship. The QMC acquired that power earlier in the day when the Quebec Superior Court declared Westmount in default of paying the \$512,706 portion of its 1988 MUC property tax bill. A certified cheque for \$610,541.54 signed by Mayor May Cutler and treasurer Daniel Décarie was to be countersigned by an official of the QMC yesterday afternoon at 2 p.m. Mr. Décarie was then to deliver it in person to the MUC by 3 p.m."

Twenty-Five Years Ago

December 5, 1974:

POLICE SOLUTIONS: "Mayor Paul Ouimet is hopeful, as a result of a lengthy meeting Monday with Justice Minister Jérôme Choquette and Municipal Affairs Minister Victor Goldbloom, that Westmount and other Montreal Urban Community suburbs will regain some measure of 'local control on a day-to-day basis over police

Neverendum is still the PQ dream

By GLENN WANAMAKER

It barely rated as news when Premier Lucien Bouchard said last week in an interview on the TVA network that another referendum on sovereignty is still possible during the life of this government.

He as much as anyone knows he has not assembled even one winning condition that would allow him to call another referendum.

But he is compelled to keep a candle burning in the window, inasmuch as next May, the PQ is holding its big national convention on sovereignty. Even if nothing happens to make the idea of separation more tasty between now and then, the PQ will still enjoy a couple of weeks of sovereignty debate in the media.

From Ottawa however, there comes ever-increasing talk that Prime Minister Chretien intends to intervene, perhaps through legislation, perhaps through a declaration, in order to set his ground rules for any future Quebec referendum.

Some federal Liberals, though not Quebec Liberals, want Ottawa to spell out beforehand its definition of a clear referendum question and its definition of a 'clear majority' in the event of a favourable vote for independence.

Last week in Quebec City, Intergovernmental Affairs Minister Stephane Dion even suggested Ottawa might boycott a referendum campaign if it didn't like the rules.

Why, people are asking, is Ottawa trying to awaken a hibernating bear when there is no reason to do so?

Chretien and Dion clearly believe, from their reading of the polls, that Quebecers agree that referendum rules need to be crystal clear and fair.

The danger though is they will react negatively, and support for sovereignty could rise again, if Ottawa resorts to using a heavy hand.

That's what Bloc Quebecois leader Gilles Duceppe is hoping for. He's so excited at the prospect of Ottawa making a move that he has mobilized his troops to be ready the moment it does.

Premier Bouchard, humbled by his government's economic and social problems and with a lonely candle in his hand, must be hoping for the same thing.

ON THE BRIGHT SIDE

Things could be worse for the premier. If he had not hammered the nurses into submission for their illegal summer strike, he could have been facing a province-wide general strike this week by some 410,000 public employees.

But that tough stand dissolved the other unions' common front and any desire by employees to go on strike this fall. Negotiations though have still failed to produce any settlements and teachers in particular are growing increasingly impatient.

The teachers' unions are considering new pressure tactics to get the government moving. At the same, they may also ease their boycott of extracurricular activities, which are penalizing students as well as cultural groups, theatrical troupes and museums that count on student audiences.

WATER BILL

A legislative committee gave speedy approval last week to legislation that imposes a moratorium on any bulk extraction of water.

The bill, just a few paragraphs long, should get final approval quickly, making Quebec the first province to answer Ottawa's call for legislation banning large-scale water extraction and export.

The action marks a significant turnaround for Environment Minister Paul Begin, who early in the year refused to extend a moratorium. He quickly realized, however, there were real threats that water could become an international trade issue.

If even one permit for bulk water export was granted in any province, a precedent would be set, exposing all other provinces to a trade challenge under the North American Free Trade Agreement if they sought to deny bulk water extraction.

There remain two large exceptions under Begin's bill. Underground water can still be extracted for domestic water bottling, and rivers can still be diverted for hydro power generation.

Meanwhile, federal and provincial environment ministers will meet next week to discuss a possible accord on water. Begin said he is open to a national agreement to protect common interests but added he is appalled that no outline of the proposal has yet been made available.

Municipalities

Any day now, Municipal Affairs Minister Louise Harel will unveil her white paper on municipal reorganization, which will set out her goals for mergers and mega-governments.

And this week, another ultimate blitz in negotiations was scheduled over new fiscal arrangements between the province and municipalities.

Both issues are intimately related and will have a direct bearing on what kind of powers cities and towns will have, and on levels of municipal taxation.

In the short-term, municipalities don't want to be saddled with a third straight \$365 million bill from the province. They are willing to accept new responsibilities, even as merged municipalities but only in return for greater revenue-generating powers.

But don't get too excited at the idea that you might actually get to vote on any of this stuff. In a deliciously ironic twist, Harel warned municipal leaders last week not to abuse referendums to stop merger proposals.

You can be sure the Liberals were underlining those words for future reference, especially when she invoked the British North America Act to make a point about the division of powers between levels of government and the right to fix boundaries.

She was of course talking about municipal governments, which are creatures of provincial governments, which is totally different than the Ottawa-Quebec relationship, so don't even think of drawing any parallel!

MORE FROM THE MAIL BAG



Don't knock Public Security

To the editor:
Here are some comments on Mr. Roland Sperlich's letter in the *Westmount Examiner* last Thursday, Nov. 25.

First of all, what a grouch! I don't agree that Westmount Public Security is useless; I called them when I was invaded by a raccoon this past summer and they came immediately (at 4 a.m.) and didn't leave until they got rid of it. You can be sure that no one else would have come—not the SPCA, not the police—no one. And as far as not being Mensa quality, it took brains to deal with that animal as well as courage—more than I had and while of course I can't speak for Roland, I'd bet that he would be beating others to the phone to call public security if a similar

thing happened to him.

The comment on Mensa was really mean. Criticize if you want, but why be insulting? And I really have to wonder at Roland's right to say it: his own letter could have been written in two lines instead of the long, boring, rambling, mean-spirited diatribe that it was.

In short, in my view, having public security around is one of the reasons I find it great to live here. Put that in your pipe and smoke it, Roland, and now go back to bed and wake up on the right side of it!

Deana Silverstone
Grosvenor Avenue

More rebuttal on Public Security

To the editor:
I make reference to the letters of Roland H. Sperlich of November 4 and 25.

The City of Westmount is run by the mayor and councillors, who are duly elected by its citizens. They enact bylaws and make decisions regarding the collection and disposition of funds. If any citizen wishes to have their views on a certain matter considered, they can speak to the mayor, their councillor or the administrator responsible for that particular area. Having lived in Montreal for over 20 years, although certain procedures are in place, they are often not followed, to the detriment of most residents.

The provision of Public Security personnel and our own fire department is one which has always received the support of citizens. They carry out their duties in a courteous and professional manner, following the mandate given to them by city council to enforce municipal regulations.

If, as it would happen, Mr. Sperlich is unhappy with the

above procedures, he should write to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, who, no doubt, would give his opinions the priority they merit.

E.J. Adye
Prince Albert Avenue

To the editor:
It was disappointing and disturbing to read the Letter to the Editor of Nov. 25 entitled, 'Public Security is a waste', whereby Mr. Roland Sperlich attempted to cast unjustified dispersions upon the Public Security Officers (PSOs) of our city.

While citizens of Westmount are incensed with the diminishing MUC police presence, there continues to be an undeniable need to supplement the police force. In the 1970s, police based at the Stanton Street station ('Stanton') were 84, whereas presently the number is 34. I agree with Mr. Sperlich that

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WMA urges Y2K preparedness in Westmount

By DAVID MITCHELL

Y2K: "Prepare appropriately, but prepare early."

This is the advice of John Koskinen, President Clinton's top advisor on the Year 2000 computer problem. The Westmount Municipal Association urges you to follow it.

How to prepare? What should the individual do? The corporate world and governments have spent enormous sums, estimated to be hundreds of billions of dollars, attempting to identify and repair all the century date change problems in their computer programs and embedded chips, problems that otherwise could disrupt their activities next year. Most report that they are Y2K ready. What should we do at home?

Last winter the WMA, in cooperation with the City of Westmount, organized public meetings on Y2K where the problem and approaches toward its solution were discussed. Since then, Hydro Quebec, Bell, banks, the City of Westmount and others claim to be ready for the Year 2000.

It seems likely that our essential infrastructure will be okay.

However, there is no 100 per cent guarantee—don't forget the Ice Storm! Even though authorities confidently forecast that we will not face major widespread disruptions next month, we are urged to prepare for any kind of emergency, not just possible Y2K problems.

Despite a common assumption that little will happen on or after January 1, no one can guarantee this. No one knows for certain. The Scout motto, 'Be prepared', should be followed. How?

Be prepared with information. Reread the City of Westmount's booklet, 'A Citizen Guide to Survival' (distributed last year) and carefully read the new Information pamphlets which the City plans to distribute in December.

How prepared should I be? The WMA cannot answer that question, but offers the following information. Emergency Measures Westmount (EMW) recommends that we be prepared to survive at home for at least three days if an emergency ever

leaves us without power, water, or a means of cooking. In addition to food, water (four litres per day per person; this can be tap water stored in clean containers), and medicine, EMW suggests having a flashlight, radio, spare batteries and other essential items.

The City's new flip chart booklet, 'Urgences Information Emergencies', provides detailed advice for citizens and should be consulted. In the USA, the American Red Cross suggests that people keep a one- to two-week supply of essential food, water and medicine. The State of Pennsylvania, in partnership with the Government of Canada, (web site: www.pa2k.org or www.can2k.com), recommends a two-week supply in 'A Consumer's Guide for Y2K Planning', a document that provides many helpful hints. If you do not have access to the Internet and wish to see this (or any other) web site, don't forget that the Westmount Library can help you to surf the web. The Government of Canada offers information at 1-800-O-Canada (1-800-622-6232) and at the Task

Force Year 2000 Secretariat's web site <http://strategis.ic.gc.ca/sos2000>.

The WMA urges you to be prepared for electronic disruptions or problems not only on January 1, but throughout the year 2000. Don't forget, Y2K stands for Year 2000, not January 1. It refers to the inability of some information processing and control systems to recognize correctly the century date change. As a result the system could stop, produce erroneous records or undergo degradation over several months. Thus many authorities suggest that you keep paper copies of financial transactions and other important information in case it is needed. The WMA reminds you that Y2K is a chronic situation resulting from a system design flaw and problems, if they occur, might happen anytime a 21st Century date is encountered for the first time.

Even if you do not anticipate any serious problems associated with Y2K phenomena, it is prudent for all citizens to take reasonable precautions. For peace of mind, consider this as 'insurance' that is worth having just in case it's needed.




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This time Trent will be playing a World War II soldier in the Centaur Theatre's fundraising production of 'Merry Millennium: A Thousand Years of Holiday Spirit', a modern take-off on Dickens's 'A Christmas Carol'.

"We've been rehearsing quite regularly," Trent said. "I'm only onstage for about five minutes, but I do have a few lines and do some singing. It's all in good fun."

Among those joining Trent in the cast are John Ciaccia, Tracy McKee of Global TV and Dan Laxer of CJAD radio, as well as Westmounters Peter Blaikie, Dr. Irene Simons, Chris Marks and Philip Johnston.

This fundraising event is scheduled to take place at the Centaur Theatre in Old Montreal on Dec. 9 and 10. Tickets are \$100 (with a \$75 tax receipt) and can be obtained by calling Wanda at 288-1229 ext. 235.

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BOOK REVIEW

December 6: The inside story of the Montreal Massacre a decade ago

BY MARYLIN SMITH CARSLY

Last night I had a dream. I dreamed of a school, of hiding under a desk in a classroom, the sounds of gunshots, the screams of terror. Would I be the next victim?

Be careful what you read before bedtime, especially a book that reveals something as horrific as the events portrayed in 'December 6', written by Heidi Rathjen and Charles Montpetit.

Unfortunately the 14 women murdered were not dreaming. Their families had never known that on that day when their daughters left for school, it would be the last time they would ever be able to utter the words "I love you" to them. How have these parents been able to survive?

A decade ago, Heidi Rathjen's life changed forever. Armed with a semi-automatic rifle, Marc Lepine entered the halls of Montreal's Ecole

Polytechnique on an anti-feminist rampage and killed 14 innocent women.

Heidi was hiding with other terrified engineering students in a room he never entered.

"I took the seat of a broken chair and held it in front of my chest like a shield," she wrote.

From that day onwards, Heidi was determined to help prevent similar tragedies from striking. 'December 6' reveals her journey. In less than 24 hours following this outrageous massacre, Rathjen put her traumatized self aside and faced the media. She wasn't going to allow these women's memories to vanish without some meaning. She immersed herself in funeral arrangements and was there for the families mourning their daughters.

Heidi wrote, "As long as I had work to keep me busy, at least I could function and that's what saved me.

I cannot imagine how I would have coped had I also been forced to rest."

Throughout the book and our interview, Heidi explained that something good had to develop from this nightmare. "We could not bring the girls back, but a lot could be done on their behalf."

Extrapolated from Heidi's painful memories, she and co-author Charles Montpetit lead us through the arduous efforts of Heidi and others who persevered in reforming Canada's lax gun laws. Partnered with Wendy Cukier (of Ryerson Polytechnic University in Toronto), Rathjen organized The National Coalition for Gun Control. The obstacles that arose did not deter them even with opposition surfacing from the media, politicians, teachers and fellow students.

Shocked by Canada's lack of support for gun control, Heidi experienced the world of politics totally unprepared. With Wendy at her side, she did not accept defeat. Together they educated themselves along the way until they forced two gun control bills through Parliament.

Targeted for young adults, this book does have a general appeal about its disturbing subject.

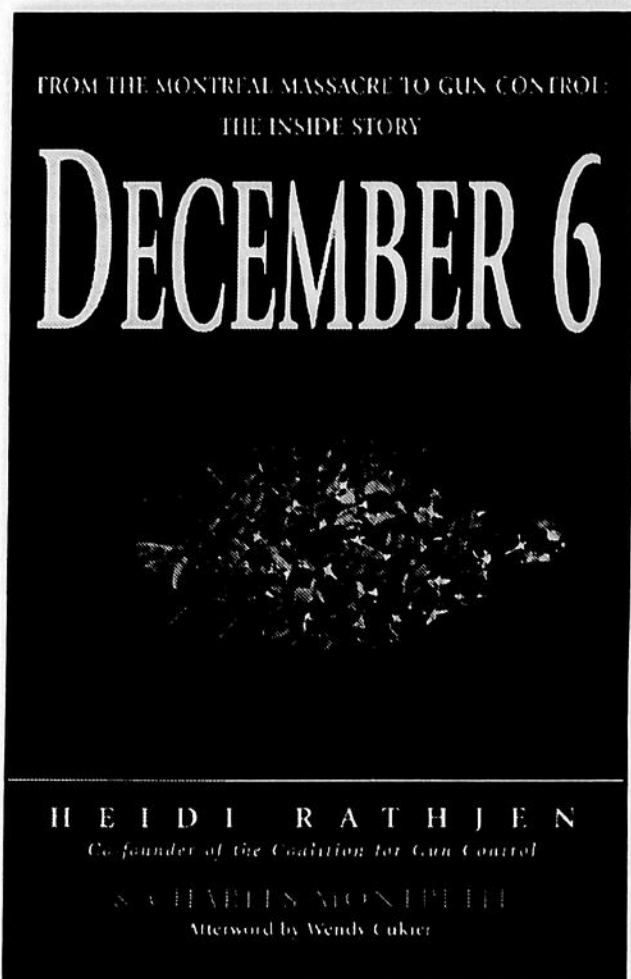
Simplistically written, it does not bog the reader down.

The subject and horror speak louder than the words. The lesson of determination is vibrant throughout the pages of 'December 6.' The victims' families eventually had some vindication with the passing of two gun control bills. Without some positive outcome, survival for the parents would have been inconceivable.

"When we wrote the book, the suppressed memories were hard to deal with," related Heidi during our interview.

We met one blustery afternoon to discuss 'December 6'.

(See AUTHOR page 10)



Heidi Rathjen's new book on the December 6, 1989 massacre.

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Author hopes to incite strength and willingness in others to make a difference

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Foreboding and depressing winds howled alongside our conversation depicting the mood and memories of that tragic day ten years ago.

Heidi's hope is that the book will incite strength and willingness in others to try to make a difference in our complicated world. Standing back and pretending that unfairness does not exist will only reinstate tragedy.

Her desire is that the readers will remove themselves from that day's negativity and gain meaning from the positive efforts achieved.

Heidi Rathjen had always wanted to be an engineer. Mathematical and analytical, her entire future was centred on becoming a project manager for a construction company. Although her focus has changed, she has no regrets.

"I love engineering but I would still

choose what I'm doing now. How many people get to work on causes they believe in and make a difference?"

The writing of this book was initiated by Charles Montpetit, an accomplished writer who is known for his children's writings. He was awarded the Governor General's Award in 1989 and he made the International White Raven List for his anthology 'La Premiere Fois'. 'December 6' was simultaneously published in French by Libre Expression. Part of the proceeds will go to the Coalition for Gun Control.

Residing in downtown Montreal, Heidi Rathjen still involves herself with the gun coalition and she is also the strategist for an anti-tobacco coalition. She has received honorary doctorates from Laval and Concordia Universities for her work on gun control.

'December 6' portrays courage and determination. We must stop treading the shallow waters of resignation and immerse ourselves in the deeper waters of change. Your own child could fall prey to the next madman. By standing back, we allow atrocities to happen. Don't pretend that injustice will leave on its own. As individuals we need to be inclined to take matters into our own hands. Hasn't author Heidi Rathjen proved that the ordinary person can make changes? She epitomizes valour, strength and conviction.

Her life to date has made an incredible difference to us all. Thank you Heidi; we shall always remember and be grateful.

Marilyn Smith Carsley is a freelance writer living in Westmount.



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Happy howls for the 10th annual dog party



BY BRIDGET BLACKADER

The 10th Annual Dog Day Afternoon was a howling success. On Sunday, Nov. 28, a total of 64 woofs—with a couple of hundred of their favourite humans—squeezed into the concert hall of Victoria Hall for games and fun. Golden Retrievers and Labs of all colours chatted up Portuguese Waterdogs, Kerry Blues, Greyhounds, Poodles, Shelties, Bichons and others. The pug seemed to take a dim view of some of the proceedings, while the Irish Setter had something to say to everyone. The Great Dane held herself aloof, stepping aside daintily as one Golden towed his young mistress on her back around the floor—no dusting required for the Hall on Monday, eh?

The SPCA Montérégie (South Shore) collected a van-load of old linen, toys and food. Greyhound Rescue may have organized an adoption and the Westmount Historical Association sold engineer

caps and Montreal Melon seeds. Lakeshore Dog Training put on an impressive demo.

Door prizes worth from \$20 to \$40 were won by Dixie Pollock (Golden), Taylor Gentleman (Shepherd), Sushi Carvallo (Lhasa Apso), Basil Hayward (Portuguese Waterdog) and Mischief Wilkinson (Yellow Lab).

Everyone strutted their stuff in an all-breeds parade MC'd by Beryl Parker. Four young Westmounters acted as judges, helped along by Patricia Link and Beryl Parker. There were Louise Chen, Sophie Cowan, Peter Seragnian and Yasmina Raiani, who did a grand job of selecting winners under noisy circumstances. Marla Kott, as MC, kept the excitement and applause levels way up, while making sure events kept moving.

Everyone went in for the 'ears' contest, with Kaiya Lemoyne (Shepherd Mix) winning first, and Scherzo Chin (Sheltie) and Sophie Taylor (Roohound) coming second and third respectively. Gable Black (Lab-Whippet Mix) managed the greatest number of 'sits', with Cookie Mann (Golden Retriever) and Max McNeill (Pug) a close second and third. Getting the dogs to stand before they sat on command was difficult! The third event of howling had fewer competitors, but it was the loudest. Toto Kuroda (Yellow Lab) sang a duet with his Mum, while Dusty Kerr (Chocolate Lab with a smart necktie) and Dylan Levine (Wheaton Terrier) responded lustily to offered treats.

Our great thanks to everyone who helped organize this annual event, and to Le Pet Spa, JE Mondou, Little Bear and Dr. Vaillancourt, who supported it with great contributions. It's a lot of fun for all who come: news of the event made page 3 of Monday's Gazette! We look forward to seeing the whole gang again next year.

Bridget Blackader is president of the Westmount Dog Owners Association.

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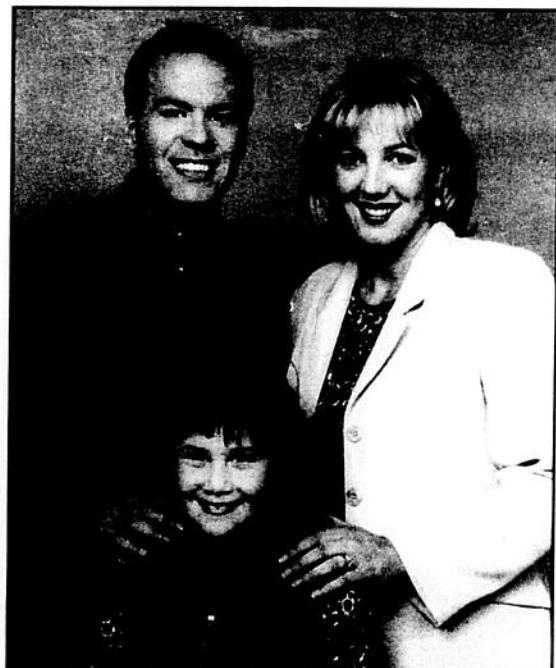
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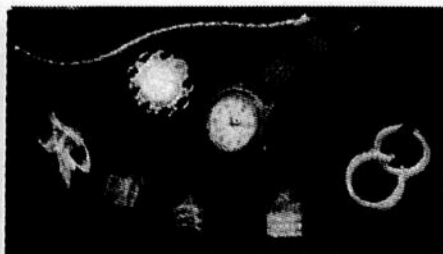
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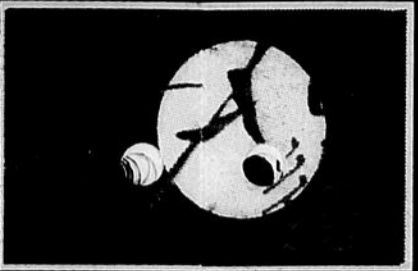


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NEW FACES AT CENTRE GREENE (LEFT TO RIGHT): Anna Johansson, Martin Garneau and Sarah Cartier.

Following a series of changes at Centre Greene over the past summer, there is a trio of new people in key positions at Westmount's community centre.

Martin Garneau has been president of Centre Greene's board of directors as of Sept. 16 while Mary Anne McNally, president since 1997, has stayed on as a board member and has assumed the chairmanship of Centre Greene's fundraising campaign.

A resident of Westmount, Garneau has been a director of Centre Greene since 1995. With degrees in social work and public administration, as well as designations in portfolio management and financial

planning, he presently works as a financial planner and investment advisor at a Montreal brokerage firm. He was founder of the First Greene Avenue Investment Club, which meets monthly at Centre Greene. He also provides a regularly-scheduled financial clinic on the third Wednesday of each month, which is free to the public.

Since August, there have been two other new faces at Centre Greene: Anna Johansson, a native of Knowlton, Que., has assumed the responsibility of coordinating Centre Green since Aug. 23. Currently working on a Ph.D in adult education at Université de Montreal, Johansson has worked for Concordia University as an academic counselor for varsity athletes and at the CLSC René-Cassin as a research assistant in the area of social gerontology.

Sarah Cartier, born in Halifax and raised in St. Lambert, is also new to Centre Greene. Since early September she has been coordinating the after school and 'ped' day programmes. She also animates the twice-weekly Tumbling Tots activities. A graduate of Dawson College's Community Recreation Leadership Training, Cartier has worked as programme coordinator of Earthroots, nature-based workshops for youth, and as a staff coordinator and head counselor for Camp Anglo-Fun, a residential summer camp for English as a Second Language instruction for francophone children.

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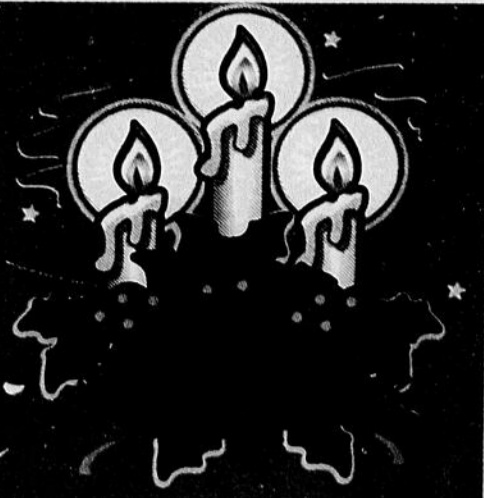
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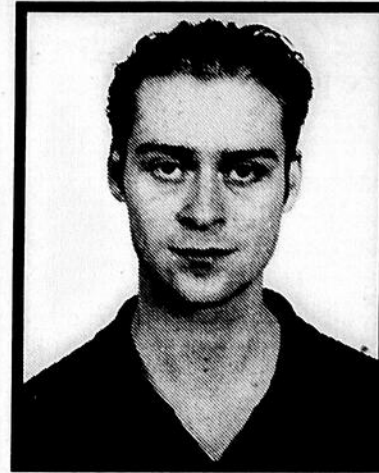
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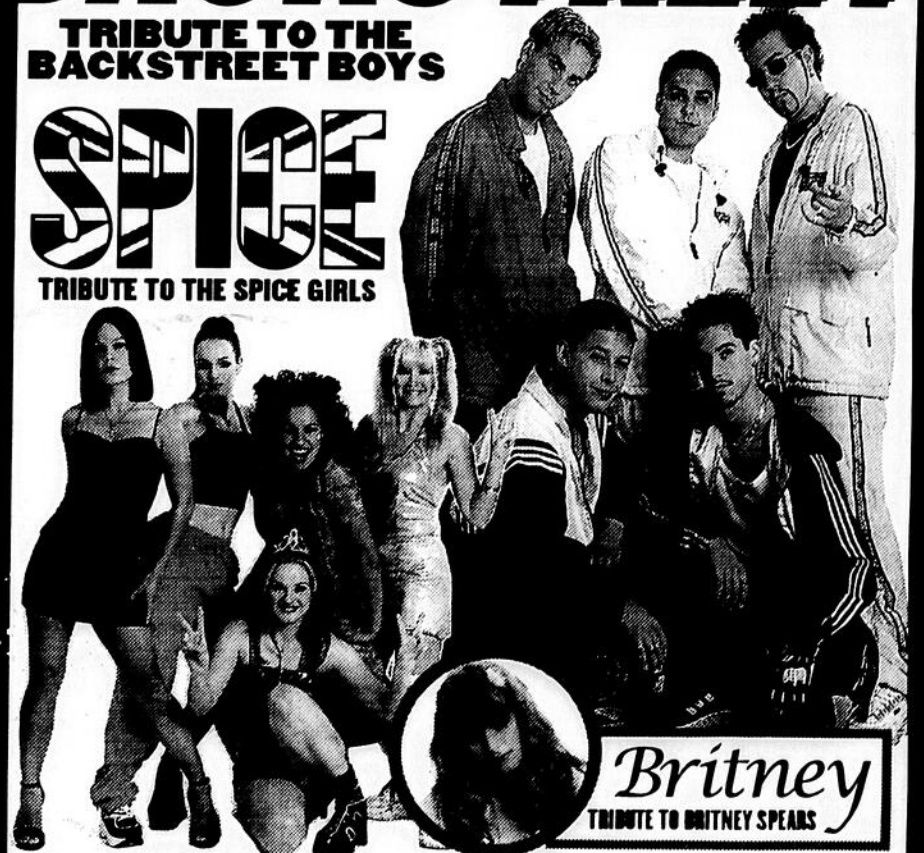
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**AVIS PUBLIC
DEMANDES DE PARTICIPATION
À UN RÉFÉRENDUM
SECOND PROJET DE RÈGLEMENT NUMÉRO 1265**



**PUBLIC NOTICE
APPLICATIONS TO TAKE PART IN
A REFERENDUM
SECOND DRAFT BY-LAW No. 1265**

Avis public est par les présentes donné par la soussignée, greffier adjoint intérimaire de la Ville de Westmount, de ce qui suit:

Westmount

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given by the undersigned, Interim Assistant City Clerk of the City of Westmount, of the following:

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1. At its general meeting held on 22nd November 1999, after the public consultation meeting held on 17th November 1999 in connection with the first draft By-law No. 1265, the municipal Council adopted a second draft By-law No. 1265, entitled "BY-LAW TO FURTHER AMEND BY-LAW 978 TO REGULATE ZONING IN THE CITY OF WESTMOUNT (INCREASING DISTRICT R6, RENAMED R6 PART 1, PURSUANT TO BY-LAW 1264, TO COMPRISE THE WHOLE OF DISTRICT C12)".

2. Toute personne intéressée, dans un district concerné d'où peut provenir une demande ou, selon le cas, dans un district contigu à celui-ci, peut signer une demande de participation à un référendum, requérant que les dispositions du second projet de règlement numéro 1265 qui sont susceptibles d'approbation soient effectivement soumises à l'approbation de certaines personnes habiles à voter.

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À cet égard, soyez avisés qu'une copie d'un résumé du second projet de règlement peut être obtenue sans frais par toute personne qui en fait la demande.

To that effect, please be advised that a copy of the summary of the second draft by-law may be obtained, free of charge, by any person who so requests.

Une demande visant à ce que les dispositions du règlement soient soumises à l'approbation des personnes habiles à voter peut provenir des districts concernés R6 et C12 et des zones et districts contigus suivants:

An application requiring that the provisions of the by-law be submitted for the approval of the qualified voters may originate from the concerned districts R6 and C12 and the following contiguous zones and districts:

DISTRICTS CONCERNÉS	ZONES ET DISTRICTS CONTIGUS
R6	R3-12, C5-11, C7, C10, C11, C12, C15 et la zone parc.
C12	R6 et C11.

DISTRICTS CONCERNED	CONTIGUOUS ZONES AND DISTRICTS
R6	R3-12, C5-11, C7, C10, C11, C12, C15 and the zone park
C12	R6 and C11

Une illustration des districts concernés et des zones et districts contigus à ceux-ci est jointe au présent avis. Un exemplaire à plus grande échelle de cette illustration et une description des zones et districts sont également disponibles pour consultation au bureau du greffier.

A sketch of the concerned districts and the contiguous zones and districts to said districts is attached to this notice. A large sketch and a description of the districts are also available for consultation at the office of the City Clerk.

3. Vous pouvez en outre obtenir les renseignements suivants du bureau du greffier en communiquant au 989-5253 ou en vous présentant à son bureau à l'hôtel de Ville durant les heures d'affaires:

3. The City Clerk's Office can provide you with the following information at 989-5253 or in person at City Hall during regular business hours:

- a) les personnes intéressées qui ont le droit de signer une demande et à l'égard de quelles dispositions elles peuvent le faire;
- b) l'objectif d'une telle demande et ses conditions de validité;
- c) le nombre de signataires potentiels dans votre district;
- d) toute autre information pour la bonne compréhension de la démarche.

- a) the interested persons which are entitled to sign an application and in respect of which provision;

4. Pour être valide, toute demande doit:

- b) the object of such an application and the conditions of its validity;
- c) the number of potential signatories in your district;
- d) any other information you may need to gain a better understanding of the application process;

- a) indiquer clairement la disposition qui en fait l'objet et le district d'où elle provient; et
- b) être reçue au bureau du greffier de la Ville au plus tard le 10 décembre 1999; et
- c) être signée par au moins 12 personnes intéressées du district d'où elle provient ou par au moins la majorité d'entre elles si le nombre de personnes intéressées dans le district n'excède pas 21.

4. To be valid an application must:

- a) State clearly the provision to which it refers and the district from which it originates, and;
- b) be received by the Office of the City Clerk not later than 10th December 1999 and;
- c) be signed by at least 12 interested persons from the district from which it originates or by a majority of them if their number does not exceed 21.

5. Est une personne intéressée d'un district toute personne qui n'est frappée d'aucune incapacité de voter et qui remplit les conditions suivantes le 22 novembre 1999:

5. Shall be considered as an interested person from a district, any person not under any voting disqualification and who, on 22nd November 1999:

- a) est majeure, de citoyenneté canadienne et n'est pas en curatelle;
- b) est domiciliée dans un district de la municipalité d'où peut provenir une demande et, depuis au moins 6 mois au Québec; ou
- c) est, depuis au moins 12 mois, propriétaire d'un immeuble ou l'occupant d'un lieu d'affaires situé dans un district d'où peut provenir une demande;
- d) condition supplémentaire pour les propriétaires uniques d'un immeuble et les occupants uniques d'un lieu d'affaires: produire en même temps que la signature de la demande un écrit signé par le propriétaire ou l'occupant demandant l'inscription éventuelle sur la liste référendaire;
- e) condition supplémentaire aux copropriétaires indivis d'un immeuble et aux cooccupants d'un lieu d'affaires: être désigné, au moyen d'une procuration signée par la majorité d'entre eux, comme le seul des copropriétaires ou des cooccupants qui a le droit d'être inscrit sur la liste référendaire à titre de propriétaire de l'immeuble ou occupant du lieu d'affaires (Note: un copropriétaire ou cooccupant ne peut être désigné s'il est par ailleurs qualifié à titre de personne domiciliée, de propriétaire unique d'un immeuble ou d'occupant unique d'un lieu d'affaires). La procuration doit être produite avec la demande;

- a) is of full age, a Canadian citizen and is not under curatorship;
- b) is domiciled in a district from which an application may originate and, since at least 6 months in Quebec; or
- c) is, since at least 12 months, owner of an immovable or occupant of a place of business situated in a district from which an application may originate;
- d) additional condition for sole owners of an immovable and sole occupants of a place of business: file, at the same time as the application, a written request by the owner or the occupant asking for the eventual inscription on the referendum list;
- e) additional condition for co-owners of an immovable or co-occupants of a place of business: designate, from among themselves, by means of a power of attorney signed by the majority of them, a person as being the only co-owner or co-occupant having the right to have his or her name entered on the referendum list as owner of the immovable or as the co-occupant of the place of business. The power of attorney must be filed with the application. (Note: the co-owner or co-occupant can not be designated if he or she is otherwise qualified as a voter, either as a person domiciled, as the sole owner of an immovable or as the sole occupant of a place of business);

f) toute personne morale doit désigner parmi ses membres, administrateurs ou employés, par résolution, une personne qui, le 22 novembre 1999, et au moment d'exercer ce droit, est majeure et de citoyenneté canadienne. La résolution doit être produite avec la demande.

f) a legal person must designate by resolution one of its members, directors or employees who, on 22nd November 1999 and at the time of exercising such right, is of full age and a Canadian citizen. The resolution must be filed with the application.

6. Les dispositions qui n'auront fait l'objet d'aucune demande valide pourront être incluses dans un règlement qui n'aura pas à être approuvé par les personnes habiles à voter.

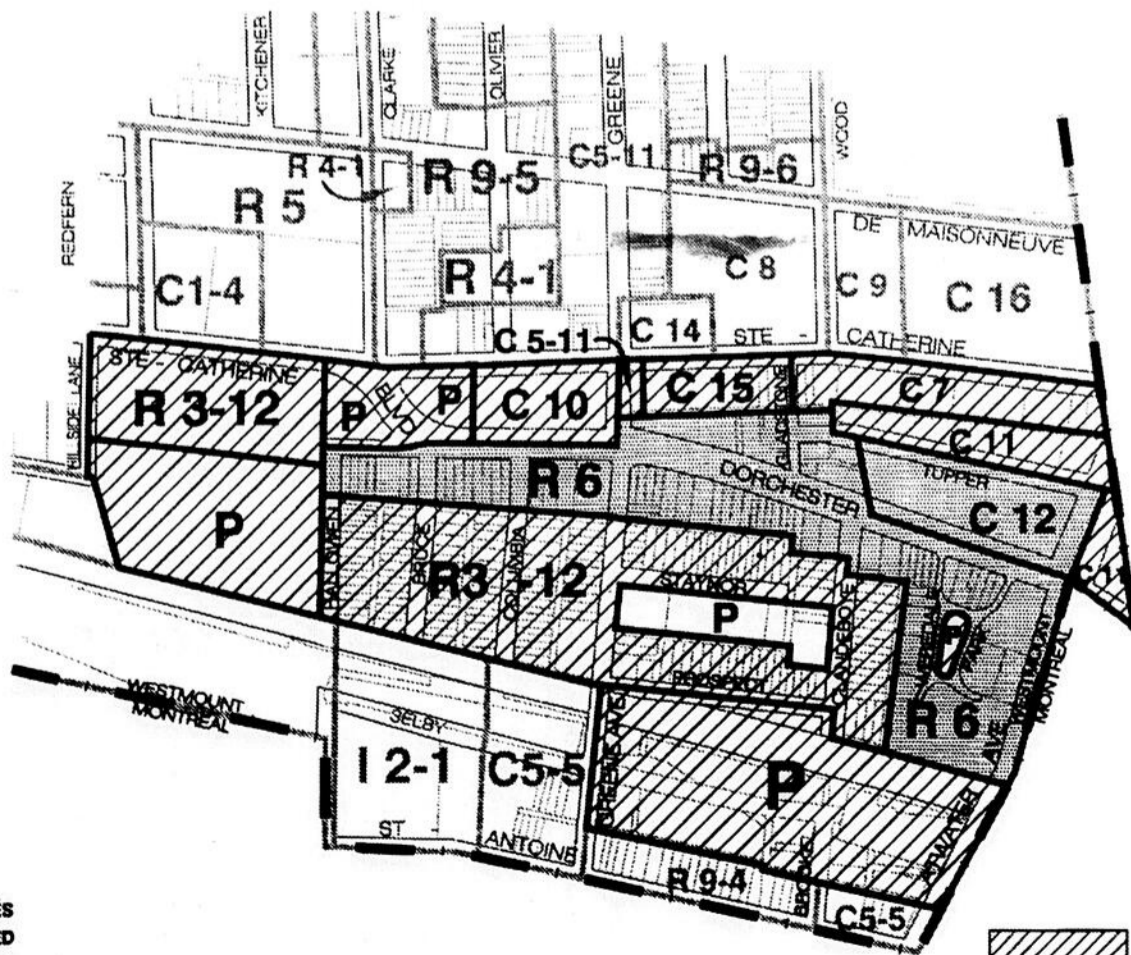
6. The provisions in respect of which no valid application is received may be included in a by-law that is not required to be submitted for the approval of the qualified voters.

7. Le second projet de règlement numéro 1265 peut être consulté au bureau du greffier, à l'hôtel de Ville, au 4333, rue Sherbrooke, Westmount, Québec, du lundi au vendredi inclusivement, durant les heures régulières de bureau, soit de 8h30 à 16h30.

7. The second draft By-law 1265 may be consulted at the Office of the City Clerk, at City Hall, 4333 Sherbrooke West, Westmount, Quebec, from Monday to Friday, inclusively, during regular office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

DONNÉ À WESTMOUNT, ce 2ième jour de décembre 1999
Me Nancy Gagnon,
Greffier Adjoint intérimaire
de la Ville

GIVEN at Westmount, Quebec, this 2nd December 1999.
Me Nancy Gagnon,
Interim Assistant
City Clerk



**DISTRICTS CONCERNÉS
DISTRICTS CONCERNED**

**ZONES ET DISTRICTS CONTIGUS
CONTIGUOUS ZONES AND DISTRICTS**

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this results, to a large degree, in double taxation for police services.

Where we clearly disagree is in his criticism of our city politicians as being inept in opposing these imposed cuts arising from the MUC and/or Quebec's downloading attempts. Mr. Sperlich should not blame our municipal politicians for such cut-backs, given that Westmount, through the leadership of Mayor Peter Trent, continuously opposes cut-backs to police presence (including the prior elimination attempt of Stanton), a phenomena encountered by all cities in the MUC territory.

Further, when Mr. Sperlich states that our 20 PSOs are not required, "sit on their bureaucratic butts" or do not perform valuable services, he is unfairly tarnishing the reputations of highly-trained, courageous, courteous and professional officers. They also interact with our youth at the library, Victoria Hall, the arena, in parks and at 16 Westmount schools. They serve as a role model for many of such youths.

Our PSO is intimately aware of our city. Other than certain MUC officers (who have been posted at Stanton for years), many police officers do not know the street locations and trouble areas with our city, as they rotate through Stanton in their MUC training programs. Police at Stanton, to their credit, interact very well with our PSOs.

Twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year, PSOs patrol the boundaries of our city, not only to ensure that traffic is controlled at local schools, but, equally important, to help

provide citizens with a secure environment, responding, as well, to direct calls for assistance from citizens.

A couple of examples that were personally viewed was their prompt and firm securing of a fire site across from the RCMP building, allowing their fire-fighting colleagues undisturbed access while preventing danger to citizens or vehicles. Following the 1993 Stanley Cup victory, PSOs in only four yellow vehicles, in a creative manner, continuously circled the Atwater/Wood/de Maisonneuve/St. Catherine block for hours, preventing a rowdy crowd from accessing Westmount property and leaving the impression that there was a multitude of security protecting Westmount property and its citizens while the police were pre-occupied with other MUC territory.

Yes, they do issue parking tickets from time to time, but meter parking tickets are generally the domain of other department staff, who are often subject to questionable, infant-like conduct from recipients.

The merchants on Greene and in the Victoria Village all contribute to the tax base of the City, many of whom support our community activities in other ways as well. These merchants must have a flow of customers entering their stores, and parking meters facilitate this.

Contrary to Mr. Sperlich's allegation, according to my telephone call to our Financial Department, ticket revenues do not cover the salaries of all PSOs and ticket inspectors, as well as all the operating expenses for the vehicles (including depreciation).

The actual motivation for Mr. Sperlich's

diatribe is not evident. However, he should consider an apology for condemning a very valued Westmount asset—our Public Security Department, which is an integral and required resource of our community's safety net.

We are indeed fortunate to have these skilled people as valued members of a larger group of very dedicated employees.

Howard B. Hoppenheim
The Boulevard

"Never again!" PM Chrétien vows

To the editor:

"That will never happen again! Never again!" Prime Minister Jean Chrétien told Liberals last week, referring to the dismal performance of the 'No' side in the cliffhanger Quebec referendum four years ago.

The Globe and Mail in a front page story last week that was not mentioned in The Gazette reported, "The campaign was run by a coalition of No forces, he said, adding that there were meetings at which there were no federal representatives, no Canadian flags and no national anthem..."

The Globe and Mail called his speech "fiery", The National Post called it "passionate" and The Toronto Star called it "emotional". The Gazette had no words for it; it was not covered. Perhaps it was felt that it was 'old hat', that it was not news. That's the kindest interpretation.

The "never again" statement is of particular interest to Westmounters because our member of Parliament, Lucienne Robillard, was the 'designated hitter' of federal forces in 1995, having been parachuted there from Westmount when David Berger was jettisoned. Mme Robillard, now that the cat is out of the bag, may recall what happened in the campaign. Surely we will not have to wait for her memoirs.

Determined to go ahead with measures to protect Quebecers, both French and English, from headlong action by a separatist government, Mr. Chrétien attracted the attention of the national dailies.

The Gazette, on the other hand, gave front and centre to people who oppose his strategy, the main headline declaring, "Critics ask Chrétien: Why now?" People I have talked to—and they don't include high profile commentators—say, "Why not now?"

On the day of the Chrétien speech, The Gazette ran a commentary by L. Ian MacDonald asking, "Why create a winning condition?" that drew some reader heat and then another article followed, by Lawrence Martin, labeled "Chrétien's dangerous gambit".

I am not a member of Jean Chrétien's fan club, but I will have to concede that he is the first prime minister in 30 years—and that includes the Trudeau and Mulroney years—to declare: *Ils ne passeront pas*. They shall not pass.

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The trials of private school entrance exams

One parent's story about the harrowing ordeal of 'getting in'

BY JAN KALUZA

Education. What a thorny issue! After relationships and weight, it must rank as one of the major concerns of the fin de siècle.

In an age of 'hands on' parenting, we don't want our children growing up thick as two short planks for obvious reasons. 'My son the plumber' doesn't quite have the same ring as 'my son the doctor' (although if the plumber who unblocked my sink is anything to go by, plumbers can earn a fortune).

I'm not what you'd call a pushy or ambitious parent—too time-consuming, too expensive and ultimately counter-productive.

It was my son who declared he wanted to try out for a private school for grade seven. "Then you'll have to sit the entrance exam," I told him.

"Okay," he shrugged, giving little thought to how challenging the academic program would be. At this point he was more interested in making the school hockey team.

He had no idea how competitive it would turn out to be. Even I thought it would be a breeze. I had it all figured out: he'd sit the exam, I'd pay the fees and voila! take the photos of him toggged out in his uniform and send to his British grandparents across the pond. Wrong!

"He must take them all," pressed friends with kids already in the private sector. Just in case. A panicky feeling of déjà vu overcame me. We had said good riddance to the education rat race in London, England, where my children's classmates had been assigned after-school tutors even before the poor little lisping darlings could pronounce their R's. Now we would have to contend with stress, pressure and burnout—Canadian-style.

We parents also had the added injury of being hit in the wallet. My husband envisaged (correctly) all manner of sacrifices, both personal and financial, being made upon his person. I know several families who have down-graded their homes, flogged the 4-wheel drive and curtailed vacations indefinitely in order to give their

children a decent education. Students from common-or-garden backgrounds rub uniformed shoulders with rich kids to-the-manor-born: You're just as likely to hear the names of Wayne and Tracie being screamed across the playground as Edward and Elizabeth.

With the growing disillusionment of the public school system—which, let's not mince words here, is going to the dogs—

more and more parents are scrimping and saving their money to invest in their children's future. Yes, it makes the private sector more user-friendly, but by the same token it is competitive, business-like and ultimately more difficult to get accepted. How often did I hear the words "If he gets in..." being uttered by tentative parents, including myself. Don't kid yourself into believing that a brainier kid than yours won't be selected first. And bribery won't work either, although I'm sure one or two unscrupulous parents have been known to flash their cheque books.

But there was no time to think negatively. We had to get cracking on our homework; there was so much stuff to compile that the sheer volume of paperwork must have constituted a whole tree. Myriads of forms were filled in, birth certificates and inoculation slips produced. Submission of references from our son's current teachers and headmaster along with report cards, and, in our case, immigration papers. So much information had to be duplicated that I spent a lunch hour chained to a Xerox machine.

One school asked parents to fill in detailed information about their child:

his personality, his likes and dislikes and how he conducted himself at home and in the neighbourhood. Did he take the garbage out, for instance, or help little old ladies cross the street? I wrote what I thought were honest, succinct answers with a tinge of wit so as to appear more "human". Oh, at the very least worth a B-plus for effort!

Then of course there were the Open Houses to attend, wads of literature about the schools to digest; prospective teachers and headmasters and admissions people to meet, most of whom were friendly and helpful, a delight to deal with in fact.

I had a soft spot for the charismatic head whose favourite record happened to be the same as mine—the Beatles' White Album. And the kindly old priest who taught at the Catholic boys school (he seemed as if he might have imbibed the Holy Communion wine, bless him). He wished us luck even though the odds were stacked against us,

seeing that we are not Catholic. Of the 300-plus boys who sat the exam, only about 120 candidates would be accepted, from which only 10 per cent would be non-Catholic. That mathematical equation meant Alex would be in the non-Catholic band of around 12 boys.

Even the non-denominational schools seemed to have about three times the number of applicants as places. The 'better sit them all' philosophy seemed to apply to everyone, because at every school I kept seeing the same boys and the same parents, to the point where we all began acknowledging one another with a nod and a smile.

All proceeded to go hunky dory until I had

a run-in with an admissions person. You know, the type who winks you with a look and smiles through gritted teeth. I was chastised by her in no uncertain terms because my son had the nerve to want to sit an exam at School X the very same time that her school was sitting theirs. "Well I don't know if I can fit him in on any other day!" she sniffed. Not easily intimidated, I said that was her problem not mine and laughingly thought to myself that the battle-axe personality I assumed had gone out with the arc was still alive and kicking in NDG. To my dismay, I later heard that another parent whose son also wanted to sit the two exams hadn't taken this woman as lightly as I had, and subsequently cancelled the exam with School X.

Alex sat four entrance exams in rapid succession. Can you imagine yourself taking four consecutive driving tests without feeling stressed to the max? A confident person though my son is, the pressure showed imperceptibly in his Terrier-like expression of slightly puzzled concern. However, the lure of playing hockey for a school team did keep his pecker up, and we had told him beforehand, "Just do your best, son."

To everyone's delight, he made the school of his dreams, a place he had talked ceaselessly about for months. "I picture myself at Selwyn House, mum," he would say with sweet and simple confidence. Meanwhile, I was having kittens every time the postman delivered the mail. All through last December, as we waited for the results, our hearts would literally do backward flips every time we heard the plop of a delivered letter falling on the hall mat.

With the jubilant news, all the panicking stopped. It's like having a baby—once it's delivered, you forget the pain. Call me silly, but I got all choked up when I saw my son in his crisp new uniform that first school morning. He looked so handsome and grown up. They were tears of joy as well as tears of relief that he had actually made it.

Plato said that education is teaching our children to find pleasure in the right things. As parents and educators, that's what we should all strive for.

Jan Kaluza lives in Westmount.

How often did I hear the words "If he gets in..." being uttered by tentative parents, including myself.

St. George's celebrates new wing



St. George's Elementary School opened its \$1.2 million wing with a gala celebration two weeks ago, with several of the project's benefactors in attendance. Shown here are (left to right) board member Marisol Santos, Mayor Peter Trent and St. George's principal Jim Officer.

How cold was it?



Families of Terre des Enfants Childhood Centre celebrated National Child Day recently with a pot luck dinner and special entertainment for the children. Here Jane Barclay (center) and Janice Donato read from their children's book 'How Cold Was It?' with the help of four-year-old Akina Fay.

**AVIS PUBLIC
DEMANDES DE PARTICIPATION
À UN RÉFÉRENDUM
SECOND PROJET DE RÈGLEMENT
NUMÉRO 1264**



**PUBLIC NOTICE
APPLICATIONS TO TAKE PART
IN A REFERENDUM
SECOND DRAFT
BY-LAW No. 1264**

Avis public est par les présentes donné par la soussignée, greffier adjoint intérimaire de la Ville de Westmount, de ce qui suit:

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given by the undersigned, Interim Assistant City Clerk of the City of Westmount, of the following:

Westmount

1. Lors de sa séance régulière du 22 novembre 1999, à la suite de l'assemblée publique de consultation tenue le 17 novembre 1999 sur le premier projet de règlement numéro 1264, le conseil municipal a adopté un second projet de règlement portant le numéro 1264, intitulé: «RÈGLEMENT MODIFIANT À NOUVEAU LE RÈGLEMENT 978 VISANT À RÉGLEMENTER LE ZONAGE DANS LA VILLE DE WESTMOUNT (NOUVELLE DÉNOMINATION DU DISTRICT R6 EN R6 PARTIE 1 ET CRÉATION DE LA DEUXIÈME PARTIE DU DISTRICT R6)»;

1. At its general meeting held on 22nd November 1999, after the public consultation meeting held on 17th November 1999 in connection with the first draft By-law No. 1264, the municipal Council adopted a second draft By-law No. 1264, entitled "BY-LAW TO FURTHER AMEND BY-LAW 978 TO REGULATE ZONING IN THE CITY OF WESTMOUNT (RENAMING OF DISTRICT R6 AS DISTRICT R6 PART 1 AND CREATION OF THE SECOND PART OF DISTRICT R6)";

2. Toute personne intéressée, dans un district concerné d'où peut provenir une demande ou, selon le cas, dans un district contigu à celui-ci, peut signer une demande de participation à un référendum, requérant que les dispositions du second projet de règlement numéro 1264 qui sont susceptibles d'approbation soient effectivement soumises à l'approbation de certaines personnes habiles à voter.

2. Any interested person in a concerned district from which an application may originate or in a contiguous district to said district may sign an application to take part in a referendum requiring that the provisions contained in the said second draft By-law no. 1264 which are subject to approval be submitted for approval by certain qualified voters.

À cet égard, soyez avisés qu'une copie d'un résumé du second projet de règlement peut être obtenue sans frais par toute personne qui en fait la demande.

To that effect, please be advised that a copy of the summary of the second draft by-law may be obtained, free of charge, by any person who so requests.

Une demande visant à ce que les dispositions du règlement soient soumises à l'approbation des personnes habiles à voter peut provenir des districts concernés R4-3, R4-5 et C1-3 et des zones et districts contigus suivants:

An application requiring that the provisions of the by-law be submitted for the approval of the qualified voters may originate from the concerned districts R4-3, R4-5 and C1-3 and the following contiguous zones and districts:

DISTRICTS CONCERNÉS	ZONES ET DISTRICTS CONTIGUS
R4-3	I3, R3-11, R4-5, R11 et C1-3.
R4-5	R3-11, R4-3, R9-2, C1-3, C2, C5-4, C-6.
C1-3	R3-12, R4-3, R4-5, R9-2, R11, C5-4, C6, et la zone parc.

DISTRICTS CONCERNED	CONTIGUOUS ZONES AND DISTRICTS
R4-3	I3, R3-11, R4-5, R11 and C1-3.
R4-5	R3-11, R4-3, R9-2, C1-3, C2, C5-4, C-6.
C1-3	R3-12, R4-3, R4-5, R9-2, R11, C5-4, C6, and the zone park.

Une illustration des districts concernés et des zones et districts contigus à ceux-ci est jointe au présent avis. Un exemplaire à plus grande échelle de cette illustration et une description des zones et districts sont également disponibles pour consultation au bureau du greffier.

A sketch of the concerned districts and the contiguous zones and districts to said districts is attached to this notice. A large sketch and a description of the districts are also available for consultation at the office of the City Clerk.

3. Vous pouvez en outre obtenir les renseignements suivants du bureau du greffier en communiquant au 989-5253 ou en vous présentant à son bureau à l'hôtel de Ville durant les heures d'affaires:

3. The City Clerk's Office can provide you with the following information at 989-5253 or in person at City Hall during regular business hours:

- a) les personnes intéressées qui ont le droit de signer une demande et à l'égard de quelles dispositions elles peuvent le faire;
- b) l'objectif d'une telle demande et ses conditions de validité;
- c) le nombre de signataires potentiels dans votre district;
- d) toute autre information pour la bonne compréhension de la démarche.

- a) the interested persons which are entitled to sign an application and in respect of which provision;
- b) the object of such an application and the conditions of its validity;
- c) the number of potential signatories in your district;
- d) any other information you may need to gain a better understanding of the application process;

4. Pour être valide, toute demande doit:

4. To be valid an application must:

- a) indiquer clairement la disposition qui en fait l'objet et le district d'où elle provient; et
- b) être reçue au bureau du greffier de la Ville **au plus tard le 10 décembre 1999**; et
- c) être signée par au moins 12 personnes intéressées du district d'où elle provient ou par au moins la majorité d'entre elles si le nombre de personnes intéressées dans le district n'excède pas 21.

- a) State clearly the provision to which it refers and the district from which it originates, and;
- b) be received by the Office of the City Clerk not later than **10th December 1999** and;
- c) be signed by at least 12 interested persons from the district from which it originates or by a majority of them if their number does not exceed 21;

5. Est une personne intéressée d'un district toute personne qui n'est frappée d'aucune incapacité de voter et qui remplit les conditions suivantes, le **22 novembre 1999**:

5. Shall be considered as an interested person from a district, any person not under any voting disqualification and who, on **22nd November 1999**:

- a) est majeure, de citoyenneté canadienne et n'est pas en curatelle;
- b) est domiciliée dans un district de la municipalité d'où peut provenir une demande et, depuis au moins 6 mois au Québec; ou
- c) est, depuis au moins 12 mois, propriétaire d'un immeuble ou l'occupant d'un lieu d'affaires situé dans un district d'où peut provenir une demande;
- d) condition supplémentaire pour les propriétaires uniques d'un immeuble et les occupants uniques d'un lieu d'affaires: produire en même temps que la signature de la demande un écrit signé par le propriétaire ou l'occupant demandant l'inscription éventuelle sur la liste référendaire;
- e) condition supplémentaire aux copropriétaires indivis d'un immeuble et aux cooccupants d'un lieu d'affaires: être désigné, au moyen d'une procuration signée par la majorité d'entre eux, comme le seul des copropriétaires ou des cooccupants qui a le droit d'être inscrit sur la liste référendaire à titre de propriétaire ou occupant du lieu d'affaires (Note: un copropriétaire ou cooccupant ne peut être désigné s'il est par ailleurs qualifié à titre de personne domiciliée, de propriétaire unique d'un immeuble ou d'occupant unique d'un lieu d'affaires). La procuration doit être produite avec la demande.
- f) toute personne morale doit désigner parmi ses membres, administrateurs ou employés, par résolution, une personne qui, le 22 novembre 1999, et au moment d'exercer ce droit, est majeure et de citoyenneté canadienne. La résolution doit être produite avec la demande.

- a) is of full age, a Canadian citizen and is not under curatorship;
- b) is domiciled in a district from which an application may originate and, since at least 6 months in Quebec; or
- c) is, since at least 12 months, owner of an immovable or occupant of a place of business situated in a district from which an application may originate;
- d) additional condition for sole owners of an immovable and sole occupants of a place of business: file, at the same time as the application, a written request by the owner or the occupant asking for the eventual inscription on the referendum list;
- e) additional condition for co-owners of an immovable or co-occupants of a place of business: designate, from among themselves, by means of a power of attorney signed by the majority of them, a person as being the only co-owner or co-occupant having the right to have his or her name entered on the referendum list as owner of the immovable or as the co-occupant of the place of business. The power of attorney must be filed with the application. (Note: the co-owner or co-occupant can not be designated if he or she is otherwise qualified as a voter, either as a person domiciled, as the sole owner of an immovable or as the sole occupant of a place of business);
- f) a legal person must designate by resolution one of its members, directors or employees who, on 22nd November 1999 and at the time of exercising such right, is of full age and a Canadian citizen. The resolution must be filed with the application.

6. Les dispositions qui n'auront fait l'objet d'aucune demande valide pourront être incluses dans un règlement qui n'aura pas à être approuvé par les personnes habiles à voter;

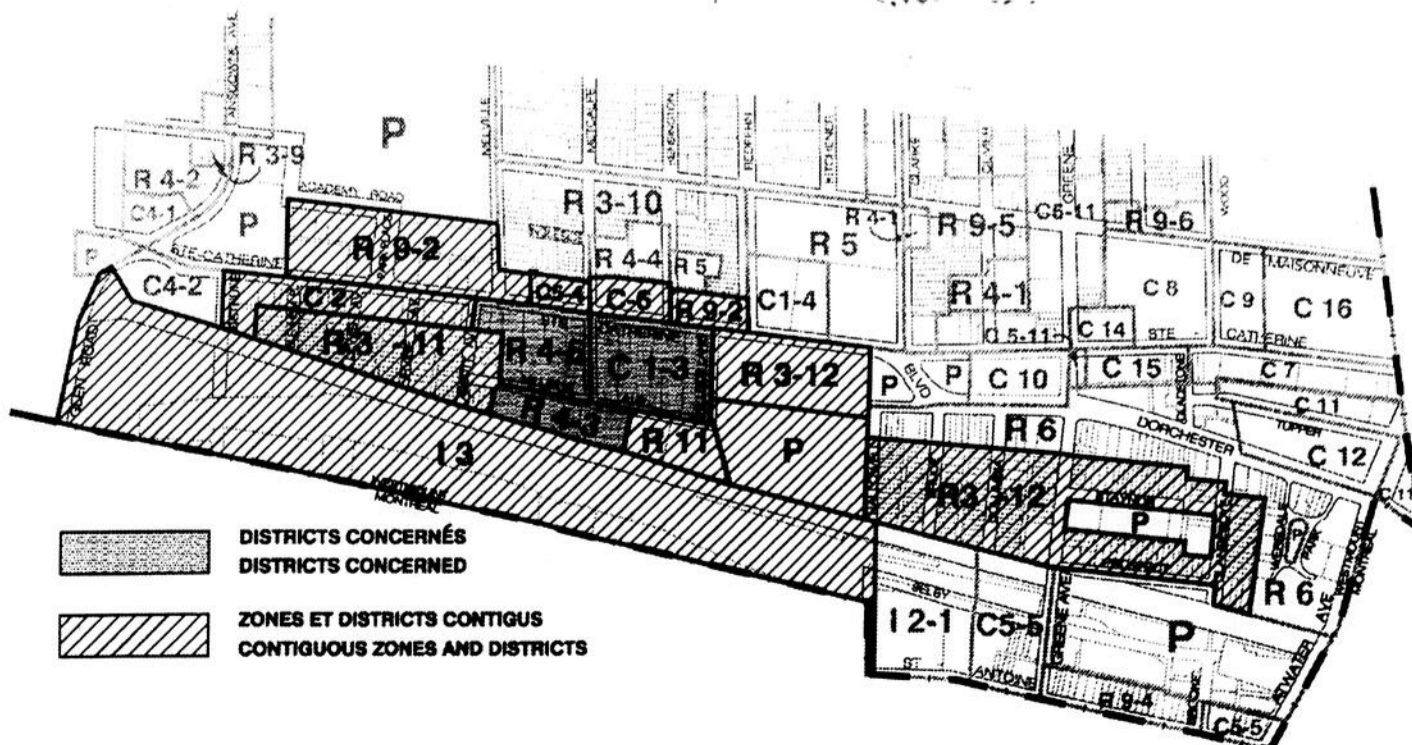
6. The provisions in respect of which no valid application is received may be included in a by-law that is not required to be submitted for the approval of the qualified voters;

7. Le second projet de règlement numéro 1264 peut être consulté au bureau du greffier, à l'hôtel de Ville, au 4333, rue Sherbrooke, Westmount, Québec, du lundi au vendredi inclusivement, durant les heures régulières de bureau, soit de 8h30 à 16h30.

7. The second draft By-law 1264 may be consulted at the Office of the City Clerk, at City Hall, 4333 Sherbrooke West, Westmount, Quebec, from Monday to Friday, inclusively, during regular office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

DONNÉ À WESTMOUNT, ce 2^{ème} jour de décembre 1999
Me Nancy Gagnon
Greffier
Adjoint Intérimaire de la Ville

GIVEN at Westmount, Quebec, this 2nd December 1999.
Me Nancy Gagnon
Interim Assistant, City Clerk



BRIEFS

Amnesty for library fines

The Westmount Public Library has launched its annual 'Food For Fines' drive to support Westmount Protective Service's Christmas food basket campaign.

As in past years, those with overdue books or audiovisual material are encouraged to bring in non-perishable food items, which will be collected instead of a fine.

Food items will be handed over to Protective Services for its annual food drive to aid needy residents in the community. If no food items are given for late books, the regular fine will be collected and donated to the same cause.

The library's 'Food For Fines' drive continues until Friday, Dec. 17, when the PSOs and firefighters begin distributing their Christmas food baskets around the city.

City solidifies snow pact

After a successful venture last year, snow collected from Westmount's streets will be dumped in Ville LaSalle again this winter. The agreement was ratified with the passing of Bylaw 1266 on Nov. 22, which authorizes the City of Westmount to enter into an agreement with the City of LaSalle to use its St. Patrick-Angrignon dumping site for the disposal of snow.

It was pointed out that this is a much more efficient arrangement than the previous deal with the City of Montreal, as the return trip to Montreal's Pier 30 is 29 kilometres, and the return trip to the LaSalle dumping site is only 12 kilometres.

Y takes wholistic approach

A growing interest in the wholistic approach to health has encouraged the Westmount YMCA to host a workshop on the subject on Tuesday, Dec 14 at 7 p.m. Workshop topics will include the body's messages, sensory overload, the role of emotions, etc. The workshop facilitator is Michael Greenstein, a wholistic teacher and therapist who presented a talk on wholism at the Y in late September. To register for this workshop call 931-8046.

Where are all the Beavers?

No, not the fury ones with the flat tail, but boys and girls ages 5 to 7 years old.

"Westmount District—St. Matthias' Scouting group is actively seeking new members to join the rank of Beavers," said president Shirley Carreiro.

The Beavers meet every Monday evenings from 6 to 7 p.m. at St. Matthias' Anglican Church (entrance on Côte St. Antoine).

This is a great opportunity for your child to learn many skills and have fun doing it. The flexible program is based upon the theme of beavers and the beaver colony. It focuses on sharing and learning in a group situation in harmony with nature. Beavers help children learn basic social skills and gain self-confidence through a variety of games, crafts, music, storytelling, playacting and the outdoors.

Should you wish further information, please call Shirley Carreiro at 391-3431.

Westmounter excels on AP exams

Danny Sokoloff was recently named AP Scholar by the College Board in recognition of his exceptional achievement on the college-level AP examinations.

Selected as the Canadian National Scholar, Scholar with Distinction and recipient of the Diploma for Overseas Study, Sokoloff earned an average grade of 4.18 (out of a possible 5), which puts him in the top 13 percentile of the more than 700,000 students who took AP examinations. Most colleges and universities award credit, advanced placement or both for grades of 3 or higher. Sokoloff is a graduate of St. George's High School, and is currently attending Oberlin University in Ohio.

**AVIS D'ADOPTION
RÈGLEMENT 1266**

AVIS PUBLIC est par les présentes donné à tous ceux qui peuvent être concernés que le Règlement 1266 intitulé «RÈGLEMENT AUTORISANT LA VILLE DE WESTMOUNT À CONCLURE UNE ENTENTE AVEC LA VILLE DE LASALLE RELATIVEMENT À L'UTILISATION DU SITE DE DISPOSITION ST-PATRICK-ANGRIGNON POUR LA DISPOSITION DE LA NEIGE» a été adopté par le Conseil municipal de la Ville de Westmount, lors d'une séance générale tenue à l'Hôtel de Ville le 22 novembre 1999.

L'objet et le but dudit règlement est de conclure une entente, avec la ville de LaSalle, relativement à l'utilisation du site de disposition St-Patrick-Angrignon pour la disposition de la neige au cours de la saison hivernale 1999-2000.

Ledit règlement entre en vigueur conformément à la loi.

Toute personne intéressée peut consulter ledit règlement et en obtenir copie au bureau du greffier de la ville de Westmount, 4333, rue Sherbrooke ouest, Westmount, Québec, du lundi au vendredi, inclusivement, durant les heures d'affaires, soit de 8 h 30 à 16 h 30.

DONNÉ à Westmount, Québec, cc 2e jour de décembre 1999.

Me Marie-France Paquet
Greffier de la Ville



**NOTICE OF ADOPTION
BY-LAW 1266**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to all who may be concerned that By-law 1266 entitled "BY-LAW TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF WESTMOUNT TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF LASALLE TO USE THE ST. PATRICK-ANGRIGNON DISPOSAL SITE FOR THE DISPOSAL OF SNOW" was adopted by the Municipal Council of the City of Westmount at a general sitting held at the City Hall on 22nd November 1999.

The object and purpose of the said By-law is to enter into an agreement, with the City of LaSalle, relating to the use of the St. Patrick/Angrignon disposal site for the disposal of snow during the 1999-2000 winter season.

The said by-law comes into force according to law.

Any interested person may consult the said By-law and obtain copies thereof at the Office of the City Clerk of Westmount, 4333 Sherbrooke, Westmount, Quebec, from Monday to Friday, inclusive, during regular office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

GIVEN at Westmount, Quebec, this 2nd day of December 1999.

Me Marie-France Paquet
City Clerk

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The Westmount Examiner is proud to be involved in this fundraising event for the benefit of the Sainte-Justine Hospital Foundation.

The Examiner would like to encourage all its readers to give generously to the Sainte-Justine Hospital Foundation during this holiday season. To all, happy holidays and heartfelt thanks for your generosity.



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For the love of children

The **Sainte-Justine Hospital Foundation** is collecting funds in order to allow Sainte-Justine Hospital, the university mother-child hospital centre of Quebec, to better meet its primary needs in terms of health care, research, teaching, evaluation and health promotion.

The money collected through this fundraiser will allow the purchase of an echocardiograph for the hospital's mother-child program. This machine allows Sainte-Justine's specialists to evaluate accurately evaluate and without risk the anatomy and the functions of the fetal heart. This allows for detection of congenital heart defects and heart rate problems of the fetus and if necessary, to adequately remedy the problem.

Right now, the hospital has only one machine. In order to meet the many demands, a second machine is absolutely necessary.

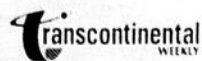
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Geordie initiates subscription series

Geordie Theatre Productions recently announced its first-ever family subscription series, to be presented at the D.B. Clarke Theatre at Concordia University.

The company has always enjoyed the strong support of Westmounters whose efforts and strong attendance have helped to make it a successful theatre for young audiences. Besides enjoying the shows, many Westmounters have donated their time to serve on its board of directors over the years.

Geordie Theatre Productions began in Westmount through the creative effort of Elsa Bolam, who remains artistic director, and her Westmount neighbours including: Christina Bartholl and Jim and Nancy Wright, Joan Rothman and Nancy Gallop.

Nineteen years later, Geordie is still alive and well and creating a vibrant presence in Westmount schools with its school touring

season. The new subscription series was first seen as a millennium project, but ideas are already in the works for coming seasons.

The first play, in January, 'For Art's Sake' by Canadian playwright Colin Heath, is about a child's adventure in the world of modern art and his own creativity.

'Paperbag Princess', a personal favourite of Mrs. Rothman's because of the strong female lead character, is one of six Rôbert Munsch stories adapted for the stage that will appear in June.

Next November, 'The Wind in the Willows' will be presented. Bolam hopes to recruit children from Geordie's Theatre School in Westmount Baptist Church to play mice in this Kenneth Grahame classic adapted for the stage by Peter. B. Austin.

The three-play subscription series is priced at \$36 per adult and \$29 per child. A two play subscription series is also available, as well as single tickets. Family performances will be held over two weekends with school matinées available during the week. Parents and grandparents who want more information on Geordie Theatre Productions' Family Subscription Series can call the box office at 845-1955.

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Community Bulletin Board...

Thursday, Dec. 2

Chanukah Workshop with Rabbi Barry Gelman at Congregation Shaar Hashomayim, 450 Kensington, at 7:30 p.m. Rabbi Gelman will address many questions as well as the philosophical and historical background of Chanukah. He will demonstrate how the menorah is lit and how to spin a mean dreidel. Info: 937-9471.

Friday, Dec. 3

Club Night at the Westmount Y, 4585 Sherbrooke, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. An event not to be missed! \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door. Info: 931-8046.

Saturday, Dec. 4

Chanuka Hop sponsored by the Sisterhood/Brotherhood of Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom, 4100 Sherbrooke, at 8 p.m. Featuring the Preville Big Band. Tickets \$25, includes dessert table. Contact Brenda Epstein at 484-7826 or Gisele Rouben at 744-0490.

Shabbat Dinner at Congregation Shaar Hashomayim, 450 Kensington, 6 p.m. \$20 for adults, \$12 for children 12 and under, \$70 family maximum. Reservations must be pre-paid by Nov. 30, to the attention of Julie Campbell at 937-9471 ext. 151.

Open House at Farfelu Gallery and Boutique, 39 Somerville, featuring the co-op artists and their crafts, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

Sunday, Dec. 5

Santa Claus Parade starts at 1 p.m. from Victoria Hall. Those wishing to participate must arrive at 12:30 p.m. Followed by a party with refreshments at Victoria Hall.

Carols By Candlelight at St. Andrew's-Dominion-Douglas Church, 687 Roslyn, at 4 p.m. with the St. Andrew's-Dominion-Douglas Choir under the direction of Margaret de Castro, featuring Rafael de Castro (organ), Susan Elliott (flute) and Patrick Kearney (guitar). Freewill offering. Info: 631-6262.

'The Recent History of Yugoslavia', a lecture by His Excellency Dr. Pavle Todorovic, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, will be held at 10 a.m. at Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom, 4100 Sherbrooke. Free admission. Info: 937-3575.

Mammoth Bazaar to benefit Chabad Project Pride at Place Alexis Nihon Plaza, 1500 Atwater from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Over 500 manufacturers and retailers have joined forces again for the 5th annual Pret a Porter Extravaganza. Info: 998-1969 or 288-3130.

Monday, Dec. 6

Westmount Park Church, 4695 de Maisonneuve, will hold a service of commemoration for the victims of the 1989 Ecole Polytechnique Massacre at 7:30 p.m. Info: 937-3455.

St. Andrew's-Dominion-Douglas Church, 687 Roslyn, will hold a Service of Lament and Hope with Rev. Janis Campbell at 7:30 p.m., on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the Ecole Polytechnique Massacre. Freewill offering, proceeds from which will be donated to the foundation established by the victims' families.

Marriage Information Night at Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom, 395 Elm Ave., with Rabbi Leigh Lerner and Temple administrator Ron Boro. Info: 937-3575.

Tuesday, Dec. 7

Westmount Initiative for Peace holds its last meeting of the millennium in the Club Room of Victoria Hall at 7 p.m. Videos and

brainstorming on Canada's role in human and global security in preparation for the People's Commission. Info: 481-6435 or 933-7609 (evenings).

Wednesday, Dec. 8

Holiday Flower Workshop with Kathryn Lamb at the Visual Arts Centre, 350 Victoria Ave., from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. or 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. Create a holiday atmosphere. Combine evergreens, cones, berries and flowers to create decorative holiday wreathsm garlands and centrepieces. \$55, materials included. Info: 488-9558.

Chanukah Storytelling at Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom, 395 Elm Ave., at 8 p.m. Folk tales, family lore and stories of the Macabees. Info: Terri Allister at 481-2388.

Thursday, Dec. 9

The Westmount Public Library's Centennial Author Series continues with Neil McKenty, who will speak on the creative process of biography writing, the motivation needed to create a memoir, and will read from his book 'The Inside Story', the journey of a former Jesuit priest and talk show host towards self-discovery. From 7:30 to 9 p.m. in the Westmount Room. Refreshments will be served. Everyone welcome. Info: 989-5386.

The University Women's Club of Montreal holds its annual Christmas Party from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Montreal Badminton & Squash Club, 3505 Atwater, featuring the St. Lawrence Choir. Tickets for non-members are \$25. Guests of both genders are welcome. To reserve, call Beverly Rowat at 931-5273 or Suzanne Crawford at 335-7024.

Friday, Dec. 10

Chanukah Shabbat Dinner at Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom, 395 Elm Ave., at 6:15 p.m. Family and friends are most welcome to this program, which precedes Shabbat services. Adults \$20, students \$15, children \$12. Info: Elaine Shapiro at 989-8318 or Harold Bergman at 487-0797.

Saturday, Dec. 11

Westmount Concerts continues with pianist Agop Boyadjian, at Church of the Advent, 4119 de Maisonneuve, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$19.50, children 15 and under admitted free if accompanied by an adult. Info: 481-9133.

Open House at Farfelu Gallery and Boutique, 39 Somerville, featuring the co-op artists and their crafts, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

Sunday, Dec. 12

The Westmount Youth Orchestra, under the direction of Mark Simons, will perform works by Beethoven, Tchaikovsky and Lebrun at Victoria Hall at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$10, \$5 for students and seniors, or \$25 per family, at the door. Info: 933-7039.

Monday, Dec. 13

'Was Jesus a Jew?' Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Bykova at Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom, 395 Elm Ave. Brown bag lunch at noon, lecture at 12:30. Join our group for some stimulating conversation. Info: Rhona Samsonovitch at 937-3575.

Tuesday, Dec 14

Wholistic Health: A workshop on the balanced use of body, mind and spirit will be presented at the Westmount YMCA, 4585

Sherbrooke on from 7 to 10 p.m. Workshop facilitator is Michael Greenstein, wholistic teacher/therapist. \$33 for Y members, \$38 for non-members. Please pre-register by phoning 931-8046.

Ongoing

St. Andrew's-Dominion-Douglas Church, The Boulevard at Roslyn, continues with the special mid-week services during Advent. Each Wednesday through Dec. 22 the Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated at 5:45 p.m. in the chapel and at 7 a.m. a prayer breakfast will be held. All welcome.

Overeaters Anonymous, a non-profit self-help group welcomes anyone who wants to stop overeating. Weekly meetings held at the Westmount YMCA, 4585 Sherbrooke, at 2:30 p.m. Info: 488-1812.

'Ships, Sea and Sky', a private exhibition of marine paintings by George H. Archer, whose paintings are on display at naval and maritime museums in Canada and internationally. From the age of sail through World War II. By appointment only. Info: 933-7711 or fax 933-8624.

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Urban Intuition Training, an 8-week workshop for seniors led by psychotherapist Frances Kucharsky, begins its next session at Contactivity Centre, 4695 de Maisonneuve, on Nov. 30 from 10:30 a.m. to noon. \$20. To register, call Contactivity Centre at 932-2326.

The Gallery at Victoria Hall, 4626 Sherbrooke, presents an exhibition of sculptures by Herbert Bercovitz from Nov. 19 to Jan. 2, 2000. Gallery hours are Monday to Friday 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and weekends 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Info: 989-5226.

Montreal Millennium Melon Seeds are on sale at Victoria Hall. Entry form for the millennium competition, heritage seeds, history and growing instructions, \$5. A fundraiser for the Westmount Train Station Project. Orders can also be placed by calling 990-2237.

Seniors wanted for Interlink Intergenerational Choir directed by Ian Lebofsky. Oldies, popular, gospel and jazz repertoire. Fun atmosphere, beginners welcome. Info: Denyse Morrow at 934-0499.

Centre Greene's Fall 1999 programme has begun! Seniors' luncheons: A delicious meal in a warm and friendly atmosphere, twice a month, on the second and fourth Wednesday, 12:15 to 2 p.m. \$4; Samedi Greene: Fantastic Saturday morning activities for children, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. \$1; Tumbling Tots: An opportunity for toddlers to run, sing and play while their parents meet other adults. Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 to 11:30 a.m. \$60 for 10 weeks. Open court basketball for teens on Mondays and Wednesdays from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Tuesdays and Fridays from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. For adults, Saturdays from 2 to 4 p.m. Come join the fun at Centre Greene, 1090 Greene Ave. Info: 931-6202.

Montreal Children's Library, 1200 Atwater, presents Story Time for babies and toddlers (ages 0 to 3) Tuesdays at 10 a.m., Mom'n'Tot Story Time (ages 3 to 6) Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. and Cooking Around the World (ages 6 to 9) Thursdays at 4 p.m. Info: 931-2304.

Recovery, Inc., a non-profit bilingual self-help group for people seeking help in dealing with fear, anger, stress, depression, anxiety, panic attacks and phobias meet every Monday, Tuesday. Info: 933-1904.

Westmount Toastmasters: Take the fear out of public speaking each Thursday evening at Victoria Hall at 7 p.m. Info: 367-5986 or 937-1346.

Canadian National Organization for the Widowed holds bereavement support groups Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and Mondays from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. 4823 Sherbrooke, suite 220. Info: 934-0280 or 931-3935.

Rotary Club meetings: The Rotary Club of Westmount meets each Wednesday at Victoria Hall, 4626 Sherbrooke, at 12:30 p.m.

Westmount Monday Evening Bridge Club meets every week from 7 to 10 p.m. in Victoria Hall. To register, call Esther Chamberland 989-5212.

The Montreal Camera Club meets every Monday at 7:30 p.m. Slide shows, competitions, workshops. Visitors welcome. Westmount Park Church, 4695 de Maisonneuve, entrance at rear. Info: 637-2767.

Beyond the Borders

The Centaur Theatre, 453 St. François Xavier, presents Merry Millennium—a Thousand Years of Holiday Spirit, on Dec. 9 and 10 at 6:30 p.m. Silent auction, cocktails and light supper. Performance at 8 p.m. \$100 (\$75 tax receipt). Info: 288-1229 ext. 240/235.

'Planes, Trains & Automobiles: How to Ride Out Travel Phobias' with guest speaker Dr. Michael Spevack on Tuesday, Dec. 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Osler Amphitheatre of the Montreal General Hospital, 1650 Cedar. Info: 934-8034.

Holiday Christmas Concert featuring the English Montreal School Board Chorale under the direction of Patricia Abbott on Dec. 5 at 3 p.m. at the Salvation Army Citadel, Drummond and de Maisonneuve. Info: 483-7234 or 620-4781.

Disappearing Acts: A Discovery Workshop for kids at the Redpath Museum, 859 Sherbrooke, on Dec. 5. 2 p.m. for 4 to 6 years, 3:30 p.m. for 7 to 12 years. \$5 per child. Info: 398-4086 ext. 4092.

'Love For Love' by William Congreve will be performed by the English graduating class of the National Theatre School Dec. 7 to 11 at 8 p.m. at the Ludger-Duvernay Theatre, Monument National, 1182 St. Laurent. Tickets are \$5. Info: 871-2224.

Women's Morning & Evening Yoga classes. Join anytime. Queen Elizabeth Health Complex. Info: Martha at 485-2182.

Piano Recital featuring Svetoslav Itzvarin on Friday, Dec. 3 at 7:30 p.m. in the Loyola Chapel, 7141 Sherbrooke. Freewill offering. Info: 848-3588.

Annual Christmas Bazaar at the Church of St. James the Apostle, 1439 Ste. Catherine, will be held on Saturday, Dec. 4 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Christmas gifts, hand knits, bake table, etc. Afternoon tea available after 2 p.m. for \$5.

Chanukah Celebration with the Creative Choir and students from Royal Vale School on Monday, Dec. 6 at 1 p.m. at Creative Social Centre, 5237 Clanranald. \$5. Info: 488-0907.

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