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## Club board wants to sell building:

# Residents fight to keep Unity for the community

Residents living in the southeast sector of Westmount are fighting hard to preserve what they call a valuable community resource, the Greene avenue Unity building.

After Centraide withdrew its annual \$100,000 funding to the Unity Boys' and Girls' Club in April — and a plan to rent out part of the building to the city for its public security unit fell through — the club board of directors decided to sell the property at 1090 Greene.

The board realized the clientele described in its mandate no longer exist in large enough numbers in the area.

The building was put on the market in late September with a \$1.2 million price tag and several companies expressed interest. The board planned to use the proceeds as "seed

money" to re-establish the club elsewhere.

Several residents in the area were concerned by this prospect. They passed the word around and a group of more than 40 people soon formed to see if an alternative existed. They met with the Unity board and the sale was put on hold.

Louise Blais, a resident of Greene and part of the group, told THE EXAMINER the residents don't want to lose the building. They would like to see it become a community centre to serve Westmounters.

"If Unity wants to go elsewhere, that's fine. But they shouldn't take the resources out of the community," Ms Blais said.

### Detailed report

The group prepared a detailed 12-page report that envisions alternative scenarios to having the building sold to a purely commercial enterprise or a developer who would raze it and build houses on the land.

The residents approached several groups and found some of them interested in renting out parts of the building. In the report, they identify three potential core users — a daycare, a preschool and a theatre group — and indicate the number of people involved and the amount each group could pay for using space.

Other time-share users are mentioned, including the city for some of its recreation activities and a group of ballet teachers who would give dance classes.

Other potential core users identified are a corporate daycare and a physiotherapy clinic.

The report includes a financial report identifying the cost of building maintenance and how the different scenarios could cover the expenses.

Three options are identified for the management of the facility: a

revived Unity Club, a new non-profit organization or the city. If a new non-profit organization were to be set up, the report says, the building would have to be sold or rented to this organization at a nominal cost for the project to be viable.

Ms Blais said the board's response to the proposal was, "Thanks, but no thanks."

### Philosophical differences

Unity board chairman Dennice Leahey told THE EXAMINER that her board "came to the conclusion there's a philosophical difference in direction between us and the residents. We thought their proposed activities would be in addition to the Unity program instead of to the exclusion of it."

Mrs Leahey admitted that de-

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## Records set Sunday and Monday:

# New power-consumption highs as residents feel the cold

Westmounters used more electrical power Monday evening at 5:45 pm than at any single time ever before, city officials said Tuesday.

The new power consumption record broke the previous one set the night before when overloading plunged parts of the city into darkness.

Monday's new record was set at supper hour when demand peaked at 67,448 kilowatts. There were minor problems in the summit area and a few momentary outages.

Sunday's peak of 64,488 kilowatts at 7 pm had more serious consequences. Attributed to -22 degree Celsius temperatures, the heavy demand took light and power officials by surprise.

"That's the last thing we expect on a Sunday," said Bruce St Louis, director of the Westmount utility. "It's typically the lowest day of the week."

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

The new figures, he said, show "incredibly high consumption" and were reached without some of the city's larger buildings (such as 1 Wood) operating at full capacity.

The previous record was set last Jan 14 at 61,056 kilowatts. That broke the record established eight days earlier of 59,688 kw. Prior to that, peak consumption occurred in February 1987 with 54,000 kw.

The record has thus increased almost 25 percent in less than two years.

### Crews busy

Problems associated with the overloading of circuits on Sunday kept emergency crews busy throughout the night.

It was at 7:15 pm that electrical problems inside a building on Hill-

side avenue tripped circuit 11P of the city's electrical network at the Glen  
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## Next week's issue is last for 1988

Next week's Christmas issue of THE EXAMINER will be published as usual on Thursday, with all normal deadlines in effect.

It will be the final issue of 1988, with no issue scheduled for the following Thursday, Dec 29. Publication will resume with the issue of Thursday, Jan 5, with regular deadlines in effect.

Correspondents are asked to include news of activities up to and including Jan 5 in items submitted for next week's issue.



"I want you to pick out the best. You gave me such a lovely ironing board for my birthday."

## City council to meet on Monday

A special mid-month meeting of city council takes place Monday to award tenders for the city's 1989 insurance coverage. The session starts at the usual 8 pm.

By press time yesterday the only other items of business were gasoline tenders and adoption of a by-law to cancel the loan authority contained in several previous by-laws for completed projects.

The date of the next council meeting, first for 1989, is also expected to be announced. It is proposed for Jan 9 since city hall will be closed Monday, Jan 2.

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## PSOs follow, police arrest suspect in knife-threat incident

A MAN was reported to have been arrested at Queen Elizabeth Hospital Wednesday last week in connection with alleged death threats after being followed by Westmount public safety officers.

He was identified only as being in his early twenties.

The suspect was picked up after a citizen asked a parking inspector for assistance at Claremont avenue and Sherbrooke street about 2:45 pm. The citizen claimed to have just spotted a man who had threatened him with a knife at the food outlet where he worked.

The parking inspector radioed for help and public safety officers responded to keep an eye on the suspect until arrival of MUC police.

The man was followed west to Marlowe avenue where he disappeared. He was later seen exiting the hospital in handcuffs and being put into a police cruiser for transport to station 15 in N.D.G.



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**WESTMOUNT**  
**MUC POLICE "EMERGENCY TELEPHONE**  
**BLACKOUT" PLAN**

A plan to provide Westmounters with the means to call for emergency help in the event of a telephone system "Blackout," is part of an island-wide effort to set up a radio network for emergency vehicles and foot patrols. These resources are to be positioned in strategic locations through the City of Westmount.

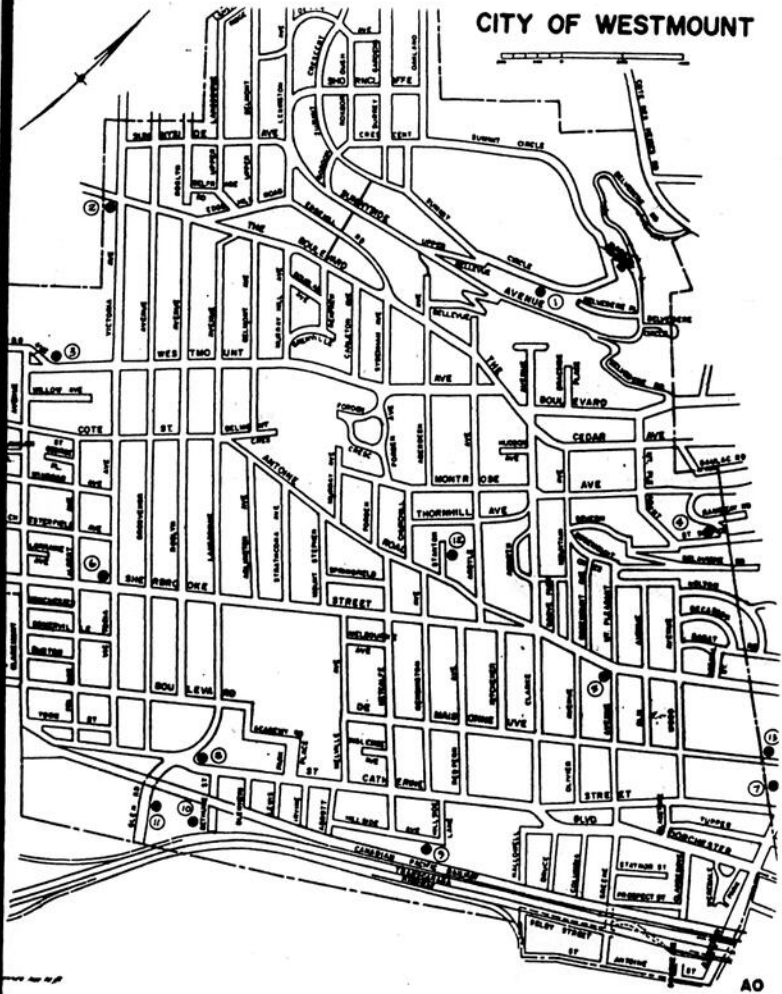
Highly visible MUC Police and Public Security Units will patrol main arteries in the city, linking the strategic locations to complete the temporary communications network.

The purpose of the plan is to enable citizens to go to the nearest point to get help if they should need police, firefighting or ambulance assistance.

In addition to emergency vehicles stationed and patrolling, the resources of the Glen Power station, Corporation Yard, fire station, Public Security headquarters and the Metro will be available for use. Personnel with radios will be placed at the following locations, in order that a citizen may reach a radio point within five minutes of walking distance.

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|--|--------------------|
| 1. Westmount Lookout, Command Post               | Fire Dept. Vehicle |
| 2. Fire Station No. 2, The Boulevard & Victoria  | Fire Dept. Vehicle |
| 3. N.D.G. Ave. and Westmount Ave.                | PSU Vehicle        |
| 4. Ramezay and St. Sulpice Rd.                   | PSU Vehicle        |
| 5. Sherbrooke and Greene Ave.                    | PSO Portable       |
| 6. Victoria and Sherbrooke                       | PSO Portable       |
| 7. Alexis Nihon Plaza, Atwater                   | PSO Portable       |
| 8. Lansdowne and St. Catherine                   | PSO Portable       |
| 9. 4 Hillside Ave., Base Station                 | PSU                |
| 10. Corporation Yard, Base Station               | Public Works       |
| 11. Glen Power House, Base Station               | Light Dept.        |
| 12. No. 1 Fire Station, 19 Stanton, Base Station | Fire Dept.         |
| 13. Atwater Metro (Emergency Telephone)          |                    |

**Note:** In addition to above stations, Public Security will patrol upper level of the city. MUC Police will patrol lower level of the city. Fire Department will patrol with one vehicle throughout city.



**WESTMOUNT**  
**SERVICE DE POLICE DE LA CUM "PLAN**  
**D'URGENCE EN CAS DE PANNE DE**  
**TÉLÉPHONE"**

Un plan visant à munir les résidents de Westmount de moyens d'appel d'urgence dans le cas d'une panne ("blackout") du système téléphonique fait partie d'un effort à travers l'île afin d'installer un système de

radio pour voitures de secours et patrouilles pédestres dans les points stratégiques de la Ville de Westmount.

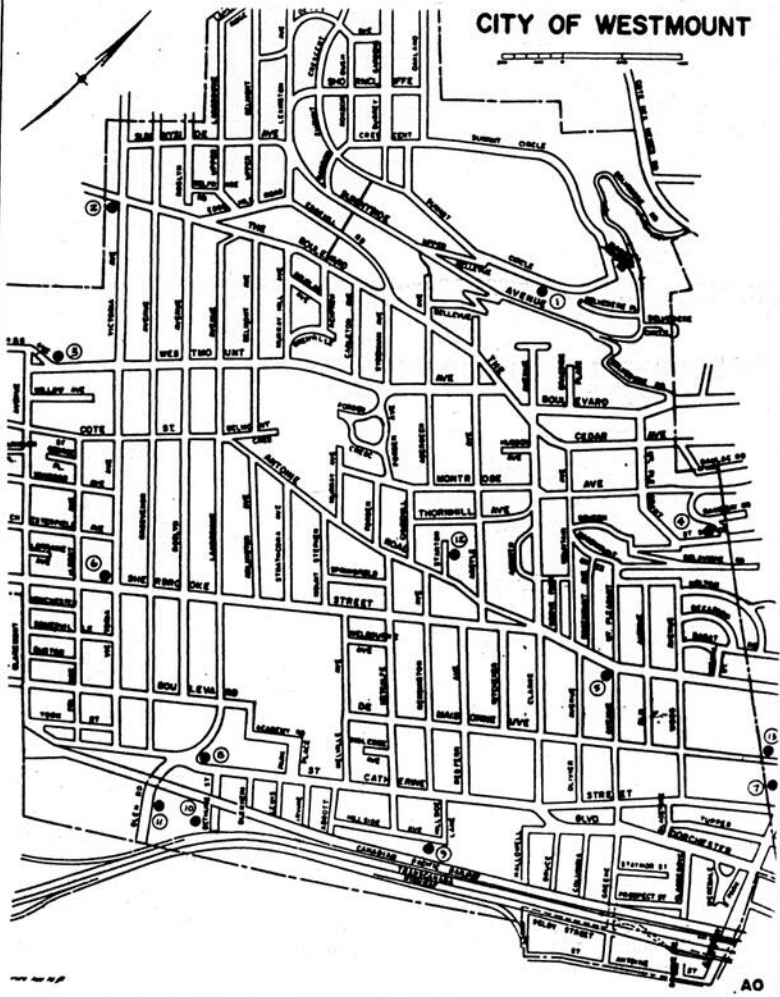
Des effectifs du Service de police de la CUM et du Corps de la Sécurité publique, très visibles, patrouilleront dans les artères principales de la Ville faisant la liaison entre les points stratégiques pendant les travaux temporaires d'installation du système de communication.

Le but de ce plan est de donner aux citoyens la possibilité de se rendre au point le plus proche pour obtenir, si besoin en est, de l'aide de la part de la police, des pompiers ou une ambulance.

En plus des voitures de secours stationnées ou patrouillantes, les installations suivantes seront disponibles: le poste de distribution d'électricité Glen, le dépôt municipal, le poste d'incendie, le quartier général de la Sécurité publique et le métro. Du personnel muni de radios sera placé aux endroits suivants afin qu'un citoyen puisse atteindre un point radio en-dedans de cinq minutes de marche, à savoir:

- |  |                              |
|--|------------------------------|
| 1. Belvedere de Westmount, poste de command              | Svce d'Incendie voiture      |
| 2. Poste d'Incendie No 2, The Boulevard & Victoria       | Svce d'Incendie voiture      |
| 3. Avenue Notre-Dame-de-Grâce et avenue Westmount        | CSP voiture                  |
| 4. Rue Ramezay et chemin St. Sulpice                     | CSP voiture                  |
| 5. Sherbrooke et avenue Greene                           | OSP radio                    |
| 6. Victoria et Sherbrooke                                | OSP radio                    |
| 7. Place Alexis Nihon, Atwater                           | OSP radio                    |
| 8. Lansdowne et St. Catherine                            | OSP radio                    |
| 9. 4 avenue Hillside, Station de base                    | CSP                          |
| 10. Dépôt municipal, Station de base                     | Service des Travaux publics  |
| 11. Poste de distribution d'électricité, Station de base | Svce de l'énergie électrique |
| 12. Poste d'Incendie No 1, 19 Stanton, Station de base   | Svce d'Incendie              |
| 13. Métro Atwater (téléphone d'urgence)                  |                              |

**Nota Bene:** En plus des stations susmentionnées, La Sécurité publique patrouillera dans le haut de la ville. La police de la CUM patrouillera dans le bas de la ville. Le Service d'incendie patrouillera à bord d'une voiture à travers la ville.



**WESTMOUNT NOTICE**

Householders are notified that there will be no garbage collection on:

- Monday, December 26th, 1988
- and
- Monday, January 2nd, 1989

**WESTMOUNT AVIS**

Les résidents sont avisés qu'il n'y aura aucune cueillette des ordures:

- le lundi 26 décembre 1988
- et
- le lundi 2 janvier 1989

F. Caluori  
 Director of Public Works and City Engineer/  
 Directeur des Travaux Publics et Ingénieur de la Ville

**Next Scheduled City Council Meeting**  
 Monday, December 19, 5:30 pm

**Date de la prochaine séance du conseil municipal**  
 Le lundi 19 décembre, 17h30

**WESTMOUNT**  
**Community**  
**Calendar**

The following events are scheduled in Westmount this week:

**Today, Dec 15**

- ☐ **Watercolor exhibition:** City Streets, paintings by John Collins, has been extended to Dec 24 at Dan Delaney's Artlenders Gallery, 318 Victoria avenue. 484-4991. ☺
- ☐ **Rec department performance:** Westmount's young singers, actors, tap dancers, majorettes, drum majors and musicians from city's programs perform at Victoria Hall at 7 pm. Parents and members of the general public welcome to attend. ☺
- ☐ **Recreation registration:** For Westmount recreation department courses, including creative writing, tai chi and belly dancing, at the recreation office between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm, until tomorrow. ☺

☐ **Anniversary exhibition:** African Heritage is the display that celebrates the 10th anniversary of La Galerie de 5 Continents, 1225 Greene avenue, to Jan 14. A catalogue is available. ☺

☐ **Art exhibit:** Paintings by Pierre Huot at Galerie Kastel, 1366 Greene avenue until Jan 5. ☺

☐ **Flu vaccinations:** Will be given free to those over 65, those with chronic illnesses or those who work with someone with a chronic illness by the Westmount branch of CLCS Métro. Make an appointment at 934-0354, local 247. ☺

☐ **Gimp demonstration:** At 5 pm today and every Thursday until Christmas at the Bead Emporium, 364 Victoria avenue. The demonstration will be followed each week at 6 pm by a video on beading techniques. Coffee will be served. ☺

**Saturday, Dec 17**

☐ **Christmas concert:** By the three choirs of the Seventh Day Adventist Church at 7 pm at Westmount and Victoria avenues. ☺

**Sunday, Dec 18**

☐ **Carollers:** From the Adventist choristers can be booked to carol at individual homes starting today. 481-9664. ☺

☐ **Christmas carol service:** At 4 pm at St Matthias' Church. ☺

**Monday, Dec 19**

☐ **City Council:** Special meeting at 5:30 pm at City Hall. ●

**Tuesday, Dec 20**

☐ **Say goodbye to D.J.:** Everyone involved in sports is invited to Victoria Hall club room from 6 to 8 pm. Donations and information 489-1961. ●

**COMING UP**

☐ **Jan 9:** Westmount Municipal Association meeting at Victoria Hall at 8 pm. ●

- W Weekly / Monthly
- Public meeting / Annual
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- ☺ ← Members and guests

**Door kicked**

It was not immediately known what was taken from a home broken into Friday on de Maisonneuve boulevard near Olivier avenue, police said. Entry was gained between 8:15 am and 5:50 pm by kicking in the back door causing \$300 damage. The burglary was reported by a neighbor in the absence of the resident.

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**Where were they going?**

- The following calls were answered by the Westmount Fire Brigade during the past week:
- Dec 6**  
10:23 am: 85 Holton, problem with water heater;  
1:24 pm: Outside 740 Upper Roslyn, burst pipe for garden hose;
- Dec 7**  
6:45 am: Front of 4508 St Catherine, fire-truck on fire (see story);  
8:46 am: St Catherine and Bethune, Corporation Yard, first responder unit (see story);  
11:00 am: Rear of 473 Prince Albert, water leak in lane, burst pipe for exterior tap;  
1:04 pm: Parking area of 4225 Dorchester, RCMP building, car leaking gas (see story);  
3:47 pm: 69 Summit crescent, smoke detector activated by painters;  
10:55 pm: 177 Edgehill, smoke detector activated;



**SERVICE WITH A SMILE:** City employees and local MUC police were treated by city council to a Christmas lunch in Victoria Hall last Thursday. A quartet from Villa Ste Marcelline provided music (see separate photo). From left are: councillors Rhoda Vineberg and Joan Rothman with police constables Gordon Peace and Rodrigue Berubé. Other council members attending were Mayor May Cutler and councillors Dan Tingley, Stuart Robertson, Sally Aitken.

- Dec 8**  
9:00 am: Sherbrooke and Kensington, first responder unit for car accident (see story);  
9:15 am: 24 Chesterfield, flood, overflowing washing machine;  
1:32 pm: 4646 Sherbrooke, Manoir Westmount, first responder unit;  
2:11 pm: St Catherine and Greene, first responder unit for injured pedestrian, cancelled (see story);  
3:02 pm: 69 Summit crescent, smoke detector activated by dust during work;  
10:30 pm: 100 Hillside, apt 105, heat detector activated;
- Dec 9**  
6:05 am: 3 Westmount Square, code 3 automatic mutual aid from Côte St Luc and Outremont cancelled at 6:12 am, fire alarm accidentally activated by security guard;  
6:19 am: Rear of 4160 Sherbrooke, leaking propane gas (see story);  
8:31 am: 4646 Sherbrooke, Manoir Westmount, first responder unit;

## Slipping and sliding again, motorists rediscover winter

Westmount motorists started slithering around for another winter Friday as a small snowfall was blamed for at least three of the day's eight local traffic accidents reported by police.

Two of the traffic mishaps occurred at Lansdowne avenue and St Catherine street, neither involving injuries.

The first took place about 11:05 am

- 9:49 am: 4884 Sherbrooke, burglar alarm;  
7:13 pm: 4560 St Catherine, apt 18, code 3 automatic mutual aid from Côte St Luc and Outremont cancelled at 7:20 pm, soup pot left on stove;  
7:58 pm: 4476 St Catherine, apt 303, code 3 automatic mutual aid from Côte St Luc and Outremont cancelled at 8:10 pm, smoke scare, fireplace smoke from chimney drawn into ventilation system;  
10:22 pm: 4350 Westmount, fire in dwelling (see story);

- Dec 10**  
10:27 am: 4450 Sherbrooke, steam from dryer mistaken for smoke;  
11:28 am: 9 Roxborough, first responder unit for injured worker (see story);  
2:45 pm: 349 Melville, Serbian Orthodox Church, code 3 automatic mutual aid from Hampstead and St Laurent cancelled at 2:52 pm, fire in rear exit (see story);

- Dec 11**  
9:35 am: 4488 St Catherine, apt 302, blocked sink;

- Dec 12**  
3:58 am: 5795 Caldwell, code 3 automatic mutual aid to Côte St Luc cancelled at 4:13 am;  
10:05 am: 815 Upper Belmont, Villa Ste Marcelline, water leak (see story);  
1:44 pm: 416 Mount Stephen, burst plumbing, frozen pipe in garage;  
2:05 pm: Sherbrooke and Claremont, first responder unit, false alarm;  
3:53 pm: 4150 Sherbrooke, first responder unit;  
6:45 pm: 204 Côte St Antoine, bat in house;  
9:05 pm: 70 Gordon crescent, burglar alarm.

when a car and truck collided while both were attempting to make turns. The car sustained extensive front end damage.

The second, at 1:10 pm, was caused when one car tried to turn and skidded into the door of another that was waiting at a red light.

Soon after, a car struck the median on St Catherine street near de Maisonneuve boulevard, causing over \$500 to the 1982 Datsun driven by a Côte St Luc man.

Earlier that morning a yellow Public Security Unit van was hit by a yellow mini-bus owned by Selwyn House School. The bus was backing out of a parking place in the arena lot at 9:50 am when it struck the front end of the patrol vehicle, which was parked in front of the building. Public safety officials said the van's parking light was broken and some damage was reported to the right bumper and fender.

Four other accidents, all hit-and-runs, also took place Friday (see separate story).

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## Leaky elbow sprinkles school

A water leak in the sprinkler system at the Villa Ste Marcelline damaged ceilings on the first and second floors of the Upper Belmont avenue school Monday, according to fire officials.

The leak was traced to a broken 90-degree elbow in sprinkler pipes. Firefighters were called to the school at 10:05 am.

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## You Say

### Traditional tree at city hall missed

Sir: I have just driven by the city hall ablaze with lights, not unlike a roller coaster!

Westmount is tradition. Our large Christmas tree outside city hall is tradition.

Christmas time with turkey and all the trimmings and plum pudding is part of our heritage, as are families and children singing carols.

The children and I miss Westmount's traditional Christmas tree. Perhaps the heritage fund could have supplied us with our Christmas tree.

Beverley Hutchison

634 Murray Hill  
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### Per capita garbage costs still not explained

Sir: Having read the recent articles in THE WESTMOUNT EXAMINER regarding our garbage costs, the undeniable fact remains that Westmount, as in everything else, somehow manages to spend top dollars compared with all other municipalities.

Mr Duffield's explanations that leaves

and boughs from 3,500 extra trees are the cause, ring all the more hollow following Mr F. Caluori's information that wasteful citizens are not to blame, but that the 30 percent extra amount comes from 5,240 tonnes of garbage of the street-sweeping variety compared to 1,758 tonnes from Outremont. Presumably our 3,500 extra trees in Westmount drop one tonne (5,240-1,758)/3,500 of leaves per tree, the weight of a large bull!

Similarly, while Mr Duffield proudly announced in an earlier article in THE EXAMINER that our garbage costs per tonne were lower than in other cities, we now learn that the costs for collection are firm cost, irrespective of the amount of refuse collected. This makes his previous assertions of economy misleading at best.

The fact remains that we pay much more for garbage removal at \$40 per resident than elsewhere (approximately \$20 per resident) and no satisfactory explanation has really been provided by council or administration.

Nonetheless, the much bigger issue of Westmount's appalling personnel costs for the services delivered to city taxpayers make the whole question of garbage somewhat ridiculous. I applaud the mayor, and those members of the Westmount Finance Action Committee, who are trying to bring city costs under control.

Michel Tolosa

56 Somerville avenue  
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## We Say

# Don't bulldoze Unity

### BULLDOZE Unity?

We get the impression that the directors of the nearly half-century-old Unity club on Greene avenue have not thought through the effect of any decision they may make concerning the all but disused facility.

Their current plan is to sell the property to a developer and use the proceeds for good works elsewhere.

Sounds fine. But is it?

This nine-person board represents not one but their predecessors and fellow directors who elected them. They appear not to know what their constituency might be.

It is not, as they appear to suppose, the Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association of Canada. Rather, the directors of Unity and other such clubs are the constituency of that association.

Unity came naturally and honestly under the aegis of the association in its heyday and by the nature of the activities which evolved after the local club's founding in 1944.

It is that founding, the roots of Unity, which its present directors seem to have lost sight of. It arose out of growing concern in the Westmount community, and more particularly that of the southeast quadrant of the city, over the numbers of young people hanging around the area seemingly aimlessly and undirected.

What evolved was a clearly Westmount answer. The City of Westmount acquired the land on Greene avenue, ideally and centrally located in the area of concern both in Westmount and in the immediately neighboring Montreal district, and sold it for \$1 to the initial directors. As it has in many another demonstrated opportunity for community service, the Rotary Club of Westmount raised the funds to build the present clubhouse. The solid, substantial building remains today just that.

But, unfortunately, virtually unused under its more recent management. Centraide quite properly found better uses for the funding it had provided until this year.

Unity people say its problem is demographics, that boys and girls, underprivileged or otherwise, no longer hang around the neighborhood and that, even if they did, a boys' and girls' club of the kind that has served the area so well in the past no longer attracts them.

This may be true. However, in October when use of the building as a possible future headquarters for the Westmount Public Security Unit came unstuck, we suggested in this space that others should concern themselves about the building's future.

Others did. Some 40 or 50 persons, some with excellent credentials, who live in and know the neighborhood — much changed in composition and character since Unity's beginnings — got cracking. They met, brainstormed and investigated. We have seen a report which they prepared, against a short deadline, which suggests that the Unity board had not done all their homework or, if they had, had rejected all alternatives to selling out in favor of boys' and girls' club projects elsewhere.

At this writing the situation is muddled. We understand that exchanges have resumed between Unity directors and local citizens determined that Unity's use to the community is not ended.

We hope that cool and imaginative heads will prevail, realizing that if the boys' and girls' club concept may no longer be suitable for Unity, then alternative uses should be explored, certainly with more openness and imagination than disposing of a valuable community asset and spending the proceeds elsewhere.

In itself, the bulldozing of a facility such as Unity is unthinkable.

It should not be permitted to happen.

practical reaction to it by Premier Robert Bourassa.

Whether or not you happen to be worried about the outcome, if any, of the language arguments, it is disturbing that the premier appears to have constituted a narrow, closed circle for advice. A head of government who wanted the best possible suggestions might have been expected to include at least one elected non-francophone of standing and general respect among his counsel.

After all, what element of the province is chiefly affected by suppression of languages other than French? Consciously or otherwise, Mr Bourassa has signalled that he regards himself as the leader, not of the pluralistic society of Quebec, but of an imagined exclusively French one.

If the premier were truly liberal in philosophy as well as in the name of the party he heads, he long since might have declared that he must do nothing other than respect the decision of the final court of jurisprudence of the land. He might even see that as the best way to go, letting the people rather than government decide the language(s) of signs as they, not self-appointed experts or politicians, should determine.

It is not beyond possibility that the issue, without further interference, will resolve itself. In the bulk of the vast territory of the province one might expect the exclusivity of French to continue simply because that would reflect the demography and free will of those most concerned. There might be exceptions resulting from the enterprising instincts of francophone entrepreneurs courteously wooing, say, tourists and others not familiar with the French language — a nicety forbidden under present regulations written by the separatists.

In other places — take Westmount, for example — one might expect more manifestations of English and occasionally other languages. But, to use the favorite phrase of some politicians, this would be "only normal." We would wager, however, after the trauma of recent years that in most non-francophone areas throughout Quebec the appearance of non-French on public signs would be minimal if not outright cautious.

Throughout, we would expect the priority language to continue to be French, if only out of respect for the sensibilities of the

majority of our fellow citizens and in the interests of good business.

Perhaps this course is the premier's intention, rather than some convoluted contortions twisting what is lawful into new shackles on the freedom of expression. He must know that any substitute proscribing of the people's rights would be subject to further tiresome, worrisome litigation. However, Mr Bourassa's track record on this, as in other issues, is not to do what obviously should be done and to procrastinate himself into corners such as this one, which has arisen directly from his failure to carry out promptly his election promise and the policy of his party to rectify the Parti Québécois excesses on language.

While we await the judgment and the response we should be thinking with sympathy of the non-francophone members of the National Assembly and particularly of those among them who are ministers in the Bourassa government, first of all, our own Richard French.

There is no public evidence that any of them have been consulted by their chief in this matter of primary concern to them and their constituents. Even today as they await events most if not all of them can only speculate on their futures.

If the judgment is unequivocally against the sign law and if the premier decides to attempt to circumvent the judgment, then our members' course will be clear: to resign from the Liberal caucus and, if a minister, from the cabinet. What happens then to our representation at Quebec would be in limbo, but far preferable to further compromise with fairness and reason.

On the other hand, should the justices or Mr Bourassa or both fudge the issue, Mr French and his colleagues will have a lot of agonizing to do. They will deserve our thoughtful support and our prayers.

As we have said, life in its practical ways will go on regardless of what we see on signs.

But what comes out of the Supreme Court in Ottawa and the bunker in Quebec City today and in the days ahead will have a deep-running emotional effect on all sides — either of profound relief or of continuing wounding of sensibilities and perceived rights on both sides of a split population.

## Relief or more strife?

MANY a Westmounter will this day be awaiting with keen interest the news from Ottawa of the judgment of the Supreme Court of Canada on Quebec law governing the language of signs.

Of all our concerns, on the face of it this is not an abiding issue in almost any practical sense.

Our everyday lives will not be significantly changed either by the decision or by any

MY ambition has been so great it has never seemed to me worth while to try to satisfy it.

## I Say!

—John Dos Passos



Forty-five Years Ago  
December 16, 1943

"A graphic word picture of life and wants in Italy was given in a letter received by a local resident from a soldier relative... Following are some excerpts from the letter: 'I remembered you and the boys in my prayers... The people here would give almost anything for salt or shoes. I feel very sorry for the children here, poor little fellows running about, no shoes or socks. I have given away nearly all my socks, so if you have a few pairs kicking around could you send them along. I can get socks OK but the quarter-master is getting a bit tough these days. Anyway the ones that I gave away were my own.'"

Thirty-five Years Ago  
December 18, 1953

From an editorial: "Thousands of people will read Dickens' Christmas Carol again this month, and will be reminded of how a hard-hearted, wealthy skinflint was changed by the Spirit of Christmas into an open-hearted benefactor. It would be a wonderful thing if it could happen on an international scale, so that the Canadian people who are hoarding a billion bushels of food could be persuaded to share it with the people who are starving to death for lack of it... Actually, we have given away millions of dollars to the underprivileged areas of the world. But we could go a great deal farther than we have gone..."

Twenty-five Years Ago  
December 20, 1963

"...Normally officials wouldn't worry too much about the normal snow at this time of year. But because of generally heavy snow last winter, before the arrival of the first flakes this fall, Westmount had exceeded its 1963 snow removal budget by over \$39,000. Storms last winter were so inconsiderate as to rage consistently on weekends and holidays and double time payment cheques flowed out. Last May crews had to put the chains back on and clear 10.8 inches of snow from local streets. And this is a month with an average snowfall of .016."

Fifteen Years Ago  
December 20, 1973

From WHS news: "This past week quite a seasonal spirit has pervaded the ordinary drab school life. Several classrooms have been decorated with a good deal of care and imagination... This Friday, the gym teachers are planning a square dance for the students. It should be fun, and it certainly is a generous gesture on the part of the teachers. Hopefully a good number of students will show up, because it seems highly unlikely that many will be seen around school toward the end of the week particularly on Friday afternoon. After all, Christmas is a time of joy, and that hardly means school-work."

Five Years Ago  
December 22, 1983

"Santa brought good news to the Westmount ratepayers: the first cut in the total property tax bite in at least 10 years. This will translate for the average Westmount single-family dwelling-owner into a 1984 tax-bill cut of 11 percent from 1983. It will net out to a six-percent reduction, taking into account the mid-year 'home improvement grant' (in fact, a tax rebate) paid homeowners in mid-1983 and not provided for in the new budget approved by city council with expressed satisfaction Monday evening. The 1984 property levy cut of eight percent to \$22,456,900 is the major means, as usual, of meeting the total expenditures of \$31,433,500 forecast for next year."



**OUR M.N.A.**  
Hon. Richard D. French  
**says...**

### Funding research

ABOUT a month ago, at Quebec's technology summit organized by my colleague Pierre MacDonald, Mr Bourassa announced the creation of the Premier's Technology Fund. The fund will involve a commitment of \$300 million in so-called "new money" over the next five years.

The fund will be over and above tax breaks for research and development that were contained in the last two budgets and which have made Quebec the most fiscally attractive province in Canada for companies to undertake research.

Last week, I received a letter from Mr Bourassa in which he asked me to chair a cabinet subcommittee whose task it will be to co-ordinate science and technology policy for the government and, more specifically, to manage the Technology Fund on behalf of himself and of the cabinet. Among the ministers with major responsibilities in this area are Mr MacDonald, as minister of industry, commerce and technology, and Claude Ryan, as minister of higher education and science.

Roughly 30 percent of the fund will be spent directly in the universities for fellowship and research support via the Fonds FCAR (Quebec's granting council for doctoral studies and research), for the renewal of scientific equipment in the universities, and for covering the indirect costs of Quebec university participation in the federal cen-

tres of excellence program.

The remaining funds will be spent supporting major projects of research and development led by industry, focusing on strategic technological sectors where Quebec has a chance to establish itself among the world leaders, and often including participation by universities and research institutes.

The expectation is that these projects will be relatively limited in number, with the potential to mobilize the strongest financial, intellectual and managerial research in our high technology sector.



**OUR M.P.**  
David Berger  
**says...**

### A popular Speaker

I FIRST got to know John Fraser through our mutual interest in human rights. We both served as members of parliamentary committees on the Helsinki Human Rights Agreement and Soviet Jewry. I knew him to be compassionate, thoughtful and soft-spoken.

In September 1986, I encouraged him to stand for election as Speaker of the House of Commons under new rules introduced in the last Parliament. Previously, the Speaker was, in effect, chosen by the prime minister. In 1986, it took 11 ballots and 11 hours to elect John Fraser. On Monday, it took only one ballot for MPs to elect him to his second term.

Quite clearly, MPs are happy with the way Mr Fraser has conducted himself. It is

## You Say

### 17-year-olds left out of local hockey schedule

Sir: I am writing to protest the situation regarding general hockey times at the Westmount arena as regulated by the Westmount recreation department.

As it stands now, the Westmount arena is available for one hour each for 14- to 16-year-olds on Saturday evenings, and for adults, late Wednesday night. Please note the inexplicable exemption of 17-year-olds. As two 17-year-old Westmount residents, we have been denied the privilege of playing hockey with our friends.

Furthermore, 13-year-olds and those

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not just that he is seen as impartial and independent. He seems to have the knack of intervening at just the right moment to cool down a House that threatens to become overheated. He calmly asks MPs to rephrase their statements and asks them to think about the effect of their statements or questions on decorum and the need to maintain a civil atmosphere. He has what John Turner described as a sense of the House or a sense of what is needed.

He also has a sense of humor. On Monday he observed that "the 19th century British Speaker Arthur Wellesley Peel was said to be able to quell disorder by rising in his majesty and fixing the offenders with a steely glare."

"I have tried it," said Mr Fraser, "and it does not work."

# Consumption cut would reduce Hydro penalties

The City of Westmount has a money-saving tip now that the cold days of winter are upon us.

By following it, residents can save money not only on their individual electricity bills, but also on the substantial bill Hydro-Québec sends Westmount for supplying the power.

Bruce St Louis, the director of Westmount's power utility, says the demand for electricity shoots up between 4:30 and 6 pm, particularly on weekdays. And that can be expensive.

By CHARLES MAPPIN

He paints the following picture. When residents return home from work or school, they flip on several lights. Then the television set gets turned on in one room and the stereo in another. Dinner goes into the oven and a load of laundry is tossed into the washing machine.

With most of Westmount's commercial establishments still operating at that point in the late afternoon, the total draw on the power

supply is at its highest.

Mr St Louis says the problem gets worse as the temperature drops because of the structure Hydro-Québec uses to bill the city.

### Heavy penalties

"We pay very heavy penalties during periods of high consumption, the peaks," Mr St Louis says.

The city tells Hydro in advance how much power it expects residents and businesses will consume. It's billed for that amount whether or not the electricity is consumed.

If the city goes more than 10 percent over the pre-arranged quota, it must pay a penalty on top of the regular bill, Mr St Louis says.

On Monday at about 5:45 pm, Westmounters were using far more electricity than their quota and far more than ever before. At one moment, the collective demand peaked at 67,448 kilowatts (see separate story).

Last winter — at 5:45 pm Jan 14, 1988 — the consumption reached what was then a high of 61,056 kilowatts.

"That one peak cost the city \$78,500 in penalties. That's money the city could have used in other areas," Mr St Louis says. "I want residents to be aware there are certain things they can do to help themselves. On cold days they should just think about their electrical habits. It would help the city reduce its power load, help save on individual bills and help reduce the penalties the city pays."

Mr St Louis says a tremendous difference would result if residents put off cooking dinner until after 6 o'clock. He suggests trying to avoid using any electricity-guzzling appliances between 4:30 and 6 pm.

## Power priorities mean local lights stay lit

MUCH concern is being expressed these days over Hydro-Québec's ability to maintain a steady supply of electricity. Westmount light and power director Bruce St Louis says local residents don't have to worry.

Mr St Louis says he foresees no problems for Westmount. The city is on Hydro's priority list since it supplies power to its police and fire stations and the Reddy Memorial Hospital.

"At this point in time," Mr St Louis says. "Westmount still has all its circuits fully energized."

He says the city would give residents as much notice as possible if Westmount were to be affected by the rotating cutbacks in power supplies which Hydro officials have said might be necessary if it can't meet demands.

"Even if every resident just turned off one 100-watt light bulb, it would add up," he says.

### 12-month quota

Westmount's current quota is 50,710 kilowatts. The city can raise the amount at any time, but then that amount stays in effect for the following 12 months. The city determines the optimum figure with the help of a computer to ensure Westmount doesn't incur too many penalties, yet doesn't pay for too much electricity when demand is low.

The penalties are based on an amount consumed for at least 15 consecutive minutes. On Jan 14, when the 61,056 kilowatt peak was reached, a consumption of 60,912 kilowatts was maintained for the quarter hour.

The effective result, Mr St Louis says, is that on its January Hydro bill, the city had to pay as if it had

consumed 60,912 kilowatts all month long.

If the peak had been avoided, the \$78,500 could have been added to the general city coffers. Mr St Louis estimates the penalties totalled over \$250,000 last winter.

## POWER...

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power house, he said. Later the standby circuit went, too. This blackened a number of blocks, most of which regained power by 10 pm. The troubled Hillside block, however, was without electricity until about 1 am.

Other isolated power problems occurred from overloading, Mr St Louis said. Some were out for short periods as loads were shifted around.

Among the problems encountered were a blown transformer about 5 pm in a lane at Barat and de Casson roads. It was re-energized, only to blow again and power was not restored there until about 11:30 pm.

Another problem occurred in power supply at de Casson and St Sulpice where there was "such a drain on it that the fuses wouldn't hold it." There were also some cable problems.

Emergency crews worked all night, he said, adding, "We apologize for any inconvenience. When consumption is so high, it becomes very hard to transfer blocks."

## 152 cautions issued for not turning wheels

Remember to turn those tires against the curb when parking on one of Westmount's numerous hills.

Public safety officers issued 152 caution tickets for failure to do so last week, officials report.

The crackdown is a part of a special campaign to educate motorists about the safety requirement for leaving cars on inclines.

The blitz continues this week.

## Crews control propane leak

A leaking tank of propane gas was turned off by gas crews Friday at the rear of the condominium building at 4160 Sherbrooke street, fire officials report.

The leak was discovered at 6:14 am by public safety officers who noticed a strange smell in the rear. Firefighters traced the problem to a leak at the junction valve near the relief valve and gas crews were called to take care of the problem.

## "We Wish You a Merry Christmas"

The holiday spirit was very evident at 5th annual Christmas lunch hosted by Re/Max Westmount in their Greene Avenue office last week. This traditional get together features yuletide music, an abundance of food, and quenching holiday cheer. This year about 160 guests from other real estate companies were able to join their Re/Max real estate confrères.



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# City signs new contracts with blue collars, PSOs

Westmount wage increases have been held to four percent in two collective labor agreements signed over the past week, one with blue collar workers, the other with public safety officers.

The blue collar agreement brings the yearly earnings of a city laborer to \$27,477 in 1988 (\$13.20 per hour) and the annual salary of first class public safety officers to \$32,688.

The contracts give both groups 15 statutory holidays for the year, an increase of one, in line with white collar workers.

Both agreements also create overtime banks for compensatory overtime (time and a half) providing workers with the choice of taking time off in lieu of pay.

The city refused a demand by blue collar workers for seven weeks annual vacation after 30 years service but added a job security clause providing for no layoffs connected with any sub-contracting of work now done by them.

Provisions of both collective agreements were approved by city council Monday last week at its De-

cember sitting and summarized by Councillor Phillip Aspinall, finance commissioner.

The new two-year collective agreement for 1988 and 1989 between the city and its Association of Municipal Employees (blue collars) covers 129 permanent employees as well as any temporary workers, though none are presently employed. These generally work in the departments of public works and light and power.

### Various positions

Positions include street crews, gardeners, cleaners, rink and park attendants, the tree gang, electricians and linemen, chauffeurs, the dog catcher and Corporation Yard workers.

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

"This agreement had not been modified for several years so one of the goals this time was to update and rewrite it," Human Resources Director Gordon Black told THE EXAMINER Friday after the Wednesday signing. "We managed to shorten the text by five pages," reducing it to 25.

One highlight of the agreement, he said, was the addition of a clause concerning job security. This states the city's policy, saying "we won't lay off employees as a result of sub-contracting."

The contract makes no change in annual vacation entitlement, Mr Black said. "This was a big item in the negotiations. They wanted seven weeks after 30 years. We drew the

line at that. Where does it end?"

The City of Westmount does not give seven weeks vacation to any workers, Mr Black said, and he does not foresee this happening in the future. Many municipalities do not even give six weeks, he pointed out.

The contract increases wages four percent for each of the two years. This raises the hourly pay of laborers (manual workers) from \$12.70 in 1987 to \$13.20 in 1988 and \$13.74 next year.

The highest paid worker covered by the agreement is listed as a line and cable foreman at \$19.37 an hour in 1989. Lowest is a probationary carpenter's assistant at \$13.62.

### Seven drafts

The blue collar contract required seven drafts, he said. Negotiating for

the city were Assistant Director General Ed McCavour and Mr Black. The association's team consisted of Michel Poulin, president, and Richard Cyrene, vice-president.

The three-year contract (1986-88) with the Association of Westmount Public Safety Officers ends Dec 31 this year. It is the first for the 21 PSOs since they unionized.

It boosts salaries by five, four and four percent from \$28,783 in 1985 to \$30,222 for 1986, \$31,431 in 1987 and \$32,688 in 1988.

The PSO contract took 10 drafts. The city's negotiating team included Mr McCavour, Mr Black and Public Security Unit Director Richard McEnroe. The association's team included John Everatt, president, Steve Manktelow, vice-president, and Michel Godon, secretary.

## MUNICIPAL BLUE COLLAR LABORER SALARIES, HOURS AND BENEFITS - 1987

(figures supplied by City of Westmount)

	DOLLARD	LACHINE	MT ROYAL	MTL NORTH	OUTREMONT	PTE CLAIRE	ST LAURENT	B'FIELD	WESTMOUNT	Average
Annual salary	\$25,854	\$26,541	\$24,887	\$27,456	\$25,626	\$26,562	\$27,643	\$25,584	\$26,416	\$26,285
Sick pay	\$994	\$1,531	\$861	\$1,478	\$1,478	\$715	\$851	\$1,181	\$0	\$1010
Service pay	\$307	\$176	\$139	\$139	\$139	\$0	\$139	\$217	\$277	\$170
<b>Total salary</b>	<b>\$27,155</b>	<b>\$28,248</b>	<b>\$25,887</b>	<b>\$29,073</b>	<b>\$27,243</b>	<b>\$27,277</b>	<b>\$28,633</b>	<b>\$26,982</b>	<b>\$26,693</b>	<b>\$27,466</b>
Total hours per year	2080	2080	2080	2080	2080	2080	2080	2080	2080	2080
Statutory holidays	112	136	104	112	112	112	104	120	104	113
vacations	163	180	160	171	163	165	172	193	171	171
Short-term sickness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	112	12
<b>Net hours</b>	<b>1805</b>	<b>1764</b>	<b>1816</b>	<b>1797</b>	<b>1805</b>	<b>1803</b>	<b>1804</b>	<b>1767</b>	<b>1693</b>	<b>1784</b>
Hourly rate	\$12.43	\$12.76	\$11.96	\$13.20	\$12.32	\$12.77	\$13.29	\$12.30	\$12.70	\$12.64
Hourly rate with benefits	\$15.04	\$16.01	\$14.25	\$16.18	\$15.09	\$15.13	\$15.87	\$15.27	\$15.77	\$15.40
Net benefit percent	21.03%	25.50%	19.14%	22.57%	22.51%	18.47%	19.43%	24.15%	24.15%	21.84%

## Splashed gasoline causes eye injury

A city laborer was taken to hospital Wednesday last week after he accidentally splashed gasoline into his eyes, public safety officers report.

The 58-year-old man was transported to Queen Elizabeth Hospital by Urgences Santé. The incident occurred shortly before 8:45 am when the man was operating a jackhammer at a work site.

It was not known how the accident could have resulted, personnel officials said, and the scenario was to be re-enacted Tuesday to determine the circumstances.

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**City accepts second-best bid:**

**Lowest tender loses on a technicality**

Westmount's methods of tendering public works contracts was called into question again at the Dec 5 council meeting after Councillor Peter Duffield moved that tenders be accepted for modifications to the city hall ventilation system and the rental of debris containers for the city yard.

The tender accepted for the rental and service of debris containers went to Enfouissements et Conteneurs Monette Inc for \$51,900. Five other tenders had been received including one by Conteneurs A&A Inc. It was refused for not being according to specifications.

Mayor May Cutler, who had chaired a Oct 24 meeting where the tenders were received, said she thought Monette's was not the lowest tender.

"Wasn't the A&A tender quite a bit lower?" Mrs Cutler asked, adding that she thought it was about \$46,000.

Assistant director general Marc Beaulieu replied, "No, Madame, A&A was just a bit above (Monette's price)."

The mayor was right: the A&A tender was \$46,892.40. Public works director Fred Caluori said the tender had to be refused because the company did not submit a certificate showing they had a place to dump the waste material.

"The city has to know where the company is going to dump. It's our

material and we're responsible for its final destination," Mr Caluori said.

The four other tenders which did meet specifications ranged up to \$55,500.

The city received three tenders for modifications to the ventilation system. The low price of \$26,750 by R. Carmichael Co Ltd was accepted. The other two were for \$33,000 and \$40,336.

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**Flat flatware flees**

An apartment at 4300 de Maison-neuve was found broken into Nov 30. The matter was not reported until Monday last week, police said. Silver flatware and crystal were taken as well as possibly camera equipment. The extent of the theft was not known in the absence of residents.

**Lock yields**

An apartment was found broken into at 250 Clarke avenue last Thursday by breaking a lock on the balcony door, police said. Damage was estimated at \$200. It was not known if anything was taken. The burglary occurred between 8 am on Dec 2 and 9:30 pm Dec 8.

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So reads the heritage study entry on the house at 473 Clarke avenue. The original owner was Jeffrey Penfold. Since the time of construction, the roof has been replaced with asphalt shingle. Alterations were registered at city hall in 1958 and 1971.

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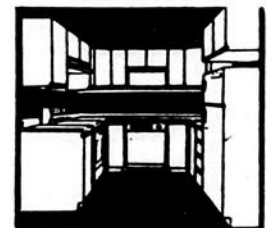
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# MUC evaluators say house prices up 10.6% here in past year

Westmount house prices rose an average 10.6 percent between July 1987 and July 1988, according to an analysis by the Montreal Urban Community valuations department.

The rise in local real estate prices during that period was slightly below the 10.8 percent average increase recorded in the entire metropolitan Montreal area.

Nevertheless, Westmount holds onto its distinction of being the most expensive place in the MUC to buy a house.

The numbers show the average market value of a single-family dwelling in Westmount leapt \$46,000 during the period, to \$480,500 in July 1988 from \$434,500 in July 1987.

That price is higher than the average in the other 28 MUC municipalities and the five districts of Montreal included in the analysis.

Hampstead was the second most expensive community for prospective homeowners to shop in, with an

## Market value of single-family dwellings by MUC municipality

	July 1987	July 1988	Variation
1 Anjou	118 000\$	135 300	+ 14.7%
2 Baie D'Urfé	197 500	213 400	+ 8.1%
3 Beaconsfield	181 000	188 100	+ 3.9%
4 Côte Saint-Luc	209 000	238 900	+ 14.3%
5 Dollard-des-Ormeaux	133 000	139 300	+ 4.7%
6 Dorval	126 400	135 700	+ 7.4%
7 Hampstead	402 500	433 300	+ 7.7%
8 St-Raphaël-de-l'Île-Bizard	115 100	130 500	+ 13.4%
9 Île de Dorval	.	.	.
10 Kirkland	151 400	161 100	+ 6.4%
11 Lachine	110 000	122 500	+ 11.4%
12 Lasalle	123 100	137 900	+ 12.0%
13 Mont-Royal	336 100	383 500	+ 14.1%
14 Montréal-Est	65 100	74 200	+ 14.0%
15 Montréal-Ouest	211 900	233 300	+ 10.1%
16 Montréal-Nord	105 300	109 400	+ 3.9%
17 Outremont	363 100	394 600	+ 8.7%
18 Pierrefonds	102 100	112 400	+ 10.1%
20 Pointe-Claire	122 400	131 700	+ 7.6%
21 Roxboro	100 700	109 000	+ 8.2%
22 Senneville	320 500	357 400	+ 11.5%
23 Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue	105 600	122 300	+ 15.8%
24 Sainte-Geneviève	114 600	134 300	+ 17.2%
25 Saint-Laurent	144 000	160 500	+ 11.5%
26 Saint-Léonard	146 300	166 700	+ 13.9%
27 Ville St-Pierre	70 200	82 600	+ 17.7%
28 Verdun	115 900	130 300	+ 12.4%
29 Westmount	434 500	480 500	+ 10.6%
30 Montréal			
Ahuntsic (centre, nord)	151 800	172 400	+ 13.6%
Mercier (centre, est)	101 600	105 700	+ 4.0%
Notre-Dame-de-Grâce (centre, ouest)	177 000	194 000	+ 9.6%
Pointe-aux-Trembles (est)	84 000	96 700	+ 15.1%
Rivière-des-Prairies (nord, est)	106 700	120 100	+ 12.6%

\* No dwelling house on that territory.

Chart shows how the average prices of single-family dwellings in the Montreal Urban Community fared between July 1987 and July 1988, as compiled by the valuation service of the MUC.

average price of \$433,300, up 7.7 percent from July 1987.

Outremont is next at \$394,600, an 8.7 percent increase. Town of Mount Royal is fourth with a July 1988 average price of \$383,500. That's 14.1 higher than the previous year.

The findings are based on "a comparison of sales effected during the (preceding) three-month period and the valuations recorded on the valuation rolls of suburban municipalities or Montreal districts."

The highest percentage increases generally occurred in municipalities with lower-priced houses located away from downtown, indicating demand in those areas may be on the rise.

St Anne de Bellevue, Ste Geneviève, Ville St Pierre and the Pointe aux Trembles region of Montreal all had increases exceeding 15 percent. In no area did house prices drop.

### Worker badly hurt in fall from roof

A construction worker fell from the second storey of a house at 9 Roxborough avenue Saturday while doing exterior renovations, fire officials report.

The man suffered wrist and pelvic injuries and was taken to Montreal General Hospital by Urgences Santé.

He fell from the roof area shortly before 11:28 am when the fire department's first responder unit was dispatched. He was identified as a 29-year-old Longueuil resident.

## Unscheduled garden waterings serve as example to others

HAVE you remembered to turn off water to the outside garden hose tap?

A reminder to do so comes from Westmount's fire department which answered three calls last week for burst pipes caused by freezing, one in a garage (see "Where were they going?" on page three).

Not only should water be turned off inside, officials advise, but the exterior portion of the pipe should be drained of water by opening the tap.

During cold weather citizens should take care not to leave windows open near pipes or radiators which could freeze.

## Car un-pursed

A man's purse containing \$200 was stolen from a car parked last Thursday across from 4000 de Maison-neuve boulevard, police said. The white 1987 Ford was broken into through a window on the passenger side. It belonged to a resident of St Barnabé.

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# Development program plan to be submitted to MUC

Where should Westmount's trailer park be situated?

This is one of the questions city council must answer as part of its requirement to provide a planning and development program for West-

mount to the Montreal Urban Community.

All member municipalities must give the MUC a detailed plan of the land use breakdown and projected use in the future by Dec 31, 1989,

By CHARLES MAPPIN

providing for all possible types of land occupation. The information will then be incorporated into a master plan.

At its public meeting Monday last week, city council announced the need for the plan and adopted a resolution to prepare it.

"We happen to be light years ahead of most other municipalities

on this," said Councillor Stuart Robertson, commissioner of planning and redevelopment.

"While many municipalities will need to hire an urban planner, we are fortunate enough to have done a lot of the ground work already."

Westmount's detailed zoning by-law contains much of the necessary information. The rest will be done in-house and within the current budget, Mr Robertson said.

In response to a question by Councillor Sally Aitken as to whether the plan would observe the principles worked out at a public consultation meeting held in the council chamber two years ago, Mr Robertson said the program deals more with details and numbers than with the broad directions discussed at that meeting.

One key change he wants to see is having the CP Rail lands in the city, southwest corner listed as residential with some commercial allowance — rather than industrial as the MUC now lists the area — so that development of the land could be more easily undertaken. Westmount last year rezoned the area for low-density housing to give it control over the type of development that could take place.

Mr Robertson said the allowance for a trailer park will most likely be included in the industrially-zoned area of Westmount on Richelieu street, an area unlikely ever to become a trailer park since it is covered with buildings.

When the trailer park requirement was mentioned, Councillor Peter Duffield suggested the city should "put it in the summit snow dump."

Mr Robertson replied, "I'm avoiding making any facetious comment because I don't want to be quoted on it."

Councillor Phillip Aspinall then suggested the trailer park could be located in front of 132 Claudioboye avenue, which happens to be Mr Duffield's home.

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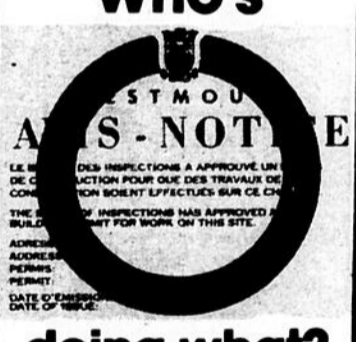
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**Dec 5**  
25 Stayner: for R. Walder by self, fireplace, \$2,750;  
471 Lansdowne: for H.P. Holden by self, windows, \$8,000;

**Dec 6**  
4 Somerville: for Mr Comodini by Groupe Centco Inc, gas entrance, \$2,200;  
374 Kitchener: for Mr Friedman by Levine Bros, replace plumbing, two fixtures, \$800;  
73 Rosemount crescent: for Martha and Claudio Cuello by self, landscaping, \$2,000;

**Dec 7**  
381 Melville: for K. Schiff by T. Pacherdec, repairs, \$3,400;  
Place Alexis Nihon: for A&A Records and Tapes by Hyrac Construction, interior reconstruction, \$59,000;

**Dec 8**  
638 Clarke: for A. Nihon by Azar Construction, alterations, \$5,000;  
4825 Sherbrooke: for La Société Immobilière 1234 de la Montagne by Hyrac Construction, alterations, \$100,000;

**Dec 9**  
Place Alexis Nihon: for Mr and Mrs J.C. Lau (Compu Image) by self, alterations, \$5,000;  
60 Summit crescent: for W. Retter by self, extension, \$300,000.

# Untimely Bell installations postponed until new year

Soon after contractors converged on Sherbrooke street at Prince Albert Monday morning to rip up the street for Bell Canada work, the wheels of protest started spinning.

Merchants hollered at city hall and spoke to their councillor. City hall called Ma Bell. And by early afternoon, the crisis was over.

The contractors packed up their equipment, promised to fill in the road and agreed to try again in the new year.

The crisis was over, but the merchants had spent a heartbreaking few hours.

All they needed two weeks before Christmas was a caravan of vehicles installed in front of their shops usurping parking space and narrowing Sherbrooke to two lanes of traffic, said Councillor Stuart Robertson.

"This is their busiest time of year," he told THE EXAMINER. "I can't believe what's happening."

Several hours later, a more joyous Mr Robertson was back on the phone relaying the good news. The protest

had worked. The assault was called off. Christmas shopping could go on.

The experience proved that the system can work quickly and that the city's contact at Bell had sympathized with the merchants' plight, Mr Robertson said.

"The problem was that the contractors had apparently seen someone at city hall who told them they couldn't tear up the street next week so they decided to do it this week," Mr Robertson said.

The work, he said, is required to lay new phone cables since many of the merchants have been experiencing telephone problems.

It was slated to be done last Au-

## Ol' soft soap

Westmount firefighters used a bar of soap to plug a gas leak in an RCMP car parked outside the force's headquarters at 4225 Dorchester boulevard Wednesday last week, fire officials report. The gas spill was flushed away by the fire crew which was called to the scene at 1:04 pm.

By LAUREEN SWEENEY  
gust but postponed by the Bell strike. Then, "thanks to the wonderfully sensitive people at Bell who were only anxious to look after their customers' complaints about poor

phone service," the work was started during the height of the holiday shopping season.

The work requires the digging of trenches along Prince Albert, across the Sherbrooke intersection and along laneways. In order to do the

work on the side street, Mr Robertson explained, the contractors had installed their vehicles on Sherbrooke, taking over an "incredible" amount of the street "and at least 25 percent" of all the parking spaces in that strip.

## Resident survey tops WMA agenda

The Westmount Municipal Association's survey of residents will cover a wide range of local issues from tree maintenance to civic elections.

WMA vice president Tom Thompson presented a draft version of the questionnaire at Monday evening's WMA meeting.

Mr Thompson said the questionnaire will be sent out to the 700 member households as well as another 300 to ensure the results reflect the opinions of all residents.

The questionnaire will include sections on snow removal, street salting, garbage removal, street lighting and recreation activities. Mr Thompson hopes to have it sent out in January with stamped return envelopes to encourage response.

Other issues arising at Monday's meeting included a resolution to support residents living in the neighborhood of Queen Elizabeth Gardens who want to keep their outdoor rink (see separate story), and a general

review of council activities.

John Johnston repeated his concern about the mess on city streets near construction sites. He said the WMA should ask the city to force developers to put up better signage around materials left out in the open.

Councillor Stuart Robertson attended the meeting and was invited to outline his responsibilities as commissioner of planning and redevelopment. He provided an overview of the functions of the architectural and planning commission and of some development-related by-laws city council will put forward in 1989.

These by-laws will regulate demolition, building maintenance, a planning advisory committee, and minor variances to the zoning by-law. A heritage by-law to designate certain properties worthy of protecting will likely come up in 1990, he said.

The WMA's next public meeting will be held Jan 9.

## Moving dish indoors solves legal problem

Summit crescent resident Robert Miller has discovered a way to get around the city by-law that restricts the size and location of satellite dishes.

Last week, Mr Miller received approval and a building permit for construction of a one-storey accessory building on his property. Value of the work was given as \$100,000.

Plans for the building call for a roof made of a material which allows penetration by radio waves that satellite dishes use to capture distant television stations. The building's dimensions are such that it will allow a 16-foot dish to rotate within it.

The city passed its by-law at a council meeting in April to restrict dishes to a 10-foot diameter. The by-law also places severe restrictions on their location.

Mr Miller had previously submit-

ted plans to the city for a 16-foot dish in his back yard at 78 Summit crescent on the site of his 10-foot dish. At the time, he said the smaller dish was not able to capture all the signals he wanted.

Westmount's director of services, Bruno di Lenardo, said Mr Miller is free to put whatever he wants in his accessory building since the by-law only restricts outdoor dishes.

## Toyota taken

A car was stolen Saturday outside 4040 St Catherine street while its driver attended the hockey game at the Forum, police said. The white 1988 Toyota was discovered missing at 10:45 pm. It belonged to a resident of Brossard who reported its value at \$18,800.

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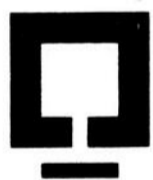


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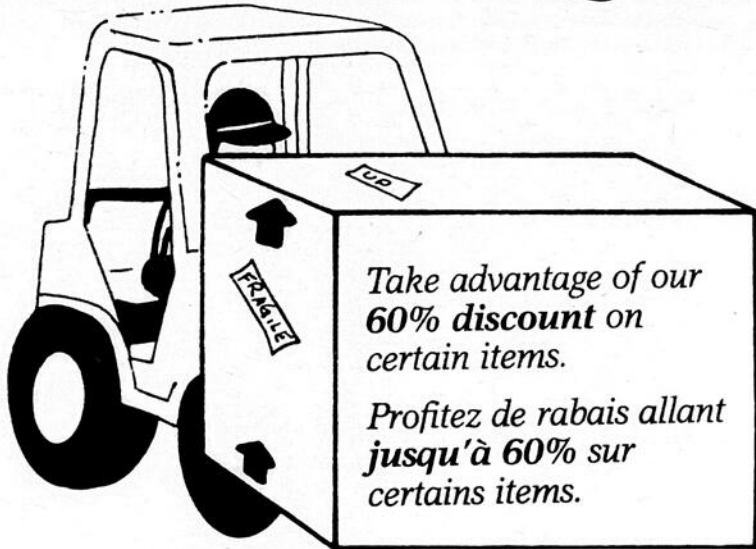
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**Quarter Century Club banquet:**

# Watches, flowers and friends as Westmount fêtes its own

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

The start of Christmas festivities heralds a special spirit of reunion each year for City of Westmount workers with long service records.

For this is the time of year when all those with 25 years of service who still work for the city get together with those who have retired and swap stories as they are honored by the city at its Quarter Century Club banquet.

This year, at the 45th annual banquet held Wednesday last week at Victoria Hall, some 300 people welcomed nine new quarter-century employees to the ranks of the city's long-service elite.

"Those are the only ones who are invited back forever," said Mayor Cutler, extolling their privileges. Employees who achieve 15 and 20 years of service are invited in that year only.

Welcoming them on behalf of council, she said, "I want you to know that we hear about you, we care about you and we know you care about us and about each other."

"Some of you have come so far to join again with all of the friends you worked so long with."

For most of the pensioners, the opportunity of getting together probably proves more valuable than the traditional gold watch they received many years ago.

It is also a time when those who are joining the group for the first time reflect on their service.

"I have been asked many times why I joined the police service in Westmount," said MUC Constable

Jim Coleman. "I always give the same answer: to serve and protect."

In addition to the new quarter-century honorees, 34 other employees were recognized for completing 15, 20, 30, 35 and 40 years of service (see story last week).

Although members of council and special guests also are invited to the event, this was the first time in recent years that no former mayors attended. A special moment of silence was held in memory of two former mayors, James A. DeLalanne and Donald MacCallum, who died during the year. Both had been loyal supporters of the Quarter Century Club and had helped present awards at last year's event.

The evening was characterized by good humor, white tablecloths, flowers, wine and corsages of red carnations for the ladies. Throughout dinner of roast beef and mince pie, musicians strolled from table to table playing requests.

Two persons long associated with the city, but never before honored at the club, were called up for special presentations, both in the legal field. They were Municipal Court Judge William Shaw and city solicitor Kevin Donovan.

Judge Shaw, who was named to the bench 26 years ago, was cited as "an unequivocal walking encyclopedia" for knowing local streets and landmarks. A law graduate from McGill, Judge Shaw served in the RCAF in the Second World War and has retained a keen interest in radar. Mr Donovan also was introduced



Standing with Mayor May Cutler are recipients of gold watches for 25-year service to Westmount, from left: MUC Cst James Coleman, Fire Captain James Adams, Antonio Grillone, Fire Lieut Francis MacDougall, Fireman Gary Rivard, Fire Lieut Réal Dessureault, Fmn Robert Mills, Assistant Fire Director Roger Laviolette and Fmn Ralph Svendsen.

as a law graduate of McGill. He began his association with the city in the early 1960s when working with the late city solicitor Arthur Weldon on the expropriation of property for the widening of Dorchester boulevard. He was described as being instrumental in the implementation of 350 Westmount by-laws.

**Gold watches**

When the time came for presentation of the gold watches for 25 years of service, recipients were reminded individually of their past records:

**James Coleman**, MUC police constable, joined the city as a public safety officer, remaining at the local police station after integration of the Westmount Police Force with the MUC service. He is a past-president of the United Irish Societies and a former board member of Catholic Community Services. He is a Montreal resident.

**Antonio Gillone**, janitor in the public works department and a resident of LaSalle, was born in Calabria, Italy. He has worked in the city as a public works laborer and refuse collector. His son, Mario, also works for the city, having assisted in the flower arrangements for the banquet.

**James Adams**, a captain with the fire department, has worked his way through the ranks. As president of the LaSalle Hockey Association, he has devoted so many volunteer hours to youth hockey over the past 30 years that he was named man of the year in 1987 by his community. He collects fire service pins.

**Réal Dessureault**, a fire lieutenant, spent five years in the Canadian army signal corps and served as a radio operator in Egypt prior to joining the city. He has a reputation for being a "great" story teller and never at a loss for a good joke.

**Roger Laviolette**, one of two assistant fire directors, started with the city as a firefighter and was



Judge William P. Shaw, of municipal court, right, was honored by Councillor Daniel Tingley for 26 years on the bench.

promoted to lieutenant in 1973, captain in 1975 and to his present position in 1984. He likes to cycle, swim and cook. He lives in Mercier.

**Francis MacDougall**, a fire lieutenant, lives in Côteau du Lac. He became an officer in 1978. He enjoys the outdoors, specially fishing. He is described as having a quiet and unassuming nature but can be "fingered" for playing practical jokes.

**Robert Mills**, firefighter, is a resident of Beaconsfield who was born in Howick. He has worked with the city's volunteer Civil Protection Unit.

**Gary Rivard**, firefighter, lives in Châteauguay. He is handy with tools and enjoys fixing and building things. He gardens and bowls.

**Ralph Svendsen**, firefighter, enjoys working on computers and with wood. He lives in St Laurent.

A vote of thanks to the city was given on behalf of the group by Assistant Director Laviolette speaking, as is traditional, in English, French and Italian.

During 1988, 70 city employees recorded 25 years of service or more. This is approximately 20 percent of the city staff.

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Candlelight and music set the tone for the banquet held in Victoria Hall to recognize long service.

# Beyond Westmount's Borders

A random sampler of things to see or do

in the bigger city surrounding us

By KARL JAROSIEWICZ

## Joy to the world

Place des Arts and Complexe Desjardins are extending an invitation to the public to attend a celebration of "Les Noël du monde." This Sunday, starting at noon, more than 30 cultural communities from Montreal will present their Christmas songs, dances, stories, games and festivities. The program will end at 5 pm with a performance by the Petits Chanteurs du Mont-Royal. Among the various events that will be featured are music, song and dance from the Philippines, a Mexican fiesta with music and dancing, a German chorale group, Scottish dancers, a Japanese drum and choir group, and many more. As well, typical Christmas treats from around the world will be available. Ten different locations in Place des Arts and Complexe Desjardins are to be used for these events, and all are free of charge.

## Clowning around

L'Institut de jonglage will be appearing at Théâtre Maisonneuve of Place des Arts in "Bingo - Le grand spectacle de M. Bing," from Dec 26 to 31. This show features the antics and skills of four actor/clowns from the Parisian juggling troupe. All four are masters of their craft and have worked with other companies like Barnum Circus and Great Britain's Circus Burlesque before starting this group. Tickets are \$18, \$15 and \$12 for adults, for children under 12 tickets are \$12.50, \$10.50 and \$8.50. Performances are at 7:30 pm, with matinées on Dec 27, 30 and 31 at 2 pm. For reservations, call 842-2112.

## Rock of ages

Rock Demers' acclaimed film series "Contes pour tous" will be shown from Dec 26 to 31 in Théâtre Port-Royal of Place des Arts. These films, which have won both national and international awards, include *La guerre des tuques*, *Opération beur de pinottes*, *Bach et Bottine* and *La grenouille et la baleine*. All movies in this series are being shown in their French versions. These stories, although written and presented for a young audience, appeal to adults also. Tickets are \$6.50 and can be purchased at the Place des Arts box office, or reserved by calling 842-2112.

## Drawing lots

The National Gallery of Canada is presenting an exhibition of 92 of its best drawings from a 1,200-piece permanent collection. This selection includes studies, sketches and finished drawings from the 15th through the 19th centuries. They are organized and displayed according to their respective national schools: Italian, Dutch, German, French, Spanish, English and Canadian. The works of noted artists such as Durer, Cézanne, Goya, Rembrandt, Rubens and Van Gogh are being shown alongside some exceptional works by lesser-known artists. These drawings will be shown until Feb 12, after which they are to be exhibited in the National Gallery of Art in Washington from March 5 to May 29, 1989. The National Gallery of Canada is located at 380 Sussex drive in Ottawa. Call (613) 990-1935.

## Chagall exposed

The Montreal Museum of Fine Art continues its Marc Chagall exhibition. This major show of the great Russian artist's work is comprised of 47 paintings and 110 works on paper. The exhibition continues until Feb

26. Entrance fee is \$7 for adults, \$5 for Friends of the Museum, \$3 for students and seniors, and \$1 for children under 12. Tickets are on sale at the museum from 10 am to 6 pm. The museum is open from Tuesday to Sunday, 10 am to 7 pm. Also check the museum reception desk for information on related events, including films, slide shows, concerts and dance performances.

## Deco retro

The Marsil Museum presents an exhibition highlighting the trends and influences of the Art Deco period. Beginning this week and continuing until Feb 26, the exhibit includes jewelry, fashion, furniture and photographs representative of the era in which the movement flourished, from 1910 to 1930. Admission is \$1, 50 cents for students and seniors. Children under 12 are admitted no charge. Marsil Museum is located at 349 Riverside drive in St Lambert. Call 671-3098 or 465-3357 for more information.

## New perspectives

The art gallery of the Saidye Bronfman Centre is displaying the recent works of Michael Smith. This is a major exhibition of large-scale paintings by the English-born artist. Smith uses landscapes in his abstract paintings to help redefine "our relationship to our natural surroundings." The exhibition continues to Jan 19, and admission is free. SBC is located at 5170 Côte St Catherine road. Call 739-2301 for details.

## Minimal photos

The Montreal Museum of Fine Art presents "The Photographs of Josef Albers." This selection of 38 prints and collages from the Josef Albers Foundation collection in New Haven will be presented at the museum from Jan 6 to March 5. Most of these photographs were taken during the '20s and '30s when Albers taught at the Bauhaus. Albers, who is considered one of the precursors of minimalist art, is better known for his paintings and graphics. This show is made up of photos discovered after the artist's death. Call the museum at 285-1600 for more information.

## Silent night

The Dow Planetarium, 1000 St Jacques street west, is presenting "Star of the Magi" until Jan 8. This show will explore the burning questions: Who were the Magi? Where did they come from? What was the "star" that guided them? Embarking on a voyage back in time and space, the plan-

etarium will recreate the sky of Judea as it appeared 2000 years ago. Admission is \$3, \$1.50 for students and seniors, and no charge for children. For information on showtimes, call 872-4530. The planetarium will be closed Dec 24, 25 and 31.

## Brahms in three parts

This Saturday, Musica Camerata presents a program of music by Brahms. This is a Montreal première of the complete version of Brahms trios: *Trio in C major, Opus 87 for violin, cello and piano*; *Trio in E flat major, Opus 40 for French horn, violin and piano*; and *Trio in B major, Opus 8 for violin, cello and piano*. The featured musicians are Berta Rosenohl on piano, Luis Grinhauz on violin, Guy Fouquet on cello, and James Sommerville on French horn. Tickets are \$10, \$8 for students and seniors. The concert will be performed at 8 pm in Redpath Hall, 3459 McTavish street. For information, call 489-8713.

## Second of the season

The Allegra Chamber Music Series presents, as its second concert of the season, works by Beethoven, Bach, Handel and Mendelssohn. The performance will be given by Vladimir Landsman on violin, Denis Brott on cello, and Dorothy Fraiberg on piano. The concert takes place tonight at 8 pm at Redpath Hall. Admission is free.

## Howdy Christmas

The Orpheus Singers will present their Christmas concert "Hodie Christus Natus Est," on Sunday at 8 pm, in the chapel of the Grand Séminaire, 2065 Sherbrooke street west. The 20-voice ensemble will be accompanied by an orchestra and directed by Fred Stoltzfus. Tickets are \$14 for adults and \$9 for students and seniors. For more information, call 761-3218.

## BBQ in church

Local psycho-billy rockers Déjà Voodoo are holding another of their

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barbecue events featuring Ray Condo and his Hardrock Goners, E.J. Brulé, the Gruesomes, Shadowy Men on a Shadowy Planet, the Supreme Bagg Team and the House of Knives. This time around, the boys are offering cajun gumbo soup to appease the hungry mob. The last time they staged a barbecue, the rapid consumption of chicken wings left late-comers with little to assuage their hunger. The concert will be held tomorrow at 8 pm sharp at the St Denis Church hall, 454 Laurier street east. Tickets are \$4, \$5 at the door. This is an event not to be missed.

## Able to dance

Rosemarie Cass-Baggs, George Mager and Bernie Warren are organizing a dance company for disabled and non-disabled persons. Ms Cass-Baggs, of Ballet West, and Mr Mager, a psychology professor at McGill, have previously choreographed a dance for persons suffering from muscular dystrophy which was per-

formed at the National Arts Centre and broadcast on CBC television. They are holding auditions for disabled persons on Saturday at 2 pm in the T.J. Building on the Loyola campus, at the corner of Terrebonne and West Broadway. For information, please call 848-4721, or 848-4747.

## Bistro reading

Valmai Howe, author of *The Dreams of Zoo Animals*, and Mark Abley of *The Gazette*, will give readings at the Duluth Bistro, 121 Duluth street, tonight at 8 pm. This event is organized by Todd Swift, Graham Findley and Bill Furey. For more information, call 287-9096.

## Locker looted

A Walkman radio was stolen from a locker at Westmount High School Wednesday last week, according to police reports. It was valued at \$150. An MUCTC pass also was taken. The theft occurred between 8:20 am and 12 noon.

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# Victoria Hall to be site of Jazz Westmount '89

Bebop Day, Tenor Madness, Sing Along Jazz, Big Band Swing Dance. It's all part of Jazz Westmount '89.

This new festival has grown out of the well-received jazz evening at Arts Westmount in September. And it's shaping up to be quite an event.

Through the combined efforts of Arts Westmount, the Jazz Association of Montreal and the City of Westmount, some of Montreal's best jazz musicians will perform at Victoria Hall on six Sunday afternoons in February, March and April.

The co-ordinator of the Jazz Westmount '89 series is Arts Westmount president Henry Finkel.

"The jazz concert at this year's (Arts Westmount) festival was so successful May Cutler suggested to me that we try to expand Arts Westmount through the year and hold jazz concerts during the winter," Mr Finkel said.

The idea struck a chord. Now Mr Finkel is pulling together all the components necessary for a successful series; from the musicians, ticket

By CHARLES MAPPIN

sellers and ushers to the advertising posters, the press releases and interviews with the musicians.

The six dates have been reserved at Victoria Hall and the program — each concert will have its own theme — is falling into place. Sound equipment will be hired for the performances to ensure a good quality of music.

While the dates are confirmed, the

performers have not yet signed and are therefore only tentative.

### The schedule

This is how the schedule looks to be shaping up:

**Feb 19:** The series will begin with Vocal Jazz Concert featuring vocalists Densil Pinnock and Ernie Nelson, with Johnny Scott on sax and vocals, plus piano, bass and drums;

**March 5:** Two weeks later will be a celebration of bebop music on Bebop Day. The performers have yet to be chosen but will include sax, trumpet, piano, bass and drums;

**March 19:** Tenor Madness will feature three tenor saxophonists, Boogie Gaudet, Richard Paris and B.T. Lundy, with piano, bass and drums;

**April 2:** Sing Along Jazz will give the audience a chance to participate both vocally and instrumentally. Scheduled guest artists are vocalist Karen Young and pianist Charles Ellison;

**April 16:** The fifth in the series is Guitar Jazz with guitarists Nelson Symonds, Sonny Greenwich and Greg Clayton, plus piano, bass and drums;

**April 23:** The series ends one week later with a particularly special event, a Big Band Swing Dance. This will feature the combined talents of the McGill and Concordia Universities' jazz programs, with both instrumentalists and vocalists. Members of the audience will be invited to dance the jitterbug or whatever else they fancy.

### Recalling the moves

One hour before the Big Band Swing Dance begins, dance instructors from the Westmount recreation department will be available to help those interested brush up on dance techniques.

For the first five concerts, the musicians will perform on a low platform surrounded by the audience to create a more intimate atmosphere. Because of the numbers of people involved in the final event, the band will be on stage with the audience sitting on the sides and back of the

### Real hot stuff on the radio

A radio was set on fire by candles burning near it Friday night in a home at 4350 Westmount avenue, fire officials report. The fire damaged a kitchen counter and scorched cupboards causing an estimated \$575 damage.

Firefighters were called to the house at 10:24 pm where they found the fire had been doused by an occupant using water.

The incident was reminiscent of another radio fire on Mount Stephen avenue Feb 7 this year (see story Feb 11), when a candle on top of the unit had burned down while residents slept.

### Firefighters quell firetruck fire

A Westmount fire vehicle caught fire Wednesday last week but firemen made quick work of it and damage was reported at \$100.

The fire started in a dimmer switch in the floor of the crew cab vehicle, a covered 1985 Dodge pickup truck, as it was driving east along St Catherine street at Abbott avenue on its return from the Corporation Yard, fire officials said.

Firemen Bob Cameron and Tom Hopkins noticed the floorboards on fire and doused them with an extinguisher. The truck was taken back to the city yards for repairs.

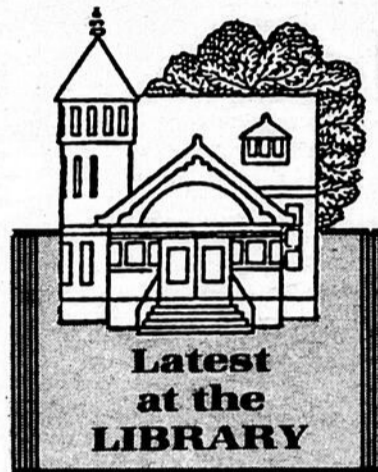
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hall and a space cleared for the dance floor in front.

A \$7,200 grant from the City of Westmount has allowed ticket prices to be relatively low. General admission will cost \$5 at each concert, while senior citizens and students will pay \$3. A series subscription will cost \$25, or \$15 for seniors and students.

Show times have yet to be decided, but they will most likely begin at 3 or 3:30 pm.

Mr Finkel invites any Westmount musicians who feel qualified and fit into one of the six programs to audition either in person or by tape.



The following titles are new at the Westmount Public Library:

#### English non-fiction

Piers Anthony, *Bio of an ogre*; Pierre Berton, *The Arctic grail*; Malcolm Bradbury, *The modern world*; Donna Carpenter, *After the crash*; Diane Francis, *Contrepreneurs*; John Gilmore, *Swinging in paradise*; Vaclav Havel, *Letters to Olga*; Pico Iyer, *Video night in Kathmandu*; Ed Joyce, *Prime times, bad times*; Mary Morris, *Nothing to declare*; Katherine Newman, *Falling from grace*; John Stalker, *The Stalker affair*; Philip Toynbee, *End of a journey*; Dan Wakefield, *Returning*.

#### French non-fiction

Rémi Berli, *Ontario*; Fred Brummer, *Les saisons du phoque*; Philippe Edmonston, *Autoconseils '89*; Jean Giono, *La chasse au bonheur*; Claude Perrier, *L'assurance-vie*; Diane Kelleny-Chalifoux, *Ces enfants nés de mon coeur*.

#### English fiction

Charlotte Bingham, *To hear a nightingale*; Clare Curzon, *Shot bolt*; Winston Graham, *Cameo*; Alice Hoffman, *At risk*; Jerzy Kozinsky, *The hermit of 69th street*; Charlotte MacLeod, *The silver ghost*; Marcel Montecino, *The crosskiller*; Anton Shammass, *Arabesques*; Dell Shannon, *The dispossessed*; Joan Smith, *A masculine ending*; Patrick Suskind, *The pigeon*; Susan Trott, *Pursued by the crooked man*; Laura Van Wormer, *Riverside drive*; Philip Williams, *All the western stars*.

#### French fiction

Françoise Chandernagor, *La sans pareille*; Dominique Garnier, *J'attendrai la nuit et le jour*; Erik Orsenna, *L'exposition coloniale*; François-Olivier Rousseau, *La gare de Wannsee*; Tom Wolfe, *Le bûcher des vanités*.

#### Children's books

**English:** Caroline Bell, *I love my mom*; David Birch, *The king's chessboard*; Joan W. Blos, *Old Henry*; Dorothy Hinshaw Patent, *Christmas trees*.  
**French:** Mimi Breton, *Guide d'observation des baleines au Canada*; K. Gatland, M. Hewish et P. Wright, *La navette spatiale*; Mark Pettigrew et François Carlier, *Sons et musique*; Nadine Saunier, *Le lion*.

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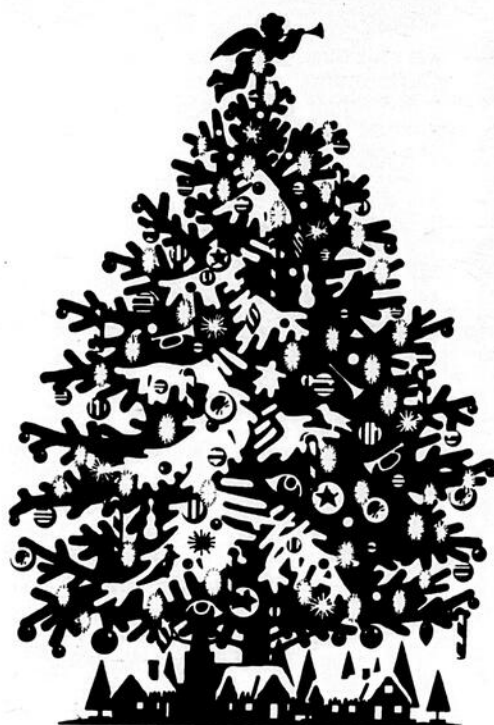
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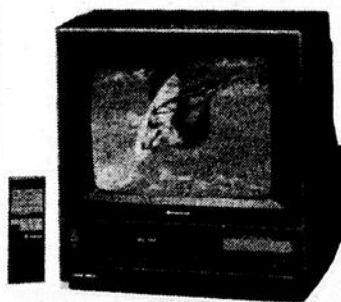
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# Several Westmounters involved in making of family film

Starting tomorrow and at least until the end of the holiday season parents and their children will be lining up at movie theatres across the country to see the award-winning *Tommy Tricker and the Stamp Traveller*.

In the Montreal area, the film will be released at the Cineplex Odeon Bonaventure and Pointe Claire theatres.

This, the seventh of Rock Demers' "Tales for all" for Les Productions La Fête, has already won several prestigious international awards.

*Tommy Tricker* was written and directed by Michael Rubbo, who also wrote and directed the enormously popular *The Peanut Butter Solution*.

When you see the film, some of it

may look very familiar to you: the classroom and playground scenes were shot at Roslyn School. (Other locations include a West Island home, downtown Montreal and China and Australia.)

While the Canadian cast came mainly from Ontario, there are still a number of Westmounters associated with the production.

Foremost among these was director of photography Andreas Poulsson, who says, "I did this film because I had worked with Rubbo at the NFB, and he asked me to work on this one. We had done documentaries together, but had never worked on a dramatic feature together. It was a new thing for me."

Working with children, he says, is



very different; different even from working with young adults as he did when shooting fellow Westmounter John N. Smith's docu-drama *Sitting in Limbo*.

Mr Poulsson came to Canada when his parents immigrated from Norway in 1962. After taking his BA at the University of British Columbia, Mr Poulsson was hired by the National Film Board as an assistant cinematographer.

By 1973, he was director of photography at the board, and by 1984 he had worked on more than 70 documentaries, docu-dramas and features. That year, he left the NFB to work with independent filmmakers and on television projects.

As well as working with Mr Smith, Mr Poulsson has worked with Donald Brittain, another Westmounter, on *Henry Ford's America* and *The Champions*.

Two of the films Mr Poulsson has worked on have been nominated for Academy Awards: *After the Axe*, directed by Sturla Gunnarson and *The Painted Door*, a 1984 drama co-produced by the NFB and Atlantis Films.

In 1984, Mr Poulsson shot Donald Brittain's *Canada's Sweetheart: The Saga of Hal C. Banks*, for which he received a Gemini Award nomination for best cinematography in a television drama.

Last year, Mr Poulsson shot 13 episodes of the Atlantis Films series for television (seen on the CBC network), *Airwaves*.

He has recently finished working on 11 of 30 episodes of *Twilight Zone*

Anthony Rogers as Tommy Tricker, left, tries to convince Westmounter Rufus McGarrigle Wainwright as Rufus, an aspiring young rock n' roll singer, that he needs Tommy for a manager. This scene from *Tommy Tricker and the Stamp Traveller* was shot at Roslyn School.

being shot for syndication; an Atlantis-CBS-MGM co-production.

"Working with children is very different," says Mr Poulsson about his experience with *Tommy Tricker*. "For one thing, you can work only eight hours a day. But the most different thing is that you have to keep remembering that they're children. It brings out the best in people."

"And the children are very hard-working. At first, of course, it's just fun, but as the hours go by, it is amazing what stamina children can have."

"Working with them is harder than working with grown-up, professional actors, but it's more rewarding."

Mr Poulsson is married to painter Jane Adams, and their daughter Alexa, who is a former student at Roslyn, worked as an extra there and at Complexe Desjardins.

"I would have no hesitation about my child working in film," says Mr Poulsson, "as long as I was satisfied that the producers were responsible. Of course in this case, children's productions are what La Fête does."

The film involved travelling to China and Australia. "I had been to China before," says Mr Poulsson, "but I had never worked there. It was interesting and difficult. Only a few key people went to China, so we had to communicate with the Chinese crew through interpreters. It was very different. It took more time,

and we spent three weeks in China for nine days' shooting.

"But the Chinese were very kind and we came away feeling very good about it all."

"Then we spent seven days in Australia for five days' shooting."

The rest of the film was shot in and around Montreal for five weeks.

Another Westmounter involved in the film is actor/singer/composer Rufus McGarrigle Wainwright, 14, who plays a student named Rufus who is always working on his music. There is every indication that the teenager has inherited the musical abilities of his mother, Kate McGarrigle, and of his father, Loudon Wainwright.

Young Wainwright sings the theme song "I'm A-Running," which he wrote with his mother. The McGarrigle sisters (Kate, Anna and Jane) wrote and performed the soundtrack music.

Mr Wainwright is one of the six newcomers featured in the film. "He is an extraordinary performer and has incredible stage presence," says Mr Poulsson.

Former Westmounter John Dapery plays Mr Bronson, a stamp collector, in one of the few adult roles in the film.

*Tommy Tricker and the Stamp Collector* tells the story of Tommy Tricker and Ralph James, two members of a school stamp club, who compete to find a precious stamp album hidden on the other side of the world.

Ralph and his sister find a secret magic formula that allows anyone who believes in magic to become tiny enough to ride in the picture on a postage stamp.

By accident, Ralph subsequently gets mailed to China, and Tommy gets to Australia first.

Prior to its Canadian release, the film won the chief award for best feature film at the seventh international film festival for children in Australia in June, the Bronze Gryphon at the 18th Giffoni (Italy) film festival in August, the most popular film award at the Chicago International Festival of Children's Films in October and the children's jury prize at the sixth Essen (Germany) international youth film festival last month.

This is the seventh film in a projected 12-film package. The first six,

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**MUSIC SCHOOL CONCERT:** The students of the Westmount Early Childhood Music School and their parents attended a special concert recently. Three students of music at McGill performed. T.M.R. resident Cheryl Grossman, left, began studying piano when she was six. Now 14, she studies with Dorothy Morton and was first in her level at the McGill Conservatory. She was a provincial finalist in the 1988 Canadian Music Competitions and placed second in the 1988 N.D.G. Music Competition. Karin Patriquin, centre, has been studying music since the age of four and flute since she was 12. She is studying with Marie-Andrée Benny and hopes to complete her BMus at McGill University next year. A native of Oakville, Dan Moses began playing horn in 1978 at the age of 11. He is in his fourth undergraduate year at McGill, studying with Jean Gaudreault. He is principal horn of the McGill Symphony Orchestra and is a member of the Canadian Forces 438 Air Reserve Squadron Band. Director of the school is Marian Schaubert who can be reached at 487-6264.

## Firefighters seek volunteers to give Christmas transportation

MEMBERS of the Westmount Firefighters Association are seeking drivers to help transport needy and senior citizens to a special turkey dinner being held Christmas Day at 5 pm. The meal is being provided free of charge by the Wheel Club, 3373 Cavendish boulevard.

"Many of these people have difficulty getting around and are alone at Christmas," explains organizer Richard Hearn. "Anyone who would be able to help with transportation can call us at 489-3322."

A fund-raising auction held by some of the firemen in the association membership last October raised some \$1,100 for the Special Olympics, Mr Hearn said.

A cheque in this amount was presented Nov 19 to Bill Osbourne and other workers for the Special Olympics. "We want to thank the Westmount residents who donated items for sale and helped to make this event a success," Mr Hearn said.

## Helping group offers 'circle' for friendship

My Brother's Keeper is sponsoring a series of evening reading/discussion get-togethers dealing with "How to stop worrying and start living."

These free friendship (helping) circles meet every Monday at 7 pm, at 3407 avenue du Musée, corner of Sherbrooke.

The following topics are scheduled for the next few weeks: Dec 19, "Ten ways of coping with loneliness," making friends and joining groups; Jan 4, "The Bible, greatest 'self-help' book of them all." Jan 11, *Reality Therapy* from Dr William Glasser's book; Jan 18, *The Art of Loving* from Eric Fromm's book; Jan 25, "Happiness as a guaranteed goal."

My Brother's Keeper is a federally incorporated non-profit organization. The non-sectarian, religiously-inspired group works to help just causes and to meet unmet needs.

The organization is holding its annual fund-raising campaign this month. Donations can be sent to 2235 Delisle street, Suite 300, Montreal, H3J 1K4. Tax receipts will be issued for all donations, no matter the amount. For more information, call 932-3267.

## Thomas More Institute hosts annual Quebec artists exhibit

As part of the Thomas More Institute's involvement in the community and the arts, the institute's associates are holding the 26th annual Quebec artists exhibition in the Côte des Neiges cultural centre, 5290 Côte des Neiges, from Dec 14 to 28.

A number of Westmount artists are represented in the exhibition — Marian Scott, Catherine Bates, Toby Steinhouse and Eudice Garmaise.

The show is being organized under the chairmanship of associates Rolande Sentenne and Uve von Harpe. Westmount residents Mr and Mrs Allen Hanley, Eileen de Neeve, and Mr and Mrs Sol Mann are among those involved in the organization of the exhibition.

For exhibition hours, contact the institute at 842-5076.

## TOMMY...

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of which the best known is probably *The Peanut Butter Solution* and which had Westmounter Alison Podbrey in the cast, had won a total of 60 national and international awards by November of last year.

Tommy Tricker seems destined to do as well.

In fact, "I hope it is even more successful," says Mr Pousson.

*Tommy Tricker and the Stamp Collector* is produced by Les Productions La Fête with the support of a private group of investors and the participation of Telefilm Canada, la Société générale du cinéma du Québec, Culinar Inc (les gâteaux Vachon), Société Radio-Canada and Super Écran (Première Choix/TVEC), and is released with the support of Canada Post Corporation and Culinar. Produced by Roek Demers, it was written and directed by Michael Rubbo and stars Lucas Evans, Anthony Rogers, Jill Stanley, Andrew Whitehead, Paul Popowich and Rufus Wainwright. Cinematography is by Andreas Poulsson, art direction by Vianney Gauthier, editing by André Corriveau, with Ann Burke as line producer. The original music is by Kate, Anna and Jane McGarrigle. The film is distributed in Canada by Cinéma Plus. World sales are handled by the producers.

— Janet Coutts

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**MAKING A SNOWBALL:** Members of the organizing committee for the Bal des neiges, from left, Jay Iverson, Sara Dennis and Westmount resident Sarah Ivory, met chez Ms Dennis to discuss plans. The black-tie dinner-dance, held by the Montreal Association for the Blind, will take place on Thursday, Dec 22, at 7 pm, in the Hotel Bonaventure.

*Gordon Brown named honorary AJCS president*

Westmount resident Gordon Brown is one of the most distinguished members of the Canadian Jewish community. He has been named honorary president of Allied Jewish Community Service.

The AJCS board of trustees voted an amendment to the by-laws to allow the nomination of two honorary presidents of the Federation. The members unanimously approved the motion to bestow this title on Gordon Brown. Saidye Bronfman, OBE, has been AJCS's honorary president since 1972.

Mr Brown recently celebrated his 80th birthday. He has devoted more than 60 years of his life to the world Jewish community. Despite his fantastic record of accomplishments, he energetically continues as a vibrant leader of Jewish activities.

He is honorary chairman of the Combined Jewish Appeal, a veteran of more than 55 campaigns. He was awarded the Samuel Bronfman Medal (the highest possible honor for any member of the Montreal Jewish community) and the Dr Israel Goldstein prize, the most distinguished honor bestowed upon a Jewish person living outside Israel.

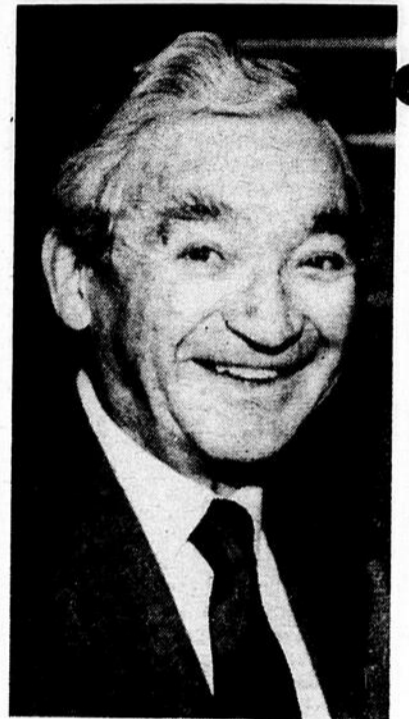
Born in 1908 in Odessa, Russia, Mr Brown's earliest years were influenced by war and revolution. At the age of 13 he and a 15-year-old sister had to fend for themselves when their parents were jailed repeatedly for trying to escape from Russia where they saw "no future for Jewish life."

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In 1921, during the Russian Revolution, the Browns managed to flee the U.S.S.R., spending two years in transit in Romania before continuing — with the help of the Joint Distribution Committee and HIAS — to Montreal and a new life.

Mr Brown's first major initiation into community work came with the 1929 campaign on behalf of a Jewish General Hospital building. Since then, he has participated in every major capital funds campaign in Montreal, as well as the annual Combined Jewish Appeal, which he chaired in 1961.

His involvement in the Federation reached its climax with his presidency in 1967-68. He became national president of the United Israel Appeal of Canada Inc, which in turn honored him by naming a new facility for immigrants in Jerusalem, The Gordon Brown Absorption Centre. He was the first Canadian Jew to



**Gordon Brown**

serve on the board of governors of the Jewish agency.

In addition to fundraising, he served in various leadership roles on behalf of Canadian Friends of Hebrew University; Canadian Technion Society; was a founder of Bar-Ilan University; and Jewish National Fund honored him at their 1970 Negev Dinner, establishing a project in Israel in his honor.

In 1974 he was named Man of the Year by State of Israel Bonds.

He is a life trustee of Allied Jewish Community Services; a life vice-president of Adath Israel Congregation; a life governor of the Jewish General Hospital; and honorary director of Hebrew Free Loan Association; a Gold Menorah member of B'nai B'rith; and an honorary fellow of Hebrew University.

The positions Mr Brown has had and the awards of recognition bestowed upon him sketch the "official" Gordon Brown. Gordy the man personifies Jewish tradition. He is a gentle, soft-spoken man. While he has strong convictions, he is ready to listen to others, to accept another's views and, above all, lend his energies to fulfill an idea. As he so often says, "Everyone is due respect," and "You catch more flies with honey."

**Contactivity names raffle draw winners**

The five winners in the raffle put on by the Westmount seniors of Contactivity were drawn at their Christmas dinner Thursday last week from the tickets sold at this year's bazaar.

Constantine Gorea won the first prize of a wine, cheese and fruit basket. Dorothy O'Toole won second prize of a cross-stitched tablecloth made by a Contactivity member.

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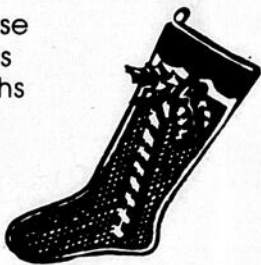
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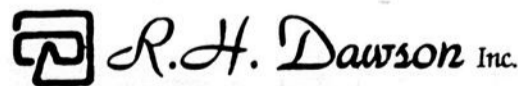
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With the holiday season on us, it's so easy to get caught up in the whirl of shopping, baking and partying that it's important to draw back for a few minutes to check your state of well-being. Let me tell you that, in spite of all the "must dos," mistreating your body does take its toll once you're over 50. And sometimes the damage lasts too long.

We all want good health and vitality in spite of our age. We want to be alert and sharp, to be able to enjoy ourselves fully. But that takes some doing. It takes a commitment to a way of life that will minimize the natural biological decline all living creatures experience. We are aware, by now, that medical care is usually devoted to sickness care, not good health care. So it's up to us to plan a program of "treatment" for ourselves that prevents illness, minimizes complications and speeds up recovery from ailments we can't avoid.

Jane S. Brody, health columnist for *The New York Times* and author of *The New York Times Guide to Personal Health*, has some great tips on how to take responsibility for your own well-being. The goal could be "To die young, as late as possible!" Brody identifies the four roads to good health: nutrition — what and how much you eat; exercise — how and how often you move your body; stress management — adopting effective rather than abusive mechanisms; routine check-ups — taking advantage of medicine's ability to detect health problems and head them off before they make you really sick.

On nutrition: you want to make your calories work for you. For the protein you need, Brody stresses you de-emphasize animal protein and focus on plant foods that provide protein with little or no fat. Dried beans and lentils, pasta, potatoes and

bread. Fish, she says, is healthier than meat or poultry. The natural oil in fish may protect against heart disease and cancer, and even help relieve the symptoms of arthritis. But if the fish you eat is to promote good health, it must be broiled, baked or grilled, with little or no extra fat.

Red meat, poultry, dairy products and eggs don't have to be eliminated entirely if you're smart. Just remember that meat should be lean, poultry skinless. Buy beef that is labelled lean. It costs a bit more, but you're worth it! Limit egg yolks to three a week, including your baking. Use cheese as a condiment instead of as a main source of protein. One percent or skim milk is important for calcium. Low-fat cottage cheese and yogurt are good.

Go easy on fats. Use vegetable oils such as olive oil or corn oil; diet margarine rather than butter; and cut out the cream cheese.

For carbohydrates, an important component in the régime, you have potatoes, rice, pasta, peas, cereals and bread, fruits and vegetables. These are all rich in essential vitamins and minerals as well as dietary fibre. Get a steamer for your veggies and avoid spoiling them with butter.

Stick to fruit for dessert instead of those rich cakes and cookies.

About moving your body: Brody says that physical activity appropriate for your age and health can take years off your body and mind. The only way to slow down the aging process and to maintain youthful vim and vigor for years after most people have taken to the rocking chair is to get that body moving.

No exercise program should be started without a thorough checkup,

but many activities do not overly stress the body. These include cycling (indoors or out), swimming, walking, dancing and working out to an exercise tape for seniors. Try walking up and down stairs, and chop or cut your food by hand. Vary your activities — the main thing is to find the right activities for you.

I'll get to the other guidelines next week, but in the meantime do think of yourself a bit. Holiday demands can play havoc with your life, wonderful as all the gatherings are. Get the rest you need and plan your menus around your needs. Nobody will be the wiser and you'll be better off for it.

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I had hoped to support the RCAF Association Maple Leaf Wing in their brave effort to raise the funds they need for their fine work. Unfortunately, their draw was held on Dec 10, somewhat ahead of me. But I'm sure the group would be happy to receive a contribution even after that date. Just call Chuck Downey at 484-7473.

## Tele-Cancer hotline gives info, support

Tele-Cancer is a cancer hotline sponsored by the Fondation Québécoise du Cancer which also sponsors Info-Cancer, an information service. Both can be reached at 5-CANCER (522-6237) for the Montreal region, or 1-800-361-4212 for the rest of the province.

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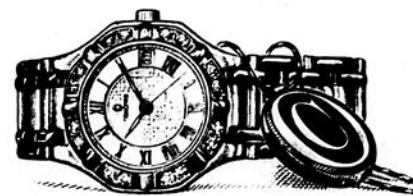
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cated. About 70 percent of questions to Info-Grossesse concern exposures — illnesses, medications, drugs, tobacco, alcohol etc — women believe may put reproduction or pregnancy at risk.

The service is the only one of its kind in Quebec. It is the result of a collaboration between the community health department of Montreal General Hospital, the department of biostatistics and epidemiology at McGill University and the Montreal Children's Hospital.

**Learn and Live courses for seniors**

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Twenty-seven awards and trophies were presented to outstanding campaign volunteers in the true style of Hollywood's Oscar Awards night. The mood was underscored by imaginative decorations, music and table centerpieces. The closing celebration was chaired by Bunnie Berke.

In a departure worthy of Hollywood, James D. Raymond and Carole-Anne Levine left the stage to present about two-thirds of the awards to recipients at their tables. The action was captured live by two video cameras which projected the images onto three 11'x15' screens at the end of the ballroom, thus affording everyone present the opportunity to witness all the action.

During dinner, a slide show of candid shots of the just-completed campaign brought laughs and remembrances to all who had participated.

The highest honor, the President of Israel Award for exceptional performance in the campaign on behalf of local needs and the people of Isra-

el, was bestowed upon Westmounter Edward Wiltzer, incoming general chairman. The award is a beautifully adorned Bible, signed by the President of Israel, Dr Chaim Herzog, and a hand-lettered scroll.

The Michael Hirsch Trophy for the top campaigner was awarded to David Vineberg, campaign co-chairman.

Carole-Anne Levine, women's division chair, was honored with the Ida Steinberg Memorial Trophy for the leading women's division volunteer.

The Special Merit Award, recognizing a person who contributed in an extraordinary manner to the campaign, was presented to Gary Ulrich, chairman of the Apparel division.

Max Berdugo, chair of the Sephardic division, and Fiby Benchaya, chair of its women's section, won the Chairman's Award for their outstanding work on behalf of the campaign.

Sam Engles, Edward Mendelson, Gordon Schwartz and Jack Slater were the first recipients of the Honorary Chairman's Award, created in

recognition of the ideals of the honorary chairman, Gordon Brown — known to all as "Mister Campaign" — who just celebrated his 80th birthday.

Richard Vineberg, member of the executive of ELAN division, received the Professional Award; co-chairs of the agency program, Len Wisse and Lionel Goldman, and co-chairs of the West Island campaign, Larry Fisher, Eric Rodier and Allan Sheff won Special Division Awards. Al Codas was honored with the Trades Division Award and Joyce Tanner and Joseph Paperman, co-chairs of Super Sunday/Sweep, were awarded the Mark Workman Trophy for top campaigners in the community division.

Many other awards were presented to volunteers of young adult division and women's division.

As a symbol of gratitude and recognition for his leadership and efforts on behalf of the campaign, general chairman James D. Raymond was presented with a silver tray engraved with the names of his campaign team.

**Face à Face offers free Christmas party**

For those who are facing Christmas alone, Face à Face extends an invitation to a free party on Christmas Eve and from noon to 8 pm on Christmas Day. The party will be held on the third floor of 1819 René Lévesque boulevard west, corner St. Matthew.

Face à Face urgently needs donations of food, presents, money and

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Face à Face's regular service is a bilingual listening and referral centre. Trained volunteers provide confidential and anonymous listening to people who want to talk about a problem or receive information on resources.

Face à Face is free, open Monday to Friday from 9 am to 5 pm, and requires no appointment. Weekly groups are run for people who feel alone and want to make friends.

Located at the boutique level of the Guy Métro station, Face à Face can be reached by calling 934-4546. The organization is non-profit, funded by Centraide and the ministry of health and social services.

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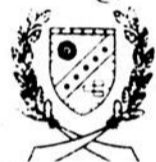
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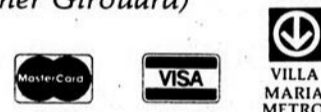
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**CHARITY BEGINS AT SCHOOL:** The young members of the St Andrew's School student body learned a lesson in giving last week. After collecting toys for several weeks, a special assembly was held during which the students turned the gifts over to Ville Marie Social Services. The toys, they learned, will go to other less-fortunate children at Christmas. Students, from left, Danielle Ludwick, Stephanie Carson, Rory Geoghegan and Erica Miller were among those to offer the gifts to Zelman Benitsky and Jackie Redmond of Ville Marie Social Services.

## Veteran local merchant taken by 'fix-it' scam

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

The "fix-it" scam has claimed another victim among Westmount merchants.

And this time it's a veteran shopkeeper who has worked long and hard for crime prevention and the security of Victoria avenue merchants.

"I feel so stupid," she said Monday in calling THE EXAMINER to report her experience. "After 15 years I am still so gullible."

The scam, she said, asking that her name not be published, was a perfect example of how easily and quickly a busy merchant can be taken in.

Police records show other local merchants also have fallen for variations of the scam.

The con artist, she said, "gave me the whole spiel about his nine-year-old daughter and how he was going to send her to take classes in my store. He even gave me references of other merchants who I later found out had also been conned. It is incredible that I never checked them at the time."

The woman said he had gone to her store Friday when she was very busy, offering to clean the front sign and replace a burnt-out light in it.

She gave him the job after listening to his "spiel." She felt sorry for him and wanted to give him a chance. She then paid him \$45 for which she received "a nicely-written" receipt. "He even took me outside to look

at the work. It looked all right to me at the time but I wasn't wearing my glasses and didn't see all the cobwebs."

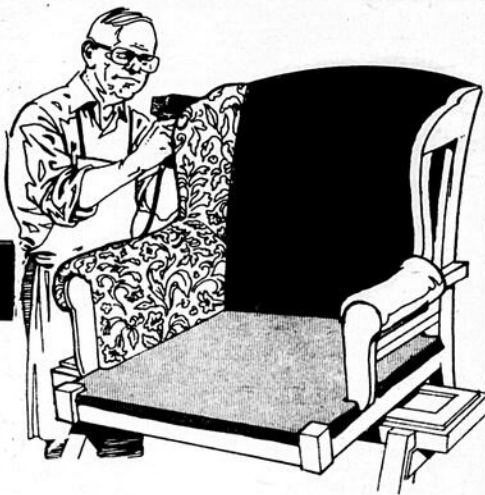
It wasn't until she later saw the sign at night that she realized that the light still was not working.

"On Saturday he phoned me back to say he had gone by the shop and seen that the light was not working and that the problem must be in the ballast." He told her he needed another \$55 which, after repeated phone calls from the man, was finally paid in advance so he could supposedly buy the ballast.

The merchant hasn't seen him since.

The man is described as white, aged about 30, having long hair "looking like a flower child."

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**SHARING THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT:** Members of Contactivity, the Westmount Senior Citizens Centre, held their annual Christmas dinner last Thursday at Westmount Park Church, serenaded by boys and girls from the choir of Sedbergh residential school in Montebello. They were served with the assistance of local Boy Scouts. Among Westmount residents attending were, from left, choir member **Richard Skoryna**, **Mary Coughlin** and Scout **Hadwen White**.

## Women's Centre seeks volunteers, donations

The staff and volunteers of the Women's Centre of Montreal are making up Christmas baskets for disadvantaged families.

The list of needy recipients is longer than ever and the Centre needs more supplies to help fill the 350 baskets. Donations of non-perishable foodstuffs, toys (new or used and in good condition), and warm clothing for children and the elderly are being sought. Cash donations with which to buy food, books, toiletries and other small gift items also will be gratefully accepted.

Volunteers are needed to help distribute the Christmas baskets to shut-ins, particularly on Sunday, Dec 18.

Donations can be taken or sent to the Women's Centre of Montreal, 3585 St Urbain street, Montreal, H2X 2N6. The centre is open Monday

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December is a difficult month for the Red Cross. People are very busy. Mobile clinics are fewer because of the holidays. The flu and colds mean many donors cannot be accepted. End-of-term exhaustion reduces the number of student donors.

At the same time, the demand for blood tends to rise. There are more road accident victims and, this December, several liver transplants are planned, most of them on children.

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## Deadline extended for Selby property sale

The City of Westmount can go ahead with the sale of a vacant lot it owns on Selby street. The extension the city sought from the provincial government on the selling deadline has been granted, officials say.

At Monday evening's council

meeting, city clerk Robert Wilkins read a letter from acting deputy minister of municipal affairs Florent Gagné which indicated the city now has until Sept 30, 1990 to rid itself of the property.

Assistant director-general Ed Mc-

Cavour said yesterday the city is in the process of preparing the tender for the sale. He expects the tender to be open in January for a period of one month.

The property in question is located just west of Greene avenue, facing the Ville Marie Expressway. The city acquired it in a sheriff's sale in September 1985 after the demolition of a triplex gutted by fire in 1981.

In the past two summers, attempts have been made by the Garderie K.I.D.S Westmount Inc to purchase the land. Problems arose each time, first with zoning and then with another party interested in buying it.

The city then decided to go out to tender and had to apply for the extension since its technical deadline for selling the property was September 1987.

### Jewels lifted

An apartment at 4501 Sherbrooke street was broken into Friday through a rear window, police said. Jewelry and money were believed taken. The total amount of the theft was not known in the absence of the victim. The incident occurred between 2 and 7:10 pm. Damage was estimated at \$150. The place was reported to have been searched throughout.



**DRIVE SAFELY, MERRY CHRISTMAS!** That was the message handed out by local MUC police last week at a kiosk for Safe Driving Week in Place Alexis Nihon. Most of those stopping by for information wanted to know how much they could drink before driving. Among those answering the questions was Constable Marco Blain.



**LIGHTING UP STATION 23:** Westmount's MUC police station is easier to spot than usual these days with the addition of an outside Christmas tree for the first time. City electricians hooked up the connections last week.

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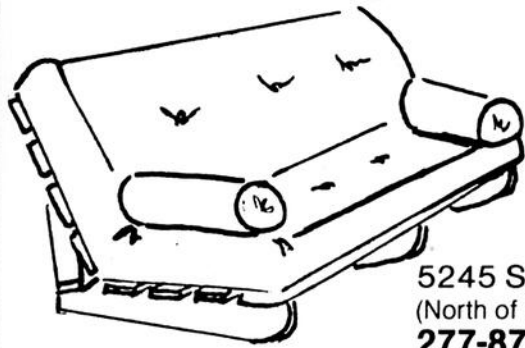
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**FAREWELL TO THE CHIEFS:** Members of MUC police station 23 presented their departing commanding officer, Director Gilbert Côté, centre, with a radio at a party last Thursday night in the armory of the Royal Montreal Regiment. Dir Robert Montanaro, right, also was honored on his departure with a desk lamp. Both men have been transferred to other positions. The presentations were made by Lieutenant Russell Swailes, right, and Lieut Lison Ostiguy.

## Pedestrian and passenger injured in car accidents

Two persons were injured last Thursday as a result of two traffic accidents in Westmount, police report. One was a passenger in a car; the other a pedestrian.

The car passenger hit her face against the front seat when the car in which she was riding in the rear collided with another at Sherbrooke street and Kensington avenue at 8:55 am. The victim, a 45-year-old LaSalle resident, was treated for bruises and a cut over the left eye but did not go to hospital.

Both cars, one a taxi, sustained considerable damage.

One of the drivers claimed to have been blinded by the sun. Both were ticketed; one for failing to yield the right of way, the other for not being in possession of a driver's permit.

In the second accident, a 55-year-old LaSalle man was reported to have been struck on the knee by a turning car at 2:05 pm as he was crossing St Catherine street southbound from the northwest corner at Greene avenue. He was taken to Reddy Memorial Hospital. The driver was issued a ticket for not yielding the right of way.

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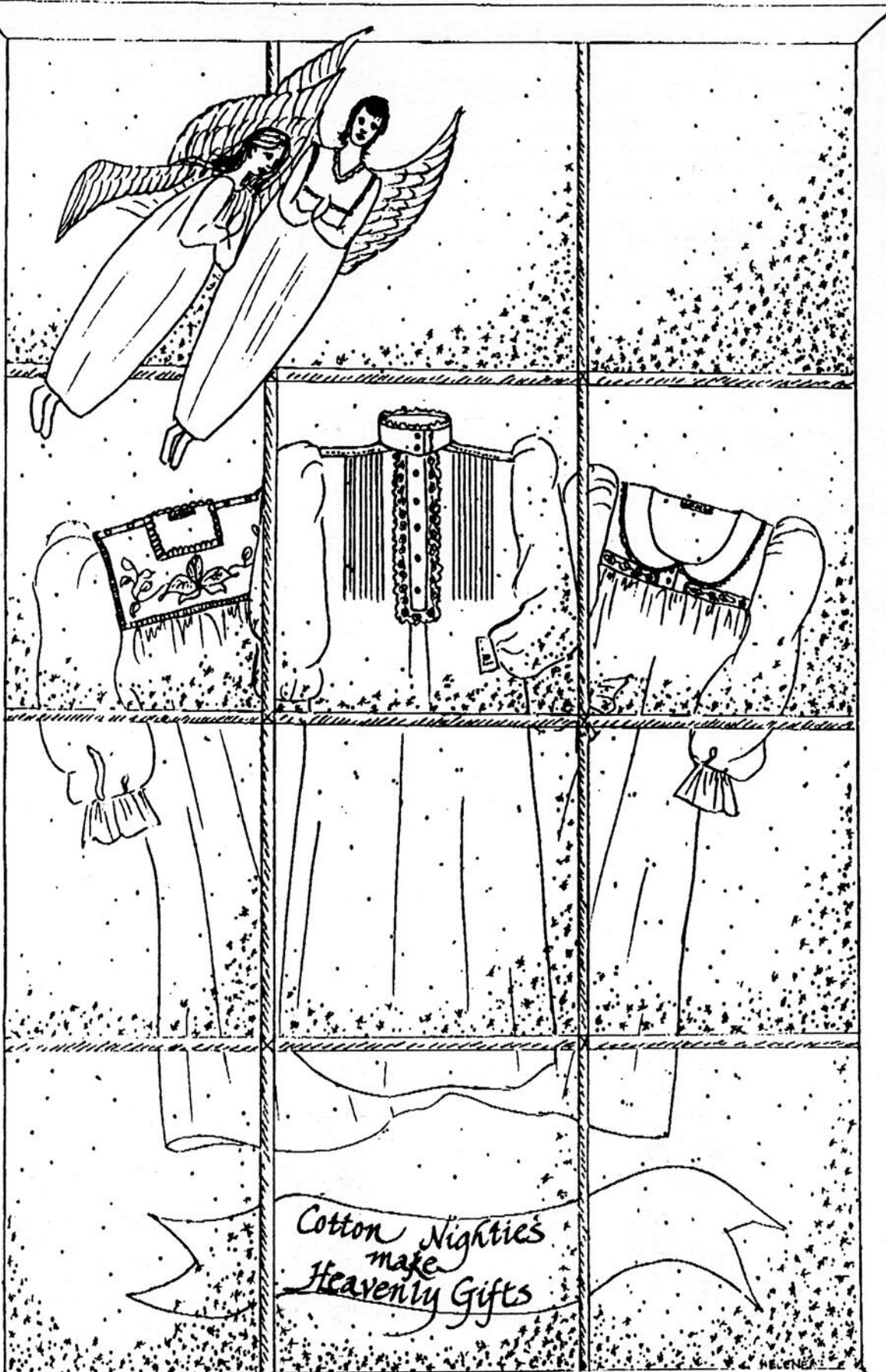
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# City administrations adapt as election issues change

A new breed of elected municipal official is forcing North American cities to venture into areas of operation not previously regarded as municipal concerns, says Peter Patenaude, Westmount's director general.

These are men and women elected on environmental issues or social

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

concerns such as day care and the welfare of seniors. Their platforms must be addressed after election.

Gone are the days when city officials could be concerned only with the mechanical maintenance of the municipality, says Mr Patenaude.

Today, in both Canada and the United States, cities must pay more attention to the impact of community and social concerns on city services.

"One of the reasons that these concerns are more dominant today," he says, "is that senior governments (provincial, federal) are so large and inhuman that the only human one may prove to be at the municipal level."

This emerging change in municipal government was one of the areas focused on recently at the 74th annual conference of the International City Management Association (ICMA) held in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Two from Westmount

The meeting, which last year was

held in Montreal, was attended Oct 23-27 by 3,500 members, including both Mr Patenaude and Ed McCavour, Westmount's assistant director general for operations.

The change in municipal issues can largely be attributed to what is being called a new breed of elected officials, Mr Patenaude told THE EXAMINER.

"These are the members of councils who are sometimes elected on either non-municipal issues or single issues. They bring a new spirit to the direction of the city. Because they represent a community concern, it has to be addressed."

Although the new breed of official is often thought of as being a woman, he says, this has proved to be a false notion.

Other areas of municipal management addressed at the conference included motivation of personnel, the management-assistant relationship, centralization versus decentralization of computer systems and recognition of excellence for deserving employees.

Mr Patenaude found the recognition issue particularly interesting.



Peter Patenaude

Examples provided for the awarding of good work even included a reverse psychology of announcing "boob of the month" awards, he says.

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## Robber takes 'no' as answer

A robber armed with a gun ran away last Thursday when his victim, a woman, refused to hand over anything.

The incident took place in the garage at Westmount Square, police report. The holdup occurred about 8:30 pm as the 28-year-old woman was near her car.

A witness saw the man jump into a white car waiting at the garage entrance. He was described as white, aged about 25 wearing a black jacket, jeans and work boots.

## Two men grab woman's purse

Two men grabbed the purse from a Westmount woman Sunday as she walked along Prince Albert avenue near de Maisonneuve boulevard, police said.

The woman was pushed by the robbers while she tried to hold on to the bag but was not knocked down.

The incident took place about 4:25 pm in front of 329 Prince Albert.

The men were seen escaping in a beige station wagon parked near the purse contained about \$200 in cash.

## \$700 lifted in wallet grab

A woman lost her wallet containing \$700 to a pickpocket Monday last week at Atwater Métro station, police report. The victim was a 55-year-old St Henri resident.

The theft occurred about noon-time when the woman felt someone pushing her and discovered what had happened. When she yelled at a suspect, he started to run away. The man was described as white, aged about 23 and wearing a black sweater and blue trousers.

He was accompanied by a younger white woman wearing a black skirt.

## Christmas tree caution helps reduce fire risks

By LAUREN SWEENEY

Special care is required over the holiday season to ensure that the magic of a natural Christmas tree does not become a ball of fire.

Natural trees, because of the fire hazard they represent, are prohibited from public buildings and apartment lobbies in Westmount, according to fire officials.

"Are we allowed to have real Christmas trees? This is a question I'm being asked over and over again," said Director William Timmons.

"Not in churches, municipal buildings, commerces, office buildings, schools and all institutions," he said. The ban extends to most apartment lobbies as well, if they classify as an exit to the building.

Coniferous trees burn with a very hot flame and spit sparks in all directions, rapidly spreading the blaze to nearby furnishings.

In homes, where natural trees are permitted by law, moisture is the key to keeping the tree as fire resistant as possible, he explained.

This starts at the time a tree is purchased.

Choose a fir or pine that is not already shedding needles and is discolored or brittle.

Keep it outside until decorating and make a fresh, diagonal cut in the stump immediately before installing it in a water container. Since most trees will absorb water quickly

resistant materials and CSA approved lights. Do not let lights touch needles or boughs.

Never use candles near evergreen and preferably avoid any use of candles, Dir Timmons said. Many fires have been started in Westmount homes over the holiday season when candles have burnt low or been tipped over, sometimes by family pets or young children.

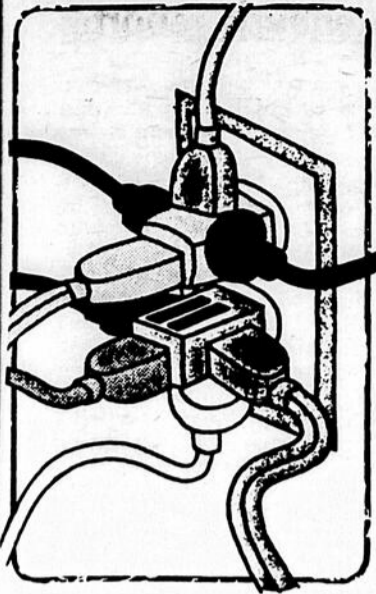
Tips from the Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs include a message that is worth remembering, "Happy holidays start and end with safety."

when first installed, make certain that the container is never allowed to go dry.

Set the tree away from heat sources such as fireplaces, radiators. Avoid blocking doorways and windows which might be needed for hasty exit in event of fire or for forced entry by firefighters.

The tree should be kept away from curtains which may be ignited by its lights.

When decorating, use only fire-



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Declare the Christmas tree a no-smoking area.

## Christmas season has special fire dangers

Overloading of household circuits and improper use of electrical cords are hazards that tend to accompany the holiday season.

Fire officials are asking Westmount residents to take special care not to run extension cords under rugs and not to use frayed cords. If an extension cord is required, they caution, make sure it is the proper size.

It is also important to ensure that the house is adequately wired to accept extra lighting without the use of numerous cords and "octopus" outlets.

To determine the correct size of a cord, check the nameplate of the electrical product for the ampere rating. Make sure the rating on the product is not higher than the extension cord rating marked on a small label around the cord.

If the ampere rating is too high, the cord will be overloaded.

Special care also should be taken never to use extension cords with portable electric heaters, cautions Lieutenant Barry Coates of Westmount's fire brigade. These should be plugged directly into an outlet.

Other electrical tips:

- Don't use electrical toys outside;
- Burnt out Christmas lights should be replaced immediately to avoid overloading of others on the string;
- Never use electric light strings on metallic trees;
- Ensure that reflectors around light bulbs carry certification by the Canadian Standards Association (CSA) as required by law;
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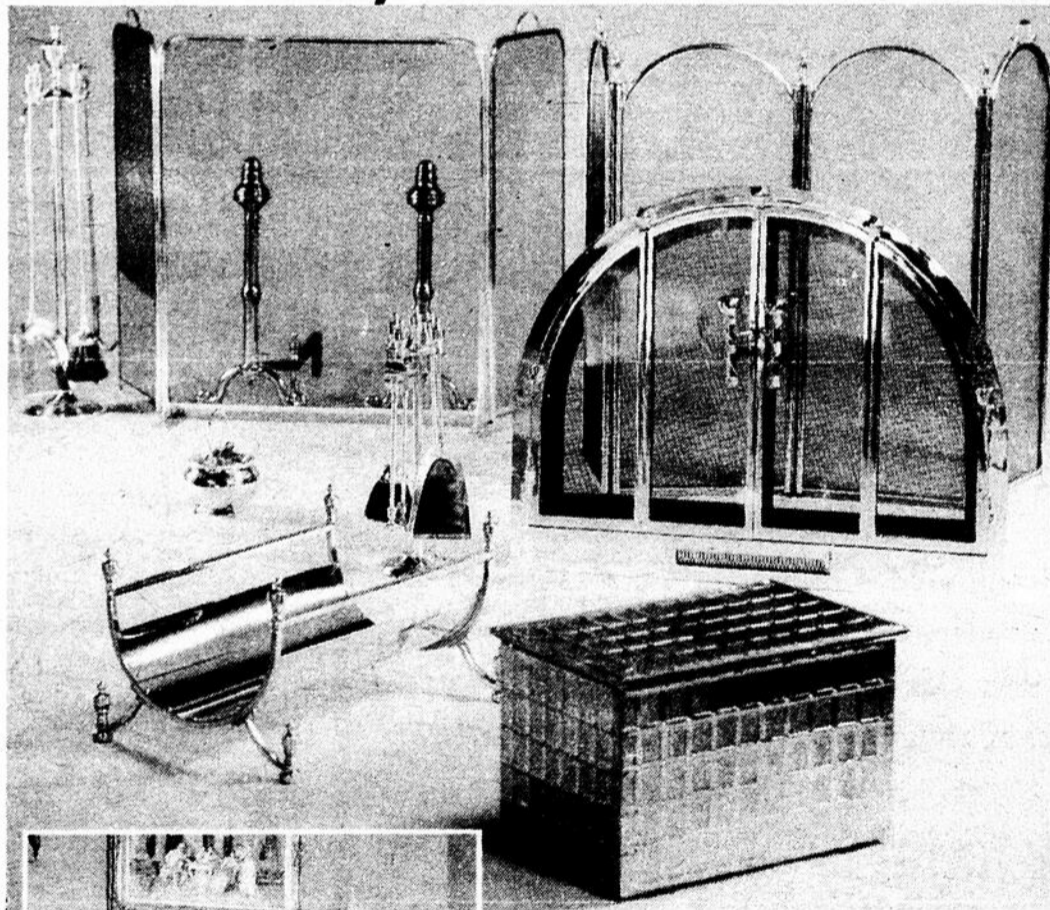


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## You Say

Continued from page five

younger are completely shut out from general hockey at the arena. Granted, young players should be given the coaching and guidance provided by house league hockey; however, there are many young hockey players who have other activities on Saturdays, namely skiing, and are unable to join the house leagues. These kids are forced to play ice hockey during the brief and bitter outdoor rink season with, on most evenings, older teenagers and adults. This takes away the pleasure of the game for both the children and the older players.

It has also come to our attention that the amount of time allotted for general hockey at the Westmount arena is far less than most other municipal rinks. Due to this unfortunate fact, participation in ice hockey in Westmount has diminished greatly in the last few years. One only has to look at the reduced registration for house-league hockey.

Devoted Westmount hockey players must make do with sub-standard ice surfaces provided by the outdoor rinks. This period lasts for only two months. Meanwhile the fine and increasingly inaccessible artificial skating surface at the arena is open for over half the year. This excellent facility, in our view, is being wasted.

These two situations help make hockey a sport that is increasingly unattainable to Westmount residents. Surely residents who have had the misfortune of being born in 1971 should be allowed to play with their friends born months later or earlier. Isn't the recreation department able to free the rink for general hockey for more than 60 minutes a week for each age group? We request more

ice time for all residents and we demand ice time for 17-year-olds.

David Redwood

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Bruce Denis

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Editor's Note: For city reaction to this letter, see story on this page.

### Rolland Benard responds to city garbage arguments

Sir: Having just returned from holiday this Saturday (Dec 3), I was presented by my co-members of the Westmount Finance Action Committee with the latest articles in THE EXAMINER, one by Councillor Duffield ("You Say," Dec 1) and the other quoting city officials on garbage costs ("City officials answer queries on high volume of garbage here," Dec 1).

In Councillor Duffield's letter I found no new facts, except the use of terms such as "imprecise," "misleading," "statistical manipulations" and "insinuation." The only answer that I can give to this is that all figures used were supplied to me by Mr Duffield, his officials or documents submitted to the provincial government, prepared by his department, approved by city management, the whole council and then signed as authentic by the city treasurer. These figures apparently are not quite accurate, and the above terms are being used in referring to "my figures."

On the other hand, I found the city offi-

cials' report quite instructive and was relieved to learn that Westmounters are not such garbage-makers as we originally were led to believe. The surplus garbage apparently originates at the Corporation Yard from Mother Nature — the reason originally given by Mr Duffield for the surplus — in the form of tree leaves.

On that, I must admit, I did supply one figure, namely an estimate of 300 pounds of leaves per tree. Accepting the city officials' statement absolving citizens of all blame for the extra garbage and following Mr Duffield's theory, I should have taken the figure of 2,200 pounds of leaves per extra tree to make things right. City officials are less specific, although still blame Mother Nature for the extra garbage.

This surplus consists of garbage collected at the city yard, 5,240 tonnes against 1,758 tonnes, 242 percent more than Outremont. It represents an expense of over \$100,000, which apparently is uncontrollable. Now Councillor Duffield might feel quite comfortable with such an uncontrollable expense but I assure you that most of us who now can afford to live here could not if we were of the same business conviction. The WFAC, therefore, maintains its recommendation that a much closer look be taken at the operations at city yard.

Another point brought up by our city official is that the city overstated the garbage removal budget by 16 percent in 1987 and 15 percent in 1988. Budget preparation is a very serious proposition, taking almost six months in most municipalities, during which each item is examined closely and pared or totally eliminated where possible. Every echelon of city management is gone through until the budget is approved by council and the tax rate established for the given period.

Certain items, such as snow removal, cannot be estimated accurately as we all know what a couple of snowstorms more or less can do to a budget. But garbage removal and disposal, as most other items in the budget, has no such imponderables and I see no reason why accurate estimates were not supplied.

A 15-percent overestimate, if general, represents \$750 more on an already inflated average tax bill. The purpose of municipal government is to give the best services possible at the lowest costs possible. Surpluses and profits do not enter into the equation. While I agree that citizens must not expect a free lunch, municipal administration should definitely not be a gravy train.

Rolland Benard  
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### Sent downtown for unpaid fines

A 47-year-old Pierrefonds man was reported to have been sent downtown to MUC police headquarters Tuesday last week when he was un-

### Stolen car found

A stolen car was recovered on Tupper street Tuesday last week parked illegally on the north side public safety officer report. The ignition of the green Mazda appeared to have been tampered with. It belonged to a resident of Beaconsfield. The car came to the attention of officers at 1 am.

### Video gone

A video machine was stolen from an office at 5 Weredale Park Wednesday or Thursday last week, police report. It was valued at \$500. The place was broken into by forcing the lock. The break-in was discovered at noon.

able to pay outstanding traffic tickets amounting to \$1,299.49.

The unpaid fines were discovered by RCMP personnel in Westmount. They turned him over to local station 24. Details concerning his association with the Mounties were not recorded.

### Winter's ice claims victim

A 49-year-old Westmount woman was believed to have fractured a leg Friday after falling outside Mac's dépanneur at Sherbrooke street and Grosvenor avenue, police said.

The woman, a resident of Grosvenor, was reported to have slipped on a patch of ice covered by snow about 11 am. She was transported to hospital by Urgences Santé.

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### 17-year-olds should ask for hockey time

If 17-year-olds want time for general hockey on Westmount's indoor rink, all they have to do is ask for it, recreation administrator Peter Wallace said.

In a letter to THE EXAMINER, two residents express dismay over the indoor rink schedule (see "You Say," page five). David Redwood and Bruce Denis write that the city sets aside no time slot for 17-year olds, nor for those under 14, to play pick-up hockey.

Adults have free time Saturday evenings while bantams (anyone born in 1973 or 1974) have an hour Wednesday evenings.

"It would just take a group of them to come in and ask us for it and we'd try to fit it in," Mr Wallace said. "The bantams requested it and they got a period."

## Hit-and-run incidents leave balcony, cars, fence damaged

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

At least 10 cars were reported to have been struck in Westmount last week by vehicles which failed to remain at the scene, police report. Several sustained considerable damage.

Many hit-and-run accidents are believed to result from drivers wanting to avoid possible impaired driving charges.

One parked car was found Sunday with the left side completely smashed, police said, after being hit at Greene avenue and Stayner street. Yellow debris on the street appeared to have come from the culprit's vehicle.

A 1980 Jeep also sustained considerable hit-and-run damage in front of 104 Abbott avenue when it was scraped all along the left side overnight last Thursday-Friday.

In one accident Friday, a car was hit while being driven past 350 Selby

street by a vehicle which sped off. The impact caused the driver to lose control of the car and hit the chain-link fence where the street curves south. No injuries were reported.

Earlier in the week, a parked car was pushed into the railing of the front balcony of a home at 6 Belvedere road Monday, Dec 7, after being struck in the driveway, possibly by a vehicle trying to turn around. Damage to both the 1986 Subaru and house was over \$500. The accident was believed to have occurred about 5:40 am when residents heard a noise outside.

A 1987 Volkswagen also sustained more than \$500 damage when hit by an unknown vehicle Tuesday night last week outside the arena on Academy road. It had been parked on the west side just south of de Maisonneuve boulevard.



**BIBLE HOUSE OPENING:** The new Bible House at Les Promenades de la Cathédrale was officially opened on Sunday, Dec 4. A crowd of about 200 people attended the ribbon-cutting and prayers which marked the event. Westmount resident Rev David Oliver, left, looks on as Dr C. Alex Duff, chairman of the project committee of the Montreal District of the Canadian Bible Society, and John Brown, for 31 years manager of the Bible Society bookstore on Union avenue, cut the ribbon.

# Les célébrations de Noël à la paroisse St-Léon

Pendant la veillée de Noël le 24 décembre, il y aura deux célébrations à l'église St-Léon.

À 20 h: messe familiale animée par Denis Jean et la participation d'une chorale d'enfants. Le programme est formé de chants traditionnels et sera précédé de musique et chants de Noël.

À 21h45: récital précédant la messe de 22h30. Au programme: *In dulci jubilo* de J.S. Bach; *Oratorio de Noël* de J.S. Bach, aria pour alto avec obligato d'hautbois; aria pour soprano de J.S. Bach; *Concerto en ré mi-*

*neur pour hautbois*, Marcello; aria pour basse, J.S. Bach. On interprétera pendant la célébration la *Messe de louange* de Rachel Laurin.

Le matin de Noël une seule messe à 10h30.

Cartes de souhaits. À la sortie des célébrations ou au presbytère, vous pouvez vous procurer des cartes de souhaits: "Les anges musiciens," 75¢ chacune ou 7\$ la douzaine; "Vitrail de la Nativité" et "Vitrail de la Présentation au Temple," 1\$ chacune ou 10\$ la douzaine.

Enveloppes pour les offrandes. Les membres de notre communauté qui désirent recevoir un reçu pour fins d'impôt doivent se servir d'enveloppes qui leur sont remises chaque année. À compter de ce dimanche, il sera possible de vous procurer des jeux d'enveloppes pour l'année 1989, avant ou après les célébrations à l'église ou au presbytère durant la semaine, aux heures de bureau.

Nous sommes très reconnaissants à tous ceux qui ont déjà participé à nos trois projets de Noël: cadeaux pour les femmes battues de la maison Margurite; les paniers de Noël de la paroisse St-Charles et St-Gabriel de Pointe Saint-Charles; et le projet de vitaminisation des enfants de Choloteca au Honduras. Les projets se continuent jusqu'au 25 décembre.

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borer à cette demande! L'aide de bénévoles, quelques heures par semaine

serait très apprécié. Merci à l'avance! Informations: 935-4950.

## Seventh Day Adventist concert set

The Christmas concert of the choirs of Westmount Seventh Day Adventist Church will be held Saturday, Dec 17, at 7 pm at the church, Westmount and Victoria avenues.

Participating will be the church's three choirs: the children's choir, called The Joy Bells, the youth choir and the senior choir, the latter alone with some 50 voices.

The performance of seasonal music will be highlighted by a presentation of *The Glory of the Lord* by Tom Fette.

The choirs are directed by Samuel Daley and accompanied by assistant director Norman Walton.

Beginning the following day, Dec 18, choir members will be available to go carolling at individual homes. To arrange a visit, call 481-9554.

## Christmas spirit at St A-D-D

The spirit of Christmas continues to grow at St Andrew's-Dominion-Douglas. Sunday afternoon the members served a full turkey dinner to 60 people of the community. They were entertained by singers and dancers from the congregation — a really happy Christmas celebration. The third Sunday of Advent also marked White Gift Sunday and more than 80 presents were received and delivered to various community organizations.

After worship, a spontaneous collection was made for the Armenian earthquake disaster fund and more than \$800 was brought to the Armenian community centre.

Monday, busy elves wrapped and delivered 60 gifts to our shut-in members. Our tradition of service and care is important to us, not only at this time of year, but always.

This Saturday evening, the St A-D-D Intergenerational Players will present an old-fashioned pageant for the residents of the Griffith-McConnell Home. Strolling medieval players will bring in one basket all that is needed to present the story of Christmas.

The performance will be repeated during Sunday worship on Dec 18 at 11 am. Come and sing the carols to welcome Jesus, the new-born King — the true spirit of Christmas.

## Convalescent Hospital holds Yule card sale

The Auxiliary of the Montreal Convalescent Hospital is marking the 75th anniversary of the hospital by holding a fund-raising sale of Christmas greeting cards.

Money realized will be used to buy equipment and to support activities, such as a recreational therapy program for patients.

Well-known Montreal watercolorist Sue Quarles has donated a beautiful winter landscape that has been reproduced in full color on the cover of the cards, which are being sold in packages of 10 cards and envelopes. Prices range from \$8.75 per package to \$6.75 per package for quantity purchases.

To order the cards, call the auxiliary office, 737-3661, ext 886.

The Montreal Convalescent Hospital is a short-term convalescent and physical rehabilitation centre. It also houses a 21-bed palliative care unit.

## Volunteers sought

Volunteers are needed to prepare the mailing for the Quebec Heart Foundation's annual fundraising campaign. The office is located at 440 René Lévesque boulevard west, one block west of Bleury street. Anyone who can give a morning, afternoon or whole day is asked to call Tracey Abbey Taylor at 871-1551.

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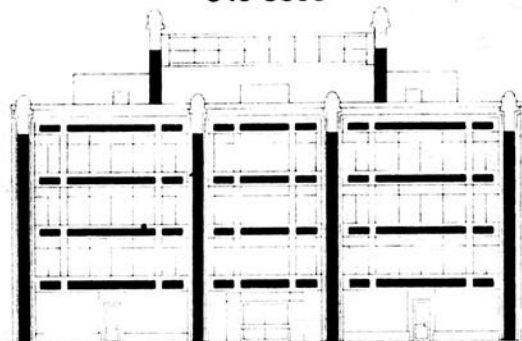
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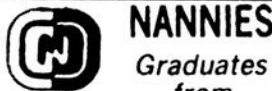
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The annual meeting of the local Rotary Club was convened during the regular weekly luncheon meeting in Victoria Hall.

Current president is plumbing contractor James G. Griffin. Slated to succeed him next July is lawyer Brent K. Hussey.

## Rec department Christmas show happens tonight

All members of the public are invited to attend this evening's performances at Victoria Hall put on by the recreation department.

The annual Christmas concert will feature tap dancers, singers, musicians, drum majors and majorettes. It gives the youngsters involved in city programs a chance to show off their newly acquired talents.

The show gets under way in the main room at Victoria Hall tonight at 7 pm.

## Window broken

A rear window of a white 1983 Camaro was found broken early Saturday at Academy road and de Maisonneuve boulevard, police report. The car belonged to a resident of Academy. The damage, estimated at \$200, had occurred overnight and was discovered at 4:40 am.

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Four members of the choir from Villa Ste-Marcelline school were kept busy serenading city workers at last Thursday's city council lunch in Victoria Hall. They then had to rush off to perform at another function at 2 pm. Singer Diane de Kerckhove, right, a Westmount resident, was accompanied by schoolmates Suzanne Mabardi, Catherine Sperlich, Caroline Shaoner and Anne Thibaudeau.

## Villa Ste-Marcelline school seeks funding for new wing

Villa Ste-Marcelline on Upper Belmont avenue recently held a reception to inaugurate the school's new wing and to launch a \$3.5 million fundraising campaign.

Among those present at the reception were Andrée Bourassa, wife of Premier Robert Bourassa and honorary patron of the fundraising drive; Mayor May Cutler, a member of the honorary committee; and Richard McConomy, president of the campaign and of the campaign committee.

Villa Ste-Marcelline, a French-language girls' school, first opened its doors in September, 1959. Sixty-six students were enrolled. Since that time, student numbers in-

creased steadily so that by 1986 there were 435 students attending the school.

The Sisters who operate the school bought an adjacent house in 1965, but the school again outgrew the available space. Students were taken to nearby colleges for laboratory, physical education and cafeteria facilities for several years. But changes in the administrations at the colleges and difficulties with transportation put an end to such activities.

Last year, the new wing was begun and its construction was completed this fall. In it are 11 new classrooms, a gymnasium/auditorium, a chemistry-physics-biology laboratory and another for introduction to physical science and home economics, an art

room, an enlarged cafeteria, a new library, a locker room, a recreation room and an outdoor playground area.

The total cost of this expansion, including site preparation, construction of and equipment for the various new facilities, is \$5 million. The community of La Congrégation des Soeurs de Ste-Marcelline worldwide has undertaken to provide \$1.5 million. The new fundraising campaign has for its goal the balance of \$3.5 million.

Francine Payette Deschamps, a member of the committee, gave a brief address during the reception. She reported that the appeal for funds has already received some response. Parents and graduates have donated \$53,740 and a further \$100,550 has been pledged.

## Environmental group gives how-to-help tips

The Westmount Environmental Advisory Committee (WEACT) was born of the desire to express environmental concerns in positive action.

Most Westmount citizens, specially of the younger generation, are aware of the urgent need for protective and restorative measures for the Earth's resources. Many citizens are frustrated by the "What can I do?" syndrome.

### What is being done

The City of Westmount has built depots for the collection of recyclable materials. The depots are located at: the Corporation Yard, 14 Bethune street (south of St Catherine street, just east of the Glen); the Westmount arena, 4675 St Catherine; Victoria parking lot, north of Sherbrooke between Victoria and Prince Albert avenues; and Tupper parking lot, south of Westmount Square at the intersection of Tupper street and Gladstone avenue. The depots are open Monday through Saturday, 6 am to 10 pm, and on Sundays from 7:30 am to 10 pm.

WEACT is working with city council to implement a more comprehensive recycling program. This would involve the recycling of metal and plastics, curbside pickup and, possi-

bly, a drop-off point for toxic wastes such as paints, cleaners etc.

### What you can do

WEACT suggests the following actions for residents to help the cause:

- Re-use as much as possible — jars, plastic bags and other containers etc.
- Reject environmentally harmful products such as styrofoam containers, chemical cleaners and fertilizers, plastic packaging and spray cans.
- Recycle all paper products including old telephone books, cards, envelopes, boxes; and all glass. Take these to one of the recycling depots. Take old clothing to the Salvation Army or the refugee clothing bank at the Church of the Advent.
- Reduce garbage in general, excess packaging in particular.
- Write to your city councillor, your provincial and federal representatives, to let them know of your concern.

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### Teenage driver charged after cruising into large tree

AN 18-YEAR-OLD Westmount man was charged with impaired driving after the vehicle he was driving hit a large tree at Lexington and Sunnyside avenues, police said.

The accident was discovered at 2:05 am when public safety officers spotted someone trying to push a Toyota Landcruiser away from a tree while another was attempting to drive it off. MUC police were called and the driver arrested.

The mishap was reported to have occurred as the vehicle was driving west and skidded off the street into a large tree outside 746 Lexington. The vehicle's front end sustained over \$500 damage. The accused lived nearby.

The tree suffered a "considerable amount of damage" from lost bark, according to PSOs.

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## OPEN HOUSE

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# Community spirit evident at annual WHS open house

There was a choir in the foyer, basketball and volleyball in the gyms, *The Wizard of Oz* down one corridor, art down another, and a skateboarding ramp in a classroom. Westmount High School held its annual open house on Tuesday this week. And the joint was jumping. While the turnout of visitors was not enormous, those who attended were

plied with all manner of entertainment and information.

In the main foyer, members of the WHS planning committee, school committee and prefect corps manned tables at which visitors could get information on a variety of school-related topics.

Katherine Snow, a member of the planning committee, said the turn-

By KATHLEEN HUGESSEN

out was terrific. She said parents with children in other high schools had come to check out WHS.

Linda Stern who chaired the future-planning committee last year as it prepared the "Challenge" proposal, said she found the spirit in the school was fantastic — a big improve-

ment over that shown at last year's open house.

Most of the classrooms were open to the public, with various displays and demonstrations to pique interest or test knowledge.

The art room was ablaze with color. The students' works covered walls, tables and spilled out onto the walls of the corridors.

In a nearby classroom, physics teacher Len Burt supervised low-ramp jumping by two skateboarders. "Skateboarding is a lot of physics," he said. "The students are demonstrating and they'll answer any questions you have."

## Gravity and...

He motioned one of the young men over. Mirek Van Roost listed some of the physical laws and properties illustrated by skateboarding. "There is acceleration, gravity, potential and kinetic energy, centrifugal force..." Performing a sort of skateboard pirouette, he demonstrated this last. He then returned to demonstrating defiance of gravity and that what goes up must come down.

Across the hall, the cafeteria offered coffee, cookies, milk and fruit juices. Business was not booming.

In one of the French language classrooms, visitors could have their comprehension and grammar tested.

In the foyer, the WHS women's choir performed carols, songs and gospel numbers accompanied by choir director Penny Lewis on piano, and a guitar player and drummer. Begun in mid-October, the group of young women work well together, a cappella, in unison or with harmonies. They even performed a choreographed number or two. Both choir and audience enjoyed the show.

Down another corridor, the dramatic arts program was presenting regular performances of *The Wizard of Oz*.

In Pearl Grubert's history/family living classroom were models of ancient buildings. On one desk was a finely detailed clay representation of a gravid uterus in cross section which had been made by two students.

## Go to a mall

Ms Grubert described an assignment she had given students in her

family living class.

"They had to go to a mall, park themselves and watch parents and children," she said.

The students were to have reported their findings yesterday. Oh to have been a fly on the wall.

At the far end of the same corridor, principal Richard Meades gave a workshop on adult learning styles. His listeners learned how they learn and how different learning styles can be accommodated in the regular school system.

The gym was alive with activity. A volleyball game was being played at one end with gymnastics (uneven bars and trampoline) at the other. In the second gym, the WHS bantam boys' basketball team was playing Brookwood School. A cluster of ke supporters in the balcony cheered on the guys in purple.

While wandering through those many corridors, the slightest look of bewilderment was met with offers of assistance from prefects and other students. "May I help you?" was phrase of the night.

## \$5,000 gift from Rotary Club to help Reddy

The Rotary Club of Westmount has donated \$5,000 to Reddy Memorial Hospital towards the purchase of a specialized piece of equipment for the operating room.

The electrosurgical power unit is used to cauterize blood vessels during an operation. Each operating theatre in the hospital has one such machine. The new unit will serve as a back-up.

Club president James Griffin presented the \$5,000 cheque to George Hendy, president of the Reddy board of directors, at the regular Rotary luncheon meeting Wednesday last week.

When it arrives at the hospital in a few weeks, the unit will have a name plate attached indicating it was bought with a donation by the local Rotary Club.

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## PROGRAMMES PRÉSCOLAIRE PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

### APPRENTISSAGE MOTEUR/MOTOR LEARNING

COURS/COURSE	Lun. Mon.	Mar. Tue.	Mer. Wed.	Jeudi Thurs.	Ven. Fri.	Nouvel Endroit New Location St. Matthias Church Lower Hall
Tout petits/tiny tots (6 mois/months - walking)	9:30-10:15					
Gymnastique en Couche/ Diaper Gym (walking - 2 ans/years)		9:30-10:15	9:30-10:15	9:30-10:15	9:30-10:15	
Les Tous Petits Acrobates/Tiny tumblers (2-3 ans/years)	10:30-11:15		10:30-11:15	10:30-11:15	10:30-11:15	
4-5 ans/years Parents are required for two weeks and after a rotational schedule will be setup		10:30-11:15				
		1 x week - \$70	2 x week - \$90	3 x week - \$120		

### PROGRAMMES CRÉATIFS/CREATIVE PROGRAMS

COURS/COURSE	Lun. Mon.	Mar. Tue.	Mer. Wed.	Jeudi Thurs.	Ven. Fri.
2-3 ans/years		9:30-10:30 or 10:45-11:45		9:30-10:30 or 10:45-11:45	
		1 x week - \$75		2 x week - \$100	

### GROUPE DE JEU/PLAY GROUP

COURS/COURSE	Lun. Mon.	Mar. Tue.	Mer. Wed.	Jeudi Thurs.	Ven. Fri.	Nouvel Endroit New Location Westmount Park Church
Les trois ans tous seuls (3 ans) Three's on their own (3 yrs)	9:30-11:30		9:30-11:30		9:30-11:30	
4-5 ans/years:	13:00-15:00		13:00-15:00			
	1 x week - \$95	2 x week - \$170	3 x week - \$245			

### GYMNASTIQUES/GYMNASTICS

COURS/COURSE	Lun. Mon.	Mar. Tue.	Mer. Wed.	Jeudi Thurs.	Ven. Fri.	Nouvel Endroit New Location Saint Matthias
2½ Gym de - 3 yrs (with Parents)		13:00-13:30		13:00-13:30		
3's Gym de 3 ans - 4's (on their own)		13:30-14:15		13:30-14:15		
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**OPEN HOUSE:** The Westmount-based No 1 West Montreal Squadron, Royal Canadian Air Cadets, held an open house at the Royal Montreal Regiment armory on Dec 7. On duty for the event were, from left: 2nd Lt K. Missins, WO2 D. Lowry, Cpl C. Monrose and Westmount resident Cpl N. Mukherjee.  
Photo by OWEN EGAN

It comes, it goes, it comes again...

## The mysterious case of the vanishing rink

By CHARLES MAPPIN

Residents living in the neighborhood of Wood avenue and Sherbrooke street have been amazed by a recent series of events in Queen Elizabeth Gardens, the park located at the intersection of their streets.

Wednesday last week, on orders of Westmount director general Peter Patenaude, a public works crew erected the boards for the outdoor skating rink which has been a regular winter fixture in the park.

By day's end, the rink was set up and the attendant's trailer was in place. One resident called THE EXAMINER to remark on the city's speed and efficiency in completing the task.

On Thursday, the work crew was back in Queen Elizabeth Gardens to undo the previous day's work. Down came the boards; away drove the trailer. The park was its former self again within hours.

A public works crew returned to the park yesterday to — yes, it was truly happening — build the rink again. Samuel Beckett couldn't have written a better script.

put up this year since it was the least used of Westmount's rinks.

As commissioner of leisure and culture, Mrs Rothman suggested this to council, but a formal decision was never made. When it came time to put up the rink, Mr Patenaude gave the go-ahead.

Mrs Rothman then asked that the rink be taken down because she thought the city officials had been told that it would not be installed.

When four residents of the area then complained to the city about the loss of the rink, she explained, the decision was taken to put it in for this winter at least.

Mrs Rothman said the city would examine all its outdoor rinks and assess the costs associated with maintenance. By next year at this time, council will have to decide which rink, if any, to forego.

Westmount's other outdoor skating surfaces are located in Prince Albert, Devon, King George, Stayner and Westmount Parks, as well as in the Westmount Athletic Grounds behind Westmount High.

### Methodical madness

There's method to this madness, even if it is bureaucratic method.

When the Westmount Advisory Committee on Recreation was looking at ways the city could cut back its spending, city councillor Joan Rothman said, it made an informal and "unscientific" decision that the Queen Elizabeth rink would not be

### Weredale theft

Someone broke into an apartment at 10 Weredale Park last Thursday gaining access by the balcony, police said. A video machine, jewelry and \$50 in U.S. currency were stolen. The total amount of theft was undetermined at the time the incident was reported.

## Upset victory for Dragons in play with Bears

The underdog Dragons upset the first-place Bears 5-3 in Westmount's novice hockey league last Saturday. It was an exciting offensive struggle.

The Dragons' win was due in large part to the spectacular play of centre Michael Durchak. Scoring four of the Dragons' five goals, Durchak, "the one-man army," became a recurring nightmare for Bear defenceman and goalie Jason Grelinsten. With the help of linemates Oliver Bowser and Robbie Finkelstein (each with two assists on the day), Durchak was able to provide the scoring power that the Dragons had lacked earlier in the season; the weakness that had them in third place before Saturday.

Right from the opening face-off, the Dragons demonstrated their new-found offensive clout. Centre Justin West led a rush across the Bear blueline and came near to scoring when he unleashed a blistering shot from the slot. Bear goalie Grelinsten made his first nice save of the day. He was called upon to make many others before Durchak beat him on a breakaway at 5:34 of the first period.

The Bears quickly answered. Joshua Beitel scored unassisted out of a scramble in front of Dragon goalie Greg Stutman at 3:17. The score was one all at the end of the first period.

Neither team was to establish dominance in the second period. In the beginning, however, it seemed that the Bear defence, led by Michael Taylor and a bulwark of a defenceman in Jeff Conrad, had finally slowed the Dragon offence. That left the Dragon defence with the large problem of having to deal with Bear forwards like Nicholas Yanow and Pat Quinnlan.

At 12:15, the Bears took their first lead of the match. Pat Bennett took a pass from Beitel and fired it past Stutman.

Near the middle of the period, just when it seemed that perhaps the favored Bears were in control, Durchak struck back. Breaking across the Bear blueline, he took a pass from Robbie Finkelstein and sank it deep into the mesh, making the score even at two.

The remainder of the period became a defensive struggle in which the Bears got a few scoring chances, but were shut down by Alex Cooper and the Dragon defence.

The Bears opened the third period with a bang.

Beitel took control of the puck right from the faceoff and marched through a series of defenders to beat Stutman with a high shot at 14:40 of the final period. But again the Dragons came back to tie it, this time at 8:37. And again, it was Durchak. This goal tied the game at three. More importantly, it set off the spark the Dragons needed to win.

They dominated all play for the following five minutes, and at 3:09 it paid off. Durchak got his fourth and final goal, putting his team up 4-3. Adding insult to injury, West sealed the game off with a breakaway goal at 1:38 of the final period.

This comeback marks more than a victory for the Dragons. It is the continuation of a pattern. The Dragons have been upsetting many teams lately.

As one observer remarked, "There's something happening to this Dragon team. They'll end up contenders when playoff time comes around."

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## Bake sale empties as floor smoulders

A small fire at the rear of the Serbian Orthodox Church on Melville avenue Saturday caused evacuation of persons involved in a bake sale in the basement, police said.

### Purse lost

A grey and black leather purse was reported to have been lost Wednesday last week at the banking machine outside the Bank of Montreal at Place Alexis Nihon, police said. The bag was left there about 6 pm. It contained \$210.

The fire was confined to floorboards in an exit, according to fire officials, who estimated damage at \$1,000 to the floor and bottom of the door.

It was believed to have been started by smoker's materials since the area was used for coffee and smoking.

The fire was noticed shortly before 2:40 pm as the basement began to fill with smoke. Firefighters found the floorboards smouldering and used an extinguisher to quell the fire. Another extinguisher had been used before arrival of fire crews.

## HOCKEY STANDINGS

Following are the standings in the Westmount municipal hockey leagues as of Tuesday Dec 13:

	GS	GP	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
<b>NOVICE</b>								
Guards	22	10	6	2	2	26	17	14
Bears	22	10	6	4	0	35	18	12
Dragons	22	10	4	4	2	22	27	10
Canadiens	22	10	1	7	2	11	32	4
<b>ATOM</b>								
Penguins	22	11	9	2	0	68	37	18
Canadiens	22	10	4	5	1	44	50	9
Canucks	22	11	4	7	0	35	41	8
Nordiques	22	10	3	6	1	30	49	7
<b>PEEWEE</b>								
Seals	21	10	4	5	1	46	40	9
Canadiens	21	5	4	1	0	20	13	8
Capitals	21	7	2	4	1	36	49	5
<b>INTER CITY</b>								
Novice	-	8	7	0	1	86	14	17
Atom	-	13	6	6	1	50	49	13
Peewee	-	9	4	3	2	37	33	10
<b>SENIOR B</b>								
Hawks	25	12	8	1	3	54	31	19
Fathers	25	10	6	1	3	40	21	15
Devils	25	9	3	4	2	33	33	8
Aces	25	10	3	6	1	34	52	7
Oilers	25	9	3	6	0	38	38	6
Flyers	25	10	2	7	1	24	49	5
<b>SENIOR A</b>								
Wanderers	28	13	11	2	0	53	13	22
Flames	28	12	7	5	0	49	36	14
Stars	28	12	5	7	0	36	49	10
Sabres	28	13	4	8	1	39	62	9
Bruins	28	12	3	8	1	46	63	7

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## Westmount YMCA News

Hope Korytko  
Executive director



Christmas is only a week away. It seems hard to believe how fast time flies!

If you plan to remain in the city during the holiday season, the YMCA has a couple of options you may want to consider.

To keep in shape during the holiday season, we are offering fitness classes on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday between Christmas and New Year's Day. Call us at 931-8046 for more information regarding times of these classes. Keeping fit will help you feel less guilty after all of those holiday parties and turkey dinners.

For school-age children, the downtown YMCA on Drummond street will be offering a Christmas Adventure Program on a daily or weekly basis. Children will have fun planning games, outdoor activities, computer programs and much more all day long. If you are a working parent, this is indeed an attractive service. Call the Y at 849-8393 for details. Don't delay, as spaces are limited.

Registration for our winter session will continue throughout the holidays for your convenience. However, the office will be closed on Dec 24, 25, 26, 30, 31 and Jan 1 and 2.

Activities run by the YMCA at Roslyn School will begin again in January. These include after-school care, science programs and youth basketball.

Our leaders' corps — local teenagers who are involved in youth activities at the Y — have returned from an exchange trip at the Winnipeg YMCA. In addition to a super learning experience, a great time was had by all.

We would like to extend our special thanks to certain program volunteers: Susan Rubin, Edi Allende, Susan Lord and Carroll Salomon for all of their enthusiasm and dedication to their work.

**Nutrition Tip of the Week:** There are ways to get through that holiday cocktail party without totally ignoring a diet. Instead of higher-calorie mixed drinks, choose white wine spritzers (club soda and wine), light beer or non-alcoholic options like spiced tomato or cranberry juices. Snack on the vegetable and dip tray and pass up the nuts and shortbread. When choosing hors d'oeuvres, reach for the grilled seafood or vegetable offerings instead of the breaded and fried meats and the cream cheese-based spreads.

Happy holidays to all!

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## Project submissions sought for Environment Week 1989

Environment Canada is calling for non-profit organizations to submit projects for Canadian Environment Week 1989, to take place from June 4 to 10.

Projects should encourage public participation in activities aimed at improving environmental quality. The theme for the week, "Our common future: it's up to all of us!" is taken from the World Commission Report on Environment and Development.

The report says our fate depends on sustainable development, which is "meeting the needs of the present without jeopardizing the future generations' capacity to fulfill their own needs." The Commission concluded that the strength of the economy and the stability of the future depend on a sound environment.

The Canadian Environment Week advisory committee for Quebec, composed of representatives from various segments of Quebec society, will study the projects and make a

selection according to strict evaluation criteria.

Organizations must submit their projects by Jan 27. Official forms can be obtained from Environment Canada's regional communications office in Quebec City at 1-800-463-4311. Requests from individuals, public services, profit organizations or associations representing these organizations will not be considered.

## PSBGM to meet

There will be a meeting of the Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal on Wednesday, Dec 21, at 5 pm. The meeting will be held in the cafeteria of the administration building, 6000 Fielding avenue. Members of the public are invited to attend.

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# Mount Royal Foundation aims to protect summits

The preservation of both Mount Royal and Summit Park will need good planning and hard work in the face of urban sprawl.

That was the message provided by Westmount City Councillor Stuart Robertson at Tuesday's launching of a fund to protect Mount Royal.

"The protection of Mount Royal," he said, "will require a sensitive long-term development plan put together by governments who will lis-

ten to the good advice that is offered. It's also going to take plenty of public and private money to make it happen."

For this reason, he explained, fund-raising efforts are to be applauded and supported by all those "who have the vision to protect one of the most valuable ecological resources — Mount Royal."

Mr Robertson represented Westmount Mayor May Cutler at the

launching of the Mount Royal Foundation by Les Amis de la Montagne, supported by the Montreal Board of Trade and the Chamber of Commerce. The event took place in the Smith House on the mountain.

The Westmount presence stems from recent discussions with Montreal Mayor Jean Doré and his city officials regarding the possibility of Westmount signing an entente between Montreal and Outremont to preserve the three summits (see story last week).

In supporting creation of the fund-raising foundation, Mr Robertson took the occasion to point out Westmount's concern for its own small Summit Park.

"In Westmount, we've always been aware of the fragile nature of our own small wildlife sanctuary known as Summit Park. We have our fears about its preservation and conservation."

The park, he said, is one of the few remaining examples of urban forest left on the island "and we'll have to work hard to protect it especially as more and more attention is focused on the development of the whole of the Mount Royal area."

Among other Westmounters at the fund-raising launch were Peter

Howlett, president of Les Amis de la Montagne, and former Westmount

alderman JoAnn Isissenman, who is involved in the group.

## UNITY...

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tailed assessments conducted in recent years by the Boys' and Girls' Club of Canada and by Centraide both showed a need no longer exists in Westmount for the services Unity provides.

But she said the board sees as its mission to continue providing Boys' and Girls' Club services, even if that means moving out of Westmount to where they are needed.

No clear-cut solution is forthcoming to resolve the differences between the residents and the Unity board. This is further complicated by legal and moral uncertainties: who owns the building and who gets the proceeds if it is sold?

The Unity Club started in the 1940s and carried on its activities in church basements and private homes. In 1949, the City of Westmount donated the current Greene avenue site to Unity. The Rotary Club of Westmount raised the funds required for construction of the building.

A clause in the land deed indicates the city must approve the sale of the building. The land is zoned residential, but vested rights allow its use

for community and recreational purposes.

Peter Duffield, the city councillor for the southeast sector, said the city will not approve any sale to a commercial or non-Westmount group.

"If the Boys' and Girls' Club wants to go elsewhere, I don't have any problem with that. But I don't think they have the right to the money from the sale of the land. If they want to run activities in N.D.G., then they should raise money in N.D.G.," Mr Duffield said.

"I don't think the residents of Westmount should have to pay for the building a second time."

Mr Duffield said he plans to ask council to take the position that the building should be kept to serve the community for which it was originally intended.

"Effectively," Mrs Leahey said, "if we have no right to sell the building, then we don't own it. Our legal counsel has advised us that Unity has a right to sell the building."

The Unity Club is now closed. The pipes have been drained and the building is empty.

The residents met with the Unity board again last Friday with the hope the board would re-consider the proposal. They are awaiting a reply.

## Six local residents on Unity board

THE board of directors of the Unity Boys' and Girls' Club is made up of six Westmounters and three out-of-towners. The slate was elected at Unity's May 10, 1988 annual general meeting.

The local residents are chairman and president Dennice Leahey, secretary Kim Morrow, treasurer Andrew Dagleish, Georgina Howick, Sally Whitworth and Barrie Wilson.

Others on the board are vice-president Lynda White, Raymond Busbridge and Ron Ratcliffe. Mr Busbridge just recently moved out of Westmount. He is the Rotary Club of Westmount's representative on the board.

## Santa will use non-traditional transportation

Santa Claus is coming to town — on a bright red fire truck.

The phenomenon can be seen late Sunday morning as Santa and Mrs Claus make their way from the Westmount fire station on Stanton street to Victoria Hall. There they will preside at a Christmas party for children of city employees.

The entourage is scheduled to leave the firehall at 11:45 am and proceed south on Kensington avenue and west along Sherbrooke street to Victoria Hall. It is expected to include an elf, a clown and a company of firefighters.

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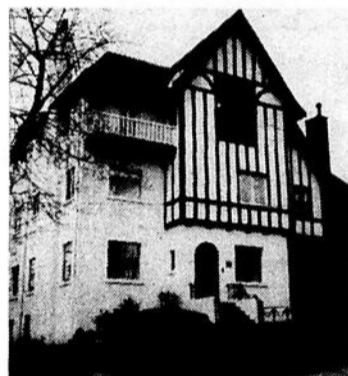
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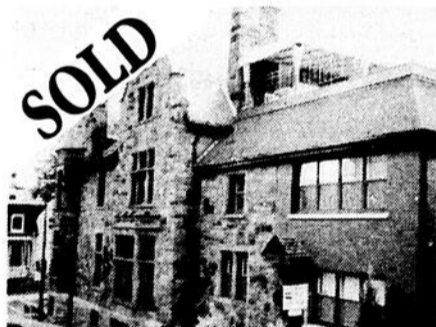
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