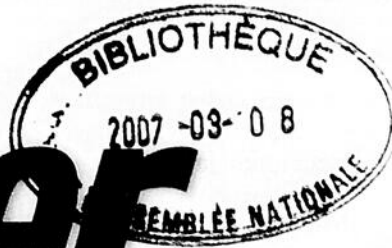


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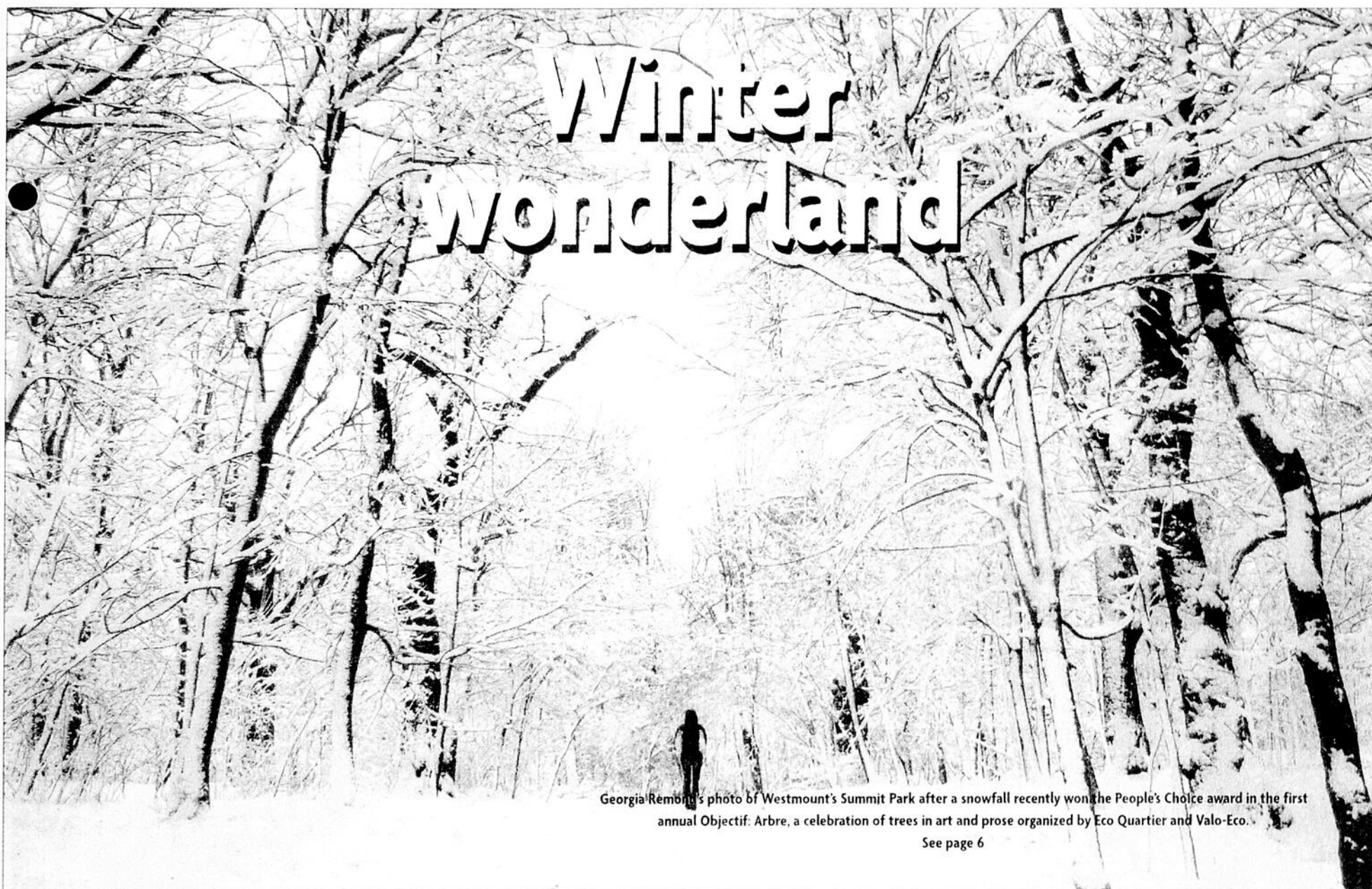


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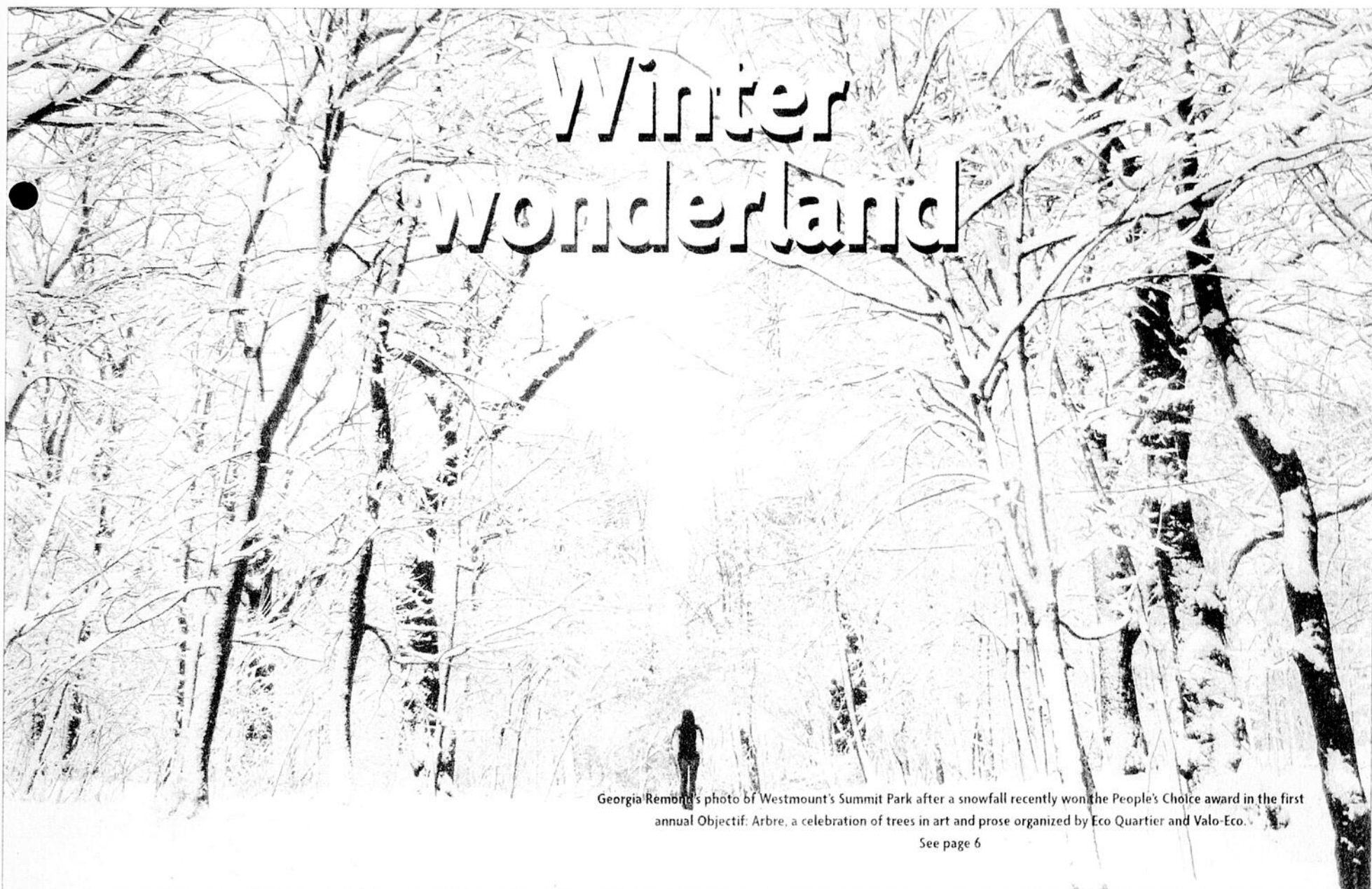


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"We had one in 1980 ... another one in 1995. I'm thinking that it's enough," he said.

"No way will we have another referendum here if we are elected. It's a matter of fact that we do not need that. We need to take our time and our effort to dispense health and education and environment, but surely not on a referendum."

While it appears virtually certain that the Liberals have no intention of raising the future of the Agglomeration during the election—barring any last minute pledges—Chagnon suggested in an interview with the *Examiner* that a resolution could nonetheless be inevitable.

However, he was unable to confirm that

Premier Charest takes the matter seriously enough to do something or that the party caucus has made a commitment to change the system.

"Of course, (Charest) looks at it and he understands that it doesn't work," said Chagnon. "But the question is that there are seven or eight different Agglos (in Quebec) and eventually they will probably be very different one from another."

While acknowledging that the Agglomeration issue is not a Liberal priority, he added that it's not a priority elsewhere, either. "Outside of Westmount it's not a priority, and even in Westmount," he said, adding that the number of phone calls to his riding office on that question is negligible.



Westmount-St. Louis MNA Jacques Chagnon addresses a gathering of supporters at the opening of his campaign headquarters on Monday.

Photo: Martin C. Barry

## Meet the candidates on March 14

The Westmount Municipal Association and the *Westmount Examiner* will once again be co-hosting an evening in Victoria Hall where residents can come out and meet the local candidates running in the March 26 provincial election.

All confirmed candidates in the Westmount-St. Louis riding will be invited to participate in the event, which will be held Wednesday, March 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the main ballroom of Victoria Hall, 4626 Sherbrooke St. W. The candidates will present their respective platforms and answer questions from the audience.

A moderator for the event has yet to be announced.

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# Local News

## Mayors could step up anti-Agglom campaign during election

> Martin C. Barry

The mayors of Montreal's 15 demerged cities could be stepping up their anti-Agglomeration protests during the provincial election, depending on how Premier Jean Charest's incumbent Liberals choose to treat the matter in the coming days.

Reporting to Westmount city council last Monday evening on the latest developments in the suburbs' ongoing campaign to obtain important structural changes to the island's governing council, Mayor Karin Marks acknowledged that the Liberals would rather not be dealing with the Agglomeration problem during an election period.

She said a planned meeting between two of the mayors with a representative of Charest and Municipal Affairs Minister Nathalie Normandeau three weeks ago did not produce results. "Clearly it was supposed to be something that had meaning," she said.

"And clearly since it is an electoral period, they would be very happy if we all would not speak about the fact that this has not been well done and that it is not been a success in terms of the Agglomeration structure. But to keep us going longer and longer I don't think it is a fair way to try and have us buy into what they've done.



Mayor Karin Marks reports on the latest developments in the suburbs' ongoing campaign against the Montreal Agglomeration at Monday's city council meeting.

Photo: Martin C. Barry

"So unless there is in the next few days a real change in the way the Charest government has chosen to deal with the 15 cities, we certainly will begin to be speaking out about

just how badly the structure has been managed and how badly the organization on the island has been managed," said Marks.

Noting that Charest met recently with

mayors of the embattled Agglomeration on Montreal's South Shore, she suggested that the meeting took place because the South Shore is not a Liberal stronghold.

"We, on the other hand, tend to be taken much more for granted because those of us who live in the western part of the city have always tended to vote Liberal," she said.

"I think they assume that that's going to be the case—that there will not be a strong move to the PQ, or perhaps the ADQ, and therefore I think that they assume that we will support them even though they haven't met with us, even though they haven't made the changes," Marks said.

"And I think that that's a very cynical view of the population, as well, and one that is quite disturbing."

Marks said she still harbors some hope that Charest will meet the mayors of Montreal's demerged cities, as he did with their counterparts on the South Shore.

"I still hold out a very small amount of hope that will be able to do so in the coming week and that Mr. Charest will undertake, when he is elected, if he is elected, to make some changes to this structure. Because really that is what's most important."

## ADQ candidate Morgan challenges Liberal record



Westmount-St. Louis ADQ candidate  
Caroline Morgan

Photo: Martin C. Barry

> Martin C. Barry

The Action Démocratique du Québec's candidate in Westmount-St. Louis is a resident of the riding who was born and raised in St. Lambert — the Montreal South Shore community which has been a hotbed of demerger and anti-Agglomeration sentiment.

While maintaining that she is aware of the City of Westmount's ongoing dispute with Quebec over the structure of the Montreal Agglomeration, Caroline Morgan, a 28-year-old translator who lives downtown, also insists she is concerned about the future of greater Montreal.

"We lived it on the South Shore," she said in an interview, referring to the tumult which preceded the demerger of several municipalities from the megacity of Longueuil.

She said the situation remains unresolved. "Right now, the agglomeration councils are dysfunctional not only in Montreal, but in many other cities."

In the meantime, ADQ leader Mario Dumont has pledged to abolish the Agglomeration system if his party is elected.

Although she never became personally involved in St. Lambert's struggle to demerge, Morgan says she remembers clearly the divisions that arose during the process. "I remember feeling how much people felt hurt," she said.

"Politicians at the time acted like they didn't care about what they were feeling ... They didn't care about people's basic feelings about what was going on with the city they were attached to."

Running in a riding that has long been a Liberal stronghold, Morgan said her objective is to give the ADQ a voice in

Westmount-St. Louis.

"If I decided to run in this riding, it's because I know that the Liberals take all the people of (Montreal's west end) for granted," she said.

"So I want the ADQ message to be heard, and I want also to build a positive relationship with people in Westmount-St. Louis."

Although the Liberals are currently flaunting their record of having improved the province's public health care system in the four years they've been in power, Morgan stands behind the ADQ's position, which challenges the credibility of the Liberals' claims.

"They (used) creative accounting with numbers on waiting lists and people waiting

in emergency wards," she said. "The health issue is more than about money. It's about how we do things and how we design our system. It's well past the time to think over the whole system and how it functions."

While many voters in the western half of Montreal remain distrustful of the ADQ because the party embraced Quebec sovereignty in the past, Morgan said the issue has been settled once and for all.

"To us the issue is clear — we closed the door on separation," she said. "The population of Quebec answered 'no' two times and after each referendum the backlash was strong and we paid the price. So a third referendum is useless."

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## SPORTS ET LOISIRS Répertoire des activités printemps-été 2007

Le nouveau répertoire des activités sera distribué par la poste aux résidents de Westmount à compter du 8 mars. Des exemplaires additionnels du répertoire seront disponibles à compter du lundi 12 mars dans les immeubles municipaux. Vous pourrez aussi consulter le guide complet sur notre site Web. Info : 514 989-5353. 🍀



## ÉVÉNEMENTS COMMUNAUTAIRES Quatuor Bozzini

En collaboration avec le Conseil des arts de Montréal, la ville de Westmount est fière de présenter le Quatuor Bozzini, l'un des chefs de file des quatuors canadiens, au Victoria Hall le 12 mars prochain à 19 h 30. Le concert est gratuit mais les places sont limitées. Procurez-vous des laissez-passer au Victoria Hall. Info : 514 989-5226.

## La galerie du Victoria Hall

La galerie du Victoria Hall est fière de présenter les œuvres d'Andrew Burlone et de Mark Venema. L'exposition se poursuit jusqu'au 17 mars. Info : 514 989-5226.

## Galerie : Appel de propositions

La galerie du Victoria Hall accepte présentement les propositions des artistes Westmountais pour sa programmation 2007-2008. Les propositions doivent inclure 10 images d'œuvres récentes, un curriculum vitae à jour ainsi qu'un exposé portant sur

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la démarche artistique du candidat. Les propositions doivent être transmises au plus tard le lundi 19 mars au sein du Comité de sélection, Victoria Hall, 4333, rue Sherbrooke Ouest, Westmount, H3Z 1E2 ou déposées au Victoria Hall, 4626, rue Sherbrooke Ouest. Info: 514 989-5226 ou [www.westmount.org](http://www.westmount.org). 🍀



## SPORTS AND RECREATION Recreation Activities Guide - Spring/Summer 2007

The new Recreation Activities Guide will be delivered by mail to all residences in Westmount starting March 8. Additional copies will become available in municipal buildings as of Monday, March 12. The complete guide will also be available for download on the Web site as of that date. Info: 514 989-5353. 🍀



## COMMUNITY EVENTS Quatuor Bozzini

The City of Westmount and le Conseil des arts de Montréal present Quatuor Bozzini, one of Canada's leading string quartets, in concert on Monday, March 12 at 7:30 p.m. at Victoria Hall. The concert is free but space is limited and passes are available at Victoria Hall. Info : 514 989-5226.

## Gallery at Victoria Hall

The Gallery at Victoria Hall is pleased to present the works of Andrew Burlone and Mark Venema. The exhibition will run until March 17. Info: 514 989-5226.

## Gallery call for Submissions

The Gallery at Victoria Hall is now accepting proposals from artists and artisans residing in Westmount for its 2007-2008 exhibition season. Submissions should include 10 images of recent works, an up-to-date résumé and an artist's statement. The

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**March 19 - 8 p.m.**  
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# Liberals oppose Tory motion to extend sunset clause



MP

Lucienne ROBILLARD

**A**s the Official Opposition, we oppose the minority Conservative government's motion to extend the sunset clause applying to investigative hearings and preventative arrests under the Anti-Terrorism Act for a further three years.

The Liberal Party believes the safety of Canadians is paramount and we remain committed to measures that will combat terrorism and safeguard the Canadian people. The Liberal government understood the potential threat to civil liberties represented by such tools when it passed the Act.

But after five years, there is no evidence that extending the sunset period on these investigative hearings and preventative arrests is a justifiable infringement on Canadians' rights.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper has abandoned an election commitment to review and amend Canada's anti-terror laws to strike a balance between security and rights.

This is rather ironic, since the Prime Minister has recently made it clear that the rights of the accused are not something he

feels compelled to protect. Nor does he seem obliged to accept the conclusions of the review he once supported.

If the Prime Minister's current actions are any indication, he was not sincere in his commitment to a balanced approach, and has instead chosen a path of partisanship. He owes Canadians an explanation.

Mr. Harper has refused to withdraw unfounded allegations that the Liberals want to water down the anti-terrorism bill because of a family connection to Liberal MP Navdeep Bains.

Mr. Harper's current position contradicts his reply to a Canadian Arab Federation questionnaire during the 2006 election, in which he claimed to support "striking an appropriate balance between measures that ensure public security and measures that ensure respect for rights and freedoms for individual Canadians" and said that "there needs to be periodic reviews by Parliament of the Anti-Terrorism Act to ensure this act continues to meet that balance."

His election-inspired response also indicated the Conservatives would amend the security certificate process to ensure cases are presided over by a panel of security-cleared judges with training in national security issues. In cases where national security dictates evidence be heard in secret, the Conservatives committed to support the

establishment of security-cleared lawyers to act as special advocates to protect the rights of the accused.

In a recent Parliamentary review, Conservative MPs joined with the Liberals to recommend significant changes to the preventative arrest and investigative hearing provisions of the Anti-Terrorism Act – including the limitation of investigative hearings to situations of "imminent peril." These recommendations have been largely ignored by the Prime Minister.

On top of his rejection of the conclusions

of this Parliamentary review, Mr. Harper has now smeared the reputation of a Liberal MP.

The ultimate purpose of our national security laws is to uphold our democratic way of life. The Prime Minister must start practicing some democracy, accept the recommendations of Parliament. It is the duty of a Prime Minister to uphold the Canadian ideals of justice, equality and fair play.

*• The Honourable Lucienne Robillard is the Liberal Member of Parliament for Westmount-Ville-Marie and the Deputy House Leader.*

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# Photo of snowy Summit wins People's Choice award



## Around Westmount

Marilynn VANDERSTAY

**G**orgia Remond's photograph of snow-covered trees in Summit Park won the People's Choice award in the first annual Objectif: Arbre, a celebration of trees in art and prose organized by Eco Quartier and Valo-Eco.

Remond's photo was accompanied by a

quote by Chief Dan George that celebrated trees on the summit of a mountain.

Remond, an avid amateur photographer who takes photos of trees and angels around the world, first learned about the contest last fall and submitted a sampler of photos. Tree Huggers Unite features a person hugging a tree, while a triptych of large fir trees in the Benny Farm Park in NDG surprisingly focused not only on the trees but also on a blue tent, a dwelling for a homeless person.

But it was Remond's photo of the Summit that won the hearts of the 50-plus participants at the vernissage Feb. 16, many of

whom voted her photo the people's choice.

For those who missed the vernissage, the exhibition will continue at the Eco Cartier office at 4101 Decarie until mid-April. The exhibition will then become a traveling show to be exhibited at cafés in Montreal and will eventually be published in a booklet. For more information phone 514-482-8778.

### From big hearts to little hands

Westmount resident Arlene Lund will teach a free workshop on creating comfort dolls for children in developing countries at the Atwater Library on Saturday, March 3 from 1 to 3 p.m. Knitters are invited to bring along some 4-ply yarn and a pair of 3.0 mm needles to get started on their first comfort doll. Space is limited so pre-register at the circulation desk or phone 514-934-7344 or e-mail tanya\_mayhew@atwaterlibrary.ca

Last October Lund began a Knit 'n' Natter group for knitters of all ages. The group meets twice a month on the second and fourth Wednesdays, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Westmount Park United Church. There is no charge to become a member and the group is always looking for new members who love to knit. They bring their current projects and talk and knit, share tips about knitting, talk about shopping for yarn and patterns etc. This year Knit 'n' Natter will give some mini workshops and show-and-tell sessions during the meetings. The group has also started a knitting charity project for 2007, the Comfort Dolls. To learn more about the Knit 'n'

Natter group, phone Lund at 514-989-8758.

### BPW focuses on literacy in children

There are an estimated 110 million children around the world, of which 60 million are girls, who do not attend primary school.

60 Million Girls is a public foundation established in February 2006 to support education for girls. Their objective is to support at least one major education project annually in developing countries with the greatest gender disparity in school enrollment by raising funds through their foundation. This week Wanda Bédard, one of the founders of the foundation, was the keynote speaker at the Business and Professional Women's Montreal chapter's annual International Night dinner.

The BPW hosts informative dinners and events for women throughout the year. For more information phone 514-769-9023. For more information about BPW go to [www.bpwcanda.com](http://www.bpwcanda.com)

### A women's walk/run club

Personal trainer Orysia Krucko knows only too well the benefits of walking and running and has used both to keep herself in shape.

Recognizing that other women can benefit from a walk/run club, she has organized a meeting to discuss starting a club that would meet throughout the week at the Westmount track located behind Westmount High School on St. Catherine Street.

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## COMMUNITY LIFE

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A coffee meeting has been organized for Tuesday, March 13 at the Second Cup at Claremont and Sherbrooke Street beginning with a coffee at 5:30 p.m. At that time Krucko will discuss specifics of the walk run/club and will be interested in feedback from participants. For more information phone 450-928-2298 or e-mail okconcepts@videotron.ca

### Cutler and team excel at RVH gala fundraiser

Congratulations to Marina Cutler, chair of this year's Royal Victoria Hospital gala gastronomique, and her dream team of equally talented volunteers for putting together such a fun and successful event.

From the live entertainment of Lorraine Klassen, Montreal's Queen of Jazz and South African Funk, to the eclectic silent auction that raised \$25,000 to the chic raffle for a \$10,000 Polar Bear Diamond pendant, to the eloquent honorary chair Bob Gainey, to the fun emcee Andrew Carter, to the classy photos of guests as they arrived, to the gourmet cocktail style gastronomic delights to the ongoing flow of blue martinis, Cutler demonstrated once again she does know how to host a great party. Proceeds of this year's event went to the the Alzheimers and Memory Disorders clinic of the Royal Victoria Hospital to improve patient and family care.

### Avenue Art moves to Old Montreal

Due to the need to expand her vernissage space Marina Cutler, president of Avenue Art, until recently located on Sherbrooke Street, moved this month to a multimedia center in Old Montreal. Merging with two familiar names in the Montreal art community, Paul Rupert and Imagetech Offset, they have creat-

ed a new and exciting creative venue. The new space will also include a photography section and the Brulerie St. Denis café. The studio is located at 10 King St. just above de la Commune in Old Montreal. For more information phone 514 867-3745 or go to www.avenueart.ca

### Valentine tea at Manoir

It was standing-room-only at the Manoir Westmount's annual Valentine Tea.

In addition to a delightful tea that included a decadent Valentine dessert, residents enjoyed a medley of romantic songs performed by the Manoir Choir. The choir meets weekly to develop a repertoire and to have fun.

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# Opinion

## Is it warmth... or just hot air?



### Commentary

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As the Gazette merrily proclaimed on its front page last Saturday, "Suburbs, city move to thaw relations." Yes, at long last, there seems to be some spirit of cooperation and a very real possibility of reconciliation between the Montreal megacity and its 15 demerged cities.

Unfortunately, it's not likely to occur any time soon, so don't hold your breath.

While there may be some signs of a "thawing" in the so-called Cold War between Montreal Mayor Gérald Tremblay and the mayors of the demerged suburbs, you can be sure that the current talk of the two sides ever agreeing on most points is sheer, blind optimism. They are diametrically opposed to each other, so any rosy pictures painted by the spin doctors at Montreal City Hall, or by representatives of the demerged cities, ought to be taken with one huge grain of salt—or dismissed altogether.

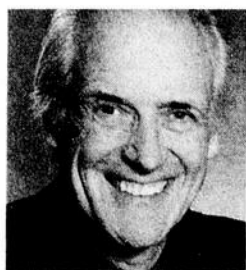
Given the history behind this tangled saga of political tensions, the very idea of Westmount ever establishing a cozy relationship with Mega-Montreal seems too far-fetched. After all that has happened over the past 10 years—when the idea of 'One island, one city' began its journey from back-room whispers to the passing of Bill 170—there is too much bad blood for a complete reconciliation. The damage to cities like Westmount is too deep to be completely repaired.

In all fairness, it should be pointed out that times have changed for the better, albeit only slightly. Don't forget, it wasn't too long ago that then-Borough Mayor Karin Marks was eating her lunch alone as the only independent sitting among members of two big municipal parties. Now she is the leader of a 15-member gang that may not be poised to take over the schoolyard but is certainly making its presence felt by all concerned. Add to that the fact that some demerged mayors are backing the ADQ over the Agglomeration question during the current election campaign, and you have signs of changes to come.

Of course any meetings between Mayor Tremblay and his 15 demerged counterparts should be encouraged. They might not lead to any concrete results right away, but at least both sides are heading in the right direction, which is toward each other.



## StaR-v your garbage bag



### City Councillor

George  
BOWSER

**Westmount deals with about 9,700 metric tons of garbage per year, most of it in the classic green bag. It all has to be picked up, transported, and disposed of, or 'eliminated' as they say in Quebec.**

We have contracts with private companies for most of this work, and that costs the Westmount taxpayer \$1,558,699.26, including tax. The bags all end up in dump sites, or "landfill." That is to say, it is buried.

We'd like to reduce the amount of garbage we send to landfill, because it's the right thing to do, environmentally speaking. Nature can do a very good job of recycling garbage. Nature's way is to let it rot, but not everything we bury will do that—at least, not for a very long time. What we have to do is "divert garbage from landfill." That's why you'll hear the phrase "diversion targets" in discussions about garbage. We have to sort through the contents of that green garbage bag, looking for things we can use or process more efficiently by other means. That's how we make it

smaller. If you recycle, you've already reduced the size of your garbage bag. If you have a garden composter—and you can get a nice one from Public Works for only \$30—you've made your bag very small indeed.

The Healthy City Project has sponsored breakfast meetings with the theme "starve your garbage bag." The three 'R's—Reduce, Re-use, and Recycle—are as important as they ever were, but now there's a new element, and it's the letter 'V', which stands for 'valorize.' This is a French word, but the English language should probably adopt it, since there's no simple English equivalent. The word 'valorize' means 'to sort through stuff with the intention of finding a more profitable and/or more environmentally friendly way to deal with it.' The English words "assess," or "exploit" convey some, but not all, of the meaning. So let's use "valorize," it's quicker.

If you valorize the contents of your garbage bag, you'll probably find that some of it is compostable, which means that it will rot under the right circumstances, and could be returned to the earth. Composting—the city-wide collection of what is called source-separated organics—is a very complex issue, but it's one we are going to have to tackle, if we want to starve the garbage bag and 'divert' from landfill.

All compostables are not alike, and they are most commonly described in two ways:

Green Waste (or Garden Waste), and Table Scraps (or Kitchen Waste). Green waste does not contain any animal by-products, but Kitchen Waste does. They will both compost well, but Kitchen Waste should not be put in your garden composter or in an open container because it will stink and attract pests. It also requires slightly more heat to decompose, which means pressure, which means it has to be in larger heaps.

The City of Westmount conducted a pilot project in Kitchen Waste collection in 1997, and the participants loved it. At the time, the cost of a full program was estimated at \$182,754, with only a 10 to 20 per cent resulting reduction in the cost of garbage pickup. However, times have changed, and these numbers will have to be revisited.

Also, we still have to find somewhere to put any organic compostables we collect, and that information must come from the Agglomeration, as that body is responsible for 'elimination.'

You will soon find revised information about recycling on the City's web site, which will help you 'valorize' your recyclables. We want to help you make your garbage bag smaller.

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# Sally Drummond: supreme organizer



## Civic Alert

Don WEDGE

**W**estmount lost one of its most loved citizens last week when Sally Drummond died, aged 73, after a long illness. She was renowned for her political work. "It is hard to imagine an election at any level without her," said Mayor Karin Marks.

She became a noted activist in 1980 as an organizer of the Yvette rally during the referendum. Then, with her long-time colleague Louise Agar, Sally challenged the Liberal establishment over the selection of a candidate for the riding. They won and their choice, Richard French, became Westmount's MNA and later a cabinet minister.

The team continued to be part of all elections and referenda right up to the demerger of 2004.

But her life was not all politics. After being diagnosed with Lupus, Sally found there was no support group in Quebec — so she started one from her home and became Vice-President of both Quebec and Canadian Lupus organizations. She asked that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Lupus Foundation.

More than 200 people attended the service at Mount Royal Funeral Complex on Wednesday morning, followed by a private

burial.

I plan to write at length about her life and achievements, and welcome reminiscences from friends and acquaintances. The story will be published in a future edition of the Examiner.

Born Sally Sherwood, she married photographer Michael Drummond in 1954. She leaves him and three children (Gail, Peter and Jill) and six grandchildren.

Despite all her public work, Sally was a strong influence on her extended family. "For 50 years, she ruled — organizing, instructing, informing," said her brother-in-law, Derek Drummond, who gave the eulogy.

"We all depended on her for the 'latest'. Losing Sally leaves the family in an information vacuum — the equivalent of the impact that the world would have if CNN went off the air."

In Westmount, likewise, there's a void.

### The promise that matters

Here is the election promise we were waiting for: "The agglom must be modified to decentralize it, make it more functional and effective. We will introduce legislative changes to make dialogue and development possible."

Surely, it can't be a new Liberal pledge? Well, it is possible, because this is an undertaking made on the South Shore where the electoral situation is different. Although Jean Charest doesn't have anything to say to Island mayors, he has met the South Shore rebels.

But, it is not the Liberals, so could it be the ADQ's Mario Dumont? He has said previ-

ously that he would scrap the aggloms, but we still wait to hear what he will put in place instead of them.

But, no, wrong again! It's not a Dumont promise. Unbelievably, it is the PQ — architects of the forced mergers — now advocating to scrap the whole system. Even Lucien Bouchard must wonder at this outcome, because he was only recently touting the formed mergers as a great achievement.

The big promise was made on Monday afternoon by Marie Malavoy, former PQ party president, in Longueuil where she is defending the Taillon riding.

What has happened to the ADQ? Polls show it gathering steam, while the PQ is losing points across the province.

On the Island, it is not so clear. It is hard to recognize the rally against the Liberals for cheating on demerger promises given during the last election cheating. No mayor will be running for the ADQ. The four who chose to support Dumont will continue to do so.

However, if Jean Charest does not commit to repairing the damage of his flawed demergers, then the remaining mayors — Liberal lovers all — will have very hard decisions to make.

### Tremblay meets the suburbs

Last Thursday was an eventful day for Big Montreal Mayor Gerald Tremblay. He did what he should have done after the elections in November, 2005 — and he did it twice.

In the afternoon, he sat sit down with the Island's suburban mayors to seek a common

purpose — to help convince the Quebec government to give him more fund-raising possibilities.

Later — closer to midnight — he persuaded the off-Island mayors to share the costs of operating the Metro.

Eleven mayors accepted the invitation to last Thursday's discussion. Notable absentees included TMR's Vera Danyluk, while Councillor Ruth Kovacs deputized for Anthony Housefather of Côte St. Luc. Executive Committee Chairman Frank Zampino attended with Tremblay, but there were no civil servants or political staff present.

It was supposed to be a secret encounter, and little has emerged of what happened. Although she gave a blow-by-blow account of the failed meeting with Jean Charest to her Westmount citizens at Monday's Council meeting, Mayor Marks didn't mention a word about the Tremblay discussions.

However, while the suburbanites accepted there was room for common cause, some pointed out there were issues closer to home that need attention.

They agreed to convene again this week, but no meeting had been set at press time.

### Public accounting

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That's how it was last Thursday. Citizen attendance was sparse. Two activists from Brossard came to compare the sedate proceedings with the raucous atmosphere at both Brossard Council and the Longueuil agglom.

Questions were left to two NGOs: solid waste specialist Robert Ménard and veteran Bruce Walker of STOP.

A few agenda items slipped through in a few minutes and the public left. The real work was still to be finished, however.

**Civic Studies**  
**Grajina Lunas:** At Monday's meeting, Council marked the passing of Grajina Lunas, who for 25 years had issued parking permits until her retirement in 2001. "She will be remembered for her perpetual smile, kindness, amazing customer service skills and dedication to serving residents," said Director-General Bruce St. Louis.

**Appointments:** Council appointed a new Community Events Advisory Committee of Helen Campbell, Rosalind Davis, Nicole Gareau, Chantal Montreuil, Helen Rainville, Leslie Therriault and Milica Vachon. Cllr. Patrick Martin was appointed chair of the Demolition Committee with Cllrs. Nicole Forbes and Cynthia Lulham as members.

**Mending:** City Councillor John de Castell is now home after his long hospital stay and is looking into some dossiers, Mayor Marks said on Monday evening. As is required by municipal law, Council passed a resolution excusing him of his obligation to attend meetings.

**Party support:** Peter McQueen, the leading St. Raymond critic of the MUHC access plans, will run for the Quebec Green Party against Russell Copeman in NDG. He hosts fellow West End candidates and leader Scott McKay at Coop La Maison Verte (578 Sherbrooke St W) on Tuesday evening. Patrick Daoust is named as Westmount-St. Louis candidate.

**Neighborhood events:** The Réseau québécois de Villes et Villages en santé — the provincial Healthy City Project — is planning another Neighbours Festival for June 7. Last year, 23 cities and boroughs participated in creating 250 neighbourhood events. Westmount's Family Day will be on Saturday, May 26.

## BULLETIN BOARD

### Friday, March 2

TGIF at Centre Greene 1090 Greene Ave. Meal followed by weekly activity for ages 5-11, \$10 per drop in. 6 to 8:30 p.m. Info: 514-931-6202 or [www.centregreene.org](http://www.centregreene.org).

### Tuesday, March 6

The Westmount Municipal Association holds its monthly meeting in the Westmount Room of the Westmount Public Library, 4574 Sherbrooke W., at 7 p.m. Guest speaker is Examiner editor Wayne Larsen, who will discuss the topic 'Inside the Westmount Examiner'. All are welcome.

Congregation Shaar Hashomayim, 450 Kensington Ave., holds a Power Breakfast at 7:30 a.m. with guest speaker Philip C. Levi, president of the Montreal Chapter of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, who will discuss

'Identity Theft: The Fastest Growing Fraud in North America.' Info: 514-937-9471.

The Atwater Library and Computer Centre presents 'The Atwater Library: 178 Years of People and Events', a panel discussion with slides and a tour of a national historic site, at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium, 1200 Atwater Ave. (use Tupper Street entrance). Free admission. Info: Lynn Verge at 514-935-7344 or [lverge@atwaterlibrary.ca](mailto:lverge@atwaterlibrary.ca).

### Wednesday, March 7

The Auxiliary of the Montreal Children's Hospital holds a sale of used books from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Pocket books, hard covers, children and adolescent books, etc. All proceeds are donated to the hospital. 2300 Tupper St., second floor B wing. Info: 514-412-4400 ext. 22384.



Ville de Westmount  
City of Westmount

### AVIS PUBLIC ASSEMBLÉE PUBLIQUE DE CONSULTATION PROJET DE RÈGLEMENT 1340 MERCREDI, 14 MARS 2007 - 19h

À TOUTES LES PERSONNES INTÉRESSÉES PAR LE PROJET  
DE RÈGLEMENT N° 1340 INTITULÉ «RÈGLEMENT VISANT  
À MODIFIER LE RÈGLEMENT DE CONSTRUCTION 1296»

AVIS PUBLIC est par les présentes donné par le soussigné, greffier par intérim de la Ville de Westmount :

1. Lors de sa séance générale tenue le lundi 26 février 2007, le Conseil municipal de la Ville de Westmount a adopté par résolution le premier projet de règlement 1340, intitulé «RÈGLEMENT VISANT À MODIFIER LE RÈGLEMENT DE CONSTRUCTION 1296».
2. Conformément aux dispositions des articles 123 à 127 de la Loi sur l'aménagement urbain (L.R.Q., c. A-19.1), une assemblée publique de consultation aura lieu le mercredi 14 mars 2007 à 19 h, à la salle du conseil de l'hôtel de ville de Westmount, 4333, rue Sherbrooke ouest, Westmount, Québec, H3Z 1E2.
3. Ce règlement a pour objet, notamment, de modifier l'article 2.5 du règlement en imposant l'installation et l'entretien des systèmes de gicleurs dans tous les bâtiments construits après le 8 octobre 1987, incluant les habitations unifamiliale et bi-familiale.
4. Au cours de cette assemblée, la personne qui préside expliquera le projet de règlement et entendra les personnes et organismes qui désirent s'exprimer.
5. Toute personne intéressée peut consulter le projet de règlement et en obtenir copie au bureau du greffier, 4333, rue Sherbrooke Ouest, Westmount, Québec, du lundi au vendredi de 8 h 30 à 16 h 30.

DONNÉ à Westmount, Québec ce 1<sup>er</sup> mars 2007.

### PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETING DRAFT BY-LAW 1340 WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2007 - 7:00 p.m.

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED BY THE DRAFT BY-LAW NO. 1340  
ENTITLED "BY-LAW TO AMEND BUILDING BY-LAW 1296"

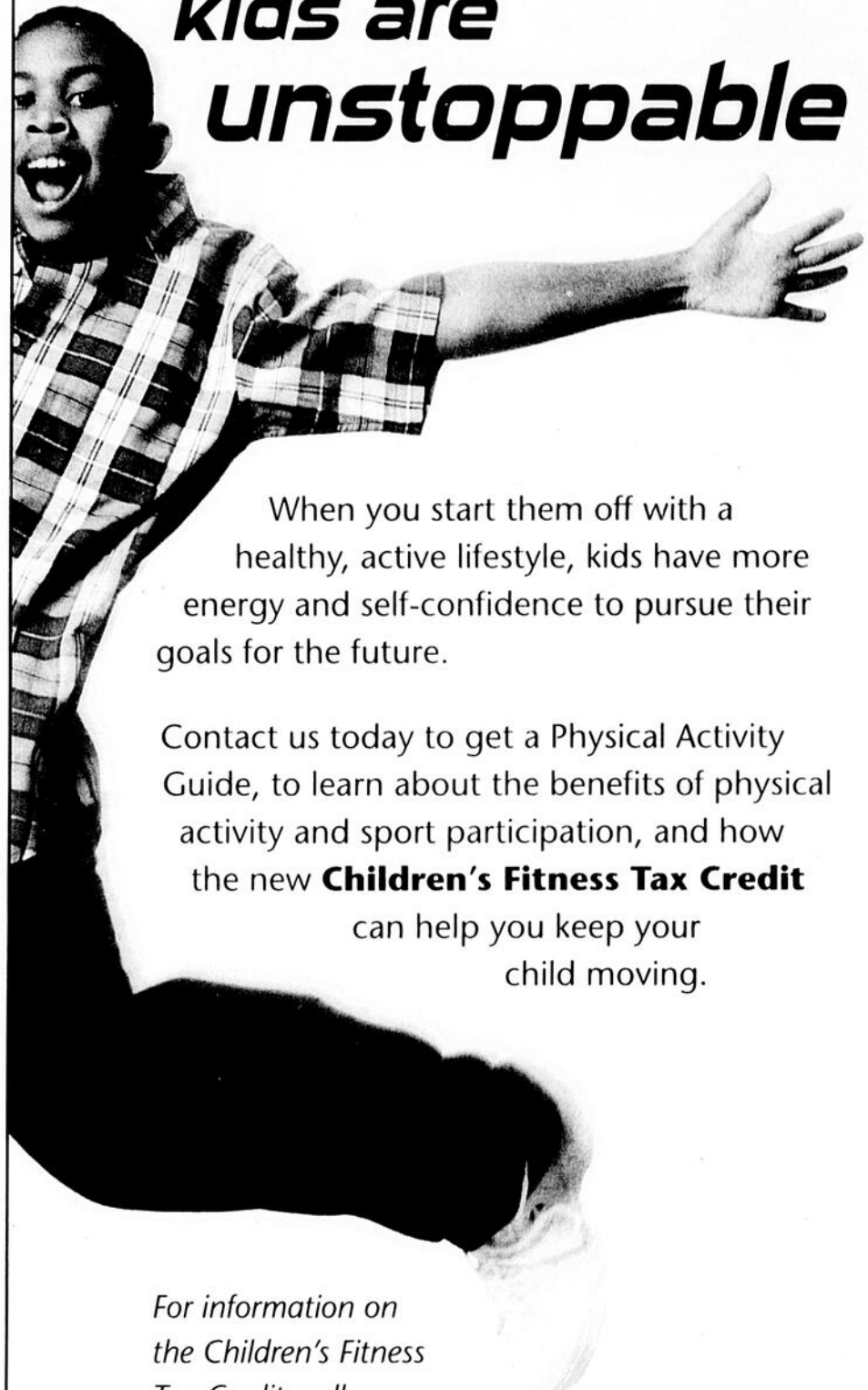
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given by the undersigned, the interim City Clerk of the City of Westmount:

1. At its general meeting held on Monday, February 26, 2007, the Municipal Council of the City of Westmount adopted by resolution, Draft By-law no. 1340, entitled "BY-LAW TO AMEND BUILDING BY-LAW 1296".
2. In accordance with sections 123 to 127 of An Act respecting land use planning and development (R.S.Q., Chapter A-19.1), a public consultation meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 14, 2007 at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber of Westmount City Hall, 4333 Sherbrooke Street West, Westmount, Quebec, H3Z 1E2.
3. The object of this by-law is, among other things, to modify Section 2.5 by imposing the installation and maintenance of sprinkler systems in any building constructed after the 8th of October 1987, including One- and Two- Family Dwellings.
4. During this meeting, the person presiding will explain the draft by-law and will hear every person or body wishing to express an opinion.
5. Any interested person may consult the said draft by-law and obtain copies thereof at the Office of the City Clerk, 4333 Sherbrooke Street West, Westmount, Quebec, from Monday to Friday during regular office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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