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## A cry for help

Talking to teens makes a difference

By Lisa Tedford  
Examiner Special

The houses are luxurious, the grounds are beautiful, but troubled teenagers can exist anywhere, even in upper Westmount.

Two 15-year-old girls attempted suicide within a week of one another in what is the wealthiest area of the city.

On May 27, one girl survived an overdose after consuming a large quantity of aspirins and alcohol. Her parents were at the scene when paramedics arrived at 7:30 p.m.

Eight days later, on June 4, another teenager attempted suicide by overdosing on medication. Urgences Santé transported the girl to the hospital at 7 a.m.

The similarities between the cases are striking. Dr. Priscilla David from Counselling Services at Concordia University said the way these girls tried to end their lives is common.

"Usually for females it's a cry for help," she said.

"They usually choose less drastic ways of killing themselves. They're really looking for help."

David said boys are a different story. "Boys usually do it in

(See HELP, page 5)

## Wild asparagus patch at Summit chopped

City eyes plan for more responsible use of mountaintop



Mountain fan John Fretz holds asparagus shoot re-emerging in secluded spot at Summit.

By Michael Bourguignon  
The Examiner

A Westmount resident has discovered another reason why Summit Park and its wooded areas need special attention if they are going to be preserved.

Lansdowne Avenue resident John Fretz, a dog owner and frequent visitor to the Summit, was amazed recently to discover a wild asparagus patch in a secluded part of the north side of Summit woods.

He was equally surprised when the asparagus later disappeared.

Someone had come by and harvested it.

"These were four- or five-foot stalks; they were enormous," Fretz told THE EXAMINER.

"Perhaps the asparagus amateur doesn't realize that few urban areas are truly secluded," Fretz said. Despite the debris surrounding it, he said the asparagus patch is a cherished site.

"Naturally, I am disappointed," Fretz said.

"The problem with the Summit is that everybody just beats paths wherever they want to." What to

do? For the city of Westmount, the plan is to extend a polite request to residents to treat the Summit with respect, and to tell their neighbours to do the same.

### Legislation won't help

"We're starting to look for ways of encouraging more responsible use in certain areas," Councillor Tom Thompson said. "Legislation won't help, so we're looking to the community."

The plant life on the Summit is

(See ASPARAGUS, page 8)

## Neighbour says noise from kids at daycare is excessive

Threatens to meet them in court if tots don't tone it down

By Lisa Tedford  
Examiner Special

One can imagine heavy machinery, cars, even dogs being accused of making excessive noise. But toddlers?

That's who one Westmount resident blames for noise pollution that she says is affecting her ability to do her job.

Now she and her lower-Westmount neighbours have got their lawyers involved in an argument over the noise kids make.

Two years ago, Monic Garand and her husband moved into a duplex on Metcalfe Avenue. One side of the property was separated from a vacant lot on St. Catherine Street by a narrow lane. A fire had destroyed one building and partially damaged another on the lot.

Garand was told that the standing building would be converted into office space, but said she was not upset when she found out it was going to be occupied by K.I.D.S. Daycare. That is, before the kids came and started playing on the other side of the lane.

"It is something amazing," she said. "It is a very stressful noise. I

(See DAYCARE, page 14)

## Westmount Park School returns to top of poverty map

By Michael Bourguignon  
The Examiner

Moving up a notch on Montreal's so-called poverty map may not be considered a badge of honour, but for students of Westmount Park School, it will certainly mean more money for school programs.

"There's a possibility—and I'm using the word possibility here—that we will get enough money for another full-time kindergarten," principal Paul Saunders said.

The school won't know exactly how much it

### Silver lining means more money for more programs

will get until the commissioners of the Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal (PSBGM) meet later this month.

But Saunders is optimistic that the move from Category 2 to Category 1 of the poverty map, which classifies Westmount Park students as being more disadvantaged than others, will reduce the need to rely on fundraising from the

community to maintain services like the lunch and breakfast programs.

About 150 students at the elementary school take part in the lunch program, which provides lunches to those who may otherwise go hungry. Another 100 or so students participate in the breakfast program.

"This year, we didn't have enough funding for the breakfast program," he said, extending his thanks to Westmounters who contributed to fundraising efforts. "The support has been

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Station 23 to enforce rules of road for cyclists/  
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## Thursday, June 13

**Project Red Dot** poster event run by Teen Agenda and Visual Arts Centre, to display posters next to City Hall from 4 to 5 p.m., June 13.

## Friday, June 14

**TGIF Friday Evening Club** at Centre Greene. Activities, games, & sports for kids 9-12. Dinner provided, event fee \$5/child. Please register before Fri. night. For further info., please contact Heather at 931-6202.

## Saturday, June 15

**Strawberry Tea & Luncheon**, on Saturday, June 15 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Church of the Advent, corner de Maisonneuve and Wood avenues. Price \$5. Enjoy sandwiches, fresh strawberries and cream, tea or coffee. Weather permitting, event held on lawn; otherwise in parish hall.

## Sunday, June 16

**St. Matthias' Choir of Men and Boys** will sing choral evensong on June 16 at 4 p.m. at St. Matthias' Church, 131 Côte St. Antoine, corner Metcalfe. Music by Kelly, Britten, and Widor. Visitors welcome. Call 933-4296.

## Tuesday, June 18

**Westmount Municipal Association** will hold its monthly meeting at Victoria Hall at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 18. This will be an inaugural meeting of the new executive and directors. All welcome.

**Dental Health for Seniors** is subject of course offered at CLSC Westmount, 300 Victoria Ave., June 18 at from 2:30 to 4 p.m. By Nancy Kaplan, dental hygienist. Register in advance by calling 487-4670.

**Dealing with Stress** will be topic of talk by Dr. Lee Lubin on Tuesday, June 18 at Temple Emanu-El-Beth Shalom, 4100 Sherbrooke St. W. Noon brown-bag lunch, 1 p.m. program. All welcome. 937-3575.

## Wednesday, June 19

**Columnist Eve McBride** of Westmount will be guest speaker at a dinner meeting of the Business and Professional Women's Club of Montreal, on Wednesday, June 19 at 6 p.m. at the Mount Stephen Club, 1440 Drummond Street. Topic: Moving Beyond Self-Esteem. Cost \$30. Reservations: Genevieve Gould, 767-5786.

## Parking restricted on Church Hill, rules eased on St. Catherine

Looking for a parking spot? Here's the latest on where you can and can't park in Westmount.

City Hall has adopted new parking regulations for:

- Church Hill, where the east side will now be a reserved parking zone for permit holders;
- Victoria Avenue, where a new handicapped-parking zone will appear in front of the CLSC service depot; and
- St. Catherine Street, where the rush-hour parking restriction has been rescinded.

The Operational and Environmental Services Standing Committee, an advisory committee to city council, asked that the east side of Church Hill be designated a reserved zone for permit holders between 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. after a recent survey determined 11 residents favoured the change.

Six were opposed. The new zone will be in effect from Côte St. Antoine Road to Montrose Avenue. The handicapped-parking zone

will be installed on west of Victoria Avenue, on the north side of de Maisonneuve Boulevard, at the request of the CLSC, which expects greater traffic after the closures of local hospitals under the health care reform.

As for the abolition of the

restriction against stopping on St. Catherine Street from Clarke to Lansdowne avenues between 4:30 and 6:30 p.m., the public security department felt there was no serious traffic congestion, despite an apparent increase in traffic volume on St. Catherine Street.

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Tuesday 2nd July 1996  
City Hall - 4333 Sherbrooke West  
Public consultation meeting - Building By-law amendment - 4:45 p.m.  
Regular Council meeting - 8:00 p.m.  
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# Cenotaph not a playground: city

## But convincing students proves difficult

By Michael Bourguignon  
The Examiner

Westmount's war memorial holds special meaning for Mary Gilmour. The name of her brother, Thomas N. Jackson, a flying officer in the Second World War, is inscribed at the top of the list of the city's fallen heroes.

The Cenotaph is his only grave, she says, and that's why seeing school kids use it as a playground makes her see red.

"I went by and saw a bunch of children with their rollerblades and their skateboards, skating around and jumping on the steps of the Cenotaph," said the former Westmount resident. "I was shocked."

Picnic tables provided to the nearby Ecole Internationale de Montréal frequently turn up on the steps of the monument, she added.

### Principal agrees with city

Both the city and the principal of the Ecole Internationale agree the war memorial is no place to play. But for students who have no other playground nearby, convincing them to stay away from the Cenotaph has proven a hard sell.

"It shows no respect for the dead," said Mayor Peter Trent, who wrote to principal Jean-Paul Morin last year, expressing his concern about the ongoing problem.

He told Morin he had no qualms about students gathering around the Cenotaph, but was worried about the damage caused by skateboards.

Morin spoke to his students, but the situation persists. Now Morin believes he has done all he can without the city's help.

"We often ask our students not to go there, and we keep asking," he said. "The students don't know how important it is to people."

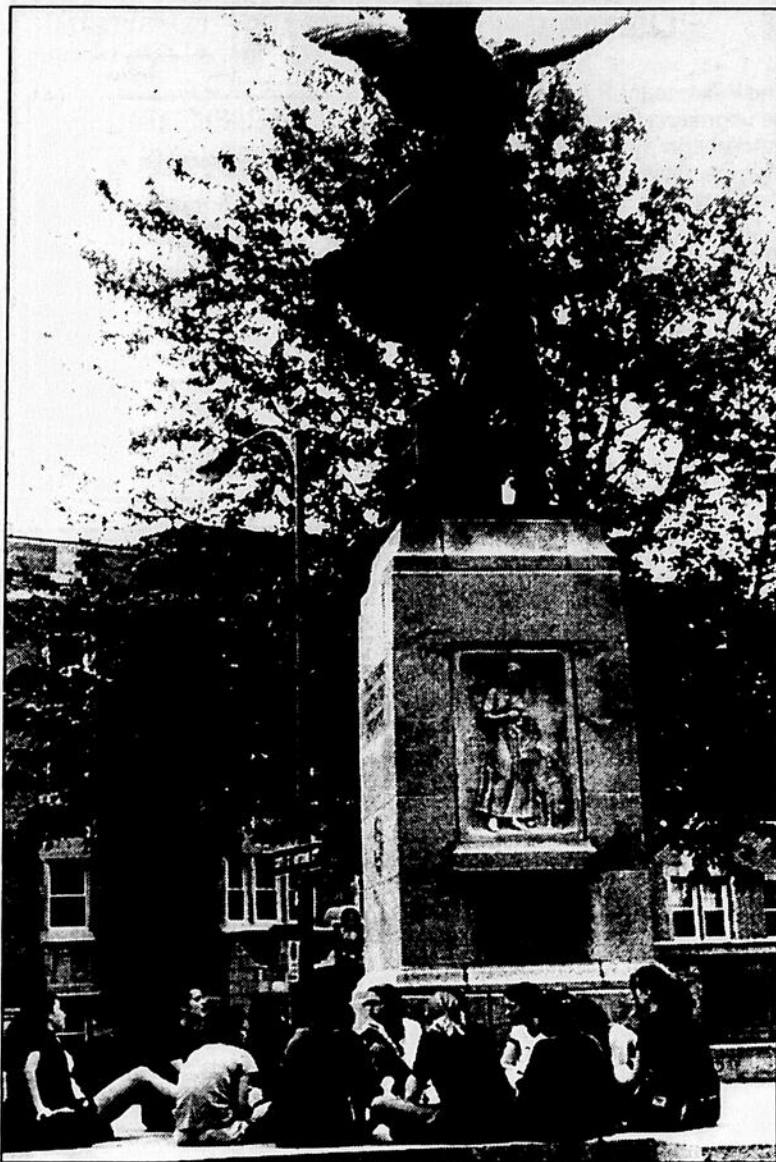
His recourse is limited, he said, because the Cenotaph is not on school property.

Westmount's public security officers can't do much about it, according to Public Security director Richard McEnroe, because it's considered a public space.

The real problem, from Morin's perspective, is that the school, located on Côte St. Antoine Road, does not have a playground of its own. He wants the city's help to come up with a solution, but setting aside a portion of Westmount Park for the students to use—an option Morin has asked the city to consider—will not be on the agenda.

"We're a municipality, not a school," said Mayor Trent, adding the city cannot set aside parkland for the exclusive use of any school.

As for whether the Cenotaph should be considered a public



Students from Ecole Internationale share some quiet time around the Cenotaph after school on Tuesday. Sitting is not a problem, but skateboards are.

Photo by BERNIE O'NEILL

place, he pointed out that it was paid for by Westmount taxpayers, not by the principal or students of Ecole Internationale.

The solution, said Trent, is for Morin to "control his kids."

He added: "If they can use city land and respect it, I have no problem. But if they can't respect it,

they shouldn't use it."

Nothing would more greatly please Mary Gilmour, who grew up in Westmount, and who saw four brothers go off to war.

"There is no cemetery for those boys," she said. "Their bodies are scattered all over the place. This is their resting place."

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## Station 23 police log

By LISA TEDFORD

### Two men don't dine, then dash

A 75-year-old Westmount woman had her purse snatched while she was sitting at a table in Murray's Restaurant at 5011 Sherbrooke St. The theft occurred between noon and 12:30 p.m. The police report said two perpetrators grabbed the black leather purse from the floor where the woman had left it and took off running. They are both described as being 5 ft. tall, weighing about 100 pounds with brown hair.

Jean McGowan, a waitress at the restaurant, showed the suspects to their table.

"By the time I put them at the table and got the menus, they were gone," McGowan said. "Five minutes later, the woman said her purse was stolen."

McGowan said there were three suspects and not two, like the police report said.

To avoid having your purse or bag stolen, police say you should always keep in physical contact with it, so you realize right away when someone has taken it.

### Police to crack down on cyclists

Verbal warnings might be a thing of the past when it comes to bicycle infractions. Lise Bergeron of MUC police Station 23 said police have decided to get tough because they are receiving a lot of complaints about bicyclists ignoring the laws governing cyclists. The crackdown is an effort to keep the roads safe for pedestrians.

Some of the laws bicyclists will have to heed include stopping at red lights and riding on the side of the road. Cyclists are not allowed to ride on the sidewalk or listen to a walkman while on their bikes. Anyone caught in violation of these laws could be fined \$25.

Repeat offenders might have to get used to riding their bikes since three demerit points are taken off their driver's licences if they break some of the laws.

The municipal helmet law will also be enforced, with a \$35 fine for anyone caught ignoring it.

### David Culver to address Selwyn House graduates

David Culver will be guest speaker at Selwyn House School's graduation exercises to be held today, Thursday. Culver is former chairman and CEO of Alcan Aluminum Ltd. and a companion of the Order of Canada. He led the fundraising campaign for the refurbishment and expansion of the Westmount Public Library.

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In order to perform this upgrade the entire automated system must be shut down. Therefore, to minimize the disruption in service, the Library will close on the long weekend in June. The Library will be closed Saturday 22nd June, Sunday 23rd June, Monday 24th June, and Tuesday 25th June.

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# Help lines available for teens with problems, or who just want to talk

(Continued from page 1) such a violent way, there is no chance of survival."

The experts agree that one of the most important ways of preventing teenagers from committing suicide is to have them talk about their problems.

Karen Allen is a guidance counsellor at Westmount High School who said communication is key because kids need to hear they have other options.

Allen said she hears at least one teenager a week mention suicide. In many of the cases they just want to talk about it.

"It's a fantasy," she said. "It's when they start planning, that's when it's serious."

Allen said beginnings or endings are tough on adolescents and might lead to more talk about suicide.

This is of particular concern at the end of the school year.

"This time of the year, summer's coming, they might not have plans and they have exam pressure," she said. Another problem in preventing suicides is that many parents

are in denial, Allen said.

"They don't even want to think their kid is thinking that," she said.

This makes it difficult to stop teenagers because, unlike adults who contemplate suicide, teenagers are usually much quicker to act on their feelings.

### Talks in schools

"Instead of lasting years, it lasts months. So you have to act faster," said Melanie Faille, from Suicide Action Montreal. This group goes into schools to talk about suicide with kids.

This kind of preventive communication is something that Selwyn

House used after the suicide of one of its teachers.

Rob Wearing, the head of the secondary school, said a psychologist led the kids through exercises that lasted a year after the death. He said the focus was getting the kids to open up.

"Telling kids it's all right to talk, trying to be as frank and honest as possible," he said.

Peter Barss, a consultant physician with the injury prevention program at the Public Health Department of Montreal, agreed with Selwyn House's approach.

"A lot of suicide attempts are problems with communication,"

said Barss, who thinks that parents play an important role in the dilemma.

"I personally believe one of the best ways to deal with teenage suicide is to help the parents deal with their problems."

Parents should also be aware of the fact that suicides can some-

times occur in clusters.

"One child will make a suicide attempt, and another kid will follow," he said. "They're very suggestible."

For more information on suicide prevention, parents or friends can contact the Suicide Action Montreal Hotline at 723-4000.

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## Dawson work on schedule, no new soil problems

By Michael Bourguignon  
*The Examiner*

Construction of the new gymnasium at Dawson College is on schedule, and should be completed by the middle of September.

That was the word last week from project manager Pierre Beaulieu, who expects the addition, which will also house labs and classrooms above the gym, to be ready for full use by the end of the year.

"There may be some physical education equipment in there in October, but all the computers and everything else will be in by December," Beaulieu said.

### Fell behind a month

He said the \$20-million project is now on schedule, despite falling a month behind last March after workers discovered soil contaminated by gasoline and encountered more rock than expected.

Gasoline tanks left behind by the previous owners of the property, a religious order, had earlier been removed, but at some point gas had managed to seep through the soil.

About 9,000 tons of contaminated soil had to be removed.

An environmental company was brought in to air out the soil by inserting perforated pipes into the ground.

The cleanup cost was \$430,000.

According to Beaulieu, no new problems have been encountered.

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## We Say

### Daring to spare the asparagus

*Summit Woods are a special case and place*

An interesting story this week is about the wild asparagus found on the Summit, and what happened to it.

Westmount resident John Fretz heads up the mountain quite often with his dog.

Together they discovered a patch of wild asparagus growing in the Summit Woods, the "beautiful, trillium-carpeted pathways," as he describes it, inside Summit Circle Road.

Kind of a neat discovery, even if, like me or former U.S. president George Bush, you're not big on veggies or "any of a genus of Old World perennial plants of the lily family having much-branched stems, minute scalelike leaves, and linear cladophylls," to quote the definition for asparagus from Webster's Ninth Collegiate edition, which we have in the office.

Of course, the problem with Mr. Fretz's discovery was that someone else discovered the asparagus patch, too. And that someone (you know who you are) had more of an appetite for wild asparagus than did Mr. Fretz.

This perhaps is not surprising, considering that it was not uncommon for Mr. Fretz's dog to urinate amongst the stalks.

Nevertheless, our asparagus harvester apparently dashed home for his or her Swiss Army knife and chopped the things off right at the base.

Let's hope they cooked it thoroughly.

Mind you, asparagus was not the whole story.

Another important element is that the asparagus was growing on the north side of Summit Woods, where the gully slopes down to Côte des Neiges Road. Brambly and difficult to penetrate, says Fretz, it is a dumping site for contractors.

The refuse, plastic bags and broken shovel handles presumably come from refurbishing some of Westmount's finest homes. It is not a pretty picture.

Dogs, dog-walkers, cars, joggers, even bird-watchers. And now contractors. All put pressures on the mountain's environment.

Can the city do more through better enforcement of bylaws? It has taken the lead with leash laws and deserves support on other efforts.

Can residents do more by reporting contractors seen dumping materials, or cutting down plantlife, in what is essentially a nature preserve? Let's hope they can.

Allowing a pristine environment sitting in the heart of an urban area to become polluted and overrun is kind of like borrowing money.

It's easy to borrow it and to spend it. But it can be as hard as hell to pay it back.

The same will apply to the Summit.

It's easy to take a lovely place like that for granted. But it would be even easier for residents to pay closer attention to this wilderness now, than to decide 10 years from now that the situation has got out of hand and the woods should be returned to their natural state.

Woods don't return to their natural state.

Sure, something else will grow. But once the unusual botany of a special area like this is gone, it's gone forever—which would be a loss, even if you don't like asparagus.

In the meantime, if Mother Nature has enough strength left to keep pushing wild asparagus up through debris left by uncaring contractors, the least we can do is try to stop people from cutting it all down.

—Bernie O'Neill

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### Hidden face of the moon

Last week was one of those weeks Premier Lucien Bouchard will remember for a long time to come.

While making a stop in New York City to reassure the financial houses, such as Standard and Poors and Moody's, he met some governors from the northeastern United States.

Journalists were not welcome because the premier's entourage anticipated questions from the governors concerning national unity... When the press started asking whether this was a topic of conversation with the governor of Rhode Island, Bouchard denied, no fewer than seven times, that this issue was raised. Unfortunately for him, the governor's aide had already stated publicly that this subject was discussed at length.

For the first time, the premier's sincerity and honesty had been called into question in a brutal manner. When he was questioned in the National Assembly, he gave a pitiful performance. (In fact, he did not even return for Tuesday's question period). When he was harassed enough, he finally pleaded that he was greatly fatigued and stated that "I am not infallible."

It was the end of a myth: Saint Lucien's

**Our MNA**  
Jacques Chagnon  
**says...**



statue has started crumbling.

This is why certain days in politics feel like years.

On other notes of interest to the people of Montreal, the government tabled the draft bill establishing the Ministry for the Metropolis. This is when we found out that our metropolis also includes Saint-Amicet, the canton of Gore (North of Lachute and Lanoraie).

The Minister responsible, Mr. Ménard, sees no problem with this. Montreal is not out of the woods yet. The minister did not even feel it was necessary to establish the ministry's headquarters in Montreal. Now we can understand a little better why this minister is unable to find solutions for the Mirabel and Dorval airports situation.

The draft bill establishing the Ministry for the Metropolis is just another one of those mirages for the benefit of Montrealers, who are waiting for a real solution. Once again, I believe we will be deeply disappointed.

## You Say

### Takes exception to Robillard's pamphlet

To the editor:

A phenomenon throughout history, regardless of place or period, is the pursuit by government of policies contrary to their own interests.

Mankind, it seems, makes a poorer performance of government than of almost any other human activity. Who do holders of high office so often act contrary to the way reason points and enlightened self-interest suggests? Why does intelligent mental process seem so often not to function?

Your parliamentary pamphlet to constituents said: 'Open to change, ready to act, recognizing Quebec as a distinct society, parliament has passed regional veto legislation, the government has indicated a willingness to withdraw from labour, market training, Canadians know that when this government gives its word, it keeps it.'

The change Canadians want is for the federal government to stop giving into the undermining demands of the government of Quebec. A majority of Canadians, including a majority of Quebecers, have

voted against a distinct society clause for Quebec or anyone else in Canada. Nor do they want a regional veto.

Your government is not changing anything for the better, nor are you acting for the common good. You and your government are just continuing the same useless policies of the Mulroney government, and continuing the same destructive human rights policies, that Chrétien and Romanow produced, with the Notwithstanding Clause, the most odious piece of legislation since the Quebec padlock laws.

Jobs, jobs, jobs was one of your election promises. The reality is that in Quebec, 800,000 people on welfare. The rest of Canada? An unprecedented number of bankruptcies, individuals having to rely on soup kitchens, 25,000 homeless children in the city of Montreal alone. An unprecedented number of people have resorted to begging on the street, because they can't find gainful and productive employment, and/or they cannot get welfare.

Rudolph Scalzo  
MONTREAL

The Westmount Examiner

**EXAMINING  
THE  
FILES**

**Fifty-five years ago**  
June 12, 1941

**IDEAL PILOT:** "Flight Lieutenant Pat Christie of Westmount, was described by Lord Beaverbrook, British Minister of State, as the ideal type of fighter pilot required by Britain in its fight against Hitlerism, in a broadcast to the Dominion Sunday from Ottawa. 'He knows all about parachutes. He understands all about forced landings. I said to him on Sunday: 'Pat, when were you first shot down?' 'September 4,' said the Flight Lieutenant. 'And when was the next time you bailed out?' 'September 5,' he replied. 'We ask for more such Canadians,' said Lord Beaverbrook."

**Forty-five years ago**  
June 15, 1951

**MAIL ON SUNDAY:** "A small church in the city has been trying to maintain contact with its people by mailing its Sunday bulletin the previous Wednesday. Despite the two-cent stamp now required on each envelope, a recent mailing for Sunday was not delivered until the following Tuesday. Higher charges, slower services, bureaucratic arrogance. This is the post office today. Once upon a time it was the efficient branch of the government service. Now it competes with other departments for the inefficiency medal."

**Thirty-five years ago**  
June 16, 1961

**CABLE CON:** "Three people complained to Police and Fire Chief Ed Harper this week of being taken for sums of cash ranging from \$8 to \$20 as down payments on hookups to a cable supplying American television. The con artist, a young man, claimed to represent a company which is non-existent to the best of the knowledge of City officials. City Hall stressed that there is no company presently in a position to sell hookups to a television cable to Westmount customers due to the power poles being under ground."

**Fifteen years ago**  
June 11, 1981

**DAWSON DATE:** "The eventual fate of Dawson College probably will not be determined until August or even September. The provincial public works department is analyzing the cost of changing the Mother House of the Congregation Notre Dame into a permanent campus for Quebec's largest CEGEP. The Mother House fills the block bounded by Atwater and Wood avenues, Sherbrooke street and de Maisonneuve boulevard. Dawson has been hoping for the past 10 years to find a permanent home."

—Lisa Tedford

**Keeping up our standards**

Once upon a time, throughout the length and breadth of the fair city of Westmount, one found graceful cast-iron streetlamps—lamps with ornate bases, fluted shafts, and decorative globes. Since the identical model graced the city of Washington, they were known as Washingtonian lamp standards. In scale and style they matched our traditional architecture.

You may have noticed over the last few years replicas of these old lights showing up on our streets. This is the story of how they got reincarnated.

In the middle of the 1950s, it was judged that the original Washingtonian light standards with their incandescent light source did not give off a sufficient standard of light. Not really for the pedestrian, mind you, but for the car. The enlightened burghers of the day called for the gradual extirpation of these relics, starting with the main arteries. Forests of the old-style lights were felled, getting replaced by cobra-head highway-type lights that were twice as high. They were trademarked 'Styletone.' Ah, the triumph of the engineer over the architect—although I suspect the architects of the day found the

Washingtonian too historical, too full of furbelows, too (horrors!) decorative. To add to this aesthetic cleansing, the new light source was mercury vapour, which made nighttime citizens look purple—thanks to this one-eyed purple-people creator.

So by 1976, two-thirds of our streets had been 'modernized' by highway lights. Then, when their turn came, the doughty residents of Parkman Place refused to accept the tall intruders. The programme was suspended.

In March 1981, the relighting programme, converting the 'poorly-lit' remaining one-third of the city, was to be restarted. This is where I came in, dear reader. My street, Rosemount Avenue, was the first on the hit list—our original Washingtonian lights were to go. I got wind of it and got all my neighbours to write to city hall. We got a reprieve. I wrote a report.

In reading my files to do my column last week on the WMA, I came across this report that I researched and wrote as a WMA director. The report said that the city should stop any further installation of the tall pole, and listed sources of replicas

**Our Mayor**  
Peter F. Trent  
says...



of Washingtonian lampposts. I recommended these replicas be placed every 60 feet, and have a 70-watt high-pressure sodium light source casting the light downwards. I calculated this would give excellent illumination, and the lower height would eliminate obscuring by mature trees. The relighting programme was stopped dead in its tracks.

In 1986, Westmount again restarted the relighting programme, but this time with replica Washingtonian lampposts. In fact, 100-watt high-pressure sodium lamps are to be installed every 75 feet. I was vindicated!

Today, our policy is to replace the 30-foot highway-lights put in in the '50s and '60s with 'my' lights, whenever a street is being reconstructed. The costs are similar, and, I think you'll agree, they look great.

And I never sent the city a bill for my report.

**Scenes from the Sherbrooke and Victoria streetfestival**



Christine Galcon (above), age 5, reaches up for a balloon from a man on stilts during the streetfest Saturday morning.



Elizabeth Jantzer examines her painted face with help from face painter Gail Mockler.

*There's nothing like a street festival to pass the day away, especially a wet day like last Saturday. Still, it wasn't wet enough to call off the event, which was a hit with the kids again this year.*

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Matthew Jantzer, age 3, gets some Batman makeup.

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## Where were they going?



### House smoke detector catches car fire

It seems a household smoke detector will work, even if it's your car that's on fire.

A 1996 Jeep Cherokee caught on fire while parked in the owner's driveway, causing about \$20,000 damage to the vehicle and \$1,000 damage to the garage door caused by the heat.

The occupant of the house at 420 Clarke Ave. was watching late-night television when she saw the flames reflected in the window of a home across the street.

According to Barry Coates, assistant director of the Westmount Fire Brigade, smoke from the driveway blaze set off the smoke detector in the house.

The fire was contained to the engine and the front part of the

vehicle, valued at about \$43,000. The woman had returned home three hours before the fire and had just filled up her gas tank. The fire was blamed on a possible broken gas line.

### Blind man found in traffic

A blind, possibly intoxicated man was pulled off the road by Westmount's First Responder Unit last week after the man repeatedly put himself in danger of getting hit by traffic at the corner of Sherbrooke Street and Redfern Avenue.

The call came in at about 8:50 a.m. on June 5.

The 39-year-old man lived on Guy Street. First Responder crews were assisted by MUC police.

### Youngster cut by chess board

Even non-contact sports can be dangerous.

A 12-year-old Selwyn House student was taken to hospital after opening a gash on his right knee after falling on a chess board. Westmount's First Responder crews were called at

about 10:15 a.m. June 7. The school, on Côte St. Antoine, is just around the corner from the Stanton Street fire hall.

It was the second paramedic call to Selwyn House within a week. The day before, June 6 at 11:30 a.m., the First Responder Unit was called to assist an 8-year-old who had apparently fainted and received a minor cut to his chin.

### Man breaks ankle running for phone

A Somerville Avenue resident will be a little slower in getting to the phone, now that he has a cast on his leg.

Westmount's First Responder Unit was called to 72 Somerville to assist a 31-year-old man who hit his head on a beam while running for the phone. In the process, the man broke his ankle and received a minor laceration to the top of his head.

Urgences Santé ambulances attended. The man was transported to the Montreal General Hospital.

The same day at 416 Roslyn Ave., a 21-month-old boy slipped on a towel while running in the hall and opened up a quarter-inch cut on his chin.

### Athletic Grounds to get \$80,000 facelift

City council has earmarked \$78,000 to put a new face on the Westmount Athletic Grounds, including the construction of a practice basketball court and the renovation of the dog run.

The park will also get a new path connecting Hallowell and Hillside Lane, new lights along the path and in the dog run area, permanent seating areas, and new shrubs and trees.

Public Works director Fred Caluori said a new, heavy-duty fence will surround the dog run, which will be permanently relocated about 50 feet west of its original site near the tennis courts.

The dog run was moved to its current location to allow the construction of a washroom.

Caluori said the work will begin in the next two weeks, and should be completed by the end of July.

### Asparagus...

(Continued from page 1)

in no immediate danger, but Thompson said he is thinking about the future. Because of the popularity of Summit park and its wooded areas, particularly among dog owners, the need for preservation and conservation has to be stressed, he said.

It takes a lot of abuse to break the cycle of regeneration, and that's exactly what Westmount hopes to avoid.

"There are always grounds for concern when there's a large population pressure on an area," said Dr. Paul Widden, an ecologist at Concordia University.

"To inform the public to stay on the paths, and not to pick wild flowers, that's a start."

Councillor Thompson, who is the city's commissioner of environmental affairs, would like to see a team of volunteers in place to spread the word about preserving the Summit.

"We have to explore ways to clearly demonstrate to people using the park that we're very serious about this, and we need their help and cooperation."

### Watching the birdies

Feathered friends' migration to be tracked at Summit

By Michael Bourguignon  
The Examiner

To perhaps be more prepared for any future disputes, the city of Westmount has commissioned a survey of bird migration in Summit Park.

"It's not being done to prove anything," Councillor Cynthia Lulham said. "The mandate is to create a database of the birds on the Summit. It's just so we have the information to fall back on if we need it."

Last year, dog owners and bird watchers clashed over the use of Summit Park, with one side arguing dogs on the loose were affecting birds during the nesting period and threatening their numbers. It was a claim the dog owners disputed.

Lulham said the \$6,000 study, which is being conducted by Greb Consultants, will determine what types of birds are typically found in Summit Park, and whether their numbers are threatened in any way.

"It's always easy to say there are more or less birds, but if you have actual figures, you have something to base it on," Lulham said.

The study should be completed by the end of the summer, she said.

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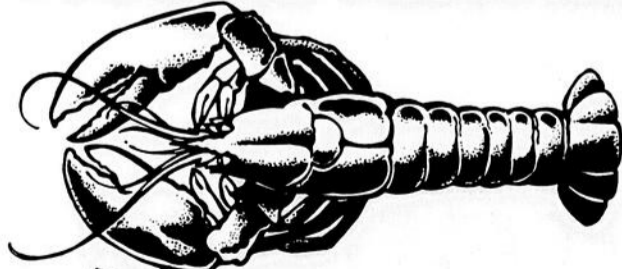
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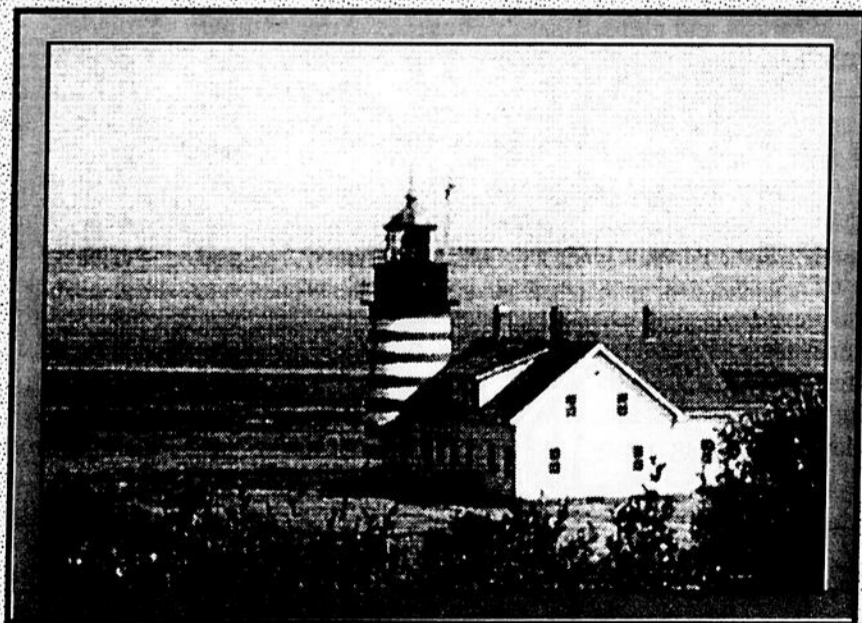
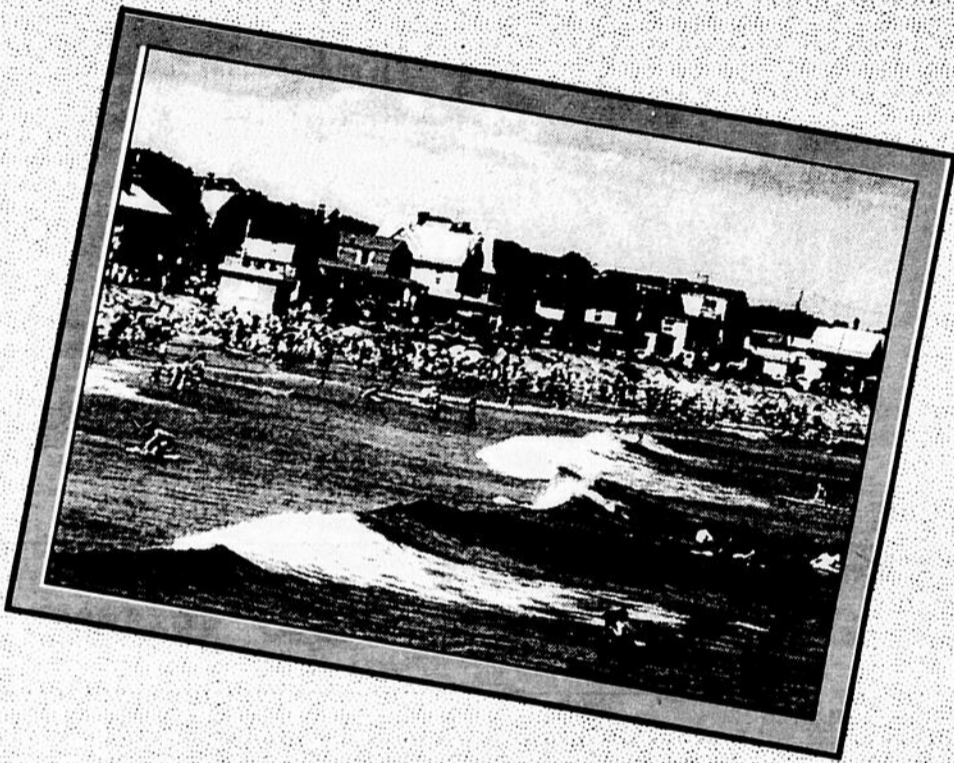
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The Kennebunks attract anti-

quers, fishermen, yachtsmen and scores of other summer folks. One popular site is Brick Store Museum. The Seaside Trolley Museum in nearby Arundel has the world's largest collection of trolley cars.

The town of York revisits colonial days with its York Harvest Festival on the last Saturday in October.

And, Kennebunkport features a special Christmas Prelude the first weekend of December with jugglers and street performers, concerts, theatrical productions, hay rides, pancake breakfasts, Christmas tours of historic inns, and arrival of Santa in a lobster boat.



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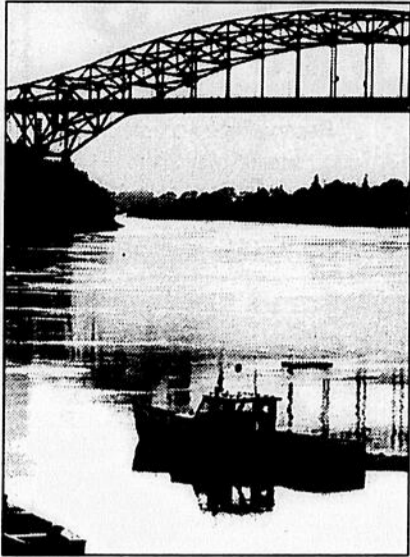
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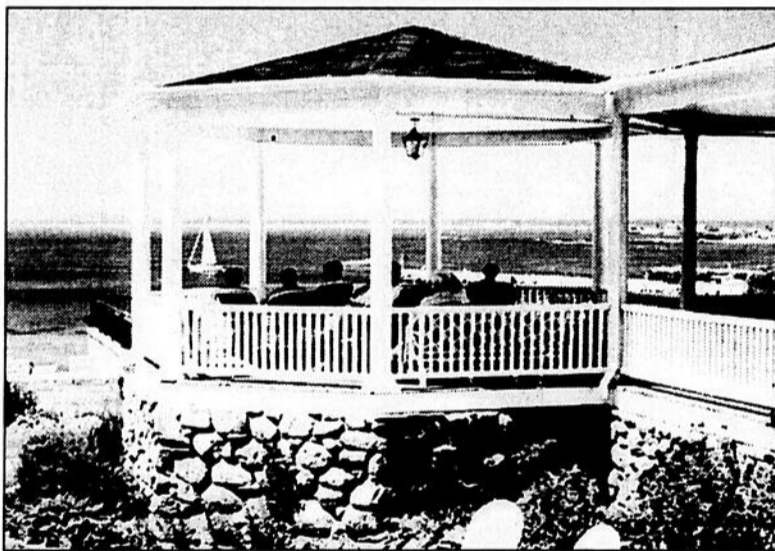


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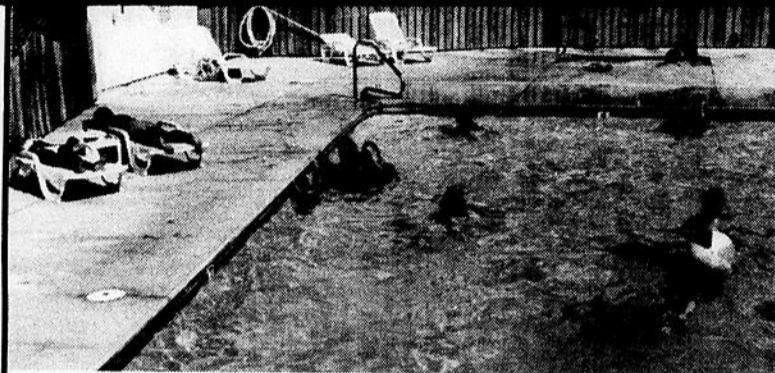
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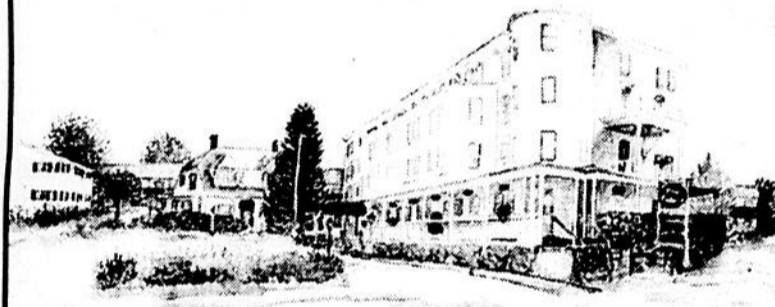


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It goes without saying — but we'll say it anyway — that with its combination of rocky cliffs, sandy beaches, crashing waves, cute little kids and beautiful sunbathers — the village is a photographer's and artist's dream.

Speaking of artists, Ogunquit has been known for its artists for well over half a century. In the early years it fostered artists in Perkins Cove where some of the original buildings can still be seen. At Narrow Cove, long a favorite spot for famous painters, now sits the Museum of Art of Ogunquit. Established in 1952, it has been called "the most beautiful small museum in the world."

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**Chalk one up for sidewalk artists**

Lewis Avenue became a little more colourful last week. Five of these children live on the one-block street but all six helped to create a giant chalk masterpiece on the sidewalk. The artists are Adam Bowser (left), age 7, Thomas Morse, 9, Alex Kaluza, 8, Youhann Drapeau-Semov, 7, Tomas O'Connor, 8, and Gabrielle Butler, 8.

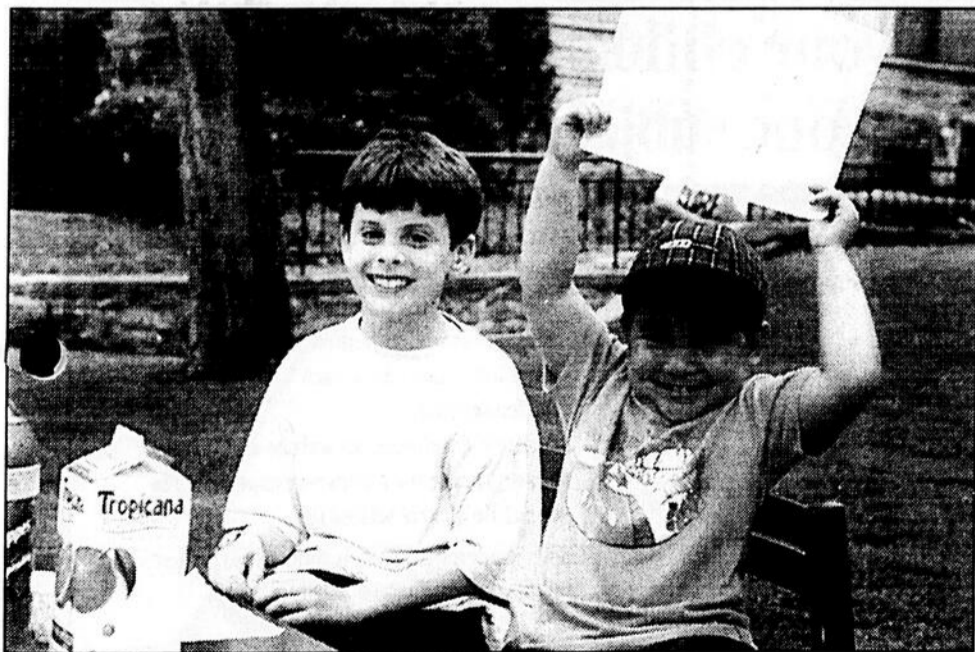
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**Rolling with Rotary Club**

Westmount Rotary Club president William Taylor presents bicycles to Shelley Braide and Aidan MacDonald of Westmount, winners of the club's annual Bike Rodeo bicycle draw during this year's recent Family Day in Westmount Park. The bicycles were purchased from Martin Swiss on Victoria Avenue, and presented at last's week's Rotary Club luncheon at Victoria Hall.

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## Daycare says letter adds insult to injury

(Continued from page 1)  
see them all day, I hear them all day. They really make a lot of noise."

According to Garand, that noise is disrupting her livelihood. She works as a freelance writer out of her home and said she can hear the screaming of the kids as she works.

"When I do an interview over the phone, it is really not professional," she said.

In November 1994, Garand fired off her first letter to City Hall complaining about the noise. The city eventually tried to arbitrate in the dispute but the attempt was unsuccessful—something Garand blames on the daycare.

"They were not open to mediate," said Garand, who then felt she had only one option left. "I sent them the letter because I tried everything else." The letter was from her lawyer to the daycare outlining her complaints and stating the next stage in the disagreement could be court. It was a threat the daycare did not take kindly.

Evelyn Wajcer is the daycare's director. She said the letter added insult to injury. She said they had already made numerous changes to try to accommodate Garand.

### Olive branch was extended

"We extended an olive branch and she smacked us in the head with it," Wajcer said.

The changes they made included having more kids take walks instead of playing behind the daycare and taking away some of the toys that made noise.

Garand conceded there had been some improvement but said the

daycare could do more.

She said the daycare could put something softer on the ground instead of asphalt to absorb the noise. Garand also suggested the kids be told to be more quiet.

"They could teach the children to have a civilized attitude, not deprive them, just keep them relaxed and cool," Garand said.

"It seems cute, but not when it's in your workplace," said Garand. "You don't want it in your house."

The kids are not the only problem, in Garand's view. She accused the monitors of yelling, a charge which Wajcer emphatically denied.

"They don't scream and yell," Wajcer said. "They are qualified professionals."

To help her case, Garand had a noise engineer from the city take a reading of the sound levels of the daycare. She said the level was at 70 decibels, peaking at 90. She said the legal limit is supposed to be 55 decibels.

Wajcer dismissed the findings,

saying they could just as easily have recorded a bus, which would have raised the decibels.

If this deadlock between the neighbours does lead to court, it would definitely worsen their relationship. "One doesn't keep an olive branch out for people who sue," Wajcer said.

Someone else who does not want to see the two parties in court is Bruce St. Louis, director-general of the city of Westmount.

"I don't think anyone gains in court," he said. St. Louis added that the legal situation is not clear-cut, because by law the daycare must provide an exterior play space for the children. He also said the definition of excessive noise usually applies to machinery or equipment, not kids.

The one thing both parties agree on is that the ideal solution would be to turn the vacant lot next to the daycare into a park for the kids to play in. But offers by the daycare to the owner of the lot have been refused.

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The Mother House has been educating and training Montreal-area women for careers in business since 1907. It was announced recently that the Congregation of Notre Dame, which founded the college and have administered the program for the last 90 years, would terminate their mission at the college at the end of 1996.

Two teachers, Susan Campbell and Sharon Hudson, have spent the last year and a half negotiating with the Order and with the Ministry of Education to continue the college's educational mission.

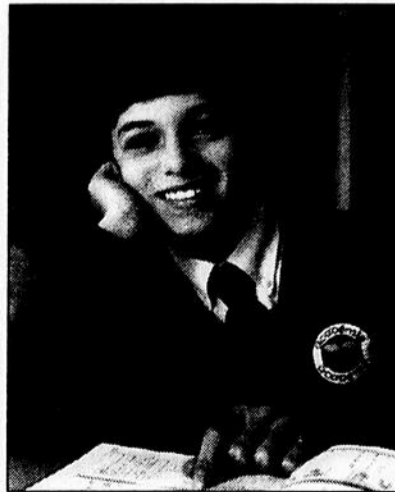
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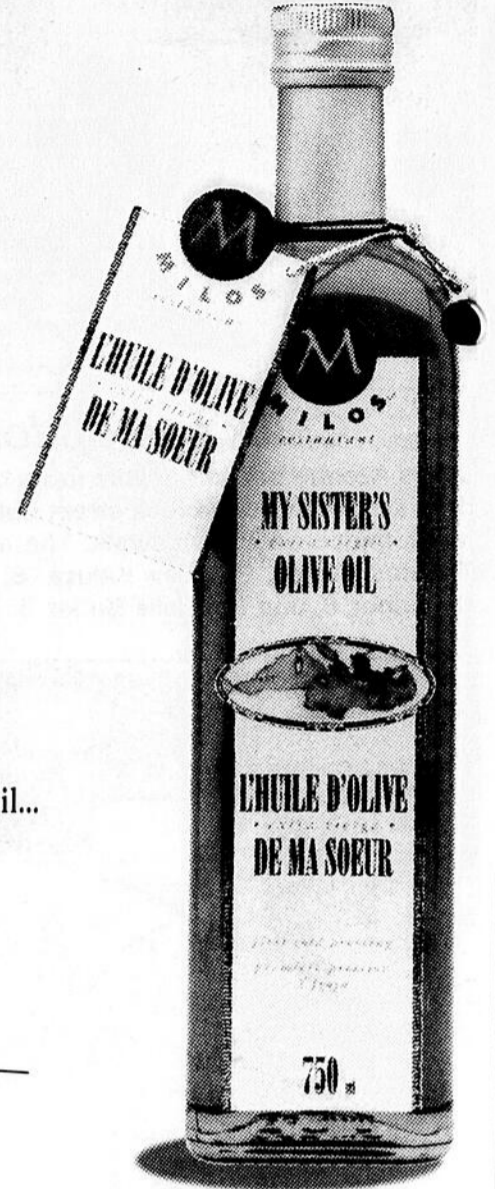
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## Teacher who made a difference steps down as headmistress at Miss Edgar's

By Anissa Khan  
Examiner Special

Miss Edgar's and Miss Cramp's School recently honoured headmistress Michèle Gorry, who retires this month after 23 years at the school. More than 250 parents, friends, colleagues and Old Girls attended the evening to show their support and appreciation for a woman who has been so dedicated to educating young women.

William Mitchell, headmaster of Selwyn House School, David Angell from the Department of Foreign Affairs and former ECS student Helen Antoniou spoke about their memories of Gorry.

The night included a skit by current students of the school, while Montreal performer and former student Naomi Emmerson's songs ended the evening.

"It was marvelous," Gorry said. "It was well organized with elegance and taste...I was deeply moved by the presence of many Old Girls I'd taught."

Gorry began her career at ECS as a teacher, then moved to administrator and finally became headmistress in 1991. She made the decision to leave a year ago. Although she loves the school, she felt she needed more time for her-



Mrs. Robarts (left), ECS's oldest Old Girl, joins retiring headmistress Michèle Gorry at going-away party.

self. She is considering a return to teaching, to once again form a direct relationship with her students' life.

Gorry says her greatest successes had nothing to do with being headmistress. As a teacher, "knowing I made a difference in [my students'] lives and themselves" was most important. As administrator and headmistress,

"my greatest joy is to see the school develop into truly becoming a school that is for girls and educates them as they should be educated."

Replacing Gorry is Susyn Borer, currently Headmistress at Royal Vale Alternative School.

Gorry says she hopes to keep up ties with the school after the new headmistress is settled.

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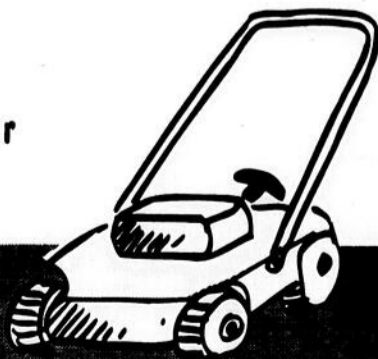
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absolutely remarkable," he said.  
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"We never have enough, but now we're in a much better position than we were two years ago. This year we'll certainly get enough to cover the nutritional programs."  
Antonio Lacroce, regional director for inner-city schools with the PSBGM, said

the results of the 1995 mini-census were used to determine that Westmount Park School should return to Category 1 status, where it had been before last year.  
"New statistics came out that proved what we had said all along, that this, socio-economically, is a very deprived area." Many of the school's students come from under-privileged areas in Canada, including Point St. Charles, Little Burgundy and St. Henri. The poverty map is drawn based on the student's home postal codes.

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## Saliba to compete on national team

By Bob Oliver  
 Examiner Special

She aimed high, reached the top and found the summit.

Gaylee Saliba, Westmount's 12-year-old whiz kid rhythmic gymnast participated in the National Championships over the weekend at the Pierre Charbonneau Center and once it came to a conclusion found herself a member of the elite National Team.

Saliba's bronze medal finish in ribbon, fourth place in clubs, sixth in hoop and ninth in rope gave her a fifth place overall ranking at the junior level and a spot on the national team. The top eight in each of the categories were automatically named to the team.

Narrowly missing the bronze medal in clubs by .1 of a point, Saliba nevertheless made a strong enough showing in all her events to surpass 29 other com-



Gaylee Saliba

petitors in the junior category. She is the youngest member of the junior team.

Now, under the watchful eyes of national team coaches Siira Paul and Mira Filipova, Saliba will be preparing for an international competition in Bulgaria in July. She'll be the alternate member of the four-girl junior team that will partake in the Pan-American Games in December.

## Keeping ball dry key to baseball win

By Bob Oliver  
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Talk about a complete game.

Westmount pitcher Brandon Pinchuk spent seven innings trying to keep the ball dry in a persistent drizzle during Saturday afternoon's encounter with T.M.R. at the Westmount Athletic Grounds. Behind a rock-solid defence, and an early offensive rally, Pinchuk succeeded in drying the ball—and the opposition—by throwing a complete, two-run ball game to lead Westmount inter-city mosquitos to a 7-2 win.

"The ball was so wet my first two pitches slipped out of my hand and hit the top of the backstop," said the winning pitcher shortly after the contest. "But I used my pants to dry my hand and the ball after that and I managed to maintain my control."

With the win, Westmount nailed down third place in the five-team league. They'll play their final game of the 1996 regular schedule today at 6 p.m. against host Montreal West.

While the defence was helping Pinchuk out by vacuuming up balls in the infield and outfield, the Westmount batters gave him four runs in the first inning, and added single runs in each of the second, fourth and fifth.

Jarryd Zummer and Jeff Barkum led the attack with three singles each and two runs scored. Andrew Smith, Arnold Engel and Chris Rochon also scored runs in the winning cause.

Starting pitcher Elijah Abravanel—who gave up the mound to twin brother Michael in the fifth inning—absorbed the loss for T.M.R.

## Junior tennis squad gets into swing of things

By Bob Oliver  
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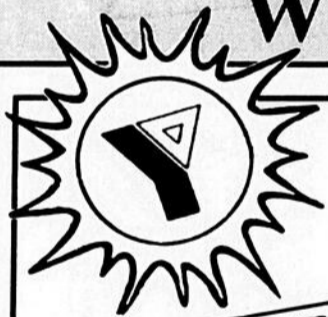
If you happen to be an experienced junior level tennis player and always wanted to hone your skills by a notch or two, Westmount tennis instructor Robert Lefrancois has just the program you've been looking for.

"We want intermediate players who want to get better so they can enjoy competitive tennis a little more," said Lefrancois, an instructor with 15 years experience who will oversee the program. "Right now we're targeting kids 18-and-under and 14-and-under."

Lefrancois says the team—made up of two age categories—will meet once a week during the months of July and August. Although instruction will take place on the Westmount Park courts, other locations in and around the Montreal area will also be used, including Verdun and Montreal West.

The under-14 age group is scheduled to meet on Thursdays at 1 p.m. while the under-18 players will get together on Fridays at 1 p.m. For players interested in getting involved in league-play there will be a fee of \$25 per person. For more information, contact the Westmount Recreation Dept. at 989-5353.

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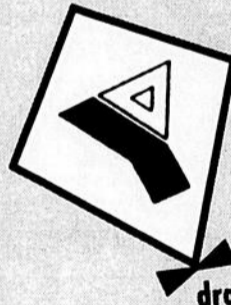
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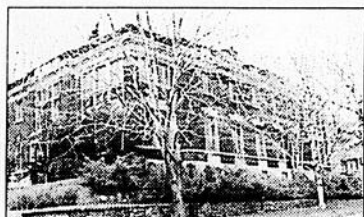
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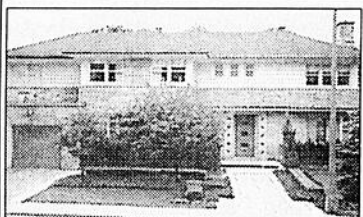
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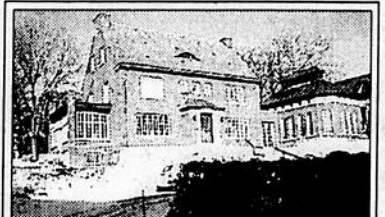
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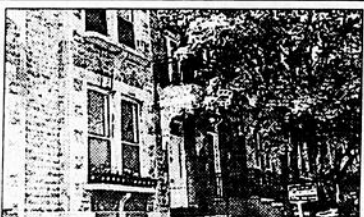
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