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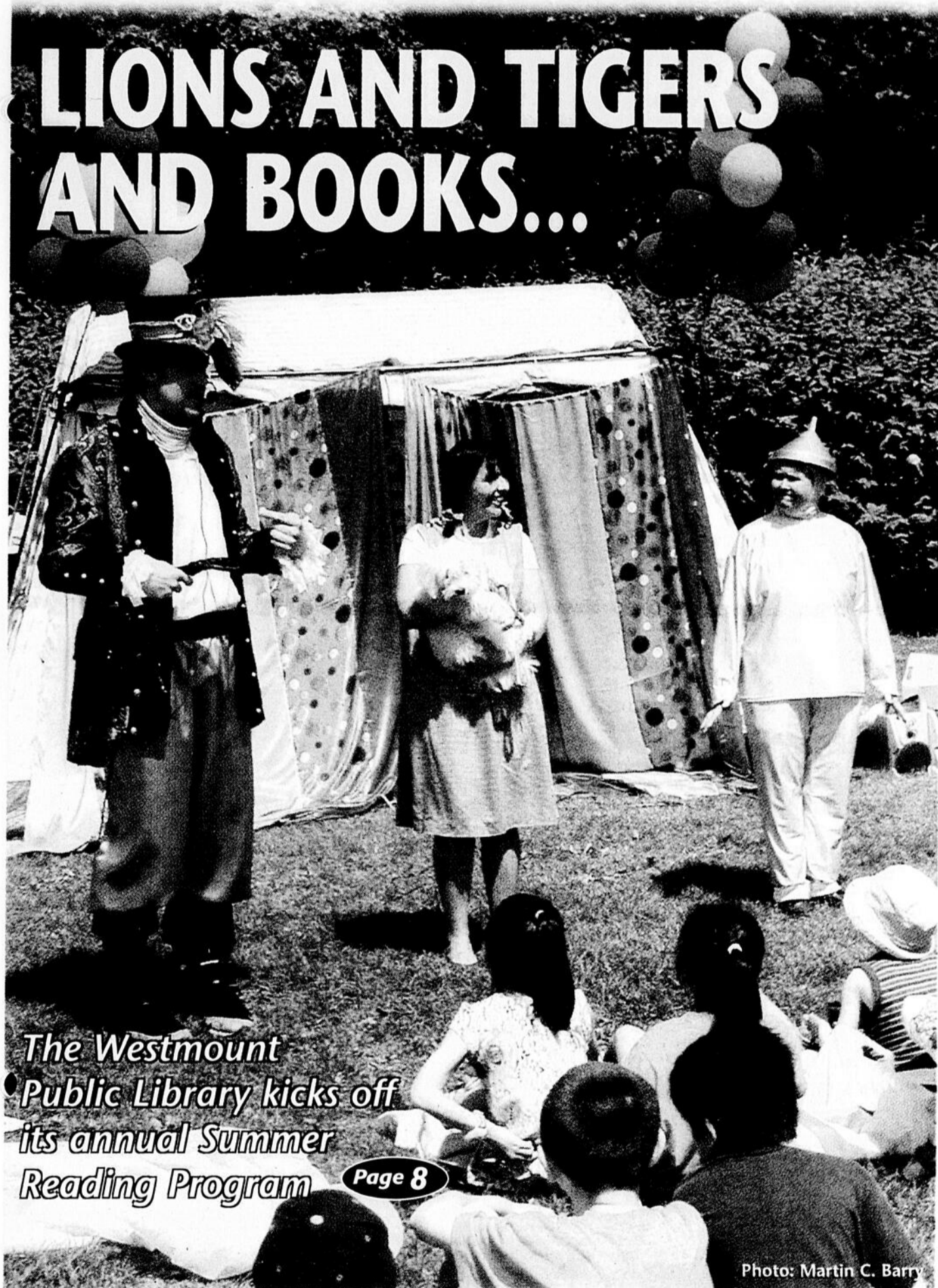
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## Local News

### DUNCAN TO RUN FOR CITY COUNCIL

Martin C. Barry

**K**athleen Duncan, a former president of the Westmount Municipal Association and one of the driving forces in Westmount's anti-merger and demerger efforts, has filed her papers to run for the Ward 4 city council seat in the Nov. 6 municipal election.

Duncan, whose family has lived in Westmount for four generations—her great-grandfather was a WMA vice-president—is being supported by many well-known community leaders. A keen jogger and member of the Westmount YMCA, she has lived on Lansdowne Avenue for 11 years and is a mother of three children, aged five through 15 years.

Among the more than 100 residents who have agreed to endorse her candidacy are former Westmount city councillors Barbara Moore and Muriel Kaplan, and former mayors May Cutler and Peter Trent. Trent told *The Examiner* that he chose to support Duncan taking into account the example she set during the anti-merger and demerger debates.

"I think you have to support people who are fundamentally clear about who they are, where they're going and what they believe in, and she certainly represents those qualities," Trent said. "She was always very clear as to where she stood."

Duncan served for 10 years as a director of the WMA and four years as its president. During this time, she initiated workshops for landlords and tenants, as well as property valuation information meetings. For the past decade, she has been regularly attending city and borough council meetings and has been an active participant during question periods.

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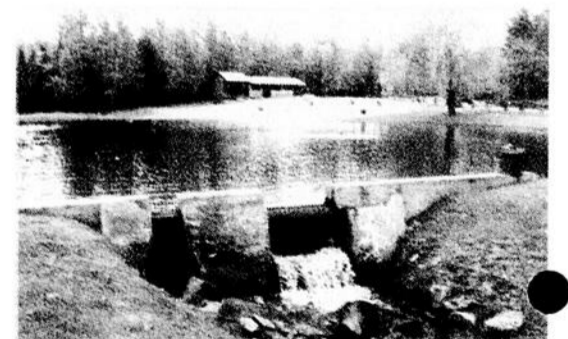
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In 1995, in an effort to foster community spirit, she organized the Westmount Santa Claus parade. The following year, she also organized Westmount Creates, an art festival to celebrate the diversity of culture and talent in Westmount. Duncan has also served as the coordinator of the Greene Avenue Merchants Association, sometimes linking activities between shop owners on Greene and Victoria avenues with those on Sherbrooke Street.



Kathleen Duncan

Among the anti-merger and demerger activities in Westmount and elsewhere in the province that Duncan took part in, she organized a delegation to the National Assembly which resulted in action from Premier Jean Charest with regards to demerger legislation.

She worked with the WMA to prepare and present a brief complementing Borough Mayor Karin Marks's and council's presentation to the commission reviewing the demerger law, and she also served on Westmount's demerger committee throughout the demerger campaign. Most recently she has been involved with St. Matthias' Church, chairing the choir committee, sitting on the executive committee, and running the Sunday School.

If elected, Duncan said she plans to balance her interest in megacity and regional issues with local concerns by dealing with them all on an issue-by-issue basis.

"Having attended council meetings, the majority of your focus is on your local community and their issues, because they are the most important issues and that's why you're elected—to represent your constituents," she said.

"However, there are farther-reaching issues, like the demerger and regional issues that come up. And as it's necessary, I would do whatever I could to contribute towards participating with the rest of council and making hopefully the best decision for Westmounters."

Although it was recently revealed that the MUHC has no immediate plans to build on the Westmount side of the Glen Yards, Duncan said certain consequences of the superhospital's construction in NDG, such as increased traffic, could end up affecting Westmount. "There could be implications for everybody's quality of life," she said. "I think we have to remain vigilant in watching how the MUHC develops that land."

# M.U.H.C. SURE SHRINERS WILL STAY

*Glen Yards decontamination operation continues while the future of the Shriners Hospital site remains uncertain*

Martin C. Barry

**S**ome Shriners, determined to move their organization's only Canadian children's hospital from Montreal to Ontario, may be alleging a toxic health risk at the Glen Yards because of a smear campaign undertaken by other interested cities, says the chief planner of the McGill University Health Centre.

Jean Dufresne was reacting to claims, made earlier this month in a report written by a senior-ranking Shriener, that the MUHC's Glen Yards site is too contaminated with landfill, refuse, hydrocarbons, diesel oil and an assortment of metals to serve as the Shriners Hospital's future location.

"I have to put it (down to) either a smear campaign by other cities or just misinformation," he said in an interview with *The Examiner*.

Although the Shriners' Hospital has been in Montreal since 1925, the current location on Cedar Avenue is considered too small for expansion. For some time now, the organization has been contemplating moving to the future MUHC site in the Glen Yards.

The former Canadian Pacific Railway yard is currently undergoing a year-long, \$28.5 million soil remediation operation, leading up to the anticipated start of construction next June. Since May 20, up to 100 trucks a day have been transporting soil from the Glen Yards to a decontamination site in southwest Montreal, less than a kilometre away.

The Shriners are expected to make a final decision on the location of their new \$100-million medical facility at a convention next month in Baltimore, Maryland. The decontamination of a corner lot in the Glen Yards reserved for the Shriners Hospital is to be concluded at the end of this month. In the meantime, competition between Montreal and proposed destination London, Ont., has become fierce.

Dufresne said he remains confident Montreal will prevail when the facts about the Glen Yards have all been tabled. "It's going to be very easy, from a factual point of view, to correct," he said. "It's a race; everybody knows it's a race... Our case is so good on decontamination. We're up to schedule, it's going to be finished by the end of this month. It's going to be certified by the end of this month."



Photo: Martin C. Barry

**Loading ramp at the Glen Yards, where contaminated earth is weighed before being trucked away to a nearby decontamination site.**

Despite Dufresne's assurances, John Fretz, a Lansdowne Avenue resident, said he remains doubtful. While approaching a cluster of trees on the yard's south-eastern side in March last year, Fretz noticed, nestled in their midst, an assortment of industrial containers which appeared to have been dumped.

The rusted steel and plastic drums—19 in all, according to Fretz—were oozing a chemical which he could not identify. Leaking onto the surrounding ground, the unknown substance formed an ankle-deep pool of oil. Although the mess was thoroughly cleaned up, the experience left Fretz with doubts about the overall state of the Glen Yards.

"Are the Shriners oversensitized?" he said. "When the Shriners said it was really polluted, I really thought about everything that was out there and how bad it could possibly be and who was really telling us the truth."

Fretz, who used to stroll regularly with his dogs in the Glen Yards before they were recently fenced off for the MUHC's project, said he is going to

miss its natural green space, even though the MUHC intends to create a parkland on the eastern half of the site.

"There was an area that was really quite beautiful on the south-east side. It was like a meadow, complete with foxglove. It was almost like a little countryside. Honestly, I used to see people camping there. Some people brought chairs. It was quite a nice little spot."

Apart from the remediation operation, Dufresne confirmed that archeological digging was recently taking place in the Glen Yards to recover remnants of an old homestead that once belonged to the Décarie family.

"There was a historical paper which showed that there was La Ferme Décarie," he said. "There was a property owned by some Décaries, a very old family in this area."

Dufresne described the archeological operation as "an exploration to see what was there before and how it fit into the overall picture of what we know about the area." He added that the dig ended about three weeks ago.

"The expert identified a certain number of areas that looked as if they should have trenches dug into them, and trenches were made up to a certain distance."

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# A fond farewell to John and Shirley Lehnert

*Around Westmount*  
Marilynn Vanderstay



**A**fter 32 years of living in Westmount, former city councillor John Lehnert and his wife Shirley, a professor at the McGill School of Medicine, recently upsized to a larger house with two bathrooms in NDG to accommodate visiting adult children and grandbabies.

When their two children grew up, they moved to the States and between them have given the Lehnerts three grandchildren all under three years. "We want to see them," said Lehnert, "but with just one bathroom it was very difficult." So in their latter years when many of their friends are downsizing and moving to condos, the couple sold their home on Lewis Avenue and left Westmount for

NDG for a home that can easily accommodate the family when they come home.

John will continue to write his two essays a month that he publishes in [www.ripostejournal.com](http://www.ripostejournal.com), an e-journal he publishes online to inform and entertain readers with pertinent stories about public policy, the world, the arts and travel, written by him and guest submissions.

### Babar Books to fill Double Hook space

The suspense is over. The word is out. Maya Byers, owner of Babar Books in Pointe Claire, will open her second store in the space now the home of the Double Hook Book Shop on Greene Avenue. The popular children's bookstore has been in operation in Pointe Claire for 19 years. Byers offers the same format of activities Double Hook customers have enjoyed for 30 years, including book readings (called story time), book launches and author visits—but for children. In addition, Byers promises to maintain the cozy and welcoming spirit the Double Hook has been renowned for. After renovating the space to accommodate a children's book-

store, Byers will open the second Babar Books in September.

### New owners at IGA

After several months of speculation at the IGA in Place Alexis Nihon, the store has been reopened by new owners, Josee la Plante and Dominic Rheum. The couple has each been in the industry for 15 years, since they were 15 years old. "With our experience, we know the business, we know what our customers need, and are going forward not backwards," said Rheum. They have already demonstrated commitment to community. Last week they donated 2,000 grocery bags to the Rotary garage sale.

### Art at the Manoir

This week artist Rose Maloukis began unusual art classes for residents at Manoir Westmount.

Maloukis describes all the sessions of art making as suitable for everyone, particularly those who have had little or no experience. The projects are simple and fun to do. "Students tell me that after an art lesson the world looks a little different. The creativity carries over into their everyday lives." Participants need only bring a willingness to play and enjoy the process of creation. "We will use ordinary materials and create extraordinary results." Maloukis has been making and teaching art for more than 15 years. Her work has appeared in the Montreal Museum of Fine Art, The Artist's Magazine, and the collection of The Royal Bank, as well as other corporate and private collections.

### More than just Pilates

Westmount residents Andrew Medland and Judy Underhill recently opened the Studio Praxis Pilates on Victoria Avenue.

The top-tier Pilates training facility is equipped with all pieces of Pilates equipment and accessories. Their team of fitness professionals include senior instructor Sally Knight, who is recognized as one of England's most distinguished fitness trainers. Studio Praxis has a team of six full- and part-time instructors, all of whom have completed Stott Pilates certifi-

cation courses. The centre is a licensed Stott Pilates training centre; the only one in Quebec. Developed by health professionals, Stott Pilates is an anatomically based approach to the original exercise method. It is progression in Pilates that incorporates modern exercise, science and rehabilitation principles, eliminates contraindicated movements and emphasizes neutral alignment, core stability and peripheral mobility. The centre offers 35 group classes a week plus private and semi-private training on all pieces of Stott Pilates equipment.

### Westmounter opens Creative Clinical Solutions

Branko Kajze is one of three partners who recently opened Creative Clinical Solutions, a unique psychotherapy and counseling centre for children and adults, on St. Catherine Street. The centre offers action-based therapies, including art and drama therapy that focus on ability rather than disability. "We offer our clients constructive and creative ways to cope and adjust to change and difficulty in their lives," said partner Jane Riggs in a press release. Some Westmount residents already had the opportunity to learn about the centre at a Wellness Fair held earlier this year at The Study.

### Gazette editor moves to Westmount

Welcome to Andrew Phillips and Rena O'Kada, who recently moved to Westmount. Phillips has been the editor in chief of the Montreal Gazette since returning to Montreal in October 2004. O'Kada is a freelance journalist. Ironically, when Phillips graduated from Westmount High School in 1970 his family lived around the corner from where he just moved.

### Whatever happened to?

Susan Stern, Westmount resident and former owner of the A.L. Van Houtte bistro on Sherbrooke Street, recently accepted the new position as executive director of the Canadian Friends of the Weizmann Institute of Science for Eastern Canada, a world-renowned institute in Rehovot, Israel.

At any one time, Institute researchers are focusing their efforts on more than 1,000 science research projects. In addition, the young@science division of the Institute has developed educational programs for students. The Institute recently brought Dr. Joseph Elran, a scientist from the Institute, to Selwyn House and other schools, who dazzled the students with enriched math and science activities. Stern is in the process of planning a fall lecture series of visiting scientists from various fields of research.

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# Bike safety ranks high on police list of summer concerns

*On the Scene*



Gary Francoeur

**M**ontreal police will be out in full force over the next several weeks in an effort to curb bicycle-related accidents and educate the public about cycling safety.

The effort is part of a bicycle-safety campaign that kicked off on May 30 and will continue until June 26.

"We'll be making sure cyclists follow the laws, which includes stopping at red lights and stop signs," said Constable Nathalie Valois of the Montreal police department's roads and traffic section. "We will not be tolerant. Those who break the law will be penalized."

Cyclists aren't the only ones targeted by the campaign. Motorists who do not respect cyclists' rights on the road will also be reprimanded, and officers will inform children about the importance of wearing helmets, respecting traffic signals and staying off the sidewalks when cycling.

"It's important to reach children early so they can develop respect for the rules and learn to become safe cyclists," Valois said.

Two people were killed and 781 others were injured, 58 severely, in bicycle-related collisions in Montreal last year. Those numbers are simply unacceptable, Valois

said. "There are still some improvements we can do to make the streets safer," she added.

Despite the high number of bicycle-related accidents, cycling remains the safest mode of transportation in the province, according to Vélo Québec, a non-profit organization collaborating with Montreal police for the safety campaign.

About 20 people die in bicycle accidents every year in Quebec, while 100 pedestrians and 450 drivers die in that same period," said Patrick Howe, a media relations officer for the organization. "However you decide to travel, it comes down to being safe and using good judgment."

### Computer thieves on the loose

The next time you leave your car unattended, be sure to take your laptop computer with you.

That's the warning coming from Montreal police after several computers were stolen from cars in Westmount over the past several weeks.

Police are busily searching for information on the two thieves responsible for the mini crime spree. The suspects would roam the streets for cars where computers were left in plain sight, said Constable Caroline Gauthier of Station 12. "We're urging residents to remain vigilant and to report any suspicious behaviour."

The suspects are described as two Middle Eastern men about 25 years old. They used a small, beige late-model car to carry out their crimes. The exact number of laptops robbed was not immediately available.

## Library programme a hit with readers

A couple of months ago it was reported that the Westmount Public Library was starting a FastReads service, offering a new collection of high-demand books for one-week loans, available to library patrons for a week without reservations or renewals being possible.

Library members have responded enthusiastically; this collection accounted for almost 500 loans last month. It appears there are a lot of readers who can read a book in even less than one week.

Encouraged by this show of interest, the Library has expanded the scope of this service. The FastReads collection will now also include exhibition catalogues to museum exhibitions, such as the recent Egyptian show at the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts, and titles in the news where high interest is expected.

Thomas Friedman's 'The World is Flat', a timely update on globalization forcefully illuminated by one of the most respected journalists writing today, and Joseph Boyden's well reviewed first novel 'Three Day Road',

were included in FastReads last week

Library Director Ann Moffat encourages everyone to drop in to the Library often to check out what is in on the FastReads shelves just beyond the circulation desk.

There are now 103 books in the collection. The Library has also received gifts for the collection—readers who buy the newest books, read them but then are willing to pass them on to other readers.

The choice changes daily. Recent additions included Jane Fonda's candid memoir 'My Life So Far', Rebecca Wells's latest book 'Ya-Yas in Bloom' and first-time author Marina Lewycka's 'A Short History of Tractors in Ukrainian'.

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**T**his time last year, we were all going through the flames. Westmount's fate was placed in the hands of its citizens as the politics in this community reached fever pitch.

Although there was also a federal election campaign in full swing, all eyes seemed to be on the municipal front as 'Yes' and 'No' camps of the demerger referendum clashed bitterly during the last full week of their respective campaigns. Both sides were determined to save Westmount from what each claimed would be certain fiscal disaster, and everyone was going to great lengths to convince everyone else that they were right.

They had been holding public meetings, canvassing the community door-to-door and sniping at each other in the pages of *The Examiner*. Pro-merger signs were stolen from front lawns, demerger signs were stolen from front lawns, and both sides were accusing the other of foul play on a regular basis—a microcosm of what was happening across the entire embattled island.

While the vast majority of Westmounters were clearly against the "One island, one city" idea ever since then-mayor Peter Trent reported rumblings in that area way back in the mid-1990s, the 'Yes' side took nothing for granted and kept plugging away in a well-organized and fiercely passionate campaign that was carried out over several years.

The 'No' side, in a classic case of far too little far too late, could not convince very many people to give up the advantages of an autonomous Westmount for the less attractive megacity life. They were heavily outnumbered, and the product they were selling was widely acknowledged to be vastly inferior to the demerger alternative.

But, to their credit, they never gave up—even when things got absurd. In a last-ditch effort to garner more support in Westmount, Mayor Gerald Tremblay held a town-hall meeting at the Serbian Orthodox Church on Melville Avenue, only to be disappointed not only by the low turnout but by the fact that many of those who did attend were not even Westmount residents. Inside, this was exposed by Howard Hoppenheim, who asked those in attendance to stand up if they lived in Westmount, and not many did. This sudden influx of "out-of-towners" was so evident that even across the street, at the local soccer field, startled parents were turning around to see where all the cigarette smoke was coming from—a dead giveaway in butt-free Westmount.

As the late John Sancton pointed out at the time, this was to be one of *The Examiner's* finest moments. The biggest story in Westmount's history was unfolding in the weeks leading up to June 20, and sure enough, *The Examiner* was in the middle of it all—even becoming part of the controversy as members of both camps accused us of devoting too much space to the other side!

It was therefore gratifying to see our regular freelancer Martin C. Barry honoured for his work that night in the crowded, emotionally charged city council chamber as the referendum results were announced. At the 2004 Quebec Community Newspapers Association's excellence awards ceremony held last month, he won first place in the news story category for his report on the referendum results in Westmount. He also won first place as a news photographer with his shot of former mayor Peter Trent—the long embattled leader of the demerger forces—hugging Borough Councillor Cynthia Lulham in relief and triumph just as Westmount's demerger victory was officially announced. Marty had to elbow his way through the crowd and stand on a chair to get that shot, but it was certainly worth it.

And yes, once again, John Sancton was right.

Commentary

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## UNFINISHED WESTMOUNT

May Cutler

**T**he good city is never finished.. While all cities share similar problems and obligations, it is the small enhancements that give citizens special pride and pleasure. And some of them don't even cost much money.

Okay, okay, so Westmount has a few that do cost money: the greenhouse, the bowling green, the outdoor rinks—all expensive, considering the size of our citizenry that actually uses them. But we like them, we like the idea of them, and no one dare suggest discontinuing them.

As I found out when, as mayor, I said that since our outdoor rinks were skateable so few winter days and, even then, so few skaters were to be seen on them, thousands of dollars in savings might be realized if they were discontinued. Protests descended like a snowstorm. One particularly irate gentleman said he liked the rink near his house, not because he ever used it, but because he liked to look out his window and see it! For many, those outdoor rinks were reminders of their youth, when the only rinks were outdoors.

My feeling was that if we were going to have six outdoor

rinks, why couldn't we have one real beauty? Under the trees and winding around the little island on the waterway in Westmount Park, with Christmas lights and music playing.

Now that would be a place for families to gather to provide memories.

I did manage to add a few enhancements that didn't cost much and that now seem a part of our ongoing city: the lights outlining our city hall each holiday season, the stained glass windows in our council chamber, and the paintings donated by our artists that decorate our city offices.

One I did not manage to get, and that is now gone forever: the preservation of the old cast-iron fire alarm stands that once stood sentinel on our street corners from a time when even Westmounters didn't have telephones. When I found out they were being auctioned off—my son Adam bought one which he still treasures in his back garden—I rushed to see what was left of them. Some 30 lay rusting in the city yards. What might be done with them? Realizing that only if I got the support of a name would I get our stolid council to move on them, I phoned Melvin Charney. I admired the sculpture garden

he created across from the Canadian Centre for Architecture. Would he consider designing something with our alarm stands? Alas, he was too committed to other work, so *sic transit gloria*.

But there are a few other enhancements that are still possible, some costing very little. Just in case our elected officials can take time from the urgent work of restoring our city to as much of its pre-merger status as possible—wouldn't it be nice if:

1. If we had a little outdoor tea room off the art gallery of Victoria Hall, where we could sit, sip and talk with friends of a summer afternoon or evening.

2. If one of our remaining greenhouses were turned into a cactus garden. As far back as the 1940s, I would go down of a winter's afternoon to sit in the cactus greenhouse of Montreal's Botanical Garden to contemplate summer. Cactus is the perfect plant for a cold climate greenhouse. Inexpensive to keep up, requiring little feeding, it can take any heat in summer and survive winter cold as long as the temperature is just above freezing.

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**Old News**

(from the examiner archives)



**Five Years Ago**  
June 15, 2000

**AIKEN AWARD:** "The Westmount Municipal Association is planning to honour the legacy of the late Robert Aiken, possibly by creating a Young Volunteer of the Year Award. At the WMA's monthly meeting on Monday evening, David Mitchell said he will work with the Westmount Sports and Recreation Department to crystallize the nature of the award. 'We want to find a way that would be most suitable to honour Bob Aiken,' WMA president Kathleen Duncan said of the longtime Sports and Recreation director who passed away on May 29."

**Thirty-Five Years Ago**  
June 18, 1970

**SOUNDING OFF:** "A new, sophisticated sound system, successfully tested in Westmount Park last week, was offered for the exclusive use three nights a week to the youth of Westmount by city council Tuesday night. Provided the young people accept conditions laid down, including limiting their brand of music to Monday, Friday and Saturday evenings from 6 to 10:45 p.m., the commissioner of power and communications, Ald. Douglas C. Robertson, said that the arrangement can get under way as soon as equipment is available."

**Seventy Years Ago**  
June 7, 1935

**BOOTLEGGERS BUSTED:** "Westmount will be really dry now, according to reports from the police station, for the local bootleggers have been apprehended, their customer lists confiscated, one of them incarcerated for three months and the other fined so heavily that he will probably steer clear of the west-end of the city for a long time to come. Sergeant Beaton and Detective Tremblay, last Saturday night, noticed that a light car on Dorchester street was bearing a heavy-car license plate. They investigated and found that the car contained sixteen one-gallon cans of alcohol or 'ton-sil oil', that the driver had no driving license and that the car was registered under a fictitious name and address."

# RULING IS A VICTORY FOR HEALTH CARE

*Uncensored*

Tommy Schnurmacher



## Canada, North Korea and Cuba. What do they all have in common?

Until last week, they were the only three countries on earth that criminalized private spending on health care.

Thanks to a thoughtful decision by the Supreme Court, this country will no longer be in the humiliating company of those two slave states.

Provincial governments across Canada will soon lose their monopoly on providing health care as Canadians will finally be free to spend their own money on their own health.

They will be able to pay for needed medical services out of their own pocket or they can make the sensible decision to buy medical insurance to provide them with adequate health care when they need it.

We have to thank Dr. Jacques Chaouilli and his patient George Zeliotis for their perseverance in taking this landmark case all the way up to the Supreme Court of Canada.

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3. If we had a small Greek-type theatre off the back reading room of the library, with circular stone seats going up to the back of the greenhouse. What a charming place it would be for summer readings and intimate theatrical and musical performances.

4. If we could take back the basement of Victoria Hall from the Manoir, to whom it has been leased for almost ever. We need it. Victoria Hall, for all its impressive outdoor architectural presence, is symmetrically mad, with equal stairs and equally small rooms going up each side of its main concert hall. We need rooms of different sizes.

As for the Manoir, think how its residents would benefit from having its dining room on its roof, where they could enjoy seeing the seasons change as they dined, instead of every meal of the year in a dark basement. I know. I know.

I was told it would require a zoning change as the height of buildings there are restricted. Well, change the zoning.

But maybe we don't have to. Would a solarium dining room on the roof

Zeliotis was sick and needed a hip replacement. His doctor, a Montreal family physician, was sick and tired of watching his patient suffering from excruciating pain while he languished on a year-long waiting list.

The hospital wouldn't provide him with the operation when he needed it. The man was suffering so badly that he was even willing to pay for the operation. No matter. The government wouldn't allow him to do that either.

They insisted that he had to stay in pain and that he had to wait. All in the interests of maintaining the mythology of universal health care.

The lower courts felt that the rights of Mr. Zeliotis were not as important as the rights of the Quebec collectivity.

The Supreme Court decided otherwise.

Canadians will finally have the right to buy private health insurance and pay for private care rather than wait around suffering, and, in some cases, dying.

When Prime Minister Paul Martin heard about the Supreme Court decision, he said, "We're not going to have a two-tier health-care system in this country."

That's a rather sanctimonious coming from a multi-millionaire who goes to a private clinic in Montreal, the private clinic capital of Canada.

There's no need for us to go the way of the United States. A parallel public and private system works very well in a number of Western democracies. If it's good enough for England, France and Italy, it should be good enough for Canada.

As Canadians, we will be able to spend our money in this country instead of travelling to private clinics in the United States when we're fed up with waiting.

Until this Supreme Court decision, you could pay for an operation for your dog, but you were not allowed to pay for your own operation.

That didn't make much sense.

You can expect the proponents of socialized medicine to be up in arms. They have long maintained that our universal health-care system was the very hallmark of Canadian identity.

They forget that we managed to have an identity before the Canada Health Act in 1982.

We will still have a Canadian identity, but there will be one major difference. We won't have to wait so long for a hip replacement.

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really require a zoning change? It may be too much to ask the help of the wonderful Westmount Rotary, who have already financed this best senior residence around to undertake more change, and I know that but perhaps all of us could help, just as we raised funds for the renovation and rebuilding of our library. But I know our most urgent project is the rebuilding of our recreation stadium. So unless we get a generous donor, I guess we'll have to wait a bit.

5. If—and this is one thing that wouldn't cost the city a penny—we did something with the roofs of our houses in Westmount. Currently there's a worldwide movement from Toronto to Tokyo, and from Sweden to New York and Chicago to encourage green roofs. They are said to create a cleaner environment, lower energy costs and provide a lovelier skyline. Why not in Westmount?

Every since I left off being mayor,

I've approached architects saying: "Look, there's money to be made putting greenery, even small solariums, on Westmount roofs." No one was interested. So it's up to house owners to do something.

Surely, those in houses going up the hill would rather look down on green instead of grim gray roofs. True, some might not like a structure sticking up to restrict their view, but small evergreen bushes to hold a bit of snow in winter along with green grass and flowers in summer would be pleasant. And not that expensive. Since most Westmount houses have back porches, a green roof garden would not even require breaking through indoor ceilings to reach it. And what a place to sit in summer! Think about it.

Those are my what-ifs. What are yours?

• May Cutler served as mayor of Westmount from 1987 to 1991.

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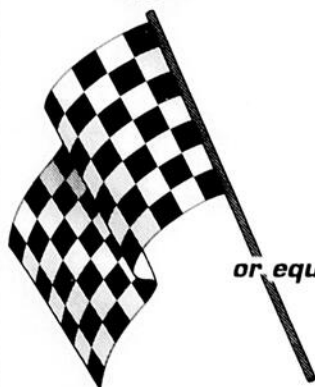
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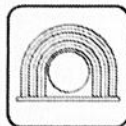


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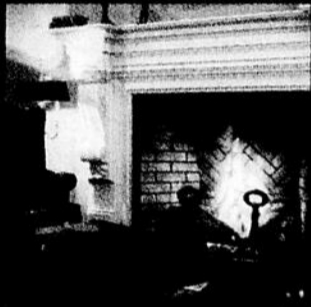
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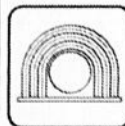


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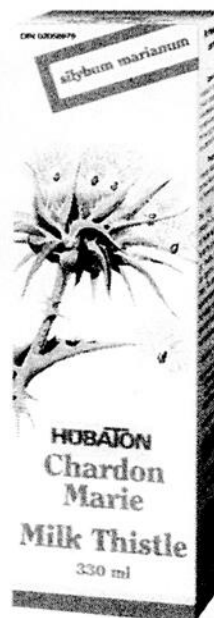
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# MUSIC MOTIVATES YOUNG AUTHORS

*Local students hit high notes in this year's McEntyre Creative Writing Competition*

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And this time, they were guided by the universal language of music as their subject.

"This year's McEntyre topic of 'Music' produced a symphony of truly outstanding entries, and with more than 1,000 submissions, it was very challenging for our 50 judges to choose the winners," chief judge Bettina Terfloth said at the June 6 awards ceremony at Victoria Hall, where the winners and their families gathered for the presentations.

"Peter McEntyre, the mayor of Westmount over 30 years ago, who started this wonderful competition, wanted our kids to understand the importance of community and how it strengthens us," Terfloth said. "I wish he were here tonight to witness how his vision has reached out to so many of us."

"Let us applaud the superb writing effort by our kids, the dedication of their teachers, the support of their parents, the hard work by our judges, and the invaluable contribution from the team at the Westmount Children's

Library. Let's celebrate the written harmonies that our kids have composed."

• This year's winning students are:

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# AVOID LEGAL PROBLEMS ON MOVING DAY

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**T**here are times when legal rights, obligations and everyday practicality coincide uncomfortably. Moving day—July 1—is one of those.

Recently, in both the French and English language media, there have been concerns about the state of a dwelling after a tenant leaves, damages caused and resulting problems for landlords and incoming new tenants.

While it does happen, there are only relatively rare circumstances when the law does not afford tools to both assist and make certain that rights and obligations are respected.

The above media commentary (Journal de Montréal and CJD) showed that, at times, a tenant will damage an apartment sufficiently to cause thousands of dollars in damages.

There was the view expressed that the law was not strong enough or that a damage deposit should be forced from each tenant. No comment was made regarding the right to be considered innocent until proven guilty. As a warning to landlords, if a damage deposit is ever required, then to be consistent legally every landlord would have a damage deposit forced upon him in case he broke the law or caused damages to a tenant.

So what do we do when July 1 rolls around and a landlord wishes to be certain that the dwelling has not been damaged by the out-going tenant?

Please take out your up-to-date

lease form before you read any further.

Page 1, Section B, last line:

The parties should make a description of the condition of the premises at the time of delivery of the dwelling (Art.1890 C.C.Q.).

When the landlord and tenants agree on the state of the apartment, as received, this will be a very good starting point for the future.

Page 2, Section E, under 'Work and repairs':

On the date fixed for delivery of the dwelling, the landlord must deliver it in a good state of repair in all respects... However the landlord may not release himself from his obligation to deliver the dwelling... in clean condition and maintain them in habitable condition (Arts. 1892., 1893., 1910., 1911. C.C.Q.)

So these two are the first step. The landlord must make sure everything is okay and the tenant should agree with the landlord, after mutual inspection.

Directly under the quoted passages is a place for both parties to agree upon repairs, additions, etc. Use this to ensure satisfaction and achieve the value of a legal contractual proof.

Now move to lease Article 13,14,15,16,18.

These are both a tenant's and landlord's legal guarantee that the dwelling will be cared for and maintained.

If this is not so, either part can petition the court.

Do you see where we are going? Do you see that the law has given recourse for potential occurrences and provided legal tools to both describe and prevent future legal difficulties? Landlords and tenants must be aware of and use these legal provisos.

What about during the lease? Problems can happen at any time. That is the nature of existence. Well, the law is ready for such eventualities, too.

Take a gander under 'Maintenance of Dwelling and Repairs', Lease Articles 19 - 27.

Article 19 says the landlord must repair and maintain.

Article 20 points out the dwelling must be kept clean and after repairs the landlord must clean up.

Article 21 advises that a tenant should inform the landlord if a serious defect exists.

Article 22 protects by informing that all statutes and regulations per-

taining to safety, sanitation, maintenance and habitability are a part of every lease.

Many more legal protections exist. We are now talking about the changeover of an apartment from one tenant to the next.

So we see that with use of these laws, both parties are able to maintain a dwelling during its term of use.

What about if the landlord and tenant just do not get along and there is a reasonable worry that damages may be done before the handing over of the flat.

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On February 19, 2004, the Ministers of National Defence and Veterans Affairs announced a recognition program for Canadian veterans who served as test subjects in chemical warfare agent experiments between the 1940s and the 1970s.

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For more information please contact the Chemical Warfare Agent Testing Recognition Program Office by phone at 1-800-883-6094, by e-mail at [recognition-application@forces.gc.ca](mailto:recognition-application@forces.gc.ca) or in writing to:

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Please now refer to 'Access To and Visit of Dwelling', Lease Articles 28 - 33.

Article 28. A landlord can inspect the premises. A tenant cannot refuse.

So then, with this particular law, building owners may visit well before July 1 with the intention to legally inspect, prepare for the next tenant, and avoid any time constraints imposed by July 1.

Should a tenant refuse non-abusive legal access, the court will order a recalcitrant lessee to permit inspection and needed repairs. But the law must be known and enforced. A tenant may also have to pay damages to the landlord if his refusal to allow legal access should cause financial outlay or loss.

When urgency is required, a preferential hearing may be asked for. This can be afforded on a case-by-case basis.

To re-capitulate:

1. The law protects by verification of condition before renting and move-in.
2. During the lease, the apartment must be maintained.
3. All parties have the obligation to inform the others if problems exist.
4. Repairs can be done at any time.

5. If access is impeded, the court will order access.

6. The landlord has the reasonable right of inspection throughout the term.

7. A tenant cannot stop repairs without placing himself in legal jeopardy.

8. Many things can consequently be completed before a new tenant arrives.

9. July 1 ceases to be anything at all to worry about.

10. Stress is greatly relieved with knowledge about and application of the law.

It's pretty easy when your legal rights and obligations are known, practised and respected. Give it a try. I will be happy to see you smile.

• *This is a general overview only. Please consult legal counsel or The Régie du logement (rental board). Ted Wright is coordinator of Westmount Legal Clinic, every Wednesday at the Westmount YMCA, 4585 Sherbrooke W. at 3:30 p.m. Questions may be e-mailed to: (tedquestions@yahoo.ca) Always include a telephone number. Personal detailed responses may entail professional fees. He may also be heard every Saturday on the Know Your Rights legal show on Radio CINQ-FM, 102.3, Cable 88.3, at 2:30 p.m. Fax to: (514) 277-8403. Mail: P. O. Box 48101, Montreal, Qc., H2V 4S8. (Ceci est disponible en français par fax ou e-mail seulement).*

## Choir and tango troupe merge in musical harmony

Maggie Scott

**It takes two to tango, and the Yellow Door Choir and the Sweatshop Tango Ensemble make perfect partners.**

The two groups teamed up on the last weekend of May for a Tango Extravaganza at the Unitarian Church. They presented an evening of instrumental and choral tango arrangements for an appreciative audience and helped out the community's youth by donating all proceeds to Head and Hands, based in NDG.

Friday evening closed with a beautiful Balinese folk song called Janger and the choir was given a standing ovation after their small but mighty performance. Through passionate, longing tangos in the first half to an eclectic assortment of songs from 'La Cucaracha' to Bob Marley's 'Three Little Birds', the music had audience and choir members alike tapping their toes all evening.

The Yellow Door Choir is unique in their choice of songs but also in their presentation. Members are encouraged to form smaller ensembles that allow them to sing songs that they really love and to branch out more

than the full choir would allow.

"It's a rare thing [to have in a choir]" says choir director Eleanor Stubley. It's a feature that makes this one especially unique.

The Sweatshop Tango Ensemble is also a special group. Formed in 2003, their practice space is in an old sweatshop in the textile district on St. Laurent Boulevard. Two of the members hail from Argentina, while the other three are Canadian. Drawing on classical tango pieces, modern compositions and some originals, the ensemble is able to bring the beauty of the tango to audiences all over Montreal.

"Music is incomplete until you share it," said Stubley. "There's something about connecting to other people [through music] and watching it come back. The audience is always surprised, but a lot of them have become very loyal."

The choir has two major concerts a year, and a lot of people keep coming back to see them perform.

• *For more information on both the Yellow Door Choir and the Sweatshop Tango Ensemble, visit their websites at [www.yellowdoorchoir.com](http://www.yellowdoorchoir.com) and [www.lesweatshop.ca](http://www.lesweatshop.ca)*

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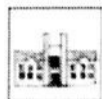
Friends of the Westmount Library  
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### June 22 to July 21

Scenes of Westmount  
Gallery

### June 24

Fête de la Saint-Jean  
Westmount Park  
Rain location: Westmount Arena



### ÉVÉNEMENTS COMMUNAUTAIRES

#### La galerie du Victoria Hall

La galerie du Victoria Hall est fière de présenter l'exposition de groupe *Westmount au quotidien* qui se tiendra du 22 juin au 21 juillet. Info : 989-5226.

#### Fête de la Saint-Jean

Préparez-vous à danser ! Participez à la fête du 24 juin qui se tiendra au parc Westmount pour une soirée de musique et de danses traditionnelles québécoises. En vedette : *L'homme à deux femmes*. Apportez-vous un goûter ou procurez-vous le sur place.

À l'horaire : jeux pour enfants de 17 h à 18 h, concert à 19 h suivi d'un feu de joie à 21 h. En cas de pluie, l'événement se tiendra à l'Aréna de Westmount situé au 4675, rue Sainte-Catherine O. Surveillez bien votre boîte aux lettres pour un dépliant détaillé. Info : 989-5226.



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### SERVICES MUNICIPAUX

#### Fête de la Saint-Jean et Fête du Canada

Les bureaux administratifs et certaines installations de sports et loisirs de l'arrondissement, dont l'aréna, la

## DATES À RETENIR

### Le 16 juin – 19 h

Les Amis de la bibliothèque de Westmount  
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### 22 juin au 21 juillet

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bibliothèque, la galerie ainsi que le Victoria Hall, seront fermés les 24 juin et 1<sup>er</sup> juillet en raison de la Fête de la Saint-Jean et de la Fête du Canada.



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### COMMUNITY EVENTS

#### The Gallery at Victoria Hall

The Gallery at Victoria Hall is proud to present *Scenes of Westmount*, a group exhibition that will be held from June 22 to July 21. Info: 989-5226.

#### Fête de la Saint-Jean

Get ready to dance! Join the party on June 24 for an evening of traditional *québécois* music and dance in Westmount Park with special guests *L'homme à deux femmes*. Bring a picnic or purchase refreshments at the Park.

There will be games for children from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m., a concert at 7:00 p.m. and bonfire at 9:00 p.m. Rain location: Westmount Arena, 4675 St. Catherine Street West. Watch your mailbox for all the details. Info: 989-5226.



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#### Friends of the Westmount Library

##### Words and Music

The Friends of the Westmount Library will be presenting *Words & Music*, an evening of music and spoken word, in the Gallery at Victoria Hall on Thursday, June 16 at 7:00 p.m. Free admission.



### MUNICIPAL SERVICES

#### Fête de la Saint-Jean and Canada Day

All Westmount administrative offices and some cultural and sports facilities, including the Arena, the Westmount Public Library, the Gallery and Victoria Hall, will be closed on both June 24 (*Fête de la Saint-Jean*) and July 1 (Canada Day).



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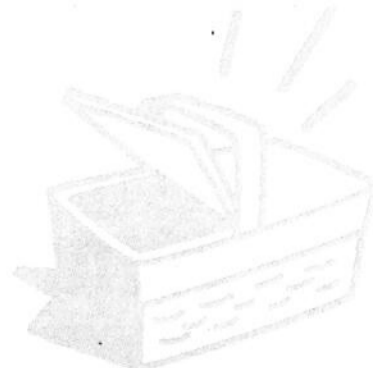
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### PUBLIC WORKS

#### Pesticides

Public Works would like to remind all residents that the application of pesticides is prohibited between June 15 and September 1, except in cases of infestation that present a threat to public health. Please note that even in cases of infestation, a valid permit is always required before using pesticides. Info: 989-5268.



## Sweet treats to beat breast cancer

**Megan Breckenridge**

**W**omen have long touted chocolate as a cure for PMS, but the folks at Finesse Chocolate are interested in seeing how the sweet treat will fare in the battle against breast cancer.

In support of the Jewish General Hospital's Weekend to End Breast Cancer, the gourmet chocolatiers recently hosted an Evening of Chocolate Tasting for corporate clients, family and friends at Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom.

Those in attendance indulged in a wide variety of chocolate treats, with white wine offered in tiny dark chocolate shot glasses to cleanse the palate between tastings.

"[The company] has always been very philanthropic," said Amy Samsonovitch, director of sales and marketing for Finesse Chocolate and the event's organizer. "We support a number of causes in the Montreal community."

For Samsonovitch, however, raising funds for breast cancer research is of particular importance. "I have a vested

interest in this cause," she said. "I lost my grandmother to cancer and my aunt was recently diagnosed with breast cancer. I'm very active in the community and in fundraising, so I thought, why not this?"

Samsonovitch will be joining thousands of other men and women on August 26 through 28 in the 60-km walk through Montreal to raise money and awareness for the Jewish General Hospital Segal Cancer Centre.

Also present at the chocolate tasting in a show of support for Weekend to End Breast Cancer was Borough Mayor Karin Marks. She and Samsonovitch brought the evening to a climactic conclusion with the symbolic breaking of the Chocolate Smash Cake. With large mallets in hand, the two women demolished the tower of chocolate to symbolize a triumph over breast cancer.

In closing, Marks encouraged everyone to get on board with what she considers a very worthy cause. "Community is the best thing you can get involved in," she said. "And beating breast cancer will require a huge community effort."

## A Garden of Joy at the McClure Gallery

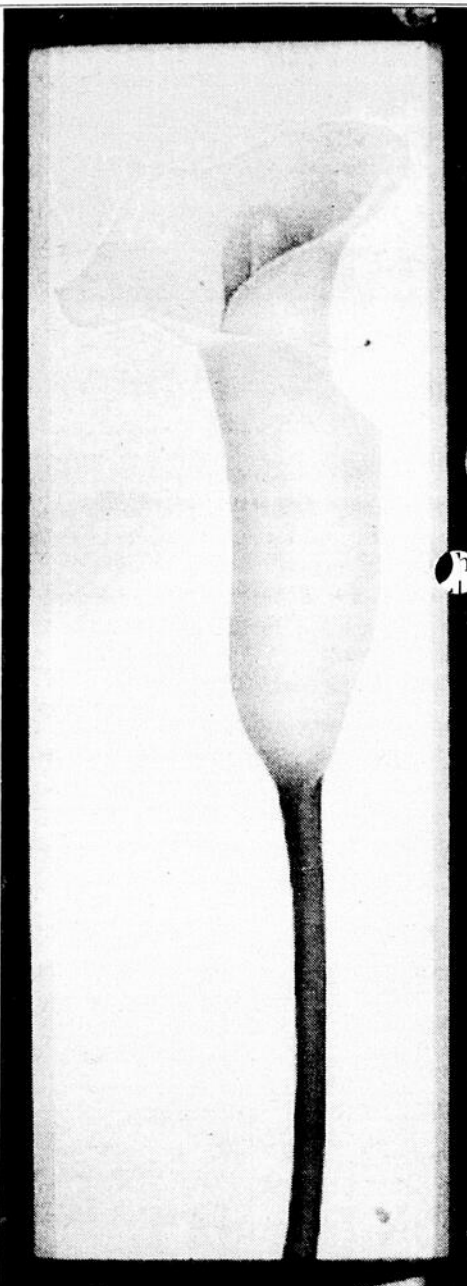
There are only two more days to enjoy Anne Ashton's current exhibition in the McClure Gallery of the Visual Arts Centre.

In 'Garden of Joy', Ashton created botanical delight of paintings inspired by the music of the Jazz Age; in fact the exhibition's title comes from the name of a 1920s nightclub in Harlem.

The San Diego-born Ashton paints flowers and plants both out of context and out of scale, rendering them in many layers of translucent oil paint. She also incorporates vintage frames into the finished product.

'Garden of Joy' continues at the McClure Gallery, 350 Victoria Ave., through June 18. Gallery hours are Tuesday to Friday from noon to 6 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call 488-9558.

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Deadline for submissions is Monday at noon preceding the next publication. No exceptions. Submissions may be edited or omitted for space.

## Thursday, June 16

Words and Music: The Friends of Westmount Library present an evening of music and spoken word in the Gallery at Victoria Hall, 4626 Sherbrooke St. W. at 7

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## Saturday, June 18

The Double Hook Book Shop, 1235A Greene Ave., presents Laura Davis, who will sign copies of her novel 'Lifeshades' from 2 to 4 p.m. Info: 932-5093.

## Monday, June 20

Used Book Sale: The Auxiliary of the Montreal Children's Hospital presents a sale of quality used books at the hospital, 2300 Tupper St., second floor, B Wing, from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Info: Rita Wilson at 412-4400 ext. 22384.

## Friday, June 24

Fête de la Saint-Jean: Westmounters are invited to bring a picnic supper to Westmount Park at 5 p.m. and join in the music, dancing and bonfire. Refreshments will also be available for sale at the Park. St. Jean cake is served at 6:30 p.m., with a concert at 7 p.m. The traditional Feu de Joie begins at 9 p.m. This year, hear traditional québécois music by L'homme à deux femmes, and join in the dancing with Les Danseux. Be prepared for fun. Info: 989-5226.

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'Garden of Joy', an exhibition by Anne Ashton continues through June 18 at the McClure Gallery, Visual Arts Centre, 350 Victoria Ave. Info: 488-9558.

Friends of the Westmount Library that you think of them this moving day if you have any books you wish to donate to the library. They accept quality hardcovers and paperbacks in reasonable condition, on all subjects. Please drop off your books at the library circulation desk, 4574 Sherbrooke W. Info: 594-4975.

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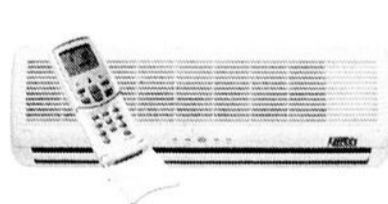
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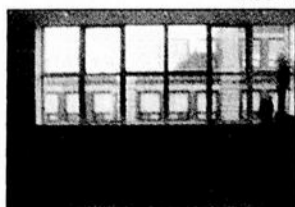
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