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Local tax laid on Montreal stores

By J. MARION FEINBERG

Some Montreal merchants in Place Alexis Nihon say they are being double-taxed and made to bear the brunt of the mall's tax burden this year.

Setrak Ballabanian of Cordonnerie Pied D'Or said part of the problem stems from confusion over whether his business is in Westmount or Montreal. He was told when he opened his business 10 years ago that the tiny shoe store was in the Montreal part of the plaza.

"What I would like to argue is that because I am in Montreal, I would like to pay only the Montreal tax," he said, adding that he is unhappy that he has to pay an additional $448 because of the new Westmount surtax.

The Westmount portion of the plaza accounts for 82 percent, with the remaining 18 percent in Montreal. Due to a clause contained in merchants' leases, the mall administration is permitted, and has chosen, to spread out the cost of tax expenses amongst all its tenants regardless of which city the tenant is located in.

Mr. Ballabanian said the consequence will be for him to charge his customers a little more.

"I'm going to lose customers because of this. Does it look like I can afford to lose any more business?" he asked, waving his hand around the empty store.

Another store owner says Westmount merchants are getting a good deal because they'll pay less this year than last, in most cases.

"My store is technically in Montreal, but because the entire building is mostly in Westmount, we're being charged the surtax," said one merchant who asked to remain nameless for fear of retaliation by the administration. "Why come to me because the building is in Westmount? I paid my share."

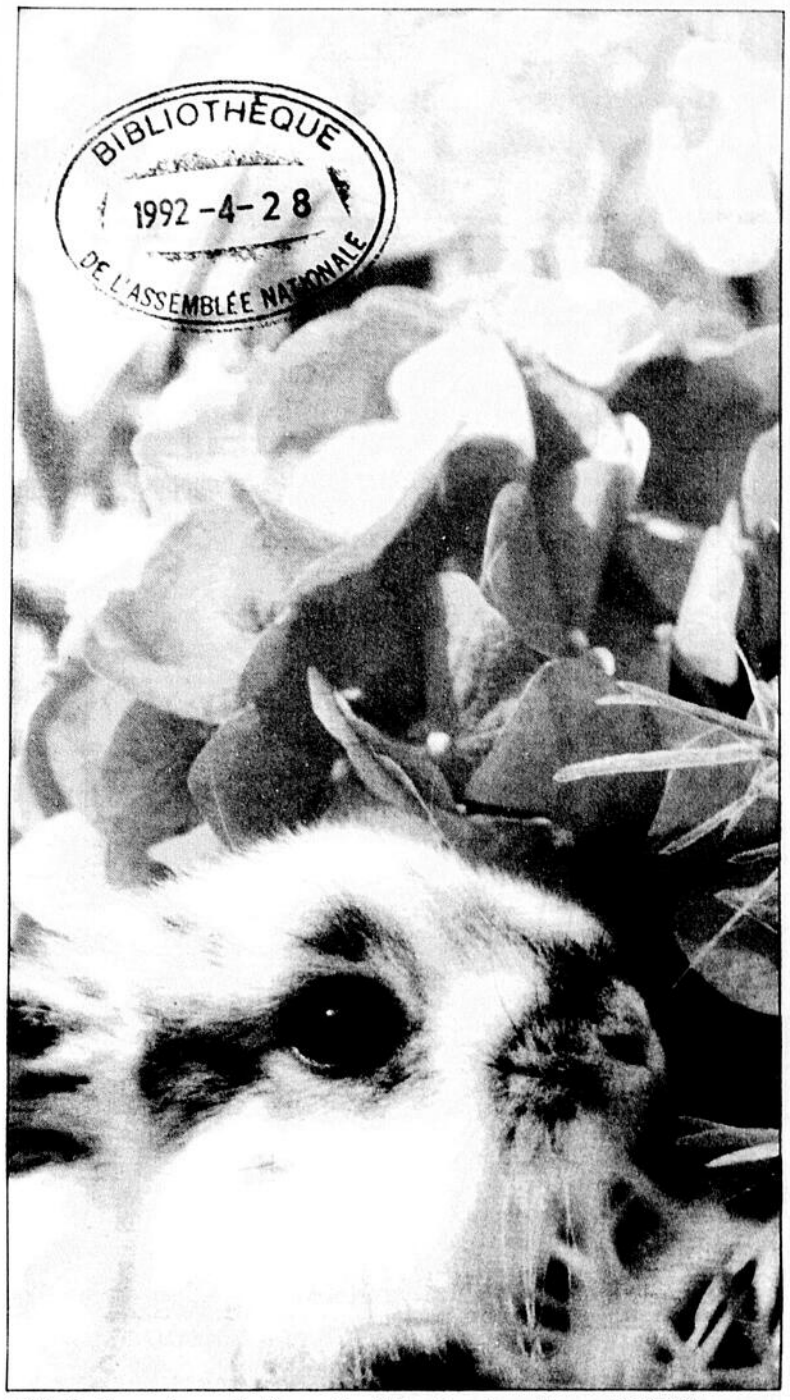
This year, instead of charging business tax in addition to the new surtax permitted by bill 145, also called the Ryan reform, the City of Westmount decided to eliminate the business tax and charge the landlords of commercial properties the surtax. Landlords may then turn around and pass the tax on to their tenants in the form of rent increases. The increases can be passed on immediately, regardless of the other terms of the lease.

Montreal is charging a small surtax, but kept the business tax in place. Thus, Montreal merchants in the mall are hit with the business tax as well as sharing a burden of Westmount merchants' surtax while the merchants in Westmount are receiving no individual bills from either Montreal or Westmount.

The mall owes the two cities $683,643 in surtax ($623,933 of which is for Westmount), which it calculates as $2.28 per square foot for all stores.

"I'm going to initiate another merchants' association to form a common front against this year's taxes," said Tom Vriniotis, owner of G & A Deli, a family business for the past 25 years. The existing association is for the sole purpose of promoting business.

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"Kids don't come to see the flowers," said head gardener Howard Neill, "they come to see the bunnies." The rabbits, one mother and six babies, are from the same farm in St. Isidore that supplies the pond with ducks each spring.

Photo by OWEN EGAN

Quick! To the flowers!

They'll soon be bloomin' dead

By ALISON RAMSEY

"The sun is killing us," said greenhouse foreman Howard Neill of the city's 60th annual spring flower show, which opened yesterday in time for Easter weekend.

Dozens of pots of lady's purse and poor man's orchids have dropped their blooms, or are on the decline, in the rear greenhouse and the Easter lilies are too few to make the traditional cross.

A sun-blocking coat was applied to the greenhouses about 10 days ago, but washed off in the snow and rain. It was reapplied Tuesday, in hopes of delaying the deterioration of the flowering plants.

In desperation, the gardeners are covering sun-kissed plants with brown paper to block the rays, windows are open and the thermostats are turned off to try and cool the atmosphere.

Some plants are still on their way to fullest beauty — the hydrangeas are changing from yellow to rose but have yet to turn completely pink. And, on Monday, the purple tulips were tightly closed.

Mr. Neill is aggrieved the public will not see hundreds of flowers that were at their best two weeks ago, and that he has lost a great number of white blooms, used to break up clashing colors.

He has campaigned city hall in the past to let the spring flower show open when the buds are at their peak but, so far, the city is steadfast in having it coincide with Easter and its Vin d'honneur.

Mayor Peter Trent said he has not heard of any request to change the schedule of the spring flower show, which traditionally opens the Wednesday before Easter.

"If we're having the show too late," he commented, "we should move it up. There's no problem moving it up a week. I'll look into it and see for myself."

Mr. Neill started cultivating the approximately 26,300 flowers from bulbs in late October and early November. Some annuals, about $200 worth, are wasted because the flower show is occurring so late. Others, perennials, are past the bloom but can be salvaged for next year.

The flower show this year comprises 37 varieties of tulips, 13 varieties of daffodils and narcissus, seven varieties of freesia and muscari and four varieties of hyacinths.

The exhibition will be open to the public from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekends.

Mr. Neill is unsure how long the blooms will last. He figures about two to three weeks.

The spring show is the city's most popular, outranking the city's annual fall show.

"I think people, after winter, are fed up," said Mr. Neill, who has been so busy arranging the show he has not yet had time to make his annual spring visit to the Montreal Botanical Gardens.



Cree display the new Bible.

Cree Bibles brought north for Easter by local minister

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

AN ANGLICAN priest from Westmount has returned from a trip to a remote Cree settlement on James Bay with hope in his heart at Easter for a people who have weathered tough times.

"I had the feeling that this was a strong people that had gone through really hard times but were in the process of being rebuilt and renewed partly through strong, careful, political negotiation," said Rev. David Oliver, honorary assistant at St. Matthias' Church.

They are "nervous" about the impact of the proposed Great Whale River hydro development, he said, and are trying to overcome such problems as alcoholism associated with past development.

Mr. Oliver, 40, who heads the Montreal district of the Canadian Bible Society, drove to the Cree

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Survey says . . .

We want to hear from you. What you like about THE WESTMOUNT EXAMINER, what you'd like to see more of, and what you downright can't stand.

So THE EXAMINER has included a readership survey in this issue. You can't miss it. It takes up the whole of page 7. If you pass it by this week, it will be re-printed in the next two issues as well.

The more surveys that are filled in, the better we know what changes you'd like to see, the better we know how we're doing, so we're making it easy for you to get the survey back to us once you take the time to fill in the blanks.

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and
Monday, April 20th, 1992

Les résidents sont avisés qu'il n'y aura aucune cuillette des ordures:
vendredi, le 17 avril 1992
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lundi, le 20 avril, 1992

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AVIS PUBLIC est par la présente donné que les bureaux administratifs à l'hôtel de ville, à l'annexe et à la cour municipale de Westmount seront fermés les vendredi 17 avril et lundi 20 avril 1992 pour le congé de Pâques.

La bibliothèque sera fermée les vendredi 17 avril, dimanche 19 avril et lundi 20 avril 1992. Le samedi 18 avril 1992 la bibliothèque sera ouverte de 10 h 00 à 17 h 00.

L'aréna sera fermé le jeudi 16 avril à compter de 16 h 30 et restera fermé les vendredi 17 avril, samedi 18 avril, dimanche 19 avril et lundi 20 avril 1992.

Donné sous mon seing à Westmount ce 6e jour d'avril 1992.

E.A. McCavour
Interim Assistant City Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the administrative offices in City Hall, the City Hall Annex and the Municipal Court of the City of Westmount will be closed on Friday, 17th April and on Monday, 20th April 1992 for the Easter holidays.

The Westmount Public Library will be closed on Friday, 17th April, Sunday, 19th April and Monday 20th April 1992. On Saturday, 18th April 1992, the Library will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Arena will close Thursday, 16th April at 4:30 p.m. and will remain closed all day on Friday, 17th April, Saturday, 18th April, Sunday, 19th April and Monday, 20th April 1992.

Given under my hand at Westmount this 6th day of April 1992.

E.A. McCavour
Interim Assistant City Clerk

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Westmount Community Calendar

Today, April 16

Theatre: Performance at Victoria Hall at 7 p.m. of Youtheatre's *Plague of Innocence*, a play for everyone, aimed at high school and college students, on the topic of AIDS. Discussion follows. Free.

Registration: for spring classes starting week of April 26 at Visual Arts Centre, 350 Victoria Ave., 488-9558.

Registration: For cycling seminars at Westmount Y with John Margolese; theory clinic Tuesday and on-road clinic Saturday. Costs $10; $5 for youth and seniors; $25 family for each workshop.

Improvisational theatre: At 12:30 p.m. in room 201 at Westmount High School, regular season competition between four teams. Contests are held every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Art exhibit: *Modern Abstract Expressions* at Galerie Kastel, 1366 Greene Ave., group show until April 27.

For children: The children's department of Westmount library is holding a "Dress the Bunny" contest for everyone up to 13, until Saturday.

Book collection: Westmount High School is collecting donations for upcoming sale. Books can be brought to the school until June 15 or call 935-1432 for pick-up.

Reach Out, a support group of the Montreal and Laval Chapter of the Learning Disabilities Association of Quebec Adult Committee meets weekly at 340 Victoria Ave. from 7 to 9 p.m. 847-1324.

For seniors: Swim at Westmount Y from 1:30 to 3 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday. No charge.

Friday, April 17

Good Friday: Stores open but most offices, including those of THE EXAMINER, closed. Special services at many churches. See notice on page 25.

First night of Passover. The youngest at Seder will ask the questions that lead to the re-telling of the story of persecution, sacrifice and deliverance.

Saturday, April 18

For children: Make your own Easter eggs at Oink Oink! at 11 a.m. Patterns, rabbits, clowns... whatever.

Overeaters Anonymous meets every Saturday at 3:30 p.m. at Westmount Baptist Church, 4755 Sherbrooke St. Non-smoking.

Sunday, April 19

Easter Sunday: Christians celebrate Christ's triumph over death with special services at most churches. See notices on page 25.

Rabbit alert! An animal has been breaking into Westmount homes and hiding eggs, candy and huge amounts of excelsior.

Monday, April 20

Easter Monday: Holiday for many. Offices of THE EXAMINER will be open.

Montreal Camera Club meets at 7:30 p.m. at Westmount Park Church, 4695 de Maisonneuve Blvd. Judging seventh print competition. Guests welcome. Use rear entrance.

Tuesday, April 21

TOPS, a dieting support group, meets at the Westmount Y from 7 to 8:30 p.m. weekly. $1.

Thursday, April 23

Concert: Westmount Community Choir under the direction of Dorothy Hogan for Montreal's 350th, at 7 p.m. in Victoria Hall. Free. Refreshments. 935-5080 or 277-4000.

Hydro-Québec takes action to save energy

Households receiving survey to map and reduce energy use

By J. MARION FEINBERG

Westmounters interested in lowering their electricity bills will hold on to the Hydro-Québec package they'll be receiving this week.

An agreement signed Thursday last week between the City of Westmount and Hydro-Québec means that local residents who have lived at the same address for at least a year are eligible to get on board Ecokilo, a free customized energy analysis program.

"In the interests of the environment as well as in the reduction of electricity invoices, it would be worth it for all our residential customers to fill out the questionnaire," said light and power director Danny Ponzo, adding that this is the first agreement of its kind between the utility and the city.

The package contains a questionnaire regarding energy-consumption habits. Once completed and returned in the pre-paid envelope, Westmounters will receive a breakdown of their electricity, gas and oil use about three weeks later. This personalized report will help residents understand their present energy-consumption habits as well as offer recommendations that lead to consumption reductions, according to Hydro-Québec offical Yves Lafortune.

"While most consumers are aware of the importance of energy efficiency, they often don't know what they can actually do to cut back on their own consumption," said Mr. Lafortune. "Ecokilo should lead to numerous individual energy-saving initiatives and quickly produce concrete results."

They will also be given the choice of two free energy-saving kits containing products worth $20. The kits include a faucet aerator and fridge thermometer with the choice of either a light timer or a reduced-flow shower head. Residents will reap energy savings of anywhere from $25 to $80 per year, depending on which kit they choose.

Mayor Peter Trent praised the program, calling Westmount the "little David" and Hydro-Québec the "Goliath" at the Ecokilo press conference last week. He argued that the agreement opens the door for future co-operation.

"People think that bureaucracy is not innovative or creative," he said. "This proves that even a big group such as Hydro-Québec can have this kind of idea."

About 7,000 of the 8,500 Westmount households are eligible to participate in the Ecokilo program. The program has been launched successively throughout the four sectors of the island of Montreal.

Hydro official Denis Normandeau said if all the customers expected fill out the Ecokilo questionnaire do so, it will save the utility 400 kilowatt-hours of energy per year leading to a total savings of 1.9 billion kilowatt-hours over the next 10 years.

As a result, Hydro-Québec will avoid having to invest more than $147 million in additional facilities, he said.

Alexis Nihon lays local tax on Montreal merchants

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Half of his restaurant is located in Westmount and the other half is on the Montreal side of the mall. Mr. Vriniotis said he paid $3,000 in Westmount taxes and $13,000 to the city of Montreal last year. This year's bill will set him back about $6,000 and $16,000 in taxes to the cities of Westmount and Montreal, for a total of $22,000.

"It's just that my Westmount tax has doubled," he said. "If we're technically all paying a portion of the Westmount surtax, then why am I paying more tax to Westmount than I did last year?"

Gary Kanemdjian of Bonne Santé is a Westmount tenant who says his taxes are actually lower this year.

"For me it's perfect. I have no complaints," he said.

Pharmaprix manager Al Fisher says that the whole matter has been turned over to their legal department in Toronto. Last year Pharmaprix paid $6,700 in business taxes. Their portion of this year's surtax came to $14,500.

"We have 17 percent in Westmount," he said. "They can't charge me for the full square footage. It doesn't make sense."

He says he blames Place Alexis Nihon administration for not disbursing the tax costs properly.

"I'm sure a lot of people are complaining bitterly," he said. "You look around and shopping centres are closing down. Expenses are tremendously high and the tax situation is not a happy one. It's tax upon tax upon tax. I hope it comes to a head soon because businesses are suffering terribly."

Place Alexis Nihon controller Terry Lodge said he has asked all city of Montreal tenants to forward him their tax bills for analysis. He said the problem stems from the fact that the Ryan reform is a "very poorly written law" and that it was brought in too quickly.

"We can appreciate their (the merchants') point, but we can't do anything about it right now," he said. "We're looking into the total valuation of the property since the surtax is a factor of the total valuation. Our hands are tied by the lease. We might be able to come up with some accommodations but I don't have the authority to approve them now."

"If both cities did the same thing at the same time, meaning asking the landlords to collect the tax, it would have been a lot easier," said Mr. Vriniotis. "It's just scary to see no commitment on behalf of the leaders of municipalities to cut their spending. When is enough going to be enough?"

Mr. Lodge said he understands the merchants' frustration and desire to see the tax plans of the two cities more in sync.

"Had the city of Montreal not charged the business tax and instead charged the landlords, there wouldn't have been this problem," he said.

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Greene merchants regroup to do battle with recession

By J. MARION FEINBERG

A good economic indicator is the fact that beggars were seen on Greene Avenue for the first time this winter, said prêt-à-porter merchant Michèle Tanguay at a meeting held to re-establish the Greene Avenue Merchants' Association Thursday last week.

Meeting organizers Linda Alevisatos and Ms. Tanguay, who were later appointed co-chairs, said they were looking for suggestions to enhance business and customer traffic in the area during these recessionary times.

"We're quite insulated in that we depend on people who live in the area," said Mrs. Alevisatos of By George! catering. "We have to attract people from all over Montreal and we have to do something to keep merchants working; to keep employees working."

A spring festival is in the works for the week of May 25 that might include a fashion show and a lottery drawing with participation by celebrities and charities.

Between 35 and 40 businesses from Greene and nearby St. Catherine Street have expressed interest in the association, either by attending the first meeting or by sending notice.

"I think the idea can be fun, light and airy as opposed to the doom and gloom we hear about in the newspapers," said Mrs. Alevisatos. "It'll take work, thoughts, contacts, but that's what business is all about."

She added that she contacted the city prior to the meeting and has hopes it will be involved in lending a hand with the mechanics of a festival set-up. This is to be confirmed, but the city will be supportive as long as there is no attempt to close the street without council approval, she said.

Almost 10 years ago, during the last recession, Greene Avenue merchants banded together to get the city to clean up the street's dirty alleyways, derelict buildings and rat-infested vacant lots. The city spent $200,000 to spruce up Greene Avenue at that time.

Art Image's Tom Von Eiken said he was involved in the last association set up by merchants when times were tough.

"I'm digging up old ideas from 10 years ago," he said. "But we can always do something like have 'Greene Bucks' or a 'Greene Card' for discounts."

Morris Zimelstern of Coach House Antiques recalled the success the Victoria Avenue Merchants' Association had with festivals.

"There were clowns, mariachi bands, roving artists, and every merchant participated," he said. The association fell apart when members dropped down to nothing and because they were not legally registered, he added.

Some merchants expressed concern that organizers ensure the events held be sophisticated, to reflect the spirit of the street.

"There should be nothing tacky, like sidewalk sales," said one merchant.

The group's motto is borrowed from Nike, "Let's just do it," and Mrs. Alevisatos says that most businesses on Greene have been notified about the association and are being urged to join.

"I'm not a pushy person but I've learned by getting more involved in my business that if you don't, nothing gets done," she said.



Linda Alevisatos, left, and Michèle Tanguay will co-chair the new association.

Jack Shore pharmacy changes hands

Licence suspended after owner's arrest

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

The Quebec Order of Pharmacists suspended the licence of Westmount pharmacist Jack Shore in a preliminary disciplinary hearing last Thursday in wake of criminal charges against him involving under-the-counter sales of prescription drugs.

The decision was taken pending a full hearing by the professional regulatory body, said its director general, Alain Boisvert.

"This is a preliminary step, except that we have the powers to remove a licence when there is sufficient information to believe the public safety might be jeopardized by professional prerogative," he said.

In the meantime, Mr. Shore has sold his pharmacy in the Westmount Medical Building to his pharmacist brother, Nathan Shore, owner of a pharmacy on St. Urbain Street, he said.

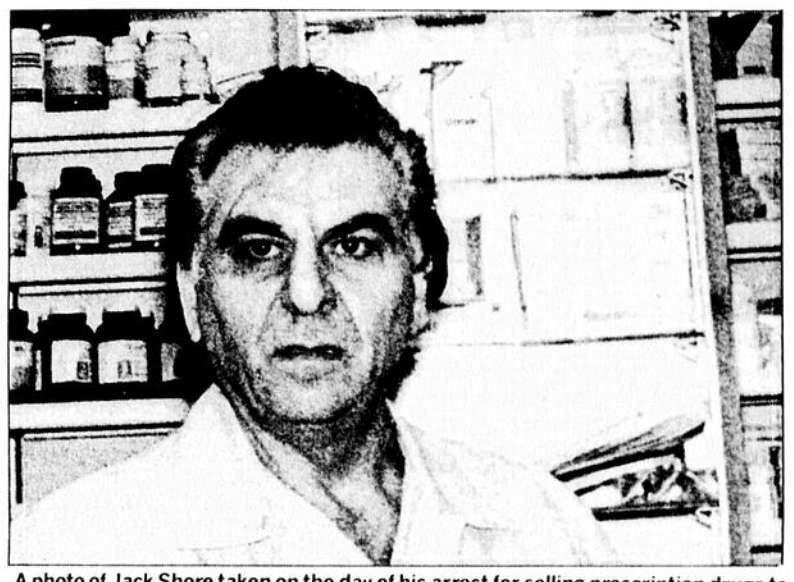
The professional order requires all pharmacies in Quebec to be owned by licensed pharmacists.

Mr. Boisvert said the decision was "reinforced by a previous sanction" by a disciplinary hearing in 1986 when Mr. Shore was "heavily fined" for the illegal sale of prescription drugs.

The licence was not revoked at that time because it was a first offence and did not involve controlled or restricted drugs such as narcotics, he said.

The recent charges include three counts of selling fiorinal (a controlled narcotic) without a prescription as well as another seven counts for selling diazepam, a tranquilizer, without a prescription.

Police said a woman undercover narcotics agent had been sold drugs under the counter on seven different occasions following an investigation begun last May.



A photo of Jack Shore taken on the day of his arrest for selling prescription drugs to an undercover narcotics officer on several occasions. *Photo by ALLO POLICE*

Last Thursday's preliminary hearing was very brief, Mr. Boisvert said. Mr. Shore was not present but was represented by lawyer Marc David. A date for the next hearing has not yet been scheduled.

A court hearing is set for April 28 following arraignment April 3. Mr. Shore was arrested April 2.

The Order of Pharmacists, which regulates the professional standards of Quebec's 4,900 pharmacists, generally handles no more than a dozen disciplinary cases a year where members are charged with illegal selling, said Mr. Boisvert.

So far this year, however, there have been "quite a few more, though it is too early to say if it is a trend," he said.

It is tempting to relate the increase to the economic recession, but this would not seem to be a factor in Mr. Shore's behaviour, he said.

"There is zero tolerance on our part," toward allowing pharmacists to continue practising when there is sufficient evidence against a member, Mr. Boisvert said. This has long been the policy followed by the Order of Pharmacists and has not been modified by present heavy pressure from the public on the professional system to discipline members.

"As a general rule, courts of law await disciplinary hearings," when cases are before the court, he said.



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We Say

Burst this balloon

TWO weeks ago we suggested that the municipal affairs minister, Mr. Claude Ryan, was floating a trial balloon to reduce the number of municipalities in the Montreal area.

We were wrong.

According to Mayor Peter Trent, Mr. Ryan in fact has appointed a committee of 12 — half academics, not a single elected municipal person nor a proven business person — to advise him in the matter.

Mr. Trent, further, sounds a warning: the time to cut Mr. Ryan off at the pass is before, not after, any robbery of local government. The minister, says the mayor, is not given to changing anything once he has decided it.

In short, the time is now and not later to assemble our ammunition and to fire it well in advance of any unfriendly action by Quebec City.

Westmount is an obvious target of the sort of thing likely to come out of such a committee. Having been named to "rationalize," it is unlikely the 12 would tell the minister to leave well enough alone, even if that is what they should think the rational thing.

Westmount should be capable of matching such a committee in terms of practical knowledge, in terms of knowing the importance of numerous organs of municipal government to match the infinite variety of local needs, circumstances, characters of communities and citizen aspirations.

Perhaps even more important at this juncture is the experience, much of it bad, of a city like Westmount dealing with such "rational" organisms as the Montreal Urban Community, a frightening model of large-scale municipal government.

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MAYOR Trent and the city council obviously are properly enough alarmed by the Ryan mutterings to do some naming too. An experienced public relations and lobbying firm, Gervais Gagnon and Associates, has been engaged to gather facts, formulate tactics and commence lobbying in the right places for the freedom of local government from tamperers.

The city has voted an initial $20,000. We say this amount, and as much more as it may take, will be money well spent to preserve the integrity and independence of Westmount from forced amalgamations or even disappearance as a self-governing entity.

When it was formed a couple of decades ago, the Conference of Montreal Suburban Mayors was a feisty organization designed to keep the City of Montreal at bay and the MUC under some semblance of control. It long since has failed miserably in filling these mandates, having been sucked into the very same ethos which it was founded to combat.

The Conference, if it had not degenerated into just another bureaucracy, ("a bunch of sleepyheads," Mr. Trent puts it overly kindly) not only already would have mounted this fight in behalf of its members, all of whom are threatened by the Ryan dreaming. It probably even would have, by its erstwhile prestige and influence, halted the very thoughts of messing around with the cities and towns it represents.

His Worship was right when last week he told city council: "I'm sure the citizens are 100 percent behind me in this."

Put another way, is there any citizen of Westmount who would not be up in arms if the province were even to threaten to change or eliminate our borders?

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THERE is something tragic going on here. One reasonably might expect that the department of municipal affairs existed to protect the interests of the municipalities of the province and that its minister, Mr. Ryan, democrat that he is, would be the government's chief champion of local authority and autonomy.

Instead, there is a fearful showdown shaping up between local and provincial government in this province. Rosemere has thrown down the gauntlet as to who, the people or the bureaucracy, has the right and can best decide when a community should be bilingual.

The municipalities generally are being treated scurvily by having fields of taxation revenue summarily taken away by an avaricious province. Taxation is becoming a critical issue with taxpayers and could explode in Quebec's face any day.

Even with all the uninvited interference from above, the cities and towns perform infinitely more efficiently than the "higher" public administrations. Westmount has just reported a surplus for last year of $300,000, an example of good government.

Not a kind of government to be done away with.

I Say!

A MAN must consider what a rich realm he abdicates when he becomes a conformist.
—Ralph Waldo Emerson

Island off west coast shows how Canadians live together

By JIM BLACK

THE CANADA COLUMN EXCHANGE
Second in a series of exchange columns from community journalists across Canada

IF OUR country could speak for itself, I think it might issue a press release borrowing a line first uttered by an American writer many, many years ago. It would go something like, "The reports of my death are greatly exaggerated." It was Samuel Langhorne Clemens, better known to most folks as Mark Twain, who first made that statement.

At a time when it seems like Canada is about to be divided up like so many pieces of pie, I think it's time we put our collective food down and say "Whoa," we may have some problems, but it's no reason to abandon the ship.

Speaking to you as a transplanted Ontarian, who now considers himself a westerner, I think what we all need right now is a breather. It seems as far back as memory goes, all we have been hearing about is the Constitution. While I know just how important these talks are, it has turned into sensory overload for most people.

I left Ontario four years ago and settled on an island 20 miles off the coast of Canada's mainland. This place is called Salt Spring Island and to me it has become home. In many ways the island is similar to our nation, on a microscopic scale. There are approximately 8,000 residents living on this rock and while some families have been here for several generations, others have arrived over the years from every corner of the planet and every walk of life. They range in age from newborns to centenarians. But what I find most interesting about the island life, and which I think our nation could use a little bit more of, is the general acceptance of others with different languages and beliefs.

Salt Spring Island suffers from most of the social problems found everywhere else in this country. Utopia does not exist. But

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our M.N.A. *Richard B. Holden* says...



Referendum pros, cons

THERE are very good arguments on both sides of the question: Should the government of Canada hold a national referendum on changes in the Constitution?

On the "yes" side:

1. It would be the democratic response to those who want the people to be consulted.

2. It could have a moderating influence on those premiers or native leaders who insist on having their own way.

3. Depending on the question, it would prove that a majority of Canadians are patriotic and reasonable.

4. It might put to rest the deepening morosity and pessimism which permeates our nation.

On the "no" side:

1. It could point up the many regional and linguistic divisions we read and hear about in the media.

2. It might result in a stalemate which could further weaken the economy.

3. It could prove to be a wrenching exercise from which no one emerges a winner.

4. It would cost enormous amounts of time and money which could be better spent on more deserving enterprises.

Over all, I'm in favour of the idea; but we must be aware of the pitfalls and so conduct ourselves that, in trying to seek out a consensus, we don't widen the abyss. If individuals and groups are more interested in political advantage than in reaching an accord, then the process will have been futile and the results a recipe for disaster.

The summer of '92 will tell all!

P.S.: Next week the National Assembly is in recess and so am I.

our M.P. *David Berger* says...



Where I stand

IN order to get me up to speed for the public meetings I am holding in the riding, my staff prepared a briefing book of positions I've taken on everything from abortion to Yugoslavia.

The title of the book was somewhat of a surprise. *Where I Stand... Subject to Change Without Notice. Where I Stand* of course was the title of the book Brian Mulroney published during the Conservative leadership race in 1983. I like to quote from it especially to remind the prime minister of his promises on science and technology. For my part, I have been accused *not* of changing my positions, but of being too inflexible. You pays your money and you takes your choice.

All of this is to say that I hope that you can make it to the next meeting on April 23 from 7 to 9 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Strathearn Centre at 3680 Jeanne Mance, north of Prince Arthur.

David Kilgour, MP from Edmonton and Liberal energy critic, will attend. David is an articulate, thoughtful MP and author of two books: *Uneasy Patriots: Western Canadians in Confederation* and *Inside Outer Canada*.

David defines Inner Canadians as those who live in Toronto-Ottawa-Montreal. Outer Canadians are the people living in the remainder of the country. "Approximately 60 percent of Canadians live in our two central provinces. The legitimate interests of the eight smaller provinces and territories are rarely afforded more than short-term attention by the institutions of our national government," David contends. "Our national government continues to demonstrate less sensitivity to regional aspirations than is the case in probably any other democratic federation.

"When national unity is under special strain as now," David continues, "it is vital that we provide with deliberate speed better ways of accommodating the regions in all branches of our national government."

On the question of Senate reform, David says, "Electing senators is not enough: for them to be really effective voices, we need to redefine the powers of the upper house and to redistribute its seats equally across the provinces."

Come and hear David speak from a western perspective about Senate reform, energy policy and free trade.

You Say

'Never' is best word for Quebec separatism

I was pleased beyond measure to read your editorial in last week's issue regarding the political situation in Quebec. You are right in stating that separation will never be achieved. There is no "if" or "when" about separation; the only applicable word is "never."

When Canada was in its designing years it was possible for sections to come in but never any thought at all was given to sections being counted out.

It is the people of this country who have the right to keep the country united. The misguided few in Quebec will have to bow to the wish of the majority.

I hope that the editorial writers of this country will copy you until the word "never" becomes the standard position from sea to sea.

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The Westmount Examiner

EXAMINING THE FILES

Forty-five Years Ago

April 11, 1947

"National Unity is nowhere in Canada better exemplified than in the Province of Quebec, with perhaps the most outstanding instance the full and happy relationship between the Blind, stated Gilbert Layton, Secretary, Montreal Association for the Blind, in a statement to the press issued today. Enjoyment of complete co-operation between the English-speaking Montreal Association for the Blind Inc., and its French-speaking counterpart, L'Association Canadienne-Francaise des Aveugles Inc. has for many years been established."

Thirty-five Years Ago

April 12, 1957

"Easter is late this year, within four days of the latest possible date on which it can fall according to the formula by which the date is reckoned. Why does the date vary? How is the date of Easter fixed? It was decided that March 21 should be regarded as the spring equinox — the time in spring when day and night are equal — that the full moon on that date, or the next after that date, should be taken for the full moon of the Passover month, and that the Sunday following should be Easter Day. But if the full moon happened on a Sunday, then Easter should be the Sunday after."

Twenty-five Years Ago

April 13, 1967

From the Roving Reporter column: "Western avenue is now a memory. The new signs naming the street Maisonneuve Boulevard are in place in the Westmount part of the long throughway too, making an avenue almost as long as Sherbrooke, and honoring at long last the founder of our great community... During 1965, the average Canadian placed 635.6 telephone calls, while in the U.S.A., the average was 620 calls per person."

"North America's first three-level shopping centre — the Shopping Centre at Alexis Nihon Plaza — will be officially opened next week in downtown Montreal."

Ten Years Ago

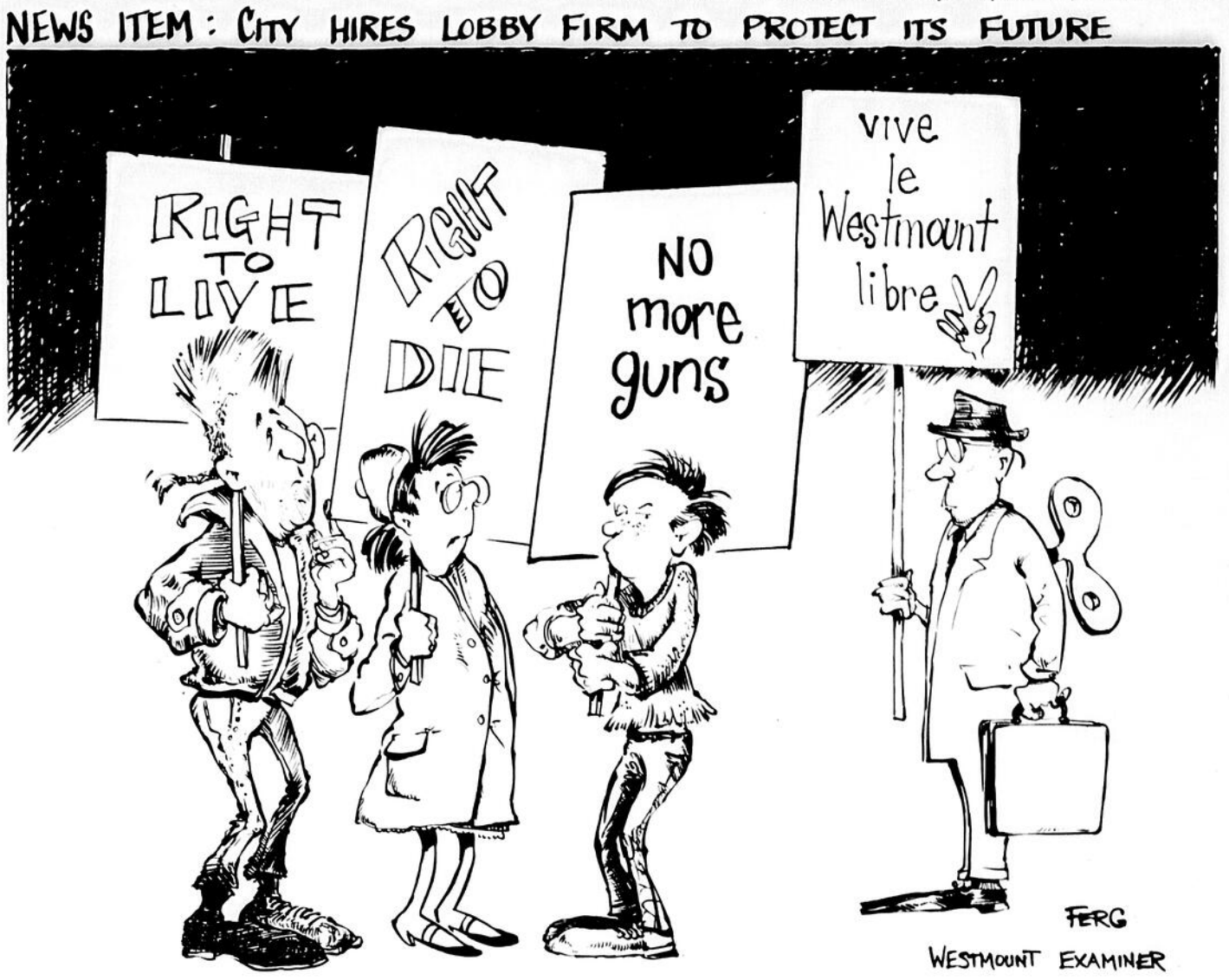
April 15, 1982

"The member of Parliament for Westmount and federal treasury board president, Hon. Donald J. Johnston, has been reported in West Coast newspapers as a somewhat slow but accomplished automobile break-and-entry man. While in Vancouver on a recent speaking engagement, he was seen outside the prestigious Bayshore Inn manipulating a refashioned coat hanger through the edge of a window of a car, not his, attempting to fish up the door lock. He eventually succeeded." He was playing Good Samaritan to a woman who had locked herself out of her Cougar."

One Year Ago

April 18, 1991

"Westmount city council came under fire Monday night for the way it consults with citizens. Westmount residents protested how decisions appeared to have been made in advance of public consultation concerning Summit Circle closure, narrowing of Cedar avenue and newly-revealed plans to re-seed two park dog runs."



our Mayor

Peter F. Trent

says...



Thinking globally

WITH Earth Day coming up, a few people have asked me to write something about local environmental issues. With your indulgence, I thought I might start with the larger picture, and then work my way down to ecological problems closer to home.

In tracing the cause of our present environmental mess, let's start at the beginning. The Book of Genesis. Our treatment of the planet as our personal utility is so deeply ingrained in our collective psyche that it forms part of Western religious heritage. Both Adam and, later, Noah got the same instructions: be fruitful and multiply. It was also made clear to Adam that man had dominion over all the earth, and Noah was told that "the dread of you shall be upon every beast."

Well, we descendants of Noah have followed these directives to the letter. We went forward and did we multiply! We have overrun the world to the point of its exhaustion. And like rabbits in Australia and cockroaches in the Bronx, we have had no predators except our clever selves. If any other species had been as successful, we would have called it a pestilence.

But our human-eye view of the world and our unchecked propagation are wiping out innumerable species who were fellow-travellers on this earth. We have perhaps irreversibly polluted this planet. The fecundity that was so necessary for our early survival has now turned against us. We too might someday pay the price of extinction. But probably not before we manage to eradicate tigers, grey whales, gorillas and myriad other endangered species.

In my view, much of the cause of society's ills — not just pollution — is a direct result of pathological overpopulation. We equate quantity with success. Canada is seen as a place to be "filled up," if for no other reason than to pay for our pension cheques a few decades ahead.

Even if our climate forces the majority of Canadians to live in a densely populated 50-mile strip of land that hugs the U.S. border, we talk of desperately needing people. If Canada is so empty, why aren't people flocking northward? Can't we shake off this fixation on numbers and start improving urban conditions and leave our fragile northern environment alone? Should we be really trying to stuff our species into every nook and cranny of this world?

Of course, the capitalistic system feeds on increases in population. More people, more customers, but the sociological and ecological chain letter will have to be dealt with by future generations.

For example, the world has a billion cows grazing on one-quarter of the land area whose only role is to feed (mostly) the developed world. Rain forests are cleared for more pasture. We have all heard this and other ecological horror stories, but we cleave to the idea that, yes, there are far too many people in developing countries, but we're okay. It is my belief that there are too many in the developed countries too.

Next week: our worship of technology.

A not-so-exclusive club admits a new member

Beside the Point



KATHLEEN HUGESSEN

I JOINED one of Montreal's less exclusive clubs about two weeks ago. I became one of the many on this island to have had their homes broken into.

It wasn't dramatic. I arrived home from work to be greeted by a neighbour with, "When did your window get broken?" This is, I learned, a heart-stopping question.

I looked with shock at the broken glass in my back door. I put my key into the lock, hoping against hope to feel the reassuring resistance of the tumblers. I didn't need the key. I rushed into and through the house (not hearing my neighbour's advice to take along a hockey stick), and established that several reasonably valuable but eminently replaceable items were still there. My stereo components (no prizes, but they do make music) were all present and accounted for. My small collection of CDs was tampered with but basically intact. My little home computer still nestled on my desk.

The contents of several drawers were strewn about my bed. Every piece of gold jewelry was gone — wedding ring, engagement ring, the garnet that matched those I'd given to the women in my wedding party, my mother's (broken) Rolex watch. And my grandmother's pearls. Two other strings of pearls had been rejected. I assume my grandmother's went because there were small diamonds in the clasp.

The person or persons who invaded my home seem to have had an unerring nose for moderately valuable, absolutely irreplaceable items. Damn him, her or them.

When I tell people about the break-in, I find most respond in one of two ways. There are those who, fellow club members, share with me the story of their own break-in. It's alarming how many people have been burgled. At the same time, it's reassuring. Break-ins have many common elements and I feel less alone and beleaguered in this company of the burgled.

The other response, from burgled and unburgled alike, seems to be, "Gosh. You must feel so violated."

Well, actually, no. Furious, sad, irritated at the enormous waste of time this represents — but not violated. I don't pretend that those who have suffered a break-in don't feel victimized and violated. It's just that I don't particularly.

My son does. His desk was thoroughly searched and a complete set of baseball cards was stolen. When he discovered the theft, he was devastated. Not by the loss of the cards, but at the notion that some stranger had been going through his private spaces without so much as a by-your-leave. He was suddenly afraid to go to the bathroom alone. A rather exciting and thrilling episode had suddenly turned into something more sinister, a personal assault.

For myself, I wish all the best to the cretinous little dweeb (for whom I, clearly, bear no malice) who did this. I hope he, she or it enjoyed my underwear drawer — their having gone through it really doesn't bother me much. The house suffered almost no vandalism — just the one broken window — for which I am grateful. When all's said and done, I guess I feel lucky. It's as though the creep was a warning.

A nice man from Martin Swiss Repair came the next morning and put in new double-cylinder deadbolt locks — he stopped after to chat and, a fellow club member, told me about *his* break-in. He came back a few days ago to put a metal grill over the back-door window. I'm feeling better now about leaving the house.

I do keep thinking about my precious, if not very valuable, things — my rings, the little gold heart I was given as a christening gift, my child's cards — jostled about in the pocket of an uncaring stranger. They'll be traded in, probably for drug money. And all the memories invested in them will be lost on their new owner... or the foundry.

That's why I feel not violated, but furious and sorrowful. Though it could be that furious and sorrowful are just a couple of surfaces on the many-faceted, cold and glittering stone we know as violation.

No-show shoplifter brought to court by police

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

A man who failed to show up in court on four different charges of shoplifting at the Steinberg, Pharmaprix and Cumberland stores was brought to Westmount municipal court in police custody.

Vallan Lewis, 32, recently pleaded guilty on all four counts.

He was immediately fined $200 plus costs on one count to be paid by May 6 at which time Judge A. Keith Ham said he would pass sentence on the other three cases, taking into consideration whether or not the first fine was paid on time.

"I have a job for five months now," Mr. Lewis told the court April 1. "I'm clean for five months. I'm willing to pay the fine."

"Do you think you'll come back on May 6?" asked court clerk René Daoust.

"Oh, yes sir," he answered. "I have no choice now."

Two of the shoplifting incidents occurred in Place Alexis Nihon on the same day, May 21, 1990, when Mr. Lewis stole 16 cans of meat and salmon worth $48 from the Steinberg store and vitamins valued at $237 from Pharmaprix.

He also pleaded guilty to a theft of $129 worth of body lotion from the Cumberland store on Green Avenue May 29, 1990, and seven more bottles of lotion worth $63 from the same store March 13, 1991.

Court news

Short-term memory loss blamed for shoplifting

A man was acquitted of shoplifting at the Steinberg store in Place Alexis Nihon after his daughter testified he suffered short-term memory loss.

Mohammed Hossei Zarayan, 68, was accused of not paying for lemons, meat and sour cream when he went shopping last Sept. 15.

When asked if he had taken the items, he said through an interpreter, "I forgot. I'm sorry."

Mr. Zarayan, according to his lawyer, had health problems. He said it was extremely plausible Mr. Zarayan did not intend to steal the items which he put into a bag.

Judge Ham said he was prepared to give him the benefit of the doubt and the case was dismissed.

Acting for self, man found guilty

Defending himself in court didn't prove to be such a wild idea.

Hamed Radmand, who became the first person in at least 16 years to appear without a lawyer in a criminal trial in Westmount municipal court last January, was found guilty and sentenced recently to pay a $100 fine plus costs for shoplifting items worth $43.43 from the Steinberg store in Place Alexis Nihon March 31, 1991. These included a roast of sirloin beef, chicken breasts, a bottle of Scope and a bottle of Pepto-Bismol.

The 34-year-old cook, who lives on St. Marc Street, was eventually fined April 1.

He had been coached through his trial by the judge and other court officials who also went to his assistance in finding him an interpreter at the last minute. This allowed Mr. Radmand, who spoke English, to understand and cross examine a French-speaking store security agent testifying against him.

Keep car papers close to hand

Even if you drive a company car, it's the responsibility of the driver to have proof of registration and insurance on his person at all times, Judge Ham told a man who came to court to protest three tickets, one dating back to 1986, the other two to 1988.

The judge agreed with Mr. Mendelson recently that one of the tickets, issued for not registering a vehicle, should be the responsibility of the shoe company owning the car rather than Mr. Mendelson, who had been driving it.

But on the other two, he must pay up.

The judge reduced the court costs that had accumulated by $25 on each, however. These represented the ex-parte charges Mr. Mendelson had to pay.

"I think that's the best I do for you," the judge concluded.

Later, court clerk Daoust explained that a $25 ex-parte cost is automatically charged when an accused fails to turn up for trial. This is the amount that was waived by the judge who was satisfied the accused might not have received notification of the trial.

Mr. Mendelson told the court he had moved from Nuns' Island to St. Jacques Street to Pierrefonds and had not known of the court dates. He did not show up for the trials and automatic judgments were rendered against him in default. That was why he asked the court to re-open the cases so his explanations could be heard.

Exams take court date off his mind

A young man, whose mother's car was issued two tickets when he parked it on a crosswalk last April 19, succeeded in having one rejected when he came to court recently.

But court officials scolded him for failing to notify the court he was unable to show up for the trial last September and the judge ordered him to pay $63 in accrued costs.

Judge Ham agreed with Westmounter Joel Peter Yaffe that the two tickets constituted "double jeopardy."

The defendant claimed he had received one ticket for parking in a prohibited crosswalk, for which he was prepared to plead guilty. But he said he shouldn't have to pay for a second ticket issued for parking in a prohibited area which he took as being the same offence.

Though his mother Sara Yaffe, as owner of the car, was initially fined on both counts when neither she nor her son had appeared in court, Mr. Yaffe asked the court to re-open the cases and hear his explanations.

He said he had missed the date because he was writing a final exam "and I had other things to worry about."

"You didn't think about calling the court?" asked crown prosecutor John Donovan.

He was fined $20 for the one ticket plus $63 in accumulated costs.

Alfred Segall to rule in Ham's absence

Westmount lawyer Alfred N. Segall, QC, has been named as deputy judge of Westmount municipal court to replace Judge A. Keith Ham in event of his absence.

The appointment was approved by city council in general committee Monday last week on the recommendation of Judge Ham, Mayor Peter Trent said.

Mr. Segall, whose law office of Liberman, Segall, Finkelberg is at 4150 St. Catherine St., is the municipal judge for Côte St. Luc.

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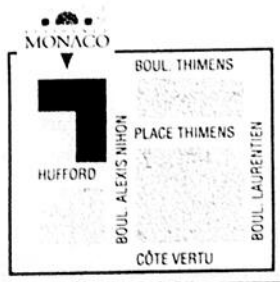
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Notice anything small, lately?

By ALISON RAMSEY

LOOK at lapels, and you may soon notice a number of tiny Canadian flags.

Nothing ostentatious, the pins are just a hint over one centimetre long and half as high.

Former Val Morin resident Philip McMaster, now living in Westmount, has a pocketful of them. In his travels, in Montreal, in the Laurentians, he keeps an eye out for people at cash registers or other visible positions.

On occasion, he asks, "Are you a Canadian?"

The person usually looks taken aback, and may respond suspiciously. Or they may simply say, "Yes" without the "Why?"

If a yes is part of the answer, Mr. McMaster delves in his pocket, pulls out a pin and hands it over.

"It's a gift," he says, "*if* you put it on right now, and wear it all the time."

The size of the pin is part of its appeal for Mr. McMaster, who likes the fact that it conveys a muted love of country — not a showy political statement.

"What the flag represents is a great thing," he says. "It's something to be proud of."

Mr. McMaster notes that no one has turned down his pins in the two months he's been casually handing them out.

"I talked to this guy, a sovereignist, I said, 'I'm giving these pins to people who are Canadian,' and put it in his hand. He held it, looked at it. The important thing is he didn't hand it back.

"He wasn't against Canada. He didn't take it and stomp on it. He might have put it on his dresser, or in a pin box. Of course, I don't know what the hell he did with it, but he didn't hand it back."

Though Mr. McMaster is trying to keep politics out of the pins, they are throwbacks from the flag-waving early 1980s.

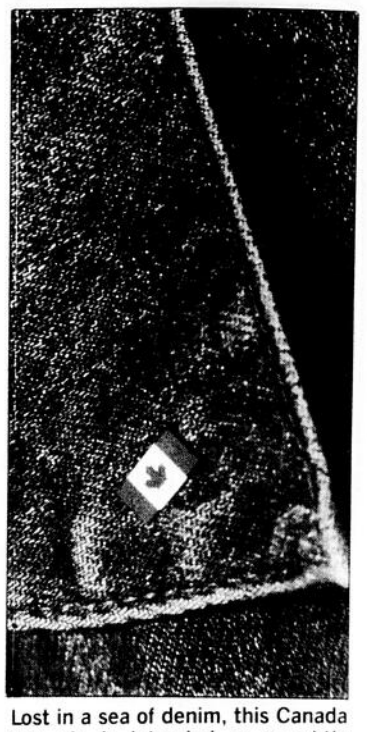
"I worked from the Canadian Unity Information Office," said Mr. McMaster. "I had this job going around Canada with an exhibit (promoting unity during the Quebec referendum debate)."

Some of the thousands of pins were left over, and Mr. McMaster took them home.

With each one he gives out, he also encourages the recipient to write him a postcard expressing their "passion for Canada."

His plan is to drop them at the doorstep of top-level politicians.

If you feel so inclined, postcards can be sent to Philip McMaster, Passion for Canada, Val Morin Station, Quebec, J0T 2R0.



Lost in a sea of denim, this Canada flag pin is intended as a subtle message. *Photo by: OWEN EGAN*

Sewer covers in parks called a danger

Sewer covers in Westmount's parks should be either marked or locked so they cannot be removed, according to a recommendation from one public safety officer.

In one daily report by officer Louis Leger Friday, it states the covers, flush with pavement and grass, create a possible hazard. Some, he says, have been found uncovered, leaving gaping holes.

There are at least 20 such covers in Westmount Park alone, he points out.

Office closed Good Friday

THE WESTMOUNT EXAMINER office will be closed on Good Friday, April 17, and will re-open for business as usual on Monday, April 20.

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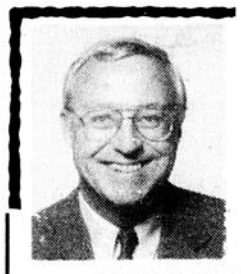


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STATION 23 LOG

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

The following are some items from the files of Montreal Urban Community police Station 23, which covers Westmount:

Cars hit walkers

Cars hit two pedestrians at Atwater Avenue and St. Catherine Street last week, according to police reports.

A small red car was driven off after hitting a man crossing Atwater at the mouth of the lane behind the McDonald's restaurant about 4:30 p.m. The 32-year-old victim, a man from Fort Street, was accompanied by another, both described as inebriated. The victim was reported to have suffered back pain and was taken to the Montreal General Hospital.

The next day a Montreal woman was taken to the same hospital when struck about 11 a.m. by a 1984 Honda. The car was driven by a Montreal woman with an Alberta driver's permit. A brief police report did not mention the nature or severity of the victim's injuries or her age.

Windows shot out

Two large double-pane windows at The Study were broken over the April 4-6 weekend by someone firing a BB or pellet gun, police said. Damage was estimated at $1,000. The windows were in the office of the headmistress of the private school at 3233 The Boulevard.

Gunman robs bank

A man wearing a nylon stocking over his face and armed with a small revolver held up a cashier at the Bank of Nova Scotia at 1394 Greene Ave. last Thursday, police said. The robber went straight to the teller, demanded cash and left after being given an amount which police would not reveal. He was last seen heading west on foot along Sherbrooke Street.

VCR stolen

Two men were seen near the entrance of a house on Prospect Street Monday last week about 5:15 p.m. shortly before a VCR was discovered stolen from the home, police said. One was carrying a brown plastic bag with beige handles. The suspects were seen by a neighbour.

Car payments provoke tussle

A scuffle between two men in the office building parking lot at 4650 St. Catherine St. last Thursday afternoon resulted in a broken car window, police said. A 28-year-old Ontario man was arrested for assault but released unconditionally. The argument was reported to involve a bad debt regarding payments on the car, a 1990 Mercedes 300. The victim was listed as a 57-year-old Westmount man whose injuries, if any, were not detailed on a police report.

Quick trip, quicker theft

Someone emptied the cash register at the Fushia gift shop on Victoria Avenue Wednesday last week while the lone employee went to the basement for a moment. When she heard the door open and close about 4 p.m., she returned upstairs to discovered the thief had come and gone, taking an undisclosed amount of cash.

A bad lesson

A teacher at Selwyn House School discovered her purse missing from the top of a filing cabinet last Thursday afternoon where she had left it two hours earlier, police said. The amount of theft was reported as less than $1,000.

Mall lingerer harasses woman

A 29-year-old Montreal man was charged with intimidating a woman he allegedly followed around Place Alexis Nihon and the Metro station Saturday afternoon, police said. He was detained downtown when found to be free on certain conditions in connection with another incident. The victim, a 20-year-old student, complained she had been bothered for a few days by a man hanging around the area who followed her, telling her not to date white men. Both victim and accused are black.

Penthouse burgled

A penthouse at 4700 St. Catherine St. was broken into between April 7-9 by someone who appeared to be looking for money and jewelry, police said. Entry was gained by a patio door probably by someone climbing scaffolding at the northeast side of the building. Building security personnel were advised to have the scaffolding dismantled as much as possible when not in use as a crime prevention measure. It was not immediately known what was taken since the break-in was discovered by a person watering plants for the absent residents.

Parents pay up

Two students at Westmount High School were arrested last Thursday noon after the window of the social worker's car was broken by a slingshot, police said. The youths, aged 14 and 15, were released when the victim refused to press charges. Arrangements were made with their parents to pay the $250 in repairs to the 1988 Mazda 323.

'Stolen' car soon found

An absent-minded Westmounter walked home from the dépanneur last Thursday forgetting she had driven her car to the store, police said. When she discovered it missing from her garage, she reported it stolen. Around midnight, when the 44-year-old woman remembered what happened, she called police to admit she found the 1991 Volkswagen Golf was exactly where she had parked it at St. Catherine Street and Metcalfe Avenue.

No one to blame . . . but himself

A man driving a company-owned Jaguar crashed into his own car, a 1989 Honda, in the garage of the Shaar Hashomayim synagogue at 425 Metcalfe Ave. Sunday, police said. Both sustained more than $500 damage. The man is a resident of St. Constant.

Burglar's 'key' pries open door

Jewelry, a calculator and an undisclosed amount of cash were stolen Monday last week from an apartment at 4557 Sherbrooke St. police said. A screwdriver was believed used to pry open the front door between 9 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Rings removed

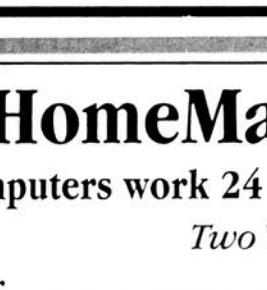
Three rings vanished from a washroom at Dawson College, 3040 Sherbrooke St., Tuesday last week where they were accidentally left by a student from Châteauguay, police said. She had taken them off to wash her hands and forgotten them on the sink. Two contained diamond chips, the other an alexandrite, a green variety of chrysoberyl that appears red by artificial light.

Ignition trashed

Car owners living on Mount Stephen Avenue were awakened by a noise at 1:05 a.m. Tuesday last week to see a man with a flashlight inside their car, police said. The suspect ran south empty-handed but the ragtop Volkswagen Cabriolet sustained $300 damage to the ignition.

Man, 73, passes out at the Y

A 73-year-old man was taken to hospital Tuesday last week from the YMCA, fire officials said. He was reported to have passed out in the weight room shortly before 9:48 a.m. and was given oxygen before being transported by Urgences Santé to the Jewish General Hospital. He lives on Grey Avenue.



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Minister's visit timed with evangelical tour of the north

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band in Waskaganish on the southeast shore of James Bay last month to take them an updated translation of the New Testament in their own dialect in time for Easter.

It was the first major revision of the Bible in Moose Cree syllabic characters since the original translation in 1876 by the British and Foreign Bible Society, he said.

The Montreal office of the Bible society, which Mr. Oliver has run as district secretary for seven of its 170 years, distributes the Bible in 60 languages.

He also spent last Saturday in Kahnawake distributing New Testament selections hot off the press in the Mohawk language.

The Moose Cree edition is printed in larger, easier-to-read syllabic characters, Mr. Oliver explained. This will assist the many elders in the community of 1,200 who are experiencing failing eyesight.

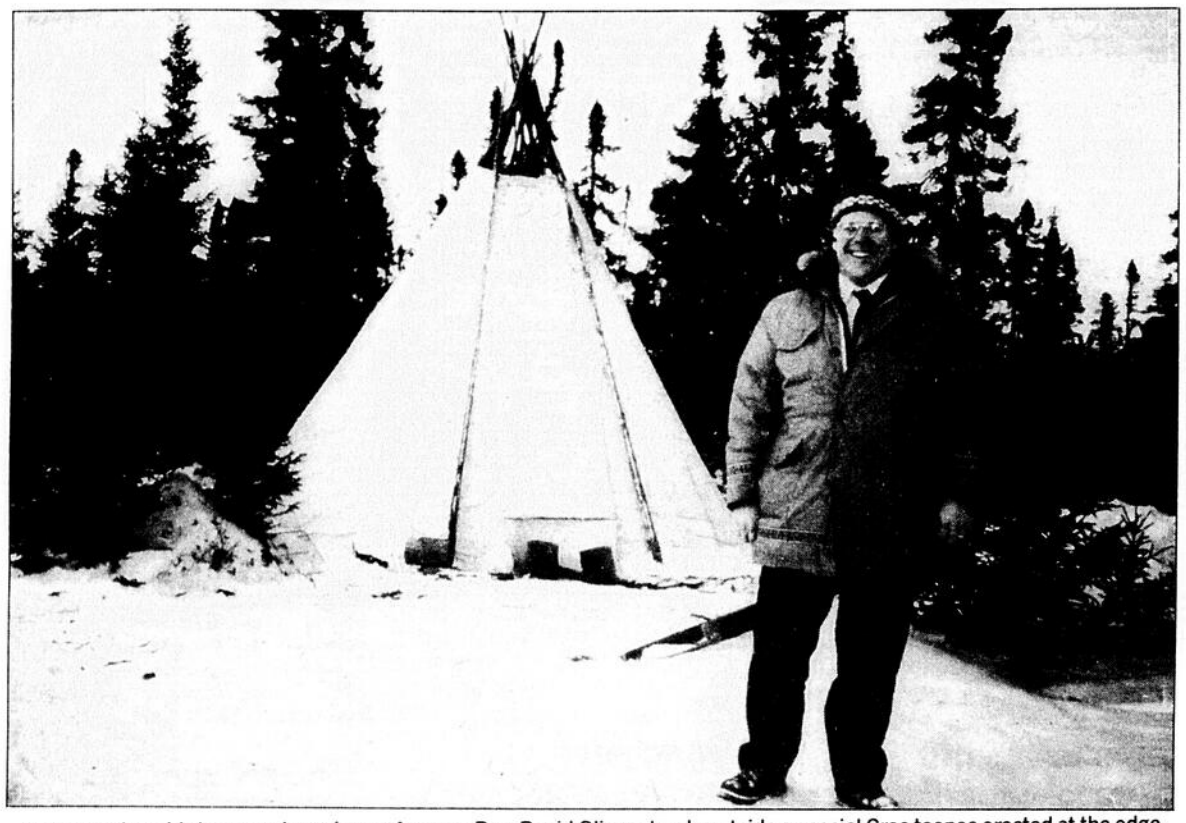
A special edition was presented to former Quebec Cree grand chief Billy Diamond, he said.

Mr. Oliver, whose grandfather Canon Gilbert Oliver was rector of St. Matthias' for 28 years, timed the visit to Waskaganish to coincide with a weekend evangelical celebration of services held by a travelling mission of the Pentecostal Church which goes from community to community.

"It was a very powerful experience," he said.

He attended all three evangelical services which packed about 600 people into a large gym. Some were regular "camp followers." He was amazed by how different the services were from any Anglican or typical Pentecostal service, he said. Though many years ago most of the people were Anglicans, he said, the newer Pentecostal Church now appeals to many.

Being a pastor, he was invited to participate at the front of the hall during a special "healing" service from 7 p.m. to midnight where many of the 600 gave stirring testimonies of "how the Lord had helped them recover from alcoholism, arthritis and other problems," Mr. Oliver said.



A long way from his home on Lansdowne Avenue, Rev. David Oliver stands outside a special Cree teepee erected at the edge of Waskaganish as a retreat where elders can spend time in peace doing things "in the old way."

"What was rather unique for me as an Anglican from Westmount was to note that in our culture most strong emotion, even of joy, would be expressed in private. Yet I felt this (public expression) was very good. It was a community catharsis, the Greek word for cleaning of the soul."

Texan evangelist

The evangelist was a Texan and music consisted of drum sets, electric guitars and Cree singers performing in Western style "which they like very much," he recalled. "Soon the beat gets faster, the clapping more animated and there's a space at the front where people moved by the spirit can come forward to give their testimony, some moved to tears and also to laughter.

"When the evangelist preaches, he prays with great intensity. Some people are so overcome they fall backward and are caught. That's what's called being stained in the spirit."

A wind-up service highlighting a singer from Detroit stirred the assembly when he began singing "Jesus is coming soon and I'm going home," Mr. Oliver said. "The band picked up th singer's energy and I think the song went on about half an hour. It was a delightful climax to a weekend. By the end of it I had been clapping so much I had blisters on my hands."

Because Waskaganish was hosting a hockey tournament the same weekend, Mr. Oliver said, there was major rivalry between church and sporting events.

First Communion since December

Mr. Oliver held a Sunday Communion service in the Anglican church which is "between rectors." As a result, it was the first Eucharist since the beginning of December. "It's just too expensive to fly someone in," he explained.

The services are led by lay reader Sherry Wiestche, an Ojibwa who teaches school in Waskaganish. She's married to Robert Wiestche, a Cree who is the settlement's environment officer. It was from him that Mr. Oliver learned of the community's concerns about the Great Whale project as well as how life used to be for the Waskaganish.

"Robert's not 40 yet but when he grew up, he, like most of the people, lived in tar-paper shacks. Life was very different and health problems were many. With the James Bay development, however, quite a bit of money has been invested in their community. They now live in self-contained, attractive bungalows with full basements. There's some problem with the septic tank for the town but essentially the old problems of health and sanitation are gone."

Though latest plans for the Hydro-Québec project have postponed diversion of the Broadback River on which the Waskaganish band depends, there is nevertheless expected to be some impact on the river, he said, "and they're very nervous about what it might do."

Mr. Oliver drove to Waskaganish with Roger Robert, district secretary of the Bible Society's Quebec office, and Rev. Hervé Martin of Église St. Pierre in Quebec City.

They took 22 boxes of Bibles and educational aids worth about $2,000, which Mr. Oliver considered to be a considerable amount.

In summer, Waskaganish is not accessible by road, he said. After the solid freeze in winter, however, a single-lane, 110-km road is bulldozed in from the James Bay Highway through the bush, marsh and water.

"There are sections where the road is one-way with blind turns. It's a little nerve-wracking and you proceed at some risk."

Ironically, the very inaccessibility of Waskaganish may have spared its people some of the grief brought by development of the area "by outsiders for outsiders," Mr. Oliver suggests.

As he listened to their testimonies during the healing service, he said he experienced "a sense of the pain and evil that has come through alcohol and other abuses that have so hurt our native people everywhere, but I had the feeling of the power of God to renew and heal."

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AVIS PUBLIC
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AVIS PUBLIC est par les présentes donné par la soussignée qu'à une séance spéciale du Conseil devant être tenue le lundi 4 mai 1992 à 19 h 45 à l'hôtel de Ville de Westmount, 4333 Sherbrooke, Westmount, Québec, le Conseil municipal rendra une décision sur les demandes suivantes de dérogations mineures en vertu du Règlement 1077 intitulé «RÈGLEMENT CONCERNANT LES DÉROGATIONS MINEURES»:

92-001 89, Arlington — permettant une marge de recul latérale de 4,1 pieds au lieu de 7 pieds;

92-002 4380-4382, chemin de la Côte des Neiges — permettant une marge de recul arrière de 0 pied au lieu de 20 pieds;

92-003 10, Oakland — permettant un alignement de construction de 13,8 pieds au lieu de 15 pieds;

92-004 389, Roslyn — permettant une marge de recul latérale de 4,4 pieds au coin avant de la maison diminuant jusqu'à 4,3 pieds au coin arrière de la maison et 1,6 pieds à l'escalier arrière au lieu de 7 pieds.

Toute personne intéressée pourra alors être entendue par le Conseil municipal relativement à ces demandes.

Donné à Westmount, Québec, ce 14e jour d'avril 1992.

Me Marie-France Paquet
Greffier de la Ville

WESTMOUNT
PUBLIC NOTICE
APPLICATIONS FOR MINOR EXEMPTIONS

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given by the undersigned that, at a special Council meeting to be held on Monday, 4th May 1992, at 7:45 p.m. at City Hall, 4333 Sherbrooke, Westmount, Quebec, the Municipal Council shall render a decision on the following applications for minor exemptions, according to By-law 1077 entitled "BY-LAW CONCERNING MINOR EXEMPTIONS":

92-001 89 Arlington — to allow a side-yard set back of 4.1 feet instead of 7 feet;

92-002 4380-4382 Côte des Neiges Road — to allow a rear-yard set back of 0 instead of 20 feet;

92-003 10 Oakland — to allow a building line of 13.8 feet instead of 15 feet;

92-004 389 Roslyn — to allow a side-yard set back of 4.4 feet at the front corner of the house narrowing to 4.3 feet at the rear of the house and 1.6 feet at the rear staircase instead of 7 feet.

Any interested person may then be heard by the Municipal Council with respect to these applications.

Given at Westmount, Quebec, this 14th day of April 1992.

Me Marie-France Paquet
City Clerk

WESTMOUNT
AVIS PUBLIC
RÈGLEMENT 1092

À: Toutes les personnes habiles à voter de la Ville de Westmount ayant le droit d'être inscrites sur la liste référendaire de ladite Ville à l'égard de l'un quelconque des districts zonés R3, Partie 1, R2, Partie 3, R1, Partie 2 et R1, Partie 1 (étant les zones contiguës au District R2, Partie 2), le tout tel que plus amplement décrit et illustré au croquis contenu ci-après dans l'avis.

AVIS PUBLIC EST PAR LA PRÉSENTE DONNÉ PAR LA SOUSSIGNÉE, GREFFIER DE LA VILLE DE WESTMOUNT, de ce qui suit:

Lors de la séance générale du Conseil municipal de la Ville de Westmount tenue le 6 avril 1992, le Conseil a adopté le règlement 1092, intitulé «RÈGLEMENT VISANT À MODIFIER DE NOUVEAU LE RÈGLEMENT 978 VISANT À RÉGLEMENTER LE ZONAGE DANS LA VILLE DE WESTMOUNT».

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b) pour le District R2, Partie 3, par 12 personnes de ce District;

c) pour le District R1, Partie 2, par 12 personnes de ce District;

d) pour le District R1, Partie 1, par 12 personnes de ce District.

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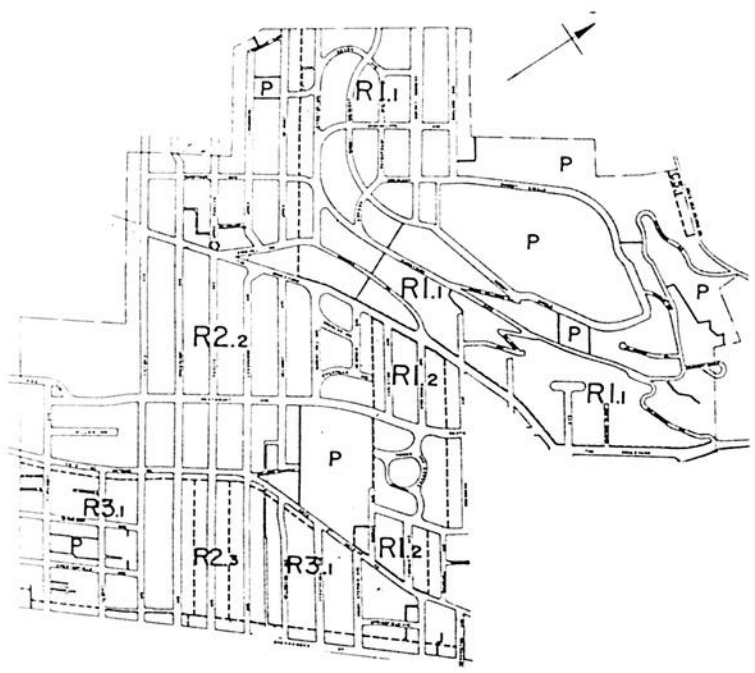
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Comprend les immeubles situés des deux côtés de l'avenue Forden, de Forden Crescent et des avenues Murray, Carleton et Sydenham, entre le Chemin de la Côte Saint-Antoine et The Boulevard et borné au sud, par Côte Saint-Antoine et au nord, par The Boulevard.

District R1, Partie 1:
Borné à l'est, par les limites est de la Ville et par le district C5, Partie 1; au sud, par The Boulevard; à l'ouest, par la limite est du district R2, Partie 2 et par les lignes arrières de lot sur le côté ouest de l'avenue Lexington; au nord, par les limites nord de la Ville.

Le périmètre de ces zones contiguës est illustré au croquis ci-après.



CONDITIONS POUR ÊTRE UNE PERSONNE HABILE À VOTER AYANT LE DROIT D'ÊTRE INSCRITE SUR LA LISTE RÉFÉRENDAIRE DE L'UNE DES ZONES CONTIGUËS:

1. Condition générale à remplir le 6 avril 1992.
   Être soit domicilié dans l'une ou l'autre de ces zones contiguës, soit propriétaire d'un immeuble situé dans l'une ou l'autre de ces zones contiguës au sens de la Loi sur la fiscalité municipale, soit occupant d'un lieu d'affaires situé dans l'une ou l'autre de ces zones contiguës au sens de la même Loi.
2. Condition supplémentaire, particulière aux personnes physiques, à remplir le 6 avril 1992:
   Être majeure et de citoyenneté canadienne.
3. Condition supplémentaire particulière aux copropriétaires indivis d'un immeuble et aux cooccupants d'un lieu d'affaires:
   Être désigné au moyen d'une procuration signée par la majorité de ceux-ci, comme le seul des copropriétaires ou des cooccupants qui a le droit d'être inscrit sur la liste référendaire à titre de propriétaire de l'immeuble ou occupant du lieu d'affaires. (Note: Un copropriétaire ou un cooccupant n'a pas à être désigné s'il est par ailleurs qualifié à titre de personne domiciliée, de propriétaire unique d'un immeuble ou d'occupant unique d'un lieu d'affaires.)

CONDITION D'EXERCICE DU DROIT D'UNE PERSONNE MORALE DE SIGNER LA REQUÊTE:
Désigner par une résolution parmi ses membres, administrateurs ou employés, une personne qui le 6 avril 1992, et au moment d'exercer ce droit, est majeure et de citoyenneté

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Where were they going?



The following calls were answered by the Westmount Fire Brigade during the past week:

April 7

8:59 a.m.: 450 Kensington, Shaar Hashomayim, code 3 automatic mutual aid from Côte St. Luc and Outremont cancelled at 9:02 a.m., fire in clothes drye**9:48 a.m.:** 4585 Sherbrooke, YMCA, first responder unit for medical assistance (see story page 9);
8:17 p.m.: 5615 Emerald, code 2 automatic mutual aid to Côte St. Luc cancelled at 8:25 p.m.;
9:58 p.m.: 4998 de Maisonneuve, first responder unit for medical assistance;

April 8 and 9

Nil;

April 10

9:29 a.m.: Area of 355 Lansdowne, for alarm sounding, none found;
3:15 p.m.: 2 Summit Circle, defective alarm;
6:53 p.m.: 4114 St. Catherine, water leak in basement from burst pipe upstairs;

April 11

8:48 a.m.: 1304 Greene, fire alarm activated by dirt in duct system;

April 12

4:56 a.m.: 5765 Côte St. Luc, code 3 automatic mutual aid to Hampstead cancelled at 5:04 a.m.;
12:05 p.m.: 520 Macdonald, code 3 automatic mutual aid to Côte St. Luc cancelled at 12:15 p.m.;
1:55 p.m.: 4300 de Maisonneuve, first responder unit for medical assistance;
4:52 p.m.: 4430 St. Catherine, code 3 automatic mutual aid from Côte St. Luc and Outremont cancelled at 5:09 p.m., smoke detector activated by exhaust from car in garage;

April 13

7:14 a.m.: 283 Clarke, water backing up in basement from blocked floor drain;
10:06 a.m.: 5475 Westminster, code 2 automatic mutual aid to Côte St. Luc cancelled at 7:32 a.m.;
3:37 p.m.: 14 Somerville, for strange odour in laundry area, smell of fabric softener.

Who's doing what?

The following building permits were issued at Westmount city hall recently:

April 6

4903 Sherbrooke: for National Food Shops by Levine Bros. Ltée., basement drain, $150;

April 7

No permits issued.

April 8

750 Upper Lansdowne: for Tom Nowicki by Technaform, kitchen and bathroom alterations, $15,000;

April 9

No permits issued.

April 10

4400 St. Catherine: for Corp. de Placement Hillcath by Guard X, fire alarm system, $8,000;
1500 Atwater: for Boutique Un Seul Prix by Plomberie Remi Cloutier, hot water basin and tank, $450;
1500 Atwater: for Bata Shoes by TB Kerr Constr., expansion and relocation, $60,000.

Dawson theft

A CD player and an electronic keyboard vanished from the radio room at Dawson College between April 3-8, police said. The theft was reported by security personnel.

Berger opens his door

By ALISON RAMSEY

Constituents in St. Henri-Westmount MP David Berger's riding want jobs, perennially low interest rates and to redress the lack of credibility among politicians of all stripes.

Those opinions and more were brought to Mr. Berger's attention during the first of three community meetings, held Sunday afternoon at the riding office in St. Henri.

Between 40 and 50 constituents dropped in to give Mr. Berger advice, ask questions and promote their causes.

"I think he has integrity," said former Westmounter Lorne Walls of Mr. Berger. "He was nice enough to invite the constituents here.

"The only other politician I can think of that strikes me as having integrity is Clyde Wells and, if they want to call him a politician, Ovide Mercredi."

He and his wife, Karen, came to congratulate Mr. Berger on his credibility, and ask what he could do about upping the nation's confidence in other politicians.

Mr. Walls had one idea.

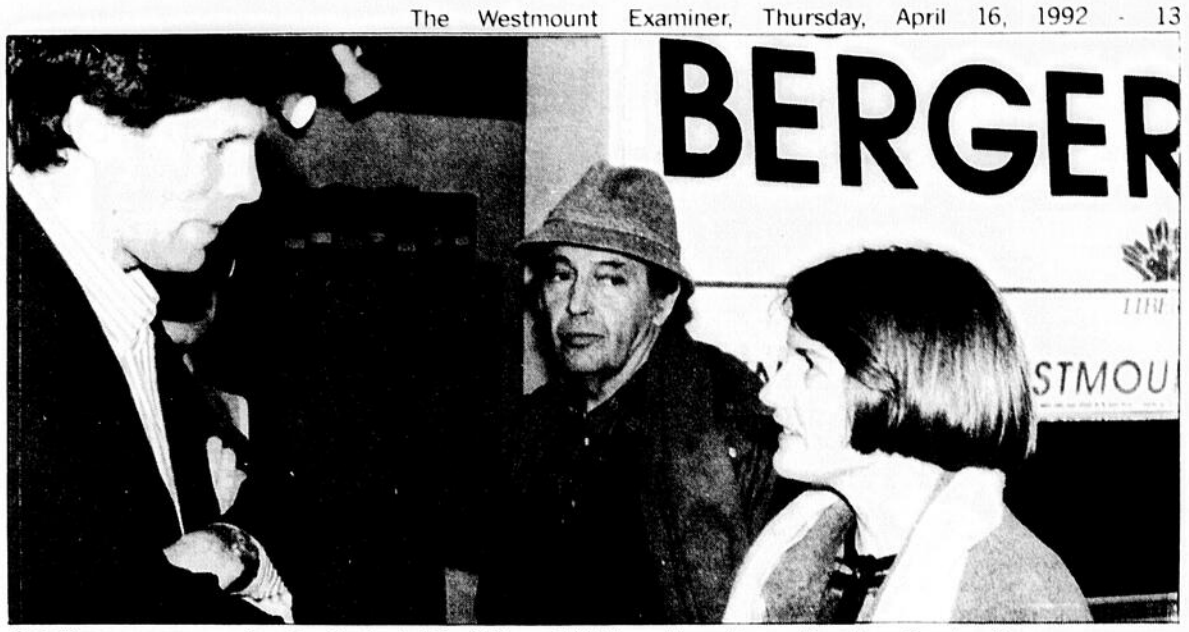
"It's going to require politicians themselves to stop pushing their political, personal, partisan agendas. They should analyze the problems and put solutions to the problems. They've got to stop playing politics."

"I'd feel better if MPs, in the Conservative government, were not, in my opinion, closet separatists," said Westmounter Larry Nadler. "They're now calling the shots.

"I feel his heart is in the right place," he said of Mr. Berger. "It's unfortunate he's not the leader of any party... I'm not very proud of Canada right now."

The third, and final, community meeting is tonight from 7 to 9 p.m. in room 212 at the Strathearn Centre, 3680 Jeanne Mance.

"I'm very happy with the turnout," Mr. Berger said of the first meeting. "It has led to many phone calls to the office, and I've started to receive coupons from people asking to get together in smaller groups... The early returns are good."



Questions were answered and beefs aired at David Berger's (left) meeting with constituents on Sunday afternoon.

Spaniel tossed from van in laneway

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

A scared and sick black-and-white puppy was thrown out of a white van containing animal cages that pulled into the lane behind Winchester Avenue recently, public safety officers said.

The puppy was rescued as it cowered beneath a back porch where it ran for safety after the incident was witnessed by a local resident who called the Public Security Unit.

Officers took the young spaniel to the SPCA where inspectors confirmed they would investigate where it had come from and why it was dumped.

Public security Lieut. Richard Clyde, who alerted police, said he suspected the van might have come from a pet store or a puppy farm trying to get rid of a sick dog.

Crime prevention officer Gaston Bernier said police would not conduct an inquiry but leave it to the SPCA.

Inspector Daniel Davenport told THE EXAMINER Monday his investigation should take two or three weeks more to complete. He said it was difficult to pin down or to find witnesses willing to testify in court.

The puppy was dirty and very skinny, the inspector said. It was on medication and expected to recover well.

"We'll probably put him up for adoption," he said. "Now he's in good company."

Canteen hushed on Forden

A mobile canteen driver will cease honking the horn at 8:25 a.m. in the area of Forden Crescent following a complaint Monday last week, public safety officers said.

The canteen owner agreed to refrain when informed of the city's noise bylaw and being told it was bothering a resident who stated he works at night and needs to sleep in the morning.

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canadienne.

Les détails se rapportant audit règlement sont contenus au complet dans le Règlement 1092, lequel peut être consulté par toutes les personnes intéressées, au bureau du greffier de la Ville, Hôtel de Ville, Westmount, du lundi au vendredi, inclusivement, durant les heures d'affaires, soit de 8h30 à 16h30.

DONNÉ sous mon seing à Westmount, Québec, ce 14e jour d'avril 1992.

Me Marie-France Paquet
Greffier de la Ville

WESTMOUNT
PUBLIC NOTICE
BY-LAW 1092

TO: All qualified voters of the City of Westmount entitled to have their names entered on the referendum list of the said City in respect of any of Districts R3-Part 1, R2-Part 3, R1-Part 2 and R1-Part 1 (being the contiguous zones to District R2-Part 2), the whole as hereinafter more fully described and illustrated in the sketch.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE UNDERSIGNED, CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF WESTMOUNT, of the following:

At the general sitting of the Municipal Council of the City of Westmount held on 6th April 1992, Council adopted By-law 1092, entitled "BY-LAW TO FURTHER AMEND BY-LAW 978 TO REGULATE ZONING IN THE CITY OF WESTMOUNT".

The object and purpose of this by-law is to provide that any municipal building in District R2 — Part 2 (Fire Station No. 2 at 680 Victoria Avenue) which existed prior to the 31st day of March 1977 and containing not less than 6,000 square feet (557.4 square meters) of floor area above the basement may be altered, modified or changed into not more than three (3) dwelling units provided that each dwelling unit has not less than 2,000 square feet of floor area (185.8 square meters).

Any qualified voter entitled to have his or her names entered on the referendum list of any of the following contiguous zones: R3-Part 1, R2-Part 3, R1-Part 2 and R1-Part 1 may participate in the registration procedure and, as the case may be, in the referendum poll, with respect to the said By-law 1092, by filing with the City Clerk, within five (5) days following the date of publication of this notice, a petition signed:

a) for zone R3-Part 1, by 12 persons of the said zone;

b) for zone R2-Part 3, by 12 persons of the said zone;

c) for zone R1-Part 2, by 12 persons of the said zone;

d) for zone R1-Part 1, by 12 persons of the said zone.

DESCRIPTION AND SKETCH OF CONTIGUOUS ZONES:

The boundaries of the said contiguous zones of the existing District R2-Part 2 are as follows and are shown on the sketch below:

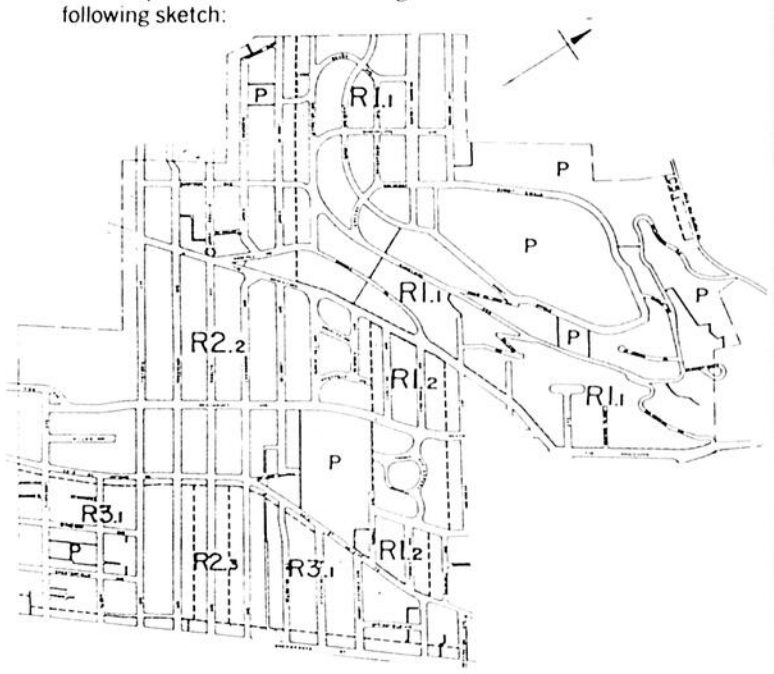
District R3 — Part 1:
Bounded to the east, by Kensington; to the south, by the rear lot lines on the north side of Sherbrooke; to the west, by the western City limits; to the north, by the south side of Côte St. Antoine with the exception of the properties on Roslyn included in District R2, Part 3 and the properties on the south side of Côte St. Antoine included in District R2, Part 2.

District R2 — Part 3:
Bounded to the east, by the rear lot lines on the east side of Roslyn, to the south, by the rear lot lines on the north side of Sherbrooke; to the west, by the rear lot lines on the west side of Roslyn; to the north, by the rear lot lines on the south side of Côte St. Antoine.

District R1 — Part 2:
Comprises the properties on both sides of Forden Avenue, Forden Crescent, Murray, Carleton and Sydenham, between Côte St. Antoine and The Boulevard and bounded to the south, by Côte St. Antoine and to the north, by The Boulevard.

District R1 — Part 1:
Bounded to the east, by the eastern limits of the City and by District C5, Part 1; to the south, by The Boulevard; to the west, by the eastern boundary of District R2, Part 2 and by the rear of lot lines on the west side of Lexington; to the north, by the northern limits of the City.

The perimeter of these contiguous zones is illustrated in the following sketch:



CONDITIONS TO BE A QUALIFIED VOTER ENTITLED TO HAVE ONE'S NAME ENTERED ON THE REFERENDUM LIST OF ONE OF THE CONTIGUOUS ZONES:

1. General condition to comply with on 6th April 1992:
to be either domiciled in any of these contiguous zones, or to be an owner of an immoveable situated in any of these contiguous zones, within the meaning of the Act respecting municipal taxation, or to be the occupant of a place of business situated in any of these contiguous zones, within the meaning of the same Act.
2. Additional condition applicable to natural persons as of 6th April 1992:
to be of full age and a Canadian citizen.
3. Additional condition applicable to undivided co-owners of an immoveable and co-occupants of a place of business:
to be designated by means of a power of attorney signed by a majority of them, as being the only co-owner or co-occupant having the right to have his or her name entered on the referendum list as owner of the immoveable or as occupant of the place of business. (Note: The co-owner or co-occupant does not have to be designated if he or she is otherwise qualified, either as a person domiciled as the sole owner of an immoveable, or as the sole occupant of a place of business.)

CONDITIONS FOR A LEGAL PERSON TO SIGN THE PETITION:
to designate by resolution among its members, directors or employees a person who, on 6th April 1992, and at the time of exercising such right, is of full age and a Canadian citizen.

Details relating to the said by-law are fully set out in By-law 1092 which is open for inspection by all persons interested at the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Westmount, from Monday to Friday, inclusive, during regular office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

GIVEN under my hand at Westmount, Quebec, this 14th day of April 1992.

Me Marie-France Paquet
City Clerk

Job security important for blues and PSU in new city contracts

Labour negotiations between Westmount and its employees are getting under way this month in an atmosphere marked by hard times and uncertainty.

The gloomy economic mood seems to have weighed heavily in demands by the three unions representing white-collar employees, blue-collar workers and public safety officers whose collective agreements have already expired.

Though union representatives expressed concern for the future this week, all were reluctant to commit themselves on the type of monetary increases they might accept.

The city has already budgeted for 1.5 percent increases for 1992, an amount which is meant to cover the

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

total cost of salary and fringe benefit modifications, according to director-general Manley Schultz.

He sees the current negotiations as focussing around three issues: job security, monetary improvement and fringe benefits based on protection of the individual. "People are asking, 'What if I can't work?'"

White-collar employees

In the face of hard times, the city's 100 white-collar workers, local 2987 of the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE), are trying to find innovative ways of gaining improvements, according to vice-president Percy George.

"We're looking into different aspects of getting benefits where we'll gain and citizens will too."

New summer hours started two years is an example of such a benefit, he said. With city hall opening earlier but closing at noon on Friday, residents had greater accessibility throughout the week and workers gained "flex time."

"Of course, money is an issue this year," he said, "but because of the economic situation I think everyone understands we have to realize where we spend our pennies. We're not discussing money yet at this stage of negotiations."

The white-collars' three-year contract expired Dec. 31, 1991. A list of requests has been submitted to the city but negotiations have not started in earnest.

PSOs seek security

Job security is a big issue for the city's 21 public safety officers, says president James Novak of the Association of Westmount Public Safety Officers.

"We're striving for some form of job security. We want to make sure that the members who are here now don't lose their jobs. If the city changed our jobs, where would they relocate us? That's a major concern."

Though both white- and blue-collar workers have job security written into their contracts for members with at least 10 years' service, officers have only a verbal promise two years ago from former mayor May Cutler that no one would lose a job in any plan to merge the Public Security Unit and fire department.

Officers also are seeking hourly pay equity with firefighters, he said.

"We're focussing on why in 1991 firefighters got six percent plus $600 increases mid-year when everyone else in the city got four percent?"

According to director-general Schultz, firefighters were fortunate to have started their negotiations long before the full impact of the recession was known. Since the city had begun negotiations "in good faith," it felt committed to carry through, he said.

Firefighters are in the second year of a three-year contract.

Public safety officers submitted requests in February after the end of their contract Dec. 31.

Blue-collar workers

Westmount blue-collar workers have been without a contract for more than a year after it expired Dec. 31, 1990, but negotiations involving a new three-year contract were put aside until resolution of the city's pension plan last fall. A city offer covering wage increases in 1991 remains under consideration as talks on the contract now get under way, says Claude Voyer, vice-president of CUPE local 3422.

The amount of the offer, which neither Mr. Voyer nor Mr. Schultz would divulge, was intended to be "a quick-fix" for 1991, the director general said. "We've never received an official response to it."

Mr. Voyer told THE EXAMINER Tuesday the union was looking for job security for all its permanent workers in the new contract. These numbered 115 at year end.

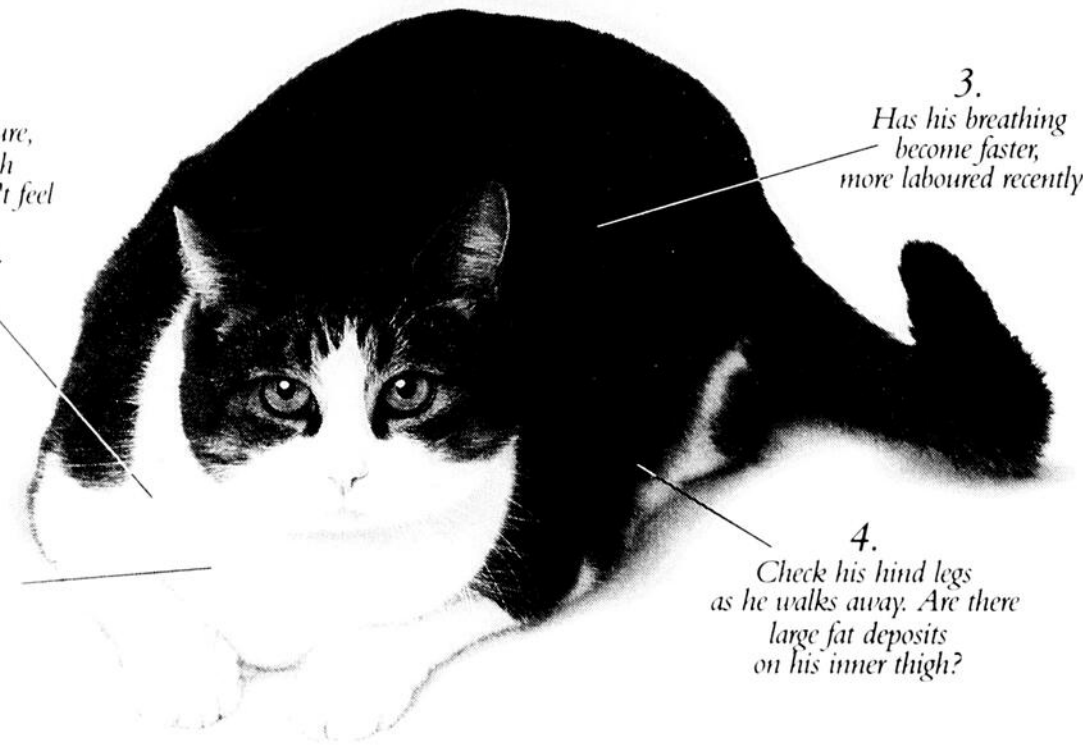
"Another big thing for us is working out a job evaluation system."

The union also is seeking comparable wages to those recently granted to Montreal blue-collars as well as improvement in the sick plan which is not considered to be as good as that already obtained by Westmount white-collar workers, he said.

Bike stolen

A fluorescent yellow Coti bicycle was stolen from a garage on Grosvenor Avenue last Thursday about 12:30 p.m., police said.

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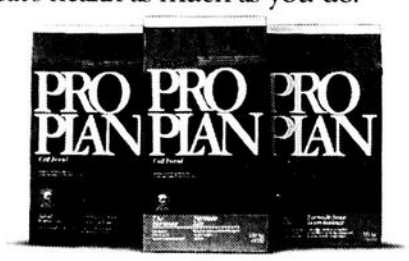
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Marks thwarted from voting against changes in parking

Is there a city traffic policy?

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

Councillor Karin Marks tried to vote against Westmount's latest parking changes at Monday's council meeting last week, but never got the chance.

After repeating her request from the February session that council adopt an overall traffic policy before approving more ad hoc parking changes, Mrs. Marks refused to raise her arm when Mayor Peter Trent called for the vote asking "All in favour?"

Assuming all the councillors had voted for the motion, as usual, Mr Trent pressed quickly on to the next agenda item without asking if anyone was opposed.

Mrs. Marks, who was seated beside the mayor at the council table, later said she nudged him and tried to tell him she was opposed, but to no avail.

"Of course I was intending to vote against it," she said later. "I never got the chance."

When the traffic items came up for discussion, they were never read, but simply referred to on the printed agenda. Mrs. Marks began questioning them, particularly a request to create reserved parking on Strathcona and Arlington avenues to alleviate congestion caused by users of the YMCA.

Her reservations were supported by Mr. Trent, who agreed that ever since he had been on council traffic changes had been made on a piecemeal basis.

Councillor Herbert Bercovitz also agreed.

"The problem Karin Marks brings up is a very important one because the number of cars is not likely to diminish."

He said short-term solutions are being used while the operations and environment committee looks at the long term.

What is the policy, Mrs. Marks wanted to know.

This is a special case, she was told. The city is working on neighbourhood profiles to develop specific needs in various sectors of the city, explained city operations manager Bruce St. Louis. "Our target is this fall."

However, public security director Richard McEnroe, who heads the city's administrative traffic committee, said this week on his return from a three-week traffic course at the Ontario Police College in Aylmer, Ont., that his committee already had a policy and wasn't planning on adopting a new one as far as he knew.

"We've developed a policy to do what citizens want on their street. We're prepared to recommend any request that makes sense if, after a poll, it's approved by a majority of the residents on the street."

The four recent changes including the problem created by YMCA parking fit that criteria, he explained.

Others were creation of a handicapped parking zone on Lorraine Avenue to accommodate a resident of the street, creation of a school loading zone on Mount Pleasant Avenue in front of Miss Edgar's and Miss Cramp's as well as changing the weekly street maintenance parking restriction on Hillside Avenue to Thursday from Wednesday.

Handful of residents shouldn't get their street redone: critic

By J. MARION FEINBERG

Question period regular Paul Creighton grilled city council on its plan to spend $715,000 on road repairs to Surrey Gardens at the last meeting.

He pointed out that in the same budget, almost $1.4 million was earmarked for de Maisonneuve Boulevard with its 150 buildings housing about 1,500 people not including businesses. Surrey Gardens has 21 buildings with about 150 residents.

"This seems to be a badly skewed cost/benefit relationship for one street with not very heavy traffic," he said.

Mayor Peter Trent retorted that he would hazard a guess that the average evaluation of a house located on Surrey Gardens would be from $800,000 to $1 million.

"Once you look at how much these people pay in taxes, it doesn't seem so unrealistic," he said. "I feel we've been paying too much attention to roads and not enough to buildings."

But Mr. Trent said that if enough people think the plan can be delayed another year, council would consider it.

When asked about the safety condition of the road, city operations manager Bruce St. Louis answered that de Maisonneuve and Surrey Gardens were prioritized as numbers one and two on the list.

The funds to reconstruct the two streets were in this year's capital works budget.

"One of the problems with the capital works budget is that we adopt it and then spend half of it," Mr. Trent said. "I've always been against doing that. Next year we'll use a more methodological approach."

Mr. Trent vowed to invoke a filtering process at budget time next year. He added that every year the city's asset base is extended.

"It's absurd to borrow money to fix a street," he said.

Mr. Creighton then stated that to legally have work on Surrey Gardens stopped he would have to collect 500 signatures, which he didn't consider fair given the fact that no one councillor received more than 500 votes in the last municipal election.

Garage filled with smoke in electric fire

A fire in the electrical panel of an apartment garage at 4328 Sherbrooke St. a week ago Saturday caused about $1,000 damage and filled the area with smoke, fire officials said. Firefighters put out the fire using an extinguisher.

The fire blew a fuse in an outside transformer, plunging the two adjoining buildings into darkness.

An occupant of the building discovered the fire after smelling smoke in the basement and finding flames licking out of the electrical entry, police said. The 26-year-old tried to quell the blaze but was unable to.

Bercovitz named to assembly to elect new health board

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

Councillor Herbert Bercovitz was appointed yesterday at a hastily-called city council meeting to represent Westmount on an electoral assembly of 150 people who will choose, from its members, a new regional health and social service council.

The council, or board of directors, will administer health and social services on the Montreal island. It will allocate funding to each institution as part of Quebec's reforms to decentralize the administration of health services.

Mr. Bercovitz, a pharmacist and former hospital administrator, is one of 30 municipal delegates who will sit on the electoral assembly, Mayor Peter Trent said. Other members will come from health and social services institutions, community organizations and socio-economic organizations.

From this group, 20 board members will be chosen including four municipal representatives. Another five are to be appointed by the government.

The new health board replaces the existing regional health and social services council for metropolitan Montreal which had more limited powers, Mr. Bercovitz explained.

"It's a very good thing," he said, noting that regional boards will have the power to administer each region according to its specific needs.

"This is such a departure from the past, that the (health) minister is holding a day-long meeting at the end of the month to explain new game rules," Mr. Bercovitz said.

There are two key issues to the health reforms, Mr. Bercovitz explained.

Election of the regional boards allows them to be more representative.

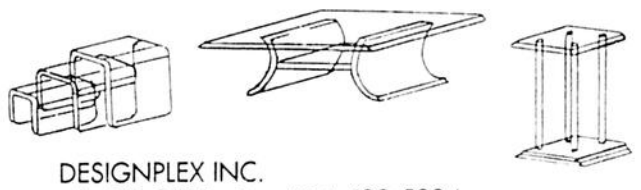
The other issue is the decentralizing of the budget allocation to the boards, which will decide how much each institution will get. In the past, Quebec has allocated budgets to each hospital and institution directly, except in the case of some smaller ones. It has been difficult for Quebec to give up this control since the health and social services budget is such a large chunk of the overall budget, he said.

In the Montreal region, each MUC municipality will send one delegate to the electoral assembly with the exception of Montreal, which will choose three. The choice had to be made by city council resolution by April 22, forcing Westmount to hold the special meeting held at 8 a.m. yesterday.

Y wallets stolen

Two wallets were reported stolen from lockers at the Westmount YMCA Tuesday last week, police said. A lock was forced open on one but, curiously, still intact on the other. Police did not reveal the amount of the thefts, which occurred between 3 and 4 p.m.

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David Wittman — carpenter

In the neighbourhood
by Janet Coutts

"Call Carpenter Dave!" is the cry that goes up, especially in the spring, when Westmounters survey winter damage to the exteriors of their city houses and country cottages.

The man they mean is David Wittman, 42 ,of Abbott Avenue. He has provided "full service carpentry and renovations" to Westmounters since 1982, "when I took up full-time carpentry to feed my family."

But to hear Mr. Wittman tell it, he himself does very little. His wife and children do everything but the actual woodworking.

His wife and children, he says, help him get orders. Trinity, 12, babysits, takes dance lessons and plays soccer. She has made contacts for her dad through all these activities.

Bryan, 10, earns money by helping his dad with carpentry. And adorable just-turned-two Casey would be reason enough to hire her dad if she just came along as he worked on your deck.

Mr. Wittman was born in Toledo, Ohio, and his first carpentry was helping his father build a back porch when he was eight or nine.

"My friends and I spent the whole summer building a three-storey tree fort the year I was 10. The telephone company cut it down at the end of August because my brother put a nail through one of their wires.

"But until then no one bothered us; carpenters gave us scrap lumber from a housing project," he remembers.

Trip aborted

"I worked my way through university working nights on the railroad. At 23, I started out to see the world. First I went to California, then started hitching across Canada on my way to Europe.

"I stopped in Montreal to see a friend at McGill medical school, and we went downtown for a beer at the Rainbow Bar & Grill. I stayed there two weeks, and then had no money left for Europe. So they gave me a job as doorman and later bartender."

He met his wife around that time. Nancy Nelson was a student at McGill, putting herself and a number of others through university on the proceeds of a flower-selling business.

In 1976, the two opened Darwin's. "But first we renovated for seven months." It became a very successful operation, and a few years later they sold it to move to Florida and, later, Georgia.

"I don't just work in Westmount," Mr. Wittman points out. "In Ontario I restored a 200-year-old farmhouse and an architect I know sent me to upstate New York to remodel a dairy building. I've done a lot of work in the Eastern Townships."

This last doesn't surprise me. In summer there are more Westmounters in the Townships than there are in Westmount.

"I can work in the U.S. because I'm an American citizen," Mr. Wittman points out. "And people from Westmount own country houses there."

I ask what Mr. Wittman does when he is not working. Not an easy question.

"I'm booked solid when the snow melts, and I'm outside 10 months of the year. I work six-day weeks."

And Ms. Nelson adds, "We have babies in December and January, and that's when we tear apart our house to get ready."

"Well, we have a project every winter," says Mr. Wittman. "This year we remodelled the basement."

Daddy's toybox

Part of the remodelling project was custom-fit toyboxes for the children. "But then I filled them with camping equipment. So Casey calls them 'Daddy's toybox.'



Bryan helps dad, David Wittman. They're working now on sanding this piece to house electric train controls.

"We go on camping trips, and we go to Michigan every year during the construction holiday. We like windsurfing and waterskiing. I used to coach baseball, but I had to give it up because of the big bite afternoon games took out of my working day.

"Nancy coaches soccer and she's coaching the kids at Roslyn for a road race on the mountain."

"It's a school-day thing," Ms. Nelson says. "Actually, I get more exercise pushing the baby stroller up to the school than I do coaching."

Mr. Wittman and Ms. Nelson are looking forward to a trip to Centaur Theatre to see *Blokes*, starring their friend George Bowser, half of the Bowser and Blue team. "I used to work at Déjà Vu (the downstairs half of the downtown Bowser and Blue club)," says Ms. Nelson. "So I've heard a lot of their material, but I've never seen it."

"Once in a while George will call me to say he needs props — for tomorrow," Mr. Wittman says. "So I dig through my scraps and make what he needs."

While Mr. Wittman is proud that his two older children know something about carpentry, he doesn't mind that Bryan is more interested than Trinity. "I hope he grows up to do anything else, but I would like him to be able to put a porch on his country place."

Car jumps curb and nearly hits city ticketer

THE POPULARITY of two city ticketers seemed particularly low last week, according to public security reports. One was attacked by a dog, the other was almost run over by a car.

A mixed-breed dog was was being walked on leash by its owner along Greene Avenue near Selby Street Monday afternoon last when it reportedly jumped on parking inspector Marc-André Jobin and tore his jacket.

Two days later, Chris Lewis was walking on the east side of Olivier Avenue about 10 a.m. when a blue Honda Civic suddenly mounted the curb, appearing to be trying to run him down. The ticketer managed to dodge the car by running up on grass by the electrical city substation but, in doing so, was unable to record the licence number.

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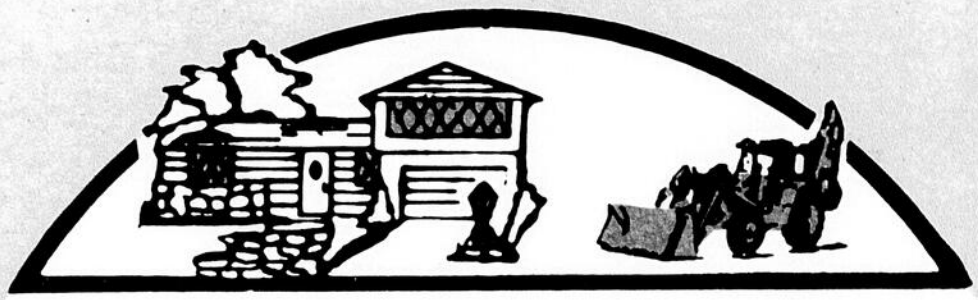
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Centaur Theatre's bawdy *Blokes* barely tasteful, but droll

Blokes, the Bowser and Blue show at Centaur Theatre, brings back vaudeville... well, transposes English music hall.

Westmounter George Bowser was educated in modern languages at Oxford and became a musician, playing with the likes of Roger Hodgson of Supertramp fame and Katrina and the Waves, as well as local bands after he came to Canada in 1970.

Ricky Blue has an MA in English from Concordia University and once won an international Clio award for excellence in advertising. Both men are perfectly bilingual, and married to Quebecoises.

But they pretend to ignore the intellect and eschew any refinement of wit. They don't make you think, but they do make you laugh. You *could* bring your maiden aunt along, but don't sit with her. She'd be embarrassed to have you know she laughed at some of the language. Depending on how maidenly she is, she might even be embarrassed to have you find out she even *understands* it all.

Never over the line

So it's hardly highbrow. But it's darn good fun. And while they may use language you would use only in anger in the privacy of your own home, they somehow never seem to slip over the line between simple bad taste and depravity.

They are helped along by direction by Corey Castle and a proscenium arch and other nifty details by set designer Jill Thomson (keep an eye on the Olympic Stadium) and impeccable lighting by Spike Lyne.

There are moments that work better than others: but I suspect it depends on where you stand. Every smoker has wished that some militant non- would "Go out and jog yourself to death."

The young and those who have never frequented piano bars in motels may never have encountered Gary Gonad and his bad pickup lines.

And only if you were there yourself will the poignancy of "John Lennon's Bedroom" strike a chord.

If the show has a fault, it is in the evenness of the pacing. Works fine for nightclubs, but gets a little — just a little, mind you — tedious in the theatre.

Bowser and Blue, while they protest the work of the Apostrophe SS, may convince you, too, to sing "Je ne vais jamais (prendre la 401)." Whatever. They'll make you laugh.

Bowser and Blue have recorded four LPs for Justin Time Records, owned by Westmounter and close friend Jim West. They are the resident satirists on CFCF's *Fighting Back*. They appeared at Just For Laughs three years running.

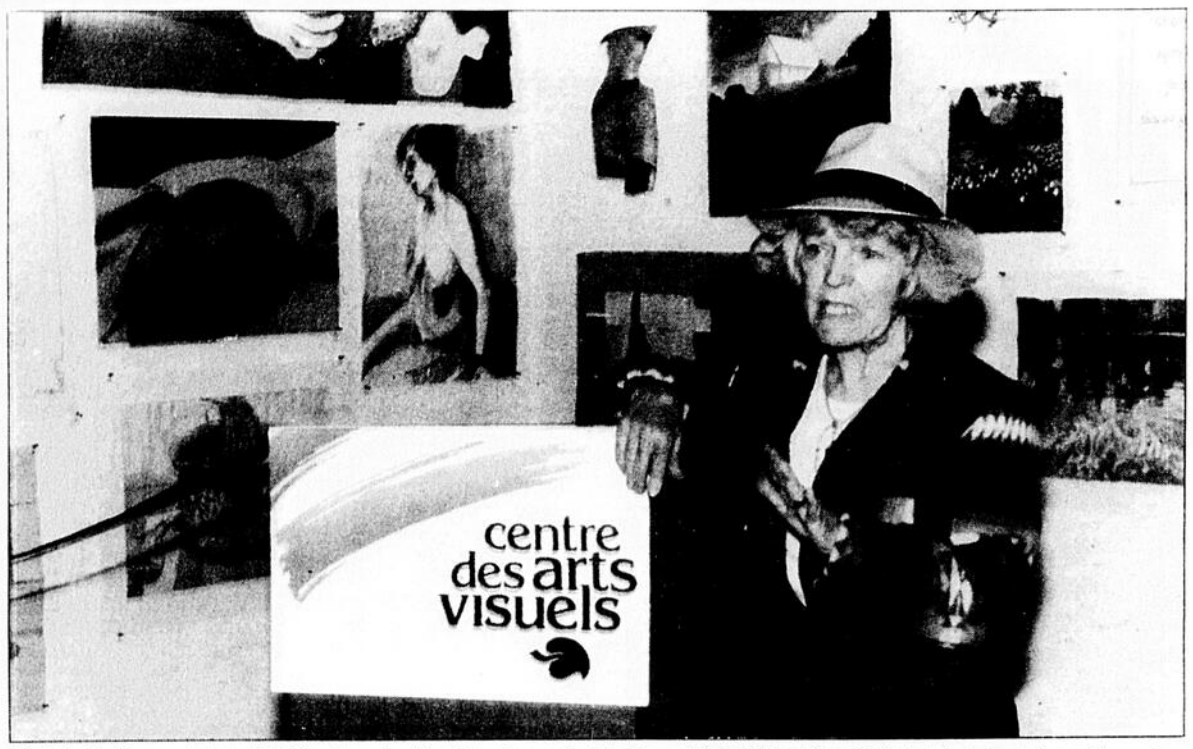
Their song, "Polka Dot Undies," was voted one of 1988's Top Funny Five by the syndicated American radio show, Doctor Demento. In Westmount, their "A Westmount Rhodesian" is an underground hit.

They are very popular with the college crowd in Montreal, and have their own nightclub. They do point out that some of their best material has never been recorded... CRTC rules would prevent it being played on radio.

Blokes is at Centaur until May 24. Showtimes are Tuesday to Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday evenings April 19 and 26 and May 3 and 10 at 7 p.m. (Centaur is smoke-free on Sundays); Saturday matinées every week and Sundays May 17 and 24 at 2 p.m.; Wednesday matinées on April 22 and May 13 at 1 p.m. Box office: 288-1229.

— Janet Coutts

Visual Arts gallery named for the McClures



Virginia McClure said she felt like "Jessica Tandy" when called to the podium at the Visual Arts Centre a week ago Thursday. She was present, and a crowd had gathered, to officially re-name the Visual Arts Centre gallery the Olaf and Virginia McClure Gallery. The gallery is currently showing its annual exhibit of student art. At the opening, Mayor Peter Trent called the VAC and other local institutions "a precious tradition." Mrs. McClure said she hoped the centre would "be flexible, because that's the way it has to be."

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Choir sings tribute to city's 350th at Vic Hall

The Westmount Community Choir will celebrate Montreal's 350th anniversary with a concert at Victoria Hall next Thursday, April 23, at 7 p.m.

Choir director Dorothy Hogan started thinking about the founding peoples of the city of Montreal, shown on the city flag: French, English, Scottish and Irish. Then she thought of the Indians, who were here first, and the strengths added to the city by those of other ethnic groups who came later, and she decided to create a musical birthday card with songs representing as many of the people who live here as possible.

The concert, which Ms. Hogan describes as "much more ambitious that our usual programs," opens with two traditional Iroquois songs and closes with a new bilingual song by Montreal composer Donald Patriquin, "Montreal! Montréal!"

Besides Mr. Patriquin, songs from other Montreal and Quebec songwriters will be featured. These songs, with which the audience is invited to sing along, include Leonard Cohen's "Suzanne" and "Hey, Friend, Say, Friend," written by Stéphanne Venne and Marcel Stelman for Expo 67 and, as a finale, Gilles Vigneault's "Gens du pays."

Invited guests and featured soloists are tenor Howard Welburn, sopranos Lynn Harper and Marie Thérèse La Framboise accompanied by choir pianist Georges Gadbois.

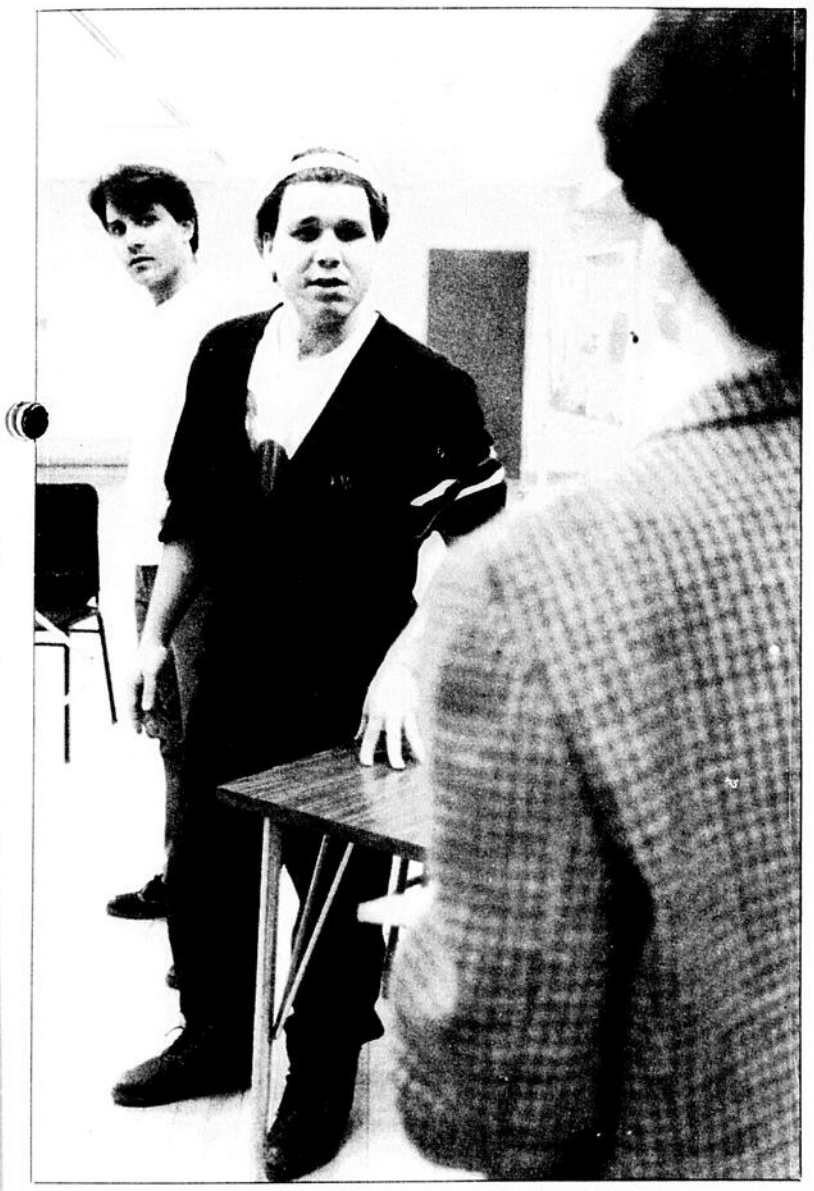
Regular choir members featured in solo performance are Jeannine and Paul St-Onge, Killy and Molly Reavy and CBC journalist and jazz singer Gordon Shapiro. Admission is free and everyone is welcome.



Ricky Blue, left, and George Bowser sings the strains of "Brave Sir Mordecai."

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New Rossi play of 'survivors' written with students in mind



Steven De Melo, centre, exchanges heated words with Pat Rodriguez as Paul Essiembre looks on from behind during a rehearsal without costumes.
Photo by OWEN EGAN

By JANET COUTTS

Montreal playwright/actor Vittorio Rossi is one of the Dome Theatre's star graduates. His published plays — *Little Blood Brother*, *Backstreets*, *The Chain* and *Scarpone*, with emphasis on the first two — are frequently on the reading list of classes taught at his alma mater.

He has kept up contact with a number of his former teachers, particularly John Lucas, who wrote the forward to his first book, Bertram Henry, head of the theatre department, Douglas Buchanan, a drama teacher and Fred Ward, who is also an actor and playwright.

The theatre department is fairly agog these days because next Wednesday they will be presenting the première performance of a new Rossi play, written specifically for this year's graduating class.

There is an added excitement because this year's graduates are an exceptional group. Out of the 15 students in the class, at least seven are already familiar to the dedicated theatregoer for work they have done away from the school. And the others are right on their heels.

Mr. Rossi first met the group at their first-year studio performance.

"He was very generous and very kind in talking to them," recalls Mr. Lucas, who is co-directing the new play with Mr. Rossi. "He did an hour-and-a-half reading for them last year and they were very warm and open to him."

The new play — everyone hopes it will have a title before opening night — "examines a number of things in our society, such as machismo, violence to women and the stresses and strains a group of people must deal with after a terrible incident; it describes 'survivor syndrome,'" Mr. Lucas says.

"It tells about a reporter digging at a story about an incident that happened a year before the play starts. The play presents the past in a series of flashbacks, so it is interesting technically as well as dramatically."

For those many who are familiar with Mr. Rossi's work, this is something of a departure, in that the characters are not Italian and the story is set in a "large urban centre" that is not necessarily Montreal.

The collaboration between Mr. Rossi and his school came about because of a casual remark Mr. Rossi made to faculty members about the constraint of modern theatre where plays have mostly two or three characters, with a maximum of eight. He would like the challenge, he said, of writing for more than 10 characters.

"I always enjoy working with Vittorio," says Mr. Lucas. "And this has been a wonderful experience, significant for the students. It has been a collaborative, creative process. Vittorio has taken some of their suggestions and incorporated some of their spontaneous lines from rehearsal into the script."

Gruelling rehearsals

Rehearsals are going on all day, and lasting well into the early morning hours. The actors are getting rewritten lines on a daily basis since Mr. Rossi returned recently from New York, where his *The Chain* was being workshopped.

Can Mr. Rossi and the graduating class at the Dome, assisted by Mr. Lucas, set designer Jill Thomson and lighting designer Jennifer Bergeron, rise to the challenge of bringing a brand-new, large (and funny, of course) drama of wide scope, both in time and subject, to the stage?

We have the opportunity to find out at the Dome Theatre, between Wednesday, April 22, and Sunday, May 3. For those who can't wait quite that long, there are previews Monday and Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. All other performances are at 8 p.m. Admissions is $7.50; seniors and students, $6; previews $5. Box office is 931-5000 and the theatre is at 3990 Notre Dame St. W.

Local author gives readings

Westmount author Edward O. Phillips will give at least two public readings in Montreal to celebrate the National Book Festival.

On Tuesday, April 28, Mr. Phillips will join Merrily Weisbord and David Homel in an evening of reading at Bistro 4, 4040 St. Lawrence Blvd., corner Duluth, at 8 p.m. Mr. Phillips will read from his newest book *The Landlady's Niece* an from *Sunday Best*.

On Thursday, April 30, Mr. Phillips will be at the Reginald J.P. Dawson Library, 1967 Graham Blvd, Town of Mount Royal at 7:30 p.m. to give a solo reading.



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There is room for environmental improvement in every community, including Westmount. If you know of a group that could take part, or you have a good idea of your own, call Environment Canada for more information. In Quebec, the program is administered by Serge Labonté in Quebec City. He can be reached at 418-648-3391.

Hydro firms pay for old fridges

There's an energy-waster sitting in many basements in Canada, and some provincial hydro companies have decided to do something about them.

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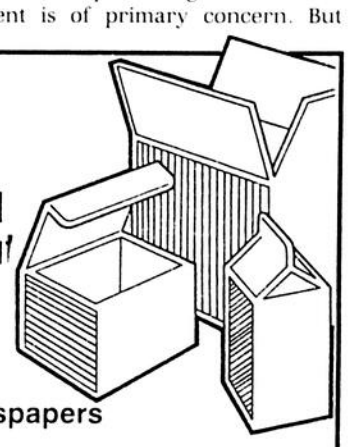
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In the Victoria area alone, 13,000 fridges were picked up last year and the program this year is going province-wide.

In Ontario, a similar pilot project has been started and it should be province-wide by this fall. Manitoba started its plan in Winnipeg last year, giving credits on hydro bills of $45 to those who deliver old fridges and $30 credits to those who have them picked up.

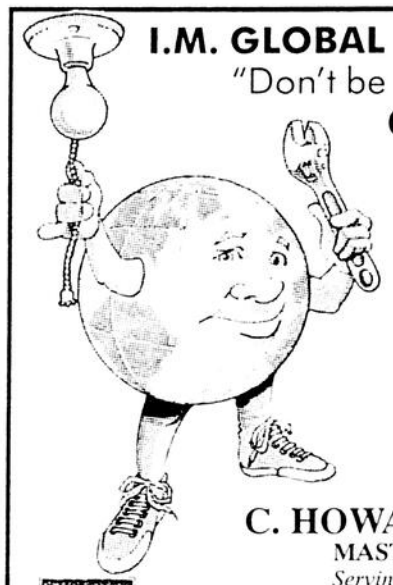
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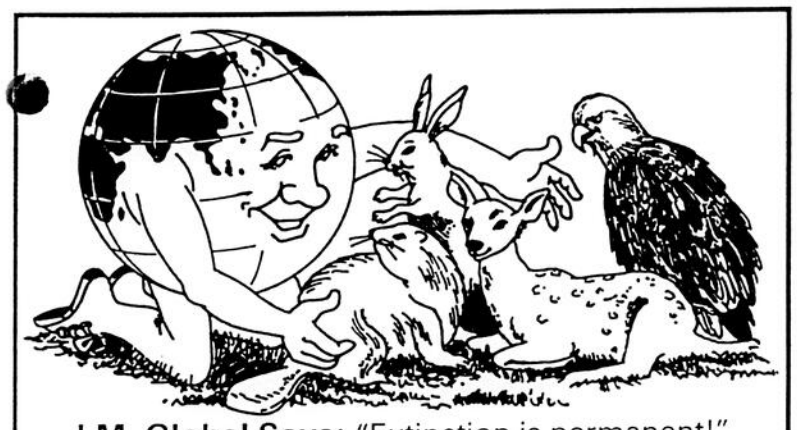


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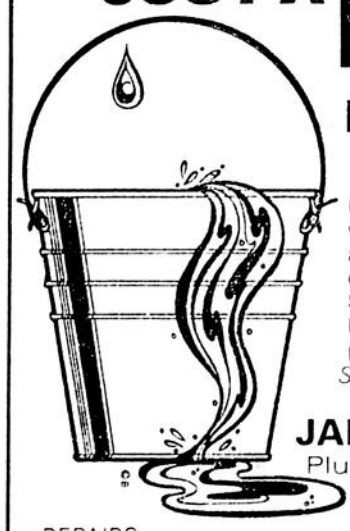


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Out of personal tragedy comes children's sleep lab

Westmount couple lost their son, but work to save others

By J. MARION FEINBERG

Eric Rill said he believes that positive things have come out of a tragedy.

If the birth of a child is beautiful and death catastrophic, he and his wife Andrée experienced both within a very short period of time, he said.

Almost nine years ago, their seven-month-old son Jeremy died of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS), sometimes called crib death.

The Westmount couple was on hand at the Montreal Children's Hospital Thursday last week to open the Jeremy Rill Centre Sleep Laboratory which will diagnose children's sleep-related breathing disorders and investigate SIDS. The centre was created in memory of Jeremy, who was described as a normal and apparently healthy baby before he died.

"We felt we had to seek some consolation at that time and approached the Montreal Children's," Mr. Rill said. "What we discovered was that some research (on SIDS) was being done but that there was no organized effort. At that time we decided to help found the Jeremy Rill Centre."

Mr. Rill declined to reveal their personal financial contribution to the cause but he did say that besides being the catalyst for the centre and contributors of the seed money, the Rills have also been involved in fundraising and lobbying politicians to raise awareness about SIDS.

"We've saved children's lives because of the centre," he said. "It's fulfilling to help make it easier for parents who are going through what we went through. It will be most fulfilling though, when we finally find a cure for SIDS. What this centre means to us, is that our son's short life wasn't meaningless."



Eric and Andrée Rill get a chance to check out the new sleep lab at the Montreal Children's they helped launch. The cosy bedroom atmosphere complete with cuddly bunnies and cheery wallpaper helps make the toddlers feel at home.

The $500,000 sleep lab has a homey bedroom where children are hooked up to a multichannel recording system that monitors 16 vital signs and sleep patterns. Computers and sophisticated recording devices are out of sight behind a two-way mirror. Technicians and nurses can monitor oxygen saturation, chest movement and brain waves. Children are monitored in hospital or in their own homes, using one of 25 portable computerized monitors.

Now when a child dies of SIDS, parents are contacted by a nurse within 24 hours, according to Mr. Rill, whereas years ago there was very little help, counselling or otherwise, available for these parents. The new sleep lab, described as a state-of-the-art world class facility, will treat about 800 children from across Quebec each year.

"When our son died we rushed to the Montreal General," said Mr. Rills. "Fortunately that doctor had been trained at the Children's so they knew what SIDS was. But often Urgences Santé personnel are unable to recognize it so the centre gives lectures to police departments, ambulance and coroner personnel."

Jeremy was one of the estimated 8,000 North American babies who die annually of this syndrome.

"While the nature of SIDS remains a mystery, research at the Jeremy Rill Centre will help build a profile of babies who are potentially at risk, and who need to be carefully monitored," said Dr. Robert Brouillette, director of the centre. "Disorders we can treat include sleep apnea and hypoventilation syndrome, which are characterized by abnormally long pauses in breathing."

Satellite diagnostic and treatment centres have been set up in Baie Comeau, Chicoutimi, Quebec City, Rimouski, Rouyn-Noranda and Sherbrooke. So if any hospital is not equipped to do the diagnostics, the centre can provide medical care in the outlying areas by computer hookup.

The Rills have two sons; Justin, 7, and Anthony, 6.

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JFK assassination expert reveals theories at Dawson

By CRAIG MCKEE

William Cheslock takes his interest in the assassination of John F. Kennedy a step beyond that of most amateur researchers: he teaches a course on it.

Underlying Cheslock's high school course is his conviction that Kennedy was the victim of a conspiracy by powerful intersts who wanted him out of office.

"I submit the coverup continues to this day even as we speak," said the Chatham, Mass., teacher during a condensed version of his 180-hour course in front of about 175 people at Dawson College Friday afternoon.

His course also deals with the assassinations of Robert Kennedy and Martin Luther King Jr.

Cheslock said John Kennedy had made a lot of enemies during his three short years in office — among them some of the most powerful men in America.

He said documents proved Kennedy was about to take the U.S. out of Vietnam and into détente with Fidel Castro. Neither of these things happened.

The two men who hated Kennedy the most and had the most to gain from his death, Cheslock said, were FBI director J. Edgar Hoover and vice-president Lyndon Johnson.

Johnson's possible role in the assassination is one of the most controversial aspects of Oliver Stone's 1991 film, *JFK*, which has drawn strong condemnation from many who knew Johnson.

Cheslock endorsed the premise of Stone's film that the assassination was a conspiracy that involved elements of the U.S. intelligence community.

"Stone has done more for this investigation than 600 or 700 books written on the subject so far," he said.

Cheslock said many observers believe Johnson was going to be dropped from the Democratic ticket for the 1964 election and that he knew it. Cheslock also said Kennedy had refused to back down from his plan to force Hoover to retire as of Jan. 1, 1964.

"Here are two powerful men in Washington whose political careers were coming to an end because of Kennedy," Cheslock said.

He pointed out that it was Hoover who controlled what evidence was given to the Warren Commission. Included in that was the testimony of 32 people who claimed to have heard shots coming from the Texas School Book Depository, from which Lee Harvey Oswald was supposed to have fired three times.

Cheslock said, however, that another 52 witnesses claimed to have heard shots coming from the grassy knoll, in front and to the right of the president's car, but this was never passed on to the Warren Commission.

He added that dozens of witnesses gave key evidence that conflicted with the official verdict that Oswald was the lone assassin. He said the evidence was either not heard by the Warren Commission or was dismissed as being in error.

Cheslock says another element of the story that has been ignored is the way Oswald's constitutional rights were violated when he was taken into custody in the hours after the assassination.

He points out that Oswald was interrogated for 12 hours over a two-day period and was never permitted to have a lawyer. There were also no notes or tape recordings made from any of these interviews.

Benefit dinner dance at McCord

The McCord Museum of Canadian History will hold an inaugural dinner dance Saturday, April 25 at the museum, 690 Sherbrooke St. W.

A number of Westmount residents are involved in planning the event, including Anne Hénault, Nicole Sharp, Caroline Labelle, Louise Melling (co-chair), Linda Leu (co-chair), Bunnie Berke, Cynthia Cundill, Lana Harper, Judy O'Brien and Errol James Pereira.

Tickets are $150 and are available at 398-7100.

After the official opening on Saturday, May 9, the museum will be open Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is $5; $8 for families; $3 for seniors; $2 for students and $3 for each person in groups. Members and children under 12 are admitted free.

Entre-Nous to hear about art

Loren Lerner will speak on *Aspects of Canadian Art* to the Entre-Nous Group of Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom on Monday, April 27, at 1 p.m.

Ms Lerner is a librarian and the bibliographer at Concordia University. She addressed the group several weeks ago, and will return by popular demand.

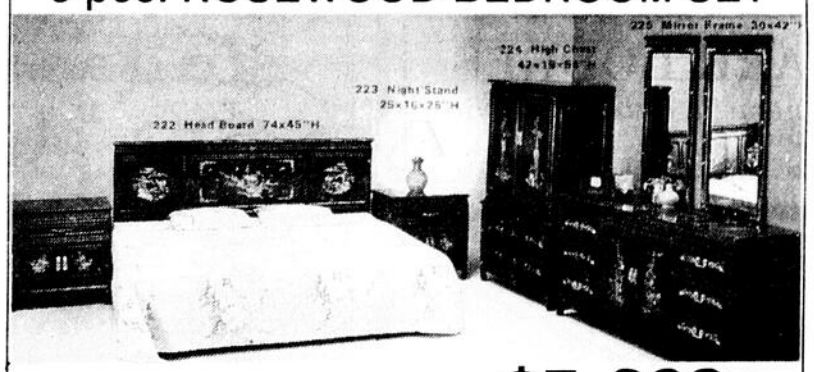
Blood clinic at the MGH

A Red Cross blood donor clinic will be held at Montreal General Hospital, 1650 Cedar Ave., in the Livingston Hall Lounge, on Thursday, April 23, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

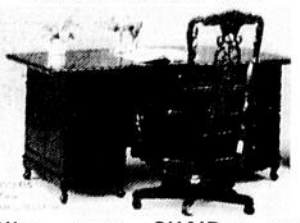
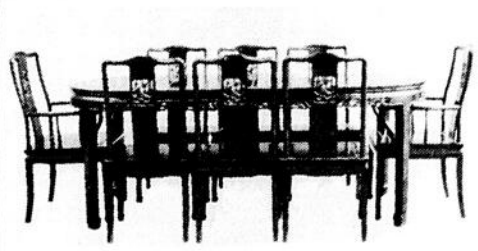


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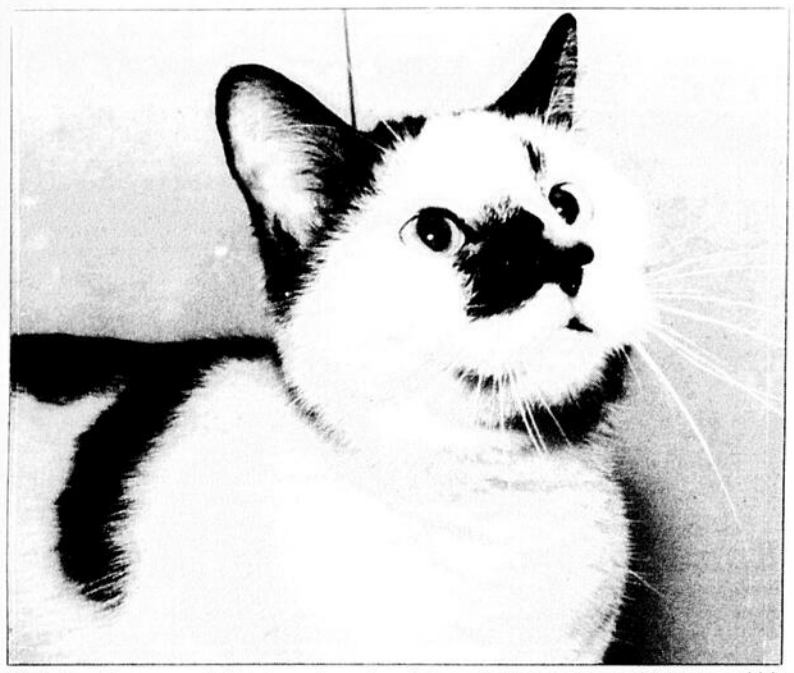
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Alzheimer Society benefit theatre evening April 21

The Alzheimer Society of Montreal will hold a theatre evening to attend the Lakeshore Players' production of the comedy *Stepping Out* by Richard Harris on April 21.

The evening will honor past president and co-founder Dolly P. Dastoor. Wine and cheese will be served at 7:15 p.m., and the play follows at 8 p.m. Tickets for the gala are $25 and may be reserved at 931-4211. An income tax receipt will be provided.

Box office for other performances of the play, currently at John XXIII Theatre, 1301 Dawson Ave., Dorval, until April 25, is 631-8718. Tickets most evenings are $8 to $11.

All about volunteering

Members of the Junior League, friends and community guests are invited to a panel discussion on *Volunteering Can Make the World a Better Place* on Monday, April 27, at 7:30 p.m. at the Stephen Leacock Building, Room 26, at McGill University.

Speakers will include Lucie Fournier of the West Island Women's Centre, Michele Provost of the Volunteer Bureau of Montreal and Elaine Teofilovili of Centre des femmes.

Refreshments will be served at 7 p.m. before the meeting. Those wishing to attend are asked to reserve at 486-9866 before April 23.

Dinner for lone parents and families

The Association for the Revival of Community Spirit, a Westmount-based organization, will hold a dinner for single parents and single-income families at 6 p.m. on Thursday, April 23.

A spring herbal planting workship will follow supper, which costs $4 a family. For reservations and information call 369-3216.

Talk on eye treatments

Laser treatment of visual problems has meant great improvement in some people's eyesight. A special lecture on current treatment of such visual problems as myopia and astigmatism will be given at the Snowdon YM-YWHA, 5500 Westbury Ave., on Wednesday, April 29 at 7:30 p.m.

Speaker is Marvin L. Kwitko, MD, FACS, FRCS(C), FCOphth. He presides over the Canadian Implant Association and chairs the advisory committe on the Excimer laser for Heath and Welfare Canada. He is assistant professor at McGill University's department of ophthalmology and past president of Associates of Ben Gurion University, an officer of the Order St. John and senior ophthalmologist at Jewish General and St. Mary's hospitals.

Dr. Kwitko's lecture is free and open to the public. Call 737-6551 ext. 242 for more information.

Seminars on mental illness

The Quebec Alliance for the Mentally Ill and the Douglas Hospital Centre are offering seminars on the theme *Mental Illness: Family Care-Givers in the Treatment Team* as part of Mental Health Week in May.

The workshops will be held from 4 to 9 p.m. at the Douglas, 6875 Lasalle Blvd., Verdun.

Those who wish to may visit the hospital between 2:30 and 3:30 before registration at 3:30 p.m.

Each participant will be able to attend two seminars of the eight offered in English and French.

Keynote speakers are Henry Olders, director of the psychogeriatric program at the Douglas; Christopher McFadden, director of Forward House; and Kathleen Simpson of AMI Quebec.

Registration is limited, so a reservation is required. The $15 fee includes a light supper and GST. Reservations must be made as soon as possible, and by April 20 at the latest. To obtain a reservation form and more details, call 486-1448.

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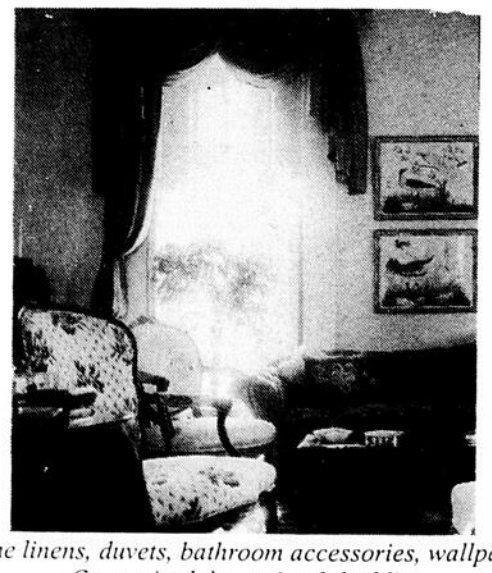
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Woman's purse robbed one day, her Firebird stolen the next

A 44-year-old Westmount woman was pulled to the ground and kicked in one of three purse-snatchings reported on Westmount streets recently, police said.

The victim was trying to hold on to the purse when she was knocked down at Sherbrooke and Victoria at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, March 30. Her left arm was scratched but she refused to go to hospital.

The thief ran north with the bag. He was described as a 20-year-old white man with blond hair and a dark jacket. It was not known whether another young man nearby was a lookout or simply refused to go to the woman's assistance. The purse contained an undisclosed amount of cash as well as car keys.

The next night, the victim's car was stolen from 473 Grosvenor Ave. probably using the stolen keys, officers said. The 1989 Pontiac Firebird was recovered a day later in a warehouse parking lot at 5255 Ferrier St. when Remorquage Québecois towed the vehicle away and listed the plate number with police.

A 35-year-old woman had her purse stolen a week ago Thursday at Elm and de Maisonneuve when pushed from behind by one of three youths, police said. She was forced to let go of the bag when hit on the finger by something that felt like a stick.

One of the three was described as "very fat." All were black males aged about 18. The woman's beige purse and burgundy wallet were found Sunday in Stayner Park minus cash and credit cards. Her eyeglasses were intact.

A third victim flagged down public safety officers a week ago Friday about 10:40 p.m. at St. Catherine and Irvine to say a teenager had just snatched her grey bag. She was all right but she wanted the bag back, she stated. It was not recovered as of press time.

Church bell to be heard first time in 80 years

The church bell at St. Andrew and St. Paul has had no voice for more than 80 years. It was installed in its present site in 1931-32, but never rung there.

The bell was first rung on May 28, 1871, in the old St. Andrew's Church, Beaver Hall Hill and Lagauchetière Street. It was cast in London in 1870 and shipped to Montreal in the spring after the ice on the St. Lawrence broke up. It was rung every Sunday until 1910, and a bell ringer was paid $50 a year for sounding it.

Now the bell has been refurbished and will be rung electronically to call the faithful to worship on Easter Sunday.

Dog endures 20 minutes

Westmount dog owners are reminded not to leave their animals unattended while tied outside stores and other buildings, public safety officers said.

One dog owner was cautioned Tuesday last week about the bylaw offence after a black-and-white mixed breed was left for 20 minutes outside the Westmount Public Library.

Purse gone, keys found

A woman whose purse was stolen Tuesday morning last week in an office at 210 Victoria Ave. lost her money but managed to get back papers and keys after they were found scattered on the sidewalk down Glen Road, public safety officers said. Most of the items were found by a PSO after one set of keys was recovered by a car driver nearby on St. Catherine Street.

Women's ORT arranges day of beauty

Montreal Women's ORT will host a beauty day at Ogilvy's Tudor Hall on April 28. Beauty experts from Estée Lauder, plastic surgeon Arthur Swift and Alison Luce, manager of Ogilvy's Femme will address a group of women in four workshops.

Westmounter Cynthia Adelson is chairing the event with Tova Cytrynbaum, Connie Gelber and Carol Rabinovitch.

Tickets are $65 and include refreshments, lunch, door prizes and complementary gifts. Space is limited. Call 481-2787 for reservations.

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Friday, April 17
GOOD FRIDAY

12 noon — Family Service with dramatic presentation by the children
1:00-3 p.m. — *"The Words and Music of Good Friday"* A presentation of the events and message of the Passion through dramatic readings, congregational hymns, and choral music.
3:30-[illegible] p.m. — Video presentation *"Jesus of Nazareth"* in parish hall.

Our Good Friday observances, held at St. George's Church, are shared with our sister church, St. Stephen's, Westmount.

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Sunday, April 19
EASTER DAY

9:00 a.m. Parish Communion; *Sermon:* The Assistant Rector
11 a.m. Procession and Choral Eucharist *Sermon:* The Rector

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The Rev. Brett Cane
The Rev. Howard Hawes
Organist: Peter Hawkins

THE CHURCH OF ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE
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MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 16
7:30 p.m. Sung Eucharist in Celebration of the Institution of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 17
12 noon to 3:00 p.m. The Commemoration of the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ

EASTER DAY, APRIL 19
8:30 a.m. Holy Communion
11:00 a.m. Procession and Sung Eucharist

THE CHURCH OF
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MAUNDY THURSDAY
6 pm Tenebrae Service
GOOD FRIDAY
8 pm Handel's Messiah
EASTER SUNDAY
11 am Holy Communion
Dedication of Church Bell

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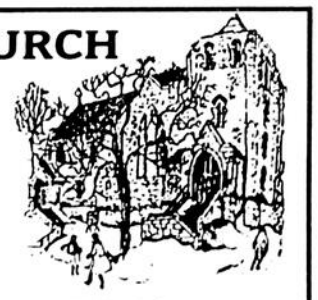
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MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 16
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GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 17
10:30 am Liturgy of the Passion

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 18
8:00 pm Vigil Ceremonies and Communion

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 19
8:00 am Holy Communion
10:30 am **Choral Eucharist**
Family Service with Strings, Organ and Choir
Haydn-Missa B revis
"Let All the World" V. Williams
"I Know That My Redeemer Liveth," Handel – Messiah
Sermon: The Rector

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Sunday, April 19
Easter Day
8:00 am Holy Eucharist, Said
10:00 am Holy Eucharist, Sung
Church school and nursery facilities

During the week, services will be celebrated on:

Today, Maundy Thursday, April 16
8:00 pm Eucharist of the Institution, Stripping of the Altar, Vigil until Midnight
Good Friday, April 17
9:30 am The Solemn Liturgy
12-3 pm Three Hours Vigil
Conducted by Rev. John Simons, M.D.T. College
Holy Saturday, April 18
10:30 am Liturgy
Wednesday, April 22
Holy Eucharist 11:15 am

Rector: The Rev. Eric Dungan
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EREV PESACH
SABBATH EVE – Friday, April 17th
Shachrit and Siyum Habechorim
at 7:00 am in the Chapel
Eating of Chometz prohibited from 10:37 am
Burning and removal of Chometz until 11:46 am
Sabbath Candle Lighting: no later than 7:27 pm
Mincha-Kabbalat Shabbat Y'yom Tov 6:45 pm

THE FIRST SEDER
Friday Evening, April 17th
Congregational Seder — After Evening Services

THE FIRST DAY OF PESACH
Saturday, April 18th
Shachrit 8:30 am in the Main Synagogue
Scriptural Readings: 9:45 am
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Mincha-Maariv 7:45 pm
Candle Lighting 8:29 pm
The Sefira period commences

THE SECOND DAY OF PESACH
Sunday, April 19th
Shachrit 8:30 am in the Main Synagogue

CHOL HAMOED PESACH
Monday to Friday, April 20th-23rd
Shachrit 7:15 am
Monday to Wednesday, April 20th-22nd
Mincha-Maariv 7:50 pm

THE CONCLUDING DAYS
Eve of the seventh Day of Pesach
Thursday, April 23rd
Candle Lighting 7:34 pm
Mincha-Kabbalat Yom Tov 7:00-7:30 pm

Daily Services
Mornings:
Sunday, April 19, 7:30 am
Mon-Thurs, April 20-23, 7:30 am
Evenings: Sun-Thurs, April 19-23, 8:00 pm

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nearly every islander that I know believes that we live in the best country in the world and it is worth working toward keeping it together.

Since my arrival here many wonderful things have happened to me. I met and married a wonderful lady, we have a beautiful daughter named Ruby and are expecting another child in July. It is for my children's sake that I hope Quebec decides to remain a part of Canada.

I was fortunate enough in my youth to witness Expo 67 and I think that it permanently changed the way I looked at myself and my country. My classmates and I were billeted with French-Canadian students in Montreal for nearly a week. We even spent a day going to school with them. Our French was limited, as was their English, but that didn't slow us down very much.

I think our greatest learning experience, however, came not at Expo nor in the classroom, but occurred during the recesses when we played games and generally had a good time with each other. Language may have been a barrier for us, but give kids a soccer ball and a field to play on and the communication problems vanish into thin air. I can only hope that my children are as fortunate as I was in my youth.

Since that time I have travelled to every province in the country except Newfoundland and have thoroughly enjoyed each and every region. While my French still leaves a lot to be desired, I found while travelling through the province several years ago that everyone I met and spoke with was very friendly and helpful, even if we did have a hard time communicating. The point of the matter was that we all tried to help each other and had fun doing so.

Everyone I know agrees that changes need to be made. Quebec is definitely distinct. One only has to travel through the province to realize that it is more than just the language spoken that is different. The French-Canadian culture, while being quite healthy, does need to be protected and nurtured, just as we English-Canadians should be protecting ourselves instead of homogenizing with the Americans.

We have spent the 125 years together as a nation, laughing, crying, cursing and loving one another. I think we have too much invested in each other and too much in common with each other to just throw it all away. With a little work and a lot of compassion on both sides, I think we can pull this off and continue to build what I consider to be the best country in the world in which to raise my children.

Jim Black is editor of the Gulf Islands Driftwood *in Ganges, B.C.*

Editorial Notes

UBIQUITOUS Bell Canada, not exactly known for putting its own arcane convenience after the public's, has pulled another inexplicable and stupid stunt. Westmounters with second homes outside the big city and also outside the boundaries of any community generally recognized (such as by possessing a post office) will have discovered this nonsense for themselves. In addition to the visible cities, towns and villages of the province, the spaces between have a mixture of townships and parishes which are, in truth, municipalities, too; they grade and plough roads, assess property and collect local taxes. Bell subscribers with properties in these in-between territories heretofore had perfectly good listings in their local telephone directories, giving not only phone numbers but addresses. Now they have discovered that they are shown as living in these strange "places" which only the locals would know about. For instance, someone we know has thought he was best known by his postal address, Ormstown, now is listed by Bell as living in the non-community of "Hinchinbrooke." His next-door neighbor, across an invisible township-parish line, is shown as a resident of "St. Malachie" though his address also is Ormstown. Visitors looking up these folks in the directory can be mightily confused. The excuse given one such subscriber by an otherwise pleasant Bell person was that the parish and township names were necessary "so that the installers and repair men can find you!" The Bell lady was nonplussed when it was suggested that directories are for the convenience of the public, not Bell crews and, in any event, the postal addresses had to be maintained anyway for sending out phone bills . . .

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THE presentation of Westmount's third annual honour roll last evening at Victoria Hall reminds us not only of the people of note who have been Westmounters and of the many who still are, but also what a decent, appreciative city we live in, where the very idea of such an honour roll is embodied in the nature of our community. Not to detract, we must note that the combining of the opening of the spring flower show with the honours reception is a good thing, except that the date should be set according to the best guess of the gardeners as to when the displays in the conservatory should be at their peak. A late Easter this year, which may have had something to do with the date-setting, deprived the guests of seeing Westmount's first flowers at their best . . .



Beyond Westmount's Borders

A random sampler of things to see or do in the bigger city surrounding us

By JANET COUTTS

Human rights lecture

In these days when the whole world is changing so fast that atlases are no longer being printed and mapmakers are publishing only a few thousand copies of each new map, many new ways of perceiving human rights are evolving. Prof. Irwin Cotler of McGill University's faculty of law will shed some light at the fourth annual F.R. Scott Lecture entitled, "The International Revolution in Human Rights" on Wednesday, April 22, at 5:30 p.m. at Redpath Hall on the university campus. Admission is free. 398-4677.

Young thespians wanted

Créations Etc . . . is recruiting actors, dancers and technicians 13 to 25 years old to take part in the seventh performing arts festival Réalité Jeunesse. Actors and dancers selected must be available from July 2 to Aug. 4, Monday to Friday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. for rehearsals and from Aug. 5 to 15 for the shows. Actors are not paid but they will benefit from working with professional directors and the opportunity to be seen and heard by thousands. There is an audition registration fee of $30, which is reimbursed if actors are not selected. Those who would like to work in stage management, sound, lighting, sets, costumes and props must be available for a meeting followed by an orientation workshop in June, then for the same dates as actors and dancers. There is a registration fee of $30. For information call 278-3941.

Birdwatching workshop

Groupe Uni des Educateurs pour l'Environement is organizing an introductory bird-watching workshop for adults at the Morgan Arboretum in Ste. Anne de Bellevue on Friday, May 1, from 7 to 9 p.m., Saturday, May 2, and Sunday, May 3, from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. in English. The same workshop is held in French April 24 to 26. Lots of early-morning bird-watching is offered along with workshops on such topics as identification guides, binoculars and birdsongs. The fee is $75 for members of the Morgan Arboretum and $86 for others. A $25 non-refundable deposit is required. 398-7812.

Dinosaur wanted

The Redpath Museum of McGill University wants to have a dinosaur among its exhibits, and has launched a $40,000 fundraising campaign to buy *Albertosaurus libratus*. The museum describes it as "a lovely beast measuring 22 feet in length from snout to tail and 15 feet in height . . . a bipedal creature with huge hind legs, small front ones, vast claws and teeth and a long straight tail." Romeo the *Dromeosaurus*, a much smaller relative, is visiting from the Tyrrell Museum of Paleontology at Drumheller, Alta., to be mascot for the campaign. Donations are tax deductible, and may be sent to Friends of the Redpath Museum, McGill Development Office, Martlet House, 3605 Mountain St., Montreal H3A 2M1. You can become a Friend (there is no membership fee) and participate in activities. Call 398-4087 for details or visit the Friend's desk at the museum on Sunday afternoons.

Chamber concert

The Montreal Chamber Orchestra, under the direction of Wanda Kaluzny, will give a free concert of the music of Italy (Vivaldi, Ricciotti, Locatelli, Alessandro Scarlatti and Puccini), with featured soprano soloist Gianna Corbisiero, next Thursday, April 23, at 8 p.m. at Erskine and American Church at Sherbrooke St. W. and avenue du Musée. 271-3301.

Color us proud

A l'action Montréal is producing a Montreal Colouring Book as a way of celebrating the city and its architectural heritage and to remind residents and their children of the importance of looking and seeing the city around us. The book will be in three sections: Montreal past (demolished); Montreal present; and Montreal future (proposals for buildings on empty lots). Architects, artists, designers, students and anyone who likes to draw is invited to submit to the project. The rules are only that the drawings must be colourable and the site must be identified. Any profits will go to Heritage Montreal. For more information call 866-7823 or 483-2561.



McGill Players' Theatre presents Michel Tremblay's *Impromptu of Outremont* until Saturday. Julia Arui (left) plays Lorraine Ferzetti, Johanna Branden plays Fernande Beaugrand-Drapeau, Caroline Lonsdale is Yvette Beaugrand and Katie Carpenter is Lucille Beaugrand, four bourgeois sisters who have reached middle age and are asking "What good is it to be on the side of the angels if you're not in the front row with those who have sung the loudest?" Box office is 398-6813; tickets are $10; $5 for students, seniors and QDF members.

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The parade

The Easter parade is a fun parade because people are dressed up as rabbits and kids get to have chocolate Easter eggs and parents don't get anything. There are floats and the Easter Bunny plus there are horses. I have never been to an Easter parade before but I am looking forward to going. And there are flowers and roses and my friend Sophie, she likes Easter parades. And the weather is nice so there will be all kinds of parades.

Elizabeth Culley
Grade 2

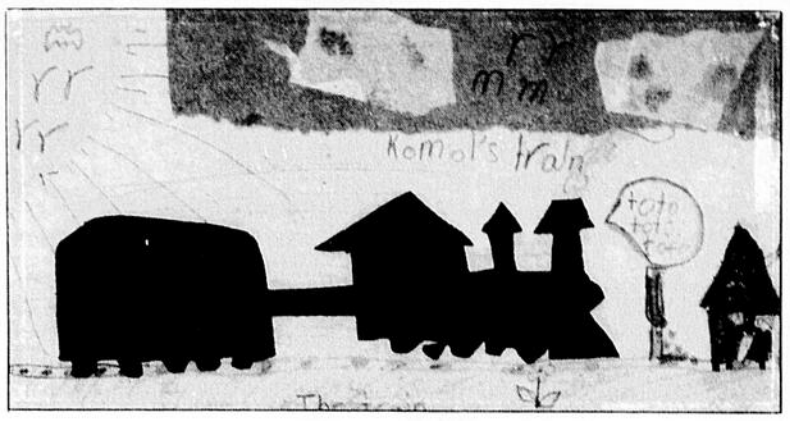
The magic TV

One day on TV there were lots of good rap songs, too many for me to name. I watched all and taped all the good ones. When they were all finished being rewound I started watching the first one. As soon as it started, every single video I taped that day came on the first video for a couple of seconds. They all came out of the TV and sang for me one at a time. When they were all finished they went back into the TV.

Stacey Madden
Grade 2

Children's Corner

This week's stories and pictures are done by students at Westmount Park School.



The train

Once upon a time there lived a boy named Nick. And he had a baby brother. He let his baby brother play.
"Don't do it fast," said Nick.
But it was too late.
Nick brought his tools.
"Go to bed," said his father.

He went to bed and dreamed he was little and everybody was sad because the train was broken.

Nick brought his wrench and hammer and fixed the train and gave out the pillows and he drove the train.

Komol Dhar
Grade 2

My dream

Whenever the rain ends a rainbow appears and I believe that at the end of the rainbow there is a pot of gold and a leprechaun. Whenever it rains again I will run to the end of the rainbow and find the pot of gold with the leprechaun counting it. So when I've reached the end of the rainbow I would find a path of gold coins on the ground. I hope someday my dream will come true. I hope the leprechaun will give me half of his gold.

Anna Bediako
Grade 3

The Magic TV

One night as I was watching TV I heard a sound. It was coming from TV! The sound was getting louder and louder. I didn't pay any attention until the TV blasted and was gone.

I searched frantically but it was nowhere in sight. I looked outside and saw something square in the sky. The square was my magic TV.

I remembered I had built an old airplane in the garage and I made runway. I climbed into the plane and went up into the sky. There was my magic TV. It kept rising and rising. I flew down into the backyard. Then a heard a thump. I opened the back door and there was my magic TV.

Elizabeth Culley
Grade 2



Asya Tsiboulskaia
Grade 2

The meaning of life

Life is good! Some things are bad but others good. People who die their life is passed on to new people in this world.

I have people in my life and I love them very much. My teacher is a very nice person. Some kids in my class are bad. But I am a good kid in my class. I do my work and don't talk in class.

My mom is pregnant and I am very happy. I have fights in my school and sometimes I have fights with my friends. I like rap songs and some day my cousin will be a rap singer and he likes hats. So that's the meaning of life.

Elizabeth Culley
Grade 2

The Magic Train Ride

Once I went on a magic train. It took me to Candyland.

I got to eat all the candy I wanted to eat. I ate candy canes, lollipops, bubble gum, jelly beans and Gummie Bears.

I also met some of the weirdest people in Candyland. There was a Blu Blu, a Snucums and a Zoblie Zoo. I ate some of them.

Then the train crossed the grape juice river and it took me home. I had a big bag of candy for my mom, my dad and my sister Molly.

Sophie Cram
Grade 2

When I grow up . . .

When I grow up I'm going to be a hockey player and I'm going to be good at playing hockey. I'm going to be an artist and I'm going to be good at drawing. At hockey I'm going to win a gold medal some day. I'm going to win something for drawing too.

Nicholas Shedrick
Grade 2

Monster TV

Once I was watching a scary movie on TV. The ugliest and strongest monster came out of the TV and started chasing me around the house. Then my dog came and scared the monster away. The monster went back in the TV. I turned the TV off.

Asya Tsiboulskaia
Grade 2

Scholarship takes Mah abroad for one year

Westmounter Clarence Mah, a senior at Harvard University, has been awarded the Lionel De Jersey Harvard Scholarship, which will take him abroad for a year following his graduation this June.

The scholarship funds a year of study at Emmanuel College at Cambridge, where he plans to earn a MPh in international relations. At Harvard, he concentrates in East Asia studies and wants to learn more about western Europe. He is writing his senior thesis on the causes of Asian youth gang violence in North America.

Mr. Mah was born in Canada, and participates in French, German, Cantonese, Mandarin Chinese and Japanese language seminars and is a volunteer with the Elderly Companionship Program, the House and Neighbourhood Development Program and Quincy School Program. It is his second year on the steering committee of the Harvard Prefect Program, where he advises first-year students. He also works in the Big Brother Program of the Asian American Association of Harvard.

Mr. Mah rowed crew all four years at Harvard and rowed in an Eastern Sprints championship boat in 1991.

After a year at Cambridge, Mr. Mah plans to earn a joint degree in public policy and law and later hopes to join the economic and political branch of the Canadian Foreign Service.

Hot wire fails

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Rotary's donation is helping to treat kids

By J. MARION FEINBERG

Specialized photographic equipment funded by the Rotary Club of Westmount is making Dr. Stephanie Schwartz's work with children born with cleft lips and palates at the Montreal Children's Hospital a lot easier.



Dr. Schwartz said that last year's purchase of the $2,800 worth of equipment facilitates the duplication of X-rays and slides so necessary in the treatment of these children, who often must undergo remedial surgery several times to help correct their condition.

"There is nowhere in the funding of our clinic that provides for documentation of cases," she said. "The government doesn't fund what they consider extras. On the other hand, if we don't document the work, there can be no improvement."

She says before receiving the equipment, producing a slide from an X-ray would cost $7 each. Now it will cost a fraction of that.

Dr. Schwartz has done extensive research and publication on cleft lips and palates in children. Her work in the dental centre ranges from trying to alleviate difficulty in ingesting fluids to speech difficulties and facial disfiguration. The centre uses 13 volunteer dentists and one orthodontist.

In the two days each month the clinic sees children with cleft palate conditions, Dr. Schwartz estimates that 140 people are treated monthly.

"I was absolutely delighted with the decision to fund the equipment," she said. "Now I'll be able to discuss cases and exchange information with other cleft palate centres across North America."

The Rotary Club's fundraising committee co-chair George Sklivas said the centre's case was brought to the attention of the club last year. He said the decision to fund the equipment was made following a visit to the clinic and a discussion of the work being performed.

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Paul Alterson, who just turned 90, and Jeremy Burnham, 11, of Westmount Park School share a moment during the last of the school's eight weekly visits to the seniors' apartment building a week ago Wednesday. *Photo by OWEN EGAN*

Bridge across the generation gap

WPS students and seniors hit it off

By MARY CAMPBELL

Greg Poole, a McGill University student, needed a little help on a school project — and he got it from some Grade 5 and 6 students at Westmount Park School.

Every Wednesday for eight weeks a group of 13 students visited senior citizens at Place du Fort apartment complex on René Lévesque Boulevard. Each visit was filled with activities organized by Mr. Poole to "encourage the seniors to socialize in a group situation."

"What we did was really hands-on stuff, like drama, making baskets, cooking, etc.," says student Michael Lalonde.

Some seniors shy

Nadia Alteme, who particularly enjoyed the drama, says most of the seniors did too, though "some of them were a little shy."

Krystal Szostak and Gina Knox voted for basket-making and other arts and crafts as their favourite activity. "Making flowers out of tissue paper, baskets with popsicle sticks for bread or fruit," says Gina, and "collages of pictures of the place you'd like to go," adds Krystal.

As for the cooking, the students enjoyed their own efforts — they all worked together to create a fruit salad — but were even happier when one of the residents cooked.

"One of the seniors was a pastry chef and he'd make pastries, little snacks for us," says Kathryn Tait.

The afternoons gave the students and seniors a chance to simply talk, which also went over big with the Westmount Park visitors.

"I got to know what it was like when they (the seniors) were younger," says Suzanne Brodeur, who reports that movies were once 25 cents each in the tone of someone who's just been reading Ripley's *Believe It Or Not*.

Oskar Tseris, who's been in Canada for five years, says he "liked to ask about where they came from." His senior was from Lithuania and, he says, "I'm from close — Latvia."

Sabrina Uddin says she enjoyed talking to her senior, Josephine, about "what they'd done and what they still wanted to do." Sabrina heard about Josephine's life in Venice, Italy, and her desire to go back to visit.

At 90, Paul from Rumania was the eldest of the seniors and he made a very strong impression on the students.

First day planting

"Paul taught me a lot," says Jeremy Burnham. "He showed me pictures of his family, told me about his work at Canadair."

Paul surprised Paula Matticks by telling her that the day they spent planting cuttings in yogurt containers was the first time he'd ever planted anything.

The visits seem to have been a nice balance of talk and activity. Besides the projects already mentioned, the group did things like drawing each other's portraits. The seniors seemed to like this, says Paul Krawczonek, especially the funny ones (or caricatures, as he puts it, with a little prompting from the teacher). Even that old standby, bingo, won a few new fans. Pavel Piterking says playing (with seniors for partners) for pencils, books and pastels was his favourite activity.

Teacher Carolyn Singman (one of the three involved with the project, along with Janet Dalys and Nancy Freedin) says they've done visits like this before, but seems particularly impressed with this project.

"We decided to look for students who'd really be interested in doing some community service," she says, the implication being that they found them.

He kept his tail

The students' attitude seems best summed up by Michael Lalonde, who says, "I liked the way it made them happy just us being there — that and the way they kept threatening to cut my tail off," he laughs, showing a small ponytail that somehow survived the onslaught.

The eight weeks are up, but the friendships formed look as though they may outlast the program. Jeremy Burnham says he and Paul are going to the movies, to see *Beethoven*, the picture of choice. Any idea that the movie was based on the composer was quickly put to rest by the students.

"It's about a dog," they said.

"I don't know if Paul knows that, though," adds one of the teachers.

Stress, love at the CLSC

CLSC Metro family life education services is offering group discussions on *Coping With Stress in Today's Society* starting Monday, April 27, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. and on *Women Who Love Too Much* starting Tuesday, April 28, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Both groups run eight consecutive weeks and are held at 1550 de Maisonneuve Blvd. W., room 430. They are free. To register call 935-2392.



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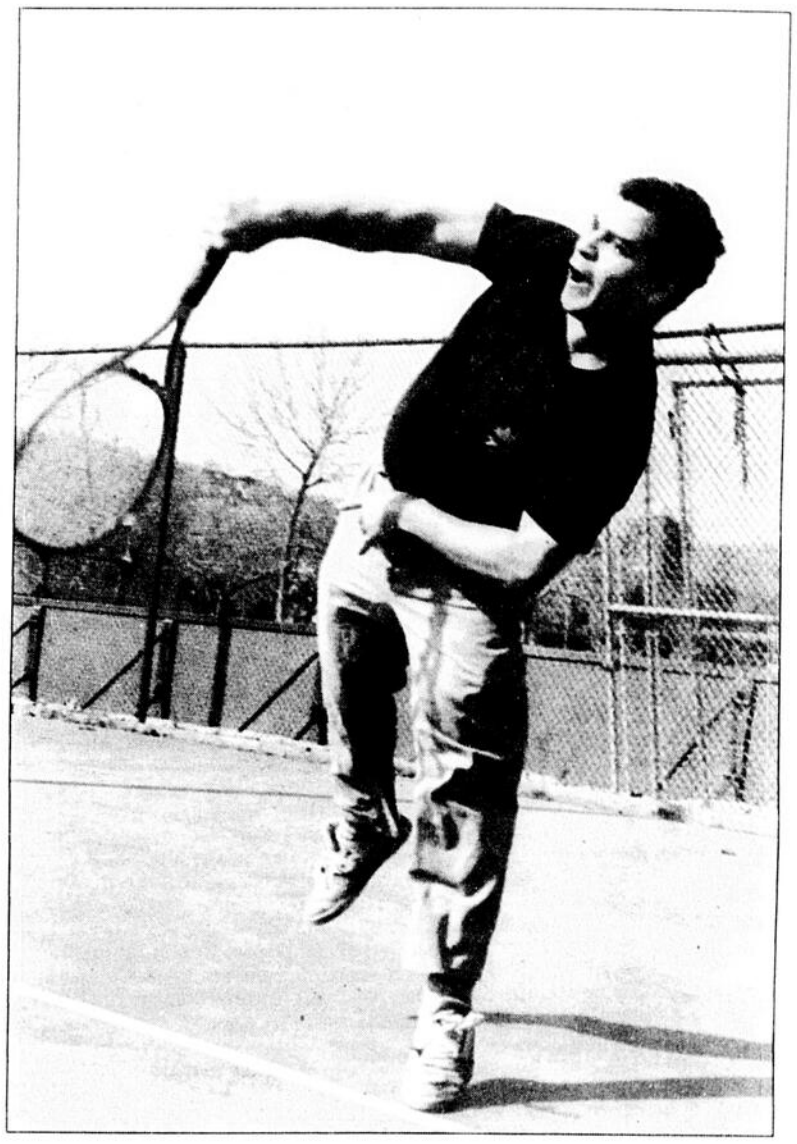
The event is organized at the arena between 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. in conjunction with police from Station 23 and Westmount public safety officers. Though posters invite children aged 7 to 13, police youth squad Sgt. Raphaele Magliocco said the ages only serve as a guideline.

"No children will be turned away," he promised.

Free bicycle inspection will be provided by Martin Stamp of the Martin Swiss repair shop and tips on bike safety will be offered. Participants will have the chance to win safety helmets and a bicycle in drawings. Drinks and chips will also be given out.

Prizes will be awarded at the winners' schools to emphasize the importance of bicycle safety and encourage other students to participate in future years, police said.

Window of opportunity



Alex Henderson couldn't resist taking to the courts a week ago Thursday, little knowing he was taking advantage of an all-too-short break from the snow. "I couldn't resist practising my serve," he said, embarrassed that his professor may find out he wasn't working on his German history thesis.

Photo by ALISON RAMSEY

Do Earth a favour, keep the car home

By J. MARION FEINBERG

WESTMOUNT'S contribution to the Earth Day effort is to ask its citizens to leave their cars at home April 22.

This is the second year that the city is urging Westmounters to walk, bicycle or take public transit instead of their pollution-mobiles for that one day.

"I think it can become habit-forming," said Mayor Peter Trent, who has been carless since 1974. "Once people try it for one day they find it's not so bad.

"For some though, it's like undergoing surgery."

Last year, the idea came from then city councillor Rhoda Vineberg's daughter Deborah, according to former city councillor Sally Aitken. Mrs. Aitken picked up and ran with that ball of clean air in conjunction with WEACT, a local environmental group.

"There is a growing worldwide desire to do something about the quality of the air," she said. "This is just one gesture toward that end. I would like to see this initiative taken up by the MUC and promoted on the buses. It just might make people think."

Mrs. Aitken admits she depends on her car because of her physical challenges but vows to try and leave it at home on Earth Day, as she did last year.

City operations manager Bruce St. Louis said the idea is being spread by way of posters in all municipal buildings as well as through the city's mobile display boards which pepper the commercial area sidewalks.

"I'm going to take the train that day," he said.

"One of the fantastic advantages about living in Westmount is living so close to the city core," said Mr. Trent. "You'd think it would be easy for people to reduce their dependency on cars."

He is loathe to wrap himself in the cloak of environmental purity for not owning a car however, and admits that he found it a bother to be a driver. He said he much prefers to walk if he has a meeting in downtown.

"It keeps me in shape and helps me think," he said. "I have always believed that vehicles really dictate people's lives. We become, in effect, slaves to our cars."

City still lacks coaches

The recreation department is still looking for soccer, baseball and softball coaches to launch the spring/summer sports season.

Sports supervisor Stephen Guy said young people interested in becoming umpires for those same sports are in demand as well.

"It's a perfect opportunity to give something back to the community and we're by no means looking for professional athletes, just people who have time and energy for children," he said.

A soccer coaches clinic is slated for the last week in April. Call Mr. Guy at 935-8531 local 320 for details.

Wine lovers, bird watchers have an outlet

Where are the oenophiles?

Lovers of fine wines still have a chance to sign up for the wine-tasting course before it's too late. The course will cover how to choose wine as well as the cheese and fruit to accompany your choice of ambrosia.

The course begins on Wednesday, April 22, at 7 p.m. according to socio-cultural director Beverly Adams-Coskun.

Bird-watchers can begin the "Breakfast with the Birds" course led by Elsie Mitchell appropriately enough on Earth Day, April 22, at the summit lookout.

Adult jazz and creative writing are another two courses that have a few spaces left. Contact Ms. Adams-Coskun at 935-8531 local 212 or go to the area recreation office to register.



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