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Negotiations at an impasse:

White-collar workers postpone strike action

The strike set by city white-collar workers for today was postponed Tuesday by a court case involving a former city employee, union officials said yesterday. By press time yesterday a new date was not yet known.

The walkout was called off when union president and strike organizer Michael Crouch received a subpoena to testify before the Quebec Municipal Commission in the hearing launched against the city by dismissed employee James Martin (see separate story).

The strike delay came only a day after white-collar workers agreed at a membership meeting to continue

By LAUREN SWEENEY

intermittent work stoppages and voted 46-30 to reject the city's latest offer of job security after 10 years' employment.

The vote, held Monday evening as city council members also met, endorsed the earlier refusal of the offer by the union's negotiating team (see story Oct 26).

Though union officials said they believed a contract settlement was close at hand, Mayor May Cutler announced after the closed-door council meeting that there would be no more negotiations.

"As far as we're concerned negotiations are finished," she declared. "Nothing more is going to happen until our next meeting Nov 20."

The city's 100 white-collar workers, local 2987 of the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE), staged a legal 12-hour strike Oct 27 seeking, among other demands, job security.

They have been without a contract since Dec 31.

Might have accepted

After Monday's union meeting, Mr Crouch said the 60 percent vote against the city's job security offer indicated members might have accepted the offer if the city "had only offered more on one or two of the other smaller points."

The city's global offer of Sept 19, which did not include the job security offer, was turned down by 81

percent of 75 attending, he pointed out.

Members backed the union executive's mandate to continue negotiations without consulting the membership on each item, Mr Crouch said.

A proposal by city council last week that a large meeting be held between union members and the city was not brought up at the union meeting.

"Officially, we've never been ap-

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Town meeting Monday evening:

Citizens asked for opinions on future of culture, leisure

Westmount residents are invited to help shape the future of the city by participating in Monday's town meeting on leisure, culture and rebuilding projects.

The special consultation evening starts at 7:30 pm in Victoria Hall, the building at the centre of a proposed multi-million dollar facelift.

The meeting is being held by the city to find out from citizens what kind of facilities and leisure programs they want and need for Westmount in the long term.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, ECS: Miss Edgar's and Miss Cramp's School officially celebrated 80 years with a big party last Saturday. The enormous cake (not all of which is visible) was cut by the youngest student who is daughter of an old girl, Ashley Govan; president of the Old Girls' Association, Jack Colby; and this year's headgirl, Deborah Vineberg.

Photo by OWEN EGAN



City hall stays open on Monday

Westmount city hall will not close this year for its traditional Remembrance Day observance.

White-collar workers accepted the city's plan to move the day-long vacation to the Christmas period enabling a full week to be taken off between Dec 25 and New Year's Day.

The library and arena also will remain open.

The city's Corporation Yard will shut down tomorrow, Nov 10, however, to give blue-collar workers the Remembrance Day holiday. They do not receive the full Christmas week.

An EXAMINER survey last year revealed Westmount is the only island suburb which grants a Remembrance Day holiday. Banks and the post office will be closed Monday for the federal holiday.

Remembrance parade conflicts with Jewish sabbath services

The timing of Westmount's Remembrance Day service Saturday came under fire at Monday night's city council meeting.

It seems the 10:45 am start conflicts with religious observances by the city's Jewish community, Mayor May Cutler said.

Though it is timed to commemorate the signing of the armistice at 11 am on Nov 11, 1917, she explained, it means worshippers at nearby Shaar Hashomayim, for instance, cannot attend.

Since the remembrance service is usually held on a Sunday, and in the afternoon, she said, the problem has not arisen before.

"It is regrettable," added Councillor Rhoda Vineberg. People of all faiths should be included, she pointed out.

It was agreed that, should the ceremony fall on a Saturday again, it will take place in the afternoon.

MUC police said the nearby Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue requested the parade not pass the synagogue. As a result, the reviewing stand will be moved from its traditional location at Côte St Antoine road and Stanton street, to Sherbrooke street.

A report in last week's EXAMINER listed the ceremony as starting at 11:30 am. In fact, the parade is expected to be concluded by that time. The EXAMINER regrets the error.

"We are going to explore the whole range of leisure and cultural activities excluding the athletic," she said. Consultants' reports on the status and recommendations of the library, greenhouses and Victoria Hall will be presented, she said.

"This is a major building project," she said. "It's going to cost millions. We'll have to go out and raise funds. What we can't afford to do is keep spending money on these buildings piece-meal."

Costly renovations to Victoria

Hall several years ago still left it without air conditioning, proper lighting or an up-to-date sound system.

The library needs more space to allow for complete updating of systems and audio-visual material. Its extensive renovation has been widely discussed for some time.

"We have not modernized our facilities with long-range vision since Victoria Hall was built in 1916," she said. "It's time our generation builds something for the future."

What one Roslyn student and a flight of stairs can do for posterity

By KATHLEEN HUGESSEN

MATTHEW Aronson is leaving his mark on the future. He's done what he can to see to it he won't be just another kid who passed through the ivied halls of Roslyn School.

The 12-year-old Grade 6 student says it all began a little more than a week ago. "I was reading a book about Roslyn, and it said how the cornerstone has coins, newspapers and things."

He began to reflect on posterity. "I thought, 'I haven't left anything for the school to remember me by'... then I thought of a time capsule."

He says he had noticed the school's stairs on Grosvenor avenue being repaired — an ideal spot to bury a message for the future. But the work was completed before he could more than formulate his great notion.

It was with considerable delight he saw the construction begin on the Roslyn avenue steps.

He went to his class teacher who, he says, was less than enthusiastic about the project. Then he went to Maureen Gross, the teacher in charge of Challenge University, Roslyn's program for gifted students.

"Mrs Gross said it would work," Matthew says.

With her help he prepared a sealed package containing: one loony dollar, one one-dollar bill, a list of the 1989-90 Grade 6 students, the stationery cupboard price-list from the beginning of the school year, the 1989-90 Roslyn Handbook, the math honor roll for February, 1988, a form from the Challenge program, a recent front page from *The Gazette*, the most recent issue of *The Roslyn Reporter* and a brief

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Council, at its sitting of **NOVEMBER 20, 1989**, will hear appeals from decisions rendered by the demolition committee on **September 29, 1989**, re the demolition of building at **22 Summit Circle and 1259-71 Greene Avenue**.

Date de la prochaine séance du conseil municipal

Le conseil, lors de la séance du **20 NOVEMBRE 1989**, entendra les appels interjetés des décisions rendues le **29 septembre 1989** par le comité sur la démolition, concernant la démolition des bâtiments sis au **22, Summit Circle et 1259-71, avenue Greene**.



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AVIS PUBLIC est par la présente donné par le soussigné, Greffier de la Ville de Westmount, en vertu de l'article 461 de la Loi sur les Cités et Villes (L.R.Q., chapitre C-19), que suite à la résolution adoptée par le Conseil municipal à sa séance générale du 6 novembre 1989, la Ville de Westmount procédera à l'expiration d'un délai de 10 jours suivant la publication du présent avis, à la destruction des véhicules abandonnés, détaillés ci-dessous.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given by the undersigned City Clerk of the City of Westmount, that according to Section 461 of the Cities and Towns Act (R.S.Q., chapter C-19) and pursuant to the resolution adopted by the Municipal Council of the said City at its general sitting of November 6, 1989, the City of Westmount will proceed to have destroyed after the expiry of 10 days following the publication of the present notice, the unclaimed vehicles described below.

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 City Clerk

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Sécurité Publique	935-1777

WESTMOUNT
Community
Calendar

Today, Nov 9

Piano recital by Alain Lefèvre at 8 pm, St Léon de Westmount Church, 4311 de Maisonneuve west, to support the Association of Christians Against Torture. Tickets available at Ticketron outlets or at 336 Clarke Avenue. 933-2978.

Craft fair: Contactivity Centre for Seniors annual fair and bazaar from 11:30 am to 3 pm at Webster Hall, 4695 de Maisonneuve, corner Lansdowne. Crafts, knitted goods, home baking, white elephant, books, jewelry and lunch for sale. 932-3433.

Ethics discussion: Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom brown-bag lunch discussion series on ethical issues, with Rabbi Leigh Lerner as discussion leader. This week's topic is euthanasia. Sessions begin at noon in the community house, 4100 Sherbrooke street west. The public is welcome.

Art jewelry: Silver, semi-precious stones, old traders' beads, and amulets in a display of hand-wrought jewelry from Turkestan, Africa, Indonesia, Nepal, India and Europe at Galerie des 5 Continents, 1225 Greene Avenue until Dec 2.

African art: *Women of Africa: faces, forms, adornment* at Galerie des 5 Continents, 1225 Greene Avenue, until Dec 2. 931-3174.

Art exhibit: The mixed media paintings of Helen Ryf at Westmount Public Library until Nov 12. 697-7448.

Chrysanthemum show at greenhouse Monday to Friday from 10 am to 8 pm and Saturday and Sunday from 10 am to 5 pm. The show will continue approximately three weeks.

Art exhibit: *Art à porter*, work by Rosie Godbout, Alicia Niles and Marion Spanjerdt, at Visual Arts Centre, 350 Victoria Avenue, to Nov 18. 488-9558.

Art exhibit: Small-format acrylic landscapes by Hudson painter Timothy Elliott at Galerie Dan Delaney, 318 Victoria Avenue, until Nov 17. 484-4691.

Recycling sheds closed until further notice.

Friday, Nov 10

Bazaar and auction at St-Léon-de-Westmount Church from 10 am to 9 pm; auction begins at 7 pm today; bazaar continues to Sunday.

Book sale at Atwater Library. Members' night from 5 to 8 pm; sale open to the public tomorrow from 10 am to 5 pm. 935-7344.

Saturday, Nov 11

Samedi Greene at the Greene Avenue community centre presents Picardi Marionette Theatre in *Trade Winds* at 10 am. Admission is \$1.

Children's reading of *Snakes et les serpents*, *Animals in the wild* for children of all ages at 10 am at Oink, Oink!, 1361 Greene Avenue. Readings every second Saturday.

Christmas shopping arcade from 10:30 am to 3 pm at St Andrew's-Dominion-Douglas Church, 685 Roslyn Avenue. Decorations, home-baking, children's corner, baby boutique, treasure trove and lunch.

Remembrance Day service, 10:45 at cenotaph.

Bazaar by the Czechoslovak National Association of Canada at Victoria Hall from 11 am to 4 pm offers home baking, handicrafts, books and new merchandise. Hot and cold meals and wine will be served until 5 pm.

Sunday, Nov 12

Children's Book Week will be observed at the Westmount Library with a big display of Canadian books until Nov 19.

Injunction seen as possible recourse against summit tower

By CHARLES MAPPIN

Oakland Avenue residents upset by the 30-storey communications tower erected less than two weeks ago in their neighborhood should get a court injunction to have the matter resolved quickly, architect Michael Fish says.

Mr Fish, whom the residents consulted about the recent arrival to the area, feels if they are serious they should stop consulting their lawyers and get an injunction immediately to prevent completion of the tower.

A group of Oakland residents attended Monday's city council meeting to see what progress the city administration has made on their behalf and to present a petition ask-

ing Westmount to help pay their legal expenses.

Anelia Wright, spokesperson for the residents, said the group is seeking advice from a lawyer, but has yet to take any legal action. "We are doing everything in our power to make sure the tower is removed. We won't accept less," Mrs Wright said.

Space for antennas

Located just beyond Westmount city limits in Montreal on residential Ridgewood Avenue, the tower looms over that street's apartment buildings and Oakland's homes. The company which owns the tower and will rent out space for antennas to mobile radio operators, Glenayre Électronique, has begun installing the antennas on it.

Mr Fish thinks an injunction would force the courts to look into it right away. "Somebody has a case to make that the thing doesn't conform to Montreal's zoning. There are no two ways about it. It would take a fool of a judge not to see it's banned by the zoning."

Mr Fish said the tower is a free-standing structure and must therefore comply to Montreal's zoning by-laws. It falls to in two areas: it is a commercial structure in a residential zone and it does not have the required setbacks from the property line.

"It may be able to go somewhere else that's equally terrible, but it clearly can't go there," Mr Fish said.

The residents are considering an injunction, Mrs Wright said, but they have to get together again to decide their next step.

Chat at council

At Monday's meeting, council members engaged in an unusually casual discussion with several residents about the issue. Councillor Peter Duffield said he is shocked Montreal claims it has no jurisdiction because communications is a federal matter.

"It strikes me that this is a structure that has been put up without a building permit," Mr Duffield said. "Does this mean anybody can build anything in the City of Montreal without a permit?"

Mayor May Cutler said she has had no reply from Montreal Mayor Jean Doré to her letter of last week, but will go after him again.

One Oakland resident, Louise Hechler, showed council an 1895 document that she hopes might help in the attempt to find some way to have the tower removed. Mrs Hechler said a servitude exists on land in the area limiting the height of construction. City lawyer John Donovan said he was unsure whether the servitude applies to the land the tower is built on, but he is looking into it.

Relighting work continues on upper levels

Westmount's electrical workers are set to begin installing new street lighting on Upper Roslyn Avenue, Belfrage Road and the southern block of Upper Lansdowne Avenue.

City officials say the work should begin late this week or early next week and will take about 10 days to complete.

Next on the relighting schedule is the northern block of Upper Lansdowne and Lansdowne Ridge. The work will continue until a major snowstorm makes it impractical, officials say.

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Oct 31

- 12:19 pm: 423 Elm, flood in basement;
- 2:10 pm: 4350 St Catherine, Westmount High, girl fallen into catchbasin (see story last week);
- 5:20 pm: 3120 Daulac, smoke detector set off by fumes from floor work;

Nov 1

- 7:58 am: Front of 4172 Dorchester, first responder unit (see accident story);
- 2:45 pm: 1 Westmount Square, code 3 automatic mutual aid from Côte St Luc and Outremont cancelled at 2:50 pm, alarm activated by work on sprinkler system;
- 9:15 pm: Facing 453 Victoria, water leak in street;

Nov 2

- 12:11 pm: 3200 The Boulevard, smoke scare, defective clothes washer;
- 12:22 pm: 3 Westmount Square, code 3 automatic mutual aid from Côte St Luc and Outremont cancelled at 12:40 pm, alarm activated by work on system;
- 7:39 pm: 18 Thornhill, smoke detector beeping, defective battery;

Nov 3

- 8:49 am: 4488 St Catherine, first responder unit;



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Recycling WILL return! Shed to re-open Nov 13

WESTMOUNT will be recycling again soon after all. Anyone keeping track of the local recycling situation will be dizzy by now as the on-again off-again pattern continues. City council Monday approved paying Orford Recycling \$480 a week to collect Westmount's recyclage despite what it calls an unfair price.

The company tendered a price of \$160 per pickup of paper, cardboard and glass from a depot.

Public works director Fred Caluori said only the depot at the Corporation Yard will be re-opened on Monday, Nov 13. It will be emptied three times a week. Residents will be able to bring their material to the shack, located at the south end of Bethune street, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Plastics will not be taken.

The city called five recycling companies to try to generate interest. Only two picked up the tender specifications and only Orford submitted a price.

Councillor Sally Aitken asked at Monday's meeting that the depot operate after next April for those residents not included in the comprehensive home pickup program slated to begin that month. Only homes and small apartment buildings are to be part of it.

Other flowers, vegetables foils for chrysanthemum stars of show

It's flower time again!

The city's 57th annual fall chrysanthemum show opens to the public this morning depicting a theme of *Autumn harvest* with an abundance of color.

- 9:18 am: 4300 de Maisonneuve, first responder unit;
- 2:01 pm: Rear of 3 Hillside, armory, smoke scare, work on boilers;

Nov 4

- 4:58 pm: 311 Kensington, water leak from roof, broken pipe;
- 7:22 pm: 5728 Wildwood, mutual aid assistance at fire (see story);
- 8:00 pm: Outside 61 Aberdeen, water leak;
- 9:02 pm: 4337 Montrose, possible blocked chimney;

Nov 5

- 10:31 pm: 4643 Sherbrooke, first responder unit;

Nov 6

- 4:54 am: 399 Clarke, first responder unit;
- 9:36 am: 5885 Cavendish, code 3 automatic mutual aid to Côte St Luc cancelled at 9:46 am;
- 10:32 am: 1304 Greene, Old Post Office, for alarm ringing, possibly from work on furnace;
- 9:22 pm: 660 Victoria, first responder unit.

The exhibit can be viewed in the conservatory adjacent to the library between 10 am and 8 pm Monday to Friday as well as from 10 am to 5 pm on weekends.

This year's theme centres around a display at the north end of the conservatory showing the final harvest of the fields — onions, potatoes, apples, pumpkins, squashes, beets and cabbages.

Surrounding the harvest are more than 1,700 pots of chrysanthemums featuring bush, Sutton and exhibition varieties. A small brook stocked with goldfish runs through the exhibit.

Also on display in the side greenhouses are fuchsias, winter geraniums, more mums and cyclomen growing for the Christmas display.

"The show is lovely," Councillor Joan Rothman told Monday night's city council meeting. Mrs Rothman was expected to preside at the show's official opening last night during a reception in Victoria Hall for specially invited guests.

The display is expected to last



TALKING ENVIRONMENT: The environment information day held at St Andrew's — Dominion-Douglas Church last Saturday, attracted a steady stream of visitors. Among those to wander through the booths and displays was Westmount mayor **May Cutler**. She asked probing questions of this man about paper recycling. Councillor Sally Aitken also attended as did Westmount MNA Richard Holden.

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Co-operation of police appreciated by firemen

A copy of the following letter has been sent to THE EXAMINER:

Pierre Vézina, Director
MUC Police Sector 23
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Dear Pierre: Our department responded to a serious fire on the fourth floor of a 12-storey apartment building on Wednesday, Oct 25, at 21h14.

The building in question housed approximately 400 tenants, of which the majority were in their senior years and some were handicapped. Approximately 200 of the tenants had to evacuate the building. Due to the nature of the fire and the large number of evacuees, Sgt D. Babin quickly and efficiently summoned additional manpower from other sectors, knowing very well that the situation was life-threatening and required quick and prompt action.

Sgt Babin's actions, and those of his crew, were instrumental in preventing what could have developed into a much more serious and unpleasant ending.

Your department's involvement and their

co-ordination with other emergency agencies on site was second to none and they are to be highly commended on a job well done.

This display of camaraderie and exemplary behavior depicts the quality of individual serving the citizens in our community.

W. Timmons, TPI
Director of Fire
City of Westmount

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250 Clarke management thanks fire department

Sir: At this time I would like to extend my sincerest thanks to the City of Westmount's fire department for their efforts in fighting the fire on Oct 25 in our apartment building situated at 250 Clarke avenue.

We have received numerous thanks and I think these grateful and appreciated remarks should be forwarded to the men who were on duty the night of this fire. In particular, I would like to thank Director Bill Timmons and Asst Dir Morin, Capt Morrison, dispatcher No 1 Mr Suarez, and two men that I have known for many years and who are always there when we need them, Lieut Inspector Barry Coates and Fire Inspector Hugh Clark.

Thank you again for an outstanding job and excellent follow-up.

Warren Dick

The Royal Westmount Apartments
250 Clarke avenue
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Double anniversary marked in Shanghai

Sir: The year 1949 which saw the revolution which created the People's Republic of China was also the 2,500th birthday of Confucius. Simultaneously now in China, his 2,540th birthday is being celebrated together with the 40th anniversary of the People's Republic.

An enormous televised spectacle is being broadcast from Beijing. Last night (Sept 30) I attended a 40th anniversary buffet reception in Shanghai's Russian-designed exhibition hall where an orchestra played a variety of modern pieces, including the theme music from *The Godfather*.

The reception was toasted by Mayor Zhu Rongji, who spoke of Shanghai's humiliating past, pointing to ways in which it has progressed into a vigorous and vital city with higher living standards. The mayor spoke of the importance of honest government. (This seems especially important here in view of a past in which corruption flourished.)

He expressed the view that the Shanghaiese have become more mature politically in 40 years, quoting Confucius as saying: "People won't feel puzzled at the age of 40." In his view, the events early last June tested the people, who have become more united than ever.

Mayor Rongji paid his respects to a range of groups whom he felt had been responsible for making the city prosperous, ending by toasting the anniversary, the increased prosperity of China, Chinese international relations and the health of all guests present.

David Lawson

Foreign Experts Residence
SHANGHAI, CHINA 200083

Editor's Note: Mr Lawson is a Westmounter teaching this year in China.

Ignorance of French shown in heading

Sir: It is rather distressing to see that the editorial board of THE WESTMOUNT EXAMINER, in one of its rare endeavors to use the French language, allows itself to make two glaring grammatical mistakes in a sentence of four words. The headline of the Oct 26 editorial about French immersion classes in Roslyn School reads: "Les anglais en Québec."

It is a sad comment on THE EXAMINER that after so many years of publishing in this province, it remains so ignorant of the French language.

Michei Faure

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We Say

Leisure and culture

THE opportunity given Westmounters to participate in a "town meeting" on leisure and culture Monday evening in Victoria Hall comes rarely to the citizens of this or any city.

Too often it is the elected councillors, or local officials, or commissioned "experts" who tell us what they think we want or need in the way of community amenities.

Or else nonplussed, so-called leaders, not knowing what to do, simply choose to follow.

In this instance, Mayor May Cutler and several of the more socially conscious members of city council give every evidence of realizing, after much thought and study, that whatever recommendations they have drawn up and whatever policy they have drafted may not necessarily fit with the desires of the people

who, after all, are the intended users and, hopefully, beneficiaries of city facilities.

Mrs Cutler was elected two years ago principally on her professed ideas on cultural development of Westmount. Not that previous mayors or councils had been as neglectful of these values as may have appeared or as she made out.

However, much of what we did in the past about the establishment and development of cultural resources owed more to Westmount's traditions in such matters — nothing wrong, *per se*, but out of tune with more recent times.

One of the clear advantages (even if there have been drawbacks) of having a new mayor of absolutely no prior experience in municipal matters has been her fresh, uninhibited approach. Her platform, on which she did not necessarily win, so much as her predecessor lost by losing

touch, brought fresh air and sunshine to local aspirations for bettering the city.

Thus far, the Cutler promise has not, by far, been fulfilled. The reasons are many: resistance of some solons to change, with instances of outright suspicion of her objectives so unlike the more pragmatic agendas which have dominated past councils; financial restraints when so-called superior governments leave local ratepayers with little stomach for taxes even higher than they have become; an administration tending more to the bureaucratic than the artistic and abstract.

However, the drive for a better cultural approach to the city's needs has not been lost at city hall. There seems to be at last a realization that society continues to change radically: leisure is a growing preoccupation of citizens who find they have more of it.

Being the extraordinary people they are, Westmounters have many talents and interests and they no longer can be met, on a communal basis, by the provision alone of the usual recreation department things such as tennis courts, rinks and assorted programs for various age groups.

Our public library, a great joy and comfort to so many over the years, basically is starved of the budgetary resources necessary to bring it up to the standards of many of its contemporaries in other municipalities. A keen staff and a well-motivated board of trustees can do only so much without a city council and an administration which truly believe that not only is cultural growth necessary but is, in fact, the hallmark of Westmount people, infinitely more now than ever in the past.

The citizens' current and foreseeable wants and needs for all kinds of activities, other than athletics, is to be the thrust of Monday evening's meeting, which starts at 7:30 o'clock. We know from our own contacts in the community that there are many residents who bubble with good ideas, some of which may seem far out but which should be aired midst their peers.

Remember, it is taking place in Victoria Hall — most appropriate because that underused place is one of the specific subjects for discussion.

There will be other citizens, given this reminder of their opportunity to both listen and to speak out, who will want to come forward.

It is a unique opportunity, of considerably greater import and potential impact on the city than most of the more mundane things upon which the people are consulted from time to time.

A thorn in our crown

THAT communications tower suddenly risen atop Westmount mountain may be only one of several in the area. But that is no excuse for it.

Indeed, that is all the more reason why there should have been more thought given the project and more reticence to erect it.

Clearly there has been a paucity of forthrightness, if not a surplus of outright secrecy, surrounding intentions in this undertaking. The raising of this structure by night has the aura, if not the reality, of stealth.

The owners and others responsible would have been quite right in taking the position that if they had publicized their intentions there would have been a widespread outcry, not just from the residents of Westmount's summit and neighboring Montrealeers but people in an even wider area.

This huge tower stands out, not so much like a proverbial sore thumb but as a long, slender finger thrusting toward the sky and haughtily proclaiming that some entrepreneurs can, with the connivance of public officials, do what they please.

Westmount has no regulatory power in this matter, though it does have a strong moral case to make against not only the developer of this monstrosity but against two agencies which do, or should have: the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission in Ottawa, which granted the license, and the City of

Montreal in which it is located virtually on the Westmount border and which claims it had no say because it is "a federal matter."

The CRTC can be accused of high-handedness and Montreal of cowardice in not standing up to Ottawa's bureaucrats in defending the city's right to a say, not only in construction permits but in protecting its and its neighbors' appearance, specially the metropolitan skyline.

It also passeth strange that the cities of Montreal, Outremont and Westmount had only very recently entered a compact for the protection of the mountain reaches.

Since when can the decisions of an Ottawa regulatory agency take priority over local authorities? Municipalities which, by the way, put severe but justified limitations on the private erection of satellite receiving dishes to protect the visual environment.

Westmount, among other measures already taken and surely yet to come, could do worse than take this case directly to the prime minister whose former home, until he went to Ottawa, is virtually in the shadow of this gross infliction on local sensibilities.

Mr Mulroney could be reminded that, having become the head of the government of Canada and left us, he was invited back to be given the freedom of Westmount. The CRTC's action is an insult to him, too.



Forty-five Years Ago
November 10, 1944

"Although November 11, Remembrance Day, falls on Saturday, services and public demonstrations in memory of the men who made the supreme sacrifice during the first world war and of those who have already laid down their lives in the present-day world-wide conflict, will be held in Westmount on Sunday afternoon. The City of Westmount has planned to include the relatives of servicemen who gave their lives in battle in this war among those in front of city hall. . . . There will be an inspection of Veterans' Guard, 2nd Regiment (Reserve) Bn Royal Montreal Regiment (MG) CA."

Thirty-five Years Ago
November 12, 1954

"The Royal Montreal Regiment, celebrating the 40th anniversary of its formation, will receive the freedom of the City of Westmount this weekend and lead the city's tribute to its war dead. More than 500 former members of the regiment are expected to take part in the three-day celebration of the anniversary. Apart from the reunion program, the RMR, dressed in scarlet and blues, will lead the parade to the Westmount War Memorial for the commemoration service, Nov 14. . . . Following the memorial service, the regiment will parade to the steps of city hall where Westmount Mayor Roy L. Campbell will confer the honor of 'The Privilege' — the freedom of the city — on the RMR."

Twenty-five Years Ago
November 6, 1964

"Work on the six-storey Westmount Life Insurance Building at Sherbrooke and Mount Pleasant avenue is going ahead on schedule. 'We began pouring the roof this week,' a spokesman for the builders and owners, David Bloom & Co, reported to THE EXAMINER. 'We'll start pouring the curtain wall the first week in December.' Mechanical, plumbing and heating work is in progress on the site, he said. The office building will be ready for occupancy May 1, 1965, as scheduled. . . . Demolition work on the site was begun in April after city council approved the re-zoning of nine Sherbrooke street properties covering the entire Mount Pleasant-Elm block."

Ten Years Ago
November 8, 1979

From an editorial: "Alderman Brian O'N. Gallery goes back for a second four-year term on city council with a clear, strong mandate. More significant than his victory at the Ward 2 polls Monday over Mrs JoAnn Issenman will be the increased moral authority he will hold in the city's administration. . . . Ald Gallery will be the one solon who will have fought for his seat and won decisively; who tested his electorate and clearly was given its approval for his policies, his style and his willingness to stand out against the decisions of the majority when he believed that was the right thing to do."

One Year Ago
November 10, 1988

"The size of Westmount's city staff exceeds the combined personnel required to operate both Outremont and Côte St Luc, according to figures submitted to city council. . . . Even when the Westmount number is reduced to take into account its unique operation of an electrical utility and the library, the city still boasts 289 employees compared with 134 in Outremont and 175 in Côte St Luc. These figures call for immediate implementation of a hiring freeze that would cut the size of the staff through attrition, said Rod Guthrie of the Westmount Finance Action Committee (WFAC). Mr Guthrie said that council's recent endorsement of a position freeze did not go far enough."

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



The future of Meech Lake

A REPORT in last Saturday's Gazette says if the Meech Lake constitutional accord fails, a majority of the Liberal members of the National Assembly would view sovereignty-association as a viable option. According to the story, MNAs quoted in Quebec's *Le Soleil* said they felt the same way. These Liberal members stated that they'd prefer sovereignty-association over allowing Premier Robert Bourassa to agree to any alteration in the accord in this week's first ministers' meeting in Ottawa.

My colleague Neil Cameron, Equality Party MNA from Nelligan, is in Ottawa this week as an observer at the first ministers' conference and is hoping to meet with the important players, Premiers McKenna (New Brunswick), Filmon (Manitoba) and Wells (Newfoundland) as well as Conservative Senator Lowell Murray, Liberal MP Jean Lapierre and some of the other Meech Lake proponents.

On our behalf, Neil is trying to determine whether there is still a breath of life in the deal or whether the acid rain of criticism and study has killed Meech Lake. My own view is that, if it dies, the death blow was struck by Premier Bourassa and his government when they tore up the Supreme Court judgment on freedom of expression and adopted Bill 178 relegating the English language to the back of the bus.

One of my first questions to the premier will be whether, as a gesture of good faith and in order to save his cherished Meech Lake accord, he would bring new legislation before the Assembly, changing the law (Bill 178 being an amendment of Bill 101), allowing languages other than French on all signs (indoors and out) and corporate names. If, as I suspect, the answer is "no," then I will suggest to him that the refusal of other premiers to accept his unfair treatment of the anglophone minority in Quebec is the fundamental reason for their not accepting the "distinct society" concept as set out in Meech Lake.

Should all of this lead to the Liberal Party of Quebec adopting sovereignty-association, then only the Equality Party will be the voice of federalism in the National Assembly. So far the news that the Liberals might opt for independence has been met by a thundering silence from anglophone Liberal MNAs and an ambivalent attitude from Mr Bourassa. I'm not surprised by either reaction because both the premier and his anglo MNAs are hypocrites, persons of changeable convictions.

They approach Canadian federalism as if they were buying a second-hand car — "I'll only buy it if the price is right." For us in the Equality Party, Canada is not negotiable.

our M.P.
David Berger
says...



The power of Meech Lake

IN A Nov 2 letter to Clyde Wells, the premier of Newfoundland, the prime minister rejects the view of the premier that the "distinct society" clause of the Meech Lake accord creates a special legislative status for Quebec. According to the prime minister, the clause "recognizes and affirms an existing role. There is no grant of legislative jurisdiction."

The prime minister's opinion will not settle the matter. Only an opinion from the Supreme Court of Canada will do. And yet the prime minister has refused to refer the question to the court as he was invited to do by Donald Johnston some two years ago. If the prime minister is sincere, he can still refer the matter to the court.

Mr Mulroney does not respond to Wells' arguments that special status will be created not through the explicit grant of new legislative jurisdiction but through new interpretations of the existing Constitution.

Constitutional challenges in Canada have invariably concerned the grey areas of the Constitution, which the courts will be invited to re-examine in the light of the dis-



tinct society clause.

This week Robert Bourassa and his minister responsible for the Constitution, Gil Rémillard, confirmed the view that the distinct society clause indeed means something. At a press conference on Monday, Mr Bourassa was reportedly careful not to provide the opponents of Meech Lake with any new ammunition. He nonetheless ventured that the distinct society clause will "consolidate" Quebec's powers. The Oxford Dictionary and Petit Robert define consolidate as meaning to solidify or to strengthen.

According to an article in *La Presse*, Mr Rémillard agreed that Quebec would use the clause to claim new powers. "We will use this criteria as all other criteria of the Constitution. A Constitution is there to be used," he said.

Let's also remember what Robert Bourassa said in the National Assembly on June 18, 1987. "It must be stressed that the whole Constitution, including the charter, will be interpreted and applied in the light of the section on our distinct identity. This has a bearing on the exercise of legislative authority, and it will enable us to consolidate what has already been achieved and to gain new ground."

You Say

Drastic measures needed to cut national debt

Sir: For the fifth consecutive year Finance Minister Michael Wilson has presented a budget "to reduce the national debt" which will increase the national debt to \$350 billion by 1990 as a result of the projected deficit, \$30.5 billion for 1989-1990. Tinkering with the Income Tax Act and sales taxes will not even produce a balanced budget. Drastic changes are needed in taxation and in spending.

Scrap the proposed federal sales tax scheduled to start Jan 1, 1990. It will not raise sufficient funds to justify the confusion in the process of collecting the tax and keeping records.

Instead, levy a "National Debt Repayment Tax" of two percent on all total income (line 150 in 1988 income tax forms) above a basic minimum (e.g. \$15,000-\$20,000). This tax could be implemented Jan 1, 1990. This tax would apply to all individuals, business, corporations — no exemptions. All the funds collected from this tax must be held in a separate National Debt Repayment Fund

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our Mayor
Her Worship May Cutler
says...



Monday's meeting

MONDAY night's gathering in Victoria Hall is the most important meeting to take place in Westmount this year — and maybe for years to come.

It is a "town hall" meeting to bring you up to date on plans to rebuild and renovate Victoria Hall, the greenhouse and the library, and make them into a community centre to serve you for decades — well into the 21st century.

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Not in 60 years — not since 1926 when Victoria Hall was built — has there been such an ambitious undertaking. These plans affect the kind of community we will have in Westmount, how a centre will serve as you bring up your children, as you enjoy recreational and cultural activities, as you use the library, as you grow older and have more time to enjoy leisure.

We will be reporting on what we now have, what the problems are (in case you don't know them), what we need and how we hope to get it. Also the various possibilities for financing the projects.

This is half way through my mandate and that of the present council. So it is also a report on what we have been working on and what we hope to achieve on your behalf.

We want to share all this with you and get your reaction.

So make a date to be with us this coming Monday, Nov 13, at 7:30 pm in Victoria Hall.

ABOUT LETTERS

Letters to the editor are most welcome. They should be typed, double-spaced and received by noon Tuesday for consideration for publication that week. They must bear the writer's name, full address and day phone number. Send or deliver to 155 Hillside avenue, Westmount, H3Z 2Y8, or fax to 932-5700. Brevity is a virtue.

April opening date for light-care nursing home

The Château Westmount light-care nursing home on Victoria avenue will open on April 1, 1990, according to an official of the company managing it.

Jean-François Richard, marketing vice-president of Carex Services Inc, says his company has stopped pursuing its licence to operate the facility as a full-care nursing home. Château Westmount will offer in-

By CHARLES MAPPIN

stead light care, defined in Quebec law as up to 1 1/2 hours of nursing attention daily.

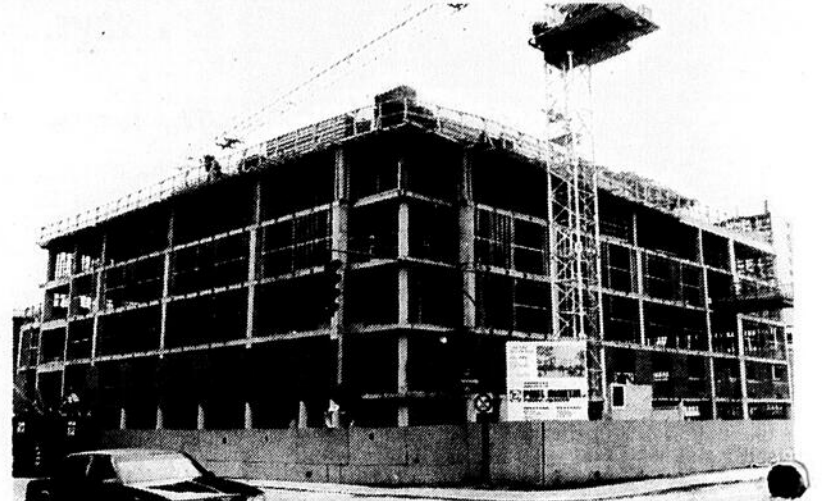
"We realized there's a real need for this type of facility," something between a seniors' residence and a regular nursing home, Mr Richard says. "At a nursing home you have to be sick to live there and at a normal

seniors' residence you have to be completely autonomous."

The building, under construction on the southwest corner of Victoria avenue and de Maisonneuve boulevard, will fill a gap by providing an alternative for people who have problems getting into either of the other two traditional institutions.

Carex proudly aims its facility at the high end of the market, billing it as "upscale" in its soon-to-be-launched advertising campaign. Monthly rent at one of the 112 private rooms will be about \$3,000.

The building will have four floors of rooms, each with a nursing station staffed around the clock. The ground floor will have a dining-room and other common areas. The top storey is set back from the street and will have a lounge and an outdoor terrace.



Workers are pouring the concrete this week for the top storey of the Château Westmount light-care nursing home on Victoria avenue.

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Reader's Digest to begin major extension work today

Reader's Digest is scheduled to begin work today on a \$3.8 million renovation and expansion of its headquarters on Redfern avenue at St Catherine street.

Plans call for a two additional storeys on the northern wing of the building, a new four-storey granite and glass main entrance and an extensive interior face-lift.

The expansion will allow for a consolidation of Reader's Digest operations in the one building by providing space for the 75 employees now working at the Metcalfe avenue office, says Bruce Woodcock, the company's vice-president and treasurer.

Reader's Digest has been publishing in Canada for more than 40 years and has had its Canadian headquarters on Redfern since 1962. Mr Woodcock says the company will do what it can to minimize noise and neighborhood disruptions during the construction.

Noisy compressors and other machinery will be kept as far from residential neighbors as possible, he says. A special telephone line has



An artist's rendition of the Reader's Digest building with its new extension.



been installed to handle any questions or concerns from the community about the construction. The phone number is 934-7260.

Exterior work is scheduled to end


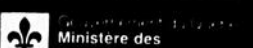
in May and interior renovations by September. The architect is Montrealer Peter Falus. City hall issued the company a \$2 million building permit Oct 23.

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PSOs cut off circulation

Two youths were stopped from distributing ski school circulars Saturday on Sunnyside avenue when it was found that no permit had been obtained, public safety officers said.


The incident followed a complaint from a citizen that debris from the flyers had been left on his lawn. The owner of the school was contacted. He told officers he was unaware that Westmount regulated circular distribution.

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By Reg Morden

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Berger may seek leadership to help shape Liberal policy

By CHARLES MAPPIN

Will Westmount's representative in the House of Commons be Canada's next prime minister?

David Berger, MP for St Henri-Westmount riding, told THE EXAMINER Monday he may take a stab at the federal Liberal Party leadership race because he's unhappy with the direction his party is heading.

Mr Berger, 39, said he has no illusions about his chances in the race to succeed John Turner, but he does want to have a role in shaping the Liberal Party for the coming years and into the next federal election running a policy-oriented campaign.

"I've given myself until Christmas to study — and I mean study — advisedly the possibility and to see what sort of support I can get from within the party and from people who were active in the party in the past and became disillusioned," Mr Berger said.

Over the next two months he plans to assess his support across the country to see whether he can pull together the financing and the team necessary to make the bid.

"If I were to run it would not be because I think I have the greatest chance of winning — although an

extraordinary set of circumstances could lead to that," Mr Berger said. He seems to find more compelling the opportunity to take advantage of the national platform that comes with being a leadership candidate.

"I want to be very realistic about this. I'm not starting off on this exercise to out-organize Paul Martin or Jean Chrétien. I think I have a contribution to make to the orientation of the party in the years ahead."

Lack of a vision

Mr Berger is upset by what he sees as a lack of a strong vision in the Liberal Party. "There are things I would say that are somewhat different from what the party has been saying recently," he explained.

When asked what areas in particular, Mr Berger produced a long list covering the gamut from social policy to foreign policy, from immigration to the Constitution.

"I think it's a bit too early to be specific about it. But clearly, when it comes to Meech Lake and the Constitution, I take a very unequivocal position. I don't have to re-invent the wheel. I defend the position the Lib-

eral Party has stood for not only under Trudeau but under Laurier as well," Mr Berger said.

The Meech Lake constitutional accord is the area where his dissatisfaction with Liberal policy is strongest these days. And it's the debate over the accord that may push him into the fray. He frequently laments his party's support of the deal and the lack of discussion about it in the House of Commons.

The Liberal leadership vote is set for Calgary on June 23, 1990 — the same day Meech Lake officially dies if not ratified by all 10 provinces. (Leadership candidates have until two weeks before the opening of the convention to submit their papers.)

A formidable task

Mr Berger realizes his desire to reshape the Liberal Party is a formidable one.

"It's an ambitious goal. I know. But somebody's got to stand up and fight for liberal, humanistic values. I

don't know of any other candidate so far who would do so."

He criticizes his party for its recent record. "I know that a lot, or I should say, a good number of MPs are not happy and don't feel we're doing as good a job as we should be. I think when you try to be all things to all people, you lose credibility."

"The duty of the opposition is to do more than oppose. We have to not just criticize but put forward some alternatives. If you cry wolf all the time, how will people know when you have legitimate criticisms?"

Does David Berger have the support of his fellow Liberal MPs?

"There's some sympathy in caucus for the type of views I put forward. I think I know the Liberal Party and I feel, obviously, there is a sympathetic audience," he said.

Mr Berger, who supported former St Henri-Westmount MP Donald Johnston in his 1984 Liberal leadership bid, said he has enough experience to know what's possible.

Put ideas to the test

"I've been in politics for 10 years. I've been around and I've had a chance to think about these things. At some point you would like to put your ideas to the test and to try and size them up against the best anyone else has to offer."

Mr Berger believes many people in

the business community who had ties with the Liberal Party in the past have moved away from it. He believes also many people might get on board who haven't been involved in the past if the right type of leader is at the helm.

Key to his decision is the organization, the financing and the support. "If I get a positive reaction between now and Christmas, then I have a decision to make. If I get a negative reaction... it's a different story," he said.

Mr Berger said he wants anyone who supports him to know that he's not doing it "for future considerations," borrowing a term from the sports world with which he was once deeply involved.

"It's not to get into a future cabinet or to get into the next leadership race in 1999 or 2000. What I find attractive is to influence the direction of the party in 1990 and 1991 and into the next election campaign. That would be my major objective."

"Whether this candidacy — if it becomes a candidacy — can become more than that depends on how well I do in the initial months, how well the other candidates do, how the public reacts to us all, and how the media reacts."

"I don't know if it's a wise thing to do or not. I think there's a reason, a rationale. Whether one can put it all together is another thing."

Johnston hasn't ruled out a run at top Liberal job

While St Henri-Westmount MP David Berger considers taking a stab at the Liberal leadership, the man who preceded him in Ottawa has not ruled out seeking the position either.

Donald Johnston, who represented Westmount from 1978 until last autumn, may take a shot at being John Turner's successor.

"It's a little premature for me to say, but I've never excluded the possibility," Mr Johnston said. He finished third behind Mr Turner and Jean Chrétien in the 1984 leadership race.

Mr Johnston said he has received a great deal of correspondence urging him to run, but he has always been wary of getting too easily carried away about his chances of winning by the words of those around him.

Mr Johnston, who works as counsel at Heenan Blaikie, said if he runs it will be to win. Whether or not he does run, he said, depends on how the campaign and the other candidates shape up. "It's not clear yet where people stand on the issues."

Mr Johnston has been in the spotlight recently, particularly in the

French media, following the launch two weeks ago of his book written with former Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, *Lac Meech: Trudeau parle*. It's a translation of the book they released in English a year ago, *With a Bang, Not a Whimper*.

"I'm going to let events evolve

around me a little bit before making up my mind. Come back to me in a couple of months and I may have an answer for you," Mr Johnston said.

The race for the leadership of the federal Liberal Party will likely not heat up until after the NDP chooses its new leader next month.

Moped rider ran, car driver moped

A man abandoned a stolen moped Tuesday last week after colliding with a car on Claremont avenue, police said. Both vehicles sustained less than \$500 damage.

The moped, which had been stolen on Lincoln street, bore a licence plate stolen in N.D.G. The cyclist took off on foot and disappeared. He was not known to have been injured.

The impact occurred about 5 pm when both had been southbound. The moped hit the righthand side of the car as it started to turn into a driveway at 2200 Claremont. The driver immediately ran south on foot and could not be identified.

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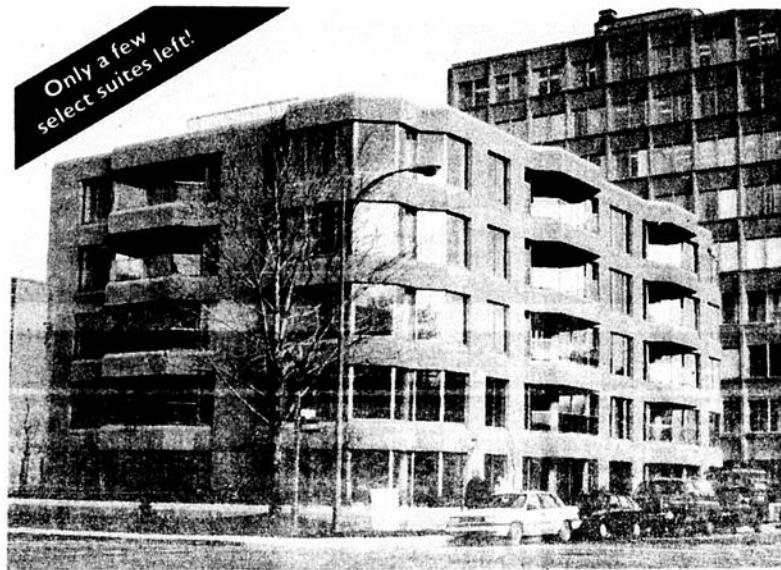
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Westmount firefighters get medals for exemplary service

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

Exemplary service medals were awarded to 23 Westmount firefighters at Monday's city council meeting following approval by Governor General Jeanne Sauvé.

These are the first such decorations made to the local brigade since the Fire Services Exemplary Service Medal was authorized in 1985 by Queen Elizabeth after establishment of police and corrections officers exemplary service medals.

The decorations recognize "long and outstanding service in high risk professions providing public security."

To be eligible for the award, firefighters must have completed 20 years' service of such good standard as to warrant an award. Westmount firefighters were nominated last April by Fire Director William Timmons and submitted for approval at various government levels.

"We're grateful to all of you and are lucky to have you serve us," said Mayor May Cutler who presented the medals with Councillor Paul Fortin, public safety commissioner.

Their record is impressive, she said.

The design of the circular medal incorporates crossed axes, a hydrant and a stylized Maltese cross (symbol of the fire service) superimposed on a maple leaf. On the reverse is the Royal Cipher.

Symbolic yellow and red

The medal hangs from a red-and-yellow striped ribbon. The red represents the color of fire; the gold, the quality of service rendered.

Letters from Dir Timmons to re-

ipients announcing their award states, "Your dedication over the years to the service has been outstanding in demonstrating responsibility and caring for citizens in many times of need."

Since the fire service is a very large one, it was calculated when the medal was struck by the Canadian government in 1985 that some 20,000 could be awarded immediately.

The medal takes precedence with the police and corrections medals immediately after the RCMP Long Service and Good Conduct Medal, according to information from the Chancellery of Canadian Orders and Decorations at Rideau Hall, Ottawa.

It is distinct from bravery decorations such as the Medal of Bravery awarded in 1986 to Westmount fire lieutenant Michael Boychuck for his rescue of a man Jan 4, 1985, from a fire at 440 Mount Stephen avenue. Such a deed is viewed as "an extraordinary action frozen in time."

Exemplary service medals were announced in order of service seniority to:

Dir William Timmons, 32 years; William MacMillan, 32; John Pottle, 32; Richard Hearn, 32; Leslie Smith, 28; William Jacques, 27; Robert Cameron, 27; Michael Smith, 27; Assistant Dir Roger Laviolette, 26; Capt James Adams, 26; Lieut Francis MacDougall, 26; Lieut Réal Dessureault, 26; Ralph Svendsen, 26; Robert Mills, 26; Gary Rivard, 26; Patrick McLaughlin, 25; Capt Gerald Gauthier, 25; Rodney Wilson, 25; Assistant Dir René Morin, 23; Joseph Pittarelli, 23; Hugh Clarke, 20; David Cobb, 20 and Ken Ellis, 20.



Among the firefighters honored with medals at Monday night's city council meeting are from left: front row, F. MacDougall, G. Gauthier, R. Morin, W. Timmons, R. Laviolette, J. Adams and R. Dessureault. Behind are: R. Wilson, W. Jacques, L. Smith, R. Mills, G. Rivard, H. Clarke, J. Pittarelli, R. Cameron and D. Cobb.

William Cobb gets his due:

Fire chief finally gets badge just 34 years after retirement

A Westmount fire chief who retired 34 years ago was presented with a chief's hat badge from the brigade last month while in hospital in Brampton, Ont.

William Cobb, 89, was given the gold-plated badge by the community's mayor Ken Whillans and fire chief William Gore on Oct 16 after a request to Westmount Mayor May Cutler.

"He was overwhelmed and extremely proud," wrote grandson Scott Kavanagh in a letter Monday to Director William Timmons. It was Mr Kavanagh who had requested the badge last April.

Another grandson, David Cobb, is a Westmount firefighter.

Douglas Cobb, the former chief's son, retired as a Westmount fire captain in 1980.

"We no longer wear the same badge as Chief Cobb had," says Director William Timmons. "We had one of the new ones made up for him engraved with the rank 'chief' which he used."

Dir Timmons also sent along a shoulder patch and a pin as well as a letter thanking Mr Cobb for his service. Dir Timmons said the former chief probably was not given his badge on retirement.

When the request was made by Mr Kavanagh, he wrote that the badge would be something his grandfather would display with great pride. It would provide him with many fond memories. Though he has suffered several strokes, "the things he still remembers and talks of frequently are his days as fire chief."

The badge had to be specially made. It was finally completed and forwarded Sept 27. Mr Cobb is in Peel Memorial Hospital recovering from a broken hip.

He joined Westmount's combined police and fire department in 1922. He became the first chief of fire to head a completely separate fire department when the two were split in 1946. At the time of his appointment, his address was listed in THE EXAM-

INER as No 2 fire station, 680 Victoria avenue. He lived in the chief's apartment at the rear.

He retired in 1956 and celebrated his 60th wedding anniversary with his wife, Rose, Christmas Day 1982 (see story Jan 6, 1983).

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Dismissed personnel officer takes action against city

Mayor May Cutler and all members of city council are reported to be among those who have received subpoenas to testify before the Quebec Municipal Commission today in the case of a longtime employee dismissed last July.

James A. Martin, 54, who worked for Westmount 29 years before being dismissed as personnel officer, is asking for reinstatement, according to his lawyer William I. Miller, QC.

"We are challenging the validity of the August 1 resolution of city council which dismissed him, asking that it be overturned."

Mr Miller, a human rights advocate, said he intended to prove that the job had not been abolished and that it had been used as a guise to terminate his client's employment.

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proached about it," Mr Crouch explained. "The only word I received was a few lines from minutes type-written on a plain piece of unsigned Xerox paper. I found it lying on my desk. I don't even know who sent it. Surely they don't intend me to take that seriously, do they? That's a joke."

He said the union meeting also dispelled rumors that members had not previously understood what they had been voting on. "There were absolutely no complaints from anyone when we asked about that point."

To ensure members remain well-informed, he said, everyone has been given a 21-page summary of union demands and the city's offer on each written in both English and French. Copies are being sent to city management.

A press release issued Tuesday by CUPE said that Mayor May Cutler, or her spokesmen, had failed to reply to calls from the government conciliator last Thursday and again on Monday to return to the bargaining table.

"No call came through my office," the mayor told THE EXAMINER. "But it wouldn't have mattered anyway because now everything has to go through council."

"We've taken it as far as we can go. Anything else that can be offered

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

Since Mr Martin was a member of city management and not covered by any collective agreement, he said, he has chosen to take his case to the municipal commission which has jurisdiction to overturn any city council resolution found to be untrue.

Mr Miller said he believes the challenge has wide public interest in all municipalities "because one cannot deal with an employee of such stature in such a manner."

Michael Crouch, president of the city's white collar workers, called off the strike scheduled for today when he too received a subpoena.

Attorneys for the city, Mr Miller said, called late Tuesday requesting a delay in the proceedings on the grounds the city was going to be subjected to a strike making it impossible for council members and

management to attend the hearing. No mention had been made of the strike's postponement, he said.

At the time of his dismissal, Mr Martin was offered six months' leave and other benefits to allow for pension eligibility at age 55, city officials said.

It is believed Mr Martin turned down the city's offers.

Since Mr Martin was appointed by city council he must also be dismissed by city council. Council unanimously approved a resolution stating that the employment be terminated effective Aug 1 "in view of the elimination of the said position of personnel officer."

He was appointed in 1982. The personnel department was expanded in 1987 when Gordon Black was hired as the city's first director of human resources. Mr Martin continued to work in the department.

Insufficient notice given:

Laid-off laborers protest, city gives three more days

A group of blue-collar temporary workers gained three days additional work after they challenged the manner in which they had been laid off, city officials confirmed this week.

will have to go through council even if it takes another two years like last time."

Signing of the previous white-collar contract for 1986-88 took until Feb 5, 1988. The city only two weeks ago paid out some \$60,400 in retroactive pay increases involving the contract after losing 17 union grievances connected with its late settlement (see separate story).

Gordon Black, director of human resources, said he was contacted by the conciliator Monday. "I told him nothing had changed since we last met and that we were waiting to hear what came out of the white-collar meeting."

The laborers claimed they had been told Wednesday last week they would be laid off Friday when, according to the blue-collar workers' contract, the city must give five days.

"It was a mix-up," explained Fred Caluori, director of public works. "To avoid a hassle, we decided to give them the three extra days."

He said the city had written a letter to the blue-collar association notifying them of the layoffs and had delivered the letter late Monday afternoon. The association claimed they did not receive the letter until Wednesday, Mr Caluori said.

"This is nothing new," said a worker who asked not to be identified. In the past, he said, casual workers sometimes got laid off with very little notice. "They want more respect."

Workers, he said, were now very aware of their rights following their decision to join the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) last week. "Now the union will grieve their cases. Everyone will have to play by the book."

News of the layoffs came just as Mayor May Cutler announced that no employees would be dismissed, referring to permanent staff.

Mr Caluori said 11 laborers are affected by the layoffs which took effect yesterday. They have worked in parks and road work doing sum-

Nine months later, back pay gets paid

The City of Westmount has paid out \$60,437 in back salary increases and interest nine months after a labor arbitrator ordered restitution to some 17 workers. Many are no longer in the city's employ.

Gross payments ranged from \$200 to \$36,700, confirmed Gordon Black, the city's director of human resources.

The cheques were distributed to workers two weeks ago after they were handed over to the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) which grieved their cases.

The pay, dating in some instances to 1986, represents salary hikes the city failed to pay to workers they classed as temporary (see story March 23).

An arbitration ruling Feb 23, 1989, however, upheld the union's claim that the workers had retroactive rights under the collective agreement for the years 1986, 1987 and 1988.

City officials maintained that retroactivity applied only to permanent workers and refused to pay salary increases to temporary workers. The ruling changed previous city procedures for establishing seniority dates of workers.

The labor agreement called for pay hikes of five percent in 1986, four percent in 1987 and three percent in 1988.

Only eight of the 17 workers remained with the city at the time of the ruling.

Those receiving cheques last week as distributed by the union were elated. For some it meant a sizeable amount even after deductions for taxes and pension contributions.

Amounts of money owing were worked out between the city and union officials, Mr Black said.

It was the union's first grievance with the city.

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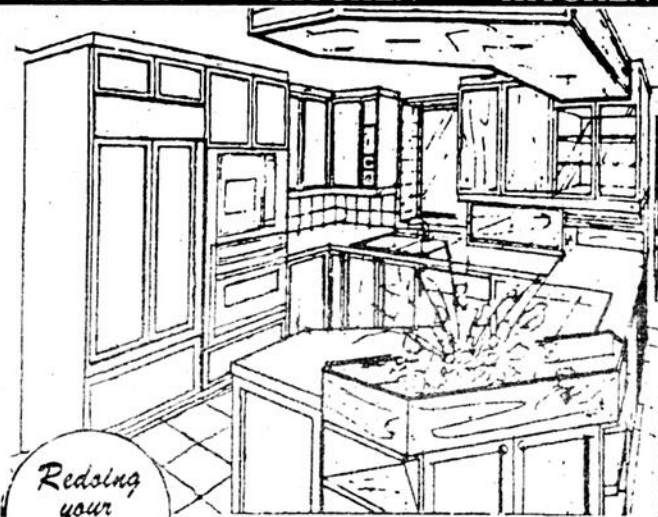
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McCavour, St Louis named managers in restructured city administration

City council created two senior manager positions at its meeting Monday night replacing assistant directors general and emphasizing a more hands-on approach in dealing with departments.

Two longtime senior officials were named to the posts in a reshuffling geared to avoid hiring a replacement for Marc Beaulieu who resigned six months ago as assistant director general for administration.

Edwin McCavour, 58, a civil engineer, becomes manager of corporate services, taking over responsibility for the area of the city formerly handled by Mr Beaulieu with a few exceptions. Mr McCavour was formerly assistant director general for operations.

Bruce St Louis, 38, also a civil engineer, becomes manager of operational services, handling public works, fire, recreation, public security and inspections as overseen previously by Mr McCavour.

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

Named to fill the position of light and power director vacated by Mr St Louis is Daniel Ponzo, 29, formerly senior civil engineer.

Both Mr McCavour and Mr St Louis will report directly to Peter Patenaude, the city's director general, as did the assistant directors general.

Mayor May Cutler also took the occasion to announce the appointment of Dominic Agostino as internal audit and budget administrator.

The two senior managers are to fill the role of working managers rather than assistants, the mayor explained. She later said the new positions may also change as further study of the city's structure continues.

"The important change is in the thrust of the job," emphasized Councillor Daniel Tingley in moving the appointments.

The senior level changes were recommended two weeks ago by management consultant George Cuff of Alberta commissioned by city council to study Westmount's senior structure at a cost of \$5,000 (see story Oct 26).

City council allocated a further sum of \$19,500 plus expenses to mandate Mr Cuff to continue his study into individual city departments and to develop organizational policies and principles.

Under the latest reorganization, both the chief librarian and clerk of court report directly to the director general. They previously reported to the assistant DG for administration.

Responsibilities of the new senior managers are listed as:

- Providing advice to the director general;
- Developing policies for council's consideration;
- Directing departmental staff;
- Monitoring departmental activities;
- Conducting performance reviews;
- Preparing operating and capital budgets; and,
- Responding to councillor inquiries.



Handshakes around the council table brought out some sentimental moments Monday night for Phillip Aspinall, right, who resigned his ward 2 seat Oct 11. At left is Mayor May Cutler, and centre Councillor Paul Fortin.

Council bids farewell to Coun Aspinall

The retired and the hopeful attended Monday night's meeting of city council.

Former councillor Phillip Aspinall, who resigned his ward 2 seat Oct 11, was on hand to hear city clerk Robert Wilkins read the notice of vacancy left by his departure. It was the first session since the resignation.

Peter Trent, who is running to succeed Mr Aspinall, was also in attendance. He remained throughout the 3 1/2-hour session but did not participate in the question periods. Mr Trent served on council from 1983-87.

In recognizing Mr Aspinall, Mayor May Cutler presented him with "a sweetener" — one of the city's jars of maple syrup prepared at the same time as the shipment to Queen Elizabeth.

rested after a holiday in Bermuda, said with a smile that after reading his "semi-obituary" in THE EXAMINER, "I thought I'd come back and prove I'm still alive."

Mayor Cutler said she had hoped the Feb 4 date set for the by-election to replace Mr Aspinall could have been earlier.

Complicated government regulations coupled with the timing of Christmas made the chosen date appear to be the most suitable, she explained.

The earliest date proposed as being possible was Jan 7, Councillor Stuart Robertson said. Since this is only four weeks earlier, he said he found an EXAMINER editorial suggestion last week that council had delayed to be unwarranted.

Mr Trent is the only declared candidate.

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Roslyn decides to fight English stream phase-out

The Roslyn School committee voted at its Monday night meeting to support the school's orientation committee in trying to preserve the English stream at Roslyn.

The Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal informed the school in October of its intention to phase out the English stream starting in September 1990. The newly formed orientation committee held its first meeting last month and decided to contest the decision. Roslyn has until Dec 1 to prepare a brief for presentation to the PSBGM.

Gaby Ostrow, communications consultant with the PSBGM, attended Monday's meeting. She answered questions dealing with the appeal procedure and with the philosophy and intent of the school board in taking this decision. She strongly supported a suggestion that a survey be made of parents of children in private schools to see if there is a demand for the English stream at Roslyn.

"A large demand would make a difference," she said. "Poll private school parents to see what interest there'd be in an English stream at Roslyn — it could have an impact."

Perceived to be immersion

Mindy Speigel, an observer at the meeting and a teacher from Royal Vale School, said many of the students at Royal Vale are from the Roslyn area. "They might have gone to Roslyn," she said, "but in French immersion."

She and several others said Roslyn is perceived to be a French immersion school, not an English language school. Parents looking for an English education for their children might not consider Roslyn.

"Roslyn is known as an immersion school," said committee member Tamara Dalgiesh. "I don't think

By KATHLEEN HUGESSEN

you'll get kids for the English stream."

A sub-committee was created and voted a budget of \$1,500 to finance a survey of potential English-stream parents.

Displaced Roslyn English stream wouldn't require so much space

The minutes of the Oct 10 meeting of the Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal include the intention to phase out Roslyn School's English stream and the intention to repossess two Westmount Park School classrooms now rented to Giant Steps School for autistic children.

Another sub-committee made up of Renee Prendergast, chair of the orientation committee, Adrian Owens, David Taylor and Rodni Torne will prepare a brief for presentation to the PSBGM long-range planning committee. The survey results will form part of that presentation.

The minutes also make it appear that there is a causal relationship between the two — providing space at WPS for displaced Roslyn English stream students.

At Monday night's school committee meeting, Roslyn principal Bertha Dawang pointed out that the number of students involved is not that great. "You're talking five or six students each year," she said.

Not enough, surely, to require two classrooms.

No indeed.

"I was asked (by the PSBGM) way back in September what would be my requirements for next year," says Paul Saunders, WPS principal. "Right now I have two Grade 3s and three Grade 2s."

And his French teacher has to move around.

He told the board he needs one more Grade 3 classroom for next year, and a French classroom — two classrooms.

The Roslyn English stream students were not a deciding factor.



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

Oct 30

329 Roslyn: for Mrs Snaathia by Dumoulin Plomberie, plumbing, two fixtures, \$2,000;

Oct 31

538 Grosvenor: for D.S. Fawcett by self, fireplaces, \$10,000;

Nov 1

1 Westmount Square: for Celine Sonia by 2629 2946 Quebec Inc, renovations, \$14,500; 106 Irvine: for Mr Berwich by McHenry Plumbing Inc, plumbing, two fixtures, \$2,000;

250 Victoria: for Les Services Carex Inc by self, sign, \$1,000;

4896 Sherbrooke: for Cervino Coin Company Ltd by J. Blanchard Plumbing Inc, plumbing, five fixtures, \$3,000;

5025 Sherbrooke: for Westmount Medical Building by self, ground floor alterations, \$15,000;

41 Chesterfield: for Mrs Brierley by Le Groupe Centco, gas furnace and water heater, one fixture, \$4,250;

Nov 2

716 Victoria: for Janice Lipas by self, balcony, \$4,400;

1248-50 Greene: for Ivanhoe by Avenue Video, signs, \$1,000;

692 Grosvenor: for Dimitrios Pantazopoulos by self, extension, \$3,500;

423 Elm: for Mr Cooper by Le Groupe Centco, water entrance, one fixture, \$1,000;

3639 The Boulevard: for Mel Hoppenheim by self, demolition of coach house, \$161,520;

90 Columbia: for P.N. Chai by self, windows, \$8,500;

393 Prince Albert: for Cervino Coin Company Ltd by self, demolition of garage, \$2,000 (see story);

Nov 3

1 Westmount Square: for Hallmark by Linclair Construction, store alterations, \$25,000;

32 Sunnyside: for Evelyn Alexander by Connect Son & Video, satellite dish antenna, \$8,000;

9 Lorraine: for Claudia Carbonetto by self, parking apron, \$1,500;

241 Kensington: for RLIT Development by self, alterations, \$27,000;

1 Westmount Square: for Restaurant La Cajole by self, renovations, \$90,000;

661 Grosvenor: for E. Strolovitch by D'Alesio Contracting, garage repairs, \$15,000.

No new chair elected at Roslyn to fill vacancy left by Stern

HIGH on the order of business at Monday night's Roslyn School committee meeting was the election of a new chair. Linda Stern resigned the position last month.

Renee Prendergast took the chair on Monday but, as chair of the orientation committee, is unable to take on the job. She put before the assembly, some 30 people, a call for nominations or volunteers.

The silence was deafening. It remained so for several minutes. Due to the large amount of business on the committee's agenda, the election of a new chair was tabled till next month's meeting, set for Dec 4.

"I would like it minuted," said Mrs Prendergast, "that we would like to thank Linda Stern for her efforts as chair on school committee and especially for the large amount of information made available to us."

Red-shoed biker snatches purse

A Westmount woman had her purse snatched by a cyclist wearing red shoes Tuesday last week on Olivier avenue, public safety officers report. The theft occurred about 4:15 pm just before an officer was informed of the theft by a passerby.

PSOs called MUC police to meet the victim at Olivier avenue and de Maisonneuve boulevard but the woman finally went home when they had not arrived by 4:30 pm. She told

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borns and toddlers; attractive things for the home and entertaining; books of all sorts and nearly new or very old china, crystal, jewelry and linens.

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Organizers of the St Léon Church bazaar and auction include Westmounters Mona Natonek, Toni Donohoe, president of the bazaar Jacqueline Meunier, and Louise Girouard who is in charge of the auction. They are seen with some of the items what will be on sale and on the block.

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Eruv.

It's not a word that many Westmounters are familiar with, not even Jews such as Farla Grover, a member of the Shaar Hashomayim Conservative synagogue in Westmount who attended city council's meeting Monday night.

"I never knew what it was until this evening, but now I know what it is I think it is a very nice gesture," she said.

The Oakland avenue resident was one of the many Westmounters to crowd the city council chambers and witness the enactment of an ancient Jewish custom. Mayor May Cutler granted "the rights to the public domain" of Westmount to the Jewish community as it had requested. In payment for this privilege, Rabbi Joseph D. Krupnik, the executive director of the Jewish Community Council of Montreal, paid \$1, a symbolic rental fee.

How does the Eruv change the lives of the Jews living within the boundaries of Westmount?

The problem for Orthodox Jews is that by Judaic law they may not carry anything outside of their homes on the Sabbath or on religious holidays.

Enactment of the Eruv means that on the Sabbath Jews may "carry" not only within the confines of their own homes but also in the public streets. This enactment of Eruv has changed the area enclosed by certain natural and manmade boundaries into a private sector.

Makes life easier

Atara Marmor lives on Willow avenue. She expressed her approval of this action, saying, "We are Orthodox Jews and because of Eruv we may carry an extra pair of shoes or a hat or keys. It will just make our living more pleasant."

Rabbi Nadler, the assistant rabbi at Shaar Hashomayim, gave the example of the former assistant at that

By FLORENCE DAVIS

synagogue. "They were Orthodox Jews living on Claremont avenue. The wife couldn't come to the services on Sabbath because they couldn't push their baby in the stroller on the Sabbath."

Eruv has been in place in Toronto for 40 years. During the past six years one municipality after another in the Montreal area has adopted Eruv. These include St Laurent, Town of Mount Royal, Montreal, Côte St Luc, Hampstead, Outremont and Montreal West.

"This is not something new," said Sylvia Schneiderman of Oakland avenue. "Summer camps which include Jewish and non-Jewish children regularly enclose the camp, often just with a long rope, to make it Eruv. In that way the Jewish children can observe the Sabbath without any difficulty."

Mr Schneiderman agreed with his

wife. "It will serve a purpose for the Orthodox Jews in Westmount and won't hurt anyone who doesn't need it."

Pat Harris of Melville avenue said, while not a Jew herself, she supports this move by Westmount. "I see no reason why it shouldn't be done."

When asked to comment on this development in Westmount, Rabbi Shuchat of Shaar Hashomayim said, "It is a very positive development and allows Orthodox and traditional Jews to observe the Sabbath in greater comfort and freedom."

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In the neighborhood

by Kathleen Hugessen

Irene Hoshko — audiologist

I am sitting on a chair in the middle of a box, maybe two metres on a side. The walls are covered with a fine white metal grill. As is the door. It is shut.

Behind me are two speakers on each of which sits a large teddy bear with eyes that can light up. There are toys on the floor. In front of me, on the wall, are a pair of boxes with serpentine wires extending from a series of plugs in neat rows. One of the wires is connected to the ear-phones I am wearing. Another leads to the pushbutton in my hand.

There is a window through which is sometimes revealed a slightly moving human figure working in the next box.

I am being tested.

It should be made clear from the outset that I do not care for tests. Even a questionnaire can produce such angst as to immobilize me.

What brand of spaghetti do you prefer?

On a scale of one (good) to 10 (evil), rate the following: Ed Broadbent, peanut butter, sofas.

Of course the problem in such instances is simple competitiveness. It comes down to the conviction that there is one right answer. And that I can find it.

But this box and this test are different. This is me against... me?

That shadowy figure in the next room is Irene Hoshko, 39, audiologist at the Montreal Oral School for the Deaf (MOSD).

Ms Hoshko is testing my hearing.

To push or not to push

I endure a series of sounds at various frequencies (pitches) and at decreasing volumes. I have to push the button each time I hear a sound. The sounds become fainter. Still I push.

Then a moment of cold panic. Did I hear anything? Am I worse off pushing the button thinking I have, or not? If I push the button and there wasn't a noise — oh the shame of it. But if I did hear a noise and didn't push the button, will I FAIL THE TEST?

Ms Hoshko is seated facing our mutual window with a machine in front of her. If its label is to be believed, it is a microprocessor-controlled clinical audiometer. To her left is another audiometer which will do higher frequencies.

She leaves her booth and enters mine. "Your hearing is so good, I want to test you on the higher frequencies," she says.

I feel definitely, ridiculously pleased with myself.

At the same time, I wonder what it must be like for Ms Hoshko to work with someone with such normal hearing as mine. Her regular clients are not so fortunate and, probably, not so co-operative.

"The youngest I've had is about three months old," she says. "It's critical we find them as soon as possible... I've seen hearing aids fitted on babies as young as one month old."

She says the MOSD is not a diagnostic facility. "Usually children who come here have already been identified as hearing impaired."

Using residual hearing

She indicates a doorway opposite the one to her office. "The nursery is across the hall. The children who come here are confirmed hearing impaired. We work on how to adjust hearing aids to meet their needs."

The approach of the MOSD is based on using a child's residual hearing. Hearing aids amplify sounds so a child can hear and use them.

"I would say about one percent of the profoundly hearing impaired have no residual hearing," says Ms



Irene Hoshko and audiometers

Hoshko. That means almost all deaf children have something to work with.

"It's a very complicated procedure," she says. "It deals with brain-ear interaction. It's important to have an auditory-oral habilitationist." She pauses and smiles, "That's your teacher of the deaf."

The teacher teaches the child to use the hearing aid. Ms Hoshko makes sure the hearing aid is delivering optimum auditory stimulus to the child. "My mandate is to see that the children are properly amplified at all times."

One of her newest pieces of equipment is called a Real-Ear System. "It enables us to see what the hearing aid is delivering very close to the child's eardrum."

Ms Hoshko says she gives the children individual thorough diagnostic assessments once or twice a year.

Visiting the students

She also visits them in school to make sure all is well with them and their equipment. One of the MOSD teaching units is housed at Westmount Park School. And some MOSD children are integrated into regular WPS classes.

A teaching device used by the MOSD, and assessed regularly by Ms Hoshko, is an FM system which hooks into the children's hearing aids. Teachers can transmit their voice directly to the students, thus reducing interference by background noise.

"When children first get hearing aids," Ms Hoshko says, "they hear what they haven't heard before. You have to suppress a lot of that information."

Sign language is not part of the auditory-oral method of teaching the deaf.

"Signing is easier," she says, "it takes over. It's a tremendous investment to get all the information you can get from a little Db (decibel).

Signing discourages the use of hearing."

But she says the total communication (sign language) and the auditory-oral approaches are ends of a continuum. "If you find children's ability to learn through the auditory-oral approach is so difficult it is holding them back, then the options are there."

Ms Hoshko's job includes testing the MOSD students and their siblings, evaluating and monitoring hearing aids, visiting MOSD classes and those students integrated into regular school classes, public relations work and much more.

No limitations

She says she is seeing older and older students — a product of her having been with the MOSD for 11 years.

"As time goes on we're seeing a few of our kids in university," she says. "It amazes me how they survive and excel... There are really no limitations on these kids."

When she is not at the MOSD or out in the schools, testing children or hearing aids, Ms Hoshko spends most of her free time at her N.D.G. duplex.

She shares her home with two cats, a young relative newcomer, Moushka, and a nine-year-old tortoiseshell. "She's called Squeakness because she's a racer."

Ms Hoshko says she loves to cook and bake, knit and crochet and read.

"I love detective stories, classics, anything with a puzzle." She says she has read all of Conan Doyle and Kipling.

And she has played classical piano for 13 years. "I love my piano."

She says she doesn't have a country retreat and she doesn't leave Montreal much. "I'm not much of a world traveller. I go to Kennebunk yearly, though this year I went to B.C. instead. I have to get back to the sea. It's essential for my sanity."

Patrons pay for illegal parking

An illegal parking scheme was uncovered last Thursday during the Forum hockey game when a complaint was received about cars parked in a lane behind the Café Gourmet shop on Greene avenue.

It turned out that someone had been renting out parking spaces for \$5 in the public laneway, public

safety officers said. Since neither MUC police nor PSOs could determine exactly where the boundaries between private and public property lie, it was decided not to ticket any of the vehicles. Should it happen again, \$30 tickets will be issued, said PSU Dir Richard McEnroe.

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The tale of a homefront teen told by former Westmounter Peate

Girl in a sloppy joe sweater by Mary Peate. Optimum Publishing International Inc. 202 pages. Illustrated. \$24.95.

Dedicated bibliophiles, faced with the recent 50th anniversary flood of wartime memoirs and military anecdotes, might well be inclined to throw their hands up in utter desperation. So many war stories have appeared on bookstore shelves in the last few months it sometimes seems that journalists, historians and old soldiers are single-mindedly trying to draw blood from a stone. One may well ask if

anyone has anything new to say about life during wartime.

Mary Peate's new book, *Girl in a sloppy joe sweater*, answers that with an emphatic "yes," and proceeds to show there was far more to the wartime experience than glorious victories, crushing defeats and Churchill's speeches.

Many Westmounters know Ms Peate well as a former neighbor, prominent broadcaster and the author of the autobiographical *Girl in a Red River coat*, an account of her childhood during the Great Depression.

Girl in a sloppy joe sweater picks up where the earlier book left off. It continues the tale of the author's youth and coming of age, up to the end of the Second World War.

In a way, Ms Peate's book is a curious synthesis of several dog-eared literary genres. It is part war story, part coming-of-age epic and part biography. However, the author skillfully avoids the conventional traps of all three by focusing on the most timeless elements of her story.

A teen is a teen is a . . .

The reader may find that, excepting certain period references to rationing, Prime Minister MacKenzie King and Frank Sinatra, *Girl in a sloppy joe sweater* could be about teenagers in the '50s, the '60s or even the '80s. Change the name of Frank Sinatra to George Michael, and the screaming bobby-soxers of 1944 could be the teen hoards waiting outside the Forum for a rock concert in 1989.

Indeed Ms Peate is very conscious of the continuity of teenage experience from the '40s to the '80s. She points out teens of the war years were the first generation to be identified, en masse, as teenagers. Previously society had acknowledged no intermediate step between childhood and adulthood, but in the post-Depression years those young people too old for childhood but not old enough to be considered serious contenders in the workforce became recognized as a distinct age group. Ms Peate argues that it was that recognition that helped to create a consciousness of community among North American teens, which was, in the '40s at least, manifested in bobby sox and sloppy joe sweaters.

This is an important point, for if readers try to take *Girl in a sloppy joe sweater* merely as a home-front memoir, they will be sorely disappointed.

Ms Peate's characters seem concerned mainly with dating and Frank Sinatra. The war only intrudes peripherally, in the form of chocolate shortages, the tragic death of Glenn Miller and, at the very end, Mary's boyfriend's disappointment over the Air Force's failure to ship him overseas.

A distant war

The war seems very distant, indeed, and judging from Ms Peate's memoir, it must have been even more so to a west-end teenager, for whom a trip to a cinema east of St Lawrence boulevard was a major expedition.

What is most entertaining about *Girl in a sloppy joe sweater* is Ms Peate's recollection of the most minute details. Westmounters will be pleased to see local landmarks, like the library and Victoria Hall, listed in the catalogue of her memories.

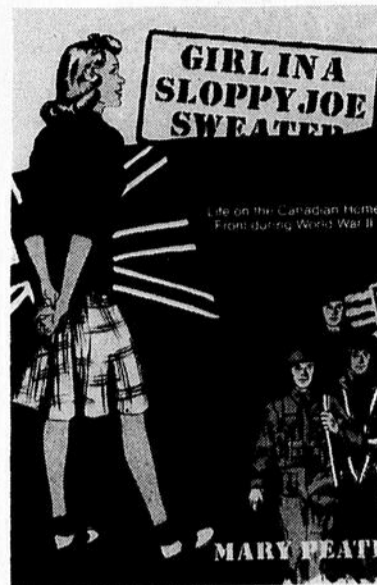
Some readers may relate to her references to the Laurentian ski train, the New Year's Eve dance at the N.D.G. Y or returning bottles to get enough money to see a Betty Grable movie. . . any Betty Grable movie.

Ms Peate is one of the rare writers

Cantare to sing at Christ Church

Cantare, the junior St Lawrence Choir, under the direction of Mary Jane Puiu and accompanied by Thomas Annand, will join Quatuor Linos in a concert of music for voice and flutes at Christ Church Cathedral, corner St Catherine and University streets, at 8 pm Friday. Tickets are available at the door.

Music on the program covers a wide range, from Cantare in *Song to be sung of a summer night on the water* by F. Delius to Quatuor Linos' *Mumblings* by Montreal jazz musician Nick Ayoub. For more information call 694-2975.



who actually seem to be gifted with an almost perfect memory.

The dialogue at dances and hen parties seems real because, Ms Peate says, she remembers every word as it was spoken. She admits to having taken a few, minor liberties with the story: for example, one of her characters is a composite. However, she maintains that *Girl in a sloppy joe sweater* is true to the essence of her experience growing up in Montreal.

Clippings

The story is enhanced by Ms Peate's inclusion of numerous clippings from *The Gazette*, the *Herald*, the *Star* (sorry, no EXAMINER) and a

variety of magazines.

These are more than mere illustration, they function as footnotes to the story. They provide background to the social events, popular culture and concerns of the time. One clipping in particular poignantly underscores the grim reality of life on the home front. It is the 783rd casualty list of the war, reprinted from the Feb 1, 1945, issue of *The Gazette*.

All the clippings came from Ms Peate's own collection, which she describes as a vast mountain of paper, and to which she has been adding for more than 40 years.

Ms Peate still considers herself Montrealer and, yes, a Westmounter at heart. Even in California, where she now lives, she has made a point of subscribing to THE EXAMINER, as a means of keeping in touch with old friends. She is quick to point out that the Peates, her husband's family, have impeccable Westmount credentials, even though she moved here only when she married into the clan.

Her sense of community can be seen, at least, in her choice of a local company, Optimum Publishing, to bring out her book.

In her previous work, Ms Peate dealt with her childhood during the Depression. In *Girl in a sloppy joe sweater*, she wrote about being a teenager on the home front in the 1940s, and already Ms Peate is considering a third volume to continue the stories into the '50s and her life in Westmount. With any luck that book will be as well-crafted and entertaining as this one.

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Beyond Westmount's Borders

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

By JANET COUTTS

Deadlines for arty types

The National Theatre School, Canada's best, located in Montreal, announces its deadline for application is Feb 15. But it's not too soon to start saving the \$50 application fee and rehearsing your audition pieces if you want to try for the acting section; if you want directing you have also to write a letter outlining your aims and objectives and a two-page concept report on two assigned plays. If you want into the playwriting program you must do the acting audition and submit a selection of your writing, including at least one one-act play. At the time of their interview, candidates for technical production and design sections will receive details about the preparation of their entrance project, and design students must present a portfolio of previous work in design, painting and drawing. Applicants must be high school grads. Actors must be between 18 and 25 except in exceptional circumstances. Techies can be as old as 30. Writers and directors have no upper age limits. Application forms are available at 5030 St Denis street, Montreal H2J 2L8, or call 842-7954.

Creativity and psychopathy

McGill University and Montreal General Hospital's psychiatry department are presenting the second symposium on Creativity, psychopathy and adaptation Saturday

from 9 am to 10 pm with a discussion following the film *Celebrating Bird: the triumph of Charlie Parker*. There is a four-hour dinner break, but a Szechuan lunch is thrown in as part of the \$60 registration fee. A half-hour mini-recital of the music of Erik Satie by Pamela Korman is part of the agenda, as are *Written in blood: 20th century art* by Universit  de Montr al psychologist Stephanie Dudek; *The relationship of drawing to script, to music, as illustrated by the art of Maurice Sendak*, by Westmounter W. Clifford M. Scott, MD, and *An experiment in the fantasy analysis of fiction: Vladimir Nabokov's Lolita and John Fowles' The Collector* by psychologist Andrew Brink of Trinity College and two McMaster graduate students. Copies of Dr Scott's paper will be available at the conference. 934-8010.

Going to the dogs

Twenty-five years ago the Ladies' Kennel Club decided to let men in and changed its name to United Kennel Club. They'll be celebrating this anniversary Nov 10 to 12 at the international dog show at Place Bonaventure. The judges are from Canada, the U.S. and Finland. Featured will be specialty shows for Siberian huskies and Lhasa Apsos; obedience trials and a flyball competition, which should be hilarious for both dogs and the audience — dogs race the clock to jump hurdles, press a lever to release a ball, leap to catch

the ball and jump back over the hurdle. There will also be a costume parade in which owners wear the costumes of the dogs' countries of origin.

Century-old glee club

Sunday the 80-voice, 120-year-old Smith College Glee Club from Northampton, Mass. will be at Red-path Hall at McGill University for a free 3 pm concert. They will perform works by Poulenc, Brahms, Verdi and Schubert under the direction of Lucinda J. Thayer. For more information call 931-0000 or 934-4546.

Jewish Book Month

Conceived in 1941 as a countermeasure to the Nazi destruction of Jewish culture, Jewish Book Month has become a celebration of Jewish literary and artistic excellence. Events take place at 8 pm at the library, 5151 C te St Catherine road. Tonight Dennis King will discuss his *Lyndon Larouche and the New American Fascism*. On Wednesday, Nov 18, eight young published poets will read their work. For schedule and information call 345-2627.

The skirl of the pipes

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Rock 'n' roll reprise

Tickets for the Rolling Stones' Dec 13 Olympic Stadium Show are still available at the stadium box office, all Ticketron outlets or by calling Teletron at 288-2525, which beats sleeping out all night on the sidewalk, like the last time you saw a Stones' concert. . . . Or, if you'd prefer something more current, there will be a rock music showcase at Club Secrets, 40 Pine avenue west, on Sunday with Ajo and the Hungry Boys of A&M Records fame. The show starts at 9 pm, and the cover cost of \$5 is considerably lower than for the Stones — but everything else is toned down too, except for the art in the walls and the fireplace at Secrets. Call 849-0648 for tickets.

Blue yonder reading

Concordia's English department is presenting Audrey Thomas, novelist, playwright and short story writer, reading from her forthcoming book of short stories, *The wild blue yonder* Friday at 8 pm in room H-820 of the Hall building, 1455 de Maisonneuve boulevard west.

Little folk

Vit Mizerski, a native of Poland, carves what he calls pleasant peasants from linden wood. They are on display at ARTeller des Laurentides, 5983 rue Morin, Val Morin, 322-2626. On Saturday at 1 pm, Mr Mizerski

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will demonstrate his carving techniques, answer questions through an interpreter and take orders for custom pieces. He will take a limited number of orders, since he will return to Poland next month.

Photo submissions wanted

Dazibao — a centre for contemporary photography — has made a call for submissions for shows from September 1990 to June 1991. The deadline for artists and curators is Dec 15. You must send a maximum of 20 slides of a body of recent work and/or a specific project. The slides should be numbered, titled and have an identifying mark on the lower left corner. This to be accompanied by a list giving title, year and dimensions of the works. If possible, at least one final print of the work to be exhibited; a physical description of the exhibition — number of pieces, dimensions and space required for the exhibit; an artist's statement and a curriculum vitae must be included. If you can't make it to the gallery to

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Camera club meets Monday

The nature division of the Montreal Camera Club, Webster Hall, 4695 de Maisonneuve boulevard west, will show members' nature slides Monday at 7:30 pm. A panel will give constructive criticism to help members improve their technique.

The second half of the evening Sheila Naiman will give a slide show on Winter. She will lead a discussion on how to achieve proper winter mood plus a short slide essay.

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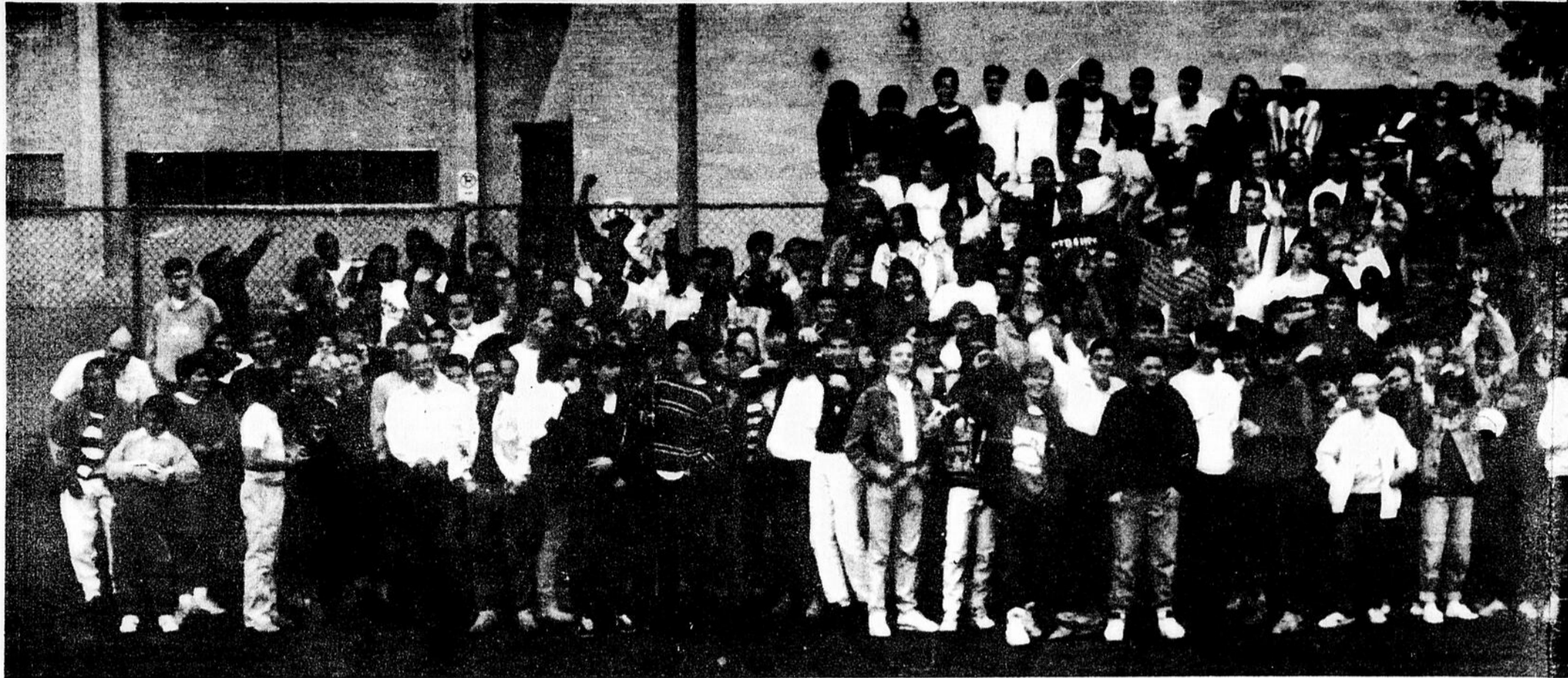
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WHS prefects and Grade 7s at weekend camp

By RAJDEEP GILL

Westmount High School NEWS



The Grade 7 students and the prefects from Westmount High School spent last Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at Camp Tamaracouta, near Morin Heights.

"One of the original purposes of the camp was to act as a kind of orientation towards high school for the Grade 7s," says WHS teacher Iona McAulay, also teacher-advisor to the prefect board. It is "to familiarize them with one another and the prefect board."

The students with the prefects were assigned randomly to each other as secret friends. Once at the camp every student had an unknown person doing nice things for them. The students enjoyed giving and receiving things such as candy and gum. The students arrived at the camp

around 11 Wednesday morning. After eating their lunches the Grade 7s settled into the 10 cabins assigned to them, with two or three prefects in each. The seven teachers and the principal slept separately from the students.

At 2 that afternoon, the activities started with problem-solving exercises. This was when everyone got together and discussed problems affecting students today, such as peer pressure and drugs. Every cabin chose a problem, analysed it and discussed solutions. The following day a representative of each group presented its findings for the other groups.

Most useful

"The problem-solving was very

useful; probably the best part of the camp," says Mrs McAulay. "It is unfortunate that approximately 20 of the 76 Grade 7 students did not go on the trip and therefore did not benefit from this."

Besides going on hikes, taking part in sports and having free time, the Grade 7s and the prefects put on a variety show Thursday night. For many of the prefects and the Grade 7s this was a highlight.

Kelly Cumberbatch, a Grade 7 student, says, "The best part of the trip was the variety show, though it was also the most embarrassing for me. I

had to open up our group's skit, so I walked out and began saying my lines. I turned around while saying them and I saw this big black dog in front of me. I got scared out of my wits and I jumped back, and everybody started clapping for me."

Relationships between the prefects and Grade 7s were formed. "If it wasn't for some of the prefects I wouldn't have had so much fun," says Vasanth Sadasivan.

Mrs McAulay says, "I think that the two main groups involved, the prefects and the Grade 7s, each learned something. It was a lesson

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"It was also a learning experience for us," says prefect Poonam Bharwani. "We learned about tolerance and patience, and not to quit or give up."

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Photo by JAMES MCAULAY.

Art historian Gubbay speaks on public art

Well-known Westmount author and art historian Aline Gubbay will lecture on *Art in public places* at Victoria Hall, Monday, Nov 20 from 1:30 to 3:30 pm.

Sculpture in Montreal's public places ranges from the sublime to the outrageous. In her illustrated talk, Ms Gubbay will explore the variety of the works that give a new dimension to Montreal. Ms Gubbay is the author of *Montreal — the mountain and the river* and *Montreal's little mountain — a portrait of Westmount*.

The lecture is presented by Art Focus/Au Point. There is a \$20 fee to attend. For reservations or information call 933-2268 or 486-3601.

Free concert by Suzuki and FACE

The Suzuki Association of the Americas, Suzuki Musique Montreal and FACE School will give a concert Nov 10 at 7 pm in the FACE auditorium, 3449 University street.

The gala concert will feature Suzuki students aged five to 13, playing violin, piano, cello, flute and string orchestra in honor of Dr Suzuki's lifetime devoted to musical education. The concert is free. For more information call 939-7272.

Chinese art show at Victoria Hall

An exhibition of Chinese brush painting and calligraphy by the students of Virginia Chang, including seven Westmount residents, is being held from Thursday, Nov 16, to Sunday, Nov 19, at Victoria Hall's Salon Prud'homme. The exhibit is open to the public from 11 am to 7 pm daily.

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Parkinson's disease topic of McGill medical lecture

The second public lecture in a series *From the bench to the bedside*, "Coming to grips with Parkinson's disease" will be given Tuesday at 8 pm in room 232 of the Leacock building, McGill University, at 8 pm.

Speaker is Dr Mark Gutman, assistant professor in the department of neurology and neurosurgery of

the Montreal Neurological Institute.

"We still don't know what actually causes Parkinson's disease," says Dr Gutman, "but we suspect there may be some kind of environmental factor, in addition to possible genetic susceptibility."

Information about the latest research in this area and about current methods of treatment will be among the topics he will discuss in his lecture. Dr Gutman's lecture is expected to last 45 minutes to an hour, and a question period will follow.

Upcoming lectures in the series include Dr Eric Lenczer on "Knees and joints" Feb 20; Dr Hinda Kopelman on "Cystic Fibrosis" on March 20 and Dr Arthur Leith on "Eyes and vision" April 17.

JGH will hold blood clinic

A blood donor clinic will be held Monday from 10 am to 4:30 pm at the Sir Mortimer B. Davis Jewish General Hospital, 3755 Côte St Catherine road, auditorium pavillion A.



WOMAN OF THE YEAR: The Montreal Council of Women honored Sandra Wilson, right, at a luncheon last week. Mrs Wilson was selected woman of the year for her work in promoting the careers of young classical musicians. With Mrs Wilson, from left, are Marjorie Bronfman, honorary councillor of the MCW, and Catherine Sly, MCW president.

Photo by VALERIE TETLEY

Czechoslovaks to hold bazaar

The annual bazaar of the Czechoslovak Association in Canada, Montreal branch, will be held at Victoria Hall, Nov 11, from 11 am to 4 pm.

Home baking, handicrafts, books and a great variety of new merchandise will be featured at bargain prices and lunch will be served.

All proceeds go to support charitable, social or cultural projects in the Czechoslovak community in Montreal, such as a summer camp for children, resettlement of new immigrants, activities for golden agers and several other worthy causes.

Mayor to address seniors' group

All seniors and interested individuals are invited to hear Mayor May Cutler of the City of Westmount speak on *Politics and seniors* at a meeting of the N.D.G. Senior Citizens' Council.

The meeting will be held Thursday, Nov 16 at 1:30 pm at the council, 6870 Terrebonne (corner Mariette).

Refreshments will be served. For information call 487-1311.

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Winter Clothing Sale

St George's Church parish hall, 1105 Stanley street, opposite Windsor station. Thursday, Nov 16, 3-6 pm.

Giant Flea Market

Saturday, Nov 11, 9 am-3 pm at LaSalle High School, Theatre Arts dept, 8300 George street, LaSalle (behind Woolco). 50 tables of great buys. Information: Susan, 769-4226.

Chinese Painting Exhibit

23 artists (8 Westmount residents) will exhibit watercolor paintings at Salon Prud'homme, Victoria Hall, 4626 Sherbrooke west, from Thursday, Nov 16 to Sunday, Nov 19, 11 am-7 pm. Free admission.

Samedi Greene — Puppet Show

The Greene Avenue Community Centre, 1090 Greene, Westmount presents "Trade Winds Puppet Show" performed by the Picardi Marionette theatre using rag, shadow & life-size puppets. Saturday, Nov 11, 10 to 11:30 am. Admission \$1. Children 6 & under must be accompanied by an adult.

Giant Family Bazaar

Sunday, Nov 12, 10 am-7 pm, at Place Bonaventure, Le Viaduc. Free admission. Big discounts on: family fashions, shoes, giftware, toys, jewelry, yard goods, handicrafts, housewares, used fur coats, etc. Raffle drawing at 4 pm; raffles: \$1 each. Cash prizes.

Bazaar and auction at Vic Hall to raise funds for Giant Steps

By KATHLEEN HUGESSEN

Vivian Rabinovitch says she's been working since about July on this year's Giant Steps holiday bazaar and auction, to be held Nov 26 in Victoria Hall. Proceeds will go to the Giant Steps School for autistic children.

A Town of Mount Royal resident, Ms Rabinovitch says she helped with the auction last year, lining up many of the items that were sold. But she says she was disappointed with the results and nurtures hopes of improving on them this year.

Among items to be auctioned are

African Violet Society to meet

The next meeting of the African Violet Society of Greater Montreal will take place Nov 13 at 7:30 pm in the meeting hall of Wesley United Church, 5964 Notre Dame de Grace, corner of Royal.

The speaker is Charles Laws, who will discuss the Burns method of wick watering and give tips on grooming and disbudding plants for show.

Plant supplies and books from the library will be available to members. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments will be served. For information call 633-9507.

Butler to speak to women's club

The Women's Canadian Club members will have as their guest speaker at their meeting on Nov 13, Janice Butler, co-ordinator of creative and leisure activities for the visually impaired. Her topic will be *Visual art education for the elderly and blind*.

The meeting will be at 2 pm at Montreal Citadel, 2085 Drummond street. Coffee will be served at 1:15 pm. For information call 484-8084.

Diabetes group holds lecture

The Montreal Branch of the Canadian Diabetes Association is having a public lecture on *Hypertension in diabetics* by Dr Peter J. McLeod of Montreal General Hospital Nov 15 at 7:30 pm in the hospital's sixth floor amphitheatre.

There is no admission charge and the meeting will be in English. For information call 365-2067.

two round-trip Eastern Airline tickets to anywhere in the U.S., donated by Westmount Travel. There are also a Maytag refrigerator, a color television, Little Tikes and Fisher Price toys, dinner vouchers, hockey tickets, jewelry and art.

"The money will go toward covering the annual budget deficit," she says. "Last year the auction raised \$8,000. I'm hoping for more like \$15,000 this year."

The Giant Steps deficit is \$200,000. Giant Steps School is a non-profit private school located in Westmount Park School. Its founder and director is Darlene Berringer. The school's primary focus is the management and development of autistic and other neuro-integrative dysfunctional children. Its goal is the ultimate integration of these children into society.

Son in school

Ms Rabinovitch's 5½-year-old son, Jamie, is a student at the school. He joined the program last year.

"He is a very high-functioning autistic child," says his mother. "His speech was very delayed and he had trouble interacting with other



Vivian Rabinovitch

kids... He's integrated now at his level, kindergarten, at Carlyle School in T.M.R."

That means he spends his mornings at Giant Steps and is bused to Carlyle and a regular kindergarten class in the afternoons.

She says there were a number of things Jamie didn't know how to do when he started in the program.

"He didn't know how to play. All he would eat was Kraft dinner, cheese bagels and chicken nuggets," she says. "Darlene came to the house and showed me how to get him to eat other things. At the same time he was toilet trained and he learned how to dress himself."

Ms Rabinovitch says the children have lessons in playing at Giant

Steps, and there is a chunk of time spent on ADL — activities of daily living.

"Each child is taught the independence to do these things," she says. "With kids like this, you tend to do it for them. At Giant Steps, they're forced to do it themselves."

She says the progress he has made is dramatic. "It's incredible. People who've seen him can't believe the change. He's much more aware of the world around him."

The Giant Steps holiday bazaar will be held in Victoria Hall on Sunday, Nov 26, starting at 1 pm. The auction will begin at 3 pm. Tickets are \$5 at the door or can be purchased in advance from Giant Steps. For more information, call 935-1911.

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Crime prevention officers talk of safety to seniors

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

Many seniors have difficulties crossing the street at Sherbrooke street and Lansdowne avenue, crime prevention officers were told Wednesday last week by residents of Manoir Westmount.

Cars whip around the corners, making it unsafe for anyone who cannot move swiftly, residents told MUC police Constable Michel Caza and Public Safety Officer Raffaele Barba.

"Why are the traffic lights not made soundly?" asked one man. "There's been a lot of accidents at this corner."

The concern expressed by many was sparked by a talk to the residents on how to protect themselves against careless drivers, heartless thieves and conniving fraud artists.

The discussion was geared to Crime Prevention Week (Oct 29-Nov 4) as well as the upcoming National Seniors Safety Week (Nov 12-13).

"Why are so many seniors involved in traffic accidents?" Cst Caza asked the 30 seniors present. "Because you're not as fast crossing the street as you used to be," he said.

Though motorists are supposed to give priority to pedestrians, he said, "Unfortunately they think about themselves sometimes rather than you."

Cst Caza said he would refer concern for the Lansdowne-Sherbrooke intersection to station 23's traffic squad.

The seniors were cautioned by PSO Barba about falling prey to con artists, purse snatchers and robbers.



Discussing safety with residents of Manoir Westmount Wednesday last week for Crime Prevention Week are MUC Cst Michel Caza, left, and PSO Raffaele Barba.

They were shown a crime prevention film and then given some tips.

The bottom line, he said, is "always be prepared to lose your purse," do not talk to strangers (even to tell them the time) and always lock doors.

Other crime prevention advice included:

- Keep valuables in pockets and cosmetics in purse;
- Don't resist a purse snatch and sit on the ground if possible to prevent being knocked down;
- Be prepared for robbers running up from behind;
- Don't flash money around, espe-

cially when making a bank withdrawal; and,

- Avoid any soliciting schemes or requests for help from phoney bank inspectors.

Little dog found

A small beige long-haired dog remained unclaimed at the SPCA Monday after being found at the rear of the Public Security Unit on Hillside avenue Saturday night. It wore a black webbed collar without identification. Public safety officers said the dog was taken to the shelter at 9:15 pm.

Wallet lost

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Resident Pathy plays Absolute

Paul Pathy, son of Lawrence and Constance Pathy of Westmount, is playing the part of Captain Absolute in The Williston Northhampton School's production of Sheridan's *The Rivals*.

The play is an updated version of the satiric classic, and will be performed Nov 9 to 11 and 16 to 18 at 8

pm in the Williston Theatre in Scoot Hall on Payson avenue, Easthampton, Mass.

The school is a co-educational, independent boarding and day school for students in Grade 7 to university. Mr Pathy is a senior at the school.

For more information call (413) 527-1520.



The Montreal Children's Library celebrated its 60 years with a birthday luncheon on Monday last week. From left, Andrea Burgess, president of the board; Barbara Whitley, guest speaker; and co-convenors of the luncheon Judy Johnston and Susan Jacobsen, look on as Maysie MacSporrán wields the knife. Miss MacSporrán collaborated in founding the library.

Photo by VALERIE TETLEY

Children's Library marks six decades of service

Montreal Children's Library will be celebrating their 60th anniversary during Children's Book Week, Nov 12-19. A number of activities are planned at all four branches.

At the Atwater branch, 1200 Atwater avenue, they will celebrate with an open house Nov 14. The day-long event will have a carnival atmosphere with games, prizes and activi-

ties. At 10:30 to 11:30 am a palm reader will be in attendance and in the afternoon at 4:30 a magician will entertain. Large cardboard birthday cakes will be made and decorated at this and the other three branches.

Nov 16 Canadian author Grace Richardson will be at Atwater at 1 pm. She will address Kells Academy students on writing and publishing for teens and pre-teens. Ms Richardson writes for the 10 and older group. Her latest book is *Through the darkness peering*.

The Montreal Children's Library opened its doors to children in October of 1929 when Fraser Institute made a large sunny reading room available for children's services. It was the first public facility to provide books for children throughout the city.

Over the last six decades, Montreal Children's Library has had branches in up to seven different locations. It continues to offer free library services and programs to children in four inner-city and downtown locations. In 1988, these branch libraries served 19 daycares, eight schools, eight summer daycamps and three hospitals.

For more information call 931-2304. For hours and activities at other branches phone Park Extension branch at 276-7309, Richmond Square branch at 931-6265 and Sun Youth Branch at 845-8673.

Morning Musical features cellos

The Ladies' Morning Musical Club is in its 98th season. It will present cello duo Maud and Paul Tortelier in a concert Sunday, Nov 12, at 3:30 pm at Pollack Hall, 555 Sherbrooke street west.

Season subscriptions and individual performance tickets are available. For information call 487-2822 or 932-6796.

Treasures

The vernissage of the Christmas Treasures exhibition will be held at Arts Club Atelier, 1410 Guy street, first floor on Nov 15 at 7:30 pm. The atelier will be open Nov 16 and 17 from 4 to 8 pm and Saturday, Nov 18 from 1 to 4 pm. Artists working in a variety of media will be offering work for sale. For information call 931-3903.

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Belvedere Residence board to hold annual meeting

A year of lively activity will be reported on at the annual meeting of the board of directors of Belvedere Residence, 4505 St Catherine street west. The meeting will take place on Wednesday, Nov 15, at 8 pm in the common room of the residence.

Repairs have been made to the outside of the building and there has been some sprucing up of the interior. This work is due to the generous response of the community to last year's financial campaign.

Residents have been actively participating in various events. The first

annual Heave-Ho Sale was held in May, and a first-ever open house during Seniors' Week. A newsletter has been developed by and for the residents.

An active board of directors and auxiliary have continued to give their support. The two groups are drawn from the community and churches of Westmount. The board is chaired by E. Alan Gordon, and the auxiliary by Vera Jamieson. Both are Westmount residents.

Everyone is welcome to attend the annual meeting.



Members of the Belvedere board of directors got together this fall to stuff envelopes for the residence's annual fundraising mailing campaign. From left are residents Denyse Morrow and Jessie Campbell, Di McNeill, Julie Dawson and Jim Coristine. Photo by OWEN EGAN

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Middle East topic of symposium

Carrefour des Cèdres is holding a symposium on *The challenge of non-violence in the Middle East* Sunday and Monday, Nov 12 and 13.

The symposium will begin Sunday at 9:30 am and continue Monday at noon, and reconvene Monday evening at 8:15 pm. It will take place at the Sir George Williams campus of Concordia University, 1455 de Maisonneuve boulevard west.

Mubarak Awad, Marc Ellis and Nawaf Kabbara, each of a different religion and native to the Middle East, will form a panel and lead workshops. For more information call 932-2961.

Heart foundation seeks volunteers

The Montreal Heart Foundation is preparing the mailing for its annual fundraising campaign. People are needed to stuff and sort envelopes, as well as to help with office work.

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Two men were thwarted in an attempt to steal a car behind 1234 Greene avenue Saturday night when they were spotted by a witness, police said. The grey 1988 BMW had been all ready to go when it was abandoned.

The witness flagged down a passing patrol which found the car with a window smashed, the ignition torn

out and a hammer lying on the seat. Damage was estimated at \$1,000. The incident occurred about 9 pm.

The thieves are described as aged 25 or 30, wearing jeans and running shoes. One wore a black-and-blue jacket; the other a red-and-blue jacket. The car belongs to a man from Pointe Claire.

Gunpoint robbery at lot

A parking attendant at Westmount Square was held up at gunpoint Wednesday last week, police report. The incident occurred about 6 pm.

The lone robber approached the attendant's booth, stuck a revolver through a small window and demanded money. He ran away after receiving an undisclosed amount. The thief was described as a white man of unknown age. He wore sunglasses, a red-and-white cap, jeans and a jean jacket with black fur collar.

Armed holdup at Montreal Trust

Two men armed with a revolver held up the Montreal Trust office at 1245 Greene avenue Saturday at 11:50 am, police said. They managed to escape with an undisclosed amount of cash.

One of the bandits remained at the door during the holdup pointing the gun at a customer whom he told to move aside. The other robber went

behind the counter and helped himself to cash from a teller's drawer.

The suspects are described as white, French-speaking and aged between 25 and 30. One wore a red-and-white scarf over his face as well as a light-colored jacket and dark pants. The other had sunglasses, a blue jacket, dark pants and a cap.

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**Council to review
demolition decrees**

City council will look at appeals of two demolition committee decisions at its Nov 20 public meeting, it announced Monday.

The council must review the decisions its three-member committee made in September to refuse a request to demolish the house at 22 Summit Circle and to grant permission for the demolition of the row of commercial buildings at 1259-71 Greene avenue.

Anyone who made a written submission on either application will be notified by letter of the date of the appeal hearings, city officials said.

**Demolition
doesn't need
official nod**

Demolition of a garage at 393 Prince Albert avenue does not need approval of the city's demolition committee because it is attached to a larger Sherbrooke street building, city officials say. A permit was issued Nov 2 for the work, valued at \$2,000.

The city's demolition by-law requires a property owner to seek the demolition committee's approval if "razing, tearing down or otherwise destroying the whole or any substantial part of a building."

The garage in question is part of the store at 4896 Sherbrooke street, the former Westmount Stationery, now under renovation.

**Cycle and car
caught in turn**

A cyclist escaped injury Friday afternoon when hit by a car making an illegal mid-block turn on Sherbrooke street in front of the Esso service station at Grosvenor avenue, police report.

The car struck the eastbound bicycle and a car, both eastbound, about 2:45 pm. The driver was ticketed for the offence. She is identified as a woman from St Hubert. The cyclist is a 34-year-old N.D.G. man.

Crash & bash

A blue Chrysler was damaged Wednesday last week by a falling tree limb at 317 Metcalfe avenue, public safety officers said. Damage to the hood and right front fender was believed to have occurred about 6:30 am when a loud crash was heard.

**Robertson
stays with
demolition**

Councillor Stuart Robertson has decided to remain on city council's demolition committee until the Feb 4 by-election, Mayor May Cutler said Tuesday.

Mr Robertson, who resigned two weeks ago, agreed to stay on but will relinquish his chairmanship. Members of the committee will take turns chairing meetings.

It is hoped that the winner of the by-election will take over Mr Robertson's seat on the committee, she said. He has found the position to be too time-consuming. Councillors Sally Aitken and Rhoda Vineberg are remaining on the three-person committee.

Council as a whole will hear two demolition appeals at its meeting Nov 20, Coun Daniel Tingley announced at Monday night's city council meeting.

You Say

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and used only for payment of the interest and/or principal of the national debt.

There would be a bonus benefit by Jan 1, 1991. When the total sum raised through the National Debt Repayment Tax is calculated, it will be obvious that there is a better method for collecting all income tax. Discard the complicated Income Tax Act and levy just one tax on the total income (line 150 of the 1988 tax forms) for every individual, business and corporation with a total income which is more than a set basic minimum.

A tax of 10% on all total incomes would provide sufficient funds for necessary expenditures. It would be fair to everyone. (e.g. in 1988 a single worker with total income \$24,724 paid \$4,197 or 17 percent of his total income in tax. But more than 86,000 people with total incomes \$100,000 or more paid no income tax in 1988.)

Whatever method of taxation is used, it is the responsibility of all members of Parliament to scrutinize every expense item and to approve only what is essential.

Politicians make requested changes if enough voters ask for them. I hope that all readers who find some merit in these ideas will clip out this letter and mail it to their MP, House of Commons, Ottawa K1A 0A6.

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Styrofoam becoming CFC-free

Some good news and some bad news about one of the most publicized environmental hazards.

First, the good news. CFCs in styrofoam seem at last to be on their way out. CFC is the abbreviation for the ozone-destroying chlorofluorocarbons that are used to blow bubbles into polystyrene foam.

Growing public awareness of the harm done by CFCs to the atmosphere and pressure from environmental groups have led to the discontinuation of CFC use by most styrofoam producers.

McDonald's no longer packs its hamburgers in CFC-produced packaging. In Canada, 85 percent of all styrofoam production is supposed to be CFC-free.

There still remains the problem of the sheer bulk of foam in waste disposal. Some experimental recycling is being done, reducing the foam to pellets for use in insulation or packaging. There is even an argument that foam is less dangerous than paper in landfill sites because foam remains inert while paper decomposes and releases methane gas into the air.

The bad news is that getting rid of CFCs in styrofoam doesn't mean getting rid of CFCs. They are still found in some aerosol sprays. A hefty 44 percent of their use is in freon gas, the cooling agent in air conditioners and refrigerators. Until a safe sub-

stitute can be found, the only solution seems to be consumer restraint. Don't use aerosol sprays and consider whether an air conditioner is really necessary.

**Robber hits
two stores
in 10 minutes**

Two convenience stores at St Catherine street at Metcalfe avenue were held up Monday afternoon by a man aged about 18 wearing an army-type jacket, police said. Both were reported to have lost relatively small amounts of cash.

The robber hit the Perrette shop at 4471 St Catherine at 5:35 pm, asking for cigarettes and then brandishing a knife. He asked for money and was seen running east on St Catherine with the cash.

When a police car responded to the scene, a salesclerk from the Haines shop across the street also reported she had been held up by a man fitting the same description about 5:45 pm. In that incident, no weapon was shown. The robber held one hand in a pocket simulating a gun.

**Air will move
on Stanton**

With recent modifications at Westmount's city hall annex on Stanton street for the imminent move of the public security unit, the building's ventilation system is being modified to the tune of \$7,000.

City council set aside that amount to cover the work at its Nov 6 meeting. It includes a \$6,500 bid by Omni Ventilation Inc and \$500 for contingencies. Three other companies bid on the work with prices ranging up to \$11,500.

Cellular groan

A cellular phone disappeared from a car parked overnight Oct 27-28 near Victoria Hall, police said. It is valued at \$1,500. It is not known how entry to the black 1989 Buick was gained.

**Precious
backpack
returned**

A very concerned cyclist who dropped a bag containing medical books and an ophthalmoscope Wednesday last week received good news a while later.

The pack was picked up by a neighbor and returned to the 25-year-old N.D.G. man who had spent many worried moments looking for it along Sherbrooke street near Roslyn avenue where he thought it had fallen. Though he questioned many pedestrians in the area, it turned out to have been lost near his home. The contents were valued at \$400.

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IT'S A GRIMM WORLD: Children's Theatre, directed by Dorothy Davis and Violet Walters, presents *The Magic Apple*, adapted by Glenn Hughes from the Grimm brothers' story, at F.C. Smith Auditorium, 7141 Sherbrooke street west four Saturdays starting this weekend. Members of the large cast include Chas Doucet, Tony Kalantzis and Golan Mergui as three soldiers and Alicia Westelman as the princess. Tickets can be reserved at 484-6620.

Samedi Greene launches with marionette troupe

The Picardi Marionette Theatre will kick off a new series of Saturday morning events for kids at the Greene Avenue Community Centre this Saturday, Nov 11.

The company will present *Trade Winds*, three original folk tales from the Philippines, Haiti and Chile done in three different marionette styles: rag, shadow and life-size puppets.

The series includes 18 different

events for children, one each Saturday from 10 to 11:30 am at the centre, 1090 Greene avenue, just south of Dorchester boulevard. Next in the series, on Nov 18, the Picardi Marionette Theatre's artistic team will give a puppet-making workshop.

Admission at each is \$1 and all are welcome to attend. Children six and under must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, call 931-6202.

Young artists may enter Canada poster competition

Secretary of State Gerry Weiner has announced the 1990 Canada Day poster contest. Twelve provincial/territorial winners, accompanied by their parents, will be hosted by the Secretary of State at the official Canada Day ceremony on Parliament Hill.

The contest is open to those 18 years and younger. One winning national entry will be selected from the 12 winners and will become the official poster for celebrations across the country.

All entries must be postmarked before midnight, Dec 1, and be

mailed to the nearest office of the Department of the Secretary of State.

The contest is sponsored by Canadian Airlines International, which will fly the winners and their parents to and from Ottawa for the ceremony, and Château Laurier Hotel, which will provide accommodations.

A complete list of contest criteria and office addresses can be obtained from the Secretary of State, 200 René Lévesque boulevard west, or by calling (819) 994-3645.

Mountie injured by car turning

An RCMP officer was taken to hospital Wednesday last week after being hit by a car at the southeast corner of Dorchester boulevard and Greene avenue, fire officials report. The man suffered bumps and scrapes on the face as well as loose teeth.

Public safety officers came across the accident at 7:57 am when they noticed a commotion in the street and found a uniformed Mountie with a bloody face.

The victim, a 40-year-old resident of Ste Julie, was struck by a car turning east off southbound Greene, according to police. He was transported to Reddy Memorial Hospital by Urgences Santé.

The driver was not ticketed. She was identified as a 49-year-old resident of Nuns' Island.

Banana bike

A yellow Mira Mart bicycle was taken to local MUC police station 23 Sunday night after being found at Chesterfield and Claremont avenues, according to public safety officers. It has a banana seat.

Legal but towed

A car backed out of a driveway at 20 Renfrew avenue into another car legally parked Wednesday last week, police report. The parked car, a 1989 Plymouth, turned out to be unin-

sured and was towed to the Montreal pound as a result. It belongs to a company in Montreal. Both vehicles sustained less than \$500 damage each.



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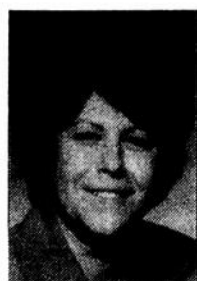
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Victoria avenue's Fushia turns one year old this week. Cherry Richards and Prince, both residents of Belmont avenue, sell what Mrs Richards calls eclectic gifts with a sophisticated country theme in the shop at 361 Victoria, next to Steinberg's parking lot. Her children Shaun and Tamara also help out in the shop. Prince is a seven-year-old standard poodle.

Two journalism students win \$1,000 AQREM awards

Two Concordia University journalism students have won AQREM (Association of Quebec Regional English Media, of which THE EXAMINER is a member) awards for 1989. The awards, worth \$1,000 each,

were presented to Leanne Murray and Michael Woloschuk at the AQREM general meeting in St-Hilaire Oct 26.

The awards are presented annually to students who have demonstrated journalistic excellence as well as interest in and commitment to community newspapers.

Ms Murray, 22, a third-year student and N.D.G. resident, has written for the *Hampstead Herald*, *The Monitor* (N.D.G.), and the *Sherbrooke Record*. Mr Woloschuk, 29, is a graduate student in the journalism diploma program. He lives in Montreal and has written for *Côte des Neiges Journal*.

Runner-up was Eve Toomey, a third-year student who is editor of *The Concordian*, a student newspaper. Her work has also appeared in *The Quebec Chronicle Telegraph*.

For more information call the journalism department at Concordia, 848-2465.

Fire fought in Côte St Luc

Westmount firefighters were called to Côte St Luc Saturday night to help fight a fire in two duplexes at 5728 Wildwood street, fire officials report.

The mutual aid crew under acting lieutenant Joseph Pittarelli was summoned at 7:22 pm and on arrival was assigned to ventilating the building. The men were retained to help at the scene until 12:24 am and were back at the Westmount fire station at 12:43 am.

Macklem's banking tendencies appear genetically determined

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

A longtime Westmount resident who two weeks ago earned his PhD in economics is following in his family's banking footsteps.

Tiffany Macklem, 28, widely known as Tiff, has taken up a research position with the Bank of Canada in Ottawa after receiving his doctorate Oct 27 from the University of Western Ontario in London.

His grandfather, E.D. Gray-Donald, 4501 Sherbrooke street, retired in 1975 as president and chairman of the Montreal City and District Savings Bank.

His uncle, Peter Gray-Donald, works for the Royal Bank of Canada in Toronto after moving from his home on Mount Stephen avenue several years ago to go to London, England, with the bank.

He has even married a woman with financial interests, Rosemary Cuthbertson, a chartered accountant.

Dr Macklem, who worked for a year with the Bank of Canada in 1985 before returning to university for his doctorate, wrote his thesis on *Consumption and asset returns in artificial economies*.

"We're very proud of him," says his grandfather. Mr Gray-Donald attended the degree-granting ceremony with his daughter, Janet Macklem (the graduate's mother) and her husband Richard.

The Macklems moved last year to 349 Metcalfe avenue after many years on Strathcona where they raised their son and two daughters, Joy and Janet.

Tiff Macklem graduated from Selwyn House School in 1978 and took Grade 12 at Lower Canada College. He obtained an honors BA in economics from Queen's in 1983 and a master's degree from the University of Western Ontario in 1984.

Dr Macklem then took a year out to work at the Bank of Canada in Ottawa before returning to Western.



Tiff Macklem, left, received his PhD degree in the company of his mother, Janet Macklem, and grandfather, E.D. Gray-Donald who travelled to the University of Western Ontario, in London, for the occasion.

Summit School seeking funds

Summit School (formerly Miriam School) for handicapped children is in the midst of a fundraising campaign that runs to Wednesday.

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Worker watches car get stolen

A man looked out the window of his office at 345 Victoria avenue Friday in time to spot someone driving off with his car, police said.

He immediately called 911 and the car was recovered soon after outside 672 Grosvenor avenue. It appeared to have been abandoned and was noticed by a citizen.

The red 1985 Buick is valued at \$7,000.

Roslyn reading

An N.D.G. resident learned about a theft involving her car Sunday morning when books that had been inside it were recovered at Upper Roslyn and Sunnyside avenues, police said. The items were discovered at 1:26 am and the woman was contacted at 7 am. The incident was referred to MUC station 15 in N.D.G.

Program set for proto-politicians

The Canadian Political Science Association has announced its parliamentary internship program for 1990-91. Under this program, 10

percent Canadian university graduates can enter a work-study program as assistants to backbenchers in Ottawa.

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Completed applications must be received no later than Friday, Jan 5 at 4 pm. Further information and application forms are available from Dr Conrad Winn, director, Parliamentary Internship Program, Room D-681, Loeb building, Carleton University, Ottawa K1S 5B6; telephone (613) 788-2650.



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letter from Matthew that lists the contents of the time capsule.

Last Friday, Matthew, Mrs Gross and Roslyn principal Bertha Dawang made their way to the Roslyn avenue steps.

Mrs Dawang confided to Matthew as they proceeded stairward, "I was told those stairs will last about 25 years."

Matthew nodded sagely, smiled beatifically and said, "That's how long it'll take the school board to

save enough to repair them again."

The workmen had been advised of the forthcoming ceremony. In fact, Mrs Gross had discovered the steps neatly covered with a wooden frame and the workers preparing to leave for an undisclosed length of time. She had explained that history was in the making and they had kindly removed the covering.

Matthew dug a hole for his message while teacher, principal and workmen looked on. The time capsule was gently laid in its berth for its trip to the future.

The school board should rest easy knowing that \$2 of the cost of replacing those stairs is already in the stairs — just waiting for construction to begin again.

Those two dollars, by the way, were donated by the school, Mrs Gross says. Matthew offered his own, she says, but the school wanted to subsidize the project, "So he gave his \$2 to UNICEF."

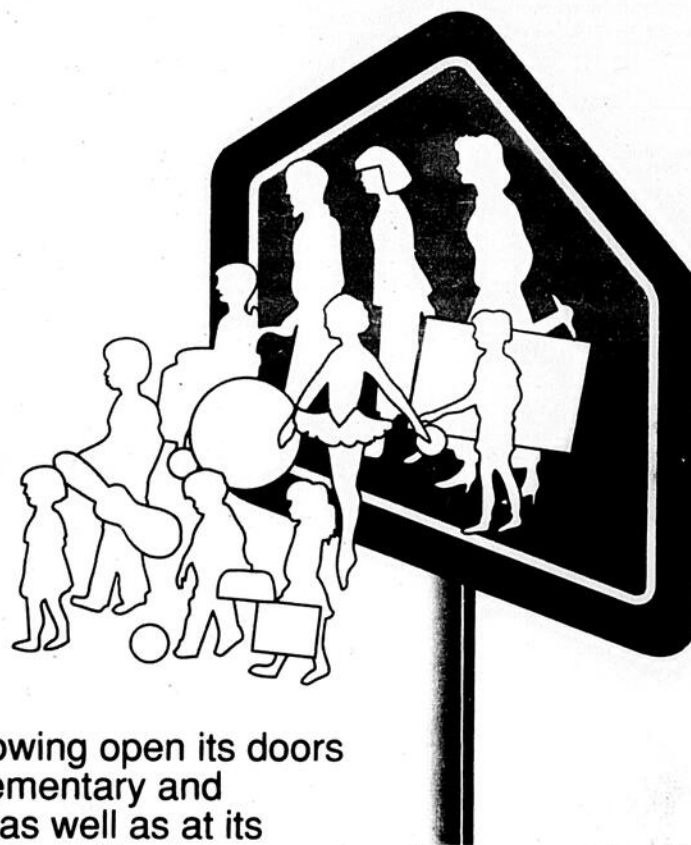
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Matthew Aronson prepares to bury his "time capsule" seen in the foreground, as enrichment teacher Maureen Gross looks on.

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Peewee Canadiens top Seals

A first-period scoring spree kicked off a 6-4 victory of the Canadiens over the Seals Monday evening in Westmount's peewee hockey league.

From the opening face-off, the Seals were faced with a persistent Canadien onslaught. At 13:25 Tom Bell kicked off a four-goal first period for the Canadiens when he connected on a pass from winger Hadwen White. Seal goalie Roland Sperlich made several brilliant saves on a number of Canadien rushes before he was beaten again at 11:03. This time it was Rory Kenny on a break-away, scoring on a high shot and making the score 2-0 Canadiens.

The Seals were only given a short rest before the Canadiens struck

By WARREN VALDMANIS

again. Winger Hugo Blomfield took a pass from teammate Chris Lally and, wading through a sea of defenders, managed to put a shot past Sperlich.

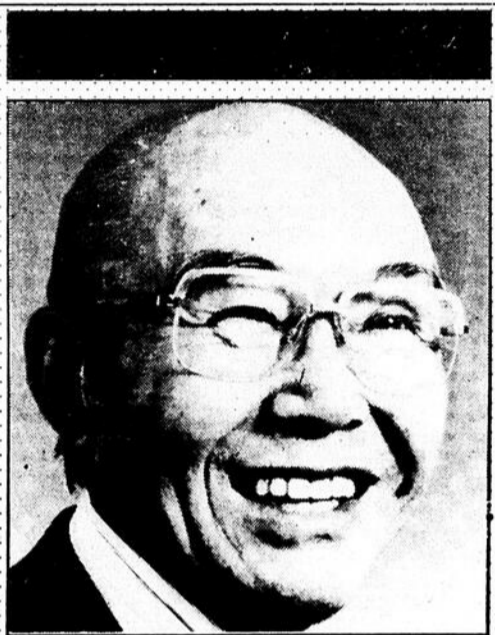
Rory Kenny finished the spree on his second goal of the night, scoring on a quick break and leaving the Canadiens a considerable 4-0 lead going into the second period.

A brief but inspiring inter-period pep talk by Seal coach Dylan Hoey gave his team a renewed vigor. Only 10 seconds had elapsed when the Seals began to even up the score. Brandon Sant, stealing the puck at centre ice, broke in alone and beat Canadien goalie Charlotte Davet

with a blistering shot from the slot, making the score 4-1. The Seals were to control the period and, before the siren, managed another goal, this time by Andrew Miller.

It seemed that the Seals might continue to control into the third period, but a questionable penalty called at 13:33 against the Seals gave the Canadiens the chance to regroup. During the power play, Chris Lally scored, leaving the Seals down by three goals with time running out. On the same shift Lally scored again, making the score 6-2 Canadiens.

Two last-minute goals by the Seals by Tim O'Connor and Andrew Miller were too little, too late. The game ended with the score Canadiens 6, Seals 4.



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Sponsors needed for oldtimers hockey tourney

Organizers of the "first annual" Westmount oldtimers hockey tournament are seeking local merchants and individuals to sponsor the event.

The tournament, slated for the weekend of Dec 1-3, is hosted by the local Senior Westmount Allstar Team (SWAT). Eight teams from the Montreal area will participate. Teams from Dorval, T.M.R., Beaconsfield, Pointe Claire, Greenfield Park and Kirkland have been invited.

Upper Lansdowne avenue resident Claude Bismuth, one of the organizers, says any money raised above the approximately \$8,000 in anticipated expenses will be given to the Montreal Children's and St Justine Hospitals. The objective is to raise \$4,000 for the hospitals.

The biggest expenses of putting on the event are printing a program and making the tournament T-shirts. Mr Bismuth says. The principal source of fundraising is through advertising in the program.

The City of Westmount has donated the ice time and several major sponsors have been found including Ultramar, The Gazette and Ernst, Young, Caron, Bélanger chartered accountants.

Any company or individual interested in being a sponsor should contact Marcel Guay at 481-7914 or Nick Matossian at 937-2437. Anyone willing to volunteer their efforts with the organization and running of the tournament can call Ken Sinclair at 931-0808.

HOCKEY STANDINGS

Following are the standings in the Westmount municipal hockey leagues as of Saturday, November 4:

	GP	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
NOVICE							
Canadiens	3	3	0	0	22	3	6
Dragons	3	2	1	0	8	10	4
Bears	4	2	2	0	18	18	4
Guards	4	0	4	0	5	22	0
ATOM							
Penguins	4	3	1	0	11	8	6
Canadiens	4	2	2	0	19	16	4
Nordiques	4	2	2	0	12	15	4
Canucks	4	1	3	0	12	15	2
PEEWEE							
Capitals	3	2	0	1	14	8	5
Canadiens	3	1	1	1	11	12	3
Seals	2	0	2	0	6	11	0
SENIORA							
Stars	7	6	1	0	41	17	12
Flames	6	3	1	2	23	14	8
Wanderers	6	3	2	1	29	12	7
Sabres	7	2	4	1	26	33	5
Bruins	6	0	6	0	7	50	0
SENIORB							
Hawks	5	5	0	0	28	13	10
Fathers	5	2	2	1	21	20	5
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ALL IN THE FAMILY: A certificate to mark the first Family Week baseball game between MUC police station 23 and Westmount firefighters was presented at Monday night's council meeting to Dir Pierre Vézina, left, by Mayor May Cutler and Coun Paul Fortin.

Assorted -a-thons this week will raise funds for YMCA

Westmount YMCA members are toning up for a week of run-, swim-, aerob-, bask-, obsta- and pump-a-thoning to raise money for the recently opened facilities.

Timed to coincide with Y-a-thons being staged across the island, the Westmount branch hopes to raise \$15,000 to purchase additional equipment through the sweat of its members.

"Even though we built the new building and bought new equipment, there are still things we need or things members told us they would like to use," says Westmount Y director Hope Korytko.

Activities for young and old alike are planned all week long beginning Monday. Some are cumulative over the seven days while others occur at particular times. Current members, future members and anyone else who wants to get in on the action can pick up a sponsor sheet and more information on the schedule of activities at the Y reception desk.

The participant collecting the most money in donations will be awarded a free one-year membership

in the Westmount Y. Prizes have also been donated from local merchants and restaurants.

Y-a-thon T-shirts will be given to anyone collecting more than \$75 or soliciting donations from 15 or more donors. And the top 10 participants

from every Y branch on the island will be eligible to win a trip for four to Disneyworld.

At last year's walk-a-thon, the Westmount Y fell just short of its \$20,000 goal in raising money for its capital campaign.

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Scouting members take pledges for forthcoming Skate-a-thon

The annual Skate-a-thon organized by the Westmount District of Boy Scouts of Canada takes place Saturday, Nov 18, at the Westmount arena starting at 4 pm.

Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Venturers, Rovers and their friends are out in force collecting pledges from local residents, says Charles DesBaillets, district president.

"We're hoping for a good turnout of skaters and generous support from the community."

Proceeds from the event go to dis-

trict Scouting as well as the Telethon of Stars for medical research at Montreal Children's Hospital and Ste Justine's. Organizers are hoping to exceed last year's proceeds of \$7,000.

The event takes place between 4 and 8:30 pm. Skaters are asked to note the time change which is to permit use of the arena for a hockey tournament, organizers said. As a result, the usual five rounds will be condensed into four. Different Scouting groups are assigned hours for providing volunteer helpers.

Skaters should register at least 30 minutes before the hour they wish to skate and must have a minimum of five pledges. Income tax receipts are given for amounts of \$20, provided all information is completed.

Recreators get new equipment

Now settled in their newly renovated offices, Westmount's recreation department staff are getting new office equipment.

City council approved at its public meeting Monday a \$6,315.07 quotation by Plani-Bureau Mirabel Inc for a Teknon work station for recreation staff members. Two other companies had given prices, the highest being Simpson Design at \$6,728.76.

Weredale reunion

All former residents of Weredale House are invited to attend the first reunion of old boys to be held Saturday, Nov 18, and 7 pm at the Wheel Club, 3373 Cavendish boulevard. For information call Bill at 662-1832 or Andy at 472-1765.

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