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## In dire straits Westmount Square

By J. MARION FEINBERG

Westmount Square is hurting. Extensive renovations to the mall were complete more than a year ago. But some critics charge that the construction took too long and customer traffic was consequently offset for good.

"It's finished here," says a manager of one of the stores who asked not to be identified, for fear of reprisals from both Westmount Square and company headquarters.

"It's sad because it's a nice centre, especially now with the new skylight. All the problems stem from the renovations. It just took too long and it really hurt business."

Walter Nobes, former president of the Square's merchants' association, says when his lease ran out a year ago he closed his store Henry Marks and consolidated in his other location downtown.

"We had problems with dust, dirt and water seepage from the renovations," he says, "and when I met with the management I brought my figures showing a drop in sales of about 40 percent. All they said was when it was all finished it would be so beautiful I would forget about all that. But they took out all the traffic-makers like the theatre, the Jockey Club et cetera."

"There were problems with the renovations too. I've seen them put windows in one week and take them out the next."

The unidentified manager who has worked in the mall for many years says that it used to be "the" centre. When it was built in the late 1960s it was one of the first shopping centres situated under an apartment building so it was considered exclusive.

"It's a centre that never had a lot of traffic," she says. "It's not a place where people can get something for the whole family. The regular customers just went somewhere else to shop during the renovations. It's too slow and there just aren't enough new customers."

Both the manager and Mr Nobes say that there was no financial compensation offered by the management for the loss in sales revenues.

Morris Alvo, executive director of Westmount Square's management company, says the drop in customer traffic is linked to the construction but says that they are coming out of that now and he is confident that they will be able to bring in tenants to meet the needs of the changing marketplace.

"Some tenants have been given reductions in rent and toleration," he says. "One restaurant didn't pay rent for eight months. The owners of Westmount Square have been very understanding. They haven't taken an attitude of seizing."

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## Vagrancy in Westmount The homeless come to Atwater Library; seek refuge in centre at St Stephen's

By ALISON RAMSEY

Westmount is not a haven for the homeless. Vagrants are escorted to the city limits and turned out of local malls.

They do find shelter in Atwater Library and St Stephen's Church, at the eastern edge of the city. Their presence in the library, however, is a problem that librarian Janet Ilavsky says is her top priority.

Men with bags and bags of belongings bundled next to their chairs, spending hours or using the library as a kind of daytime terminus, is hurting membership, she says.

She doesn't want the library viewed, as one West Island friend put it, as a social agency.

Ben, a regular at the library, was standing outside waiting for it to open Tuesday morning, ropes looped and knotted around his shoulders holding up a backpack plus, on the ground, four bags of assorted oddments including empty bottles and cans.

He had just been evicted from Place Alexis Nihon. A security guard approached him while he was searching for empties and, according to Ben, told him he had to leave because he looked like he would steal.

"The majority of those down and out don't want unnecessary trouble," says Ben. "There are those who are mental cases who don't care."

"Many of those in government and universities — working in fields of sociology, criminology, political science — say down and outs are destructive, undermining society, anarchists. Anarchists are those who don't recognize established order because it is unjust, and don't recognize private owner-

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Facilities in the eastern sector of Westmount — Atwater Library, McDonald's and St Stephen's Church — are used as a respite for the homeless.

## Traffic officials puzzled by allegation St-Léon given poorer treatment

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

City traffic officials are puzzled by allegations from parent representatives last week that the school does not receive the same treatment as English schools because it is francophone.

"We're concerned about safety, not language," said public security director Richard McEnroe who heads the city's traffic committee.

There are only three or four public safety officers on duty during school hours and some 15 elementary schools and pre-schools in Westmount, he said. Crossing guards are supplied by Montreal Urban Community police for four hours a day at seven crossings in Westmount. They work at times deemed most important.

Only five schools with special problems are monitored by one public safety officer on a rotating basis, he said. These are St Andrew's, Akiva, Roslyn, The Study and Selwyn House. Special blitzes are carried out as required.

In the spring, the city arranged for a crossing guard at St Léon's to redress its problems as it has at other schools, he said. Police confirmed the guard was switched from a crossing March 12 at Westmount Park School, an anglophone school, at the request of Councillor Paul Fortin.

Enforcement of the speed limit on Clarke avenue is now in the hands of MUC police while use of Kitchener rather than Clarke by parents is the responsibility of the school to enforce, he said.

One parent told THE EXAMINER Tuesday she had only received a letter from the school the day before urging parents to use Kitchener.

Dir McEnroe said he had received no complaints this fall from the school.

One complaint in last week's EXAMINER was that public safety officers were no longer patrolling St Léon's school zones on a regular basis. They weren't meant to be once the changes were in force, he said.

Officers were needed at The Study over reconstruction of Cedar avenue.

Now they're trying to tackle the problem of traffic congestion around Selwyn House School where parents' cars and emergency vehicles jostle for position on a dead-end street.

School safety has long been a nightmare in Westmount because the city has so many schools and because so many students are driven individually to and from classes.

Historically, city and police officials have encouraged parent committees to self-police loading zones and other regulations around the school because it is often the parents themselves who are the worst offenders.

"We had a bad situation around Ste Marcelline a while ago but had very good co-operation from the school in making the changes work," Dir McEnroe said.

Seven crossing guards are allocated to Westmount schools by the Montreal Urban Community, each paid for four hours of duty per day during times considered to be the most important, said crime prevention officer Gaston Bernier. They have to be distributed according to the greatest need.

The Study hired its own crossing guard several years ago when the city could not provide one after much pressure was applied.

When a traffic complaint is received from a school, it is studied by

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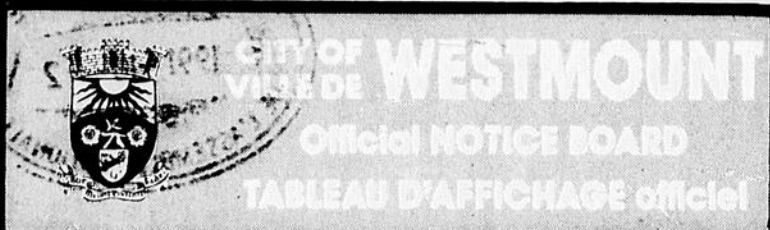
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In the race



Karin Marks will challenge Nancy Nelson in Ward 5. See story page 10.



**Next Scheduled City Council Meeting**  
Monday, October 7, 8 pm

**Date de la prochaine séance du conseil municipal**  
Le lundi, 7 octobre, 20h00



**WESTMOUNT**

**AVIS DE DEMANDE DE DÉMOLITION**

**À: TOUTES LES PERSONNES INTÉRESSÉES**

AVIS PUBLIC est par la présente donné que la Ville de Westmount a reçu une demande du propriétaire du bâtiment situé au 36, avenue Sunnyside pour un permis autorisant des modifications à la façade principale.

Tous les documents pertinents concernant cette demande de démolition, incluant les plans peuvent être consultés durant les jours ouvrables de 8h30 à 16h30 au Bureau du Directeur — Service de la construction et de l'aménagement de la Ville de Westmount, 4333, rue Sherbrooke ouest, Westmount, Québec, H3Z 1E2.

Toute personne qui veut s'opposer à la délivrance d'un permis de démolition doit, dans les dix (10) jours de la publication de l'avis public à défaut, dans les dix (10) jours qui suivent l'affichage de l'avis sur l'immeuble concerné, faire connaître par écrit son opposition motivée au Greffier de la Ville.

De plus, chaque personne désirant exprimer son accord à la démolition proposée et/ou présenter toute autre soumission, doit également le faire par écrit, dans ladite période de dix (10) jours, au Greffier à l'adresse suivante:

Le Greffier de la Ville  
Ville de Westmount  
4333, rue Sherbrooke ouest  
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H3Z 1E2

Toute personne qui aura déposé une opposition et/ou une soumission par écrit à l'intérieur dudit délai, sera avisée de la date, de l'heure et de l'endroit où se tiendra la séance publique du Comité sur la démolition à laquelle ladite demande de permis de démolition et ledit "programme préliminaire" pour la réutilisation du sol à être dégagé seront considérés. Cesdites personnes (ou leurs représentants dûment autorisés par écrit) pourront être entendus par le Comité sur la démolition à ladite séance publique.

DONNÉ à Westmount, Québec, ce 24e jour de septembre 1991.

Marie-France Paquet  
Greffier de la Ville



**WESTMOUNT**

**NOTICE OF DEMOLITION APPLICATION**

**TO: ALL INTERESTED PERSONS**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the City of Westmount has received an application from the owner of the building situated at 36 Sunnyside Avenue for a permit to authorize alterations to the main façade.

All relevant documents concerning this proposed demolition, including plans may be consulted on any working day, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., in the office of the Director — Building and Planning Department of the City of Westmount, 4333 Sherbrooke Street, Westmount, Québec, H3Z 1E2.

Every person wishing to oppose the granting of a demolition permit must, within ten (10) days of publication of this public notice and failing such notice, within the ten (10) days following the posting of the notice on the immovable concerned, make his objections known in writing to the City Clerk, giving the reasons for his objections.

Likewise, every person wishing to express support for the proposed demolition and/or to make any other submission in this regard must also do so in writing, within the same ten (10) day period, to the City Clerk at the following address:

The City Clerk  
City of Westmount  
4333 Sherbrooke Street  
Westmount, Québec  
H3Z 1E2

All persons who shall have filed objections and/or submissions in writing within the said delay shall be notified of the date, time and place of the public sitting of the Demolition Committee at which the said application for the demolition permit and the said "preliminary program" for the reutilization of the vacated land shall be considered. All such persons (or their representatives duly

authorized in writing) may be heard by the Demolition Committee at the said public sitting.

GIVEN at Westmount, Québec, this 24th day of September 1991.

Marie-France Paquet  
City Clerk



**VILLE DE WESTMOUNT**

**AVIS DE DÉPÔT DU RÔLE TRIENNAL DE LA VALEUR LOCATIVE 1992 - 1993 - 1994**

■ AVIS PUBLIC est par la présente donné par la soussignée, greffier de la Ville de Westmount, que le rôle de la valeur locative de ladite Ville pour les années 1992-1993-1994 a été déposé à mon bureau par l'évaluateur de la Communauté urbaine de Montréal le 12 septembre 1991.

■ Avis est également donné que toute personne peut prendre connaissance de ce rôle à mon bureau à l'hôtel de Ville de Westmount (4333, rue Sherbrooke, Westmount, Québec, H3Z 1E2) du lundi au vendredi inclusivement de 8h30 à 16h30.

■ Toute plainte concernant ce rôle doit être déposée avant le 1er mai 1992, au moyen de la formule prescrite, sous peine de rejet, à n'importe quel endroit ou peut être déposée une demande de recouvrement d'une petite créance. Une somme d'argent sera exigée lors du dépôt d'une plainte. Des formules de plainte sont disponibles à la Cour des Petites Créances.

DONNÉ à Westmount, Québec, ce 23e jour de septembre 1991.

Marie-France Paquet  
Greffier de la Ville



**CITY OF WESTMOUNT**

**NOTICE OF DEPOSIT OF THE THREE-YEAR ROLL OF RENTAL VALUES 1992 - 1993 - 1994**

■ PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given by the undersigned, City Clerk of the City of Westmount, that the Roll of Rental Values of the said City for the years 1992-1993-1994 was deposited in my office by the Assessor of the Montreal Urban Community on 12th September 1991.

■ Public notice is also given that any person may examine the roll in my office at Westmount City Hall, (4333 Sherbrooke Street, Westmount, Québec, H3Z 1E2) on Monday to Friday inclusive between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

■ Any complaint in respect of the roll must be filed before 1st May 1992, by means of the prescribed form, on pain of being dismissed, at any place where an application for the recovery of a small claim may be filed. A sum of money will be required when filing the complaint. Complaint forms are available at the Small Claims Court.

GIVEN at Westmount, Québec, this 23rd day of September 1991.

Marie-France Paquet  
City Clerk



**VILLE DE WESTMOUNT**

**AVIS DE DÉPÔT DU RÔLE TRIENNAL D'ÉVALUATION FONCIÈRE 1992 - 1993 - 1994**

■ AVIS PUBLIC est par la présente donné par la soussignée, greffier de la Ville de Westmount, que le rôle d'évaluation foncière de ladite Ville pour les années 1992-1993-1994 a été déposé à mon bureau par l'évaluateur de la Communauté urbaine de Montréal le 12 septembre 1991.

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DONNÉ à Westmount, Québec, ce 23e jour de septembre 1991.

Marie-France Paquet  
Greffier de la Ville



**CITY OF WESTMOUNT**

**NOTICE OF DEPOSIT OF THE THREE-YEAR VALUATION ROLL 1992 - 1993 - 1994**

■ PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given by the undersigned, City Clerk of the City of Westmount, that the Valuation Roll of the said City for the years 1992-1993-1994 was deposited in my office by the

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*Westmount  
Community  
Calendar*

**Today, Sept 26**

Photo exhibit: Arts Westmount show, part one, is at Visual Arts Centre, 350 Victoria avenue, until Monday.

Art exhibit: Winter landscapes in watercolor by Westmounter Joanne Hewson Rees at Westmount Library until Oct 6.

Art exhibit: Recent paintings by Westmounter Michael Meredith at Galerie Dan Delaney until Monday. Seniors' swim: At Westmount Y from 1:30 to 3 pm every Tuesday and Thursday. No charge.

**Friday, Sept 27**

Irish concert: A night of Irish music, song and dance presented by Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann at Westmount High School, 4350 St Catherine street, at 8 pm. Tickets: 484-3313 or 483-4064.

**Saturday, Sept 28**

Contactivity speaker: Gail Cousineau, manager of the Sherbrooke and Victoria Royal Bank will speak on financial issues of importance to seniors at 1:45 pm.

Children's activity: Children are invited to Snakes/Bats/Spiders, an exploration of the world of incredible animals at Oink! Oink!, 1361 Greene avenue, at 11 am.

Overeaters Anonymous meets every Saturday at 3:30 pm at Westmount Baptist Church, 4755 Sherbrooke street. Non-smoking.

**Monday, Sept 30**

Contactivity Centre: CLSC nurse Caroline Kennedy will speak at Contactivity Centre at 11 am on the self-help groups for those with low vision, those with memory loss and those taking various medications. Montreal Camera Club meets at 7:30 pm at Westmount Park Church, 4695 de Maisonneuve boulevard. Results of first pictorial competition — slides. Guests welcome. Use rear entrance.

**Tuesday, Oct 1**

Photo exhibit: Arts Westmount show, part two, is at Visual Arts Centre, 350 Victoria avenue, until Oct 16.

**Wednesday, Oct 2**

SWAG meeting at 10 am at Victoria Hall. Speaker will explain mandate to a trusted person who will be responsible for the welfare of the elderly person, should he or she become incompetent.

**Thursday, Oct 3**

Computer fair and open house by Microcozm at The Armoury, 3 Hillside avenue, at 7:30 pm. \$2. Door prize. 676-1843 or 465-9501.

Filipino evening at 6:30 at St Andrew's-Dominion-Douglas Church with guest speaker Rev Martha Nell Thompson, an ethnic meal and Filipino dancing. Freewill offering. Reserve at 486-1165.

Ski, skate and soccer exchange at Roslyn School Gym, 4699 Westmount avenue. Bring items to be sold between 2:30 and 6 pm. Sale 7:30 to 9 pm. 487-2434 or 739-8593.

**Corrections**

The Montreal Council of Churches' Christians in Celebration service at the Grand Seminary of Montreal, in which the choir of St Matthias' Church, among others, will take part, will take place at 3:30 pm on Sunday, Oct 20.

An incorrect date was inadvertently given by THE EXAMINER in last week's issue.

Jane Wheeler, who is acting in Talley's Folly at Theatre Lac Brome Thursday to Oct 13, is a newcomer and she has not acted before with director Paulina Abarca's Street People Theatre, as printed in last week's EXAMINER. THE EXAMINER regrets the confusion.

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## Fabulous antique cars destroyed in garage fire

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

SOMETIMES you gotta do what you gotta do.

And Phil Chartrand had to save his prize-winning antique cars Saturday afternoon when a gasoline fire suddenly engulfed the garage of his home at 50 Oakland avenue.

With burns on his arms and legs, he fought back the smoke and flames to rescue two of the four extraordinary cars he owns; a 1936 Rolls-Royce custom built to European luxury standards and a little red 1954 MGTF. But as smoke and flames consumed the prized 1948 black Riley 2.5 Saloon RMB and the 1932 Lagonda at the back of the garage, he was forced to retreat.

When firefighters arrived they found Mr Chartrand collapsed on the front lawn and the garage in a ball of fire.

"The whole thing was in flame and through the fire we could see the two cars," said Captain Michael Boychuck.

Mr Chartrand was treated by firefighters and taken to hospital by Urgences Santé. He is expected to be hospitalized for about a week, according to his wife, who later said he had suffered first, second and third-degree burns on his arms and legs.

The fire in the garage and room above was doused using two streams. Firefighters used a third to prevent it spreading into the adjoining home, which sustained some fire damage as well as heavy smoke damage throughout.

When the fire was out over an hour later, the burned shells of the Riley and Lagonda were towed out to the driveway, an estimated loss in vehicles of \$325,000.

Phil Chartrand has devoted thousands of hours to restoring those cars over the years. His obsession had become almost a neighborhood cause.

Within moments of the fire,

which broke out about 4 pm, Oakland residents converged to help move the cars for the fire trucks, tend to Mr Chartrand and help in any way they could. Most seemed just stunned at what happened.

"We're a closely-knit street," said Nellie Wright. "This is terrible."

Fire officials said the fire started when Mr Chartrand was making repairs on the gas line of the Lagonda using a caged mechanics' lamp. The light bulb broke, causing the sudden flash fire and burns to his body where gasoline probably had dripped.

"We'd just been out for a ride in the car," said a neighbor. "Phil wanted to make the repairs right away."

Fire Chief Jim Adams, who was called to the scene, said the tires of the two cars were still burning when they were towed outside. He doubted the cars could be rebuilt, he said.

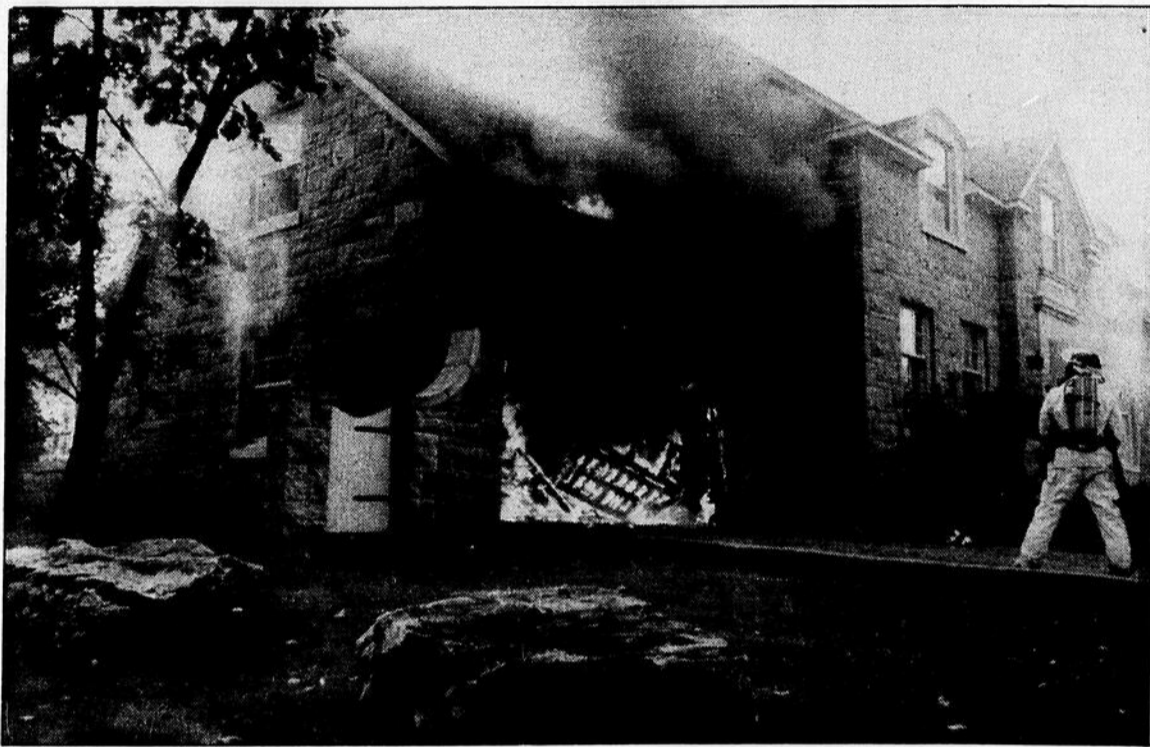
Mr Chartrand's fifth antique car, a Silver Dart, was elsewhere at the time of the fire.

No estimates have yet been made concerning fire damage to garage and home. The garage was gutted.

"I fell in love with cars when just a lad," Mr Chartrand said last August in an EXAMINER interview fresh from his latest victory at the Old Cars of Quebec show where the Rolls-Royce carried off a top award. That one, which he managed to save from fire, had taken 4,000 hours of work to restore, he recalled.

The sleek black Riley which burned had won two awards at the Concours d'Elégance for antique cars the year before.

In an interview at that time, Mr Chartrand told THE EXAMINER he had a stock reply when people ask him if the Riley is for sale: "No. I want to be buried in it."



When firefighters arrived at 50 Oakland avenue Saturday afternoon they found the garage, still harboring two classic antique cars, was a ball of flame.

Photo by ADIB NAHAS



What's left of the 1948 Riley, Phil Chartrand's prized possession, and his 1932 Lagonda, sit on the driveway after the garage fire.

Photo by LAUREEN SWEENEY

## City will defray homeowners' tax by surtax on business

This week there's a silver lining to the black cloud that hangs over Westmount homeowners in the wake of whopping property valuation hikes.

The city will be allowed to charge a surtax on commercial property it had been hoping to apply but then heard could not be used until 1993.

This means that some \$3 million more in tax revenue can now be charged to the commercial sector to help defray some of the additional

tax load caused by Quebec subsidy cuts to the MUC, said Councillor Peter Trent.

News that the surtax can be used for 1992 came this week from the city's director-general Manley Schultz, who attended a meeting of municipal managers last week held by Louis Roquet, director-general of the Montreal Urban Community, along with Gilles Racicot, who heads the

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

MUC's evaluation department. The reason the MUC had earlier stated the surtax could not be used for another year was to give the evaluation department time to reassess multi-use property, such as apartment buildings that also house

stores.

The evaluation department has now revised its schedule to speed up the process, Mr Schultz said.

"I gather they were under a lot of pressure from the big three — Dorval, St Laurent and St Leonard — who have a big stake in the surtax. It was worth millions and millions of

dollars to them so they leaned on Racicot through Quebec."

Mr Racicot told the group, he said, that by working overtime, he would have the evaluations of multi-use buildings separated out by February.

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## We Say

### More, not fewer cop shops

LONG before most of the present top officers of the Montreal Urban Community police gained their present positions, the closing of police stations, specially those in the cities and towns outside the core City of Montreal, was a vigorously-fought issue in Westmount and elsewhere.

In earlier days it was a question of organization of the territory in the wake of the taking over of the various suburban forces under integration, in effect, into the Montreal force.

The various municipalities, properly jealous of their individual characteristics, needs and prerogatives, did not wish to see the intimacy and immediacy of local police coverage diluted. In many cases they were able to fight off wholesale redistribution of resources of the new MUC force.

Now it looks as if some, maybe a majority, of Montreal's surrounding cities and towns may have to sharpen their vigilance, powers of protest and exercise of political power once again to thwart plans to alter the structure of districts and stations.

This time the mooted changes are being put forward by police brass with the expressed aim of reducing the number of police stations on the island. The purpose, it is said, is economy.

Mayors and councils throughout the suburban reaches of the territory, including Westmount, should be very alert and prepared to refight the battles of their predecessors.

There are two principles at stake:

1) All stations, such as No 23 here on Stanton street in Westmount, originally were designed for the police protection of the communities in which they are located. There have been some consolidations, such as the coverage of neighboring St Henri from Westmount. But sight must

not be lost of the principle that all policing except for some highly specialized functions is local, not a metropolitan or "Greater Montreal" thing even if there is an overall command downtown somewhere;

2) Would-be economizers, in their narrower objectives, can argue the obvious that fewer police stations can mean reduced costs. However, that aim should not be pursued in isolation from the already deficient policing of the territory. The real requirement is and always has been more intensive, more highly localized and more intimate coverage.

Fewer and therefore bigger police stations and districts run counter to the correct objective. Despite some good efforts at community relations in the local stations, officers and men, patrolling almost exclusively in cars instead of on foot, simply never have recovered the old "cop on the beat" knowledge, profile and effectiveness as of when the forces were smaller and under direct control of local authorities.

When the command staff finally submit their proposals to the MUC authorities there should be a rigorous examination of the motives and possible effects. The local mayors, as MUC councillors, can be relied upon to defend their individual interests. But they would do well to make common cause against the bigger-is-better syndrome and make a case for more and smaller police units, even down to the simpler "storefront" posts which truly bring policing to the local level.

The police already have had a lot of trimming of manpower and other facilities, much of it to the detriment of the suburbs. True economy is a measure of more than just money saved; it demands that what is spent on public protection — and it remains a lot — also is effective.

### That library project

IF ordinary prudence already did not call for a go-easy approach to the grand plans for what would amount to a new Westmount Public Library, the release last week of the new Montreal Urban Community valuation rolls which will hang over us fiscally for the next three years should cause city council to pause and ponder any extraordinary expenditures of public funds.

Raised valuations do not in themselves spell increased taxes but they are a reminder and measure of how everything costs more.

We do not argue at this time against the library project in principle, dear to the heart of our outgoing mayor, Mrs May Cutler.

Indeed, we have a profound admiration for the determination of Her Worship, from the outset of her mayoralty, that something significant be done to upgrade the flagging cultural facilities of Westmount. But in politics, even of the local variety, things do not always go as planned. There are too many variables, and this city council has had its share of quirks to contend with which included, paradoxi-



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### Proposals need work

WE can all be thankful that constitutional debate in Canada has entered a new phase, which promises to be more positive than the Meech fiasco.

First, the process this time is much more acceptable. A federal position has been enunciated in advance. It has been submitted to a parliamentary committee which will consult Canadians during the next five months.

Second, the federal proposals are open to change. This is a far cry from Meech's "seamless web," where not one word or comma could be changed.

Third, in terms of substance, the debate this time will be much broader. We will be considering the functions of major national institutions like the Senate. Also, the government has proposed to strengthen Canada's economic union.

While these features are positive, a first reading of the proposals also reveals many deficiencies. In general, like Meech, the proposals would weaken the ability of the Parliament of Canada to act for all Canadians.

The federal government proposes to turn over to the provinces its residual power, to remove the federal declaratory power and to recognize the exclusive jurisdiction of the province with respect to labor market training, tourism, forestry, mining, recreation, housing and urban affairs.

Further, the new proposals bring back the Meech provision to limit the federal spending power in areas of exclusive provincial jurisdiction. Any new shared-cost programs would require the approval of seven provinces and compensation would be given to provinces that opted out of such programs.

Also, the mechanisms that would strengthen the economic union are subject to provincial consent. The approval of two-thirds of the provinces representing 50 percent of Canada's population would be needed for Parliament to pass a law to improve the functioning of the economic union.

The Senate would be elected. But would it be effective? It would have no role in relation to spending or borrowing bills.

Our leader, Jean Chrétien, said that the Liberal Party will fulfill its responsibilities as an opposition. While our objective is national unity, we can best contribute to this objective by questioning the government's proposals, uncovering weaknesses, and providing a voice to those who wish to be heard. We will try to improve the proposals. Mr Chrétien's impression and mine too is that the proposals need a great deal of work.

cally, a huge surplus from a gross city hall miscalculation.

One of the signals yet to come from city hall is that in the ordinary course of events, without this multi-million-dollar windfall, the library project likely would not have been considered at all at this time, given the recession, the extra taxation burdens thrust on us by both the provincial and MUC governments, and just plain prudence in the midst of enormous Canada-Quebec constitutional and economic uncertainty.

Talking to some citizens who follow municipal affairs with more than ordinary interest we find we are not alone in feeling that there is a lack of feet-on-ground planning and, indeed, candor, in telling the citizens just how much it is intended to spend. So far, this venture appears to be open ended in the cost department, and that is bad business as Montreal discovered with the Olympics.

Westmount, with its reputation for hard-headedness, should exude a better image of municipal self-control and stewardship.

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



### The east-end disaster

IN last Saturday's *La Presse*, André Noël discusses the problems of east-end Montreal — which he describes as the original economic motor of Quebec and Canada. A pathetic photograph of the abandoned railway track which led directly to the once-renowned Canadian Vickers shipyard speaks volumes about what has happened to that part of Montreal.

"In 1952, the Angus shops employed 10,000 persons," Noël writes. "There are now only 900. In January no one will be left. Over the past 10 years, in the east-end of Montreal, there have been the following closures: Texaco, BP, Esso, Gulf, Biscuits David, Steinberg, Daoust Lalonde Inc, Welfab Steel, SKD Technology Inc, Chaussures Maxine, Black and Decker and Keratec."

Add to these the gradual decrease in the workforce at Canadian Steel Foundries and MLW Bombardier and you have a picture of devastation, the dimensions of which are overwhelming.

Standing as a symbol of the decrepitude of the east-end is the most of the Olympic Stadium — the Big Owe. There it is with its roof in tatters and its walls crumbling.

Noël adds this mind-boggling statistic: "A recent study published this week sets the number of illiterates living east of St Laurent boulevard at 35.6 percent of the population — i.e. 245,200 out of a total of 694,500 persons."

In the area east of Iberville street (excluding St Léonard) it is estimated there are 42,690 persons either on unemployment insurance or on welfare; one adult out of three — the same level as the Great Depression of the 1930s.

Is there a solution to these terrifying problems? Perhaps. Here's what one businessman, Marcel Côté, wrote in one of the hundreds of reports on what's happening in Montreal:

"Let's not fool ourselves, there is no short-term solution for reviving the east-end of Montreal. Montreal is a city with the highest unemployment rate in North America. It is perfectly normal to see old industries phased out. What is not normal is that they are not replaced. East-end Montreal will come back only when the heart of the city — the downtown area — is operating normally; when an important part of the business community no longer leaves town. In other words, when we settle our political problems."

Brave Mr Côté! Are you listening, Mr Bourassa?

## You Say

### Separation may be only way to end bickering

I have lived in Quebec for 65 years and have been actively involved in the trade union and co-operative movements. I served as mayor of my community for 15 years. I have always believed in a bilingual Quebec and a united Canada.

But it has become obvious over the past 30 years that, no matter how much we as Canadians want a united country, the nationalist leaders supported by the apathy of the majority of the population of Quebec want a distinct and unilingual French-speaking nation. They have succeeded in identifying themselves as "Québécois" instead of Canadian; the provincial legislature is the "National Assembly."

During the "Canada clause case" in Superior Court in 1982, a demographic expert for the Quebec government suggested that an English-speaking minority of five percent of the total would be acceptable. This would require the reduction of the English-speaking population to some 300,000, requiring

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## I Say!

MEN are not against you; they are merely for themselves.

—Gene Fowler

The Westmount Examiner  
**EXAMINING THE FILES**

**Forty-five Years Ago**  
 September 27, 1946

"One of Westmount's animal lovers on Grosvenor Avenue reports that there's a white squirrel living between Grosvenor Avenue and Roslyn Avenue. . . . When one sees this animal, pure white, with a beautiful bushy tail, there can be no doubt that it is From "Westmount Whimsies": "Have From "Westmount Whimsies": "Have heard several people talking about a white squirrel in the vicinity of Roslyn but so far it has eluded me. However I'm inclined to think that it is just one of the ordinary red variety that happened to hear the dogs were being unleashed on Tuesday, and turned white from fright."

**Thirty-five Years Ago**  
 September 28, 1956

"Oasis Temple No. 46, Daughters of the Nile, is to be honoured by a visit from the Supreme Queen of the Supreme Temple of Daughter of the Nile, Mrs. Ruth C. Deaton of Omaha, Nebraska."

From the classifieds: "Upright piano. Steiff make, 'Mahogany'. Good condition, just tuned. \$60." "Small washing machine, \$18; Oriental rug, 4X3, \$8; fire dogs, \$10; pink dressing table, \$8; muskrat jacket, \$25." "Antique sale. Thousands of pieces of hand carved wood from Nicolet Cathedral. May be seen at Immaculate Conception Hall."

**Twenty-five Years Ago**  
 September 29, 1966

From the column "We See and Hear" on the city's floral clock: "The clock was in operation when Mr. Griffiths (superintendent of parks) came on staff 41 years ago, just two years after he arrived in Canada from his native Devon. It was operated by a Ford car motor of 1926 vintage as far as he can estimate and the same motor is still going strong, which speaks well for the care it has been given, and the basic structure of the clock is still the same. One hazard Mr. Griffiths and his staff must be prepared to face is the senseless vandalism which occurs most often during the small hours of the morning. Certain visitors to the park sometimes find it amusing to try to change the time by forcing the hands, and when this happens, a break is often the result. In 1932 the clock came to a stop as the result of such pranks, and at that time Mr. Griffiths took it completely apart and reassembled it himself."

**Ten Years Ago**  
 October 1, 1981

"A 19-year-old man, believed to be a Pakistani immigrant, was found dead Friday, after shooting himself with a gun taken from a security guard at the Bank of Montreal branch at 1299 Greene avenue Wednesday last week. The gun taken at the Westmount bank was the only one found with the body in the Hôtel de Province on Dorchester boulevard near Crescent street. Police said he had been dead about two days. . . . Four recent bank holdups have been cleared with the find, police said. The marked bills from one robbery were found in the room where the man had apparently been living 'some time.'"

**One Year Ago**  
 October 4, 1990

"Westmount will not compensate merchants on Victoria avenue whose businesses have been severely disrupted by road reconstruction despite a desperate plea for help at Monday's council meeting. 'It's now a question of survival,' Bozena Krajewska, owner of Café Victoria, told city council. Informally representing other Victoria avenue merchants, she asked council for compensation or a future cut in business taxes because of a drastic drop in business she said is caused by road reconstruction work on Victoria."

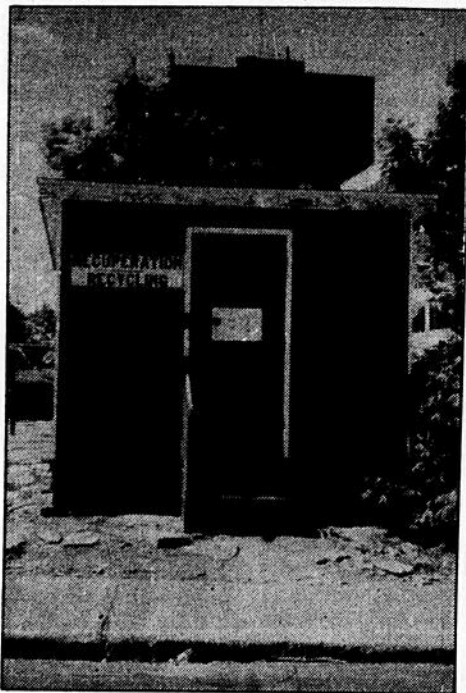
"Westmount's public works department needs volunteers to help distribute blue boxes for their full-fledged recycling program."



**You Say**

**Tupper recycling facility is ugly and dangerous**

The recycling facilities on Tupper street are really ugly, dangerous to access in the winter and inconveniently located. "Ugly" is self-explanatory. It looks some-



A one-holer? Letter-writer's photo shows city's recycling shack in the Tupper street parking lot.

what like a privy.

It is dangerous because the steps are too narrow and they become rounded with snow and ice. With one's arms full, you must fumble for a small latch and open the door toward you.

To reach the Tupper street location from the west is inconvenient because of one-way streets.

I would like to see several attractive, clean-looking containers situated in different locations throughout Westmount. Most apartments and condominiums do not have recycled garbage pickups, nor have I heard of any plans to start the above procedure in the near future.

Juliette Fortier

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**Here's one bank manager who didn't read the script**

YOU know. I know. Anyone with the most rudimentary exposure to Hollywood's products knows. Bank managers are, if not really evil, at least basically rotten.

Bank managers are the people with mustaches in thin little lines and mouths in thin little scowls who stand behind Jimmy Stewart and make him foreclose on the orphanage. Or they force John Wayne off his "spread" so's them nasty Clintons'll own all the water — and repay the bank generously. They steal the savings of the elderly and infirm. They refuse loans. They sit in the vault all night, Scrooge McDucks clinking their coins and laughing. They are bereft of human kindness. A bank manager's heart, if he or she has one, is cold as ice.

This is common knowledge.

So, when a bank manager does something nice, it is thoroughly suspect. Take, for instance, Rafik Bashatly manager of the branch of Bank of Montreal on Greene avenue. Mr Bashatly recently indulged in highly suspicious behavior. He behaved thoughtfully, and responded promptly and appropriately to a request by a neighbor.

It happened this way:

There's this dinky little alley that runs from Elm avenue, just above de Maisonneuve, west to join the alley which runs between and parallel to Greene and Elm. The two alleys intersect right behind the Bank of Montreal.

It can be a bit tricky getting from the little alley on to the longer alley because it's pretty well impossible to see whether anyone (say, a Mack truck) is coming (at, say, 60 km/h) down the bigger alley toward you.

Let's be perfectly fair here. This is not a major problem. There are only three houses and two parking areas on the dinky little alley, so it is principally the drivers of just a couple of cars who are inconvenienced. Still, it can't be much fun for them. Every time these drivers want to get into the longer alley, they face the prospect of having their vehicles (and possibly themselves) wrinkled.

So one of the local residents appealed

**Beside the Point**



KATHLEEN HUGESSEN

to city hall for a mirror on the lane. He was told vandals would break it. He suggested polished metal might be as effective, and unbreakable. He was told such an item was unheard of, though he says they are common in Europe. The city finally installed a stop sign — which, he says, most drivers ignore.

The resident says he didn't hold out much hope when he wrote to the bank manager. (He, too, knows what to expect from bank managers.) But write he did, suggesting that as a good corporate citizen, the bank might want to help prevent car wrinklins in the back alley. He asked if perhaps a mirror might be placed on the bank's back wall to augment the sightlines.

I explored the corner for myself the other day. I was riding a motorcycle which would have made me a much juicier target for an unexpected truck. But I didn't have to worry because there before me, affixed to the back wall of the Bank of Montreal building, was a lovely curved mirror showing me an undeniable All Clear. The decision to install the mirror was made by, believe it or not, the bank manager. He had had it seen to very quickly. Positively promptly. Not at all bank managerially.

All this suspicious activity makes me think that perhaps bank managers have become more devious than they were in Hollywood's heyday. Perhaps this man's considerate action is just a ploy hiding a nefarious ulterior motive. The thing is, I can't imagine what that could be.

Or, though I find it hard to believe, perhaps these Hollywood portrayals aren't always entirely true to life.



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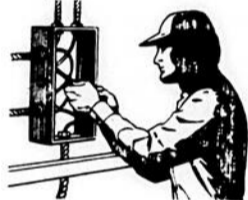
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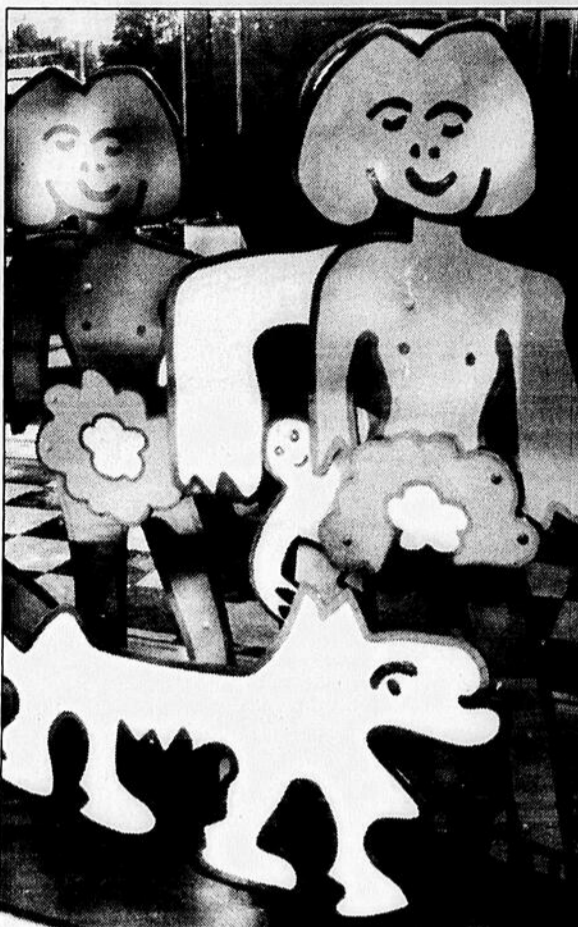
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**Autumn comes and leaves fall**



Where have all the flowers gone? Someone stole the floral "fig leaves" that covered these figures on the controversial statues outside the Madikap building, 4150 Sherbrooke street, over the weekend Sept 13-16, police said. The modesty panels were added after complaints of indecent exposure on the sculpture, which was put up in 1988. The missing pieces were valued at \$5,000.

**WFAC endorses three candidates**

Three candidates in the Nov 3 municipal election have been endorsed by the Westmount Finance Action Committee to date.

They are John Lehnert in ward 7, Nancy Nelson in ward 5 and Beryl Parker, ward 3.

Rolland Benard, president of the finance watchdog group, said others may receive the committee's blessing as well once it receives material from the candidates showing they support the aims of the WFAC.

"If we're going to endorse them, we expect them to endorse our aims also," he said.

In a press release received by THE EXAMINER, the WFAC's policy regarding endorsement is explained as follows: "Candidates may be endorsed if they are otherwise qualified and are prepared to support the WFAC's aims for more efficient management and a 'functional solution' to library needs.

"The WFAC does not obligate itself to endorse a candidate for every ward and may wish to endorse more than one candidate in a situation where we consider both candidates worthy of support.

"Our support is not exclusive. We will be pleased if candidates we endorse receive the support of other citizen groups as well."

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Now you see it, now you don't. A shopper at the Steinberg store on Sherbrooke street at Victoria avenue reported her wallet had been stolen from her purse about 2 am by a pickpocket, police said. She later called back to say she had found it in her own pocket.

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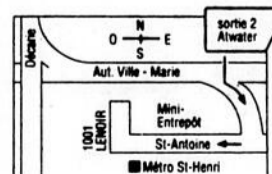
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## Illegal signs might bring steep fines

The City of Westmount is taking a merchant and a daycare to court over what it says are illegal signs.

In the first case, the city is taking B. Fiederer and the company 27385160 Québec Inc to court because they put up a projecting sign over their Côte St Luc Bar-B-Q restaurant at 4006 St Catherine street without a permit.

"It would have been turned down anyway," said Joanne Poirier, head of building and planning for the city. She said the store's sign would not have passed city regulations concerning signs.

In the second case, the city is using the court to force the Church of the Advent to get the proper permit for their daycare sign at 326 Wood avenue.

Ms Poirier said the city can issue temporary permits to cover such signs, as was done with other daycares in the city. The sign is not permanent.

The landlords face fines ranging up to \$300 per day for each offence.

"They are simply ignoring us," said Ms Poirier of the landlords.

In a related instance, the city last week dropped court proceedings against the owners of rooming houses at 400 and 425 Mount Pleasant avenue, George Leisser and Edel Traud Bunz.

When it comes time to renew their permits every year to run the rooming house, they used to balk, but this year they co-operated, said Ms Poirier.

"It's a case which has been going on for years and he (Mr Leisser) finally learned, since he keeps losing (in court)," said Ms Poirier.

City inspectors recently cajoled two other landlords to bring their buildings up to snuff. Landlord Ian



The city says this overhanging sign is illegal.

Campbell of apartments at 4916 Sherbrooke street is working on his building, and should be finished soon, said inspector Kevin Dawson. As well, corporation 1424 Canada Inc recently fixed its fire alarm system and emergency lights, and removed gasoline from its apartment building at 4920 de Maisonneuve boulevard, he confirmed.

## Traffic cables cut on Cedar

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

ward to prove that narrowing of Cedar was increasing traffic on their street, an issue which is pitting neighbor against neighbor.

When contacted by THE EXAMINER this week, however, Mr Howson appeared reluctant to equate the incident with sabotage. He said he had reported it to authorities only out of a concern for public safety believing the disconnected wire to pose an electrical hazard.

"I don't think there was any question of foul play," he said. "Why would anyone want to do such a thing?"

Public security director Richard McEnroe said his own inquiries

Traffic counter cables across Cedar avenue snapped and city officials are not ruling out the possibility of tampering, THE EXAMINER learned this week.

"I can't state categorically it was sabotage," said director-general Manley Schultz. "I spoke to the man who did the repairs and he said this cable broke at the clip. It made a clean break. It could have been sheared off by passing cars or cut with a penknife. Once one end was detached, the other pulled off the counter."

The disconnected cable was brought to the attention of the city Tuesday last week by R.M. Howson, a resident of Mount Pleasant avenue, who called public safety officers to the scene at 7:27 am.

Officers treated it as a routine matter, called repair crews and did not write a report.

But Mr Howson immediately alerted city operations manager Bruce St Louis, sending him a letter by fax. He wrote in part, officials said:

"I am no Sherlock Holmes, but I do not believe that this tampering or tinkering was done by a raccoon or passing car. To my eyes, the cable had been deliberately disconnected at both ends by human hands."

Since the counter cable on Cedar was rendered inoperative while the one on The Boulevard was still functioning, he reasoned, traffic counts would indicate that The Boulevard was bearing 100 percent of east-bound traffic while Cedar had none.

This could support arguments being used by residents of The Boule-

made this week indicated the wire had loosened with passing traffic since it was located at a curve in the road.

Traffic counts for that day will be cancelled, he said.

Any attempts to sabotage the traffic counts would not work since the system records printouts every 15 minutes, he said, and shuts down if the cable disconnects.

The city has been taking traffic counts on the narrowed neck of Cedar as well as on The Boulevard to monitor changes in vehicle usage of the two streets. The issue of the narrowing of Cedar has been taken to court by a group of residents from The Boulevard.

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## Perrette robbed twice in one day

THE PERRETTE store at 4471 St Catherine street was held up twice on Monday by lone men armed with guns, police said.

A 42-year-old woman at the cash resisted the first holdup attempt at 1:05 pm by picking up the telephone instead of handing over money and Scratch loto tickets, as ordered. Her actions scared off the robber, who make a quick escape.

Another robber had better luck that night when he confronted a 47-year-old cashier about 11:30, ordering her to lie on the floor. He went around the counter, opened the cash and helped himself to an undisclosed amount of money.

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## Westmount Square mall will be changing: director

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Mr Alvo says a relaunching of the mall will occur in about 12 or 18 months, with a blitz of advertising and promotion.

A man who says he is an interested party in Westmount Square says it has become just a thoroughfare between Greene Avenue and the Atwater Métro station.

"It's dead because there is no traffic," he says, "People walking through can't spend \$1,800 on a dress. It has to go from being a high-class mall to a medium-class mall. It has to cater to the middle of the road. In the past, it catered to a classy clientele, but they're just not there anymore... To close another store in this mall would be a disaster."

## St-Léon traffic

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police and public safety officers who make certain recommendations which are implemented where feasible.

### Other factors

Sometimes other factors, such as neighborhood concerns, also must be considered in making the final decision, Dir McEnroe said. St Léon's is a prime example of this, he said.

Residents of Kitchener, when polled, turned thumbs-down to a demand by the school that the street be made one-way north, so the city compromised by prohibiting left turns off Sherbrooke at peak school times. School buses used to pull right into the school yard to drop off and pick up students a few years ago, but now the school yard is rented out to teachers for parking who won't give it up, he added.

St Léon's wanted, and was the first Westmount school to get, large yellow school zone markings on the street. It was not considered appropriate, however, to install a traffic light as requested at Sherbrooke and Kitchener because of the proximity of lights at Clarke and Redfern.

Mr Alvo says the management plans to gear the mall towards the higher-than-medium price range market.

"Westmount Square is not like the Alexis Nihon," he says. "We obviously need some pullers to create the customer traffic," and deals on rent are offered stores with big drawing power.

"We're looking at the whole mall and the whole market. We'll position the mall accordingly."

### Ones that have gone

Along with Henry Marks, some of the merchants no longer in Westmount Square include: the Jockey Club, Charles of Westmount, Laura Secord, The Flower Pot, United Cigar Store, as well as the theatre, a toy store and a children's clothes store.

Most recently, the Metro supermarket franchise went bankrupt and is now being run by the parent company.

While it has been charged that Charles of Westmount left the mall because its rent was being hiked to \$13,000 a month, Mr Alvo said the hairdresser signed a lease about three years ago, and clauses he agreed to were coming into effect. He denied that rent was a factor.

"A hairdresser that operates in \$1 million in volume? I don't see why they can't pay the rent. They had 400 to 500 customers a week. The rent is just a story. I don't know the real reason for them closing," he said.

It is also said that some stores, because of a drop in sales, are unable to pay the rent.

"In every mall, there are always ma and pa operations," said Mr Alvo. "It's in their nature to do a lot of crying. We have tenants who were in Place Ville Marie and got thrown out for not paying the rent. We're dealing with that accordingly."

Of at least 10 stores contacted, none were willing to comment on the record.

The mall is owned by six organizations; the Quebec Pension Plan, the Caisse de Dépôt, the MUC policemen's pension fund, MUCTC pension fund, Banque Nationale and Université de Laval.

## Panhandlers rarely seen in local malls

*But, with winter coming, more may appear*

By MARLENE BLANSHAY

During the winter, indoor shopping centres like Place Alexis Nihon and Westmount Square become a refuge for homeless people seeking to escape from the cold. Most shoppers and commuters only notice their presence when they attempt to panhandle a few dollars.

Today there is one guitar-playing busker in the long, airless corridor leading from Westmount Square to the Atwater Métro. It is this corridor which is the area usually frequented by both buskers and panhandlers.

But there are few panhandlers around these days, despite the fact that there are 50,000 more unemployed in greater Montreal this July than last, according to Statistics Canada.

Yves Lamontagne, supervisor of security at Westmount Square, says that beggars and panhandlers are not a major problem but he is sensitive to the complaints of customers and merchants in the square.

"It comes in waves," says Mr Lamontagne. "Most of the panhandlers come inside in the winter to warm up." But, he adds, Westmount Square is a public place and he acknowledges that panhandlers have their rights.

"We can't stop people from asking for money," says Mr Lamontagne. "But most people don't want to see them around. However, we can't send anyone outside unless they get aggressive and bother people."

### Keep them moving

In Westmount Square, the policy toward beggars and panhandlers is to keep them moving, and direct them toward the outer limits of the

center: the Greene and Wood Avenue exits, the corridor and the entrance to the Métro. Panhandlers are rarely allowed near the Concoors, where customers frequent boutiques like Lily Simon and Rodier.

The merchants who work at the exclusive boutiques near the Greene Avenue side of Westmount Square say that the presence of the security guard's desk near the exit is a deterrent.

"I have worked here for three years," says one woman at Nelly Alexander. "But no one ever bothers us. If they do, the security guards chase them away."

"We have to keep an eye on the vagrants," Mr Lamontagne explains. "People who pay rent here don't want to see them. There is a certain level of clientele here so we try to keep some sort of balance."

At Place Alexis Nihon, the vagrants are "not an issue" any more, according to mall manager Toni-Lynn Trotter.

"It was problem about three or four years ago," she says. "But ever since we renovated, they've stopped coming around."

### Guards more visible

She added that the mall's security guards have increased their visibility over the past three years, and this may have contributed to the disappearance of panhandlers from the shopping areas.

"Sometimes they're around when there's an event at the Forum," Ms Trotter says. "But aside from that I haven't been aware of anything like that at all."

Most of the merchants at both malls agree they have few problems with vagrants or panhandlers.

"In general, there is no trouble," says Mr Lamontagne. "Maybe only one in every five causes some kind of trouble. But we try to be fair. We never use violence."

"Trouble" occasionally arises from a panhandler or vagrant who exhibits signs of mental illness or intoxication. Janet Weigand, co-ordinator of Face à Face at the CLCS Guy-Métro, is familiar with all types who wander through the underground shopping complexes at Métro stations.

"Some are mentally ill," she points out. "Some have drug and alcohol problems, or have just been released from prison and don't know where to go."

Although security guards at Westmount Square refrain from using violence on those seen as security risks, not all vagrants and panhandlers meet with such benevolent treatment.

"Some are beaten up," says Ms Weigand. "The Métro cops take them into those little rooms and beat them up. There are also cases of abuse from passersby. These people are very vulnerable."

Although vagrants have been rendered nearly invisible in these particular shopping centres, Ms Weigand says that the homeless are an element of society which we must accept.

"At Guy we are used to them," she says. "They are part of the people who make up the Guy Métro. Having open communication makes it easier to deal with. Homelessness won't go away tomorrow."

## Vagrants congregate in eastern Westmount

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ship. When you're dressed as a clochard, they think you're a drug addict, thief, criminal."

Ben has been on the streets 12 years.

He used to bring a reeking shopping cart into the library, said Ms Ilavsky, and park it by the Tupper Street entrance.

"When I got after him about his wagon, he was pulling over weaker staff members, saying he was going to find out where we get our grants from," says Ms Ilavsky. "He's pretty bright."

The staff eventually dissuaded him from bringing the cart, but has not yet made any move to try to oust him and a few others like him who regularly use the library.

### Arrangement sought

Ms Ilavsky would like to try and make an arrangement, perhaps with St Stephen's Church, which has a drop-in centre used by about 40 homeless daily. She is considering taking out subscriptions to several newspapers and have them delivered to St Stephen's, to try and encourage the homeless to do their reading elsewhere. Perhaps

the library could get a donation for the cause, she suggests.

"Since the library is the poorest business in this community, it seems funny we should foot the bill entirely," she says.

No move has yet been made; the board of directors is nervous about negative publicity and is hesitating to take action.

Ms Ilavsky is worried not only about the library's image, she is concerned about finding a solution.

"Gosh, winter's approaching," she says. "I feel we should offer something, find an alternative, set something up."

St Stephen's Open Door shelter is open 1 to 4 pm Mondays through Thursdays, and one-on-one work is done Friday mornings and weekends. The shelter has about 600 homeless and poor it counsels, feeds and helps clothe.

Social worker and volunteer Chris Hornibrook, who works at the shelter, says about 120 are homeless. They try to bring them off the street, and are sometimes successful, especially when the homeless are caught when they have spent just a month or two on the street. The longer they are

there, the harder it is to get them into apartments.

The shelter began as an experiment four years ago when the parish acted in response to the many poor in its district. Homeless have been found sleeping in its garbage cans. When not at the shelter, said Mr Hornibrook, they can be found in apartment lobbies, the Métro and Place Alexis Nihon — although they are easily identified and are quickly turned out of the mall.

"We have tried to do fundraising with Alexis Nihon, but have not yet had success."

He says there is a certain support in McDonald's and Atwater Library, which "provide an excellent service keeping them warm in winter... they probably spend a fair amount of time there."

But he is unsurprised the homeless and poor are often either ignored or ejected. There is the "NIMBY" effect, he says, Not In My Back Yard.

"I don't think the answer is necessarily building a larger facility," says Mr Hornibrook, though the Open Door is looking to expand.

"We need to set up 100 Open Doors through the community."

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the departure of another 300,000, in addition to the 200,000 who have already left during the past 10 years.

This aim is being implemented by a continuous program of humiliating the English-speaking minority and denying them fundamental individual rights to use their language, and by education restrictions, harassment of the use of the English language in the courts and in health and social services, and by the legislated

use of French in the workplace.

Meanwhile, all three major federal political parties have betrayed the 700,000 English-speaking Canadians in Quebec. They support the ludicrous situation which allows Quebec to participate as a full and equal partner in decisions affecting all of Canada, while allowing Quebec, because of its alleged distinctiveness, to be exempt from the decisions made by Canadians. They support bilingualism across Canada

and ignore it in Quebec.

It may well be that, in order to end this quagmire of bickering and complaining, we must tell our politicians that the best interests of both Quebec and Canada can be achieved by regarding Quebec as a foreign nation. Perhaps, then, Canada may live up to its great potential as a free, united and prosperous nation.

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# Bank's gesture reflects badly on city

By SCOTT INNISS

Westmount's newest traffic safety device is round and shiny, about 50 centimetres across and cost \$188. It is a mirror.

But it took a bank manager, not the city, to install the mirror in a lane behind Greene avenue.

Three homeowners on de Maisonneuve boulevard just east of Greene avenue had been worried about the lack of visibility where their lane intersects with another lane behind Greene.

"It's basically a leap of faith every time you take a turn into the lane," said Marc Brillon, one of the residents.

Another resident had discussions with the city and succeeded in having the city install a stop sign, plus a promise of a speed bump being

built.

Mr Brillon got involved in trying to find a solution this summer, after narrowly avoiding accidents on two occasions at the corner of the lanes. The speed bump the city had promised was not built and the residents observed some motorists passing by the stop sign.

"The stop sign is simply not obeyed," said Mr Brillon.

He knew mirrors affixed to the sides of buildings were used for traffic safety in Europe and in some industries, and decided to ask the city for one, but was turned down.

"It's not the city's policy to install mirrors," confirmed director of public security Richard McEnroe. He

added the idea had never been raised at traffic meetings.

Undaunted, Mr Brillon wrote to the Bank of Montreal in mid-August. The branch on Greene avenue occupies one side of the lane. Mr Brillon wanted to see whether, as a good corporate citizen, the bank would consider installing a mirror.

To his surprise, four weeks later, there it was, at the intersection of the lanes.

Rafik Bashatly, manager of customer services for the Greene avenue branch, said he saw the request as something positive he could do for the community. The bank paid for the mirror and its installation.

"It would be a community gesture," said Mr Bashatly, who received the request and passed it on to his firm's premises department. "I was pushing, I said let's do it."

Mr Bashatly added at a bank the size of his, requests of that sort usually take much longer even to be considered.

Mr Brillon and the other residents are happy with the result.

"It lets me know if traffic's coming down the lane," he said. He added it was understandable the city didn't want to install the mirror.

"It was an unusual request which came to them, but which was expeditiously and professionally handled by the bank," he said.

Mr McEnroe said it was "very gracious" for the bank to install the mirror.

He said he wrote a letter this week to the three residents of de Maisonneuve apologizing for the city's not building a speed bump in the lane, as was promised.

"It's just an oversight," he said.

# Task force urges working towards unity

A GROUP called the Task Force on Canadian Federalism is urging Canadians to make constructive suggestions, and not reject out of hand, the federal constitutional-reform package tabled Tuesday.

The task force will study the proposals and present a report to the commission which will hold hearings.

According to a letter to "all the premiers of Canada... we intend also to disseminate our views in

Quebec and throughout the rest of Canada in the hope that our work, placed alongside the work of other Canadians, can help to reach a universally acceptable result."

Members of the board of directors of the task force include Westmount constitutional lawyer Julius Grey, who is president; Roger Comtois, vice-president; and directors Anastasios Anastasopoulos, Monty Berger and Morton Brownstein.

# Money and cigarettes stolen in store thefts

Thieves broke into two Westmount restaurants last week to steal cigarettes and a small safe was stolen from a candy store, police said. Rocks were used to break glass panels in the front doors of all three establishments.

It was the second time the Miss Westmount restaurant, 397 Victoria avenue, had been hit in a week. In the latest break-in Wednesday last week, burglars made off with an undetermined number of cigarettes.

The incident was repeated at 4 am Friday when someone broke into the Mini Château de Basile, 4086 St

Catherine street. Cigarettes worth \$1,400 were reported stolen along with some chewing gum and chocolate.

A small safe was also stolen from the Laura Secord store at 4818 Sherbrooke street overnight Sunday, Sept 15. The break-in was discovered at 5 am Monday by Paul Chalifoux, manager of neighboring Clément's Food Market. The safe was found open a few hours later close by in the backyard of a home on Grosvenor avenue. An undisclosed amount of money was missing.



Bank of Montreal manager Rafik Bushatly checks out the new \$188 mirror their bank installed in a lane off Greene avenue to give residents greater visibility.

## Who's doing what?



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

### Sept 16

- 130 Irvine: for Beaconsfield Construction by self, renovations at rear, \$35,000;
- 565 Argyle: for Hung Bin Quay by J.C.B. Construction, extension and alteration, \$145,000;
- 488 Elm: for G. Leisser by contractor to be announced, balconies and fence, \$1,700;

### Sept 17

- 269 Melville: for B. Nichols by James MacIntyre, bathroom and kitchen, \$1,500;
- 1200 Atwater: for Mechanics Institute of Montreal by Claude Neon Ltée, erecting sign, \$8,500;
- 1118 Greene: for D. Lawrence by self, fence, \$300;

### Sept 18

- 18 de Casson: for B. Perloth by contractor to be announced, enclosing rear porch, \$3,000;

- 14 Parkman Place: for Janet Weir by Plomberie Allard Inc, gas connection, \$4,900;
- 10 Church Hill: for St Matthias' Church by Plomberie Allard, gas conversion, \$1,500;

### Sept 19

- 360 Redfern: for M. Rosenstein by Plomberie Encore Inc, installing 23 plumbing fixtures, \$20,000;
- 4493 Sherbrooke: for Mark Gruszczynski by owner, repairs to basement, \$1,500;
- 4010 Montrose: for F. Morin and M. Shaburskis by selves, interior alterations, \$15,000;

### Sept 20

- 342 Elm: for Henry Finkel by self, hand-rail on front steps, \$150;
- 631 Carleton: for A. Bushell by Luigi d'Allesio, demolition and replacement of wall, \$5,500;
- 4010 Montrose: for M. Shaburskis and F. Morin by Levine Brothers, installing six plumbing fixtures, \$4,000;
- 4004 St Catherine: for Buffalo Bill by Brouillette signs, sign, \$5,000;

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# Marks on the hustings for preservation

Karin Marks has been helping others get elected to political office for almost as long as she can remember.

Now the issues and the time are right for her to take the plunge herself by running for city council in Westmount's municipal election Nov 3.

Though her name has been mentioned for several weeks as a possible candidate in ward 5, she finally announced she was entering the race last Friday, her 44th birthday.

"It's time to put myself out there on the line," Ms Marks explained. "It's an interesting but frightening time ahead with the MUC transferring financial responsibility."

She will be running against Nancy Nelson, who announced her candidacy two weeks ago.

Ms Marks, who lives and works in the ward, wants to be on council to keep a close eye on any development of Canadian Pacific lands which are located there. She views other important concerns of the varied ward as parks, security, traffic and accessibility of recycling for the many apartment dwellers in the district.

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

Ms Marks is married to financial systems consultant Brian Puddington. They have two daughters, Sue, 14, at Weston School, and Carmen, 12, at Westmount High, as well as a dog and a country house in Vermont near Jay Peak.

She maintains an office at 340 Victoria avenue from which she operates her own business manufacturing women's clothing accessories.

The work allows her certain flexibility for assuming community responsibilities such as a city council position, she says.

She's a member of the board of governors of Weston School. She has been a member of the executive of the provincial Liberal riding association as well as a member of the ward committee of the Westmount Municipal Association.

She worked actively on the committee to save Westmount High School three years ago, "one of the things I'm most proud of."

"I've always been interested in politics from a very early age thanks to my Dad (lawyer Lawrence Marks)."

She handed out pamphlets for former prime minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau, campaigned for former Westmount MNA Richard French, managed the campaign for former Westmount alderman John Shingler and was one of the main workers for May Cutler's mayoral campaign four

years ago.

This time the tables have turned and it's political science professor John Shingler who's running the Karin Marks' campaign.

Ward 5 includes Westmount Park, the library, the west end commercial district, the Carex nursing home, Manoir Westmount, a number of apartments and the Canadian Pacific railway lands, she points out.

"Development of the CP Rail land will affect traffic, services, population make-up and density."

She calls herself a preservationist. She wants Westmount maintained with all the benefits of a suburb rather than be further developed.

Ms Marks attended Roslyn and then Westmount High School before spending two years at the Fashion Institute of Technology, on the New York City campus of the State University of New York. She obtained a bachelor of arts degree from Sir George Williams University (now Concordia), a teacher's diploma from McGill University and a master's degree from the University of Massachusetts.

She has taught at Windermere elementary school in Beaconsfield and headed professional development at Dawson College for six years.

She's also a dog lover. The family dog, Binker, is known as Houdini, she said, because he could always find a way out of the back yard.

"Hopefully he's not as well known any more to Public Security."



## STATION 23 LOG

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

### Bank heist

"Give me all your bills. I have a gun."

That was the message in a holdup note given to a teller at the Bank of Montreal at Place Alexis Nihon Wednesday afternoon last week, police said. The cashier handed over an undisclosed amount of money and the robber departed. He was described as a white English-speaking man aged 30 to 35 with green eyes and reddish hair. He wore light blue jeans, a T-shirt and a jean jacket.

### Painting pinched

A house on Westmount avenue was found broken into last Thursday, Sept 19, for the second time in a week, police said. A painting of unknown value was discovered missing by the owner's daughter who found someone had broken a window in the front door to gain entry. The previous incident was found Sept 14 by a son during the parents' absence. Sound equipment and a microwave oven were stolen on that occasion.

### Car rammed

A man from Pearl River, New York, had his car hit in the rear last Thursday morning on St Catherine street near Redfern avenue by a man driving a small black car who inspected the damage, said something in French and drove off. The visitor's car, a 1988 BMW, sustained more than \$500 damage, according to police. A licence plate number was recorded.

### Puppy purloined

An Airedale puppy was stolen from behind the apartment building at 414 Victoria avenue where it was tied Wednesday noon last week, police said. The dog belongs to a resident of Sherbrooke street in N.D.G. The five-month-old puppy has a tattoo on its stomach and was fastened by a steel cable.

### Purses stolen from homes

Two Westmount women had their purses stolen from their homes in separate but similar incidents two blocks apart Sunday afternoon, Sept 15, police said. It was not known if the thefts were related.

Someone broke into one apartment at 4800 de Maisonneuve boulevard between 2:30 and 7 pm, entering through an unlocked balcony door. The victim's husband found the handbag beside the building the next day, minus an undisclosed amount of cash.

The other purse disappeared from a home at 4895 de Maisonneuve between 1 pm and 10 pm, also when a back door was left unlocked.

### Two meter thefts

Two more parking meters were found broken into Wednesday last week near 4 Somerville avenue and 3040 Sherbrooke street (Dawson College), according to police. One coin cylinder was stolen from each for an estimated loss of \$93.

### Cautious driver tips off police

A 39-year-old resident of Grosvenor avenue in Montreal faces charges of impaired driving after he was stopped in Westmount about 3:17 am Saturday, police said. He is scheduled to appear in Westmount Municipal Court Nov 13.

The arrest came after a police patrol became suspicious of a car driving west along Sherbrooke street near Metcalfe avenue without the headlights turned on. The car was followed until Lansdowne avenue where it was pulled over after officers noticed the driver was repeatedly stepping on the brakes.

A breathalyzer test was administered and the suspect was charged with impaired driving.

### Today's crime tip

A Westmount resident lost his keys and wallet Tuesday noon last week on Grosvenor avenue, police said. The wallet contained car papers and other personal papers. "It's a good idea not to put keys with any papers that identify you," said crime prevention officer Gaston Bernier.

### Imports stolen

A spanking new Volkswagen Golf was one of two cars reported stolen in Westmount last week, police said. The \$22,000 car disappeared overnight Saturday from the apartment garage at 235 Metcalfe avenue. A red 1991 Honda also was taken from Wood avenue south of Sherbrooke street the previous Wednesday.

### Mountie shack cleaned out

Someone broke into the parking attendant's shack in the parking lot at Greene avenue and Selby street over the weekend Sept 13-16, police said. A heater, radio, money and 10 cheques were reported stolen. The parking lot is operated by the RCMP social club for parking by personnel working at the Mounties' headquarters on Dorchester boulevard. The shack was pried open using a metal bar, causing \$50 damage.

### Target practice

The back window of a 1989 Jeep was damaged by shots from a pellet gun outside 591 Argyle avenue overnight Sunday, police said. The vehicle sustained \$700 damage.

### Uneven lighting

A light fixture on the outside wall of 4420 St Catherine street was reported stolen Monday afternoon last week, police said. The lamp was one of a pair belonging to the firm of Rothenberg & Rothenberg.

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# Survey says WMA members satisfied with city performance

Older generations of Westmounters are happy with their municipal government, according to the latest survey by the Westmount Municipal Association of its members.

The third-annual WMA member survey shows Westmounters — the 238 who bothered to respond — liked very much the services they were getting from their community, said Tom Thompson to 14 members of the WMA at their last meeting, on Monday.

Surprisingly, the survey said 69 percent of respondents had used the Centre Local des Services Communautaire (CLSC) on Victoria avenue. Mr Thompson attributed this high percentage to people organizing meetings there, rather than a reflection of the number of people seeking treatment.

The library is an abiding concern for many. Almost half ranked it as the municipal institution most in need of services and money.

There was some concern uncovered about power lines — but not very much. Half of those responding said they did not find power lines a nuisance in any way. Most power lines in

Westmount are attached to the backs of buildings.

Respondents expressed a very high rate of satisfaction on measures of maintenance and security. More than three out of four want to maintain public security patrols, and the same number are satisfied with the removal of leaves and snow, and the maintenance of trees.

As well, three-quarters of respondents said they get information about their community from THE WESTMOUNT EXAMINER.

"It's pretty typical," said Mr Thompson of the survey, when comparing it with last year's results.

### Sent to 700 households

The WMA's 700 household members were sent survey forms. A full 50 percent of respondents to the survey were 60 years of age or older, 39 percent were between 40 and 59, and 11 percent were 39 or younger.

Reading highlights of the survey, Mr Thompson sounded confident his membership is happy with the city's municipal services.

"In my opinion a large majority of citizens are pleased with their (mu-

By SCOTT INNISS

nicipal) services, and want to maintain the services, but they have high expectations," said Mr Thompson.

The WMA decided Monday to present the results of the survey to

city council at its next meeting Oct 7. Along with the results, Mr Thompson said he will include many of the comments people wrote in for the survey, concerning parking, noise and trees, among other issues.

"It's a whole list of odds and ends," said Mr Thompson of the comments he received from members.

### Some highlights

Among the survey's highlights, Mr Thompson reported:

- 90 percent found tree maintenance to be satisfactory or better;
- 91 percent found snow removal services to be satisfactory or better;
- 88 percent were satisfied with the removal of leaves;
- 72 percent want to maintain present parking regulations;
- 95 percent want to maintain public security patrols;
- 50 percent said they didn't find exposed power lines a nuisance;
- 69 percent have used the CLSC in the past year;
- 46 percent ranked Westmount's library as the public institution most in need of services and money;
- 74 percent get information about

## Fake \$50s making the rounds

CHECK your \$50 bills. They might be counterfeit.

The bogus Canadian bills are circulating in the Montreal area, Montreal Urban Community police said Tuesday after receiving a warning from Laval police about the serial number EHN 2892407.

The bills look genuine but are believed to be made from laser photocopyers. They lack the textured feel of real money. They also lack the green dots that can be lifted off Canadian currency.

## Pipe bursts at the Reddy

A hot-water pipe burst early yesterday morning on the sixth floor of Reddy Memorial Hospital, causing water to pour down to the basement for over an hour until a plumber could turn off the water, fire officials said.

The flood was located in an area of offices and laboratories and did not involve patients. Firefighters were called to the hospital about 6 am and spent some four hours cleaning up all the water.

The burst pipe, they said, was in a store room. Because of the maze of pipes in the place, the turnoff valve could not be found until a plumber familiar with the building could arrive.



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Assessor of the Montreal Urban Community on 12th September 1991.

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This BMW crashed into the rear of a Bell Canada truck parked at St Catherine and Greene last Thursday afternoon, sending the driver to hospital with back pain.

## Six injured in traffic accidents

Two pedestrians were hit by cars and four others were injured in traffic accidents in Westmount last week, according to police. Both pedestrians were struck in freak mishaps Monday, Sept 16, in opposite ends of the city.

A parking car ran over the foot of a man on Claremont avenue about 1:53 pm when he was trying to tell the driver the parking spot was being saved for someone else. The 45-year-old victim, a nearby resident, was taken to hospital with foot injuries. The driver was a 41-year-old Longueuil resident.

The second mishap at 4:20 pm the same day sent a 60-year-old woman to hospital when she was hit by a taxi backing up outside the Métro entrance on de Maisonneuve boulevard Monday afternoon. The woman, a resident of Cedar avenue in Montreal, had been walking behind the cab to get into it. She was taken to nearby Reddy Memorial Hospital by Urgences Santé but was released later in the day after treatment of a bruised left leg.

Three other car accidents reported by police claimed four victims.

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

A spectacular two-car crash at Victoria avenue and Côte St Antoine road Tuesday afternoon last week sent both drivers to hospital complaining of neck pain, police said. A southbound Toyota that went through the red light was sent to the Montreal municipal pound to be tested for possible mechanical defects, police said.

The 1983 car was pictured in THE EXAMINER last week where it ended up against the house at 530 Victoria. The driver, a 22-year-old St Leonard man, claimed he had stepped on the brake but been unable to stop the car before it hit a westbound Oldsmobile driven by a Côte St Luc woman. It then spun around and mounted the lawn on the southwest corner. The driver was ticketed for using an invalid driver's permit.

A motorcycle accident Wednesday last week injured a 42-year-old LaSalle man who rode a 1983 Suzuki into the right side of a car as both travelled north along the curve on Dorchester boulevard as it joins St Catherine street at Clarke avenue.

The victim refused medical treatment. The accident took place about 5:45 pm. Both drivers claimed to have been cut off by the other. A ticket was issued to the cyclist for changing lanes without due care.

A somewhat bizarre accident on St Catherine street at Greene avenue last Thursday occurred about 2:30 pm when a 55-year-old Montreal woman drove eastbound into the back of a parked Bell Canada truck. The work vehicle was well marked by orange caution cones as phone crews worked nearby, police said. The woman apparently didn't realize the vehicle was stopped and plowed into it, crushing the front end of her 1991 BMW. A parking inspector heard the crash and called for Urgences Santé after a citizen told him what happened. Firefighters helped place the woman on a back board and the victim was taken to Royal Victoria Hospital.

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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

### Pay for archaeology

From Sept 27 to 29, you are invited to go into the field at Lac Brome to search for cairns, petroglyphs and other ancient stone structures, accompanied by Gérard Leduc, PhD. You will attend illustrated conferences, discussions and video presentations as well. You also get to stay for two nights at the delightful Auberge du Joli Vent, where they throw in two breakfasts and two dinners. The cost is \$255 per person, double occupancy. Group size is limited, and this is the only excursion to be offered this fall. For those who wish to join the group for the outdoor adventure only, including picnic lunches, the cost per person is \$100. Call 243-4272 to register.

### Aviation moments

The Marsil Museum, 349 Riverside drive, St Lambert, presents *Great Moments in Canadian Aviation*. The show comprises color enlargements of some 30 Canada Post stamps, preparatory art work and the stamps themselves, all celebrating Canadian history of aviation and aerospace, from Alexander Graham Bell's kite experiments to the space shuttle voyage of Marc Garneau. Also included are 25 models of aircraft, satellites and tetrahedral kites, photos, videos and original artifacts. The show continues until Nov 3. 671-3098 or 465-3357.

### More theatre

Spontaneous Combustion Productions is a company formed last year by an earnest group of young actors, musicians and artists to produce high-quality musical theatre. Their first production was *Sweeney Todd*, and I missed it, but heard from others that I should be sorry. Anyway, they will present *Company* by

Stephen Sondheim and George Furth Sept 26, 27 and 28 and Oct 3, 4 and 5 at 8 pm (doors open at 7:15 pm) at FACE Theatre, 3449 University street above Sherbrooke. Tickets are \$12 general admission, \$6 for students and seniors. To reserve call 845-3910 or 695-7148.

### Book launch

These days, when one keeps hearing of all the anglophones leaving Quebec, it is pleasant to hear of a small book publisher that is hanging in there. Nuage Editions was founded by Concordia graduate students a few years back, and is still bringing out books that appeal to publisher Karen Haughian — drama, short stories, novels, poetry, children's literature, non-fiction. They are having a grown-up event for the launch of the children's book, *Muhla, The Fair One* by Montrealer Linda Ghan, illustrated by Elise Benoit, at Paragraph Book Store, 2065 Mansfield street, tonight at 7 pm. The author will be present, and refreshments will be served. Children are welcome to attend as well.

### Native history

A series of 12 lectures on Native American societies past and present began Monday at the Native Friendship Centre of Montreal, 3730 Côte des Neiges, by Professor Patrick Bear Kline. The lectures will cover hypothesis of migration, native socio-political structures, spirituality vs religion, European influences, historical discrepancies and ceremonies. The lectures will be presented on Mondays and Wednesdays at 7 pm until early November. The registration fee is \$50 and enrolment is limited. 937-8534 after 1 pm.

### Jazz record launch

There will be a record launch to-

night at Claudio's, 124 St Paul street east in Old Montreal, of a compact disc on the McGill University label of music by Kevin Dean. Westmounters who are also fond of jazz will know that Mr Dean, who teaches at both Concordia and McGill Universities, is president of the Jazz Association of Montreal and is thus active in promoting jazz education and enjoyment, particularly of post-bop, in Montreal. 866-0845.

### More photography exhibits

As I mentioned here earlier, September is Le Mois de la Photo, and a large number of galleries and all the Maisons de la Culture are showing photos. *Les Corps Vacant* is a challenging group show at the Musée d'Art Contemporain until Oct 27. . . . A new exhibition space at the Canal Complex, an enlarged and redesigned Galerie 3, 4701 St Ambroise, suite 101, has as its first show a photographic installation by Jon Baturin. The new space is the only permanent contemporary art gallery in the complex. The show, *Hidden Agenda*, is described as Jungian-inspired. 939-1704. . . . The Concordia Art Gallery is showing *The Landscape: Eight Canadian Photographers* at 1455 de Maisonneuve west, until Oct 19. 848-4750.

### An evening with Dickens

Emma Stevens, who founded Lac Brome Theatre, has moved on to other ventures. Her new Echo Arts Theatre will come to Montreal in October for four nights to present *The Charles Dickens Roadshow: A Victorian Revel*. Charles Dickens visited

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Montreal in May 1842 and liked it here. When he toured the U.S. 25 years later, he gave selected readings from his own novels. This production imagines that the fictitious Fellowship for the Propagation and Preservation of the Works of Charles Dick-

ens persuaded him to make an unscheduled detour to give his show in Montreal. It will play at Mother Tucker's, 1175 Place du Frère André, Oct 4, 5, 11 and 12 at 8 pm. Tickets are \$43 including a meal, show, all taxes and tips. Box office is 426-4855.

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Stories must be connected in some way to an overall theme of "Friendship." They must be no longer than 2,500 words and submitted typed, double spaced on one side of the sheet only. The author's name, address, phone number and the story title must be given on a separate sheet. Except for the story title, which should be on each page,

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Entries must be received by 5 pm Friday, Nov 15, 1991 at the offices of THE EXAMINER, 155 Hillside avenue, Westmount, H3Z 2Y8. There is no entry fee. Judging will be by an independent judge whose decision will be final. Entrants must be residents of Westmount as of Nov 15, 1991, or attend a school in Westmount. Entrant's age as of Nov 15, 1991 will be used to determine which category he or she is eligible to enter.

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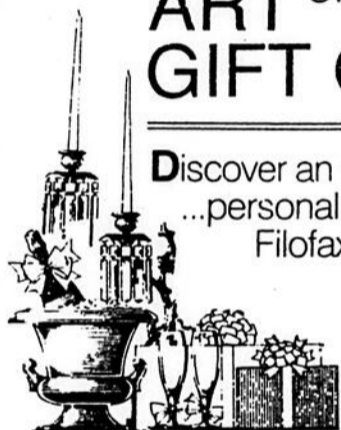
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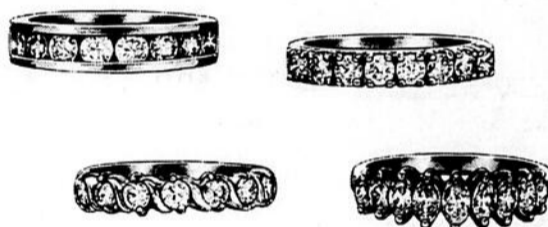
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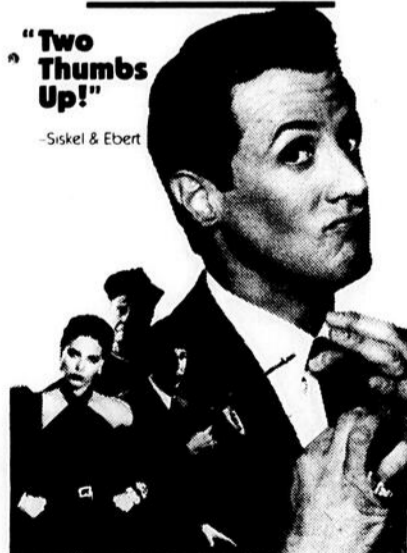
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## Film on nursing shot by former Westmounter

Former Westmounter Tanya Balantyne Tree has been a filmmaker for more than 20 years. Her latest film, *Nurses: The Heart of the System*, is a one-hour documentary that was previewed recently at the NFB theatre in Montreal.

Ms Tree spent the formative years of her life, from six to 20, in Westmount. She attended Weston School from pre-kindergarten to graduation and was valedictorian of her class.

Ms Tree graduated from McGill University with honors in philosophy and history, and then trained at the National Film Board in Montreal where she wrote and directed two films, and worked on various productions as assistant director.

She has worked as an independent filmmaker since 1975. In 1984 she resumed her education and has now earned a master's degree in educational technology, and has begun to teach film and script writing.

## Photo courses for all ages

"Sometimes memories of an event are good, but the photos are a disappointment," says photographer Valerie Tetley Miller who, once again, is teaching a photography course in Westmount.

Mrs Miller will be teaching "How to Take Better Photographs" at Victoria Hall Wednesdays, from 7 to 9:30 pm, beginning Oct 2. A similar course by Mrs Miller was popular last year.

A series of slide shows showing famous and effective photographs will be shown, and students will analyse them. Mrs Miller will cover

photo composition, color, use of light and portrait technique.

Mrs Miller learned many of her camera techniques at the Dawson Institute of Photography.

"Learning how to photograph well can actually add a whole new dimension to family history, and even flatter the likes of Mum, Dad and Auntie Glad," says Mrs Miller.

She is offering a second, more practical class in the spring, covering filters, film formats, and so forth.

The cost for each course is \$53.50. Those interested should contact Ms Adams at the recreation department at 935-8531, ext 212.

## Face fun in the tent



At Arts Westmount this weekend, children were invited to write books and have their faces painted in a tent in Westmount Park. Alison Podbrey, a Westmounter, put her designs on Westmounter four-year-old Gregory Hunt. Photo by OWEN EGAN

## One day left to take ballet, drama, chess

Most programs offered by the department of recreation and culture are open for registration until Oct 1, but some registrations close tomorrow (Friday) at 4:30 pm.

- They are:
- ballet/tap dancing classes, offered Tuesdays 6 to 7:30 pm;
  - children's and teen's drama classes, offered Thursdays 3:30 to 7 pm;
  - chess classes, offered Mondays 7 to 8:30 pm.

All classes take place at Victoria Hall.

People interested should contact Beverly Adams-Coskun at the recreation department at 935-8531, ext 212.

## Rathbone Theatre students rehearse

Students at the Rathbone Theatre School have started rehearsals for their forthcoming production of *The Wizard of Oz* at the school's branches in Westmount, Town of Mount Royal and the West Island.

Registration for the fall courses is in progress and there are a number of parts available for new students.

For information, call 636-5248 or 486-2876.

## Photo exhibit changes Monday

Part one of the Arts Westmount photography exhibit, currently on view at Visual Arts Centre gallery, 350 Victoria avenue, will close Sept 30.

Part two of the exhibition, a new series of photographs by Westmount photographers, will replace it and remain on view until Oct 16.

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# From Victoria Hall to your local school: Alligator Pie

One of the delights of Arts Westmount was the opportunity for parents and others who are fond of Dennis Lee to see, with the children, the premiere of Geordie Productions' *Alligator Pie and More From Dennis Lee*.

Geordie's plays traditionally visit most schools in Westmount. As this is early, bookings are just starting to trickle in for the two touring plays, *Alligator Pie* for the littlest children and *Possibilitrees* for the older ones.

So far, Temple Pre-School has booked *Alligator Pie* for Nov 24 and St Andrew's School has a tentative booking. Other schools are expected to follow suit.

Parents who missed the first performance, or who would like to take their children to see it again, will

have the opportunity when it goes to Centaur Theatre Jan 18.

Director Corey Castle explained how it all came together.

"Dennis Lee gives the rights to the poems, but no script. Each company, and I think ours is the third production, creates its own show."

Incidentally, Westmount resident Robert Burns, currently touring for Geordie in *Billy Bishop Goes to War*, was in one of those two other productions.

"I read the four books and found they had similarities to *FYTUTY*." He was referring to two previous productions he directed for Geordie, *From You To Us To You* and *From You To Us To You Two*, which saw schoolchildren's stories and poems performed by professional actors.

This remark is a propos, as a third

By JANET COUTTS

*FYTUTY* is in the works. Schoolchildren are urged to send in illustrated stories and poems on the topics of language, the earth and nationalities. And actors who wish to audition for roles in the play should get in touch with Geordie, 845-9810, for an appointment in October.

Circle images

"As I read the poems," Mr Castle continued, "I saw circle images throughout. I mentioned it to Jill (Thomson, who designed the set and costumes). It was fun to deal with this concept, and the whole company made lists of things that are circles." The set ended up being constructed with lots of circles. Hula hoops became cages, mudpuddles, windows and other everyday objects and environments. The alligator pie was a circle. And so on.

"Then we made lists of kid's games."

As the show opens, one actor skips rope. Another bounces a ball... you get the idea.

"I like to get ideas from everybody. There's no such thing as a wrong idea — there are just ideas you choose not to use. And I feel strongly about working as a collective."

This means that everyone was involved in ideas about the show — music director and composer Glenn Roy, stage manager Ross Leslie, designer Thomson and the four cast members, Dawson graduates Vania Lauren, Donovan Reiter, Kevin Ryder and Kelly Senior.

After the first performance, Mr Castle decided there were a few changes to be made in the show. "It's too long," he said.

After the performance at Victoria

## Hi-tech crime

A computer and a fax machine were stolen over the weekend from a house broken open on York street, police said. The back door of the home was found open by the daughter of the resident. No damage had been caused.

Hall, I polled a number of children. None of them had a favorite poem or song, none of them had laughed more at one than at another, they said.

"I liked all of it," was the refrain. And maybe that was why I found it, while lively and amusing, less wonderful than the *FYTUTY* shows or last year's *The Paperbag Princess*. Or perhaps it is just the writing of Robert Munsch and Montreal schoolchildren is more to my taste than that of Mr Lee.

Many reasons

Mr Castle has many reasons for liking to do children's theatre.

"For many of the children, it's the first time they've seen a show, so we start their education in school. There

are always question and answer periods after the show, and the children ask about putting it together; they start to see how theatre works. They are the audience of the future, and we can get them now and get them hooked."

Mr Castle is looking forward with a mixture of dread and delight to receiving submissions for his next children's show for Geordie.

"If it's anything like the previous two, the submissions will increase."

In the past, Mr Castle has bemoaned the amount of excellent material he couldn't put on stage; it is never a question of searching for good stories, but of leaving out stories that both he and the cast love for the sake of the running time of the show.



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## In the neighborhood

by Janet Coutts

## Geneviève Renaud: hospital dietician

Geneviève Renaud can't remember when she decided to become a dietician, but her mother can.

"She tells me I read an article in the French *Chatelaine* when I was in Grade 9 about this new profession in science. So I went to Université de Montréal and met the director of the nutrition department to find out from her how to become a dietician. She found that funny, but she told me to finish high school and then come to university, since we didn't have CEGEP those days.

"My first goal was to be a researcher in food chemistry, but I changed my mind and became a therapeutic dietician. Now I am an administrative dietician."

Ms Renaud oversees the preparation of 1,000 meals a day at the 240-bed Reddy Memorial Hospital.

The English-language hospitals in Montreal form one of three groups for the purchase of food from suppliers approved by the ministry of health for all foodstuffs except fresh fruit and vegetables.

"We buy from known grocers. The food is inspected and you don't hear of food poisoning in hospitals.

"Besides the safety of food, we test for flavor, appearance and quality. We (the dieticians from English

hospitals) meet every six weeks. We each bring our problems and decide how to settle them. We have certain power to deal more easily with suppliers because we are a group."

One-third of the patients at the Reddy are elderly.

"When we plan menus we must think of these old people. They can have difficulty chewing or swallowing. They may have loss of taste, so we try to make the food less bland for them. Many of them are on therapeutic diets — many of them are diabetics. This is perhaps the easiest condition to control with food."

### Food a comfort

Besides that, Ms Renaud believes strongly that "food is not only therapeutic, it is a comfort." So she wants to give people the best possible meals, while realizing that distribution is a problem. It takes a half-hour or more from the kitchen to the patient.

Before a new food is introduced to the hospital menus, which run in three-week cycles, it is given trials. But because sick people are not very amenable to experimentation, the food is generally quite plain.

It is in the meals for the hospital

cafeteria that there is some sense of adventure.

"There are lots of restaurants in the area where staff can eat, so we try to have special meals for them."

Her eyes sparkle as she describes getting family recipes from staff members when they decided on a Caribbean theme, making unusual purchases, and trying out the special foods.

Ms Renaud's first job was at the Jewish General Hospital, then she worked at a private obesity clinic. "I took a few years off to raise my two big boys, Sébastien, 17, and Guillaume, 15."

She spent time in Quebec in a psychiatric hospital and taught at Université de Laval.

"I supervised dieticians in stage, then became the department head here at Reddy Memorial Hospital. I have been here nearly six years now."

### Warm atmosphere

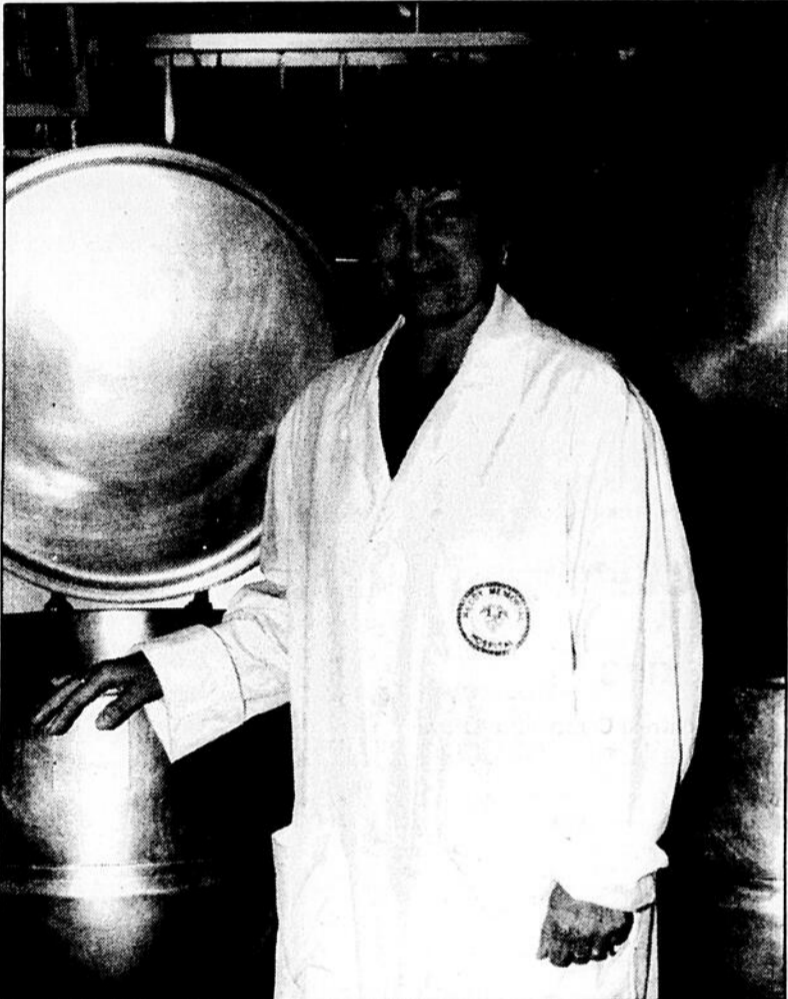
The advantage of a small hospital is that everyone on staff knows everyone else. This leads to a very warm atmosphere, but it also leads to "elevator meetings." Staff members discuss work between her eighth-floor office and the basement kitchen.

Ms Renaud's tiny office is crammed but she has made it cheerful with photos of her sons and paintings by other staff members she obtained at the annual staff art show. She herself no longer paints.

"That's for when I'm not working, for my retirement. Life is not enough — there are too many things to do."

She has plenty to do on her job and her personal life. She is married to Claude, a stockbroker.

"I play golf — a lot. I read, in French, mostly English and American authors, which is strange. I read mysteries and am very fond of Agatha Christie and science fiction. Isaac Asimov is my favorite. I do exercise — aerobics to keep in shape.



Geneviève Renaud cooks up soups for the Reddy Memorial Hospital in these tureens that hold 1,200 servings.

And I'm a fan of the computer and take classes in that."

Even though she knows lots about diet she once gained too much weight for her own sense of self.

"They laughed at me, but I joined Weight Watchers. They do programs in the workplace, and they did one

here. People have different reasons for needing a group. I needed it for motivation."

Ms Renaud, who kept a mental image of the size she wanted to be, lost weight in the program. "Now I match the picture I had of myself in my head."

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# Book on Brittain strong on pictures, weak on words

When Westmounter Donald Brittain died in July of 1989, having made more than 100 films in 18 countries on five continents, having won the Lion of St Mark, Venice; the Golden Dove of Peace, Leipzig; the

By JANET COUTTS

Golden Gate Award, San Francisco; the Blue Ribbon Awards, New York; five Etrogs at the Canadian Film Awards; and much more, the powers-that-be at the National Film Board, for whom he made 96 films, realized that his memory called for more of a filmography than a typed list of film titles.

So the NFB created a handsomely illustrated soft-covered book, *Donald Brittain: Never the Ordinary Way*.

The book was launched at Toronto's Festival of Festivals on Sept 10 and was offered for sale at Arts Westmount's literary evening through the Double Hook bookstore.

*Donald Brittain: Never the Ordinary Way* opens with a copy of the eulogy delivered by Westmounter William Weintraub, who worked with Mr Brittain over the years, at his funeral service at Christ Church Cathedral.

Westmounter Adam Symansky is quoted in the book, in his role as a producer who worked closely with Mr Brittain during the last five years of his life.

It contains descriptions of all his films, a filmography, a list of film

awards and other honors and distinctions, a bibliography, a brief biography and memoirs of his friends and co-workers.

It will be an invaluable record of the legacy of films he left to film buffs, historians and filmmakers.

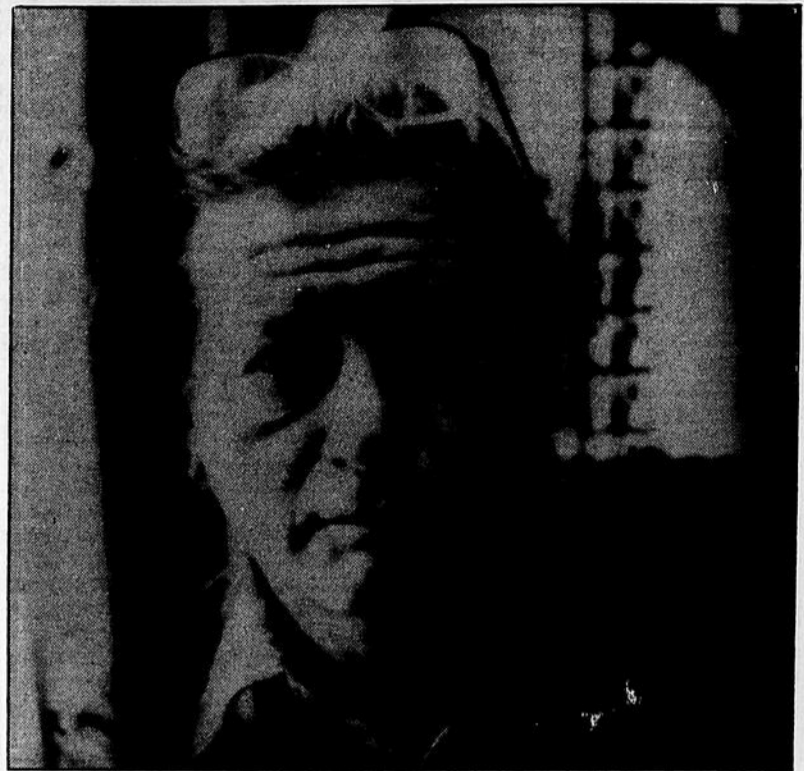
But I suspect, on the basis of one long conversation with Mr Brittain, that this book would have annoyed him somewhat. He did so much, was such a good talker and observer of humanity and all its quirks, that there was more to say about him than can be crammed into 107 pages.

Yet we read the same things over and over again. There's no need for this: Mr Brittain himself can bear much repetition, but the reader will not find these pearls of wisdom from his friends have the same strength.

Many of the photos of Mr Brittain in the book are repeated also, but to much better effect. There are film stills, candid photos of the man at work, accepting awards, with his friends. There are photos of the subjects of a number of his documentary films. These are all fascinating.

*Donald Brittain: Never the Ordinary Way*, \$17.95, is available at the National Film Board of Canada and at Double Hook.

— Janet Coutts



Donald Brittain is honored for his life's filmmaker work in new book.

## Tel-Aide in crisis

Tel-Aide is a 24-hour crisis line that has been in continuous operation since January 1971, but it is now threatened with closure as private funding, which has always been its support, has not been sufficient during the recession.

Tel-Aide is planning two special fundraising events. This evening the production of *Driving Miss Daisy* at the Saidye Bronfman Centre will be a benefit performance. Tickets are \$75, and this includes a reception after the play.

On Saturday and Sunday the organization will hold a phone blitz. Some 300 volunteers will phone 27,000 households in greater Montreal.

Should you not be home during the phonathon and wish to make a donation, you can send a cheque to Tel-Aide, PO Box 205, Station H, Montreal H3G 2K7, or call the office at 935-1105 and make a donation using Mastercard or Visa. Reservations for the theatre may be made at the same number.

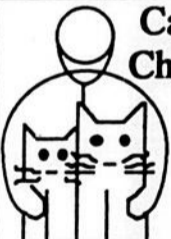
## Open house to view the skies

The Montreal Centre of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada will hold an open house Sunday from 2 to 10 pm. If it is cloudy, the open house will be postponed to Oct 6.

During the afternoon the public can view sunspots, solar flares, Venus and Arcturus through telescopes. In the evening, Saturn and the autumn constellations will be observed.

The centre's library, telescopes, astronomical equipment, a video program and slides will be on display all day. Admission is free and everyone is welcome.

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## A tree for 50 years



On Tuesday morning, the Westmount Air Cadets, No 1 Squadron, planted a tree in commemoration of their 50 years since being granted a charter. WO1 Jennifer Lafrenière was aided by parks superintendent Jean-Pierre Ricard and 2nd Lt Derek Kopke.

## Alzheimer's unit opens at Château

The Château Westmount nursing home opened its Alzheimer's unit on Monday. It is a pioneer project in collaboration with the McGill Center for Studies in Aging and the McGill School of Nursing. Care givers are hand-picked pro-

fessionals who provide emotional and physiological support, encouraging self esteem.

The unit is designed to create an environment for easy orientation and maximum safety.

## St James Literary Society opens with Barbara Moore

The St James Literary Society's 94th session will open Tuesday with the presidential address given by Westmounter Barbara Moore. Her topic is *The Early Days of the St James Literary Society*.

The St James Literary Society is a non-profit organization for the exchange of ideas on subjects of literary, social, economic, political or scientific significance. Single membership costs \$35; family, \$50; student, \$10. There is a guest fee of \$5 for individual meetings.

Meetings convene at 7:45 pm for 8 pm at the faculty club of McGill University, 3450 McTavish street. The one exception is the Nov 12 meeting, which will be held at 7 pm at 1190 Guy street. Sister Estelle Mitchell, historian of the Grey Nuns, will speak. The evening will begin with a tour of the Mother House, to be followed by a talk on Marguerite d'Youville.

Westmounter Raphael Schacter, QC, of the firm Lapointe, Schacter, Champagne and Talbot will speak on Feb 18 on the topic *How Does a Criminal Lawyer Defend a Client He*

## Croatians collect food clothing, blankets

With civil war continuing in Yugoslavia, members of the Montreal's Croatian Church have begun soliciting clothing, food and blankets from Westmounters.

Church volunteer Ljerka Blume said collection will begin in Westmount this week or next.

Warm clothes, especially for children, dry foods, and all sorts of blankets are welcome, she said.

Ms Blume said the church members had collected among themselves, but are now turning towards the outside community.

"We are not too many in the church," she said.

The church is located on de la Savane near Jean Talon street. Those wishing to make contributions contact Ljerka Blume at 487-5768 or Leila Kovacevic at 481-1599.

## Knows is Guilty?

Westmounter Allan Raymond is the group's director of public relations and another Westmounter, Haagen Kierulf, is past-president and honorary archivist.

## Feinstein début a fundraiser for heart pump

The Auxiliary of Jewish General Hospital has taken as its project to raise funds to buy a heart pump for the re-established cardiac surgery section of the hospital by presenting singer and pianist Michael Feinstein in concert at Temple Emanu-El-Beth Shalom at 8 pm on Tuesday, Oct 15.

This performance will be Mr Feinstein's Canadian debut, and he will perform music by George and Ira Gershwin, Irving Berlin, Cole Porter, Jerome Kern, Rogers and Hart and other Broadway composers.

Mr Feinstein is a winner of a Circle Award and has played in Royal Command Performances and at the White House.

For reservations call 340-8216.

## Serbian collecting clothing, cash

The Serbian community is collecting clothing and cash to send to people in Yugoslavia displaced by the civil war there.

"We started at the beginning of August," said Krsto Rikic, minister of the Serbian Orthodox Church, located beside the community centre on Melville avenue. "And we are continuing."

Mr Rikic said the community has sent 94 boxes of clothing and \$7,980 in cash so far. Medicine is a high priority, he said, but because of the costs of shipping it, it is more practical to simply send money.

Mr Rikic said he hadn't seen any refugees yet come to Montreal from Yugoslavia because of the war.

Those wishing to make donations can contact members of the community at 932-8529.

## Heritage homes booklet now selling for \$10

Westmount's \$70,000 heritage homes booklet is finally out.

"Westmount: A Heritage to Preserve," the city's 63-page roundup of interesting and historic Westmount homes and properties, was launched Sunday at Victoria Hall, during the finale of Arts Westmount.

The glossy tome is divided into "history" and "heritage today" sections, which give tidbits of history and some names of people who first settled here, along with photos of their homes. Included are people like fur trader William Hallowell, and the pioneering Descaris family.

It is a sampling of the results of a study by architects Beaupré and Michaud on Westmount's heritage. The full study is available at the Westmount Library, and lists 390 buildings as heritage vintage.

The booklet was four years in the making. The city received \$28,000 from the ministry of cultural affairs of Quebec and tossed in \$30,000 itself for the study and booklet. The cost rose to \$70,000, said director of building and planning Joanne Poirier, because of inflation over four years. Ms Poirier helped supervise the booklet's compilation.

The city has printed 950 English-language booklets and 500 written in French. Ms Poirier said if the first edition sells out quickly another edition can be brought out soon.

The heritage book is available at the city clerk's office at city hall, or at Double Hook bookstore on Greene avenue. The cost is \$10, unless you happen to live in one of the homes listed by Baupré and Michaud as a heritage home. If so, you get the booklet free.

## Centaur opens new season

Westmounter Maurice Podbrey will be one of a cast of six in Centaur Theatre's opening play of the season, *A Shayna Maidel* by Barbara Lebow, directed by Frank Wittow.

The play opens Thursday, Oct 3, with previews Oct 1 and 2, and continues until Oct 27. Box office: 288-3161.

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**Forums**

Forums on the contemplative vision of society. Professor Maureen Slattery of the University of Ottawa will discuss the English mystic, Julian of Norwich. Friday, Oct. 4 at 7:30 pm, at the Christian Meditation Centre, 1475 Pine Ave. W. Those coming for Mass and meditation at 5:30 bring a light supper. 281-0659.

**Unique Recreation**

Two programs specifically designed for those who lack fine and/or gross motor skills. Aqua-K.I.D.S. 6-14 registration Friday, Oct. 4th, 5:30-6:30 pm. YMCA, 4335 Hampton Ave. N.D.G. (followed by a swim session). Doreen Bendit, 488-7082; Sheila Donohue, 486-6153. Aqua-Teens (teenagers) registration & program September 29th, 9:45 am, Marianopolis Athletic Complex, 3880 Côte des Neiges, Wayne, 939-9794; Elizabeth Anglin, 937-4095.

**Lecture**

Dr. Raymond Moody, psychiatrist and author of Life After Life and Pioneer of modern research in The Near Death Experience will lecture Friday, Sept. 27th, 7:30 pm, Ramada Inn (Guy & René Lévesque). Donation: \$15. All Welcome. Note: Dr. Moody will also give an all-day workshop, Saturday, Sept. 28th, 10 am-5 pm. Info on workshop: 937-8359.

**St A-D-D Filipino food, entertainment**

The Outreach Committee of St Andrew's-Dominion-Douglas Church is sponsoring a Filipino Evening on Thursday, Oct 3, at 6:30 pm. The guest speaker will be Martha Nell Thompson, who three years ago left a position as Christian development director at the church for the ministry. She has just returned from a four-month internship in the Philippines.

Filipino members of the congregation will prepare a meal, and there will be an exhibition of Filipino dancing during the meal. A free-will offering will be taken to help pay for the food. The whole community is invited to attend, and should reserve by calling 486-1165.

**Computer fair set at armory**

Microcozm is a club of micro-computer users that is holding a computer fair and open house Thursday at 7:30 pm at the Hillside Armory, 3 Hillside Avenue, south of St Catherine street west of Westmount High School.

The objective of the club is mutual support of members and to make public-domain software available to membership through monthly copy meetings.

The fair will offer an opportunity to pick up diskettes, "lightly used" software, hardware and more at bargain prices and to exchange problems and solutions with computer buffs at all levels of experience and expertise.

Admission is \$2 and there will be a door prize. Everyone is welcome.

**Une fête de Soeur Mathilda à St-Léon**

Dimanche dernier, la communauté de St-Léon a fêté Soeur Mathilda Routhier. Celle-ci célébrait ses 60 ans de vie religieuse à la Congrégation de Notre-Dame où elle fit profession le 26 août 1931, à la maison-mère, à Westmount.

Soeur Mathilda a consacré 34 années dans le domaine de l'éducation comme enseignante et comme adjointe à la direction d'un couvent. Elle a travaillé ensuite au secrétariat du tribunal ecclésiastique d'Ottawa et animé une communauté dont elle était la responsable. D'adjointe à la responsable de la pastorale missionnaire au diocèse de Montréal, elle est venue à la paroisse de St-Léon en 1983.

Depuis, elle oeuvre sans relâche au presbytère, veillant à la bonne livraison des semainiers et à la mise à jour du fichier des paroissiens. Elle vous accueillera avec gentillesse, vous écouterait avec discrétion. Rendre service sans mesurer sa peine, rester fidèle à son engagement, c'est le sens que Soeur Mathilda a voulu donner à sa vie, toute de grandeur et d'humilité. Merci à vous de faire

partie de notre communauté et de l'éclairer encore longtemps.

**Pour les enfants**

Durant les trois célébrations de la fin de semaine prochaine, les enfants rappelleront aux responsables et aux gouvernants les promesses faites à l'occasion du Sommet des Enfants qui s'est tenu les 29 et 30 septembre 1990. Avant l'an 2000, il faut qu'il y ait une amélioration spectaculaire et mesurable de la santé, de l'alimentation et de la protection des enfants du monde entier. A St-Léon, ce dimanche sera celui des enfants et chacun prendra la résolution de poser un geste concret pour qu'enfin promesse soit tenue.

**Supercycle found**

A white Supercycle bicycle was found last Friday in front of 4818 Sherbrooke street, police said. It was taken to Station 23. The bike had no visible serial number and had been repainted, according to public safety officers who found it.

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## Thefts in cars increase as police blitz drivers

At least nine cars were broken into in Westmount last week just as police launched a blitz asking drivers not to leave merchandise in parked cars.

Among the array of items stolen from cars last week were sound systems removed Tuesday, Sept 17, from an Isuzu Trooper parked behind 21 Gladstone avenue and a Honda Civic across from 368 Wood avenue. A suspect in the second incident was spotted by two people running south on Wood.

A wallet, two cassettes, two shirts and sunglasses were stolen from another Isuzu Trooper parked Wednesday night last week behind La Soubise restaurant at 4024 St Catherine street.

The front right window of a 1987 Mercury Topaz was broken Wednesday afternoon last week on Mount Pleasant avenue, causing \$200 dam-

age. Nothing was reported stolen.

The back window of a BMW 325E was broken by a piece of concrete while parked in a driveway at 4931 de Maisonneuve boulevard overnight Saturday, but nothing was stolen.

Four cars also were found broken into on Selby street near Greene avenue Sunday about 4 am. The glove compartment of a 1983 Mercury Lynx was searched but nothing was taken. The other three cars were referred to Sûreté du Québec for investigation since they were parked at the Ville Marie Expressway which is the jurisdiction of provincial police.

Lastly, the driver of a Hyundai Pony left the car unlocked Sunday noon behind 4311 de Maisonneuve only to discover two hours later that its contents were gone. A 12-inch TV, wallet and two bags of books were reported stolen.

## One child won't have to wait and grow up to be fire chief

The search is on in Westmount to find a new kind of fire chief — one who is happy to serve for a day and then go back to school.

To be eligible, boys and girls must attend elementary school in Westmount and enter the Fire Prevention Week contest being carried out by the fire department through local schools.

A quiz outlining five important fire safety measures prepared by the provincial government are being distributed to schools this week for each student, according to Lieutenant Inspector Barry Coates.

When the quiz is completed, it must be signed by the student's parent and returned to the school. These will then be entered in the contest and one of the participants will be chosen to be fire chief for a day.

"We'll arrange to pick the winner up from school in a fire truck and give him or her the chance to be chief for a day."

The contest is one of many activities planned for Fire Prevention Week taking place this year from Oct 6-12.

## Several benefit evenings of The Music Man

Lyric Theatre presents *The Music Man* at Centaur Theatre Nov 13 to 23 at 8:30 pm. A number of charitable organizations will hold galas for various performances. Westmounters can contact their favorite charities and book tickets through them.

The Canadian Foundation for Ileitis and Colitis (481-0770) will hold its gala on opening night, Nov 13. Montreal Women's ORT (481-2787) and Na'Amat Canada (484-0252) will celebrate Nov 14.

The Parkinson's Foundation (487-0006) will benefit Nov 19, and the Diabetic Children's Foundation (332-3923) on Nov 20.

The play is directed by Corey Castle assisted by Cathy Burns. Musical director is Bob Bachelor and choreographer Maureen Brown. The show has a cast of 48 performers. For tickets for performances other than the benefits, call the Centaur box office, 288-3161.

## Where were they going?



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

### Sept 17

12:14 pm: Victoria and Côte St Antoine, first responder unit for medical assistance at car accident;

1:35 pm: Front of 1377 Greene, first responder unit for medical assistance, patient had left scene;

### Sept 18

4:25 am: 568 Claremont, defective smoke detector;

10:38 am: 3500 de Maisonneuve, 14th floor, first responder unit for medical assistance;

2:45 pm: Front of 473 Prince Albert, car leaking gas from top of tank;

3:19 pm: 4350 St Catherine, Westmount High, first responder unit for boy with hip injury, squeezed between door and wall;

5:08 pm: 4350 St Catherine, Westmount High, girl with hip injury;

8:27 pm: 5681 Merrimac, code 2 automatic mutual aid to Côte St Luc cancelled at 8:36 pm;

### Sept 19

10:06 am: Claremont and Lorraine, first responder unit for medical assistance;

1:26 pm: 50 Hillside, seniors' residence, code 3 automatic mutual aid from Côte St Luc and Outremont cancelled at 1:33 pm, fire alarm accidentally activated by workers;

1:48 pm: 565 Grosvenor, smoke detector activated by workers sanding dust from gypsum board;

2:39 pm: Greene and St Catherine, assistance at car accident (see story page 12);

### Sept 20

7:24 am: 4646 Sherbrooke, Manoir Westmount, first responder unit for medical assistance;

4:46 pm: 6600 Kildare, code 3 automatic mutual aid to Côte St Luc cancelled at 4:56 pm;

5:29 pm: 32 Ramezay, first responder unit for medical assistance;

10:22 pm: 4488 St Catherine, apt 705, water leaking from ceiling, broken pipe;

11:36 pm: 4998 de Maisonneuve, apt 1511, flood from overflowing toilet;

### Sept 21

10:24 am: 6 Brooke, flood, blocked sink;

4:02 pm: 50 Oakland, mutual aid fire in private home (see story page 3);

4:09 pm: 50 Oakland, first responder unit and Urgences Santé, for fire victim (see above);

9:16 pm: Grosvenor and de Maisonneuve, gas leaking from manhole and catchbasins;

### Sept 22

10:36 am: 400 Lansdowne, first responder unit for medical assistance;

4:12 pm: 4300 de Maisonneuve, first responder unit for woman with severed finger (see story this page);

6:30 pm: Lansdowne south of Sherbrooke, smell of smoke, fireplace in use;

7:28 pm: 573 Lansdowne, burglar alarm;

### Sept 23

9:34 am: 250 Clarke, first responder unit for medical assistance;

9:49 am: King George Park substation alarm activated, power failure;

12:39 pm: 1 Rosemount, strange odor, staining of floors;

2:44 pm: 6775 Côte St Luc, code 2 automatic mutual aid to Côte St Luc, cancelled at 2:47 pm;

5:17 pm: Elm and Sherbrooke, first responder unit for medical assistance.

## Woman calm after severing index finger

A 38-year-old Westmount woman severed the index finger of her right hand in the front door of her apartment at 4300 de Maisonneuve boulevard Sunday, fire officials said.

The finger was packed in ice and the woman taken to hospital in hopes it could be reattached.

The fire department first responders said they found the woman waiting calmly for them outside the building. She had made her way down from the fifth floor after the accident, which occurred about 4:12 pm.

## Wheeled off

Someone lifted up a 1988 Volkswagen Jetta overnight Saturday and stole all four wheels, police said. The \$900 loss was discovered at 10:30 am the next morning outside the apartment building at 376 Redfern avenue.

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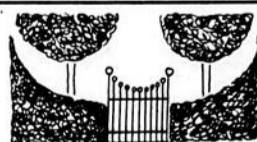
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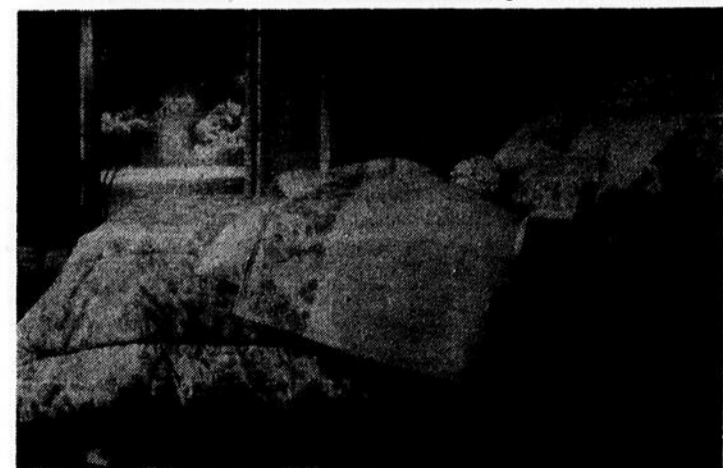
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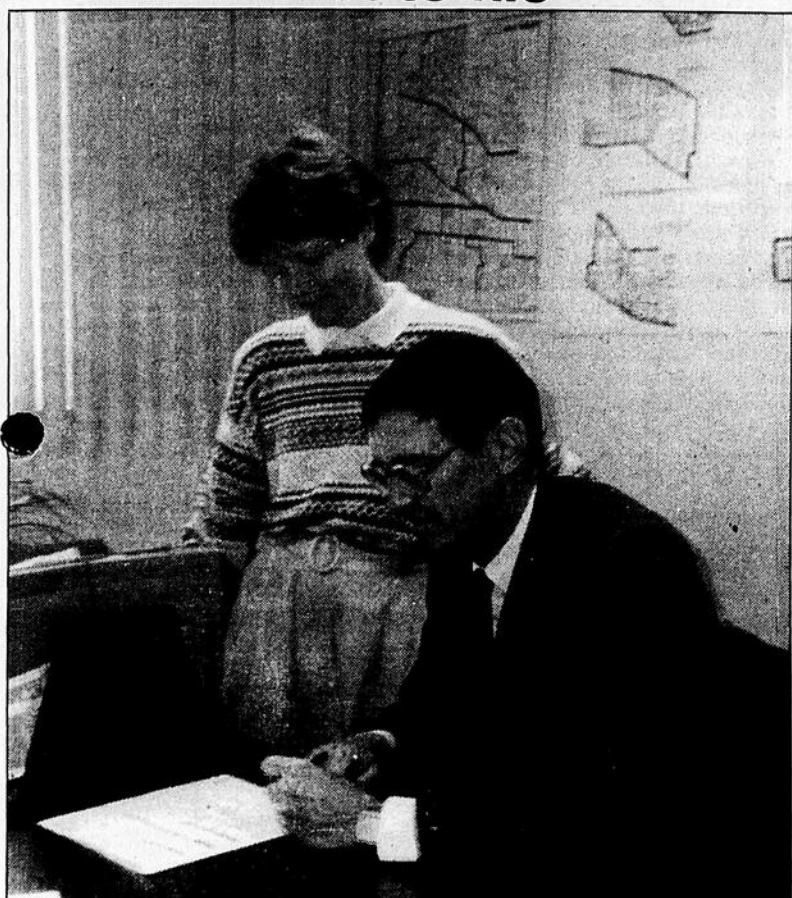
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## First to file



Lawyer Jim Wright, accompanied by campaign manager Barbara Drury, was the first to file nomination papers Wednesday last week as a candidate in Westmount's Nov 3 election. He's running in ward 6. Six others followed his example in the past week. Deadline for filing is Oct 11.

## Apartment dwellers urged to vote in Nov 3 election

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

Westmount apartment dwellers are being urged to ensure they get their names on the electoral list so they can vote for candidates running on tenant issues.

The advice comes this week from Wade Allen, who heads the Westmount Tenants' Organization, a committee of the Westmount Municipal Association.

Since tenants comprise about 56 percent of the Westmount population, they can have a significant impact on an election, he explained.

If tenants were not home when enumerators called, they should make a point of returning the enumeration questionnaire left at their door, Mr Allen said.

In cases where no enumeration forms were left, eligible electors can contact the city clerk's office at 935-8531 until Sept 30 and one will be mailed to them.

Returning officer Marie-France Paquet said enumerators had difficulty pushing forms under the doors of some apartments.

She said the enumeration has been very successful, however, with more than 12,000 eligible electors already recorded and more data still to be entered.

"I'm hoping everyone who is eligible will get their name on the list so they will have a voice on council," said Mr Allen, adding that apartment dwellers are known for not turning out to vote in municipal elections.

"We're in favor of any candidate who favors tenants' rights," he said. Though only one tenant has declared his candidacy to date (Andrew Cook-Jolicoeur in ward 7), Mr Allen said he would, at least, like to have a city council that is sensitive to tenants' rights.

## Annual Jewish appeal will aid Montreal poor

The proceeds from this year's Combined Jewish Appeal will benefit mainly the poor in Montreal.

According to a study by Allied Jewish Community Services, 20 percent of Montreal Jews are living below the poverty level. Of those 18,000 people, 3,500 families are living below the poverty line, as are one in five seniors, one in three women and of every two people who live alone.

To help these needy, the money raised from the appeal — the fundraising arm of AJCS — will go to subsidized apartments for low-income seniors, Camp B'nai Brith, the Golden Age Association, Jewish Family Services, Jewish Support Services for the Elderly, Meals on Wheels, a service to help the unemployed find jobs and Project Genesis, an outreach program, community soup kitchen and referral service.

About 30 fundraising events, which started in September with a fundraiser at Westmounter Charles Bronfman's house, are scheduled as part of the appeal.

Last year, when the appeal was held in conjunction with Operation Exodus, \$64 million was raised, \$34 million of which was garnered solely through the appeal.

### Benefit concert

The Lyric Theatre Singers will give a benefit concert Oct 4 and 5 to benefit HOPE (Helping Other People Effectively) at St Mary's Church, Greenfield Park.

Under the direction of Bob Bachelor, the 55-voice prize-winning choir will give a two-hour program of songs from *Peter Pan*, *Porgy and Bess*, *Phantom of the Opera*, *Les Misérables*, *Showboat* and *Carousel*.

Ticket information is available at 672-9617, 671-5646 or 671-0416.

## Understanding refugees aim of Amnesty events

Amnesty International is organizing a number of events from Monday to Saturday, Oct 5, to allow the public to better understand the condition of refugees.

On Monday at 7:30 pm, there will be a discussion in French at UQAM with an Amnestie Internationale representative, a lawyer, a refugee and two experts.

On Wednesday at 7 pm in room 132 of the Stephen Leacock building on the McGill campus, *Welcome to Canada* by Westmounter John N. Smith will be screened. It will be followed by a discussion led by Janet Dench, a member of the Canadian Council for Refugees.

Friday at 8 pm there will be a multi-cultural recital including songs, dances and testimony organized by Colombian refugees in room 102 of Marianopolis College, 3880 Côte des Neiges. This event will be multilingual.

On Saturday from 1 to 5 pm in the agora of the Judith Jasmin pavilion

at UQAM there will be an exhibit of photos and a screening of a video by Victor Regalado, a Salvadoran journalist.

Call 934-1729 for information on English events, 766-9766 for French.

## Courses in study skills

The Lansdowne Centre, 5325 Snowdon avenue, 487-6516 or 487-1156, offers study skills courses throughout the year.

A 10-hour course is offered to help students become more successful, independent learners. Parents are invited to a mid-session meeting to assess and review the program.

Study skills do not end with the last lesson and a follow-up session is scheduled six months after completion. The session includes review, integration and expansion of the concepts students have been taught. Because the follow-up session is so important, it is included at no additional charge.

Sessions for high school students begin Oct 2, from 4:30 to 5:30 pm. The parent meeting is Nov 12 from 5:30 to 6 pm, and the follow-up session is 4:30 to 6 pm on Jan 14. Cost for the course is \$185. To register call 482-3819.

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# Task force studying decline of English school population

A task force set up by the Quebec government is studying why enrolment in schools is on the decline.

Liberal MNA Russell Williams, a member of the task force set up earlier this month, says the province wants to improve anglophone education here.

But the vice-principal of Westmount High School, Garvin Jeffers, says the main road to a bright future lies in repealing the limitations on English school enrolment in Bill 101, the charter of the French language.

"The quality of education is the first priority," of the task force set up by education minister Michel Pagé, said Mr Williams. The task force was set up earlier this month, and is to report to the National Assembly by February.

"I think what you're seeing is the government saying look, we want English language education to flourish in Quebec," said Mr Williams.

Mr Williams said he "was not involved" in the provincial government's intervention in a minority language court case in Alberta in 1988.

At the time, a group of franco-Albertan parents were seeking provincial support for a minority French-language education system there. The case was under review by the Supreme Court of Canada, and the parents were arguing for their right to schools under the Charter of

Rights and Freedoms.

The Quebec government intervened on behalf of the province of Alberta to argue against the rights the parents were seeking.

"I don't think you can compare the situation here and there," said Mr Williams, who called the anglophone school system here "exciting... high quality."

## School emptier

But schools are emptier than they used to be.

At Westmount High School the student population is 40 percent of what it was in 1981, said vice-principal Jeffers. Some 430 students go to the school now, he said, down from slightly more than 1,000 ten years ago.

The numbers mirror what has happened across the province. In 1972 there were 250,000 students enrolled in anglophone elementary and secondary schools. By September of 1990, the number was down 57 percent to 108,000.

The situation has improved a bit in the last three years at Westmount High, said Mr Jeffers. He attributed this to Westmount High's good location on St Catherine street, and improvements to its reputation since the arrival of its current principal, Dick Meades.

But even he does not anticipate a quick return to halls and classes full of Westmount High students.

"Rescind parts of Bill 101," said Mr Jeffers, when asked what would be the best thing for Westmount High. He said a recommendation to allow people educated in the English language anywhere in the world to get an education in that language here for their children would be a good solution, in part because "Quebec is worried about its image," abroad.

Still, Mr Jeffers says he is "very confident" recommendations from the task force will have to do with law 101. He pointed to recent moves by the Parti Québécois to try to improve their public relations with anglophones in Quebec as a signal of the new climate.

Mr Williams said parts of the provincial language law are open to change.

"Possibly being more flexible on admissions" is one option, said Mr Williams. "We're going to look at all

By SCOTT INNIS

of it (education policy)."

Mr Williams said declining enrolment in anglophone schools is tied to economics, as people leave for other parts of Canada, and not simply the result of restrictions imposed by the provincial government.

Mr Jeffers said he was not worried about the province's Bill 107, which would take school boards off a religious footing and divide them along linguistic lines.

"If they are going to leave the PSBGM (Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal) intact," then reform of the system is acceptable,

said Mr Jeffers. He said he would like to see the PSBGM retain its leadership role in anglophone education, no matter what the system.

Some administrators in other parts of the province fear if Quebec succeeds in taking school boards off the denominational footing they are on, they will lose the protection they enjoy under the British North America Act, which guaranteed the continuing existence of denominational boards. They fear it will be easier to close an anglophone school if student population numbers begin falling under the linguistically-based system.

Bill 107 is now under review by the

Supreme Court of Canada.

The task force's official mandate is to study the decline of the anglophone school population, including small schools; examine vocational education for anglophones; and analyse the exodus of young anglophones from the province.

Mr Jeffers says he is optimistic the task force will be listened to by Quebec, and indicated the issue will be a thorn in the side of the government for the foreseeable future.

"I don't think English education is going to disappear," said Mr Jeffers. "We will be here for a long time to come."

## Superior defence



These Saturday-morning soccer players set up a skillful defence as the opposing team neared with the ball. Intensive soccer games can be found Saturday mornings in Westmount Park. Photo by OWEN EGAN

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## SPORTS STANDINGS

### SOCCER

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	GP	W	L	T	Pts
<b>NOVICE</b>					
Canada	9	6	2	1	13
Spain	9	5	1	3	13
Ireland	9	5	2	2	12
USA	9	2	5	2	6
<b>ATOM</b>					
England	9	7	2	0	14
Bulgaria	9	5	2	2	12
Austria	9	5	3	1	11
Netherlands	9	3	5	1	7
<b>PEEWEE</b>					
Sweden	11	7	1	3	17
Brazil	9	6	2	1	13
Australia	8	4	2	2	10
Italy	9	2	4	3	7
Scotland	9	0	7	2	2

## Room left in city babysitting course

Eighteen people have so far regis-  
tered for the city's fall babysitting  
course and recreation officials say  
there is room for more.

Young people taking the course  
will be taught diapering and dealing  
with babies' needs, as well as how to  
handle emergencies and recognize  
child abuse.

Organizers will talk on fire pre-  
vention, cardio-pulmonary resuscita-  
tion, and first aid. At the end of the  
course an exam will be given.

"People will basically learn how  
to recognize a real emergency from a  
boo-boo," said Beverly Adams-Coskun,  
city socio-cultural director.

The course is free, and runs Tues-  
days from 4 to 5:30 pm.

The deadline for the 10-week  
course is tomorrow (Friday) at 4:30  
pm.

Those interested in registering  
contact Beverly Adams-Coskun at  
935-8531, ext 212.

## Hockey seeks bantams, midgets

Turnout for intercity hockey try-  
outs was good, but organizers are  
still looking for more young players  
at the bantam and midget levels,  
according to the recreation depart-  
ment.

About 20 players for each of the  
four teams tried out at the first prac-  
tice last Saturday, said Mike Deegan.  
However, he added they were still  
looking for players who were born  
between the years 1974-77.

Anyone interested should contact  
Mike Deegan at 935-8531.

## SPORTS SCORES

### SOCCER

Date	Teams
Sept 17	Peewee Sweden 3 - Italy 0
Sept 21	Novice Canada 2 - Spain 0
	Ireland 5 - USA 3
	Atom England 3 - Bulgaria 0
	Austria 2 - Netherlands 1
	Peewee Brazil 3 - Scotland 1
	Australia 2 - Sweden 2

## Annual Roslyn ski, skate sale Oct 3

There will be an exchange of ski,  
skate, soccer and hockey equipment  
in the Roslyn School gym, 4699 West-  
mount avenue, on Thursday, Oct 3.

Items to be sold should be brought  
to the school on the day of the sale  
between 2:30 and 6 pm. The sale runs  
from 7:30 to 9 pm. For more informa-  
tion call 487-2434 or 739-8593.

## Players sought for football

The city's house football league is  
set up, but there is still room for  
more players.

Just over 40 players make up the  
four teams for this fall's season, re-  
ports Mike Deegan at the sports and  
recreation department. The team

started playing last week, and there  
are six weeks to go in the season.

Games are held Mondays and Wed-  
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Those wishing to join up should  
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## Aqua-therapy program offered

Aqua-KIDS and Aqua-teens are  
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Aqua-KIDS (age six to 16) will  
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5:30 to 6:30 pm at the YMCA, 4335  
Hampton avenue, in N.D.G. Regis-  
tration will be followed by a swim  
session.

Aqua-teens, for those 12 to 15, will  
register Saturday, Sept 29, at 9:45 am  
at Marianopolis Athletic Complex,  
3880 Côte des Neiges, and a regular  
session will follow.

Each course costs \$60. For further  
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## Meeting for caregivers of mentally ill

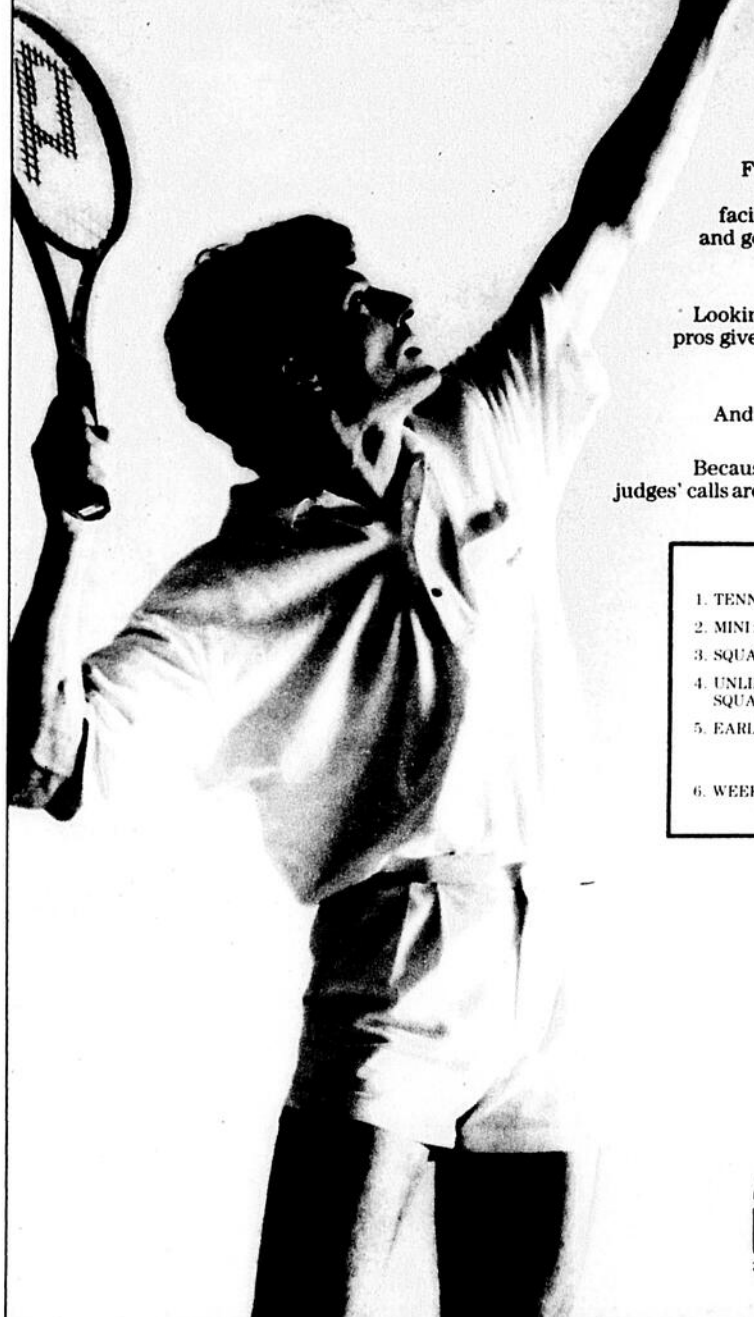
Ami Quebec will hold a public  
meeting Monday at 7:30 pm at 4333  
Côte St Catherine road. Guest speak-  
er is Dr Edward Levinson, senior  
psychiatrist at Jewish General Hos-  
pital.

His topic, *Staying the Course*, is  
dedicated to care-givers of the men-  
tally ill. He will give a historical  
review and educated guess about the  
future; review the changes in the last  
15 years, describe how they have  
come about and how they will pro-  
ceed; and discuss coping with care-  
giving and how to avoid burnout.

A question period and coffee hour  
will follow his talk.

Ami Quebec is a project of the  
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# Trent calls for poll on library renovations

Westmount's sole mayoralty candidate called Monday for citizens to be polled on the multi-million rebuilding project proposed for Westmount Public Library.

Peter Trent said full details and costs of several library options should be sent to all households after the election Nov 3 so citizens can be polled on their choice.

"I get a strong message from people that they want the library up-

graded, but to what extent?" he told THE EXAMINER.

He wonders how much citizens are prepared to spend in terms of rejuvenation and/or addition. How much should be paid from taxes? How much from private sources in a fund-raising campaign?

A public consultation meeting may bring out 200 people, he said. But a questionnaire by mail would reach everyone.

Project architect Peter Rose has

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

been working over the summer with a surveyor to provide precise costs of various scenarios, Mr Trent explained.

Mayor May Cutler, who is not seeking re-election, has spent the summer heading a committee to solicit private funding from foundations and endowments. Neither the mayor nor Mr Trent would divulge names of the committee members but they

indicate that several prominent fundraisers are involved.

"There'll be an announcement in November," the mayor said this week.

Renovation of the library is a topic of almost all candidates in the Westmount election. Three endorsed so far by the Westmount Finance Action Committee advocate functional renovations.

Others talk about various forms of

financial restraint.

Though planners have been tight-lipped lately concerning possible costs of the Peter Rose designs, earlier amounts ranged from \$3.5 million to \$5.5 million and then up to \$10 million.

Any amount that is put into the capital expenditures budget for 1992 will be basically meaningless since the decision lies in the hands of the new city council, Mr Trent explained.



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