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Local News

Voters endure long waits at advance polls

Martin C. Barry

Some Westmounters who cast ballots in the megacity election advance poll are hoping the long waits they endured don't foreshadow problems for others in the regular election this Sunday.

The advance poll, held at Victoria Hall from noon to 8 p.m. last Sunday, had been expected to accommodate most of Westmount's early voters. It was supplemented by a second poll at Château Westmount, which was intended only for residents of the seniors' home and those living in the neighbouring area.

The two locations had four automated voting machines, compared to 59 voting boxes used for advance polling in previous Westmount municipal elections.

Among other changes noted in this election, the city clerk traditionally has made a small event of declaring the candidates. For the first time in Westmount this was not done because of the Transition Committee's requirements.

A reporter sent to Victoria Hall Sunday evening was briefly admitted by a City employee, but was then told by Westmount City Clerk Marie-France Paquet that she and other staff were under strict orders not to make any statements, and not to allow photographs to be taken.

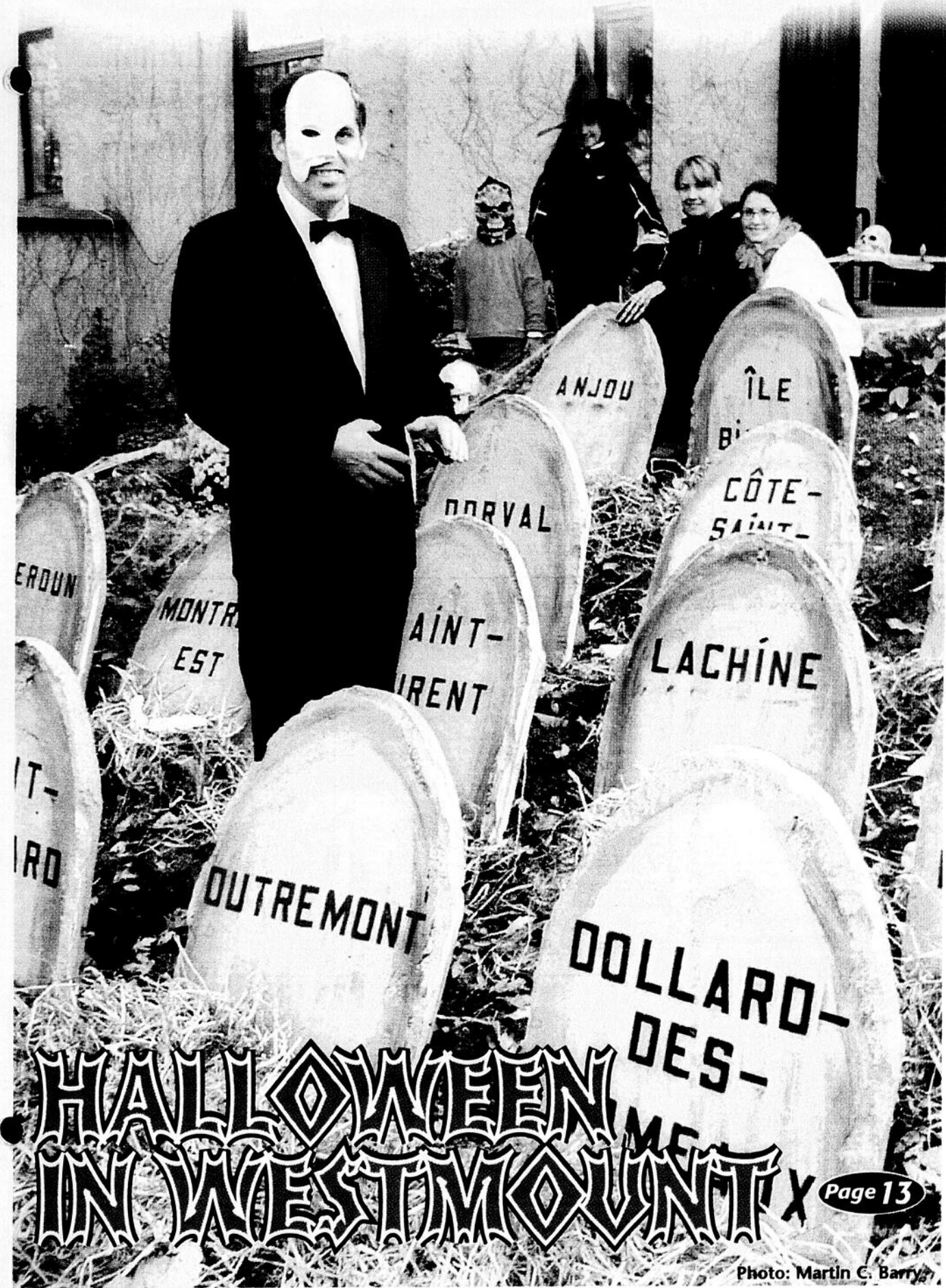
All inquiries were being directed to the megacity's chief elections officer, Léon Laberge, said an apologetic Paquet.

Some voters, several of them elderly, complained of having to wait up to two hours in line before being allowed to cast their ballot. Others who came earlier in the day only to be confronted with the lineup, said they returned when (they hoped) the wait would be shorter—but were forced to make yet another trip back when the line still had not thinned out.

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Bourque candidates steamed over anti-merger signs

Martin C. Barry

Team Bourque candidates running in Westmount claim they are being subjected to unfair electioneering practices.

Pat Donnelly, running for borough councillor in the W.D. Lighthall southern electoral district, said she thought she was abiding by election rules established by the Montreal Transition Committee when she stayed away from polling stations in advance balloting last Sunday.

"According to the rules I read, I'm supposed to stay five meters away from the building—and I did," said Donnelly. "Then I heard other candidates were in there talking to people... It's a question of where we complain to. Rules were broken, but to whom do you complain?"

According to Donnelly, election posters from the Tremblay team—also against the voting regulations, she claimed—were still up in Victoria Hall during the advance poll. She said that scrutineers she recommended to work in the polling station were treated rudely.

Donnelly said that Team Bourque was going to complain about anti-merger signs and stickers—some of them bearing the Westmount municipal logo—that were handed out at the Meet the Candidates meeting at Victoria Hall last week.

They're being plastered over Team Bourque posters, she said.

"Somebody had the audacity to hand one out to me," said Donnelly. "They're being used as propaganda by the other side in this election, and being handed out to people. They end up pasted up all over our signs."

Richard McConomy, running for Montreal city council, said the stickers had been "a source of some frustration" from the beginning. "To

have the emblem of the City across the bottom of those particular bumper stickers, and seeing them across your face and (Mayor Bourque's) face, defacing the posters we have, and realizing it's not being funded by a political party or a group of people who are running for office, we get the impression that all that stuff was purchased with taxpayers' money," McConomy said. "It's annoying to think someone is setting themselves up as city hall, and you have to fight city hall to get past an election."

McConomy said he and Donnelly were too busy to take any kind of action. "We referred that to (Team Bourque's) legal department downtown. I don't think we're going to waste our time. We've got a lot of campaigning to do."

Karin Marks, running against McConomy, said she and the other independent candidates had the right to be in the polling station as long as they were there as observers and made sure not to speak to voters.

"She (Donnelly) had the same right," Marks said. "What the law said is that you're not allowed outside or to stand in the polling area. Primarily, you're not allowed to be there politicking, but you are allowed as a candidate to sit at the table. You can't speak to the voters, (but) you can sit as an observer as long as you stay seated. I was very conscientiously not speaking to electors."

A spokesman for the Transition Committee confirmed that candidates are indeed allowed inside polling stations. Marks added that there was nothing forbidding the distribution of the anti-merger stickers at last week's

Meet the Candidates evening. "There were not rules that prevented (anyone) from doing that," she said. "We all were allowed to hand out information there. They (Team Bourque) were certainly able to have their information there, and we did too. It was not an official election thing; it was an organized evening done by The Examiner and the Westmount Municipal Association, and there was nothing in the rules that said people were not allowed to show their feelings."

Knife-wielder robs Bank of Montreal

The Bank of Montreal branch at the corner of Sherbrooke and Grosvenor Avenue was robbed last Tuesday, Oct. 23 by a man believed to be armed with a knife.

The incident occurred at 11:48 a.m. when a man entered the bank, leaped over the counter and demanded money from a cashier. After grabbing an estimated \$600 from a drawer, he ran from the bank and escaped on foot up Grosvenor Avenue.


Although there were several customers in the bank at the time of the robbery, police were able to obtain only a partial description of the suspect—a white, English-speaking male about five feet seven inches tall and weighing 180 pounds. At the time of the robbery he was wearing a black fleece Nike jacket and a black hooded Nike sweatshirt.

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TRENT 'SUGGESTS' VOTING FOR TREMBLAY

But does not officially endorse mayoral candidate

Martin C. Barry

If a picture is worth a thousand words, the photo of Westmount Mayor Peter Trent shaking hands with megacity mayoral candidate Gérald Tremblay would say it all.

Trent was at the opening last Wednesday evening of the Montreal Island Citizens' Union's Westmount campaign headquarters.

Introduced as "the future mayor of Montreal," Tremblay was greeted at the Sherbooke Street West locale by a standing room crowd of Westmount supporters, including Rosemount Avenue resident David Nicholson, Gisèle Bonnardeaux of Oakland Avenue, former city councillor Peter Duffield and Louise Hagar, who is running the office.

Although Tremblay has no candidates running in Westmount, the three city councillors running as independents (of which John de Castell has already been acclaimed) are backing him for mayor, saying that Tremblay is the only logical alternative to voting for Pierre Bourque. None of the independents was at the Team Tremblay office, although Karin Marks, according to Tremblay, was out campaigning door-to-door in Westmount at the time.

Trent said that in agreeing to appear with Tremblay he was only "suggesting" to Westmounters whom they ought to vote for in local balloting for the megacity election next Sunday.

"Rather than giving (Tremblay) my support, what I'm suggesting to all Westmounters is that they vote for him," said Trent, insisting this wasn't an endorsement.

"An endorsement carries with it an acceptance of his platform, and I don't agree with his platform," he said. "There's this huge thing missing from it—and that is the whole issue of de-merger and the fact this city was created from a very undemocratic law. And, moreover, at this point he's not promising to give any powers to the arrondissements. For those three reasons, I can't give him my endorsement."

Trent said Tremblay is "a very honourable man, he's a very hard-working man, he's a very honest man... (but) I can't in good conscience give my support... To me there's no contradiction in that, because not voting for him would be to vote for Bourque. That would be anathema for any Westmounter who wants to keep his or her city."

Trent said that his position towards Tremblay didn't amount to support. "I'm not endorsing him, I'm not supporting him," he said. "I'm simply sug-



Megacity mayoral candidate Gérald Tremblay greets Westmount Mayor Peter Trent at the opening of Tremblay's campaign office in Westmount last Wednesday.

gesting people should vote for him—because I'm essentially saying not to vote for Bourque."

Tremblay, on a whirlwind tour of Montreal Island in his campaign bus, was fumbling with his words a little when he said, "Tonight it's Westmount—and Westmount is special because... you're special. What we're saying very clearly is that the people of Westmount will remain the people of Westmount. That's fundamental."

Tremblay thanked those who volunteered to knock on doors and say he was the best candidate in the mayoralty race. But, he added, "I hope that you're doing that not because you don't like Pierre Bourque, but do it because you believe we are against forced mergers. We know that—we've said it from the beginning—I've always said it, and I really understand what your feelings are."

Tremblay said he made the decision not to run candidates in Westmount. "I decided, I had to make that decision not to run candidates because you decided that your best insurance policy was Karin Marks, Cynthia Lulham and John de Castell," he said, referring to the three Westmount city councillors running as independents. "That's your insurance policy. I'm a person who respects people, and as a

result we decided not to run candidates. I think that the choice of the people in Westmount will be the three persons that I've just mentioned and we will work with those people. And the reason they're not with us—and I understand very well—is that they want to continue to promote undoing the mergers."

Tremblay referred to Trent as "a man of conviction... a symbol of opposition to the forced mergers, and also the symbol of continuing to protect the integrity of his city—(its) return to what it is—that is with a legal personality and power of taxation. I respect him, I respect him a lot."

Tremblay promised to continue to preserve the "identity and the personality of the City of Westmount that will become a borough."

Despite Westmount's impending loss of its municipal status, Tremblay said, "I can understand and I can feel for you that you've lost a legal personality—you haven't lost it yet, but the law is there... We believe that we can replace the legal personality by delegation, give as many responsibilities, as many powers as possible to the city, and we believe we can replace the taxation power by giving you the same amounts of funds that you have today to maintain and improve the quality of services for all residents of Westmount."

Tremblay said that, despite his sym-

pathy for de-merger advocates, his responsibility remains to work out the political option, and "to do everything possible to make this new city work—and the only way it's going to work is by answering the real needs of the citizens. I know for you it's not an easy position, but the best choice for you is to make sure I get your support—because I will decentralize, I will delegate, I will give you as many autonomies as possible. And that for me is very fundamental."

The question, Tremblay said, is not whether his team is going to be elected.

"My team is going to be elected," he insisted emphatically, wondering only who would receive the most votes for mayor. Tremblay referred to Bourque as a "surrogate" to the provincial and federal governments.

"I say enough is enough. I will stand for your rights. On that you have my assurance, and I will do everything possible to make this city a success. I'm a democrat and will respect the will of the people."

"If you don't vote, it's the equivalent of voting for Pierre Bourque," Tremblay added. "You have to vote for the best alternative—understanding that it might not be necessarily your best alternative, but it is best for what we are trying to do."

Westmount voters endure long lines at advance polls

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Some went to the Château Westmount poll, but were told that unless they lived in that polling district, they'd have to return to the Victoria Hall polling station.

Standing outside Victoria Hall after voting, David Lank said the conditions had been generally to his

satisfaction.

"I felt they were very slow and there seemed to be some confusion, but you wait 45 minutes and that's the price you pay," said Lank.

Peter Howlett, standing outside with Lank, had an altogether different view.

"Mr. Lank was being very polite,"

Howlett said. "I thought it was just terrible. It's very clear that nobody anticipated the volume of voters, and two tables for the volume of people who came in here was completely inadequate. Most people have just spent an hour and a half or two hours—some even longer—in line here today. And some have come back three times."

The lineups were long, Howlett suggested, because staff couldn't process voters fast enough.

"It was a very inadequate resource, but it's hard to tell how different this advance volume of voters is from previous years," he said. "Maybe this is just indicative of how many people intend to turn out for the main vote. Hopefully, that's the case."

LOCAL NEWS

Remembering Andy Lawson

Colleagues recall longtime Westmount police officer with fondness and respect

Marilynn Vanderstay

He was a tough cop—but a real gentleman with a heart of gold.

That was the consensus of all friends, family members and professional colleagues who recently paid tribute to Andrew 'Andy' Lawson, the longtime Westmount police officer who passed away this summer at the age of 94.

"Our Dad was expected by all of his offspring and close friends to surpass his hundredth year," wrote his son, Cliff Lawson. "Life without him was not considered."

Cliff's sentiments about his father were shared by co-workers and friends of the respected Westmount beat cop who moved on to become a training officer for the MUC police department after the municipal forces were merged in 1972.

"Andy was a typical old school police officer," said Richard McEnroe, Director of Public Security for the City of Westmount. "I was one of those fortunate to be trained by him. His big forté was a book he gave to every police officer titled 'Rocks in the Roadway', which basically taught that as police officers we treat everyone we deal with equally and fairly. He stressed that that ideal should come across in everything we did and said. Andy epitomized that book. He was a real gentleman."

Former MUC police commanding officer Bill Pride echoed McEnroe's sentiments. "When Andy was the training officer, he instituted lecture series we all had to attend. He brought in all kinds of speakers to explain to us the other sides of the justice system, like a lawyer who explained the rules of evidence, a district attorney who gave us his perspective of the system, and a crown prosecutor who explained how we should present a case."

"One time he took us all to the morgue to watch a coroner do an autopsy," added McEnroe. "Andy didn't want us to fall short on anything. The young recruits really looked up to him."

Last year, at age 93, Lawson was still attending the annual Westmount Quarter Century



Andy Lawson at a recent Quarter Century Club banquet

Club banquets at Victoria Hall. "His mind was still sharp," said Pride. "He always remembered everyone's names and made sure to say hello."

"We can only surmise that his biggest roadblock to a much longer, pain-free, happy life entered his strong body around the time just before his 94th birthday in June," Cliff Lawson wrote. "Unfortunately, nature played a trick on him. Here we thought he was invincible, and cancer invaded his body. He never complained and bore the burden with great strength."

Lowson passed away on Wednesday, August 22. "(It was) the end of an era," Cliff wrote. "We will never forget what he meant to us and we can't thank him enough for the lessons he taught us."

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6:11 p.m. 4160 Ste. Catherine: Car leaking oil. Spill cleaned up by Public Works Dept.

6:12 p.m. 50 Hillside: Haze on fourth floor due to defective heater unit on roof.

Tuesday, Oct. 23

10:46 a.m. 444 Clarke: Fire alarm set off by plumbers welding.

8:56 p.m. 150 Hillside #104: Fire alarm set off due to overflowing dishwasher. Water entered heat detector in hallway.

10:40 p.m. 4282 Dorchester #306: Fire detector activated from burnt food. Occupant had stroke and left food on stove. First responders took occupant to hospital.

11:45 p.m. 802 Upper Lansdowne: Water leak due to blocked drain on roof. Firemen cleaned out drain.

Wednesday, Oct. 24

2:31 a.m. 4014 Ste. Catherine: Alarm set off by dust from construction.

4:47 a.m. 4014 Ste. Catherine: Alarm set off by dust from construction.

2:45 p.m. 482 Mount Pleasant: Strange odour reported. Traced smell to construction work on sewer lines.

Thursday, Oct. 25

12:08 a.m. 200 Kensington: Fire alarm set off by fumes from disinfectant in stairwell.

10:07 a.m. 4350 Ste. Catherine: Sprinkler system alarm set off at Westmount High School due to outside work on water pipe.

10:30 a.m. 3664 The Boulevard: Carbon monoxide alarm set off due to defective heater. Owner advised to call serviceman.

10:57 a.m. 721 Upper Roslyn: Strong odour reported, but when firemen arrived, no trace of odour or readings of gas leak.

1:17 p.m. 4350 Ste. Catherine: Another alarm set-off at Westmount High School from work on waterline.

2:49 p.m. 4282 Dorchester: Carbon monoxide alarm set off due to work on furnace. Firemen called by Gaz Metropolitan. Evacuated building and ventilated it

Library Week enjoyed by all

The Westmount Public Library joined in the provincial-wide celebrations of Public Library Week, held Oct. 14 to 20, with both adults and children enjoying the programs and special events organized by the library.

Storytellers Stephanie Beneteau and Roman Pylet entertained an audience with fables and a mysterious Victorian tale. Author and illustrator Marie-Louis Gay gave insight into her work. She left her audience with a picture of 'Baguette', drawn using her artistic skills and the children's imagination. The library plans to hang the picture in the children's section.

The membership drive brought in 173 new active members. The new members and the people who had introduced them to the library were entered into a draw for two Readers' Baskets, donated by local merchants on Victoria Avenue and Sherbrooke Street. The two baskets were filled with readers' delights of coffee and mugs, chocolate, book lights, note pads, CDs and bookstore gift certificates. The children's basket went to Saki Kajita, and Chris Smith won the adult's basket.

by opening doors.

5:47 p.m. 38 Forden: Fire alarm set off by burnt food.

Friday, Oct. 26

2:26 p.m. 463 Mount Pleasant: Strange odour reported. Traced smell to construction work on sewer lines.

3:17 p.m. 4884 Westmount: Fire alarm activated when new furnace was installed.

7:56 p.m. 482 Mount Pleasant: Strange odour reported. Traced smell to construction work on sewer lines.

10:19 p.m. 4350 Ste. Catherine: Fire alarm set off due to defective thermostat in Westmount High School classroom.

10:40 p.m. 482 Mount Pleasant: Strange odour reported. Traced smell to construction work on sewer lines.

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No Sunday picnic

The predictions for this Sunday's megacity election is bleak, and if last weekend's fiasco at advance polls in various suburbs is any indication, exercising that venerable democratic right this time around may very well be a case of easier said than done.

Still, despite all the negative anecdotes we've been hearing about the advance polls over the past few days, all Westmounters must make the effort to vote on Sunday, and encourage their friends and neighbours to do the same. It may be no picnic, but as was the case with last November's referendum—which saw an enormous number of Westmounters express their opinion on forced mergers—the highest possible voter turnout sends the clearest possible message.

The Transition Committee has clearly dropped the ball in preparing this election. Reducing the number of Westmount polling stations by half is not only an open invitation to chaos but a decision that calls into serious question the competence of those sitting around the Committee table. Even if recent efforts to restore the number of local polling stations back to eight prove successful—which is unlikely now, given the few working hours left until the election—it is already too late to inform everyone of the changes.

There was no need for any of this. In the past, Westmount City Clerk Marie-France Paquet and her staff have always seen to it that local elections were run smoothly, efficiently and pleasantly, without any of the extra baggage heaped upon them by the Transition Committee. Admittedly, this is an unprecedented election and therefore carries many inherent changes, but instead of implementing new policies in areas where it had no practical experience, the Transition Committee should have acted as an administrative overseer and allowed each municipality to conduct its own voting process according to tried-and-true methods.

Some have suggested that this is all an elaborate plot. With Gérald Tremblay and Pierre Bourque currently said to be neck and neck in the homestretch leading up to Sunday's vote, it would be interesting to see if, after the election, any particular mayoral candidate happened to consistently fare better at polls with shorter queues and less organizational problems.

Commentary

Wayne Larsen



Letters to the editor

Bourque's museum speech

To the editor,

I hope all Westmounters carefully read the Equipe Bourque Platform Promises inserted in last week's Examiner. They reveal the true nature of the occupation.

Their most astonishing promise: "To create a museum to celebrate the proud history of Westmount."

Imagine Pierre Bourque speaking at the opening ceremony: "I, your loving mayor, officially open this new heritage museum dedicated to Westmount's proud history, dating back to January 1, 2002. Your museum is filled with models, plans and photos of Equipe Bourque's accomplishments—the magnificent new industrial parks, the Summit condominiums, and the remodeled-for-emergency-squatting Victoria Hall. Displays of the dark days before the megacity are not included. With all our improvements, there simply wasn't room. This museum, created here in your former city hall, has been paid for entirely with funds salvaged from your worthless, idiotic, foolish court battle.

"I also take this occasion to thank the Quebec government for a much needed amendment to Bill 170. Now all city councilors must be members of Revision Montreal so they can answer your complaints with explanations of democracy. They will also promote social peace by fighting the root cause of crime, Peter Trent.

"This museum is a realization of a commitment made by me in the fall of 2001, and it is the second one I've kept. The first being more skating rink time, made possible by my partners in Quebec City legislating the twenty-five hour day.

"Yes, I have taken your city, but I'm giving you this museum!"

Keir Cutler
Mount Stephen Avenue

It's time to move on

To the editor:

The provincial government's forced merger between Montreal and the surrounding municipalities appears to be a fait accompli. We have spent over one million Westmount tax dollars on a futile bid to oppose it.

The way the merger was done is despicable, however it is not Mayor Bourque but the Parti Quebecois who should be blamed. Mr. Bourque supports the merger, and had realized his personal dream of one strong mega-city. At this point, the process towards creating a better understanding between Westmounters and other Montrealers must begin.

Like many Westmounters, I hope that this merger will not mean a noticeable decline in serviced rendered by Westmount employees. So what if we have to share some facilities—it's not like we have the only tennis courts, outdoor pool, arena and library on the island!

Hopefully, if McConomy and Donnelly are elected, we will have a team that will work with the Bourque administration in the interests of Westmounters.

Remember, you can't fight City hall. It's time to move on....

Ron Pickering
Ste. Catherine Street

Low turnout will help Bourque

To the editor:

Notwithstanding the formal warnings to the Transition Committee from the city clerks of the suburbs in July 2001, and from numerous people thereafter,

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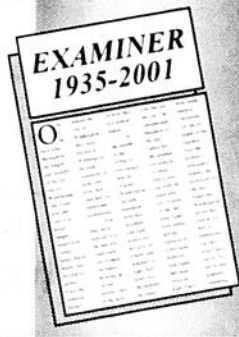
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Old News



(from the examiner archives)

One Year Ago

November 2, 2000:

MONTREAL WILL SUFFER: "Whether you're looking at the big or little picture, what's at stake in the proposed Harel megacity reform involves more than just Westmount's future, says Mayor Peter Trent. Trent argues that without independent and admittedly affluent municipalities like Westmount, the entire Montreal region would suffer because upwardly-mobile people in search of a better lifestyle would have nowhere to go. 'If you have one homogeneous blob across the island, obviously there's no interest in moving up to somewhere where they have some degree of autonomy,' Trent said on Monday following the announcement of the City's referendum question. 'If you make it a district of Montreal, a lot of the attractiveness will go.'"

Ten Years Ago

October 31, 1991:

ENDORING CANDIDATES: "With only three days left until Sunday's election, 'non-partisan' Westmount politics appears rife with party-like intrigue. Mayor May Cutler issued a press release Monday listing six candidates she endorses, to counter a newsletter distributed to households last week by the Westmount Finance Action Committee which endorsed five others. Outgoing Westmount councillors are lining up behind the mayor's list of chosen candidates except for one or two differences. But the man who will be mayor was, by his own admission, 'busy agonizing' at press time yesterday over how much of a role he should play in supporting certain people. 'I have a letter all ready to go to support one candidate and I haven't decided whether or not to send it,' said mayor-elect Peter Trent."

Twenty Years Ago

October 29, 1981:

CAR BOMB: "Tuesday's underworld bombing of a car in Westmount which killed one local resident and injured another man is not expected to result in a gangland war, according to police who continue to probe into the details of the explosion. The two men were riding south on Melville avenue at de Maisonneuve boulevard at about 12:45 p.m. when their borrowed Mercedes Benz 280-SE was torn apart by a powerful blast heard and felt by Westmounters several blocks away in what police are calling 'a settling of underworld accounts'."

Forty Years Ago

November 3, 1961:

READER'S DIGEST OPENS: "On behalf of the people of Westmount, Mayor J.C. Cushing welcomed the Reader's Digest to the community Tuesday, when he was the guest of honour at the opening of the new \$2,000,000 headquarters on Redfern avenue at St. Catherine street. E. Paul Zimmerman, President of the Reader's Digest Association (Canada) Ltd. introduced the man and woman who founded the Digest in 1922—DeWitt Wallace, and his Manitoba-born wife Lila Acheson Wallace."

An A-Z of the election we never wanted
Mega- and mini-issues facing Westmount voters

Compiled by Don Wedge

Against: Pierre Bourque! It's hard to be anything else with the future of Westmount on the line. He is the one to beat; the mayoral race is the one to win. (See Zero option).

Apathy: Pierre Bourque's best friend.

Acrimony: One reason given by Richard McConomy for the lack of Team Bourque representation. But who provoked the acrimony?

Annexation: What is happening to us. Ask the long-serving managers who are being fired and told to apply for their jobs, as well as work for unknown, downtown bosses. Even forced merger is too nice a way to say it.

Arrondissement: Can mean a rounding down. In France, it means a district; in Quebec, a borough.

Acclaimed: John de Castell is the first mega-city councillor, but is still working for his fellow independent councillor candidates and Gerald Tremblay.

Bodyguards: An unwelcome first in a Westmount municipal election.

Bernard, Louis: Wrote the famous report on reform last year suggesting 27 arrondissements (Westmount was one).

Bourque, Pierre: Said 27 arrondissements were too many, it should have been only ten, (later revised to nine); doubtless Westmount wasn't one of them. If back in office, how long before he pushes the government to shrink 27 to nine — or his favourite: none?

Bush, George W: United States president, won election last year thanks to split votes in Florida for Ralph Nader.

Blobs: Accepted on the ballot paper, as are check marks and old-fashioned X's.

Bossé, Georges: Once our friend, but now in line to be nominated by Louise Harel for a peerage.

Book critic: Highly regarded journalistic post.

China: Slow boat to, waiting at Old Port.

Coulombe, Guy: Government's nominee to run the mega-city for Pierre Bourque. Wants the transition to be so quiet, no citizen will notice. So our chief librarian gets terminated! We noticed, Guy!

Councillete: What else can you call it when three are asked to do most of the work of nine?

Decentralization: A hoax perpetrated by the transition committee. We don't want their version. We are nicely decentralized and want to be so again — soonest. (See also Employees)

Democracy: Missing in the merger law, completely absent from the transition committee's closed-door work, and questionable in providing for the mega-election.

Donnelly, Pat: Bourque's last candidate. She was once anti-merger and has been heard to say she could support de-merger! Don't tell her boss.

Electoral botch: Léon Laberge, a former top Montreal city bureaucrat, misjudged the mega-public's wish to speak out by voting.

Employees: Telling our managers that they are being fired, but can apply for their present jobs is a dubious entry into the mega-city. Nobody representing the citizen gets a say in the firing or hiring.

We just pay. Welcome to the new world of decentralization!

Fearful prediction: During Tremblay's first term there will be more boroughs in present Montreal; boundary changes will enlarge Westmount to include parts of NDG, Snowdon and even St. Henri. On the other hand, Bourque will reduce the number of boroughs and split Westmount between NDG, Snowdon, downtown and St. Henri.

Felli, Georges: As deputy minister, was Harel's principal reform architect, but has since been moved to industry and commerce, where Gérald Tremblay was once minister.

Finn, Sean: St. Lambert councillor who wrote the first actual de-merger plan.

Frank: "If you are not for the mergers, you should not vote for me." Don't worry, Pierre, we won't.

Goldbloom, Michael: Great moderator of the WMA's candidates' night, but if his old day job meant coping with some of the off-the-wall comments we heard, no wonder he left The Gazette.

Hrtschan, Ricardo: The TMR mayor who staged a walk to Quebec City to show his opposition to forced mergers. He is a wild-card challenger to Bourque and Tremblay. Could nibble at the Tremblay vote and let Bourque squeak home. (See Bush, George)

Illegal: Core language provision of Bill 170?

Judge(s): Supreme Court has the last word — until after the next provincial election.

Knight in shining armor: Will Jean Charest rescue local democracy?

Lobsters in a pot: Jacques Parizeau's clanger as he described the fate of Quebecers if enough voted Yes in his separation referendum. Could it be Pierre Bourque's secret thought?

Majority: Biggest vote decides who will be mega-mayor, Tremblay or Bourque. The number of councillor seats will be irrelevant. Who takes the top job chooses the executive committee and rules the island.

Mini-mayor: Choose between Karin Marks (10 years a Westmount councillor), the White Elephant's Lucien Parent (charming and funny, from Outremont) and Team Bourque's Richard McConomy (former resident, actor, lawyer, chair of Centraide).

Mini-council: South of Sherbrooke, the choice is between Cynthia Lulham (six years a Westmount councillor) and Pat Donnelly (on leave as The Gazette's theatre critic).

No.

Optometrist required for reduced Vision.

Outremont: Home for Gerald Tremblay, Lucien Bouchard, Louis Bernard, Monique Lefebvre and Jerome Unterberg

One hundred and thirty-five names on the Marks, de Castell, Lulham endorsement advertisements.

Political Parties: A first for Westmount. (See also B).

Promises, promises: "Une île, une ville," ce n'est pas dans le portrait pour nous." Premier Lucien Bouchard, June 14, 1999.

Quote of the times, citizen class:

"So sorry to hear that": Famous response of a Westmouter when approached by a Bourque campaigner on Greene Avenue. Overheard by Gazette columnist Bill Brownstein

Quote of the times, politician class: "Faites comme moi. Prenez 16 secondes pour y penser." Tremblay advertisement in French media responding to attacks on him because of his long double take in the first debate.

Quote of the times, cartoonist class: Pierre Bourque whispers into the ear of blue collar mega-leader Jean Lapierre: "S'cusez! Mais vous pourriez pas un 'tit peu appuyer M. Tremblay aussi..." Serge Chapleau, La Presse.

Race: We have had mayoral races in Westmount before — in the last one, May Cutler defeated Brian Gallery.

Rotrand, Marvin: Dean and conscience of the present Montreal council. Put together the coalition Gérald Tremblay needed for a serious campaign.

Sixty-two percent said No to forced mergers in the last across-the-province poll.

Split: In 1998, Bourque received only 44 per cent of votes cast. He won because the other 56 per cent was divided three ways.

Strategic voting: Polite way of saying "Anybody but Bourque."

Stuttgart: German city, center of economic region of 179 municipalities which live constructively together without any thought of mergers.

Transition Committee: Louise Harel's highly-paid agents. Not since the War Measures Act has anything been so undemocratic, but the merger results will be longer lasting.

Tremblay, Gérald: Of eleven rivals, the only one with a chance of beating Bourque. Has not gained Peter Trent's support but will get his vote. (See Strategic)

Toronto demerger: "If enough people asked, Toronto could now be demerged." Mike Colle, a former municipal councillor, now a leading opposition member of the Ontario assembly, and co-chair of mega-mayor Mel Lastman's two election campaigns.

Unanswered questions: Hands up those interested in reduced services, and 5% tax increase each year (21.5 per cent in four years, 63 per cent in 10 years).

Vision: misty, reality check required.

Vote: Despite natural and man-made obstacles (See Electoral botch), we must show the government what we think of Bill 170.

White Elephant Party: Fun platform, but not a fun election for Westmounters.

Without whom: But for Lucien Bouchard, Louise Harel, Pierre Bourque, Georges Bossé, Marc-André Vaillancourt, Monique Lefebvre and Sam Elkas, we would not be where we are.

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Your choice?...

Zero: Pierre Bourque's favorite number of boroughs.

Zero option: It cannot be Bourque. Votes for nice guys will only help him (See Bush, George). It has to be Tremblay.

Local Liberals elect new committee



The Liberal Association of Westmount-Ville Marie held its general meeting of members on Oct. 10 for the election of a new executive committee.

Hans Fluehler was elected association president by acclamation, while Michael Bergman, John Mavridis, Geoffrey Moore, Paul-Émile Cloutier and André DuSault were elected vice presidents (male) along with Louise Boyne, Alice Mok, Brigitte Garceau, Céline Legendre and Adèle Hébert (female). Leanne Bourassa was elected secretary, and Gilles Daigneault as treasurer. The youth vice-president is Nicholas Peters.

Government funds Centre for Literacy

Lucienne Robillard

I am very happy to announce the funding of \$125,000 to support literacy work to be carried out by the Centre for Literacy of Quebec, an organization located at Dawson College. The Government of Canada is participating in this initiative through the National Literacy Secretariat.

The project will aim to raise public awareness about literacy, stimulate new ideas and approaches, and support research, cooperative efforts and information sharing on literacy matters. The Centre's activities will include producing a number of publications, updating materials in its resource centre, and giving workshops on literacy and health, community writing and learning problems.

When people know how to read and

write, they are more productive and can participate as active members of Canadian society. The Government of Canada is therefore proud to support the Centre for Literacy of Quebec and its goal to help Canadians understand the importance of literacy.

The Government of Canada recognizes that literacy and lifelong learning are essential to Canadians' successful participation in all aspects of life. In the 21st century Canada's traditionally resource-based economy has evolved into a knowledge-based economy where literacy and lifelong learning are key to ensuring that Canada continues to be productive, successful, and globally competitive.

Each year, the Canadian Government invests through the National Literacy Secretariat, close to \$30 million in literacy partnerships. The partnership goal is to find innovative ways of improving the literacy skills of Canadians of all ages in the home, in the workplace, and in the community. Since 1988 the National Literacy Secretariat has funded more than 5000 innovative projects.

The NLS has developed partnerships with some 1400 organisations. These partners include: local and regional literacy organisations, school boards, community colleges, voluntary organisations, national organisations involved with health, criminal justice, transportation, women's issues, etc., and business associations and labour unions. The NLS also works with international organisations and countries such as the United Kingdom, France, and the U.S. to share information and knowledge about literacy practices. Canada is recognized as a leader on the issue of literacy because of our pioneering efforts to redefine literacy to include a range of competencies and skills.

I would like to congratulate Mrs. Linda Sohet, director of the Centre for Literacy and her entire team for their hard work and for their know-how in making their project come to life. With their efforts, and those of the many concerned Canadians and organisations, I am confident that we can successfully respond to Canada's literacy challenge.

Lucienne Robillard is the Liberal MP for Westmount-Ville Marie.

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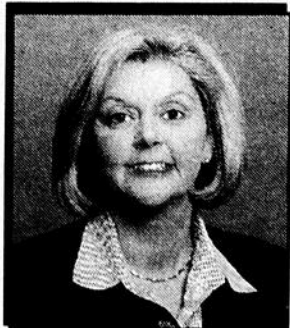
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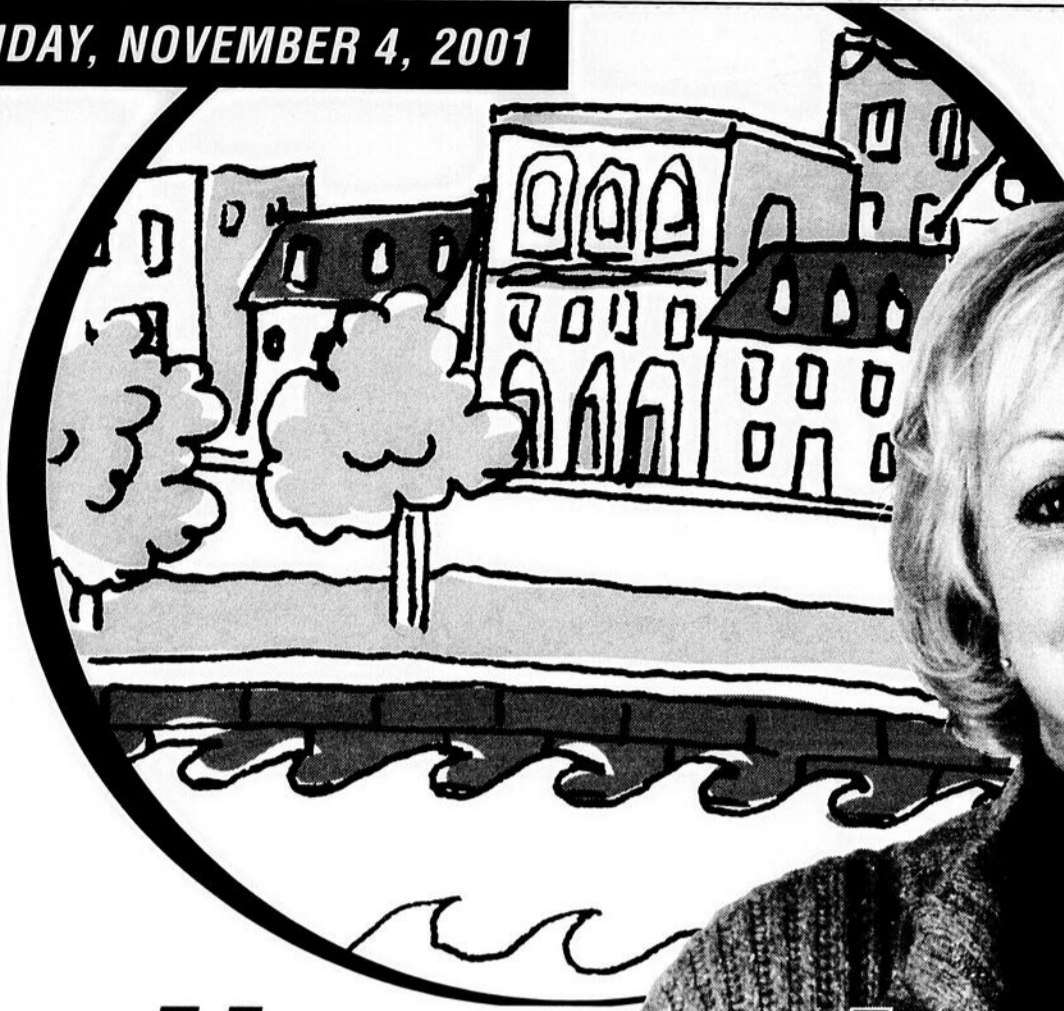
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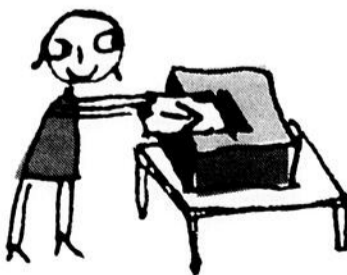
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Naturalist Gerald Iles reflects on a busy career



Gerald Iles at his 90th birthday celebration

Jennifer Cox

The coffee table in Gerald Iles's Claremont Avenue home is cluttered with books on African wildlife, and prints of animals adorn the walls.

Now past his 90th birthday, the well-known Westmounter smiles as he reminisces over a long and distinguished career that has encompassed zoo management, African safaris, books and television.

"Life with animals has been on of the great pleasures that I have experienced," he begins. "They are so wonderful, and you learn all the time."

When Iles was a young boy in England, his grandmother had a library filled with books on wildlife. "I would sit with Granny, and it was a natural interest," he said. As he got older, Iles spent his Saturdays at the

London Zoo or the Natural History Museum, and by age 14 he believes he could have acted as a guide at either place.

Iles's career got a boost when his uncle invested money in the Manchester Zoo, and, busy with other ventures, asked his father to be resident director. As a teenager, Iles went to live in the zoological garden. For him it was a dream come true. "Can you imagine anything more wonderful?" he marveled.

By age 18 Iles was busy visiting some of the world's most famous zoos, and became interested in zoo management. He attended Manchester University, studying zoology and biology—anything to do with animals.

Two years later, the Great Depression brought changes to his uncle's situation. "I had to leave my university studies and work in the zoo,

but I continued my studying nevertheless," Iles said. In 1933, after his father had suffered a heart ailment, Iles found himself appointed director of the Manchester Zoo—much to his surprise and delight—at the tender age of 21.

Iles continued his work at the zoo for 25 years, gaining both knowledge and experience, and did his first broadcast on the BBC during this period. "I became a regular broadcaster for 20 years, very often on a weekly basis," he said of the venture that won him the title of Most Popular Broadcaster in Manchester two years consecutively.

"When TV came around, I threw myself into that," he said. In 1952 Iles hosted a wildlife show that ran for five years. "My first TV broadcast was rid-

ing the back of a hippo named Tony," he recalled. The BBC reproduced his office on a set, and he hosted a variety show of guests and animals, including lion cubs, snakes, a baby elephant, and chimpanzees.

His move to Canada came in the 1950s, when out of the blue he received an invitation from Montreal asking him to supervise construction of the projected Montreal Zoological Park, which was planned for Angrignon Park.

"What attracted me was there wasn't a zoo here but all the land. I'd have the wonderful job of planning it and watching it being built to my specifications," Iles said.

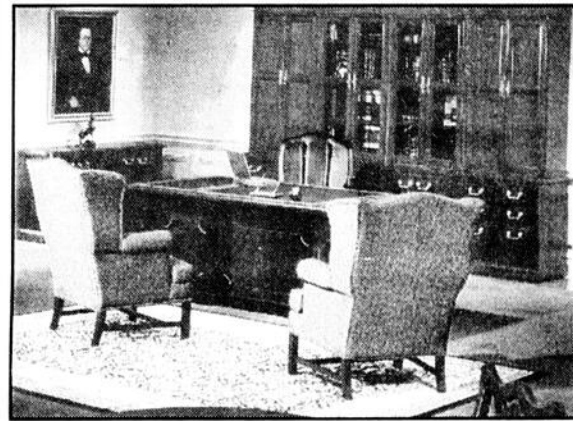
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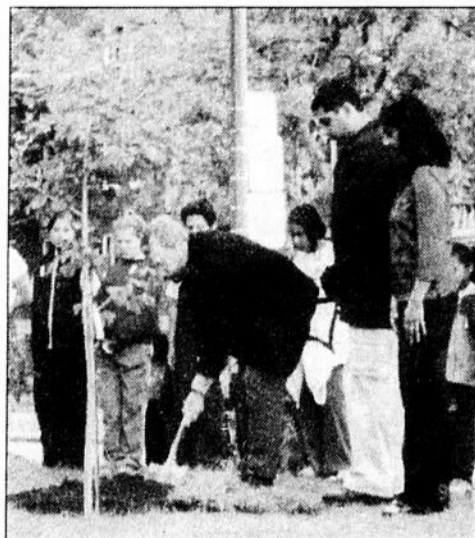
Westmount Park School's seventh annual Terry Fox Marathon of Hope took place on Sept. 21, and this year's event was dedicated to Stephen Jacob, a Westmount Park gym teacher who died of cancer last May.

Mr. Jacob's family, WPS staff and students gathered to honour him at a memorial ceremony and planted a tree in his memory.

Stephen Jacob influenced and enriched the lives of students throughout his 25 years of teaching at WPS.

"Mom, we need to walk for Terry Fox to help people who might get cancer—just like Mr. Jacob," said one student to his mother, who was among the volunteers out supporting the event.

The memorial ceremony set the tone for WPS's most successful fund-raising campaign ever in support of the Terry Fox Foundation.



Principal Paul Saunders plants a tree in memory of longtime gym teacher Stephen Jacob at a moving ceremony at Westmount Park School.

Bournaki tunes up for Carnegie Hall

Janet Forest

Ten-year-old Marika Bournaki sits at her piano, playing Schubert—but there is no sheet music in front of her. Playing from memory, her tiny fingers fly back and forth over the keys with ease.

"If I use (sheet) music, I'm not concentrating on the piano, I'm concentrating on the (sheet) music," Marika explains. By memorizing pieces, she finds she can focus more on her technique and listen to herself.

She is preparing this piece for her upcoming performance in New York. Although many people visit that city to see the Empire State Building or stroll through Central Park, the young Grosvenor Avenue resident is taking her first trip to the Big Apple in order to make her debut at Carnegie Hall on Nov. 10.

Marika competed at the World Piano Competition, which was held in Cincinnati last July. The competition brought together more than 200 young participants representing 35 countries. She was awarded second prize and invited to play at the winners' gala concert. On Nov. 10 she will perform along with other winners and will receive her prize and certificates.

Marika started piano lessons when she was five years old. Aside from her most recent achievement, she has won numerous awards and prizes, including two first prizes at the Montreal Classical Music Festival in May of this year, and in July she placed second at the nation finals of the Canadian Music Competition in Quebec City.

Marika gets her musical background from her father, violinist Pierre Bournaki. Her younger siblings also play music. Nine-year-old Emanuel plays the cello, and Clara, six, has just started playing the violin. The three children often practice and perform together.

Marika chose the piano after listening to CDs and various recordings. "I like the sound of it," she says. "It has a beautiful sound."

Marika says performing is what she loves best about being a musician—playing in competitions and at con-



Piano prodigy Marika Bournaki

certs. She has performed with the McGill Chamber Orchestra and at other solo recitals. She has also recorded a recital for CBC Radio and was featured on two television programs that will air this fall on CBC. Her favorite experience so far has been playing with the Montreal Symphony Orchestra.

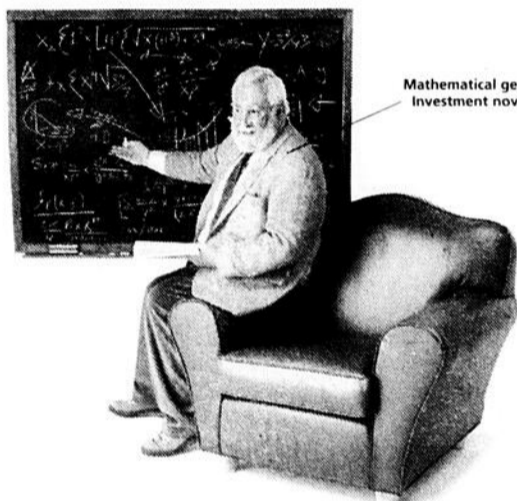
Marika also enjoys traveling. Her musical talent has taken her and her family to Edmonton, Virginia and Toronto and all over Quebec. Next year she is planning to compete in Romania.

Pierre Bournaki said that when Marika has competitions in different cities, they go as a family and make it worthwhile. They take time to sight-see and enjoy the cities. While in Toronto, they spent a week in the city and went to Niagara Falls.

Mr. Bournaki studied in New York for seven years and he and his family are looking forward to their weekend in New York. They plan to visit Julliard and visit some friends, as well as eat pizza at some of New York's best pizza places.

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Church hosts Harvest Moon Sale

On Nov. 10, St. Andrew's-Dominion-Douglas Church, located on The Boulevard between Roslyn and Lansdowne Avenues, are holding their third annual Harvest Moon Sale.

The bazaar, the chairs of which are Julie Dawson of Westmount Avenue, Judy Johnston of de Casson Road and Donna Fraser, will emphasize autumn as well as the Christmas season.

In answer to public demand, the Harvest Moon Sale will feature a much

bigger bake table where one can also buy jams and jellies, pickles and other homemade confections.

There will be several other attractions including an art gallery, collectibles and antiques.

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Political overtones haunt Westmount's Halloween

Martin C. Barry

When Gisèle Bonnardeaux was looking for a Halloween theme to horrify her neighbours to the limit, it didn't take long to find something appropriate.

The Oakland Avenue resident, who has been one of the most visible opponents of the forced amalgamation of her city with Montreal since the controversy began, simply looked around at some of the election campaigning that's been going on recently.

Montreal Mayor Pierre Bourque's face became the centerpiece of Bonnardeaux's Halloween display on her front lawn.

"Since Halloween is a celebration of

horror and nightmares... and Mayor Bourque is the main promoter of this Machiavellian idea behind the loss of our cities, the loss of our freedom to choose, for me this is the real horror," she said.

Bonnardeaux depicted Bourque as a pirate, she said, because "this is piracy in the modern era." Her 21-year-old daughter, Émilie, loves Halloween. As a result, the family puts on an elaborately horrifying exhibition in their front yard every year.

Amidst a great number of Halloween displays to be seen on virtually every Westmount street this year, Bonnardeaux was not the only resident who decided to add a political twist to hers.

On Rosemount Avenue, the Salvatori

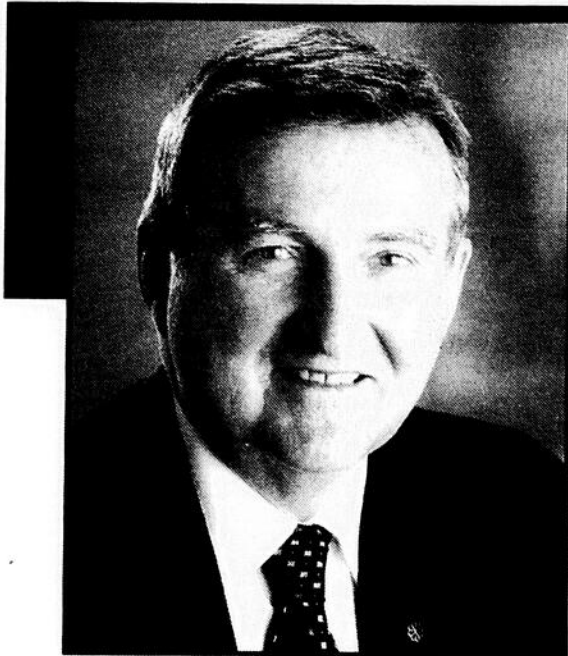
and Casgrain families created an anti-merger graveyard featuring 28 styrofoam gravestones, each bearing the name of a Montreal Island municipality fated to be merged out of existence. (Brossard was included at the request of a family member from that South Shore city.)

Pierre Casgrain dressed as the Phantom of the Opera. Donna Salvatori said they decided, in view of recent concerns over terrorism, to hold a Halloween party in their front yard for the neighbourhood's children.

"Westmount is very special and we are very community-oriented," said Salvatori, who added that the city's amalgamation with Montreal "will be a big change for us."



Emille Bonnardeaux displays her family's anti-Bourque Halloween display



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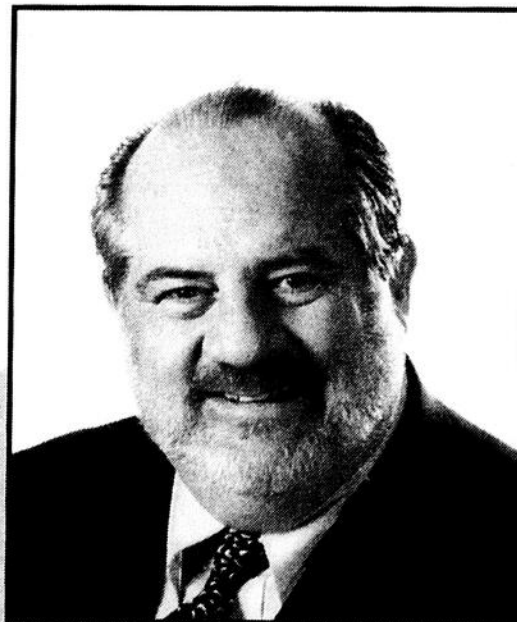
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City revises snow removal plans

Snow that falls on Westmount this winter will have a little further to go before the spring thaw, according to a motion passed by city council last month.

Anything left after blizzards in the months to come will be trucked 90 km out of the city to the Royalmount snow dump.

The cost is about one dollar per cubic metre of snow and there have been some worries about the cost of fuel in transportation. But city councillor Tom Thompson, who raised the motion at the October council meeting, isn't overly concerned.

"The distance (to Royalmount) is a

little further, but we could actually see a reduction in fuel prices because of the economy and trouble in the airline industry," he said.

A good portion of each year's fall ends up in Westmount's own snow dumps. But every year large amount has to be carted outside the city so local facilities aren't overwhelmed.

The final resting place for Westmount's extra snow used to be in Ville Lasalle. But as Thompson pointed out, Lasalle has its own removal needs. "They tried their best to accommodate us," he said. "But if we have another winter like last year, there just isn't going to be enough room."

Naturalist Gerald Iles reflects on a busy career

(continued from page 11)

However, three days after he arrived, he saw that plans had already been drawn up. "After looking at the plans for five minutes, I knew it would be a great catastrophe if it was built."

Iles consulted zoo directors in New York, Philadelphia, Paris, London, Frankfurt, and Zurich. "Without exception all agreed with me," he said. "I was told the zoo would be built."

The architect's "great idea," as it was put, was to build the zoo entirely out of glass. Gorillas, chimps, and orangutans would live in glass boxes. "In summer, to shut them in glass boxes is criminal," Iles pointed out. Giraffes, he explained, are very temperamental, and if startled, their first instinct is to run. "With glass walls, I could see giraffes with broken necks and broken legs." It simply wouldn't have worked.

When Iles told city officials that animals could die if the plans went through, he was horrified by their reply: "Then we'll buy new ones."

"It was obvious the City of Montreal and I weren't going to see eye to eye, so we parted," he said.

Iles soon took on another project—trying to raise money to build an aquarium, and he founded the Zoological Society of Montreal to operate it. "I knew an architect who very kindly gave his services. He took my ideas and did a projection as to what the aquarium would look like."

A company agreed to give the Society \$1.2 million if the aquarium was done in time for Expo '67. Iles visited aquariums throughout North

America and finished up in New York. "Everything looked wonderful," he said.

But at the last minute, he said, "the promise was withdrawn from the Society and handed to the City of Montreal." The aquarium was in fact built and run by the City, but it eventually shut down.

Iles pioneered the first trips up the St. Lawrence River to see the whales feed. He led safaris in Africa, which "naturally were very enjoyable." He founded the Canadian branch of the World Wildlife Fund and came up with the idea of building a wildlife conservation and environment pavilion on a ship that would later go on tour to raise interest and money for the Fund—but the sponsor decided instead to build a moveable ice rink. "It was a great, great disappointment," he said.

Iles then went on to become a film actor. "I played in 32 different films, which was fun to say the least," he said. "I did all that, but I never lost interest in animals. I've been very lucky."

Today Iles remains active and is currently writing his memoirs.

Westmounter Diana Scott, a close friend, hosted a celebration for him last week. "I felt he should be honored on his ninetieth birthday," she said, even though his actual birthday was last August. The lunch's guest list included friends from South Africa, and some of the people who had been on the safaris led by Iles.

"It was low key," Scott said of the celebration. "It was relaxed, and everybody enjoyed it."



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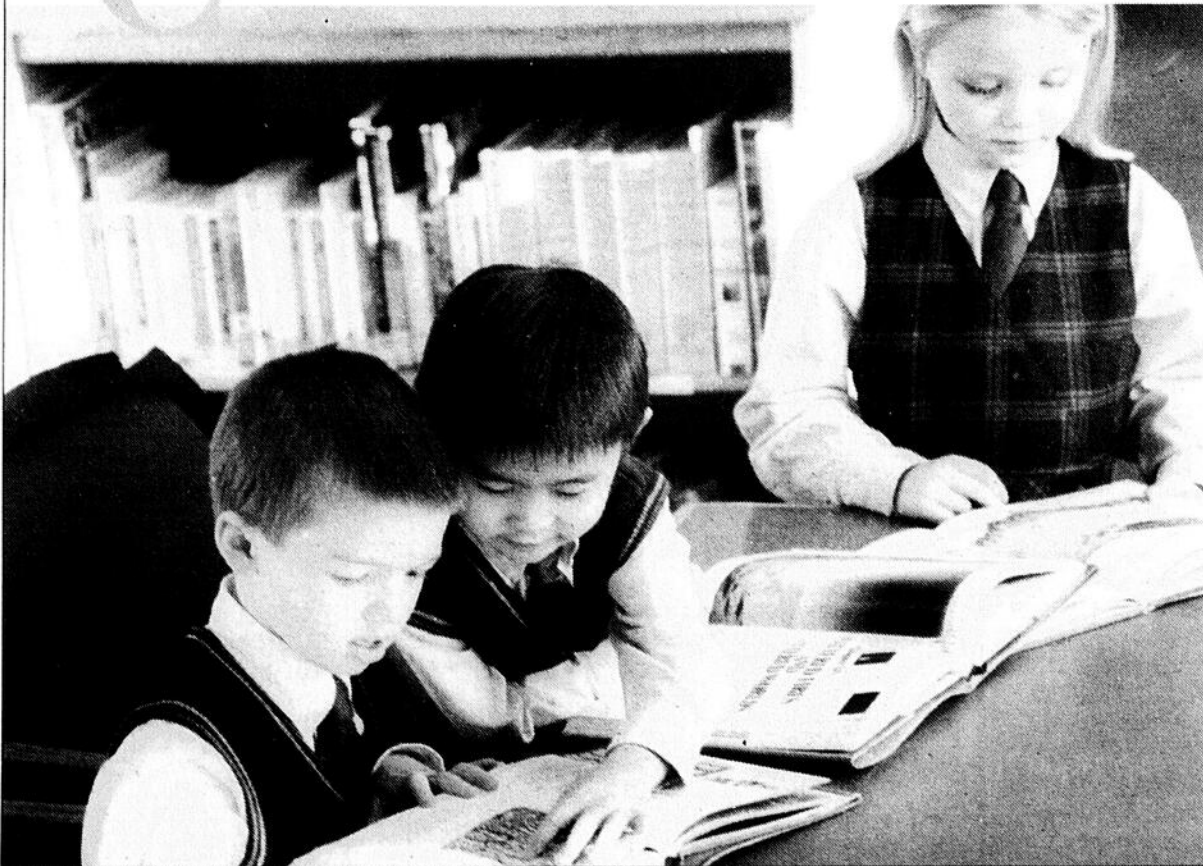
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ON TO THE FINALS!

Bantam Gryphons overcome rain and cold to defeat Loyola 25-15.

Ben Raby

Rain and cold ruled the day, but it was the Selwyn House Gryphons who came out victorious in an impressive 25-15 win over the Loyola Braves in last Friday's semi-final match at Loyola.

The ten-point victory is simply another step forward for the Bantam Gryphons, who have enjoyed an impressive 2001 season which has seen the squad suffer just one defeat in seven games.

Friday's semi-final showdown against rival Loyola marked the first meeting between the schools since a bitter 20-20 tie earlier in the season.

Both clubs finished the regular season with identical 3-1-1 records, good enough for a second place tie—but when it comes to the playoffs, regular season numbers have a funny way of proving inconsequential.

The game began with less than ideal

playing conditions, which would prove to be significant throughout the day. Still, despite a game-time temperature closing in on the freezing point and a constant rainfall, both teams came into the contest ready to play. In fact, on Loyola's opening possession, the home side drove the ball deep into Gryphons' territory, leading to an important fourth down from Selwyn's four yard line. Perhaps, the weather was a factor, but Loyola chose to go for the endzone rather than attempt a chip shot field goal. The decision proved to be costly as the Braves came up short, falling on the half yard line, inches away from the goal line.

The Gryphons capitalized on the very next play with quarterback Beno Shell Schnitzer, a Westmount native, running 105 yards for the game's first touchdown, giving Selwyn an early 7-0 lead. Selwyn added to their lead minutes later, as Casey Auerbach, also of Westmount, scampered in for an eight-yard rushing TD, increasing Selwyn's lead to 13-0 at the end of the first quarter.

The Braves closed the gap in the second quarter with their first score of the game, cutting the Gryphon advantage to 13-7 at halftime.

Despite a five minute intermission—the traditional fifteen minute break was shortened due to the weather—the Gryphons appeared well rested and ready to build on their lead as the second half began. On Loyola's opening drive of the half, the Braves marched upfield, only to see a promising possession end with a fumble, which found its way into the hands of Gryphon David Freidman. The turnover, which would prove to be the only slip-up of the game, was a huge confidence boost to the Gryphons, who responded offensively marching 70 yards before scoring again to take a 19-7 lead. The drive was highlighted by a fourth and eight conversion by Shell Schnitzer, before Westmount's Justin Morretti pounded his way in for the one-yard rushing score. For insurance purposes, the Gryphons scored once more in the fourth quarter, taking a 25-7 lead on a 30-yard touchdown run by Joe Stonehouse.

While the Braves would go on to add another eight points late in the contest, the game may have been one of Selwyn's

best overall performances of the year with both the defensive and offensive units playing equally impressive football.

"We couldn't have asked for a better performance from the team," said head coach Steve Mitchell. "The guys did a great job of putting the cold aside, and played great ball all afternoon."

The win earns the Gryphons a berth in the championship, where they will host Notre Dame, who upset the first place LCC Lions in last week's other semi-final. While the LCC loss eliminates the possibility of an LCC-Selwyn final, the showdown against Notre Dame should be competitive as well.

"They're a great team, and we only beat them by two points earlier in the season," said Mitchell, referring to the Gryphons' 28-26 victory in the regular season finale. "We know they like to air it out, they pass three out of four plays, so as long as we have a strong pass defence, I think our offence can take care of the rest."

The championship takes place this Saturday at the Westmount Athletic Grounds with kickoff slated for 10:30 a.m.



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LE LOTISSEMENT»

AVIS PUBLIC est par les présentes donné par la soussignée, greffier de la Ville de Westmount,

1. Lors de sa séance générale du lundi, 1er octobre 2001, le Conseil municipal de la Ville de Westmount a adopté par résolution le premier projet de règlement 1310, intitulé «RÈGLEMENT VISANT À MODIFIER LE RÈGLEMENT 1301 CONCERNANT LE LOTISSEMENT»;
2. Une assemblée publique de consultation aura lieu le jeudi, 8 novembre 2001, à 18h45, à la salle du Conseil de l'Hôtel de ville de Westmount, 4333, rue Sherbrooke ouest, Westmount, Québec, H3Z 1E2;
3. L'objet de cette assemblée publique de consultation est d'expliquer le projet de règlement n° 1310 dont l'objet est de corriger une mesure linéaire dans le Tableau 4.1 et le Tableau 4.2 du Règlement 1301.
4. Au cours de cette assemblée, le maire expliquera le projet de règlement et entendra les personnes et organismes qui désirent s'exprimer;
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PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given by the undersigned, City Clerk of the City of Westmount,

1. At its general meeting held on Monday, 1st October 2001, the Municipal Council adopted by resolution, a draft By-law no. 1310, entitled "BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW 1301 CONCERNING SUBDIVISIONS";
2. A public consultation meeting will be held on Thursday, 8th November 2001 at 6:45 p.m., in the Council Chamber, at Westmount City Hall, 4333 Sherbrooke Street West, Westmount, Québec, H3Z 1E2;
3. The purpose of this public consultation meeting is to explain the draft By-law no. 1310, the object of which is to correct a generic measurement in Table 4.1 and Table 4.2 in By-law 1301;
4. During this meeting, the Mayor will explain the draft by-law and will hear every person or body wishing to express an opinion;
5. The draft By-law 1310 may be consulted at the Office of the City Clerk, at City Hall, 4333 Sherbrooke Street West, Westmount, Québec, during regular office hours, Monday to Friday inclusively, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Janak Singh dominates men's tennis tournament

Ben Raby

Westmount's annual tennis tournament has become a fall tradition, and this year's event once again brought out some of Westmount's finest players.

The exceptional quality of play at all levels resulted in one of the most exciting tournaments in recent memory, as well as a collection of interesting story lines.

On the men's side it was 26-year-old Janak Singh who led the way, accomplishing a remarkable feat by winning both the men's singles and doubles events.

Singh coasted through both the singles and doubles draws losing only one set between the two events, on his way to the unique victories. The only set Singh lost came in the doubles final before he and partner Vladimir S. Tchoumakov came back to win the championship match by a 3-6, 6-2, 6-4 score.

The exciting doubles final was literally a match for the ages featuring both Tchoumakov, at 57, the oldest player in the tournament, and 13-year-old Sean Brophy, the youngest player in the men's event.

As for Singh, he is pleased with his play throughout the tournament, which began in early September. "Following my loss in last year's singles championship match (Singh fell 6-1, 6-0 to Axel de la Beaumelle), I was really looking forward to this year's tournament," he said. "I couldn't have asked for a better ending."

While Singh is happy with the results, he is quick to point out that it is the friendly amateur atmosphere he enjoys most from the event, he participated in for the second time in as many years.

Singh now heads to his native India until March, where he will continue to play tennis, hoping to improve his game on the grass surface. Growing up in India and England, he was a pro-am badminton player and the national junior champion in India when he was 16. It was only in 1993, at the age of 18, that he began to play tennis, which makes his strong play in the Westmount tournament truly admirable.

As for defending his titles, Singh says it depends on where he decides to pursue his university education next fall. While he says there is a possibility of remaining in Canada, he will be looking into schools in Europe and the U.S. as well.

Meanwhile, on the junior side, it wasn't quite Serena and Venus Williams taking to the court—but friendly sibling rivalries did steal the show. In the boys' 14-and-under tournament, it was Sean Brophy winning the event for his third consecutive year as he defeated younger brother Dylan 6-1, 6-1 in the final.

Brophy also reached the final in the boys' 16-and-under competition, a tournament he won last year as well. In this category however, he failed to successfully defend his title as he fell to Louis Century 6-4, 6-2. For Century it was his

second career Westmount tournament victory, while he has also won a GMAA high school tournament representing Royal West.

In keeping with the family theme, Louis's younger brother Adam was the winner in the boys' 12-and-under category.

Other winners in the 2001 Westmount tennis tournament include Justine Dannenburg (girls' 12-and-under), Masako Shatani (women's singles), Shatani and Keiko Kumamoto (women's doubles) and Vicky Naday and Oleg Loutochin (mixed doubles).

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PREMIER PROJET DE RÈGLEMENT No 1309
JEUDI, 8 NOVEMBRE 2001
19h00



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PUBLIC NOTICE
PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETING
FIRST DRAFT BY-LAW NO. 1309
THURSDAY, 8th NOVEMBER 2001
7:00 P.M.

À TOUTES LES PERSONNES INTÉRESSÉES PAR UN PREMIER PROJET DE RÈGLEMENT NO 1309 INTITULÉ «RÈGLEMENT VISANT À MODIFIER LE RÈGLEMENT 1303 CONCERNANT LE ZONAGE (AGRANDISSEMENT DE L'ÉCOLE SELWYN HOUSE)»

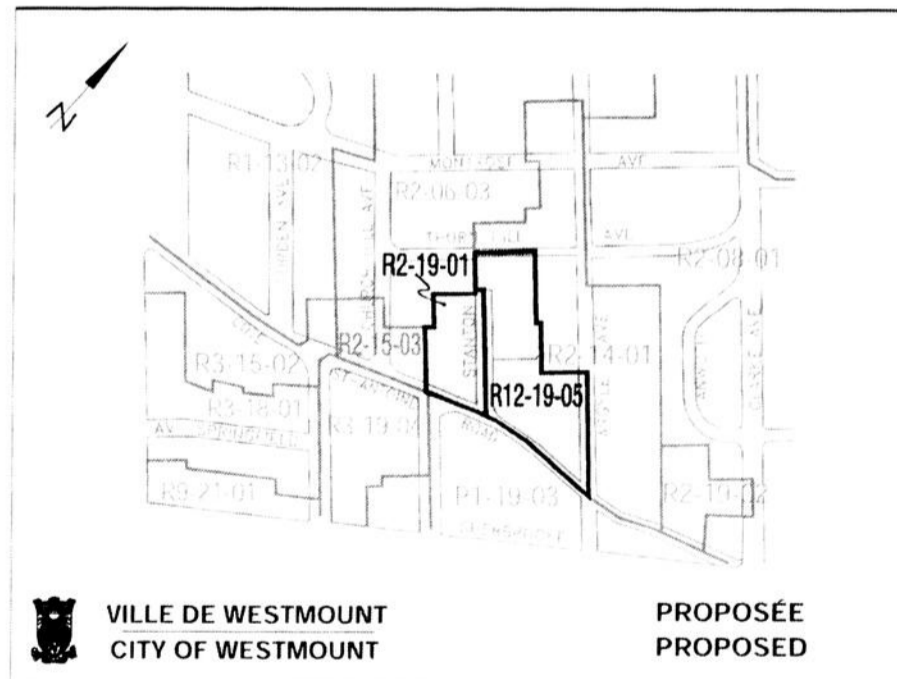
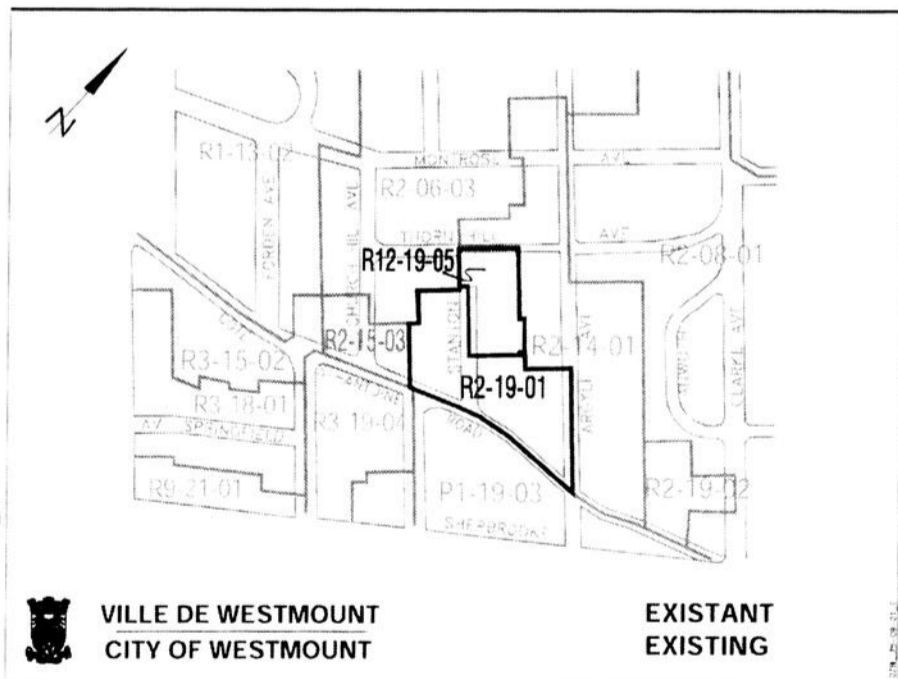
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PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given by the undersigned, City Clerk:

- Lors de sa séance régulière du lundi, 1er octobre 2001, le conseil municipal a adopté, par résolution, le premier projet de règlement 1309, intitulé «RÈGLEMENT VISANT À MODIFIER LE RÈGLEMENT 1303 CONCERNANT LE ZONAGE - AGRANDISSEMENT DE L'ÉCOLE SELWYN HOUSE»;
- Une assemblée publique de consultation aura lieu le **jeudi, 8 novembre 2001, à 19h00**, à la salle du Conseil de l'Hôtel de ville de Westmount, 4333, rue Sherbrooke ouest, Westmount, Québec, H3Z 1E2;
- L'objet de cette assemblée publique de consultation est d'expliquer le premier projet de règlement n° 1309 dont l'objet est de permettre l'agrandissement de Selwyn House et notamment :
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 - de stipuler qu'aucun bâtiment ne doit être établi dont le mur a front sur une rue, à l'exception d'un mur à pignon, et s'étend au-delà de l'élévation-repère 197,00 de Westmount;
 - en changeant le RSP dans la zone R12-19-05 de 1.0 à 1.3;
 - de permettre que les espaces de stationnement soient sur un autre emplacement à condition que :
 - le site soit contigu à l'emplacement;
 - le règlement permette le stationnement sur l'emplacement;
 - le droit d'utiliser ces espaces est donné en perpétuité à la ville de Westmount par servitude;
 - d'enlever Selwyn House de la liste de bâtiments permis par droits acquis seulement.
- Au cours de cette assemblée, le maire expliquera le projet de règlement et entendra les personnes et organismes qui désireront s'exprimer;
- Le projet de règlement comporte des dispositions propres à un règlement susceptible d'approbation référendaire;
- Le projet de règlement s'applique aux zones R2-19-01 et R12-19-05;
- CROQUIS DES ZONES EXISTANTES ET CROQUIS DES ZONES PROPOSÉES:**

- At its general meeting held on 1st October 2001, the Municipal Council adopted by resolution the first draft By-law no. 1309, entitled "BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW 1303 CONCERNING ZONING (SELWYN HOUSE EXTENSION)";
- A public consultation meeting will be held on **Thursday, 8th November 2001 at 7:00 p.m.**, in the Council Chamber, at Westmount City Hall, 4333 Sherbrooke Street West, Westmount, Quebec, H3Z 1E2;
- The purpose of this public consultation meeting is to explain the first draft By-law no. 1309, the object of which is to allow an extension to Selwyn House School by:
 - Modifying the limits of zones R2-19-01 and R12-19-05;
 - Including Selwyn House in Zone R12-19-05 which allows Teaching Establishment as a use;
 - Establishing the elevation of the highest point of the roof or gabled end wall in zone R12-19-05 to 200.00 Westmount datum;
 - Stipulating that no building shall be established any wall of which fronting on a street, except a gabled end wall, extend above elevation 197.00 Westmount Datum;
 - Changing the FAR in zone R12-19-05 from 1.0 to 1.3;
 - Permitting that all or part of the required parking spaces be established on another site provided:
 - such site is adjacent to the lot;
 - the by-law permits such parking on such other site;
 - the right to use such spaces is granted in perpetuity by servitude in favour of the City;
 - Removing Selwyn House from the list of buildings which are allowed by acquired rights only.
- During this meeting, the Mayor will explain the draft by-law and will hear every person or body wishing to express an opinion;
- The draft by-law contains provisions making it a by-law subject to approval by way of referendum;
- The draft by-law concerns existing Zones R2-19-01 and R12-19-05;
- SKETCHES OF THE EXISTING ZONES AND OF THE PROPOSED ZONES:**



Les croquis des zones existantes, ainsi que des zones proposées sont reproduits ci-dessus:

The sketches of the existing zones and of the proposed zones are reproduced above:

8. Le premier projet de règlement no. 1309 peut être consulté au Bureau du greffier, à l'hôtel de ville, au 4333, rue Sherbrooke ouest, Westmount, Québec, H3Z 1E2, du lundi au vendredi inclusivement, durant les heures d'affaires, soit de 8 h 30 à 16 h 30.

8. The draft By-law 1309 may be consulted at the Office of the City Clerk, at City Hall, 4333 Sherbrooke Street West, Westmount, Quebec, during regular office hours, Monday to Friday inclusively, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Thursday, Nov. 1

New books from Guernica Publications will be launched at the Double Hook, 1235A Greene Ave., from 7 to 9 p.m. Info: 932-5093

Saturday, Nov. 3

Mary Thomas and James Moffat will be signing copies of 'Behind Enemy Lines: a Memoir of James Moffat' at the Double Hook, 1235A Greene Ave., from 10 a.m. to noon. Info: 932-5093.

Sunday, Nov. 4

The Leisure Institute of Congregation Shaar Hashomayim, 450 Kensington Ave., presents guest speaker Ann Weinstein, who will discuss 'On Snooker', Mordecai Richler's last published work, at a 12:30 p.m. luncheon. \$4 for members, \$5 for non-members. Info: 937-9471.

Tuesday, Nov. 6

The Westmount Public Library, 4575 Sherbrooke, presents 'Tea and Oranges' with Quebec writer Nicole

Brossard at 7 p.m. Info: 989-5386.

Entre Nous Senior Group at Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom, 395 Elm Ave., presents Anita David, who will show slides and speak about 'Beautiful South of Africa'. Brown bag lunch at noon, program at 1 p.m. Charge \$1. Info: 937-3575.

Wednesday, Nov. 7

Poet Deborah Eibel will read from her work at the Double Hook, 1235A Greene Ave. at 7:30 p.m. Info: 932-5093.

Sunday, Nov. 11

Westmount Remembrance Day service will take place at 2 p.m. at the cenotaph, Sherbrooke Street at Argyle Ave.

The Leisure Institute of Congregation Shaar Hashomayim, 450 Kensington Ave., presents guest speaker Doreen Cons, who will discuss 'Hearing Loss and Assistive Devices' at a 12:30 p.m. luncheon. Info: 937-9471.

Monday, Nov. 12

English Book Club of the Westmount Library, 4574 Sherbrooke, will meet to discuss Carole Corbeil's novel, 'In the Wings', from 7 to 9 p.m. Info: 989-5386.

Wednesday, Nov. 14

Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom, 395 Elm Ave., presents Book Lovers Forum II with Rabbi Leigh Lerner, who will review 'The Mark of the Angel' by Nancy Huston. Coffee at 9:30 a.m. Review at 10 a.m. Info: 937-3575.

Thursday, Nov. 15

Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom, 4100 Sherbrooke, presents Women's Rosh Chodesh with guest speaker Freda Ginsberg, who will discuss 'What Makes a Jewish Woman Jewish?' at 7:30 p.m. Reserve in advance. Info: 484-7826

Saturday, Nov. 17

Christmas Bazaar at St. Matthias' Church, 10 Church Hill, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Featuring attic treasures, baked goods, jewelry, jams and jellies, crafts, plum puddings, children's table, plants, etc. Info: 933-4295.

Sunday, Nov. 18

The Westmount Public Library presents 'Jack and the Beanstalk' in conjunction with the McGill Faculty of Music, at 2 p.m. at Victoria Hall. Space is limited. Info: 989-5229.

The Leisure Institute of Congregation Shaar Hashomayim, 450 Kensington Ave., presents guest speakers Norma Gilbert, and Rene Cassin who will discuss 'The Secrets of Remembering' at a 12:30 p.m. luncheon. Info: 937-9471.

Tuesday, Nov. 20

Entre Nous Senior Group at Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom, 395 Elm Ave., presents speaker Dr. Paul Saba, president of the Coalition for Physicians for Social Justice. Brown bag lunch at noon, program at 1 p.m. \$1 Info: 937-3575.

Saturday, Nov. 24

Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom, 395 Elm Ave., presents Rabbi Leigh Lerner with a Shabbat healing service, at 10:15 Info: 937-3575.

Sunday, Nov. 25

Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom, 395 Elm Ave., presents 'Jews of the World on Sunday Morning', with guest speaker Gilles Parkman, Consul General of the Czech Republic. Breakfast at 9:30 a.m. Lecture at 10 a.m. Free admission. Call to reserve. Info: 937-3575.

The Leisure Institute of Congregation Shaar Hashomayim, 450 Kensington Ave., presents a variety show with Al Schafer and friends at a 12:30 p.m. luncheon. Info: 937-9471

Monday, Nov. 26

Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom 395 Elm Ave., presents Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Leigh Lerner to discuss reform Judaic views on long-term non-marital relationships. Brown bag lunch at noon (coffee provided) 12:30 lecture. \$1. Info: 937-3575.

Ongoing

Portrait and Figure Studies, an exhibition of works by Charles Colby and Elizabeth Marshall Imrie, continues at the Gallery at Victoria Hall, 4626 Sherbrooke, through Nov. 15. Gallery hours are Monday to Friday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and weekends from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Info: 989-5226.

'The Shapes of Time: 1991-2001', a survey exhibition of the collage works of John A. Schweitzer, at the McClure Gallery of the Visual Arts Centre, 350 Victoria Ave., from Nov. 2 through 24. Gallery hours are Tuesday to Friday from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and weekends from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Info: 488-9558

The Reading Council for Literacy Advance in Montreal (RECLAIM), 4350 Ste-Catherine St. West #314, will be holding tutor training workshops on Nov. 20, 22, 29, Dec. 4 and 6. Information sessions will be held Nov. 6, 7, 13 and 14. Info: 369-7835

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The Westmount Walking Club meets each Tuesday and Thursday at 6:15 a.m. sharp at the corner of Church Hill and Côte St. Antoine for a walk up to the Summit and down. The walk will take about 45 minutes and will be cancelled if it rains. Everyone is welcome. No dogs, please. Info: Anna Hospod at 935-4920.

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Talmud Study Session at Temple Emanu-El-Beth Sholom, 395 Elm Ave., every Saturday at 9:15 a.m. beginning Sept. 15. Rabbi Leigh Lerner and Rabbi Elina Bykova take turns teaching contemporary Talmud classes. Info: 937-3575.

Westmount Toastmasters Club meets each Thursday at 7 p.m. at Victoria Hall. Learn to speak in public with confidence. We welcome guests. Info: 367-5986.

Overeaters Anonymous, a non-profit self-help group welcomes anyone who wants to stop overeating. Weekly meetings at the Westmount YMCA' 4585 Sherbrooke, on Saturdays at 2:30 p.m. Info: 488-1812.

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that the drastic reduction in the megacity polling buildings and polling booths would bring chaos and a compromise of the democratic right of citizens to vote, the Committee chose to ignore such warnings.

Accordingly, the Oct. 28 advance poll was replete with chaos and the denial of the vote to many citizens. I saw numerous elderly citizens become frustrated and leave without voting. What historically took citizens ten minutes in prior Westmount elections was extended to two hours and 15 minutes last Sunday.

While the Transition Committee and Pierre Bourque have been promising no reduction in services to citizens of suburban towns and cities, such citizens are seeing first-hand why the megacity concept is morally, economically and administratively bankrupt, well before inception.

Reality reflects that such promises of certain politicians (ie Bourque, Minister Louise Harel and the Transition Committee) are empty. Deeds speak louder than words.

What evidence is required to further prove that the democratic rights of citizens were, and continue to be, compromised by the conduct of the Parti Québécois, a government that forced the passage of Bill 170 after a "consultation process" in the National Assembly of 40 minutes!

Citizens should exercise patience and ensure that they "stay the course" and vote next Sunday, notwithstanding a government decrease from eight to four buildings and from 59 to 21 polling stations therein.

The lower the citizen turnout next Sunday in the suburbs, the better for Pierre Bourque.

Howard B. Hoppenheim
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