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Bird's-eye view

Virginia Rogers (left), age 5, Leyla Carvalho, 4, and Samuel Desjardins, 4, get an eyeful of a Great Horned Owl at the Great Bird and Nature Fair Sunday at Westmount High School. The annual two-day fair coincided with the 80th anniversary of the Province of Quebec Society for the Protection of Birds.

Losing view
of station
lamented

BY SARAH MUSGRAVE

The city's hands are tied when it comes to a residential development slated for the base of Victoria Avenue, city councillor Jim Wright said this week.

"As long as it's within the bylaws, we're legally bound to issue a permit," he said in response to criticism of the proposed townhouse project aired at a meeting of the Westmount Municipal Association Monday night.

"It hides the station and destroys the view from St. Catherine Street, and the whole view from the east," Grosvenor Avenue resident Don Wedge said. "I'm worried they (the buildings) may become the slums of tomorrow."

Although plans for the land were made public in August, some residents said they didn't realize the townhouses would close in so tightly on the station house.

The project is still before the city's planning commission, which has tried to keep a "cone of vision" and 10 per cent green-space on the site.

Canadian Pacific intends to donate the station house to the local historical association once a deal with the housing developer is sealed.

Stage set for playreaders' group

BY SARAH MUSGRAVE

The ghost of Charles Darwin has been haunting a home on Grosvenor Avenue for quite some time. However his spirit may be exorcised tonight at Victoria Hall, in a new play about the famous scientist who shied away from the limelight during his lifetime.

"Someone has to let the world know who was really behind the beard," commented Lionel Siegel, fresh from finishing the first draft of his musical play called Origin. It will be read tonight in the first of a free, monthly

series organized by the newly-formed Westmount Playreaders.

Although Darwin is a household name, beyond the basics of his theory of evolution few people know much about the man who revolutionized the 20th-century view of the world, according to Siegel.

In fact, Darwin spent much of his life avoiding conflict. He suffered from all sorts of seemingly stress-related ailments including upset stomach, headaches and dizziness. And although he spent 19 years working on his theory, writing to scientists the world over

about their work, he had to be convinced to make his findings public.

"He kept the manuscript locked up in a closet under the stairs. His friends kept saying 'publish, publish' but he said he wasn't ready," Siegel explained.

It's partly that disdain for self-promotion that got the former television producer hooked on telling the tale of Darwin's life and work. Siegel wrote and produced prime-time series like 1960s-classic Peyton Place, as well as The Six-Million Dollar Man and

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Thursday, Nov. 20

Snow Removal in Westmount: An Annual Dilemma is the title of a talk by Fred Caluori, director of Public Works for the City of Westmount, who will describe the changes in attitudes and practice of snow removal from the streets of Westmount over the past 30 years. At a meeting of the Westmount Historical Association on Thursday, Nov. 20 at 7 p.m. at the Westmount Public Library, 4574 Sherbrooke St. West. Non-members \$5. 925-1404.

Soprano Nicole L'Orange, accompanied by Charles Meinen on viola and Lauretta Altman at the piano, will perform a free lunch-hour concert at Dawson College on Thursday, Nov. 20 at noon in Reception Hall 5B.16.

Saturday, Nov. 22

Craft and Bake Sale on Saturday, Nov. 22 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Church of the Advent, corner de Maisonneuve Blvd. West and Wood Avenue (near Dawson College). Handmade Christmas and other crafts plus homemade baked goods. Soup and cheese lunch \$2.

Sunday, Nov. 23

Dog Day Afternoon, featuring dog competitions, exhibits and demonstrations, Sunday, Nov. 23, 1 to 3:30 p.m. at Victoria Hall, 4626 Sherbrooke St. West. Presented by the Westmount Dog Owners Association and Westmount Public Security. Open to all.

Monday, Nov. 24

Julie Keath and Robyn Sarah will read their stories from 'Future Tense: New English Fiction from Quebec,' edited by Raymond Beauchemin and Denise Roig, Monday, Nov. 24 at 7:30 p.m. at the Double Hook Book Shop, 1235A Greene Ave. 932-5093.

Tuesday, Nov. 25

Ikebana International Bazaar at St. Andrew's-Dominion-Douglas Church, 687 Roslyn Ave., from 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 25. Home-baked goods, Japanese delicacies, silent auction, white elephant table, soup and sandwiches, Christmas crafts, plants. Info: 935-3266.

Adler Counselling Centre, 4823 Sherbrooke St. West, Suite 220, hosts a talk by Tom Caplan, MSW, on the clinical implications of domestic violence, Tuesday, Nov. 25 from 7 to 9:30 p.m. For professionals, students and lay-people. Open to the general public. Info: 931-8005.

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Song contest for kids

Kidzup, a locally-based children's recording company, has launched a nationwide song-writing contest for kids to encourage young people to develop their creative and writing skills while having fun.

The contest is the creation of Kidzup president Wendy Wiseman of Forden Crescent.

The contest is for children 13 and under. Songs may be in either English, French or bilingual and can be submitted on audio or video tape, or simply as a written lyric.

The prizes consist of Sony Discmans, Walkmans and collections of Kidzup CDs and cassettes. The first prize winner's song will be on the next Kidzup album and the writer will receive royalties!

All winners will be featured on the Kidzup website, www.kidzup.com.

In addition, the Kidzup Foundation, which owns 40 per cent of Kidzup, will donate \$3,500 to the winning schools: \$1,000 to the first-prize winner; \$500 to the second-prize winner; and \$100 to each of the 20 third-prize winners.

There is no cost to enter. The submission deadline is Jan. 31, 1998.

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In brief

G-G award to translator Scott

Montreal translator Howard Scott picked up the Governor-General's award Literary Award for translation this week. He receives a cheque for \$10,000 from the Canada Council for the Arts for his wordplay in *The Euguelion*, written by Louky Bersianik.

Chesterfield Avenue resident Jane Brierley was also short-listed for her translation of *Canadians of Old* by Philippe-Joseph Aubert de Gaspé. Brierley was profiled in *THE EXAMINER* last week for her career in the literary field which has spanned all genres including children's stories and science fiction.

In 1990, she won the award for another de Gaspé book, *Yellow Wolf and Other Tales of the St. Lawrence*. She said all the nominees had won at least once before.

Fireside stories at public library

With winter on our doorstep, it's time to start thinking about sleigh bells and snow.

Dramatis Personae, Westmount's community theatre group, is organizing *Tales From the Hearth*—a special evening of prose and poetry readings at the Westmount Library on Friday, Dec. 12 at 7 p.m.

Songs and stories celebrating the spirit of winter will be presented by members of the group, as well as anyone else interested in participating in this family event.

"We've done several poetry readings in the past," said organizer Barbara Gelinis, "but this is the first time we've asked people from the community to come forward."

Admission to *Tales From the Hearth* is free—with a non-perishable food item to be donated to St. Stephen's Church. Anyone wishing to present a song or story is asked to call Barbara Gelinis at 483-5033.

Book markers

College teacher helps readers remember in new publishing venture

BY SARAH MUSGRAVE

Are you an escape artist, a detective, or an infidel?

These are just some of the categories of readers described by two college professors in their companion volume for book lovers. Answering their quiz will tell you what kind of reader you are based on your reading habits and preferences.

The religious reader, for example, lives by certain commandments. Books are strictly forbidden while lounging in the bath, and pages are never folded as a reference mark.

Released last week, *'A Reader's Memory Book'* was put together by Claremont Avenue resident Richard Pawsey and colleague Donna Canuel. Both teach English as a second language at Lionel Groulx College in Ste. Thérèse.

"Some people always have their books in pristine condition, arranged on the shelves in alphabetical order. Mine might end up under the bed with dust and the dog's blanket," Canuel said.

The quiz may give you a good idea of what kind of housekeeper someone is, but you shouldn't read too much into personality types from the categories, they insist. Pawsey was classified as an infidel, an analogy he won't carry over into his personal life.

"I'm a loyal person and a good friend in real life. But I'll read five or six books at the same time. I'll start something then put it down or sneak away and read for awhile," he admitted.

In addition to the lighthearted questionnaire, the book is intended as a best friend and confidante for avid and fledgling readers.

"It really started because Donna would come into my office and look on my bookshelves and say, 'You're stealing my books!' and I'd say, 'You have a couple of mine.' It was hard to keep track of who was borrowing what," Pawsey recalled.

From there started brainstorming sessions over coffee, which led to seven helpful sections for readers. *Forget Me Nots* keeps track of books lent and borrowed. *Getting Your Words Worth* leaves space for rating what you read. The *Reader's Registry* is for listing ideal gifts and those received.

"I read so many books that when people ask me something I can now go back and tell them what it was. Or I'll get to the store and I can't remember the title of a book I wanted, but now it's in the book," Pawsey said.

The idea was quickly snapped up by a division of Chapters bookstores.

So far, the slim spiral-bound volume has had a



Photo by SARAH MUSGRAVE

Claremont Avenue resident Richard Pawsey and colleague Donna Canuel's new book has had a good reception.

good reception nation-wide, with advance orders already sold out at major chains.

It also includes information on setting up a book club, which the team hopes may be their ticket to the Oprah Winfrey show. A literacy advocate, Winfrey recommends a book on her talk show and then invites the author to discuss the publication a month later. Book clubs have taken off since gaining such a massive television audience, according to Pawsey.

The teachers are donating some of the proceeds from sales to *Bon Dieu Dans La Rue*, an outreach program which recently opened a learning centre for young people living on the streets.

"The message is that people should never have a hang up about what they are reading. Okay, so your son's only reading *Star Wars*. He'll grow with it. The most valuable thing is thank goodness you can read at all," Canuel commented.

The authors will be at Chapters, 1171 St. Catherine St. W. on Sunday, Dec. 14 at 2 p.m. to greet shoppers with their Christmas gift suggestions.

\$1 million donation from film executive

BY WAYNE LARSEN

Concordia University received a much-needed financial boost early this month when local film industry executive Mel Hoppenheim donated \$1 million to its cinema department.

Hoppenheim, who lives on The Boulevard with wife Rosemary, is the founder of Panavision Canada, as well as the Cité du Cinema studio facilities.

"I'm in the film industry—I believe that where you make your fortune you give it back," he said of his donation.



Hoppenheim

The money will be used to create the Mel Hoppenheim School of Cinema, as well as to update much of the department's equipment, Concordia's Dean of Fine Arts, Christopher Jackson said.

Cinema chair Peter Rist was pleasantly surprised by Hoppenheim's donation. "We're delighted to have this injection of money," he said. "This is the first time in Fine Arts that such a large amount of money has come to us."

Hoppenheim, 60, has lived in Westmount for the past eight years. He grew up on Montreal's St. Urbain Street and still refers to himself as "a true St. Urbain's Horseman." In fact his entry into the film industry really does sound like the stuff of a Mordecai Richler novel:

It all began with a trip to Mont Tremblant in 1965, where he happened upon a film crew and fell into conversation with them. Equipment, they complained, was difficult to come by. Seizing the opportunity, Hoppenheim soon found himself in business with

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Many school-board questions unanswered

BY WAYNE LARSEN

With less than a year remaining until Quebec switches over to linguistic school boards, many parents are worried about the future of their children's schools—and it's still too early for any definite answers.

But at least parents of students in Westmount's three Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal schools will have a better idea of the situation by Christmas.

PSBGM information officer Katherine Belrose said the board is currently preparing a detailed newsletter which all students will be bringing home before the holidays. It will contain all that is currently known about the complicated switch from confessional to linguistic boards.

Part of east board

Next year, Westmount Park, Roslyn, and Westmount High will be part of the Eastern English School Board. A provi-

sional council has been set up to examine each school and determine its future in relation to the new board.

Shifting boundaries, the proximity of other schools, the number of English schools in the same area, and even the condition of the buildings themselves will all have to be taken into consideration when the provisional council begins making definite decisions in the new year.

One of the biggest questions is whether some students will have to change schools,

but this should be sorted out by the end of March, the registration deadline for the 1998-99 school year.

"A number of PSBGM schools have students who come from quite far away and are not living in the territory of the new board," Belrose said. "On paper, at least, they belong to another board." But she was quick to add that the PSBGM's main objective in this whole process is to have minimal disruption. In the meantime, the

(See *WAIT*, page 10)

Station 12 police files

By DAVID GOLDBERG

Scream scares off break-in artist

The screams of a Summit Crescent resident scared off a man who broke into her home last week, one of two break-ins which may have been committed by the suspect that night.

Station 12 police say the man opened the home's aluminium door around 7:45 p.m. on Nov. 11. He then used a rock to break a small window on the interior door, and unlocked the door to gain entry to the home's dining room. The man searched several rooms, including the kitchen and living room. The only item he took was a woman's purse, which was on a table in the hall.

The 54-year-old female resident told police she saw the man in her home and began to scream. That scream caused the man to also let out a howl, and he then ran from the home. The woman's husband told police he chased the man, but eventually lost him.

Police combed the area moments after the break-in, and found the woman's purse on The Boulevard. The purse was open, its contents strewn across the ground. The only thing missing was \$85 in cash.

The thief is described as a white male, 30, 5 ft. 7 in. and 130 lbs. He wore black clothing and yellow gloves. Police say the same man, along with an accomplice, may have also been involved in a break-in earlier that same evening

on Sunnyside Avenue.

Around 7:05 p.m., the suspect again used a rock to smash through the window on the second floor of the home. However, the residents on the first floor heard the noise, called 911, and went upstairs. The police believe the suspect probably heard them coming up the stairs, and fled the house.

One of the residents told police she saw broken glass on the floor, along with sets of footprints.

Big smash for beer bash

A robber smashed through a grocery store window last week, just to steal some beer.

The incident took place just after 1 a.m. on Nov. 13, at Marché Clifford on St. Catherine Street. Police say they found a large rock

on the store's floor, which left an even larger hole in the store's front window. The only thing missing from the store was a six pack of Boréale beer.

The window was repaired the next day, at a cost of \$300.



Photo by BERNIE O'NEILL

Rot-o-rama

Anyone skulking around the city pound of late, at the Glen under the Ville Marie Expressway, might have noticed this black sports car sitting idly. How did it get there? Was it a suspect's getaway vehicle nabbed by police, perhaps? Seized in some kind of drug bust?

Turns out the 1972 Porsche was being kept in a rented parking space in an apartment building on Kensington Avenue.

The owner stopped paying the rent, and it is believed she has since moved to California. When she could not be contacted after several months the car was towed to the pound. That was back in March.

Turns out the car is not in great shape.

The floor has rusted and the engine doesn't run, according to the police officer who had the car towed to the pound. He pegged the value of the Porsche at about \$500. One front fender has also been badly dented.

The Porsche is one of about seven cars in the city pound—most of less alluring makes and models—that have been either seized or abandoned. Most have little value, according to Const. Lise Bergeron, who noted that when a car is considered valuable it is taken to the Montreal city pound where there is better security. She added that the Porsche will soon become the property of the City of Westmount, which means it will be auctioned off next year.

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Crafting an informative fair

Arts and crafts event Nov. 29 a chance to learn

By SARAH MUSGRAVE

Westmounters can do some Christmas shopping and learn about crafts without going far from home next weekend. Victoria Hall will be transformed into an emporium of handiwork on Saturday, Nov. 29 when the annual arts and crafts fair gets under way.

Among the items for sale will be hand-worked leather bags, intricately-patterned Ukranian pysanka eggs, finely marbled Victorian-style stationery and woven clothing.

About 35 artisans have been selected by an independent panel for the quality of their work, according to coordinator Sylvia Wedge of Grosvenor Avenue. This is the ninth year the event features work from the local community as well other areas of Quebec.

Multi-talented textile artist Judith Dallegret is busy putting the finishing touches on her quilted creations in her studio on Prince Albert Avenue in preparation for the show.

With a background in fine arts, Dallegret is also known for her colourful knitted clothing and scarves and rug hooking which she attributes to her Nova Scotia roots.

"I've collected fabrics for about 25 years, so I thought I better start quilting!" she joked. "I've always loved colours and painting. With a quilt, you can take a painting and curl up in it. Or you can hang it on the wall. Or it can be an adult's fluffy blanket."

Dallegret uses beautiful floral designs by Liberty in England, scraps of her daughter's childhood dresses, as well as dyeing her own fabrics and painting them. She then cuts up the paintings and rearranges the pieces on a sheet, before settling down to sewing it all together. A quilt for a queen-size bed in a traditional log cabin design might take as long as a year to finish but she also creates baby blankets in polar fleece as well as cheerful potholders. Whatever the size, the result is a hand-crafted piece of artwork that can be put to good use in the home.

She said quilting is thriving and is starting to be recognized as a legitimate form of art.

"It's more than a craft. If you don't know much about quilting you might think it's just little old ladies. It's really taking off. On the Internet you can get in touch with quilters all over the world," she commented.

Local ceramic artist Shinko Jager will display her cane-handled tea pots, vases and plates



Photo by SARAH MUSGRAVE

Textile artist Judith Dallegret displays traditional star design.

which are inspired by the traditional folk pottery of Japan. She moved to Montreal from California three years ago and now teaches pottery techniques at the Visual Arts Centre on Victoria Avenue.

Oriental delights

Delights from far-away places will prevail in the Oriental room, where Japanese calligraphy expert Hiroko Okata is scheduled to demonstrate her traditional work with brush and ink. Now in her 70s, the artist just finished a show at the Japanese pavilion of the Botanical Gardens.

"She's coming from Quebec City for the show. It's something special for people to be able to see her work. It's really her passion and she's exceptional at what she does," Wedge commented.

Visitors can travel back in time through works evoking the Renaissance. Engravings, miniatures and drawings by Daniëla Zekina are known for their delicate style. The award-winning children's illustrator has taken part in international exhibitions in Bulgaria, Slovakia, Spain, and

Italy as well as Canada. Her pieces have appeared at the Vermeille Gallery on St. Catherine Street.

The folk art of Constant Tremblay also evokes another time and place. His hand carvings depict the wagons, implements and animals used by his father, a traditional farmer in Les Eboulements, Charlevoix.

Other highlights include the work of sculptor Eva Ferenczy Reichmann, who has just finished a major downtown show at the Canadian Guild of Crafts. "Her animals are very distinctive. You can always tell it's her work. There's a lot of movement in the pieces," Wedge said.

Now for the first time, book lovers will have a room of their own. Nine book collectors from Confrérie de la Librairie Ancienne du Québec will bring to the hall a variety of rare and out-of-print books, along with their expertise. Mystery and detective first editions and naval history are among the volumes to be perused.

The Westmount Arts and Crafts Fair takes place Saturday, Nov. 29 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Victoria Hall, 4626 Sherbrooke St. West.

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By Reg Morden

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EDITORIAL

Soliciting for souls *Sometimes bylaws go too far*

You start to worry about society's tolerance level when you hear the amount of support being voiced for a bylaw in Blainville under which Jehovah's Witnesses are being fined \$250 for "soliciting door-to-door." Are they true "colporteurs," or peddlars of religious materials? And if so, so what? It's as if this is the one thing that seriously threatens the quality of life on this planet (or in Blainville)—people who knock on your door and then employ plain talk and strange magazines in an effort to take possession of your soul. (And no, they are not selling subscriptions to *Maclean's*.)

It really seems kind of extreme. Finally we've come up with a means to legislate away one of life's little annoyances, so we can all stay inside and watch television in peace, full time. What's next? A trap door for the porch so that the next time a Witness comes calling you can flip the switch and send him down the chute directly to the police station?

There is a 'tarrification' bylaw on the books here in Westmount that compels kids selling chocolate bars and the like to register at city hall. And a soliciting bylaw is in the works, in an effort to control, but not curtail, commercial soliciting and soliciting for charities. The intention, it would seem, is not to use it the way it is being used in Blainville.

Can we really sick the police on a religious group for interrupting dinner or disturbing us on a Saturday morning by ringing the doorbell?

As the name implies, the Jehovah's Witnesses are "witnessing," or making a public affirmation of their beliefs, as they have been doing since the 1930s. Going door-to-door seeking converts—not to mention warning people to "get ready" and take stock of their lives in anticipation of Judgment Day, because the world is ending and Jesus is coming, etc.—is part of the program.

We think they're nuts. They think we're nuts. That's life. They have a right to their beliefs. They have a right to practice their religion.

They're Jehovah's Witnesses, not Jehovah's Hermits.

If they want to "put the saint in Côte St. Luc," then so be it. What right do we have to stop them from trying?

To say it's an invasion of privacy is overstating it. They are not beaming themselves into our living rooms *à la* Star Trek, after all.

Nor, for that matter, are they mowing down tourists or blowing jumbo jets out of the sky.

They are knocking on doors trying to strike up conversations.

If you don't want to talk to them they can be gone in five seconds.

That is if you're quick enough to say, "No thanks," and close the door. (Perhaps that seems too harsh and you're tempted to take the magazine and say something gentler like, "I'll read it when I get the chance—still ploughing through that federal election campaign literature," or "I'd love to chat but I've got something burning on the stove," or "I gave my soul at the office, ha ha," although if you allow your lips to flap too long they'll think of a way to keep you talking, as in, "Oh ya? What are you cooking?" or "Wasn't that election held in June?" or "You work for a newspaper?" Before you know it you'll be knocking on doors, too.)

The point is, if you can't stand the occasional unwanted ringing of your doorbell perhaps you should seriously consider acquiring a small cabin in the woods, far away from the troubles of the world, where you won't need a doorbell.

Yes, life has its little annoyances and, for many people, the Jehovah's Witnesses are one of them. Sometimes we have to put up with people we don't agree with or things we don't like.

—Bernie O'Neill

Letters welcome

The Westmount Examiner welcomes letters to the editor and will make every effort to print them, space permitting. The more concise the letter, the better its chances of being printed. Letters must be signed and bear the writer's address and daytime telephone number. Write to: The Editor, 210 Victoria Ave., Westmount, Que., H3Z 2M4, or fax 484-6028.



FROM THE MAIL BAG



Signing people's treaty on land mines

To the editor:

More than 100 governments are expected to sign the Landmines Ban Treaty in Ottawa on Dec. 3 and 4. At the same time state officials are signing, the public will be invited into the main foyer of the Conference Centre in Ottawa to "sign," that is, endorse, the treaty themselves.

The event is meant to draw attention to the fact that the ban is very much the "people's treaty," both in the amount of popular support it has received and in the need for continued, grassroots action to

ensure it makes a difference in the lives of mine victims.

This letter is an invitation for groups in Westmount to organize a People's Treaty signing event in your community on Dec. 3 and 4.

Mine Actions Canada will provide interested groups with a People's Treaty kit, including the text of the Landmines Ban Treaty.

At their public events, groups may wish to create banners, quilts, a peace wall, sculpture, or other creative expressions of popular support for the ban treaty.

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events could eventually be used as the cornerstone of a more ambitious legal strategy.

Mines Action Canada is a coalition of peace, development, relief, church-based and other non-government organizations working at a political level on the mine problem.

For more information, call (514) 362-8020.

Paul Gagner

Regional Vice-President Quebec
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Quebec's unhealthy spending practices

To the editor:

It is frankly obscene to consider that former premier Jacques Parizeau increased the Quebec deficit by \$600 million to finance his 1995 referendum strategy, while at the same time his health minister, Jean Rochon, cut many hundreds of millions of dollars from Quebec's health and social services in his effort to trim that very same deficit.

With the cold winter ahead and the homeless looking for food and shelter, the physically- and mentally-ill searching, sometimes in vain, for timely access to health

services, the benefits of security of our aged disappearing from underneath them, the young and the illiterate desperately in need of better education, the infrastructure of the province (road services, etc.) painfully lacking and already claiming its victims, and the forced unemployment of downsizing quickly becomes the plague of the new millenium, it is maddening to hear that the Quebec government is spending even another \$20,000 of our increasingly-hard-to-come-by tax dollars on a glossy new separatist brochure.

Despite Jean Rochon's hollow

assurances that his health cuts are over with, he has stated for this fiscal year another \$125 million of cuts to Montreal's health services.

The government is faced with serious but dear choices to make. Will it be jobs, services, benefits and security, all of great social concern to Quebecers, or, on the other hand, will it be separatist politics, the social relevance of which truly defies credibility.

Jack Rothstein

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Old News

(from the examiner archives)



Five years ago

November 19, 1992

YES OR NO: Westmounters have two weeks in which to cast votes for or against the city's proposed \$7.5-million library renewal project. Do you and your family use the Westmount Public Library frequently or occasionally? Do you support the project, yes or no? Those are the two questions on the ballot mailed out to all households and commercial properties this week, along with a description of the project to repair, restore and build an extension on to the century-old building.

Fifteen years ago

November 18, 1982

LONG-TIME LIBRARIAN: "From the moment I was allowed to cross Sherbrooke Street by myself, I used to sit and read in the corner of the children's library," says Norah Bryant, retiring chief librarian of Westmount Public Library. The old children's library has since been converted to offices and Mrs. Bryant adds, "Now, I sit in the same room—just in a different position." After 20 years as chief librarian, Mrs. Bryant will retire officially in January.

Twenty-five years ago

November 23, 1972

STRUGGLING SCHOOL: St. Leo's Academy will remain open for the 1973-74 school year. Miss Monique Lessard, the principal, gave this assurance this week in face of declining enrolment which has caused many parents and friends of the school to fear that the local institution might be forced to close its doors, leaving Westmount without a French Catholic school. The administration has recommended that the academy continue to operate although only 25 per cent of its space would be in use.

Thirty-five years ago

November 23, 1962

GLOW IN THE DARK: You can see a Westmount traffic officer for three blocks. Someone said they look like Christmas trees but with their fluorescent coats, car lights make them stand out like glow worms. The new reversible apparel fills two functions. The policeman wears the black side out when he is on beat duty. The fluorescent side of the coat, cap and mitts are plainly visible for motorists.

Forty-five years ago

November 21, 1952

HIGH HOCKEY HOPES: Not since the days when such famous names as the Patrick Brothers, Art Ross and Russ McConnell wielded a stick on Westmount rinks, has the city been so hockey conscious. A revision is planned by Rocky Rockwell, recreation supervisor, who has formed the Westmount Municipal hockey league this year which he hopes "will put the district back on the hockey map." Already the league boasts 225 young players with a total of 19 teams consisting of peewee, bantam, midget and juvenile.

Four leases and a mortgage

We have just moved house for the fifth time in the five years that we've lived in Montreal. When my friends first heard we'd be moving yet again, they proffered tea and sympathy: "Moving again, Jan? You must be bonkers. We couldn't do it."

Everyone hates moving, including me. And it doesn't get any easier, no matter how many times you do it. I am a hoarder. I throw nothing away—leftover Christmas cards, Chinese worry balls, clothes circa 1966. I'm the kind of person who strays into a local deli to buy frivolities that remain in various pantries for 10 years, such as the virgin cold-pressed olive oil from the Groves of Tuscany with red peppers and coriandered ugli fruit that should have been consumed by the spring of '88.

One of the men from the removal company, a Goliath of a man, with huge pecorals, was flabbergasted (not to mention winded) by the weight of my boxes. "What have you got in there, lady? The remains of a Mafia syndicate?" he asked, puffing and blowing as he tried to heave a packing case onto his muscular chest. "Good guess," I joked, "so you can go bury that one in cement under the Champlain Bridge." One has to maintain a sense of humour while one's life's possessions are being loaded on and off a 10-ton truck and driven to new horizons. Moving disturbs your equilibrium, as everything gets stirred up: rhythms, routines and security. I know too well the coldness of rooms filled with packing cases; of saying goodbye to empty, echoey rooms and looking out of windows for the final time.

In the first two years here we moved twice. Two different condos in the Pom Bakery on St. Catherine Street. Move No. 1, we only had personal items as it was a furnished flat, so there we were with a trolley (supplied by the management) carting loads of Lego and Barbies and assorted clothes and knickers along the genteel,

silent corridors and elevators. But move No. 2 was bigger as we'd furnished the second apartment throughout. So we called in the movers. After two more moves, I'd had enough, especially when the landlady of our last apartment put it up for sale and a stream of people would walk through our lives and our front room with alarming frequency.

Putting out of our minds the unstable political situation and the declining state of Montreal, we decided to buy a house. In my case, in the hope that the financial shackles of a mortgage would curtail our peripatetic lifestyle, for a while at least.

My friend Sue, a regular at Open Houses, accompanied me to several on wet Sunday afternoons. Over here one hooks up with real-estate agents, who seem to be a lot more charming than their British counterparts. When I lived in London every other estate agent was a yuppie with bumfluff who drove a BMW and would tell you condescendingly that you wouldn't stand a hope in hell of buying a pied-à-terre the size of a shoebox in trendy Islington, for under 150K.

Unsurprisingly, estate agents were regularly voted in surveys as the most hated professionals in London. These "wide-boys" usurped the snobby gentlemen agents of the 1950s and '60s who wore three-piece pin-stripe suits and handle-bar moustaches, and were no better. There's a story that Keith Richards of the Stones, looking like a hippy, walked into a posh estate agent's in London's Knightsbridge, searching for property near Harrods. The crusty old agent took one look at him and

told Richards he would be better off looking in Battersea (a working-class district of London on the other side of the Thames). Of course our "Keef" had the last laugh, as over the next few years he went on to acquire not only a snazzy two-million-pound 'pad' in Chelsea, but also a castle in Ireland, a chateau in the South of France, a Tudor Farm in Sussex and a swanky apartment in Manhattan.

As a species, real-estate agents are seemingly born with a superiority complex, or at least they are not shy in self-promotion. Not so my agent. She drives a Subaru and is decidedly more "down market" (and I am not using the phrase pejoratively). Rosalie and Carmen were wonderful women. I could trust and feel at ease with, and they never fed me a spiel. When Carmen and I put in an offer on a house, we got giggly on one glass of white wine and the euphoria of finding something that I really liked at last. Yes, this had everything the agent's "blurb" said it had: a country-style kitchen, original mouldings, and polished wood floors: A sturdy Victorian family house which reminded me of my London home. Best of all, we could afford it. It had the added bonuses of being opposite a park for the children, and nice neighbours (Sue included), quite a few of whom are Brits. I think I offended the vendor when I jokingly compared this little British corner of Westmount to Coronation Street. "I hope it's a bit more refined than that," she sniffed.

But as 'Goliath' said to me as he balanced the bottom half of our antique Captain's Chest on his hunky thigh—he fancied himself as a bit of a philosopher—"I can see you'll be happy here. It's your kind of house. Believe me lady, I've done a lot of moves so I know what I'm talking about."

In my own small way, I've done a lot of moves, too, and this one's the last. Definitely. Maybe.

Jan Kaluza



A tax hijack and a red herring

The \$500-million tax hijack by Quebec—reduced by popular demand to a mere \$375-million—is slowly fading out of the news. But the story had legs—it lasted six months, long enough to inflict quite a bit of damage on the PQ, enough damage to cause Premier Bouchard to step in and take over the management of this downloading exercise from Trudel.

Well, it's still not over. We are still saying NO. The Conference of Suburban Mayors is even looking into the possibility of a legal challenge, on the ground that municipalities can't take taxpayers' money and turn it over to Quebec to do with it what they will. The way I see it, we, by law, must return local tax money in the form of local services.

I am also suggesting to my fellow mayors to adopt 1998 budgets that do not take into account this bill from Quebec. It would be most illogical to continue to refuse our share of Trudel's bill, and, concurrently, make provision for it in our budgets.

In extremis, if all our efforts come a cropper and Quebec just takes the money from us, we can always adopt a supple-

mentary budget sometime next year that would also take into account any savings in employee costs that Trudel originally said he would help us with. This way, we would send out a "Trudel tax bill" (or a "Bouchard bill") that would clearly reflect the cost of this craven shirking of provincial responsibility. I just hope the mayors representing cities in PQ ridings off the Island do likewise. Nothing concentrates the voter's mind like an extra tax bill just before election time.

So, worst case, we're now looking at a tax increase of around 6.5 per cent.

I can claim partial credit for getting Westmount's bill cut by \$1,093,000 per year, thereby avoiding an additional 2.5-per-cent increase in your tax bill. This is because the original calculations included Westmount's purchases of electricity. I

made the case to the deputy minister that, for the eight cities in Quebec that distribute electricity, the downloading formula of 5.78 per cent of our expenses should not include our utility operations.

However, Westmount does get penalized for good management. The formula finally adopted—thanks to the *Union des Municipalités du Québec*—removes debt service costs from the calculation. So cities with very low debt like Westmount pay more, and heavily indebted cities like Laval, where 36% of the budget goes for debt, pay less.

A "red herring" refers to the practice of dragging a smoked herring across a fox's trail, destroying its scent for the following hounds. The new minister of the Montreal region, Robert Perrault, has come up with a dandy red herring to get the media lapping off in another direction: he is hell-bent for leather on merging the three transit corporations.

If you can stand me partially mixing smelly fish metaphors, Perrault thereby hopes to turn the downloading story into a shotten herring—a herring that had voided its spawn, and is therefore useless. We'll see.

MAYOR Peter F. Trent



Fire calls



From the fire hall

Monday, Nov. 10

8:03 a.m. 4571 Sherbrooke: Report of exterior gas leak causing an interior odour; readings revealed no gas; Gaz Met workers found no leaks; all was in order.

8:08 a.m. 4285 de Maisonneuve: Water in basement from broken exterior entry pipe; Montreal Water Works said they would attend to do repairs.

10:04 a.m. 4571 Sherbrooke: Report of strange odour; no odour found; employees told to have the dentists' suction system checked.

Tuesday, Nov. 11

12:51 p.m. 4943 Sherbrooke: Report of smell of freon; resident said their fridge had just been repaired and they noticed the smell; freezer shut down as a precaution but no odour detected; advised resident to call back repairman.

2:06 p.m. 29 Bellevue: Alarm set off accidentally by cleaning woman.

Wednesday, Nov. 12

1:46 p.m. Opposite 29 Ramezay: Car leaking gas due to hole in gas line; Absorball used on street; Public Security officers said they would attempt to locate owner.

4:35 p.m. 5785 Parkhaven: Cancelled en route.

Thursday, Nov. 13

2:24 p.m. 5785 Parkhaven: Cancelled en route.

3:59 p.m. 33 Arlington: Defective fire alarm.

7:58 p.m. 5 Park Place: Smoke detector set off by steam.

8:26 p.m. 4375 Westmount: Report of gas odour; readings detected no gas; the odour had dissipated and all was in order.

Friday, Nov. 14

11:09 a.m. 4354 Westmount: Alarm set off due to power failure in area.

11:17 a.m. 317 Roslyn: Alarm accidentally set off.

1:26 p.m. 1208 Greene: Problems with electrical panel; small amount of smoke coming from panel due to burnt fuse; power to panel shut off and occupant advised to call a repairman.

4:15 p.m. 5789 Caldwell: Cancelled en route.

8:44 p.m. 5025 Sherbrooke:

Report of loose roof lashing; entire roof checked and no lashing was loose.

tor.
9:27 p.m. 4625 St. Catherine: Smoke detector set off due to smoke machine in use.

Saturday, Nov. 15

7:36 p.m. 4141 Sherbrooke: Alarm set off due to water leak in sprinkler system; occupant advised to call a plumber.

7:39 p.m. 4314 Montrose: Defective carbon monoxide detec-

Sunday, Nov. 16

4:01 p.m. 4175 St. Catherine: Smell of smoke coming from chimney; smoke from roof being drawn into intake system; fire in fireplace put out and log removed.



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Official receipts will be sent by the Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal.

Each morning some 100 children take part in a subsidized breakfast program starting at 8 a.m. Since its inception there has been a marked improvement in the academic achievement of the children, according to principal Paul Saunders.

An inner-city school of the PSBGM, Westmount Park serves students from Westmount, Point St. Charles, Little Burgundy, St. Henri and the downtown core.

The school integrates into regular programs children who are visually and hearing impaired. It also provides special education programs to students who have academic or behavioural problems.

To learn more about how to help out with the nutrition program, call 935-4388.

Dawson thespians tackle witty Stoppard

By SARAH MUSGRAVE

This month Dawson students are tackling *On the Razzle* by Tom Stoppard, a witty retelling of a story that has tickled the fancy of the theatrical-minded for years.

First written by Johann Nestoy in the 1840s, it was later picked up by playwright Thornton Wilder to become the highly successful play *The Matchmaker*. That in turn sparked *Hello, Dolly*, a big-time musical named for the character Dolly Gallagher Levy.

Set in Vienna in the mid-1800s, Stoppard brings his own comedic twists to the farce. It's the tale of two shop assistants who escape the watchful eye of their master.

Taking on Stoppard is challenging at any level, according to Dawson teacher John Lucas, who is co-directing the production with Howard Ryshpan.

Concentration required

"His dazzling verbal wit requires discipline and total concentration. The cast must be perfect in terms of comic technique, the timing and also the pointing of the lines. In comedy like this, there is often only one way a line can be said," Lucas explained.

Siobhan Quinn of Lansdowne Avenue had more than lines on her mind as she prepared for opening night on Wednesday. "The hardest part is getting the lines and actions to work together, like speaking and running in this long Victorian dress. Basically I hope I won't trip over the dress and it won't fall off!" she joked.

Because there are about three times as many men as women enrolled in the program, there are actually two casts, with some students doubling up along the way. Quinn plays Lisette, the



Photo by DIANE MOON

Dawson students Ryan Kennedy (left), Andrew Farrar and Wendy Seeger take on the witty and challenging *On The Razzle*, opening this week at Dome Theatre.

French maid, in one staging. In the other she is Marie, the ward of the shopowner, who is in love with a penniless suitor.

At 19, Quinn is one of the youngest in her year. When she graduates in May, she intends to move to Ireland where the theatre and movie business is taking off. It means saying goodbye to her fellow students, who have been working together closely for three years.

"We're one big happy, dysfunctional family," she quipped. "You see the same faces every day. It's a wonderful program, it allows you to completely focus on the theatre."

On the Razzle runs Nov. 20, 21, 22 and 27, 28, 29 at 8 p.m. Matinees Nov. 27 and 30 at the Dome Theatre, 3990 Notre Dame St. W. Admission is \$7.50 for adults, \$5 for students and seniors. Call 931-5000 for reservations.



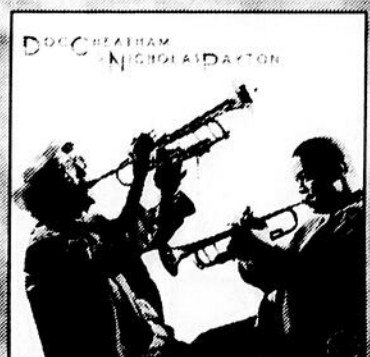
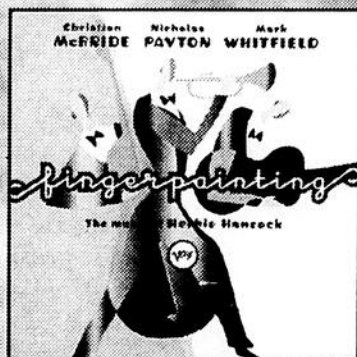
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Wait can be frustrating for schools

(Continued from page 3)
wait can be frustrating. Westmount Park principal Paul Saunders doesn't know how many, if any, of his 450 students will be attending a different school next year. "We have to sit back and wait," he said. "You can't react to something unless you know what it is."

Saunders agreed that transportation arrangements will be key in determining how many of his stu-

dents will return in September. In addition to sending home a newsletter, the PSBGM will set up an info-line to keep parents up to date. The provisional councils from each new board plan to complete the changeover by the end of the school year, roughly according to the following schedule:

November to January: Establish new school board names.

January to March: Register all students.

January to June: Transfer and reassign personnel (where necessary).

January to May: Distribute buildings.

March to May: Distribute educational services.

May to June: Distribute financial resources, establish school budgets, and establish school tax rates.

January to June: Prepare and hold school elections.

Film industry here challenging T.O., B.C.

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three partners from Westmount—Gerald Josephson, David Greenblatt, and Joel Pinsky. With \$27,000 they founded Panavision of Canada and began renting out equipment to local filmmakers.

"It was sheer entrepreneurship," Hoppenheim chuckles at the memory of his humble beginnings. Today, the Panavision camera system is used in 65 per cent of all motion picture filming worldwide.

But Hoppenheim never lost that entrepreneurial spirit. He has invested millions of dollars in various film projects over the years, supplying equipment and studio facilities for movies which he knew would otherwise not be made.

He has worked with some of Hollywood's biggest names—some of whom, like director Robert Altman, became close friends. The two met in Calgary during the shooting of Altman's 1976 western comedy Buffalo Bill

and the Indians or Sitting Bull's History Lesson. Hoppenheim remembers the set of that film as a battleground for practical jokes perpetrated by its star, Paul Newman.

"Newman was a real joker," Hoppenheim recalls. "He had a pair of fancy gloves embroidered with Indian beads that he was very proud of. Bob stole the gloves and boiled them in oil, but Newman got him back—he filled Bob's trailer with 200 baby chicks."

Big Allen fan

Listing Woody Allen as his all-time favourite director, Hoppenheim is quick to add his friend Francis Ford Coppola as a close second, describing him as "the true Godfather of film."

One of Hoppenheim's latest ventures began last year when Paramount called him in to work on Snake Eyes, the Brian de Palma film starring Nicholas Cage which was shot primarily in Montreal this past summer.

"With a \$70-million show, the money just flows," Hoppenheim says of the revenue a big budget film like Snake Eyes can pump into the local economy.

He also maintains that of all major industries, filmmaking is one of the most environmentally friendly.

"It's such a non-polluting industry," he says. "We shoot, we take the film, and we walk away."

Hoppenheim is confident that Montreal's film industry will continue to flourish. "We've caught up to Toronto and now we're chasing Vancouver—in fact we're on their tail," he said of the competition to become Canada's film production capital.

Meanwhile, Concordia's cinema department has two reasons to celebrate. Not only has Hoppenheim's \$1-million donation done much to brighten its future, but nominations for the upcoming Genie Awards include films by no less than seven Concordia graduates.



A roast to boast about

The Montreal Press Club recently donated \$19,000 to the Montreal Association for the Blind—proceeds from the club's SuperRoast IV honouring CJAD radio's Gord Sinclair for his 50 years in broadcasting. The September event, staged at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel, drew 375 people. A cheque was presented to Helen McCaffrey (left), managing director of the MAB Foundation, and Gordon McGilton, of Belmont Avenue, chairman of the board of the MAB Foundation, by Roger Cameron, president of the Montreal Press Club, and Gord Sinclair, who selected the MAB as the beneficiary of the roast.

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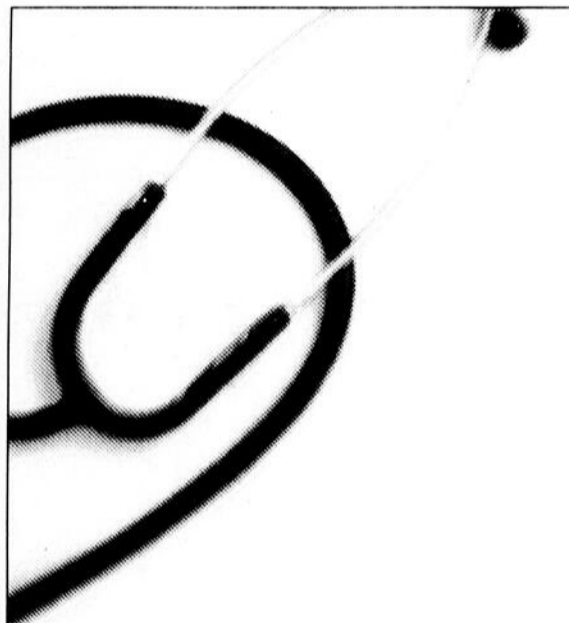
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Stores at streetcar stops

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passengers, tip in a shovel full of coal.

Housing development followed the streetcars all along the route. Clearly if the line could be further extended, more development would result. In 1893, after years of delay, Sherbrooke Street was lengthened to run through the town from its eastern to its western limits and beyond. The following year streetcar tracks were laid as part of the loop and Sherbrooke Street became the town's main artery.

Zoning regulations were eased to allow for commercial development and stores began to cluster

around the main streetcar-stopping points at the eastern and western ends of the town. Grocery stores, a butcher, drygoods, stationery, candy and toy shops all opened for business.

In 1894, the Merchants Bank of Halifax, later the Royal Bank, was set up at the corner of Greene Avenue, the first financial institution in the town.

Snow Removal in Westmount:
An Annual Dilemma is the title of a talk by Fred Caluori, director of Public Works, at a meeting of the Westmount Historical Association, today, Thursday, Nov. 20 at 7 p.m. at the library, 4574 Sherbrooke St. West. Non-members \$5. 925-1404.

West Hollywood to Westmount

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The Bionic Woman before moving to Canada from Los Angeles in the 1980s.

It's a long way from West Hollywood to Westmount, but Siegel has turned his talents to a different kind of writing in recent years. He penned four plays before taking on one of the world's greatest thinkers.

"I made it a musical play because I thought no one would sit still for a straight play," he joked. He's written the lyrics but he's still looking for someone to compose the score. Eventually, he hopes it will find its way to off-Broadway venues in England and North America.

In the meantime, tonight's reading is a unique and informal opportunity for audience and playwright to hear how it sounds for the first time. And Siegel is encouraging residents to come out and give him their feedback.

"Usually, when you go to the theatre you have to get your husband or your boyfriend, find a sitter, pay to park or risk a ticket, the seats can be uncomfortable, you take your sweater off or put it on," he said. "Then, if it's a good play you're stimulated. And what would be interesting for you, the audience, would be if the cast sat on the edge of the stage and you could share your ideas and what you thought."

Westmount Playreaders also involves dramatist Alexandre Haber and playwright Peter Madden who was instrumental in setting up a similar workshop downtown. Beggar's Opera was so named because its no-frills, no-cash reading squeaks by with volunteer actors doing it for the exposure and experience. West-end playwrights are invited to submit their work for reading, with preference given to local residents.

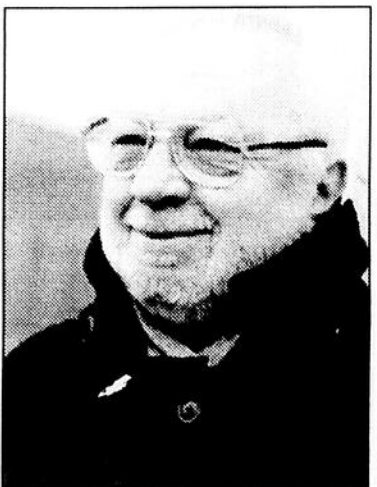
Origin traces Darwin's biography—his early pursuits in the gen-

tlemanly vocations of physician and minister before setting sail on the Beagle in 1842. His study of different species began as the boat charted the waters through the Atlantic, South America, the Pacific, Galapagos, Tahiti and Australia.

Despite the importance of his findings, no one could accuse Darwin of going after fame and glory. He didn't go out and do battle himself, leaving another scientist to defend his theories in the famous debate with religious leaders of the day. While his work has endured, Siegel pointed out that Darwin was never knighted like other scientists of the era. Only at the insistence of his friends after his death was he buried in Westminster Abbey next to Sir Isaac Newton with permission of Queen Victoria.

Even at home, it seems Darwin may have had a hard time winning recognition as his wife was a devout Christian, who worried that her husband would not join the family in Heaven.

"He was trying to account for life scientifically—not to scare anyone but to show that because it's a continuum, and because it tends to improve as time goes on, it's actually a good thing," Siegel said.



Lionel Siegel behind group.

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QUE le budget de la Ville de Westmount pour l'exercice financier 1998 ainsi que le programme triennal d'immobilisations de ladite Ville pour les exercices financiers 1998, 1999 et 2000, seront déposés pour adoption à une séance spéciale du Conseil municipal de la Ville de Westmount qui se tiendra le lundi 1er décembre 1997, à 20 h 00 dans la Salle du Conseil de l'Hôtel de Ville, 4333, rue Sherbrooke, Westmount, Québec; et

QUE, lors de ladite séance spéciale, les délibérations dudit Conseil et la période de questions porteront exclusivement sur ledit budget et ledit programme triennal d'immobilisations.

DONNÉ à Westmount, ce 19e jour de novembre 1997.

Me Marie-France Paquet
Greffier de la Ville

BUDGET 1998 - CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PROGRAMME 1998/1999/2000

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

Westmount

THAT the budget of the City of Westmount for the fiscal year 1998, and the three-year capital expenditure programme of the said City for the fiscal years 1998, 1999 and 2000 will be tabled for adoption at the special sitting of the Municipal Council of the City of Westmount, to be held on Monday, 1st December 1997, at 8:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall, 4333 Sherbrooke, Westmount, Quebec; and

THAT, at the said special sitting, the deliberations of the said Council and the question period shall deal exclusively with the said budget and the said three-year capital expenditure programme.

GIVEN at Westmount this 19th day of November 1997.

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Bulletin Board...

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Wednesday, Nov. 26

Bezael Narkiss, the world's foremost expert on Jewish art, will give a talk on Wednesday, Nov. 26 at 8 p.m. at Congregation Shaar Hashomayim, 425 Metcalfe Ave., in the Kiddish Room. Topic: 'From Salonika to Corfu: the transmigration of a Hannukah lamp.' Presented by the Shaar in conjunction with Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University. All welcome.

Canadian Aviation Historical Society hosts a talk by Doug Sample on the Yorkshire Air Museum Wednesday, Nov. 26 at 7:30 p.m. at Dawson College, Rm. 5B.16, 3040 Sherbrooke St. Landing fee \$3. Info: Bill Stocker, 697-4608.

Westmount YMCA, 4585 Sherbrooke St. West, will hold a free aromatherapy lecture/workshop on Wednesday, Nov. 26 from 7 to 9 p.m. with certified aromatherapist Janet Tarasofsky. For more information, call Ginette Bourque at 931-8046.

Thursday, Nov. 27

International reading by Mary Jo Salter and Brad Leithauser on Thursday, Nov. 27 at 5 p.m. at Dawson College amphitheatre 4C.1, 3040 Sherbrooke St. West.

Friday, Nov. 28

Véhicule Press gala launching celebrating books published in 1997, Friday, Nov. 28 at 7:30 p.m. at the Atwater Library, 1200 Atwater Ave. Info: 844-6073.

Saturday, Nov. 29

Westmount Arts & Crafts Fair, Saturday, Nov. 29 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Victoria Hall, 4626 Sherbrooke St. West. Textiles, metals, ceramics, printmaking, photography, wood, glass, paper, music and more.

Monday, Dec. 1

Holiday Flower Workshop with floral designer Kathryn Lamb at the Visual Arts Centre, 350

Victoria Ave., on Monday, Dec. 1 from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. or 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. Learn how to combine evergreens, cones, berries and flowers to create decorative holiday wreaths, garlands and centre-pieces. Cost includes materials. Info: 488-9558.

Thursday, Dec. 4

Westmount High School's '97 Winterlude Concert, Thursday, Dec. 4 at 7 p.m. in the auditorium. Come hear and cheer the fabulous Senior Jazz Band, the rocking Intermediate Band, the swinging Junior Jazz Band and the amazing WHS Jazz Combo. Special added attraction is Riverside Park Academy's Senior Band. Forty young musicians on stage for grand finale. Tickets at the door: Adults \$5, students/seniors \$3. Free for children under 5.

Sunday, Dec. 7

Third annual Westmount Santa Claus Parade, Sunday, Dec. 7 starting at 1 p.m. at Victoria Hall. Post-parade party at Victoria Hall. Children in costume encouraged. Call 989-9752 for information.

'Beyond the Borders'

Westmount artist Hollis Klein exhibits her works at Galerie Schorer, 5686 Monkland Ave. in N.D.G. to Nov. 29.

Preston Manning, leader of the Official Opposition, will give a talk on current issues at the next Jewish Business Network Supper on Thursday, Nov. 20 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Ernie & Ellie's Restaurant, Decarie Square, 6900 Decarie Blvd. RSVP: 844-5654.

Tibetan Bazaar and Cultural Fair on Saturday, Nov. 22 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Trinity Memorial Church, 2146 Marlowe Ave., corner Sherbrooke Street, in N.D.G. Performers, crafts, and hot and juicy Tibetan 'momos'—delicious dumplings made on the spot in the 'Lhasa Kitchen.' Admission \$3 for adults, \$2 seniors, children under 12 free. Proceeds to support the Canada-Tibet Committee. Info: 489-0186.

Congregation Beth-El's Giant Bazaar, Thursday, Nov. 20 from 5 to 9 p.m. and Sunday, Nov. 23 from 9 to 5 p.m., 1000 Lucerne Rd., T.M.R. All new merchandise. No admission charge.

Are you a British expatriate? If you have worked for 10 years in

the U.K., you may be eligible for a retirement pension. The non-profit Canadian Alliance of British Pensioners provides information and fights for indexing. Next meetings, Saturday, Nov. 22 at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. at Canadian Legion Hall, 5455 de Maisonneuve Blvd. West (corner Addington Avenue). Info: 846-1347.

Irish Ceili Dance at Royal Canadian Legion Hall, Addington and de Maisonneuve in N.D.G., Saturday, Nov. 22 at 8 p.m. \$5 advance, \$8 door.

Auction to benefit Westmount-based Giant Steps school for autistic children on Sunday, Nov. 23 from 1 to 4 p.m. at Ogilvy's, Tudor Hall, 5th floor, 1307 Ste. Catherine St. West. Viewing begins at noon. Admission \$5 per couple. Children under 12 free.

Arts Club holiday exhibition and sale of small paintings at 1840 Sherbrooke St. West. Vernissage on Sunday, Nov. 23 from 2 to 5 p.m. Show runs to Dec. 7. Info: 933-6405.

McGill Chamber Orchestra, under the direction of Boris Brott, will perform Handel's Messiah on Monday, Nov. 24 at 7:30 p.m. at Christ Church Cathedral (Ste. Catherine Street West, corner Union). Tickets at Place des Arts box office (842-2112) and Admission outlets (790-1245). Info: 487-5190.

Concordia Alpine Ski Team fundraising sale Nov. 25 to 30 at new location, 1455 de Maisonneuve Blvd. West, mezzanine level. Downhill and cross-country skis, snowboards, boots, clothing, new and used equipment for kids and adults. Used equipment can be dropped off Monday, Nov. 24 between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Info: Christine, 848-7474.

Dr. June Irwin, dermatologist and environmentalist, will be presented with the Montreal Council of Women's 'Woman of the Year' Award Wednesday, Nov. 26 at the Marriott Chateau Champlain Hotel on Wednesday, Nov. 26. Luncheon at 12:15 p.m., reception at 11:30 a.m. Tickets \$30. For tickets call Marjorie Windeler at 768-1245.

Mackay Centre's Annual Book Fair, Bake Sale and Craft Sale, Thursday, Nov. 27, 9:30 a.m. to 5

p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. New and used books, Christmas crafts and goodies. Profits to Mackay School library and computer program. All welcome.

German Society of Montreal presents traditional Christmas fair followed by dinner and dance in the evening at Town of Mount Royal town hall, 90 Roosevelt Ave., Saturday, Nov. 29 from 2:30 p.m. until 10 p.m. 465-0872.

Craft Fair at Edinburgh School, 500 Hudson in Montreal West, Dec. 5 from 1 to 9 p.m. Artisans, used books, bake table, children's activities. Snacks, sandwiches available.

Olde-Fashioned Musical Christmas, 2nd annual benefit concert at St. James United Church, Dec. 5 at 7:30 p.m., 463 St. Catherine St. West. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. Tickets \$15 at Admission or church office, 1435 City Councillors. Info: 288-9245.

Giant Bazaar: ORT Montreal holds its annual bazaar Dec. 7 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Decarie Square, 6900 Decarie Blvd. Family fashions, housewares, toys and more. Info: 481-2787.

Ongoing

Volunteer dishwashers needed for senior luncheon from 1 to 3 p.m., every second Wednesday commencing Nov. 13 at Centre Greene, 1090 Greene Ave. Call 931-6202.

Contactivity Centre for Seniors will hold a mini bazaar from 1 to 3 p.m. every Monday and Wednesday until Dec. 10 at 4695 de Maisonneuve Blvd. West, corner Lansdowne.

Bridge is held at Temple Emanuel-Beth Shalom every Friday at 11 a.m. and Sunday at 12:30 p.m., 4100 Sherbrooke St. West. ACBL Masterpoints. Light refreshments. Social bridge also available. Entrance \$5. All welcome. 395 Elm Ave.

Can Cope, a support group for cancer survivors, meets on the last Tuesday of the month, at the Queen Elizabeth Health Complex, in the coffee shop, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Info: VON, 866-6801.

Tuesday Morning Drop-in Playgroup at the Unitarian Church (corner Claremont and de Maisonneuve) now up and running. All children 5 and younger

are welcome when accompanied by a parent, grandparent or caregiver from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Play, crafts and singing. Coffee for the adults. Bring along snacks. Cost is \$2 per family. Info: 485-9933.

Moderation Management, a weekly support group for people who want to reduce their drinking. Thursdays, 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the Queen Elizabeth Health Complex, 2055 Northcliffe Ave., Suite 201. Info: call Judith at 736-1410 or 987-7433.

Cadet Corps #2675 of 3rd Field Engineer Regiment is now recruiting those between 12 and 19 for the current training year. Learn leadership, fieldcraft, orienteering and more. Sports, weekend camping and summer camps also offered, all for free. Visit Hillside Armory, 3 Hillside Lane, Fridays from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. or call (514) 289-8760.

Montreal Camera Club meets every Monday at 7:30 p.m. Slide shows, competitions, workshops. Visitors welcome. Westmount Park Church, 4695 de Maisonneuve West, entrance at rear. 497-1777.

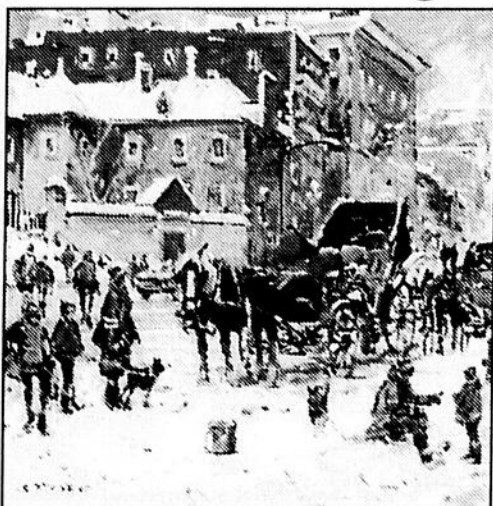
Westmount Toastmasters Club helps take the fear out of public speaking every Thursday evening at Victoria Hall, 4626 Sherbrooke St. West at 7 p.m. 989-5994 or 846-0074.

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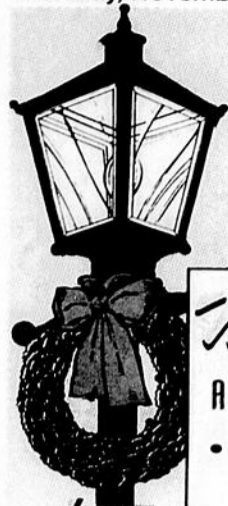
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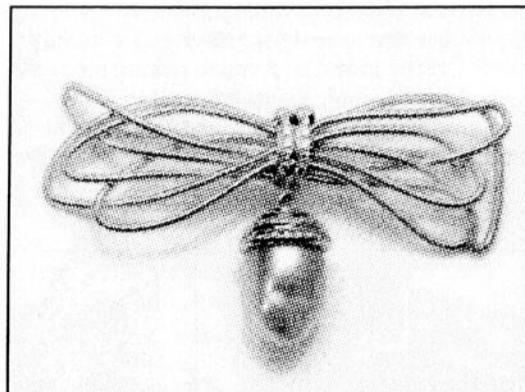
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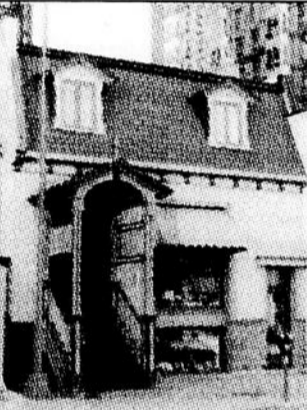
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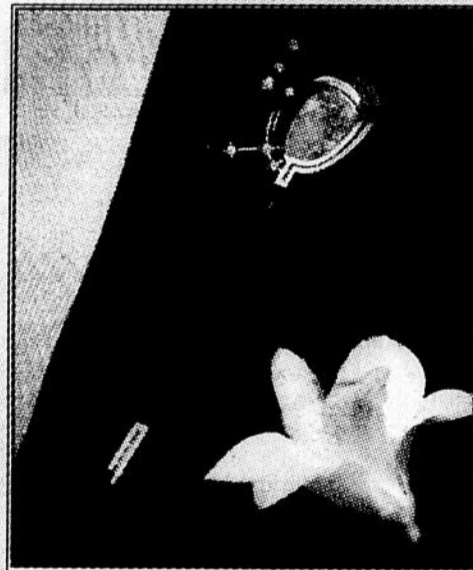
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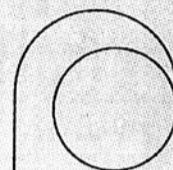
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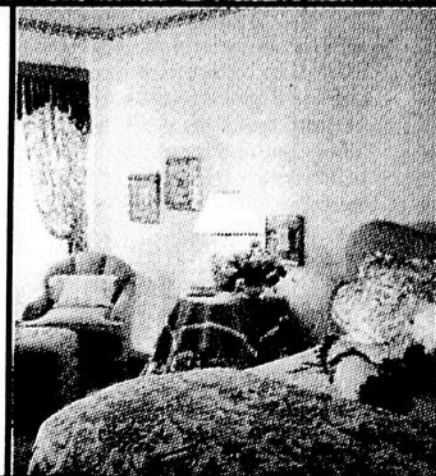
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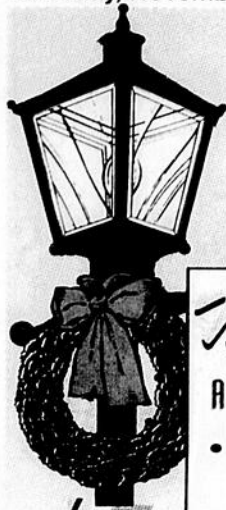
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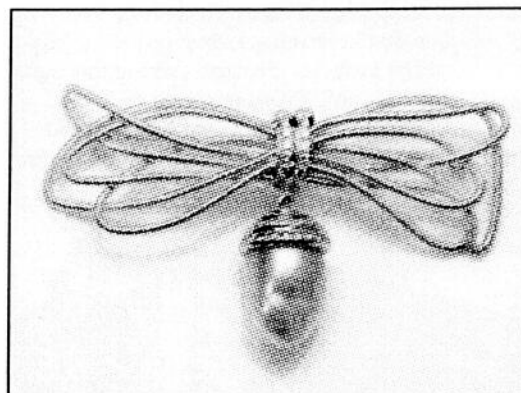
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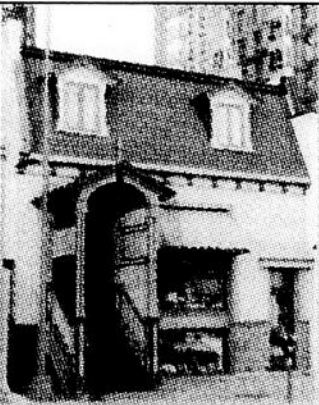
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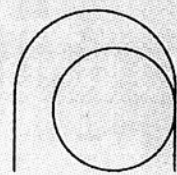
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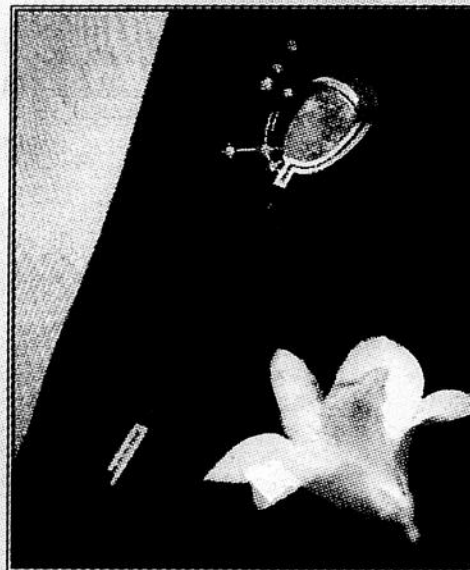
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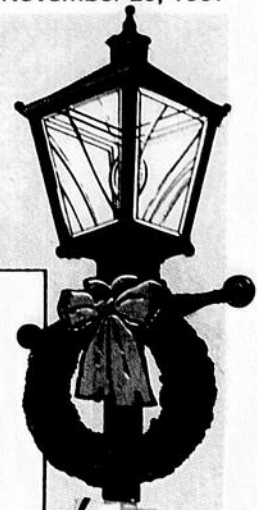


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"We like to take a customer's car from the time that it's new, maintain it and do the repairs only when necessary," said Ian Nelson, co-owner of the garage located on Decarie between St. Jacques and de Maisonneuve.

Founded by his father, Cecil (Cy) Nelson in 1928, Ian now runs the multi-service centre with his brother Roy and son Gordie. First located in Old Montreal, Nelson Garage moved twice before settling into the Decarie location. Their reason for moving? More space for their specialized garage, body shop and paint shop to better serve their loyal clients.

"I find a lot of people like to talk to the owner and see the same person look after their car," said Ian Nelson. "Since we're a family-run business, there's more trust and a more personal relationship with our clients."

A service record on each car helps Nelson's seven mechanics keep track of the work that has been done on the car, and that can mean savings for the clients. For example, the car's spring tune-up will be recorded and although the client might think the fall is the right time for the next tune-up, Nelson's mechanics can let them know whether it requires one or not, which could be a potential savings. Since the mechanics are specialized in certain areas, like brakes or electronics, it takes them less time for them to find the problem which means less cost for the client.

Certified by Autopro on such parts as the exhaust, brakes and suspension, each item is under a lifetime warranty across Canada. So, if driving along the Transcanada during a summer vacation and the brakes suddenly need replacement, any Autopro certified garage will replace them under the warranty.

Nelson Garage also has a full body and paint shop. The paint department uses the Spraybake system which means the car is driven into a booth where the paint is actually baked onto the car.

The body shop uses updated equipment to strengthen panels and frames. They are recommended by all insurance companies and deal directly with them on the customer's behalf.

They also have a maintenance program for rust protection using the Krown rust protection method which they are applying to over 1,000 cars per year in the shop.

Besides paying attention to the health of their clients' cars, Nelson Garage also pays attention to the environment. They don't just toss out waste oil or paint but have it properly disposed of, respecting environmental regulations and suggestions. And even though there are no laws governing the disposal of anti-freeze and freon, Nelson Garage recycles that as well.

"I want my kids to grow up in a safe world," said Ian Nelson, father of three.

Simple attitudes like same-day service, knowledgeable friendly staff and attention to detail make Nelson Garage the ideal place to take any type or size of car and truck for maintenance or repairs. Their trained mechanics are available to offer free estimates and advice on car maintenance.

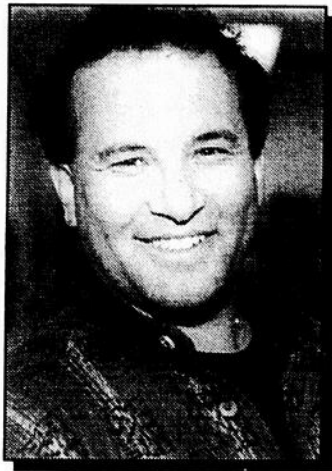


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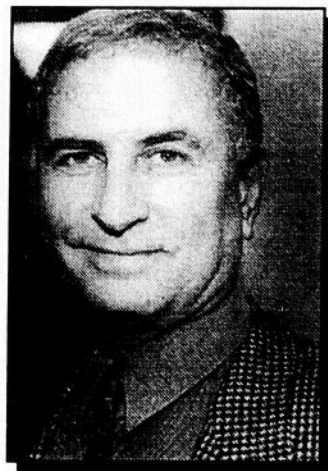
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"We provide an intimate personalized approach, offering professional instruction and exceptional facilities. Our children learn new skills, improve upon old one and most important, make lots of friends," says Esther Marovitch.

A resident doctor and registered nurse assist in camper care. Camp MaroMac is rated very highly by l'Association des camps du Québec, which, after its recent, in-depth assessment, reported: "The team of Marovitchs (Joseph, Esther and Syd) and (Marvin) Helfenbaum complement each other, form a true team of dedicated professionals and leave no stone unturned in their efforts to provide a safe, secure and fun-filled experience for their campers... The staff is mature, well-trained, with many university students or graduates. Medical facilities far exceed the norms required by any camping group or government body... Camp MaroMac has reputation in the camping community for offering high-quality camping services in an extremely safe and secure setting."

A progressive camp in a traditional setting, MaroMac campers always experience new programs such as rock climbing, taught on a newly built climbing wall, indoor/outdoor rollerblading and hockey on the brand new in-line skating rink, and evening swims in the lakeside pool.

Innovation is progress, but at MaroMac campers equally enjoy a good old-fashioned lake swim or a singsong and marshmallow roast at a campfire overlooking beautiful Lac Quenouille in the Laurentian heartland. This happy recipe is what attracts children from across the globe (20 per cent of the campers are from outside the province and some from as far as Spain and Israel).

Camp MaroMac combines progressive ideas with the traditional camp setting to make it a place which will fill children with fond memories and friendships to last a lifetime.

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"Italian is Mediterranean cooking at its best," said Mama Angela. "Italy is at the center of the Mediterranean and has the influence of all the countries around it."

Casareccia means homemade and that is just what Mama Angela and Mama Pina offer their customers, whether they enjoy the authentic cuisine inside the brightly decorated restaurant or a table for two in our cozy little dining-room.

Take advantage of their take-out service. The take-out counter offers a variety of 15 homemade sauces and fresh pastas including classic favourites like Napoletana and Bolognese as well as special recipes like the Casareccia sauce made with cream, mushrooms, peas, ham and sausage.

"You can ask to have the sauce spicier or not," said Mama Angela, who opened the Sherbrooke Street restaurant 12 years ago with her sister. "But of course with Arrabbiata you don't ask for no spice!"

Lasagna is made fresh everyday and special requests are invited at least one day in advance. Imagination is the limit with creations like seafood lasagna or a lasagna made with black pasta, bechamel sauce and salmon.

Special for the Christmas season, Pasta Casareccia prepares a chocolate pasta made with cocoa, appropriate for desserts or as a main dish. Other holiday delights available at the restaurant include panettone and holiday Christmas goodies. A boutique at the entrance of the restaurant features fine Italian groceries such as olive oils, the best coffees and coffee pots, refined biscuits and ceramics, and Italian cold cuts as well as Parmesan, fontina and gorgonzola cheeses among other items. Don't forget we create personalized Christmas baskets for the holidays.

Reservations have already begun for holiday parties, although Pasta Casareccia offers catering throughout the year to suit every budget.

Open until 9 p.m. Sunday through Wednesday and from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. from Thursday to Saturday, Pasta Casareccia offers lunch and dinner specials as well as simple, drop-in coffees and panino sandwiches.

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Gretta Hashemi



Gretta Hashemi is hard to pin down - an educator, columnist, lecturer, humanitarian, reflexologist, aromatherapist, naturopath and natural health counsellor. She is dedicated to providing people with holistic means to improve their health at her Aromaflex Institute at 4935 Queen Mary Tel: 735-2311.

In December, 1995 Gretta formed her own company called Tahirih in order to launch the essential oil of lavender. She concurrently released the first in a planned series of self-help booklets.

"Everyone is constantly under bombardment, by different stressing agents in our environment", says Gretta. "I chose the essential oil of lavender because besides having a myriad of uses, it reigns supreme as a sedative."

This first booklet entitled Aromatherapy/Reflexology Stress Reduction With Essential Oil of Lavender combines aromatherapy with reflexology - a process of massaging of certain pressure points on the feet that correspond to each tissue, gland and organ in the body. In the booklet's aromatherapy sections, Gretta provides quick and useful ways to use lavender as an anecdote for anger, anxiety, depression, headaches, high blood pressure, irritability and more.

That is why I recommend says Gretta, "Everyone should have a bottle of my lavender and a copy of my booklet."



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"My goal is to start people on the road to a healthier, more relaxed life and show them how to maintain it," said Hiriart, who guarantees at least one pound will be lost each day at the spa.

The variety of treatments is plentiful and diverse: Kinebalneotherapy (underwater massage), marine mud-wraps, facials, manicures, essential oil wraps, massages (relaxing and therapeutic) and facial muscles stimulation are just a few of the things the staff at Le Spa will do to revitalize you, the tired customer. Le Spa also specializes in the elimination of unsightly cellulite, a problem much more common to women than men.

As well, their facilities are first-rate including a sauna, physical fitness room, indoor swimming pool and 200 scenic acres of the great outdoors, all of which are only 120 km from Montreal. Aquagym sessions and a daily 3 km walk are part of the invigorating daily regimen of health renewal at le Spa.

Originally from France, Paulette Hiriart brought her considerable expertise and skill in European skin and body care techniques to North America and the result has always been the same: people leave her care feeling better physically and much better psychologically about themselves.

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Janet Tarasofsky

Aromatherapist



Treating headaches, stress and arthritis along with other physical problems while relaxing the body is what aromatherapy is all about. And aromatherapist Janet Tarasofsky, owner of Vital Essence, has the trained knowledge and experience to help make that relaxed image of yourself come to life.

"For some reason, aromatherapy in Montreal has been taken on a capitalistic rollercoaster ride," said Tarasofsky. "But it's a therapy and not just something that smells nice."

Using essential oils from flowers like rose and woods like sandalwood as well as herbs and grass, Tarasofsky individually prepares combinations of essential oils for her clients. Each combination is specially designed to help them with problems such as insomnia and acne as well as correcting circulation and respiratory problems. For example, peppermint is used to treat colds, headaches and respiratory problems while frankincense is used to treat asthma as well as correct problems with the nervous system.

After completing a certificate in natural therapies in Australia which focused on subjects like anatomy and chemistry along with massage, Tarasofsky returned to Canada five months ago. She first encountered aromatherapy while travelling Asia and found it so intriguing, she needed to know more.

"As long as you know how to use it can be very beneficial, but you have to be careful because certain oils can be harmful," said Tarasofsky.

Although the method of application depends on the client's needs, Tarasofsky offers an extremely relaxing massage on different areas of the body to work the oils into the body properly. She said that although some clients may have specific problems, such as chronic headaches which requires concentrated treatment, most people in search of aromatherapeutic relief from a stressful lifestyle will go every few weeks.

"Aromatherapy is the best way to avoid going to the doctor several times a year," said Tarasofsky. "It's the best preventative medicine you can find naturally which will reduce stress in your life."

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Carol Manning, Director of the Elementary and Middle Schools at Selwyn House, said the school has a commitment to learning and to developing citizens for the future.

"As technology changes and the global society changes, the reality is that children have to be equipped to deal with those changes," said Manning. "We want to develop students who are skilled and have the ability to use those skills in different environments."

Manning started teaching at Selwyn House over 15 years ago because of what she described as an opportunity for real teaching and the willingness of the school to try new ideas and move forward.

One way the school is moving forward is by implementing the Integrated Science program for Grades 7 and 8. Developed at the University of Alabama and offered in cooperation with McGill University and TéléQuebec, Integrated Science is taught at elementary and secondary levels.

"Integrated Science is one of the things we have brought in for Grade 7 which is a more comprehensive focus on problem-solving skills and being able to use those skills in a variety of situations," said Manning.

George Ladd, a Middle School teacher in science and math, describes the program as a hands-on approach to learning science. Instead of staring at the blackboard and trying to follow the teacher's white-chalk explanations, students are encouraged to try out ideas, ask questions and tackle new issues.

"The big advantage is it demands students to think and learn as scientists would," said Ladd. "The goal is to develop academically capable students with a knowledge of science."



Integrated Science is made up of three components including the video component, student-centered learning and distance learning. Working on the same project as other students in Quebec, students in the science class are now working on balancing 40 kilograms of books on six paper columns. By working on the same project as others, the opportunity for thoughtful dialogue presents itself often. Giving up their lunch hour, the students find themselves learning, practising and talking like real scientists.

With 23 years of educational experience—most recently in administration—Ladd jumped at the chance to return to teaching and enjoys the professional development support network created through the Integrated Science program. He said the students are encouraged not simply to treat science as a school-only subject but to discuss it at home, with their family.

"They get a deeper understanding of science," said Ladd. "I have tremendous confidence in the program and in addition to that, the students really enjoy science class."

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Boutique Avantage-Plus



Never judge a book by its cover. And solely from the outside, it's difficult to imagine or even understand the quality of the women's clothing or the class of service at Boutique Avantage-Plus.

"Unfortunately, some realities are irreversible," said owners Liette and Josée Daigle. "We can't be part of a shopping centre, with all the advantages of a steady flow of clientele and free parking for our valued customers, without accepting some of the inconveniences. The front of our store has to look the same as the others even though the interior is a step beyond what you'll find in most boutiques."

For 14 years, the popularity of this boutique has grown as more and more women learn about the special qualities of Boutique Avantage-Plus. Through trusted friendships and work colleagues, the secret of Boutique Avantage-Plus is spreading around attracting women with discriminating taste.

"Word of mouth works so well that our clients come from all over Montreal like Westmount, the Town of Mount Royal, the West Island and even Saint Sauveur," said Josée Daigle.

"For a while now, our clients have been asking us to increase the size of the boutique. Once the site next to us became vacant, we jumped at the chance to expand. For us, it's a little like opening a new boutique. It's a new challenge."

Unlike many other boutiques, finding the styles you are looking for at Boutique Avantage-Plus is not like wandering through a maze of indistinguishable fabrics and styles. The career wear, evening attire and weekend styles are clearly merchandised to allow the customer to know exactly where they'll find that perfect item they've been looking for.

The go-anywhere styles are found within the American country-style decor of the boutique, a serene style well-enjoyed by the clientele.

A paradise of sweaters

Among other items, active wear such as golf clothing and an impressive selection of pullovers are also available at the boutique. Clients can find sweaters made of all different fabrics such as wool, cotton and synthetic fibres in styles like cardigans, turtlenecks and tunics in solids and prints.

extensive selection and tranquil ambiance, the personalized service and reasonable prices are what set this store apart from the others. The Daigles understand that in order to continue to satisfy the clothing-needs of their customers, they have to be open to changing with their clients' needs while continuing to maintain the high level of quality.

Since Liette and Josée Daigle are mother and daughter, their merchandise reflects and rejoins the tastes and needs of women from any generation. Among the collections they offer to their clientele, names like Jones New York, Mr. Jax and Studio J. hang alongside Liz Claiborne and Rena Rowan and many others in sizes six to 18.

"Since the beginning, we strove to offer clothing at lower prices than elsewhere," said Josée Daigle. "So we have never added the tax to the price of the clothing. Sure, it lowers our profit but it also allows us to increase our volume of styles which our clients benefit from."

In other words, Boutique Avantage-Plus offers their clients quality women's clothing with a flare for elegance at reasonable prices and they pay the taxes—definitely, something to discover.



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Joan Prévost



"There's more to being a successful real estate agent than just selling a house," says Joan Prévost.

Prévost is ranked among Royal LePage's top 10 sales professionals in Eastern Canada, but this athletic mother of three puts people first because happy clients are more important to her than sales.

"My raison d'être in this business is a totally satisfied client. It is just so important to me and I would take it to heart if any vendor or purchaser was anything less than 100 per cent satisfied," says Prévost.

Striving to put her best foot forward, Mt. Stephen's own Prévost has developed a commendable work ethic that is reflected in the many attestations and awards which adorn the wall behind her desk.

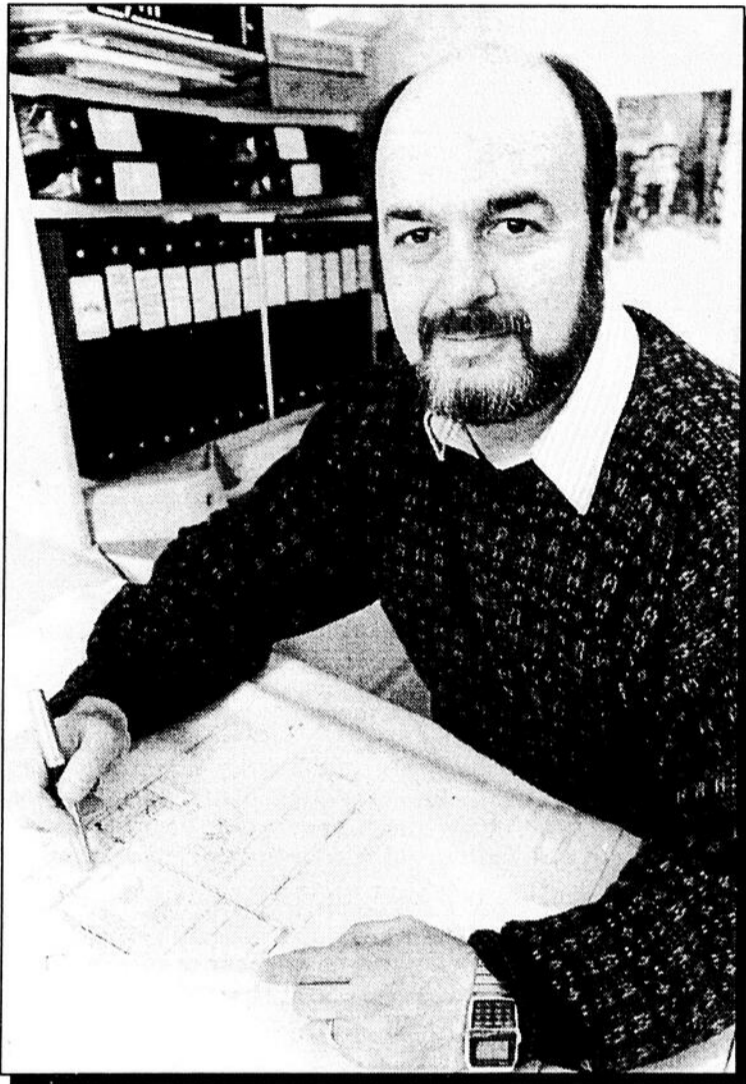
"If you work solely for the dollars, the quality of service is definitely going to be lacking," says Prévost. "In residential real estate, with a good mind, great negotiating skills and a true sense of caring, the dollars will take care of themselves."

Transferring her social savvy to her leisure activities, Prévost is active in tennis, aerobics and bridge. The former McGill University law school student also manages to spend quality time with her family. Over the past several years, this keen sense of nurturing has become an invaluable asset to her career.

"I personalize my work to such a degree that I seem to take on all my clients' moods and stresses," says Prévost. "However, that's probably a major contributing factor in the great success that I enjoy. Bottom line must be... I love my work!"

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Stephen A. Eden



Whether adding on that new family room or completely rebuilding your house, the services of an Architect are always needed to be sure all the possibilities have been considered and no precautions have been overlooked.

Architect Stephen A. Eden has spent the last ten years designing dreams into reality in Westmount, the Town of Mount Royal, Outremont, the West Island and the Laurentians.

"Every design is personalized to my clients' needs because every client is different," said Eden. "I don't impose my ideas on the clients, each project is separate."

A graduate of McGill University, Eden is a member of the Order of Architects of Quebec as well as the Association of Architects in Private Practice and serves on the Architectural Committee for the Town of Mount Royal. His vast experience in residential and commercial architecture means his clients spend less time unravelling red tape and more time deciding on cathedral ceilings, stone exteriors and special window design.

"I work closely with my clients and I end up with a project that fills their needs and their requirements," said Eden. "I like to think of myself as more than a practical person (professional) who can realize someone's dreams."

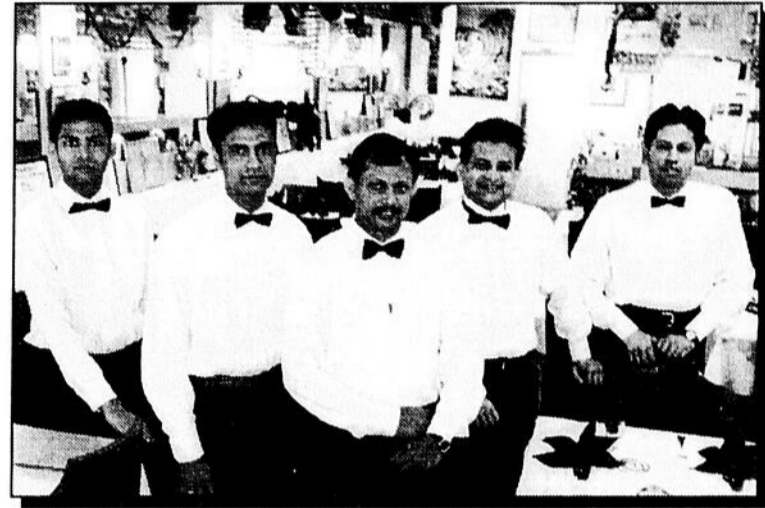
After meeting with the client in their home to understand what the existing environment is like and what the homeowner would like it to become, Eden then sets to work on verifying municipal bylaws and ensuring the ideas are suitable to the house's original structure. He said one important factor is to try and blend the addition with the existing style of the house. Also, it is important to maintain a flow of spaces between the old and the new.

Beginning with two or three different design variations for the project, Eden then develops a schematic set of plans into preliminary designs until one concept using all the required elements is produced.

Stephen A. Eden provides his clients with personalized service, focusing on their needs and budget while carefully guiding them through endless architectural possibilities.

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Taj Mahal de l'ouest



Indian cuisine is not meant to be eaten like fast food, but savoured and enjoyed slowly just the way it is prepared. At Taj Mahal in Westmount, owner Sadeq Choudhury welcomes his clients into a relaxing atmosphere with authentic Indian ambiance. The first Indian restaurant in Westmount, Taj Mahal has been delighting customers for the last five years.

"We are proud of ourselves because I'm working with good people and always happy to see our regular customers," said Choudhury. "My brothers and I feel at home in the restaurant and we want our customers to feel that way."

A real family business, Sadeq's brother, Khaled, is the chef while brothers Zahed, Refath, Rassel and cousin Rubel take care of each customer who walks through their door, whether dining in the restaurant or taking the Indian delights home. Sadeq's experience includes 11 years running a restaurant in Quebec City. He studied cooking and hotel management in his native Calcutta.

Although Indian food is often considered to be spicy Choudhury, a trained chef, said many of the dishes are mild and can be tailored to individual tastes. A favourite of many customers includes butter chicken, which is a mild dish with a nice flavour cooked in cream.

The Tandoori oven which was imported from India is very important in preparing Indian food because the charcoal used in the oven slowly cooks each dish while complementing the tandoori sauce. Chicken, lamb and shrimp are cooked to tender-perfection as well as bread.

Although the waiters explain the menu to clients and offer combination ideas to make the meal as satisfying as possible, Choudhury offered two examples of mild and spicy dishes. Lamb madras, a hot dish, is cooked with a curry sauce along with coriander, cumin, ginger with a touch of chile. A milder dish, bhoona shrimp is surrounded with the flavours of coriander leaves, green peppers, tomatoes, onions and cooked in a thick sauce.

Offering lunch specials from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. weekdays and a table d'hôte from 5 to 11 p.m. weekdays, Taj Mahal is also open on the weekends. Sadeq reminds his customers that reservations for Christmas parties are now being accepted.

Whether a relaxing break from the stress of work or a slow, weekend dinner, Taj Mahal promised to be an authentic Indian experience.

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Voyages Heritage Westmount



Alain Vadboncoeur and François Audet - co-owners



Patrick, Chantal, Nina, Noël, Viviane and Tony

You won't find it under flashy fluorescent lights. You won't even find it among the here-today-gone-tomorrow travel agents sprinkled across Montreal. In fact, you'll probably only hear about it from satisfied customers whose travel experiences have left positive impressions and that's the way François Audet and Alain Vadboncoeur of Voyages Heritage Westmount like it.

"Most agents just want to sell, we create more of a relationship with our clients so we know what they expect," said Vadboncoeur. "The important thing about being a competent agent is to understand the needs of the clients and get a better feel for their budget."

Childhood friends who grew apart over the years, Audet and Vadboncoeur met up again while each were working in the travel industry and decided to open Voyages Heritage Westmount together last year. With almost 30 years of combined involvement in the industry, Audet and Vadboncoeur bring their clients what so many other agents lack: Experience. They said that most of their new clients come to them complaining of poor service and inexperienced agents.

"We understand that for people who work in a stressful environment all year long, those two weeks of vacation are very important," said Audet. "It's a big responsibility for us to make sure that their vacation is just what they wanted."

Whether it's an exotic holiday hotspot or an impromptu business trip, the agents of Voyages Heritage Westmount go out of their way to provide the service their clients deserve. Whether it means personally delivering airline tickets or scanning their complete video library to find that perfect vacation paradise, the Westmount travel agency will do what it takes to keep their clients coming back.

Audet and Vadboncoeur agree, it's about service above all, anyone who has travelled understands how important the personalized touch can be.

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Robert Ackermann, a designing jeweller who holds his diploma as a goldsmith from his apprenticeship with Trudel Jewellers in Zurich, Switzerland, as well as that of a Graduate Gemologist of the Gemological Institute of America (GIA), designs and manufactures stunning pieces of jewellery in his Greene Avenue studio.

"With us, even the smallest item is hand-mounted," says Ackermann. "We are very picky about our materials and our finish, because everything is designed and crafted by us and we have a reputation to live up to."

The fifth-floor premises feature everything from the most modern of computers to the oldest tools in the jeweller's trade, such as rolling mills, forges, anvils and ring mandrels of various shapes. With these tools, Ackermann creates something finer and of higher quality than anything manufacturers for the large chains could afford to produce.

His team of four employees have now come to master the detailed art of creating innovative fine jewellery in a variety of styles. They are incessantly upgrading their skills under the expert guidance of Ackermann, including the Junior goldsmith, who recently won the designing competition by the Conseil des métiers d'art du Québec.

Although he designs jewellery for inventory which is difficult, and sometimes impossible, to copy, as well as one-of-a-kind pieces, Ackermann specializes in custom designs. Going over every detail with his clients, Ackermann's main concern is that they have full control over the creative process.

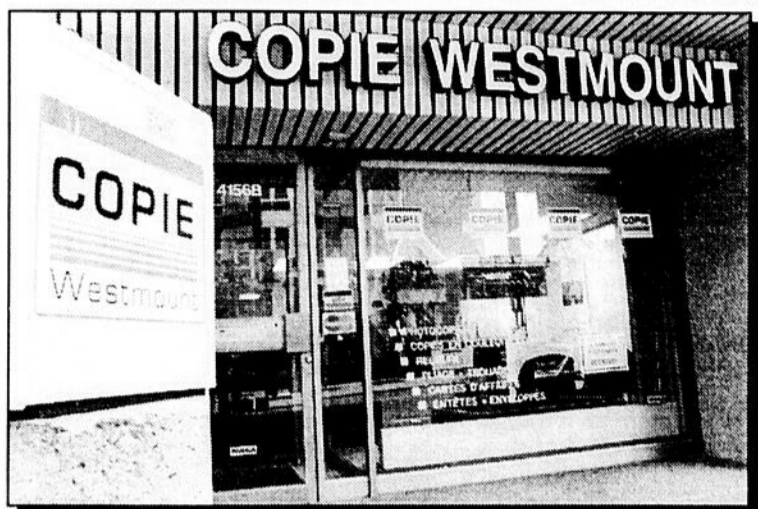
"The variety of our trade is virtually limitless because of the incredible range of client preferences we have to adapt to," says Ackermann. "I have to come up with something that reflects the way you see yourself when you've just walked in the door."

Whether working with platinum group metals, 18-karat gold and higher, diamonds, coloured stones or avant-grade materials like titanium or wood, Ackermann pays close attention to ensuring his clients end up with that perfect item they always dreamed of.

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Copie Westmount has invested substantially in new technology and can boast of having the latest Kodak equipment.

"Some copy centres cut costs by maintaining their machines themselves and buying cheap paper and supplies," said Neill. "All our equipment is maintained by the manufacturer and we use the best paper and supplies. And it shows in the final product. We often get asked which is the original and which is the copy."

Thermography (raised printing) and regular offset printing are also available at Copie Westmount. Before taking over Copie Westmount, Neill spent 15 years in the offset printing business.

"We can offer people virtually any type of printed product from labels to continuous forms to business cards and stationary. We have a full range of trade suppliers who deal only through agents like ourselves," said Neill.

Copie Westmount is continually looking for new services to offer its clients, and plans are being made now to launch a packaging and shipping service. Boxes, protective wrapping and shipping supplies that individuals and small businesses would not normally have on hand will be available, as well as delivery to anywhere in North America.



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Off-shore Investment Services



Investors, take note.

A new level of co-operation between the IRS and Revenue Canada means Montrealers wanting to earn interest income in the U.S. should consider some new investment vehicles if they want to protect or enhance their assets.

That's the advice of Christopher Reed and Diane Kline, partners at Global Investment Services of Burlington, Vermont. They specialize in working with Canadians who—either because of Quebec separation fears or for confidentiality and tax reasons—want to invest their money outside of Canada.

New rules issued by the IRS require U.S. banks to identify Canadian account holders from IRS Form W-8, which Canadians

must file at a U.S. bank when their account is opened, and every three years thereafter. The new rule is being phased in over three years, with reporting having already begun as of Jan. 1 of this year.

For Canadians with money in the U.S., it could mean the end of confidentiality and present a whole new set of circumstances when tax time rolls around.

The alternative is to invest off-shore, a move some investors might be uncertain about.

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The funds they deal with typically offer returns that are on par with U.S. domestic funds, which is no surprise, considering that many of the same blue-chip investments are part of the off-shore portfolio. "And there's no backup withholding or tax reporting," Reed notes. "They are all very private, confidential accounts."

Reed and Kline started their own full-service dealer/broker firm after both worked for several years at Allbank and Chittenden Bank's investment services, where they focused on helping Quebecers invest money in U.S. financial products.

They encountered many Quebecers wanting to build up a nest-egg in U.S. funds. "Many of the banks have branches near the Canadian border. There's a lot of Canadian money down here," Reed said.

The pair struck out on their own about two years ago, and are now handling portfolios from as small as \$10,000 to into the \$500,000 range. The partners are available to their Montreal clients through weekly visits. Or they are available at their offices in Burlington. They also have a toll-free 800 number.

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Dagwoods



Pregnant women crave it. Business people who have moved away long for it. And Westmounters have been lining up for it. It's Dagwoods' big, wholesome sandwiches tickled with their special sauce which have people everywhere wanting more.

Public response to Dagwoods has been so positive that since the first location opened over eight years ago in Dollard des Ormeaux, owner Spiro Krallis has opened five more including the latest addition on Sherbrooke Street West at Grey.

"I don't consider this a job—it's fun and I'm having the time of my life," said Krallis, 35. "It's seven days a week but I work with a great staff and the nicest customers. I'm having a blast."

On the road as a sales representative for three years, Krallis realized what was missing from the restaurant scene was simple, top-quality sandwiches, sliced fresh in front of the customer. A marketing graduate from Bishop's University, Krallis knew he wanted to be in the restaurant business and sandwiches would be his niche.

"The big difference between our sandwiches and the ones you'll find in other stores is that ours are made with bread which is baked fresh everyday, never reused, and our cold cuts and vegetables are sliced fresh for the customer, not stored in waxed paper," said Krallis.

Since they don't reuse their rolls the next day, leftovers from the Sherbrooke location are donated twice a week to the Old Brewery Mission. Krallis said that, on average, as many as 60 loaves a day are put aside for the homeless shelter.

Secret herbs and spices

Travelling on the road left a lot of time for Krallis to think about the perfect sauce to put the Dagwoods name on. An oil and mayonnaise base with secret herbs and spices is all Krallis will divulge about the sauce which tops each freshly-prepared sandwich.

The Dagwoods experience begins with choosing either a whole wheat or white roll of 12 or six inches. Along with a variety of freshly-sliced cold cuts, each sandwich is topped with the perfect proportion of edam cheese, lettuce, tomatoes, green peppers, onions, pickles and hot peppers as well as the Dagwoods sauce.

Krallis said the most popular sandwich combinations are the Club with roast beef, ham, turkey and cheese and the Dagwood with ham, bologna, pepperoni, salami and cheese although vegetarian sandwiches are also a popular choice.

"Sometimes the flavours of a sandwich can get drowned out by too much of one ingredient," said Krallis. "Our staff makes sure all the vegetables and cold cuts are in perfect proportion so that the customer can taste every ingredient in the sandwich."

Krallis, father of two with another child on the way, said without his staff, the business would not be possible. Outings every few months along with special events encourage the entire staff, who are mostly between the ages of 18 and 25, to get to know each and have fun while working.

"I'm in this alone along with my really great managers and staff," said Krallis. "Without them, we wouldn't be the quality sandwich store that we are."



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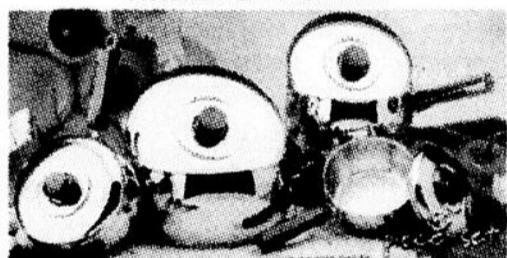
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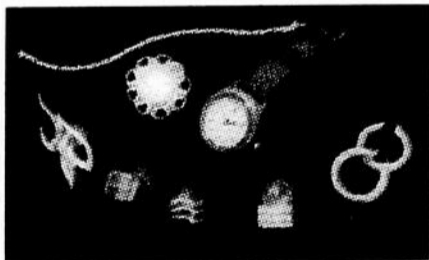
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Hay! Why not bale those leaves?

By FRANK TEUTON

The city of Westmount exports 500 to 700 tonnes of leaves each fall, hauled away at municipal expense. Some methods for residential leaf use have been discussed previously in this column, but one idea was not mentioned that could offer a solution both for residences with large quantities of leaves and for the municipality. Leaves may be compressed into bales, like straw or hay.

This idea is not new. Plans for simple manual baling boxes have been available from Organic Gardening magazine for more than 20 years. Of course, agricultural balers have been around a lot longer. Baling is an old idea that just might catch on for managing leaves.

A leaf bale in the 40- to 60-pound range is ideal for residential purposes, and can be used in a number of ways. Bales can be conveniently stacked for storage, they can be used to make temporary structures such as compost enclosures or cold frames, they can be covered and used to insulate house foundations, and they can be set over garden beds of carrots or similar root crops to keep the ground from freezing to allow extended harvesting. A group of bales, thoroughly moistened and stacked tightly, makes a self-supporting leaf compost pile, ready for use as humus in a year or two.

A light-hearted use of bales could be for children to build castles and snow forts with them. High schools could compete with one another in leaf bale architectural events. Children have been having fun with leaves since time immemorial, and leaf bales could simply add to the fun.

The final destination of leaves should be the soil, however. Composting is one way to do this. Shredding them into the lawn is another method which should be much more widely practiced. According to Jeff Ball, a noted gardening expert, "A dedicated mulching mower can reduce a two-inch layer of leaves to a half-inch layer of confetti-sized pieces of very valuable organic matter on the lawn. Chopped leaves are the favourite food of earthworms, who immediately begin pulling them down into the soil."

The problem is that many of us have much more than two inches of leaves to deal with. Baling solves this by giving us a storage method; bales of leaves can be spread across the lawn prior to moving several times during the growing season, feeding the earthworms with all the good consequences that implies.


Baling also provides accountability. Not only could we say that address X produced six bales of leaves, and bill accordingly in a user-pays system, but we could also measure the output of the trees over time, another indicator of their health. Baling should be cheaper than hauling. Bales could be left curbside for a specified period, to allow snow-fort-minded

kids, gardeners and perhaps the odd farmer in search of animal feeding to collect them.

Leaves are an undervalued resource. Perhaps with proper packaging and a little education, the true value of the maple leaf

can be appreciated.

Horticulturist Frank Teuton is a member of Co-op Eco, an association of local businesses promoting alternatives to pesticides. For information, call 422-8457.



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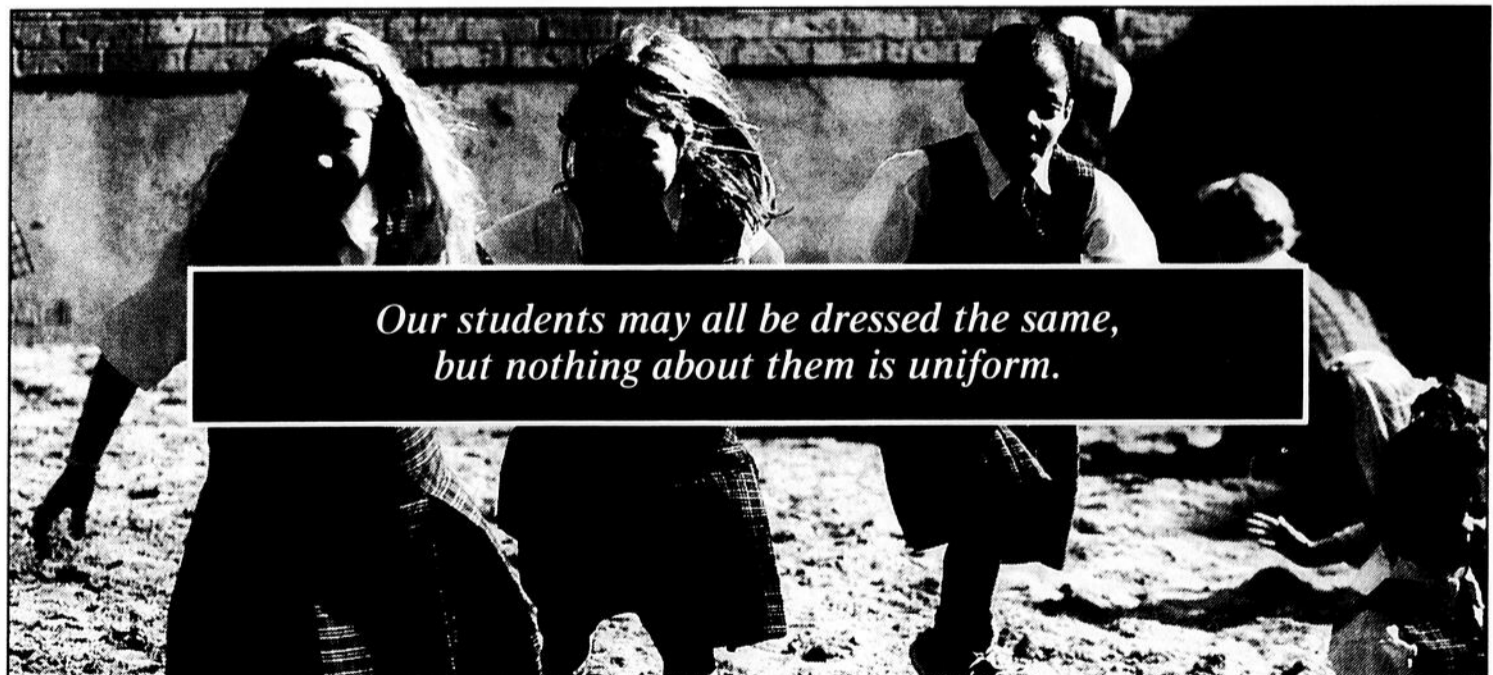
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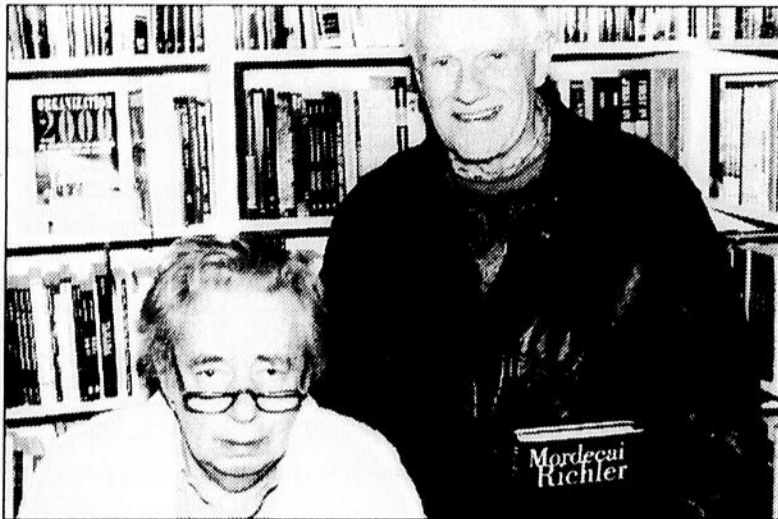


Photo by WAYNE LARSEN

Sports broadcaster and author himself, Dick Irvin, drops in at a book-signing session by author Mordecai Richler Thursday at the Double Hook Book Shop on Greene Avenue.

BY WAYNE LARSEN

Mordecai Richler spent an hour in Westmount last Thursday, signing copies of his latest novel, *Barney's Version*, at the Double Hook bookstore on Greene Avenue.

Appearing chipper and well-rested after a long, cross-country book promotion tour, Richler politely greeted old friends and strangers alike, shyly thanking everyone who congratulated him on his novel's recent award of the 1997 Giller Prize.

Barney's Version, the first of Richler's novels to be written in the first person, contains several satirical references to

Westmount—always a favourite target for Richler, who lived on The Boulevard for several years upon his return to Montreal in the early 1970s after a 20-year stay in England.

The Double Hook book signing was this year's last public appearance in Montreal for Richler, who said he planned to leave Monday for a winter in London. "I've got a lot of work waiting for me there," he said.

Always tight-lipped about his future projects, Richler would allow only that part of his work in London includes continuing his Sunday Gazette column, which he said he will fax to Montreal each week.



Postage for posterity

Marie Chevrier and husband Richard Gervais (right) of Mount Pleasant Avenue have a close connection to this commemorative stamp launched last month in Ottawa. Marie's late father, Lionel Chevrier (1903-1987) was among four prominent political personalities to be honoured at the ceremony at the Canadian Postal Museum hosted by the Hon. André Ouellet of the Canada Post Corporation (left). Chevrier, a lawyer, held a seat in Parliament from 1935-1954 before overseeing the building of the St. Lawrence Seaway, linking the Great Lakes and the Atlantic Ocean by a series of locks, canals and channels. Returning to politics, Chevrier also served Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada in the 1960s. He went to England as high commissioner before coming back to Canada where he played a key role in the country's centennial celebrations.

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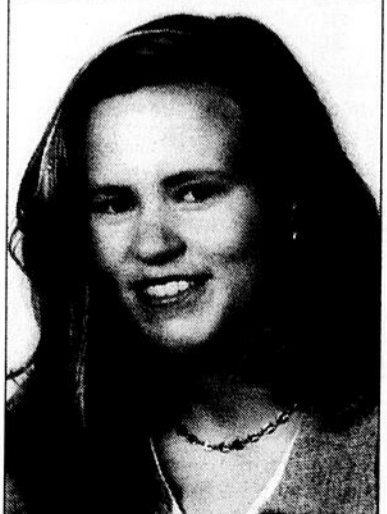
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Does your car start to shake when you reach certain speeds? It could be that you need your wheels balanced. All wheels and

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Feathering is caused by incorrect toe-in or toe-out. The tire drags across the road, instead of rolling easily. You need an alignment.

Wear on one side only means that the camber is out of adjustment. This, too, means you need an alignment.

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Some new types have platinum electrodes that will practically eliminate electrode wear, improving vehicle performance and fuel economy.

If you are a do-it-yourselfer,

changing your spark plugs is easy:

1. Carefully remove the wires by twisting gently one quarter turn and lifting straight off. Be careful with the wires, and always pull by the boot, not the wire. Each wire should be numbered on the insulating surface. If not, or if the numbers are hard to read, use masking tape to number them yourself.

2. Loosen each spark plug, and blow area clean so no dirt can get into the engine. Special spark plug wrenches or sockets are available from all automotive stores, as are cans of compressed air for blowing the area clean. If necessary, use a little penetrating oil to help ease the threads—don't use excessive force, or you might break the plug off in the cylinder.

3. Remove each plug in turn, and wipe the plug hole seat clean with a dry cloth, wiping from the inside out to keep dirt from falling into the engine. Put the old plugs in order on a piece of newspaper or a rag for inspection—the condition of the plug can warn you of impending engine problems. Look for excessive white or grey deposits (ash), black gooey deposits (oil), or worn or cracked electrodes (need tune-up).

4. Plugs are gapped at the factory, but it's a good idea to check them with your own gapping tool to make sure they're right for your engine.

5. Screw the new plugs in until finger tight. Use a torque wrench to tighten to the manufacturer's specifications. If you have no

torque wrench, your best move is to get one—they cost between \$15 and \$100, depending on quality, much less than the cost of the engine work you might require through improper spark plug installation.

6. Replace the spark plug wires, in order. Check each wire for cracking or corrosion, and replace if necessary.

The order of the wires is important. Each cylinder has to fire in the right order, or you could cause severe engine damage. If you are in any doubt, check the firing order in your owner's manual or call your local service centre for advice.

How do you know when you have a problem? The chart on the following page can help.

Cold enough for you?

Most people think that if they winterize their cars in the fall, before it gets really cold, they'll make it through the winter without problems. They're mostly right. But you still have to be careful.

One of the most important things to watch is your cooling system. There are two things — the concentration of coolant, and the amount. In most parts of Canada, a 50/50 mix of coolant and water keeps the coolant from freezing, lubricates the water pump, and protects the cooling system from corrosion. In very cold areas, it may be necessary to increase the concentration of coolant — but never more than 70 per cent coolant to 30 per cent water.

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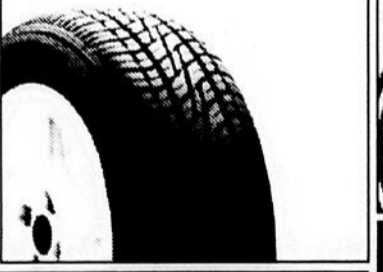
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Air filters are easy to check, and easy to change. They are housed in a box, usually at the front of the engine, which you can open by unfastening a few screws or wing nuts. Pull out the air filter and hold it up to the light or shine a bright "trouble" light through it. If you can't see much light through the filter, it's a good bet that the engine can't breathe properly and you're losing power and fuel economy.

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Westmount Municipal Association looks to year ahead

For many, the promise of a glass of wine was not enough to brave the wintry chill for the Westmount Municipal Association's season opening event Monday night at Victoria Hall. For those who did attend, it was a chance to chat with city councillors and review the work of the local volunteer-based group.

"This has been a busy year for the WMA, particularly the last six months," Bridget Blackader told the room. This year's accomplishments include the Meet the Candidates evening prior to the federal election, distribution of a public survey on everything from pesticides to police services (the results of which were forwarded to the city), encouraging support for the anti-tax rally at the Verdun auditorium, and coming up with cost-saving suggestions faced with the downloading from Quebec.

For almost 90 years the non-partisan group has been a link between citizens and city hall. It keeps an eye on municipal issues such as zoning, traffic, and planned projects like the library and Victoria Hall.

Although the affairs of city council have become more open and accountable to the public in

recent years, the WMA still serves as an important link with citizens, Mayor Peter Trent noted. Trent

served as vice-president of the association in the early 1980s.

"It's a great way for the public to

share its views in a less formal setting than council meetings," Trent commented. "I think its role is to

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In brief

Artisans are it at new store

In the continuing hustle and bustle in local retail, a new furniture and gift store has opened at Sherbrooke Street and Prince Albert Avenue.

Ruby Bégonia, at 4908 Sherbrooke St. (upstairs from Fougagerie) held a wine and cheese last week to introduce some of the artists and artisans whose creations will be at the store.

The store also offers decorative painting services, from mosaic tiling to faux finishes and trompe l'oeil.

Ruby Bégonia is the creation of Debra Brennan, Paola Samuel and Mount Stephen Avenue resident Tori Schofield.

Raffle winners

Winners of the Contactivity Centre raffle held Nov. 6 were Dawn Stevens, first prize, handmade quilt; Mrs. Cripps, second prize, food basket from the Fougagerie on Sherbrooke Street; and Kay Rogers, third prize, a dollhouse.

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Palmer show raises \$35,000 for breast cancer research

Inspired by the recent success of Light and Shadows, local photographer Olive Palmer is planning to take her unique exhibition across the country.

Last month, she organized a week-long fundraising event to promote awareness of breast cancer at Ogilvy's Tudor Hall. More than \$35,000 was raised for research into the disease, which will strike one in nine Canadian women.

"Donations are still coming in. It was very positive. I think it brought hope, awareness and funding," she commented from her Victoria Avenue studio this week.

Proceeds go to establishing a specialized clinic and lab at the McGill Centre for Translation Research in Cancer.

Centred around larger-than-life portraits of women in Palmer's trademark white-on-white style, the exhibition also brought together song and dance from students at local schools. Opening night drew a crowd of 600 supporters.

"On the first day, 77 children from The Study school sang Ave Maria.

"The music kind of floated around the photographs.

"It was very touching," she said. "And afterwards, it was wonderful



Daughter Sian Nia Palmer's photo was featured at the Olive Palmer Light and Shadows exhibit at Ogilvy's.

to share with these young women that it was a celebration of being a woman."

More than 1,600 people went through the exhibition of selected portraits from Palmer's 25-year career.

The next step is taking the show on the road. There are people ready and waiting to host similar events in Ottawa, Toronto, and Calgary, Palmer said.

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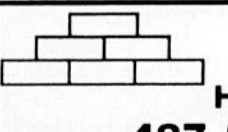


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Goalie Olivier Piché makes a stop on a point-blank shot by Lachine player.

Atom Wings clipped by Ducks

By BOB OLIVER

In the aftermath of the Westmount intercity atom Wings 5-0 loss to the Lachine Mighty Ducks on Saturday night at the Westmount arena, Wings co-coach Phil Pedicelli gave his charges a good talking to.

"The emphasis here is on the word 'good.' 'I told them I wasn't disappointed with this loss. We dominated them in the first two periods even though we were missing three key players from our lineup. Playing with only two lines, the boys really stepped up and played a solid game.'

In the first two periods the Wings outskated and outpassed the Ducks, while consistently beating them to the puck. For most of the first two stanzas they were in the Ducks' end of the rink. Unfortunately for Westmount, they had no luck getting the puck past Lachine netminder Pat Wilkens.

"We had the opportunities but we just didn't take advantage," Pedicelli said. "If we'd got a couple of goals early in the game it might have been a whole different story."

Wilkens stopped Alex Kaluza early in the first period on a high rising shot to the right corner. Minutes later he made a fabulous toe save on Caulder Nash's breakaway

deke. Seconds after he closed the door on Jaryd Zummer at the side of the net, Lachine's Daniel Kuevillon raced down the ice and beat goaltender James O'Brien to give the Ducks a 1-0 lead.

In the second period, Wilkens got his toe on Nash's drive from close range, and moments later stymied a Westmount powerplay while the Wings were buzzing around in the Ducks' zone. After Pierre Coallier made it 2-0, Lachine upped it to 3-0 with a powerplay goal.

In the third period, Igor Roudatchenko made it 4-0 at 1:20 and six minutes later Jonathan Simard beat Westmount goalie Olivier Piché.

"We just got tired," Pedicelli said. "With three full lines Lachine eventually took the game away from us."

WINGS NOTES: All three Westmount intercity teams will be back in action this Saturday. The novice Wings, coached by Danny Filion, will travel to Lachine for a 4 o'clock start. The atom Wings will host Côte St. Luc at 6 p.m. Earlier in the day, the peewee Wings, coached by Pierre Guite and Dominic Agostino, will face off against Lachine at the Westmount arena. The puck drops at 2 p.m.

All-stars gel too little too late

Getting used to playing together after only two games as a unit was tough enough for the Westmount Senior 'A' all-star hockey team.

Figuring out how to play on the new Olympic-size Pierrefonds rink in their second game of the season on Friday night, complicated matters even more.

"We're used to playing on smaller rinks," said Westmount forward Mike Deegan, shortly after the team's 6-3 loss to Cowansville in Pierrefonds. "For most of the game we were bunched up and running around trying to chase the puck. Cowansville, who are used to playing on a big rink, spread themselves out and played a superior positional game."

Pierrefonds rink is 210-by-100 feet, 15 feet wider than the more familiar Westmount arena ice surface. Behind the net—many of the Westmount players found

whopping five feet between the back of the net and the boards. By the time Westmount figured out how to play on the larger ice surface, the game was well into the third period. At that point Westmount trailed 4-1 and catch-up hockey only got them to half Cowansville's total.

Larry Routtenberg led the Westmount offensive attack with a goal and two assists. Deegan and Greg McBain finished the night with a goal and an assist. André Lefebvre assisted on Deegan's third-period goal.

In their first game of the year played against host T.M.R., Westmount led the game 1-0 for 54 minutes. In the last six minutes T.M.R. scored three unanswered goals, including an empty-net marker, to win 3-1. Deegan scored the lone Westmount goal. Kippy Wiegand drew the assist.

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House League Hockey

| Novice | G | W | L | T | F | A | P |
|-----------|---|---|---|---|----|----|---|
| Canadiens | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 6 | 6 |
| Senators | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 18 | 9 | 5 |
| Guards | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 11 | 3 |
| Sharks | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 14 | 2 |
| Dragons | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 9 | 2 |
| Bears | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 6 | 12 | 0 |

| Atom | G | W | L | T | F | A | P |
|-----------|---|---|---|---|----|----|---|
| Stars | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 14 | 8 | 4 |
| Canadiens | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 9 | 4 |
| Penguins | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 11 | 15 | 2 |
| Avalanche | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 11 | 13 | 2 |

| Peewee | G | W | L | T | F | A | P |
|-----------|---|---|---|---|----|----|---|
| Capitals | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 14 | 6 | 4 |
| Canadiens | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 8 | 6 | 3 |
| Scouts | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 18 | 1 |

| Bantam | G | W | L | T | F | A | P |
|-----------|---|---|---|---|----|----|---|
| Flames | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 20 | 3 | 7 |
| Lightning | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 12 | 3 |
| Leafs | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 16 | 0 |

| Midget | G | W | L | T | F | A | P |
|---------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sabres | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 9 | 4 |
| Rangers | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 9 | 2 |

Senior Hockey

| Executive | G | W | L | T | F | A | P |
|-----------|---|---|---|---|----|----|---|
| CA | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 19 | 8 | 7 |
| MBA | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 15 | 15 | 5 |
| Brokers | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 14 | 5 |
| Law | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 6 | 5 |
| MD | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 15 | 16 | 4 |
| CEO | 4 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 10 | 12 | 2 |
| PHD | 4 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 10 | 12 | 2 |
| Engineers | 4 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 7 | 14 | 2 |

| Senior B | G | W | L | T | F | A | P |
|----------|---|---|---|---|----|----|----|
| Fathers | 6 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 24 | 14 | 10 |
| Kings | 6 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 18 | 10 | 8 |
| Hawks | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 16 | 11 | 8 |
| Flyers | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 15 | 12 | 7 |
| Devils | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 13 | 10 | 7 |
| Oilers | 6 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 24 | 18 | 5 |
| Leafs | 6 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 11 | 23 | 2 |
| Sharks | 6 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 11 | 34 | 1 |

| Senior A | G | W | L | T | F | A | P |
|-----------|---|---|---|---|----|----|---|
| Canucks | 7 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 26 | 21 | 9 |
| Whalers | 6 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 23 | 18 | 9 |
| Rangers | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 23 | 16 | 7 |
| Canadiens | 6 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 25 | 23 | 6 |
| Blues | 7 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 16 | 35 | 1 |

Women's Recreational Hockey

| 'B' Division | G | W | L | T | F | A | P |
|-----------------|---|---|---|---|----|----|----|
| Dor Diamonds | 6 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 18 | 4 | 10 |
| Westm't Wingers | 5 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 16 | 5 | 8 |
| Spar Sparkles | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 7 | 4 |
| Dorval Dolphins | 4 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 11 | 15 | 2 |
| T.M.R. Falcons | 5 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 15 | 22 | 2 |
| N.D.G. Panthers | 5 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 11 | 25 | 2 |

| 'C' Division | G | W | L | T | F | A | P |
|-----------------|---|---|---|---|----|----|----|
| N.D.G. Jaguars | 7 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 24 | 10 | 11 |
| Dorval Dragons | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 3 | 4 |
| T.M.R. Eagles | 6 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 13 | 4 |
| Spar Sparkles | 6 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 12 | 20 | 4 |
| Westm't Wingers | 5 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 11 | 16 | 3 |

Young athletes celebrated at banquet

BY BOB OLIVER

When 8-year-old Corinne Rashi was called to the stage to receive her sportsmanship trophy at the Westmount Semi-Annual Sports Award Banquet on Thursday night at Victoria Hall, it was the thrill of her young lifetime.

It was her first year playing soccer, her first banquet, and the first time ever winning an athletic award. "I'm going to put it in my room, in a nice safe place," said the effervescent novice athlete who took to the field as a member of the Montreal atom team in Westmount's Mini-World Cup of Soccer league. "I couldn't believe it when I heard my name being called. It felt so good. I was so surprised."

Rashi wasn't too sure what sportsmanship meant by description, so 15-year-old Jazz Brousseau—who won the award for peewee inline hockey—offered his interpretation.

"It has to do with team spirit, showing up for the games, playing hard and playing fair," he said while glancing down at his trophy.

The young athletes were among 625 people packed into Vic Hall. Sports and Recreation

department director Bob Aiken hosted the evening along with staff members Mike Deegan, Bruce Stacey, Dave Lapointe, Claude Danis and Annabelle Guay. Westmount Mayor Peter Trent and councillors Herb Bercovitz, Cynthia Lulham, Karin Marks, Tom Thompson and director-general Bruce St. Louis were on hand to help hand out the awards and hotdogs.

The following is a list of recipients in order of presentation: SWIM TEAM: Most Improved; Nicholas Porteous, Lauren Renteln, Geordie Robbins, Noah Mackell, Celine Bilbul, Melanie Bilbul and Ruth Colton. Most Dedicated; Maxime Montreuil, Cole Springate, Olivier Piche, Eric Lightbourne, Mike Mossop, Charlotte Piche, Rebecca Chant, Clara Altimas, Cassandra Lazaris, Alexandra Dalgleish and Veronica Asgary. GIRLS SOCCER CHAMPIONS: NOVICE; Halifax. ATOM; Sherbrooke. PEWEE; Ottawa. BANTAM; SPRING-Vancouver. FALL-Edmonton. MIDGET; Montreal West. GIRLS SOCCER SPORTSMANSHIP; Adrienne Asgary, Justine Daningburg, Keely Goldberg, Danielle Marcovitz, Shirley Coronado, Corinne Rashi, Julia Taddeo, Lesley Bergman, Alexandra Lithwick, Araxi Markarian, Samantha Abelson, Sharon Coronado, Natanya Khazzam, Sandra Robaire, Dana Frankel, Jessica Drury and Maryann Smith. BOYS SOCCER CHAMPIONS: NOVICE; Ireland and Argentina. ATOM; Bulgaria. PEWEE; Scotland. BANTAM; Wales. BOYS SOCCER SPORTSMANSHIP; Amir Dabucol, Philip Fleising, Zachary Feldman, Dylan Brophy,

David Searle, Maxence Guerin, George Harrington, Jonathan Lutter-Hoppenheim, Jason Coviensky, Luke Gruber, Jean Arlet, Renaud Guerin, Nicholas Smith, Andy Rosenhek, Eric Mailhot, Zachary Khazzam, Stephen Robaire, Martin Lysy and Dan Wright. BASEBALL CHAMPIONS: Mosquito; Orioles. PEWEE; Phillies. BASEBALL SPORTSMANSHIP; Max Koenekoop, Aaron Besner, Adam Bowser, Zachary Mofford, Philippe Baird, Alex Kaluza, Renaud Guerin, Patrick Johnson, Jane Howlet, Seth Abbey, Jeffrey Barkun and James Morrow. INTERCITY BASEBALL SPORTSMANSHIP; Casey Auerbach, Jonas Prupas and Jesse Binstock. CO-ED SOFTBALL CHAMPIONS: Atom; Angels. PEWEE; Cubs. CO-ED SOFTBALL SPORTSMANSHIP; Caulder Nash, Thomas Griffin, Anna Pollock, Fallon Tajfel, Maia Rotman and Ryan Gelinus. CO-ED VOLLEYBALL SPORTSMANSHIP; Nana Cononne-Velasquez and Anna-Maria Jovmir. FIELD HOCKEY SPORTSMANSHIP; Nicholas Angers and Bo-Cheng Ke. INLINE HOCKEY CHAMPIONS: Atom; Titans. PEWEE; Blades. INLINE HOCKEY SPORTSMANSHIP; Reuben Dylewski, Jeremy MacLaine, Paul Starr, Ted Suss, Jazz Brousseau, Patrick Bruce and Alexis Roy. MUNICIPAL TENNIS TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS: Men's singles; Allen Faguy. Men's doubles; Allen Faguy and Howard Oksenberg. Ladies singles; Marie Bourbonniere. Ladies doubles; Vicki Naday and Trudie Ogden. Mixed doubles; Sandra Lefrancois and Robert Lefrancois. Junior doubles; Aiden Talai and Jordan Beitel. Girls singles under-12; Mirna Panic. Boys singles; under-12; Ryan Stotland. Under-14; Isaac Langleben. Under-16; Firmin Yau.



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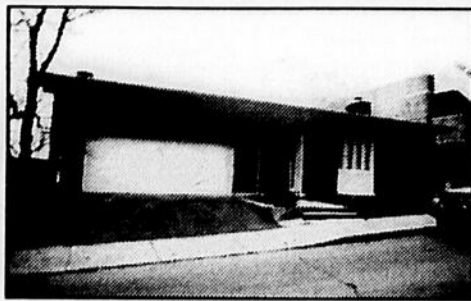


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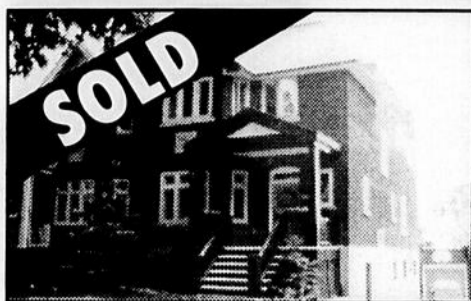
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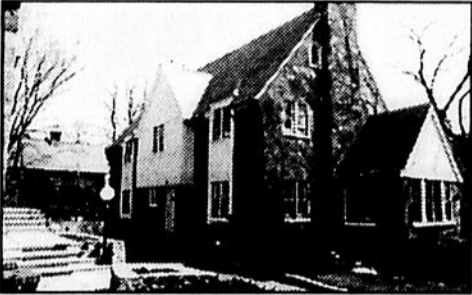
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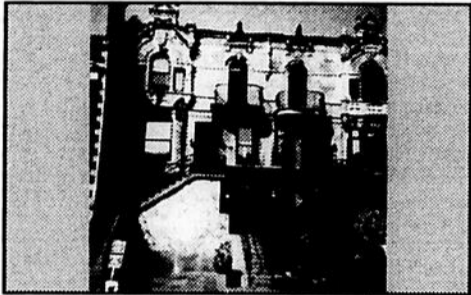
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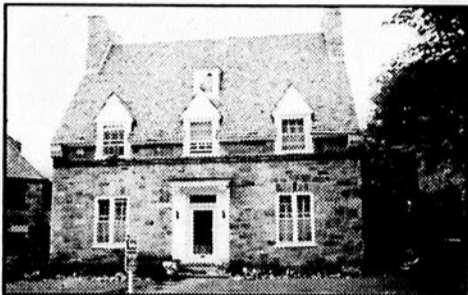
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